Executive Committee
September 20, 2011
10:00 am

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 Administrative Assistant to the Executives

Regrets:
n/a

Absent:
n/a

1. Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order by Tighe 10:17 am.

2. Approval of Agenda:
5/0/0 CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes:
Tighe/Yamagishi moved that the Executive Committee approve the September 15, 2011 minutes as tabled.
5/0/0 CARRIED

4. Announcements:
n/a

5. Action Items:
Reviewed and updated.

6. Students’ Council:
Iskandar: I will be doing an ERC presentation.

Yamagishi: Nominations for HCAG will be coming up.

Tighe: There will be a budget presentation as well.

7. Old Business:
n/a

8. New Business:
n/a

9. Discussion Period:

a) Communications
Tighe: I will be meeting with Nigel on Monday morning.

b) Open House
Tighe: I would like to know if any of you would like to participate in the Open House? It is on October 22.

Csorba: Yes.
c) Alberta Food Policy Council

Tighe: We have been requested to partner with a group advocating to the government about food policy. It would be a political partnership. What are your thoughts?

Cheema: I would like a better understanding of this.

Dumouchel: I don’t think you should do this because it could be seen as outside of your mandate but it is your decision. I think they are interested because we do a lot on campus.

d) Budget presentation

Tighe: The presentation will be about academic initiatives based on the budget.

Csorba: How long will the Provost be presenting for?

Iskandar: It will be for about twenty minutes.

Tighe: The time might be extended.

Iskandar: The budget is complicated and it is a good thing that the Provost and Vice President (Finance & Administration) are presenting on it.

Cheema: I think more information about the budget the better.

Tighe: So we want it to be mostly about the budget and then a little bit about academic planning.

e) Movember

Yamagishi: I got a phone call from Jesse and he came with an idea for each stakeholder to have a representative grow a mustache. It doesn’t need to be us organizing this, it can be students or another group.

Tighe: I think we should do something similar to last year. We did it on a voluntary process.

Yamagishi: I am not asking if you guys want to do it. I am wondering if it is okay to have it on campus.

Dumouchel: We cannot stop other groups.

Yamagishi: A lot of people participate but they don’t know about the fundraising.

Csorba: It is not worth our time, we have too much on our plate.

Yamagishi: Should we endorse it?
Iskandar; What does that mean?

Yamagishi: It means we support it. Is everyone okay with me seeking someone to organize it outside of the SU?

Tighe: Then that would be just you doing it.

Yamagishi: I plan to talk to the Gateway about it. I will ask around.

f) Success Stories

Tighe: I would like to market five “success stories” about things the SU has done for students in the recent past.

Iskandar: How about successfully lobbying for the CoSSS fee to be reduced?

Tighe: I am not sure if we can take full credit for that.

Dumouchel: I agree.

Iskandar: I think we can take credit for it, the government would never have done that on their own.

Cheema: We could say we lobbied it.

Tighe: Just to be clear this goes on the brochure I showed you.

Dumouchel: Let me think about that. We do so much all the time.

Yamagishi: How about Break the Record and UPass?

Csorba: Undergraduate Research?

Dumouchel: Talk to Jane. We could put grants to student groups, award expansions or the coke sponsorships. Money in pocket things are good to showcase.

Tighe: I will write something up and send it out to you all.

10. REPORTS:

a) President
   • Submitted the final draft of the FRW report
   • Sustainability Assessment
   • Reading

b) VP Academic
   • Student Attribute interviews
   • Undergraduate Research Symposium
   • Working with Faculty Associations

c) VP External
   • Polling station in Windsor
   • Readings
   • Starting Lobby training

d) VP Operations & Finance
   • HCAG introduction meeting yesterday
• WUSC meeting last night
• Building meeting today

e) VP Student Life
• HCAG Meeting
• Shinerama speech
• Go Center on Saturday
• Sustainability Awareness thrift store
• PAW Center meeting this morning
• RHA

f) General Manager
• PAW
• SUB

11. CLOSED SESSION:

12. ADJOURNMENT: TIGHE/ISKANDAR adjourned at 10:40 pm.