

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

2010-2011 #6

June 4, 2012

12:00 pm

ATTENDANCE:	Colten Yamagishi	<i>President</i>
	Dustin Chelen	<i>Vice President (Academic)</i>
	Petros Kusmu	<i>Vice President (External)</i>
	Andy Cheema	<i>Vice President (Operations & Finance)</i>
	Saadiq Sumar	<i>Vice President (Student Life)</i>
	Zdena Fiala	<i>Administrative Assistant-Executive</i>
REGRETS:	Marc Dumouchel	<i>General Manager</i>
ABSENT:	n/a	

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Yamagishi at 12:04 pm.

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

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: YAMAGISHI/KUSMU MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the May 31, 2012 minutes as tabled.

5/0/0 CARRIED

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Sumar: The Vice President of Student Life at the University of Calgary and the University of Lethbridge are meeting the weekend after Leader's Hall on the weekend of July 6 and 7. They are meeting for coffee to get to know each other. I think all of the Executive teams should try to meet.

Yamagishi: We should go during the Calgary Stampede. Would you guys like me to organize something.

Sumar: They suggested we meet the first weekend in July.

Yamagishi: Petros and I will be away in Lethbridge this weekend.

Chelen: I am convocating on Wednesday.

Sumar: I am convocating on Thursday.

Kusmu: there will be a protest from quad to the Legislature regarding the protests in Quebec.

5. ACTION ITEMS: Reviewed and updated.

6. STUDENTS' COUNCIL: Yamagishi: We had Council Retreat last weekend. Attendance was low but the quality of it was good. Andy will be looking into booking the place

earlier for next time.

7. OLD BUSINESS: n/a

8. NEW BUSINESS:

8.1) Conference Request for
Leader's Hall-PK Kusmu Withdrawn

9. DISCUSSION PERIOD:

9.1) TalentEgg Opportunity-SS Sumar: I received an email from Talent Egg and they asked about putting a widget on our website for job placements. I wanted to bring it up here to get your thoughts on it. I don't think it really has any value to us.

Cheema: We get a few of these propositions with technology. They should be given to Marc right away and he deals with these issues really well.

9.2) Gay Pride Parade

Yamagishi: The Gay Pride parade is this Saturday. We received a request from Brent Kelly for the SU to send a representative. Most of us are unavailable so I was thinking we could send a flag.

Cheema: This reminds me of a request we got last year from the Pink Glove promotion for breast cancer awareness. As an Exec team we decided against it. We cannot force staff or volunteers or Councillors to attend these kind of events. Members of Students' Council cannot decide to be a delegation for the Students' Union.

Yamagishi: I do not agree. I see no negatives if Brent would like to set this up.

Cheema: We cannot force anyone to go but they can go on their own free will. The Students' Council does not represent the Students' Union.

Yamagishi: we are not forcing anyone to go. They would like to participate in this event. They will not be spokesperson's for the SU.

Kusmu: The executive Committee has the power to delegate authority or spokespersonship. We do a lot of stuff with Outreach and the LGBTQ community. In that sense I think it is relative to us. If it is Brent and some of the Councillors that want to go. I am okay with that.

Cheema: If we decide they can go and represent the SU we need to make it clear how we will delegate our authority.

Chelen: Since no Executives can attend I think we should delegate authority.

Yamagishi: In my opinion this is valuable to our students and LGBTQ community on campus. It will create a bond with students.

Sumar: There are members of the Students' Union that are a part of this community. We are friendly with that community so I think it would be a good step to have representation at this.

Chelen: I think the best way to support special interest groups is to support the work of our student groups.

Cheema: Since there are no financial costs and no direct benefit, I don't have a strong preference on this.

Kusmu: Since no Executives can attend I think this is a good idea. We have nothing to lose and everything to gain. This issue relates to compassion which is part of our Strategic Plan. We need to make it clear to Council what can be done if they go.

Yamagishi: They will not be able to make comments on the Students' Union's behalf.

Sumar: We should make a motion on this.

YAMAGISHI/KUSMU MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve Students' Council's use of an SU approved banner to be used at the Pride Parade but will not be delegating the authority to speak on behalf of the Students' Union.

4/0/1 CARRIED

9.3) Orientation and Politicians
on Campus.

Kusmu: I would like to speak to the VPSL more about this after, but I was wondering what everyone's thoughts are about bringing politicians to events on campus. Immediate thoughts?

Sumar: I think you should speak to individual services and areas about that. The SU has suffered a negative impact from a politician being at an event before. We should exercise caution in doing this.

Yamagishi: I don't think they have a place in most of our student events.

Sumar: We should just role them all into a speaker series.

Cheema: If we do something like this we need to make it clear we are not endorsing any individual. It would need to be regulated. Politicians could be visible but not interfere with the atmosphere we are trying to create.

Kusmu: I wanted to talk to Saadiq before. I think reaching out to the Services department is a good idea and there would be no endorsements.

Yamagishi: I think this is a dangerous idea. Most of the time we will not be able to get politicians from every single party out to events and it will look like we are only supporting the parties that do show up. We could get bad feelings from the students. We should have forums with different

opportunities for them.

Sumar: it comes down to mixing advocacy with programming. There are links but people in our office argue they should be separate.

Kusmu: It is good to hear your initial thoughts on this.

10. REPORTS:

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| 10.1) President | • n/a |
| 10.2) VP Academic | • n/a |
| 10.3) VP External | • n/a |
| 10.4) VP Operations &
Finance | • n/a |
| 10.5) VP Student Life | • n/a |
| 10.6) General Manager | • n/a |

11. CLOSED SESSION:

12. ADJOURNMENT: YAMAGISHI/SUMAR adjourned at 12:57 pm.