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PhUS Council Agenda
Feb 1, 2017
PHAR 3110

Attendance: Alex Assumption, Amy Kwan [proxy for Simon Zhou], Simon Qi, Willie Bao, Thomas Tsuei, Emily Li, Mimi Wei, Riaaz Lalani, Sahil Ahuja, Lisa Wang, Melina Huang, Sam Chu, Margaret Lu, Kush Khanna, Chiara Clemente, Miriam Ahmed, Harjot Randhawa, Taylor Jameson, Karan Khanna, Stephanie Song, Reanne Li, Abdelaziz Ahmed, Loreena Pang, Kimberely Erin, Jennifer Chatterton

Guests: Dr. Sandra Jarvis-Selinger,

Absence:

Regrets: Simon Zhou

Meeting called to order at: 12:02 PM

Approval of Minutes

Moved: Kush Khanna; **Seconded:** Willie Bao

Be it resolved that PhUS council approves the minutes for Jan 25, 2017 as written and adopts the agenda for Feb 1, 2017 as written.

Approved: All | Objections: | Abstained:

Standing Business:

Discussions:

1. Meeting space – Dr. Jarvis-Selinger
 - a. Students have messaged PhUS stating that the new study spaces on the 3rd floor aren't as good of a quality in the study rooms – lack of lighting and proper outlets
 - b. All of the rooms on the side that had study rooms taken are under the purview of classroom services
 - i. 2 classifications of rooms– restricted to the faculty, general use [which are open to everyone]
 - ii. The classrooms also fall under general use – professors get priority in how they book classrooms
 - iii. The 2 general use rooms that were changed into office space were converted from GU to office use [the VP research of UBC needed office space with particular criteria – couldn't be on the 4th, 5th or 6th floor]
 1. This was not a faculty decision, it was at the university level as they have authority and autonomy to make use of the rooms as they please
 2. The rooms were never designated as student study rooms – they're under classroom services

- iv. There is no such thing as a 'study space room' classification – they are just general/restricted use rooms that are used for the purpose of study space aside from their regular use
- v. The only designated study spaces in UBC are the libraries in addition to areas of the pharmacy building such as the atrium and the open study space on the 3rd floor
- vi. The PBL rooms have been also allocated for study space
 - 1. Have gotten pushback from Classroom Services for their ad hoc bookings
 - a. They request that we be more clear as to when we're actually using the rooms, rather than just block bookings
 - b. All they can see is PhUS booking them from morning to night from September to April
- vii. Additionally, there are 900 students in the faculty and we're being concerned over space that can only fit ~30 people – need to also focus on quantity
 - 1. The space can also be monopolized so this is a concern as well
- c. Jamal has also stated that the cleanliness of the rooms is also a concern
- d. Seeing as all students have access to our study spaces, it should be completely feasible to gain access to the study rooms in Life Science
 - i. The timeline for any real documented policy procedural change won't change until next academic year at the earliest
 - ii. The LSC rooms under classroom services can be booked by us ad hoc for the time being
- e. University is also working on a blueprint for geolocation of classrooms – to avoid situations where people have to walk from the pharmacy building to the opposite end of campus for classes
 - i. Right now it's more of a free for all – if classes aren't in this building, then they can be anywhere on campus
 - ii. Aiming for ...
 - 1. Tier 1: control of our own spaces
 - 2. Tier 2: access to LSC
 - 3. Tier 3: the rest of campus
- f. If we open up more study space, have to understand that they won't be for study purposes for 100% of the time, they'll be multipurpose
 - i. If students need to change the room configuration in the evening, they need to reset it back to the way it was initially set up for class time
 - ii. Need to have a degree of accountability
- g. 3201, 3206 and Computer lab are faculty-owned classrooms, not part of the Classroom Services
- h. Try to focus on the 3rd floor for now – rather than going straight to the 4th floor
 - i. We have less control over the 4th [and 5th/6th] floor (CDRD) and there's considerations over security
- i. Need to put a proposal together that will be sufficient for students' study purposes before making an investment
 - i. Don't want to have a half solution and pour money in only to find out that it will be inadequate
- j. Potentially could use the Computer Lab as a [bookable] quiet study space for independent studying & open up classrooms for group studying
 - i. Have to clearly communicate that this isn't going to be a lounge space
 - ii. No matter what we do, it will never accommodate all 900 students

- iii. Furthermore, also have to make sure that students maintain the rooms and take care of them properly
- k. Short term solution will be more ad hoc, will look for more long term solutions as soon as we can
 - i. Need to come up with plans, evaluation for success and more communication
- l. In summary:
 - i. We have no say over the rooms we lost, so there's no point in looking at that
 - ii. Will be better to work on improving the study spaces and show the faculty that we're using the study space
 - iii. Maximize use of ad hoc bookings for now [LSC]
 - iv. Could potentially have a sign-up sheet for the rooms to show Classroom Services that we're using all the space
 - 1. The problem is that the monopolization will get even worse
 - 2. Another consideration is that if we show Classroom Services that we're open to ad hoc booking, they might start advertising it to other faculties and we'd lose study spaces without getting anything in return – PhUS needs a guarantee
 - v. Need to also communicate to the students what we've learned from the faculty [that it wasn't the decision of the faculty] and try to open up the classrooms ASAP
 - vi. Should ask the other students what their opinions are – what they'd prefer to use – could make use of the Pipeline for this once it's set up

Round Table:

Faculty	
President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electives working group member decision – Alex <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Emily is willing to attend the first meeting – report when they've finalized their meeting schedule so we can pick a member to attend the meetings regularly
Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPA Committee applications will open next week
VP External	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AMS meeting summary: election rules are changing for AMS positions
VP Internal	
VP Academic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic committee meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Amendment to OEE policies for E2P, not affecting BSc – need to make announcement to the 1st/2nd years that details might change ○ Course survey summary reports available on Connect ○ Final grade availability timelines & supplemental schedules

VP Social	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will start promotion soon for DTP
VP Sponsorship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More funding soon
VP Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will only take reimbursements for the last 3 months
Communications Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The death of NWT: the YouTube announcement videos have been getting very few views so will discontinue this
Senate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Pipeline: members finalized; emails in progress with Willie
Sports Rep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Run for rural medicine on March 11th – want support in numbers
Grad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cake & Champagne will be April 3rd
1st Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Games night tomorrow: expecting 40-50 students
2nd Year	
3rd Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dean’s Luncheon on Feb 27th
4th Year	
CAPSI	
LKS	
Kappa Psi	
Rho Chi	
CHIUS	
PSSJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still taking submissions for the journal, contact information on Facebook and their website.
Yearbook	<p>Event Photography: For any clubs that would like to have Yearbook take pictures for their event, feel free to send an</p>

	email to photos.rxyearbook@gmail.com and we'll organize photographers for your occasion.
HSSA	
CSHP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentorship program applications are still open
BCPHA	
UAEM	
Choir	

Meeting adjourned at: 1:00 PM

Moved: Margaret Lu; **Seconded:** Karan Khanna

Be it resolved that PhUS council adjourns the meeting.

Approved: All | Objections: | Abstained: