

## MINUTES

2011-2012 #32

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

September 29, 2011 2:00 pm

ATTENDANCE: Rory Tighe President

Andy Cheema Vice President (Operations & Finance)

Colten Yamagishi Vice President (Student Life) Farid Iskandar Vice President (External)

Marc Dumouchel General Manager

Zdena Fiala Administrative Assistant to the Executives

REGRETS: Emerson Csorba Vice President (Academic)

ABSENT: n/a

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by TIGHE 2:07 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: 4/0/0 CARRIED

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

September 27, 2011 minutes as tabled.

**4/0/0 CARRIED** 

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Tighe: Farid and I will be in Calgary for CAUS tomorrow.

5. ACTION ITEMS: Reviewed and updated.

6. STUDENTS' COUNCIL: Tighe: I saw the budget presentation at the GSA Council last night and it was

good.

Dumouchel: The Council retreat will be held in the Alumni room on October

14.

Tighe: Next week I am sponsoring a PAW presentation. On October 25 I am

sponsoring a Sustainability Assessment presentation.

7. OLD BUSINESS: n/a

8. NEW BUSINESS:

a) Conference Request Yamagishi: Emerson and I would like to attend the AASHE conference from

October 9-12. It is an organization that fosters the best practices on

Sustainability. The conference is in Pittsburgh. There are a bunch of different relevant sessions for each of us and possible school tours. Emerson wants to go because sustainability in academics ties into his goals. I work with

sustainable initiatives all the time and sit on a lot committees that this would tie into. Emerson would like to attend the academic sessions. I would like to

attend the STARS session and the Carnegie Mellon University tour. Sustainability and attending AASHE is also in both of our goals documents. I know it is expensive but there are allocated amounts for each of us.

Cheema: Why is this beneficial for you both to go?

Dumouchel; I like how you tied in the strategic plan.

Yamagishi: The Strategic Plan was Emerson's idea. As I already mentioned it is relevant to both of us for our individual goals.

Dumouchel: The travel costs seem high.

Yamagishi: These are the flight costs. They are to Pittsburgh and include shuttle costs.

Dumouchel: Are these the right prices for the conference accommodations?

Yamagishi: We are budgeting conservatively. I am not sure if that includes the room for both of us. I also included the registration costs.

Dumouchel: Peter can book flights and get discounts through our rewards program. You should talk to him. Andy, do you know if we are allowed to pass a motion that has a deficit?

Cheema: He has a deficit from attending Leaders Hall, which was a request from the Executive. We should amend the request to not allow a deficit and I will work with them to make sure the budgeting works.

Yamagishi: The accommodation costs will likely be lower then budgeted.

CHEEMA/TIGHE MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a budgeted expense not to exceed \$2900.00 as per the amended conference request for the Vice President (Academic) Emerson Csorba and Vice President (Student Life) for the purpose of attending the AASHE Conference from October 9-12, 2011 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

3/0/1 CARRIED

## 9. DISCUSSION PERIOD:

a) Communications

Tighe: Please think about questions for the student survey. It will be going out at the end of October. The questions will be finalized two weeks before the end of the month so have your questions in by October 10, 2011.

Dumouchel: You can get the current survey questions from Nigel.

## 10. REPORTS:

a) President

- Sustainability Assessment
- Building expansion meeting
- b) VP Academic
- n/a

- c) VP External Preparing for CAUS
  - Politics
- d) VP Operations & Finance
- Building renovation
- PAW report
- e) VP Student Life
- World Café this morning
- Emails
- f) General Manager
- CSL Group Submart Grocery study
- Farmers Market
- Copy Write meeting tomorrow
- Manager meeting
- 11. CLOSED SESSION:
- 12. ADJOURNMENT: TIGHE/ISKANDAR adjourned at 2:52 pm.