

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

October 24, 2016

10:00am

ATTENDANCE:

Fahim Rahman	<i>President</i>
Marina Banister	<i>Vice President (Academic)</i>
Francesca Ghossein	<i>Vice President (Student Life)</i>
Robyn Paches	<i>Vice President (Operations & Finance)</i>
Mike Sandare	<i>Vice President (External)</i>
Kristen Stoik	<i>Executive Coordinator</i>
Marc Dumouchel	<i>General Manager</i>

REGRETS:

ABSENT:

1. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by RAHMAN at 10:32am.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA BANISTER/RAHMAN MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the agenda as amended.

4/0/0 CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES SANDARE/PACHES MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the October 17 minutes as amended.

5/0/0 CARRIED

4. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - Friends of the Myer Horowitz Theatre Meeting in Nov
 - Futurepreneur meeting upcoming
 - Mike gone 2nd half of reading week
 - Marina Dec times off
 - Medicine Hat Conference – Marc
 - Governance Newsletter being sent out

6. STUDENTS' COUNCIL
 - Report due this Thursday
 - Presentation next Tuesday for Myer Horowitz

7. OLD BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. DISCUSSION PERIOD

- 9.1 TBAC – Discussion:
 - Tuition and Budget Advisory committee
 - International differential fee

- Airline pricing formula for this fee suggested
- Different amounts of tuition being paid for the same class depending on year. Grandfathered, locked in at the rate at intake.
- Suggestion to tie to CPI
- It is predictable, but is it fair?
- How does this translate? Into years or per course?
- Is an add on to tuition, rather than the utility of an MNIF
- Is it a different line within the fee breakdown?
- What is the stance we want to take on this?
- CPI accounts for adjustments
- CPI and fixed rate combination – takes the CPI estimate for end of degree?
- Can't predict the future, feel the fixed rate
- Interesting to see application in domestic students
- What if university career is not continuous – if take time off, do they go back to the fixed rate they had
- Inflation is reasonable
- International fee is an artificial market modifier, do not feel we should support it
- Need to find a reasonable compromise with university
- CPI for fixed amount of time, reevaluate at the end of that time so predictable and linked to CPI at the same time
- Harder to motivate people about tuition increases with the fixed rate at intake.
- Like the predictability of knowing how much your degree will cost
- University motivation - making it easier to sell to international students at recruitment
- Seems arbitrary fixed amount
- Withdrawal dates and tuition – paying for credits earned or registered for?
- Possible future negotiation

9.2 LOW-COMMITMENT
EXEC PARTICIPATION IN
STUDENT-LED MENTAL HEALTH
INITIATIVE

Discussion:

- Refreshed - Student website initiative
- Sharing stories
- February Mental Health Awareness Week – would like executives to write about their experience with mental health
- Francesca - Send link to website and dates

Discussion

- Residence Services wants to make care packages to Lister students, want swag items or cards for these packages
- Events swag? Lanyards or pens?
- Haven't given out swag for other groups this year
- Need a developed plan about providing swag items
- Cards with SU logo signed by Lister representatives
- Doing Christmas cards this year? Email to all students?
- For print cards, Kristen to talk to Nigel

9.3 SWAG IN LISTER CARE
PACKAGES

9.4 RTDRS

Discussion:

- Residential Tendencies Dispute Resolution
- Changes to policy
- More power to the dispute officers and admin
- We are exempt in the RTA with residences presently
- Make a statement about our exemption and insert into further consultation about the RTA
- Are there issues with dispute resolution at U of A residences presently?
- Arbitration board, established under the RTA
- Feedback about alternative resolution and arbitration for residences. Step above restorative justice within Residence Services.
- Individual act is a final step we would like to see – similar to nursing homes and other special areas

10. CLOSED SESSION

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:20am.