Executive Committee
August 31, 2005

Attendance
Graham Lettner President
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

Absent
Mat Johnson Vice-President Academic

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by LETTNER at 10:35 am

2. Approval of Agenda
KEHOE/POWER MOVED THAT the agenda is approved as tabled and that 6a. be moved to the beginning of the agenda as a special order.
VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

3. Approval of the Minutes
POWER/KEHOE MOVED THAT the August 11, 2005 minutes be approved as tabled.
VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0/ CARRIED

4. Old Business
There is no old business

6a. Exec at Orientation
Norma provided an update regarding orientation events and what the executive committee has been involved in.
The executive will participate as a group in the welcome and closing sessions.

5. New Business
a. Donating to AB council for Global Cooperation
Power tabled a request for the SU to donate to an anti poverty rally taking place September 10. Assisting with this event will build a positive relationship that may translate into assistance with one of our events. The SU can give either cash or a Gateway ad.

LETTNER: in favour of a Gateway ad but do not want the SU to
become a granting agency.

POWER/KEHOE MOVED THAT the Executive Committee investigate the possibility of making a donation of advertising space in the September 8 Gateway, to support the Make Poverty History event within the SU contra agreement with the Gateway. VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

6. Discussion Period

b. Personal Expenses

KEHOE: concerned about the use of the SU cell phone for personal use and exec. bus pass/parking pass use.

TOBIAS: the bus pass/parking pass is an entitlement of exec. position.

The cell phone is to be for SU business use.

Catherine will investigate the possibility of transferring the SU cell account to Graham’s name and then purchasing another for SU use.

c. Profit Prep Course

Tabled to next week

d. Gift Certificates

SMITH: these are part of a contra agreement, they expire August 31. Kehoe will try to distribute to SU staff.

e. Red Deer College Presentation

SMITH: is anyone interested in making a presentation at the Alberta Registrars’ Conference? There is no interest from exec.

f. Travel Cuts contra

SMITH: we have received vouchers from Travel Cuts as part of a contra deal. They need to be used by June 30/06.

g. Faculté Saint-Jean

KEHOE: would like to use ETS bus contra to bring students from the Faculté to WOW.

KEHOE/POWER MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the use of ETS contra to transport students between the Faculté and WOW.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0/ CARRIED

h. Augustana visit

KEHOE: there are a variety of events during the first week of September at Augustana. Chris Robb may be arranging for the exec to attend one.

i. Retreat Agenda

Retreat agenda was tabled and reviewed.

j. Carl Amrhein (Academics)

LETTNER: met with Carl last week. Variety of topics were discussed such as: financial accountability for students, U Pass and academics. Carl would like input from the SU regarding what we really want on this campus to improve learning, ie cohort program,
small first year research seminars. This input is need before Christmas. There must be good specifics, well defined.

Discussion ensued regarding striking a group to oversee this or dealing with in house. Points raised were:

- Keep in-house, the process will be tighter
- Get consultation from faculties
- Strike a small in-house group to set outline and then present to larger group for input, important to have a starting point
- Need to ensure that committee having other tasks does not dilute this process.
- Could give to COFA VP Academic positions, they have direct contact with academic structure.

LETTNER: it is important to bring Mat into this discussion. Will meet with him and UPIO later today.

7. Reports
   a. President
      Steering committee should be our main focus, will have a huge impact on students
      Met with Ray Danyluk (MLA), Dr. Pannekoek (President of Athabasca University)
      On Tap series has been sorted out
      Day with President is going well

   b. VP Academic
      Absent
   c. VP External
      Working on: U Pass, preparing for Sept 12 meeting, CAUS
   d. VP Operations & Finance
      Just back from holidays, catching up
   e. VP Student Life
      Non-instructional fees issues, various meetings, attended bar staff AGM, Pete’s busy
   f. General Manager
      One on one with senior managers is intensifying
      Working on:
      - Finalizing finance and adm. structure
      - G 10 concept
      - Bar review work
      - Marketing review
      - SSCB

8. Announcements

9. Adjournment
   Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm