

**Natural Resources Set Rep Meeting Minutes**

**School of Transportation, Construction & the Environment**

January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020

5:30 p.m. in SE2 Rm 324 - Council Chambers

**Chairs:** Brin Farrell – Chair of Transportation, Construction, and the Environment

**Staff:** Danielle Landeta-Gauthier – Advocate | BCIT Student Association

**Student Complaint Process**

Some issues regarding instructor unapproachability, course delivery, course relevance and attendance policies not being followed came up during our meeting. Attached is the BCIT Student Complaint Process and [Student Complaint Form](#) that can be filled out individually or as a Set/Class with feedback. If you need clarification on the process or policies, and/or are seeking confidential, unbiased information and advice, do not hesitate to stop by the Student Association Advocacy department in Rooms 303a and 303b in the SA Offices (SE2 | 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor), email Robyn or Danielle at [advocacy@bcitsa.ca](mailto:advocacy@bcitsa.ca) or [advocate@bcitsa.ca](mailto:advocate@bcitsa.ca), or call them at 604.456.1161 or 604.432.8279.

**Sun Run**

As part of an initiative taken on by the Chair of the School of Energy, BCIT and Student Association are collaborating to sponsor students to participate in the annual Sun Run 10km race free of cost. The Dean of the School of Construction and the Environment has pledged \$500 and Student Association has matched that to sponsor approximately 10 students from the School of Construction and the Environment to participate. Registration will be on a first come, first serve basis. The Sun Run will take place on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> in Vancouver. Additionally, optional running clinics will be held on Saturday mornings leading up to the race. Please fill out [this form](#) if you are interested in participating. Email [chairenergy@bcitsa.ca](mailto:chairenergy@bcitsa.ca) for more information.

**Increased MSP Prescription**

Full-time students pay a fee each semester to be covered under BCIT's medical services, unless they manually opted out of this service. The Chair of Health Sciences has determined that there

is a gap in the prescriptions that are covered under our current plan. The VP of Finance and Chair of Health Sciences consulted BCIT's Health Services, to seek their recommendation on which prescription additions would be of most value to students. It was determined that the following drugs are the most prescribed/most in demand and therefore a priority.

- Gardasil
  - Health Services asserts that while Gardasil is covered for certain young people up to age 26, this is only provided for specific conditions (*only if male, HIV positive, etc.*), so they feel that this is a priority to add to the plan.
- Trumenba and Nimenrix:
  - Meningitis vaccines are recommended for med lab students in School of Health Sciences, and it was indicated that currently there are a large portion of students opting not to receive these vaccinations due to cost.
- Wellbutrin, Bupropion, and Cymbalta:
  - These are commonly prescribed by the doctors at our school.
- Adderall, Vyvanse, Biphentin, Concerta, and Foquest:
  - These ADHD medications are the most preferred and most commonly prescribed at our health services.
- Biacna, Tactua, and Clindoxyl:
  - These derma care medications are commonly prescribed at BCIT.

As of March 1, 2020, these will all be fully covered under the MyBenefits plan. In order to use your benefits package, you must first request your MyBenefits card which can be done at <https://www.mystudentplan.ca/bcit/en/form-benefits-card-registration>. Please note that all students must first register for a BC Fair Pharmacare, which can be done at <https://my.gov.bc.ca/fpcare/registration/requirements>.

### **New Student Building**

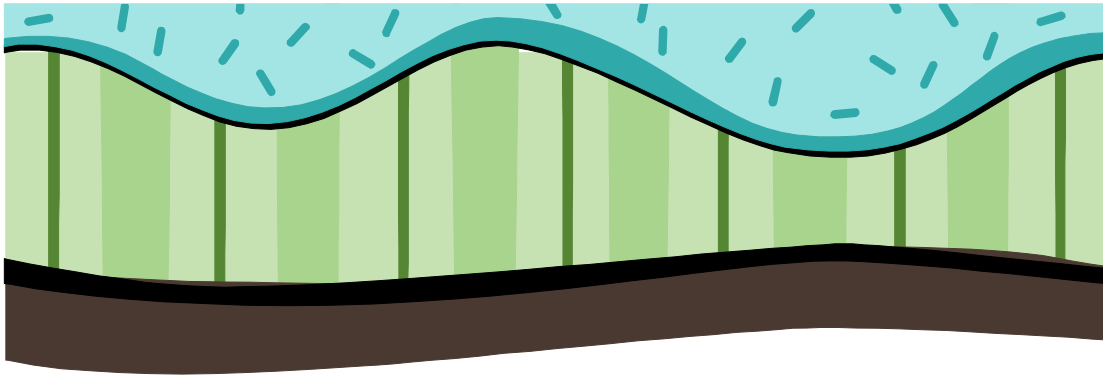
In 2017, students at Burnaby voted in a referendum to fund the construction of a new student building on the Burnaby campus. We are now at the stage where we need your input to confirm the proposed spaces within the building and the use of those spaces. There will be 3 focus groups held February 11-13 for students attending the Burnaby campus to participate in. An online survey will be forwarded to those who indicate interest but cannot attend. The times and location for the events are as follows:

- TUESDAY, FEB. 11<sup>TH</sup> | 5:30PM – 7:00PM | SE2 ROOM 317 (SA OFFICES)

- WEDNESDAY, FEB. 12<sup>TH</sup> | 2:30PM – 4:00PM | SE2 ROOM 317 (SA OFFICES)
- THURSDAY, FEB. 13<sup>TH</sup> | 5:30PM – 7:00PM | SE2 ROOM 317 (SA OFFICES)

If you'd like to join a focus group and confirm what spaces and programming students need in the new Student Hub, [please fill out this form](#). **Space is limited** and there will be **pizza!**

### **Municipality Career Fair**



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## **Municipality Career Fair**

**Construction Trades, Engineering Services & more**

**February 6, 2020, 4:00 – 6:00pm**

**Burnaby Campus | SE2 – Council Chambers 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

Connect with representatives from these municipalities:

**City of Vancouver  
City of Burnaby  
City of Chilliwack  
Township of Langley**

**MetroVancouver  
City of Surrey  
District of North Vancouver**

Stop by to learn more about opportunities!

**CAREER SERVICES**

## Presentation Idol

BCIT engineering and technology students who have completed at least one BCIT COMM course are invited to deliver a 6 – 8 minute oral presentation on a technology-related topic. Students are encouraged to showcase innovation in engineering and technology. This is a great opportunity to present a capstone project. Up to 24 participants can enter the first round which will occur on March 18, 2020 and the final six will proceed to the final round on March 25, 2020. To learn more and to register, visit [bcit.ca/presentation-idol/](http://bcit.ca/presentation-idol/).

## LAN Party



## Chair of Transportation, Construction & Environment New Office Hours

- **Mondays 1:30pm - 3:30pm** | SA Offices | SE2 (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)
- **Tuesdays 11:30am – 1:30pm**
- Email: [chairtransportation@bcitsa.ca](mailto:chairtransportation@bcitsa.ca)
- Book an appointment if you cannot make office hours

## Feedback/Requests & Issues (Open Forum)

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- Set Reps unsure what type of questions to ask during PAC meetings (not in training currently) – *Brin will speak to Administrative Coordinator/Chair of the School of Energy to incorporate this into training*
- Students noticing custodial employees are not sorting garbage/recycling/compost – *dumping all in one bag – Brin will speak to VP of Equity & Sustainability about this*
- Issues with instructors being unapproachable, deterring students from asking questions (FWR) – *Brin will provide formal student complaint form*
- FNAM – students much choose specialty stream for last term but are not given enough information about each stream/unable to switch streams once semester begins – *Brin will email PH*
- FWR/ER/FNAM computer lab need dual monitors for GIS courses – *Brin will bring to Student Spaces Committee*
- Need more hand sanitizers – *unsure – talk to Chair of Health Sciences? Student Spaces?*
- Room 106 of SE4's heater is on the ceiling and often turns off. Students/instructors use a stick to turn back on but the stick is gone. Need something to adjust the heat – *Student Spaces Committee*
- SW1 only has 2 microwaves and lunch lines are very long. The next closest microwaves are in SW3 – *Brin will bring this to the Student Spaces Committee*
- Forestry lab needs more custodial maintenance – Brin will submit a Facilities Request Form
- Bike riders have nowhere to dry clothes, students requesting a dry room- *consider for new building, brainstorm temporary solution (unsure)*