Executive Committee

July 7, 2005

Attendance

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

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by LETTNER at 11:06 am

2. Approval of Agenda

JOHNSON/KEHOE MOVED THAT the agenda is approved with the following addition:
6e. Meeting with President Samerasakera
VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

TOBIAS/KEHOE MOVED THAT the July 5, 2005 minutes be approved as tabled.
VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

4. Old Business

There is no old business

5. New Business

a. Campus Food Bank

TOBIAS: have been working on an amicable divorce for the Food Bank to allow it to function and quality for funding.
The agreement is everything will be as it was before but the Food Bank will be a separate entity.

SMITH: what are the grads doing in relationship to the Food Bank and funding?
TOBIAS: not sure, understood that the grads had not committed to this project in the past few years.
KEHOE: the GSA has been scaling back involvement.

SMITH: suggest that there be some type of clause that would protect the interest of undergrads and ensure that the SU is being a good campus citizen.

TOBIAS: table this to the next meeting.

6. Discussion Period
a. International Students

LETTNER: what is the take on international students this year, how do we serve them?
POWER: planning to hold different events, will be working with staff at the International Centre.

b. Mandatory Student Fee Levels

LETTNER: what is the ideal level of mandatory student fee? Do students have less ownership if not contributing?

TOBIAS: if charging students for representation, better off charging on a pay as you go business model. More fees are tacked on the more we alienate. We should be taxing people more on consumption, finding that people value what they pay for. Don’t know exactly how this would work.

SMITH: we do not tax on the same level as our peer organizations

TOBIAS: need to be aware of what we are doing with our fees but need to encourage DFU's to change their views.

JOHNSON: appreciate idea of putting money in to get value, would support student fees going to specifically to elected representatives.

c. Satellite Campuses

LETTNER: U of A is increasing the numbers of campuses that it has, this presents challenges for us.

JOHNSON: challenges for students to associate with main campuses, a good example of this would be the challenges that are faced by Ombuds in relationship to students at Augustana.

d. Open House

Senate will be hosting an open house for high school students in October. Exec. has been asked to participate.

All exec will attend with Justin and Graham having specific MC duties.

e. Meeting with President

LETTNER: this is a great opportunity to speak with the new President. We need to formulate an agenda.

Discussion ensued regarding what should be discussed.

7. Reports
8. Announcements

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:08 pm