

AGENDA



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Claude T. Bissell Building, Room 705
15 December, 2017 17:00-19:00

MISC Governing Council Meeting Agenda

1. BIRT Lynda Yao is appointed as secretary for the meeting.
2. BIRT Lynda Yao appoints Amber Shortell as chair of this meeting.
3. BIRT the agenda for 15 December 2017 be adopted.
4. BIRT the minutes from 20 October 2017 and 6 November 2017 be addressed.
5. Reports from members of the Executive Committee
 - a. President
 - i. Vote in Robyn Forman as 3rd GSU Rep
 - ii. Vote in Erin White and Weiqi Liu as Faculty Council Representatives
(There was a declined position, so we had room for 2 Faculty Council Representatives)
 - iii. InForum 24/7 Closure
 1. I will explain why this decision can't be reversed.
 - iv. Doctoral students collaboration for TRC
 1. Meeting on campus in Doctoral Students Office - Monday November 13.
 2. They are planning a January event with Lee Maracle on the power of storytelling, as well as an Indigenous Matters Speaker Series.
 - v. Clothing Swap

1. Was very successful. We are looking forward to the one next semester, which will take place over 2 days. We saved some clothing to bring out at the next one.
 2. See Treasurer for final funding notice.
- vi. 4th iTea Approved
1. It will be Wednesday February 14th in 417. Needs budget approval. See Treasurer section.
- vii. MI Student Survey
1. This is an initiative I'd like to undertake next semester, using my training from KMD1001. I'll be seeking ethics clearance with Faculty support, and hope to solicit the expertise of the UXD Club to participate and support me in this endeavour.
- viii. MISC Office Computer Updates
1. I'll be purchasing the external hard drive over the break. I will back-up the computer in the office, and then get Curtis to perform updates.
- ix. Office Clean-Out
1. It's now or never, should we do this?
- x. Reminders:
1. To new members, absence from meetings: "Members of the Governing Council shall attend no fewer than seventy-five percent (75%) of the meetings scheduled in an academic year, and shall not miss two (2) or more meetings in succession without an acceptable excuse."
 - a. If you miss more than 2 meetings in a row without regrets, I will contact you to check in.
 2. We have a Google Intake form to add you to our Listserv and website, as well as a Slack channel.
 - a. An email will be sent to you so that we can add you to the website.
 - b. If you have not yet filled out the Intake Form to update your website profile, please do. I know there haven't been website updates recently, I am working on it.
- b. Vice President

- i. Merchandise updates
 - 1. Meeting with Andrea in January
 - 2. Andrea provided a list of items we can sell
 - ii. I have invited Clara to be the admin of MISC Facebook page so we can combine MISC @ Social and MISC into one Facebook. The same can be done for Mental Health Working Group
 - iii. Info Day went well. I spoke to almost 50 potential iSchool candidates about MISC and its activities, and invited them to reach out to us via Facebook or email with any questions about applying to the iSchool or student life
- c. Secretary
- i.
- d. Treasurer
- i. Budget amended (MISConnect/3 Finance/2017-18).
 - ii. Head Grant application complete.
 - iii. Audit is almost complete.
 - iv. Reminders:
 - 1. Cash cheques in a timely manner.
 - v. Re-investing money in GIC.
 - vi. Reissued checks to recoup funds updates.
 - vii. SSIs approval recommendations (MISConnect/3 Finance/2017-18/2017-18 SSI Requests)
 - 1. *Information in the Air: Society and the Evolving Media* conference support - \$1000.
 - 2. Cookies with CAPAL -\$250
 - 3. FiLM CLuB over here - \$249.43
 - viii. Funding for clothing swap total & permission for second swap (\$75~)
 - ix. Funding for iTea - \$250
- e. Webmaster
- i. New site - updates

1. Wordpress on iSchool's server space (like existing website), moving content management system from Drupal -> Wordpress
2. Mockup: <https://miscischool.wordpress.com/>
 - a. General feedback? Layout, etc.
 - b. Need new content ideas for all the landing pages. These pages didn't exist before so looking for input on what to put on these.
 - c. Examples for Comments/Feedback:
 - i. Council Page (About -> Council)
 - ii. MISCellaneous (Our Resources -> MISCellaneous)
 - iii. Lounge/Calendars (Our Resources -> Lounge)
 - iv. Contact Us page - form or no?
 - d. Need more images
 - i. + Group photos?
3. Survey to be sent out - what to collect feedback on? Who to ask?
4. Timeline:
 - a. Sending survey
 - b. Jan 2018 meeting: vote to approve new website (if needed), or new website migrated
- ii. Access to Google Drive concerns?
- iii. MISC Constitution on website update?
6. Reports from the chairs of standing committees/officers
 - a. Academic Affairs
 - i. Meeting updates
 - b. Social
 - i. Reading Week Pub Night - wrap-up
 1. next pub night will have DSA & MUSSA as well
 - ii. Winter Soiree - wrap-up
 - iii. Board game/homework night with MUSSA

1. moved to next semester
- iv. iBall progress
- v. Social committee - set meeting time for next term
- vi. OLA Super Conference. Eunice and Clara will be at the conference each day for any other MI/LIS students who'd like to meet up
- vii. Budget issues?
- c. Professional Development
 - i. Career Networking Event will be Wednesday January 17th, in the InForum
7. Reports from representatives to external committees and organizations
 - a. Alumni Association
 - i. Meeting updates from December 13
 - b. MISC/MUSSA Liaison
 - i. Joint clothing swap wrap-up
 - ii. Other collaboration/joint events?
 - iii. Trip to Hamilton wrap-up
 - iv. Joint calendar
 - v. Events wrap-up
 1. Games night
 2. End-of-term pub night on the 8th
 3. Museum talk, Community Collaboration Across Museums, on November 16th 4 - 5:30
 - c. Master's Recruitment and Admissions Committee Representative
 - i. Meeting updates
 - d. Graduate Students' Union
 - i. Meeting updates from November 20 & December 4
 - Annual General Meeting and December Council Meeting
 - AGM voted to write a letter in support of Dr. Nathan Rambukana (The Waterloo professor who condemned the actions of his TA who showed a video of Jordan Peterson to the class. Dr Rambukana apparently received

backlash from Peterson followers about freedom of speech. The GSU will draft a statement and publicly support Dr Rambukana).

- ii. The GSU voted to strike a Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions Committee. This has legal ramifications that could come back to the General Council if the vote passes next term. Will keep you updated. All GSU representatives should read up on the subject and do their due diligence before making any decisions.
 - e. Tech Fund
 - i. Meeting updates
 - f. Programs Committee
 - i. Meeting updates
 - g. Committee on Standing
 - i. Meeting updates
 - h. Faculty Council
 - i. Meeting updates from November 30
8. Other business:
- a. Jude's speaker series updates
 - b. Talia Isaacson on Jordan Peterson (went at beginning)
 - c. Mental Health Working Group name change
 - i. iStudents for Mental Health (Working Group)
 - ii. Dissolve Facebook page into group
 - iii. Working on website - resources
 - iv. New Year speaker series on topic of Kathleen S (iRelax series), Jaylin B/Jeananne (embedded counsellor), Adrian (Varsity article writer), Students for Barrier Free Access
9. New Initiatives
- a. Comments/questions/concerns
10. BIRT the meeting be adjourned