

# MINUTES

EXEC 05/21

## Executive Committee

September 8, 2005

### Attendance

Graham Lettner	President
Mat Johnson	Vice-President Academic
Samantha Power	Vice-President External
Jason Tobias	Vice-President Operations & Finance
Bill Smith	General Manager
Catherine van de Braak	E/A, Recording Secretary

### Absent

Justin Kehoe Vice-President Student Life

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by LETTNER at 10:35 am

### 2. Approval of Agenda

TOBIAS/JOHNSON MOVED THAT the agenda is approved as with the following additions:

4a moved to end of discussion period

add: 5d: Bear Scat Server

replace 6b with Communication/Grammar

VOTE ON MOTION

4/0/0 CARRIED

### 3. Approval of Minutes

TOBIAS/POWER MOVED THAT the August 31, 2005 minutes be approved as tabled.

VOTE ON MOTION

4/0/0 CARRIED

### 4. Old Business

There is no old business

### 5. New Business

#### a. Ethical Business Policy

Exec have sent suggestions to Tobias (thank you Power). Power's suggestion to replace "practical and feasible" with "not knowing" is friendly.

Discussion ensued regarding how active the SU should be in pursuing information from suppliers. It was decided that it would depend on the size of the vendor/contract.

Tobias will incorporate the suggested changes and bring a revised policy to the next executive meeting.

#### b. High School Leadership

Power introduced the background that Colpitts has provided.

Concerns were raised that some schools may not be able to attend if the event is extended to two days. Power assured the executive that

Colpitts has looked into this and it should not impact on attendance. Additional information is needed before a decision concerning funding can be made. Concerns were raised that this request should be on the upcoming agenda as Council will need to give the final approval.

TOBIAS/JOHNSON MOVED THAT the Executive Committee recommend that Students' Council approve an expenditure not to exceed \$5,000 (five thousand dollars) from the Special Project Reserve for the High School Leadership conference.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0/ CARRIED

Power will ask Colpitts to attend the next executive meeting so that questions/concerns can be addressed.

**c. Day with the President**

The President's office will only be able to cover the cost of food and booking of meeting rooms. It is important that this event not be scaled down.

LETTNER/POWER MOVED THAT the Executive Committee recommend that Students' Council approve an expenditure not to exceed \$5,000 (five thousand dollars) from the Special Project Reserve for the Day with the President

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0/ CARRIED

**d. Bear Scat Server**

Kirkam has contacted Lettner regarding the bear scat server and what to do when it crashes and needs to be re-set. The server is in the safe room, which has very limited access.

Tobias will speak with Marc Dumouchel regarding this concern.

**6. Discussion Period**

**a. DOSE/External media**

TOBIAS: Geoff has been approached by DOSE regarding sponsorship and access to SUB. There was a discussion regarding this a few months ago, are there any new thoughts?

SMITH: there are different sides to this discussion. Should one newspaper have a monopoly, is this serving students?

POWER: DOSE is available on campus, just not in SUB.

It was decided to remain with the status quo. Tobias will draft a policy relating to publications in SUB.

**b. Grammar**

Lettner: spoke with a U of A staff member earlier this morning regarding grammar on the SU website. This is a reminder to all to be vigilant about correct usage etc.

- c. PAC Presentation** LETTNER: will be absent on Tuesday so someone will need to liaise with Bob when he comes to do the PAC presentation. Tobias will take care of this.
- d. Recap of Wednesday** Tabled to the next meeting
- e. Event at Augustana** Exec have been invited to an event this evening at Augustana. Tobias can drive 3 people. Lettner, Kehoe and Power will go with him. Johnson opts to not go due to limited space.
- f. Profit Prep Course** JOHNSON: U of A prof. is running a 2-hour course on how to succeed in University at a cost of 150.00/class.  
LETTNER: spoke with the prof, he felt that there was a niche to be filled and that the U of A was not filling it fast enough. Will be meeting with Norma and the professor in November to review how successful Orientation was at giving first year students this information.  
POWER: shouldn't the U of A be doing this for students? It is not right to charge students \$100.00
- 7. Reports**

  - a. President** This has been a crazy week, quite a bit of adjustment but fun. Met with Jim Dinning this morning
  - b. VP Academic** Interviewed by city TV at the WOW breakfast this morning.  
Working on: employee appraisals, cohort stuff
  - c. VP External** Retreats last week were successful, Campus campaigns are coming along well, CAUS press conference on Tuesday went well, having been doing some outreach.
  - d. VP Operations & Finance** Busy week, have been doing some outreach, will be working on bylaws and policies next week
  - e. VP Student Life** Absent
  - f. General Manager** Marketing issues-good meeting with Sam  
SSCB issues  
Travel Cuts Lawsuit still on target for February  
G10 meeting  
Ensuring that operations are ready to go for the September start.
- 8. Announcements**
- 9. Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm

