

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 12:31 PM

2. TERRITORIALACKNOWLEDGMENT

We respectfully acknowledge that the SFSS is located on the traditional, unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples, including the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), S^kwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Selíłwíłh (Tsleil-Waututh), k^wik^wəłəm (Kwkwetlem) and qícəy (Katzie) Nations. Unceded means that these territories have never been handed over, sold, or given up by these nations, and we are currently situated on occupied territories.

3. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

3.1 Committee Composition

VP Student Life (<i>Chair</i>).....	Jennifer Chou
Student At-Large (<i>Vice Chair</i>).....	Abhishek Parmar
At-Large Representative	Phum Luckkid
Faculty Representative (Communications, Art, & Technology)	Haider Masood
Faculty Representative (Education)	Emerly Liu
Student At-Large	Karishma Sen
Student At-Large	Emma Macchabee
Student At-Large	Fiona Wong
Student At-Large.....	Yashvir Gupta
Student At-Large.....	Ahad Ghani
Council Representative	Adrienne Blas

3.2 Society Staff

MSC Events	Dipti Chavan
Administrative Assistant	Christina Kachkarova

3.3 Regrets

Student At-Large.....	Yashvir Gupta
Student At-Large (<i>Vice Chair</i>).....	Abhishek Parmar
Student At-Large	Karishma Sen

4. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS

4.1 MOTION EVENTS-2021-02-10:01

Haider/Fiona

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Yashvir Gupta, Abhishek Parmar, and Karishma Sen.

CARRIED AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

- Add Regrets from Karishma Sen.

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5.1 MOTION EVENTS-2021-02-10:02

Haider/Fiona

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

- Remove Brooklyn 99 Trivia Night Updates, Grey's Anatomy Trivia Night Updates, Harry Potter Trivia Night Updates from Updates Section.
- Add 9.1 Trivia Night Update to Updates Section.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 MOTION EVENTS-2021-02-10:03

Haider/Fiona

Be it resolved to receive and file the following minutes:

- EVENTS 2021-01-27

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. NEW BUISINESS

7.1 SFU Themed Trivia Nights-MOTION EVENTS-2021-02-10:04

Haider/Fiona

Whereas the SFSS First Year Engagement Committee is planning an SFU-themed Trivia Night,

Whereas the SFSS First Year Engagement Committee currently does not have a budget,

Be it resolved to approve \$110 from the Events budget for the SFU-Themed Trivia event hosted by the SFSS First Year Engagement Committee.

CARRIED /NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

- Faculty Representative (Communications, Art, & Technology) mentioned that trivia questions would mainly be about general resources that SFU offers to give first years a chance to learn about SFU. He mentioned that the event was open to everyone – not just first years.
- Promotion for the event will occur through SFSS social media.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.1 SFSS Women of the Year Awards

- VP Student Life mentioned that Young Women in Business would no longer be hosting the online Gala therefore SFSS would not be collaborating.
- Concerns raised about possibility of awards breaking. MSC Events stated that the budget should be \$700 + contingency for the trophies in accordance with the budget from last year.
- VP Student Life suggested including a gift basket along with the trophy and having a different trophy. MSC Events mentioned that the current trophy has been consistent for the past two years.
- Faculty Representative (Education) discussed last year's event details. SFSS members would nominate people through a survey which SFSS staff would then sift through and chose the nominees that SFSS members would vote on. The event was held in March.

- Faculty Representative (Education) highlighted need for a timeline for the event and the need to account for the voting period. She mentioned that she will do further research into the previous timeline.

8.2 Black History Month

- February 17th local celebrity Chef Food Workshop.

8.3 UNICEF PoH Mental Health Gala

- At-Large Representative stated that the annual UNICEF Gala will be virtual this year. UNICEF is looking for support as they want to have mental health experts speaking at the Gala and are currently working on a budget. Anticipated time for this event is mid-March.

9. UPDATES

9.1 Trivia Night Update

- Brooklyn 99
 - VP Student Life mentioned that although the introduction was very long, attendees still joined late and were not able to participate in the Kahoot. Event included a discussion about police brutality.
 - Council Representative mentioned that in the future needs to be more fact checking as some attendees raised concerns about accuracy of trivia questions.
- Grey's Anatomy
 - High attendance and engagement.
 - Some attendees stayed 40+ minutes after the event to chat about TV shows and other interests.
- Faculty Representative (Communications, Art, & Technology) suggested having an Office Trivia Night.
- Harry Potter
 - VP Student Life mentioned that a student had reached out to her and expressed discomfort that the SFSS had not mentioned a disclaimer distancing the SFSS from the transphobic views of JK Rowling.
 - VP Student Life explained that she sent out an email to those who had registered explaining that the event was being cancelled and that the SFSS would work towards more trans-inclusive events.
 - VP Student Life reached out to SFPIRG to have a development session relevant to this topic.

9.2 Valentine's Day Origami Rose and Letter-writing Workshop Update

- Student At-Large (FW) will show YouTube video at event on how to make origami rose.

10. ATTACHMENTS

10.1 SFU Trivia from First Year Engagement Committee

10.2 Trivia Nights Post-Event Report

11. ADJOURNMENT

11.1 MOTION EVENTS-2021-02-10:05

Haider/Fiona

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 1:11 PM

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Description:	SFU Themed Trivia on Kahoot: The Zoom event will feature Kahoot 20-30 Kahoot question regarding SFU.
Date:	Friday, Feb 19th, 2021
Time:	6-7:00pm
Location:	Zoom
Objective:	Increasing first year engagement & for them to learn interesting knowledge and facts about SFU
Event Lead:	Haider Masood (FCAT Rep/FYEC CHAIR)
Event Support:	Sara Aristizabal, Meaghan Lin, Yashi Chauhan (At-large representatives)
Target Audience:	First Years/SFSS members
Budget:	\$110 for Starbucks gift cards (one \$50 gift card, two \$25 gift card, \$10 contingency)
Measurement of Success:	More than 15 people show up and learn something new about SFU.

Spring 2021 Trivia Week Post-event Report

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Executive Summary

Summary

Original event plan:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hdsWX1woOE34LpGpTT-IZO_PntFETgGcBDVoKAOHqF8/edit?usp=sharing (we're still planning The Office trivia)

This was pretty fun (Kahoot is pretty great - everyone loves it). First, we had Brooklyn Nine-Nine, then Grey's Anatomy, then Harry Potter (but this one was cancelled).

This event was fun to host and it was also well-received because the shows were very popular with our audience.

Brooklyn Nine-Nine

- 36 registrants
- 16 attendees
- (1-2 people were late but we couldn't let them in)
- 30 minutes (5 test run questions, 50 trivia questions with some mistakes oops, 3 min intro)

Grey's Anatomy

- 26 registrants
- 12 attendees (+1 more who was late and couldn't join)
- 40 minutes (5 test run questions, 44 trivia questions, with some explanation and talking / bonding in between)
- Suggestions for future trivia nights (people were so passionate after):
 - How I Met Your Mother
 - Marvel
 - Schitt's Creek
 - Parks and Recreation
 - The Good Place
 - Alice in Borderland (I suggested this)
 - Once Upon A Time
 - Green's Gambit
 - Lord of the Rings/The Hobbit
 - Arrow/The Flash
 - Percy Jackson
 - Disney
- Other show recommendations:
 - Nancy Drew
 - Fuller House

- The Society
- Also talked about experiences/casual conversations after (meeting celebrities, topics and opinions on TV shows, SFU food places)
 - People turned on cameras after
 - We chatted for like 30 mins after (ended at 8:22pm)

Harry Potter trivia

- Cancelled (more details in [Logistics](#))

Overall, attendees said they had fun. Some had suggestions for future trivia nights. Marketing occurred 1-2 weeks before the event.

Key Achievements

This series of events strengthened community ties between SFU (and FIC!) students and SFSS.

This series of events also increased student engagement because students who were passionate about the topic of the trivia night were more likely to come to the respective event.

Key Recommendations

I would recommend double checking the questions to ensure the answers are correct. Also double checking the formatting is good (making sure things aren't bolded unnecessarily).

I would also recommend putting the Zoom link on the confirmation page so registrants get it right away after signing up, in case any issues occur with emailing attendees.

I would also recommend using this write-up for future event promotions:

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ACCESSIBILITY

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If you have any questions about this event, please contact Jennifer Chou, SFSS
VP Student Life at vpstudentlife@sfss.ca

Introduction

History

This was the second time SFSS Events has hosted a trivia week with Kahoot. Different Events Committee members worked on trivia questions and putting the questions on Kahoot. My sister was a huge fan of Brooklyn Nine-Nine so she made a lot of the questions. I checked in with each trivia group and led the Brooklyn Nine-Nine trivia.

Background

Who: fans of Brooklyn Nine-Nine, Grey's Anatomy, and Harry Potter

What: trivia week on Kahoot

When: October 13, 15, and 16 @ 7pm - 8pm

Where: Zoom and Kahoot (screenshared)

Why: to increase student engagement

Objectives

To increase student engagement for a specific audience (Brooklyn Nine-Nine, Grey's Anatomy, or Harry Potter)

To get more familiar with hosting trivia nights via Zoom and Kahoot

Finances

Budget

The budget for this event was \$450.

\$200 (\$50 x 4) for first place

\$100 (\$25 x 4) for second place

\$100 (\$25 x 4) for third place

\$50 contingency

\$450 total

Actual Costs

Since Harry Potter was cancelled and we haven't planned The Office, we ended up spending only \$200.

Recommendations

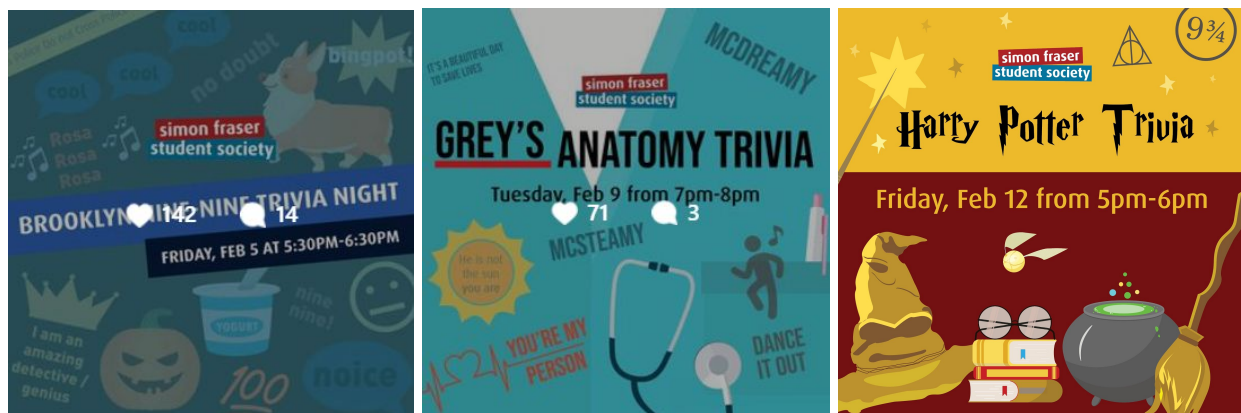
N/A

Logistics

Location

Zoom and Kahoot ran smoothly. We had a test run Kahoot set up (questions were about SFSS and even promoted the previous Annual General Meeting since we used this test run in Fall 2020). I used my new PC to share screen to run Zoom and Kahoot at the same time, but one of my 2 screens was laggy than the others.

Marketing & Media Promotion



The event was promoted via SFSS social media (Facebook, Instagram, email newsletter). The [@sfss_events Instagram](#) also promoted the event and so did Board members and Events Committee at-large members.

I also promoted the event on many Discord servers, including the official Reddit Simon Fraser University server. I also promoted through the SFU Psychology and SFU Student Bulletin email newsletters.

Other

We addressed police brutality before the Brooklyn Nine-Nine trivia night:

Brooklyn Nine-Nine Script

Hey everyone, thank you so much for coming to the Brooklyn Nine-Nine trivia night! I'm Jennifer, the VP Student Life of the SFSS and I'm so excited to see y'all show off your Brooklyn Nine-Nine knowledge! Before we get started, I will be doing a land acknowledgement, talk a bit about police brutality, and doing a quick intro to SFSS. So thanks in advance for your patience with this long intro!

So, I'd like to acknowledge that the SFSS is located on the traditional, unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples, including the Musqueam, Squamish, Tsleil-Waututh, Kwikwetlem, and Katzie Nations. Unceded means that these territories have never been handed over, sold, or given up by these nations, and we are currently situated on occupied territories. I also recognize that the settler colony of British Columbia was created using various forms of strategic violence and dispossession, which has structured our society and created lasting injustices that persist today. Today, new forms of colonial violence and dispossession continue to be established on these territories, like with the TMX pipeline. Today we have people from all over, so to check whose lands you're on, you can go to <http://native-land.ca/>. You can also learn more about Indigenous peoples and their histories with this free course linked in the Zoom chat (I will also be emailing this out to everyone):

<https://www.ualberta.ca/admissions-programs/online-courses/indigenous-canada/index.html>

I also want to acknowledge the disproportionate impacts policing has on Black and Indigenous populations in Canada and all over the world. These issues were made especially prevalent this summer with the Black Lives Matter movement and the George Floyd protests, but I wanted to be clear that these issues affect us in Canada as well. It's important to learn about how structural racism has led to the arrests and even deaths of many marginalized populations - not only in the criminal justice system but also in healthcare, education, and many other systems in this colonial society. What we can do is learn more about these issues so we can actively hold ourselves and others accountable, and stand in solidarity with Black and Indigenous communities. There are a lot of resources I've linked on the SFSS Events Instagram and in this Zoom chat that I recommend you check out: https://linktr.ee/sfss_events which has a lot of resources and courses you can sign up for to learn for free. I believe the writers of Brooklyn Nine-Nine have also said they will be addressing police brutality in the next season!

Now for the SFSS intro. Sorry if you're tired of hearing my voice, I swear this is the last part then we can get started. The SFSS (which stands for the Simon Fraser Student Society) represents all undergraduate students at SFU. We host fun events like this trivia night, but we also provide services like the UPass and the Health and Dental plan. Student advocacy is also something we've been doing a lot, from pushing for a tuition freeze (and condemning SFU for raising tuition during a pandemic at our Annual General Meeting on October 26) to campaigning for a better grading system like Pass/Fail grading. If you have any questions about any events or general SFSS stuff, feel free to email me at vpstudentlife@sfss.ca.

Okay, now to the part that we're all here for: the trivia night! We'll be using Kahoot. Hopefully everyone is familiar with it, but if not, we'll be playing a test round first to get warmed up.

Remember to go to Global Talent Night:

<https://globaltalentnight2021.eventbrite.ca/>

We had to cancel the Harry Potter trivia night because a student reached out to me regarding trans inclusion. Harry Potter is very associated with JK Rowling, who is very publicly transphobic. Promoting Harry Potter (as cisgender event organizers) without being critical of JK Rowling's views was an oversight and because of this, cancelled the event. I didn't want to make transgender students feel harmed by the SFSS and would rather disappoint the 4 people who RSVP'd than harm the student who reached out. This was the email I sent out to everyone:

Hey everyone,

Unfortunately the SFSS Events team has made the decision to cancel the Harry Potter Trivia Night.

It has been brought to our attention that JK Rowling's transphobia has largely impacted how many folks see trans people, and her words and actions have directly harmed trans people. As the author of a series beloved by many, there have also been people who have defended JK Rowling's transphobic views because they are fans of her books.

SFSS Events does not, in any way, support JK Rowling and her views, and we should have made this clearer when promoting the event. That being said, we acknowledge having this event promote Harry Potter without mentioning the harm done against trans people contributes to an alienating, non-inclusive space, and we deeply regret our oversight. We will continue to work towards more trans-inclusive events and spaces at the SFSS, and work on improving our allyship. SFSS Out On Campus is a great resource and has some fun and inclusive events.

For some great, trans-inclusive sci-fi/fantasy books you can check out instead of JK Rowling's works, check out these resources:

<https://www.nbcnews.com/feature/nbc-out/trans-inclusive-fantasy-sci-fi-books-rep-lacing-harry-potter-n1228441>

<https://www.queerevents.ca/queer-corner/blog/books/trans-inclusive-alternatives-harry-potter>

Sincerely,

SFSS Events Team

Eventbrite makes it so hard to cancel events - I had to email everyone then cancel everyone's tickets before cancelling. I had to Google how to do this.

Recommendations

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Feedback

Feedback was generally positive. Attendees all said they had fun.

Attendees

Brooklyn Nine-Nine

- “I had fun”
- “Thank you!!”
- “This was really fun”
- “Thanks again for hosting the trivia, it was fun!”

Grey’s Anatomy

- “I liked the hard questions, they’re fun!”
- “I’m having fun!”
- “Thank you for hosting!”
- “Will there be more trivia nights in the future?”
- “thank you again! It was my sister's birthday so this was great! I had some ideas for other trivia nights cause I really like them and thank you for organizing them.”

Organizers/Volunteers

It was pretty straightforward to run because we had done something similar before. The most work-intensive part was creating questions and moving it onto the Kahoot platform.

The bonding after Grey’s Anatomy was so pure <3

Conclusion

Overall, the trivia events were fun.

Since we bought Kahoot for the year, we can have more trivia nights in the future.

We could also host a trivia night and then have a Netflix Party chill event right after.