



**School of Health Sciences
Set Rep Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, January 22nd, 2014 3:30-4:30pm**

Chair: Alicia Parayno, Chair of the School of Health Sciences

Set Reps:

Julie Gauthier
Andrew Hou
Nelson Lindquist
Christine Macdonald
Terry Davis
Raedeen Garrett
Laura Matthewson
Paul Kovamees
Sara Plain
Simon Chu
Howell Liu
Natalie Andersson
Jaime Walker
Wendy Chan
Gabriel Sng

Rabby Mir
Mohammed Alnaeb
Hugo Lee
Caitlyn Maletta
Erin Kille
Mark Ventura
Josephine McGeer
Amanda Ding
Iris Chan
Brian Chung
Dennis Senft
Annie Ta
Elizabeth Hadwell
Jenn Pendlington
Lily Chan

Guests:

Anya Besharah, Councillor
Gilbert Kim, Councillor

Dilavar Rana, Student

Guest Speakers:

Harb Johal, Residence Advisor; Antoinette Jackson, ARO Liaison; Connie Evans, Interprofessional Education and Simulation

4.1 Meeting called to order

The Chairperson Alicia calls the meeting to order at 3:40 pm.

4.2 Guest Speakers (30 min)

4.2.1 Harb Johal – Residence Advisor

Harb Johal introduces himself as the Housing Manager for BCIT, and a BCIT BBA graduate. He explains that he is here to give a presentation on the upcoming opportunity for students to be a resident advisor. RA's are advisors, activity coordinator, mentor, and friend.

Benefits of being an RA are great work experience, a rent-free apartment, free parking and wifi/cable, and a \$1000 per semester honourarium.

Some qualifications for the position include having good conflict resolution skills, good communication skills, availability for certain times to be on duty, and first aid certification. The position starts in August and goes until May.

Submit a cover letter, resume, references (in person at the housing office). Applicants are short-listed for a 3-part group interview, after which another 1 hour interview

Harb invites students to an info session February 12th with a tour and Q & A, taking place in SW11. There are 7 spots available, and the deadline is February 20th.

Visit bcit.ca/housing to download the application package.

4.2.2 Antoinette Jackson – BCIT Innovation Challenge

Antoinette is from the Applied Research Liaison Office at BCIT, and is here to talk about the BCIT Innovation Challenge, the goal of which is to support, fund, and encourage BCIT student's ideas.

There are 3 categories: business venture, BCIT community, and applied research category. Build your plan (submission guidelines online) and submit it by February 26th March; finalists then pitch in April to judges much like the *Dragon's Den* concept. The challenge welcomes interdisciplinary teams from any part of BCIT.

Opportunities include funding support, pairing with mentors to help bring plans to fruition. Seminars on business basics are also available every Thursday in January and February which are open to all students and include a free lunch. Certificates are given to participants who attend 5 of 6 seminars.

Learn more at bcit.ca/innovate

4.2.3 Connie Evans – Interprofessional Education/Collaboration

Connie welcomes the set reps and asks them if they have ever heard the term "Interprofessional Education". She explains that it means two or more professionals working together to learn with each other, from each other, and about each other's discipline. The key goal of this concept is patient safety, and that healthcare delivery models of the future clearly envision teams of healthcare providers working together to meet patient needs.

Connie shows a movie clip titled "the power of teamwork" which is about shared values.

Connie talks about the hierarchal systems in place in healthcare, and how they can be improved for better care and communication.

This kind of interdisciplinary work is about collaborative leadership, team functioning, and conflict resolution.

Connie discusses the need for integrating this kind of learning and practice in both an educational (at BCIT) and clinical setting.

She will be needing student input on committees, and ideas for pilot projects for fall.

Connie shows another movie clip about a student-led project that speculates on the impact of interprofessional work through a simulated disaster.

Connie will return to set rep meetings in the future to ask for input and provide info.

4.3 Old Business (5 min)

4.3.1 Feedback for Holiday Social (Nov 2013)

Alicia asks whether the set reps enjoyed the event arranged before Winter Break and whether they would like to have a similar event again. The consensus is that they liked it, and would like to do another event this semester, possibly with more of a networking aspect.

4.4 New Business (15 min)

4.4.1 Referendum

Alicia explains the current referendum that is being held, which proposes a plan set forth by BCITSA that will see a significant increase in the career advancement services currently being offered. Extensive polling and research done by a committee of student representatives has identified a growing need for more opportunities, and the Student Association has responded with a plan to make that happen.

In order to offer these new career services, the SA will need to permanently increase the student fees it charges the students. Go to the following link for information on fee increases <http://www.bcitsa.ca/referendum2014/> and for details of the plan.

Q: What kind of seminars would be offered and how would this help us get a job?

A: I can't speak exactly to what the seminars would be like, but they would be designed and facilitated by professional career advancement staff.

Q: Aren't these services already available through BCIT? What is the point of adding new services?

A: The plan is the result of student feedback about a lack of resources for career planning. BCIT is not able to augment their current services due to a lack of funding.

Comment: I think the idea is also to make BCIT more marketable and have head-hunters seek out BCIT to look for employees.

Q: How do we know what number of students need this service/ would access this?

A: There are statistics on this outlined in the plan, which can be found at the link above

4.4.2 Call for Valedictorians

Valedictorians represent their graduating class at their convocation by delivering a valedictory speech during the ceremony. Nominees must demonstrate involvement with BCIT and the community (e.g. volunteering, peer tutoring, Student Association). Preference will be given to nominees who have maintained a minimum GPA of 80% throughout their program. To apply, or nominate a valedictorian for Convocation, please fill in the form, found at: <http://www.bcit.ca/convocation/awards/valedictorians.shtml> and send to Elizabeth_Drews@bcit.ca by Jan 31, 2014.

4.4.3 BCITSA update: Orthotics/ dental care/ %50 off coffee at the stands

Pioneer Ergonomics will be on campus in the Great Hall offering customized orthotics that will be covered under the student health plan (or other extended health plans.)

Healthy Smile Dental Hygiene is the on-campus dental cleaning service which is fully covered under the student health plan. They have a promotion on now offering an electric toothbrush or 2 movie tickets to customers.

%50 off coffee this week at the Stand stores on campus.

4.4.4 Healthy Campus / Healthy Minds Summit

This event is happening at the Coast Plaza Hotel on Saturday, Jan 25, 2014 from 7:30am-4pm. Check out the link for more information <http://healthycampuses.ca/summit-2014>. Cost is \$20 for students. Registration closes at 5pm today.

4.4.5 Sun Run – Amanda

BCIT doesn't have a group to enter into the Sun Run, but Amanda is organizing a group for the SOHC run, so meet Amanda at the Uconnect on Tuesday Feb 4th at 4 pm to register.

4.4.6 Clubs – Anya

Anya is trying to organize a SOHS club, as her current program of Environmental health is too small a group to launch a club under. She would like to be able to get organized in order to get group memberships and access to other resources and thinks starting a club is the best way to do this.

4.5 Open Forum (10 min)

Q/C: Students will be participating in LoveFest in the Great Hall with rose and tea sales and they need volunteers for a car wash fundraiser: Contact Jen at: [jenn.pendlington@gmail](mailto:jenn.pendlington@gmail.com)

Q/C: There is a bad smell outside of the washrooms in the Gateway building.

4.6 Next Meeting

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4.7 Meeting Adjournment

Alicia adjourns the meeting at 4:25 pm.



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