

Meeting minutes: June 21, 2017

1. Roll Call: Rebekah, Kim, Diana, Rita, Lindsay

2. Approval of agenda: Yes

3. Lindsay's updates:

- Most recent orientation schedule-schedule heavy for Tuesdays and Thursdays, all morning and all afternoon
 - Check schedules
 - 1 hour for tips and tricks-Monday the 11th
 - Technology Presentation
 - How to manage online courses
 - International support section
 - Where to find cheap stuff in Halifax
- Will be emailing incoming class with information on how to do the technical items
- Also sending page for submitting photo for student ID
- Eventually want to send SIMSA website
- First two weeks of orientation, class photos and individual headshots for incoming class
- JoAnn-email buddies(two incidents). Send out emails reminding them to send questions they don't feel they can answer to JoAnn
- If students ask about career opportunities there is a SIM Career page and a list of competencies
- JoAnn suggested some kind of international orientation event
 - Potentially Potluck?
 - Native foods?
 - Everyone contributes in some way – either food, or buying pop, silverware, etc.
 - Or payment instead of food?
 - Orientation bags – green bags
 - List of previous years stuffers:
 - Campus maps, CKDU, Dal Allies buttons or pamphlets, Career Services Workshop Schedule, DJIM pens, IWB pens or notebooks, pamphlet for counseling centre, Pamphlet for international centre, Security pens, best of halifax city guides, HPL information, Bus route map, Coupons for food places, bookstore bags, the card holder
 - Footwork divvied up

4. Diana's Updates:

- Nothing from IWB Front
- Slack owned by SIMSA?
- Slack as a way to talk, share files, etc.

- Curriculum committee- potentially adding part time member

5. Rebekah's updates:

- Figure out way to get more people to the meetings during the fall
 - Hold it at the pub
 - Set up a collaborate? Join virtually.
 - It has its issues, webcam.
 - AV office has a LG speaker, webcam thing
 - Look into it more
- DSU has an app
- Logo competition in the Fall
 - Diana's sister another option
- Figure out a time to have permanent fall meetings with class schedules
 - Days around 4 you might be available

6. Alicia's Updates:

- Ratification-Yay!
- Several benefits we can use. Rebekah will report on later.

7. Adrienne's Updates:

- Not Present

8. Kim's Updates:

- SEND PROFILE AND PICTURE
- Find things on websites that don't work, let Kim know
- Add the minutes
- Upload Minutes
- Put SIM calendar into SIMSA
- Put international rep under academic support or a page on the website

9. Rita's updates:

- Trying to get list of countries represented so that we can have the links to organizations and contact information
- Give talks about their culture, etc at Potluck. Leery of asking to present at one of first meetings.
 - Potluck as before class or later?
 - Nametags with name and country underneath
 - Have organizations representing various cultures to present at Potluck
- No program through international centre for graduate students
- Project handling for DSU
- Items you can get for free through Dal for parenting as a student
 - Reach out to students with families for the session based on parenting as a student at Dal
- Need information for Tips and Tricks session.
- Any events after orientation for second years to interact with first year?

- Potlucks, AGM's, etc.
- Idea of Little SIM, big SIM potentially a worthwhile project to create relationships between new and old students?

10. Scarlett's updates:

- Not Present

Motion to end meeting