Minutes

Executive Committee
August 30, 2011
2:00 pm

Attendance: Rory Tighe, President
Andy Cheema, Vice President (Operations & Finance)
Emerson Csorba, Vice President (Academic)
Colten Yamagishi, Vice President (Student Life)
Farid Iskandar, Vice President (External)
Marc Dumouchel, General Manager
Zdena Fiala, Admin Assistant to the Executives

Regrets: n/a
Absent: n/a

1. Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order by TIGHE 2:04 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda:

5/0/0 Carried

3. Approval of Minutes:
CSORBA/TIGHE MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the
August 25, 2011 minutes as tabled.

5/0/0 Carried

4. Announcements:
Tighe: There is a Council meeting tonight.

5. Action Items:
Reviewed and updated.

6. Students’ Council:
Tighe: The impeachment bylaw will be coming through tonight. There are
two amendments and I hope everyone understands it.

7. Old Business:
n/a

8. New Business:
n/a

9. Discussion Period:

a) Communications
Tighe: This is a standing item. There is nothing to report today.

b) VP Facilities & Operations Search Committee
Tighe: This is a request for the SU to appoint two members to the review
committee for the VP Facilities & Operations.. Would anyone like to sit on
this committee or should we take it to council?

Iskandar: I think there should be at least one exec.

Tighe: How about two?
Executive Committee: Yes.
So does everyone agree it should be Andy and myself?

Executive Committee: Yes.

c) Gateway Sponsorship

Tighe: The Gateway is hosting a conference and they would like to rent out Dewey’s for an evening. They were wondering if we can either cover or wave the fees.

Csorba: How much will it cost?

Cheema: I am not sure.

Iskandar: Has this ever been done?

Dumouchel: Things like this are done case by case.

Csorba: I think it would be well attended if it is a newspaper conference.

Tighe: I think we gave them Dinwoodie before.

Tighe read the policy to the Executive Committee

Do you guys think we should do this?

Cheema: No.

Iskandar: No, I agree with Andy.

Yamagishi: I would like to see the costs.

Csorba: I am on the fence but I am leaning towards no.

Tighe: I think we should. We could cover the costs with all the business it would bring.

Dumouchel: I agree with the President.

Csorba: My concern is that we remain consistent with how we deal with these requests.

Dumouchel: There is a difference between giving cash and giving them a break on costs.

Tighe: I think encouraging people into booking Dewey’s would be a benefit for us.

Dumouchel: It depends on the date.

Csorba: My guess it will be well attended.
Tighe: The date is October 14 and it is a Friday.

Dumouchel: Friday would be problematic. Have they spoken to the manager of Dewey’s? They should try that.

Tighe: So we would like more details on the costs and what is possible from the manager. After I have more information I will bring this back as new business.

d) Canadian Nursing Student Association Letter of Endorsement

Csorba: The Nursing Student Association is organizing a Western Regional Conference and they have asked me for a letter of support from the SU. What do you guys think?

Yamagishi: I am okay with this.

Csorba: The letter would just say that we support them.

Cheema: I don’t have a problem with this.

Csorba: I received the request from Councillor Eric Bellanger.

Tighe: Maybe you could support it as Vice President Academic.

Yamagishi: You should choose the most effective way.

Csorba: I think sending the letter on SU letterhead would be the most effective.

Dumouchel: We need a policy for these issues.

Tighe: Is everyone in favor?

Executive Committee: Yes.

e) Sustainability Assessment

Tighe: We will be finished the Sustainability Assessment in about two weeks. The problem with it was that it wasn’t complete and some sections are not finished. We are going to look into STARS indicators. We are going to aim for recommendations in three years. We will not be following up on the assessment and follow the recommendations and the list of considerations until we develop new indicators.

Csorba: Is the Office of Sustainability the same as STARS?

Tighe: No. I am not writing the report, I am just formatting it and compiling recommendations.

Csorba: So the sections with no research are being taken out?

Tighe: Yes. We will get new indicators through STARS.

Yamagishi: I think this is smart. There is valuable information in it.
Tighe: There is no perfect way to do this and I have spent a considerable amount of time on it and so has Jon. We are looking for a solution. If you have anything else about this please come and see me.

f) First Four Month Goals Update

Csorba: I have done an outline for a goals update for the first four months. The midterm update is still far away. I think this would be a good time to reflect on what we did this summer.

Iskandar: is this a document?

Csorba: Yes it would be a two to four page brief from each of us.

Yamagishi: I don’t have a lot of free time in September to do this.

Iskandar: Don’t we have a retreat coming up?

Tighe: We don’t have one scheduled.

Iskandar: I think we shouldn’t do a report and just discuss this.

Dumouchel: It would be beneficial to say what we did this summer. Add just the highlights.

Csorba: Are there any other questions? If I do this are you okay with it?

Iskandar: I think it is a great idea but I don’t have time.

Tighe: What if we do it for the September 27 or October 13 Council meeting? We could do a two to three page summary. I think either we all do it or no one does it.

Csorba: I will finish what I am working on tonight and send it out as a template and then we can present in late September.

Tighe: The January report is a pain and doing this will make it easier to complete it then.

Yamagishi: I think that is a good idea.

Tighe: So let’s have this done for September 21 for advocacy to edit and then we will submit it whether you are done it or not.

g) Delegate Cabinet Selection

Csorba: The delegate cabinet is done. There are fifteen committees to delegate to. I will have the list of committees for the next exec meeting. I just wanted to have a little discussion and see what questions you have.

Iskandar: How will you track the progress of the committees?

Csorba: I will meet with the student representatives depending on what
issues are going through.

h) SUTV
Yamagishi: Protective Services would like to have a free slide on SUTV. Dumouchel: it will be up to Nigel.

Yamagishi: We should add our logo to it, it is kind of like a PSA.

10. REPORTS:

a) President
- Giving a speech at the International Orientation
- Fall Reading Week report for approval
- Sustainability Assessment

b) VP Academic
- Admin position changes
- Faculty Assessment for Orientation

c) VP External
- CASA
- GOTV and Marketing

d) VP Operations & Finance
- Building Planning
- WUSC with Peter
- Chef menu will be out sooner
- Finalizing details for awards program

e) VP Student Life
- WOW
- Orientation
- Student Questions
- Cleaning out email
- Finish Athletics contract

f) General Manager
- Same things as before

11. CLOSED SESSION:

12. ADJOURNMENT:
Meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm.