

September 2024 General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday | September 24th

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| Location: Discord | Meeting Chair: Gahee Kim, Mantaj Dhillon |
| Meeting Minutes: Sophia Don Tranho | |

ATTENDEES

| ✨ CORE EXECUTIVES | | ✨ UNION MEMBERS | |
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| Gahee Kim | President | Amandeep Kaur Manan | |
| Mantaj Dhillon | President | Amelia Shen | |
| Sophia Don Tranho | Secretary | Jennifer Huang | |
| Bavneet Kaur Hothi | Communications Coordinator | Denise Siu | |
| Felicia Jiang | Events Coordinator | Harpreet Dubb | |
| Mara Liwayway David | Events Coordinator | | |
| Emily Qin | Mentorship Program Coordinator | | |
| Vidhi Aggarwal | Executive at Large | | |
| sumo | Faculty Liaison | | |

Meeting COMMENCED: 07:04 PM

AGENDA and TOPICS DISCUSSED

✨ ONGOING INITIATIVES

EXECUTIVE

- ★ Mantaj & Gahee
 1. CAN-CWiC results
 2. CDM sponsorship opportunity/annual sponsorships
 - a. Sponsorship program
 - b. More benefits for companies that sponsor more
 3. Hoodies



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- a. No more medium lavender hoodies, supplier will check and get back
- b. Other sizes in stock though 👍
- c. Cosmos hoodie: spring debut
 - Big design on back, small design on front

★ Felicia & Mara

1. Will start brainstorming next social event and share next week
2. Had post-mortem meeting
 - a. Challenges with midnight madness and WiCS FROSH lunch
 - b. WiCS Frosh lunch
 - Around 35/36 signups, not everyone showed up
 - Had volunteers
 - For par-tee had trouble with moving and preparing but this time volunteers helped
 - Only a few people came for the start, so instead did board games and then later did big group games
 - c. WiCS room
 - Very comfortable and good refuge for people
 - Hwa chae was very good
 - Last minute volunteers but it all worked out
 - Spent 1+ hours preparing food because there was so much and bringing everything back to the WiCS common room
 - A lot of leftover food but brought leftovers home
 - d. Ideas for next midnight madness
 - Open to more WiCS members that aren't only first years and new students

★ Avni & Lauren

1. Workday
 - a. September 25th 5:30PM - 7:30PM
2. NETGEAR
 - a. Date moved to Nov 6, 5:30-7:30 pm
3. Leetcode event
 - a. Goal is for the first session to be the first week of october!
Will put the poll out sometime this week.
 - b. Finding date

4. Borealis AI email

★ Emily

1. Mentorship
 - a. 40 sign ups for mentees
 - b. Around 20 confirmed mentors
 - c. TODO: send out discord invites
 - d. Mentor invite event next week in TASC 9204, Tuesday October 1 5:30-7pm
 - Need to motion for food
 - Around 40-50 expected attendees
 - Have panelist

★ Bavneet

1. WiCS Alumni/Company Monthly Newsletter
 - a. Alumni maillist
 - b. Can't send it out until the end of the month, maxed out rate limit :(
 - c. Finding alternatives
2. UBC Brainstation
 - a. Haven't gotten back
3. WiCS PAN CAN Collab event
 - a. Waiting for events channel access

★ Sophia

1. Grad Coordinator Elections
 - a. 1 response! YIPPEE
 - b. TODO: extend nomination period to Friday

★ Vidhi

1. Common room stuff
 - a. Motion

GENERAL

1. Try/CATCH - October 26 (everything here [☰ Try/Catch Bi-weekly meetings_2024](#))
 - a. Sponsors -> at \$7,700 currently, waiting on Deloitte to send contract so looks like final amount will be \$8,800 - more details [here](#)
 - b. Budget - we projected around \$6600 when we were being stingy, so it should be good!
 - i. Motion
 - c. Merch - pens ordered, totes will be ordered today?
 - d. Workshops
 - i. Kiann web dev
 - ii. Sap arduino
 - iii. Figma surge (+ siat)
 - iv. Python
 - v. Intro to robotics ft pepper
2. Networking Night
 - a. Leads: Bav, Felicia, and Mara
 - i. Split up leadership roles
 - b. WiE still deciding on leads
3. Surrey Clubs Day recap
 - a. Jennifer and Ash was at the booth then Mantaj left and then this lady was yelling at Ash and yapped about how WiCS didn't sign up for a table and how it's just SSSS's table and how we're gonna get in trouble and then Jennifer told her to wait for Mantaj
 - b. Gahee was with the SSSS president texting about the situation and updating in the discord chat
 - c. Jennifer was like wait for the SSSS president and she's like okay and then she met Mantaj and just smiled and left
4. Website URL discussion



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- a. AEM ITS wants everyone to move to CLF4 incl CS and FAS
 - b. FAS wants to take control over all school website but WiCS want to go independent
 - i. Don't want the WiCS page buried under multiple URLs in the FAS website
 - c. www.cs.sfu.ca/certain things redirect to linux server and anything else redirects to AEM server
 - d. www.sfu.ca/~wics redirects tout current site
www.sfu.ca/wics redirects to a defunct former sfu.ca web server (cgi.sfu.ca)
 - e. we'll likely have to go to clf4 to match with the rest of the computing site
 - f. "they" (PR/Comms types?) don't like having protected web pages in a public server (despite it being common practice for nearly 30 years)(see: new york times site)
 - g. they propose that anything protected moves to a new INTRANet site
 - h. We (WiCS, CS, almost any SFU site) want most pages to be open so web search finds them
 - i. Putting password protected pages somewhere else no no
 - j. Did hear that WiCS didn't have to move but conflicting messages rn
 - k. DSU has external websites
 - l. The CSGSA is on AEM like WiCS is
 - m. Because we're a part of /computing/, we can't be on a different CLF version from CS but we can move to CLF4 also, do our part to audit/plan our content
 - n. In the process of developing a new website maintained by WiCS executive and gonna be using headless contact [content?] managing system
 - i. Redirect it to the host - can point www.cs.sfu.ca to github site 😊
 - ii. a github site can't protect WiCS meeting minutes with a maillist - need to put minutes somewhere at SFU for hat but this is not a deal breaker, we can do that
 - iii. Provide really good documentation on how website is made
 - iv. Don't have one person own the repo - the wics@sfu.ca user should own it. far better for continuity
 - v. if we do this new web site then the AEM thing is pretty much a non-issue 👍
5. Lunch & Learn
- a. 1 sign-up: Angela hosting at Burnaby
 - b. TODO: Advertise for Surrey lunch in volunteers chat
 - c. Surrey: Jennifer!!
6. CSE Security establishments collab
- a.
7. StormHacks
- a. Talked with Maria
 - b. Planning to do it in SUB 4200 at 6pm-7:30pm on the Saturday
 - c. Tote bag and karaoke
 - d. Need to clarify who's supplying the supplies
8. Open floor
- a. TRY/CATCH sponsor who doesn't want to be a sponsor anymore
 - i. Don't want to sponsor because they want to get more involved in more ways than just money
 - ii. Networking night candidate



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- iii. Workshop opportunity for national women's day
- iv. Looking for opportunities for their women to get involved
- v. Resume review
- vi. Interview workshop

🌟 UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Oct Week 1 | Leetcode Events |
| Sept 25th | Workday event |
| Nov 6th | NETGEAR event |
| This Week | Grad coordinator elections |
| October 5th | WiCS at StormHacks |
| Oct 26th | Try/Catch 2024 |
| March 25th | CSE Collab |

🌟 MOTIONS

1. MOTION \$2700 from FAS and \$700 from School of CS funding for Try/CATCH 2024
 - a. Motioned by Mantaj Dhillon
 - b. Seconded by Emily Qin
 - c. Motion: Passed

2. MOTION \$28.77 for common room snacks
 - a. Motioned by Emily Qin for Vidhi
 - b. Seconded by Felicia Jiang
 - c. Motion: Passed

3. MOTION \$400 for Mentorship Kick-off event
 - a. Motioned by Emily Qin
 - b. Seconded by Felicia Jiang
 - c. Motion: Passed

Meeting ADJOURNED: 08:16 PM

🌟 ACTION ITEMS

Presidents: Gahee & Mantaj

★ Hoodies



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ CAN-CWiC |
| Secretary: Sophia | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Upload minutes ★ make survey, send announcement, and make polling survey for grad by-election ★ extend nomination period to Friday |
| Treasurer: Mabel | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Reimbursements ★ Try/CATCH invoices |
| Communications Coordinator: Bavneet | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Send out newsletter ★ WiCS Pan Can initiative ★ UBC Brainstation ★ Networking night |
| Events Coordinators: Felicia & Mara | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ New social event |
| Technical Coordinator: Avni & Lauren | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Leetcode sessions ★ Try/Catch ★ Workday ★ Netgear ★ AI for Good Lab Collab |
| Marketing Coordinator: Angela | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ |
| Visual Design Coordinator: Anne | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Midnight Madness chill room recap ★ Frosh sushi recap |
| Graduate Coordinator: vacant | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ |
| Mentorship Program Coordinator: Emily | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ send out discord invites for mentorship |
| Executive at Large: Vidhi | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Try/Catch ★ Common room upkeep |