Dalhousie Women in Tech Society

Meeting Minutes
July 17, 2018

**Attendance:**
Alicia Wong (President)
Emily Auclair (VP External)
Samara Burton (VP Internal)
Emma Travers (Treasurer)
Amy Steels (Secretary)
Mira MacNeill (Marketing & PR Rep/CSS Rep)
Heather Brunell (Member at Large)
Rasleen Kaur Gandhi (Social Rep) - Absent
Rebecca Ansems (Education Rep) - Absent
Julia Kroon (Communications Rep) - Absent
Afsan Gujarati (CSGS Rep) - Absent
Ian Sifton (Technical Coordinator)
Maria
Courtney
Akili
Emma
Anna
Marlee
1. Introduction & Announcements

   • Opening remarks

   • Upcoming Events
     - Internal Event – End of July/Early August
     - Possible BBQ - Mid/End of August
     - CS Orientation – TBA (Sept 4-7)
     - Society Fair – September 20 (11-3pm), Dal Quad

2. Executives' Updates

   • President (Alicia)
     - planning events for the summer
       ▪ society fair September 20th, we plan on having a table - if you have any ideas of what we should do there we are all ears and need ideas!
       ▪ CS orientation will be the first week of school if you have any ideas.
       ▪ We are working on clothing and we are going to be able to order more clothes, we are looking into different opportunities for funding. Maybe let's ask CSS
       ▪ We are going to have a wits study group on the weeks that we don't have meetings and we will be able to help people, a good place to ask questions and get help
       ▪ approaching css and faculty for funding
We are working on revitalizing the social media.

- Hosting a BBQ 1 or 2 weeks before school starts. (discussion posted below)

- External (Emily)
  - Has been working with Emma to plan budget, figure out past years, what we need, how many people will show up etc.

- Internal (Samara)
  - Fall recruitment plan, we are working on ideas to get new people in and a place where people feel comfortable (BBQ, orientation etc.)
  - We want to be visible, give us ideas if you have them!
  - We are working on a newsletter for WiTS. You can write about past events, experiences, etc. (Amy wants to write horoscopes)
  - We are hoping to have an internal event
    - hang out and get to know each other better

- Treasurer (Emma)
  - She has contacted Anne to get codes for the Mona Campbell Building to get access to our office, and keys to the office.
  - Trying to get in contact with CSS to try and get funding and figure out if we are allowed donations.
  - We currently have $2.66

- Secretary (Amy)
  - Been managing the email account and it is very dead.
3. Council Updates
   • Technical Coordinator (Ian)
     • Been working on the WiTS website.
     • We will be taking pictures after the meeting for the website. We are also
going to take stalk photos and

4. Discussion
   • Internal Social Event
     o <27th of July, 7:00pm, Boston Pizza on Argyle>
     o We had a vote and restaurant won.
     o We decided to go to Boston Pizza
   • Summer BBQ (mid/end of August)
     o We are hoping to be partnering up with the CSS
     o Or possibly the 2nd week of September, they would feel comfortable with
     their peers.
   • We Talk Tech ideas (Mid November)
     o Our big event of the fall and during CS week
     o Put it in your heads to start thinking about a theme.
     o We want to start early to be able to advertise
     o Examples of past events are panel discussions and talks.
       ▪ Or a movie or workshop
   • Potential Outreach Event
     o If you have ideas come and tell us.
     o Movie screening
   • CanCWIC is going on (November 2-3)
     • its an annual conference and will be going to November 2nd and 3rd
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- There will be volunteer opportunities, the faculty is offering some funding. Basically if you want to be there they will find a way. Some people find jobs from it. There will also be opportunities to volunteer.

- STEM Fest (November 3-10)
  - maybe some people can talk