



Set/ Rep Meeting Minutes  
of the School of Energy  
Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Chair: Denis Dobrozdravich, Chair of the School of Energy

Set/Tech Reps:

Adrian E Leon  
Aman Vahra  
Beth O'Reilly  
Bob Nodelyk  
Carson Turnbull  
Daniel Richter  
Daniel Yen  
Emily Pollock  
Ji Ho Park  
Louis Tang  
Matt Belair

Michael Myhal  
Navid Meadi  
Nigel Kam  
Saarah Malawiya  
Sandra Sabau  
Thomas Manson  
Trent Stewart  
Trevor Carpenter

Staff: Olesea Zadoinova

Guest Speakers:

Emily Pollock- Food Waste Recycling Program  
Jonathan Kwan- Free tax return services

4.1 Meeting called to order

The Chair person, Denis Dobrozdravich, calls meeting to order at 2:45 pm

4.2 The Guest Speakers

➤ Emily Pollock

The Guest Speaker Emily Pollock spoke regarding Food Waste Recycling Program. A lot of food is thrown in garbage at BCIT. Emily started a project to improve this situation and needs students' support. Please email Emily for more details.

➤ Guest Speaker Jonathan Kwan

Jonathan Kwan invited all BCIT students to participate in a free tax return filing, organized by the BCITSA and the FMA club. BCIT students, Residents and Faculty members are welcome to take part in it. It was mentioned that single persons with an annual income of less than 25,000 are eligible to apply. Among potential not eligible candidates were mentioned those who own business, have a deceased return, claiming capital gains and etc. The schedule and location, as well as the eligibility details will be posted online at the BCITSA website.

Questions:

- ✓ How will you ensure privacy? Please bring your USB stick; we will not save anything on the BCIT computers.
- ✓ Are students volunteering for returns? Yes.

➤ **Guest Speaker Zac Der**

Zac Der: come and join us for the Paintball indoor event in Richmond on February 15, 2013 from 6:00pm to 12:00pm. More people sign in- more chances to negotiate a discount.

Questions:

- ✓ What is the price for this event? About 25 dollars. More you shoot, the bigger is the price.

➤ **Peer Tutor Lessons**

The Uconnect is hiring School of Energy Peer Tutors right now. The position is paid. Visit the Uconnect office at SE2 286 to receive more details about it.

➤ **Speak Up Speak Out**

Speak up Speak out Campaign is dedicated to the Mental Health Awareness Week and will take place on February 18- 22, 2013. There are no more T-shirts students can order. Set Reps were asked to spread the word about the Campaign.

➤ **Upass Referendum**

The U-pass BC fees will be increased starting from April 1, 2013.

- \$35 per month till May1, 2014
- \$36.75 per month till May1, 2015
- \$38 per month till May1, 2016

Students are encouraged to participate in the referendum to vote for or against the U-pass program on Feb 15-22. If the majority of students of BCIT vote against the above proposed fees, the U-Pass BC Program will no longer be available to the students of BCIT as of April 1, 2013. If

voted 'for' then the U-pass program will continue with the above fee increases. The question for the referendum is being prepared by VP External and the rest of the council.

Questions:

- ✓ Will Translink increase the number of buses? No promises so far.
- ✓ Can we opt out? Only certain percentage of students can opt out.

#### 4.3 Old Business

##### ➤ Strike Information

No details are known regarding any potential strike happening at BCIT. Set Reps shared their ideas and concerns regarding strike.

Questions:

- ✓ Will any compensation be provided for the days we lost? BCIT will start to look at it based on the learning outcomes.

##### ➤ Facilities information

Set Reps were encouraged to email Denis, if they see anything that should be communicated to facilities.

- ✓ SE8 209- the temperature is too hot.
- ✓ SW1, 1<sup>st</sup> floor- sinks are not working in the girls and boys washrooms

##### ➤ Where to find information

Denis reminded to the Set Reps to use the BCITSA Web Site: [www.bcitsa.ca](http://www.bcitsa.ca), the BCITSA Facebook Page: <http://www.facebook.com/BCITSA> and the BCITSA Twitter: follow @BCITSA to find all required information regarding the BCITSA and its services, contact info, events, Extended Health Plan and etc.

##### ➤ The Distinguished Representative Award

Reps are eligible for the Distinguished Representative Award. The award will be given to a deserving Rep that has gone above and beyond the duties of a Rep. Each School will give out one award of \$500 per year to the selected Reps, this year's deadline is **April 26, 2013 at 4:00pm**

#### 4.4 New Business

##### ➤ Mentorship Program

A new system is coming for the Mentorship Program. 10 students come down; moreover, every week a different speaker will be invited. Set Reps shared their experience of the time when they had been involved in the Mentorship Program.

##### ➤ Career Center Survey

What do you think about E-jobs? Set Reps were encouraged to do the survey and to pass it to their sets.

#### Questions?

- ✓ Where can we find the survey? On mybcit page.

#### 4.5 Question Period

- ✓ It was recommended to contact Paul, Associate Dean, or the Program Head if certain programs are not installed in the library or other buildings.
- ✓ Do old Sets represent new groups? You can propose your candidature for the new group to vote. New Sets need to contact Denis.
- ✓ ESS club will have an event in the Pub on Friday. \$10 dollars per ticket include 2 beers and a burger.
- ✓ Set Reps shared their ideas and concerns regarding wireless connection at BCIT.
- ✓ Set Reps expressed their ideas about competitions they would like to be involved in.

#### 4.6 Next Meeting

TBA February 27, 2013

#### 4.7 Adjournment

The Chairperson, Denis Dobrozdravich, adjourned the meeting at 3:30pm.



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