

Council Meeting Agenda
Monday, April 23rd, 2018
5:30pm – 7:30pm

- 18.1 Call to Order
- 18.2 Acceptance of the Agenda
- 18.3 Acceptance of Meeting Minutes: April 9th, 2018
- 18.4 Old Business
 - 18.4.1 Executive Objectives and Reports
 - 18.4.2 Student Survey Results: Cannabis Use Policy - *Sameer I.*
- 18.5 New Business
 - 18.5.1 Strategic Objectives - *Sergey B.*
 - 18.5.2 Budget Review Process - *Tim C.*
 - 18.5.3 Food Services Update (*In camera*) - *Dean T.*
- 18.6 Open Forum
- 18.7 Reminders
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 - 18.7.3 2018/19 SA Executive Voting Period – 9:00 on 2018-04-23 to 14:00 on 2018-04-27
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- 18.8 Meeting Adjournment

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Minutes

- Executives:** Wafaa Barakat – VP Student Affairs
Sergey Bukharov – President
Timothy Cheng – VP Finance & Administration
Christian Colquhoun – Chair, School of Business
Timothy David – VP External
Moshtagh Mohammadi – Chair, Schools of Transportation, Construction & the Environment
Adbiel Tabaco – Chair, School of Health Sciences
Dean Tamboline – Chair, School of Energy
- Satellite Councillors:** Spencer Glodek – Downtown Campus
Robert Whitting – Annacis Island Campus
- Staff:** Caroline Gagnon, Executive Director
Darla Willisroft, Administrative Coordinator
- Regrets:** Spencer Pollock – Chair, School of Computing & Academic Studies
- Councillors:**
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| Ophelia Bar-Lev-Wise | Cory Pope |
| Daniel Boisvert | Chris Samra |
| Vivian Chen | Meghan Tius |
| Michael Hui | Candy Tran |
| Luiza Leal | Konstantin Vassev |
| Philip Lee | Mariana Veras |
| Luna Liang | Matthew Vickars |
| Luli Lowenstein | Aiden Willis |
| Alysha Mayenburg | Katrina Wong |
| Stephanie Mulder | Winston Yuen |
| John Perry | |
- Absent:** Megan Euverman
Kevin Hong
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| Mike Kostritsyn |
| Tenzin Sperl |

18.1 Meeting Called to Order

The Chairperson, Sergey, calls the meeting to order at 17:46 (29 voting members, including Chair).

18.2 Acceptance of the Agenda

Motion:

Be it resolved that the agenda be accepted as distributed.

Moved by: Christian Colquhoun

Seconded by: Ophelia Bar-Lev-Wise

28/0/0 Carried

18.3 Acceptance of the Minutes: 2018-04-09

Motion:

Be it resolved that the Council minutes from 2018-04-09 be accepted as distributed.

Moved by: Timothy David

Seconded by: Winston Yuen

27/0/1 Carried

18.4 Old Business

18.4.1 Executive Objectives and Reports

Wafaa Barakat (VP - Student Affairs)

- As submitted.

Sergey Bukharov (President)

- As submitted.

Timothy Cheng (VP Finance & Administration)

- As submitted.

Christian Colquhoun (Chair - School of Business)

- As submitted.

Timothy David (VP - External)

- As submitted.

Spencer Glodek (Satellite Councillor – Downtown Campus)

- As submitted.

Moshtagh Mohammadi (Chair - School of Transportation, Construction & the Environment)

- As submitted.

Abdiel Tabaco (Chair - School of Health Sciences)

- As submitted.

Dean Tamboline (Chair - School of Energy)

- As submitted.

Robert Whitting (Satellite Councillor – Annacis Island Campus)

- As submitted.

18.4.2 Student Survey Results: Cannabis Use Policy

- Received the results of the survey sent out to students and compiled feedback. There were 257 responses. Main concern was the apparent lack of knowledge and distinction between medical and recreational uses. Propose that a separate policy be created for impairment on campus. Another issue was the lack of clarity surrounding enforcement of the policy.

Discussion:

- Was the vote 50/50 in terms of who were for and against the policy?
 - Yes about 50/50 split in students.
- Of the people who submitted comments, almost all stated that they did not like it. Of those who supported the policy, a few commented on their rationale; they did not want to deal with the smell, and the other was the fact that cannabis can impair. Of those who did not support the policy as presented, their concerns are laid out in the document.
- Were there many responses from people living on residence?
 - A few both for and against the policy.
- A statement will be added stating that 50% was in support of the policy, for transparency.

Motion:

Be it resolved that Council adopts the recommendations from this briefing; and

Be it further resolved this Briefing Note and recommendations be conveyed to BCIT.

Moved by: Wafaa Barakat

Seconded by: Dean Tamboline

27/0/1 Carried

Motion:

Be it Resolved that the document be amended by inserting the following at the end of the "Background" paragraph:

"Of 248 respondents, opinions were evenly split between those who accepted the Draft Policy and those who opposed it. Primary concerns of those who supported the Draft Policy were generally related to smell and impairment. However, there were very few comments from those who supported the Draft Policy. Of those who opposed the policy, their concerns generally fit into three key themes."

Moved by: Matthew Vickars

Seconded by: Chris Samra

27/0/1 Carried

18.5 New Business**18.5.1 Strategic Objectives**

- Strategic Objectives set the plan of action for the following year which staff members of the SA carry out. These objectives follow what is set in the 5-year Strategic Report for the SA. In the winter, the Executives brainstorm and form the key points of action for the following year.
- There will be a two week period for Council to review this document before being adopted by the Association.
- The budget reflects the strategic direction.

18.5.2 Budget Review Process

- As with the Strategic Objectives, there will be a two week review period. There are three information sessions scheduled for students to ask questions.

Discussion:

- The budget is \$11 million this year; please bring questions and comments as it is your duty.

18.5.3 Food Services Update**Motion:**

Be it resolved that Council proceeds in-camera.

Moved by: Dean Tamboline

Seconded by: Christian Colquhoun

25/3/0 Carried

In-camera begins at 18:07.

18:10 Councillor joins. Count is 30.

Motion:

Be it resolved that Council leaves in-camera.

Moved by: Vivian Chen

Seconded by: Dean Tamboline

28/0/1 Carried

In-camera ends at 19:02.

18.6 Open Forum

- Finalizing Student Space Design Competition. The final round is on 2018-04-25 from 15:00-16:00. There will be finger foods.
- Is there a reason why we still use single-use plastics and straws?
 - We just sourced different items today.
- SA printer was out of paper after hours and after the print job was paid for. Had to argue in the library to have it printed. Is it possible to have extra paper at the Stand in case it runs out of paper after hours?
 - Will look into other options.
- Boat Cruise on 2018-05-26, tickets are on sale now. If any Councillors have time to help sell tickets, it will be appreciated. If you sell 10 tickets you will receive yours for free.
- Thinking of hosting an event in May before finals week, want to provide supplies and support for students. Three main options: provide tea, coffee and, food; activities; or a combination of both. In providing food and supplies, we could host a BBQ, or have small carts with coffee available; for supplies it would be a small kit with earplugs or sticky notes. For activities, we could bring in massage chairs, splash paint, bouncy castles, or inflatable obstacle course. These are big dreams, and nothing has been approved yet.
 - Jack.org has a similar idea for the study kits.
 - Can we offer free coffee the week before or after finals?
 - Run out of coffee very quickly. From a health and wellness point of view, we were thinking of giving a banana or orange, something you would not already buy for yourself.
 - Bouncy castle is a phenomenal idea.
 - Appreciate creativity, but should use what we have with Wellness resources and the Library and extend those current offerings.
 - The Library is offering courses in the next two weeks, rather than closer to the actual exam period.
 - Puzzle station.

- Bring coffee to people in the Library who are studying.

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It was moved by Stephanie Mulder and seconded by Moshtagh Mohammadi that the meeting be adjourned.

29/0/0 **Carried**

The meeting was adjourned at 19:23.

Objective Updates for April 23rd

Name	Position	Position Update	Objectives	Objectives Update	Objectives Next Steps	Optional - Other Notes
Sergey Bukharov	President		Work to improve access for students to the SA's services and remove barriers to student access to those services.	Spoke at joint FSA/HSA/SA event promoting student collaboration on joint initiatives.	Follow up on success of event with FSA and HSA representatives.	
			Act as a true representative of the student body by collecting and bringing student feedback directly to the executive team.	Brought forward marijuana policy to council, worked on ensuring sufficient student feedback and discussed policy with head of campus security, and BCIT President.	Follow up with council on formulation of statement paper with assistance from Sameer.	
			Advocate for and assist the institute in focusing on excellence in instructional quality for students.	Waiting for upcoming Computing PAC to provide feedback.	Waiting for upcoming Computing PAC to provide feedback.	
Timothy Cheng	VP of Finance & Administration		Create a system for analysis budget easier for everyone (include information on line items)	Met with Roland on Friday with finance committee for net year budget	Look for opportunities to host more financial statement workshops	
			Oversee the policy creation & implementation this year with the bylaws committee, and complete all changes required	No update	Follow-up for updates on any additional policies	
			Promote SA & Peer tutor services, in hopes to increase student involvement.	Looking to negotiation extension for pass may 10th	Prepare transition plan for upcoming successor	
Wafaa Barakat	VP Student Affairs		Promote women equity and leadership at BCIT.	No update	No update	
			Advocate and create awareness of services for minority groups within the community.	Brought up the inclusion of students BCIT Strategic Plan at the JEM. Attended a discussion about the cannabis policy with BCITSA Staff.	Continue discussion about BCIT Strategic Plan.	
			Increase student wellbeing and provide them with skills to be successful through promotion of events and services.	Tim C and I spoke with Kim to plan something during exam week	Continue discussion with Wellness and Trina about exam week activities.	
Wafaa Barakat (Interim)	VP Campus Life		Promote and bring more services from the Wellness Department to satellite campuses	No update	No update	
			Involve myself with the International Student Centre to inform international students of all activities happening on campus and encourage them to join such, as well as SA services available to them as full time students.	No update	No update	
			Organize social events that bring students from different programs together	No update	No update	
Timothy David	VP External		Ensure the U-Pass Program continues with a reasonable price for students for this year and the next year moving forward.	Objective Completed.	Objective Completed.	
			Revive, prepare and plan TedxBCIT. Create a long-term, sustainable plan to ensure continuity of the Tedx platform on Campus.	TedxBCIT Licence is currently under review. Application has been sent on April 3, 2018.	Once the licence has been received and approved, preparation will begin towards next year.	
			Collaborate with Darshana Dave, Student Development Manager, in planning and executing the Leadership Conference on April 2018. To promote the leadership fundamentals and behaviours to an exclusive student base.	Objective Completed.	Objective Completed.	
			Reach out to prospect companies to increase employment opportunities for BCIT's student body. Collaboration with Career Services in employment events such as Big Business and Industry Days.	None at this time.	None at this time.	
Christian Colquhoun	Chair of Business		Work with the Chair of Energy and the Chair of ATC to improve the Set Rep program so students see more tangible value in participating.	Gained valuable feedback at the final meeting. Preparing the transition for the incoming Chair Business.	None at this time.	
			Increase the use of Open Educational Resources in the School of Business - working in collaboration with Chair of Health Sciences and SOCAS	None at this time.	None at this time.	
			Increase the sense of community within the School of Business by having the different programs meet each other, network, and attend Club events	None at this time.	None at this time.	
Dean Tamboline	Chair of Energy	Planning Set Rep meeting for next week.	Promote advocacy within the School of Energy.	Discussion is planned for the last Set Rep meeting to discuss student success in the School of Energy. The information from this discussion will be used by the Dean to implement changes for the next term, hopefully with the help of my successor.	Have the discussion.	Just finishing up finals (woohoo!); it's been a busy week.
			Work with the Chair of Business and the Chair of ATC to improve the Set Rep program so students see more tangible value in participating.	No update.	No update.	
			Work with the Chair of TCE to create a stronger connection between trades students and the SA in order to increase engagement.	No update.	No update.	
			Work with the institute to provide the student body for a greater variety of food options on campus.	To be presented at Council on Monday.		
Spencer Pollock	Chair of Computing & Academic Studies		Continue to help keep the LAN party at BCIT a great social outlet for student's school wide.	None at this time.	None at this time.	Last week was finals week for everyone in computing, and I'm excited to say I have finished my classes at BCIT! I wish everyone the best over the summer. Also, apologies for missing the meeting as I am out of the country for the next two weeks. I will respond to all emails then. See you next council meeting May 7th.
			Improve student knowledge of services at BCIT as well as improve the knowledge in students about the BCIT executives and student elected positions.	None at this time.	None at this time.	
			Work with students to better improve the programs at BCIT and students experience through feedback, updates and interactions with students to keep the computing culture thriving.	None at this time.	None at this time.	
Abby Tabaco	Chair of Health Science		Increase interdisciplinary relations within the SOHS	The Connecting students, faculty and members event went well	will promote year end event to students	
			Promote BCIT/BCITSA health and wellness services to increase physical/mental health and wellness of the student body	no update	none	
			Increase the use of Open Educational Resources in SOHS - working in collaboration with Chair of Business and SOCAS	no update	none	
Moshtagh Mohammadi	Chair of Transportation, Construction & Environment		Have 2 big competitions for the Schools of TCE that requires participation from varieties of programs (this is to have more interactions between all programs in these schools). Also have smaller competitions that is a continuation of last year's design competition.			
			Work with the Chair of Energy to create a stronger connection between trades students and the SA in order to increase engagement.			
			Work with BCIT to create a competitions fund for all students.			
Krystal Kolankowski	Interim Chair of Aerospace Technology Campus		Create a more social environment for students at the ATC Campus.			
			Create work experience opportunities for students to volunteer for local employers in their chosen industry and make valuable contacts to help them get a job when they're done school.			
			Work with Impark and YVR Airport to find a solution to overly expensive parking rates for students of the ATC Campus.			

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			Improve set rep attendance for all the ATC classes so that our meetings are more complete. Make ATC books available at the ATC Campus.			

BCITSA 2017/2018 Reports From Other Student Leaders & Staff

Name	Role / Title	Objectives	Update
Caroline Gagnon	BCITSA Executive Director	Budget and Operational Plan	All groups have been working on developing the 2018-2019 Operational Plan and Budget. Part of the exercise was to complete financial projections for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. It is projected that the Association will finish with approximately a \$170,000 positive variance to budget (which is good). The goals set out by the Executive Board and management team are in support of the Strategic Plan which was updated last year. Council will have the chance to review both documents for a period of two weeks, to be presented for final approval on May 7.
		With the renewal of the food contract, work with BCIT to engage students in discussion related to food on all campuses	As parties to the food selection committee, this objective was not only achieved but new concepts were created as part of being engage in conversation with BCIT. A new project has evolved and it will be presented to Council this Monday. This is an exciting time for the Association and our ability to serve students and the community.
Spencer Glodek	DTC Satellite Councillor		
Justin Lamarche	BMC Satellite Councillor		
Robert Whitting	AIC Satellite Councillor	We will be restoring a modified set rep programme for AIC with our first meeting next Wednesday. I met with the Associate Dean to discuss student services and have put together a document to be ratified and submitted to faculty. We are having another look at catering at AIC from a different angle to see if we can have parity with other campuses.	
Justin Perry	Aboriginal Student Councillor		
Luna Liang	International Student Councillor		
Megan Euverman	Residence Student Councillor		

BCITSA 2017/2018 Reports From Committees

Committee	Report by	Report	Optional - Other Notes
Finance	Timothy Cheng	Met on Friday with Roland for the budget next year	
Student Spaces	Moshtagh Mohammadi		
Bylaw	Timothy Cheng	No update	
Clubs	Wafaa Barakat (interim)		
Board of Governors	Sergey Bukharov	No update - no meeting took place.	
Education Council	Wafaa Barakat	No update	No update
Alumni Board	Timothy David		
Student Centre	Dean Tamboline	I'm hoping to have one last meeting before the end of term to wrap up existing discussions.	