CGSS Meeting Agenda

**Date:** June 2nd, 2023

**Time:** 11:00am

**Location:** D211

**Approval status:** Approved

1. **Call to Order: 11:06am**
   * Present (10): Sabrina, Kaitlin, Jessica, Mason, Seja, Nealan, Song, Trevor, Rama, Jesse\* (Zoom)
   * Missing (6): Desiree, Jorn, Jacqui, Athan, Vanessa, Naysilla
   * Other (2): Andrew, Lucas (both have resigned)
2. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (May)**
   * Approved by: Sabrina
   * Seconded by: Jessica
3. **Summer BBQ**
   * No plans as of right now.
   * Tentative targeted time for early/mid-July.
   * Perhaps a casual outdoor department social (pizza, sushi, games, etc.) in June. Will need to confirm the budget will allow for something like this.
4. **Trip to baseball game**
   * Possibly to be organized by Athan, to watch the Vancouver Canadians.
   * Tentatively suggested for June (possibly in lieu of a department social in June)
5. **CCIE**
   * Almost all of the panelists are invited and confirmed. Venue is booked.
   * Great North Meeting room in the Nest, 1—5pm on June 15th.
   * Previously Thea House booking was established (~$1600), but booking in the Nest with AMS is expected to go over budget ($1800—2000).
   * The GSS loft may be more economical, but the space is less suitable.
   * Majority of CCIE planning responsibilities to be passed over to Desiree after the CSC CCCE.
   * Patent lawyer, August from BC College of Surgeons and Physicians, several chemists in industry (i.e. Lululemon).
   * May be worth considering running this on a weekday in the future, as it can be difficult securing panelists on weekends. However, this may conflict with their work schedule.
6. **Social Coordinators Report**
   * The Brew-Off in May went well.
   * Approximately 80 attendees.
   * Alcohol purchasing may have been too much. Buying any alcohol was a bit unnecessary, given how the attendees drank the brew-off drinks, rather than the “for-purchase” alcohol. $16 was raised.
   * Reimbursements will be processed once the safe is accessible again (currently the battery has turned off, locking off the contents). A new safe may need to be purchased if the locksmith cannot access the safe without damaging it. In the meantime, direct-deposit via the department may be possible. Currently awaiting reimbursement estimates from the brew-off contributors.
7. **Union Report**
   * Nothing to report.
8. **First Year Report**
   * 41 first year students. An email and survey has been sent out for a social event. 20 responses so far. Laser tag and paintball have been suggested.
     1. Laser tag at Laser Dome, 1 hour, up to 35 players = $575; $20 per additional player. Food is not included in this price.
     2. Non-package offer is ~$20 per person.
     3. Tentative booking idea for the week after CSC. Booking on Friday—Sunday, the price is significantly higher ($700+). A weekend is much more likely to bring in more attendees, and is probably more suitable.
     4. It would be a good idea to request $5 per attendee to ensure their attendance.
     5. Payments should be setup through an ePly page.
     6. If not enough first year attendees, can be opened up to the rest of the graduate student body.
9. **Sports Report**
   * Nothing to report, but ping-pong tournament has started.
10. **International Student Report**
    * No events within the past month.
    * Reimbursements for international student event being processed.
    * Not enough in the remaining budget to run another event this year.
11. **GSS Report**
    * Nothing to report.
    * Seja will not be able to attend the next few meetings. Will likely be resigning. GSS role may be opened to other graduate students. Same for Union Representative to replace Lucas and Member at Large to replace Andrew.
12. **Wellness Report**
    * Tentatively planning to run an event in late-June to July.
    * Possible ideas include painting or a spin class. Pilates or aerial yoga are also possibilities.
      1. July McNutt may be able to assist in setting up a spin class, as she has organized one in the past.
    * Will need to review the budget to determine how much funding is available.
    * A fitness-related event may be able to be co-organized with the Sports Representative.
13. **Miscellaneous**
    * July CGSS meeting likely to be scheduled around mid-July due to conflicting schedules.

**Meeting adjourned: 11:34am**