



Council Meeting Agenda

Monday, April 4th, 2016

5:30 – 8:30pm

16.1 Meeting called to order

16.2 Acceptance of the Agenda

16.3 Acceptance of the Minutes: Monday, March 21st, 2016

16.4 Progress Reports

16.5 New Business

16.5.1 Elections: Appeals Committee

16.6 Question Period

16.7 Councillor's Forum

16.8 Next Meeting: Monday, April 18th at 5:30 pm

16.9 Meeting Adjournment

Council Meeting
Monday, April 04th, 2016
Minutes

Executives: Dylan Smith, President
Jessica Graham, VP Finance and Administration
Bradley Lindsay, VP Campus Life
Shubhi Singh, VP External Affairs
Heyden Vargas, VP Student Affairs
Nav Bhatti, Computing & Academic Studies Chair
Emilio Da Silva, DTC Chair
Justin Deddens, Transportation, Construction & the Environment Chair
Meghan Fisher, Business Chair
Jamie Haakons, Energy Chair
Josephine McGeer, Health Sciences Chair
Navin Vidyadharan, ATC Chair

Staff: Caroline Gagnon, Executive Director
Justin Bargiacchi, Assistant to the Executive Director and HR Generalist

Councillors:

Mikaela Blumke	Tyrone Lengert
Stuart Budd	Henry Lo Trevor Matthews
John De Vera	Matthew May
Kayla Di Bauda	Farid Mohammadi Ahwazi
Megan Euverman	Sarah Mulford
Reza Filsoof	Jessica Myroon
Inderpreet Gill	Dean Tamboline
Josephine Grant	Sarah Thomasen
Michael Hui	Princess Valenzuela
Angela (Gee En) Kim	Marc Vouve

Absent:

Bryn Beaudry	Jordan Leask
Justin Guggenheimer	Minwoo Lee
Morgan Latremouille	Daniel Yen

Guest:

16.1 Meeting Called to Order

The Chairperson, Dylan Smith, calls the meeting to order at 17:46. (33 voting members, including Chair)

16.2 Acceptance of the Agenda

It was moved that the agenda be accepted as distributed.

Moved by: Dean Tamboline

Seconded by: Trevor Matthews

32/0/0 Carried

16.3 Acceptance of Minutes: March 21st, 2016

Be it resolved that the Council Meeting Minutes from March 21st, 2016 be accepted as distributed.

Moved by: Meghan Fisher

Seconded by: Matthew May

32/0/0 Carried

Be it resolved that the Special General Meeting Minutes from February 29th, 2016 be accepted as distributed.

Moved by: Justin Deddens

Seconded by: Jamie Haakons

30/0/1 Carried

16.4 Progress Reports

Nav Bhatti (Chair - School of Computing and Academic Studies)

- As submitted.
- BCIT has given money to help fund students attend the upcoming conference.
- LAN party was on Friday (2016-04-01) and it went really well.

Emilio Da Silva (Chair – Downtown Campus)

- As submitted.

Justin Deddens (Chair - School of Transportation, Construction and the Environment)

- As submitted.
- Most of the objectives have seen no progress due to final presentation taking up time. Now that it is done, will be progressing again.

Meghan Fisher (Chair - School of Business)

- As submitted.
- Boat Cruise tickets are now on sale for \$35 each.

Caroline Gagnon (Executive Director)

- Not submitted.

Jessica Graham (VP Finance and Administration)

- As submitted.
- Went to JDC West Conference meeting. BCIT will be officially getting accepted as a school participant by Friday.

Jamie Haakons (Chair - School of Energy)

- As submitted.

Bradley Lindsay (VP Campus Life)

- As submitted.

Josephine McGeer (Chair - School of Health)

- As submitted.
- The Interprofessional Student Committee had its first power hour today (2016-04-04). It went well, but will be looking at increasing attendance moving forward.
- Made progress on nursing curriculum advising today as well.

Shubhi Singh (VP External Affairs)

- As submitted.
- Event with the Faculty & Staff Association (FSA) and BC Government Employees Union (BCGEU) has been cancelled. Will look at doing it again this September.
- Now have 565 signatures for the part-time studies Upass petition.

Dylan Smith (President)

- As submitted.

Navin Vidyadharan (Chair - Aerospace Technology Campus)

- As submitted.

16.5 New Business**16.5.1 Elections: Appeals Committee**

- With new changes to the election structure, there is an Appeals Committee should parties appeal the elections committee.
- This committee is supposed to include 3 student members according to bylaws.
- For this year only, will make an exception to the rule and open eligibility to Counsellors not running in the upcoming elections.
- If interested, email Dylan (president@bcitsa.ca)

Discussion:

- Why can only counsellors be on this committee? It is to keep the spirit of the bylaw, which aims to keep the Election Committee and Appeals Committee as separate as possible.

16.6 Question Period

- Which Executives are re-running? It is not official until the Registrar's office confirms it in conjunction with the Elections Committee.
- Which positions are open for running? All positions. Executives must rerun each year if they want to remain on the Board.
- Do you have to register for convocation? BCIT will contact you when the time comes if you are in a program. Only have to register for convocation if you are in part-time classes.
- For Heyden: Water fountains seem to be on hold. What is happening with that? BCIT just had their yearend, so were incredibly busy. Still working on it and goal is to have BCIT pay for it.

16.7 Councillor Forum

- With next Council meeting being during the campaign period, will that change anything? No. It will be fine. All attendees will be here as Council members, not running candidates.
- Will the budgets be explained? Yes. The Controller will come in to explain them all. The strategic plan also comes out at the same time. If you have any questions, you have two weeks to ask any questions you might have. The Controller is available to meet with you.

16.8 Next Council Meeting: Monday, April 18th, 2016

Next Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 18th, 2016 at 17:30 in Council Chambers.

16.9 Meeting Adjournment

It was moved by Henry Lo and seconded by Trevor Matthews that the meeting be adjourned.

18:01 **Carried**

Name & Position	Relative Priority	Objective Description	Objective Status	Position Update
Dylan Smith - President	1	Strengthen BCITSA Board internal workings and governance to facilitate smooth transition between different years of executives	Ongoing	No new major progress, gearing up for finals in two weeks. Had a productive meeting with the BCIT Execs. Elections are getting underway and the elections committee has almost been finalized. Demoed a new printing system for the SA photocopiers on campus.
	4	Bring car-sharing programs to BCIT. This objective is a carry forward from last year.	Complete	
	2	Reform elections process to ensure more fair and impartial elections in the future	Complete	
	3	Work to strengthen relations between BCITSA and BCIT Admin & Governance	Ongoing	
Jessica Graham - VP of Finance & Administration		Promote Importance of School Involvement, Boost School Spirit.	Boat Cruise Tickets now up for sale.	See Objective Status Updates
	Organize a fun and interactive charity/fundraising event	Boat Cruise Tickets now up for sale.		
	Promote Financial Management Program- BCIT School of Business	JDC Update- Attending Incoming/Outgoing Captain Conference in Edmonton to discuss next year's competition in Edmonton, and strategies to take from the previous competition in Saskatoon.		
Heyden Vargas - Vice President Student Affairs		Explore the possible replacement of outdated water fountains with water refill stations.	I have been in contact with Will Crocker at facilities. He has advised me that facilities is finishing up other projects before BCIT fiscal year end. I am maintaining the relationship with facilities and checking up with the status of the water fountain upgrade in SW1 and other areas around campus.	
	Create a yearly, SA-run survey on what services to improve to benefit students.	No progress		
	Advocate for more notification from BCIT to students when there will be lost service that impacts daily commute within campus. (Example: an app or text service if an elevator is down or computer lab closure.)	Completed		
Bradley Lindsay - VP of Campus Life		Deliver tours to new and returning students on Orientation Day.	Completed	Completed the second to last clubs funding committee meeting where the remaining funds were distributed. Performed data analysis to see whether or not there was validity for adding
		FroshFest 2015	Completed	

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		End of the Year Party	Passed on to Another Executive	
		Rec Services	No More progress.	
Shubhi Singh - VP of External	1	Extend U-Pass to Part Time Students	Ongoing. Did an interview with 24 Hour Vancouver in regards to the u-pass petition. Currently we have just over 500 votes on the petition. Hoping to reach 1000- at least!	Aside from my objective of bringing u-pass to PTS, all my other objectives will always remain ongoing (at least until the end of my term) since they are issues I will constantly be advocating for. Currently looking for nominees for the next VP-X (yes, you get to call yourself that should you choose to run (and win)).
	3	Establish and maintain good relations with the BCGEU	Working on it. Don't have too high hopes, but we will be co-hosting an event with them in May and maybe that will be the start of a beautiful friendship? One can hope.	
	2	Advocate for the needs of Trades students	Ongoing. Advocacy Week was my main project that concerned this. Will find more projects for myself now!	
Meghan Fisher - Chair of Business		BCITSA End of the Year Boat Cruise - Planning	Tickets on sale April 1st - Event on May 27th. Still more planning to do for on board activities	Partying everyday
				Gonna get rowdy
Jamie Haakons - Chair of Energy	1	Work towards the creation of the School of Engineering at BCIT	Ongoing - mostly in the hand of BCIT executive now. Hoping to see details of the job posting for Dean of the SOE soon.	Forming succession plan in order to ease transfer of duties to successor. Plan to have winner of election attend/host final set rep meeting. Moving into finals, so most involvement is winding down. Calls are open now for the Distinguished Set Rep Award.
	2	Save energy at BCIT	Completed	
	3	Make BCIT's Sustainability Committee actionable	Postponed indefinitely	

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Nav Bhatti - Chair of Computing & Academics		Organize and Hold 2nd Annual Canadian Undergraduate Computer Science Conference	BCIT has agreed to \$2500 in subsidies for BCIT students to attend. All speaker slots have been filled. Only thing we need now is people to attend!	
		Increase Computer Science Technology (CST) social awareness and networking opportunities through LAN parties/game jams/other events	Planetarium event was a great success, and may look to doing more in the future. LAN Party on Friday April 1st. Will be an enjoyable time as always.	
		Assist CST program review currently being carried out by faculty and staff.	Program review is stalling (go figure). However, was able to attend a meeting with CIPS regarding the CST program's accreditation.	
Fee McGeer - Chair of Health Science	1	Continue to develop Inter-Professional Education (IPE) in BCIT Health Sciences	3 speaker sessions established; information posted to bcitsa website, Connie aware and requesting for advertisement to D2L	Meeting with nursing program heads set up to establish clear definition of set reps and expectations. Plans to work on simple cards with information for next term: condensed set rep training manual. Reminder sent to set reps re: attendance at set rep meetings.
	2	Promote campus life at BCIT through events (both professional and casual)	Sun Run registration - 16 participants; first speaker session for upcoming Monday	
Justin Deddens - Chair of Transportation, Construction & Environment	2	Improve/upgrade the water fountains to water refill stations	No progress	New haircut, brah
	1	Improve the waste/recycling program at BCIT	No progress	
	3	Create ways to engage the Trades and Transportation students with the SA	No progress	
	-	Renaming credentials of Architectural Science program from "Bachelor of Tech." to "Bachelor of Architectural Science"	Complete	
Emilio Da Silva - Chair of Downtown Campus		Improve Relationships at Downtown Campus	Working directly with HTP head to solve infrastructure issues	Currently overseeing some minor advocacy issues pertaining to infrastructure. Planning field school to China with BCIT. Applications end April 4th. Last Confucius Institute event was incredibly successful. I had numerous volunteers get hours for this event. Will be choosing set rep award winner next set rep meeting, on April 19th. President will be coming to award it. Next external event will be in the summer.
		Improve International Experience at Downtown Campus	ISEP students much happier with overall event outlook than last year. First doggie distress was well recieved.	
		Strengthen Bylaws relating to Downtown Campus to support more students downtown.	New positions created, will wait until after election to implement strategy regarding hiring for satellite campuses.	
		Work with BCIT and SA bodies on external events	Completed until summer	

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		Advocate for BCIT facilities to make changes at Downtown Campus.	No Progress	
Navin Vidyadharan - Chair of Aerospace Technology Campus		Solve the parking issue at the ATC	No current issues. No increase or decrease in parking fares.	Desperately trying to find someone who is interested in filling in my shoes. Also trying my best to promote the Peer Tutoring services provided on campus to students.
		Improve recreation facilities at the ATC	No new additions. Planning on new structure for the Wright Brothers Flying Extravaganza.	
		Introduce counseling services at the ATC	No progress.	
		Promote Health and Hygiene Awareness on campus	Working with the Associate Dean to try and ensure students who smoke around the campus, follow the smoking regulations(mainly distance from any doors or windows)	
		Better networking between alumni and present students	COMPLETED. Might have new additions in the near future.	
Caroline Gagnon - Executive Director		BCIT Learning and Teaching Committee	(Away)	
		Create two additional childcare programs		
		Based on the ITS strategic Plan, implement new technologies required for staff to better conduct business		
		Develop external relations strategies		
		Creation of more effective and regular mental health awareness initiative		