

Downtown Campus Set Rep Meeting
10/26/2022
Minutes

Chair: Sally Poon, Chair of Downtown

Staff: Amy Smith, Career Specialist

Set Reps: Laurent Beique; Stephanie Isilebo; Sean Tan; Victor Liu; Ram Rajan; Jovolynn Gragasin; Bana Nourkeyhani; Shanti Stein-Gagnon; Tanya Oberoi; Brandon Woo; Alexandra Wong; Matt Puyat; Dennis Phan; Ian Stewart; Sierra Brown; Quinten Leung; Steven Larper; Deanna Lepke; Uday Chhina; Lata Kumari; Brett Gill;

Regrets:

Eva Chu; Setareh Nouri; Amir Eskandari; Wilson Sue; James Wittensleger;

Note: Attendance was lightly kept for this first meeting and is not completely accurate, future meetings will be prepared with a better list of attendees to check off from

1.1 Meeting Called to Order

The Chair, Sally, calls the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

1.2 Welcome and Introductions – icebreaker activity

Set Reps introduce themselves.

1.3 Guest Speaker - Bobby Davidson, Education Council

Bobby introduces himself and talks about the role of EdCo and how Set Reps can interface with his role to advance concerns or ideas.

1.4 Open Forum

- Concerns about midterms results and tests. Discussed following the chain of command with advancing feedback, and what type of feedback is appropriate to raise to the AD vs. instructors or program heads.
- Concerns about weighted exams where failing one may mean failing the whole course.
- Advanced Diploma in Business Management – concerns with classmates' courseload and overwhelming workload.

- Suggestions to support each other as classmates, but also communication with instructors
- Ideas for coping and adjusting and taking into consideration different learning styles.
- Concerns with receiving marks in a timely fashion to know where they stand, grades wise. Staff indicates existing policies on this and shares policy highlights.
- Question regarding who/how to suggest feedback about program management – i.e., better orientation – D2L and other onboarding tips.
- Request for more gym equipment
 - Sally discusses the student spaces committee and how to make requests. To be followed up on.
- Accessibility concerns about coordinating at DTC. Nonresponses to email requests, lack of coordination with rooms being available at time of test.
- Note that the 6th floor fountain is broken
- Request for power cords or more outlets on the 8th floor
- Request for indoor games, ping pong, etc.
- Request for library of HDMI/ power cords/ etc.
- Request for fridge? Find out about access on 2nd floor. Note that BCIT says if staff don't get a fridge, then students don't.
- Discussed possibility of food pantry at DTC
- Note that a hot water dispenser is available on the 6th floor

1.5 Chair's Objectives

Sally discusses one of her objectives; to hold an event at DTC

Event ideas – LAN, board games, Mario Kart tournament, Jack Box Party

1.6 Guest Speaker: Amy Smith, Career Specialist

- Discusses services offered and what people want
- Asked if students know about services, asked about times, types of services.
- Most people don't know about the workshops or are unable to due to time
- 12:30-1:30 between classes, lunch. 12-1 for an example that works for one program.
- Some students are already employed or have a job lined up
- Students curious about online workshops, accessing content over the course of a few weeks
- Students ask for schedules of services that can be shared
- Question about career services geared toward students who are not actively job searching – Amy answers Career planning, networking etc.
- Best way to make an appointment with Amy?
- What will be the next term's schedule be like?
- People didn't know about or how to use the service

- Question about workshops geared for particular programs. Request for specialized events for programs, a one-time workshop

1.6 Set Rep Updates

- Facility Reports - <https://www.bcit.ca/facilities/>
- Office Hours: Tuesday 1pm-3pm, Wednesdays 10:30-12:30
- Sally asks if Reps prefer in-person or online meetings.
 - Majority prefer in-person for future meetings.

1.7 Reminders

Next Meeting:

1.8 Meeting Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM