

# MINUTES

EXEC 04/29

## Executive Committee

September 24, 2004

### Attendance

Jordan Blatz	President
Lisa McLaughlin	Vice-President Academic
Alex Abboud	Vice-President External
Alvin Law	Vice-President Operations & Finance
Duncan Taylor	Vice-President Student Life
Catherine van de Braak	E/A, Recording Secretary

### Absent

Bill Smith	General Manager
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### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by BLATZ at 2:05 pm

### 2. Approval of Agenda

TAYLOR/LAWMOVED THAT the agenda be approved as tabled.

VOTE ON MOTION

5/0/0 CARRIED

### 3. Approval of Minutes

ABBOUD/MCLAUGHLIN MOVED THAT the September 24, 2004 minutes be approved.

VOTE ON MOTION

5/0/0 CARRIED

### 4. Old Business

#### a. Whitematter

Tabled to the next meeting

#### 5. New Business

There is no new business

### 6. Discussion Period

#### a. Presentation by the Speaker of Council

HARLOW tabled recommendations relating to the committee reform. The recommendations will be brought forward at Council on Tuesday. CRAP was directed to review the committee system of the SU. These recommendations are the answer to that direction.

The recommendations were not unanimous; there was dissent on a number of points.

Some areas of concern that were raised:

- Financial impact on the SU
- Loss of general student input

#### b. Undergraduate Academic conference

MCLAUGHLIN tabled information from CSD regarding an undergrad academic conference in March 2006. This would be a one-day conference that would give students the opportunity to be involved in presenting research ideas and being actively engaged in the campus community.

The approximate cost would be 10-15 thousand.

MCLAUGHLIN: the feedback from the US schools that have run this type of conference has been very positive. It draws people together, and enhances their undergrad experience.

LAW: concerned about binding the next executive to this event.

MCLAUGHLIN: understand the concern but a conference of this size needs to be planned well in advance. More information will be brought to a later executive meeting.

**c. Bear Scat**

MCLAUGHLIN tabled a request from Stephen Kirkham for two additional servers. The current use of Bear Scat is significant and causing the system to be extremely slow. The new servers would cost around \$5,000.00. There is some money left from last year and we should realize about \$1,000.00 from Amazon and Chapters referral revenue by the end of September.

Alternative solutions were discussed. They included:

- Purchasing only one server now
- Running Bear Scat off some of the old servers that we have
- Investigating advertising revenue

MCLAUGHLIN will speak with Stephen about alternative ideas.

A further discussion on sponsorship and how this service fits within the SU is needed.

**d. BoG Question**

KOTOVYCH has submitted a written question relating to the relationship between the Students' Union and the Faculte St. Jean.

TAYLOR: tried to get the Faculte involved in a WOW event, planning on holding an Antifreeze event there.

MCLAUGHLIN: will look into administering the SU survey there.

BLATZ: we should respond individually to the BOG question. Appreciate him reminding us of this.

**7. Reports**

**8. Announcements**

**9. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm