



Dalhousie Women in Technology Society

Meeting Minutes

January 29, 2020
7:00pm – 8:00pm
Goldberg Slonim Room

Present

Alicia Wong [President]	Olivia Handspiker
Maria Jessen [VPI]	Sofia Castro
Emily Aucliar [VPE]	Tabea Marzlin
Emma Travers [Treasurer]	Megan Deering
Sanjana Swami [Secretary]	Jenna Cogswell
Mellat Mafei [Marketing & PR]	Ameera Barowalia
Anaik Chacon [Events & Social Rep]	Arthy Umopathy
Zaaheda Islam [Communications Rep]	Mohan Raj Manohar
Katie Quesnel [Member-At-Large]	Emerson Collins
Anna Liang [Education Rep]	
Shwetha Subash [Technical Coordinator]	

Absent

Jasmin Kaur [CSS Rep]

Agenda Items:

- Introductions & Attendance
 - Join the Society! <http://tiny.cc/new2WiTS2019>
- Announcements
 - CSS Geekbeer – Friday, January 31, 7 pm
 - WiTS Peer Mentorship Social – Wednesday, February 5, 7pm
 - Impact Award Nominations Due – Friday, February 7
 - CSS Ski Trip – Friday, February 7
 - Next WiTS Meeting – Wednesday, February 12
- Executives' Updates
 - President (Alicia)
 - Worked with Ashley on Peer Mentorship surveys.
 - Helped with the Government of Canada events on Friday and Saturday.
 - Beginning preparations for the transition for the new council.
 - Can be reached to know more about the council responsibilities.
 - VP External (Emily)
 - No update.
 - Will start planning WTT from the feedback received in this meeting.
 - VP Internal (Maria)
 - Organized the table for the Society Fair – went well.
 - Looking to plan an internal event using the feedback provided from this meeting.
 - Treasurer (Emma)
 - Cashed cheques.
 - Secretary (Sanju)
 - Is currently working on merchandise.
 - Taking preorders for the T-shirts and crewnecks today.

- Council Updates
 - Mellat Mafei [Marketing & PR]
 - Works for FCS Communications team.
 - Wants to do an Instagram contest to boost their followers.
- Discussion/Proposals/Feedback
 - WTT
 - Usually have industry professionals come to the university to share their experiences on the chosen theme.
 - Theme for last term - "Recruitment 101"
 - Potential ideas for the upcoming WTT:
 - LinkedIn workshop
 - Inviting students in varying stages of their co-op program to share their experiences.
 - Inviting FCS Alumni to talk about their Dal experiences and life after graduating
 - Newsletter
 - No inquiries about newsletter articles since the last meeting.
 - Will not be creating a newsletter for this term.
 - Daytime Meetups
 - Time decided upon is Friday's at 2:30.
 - Will provide a safe place for students to interact with friends and faculty.
 - The space can be used for Peer Mentorship meetups as well.
 - Main purpose for these meetings is to build a sense of community within the student body.
 - Peer Mentorship
 - Social programming ideas
 - Maria suggested course planning night due to a large amount of interest in the event last year.

- More suggestions:
 - Movie nights
 - Self-care night
- Next Internal Event- events not advertised to the faculty, only to society members.
 - Previous events:
 - Frozen 2 – Fall 2019
 - Visit to the beach – Summer 2019
 - Ice skating at the Oval – Winter 2019
 - Course Planning Night – Winter 2019
 - Potential ideas:
 - Skating
 - Board room café
 - Clay café
 - Dinner
 - Bowling
 - Movies
 - Sledding
 - Vote taken on event idea: Movie won.
 - Movie suggestions:
 - Call of the Wild
 - Birds of Prey
 - Mulan
 - Maria will create a Slack poll to decide on the movie.
- Merchandise
 - Sanju took preorders for the T-shirts and crewnecks.

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Other Information:

- Stay Connected
 - Join Our Slack: dalwits.slack.com (use Dalhousie Email to sign-up)
 - Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/Dal.WiTS/>