

## MINUTES

2010-2011 #4

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

May 24, 2012 12:00 pm

ATTENDANCE: Colten Yamagishi President

Dustin Chelen Vice President (Academic)
Petros Kusmu Vice President (External)

Andy Cheema Vice President (Operations & Finance)

Saadiq Sumar Vice President (Student Life)

Marc Dumouchel General Manager

Zdena Fiala Administrative Assistant-Executive

REGRETS: n/a ABSENT: n/a

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Yamagishi at 12:20 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: 5/0/0 CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: KUSMU/SUMAR MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the

May 22, 2012 minutes as tabled.

5/0/0 CARRIED

4. Announcements: n/a

5. ACTION ITEMS: Reviewed and updated.

6. STUDENTS' COUNCIL: Yamagishi: Reports are due today. The next Students' Council meeting is on

Tuesday, May 29.

Cheema: The SUB renovation recommendations are coming to Council next

week.

7. OLD BUSINESS: n/a

8. New Business:

8.1) Authorize Construction of the new Infolink Booth in

SUB-MD/AC

Cheema: We would like to begin the construction of the new Infolink booth for the fall semester.

Dumouchel: The millwork needs to be done first. There is a lot of prep to do.

I recommend a casino motion for this.

CHEEMA/CHELEN MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a Casino Reserve not to exceed \$25000.00 for the purpose of reupholstering

the SUB main floor furniture as well as the new main floor furniture.

5/0/0 CARRIED

YAMAGISHI/SUMAR MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the new Infolink kiosk.

5/0/0 CARRIED

8.2) Health and Dental Plan RFQ-CY

Sumar: Andy, Colten, Marc and I met with Student Care. They showed up quotes from various insurance companies. The quotes are from Sunlife, Blue Cross, and Desjardins. We are going to switch providers because we will save a lot of money and we will be saving students a lot of money as well.

Kusmu: How were these choices made for the SU?

Dumouchel: Our broker handles those decisions and the Student Care negotiates for us.

Yamagishi: Desjardin also has a phone app to send in claims with.

Sumar: All quotes we received provide the same coverage they just have different costs.

Yamagishi: There are two downsides to changing the provider. We could hurt our relationship with Sunlife and students will have to send their claims to a new provider which could be confusing for the first while.

SUMAR/CHEEMA MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve Desjardins as the Health and Dental Plan provider for the period of 2012-2014.

5/0/0 CARRIED

## 9. DISCUSSION PERIOD:

9.1) Communications- EC

Yamagishi: I would like to invite Asheton and Simon to attend the Thursday Executive Committee meetings for reports. Does everyone like that idea?

Executive committee: Yes.

9.2) Council Retreat Schedule-DC Chelen: Kelsey sent out the schedule for the Council Retreat. There are a few changes that need to be made. I don't know to what extent Gov 501, understanding the governance structure of the University, is key for Council. I'd argue that Council needs to at least understand the skills needed to be a Councillor, and the scope of their roles. Skills include negotiation, Robert's Rules, asking effective questions, and trustee/stewardship, among others. I believe that tension between Exec and Council can occur from misunderstanding (on both sides) the scope of the role of Council and of the SU. A strategic plan presentation before discussing goals may be wise, and save Council's time at an actual Council meeting. I'd like to give a

presentation on Faculty Associations, as many Councillors have historically wanted to do things that overlap with FA mandates, rather than SU mandates.

Kusmu: I emailed Kelsey about my presentation. I like the idea of including University Governance.

Dumouchel: Can you clarify why Gov 501 isn't good information?

Chelen: I think that different Discovering Governance modules would be more effective.

Sumar: If there is another presentation Amanda has that is more fitted for Council, I would like to see it. We should figure out which presentation would be better. The decision needs to be practical.

Yamagishi: I think we should do a Strategic Plan presentation rather than a Twitter one.

Kusmu: We could extend the time during the day to add the Strategic Plan presentation.

Dumouchel: Who will be talking to Kelsey about making these changes?

Yamagishi: we could all sit down and then do it together.

9.3) Delegate Agreement-DC

Dustin: I sent out the revised delegate agreement. I sit on a lot of committees that a student delegate could attend for me. This agreement was presented at Exec last year but it was never used.

Sumar: The word termination seems harsh for volunteers.

Dumouchel: We should use a different language.

Sumar: All things under remuneration should be provided to them. We need to provide them to them. They should also meet with the Vice President before the position is hired.

Yamagishi: That is a good idea. We should use it and not abuse it, some committees are best for Executives to attend.

9.4) Quebec Protests and the SU's Action/Reactions-PK

Simon Yackulic entered the room.

Kusmu: I received an email about this from Brent Kelly to sponsor this bill.

Yackulic: The main point is that the Students' Union already stands up for student rights. This issue is not specific to our situation.

Kusmu: I am not sure how to mediate this situation. Should I write an informal blog post about it?

Yackulic: I think that would be a better informal way of approaching the issue.

9.5) Blogs-CY

Yackulic: Every week we will have a blog post up from a different member of the Executive Committee. The deadline to have them in will be Thursday. The blog can be a maximum of five hundred and fifty words. You can talk about what you are doing, big issues at the Students' Union or your thoughts on University life.

Sumar: Can we do a video blog?

Yackulic: We could put something together.

Kusmu: Do we send the blog to you for edits?

Yackulic: Yes, but your own personal writing style is important to.

10. REPORTS:

10.1) President • Emails

Preparing for Alumni and BOG meetings next week

10.2) VP Academic • Met with the Vice Provost Academic

• Attended the Teaching Awards Celebration

10.3) VP External • n/a

10.4) VP Operations & Finance

PAW Centre meeting

• Union meetings

• Met with Russell Steffes

Met with Student Care

• BFC meeting

10.5) VP Student Life

UPass meeting

Met with RHA Execs

CLRC meeting

10.6) General Manager

n/a

11. CLOSED SESSION:

12. ADJOURNMENT:

KUSMU/SUMAR adjourned at 1:43 pm.