

MINUTES

2011-2012 #12

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

June 23, 2011 11:00 am

ATTENDANCE: Rory Tighe President

Andy Cheema Vice President (Operations & Finance)

Emerson Csorba Vice President (Academic)
Colten Yamagishi Vice President (Student Life)
Farid Iskandar Vice President (External)

Marc Dumouchel General Manager

Zdena Fiala Admin Assistant to the Executives
Amanda Henry Student Governance Advisor

REGRETS: n/a ABSENT: n/a

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by TIGHE 11:10 am.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: YAMAGISHI/ISKANDAR MOVED THAT the Executive Committee

approve the June 23, 2011 agenda as tabled.

5/0/0 CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: CSORBA/ISKANDAR MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve

the June 21, 2011 minutes as tabled.

5/0/0 CARRIED

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Tighe: I will be starting my vacation on Saturday for two weeks. I will be

having one on one meetings with you all tomorrow. Welcome back Andy.

Iskandar: I am off starting Saturday for one week.

Yamagishi: I will be leaving on Sunday and I will be back on Wednesday.

Tighe: I would recommend not having exec next week if no one is around.

Could you chair it Andy if we have quorum for the meetings?

Cheema: Yes.

5. ACTION ITEMS: Reviewed and updated.

6. STUDENTS' COUNCIL: Tighe: Reports are due tomorrow at 8:00 am. Farid and Colten could you try

to skype in for the council meeting.

Tighe: Colten have you spoke to Arun yet?

Cheema: we are figuring it out today.

Csorba: I will be doing an Academic Plan presentation for Tuesday.

7. OLD BUSINESS: n/a

8. New Business:

a) CRO Request Tighe: What do you guys think?

Yamagishi: We should buy the cabinets and is the PA for the historical

poster project.

Tighe: What about the chairs?

Yamagishi: That's fine. Can we use any left over money from last year.

Cheema: I will need to read the original motion over.

Dumouchel: That motion was supposed to be for historical stuff in our office. Let's let Andy look at the old motion.

Yamagishi: The cabinets will be good, they need them to lock up the lap tops.

Csorba: This proposal is very thorough.

Cheema: Are we voting on this today?

Tighe: We can or we can wait but we are not having any meetings next week. I would suggest Andy looks in to the motion from last year for the photos.

CSORBA/TIGHE MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a projects allocation not to exceed \$1850.00 for the purpose of filing, storage units and chairs for the Elections offices.

5/0/0 CARRIED

b) CASA Conference Request

Iskandar: With the Executives recommendation I have fixed the conference request and added fifty dollars. The request is the same as last week just more elaborate.

Tighe: Does anyone have any questions?

Cheema: Is this the same as the one that was emailed out.

Iskandar; I emailed two but this is the updated one.

Cheema: Will this be coming from the CASA budget?

Iskandar: Yes.

YAMAGISHI/CHEEMA MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a budgeted expenditure not to exceed \$5200.00 for the Vice President External Farid Iskandar, President Rory Tighe, and Director of Research and Political Affairs Justin Williams for the purpose of attending the Policy and Strategy Conference from July 24-29, 2011 in Hamilton, Ontario.

5/0/0 CARRIED

9. DISCUSSION PERIOD:

a) SGA Report

Amanda Henry enters the room.

Amanda Henry: When this position was created on of the job requirements was to write this report. Since it will be a public document I would like you to go through it. The longer section took ten months to do. I am interested in thoughts and feedback.

Tighe: Has everyone read it?

Iskandar: Yes, and the stats were good.

Yamagishi: I have a question about the special committee. Is it a task force?

Henry: It is a special committee, it is much broader.

Iskandar: Will this happen every year?

Henry: It will be updated every year but do not expect a lot of changes.

Csorba: I am starting to see improvements with the students and committees already.

Henry: Good, and with that I will not take up any more of your time.

Tighe: This is such a great opportunity, I told the SU members from Grant McEwan and NAIT they would like to see the info on this. I also told Carl and he thought it was great. I'm very happy and you are doing a great job Amanda.

Henry: Thank you. Just send your comments and questions anytime up until this goes to council.

Amanda Henry leaves the room.

b) Engagement Policy for policy delegation under all Executive members Csorba: I looked into policy delegation and we had talked about what the exec wants to focus on and we discussed focusing on student engagement. I think we should do a report on how we have individually done this.

Tighe: Would we report bi weekly to the policy committee?

Csorba: We each would under engagement.

Tighe: Do you guys agree?

Yamagishi: I already have it so this is not significant to me.

Iskandar: Not all of our portfolios include it.

Cheema: It is in the policy.

Tighe: We need to be aware of the clauses.

Csorba: It looks good on us. It might further entice us to engage people.

Cheema: I looked over the policy. I can report on this but I would have few opportunities to do so.

Csorba: It is better if we all do it.

Cheema: I'm cool with it.

c) Academic Materials/Be Book Smart collaboration with USSU Csorba: I have been collaborating with the USSU and they have revamped their information for professors and students to select textbooks. I think we should add it to our site too. Academic materials are important to students. I think it's important for me to work on this.

Dumouchel: I think we should ask what the academic concerns are. I just want to note the be book smart campaign was started here. We should talk to Craig.

Tighe: Adding it to the website is a good idea. We should write questions for the undergrad survey.

Csorba: We are doing an undergraduate survey?

Tighe: Yes, we do it every year.

d) Communication

Tighe: As Emerson said engagement is a goal for most people. We will have a list that we can agree on at retreat and talk about who does what.

Iskandar: There is definitely too much on the list for one person.

Csorba: It is important for us to focus on communication and one on ones with volunteers and staff members regarding recruitment, participating and volunteers.

Dumouchel: Asking people directly is the most powerful way to get them involved.

Csorba: I agree.

Iskandar: Let's save this for retreat.

Dumouchel: It will be a good discussion.

Tighe: Think about it a bit more before retreat.

e) CSL Coordinator

Dumouchel: I should have included the original proposal. A CSL student last year approached CSL for a grant to have a farmers market. CSL has approved a \$10,000 grant and part of the request was to get a coordinator in place. This is not SU money this is the grant money that was given to us. I'm not sure where the position falls but I wanted to see if you have any problems with it? The main idea is to hire a coordinator to mange CSL students.

Csorba: Will the position just be organizing the farmers market?

Dumouchel: There may be two food related events. A taste of U and the farmers market.

Csorba: So they are focused on sustainable food?

Dumouchel: Yes.

Csorba: Would this person report to you?

Dumouchel: Yes.

Csorba: I really like this I wanted us to better integrate CSL.

Dumouchel: I will not be participating in the selection process, Rory will be doing that.

Csorba: How often will this person report to you?

Dumouchel: Monthly or bi-weekly. We will need to find them a desk. They will interact with us like any other project person would.

Cheema: In terms of business there will be conversations?

Dumouchel: Yes. There was a group of concerned students that there was no structure for them to get things done. They devised this job description and we revised it. They will organize the events they would like to have. They just need a home, place, structure and the resources. CSL students will define the position.

Yamagishi: Since we will not be paying them how does this work?

Dumouchel: They will be paid with the granting money.

Csorba: What will they do from July to August?

Dumouchel: Prep outlines and speak with people. They will be planning

ways to interact with students.

Cheema: Will these projects they are planning affect our businesses?

Dumouchel: Yes, and we will point them in the right direction on their projects.

Csorba: Why is this position reporting to you instead of Sustain SU?

Dumouchel: They could but I am already involved in this and I have good relations with them. If we give it to Sustain SU it will become a program here. That is what could happen if it goes to Sustain SU plus Ian is busy. There needs to be a business element to this.

Cheema: How many people do you currently supervise?

Dumouchel: I already manage eight plus this one. So nine. This is a concern.

CHEEMA/TIGHE MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the creation of a temporary CSL Coordinator position beginning in July and ending in December with the possibility of renewal for an extension until April to report to the General Manager.

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f) Impeachment Bylaw

Iskandar: We got the results from the first readings after the lawyers recommendation. Once the second reading passes we will be done. The lawyer has recommended everyone has the right to appeal.

Tighe: Is that for council and exec?

Iskandar: Just exec.

Csorba: If someone is impeached can they run again?

Iskandar: It doesn't say.

Tighe: Follow up with Farid if you have any thought on this.

g) July Half Day

Dumouchel: We talked about this and it is not a good idea. It doesn't seem appropriate with the schedule. It would be unfair if some staff could leave and some staff couldn't.

Cheema: Was this done last year?

Dumouchel: Yes and it caused a few problems. There was more value to having it last year. There are economic costs. All staff have a summer float day if they would like to use that.

h) Global Youth Assembly

Tighe: We have already discussed this and they have emailed Kristen back and they have booked an additional day. Is everyone okay with giving them

the additional day at the internal rate?

Executive Committee: Yes.

10. REPORTS:

- a) President Met with Carl
 - FRWTF meeting
 - Meeting with Sean
 - Goals document done by tomorrow
- b) VP Academic Met with the co chairs of CLE
 - Undergrad research board meeting
 - Saskatoon was good
- c) VP External Raj Sherman lobby meeting
 - Met with CAUS
 - Blog post
- d) VP Operations & Finance Toronto was good
 - Meeting with Russell today
 - GAC tonight
- e) VP Student Life RHA, Lister
 - Met with Dima
 - Residence Governance
 - Infolink rebranding
 - Policy working materials
 - Working on documents
- General Manager
 Communication management planning
 - Limiting meetings to do planning
- 11. CLOSED SESSION:
- 12. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.