



BCIT Student Association

Class Rep Meeting

Agenda

Wednesday, February 17th, 2016

1115 – 1215

Chair: Navin Vidyadharan

Attending Reps:

Aaron Rippin	Pavel Yim
Adam Albrecht	Bryan Lim
Eric Corcoran	Alesso Marra
Kyounggu Yeo	Scott Mann
John De Vera	Taylor Yamamoto
Jacob Beauregard	Ali Jannati
Cory Mckay	Tyson Sangha
Dustin Brooks	Kristyn Folkes

Staff: Chantel Dickson

4.1 Meeting called to order

- 11:21am

4.2 Acceptance of the Agenda

- Eric Corcoran
- Adam Albrecht

4.3 Acceptance of the Minutes of January 20th, 2016

- Eric Corcoran
- Adam Albrecht

4.4 Guest Speaker: Robyn Lougheed

- Robyn is completely confidential. Students can come forward to her if someone wants to complain; voices concerns, or understand BCIT policy.
- Question: IF the whole class is struggling with someone and the instructor does not change the course of the curriculum, can Robyn help? Answer: Yes
- Send her an email or give her a call rlougheed@bcitsa.ca or (604) 456-1161
- Conflict resolution and communication skills are very important skills to have in your life. Set reps will be given the power point notes.
- Three styles of communication. 1. Passive 2. Aggressive 3. Assertive
- Passive: Is avoiding conflict
- Aggressive: Is forceful or hostile

- Assertive: Is openly expressing feelings and looking to find a compromise
- Communication Do's and Don'ts
 - DO stand up for your rights
 - Listen and remain calm
 - DON'T make assumptions and avoid communication
- Active Listening 101
 - What is it? = Focusing on the person who is speaking, putting away all distractions and giving them feedback as they are talking. Treat a person how you would want to be treated.
- Allow the person to tell you what they are feeling and understand where they are coming from.. aka being empathetic (putting yourself in their shoes)
- When we communicate, quite often we will put it in the back of our head to respond quickly and we won't fully listen to their whole thought.
- Attentive behaviour = SOLER
 - Squarely face them
 - Open posture
 - Lean in towards them
 - Eye contact is maintained
 - Relax
- Don't Interrupt, give advice, pass judgment, or prepare a rebuttal
- DO be aware of body language, smile, nod
- Conflict Resolution 101
 - Power dynamic needs to be addressed particularly as a student, because with the student/teacher relationship, quite often students cannot feel like they can't speak up. This is your education, so you should feel like you can get the best out of it.
- Remember.... Conflict resolution takes emotional maturity, self-control, and empathy
- Characteristics of healthy responses to conflict
 - Readiness to forgive and forget
 - The ability to seek out compromise and avoid punishment
 - Capacity to recognize and respond to important matters
 - Have to be willing to give and get = Compromise
- Unhealthy Conflict Resolution
 - Explosive, angry, hurtful reactions
 - Withdrawal of love
 - You have to go in with the right mindset, don't have bad expectations or else that is what will occur

4.5 Guest Speaker: John De Vera

- Avionics class needs funding for a field trip to Seattle. Approx. \$20 per person.
- Set rep vote to see if the students are ok with requesting funding from the ATC budget.
- Majority votes yes
- Navin will now bring the request to Dylan Smith for further consideration.

4.6 Parking issue

- Navin is continuing to work on this issue; however it has persisted for about 2 years.
- High parking rates are due to the fact that the lot is owned by YVR.

4.6 Wright Brothers Flying Extravaganza

- Friday March 18th

4.7 Round Table

- Airframe technician textbook for level one is up for revision and there are not enough copies right now available for the students
 - Borrow the textbook of a classmate and make photocopies
- Question: Is there a possibility for a BCIT Info Session Tour for the YVR hanger?
 - Talk to Dave Hendrickson about it he is a former Air Canada employee
- Smokers are smoking too close to the doors by the cafeteria and there is second hand smoke blowing through the cafeteria every time
 - Suggestion: Create a smoke pit for the students that are sheltered. Give it to the construction students as a project.

4.8 Next Meeting: March 02, Room: TBA

4.9 Meeting Adjournment

- 12:15pm