ESSU meeting minutes - October 20, 2005

In attendance:

George Patton, Mary Ann Berg, Sean Stevenson, Jeff Catterall, Sandi Grad, Jackie Chau, Colleen Muntener

1. Sweaters/merchandise

Send suggestions or ideas please email them to Mary Ann Berg at maberg@sfu.ca. We want to know what people would like to see this year, and suggestions include zip-up sweaters, rain-jackets, patches, and field equipment.

Jeff Catterall brought up that 406 is interested in fundraising through selling merchandise and everyone at the meeting was in favor of considering helping the fundraising, however, due to the cost associated with sweaters we would not be able to subsidize something of that scope. Suggests were put forth of other options, such as water bottles, or field books. A representative of 406 should attend the meetings to discuss the options.

2. Christmas party

Another reminder to get your tickets (\$20) and there will be more emails to come. Secret Santa will be happening with a maximum of \$15 and is optional.

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Look for posters coming soon.

- **4.** George Patton has put forth a motion, seconded by Jackie Chau, to switch from Scotia bank to Vancity as Scotia Bank is charging us service charges. Everyone at the meeting has agreed.
- **5.** Mary Ann Berg has put forth a motion, seconded by Jeff Catterall, to reimburse Mike Middleton \$122.96 for chocolate bars. Everyone at the meeting has agreed.
- **6.** Mary Ann Berg returned the bottles from the last social and deposited \$23.75.
- 7. If people have comments or suggestions about events and activities being organized by the ESSU they are encouraged to come out to meetings and be heard.
- 8. Mary Ann Berg mentioned that several students have said that Easc 205 (Petrology) with the current prerequisite of physics is causing delays in completing the earth science degree. This has caused serious concerns for numerous student in the department. She would like to submit a letter to the undergraduate curriculum committee outlining the concerns of the students, and proposing an solution. The majority of the people at the meeting supported this idea, and a letter will be written. Colleen Muntener also suggested that students interested in majoring should be encouraged in first year to meet with Tarja to formulate a plan for completing the courses in a timely manner. This

would give them an idea of how classes are scheduled, and how to plan accordingly.

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