# FISSC MEETING Friday, May 11, 2007

# Faculty Lounge, 7th Floor, Claude Bissell Building 6-8pm

## **AGENDA**

1. Call to Order

- 6:10pm
- 2. Review, Corrections & Acceptance of last meeting's Minutes
- 3. Business arising from the Minutes
  - a. None.
- 4. Reports by Executive Members
  - a. President:
    - i. Welcome and plans for the year
    - ii. Quick introductions
      - Christina (President) Minakshi (Treasurer), Rachel, (Treasurer), Michelle, Willow, (GSU Representatives) Anita (Alumni Affairs Representative) Aliki (Orientation) Stacey (Merchandise Rep.) Lisa (Tech Fund Summer Representative) June (Social Co-Chair)
    - iii. Three student organization groups (FISSC, DSA, and MSGSA) confirmation of decision to remain separate for the coming academic year.
    - iv. Call for interim seating for Standing Faculty Committees
      - 1. Committee on Standing Representative Michelle
      - Information Technology Services Representative Still Open
      - 3. Inforum Committee Representative Willow
      - 4. Programs Committee Representative Stacey
      - 5. Admissions Committee- Aliki
  - b. Secretary: no report.
  - c. Treasurer:
    - i. Budgeting: Explanation of procedures (Balances, Reimbursement, and Allotment per committee) Committees must provide a breakdown of anticipated money spent.
    - ii. Reimbursement forms are on 624. FIS office door

- iii. put in locker 149 (all info on form)
- iv. Stacey asked about making a profit on merchandise, and was advised by Christina to aim to break even.
- v. Minakshi will get a proposed budget to council in the next three weeks.

# 5. Reports by Committees

- a. Academic Affairs Committee:
  - i. Class rep forms distribution is done
  - ii. Course evaluation numbers are in
  - iii. Status and situation with Compass
    - 1. 2005/2007 problems with log-in and access
      - a. Proposed solutions:
        - i. have a generic password to compass as it is in the mail out sent to incoming students
        - ii. Store rankings as a .pdf file, and password protect it.
- b. PD Committee: No report.
- c. <u>Alumni Association:</u> FISAA Spring Reunion need 2 volunteers to staff registration desk (May 31st evening).
  - i. Anita- The Reunion is May 31st 2&7 years
  - ii. Call for volunteers Thursday 5-7 May 31
    - 1. Stacey, Aliki, and Michelle. They will email kathleen.obrien@utoronto.ca
  - iii. Christina will send an email to tell FISSC members which email sends to MIST

#### d. Merchandise:

- i. Update on current merchandise items. Stacey:
  - FIS currently has Mugs, T-shirts, Pens, Mouse Pads and Pins
  - 2. Question raised as to merchandise for Alumni Event.
    - a. Merchandise representative needs more time to get different and better merchandise, so will not be ordering more for the AA Event.
- ii. Stacey asked that council contribute ideas, and let her know with early notice should they want merchandise for events.

- iii. Alumni Reunion Event Needs:
  - 1. Minakshi will provide money as a "float" for making change at the event.

## e. IT Committee:

- i. IT Committee needs a representative.
- ii. Display screen needs content, student input.

## f. Student Tech Fund:

- i. New structure: 3 parts
  - 1. Lisa provided a handout for Tech Fund use.
  - 2. Lisa asked students to get in touch with her with regard to proposals for the fund.
- ii. New proposals Adobe Premium package, Wii (video game console), A/V room (2 computers/scanners, 1 TV station)
  - 1. have meeting for suggestions- Tech Fund Town Hall (muffins, drinks, suggestions)

### g. Social Committee:

- i. Flickr responsibility please pass event photos to Social Co-Chairs (Kate, June)
- ii. Summer event proposals:
  - 1. Getting together for rollerblading/biking/skateboarding around Toronto, Ice Cream @ Big Chill
  - 2. A FIS intramural soccer team if enough interest could be generated. The deadline for this at the AC is May 30th.
  - 3. A picnic on Centre Island
  - 4. A pub night on a patio
  - 5. Indoor rock climbing: some people have expressed an interest in this. If we get enough people, there are group discounts available.
  - 6. Talk to June if other ideas, or send her an email.
- h. Life & Times: No report.

#### 6. Old Business

a. (Rachel) FISSC Constitution and Name Change information and update

- i. The Constitution is being vetted by the GSU, Roxy and Rachel will continue to work on it when it is returned.
- ii. Aliki volunteered to help with Constitution Committee.

#### 7. New Business

#### a. Orientation

- i. Christina- have officers two people for events,
  - a. Internal
    - i. Registration, fees, co-ordinate with Inforum
    - ii. Minakshi will hold this position dealing with:
      - 1. laptops,
      - 2. cash,
      - 3. mail out
      - 4. what fees go where
      - 5. will send follow up emails to secondyears (in lieu of mail out)
        - a. Fee Paying incentives for second-years?
          - i. Raffle
          - ii. I-pod
  - b. External- Aliki
    - i. Deal with vendors, BBQ, suppliers booking etc.
  - c. Volunteers-Lisa
  - d. e, Events, Activities June, Stacey, Kate
    - i. Clubs
      - Get CAL, CASLIS representatives at Orientation Week to encourage people to join.
      - 2. mini club fair?
    - ii. Michelle- campus tours, Toronto tour
    - iii. Weekend trip? Hart House Farm, Riverdale farm?
- ii. Call for Orientation Committee:
  - 1. Filled by Minakshi, Aliki, Lisa, June, Stacey and Kate.
- iii. Other Orientation Business:

- 1. Mail outs to be completed by mid-June for Nalini
- 2. Catering and bookings needs to be done in advance
- 3. Registration: report on past year's organization and tasks (Minakshi)
- 4. Problem of encouraging non-FISSC members to join Committee to help out mentioned.
- 5. Christina proposes 4-5 Officers (2 games/activities; 1 volunteer organization; 1 admin; 1 external contact)

## b. Display Screen

- i. Lisa- Posting of messages to the Display Screens/Message Board over the summer
  - need volunteer to co-ordinate collection and dissemination to Kathleen (FIS' Communications Officer)
    - a. Hesham volunteered
  - 2. Display screens need content. Social, alumni info, promotion, let each committee have space, GSU events, and information.
  - 3. email Hesham elnahhas@fis.utoronto.ca
  - 4. Minakshi added that potential postings can include FIS Alumni announcements

#### c. FISSC Banner or Signage

- i. Christina- old Councils had one -it is out of date, and we need a visual to identify us
- ii. Item tabled that until FISSC becomes MISSC

## d. FISSC blog

- i. a place to exhibit student academic writing, as we need a more interactive student place on the web
- ii. Pod cast? Stephen and Hesham will move forward with this possibility.

#### 8. Other Business

- a. Hesham will investigate a work based e-program
- b. Queer @ FIS -Michelle volunteered to will take over operations
- c. Conference Funding
  - i. Pay for students to go to International Federation of Lib.
    Associates not agreed upon

d. Members encouraged by their GSU representatives, Michelle and Willow, to investigate GSU getaways

Adjournment (moved: Christina, seconded: Lisa) Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm

### **Members Present**

Christina Hwang-President

June Avila-Social Co-Chair

Rachel Barton-Secretary

Lisa Betel- Student Tech Fund Representative

Steven Chabot- Academic Affairs Representative

Willow Fuchs – GSU Representative

Michelle Michiel - GSU Representative

Stacey Piesner- Merchandise Committee Chair

Minakshi Sharma - Treasurer

Anita Streicher - Alumni Affairs Rep

Aliki Tryphonopoulos - Orientation Committee and Admissions Committee Representative