Executive Committee

Thursday August 17, 2000

ATTENDANCE
Leslie Church President
Christopher Samuel Vice-President Academic
Naomi Agard Vice-President External
Gregory Harlow Vice-President Operations & Finance
Jennifer Wanke Vice-President Student Life
Catherine van de Braak E/A, Recording Secretary

Absent
Bill Smith General Manager (vacation)

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Leslie at 10:33 am

2. Approval of Agenda
The agenda was amended to add the following Items of Business:
c) Computer Concerns (Naomi)
d) In Camera Personnel (Naomi)

3. Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the August 9, 2000 Executive Committee meeting were adopted by consensus.

4. Reports
Monday only

5. Items of Business
a) Election Bylaw
Heather Clark (CRO) presented proposed changes to the executive regarding Bylaw 250 and 300. At this point she was asking for feedback before submitting a formal proposal. Heather stated that it has been great to be hired in May because she has been able to plan for the year and the goal this year is to increase voter turnout. The proposed changes should help to achieve that goal.

Bylaw 250
Only minor changes proposed.

Bylaw 300
Numerous changes to the bylaw relating to Media protocol, expenses, poster limit as well as other sections. Discussion ensued regarding the changes and the effect of raising voter turnout. Heather felt that some changes are big steps but the control will still be maintained by the CRO’s office.
b) Videographer

Due to computer problems, Jen is unable to bring a written proposal to executive. TJ has received price quotes as well as input from the executive regarding their needs.

The cost to have everything professionally done would be $10,000.00 for a 10-minute video. Jen feels this is too high. An alternative would be to hire a student for a lower price who would be able to show up at all events and then have the editing done professionally. The cost would be approximately $5,000.00. Jen will provide the executive with exact numbers next week. The cost could be split over two years because the video will not be specific to this year.

The executive gave their input regarding what the video should cover.

- Jen views it as a tool to be used for sponsorship as well as when executive are speaking at high schools, so all the big events should be highlighted as well as issues effecting students such as tuition meetings, rallies etc.
- Naomi supports Jen’s ideas and would like to see included student government and student initiatives
- Greg raised concerns from a budgetary point of view and would like more information regarding executive initiatives.
- Chris would like to see video focused beyond an event perspective.

Jen explained that services will be highlighted as what the SU provides for students. She needs this position be in place for WOW and Orientation this year.

Leslie asked that all executive list the top 5 initiatives which they would like to see happen which were not covered in their budget for Monday.

c) Computer Concerns

Housing Registries have been experiencing problems with the computer program timing out on the weekends and would like to know about the use of work order forms in regards to computer problems.

Naomi, Gregory and Chris have all spoken with Sheemena regarding the computer problems. Gregory and Chris have explained that Web Development is the first priority, Student Groups will be dealt with in September and Info. Registries in October. The only way to change this is if external resources are brought in and that will involve much more money.

Advanced Technologies for Learning (University department Chris is involved with) has given Chris the names of student interns who may be able to fix the problems.
The concern with using outside resources is the consistency, and would students be able to fix the problem or would it create more challenges later.

Discussion ensued regarding the need for more computer support vs. the current course of action. It was decided to stay with the present course of action.

Greg will speak with the Anita regarding the timing out problem and see if that can be dealt with immediately as well as investigating the use of work order forms.

d) In Camera Personnel

Meeting moved in camera

6. Actions from Minutes

See attached list

7. Announcements

- Eight out of ten Gateway contracts have been signed and the last two will be signed on Monday.
- GSA/SU Barbecue is tonight at 4:30
- Retreat is on Monday

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:47 pm