

Set Rep Meeting
School of Computing
Meeting Minutes for Thursday, 1/21/2016
Time: 5:30 – 6:30
Location: Council Chambers – SE2 3rd Floor

Chair: Nav Bhatti

Staff: Amy Smith, BCITSA Club Program Coordinator

Set Reps:

Chloee	Robbins	Marc Vouve	Nathaniel
Robertson	Victor Van	Stuart Budd	Thomas
Tim Boyarki	Celia Lee	Mario Enriquez	Brandon Tran
Carson	Sungwoo Kahng	Rizwan Ahmed	Meghan Tius
Yamomoto	George Padua	Vishav Singh	Hannah Tanna
Atson Ries	Mary Grace	Eric Tsang	Dolan Elliot
Bryn Beaudry	Fojas	Justin Tsang	Adam Slater
Jordan Lin	Jayson Jagodies	Justin	Tan Tang
Daniel	Matthew Wong	McLennah	George Lee
baraanowski	Trevor Ware	Manjot Khalsa	Kal Ivall-Bolean
Matthew	Shane Spoor	Sheldon Lynn	Wilson Lau

1.1 Meeting Called to Order

Nav welcome the set reps and calls the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

1.2 Career Services Update with Alexandra Gunn

- Tech Industry Days, DTC and Burnaby Jan 26th and 27th

25 Technology sector companies will be on campus to recruit BCIT students and share information about what their organization does.

- Industry Week: Sara explains this is a first for Career Services; employers each day will present on their company and what kinds of opportunities are coming up with their organization. She directs Reps to look under “Events” on the Career Services website and then search Industry Week. Click on whatever session you want to attend and hit RSVP.

1.3 Effective Communication with Robyn Lougheed

Robyn gives a power point to the Set Reps that covers different style of communicating and how to handle conflict. She covers passive, aggressive, and assertive communication types. She explains active listening and what kinds of tips people can use to practice active listening. She illustrates these tips through an acronym called S.O.L.A.R. which covers body language while listening.

Robyn touches on strategies for coping with conflict in a healthy way. She describes characteristics of healthy and unhealthy responses to conflict.

She welcomes Reps to come and speak with her any time: rlougheed@bcitsa.ca

1.4 Guest Speakers Dean Hildebrand, Rob Neilson

Associate Dean introduces himself to the Set Reps and discusses some recent news:

- BC tech summit
- Provincial Liberal government mandates K-12 coding curriculum
- Career opportunities abound
- CIT program expanding and moving downtown; this frees up space at Burnaby
- Budget allocation for computing expansion

CST Program Head, Rob Nielson

- Program Review surveys needing higher response rate; feedback vital to the program review
- Changes in Co-op coming. Rob explains that this resource is not as valuable for students who have work experience
- Open House : Industry employers come to this event, and options should display projects to draw attention, as well as non-option projects. The event needs volunteers in many capacities- contact Shebia.

1.4.1 OPEN FORUM- with faculty

- What’s the next step with student feedback?

Analyze the data collected, and then student focus groups will follow.

- Will results be publically available?

There will be a report available.

- Are industry reps consulted in the review process?

Yes, they are a highly valued part of the process.

- Re: surveys - it helps to point out to students that helping to improve the program helps increase the value of their credential.

1.5 New Business

- U-Pass Referendum – Vote
- April 1st LAN party date check. Game checks
- CUCS Conference in June 22nd – 25th volunteers get in for free
- Planetarium event – do it on Monday Feb 29th
- Complaints about BCIT's network
- SA Career workshops - mock interviews were awesome, also resume review. Wish those were better publicized.

Q/C: Git Hub

Q/C: CST and CIT collaborate to strengthen portfolio

Q/C: Business cards – restrictions on logo use? Yes, campus print and the book store has a set template with logo.

- Tips for being a set rep:
 - Set clear role expectations
 - Provide guidance and directions
 - Disseminate information
- Shane, representing Toastmasters club and Games Dev club, tells reps about the awesome benefits of joining these clubs and the kinds of activities they engage in. He mentions that meetings for both clubs are held every Wednesday at 2:30 and 3:30 pm.

1.6 Next Meeting

February 25th, Council Chambers

1.7 Meeting Adjournment

Nav adjourns the meeting at 7:54 pm