EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE — 2022-2023 #28
October 3rd, 2022
9:46 AM

ATTENDANCE

Abner Monteiro  President
Christian Fotang  Vice President (External)
Gurleen Kaur  Vice President (Academic)
Julia Viloso  Vice President (Operations and Finance)
Joannie Fogue  Vice President (Student Life)
Marc Dumouchel  General Manager
Juliana du Pree  Director of Marketing and Communications
Jonathan Olfert  Director of Research and Advocacy
Navjot Kaur  Governance Manager
Ari Campbell  External Relations Specialist

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

_____VILLOSO/FOGUE______ MOVED TO approve the Executive Committee agenda as presented.
5/0/0 CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

_____VILLOSO/FOGUE _______ MOVED TO approve the Executive Committee minutes from [September 28th], 2022, as presented.
5/0/0 CARRIED
REPORTS

PRESIDENT

- First meeting regarding Microcredits, upcoming meeting on Thursday
- Working on projects including SRA Summit.

VICE PRESIDENT (ACADEMIC)

- Coca-Cola Adjudication, GFC Exec meeting this week.

VICE PRESIDENT (EXTERNAL)

- CASA Presentation at SAMU
- Set the timing and work plan for policy committee
- CASA presentation prep for Council tomorrow.

VICE PRESIDENT (OPERATIONS AND FINANCE)

- Cleaning up memorial today
- STRIDE training for the program
- conflicting session between Finance (weekly) and United Way meetings.

VICE PRESIDENT (STUDENT LIFE)

- Internal advocation regarding homelessness, creating a survey for residents, meeting with Deb regarding Sexual violence advocacy after policy implementation

GENERAL MANAGER

- Writing up honorarium report.
GOVERNANCE

- New clerk protocol this week.

DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND ADVOCACY

- Survey data for several executives; analysis of annual survey getting ready.

STUDENTS COUNCIL

Question around Access Fund:

1. Council receives a financial report regarding the access fund confirmed
2. If details are needed, the funds are released to the Registrar - they submit a report on Student Aid

ACTION ITEMS

ISA Loan Request

1. ISA funds are held until December, have requested an advance of $20K to host events during the Fall semester. Advance on FAMF.
2. There is precedent with OASIS; Finance Manager has confirmed a decision from the Executive committee is needed.
3. Contract must be updated (template read at Executive), but the process is unclear from last year.

VILLOSO/FOUGE MOVE TO APPROVE a loan of $20,000.00 to the International Students Association, to be paid by their FAMF.

CARRIED, finalized contract to be presented to Executive before signing.
DISCUSSION PERIOD

CSJ STUDENT MEMORIAL

Fogue: CSJ Student Passing and informing UASU on the memorial and other related actions.

FOGUE: I can draft something in French to be published; SL will also attend the memorial Friday, October 7th, at 9 am (or so). I will confirm the time and date with the Executives.

MONTEIRO: Thank you for drafting a condolence letter. We can add comments to it.

EAST CAMPUS STUDENT ASSOCIATION

FOGUE: No current Executives, very difficult process for elections and transition since proving residence is required. I spoke to SRA specialist who said an election process and updating constitutions is possible.

DUMOCHEL: If there is no interest, bylaws can be modified.

SRA DINNERS:

KAUR: Question for Execs - if only portions of Executives are available - is that OK? Can I still schedule these dinners? It has proved to be difficult.

MONTEIRO: The purpose is to build relationships between Executives, so all 5 Execs should attend all the dinners.

GM: This started about three years ago. You can approach relationship building differently.

MONTEIRO: It is challenging for all SRA execs to attend.

FOGUE: What's the point of this? Last year as an SRA exec, it was casual. Our SRA didn't want the dinner, and it was ready four months later.

MONTEIRO: KAUR can offer this for SRAs interested and prioritize those

VILLOSO: What is the SRA/RA event budget?

KAUR: It is a social event and dinner for all SRAs and RAs to network

GM: The relationship was bad 8-10 years ago.

Prioritize the smaller faculties that don't have a Council representative
MONTEIRO: When I was an SRA executive last year, I noticed Execs need to be invited to their events. We should speak and connect with them as much as possible.

RAVEENA FOLLOW-UP:

FOTANG: Look at her comments and please respond accordingly

EXEC TOWN HALL:

FOTANG: Just an interest check, perhaps an opportunity to speak on a theme (tuition) - which supports the direction of advocacy. Beyond surveys - looking at specific feedback and speaking on how students can advocate.

MONTEIRO: Do you picture this with just Execs or University Administration?

FOTANG: Just students and Execs - avoiding potential defensiveness from administrators. Looking at early November - if Exec is supportive.

VILLOSO: Can we get some training and prep to prepare?

MONTEIRO: Yes, please prepare some of the most difficult topics, and we can prepare; I can look into the tuition consultation process to align topics/themes with UofA strategic planning.

MAHSA AMINI: Discussion in closed session, DRA directed to prepare a statement for review based on the discussion.

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at ___11:05 Am____