

Downtown Campus Set Rep Meeting
10/26/2022
Minutes

- Chair:** Cody Pallin, Chair, Transportation, Construction, and Environment
- Staff:** Minnu Bennichan, Administrative Coordinator and Board Liaison
Fizza Rashid: Advocacy Specialist
- Set Reps:** Cody Pallin
Sasha
Tony
Colin Blackie
Carl Yan
Owen Rains
Marven Sera
Elliot Steed
Marcus Paiera
Marcus Refford
Yui Nguyen
Regina Shakhnazaryan
Caleb Neilson
Brandon Taylor
Jasmine Cho
Melissa Sanchez
Luke Loewen
Raza Ali
Manna Heisel
Mo Baydoun

1.1 Meeting Called to Order

The Chair, Cody, calls the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

1.2 Welcome and Introductions

- The meeting started with the Land Acknowledgment
- Chair, Staff, and the set reps introduced themselves
- Conducted a fun and engaging icebreaker activity
- Chair provided general guidelines for the meeting

1.3 Objective update - Chair

- Chair explained his role and objectives:
 - Improve the advocacy representation of the SA in Specialty Campuses
 - Implementing the set rep programs to the Trade courses under the School of Construction and the Environment
 - Forming an Aerospace Marine Annacis Chair position from the existing Aerospace Technology Campus Chair position while clarifying the Transportation, Construction & Environment Chair position to be strictly BCIT Burnaby Campus based.
 - Improve student amenities at BCIT

1.4 Club Introduction

- Members from the following clubs talked about their club and mentioned the upcoming events:
 - BCIT: Engineering Society of Students mentioned a campus-wide competition to select students for WEC (Western Engineering Competition). The competition will take place for 8 different categories. The registration is due on November 4th. Topics will be given on the spot. It will be an all-paid 4 days competition. This year's competition will take place in SFU, Surrey.
 - Women in Engineering – this club intends to bring all students together, especially women. In association with other clubs, they are hosting a fun event next Wednesday, November 9th.
 - Troitsky – a bridge-building club. They encourage creativity and problem-solving by building model bridges.
 - Engineers without Borders - promote sustainable establishments to Africa

1.5 Open Forum

- Do you prefer to continue the communication through email?
 - Yes.
 - Discord Server was also suggested.
- One of the set reps mentioned that two years back they filed a complaint about one of the instructors (not providing feedback and ample time to learn) and the issue was not resolved. The issue is still continuing.
 - It is advised to bring up this issue to the program head and if the issue is not resolved, consult the Associate Dean. At any time during the process, the Advocacy team will be available for support.
- If a group of students has to make the petition, mostly they are reluctant to do so for fear of providing their names.
 - The set reps can sign a Letter of Concern on behalf of the students they are representing and provide it to the associated Program Head with confidentiality.

- There is an issue with the NE1 bathrooms
 - If you experience any issues with any of the facilities at BCIT, please submit an application through the webpage for BCIT facilities.
- Would it be possible to have a public fridge in NE1?
 - The main concern about that is we need somebody to maintain the fridge. If we can come up with a solution for that, then it is possible.

1.6 Reminders

- KIEWIT Networking Event and Marine Work Yard – November 8
- BCITSA Student Initiative Fund – November 11
- McElhanney Info Session – November 16
- BCITSA Winterfest – November 29
- Seeking Valedictorian Nominations – by January 20

Next Meeting:

1.7 Meeting Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm.