

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE — 2022-2023 #[17]

[July 25], 2022

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ATTENDANCE

Abner Monteiro	<i>President</i>
Christian Fotang	<i>Vice President (External)</i>
Gurleen Kaur	<i>Vice President (Academic)</i>
Julia Viloso	<i>Vice President (Operations and Finance)</i>
Joannie Fogue	<i>Vice President (Student Life)</i>
Marc Dumouchel	<i>General Manager</i>
Jonathan Olfert	<i>Director of Research and Advocacy</i>
Navjot Kaur	<i>Governance Manager</i>

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

____FOTANG/VILLOSO_____ MOVED TO approve the Executive Committee agenda as presented.
5/0/0 CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

____KAUR/VILLOSO_____ MOVED TO approve the Executive Committee minutes from [July 23], 2022 as presented.
5/0/0 CARRIED

REPORTS

PRESIDENT

- Prep meeting for Weds - reviewing student conduct policy to adapt academic integrity policy.
- Finalize Executive goals document.
- Media interview in French on housing for students

VICE PRESIDENT (ACADEMIC)

- Organizing a meeting with all Librarians regarding "Open Education"
- VP/A meeting with Augustana
- COFA senior board at end of day
- COVID teaching awards event this week

VICE PRESIDENT (EXTERNAL)

- Meeting with Global Edmonton
- Planning for polycystat
- Preparing for policy committee
- Need some clarity on my schedule - heads up away from office next week (Aug 4-7th)

VICE PRESIDENT (OPERATIONS AND FINANCE)

- Finance meeting created a work plan for the year, following up with CAC Chair
- Period Equity meetings with VPSL

VICE PRESIDENT (STUDENT LIFE)

- Met with counterpart at MRU
- Period Equity meetings; Residence meetings
- Councilor relationships with SRAs
- SRA summit planning session
- Reassessing platform points for annual goals
- Other organizing goals for August and new term prep.

GENERAL MANAGER

- Prepping for Council
- Discussion around student services grant - need Exec advice

GOVERNANCE

- Onboarding 2 new staff; working to catch up notes from Courtneys vacation

DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND ADVOCACY

- Off this thursday-friday; Various DIE board inquiries

STUDENTS COUNCIL

NONE

ACTION ITEMS

NONE

DISCUSSION PERIOD

1. STUDENT HOUSING

Advocacy: UofC is providing us a template, this increase in rent trend will hit Edmonton shortly. Residences are full, rent in Calgary has increased 9% in the last month. Not certain- but this will be a large issue for our Students.

VP/External: How is the research being conducted? What are the implications for us? How can we start to engage our students in this issue?

Advocacy: ULeth and UCalgary have received complaints and are working with students as well.

GM: Cost of rentals also corresponds to location in a City; just like house prices do not reflect affordability; problem with increasing rents; CMHC does provide data but they lag 3-6 months. We are doing a media hit on ELEV who are working on affordability; we can negotiate this with Residence services; Advocacy and GM can work together on this long-term issue.

Advocacy: I'm worried that Edmonton has some of the lowest rents for 1 bedroom - I'm not convinced that it will stay that way over the term. We should get a head of this. ULeth and UCalgary students are saying they cannot find a place at all. Not just unaffordability. May come up within the next couple of weeks.

GM: You will also see the housing market cool; you will see more available units. Utilities and other costs related to inflation plus scarcity.

President: I'll reach out to RadioCBC and discuss my talking points with you Jon.

2. STUDENT SERVICES

GM we have a student services grant (\$250-\$300K); UofA has agreed to increase this pool over time. Paying with student fees and they are about \$40K behind. They have said they will make it up over time; I'm pushing for Exec Council support to ensure this next year. No discussion on this on their end, but we have an opportunity to push for

more funding. Grants are always fixed; we've lost \$40K over the last 5 years - we will fall further behind inflation next year. That grant was set in 2008 and 2000. They've never been increased - we need to write a briefing paper to clarify budget cycles. How does the exec feel about this briefing?

1. President: yes, this should be prepared.
2. GM: Ok will proceed and report back.

3. POLICY COMMITTEE STANDING ORDERS

- VP/X: As per standing orders, we need to present to the Policy Committee regarding goals and process. Allows us to clarify our priorities to Policy Committee on Friday
- President: Exec Goals final document; go into political policies and your platform goals and make comments on the document regarding this validation. Identify policy and resolutions that apply.
- VPSL: What about issues that didn't make it to our goals, but are relevant
- President: Let's start with our recognized goals, then meet to discuss others that don't fit in so clearly. This Weds for that conversation? So you have 2 days to finalize the draft presentation
- By the end of August we should submit our Advocacy goals to the policy committee.

PRESIDENT MOVES TO [CLOSED]

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at ____ 11:07am ____