

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

2009-2010 II #42

November 23, 2009

- ATTENDANCE: Leah Trueblood *Vice President (Academic)*
Beverly Eastham *Vice President (External)*
Zach Fentiman *Vice President (Operations & Finance)*
Nick Dehod *Vice President (Student Life)*
Marc Dumouchel *General Manager*
- REGRETS: Kory Mathewson *President*
1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by FENTIMAN at 12:34
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: MATHEWSON/TRUEBLOOD moved to approve the November 18, 2009 agenda as tabled with the following additions:
- Discussion Period
- b) Course Rank (TRUEBLOOD)
 - c) Base Camp (TRUEBLOOD)
 - d) Faculty of Science Journal (TRUEBLOOD)
- 4/0/0 CARRIED
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: a) FENTIMAN moved to approve the November 16, 2009 as tabled with editorial changes.
- 4/0/0 CARRIED
- b) TRUEBLOOD/DEHOD moved to approve the November 18, 2009 minutes as tabled.
- 4/0/0 CARRIED
4. ANNOUNCEMENTS: No announcements.
5. ACTION SUMMARIES: Reviewed and updated.
6. STUDENTS' COUNCIL: EASTHAM: I would like to see a website link to the full Executive Committee minutes added to the Executive Committee report to Students' Council.
7. OLD BUSINESS: No old business.
8. NEW BUSINESS: No new business.

9. DISCUSSION PERIOD:

a) Society for Creative
Filmmaking Loan Proposal
(FENTIMAN)

FENTIMAN: They are interested in purchasing a ~\$6,000 video camera and may receive a \$2,500 capital grant for it and then take out a loan from us. UTV also has a grant application in for a camera. Should we take the money from the granting pool and buy the camera and then rent it out? Not sure what the best thing to do is. Making loans to student groups is not a completely strange thing as we do it for other groups (like the Forest Society). Proposal from SCF is really quite good, but I am worried about going into the granting session with two similar asks for a camera.

DEHOD: Could we get a camera with money from the Casino?

FENTIMAN: That might be an interesting avenue to pursue. In short there is an identified need for a camera for student groups and I want to solve this problem so I shall be working on the best solution. Don't want to buy two cameras, but will have to work on sorting out the logistics of only having one camera.

b) Course Rank
(TRUEBLOOD)

TRUEBLOOD: We all received an email from the person from Cornell University. It seems like a "Bear Tracks"-style initiative.

FENTIMAN: I tested out the UC Berkeley demo and it seems like it would be cool if it was used, but there are a few issues with it.

TRUEBLOOD: Who should follow up with this?

FENTIMAN: I think that Kory is probably the correct person to follow up on this. It is an interesting initiative, but the promotion of the usage of it is something that we would have to work on if we wanted to implement it. The actual interface of it looked reasonable on the Berkeley site, but it didn't look like a lot of people used it.

Action: MATHEWSON to follow up with Course Rank and see if we can implement it.

c) Base Camp
(TRUEBLOOD)

Discussion ensued about the Base Camp software and its importance in helping with document development. It is not like a wiki in many ways, it is a different tool with a set of uses that a wiki does not completely cover.

Action: TRUEBLOOD/EASTHAM will look further into the Base Camp software application.

d) Faculty of Science
Journal (TRUEBLOOD)

TRUEBLOOD: Some students have gone to the libraries and asked them to make some space on the server. This group of students has asked us for \$700 to work on the paper copies of this journal and also some of the advertising and visualization for this. If other FAs started up these types of journals I would be interested in seeing the SU assisting the running of them, but I don't want to start a precedent with this one and wonder if the correct way for this to be approved is through the granting procedure.

10. REPORTS:

- a) President n/a
- b) VP Academic
- Went to libraries “Thanks for the A-” event.
 - Discussed with Jonathan Schaeffer about some issues he has with copyright concerns.
 - USRI meetings are proceeding well.
 - Looking to have the GFC secretary discuss a governance person for the SU and talk about models that could work
- c) VP External
- Working on catching up on everything after getting back from CASA.
 - Intending to make a presentation to council on what happened at the CASA AGM and general information about what CASA is and what it does.
 - Will be meeting with Ministry bureaucrats tomorrow about the Tuition Fee Regulation changes. The VPA and President from Lethbridge will be joining me and ASEC Chair and ED will be there as well.
 - Justin Benko is away starting Friday for some time due to a personal trip
- d) VP Operations & Finance
- Met with Stewart Ross from RBC today to talk about our financial position with Anita and Peter – we’re fine.
 - Student Group Granting committee is this afternoon. Roughly 50 applications.
- e) VP Student Life
- Also going to the Student Group Granting this afternoon.
 - Campus Cup: the event that keeps on growing. I want it to stop growing, but there are so many great ideas.
 - Working on my midterm report (which is especially long!)
- f) General Manager
- Conference (AMICCUS) was very good, probably the best one yet
 - Credit Card payment options
 - The PAW
 - Personnel Matters
 - Restructuring/reorganizing Proposals

11. CLOSED SESSION: Entered closed session at 13:43.

10. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 14:02.