

# Women in Computing Science (WiCS) June 2023 General Meeting

<b>Date</b> : June 12th, 2023	Facilitators: Harpreet Dubb, Denise Siu	
<b>Location</b> : Zoom	Meeting Minutes: Rachel Seong	

# Meeting STARTED at 7:33PM

ATTENDEES				
EXECUTIVES				
Harpreet	Kimia	Gahee	Kaitlynn	
Denise	Ayana	Rachel	Mabel	
Sophia				
MEMBERS				
Shatavisha	Aiman			

# **MEETING AGENDA**

## **EXECUTIVE UPDATES**

## 1. Secretary - RACHEL

- a. Meeting minutes uploaded
- b. Created an announcement page on the WiCS website
- c. Added the following items to the WiCS website:
  - i. GHC & CAN-CWIC Grant information
  - ii. Movie night promo
  - iii. Technical workshop ideas survey
  - iv. General WiCS events volunteer form

# 2. Treasurer - MABEL

a. Bank account setup complete

- i. Harpreet, Denise, and Mabel have access to debit cards for an account with 1-yr-worth funding
- b. Requested \$6250 from FAS, \$6550 from CS for funding
  - i. FAS 🛛 Fall 2023 Summer 2024 Funding Proposal & Year-End Report.xlsx
  - ii. CS WiCS Funding Proposal 2023-2024

#### 3. Communications Coordinator - MANTAJ

- a. Will be discussing future collaborations with Women in STEM
- b. Will be adding these items to the newsletter:
  - i. GHC & CAN-CWIC Grant information
  - ii. Movie night promo
  - iii. Technical workshop ideas survey
  - iv. General WiCS events volunteer form

#### 4. Event Coordinator - AYANA & SOPHIA

- a. Movie Night Social
  - i. Voted movie: Puss in Boots: The Last Wish
  - ii. Will start promos soon
  - iii. Need to motion this week

#### 5. Technical Coordinator - KATIE & ARCHITA

- a. Results from technical workshop ideas survey
  - i. ML voted most
- b. Upcoming ML workshop
  - i. Event Date: June 30th
  - ii. Will send out registration form this week
- c. Have been reaching out to industry professionals to make connections

#### 6. Grad Coordinator - KIMIA

- a. Grad panel sessions
  - i. Late July or early August
  - ii. Theme: different career path options after a graduate degree
  - iii. 1 panelist from industry
    - 1. Have been reaching out to people but haven't gotten responses yet
  - iv. 1 panelist from academia (SFU prof)
- b. Plan B if low interest from grad students a casual coffee chat?

### 7. Mentorship Program Coordinator - KAITLYNN

- a. Creating mentor applications to be released in July
- b. Grad mentorship program will be less structured; closer to networking
  - i. Would help if Kimia (grad coordinator) was involved

c. Will pass on announcements about the program to FAS

#### 8. Social Media Coordinators - GAHEE & JASMINE

- a. Posted promo about GHC & CAN-CWIC Grants
- b. Will create + post movie night event promo
- c. Resolved member verification issue on Discord
- d. Proposal to change the WiCS logo for Discord; will look into this before the next meeting

## **UPCOMING EVENTS & INITIATIVES**

Date	Event
June 20th, 2023	Movie Night Social
June 30th, 2023	Technical Event
Deadline June 30th, 2023	GHC & CAN-CWIC

#### **DISCUSSIONS**

- 1. Try/CATCH 2023
  - a. Led by Kaitlynn & Archita
  - b. 7-8 planning team volunteers so far
    - i. Mainly execs; will start gathering non-exec volunteers soon
  - c. Created a Discord channel for the planning team
  - d. Regular meeting times will be decided later
- 2. WiE x WiCS Social
  - a. Planning meeting: June 15th Thursday 8pm
- 3. General Volunteer Interest Form
  - a. Got 10-15 submissions so far!
  - b. Feel free to reach out to them when in need of volunteers
  - c. Would be good to add in the newsletter
- 4. CS GHC and CAN-CWiC Grants
  - a. 5 GHC grants
  - b. 2 CAN-CWIC grants
  - c. Need 2-3 volunteers to select grant recipients

- i. 1 meeting only (possibly July 3rd)
- ii. Selection criteria: WiCS involvement, graduation date, personal statement, etc.
- iii. Volunteers cannot be selected for the grants!
- iv. Volunteers: Kaitlynn, sumo, Shatavisha
- 5. Fall FROSH, Welcome Day, Fall Clubs Day
  - a. FROSH
    - i. Dates: Sept 11-17th
    - ii. Events similar to previous years
    - iii. WiCS will have time for a presentation during the info session
    - iv. Sophia & Ayana will lead the WiCS FROSH event
  - b. Welcome Day
    - i. First week of the fall semester
    - ii. connecting with first years
- 6. Merch
  - a. Need to order merch for the Fall
  - b. Anyone interested in designing WiCS merch?
  - c. Any merch recommendations?
    - i. Rubber ducks for care packages
    - ii. Fun stickers with puns, not just the WiCS logo
- 7. Display Cases
  - a. WiCS display cases
    - i. What to display?
      - 1. Event posters, WiCS merch samples, photos of current execs, etc.
    - ii. Mabel volunteered to update the board once in a while
    - iii. Will have meetings to discuss display items
  - b. Joint display case between WiCS, WiE, Women in Clean Tech
    - i. Will have a separate meeting to discuss display items
- 8. FAS Summer Social + Olympics
  - a. Voted no; will not be helping out with planning
  - b. Can still help promote
- 9. New WiCS Bank Account
  - a. First account
    - i. All WiCS funds
    - ii. Two signing officers
  - b. Second account
    - i. Contains budget for 1 year; \$2194
    - ii. Harpreet, Denise, and Mabel have debit cards for this account

- 1. Can pass card onto execs when making purchases for WiCS
  - a. Alternative to spending personal money + getting reimbursed

# MOTIONS

# OPEN FLOOR

- 1. SSSS will sponsor a CAN-CWIC grant for a SoSy girl
  - a. Will be handled by SSSS

ACTION ITEMS		
RACHEL	<ul><li>Post meeting minutes</li><li>Keep website up to date</li></ul>	
MABEL	<ul> <li>Reimburse Denise (\$16.39 for clubs day and meeting snacks)</li> <li>Finish finance report</li> <li>Display case brainstorming</li> </ul>	
MANTAJ	<ul> <li>Add to newsletter         <ul> <li>Volunteer Interest Form</li> <li>Technical Event Sign up link</li> <li>Movie Night Social</li> <li>CAN-CWiC &amp; GHC Forms</li> </ul> </li> <li>Reach out to Women in STEM/ Math for a collaboration</li> <li>Safe Software communication</li> <li>Send individual email for movie night social (Monday, June 19)</li> </ul>	
AYANA & SOPHIA	<ul> <li>Budget for movie night and motion</li> <li>Movie night preparation + host         <ul> <li>Send promotion details to Gahee by June 15th</li> <li>Send email reminder to movie night sign ups day before or day of</li> </ul> </li> <li>WiCS x WiE Social planning</li> <li>Brainstorm for FROSH</li> </ul>	
KATIE & ARCHITA	<ul> <li>Finish technical event registration + send to marketing</li> <li>Reach out to companies and women industry professionals</li> </ul>	
KIMIA	<ul> <li>Finalize idea + date for Grad Social</li> <li>List potential panelists</li> </ul>	

KAITLYNN	<ul><li>Mentorship program improvements</li><li>Send email to Mantaj</li></ul>
GAHEE & JASMINE	<ul> <li>Post for movie night + reminders</li> <li>Post grant reminders</li> <li>Logo</li> </ul>
EVERYONE	Merch ideas

Meeting ADJOURNED at 8:27PM