



**BCIT Student Association**

Class Rep Meeting

Agenda

Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015

1115 – 1215

**Chair:** Daniel Sumano, Chair of Aerospace Technology Campus \*

**Class Reps:**

Aaron Rippin	Mark Gutknecht
Adam Albrecht	Matthew Huen
Alec McCourt	Nathan Saretzky
Arvin Nikseresht	Navin Vidyadharan
Amin Ismail	Shekhar Chandra
Elaine St. Laurent	Xander Deggan
Ellie Huey	Nick Gravel
Eric Corcoran	Ozzy Abukhandra
Felipe Ferreira	Peter Chan
Harman Sokhey	Rema Abukhandra
Hussain Jahanzaib	Scott Maan
Jaden Moon	Laurence Gareia
John Lee	Jacob Beauregard
Lee Dawson	James Thibault
Lisa Lai	John De Vera
Lucadio Gutierrez	

**Staff:** Chantel Dickson, Satellite Program Coordinator\*

Attended(\*)                      Excused (E)

**30.1 Meeting called to order**

- 11:25 am

**30.2 Acceptance of the Agenda**

- Navin Vidyadharan and Adam Albrecht

**30.3 Acceptance of the minutes of April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015**

- Navin Vidyadharan and Adam Albrecht

**30.4 Guest Speaker: Robyn Loughheed, BSW – Advocate, BCIT Student Association**

Topic: Effective Communication

- Give a little → Get a lot
- By showing humility you can get what you want
- When you're dealing with conflict, being able to work with the person, you will get farther
- When communicating, the best thing you can do is listen
- Try to negotiate by asking what else there is that you can do to make up for something
- 3 types of communication: Passive, aggressive, assertive
- Passive is submissive
- Aggressive is dominant
- Assertive is meeting in the middle
  
- Basic Communication: Listen and remain calm. The calmer that you can stay, the better that you will be for it.
- Don't criticise the person instead of the behaviour

Topic: Conflict resolution

- Builds and strengthens relationships
- Professional vs professional – you will be building relationships
  1. Make your relationship a priority
  2. Focus on the present
  3. Pick your battles – make sure you know what you want
  4. Be willing to forgive the person
  5. Know when to let something go – make sure you know when to walk away from a situation and when to leave and come back to something when it's the right time.

Students & Instructors

- Do not be afraid to approach your superiors
- At the very least you gain practice on your conflict resolution skills
- Be calm respectful, and don't forget to give a little bit of humility

*Question:* Using humor vs sarcasm, should you avoid sarcasm entirely?

*Answer:* Avoid sarcasm completely. But if you do it, take control of the situation and move forward with it. Know your audience and who you can use humor with.

Daniel: It is important to put your emotions aside; it is not what you say but how you say it. As class reps you will be approached by students, make sure you use your own opinion to shape the conversation in the most constructive way.

### **30.5 Guest Speaker: James ThiBault – AME ``M``**

Topic: Bagpiping Club at the ATC

- Will be giving lessons for free, 5 days a week, 30 minutes a day at lunch.
- He will put you in contact with a pipe band if you would like to move forward.

### **30.6 ATC News**

#### **30.6.1 BCIT's VP Academic holding a Student Forum on BCIT's DNA at ATC**

- BCIT is looking to adapt, change and stay ahead of the curve on the programs.

- Part of their plans is to ask the student body how they are feeling about the programs structure.
- Bill Dow will be coming to discuss these things with the students. He will be sitting down with everyone who will be making the big decisions.
- If the program structure needs something new or if you feel like there is room for improvement then bring this up to him.
- Follow up with Daniel or Marika.
- It would be ideal for one representative from each program.
- Please forward this to your list of classmates to get the word out
- BCIT Vice President Academic (interim) will be coming to the ATC on **Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**

Room 198 – North Wing of the Campus

- Topic to be discussed is regarding BCIT's DNA, via a student forum
- To be held in the CIBC room/Boardroom 198 (first floor) in the North Wing of the campus from 1115 to 1215
- Lunch and assortment of drinks will be provided
- Maximum student participation is 40
- To participate please email your chair at [chairaerospace@bcitsa.ca](mailto:chairaerospace@bcitsa.ca), or text at 778.991.5323, reservations are needed
- BCIT recently celebrated its 50th year anniversary and as such plans are now under way in shaping the next 50 years of BCIT education.
- The goal is tap into the student education experience and the process we have had while attending BCIT.
- The valuable feedback from this session will shape the conversation about education in the greater BCIT community and impact many future decisions.

- If you are unable to attend, you can still contribute by completing a survey at:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1IFT1zN6gmviXgBYdOjoNJKCT-K0Lnlz4Mh0JTX9AuXs/viewform?usp=send\\_form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1IFT1zN6gmviXgBYdOjoNJKCT-K0Lnlz4Mh0JTX9AuXs/viewform?usp=send_form)

- If you have any questions, please contact Marika Morissette, Assistant to the VP Academic at 604-432-8730 or [Marika\\_Morissette@bcit.ca](mailto:Marika_Morissette@bcit.ca).

### 30.6.2 Second Annual ATC Basketball Tournament

- You do not have to participate in the game, you can just come out and enjoy the sun and eat some hot dogs!
- The sign-up sheet will be found outside of the SA office
- You need to include: Team name, number of players, your names
- There will be a referee (Daniel) one or two more students

- Tournament/final will be on Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> from 1530-1800
- Teams will be made out of 4 players
- Games will be 3 on 3 with one Sub
- Winnings include prizes and trophies
- Sign-Up sheet can be found outside the SA Office
- Team name and Team Captain (name and contact) are required to sign up.
- If more than four teams participate, tournament will be held throughout the month of May with semis and final taking place on the 27<sup>th</sup>
- Coinciding with the Tournament the ATC will be having an “end of school year” BBQ!
- Free hot-dogs and drinks for all students.
- Students are not required to participate in the tournament to enjoy a delicious hot-dog
- Come out and support your team or classmates
- GET THE WORD OUT; let’s have an epic end school year bash!

## **30.7 Old Business**

### **30.7.2 Gym Temperature**

- Request has been made with BCIT to lower the gym temperature
- After visiting the gym a few times this past month I found the temperature to be please.
- Daniel has made a request to lower the gym temperature,
- If anyone notices that the temperature is not okay then we will make another request.

## **30.8 New Developments**

### **30.8.1 UPASS converted to COMPASS CARD**

- As of June 2015 the UPASS PAPER program will no longer be available.
- The process in which students on monthly bases go to the library to pick up their UPASS with their student identification will longer be in effect.
- During the last week of May students will now be required to go to the library with their student identification and pick up their COMPASS CARD. This is only a onetime event.
- It will be the responsibility of the student to go online and activate their Compass Card on monthly bases in order to use Translink services.
- Website: <https://upassbc.translink.ca/>

- After selecting ones school (BCIT) you will be redirected to BCIT's UPASS LOG IN, where a student must type in their student number and password as if he or she is login in to a BCIT computer.
- The student will now be directed to a Translink/Upass webpage. Students will now have to type in a 20-digit Compass Card Number and a 3-digit CVN number, both found at the back of the card.
- Finally student will select the month in which the Compass Card will be active, no more than two months at a time.
- Students will be able to still use their plastic Compass Card after their time at BCIT.
- A \$10 deposit will be needed to activate the card. This \$10 will not go towards any fairs, but will give the individual a sense of detainment. Reducing lost card incidents and help clean the environment.
- Individual can go on to Translink website, Translink Station, 7-11, or a Pharmaplus to insert monies for Translink usage

### **30.8.2 Class Rep Award**

- Dylan Smith, President of the Student Association presents the Distinguished Set Rep award to Arvin Nikseresht.
- Award is a \$500 cheque to the student for outstanding behaviour by showing consistent support and leadership to his classmates.

### **30.8.3 2015 Election Results**

- Congratulations to Navin Vidyadharan for winning the 2015 ATC Chair Election
- Navin will assume his role as Chair of ATC as Of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.
- Navin will be in contact with every Class Rep
- I encourage you all to continue to enhance the student experience at the ATC with Navin

### **30.9 Round Table**

### **30.10 Next Meeting: TBA**

### **30.11 Meeting Adjournment**

- 12:15pm