Executive Committee
Monday May 6, 2002

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Mike at 10:07 am

2. Approval of Agenda
The agenda was amended to add the following Items of Business:
f) Marketing (Steve)
g) ARIRG (Mike)
h) Elections (Mike)
i) Unheard Of (Steve)
j) GFC Executive (Mat)
k) CAUS (Mike)
l) University Budget (Mike)
m) Advisory Search (Mike)
n) CASA AGM (Anand)
o) COCA (Kail)
p) Sustainability Coordinator (Mike)
q) Office Space (Anand)
r) Chancellors Cup (Anand)

3. Approval of Minutes
As this is the first meeting of the year, there were no minutes to approve.

4. Reports
PRESIDENT
Attended CAUS transition this weekend in Lethbridge. Not the most productive meeting, however Anand was elected chair, the next CAUS meeting will take place in June in Edmonton.

VP STUDENT LIFE
Involved in upcoming campus security interviews. Presentations and a question and answer session will be held next week. This is an important issue to be involved in.
Investigating the Daycare committee, will be bringing more information to executive on this.
VP OPERATIONS AND FINANCE
Have been signing a great deal of papers.
Working on the Engineering fees issues, this will be discussed later

VP ACADEMIC
Attended the Library Committee meeting.
GFC executive later today
Spending time reading all the information in my office

GENERAL MANAGER
Working on SUB expansion-Student Financial Centre and Student Development Centre have both received approval from the University, reno budget is on target, and next steps are to investigate the retail space issues.
Working on CCSA session
Recovering from retreat

EA
Echo Bill’s comments about recovering, working on the final budget for budget 500, and assisting executive.

EXECUTIVE POLICY AND INFORMATION OFFICER
Dealing with mountains of paper that are a result of year-end.

5. Items of Business
   a) Orientation
      Kail provided a brief update regarding the executive role. Will provide more details as the event approaches.
      Mike asked that an environmental session be included, Kail will investigate this.
      It is important that the executive participate in the student government session.

   b) Gateway
      Steve is working on a new bylaw (6600) and constitutional changes relating to the Gateway. All issues relating to an autonomous Gateway need to be decided on soon. Discussion ensued regarding a summer Gateway.

   c) Engineering Fees
      Mat and Steve met with David Weppler. David is comfortable with the suggested 3-tier system. Mat will speak to Faculty Associations regarding the proposal. It is important that the SU provide support to the Faculty Associations,

   d) Tuition Policy
      Discussion ensued regarding the present policy and what was passed at council last year. CAUS feels that there is a need to look at the proposal that is coming out from the government. Kim provided background regarding the government position.
      Anand raised concerns about changing the SU stand on tuition. The most important focus has to be what benefits students.
      Mike would like to contact MLA’s and make tuition a very high priority.
      Kim will begin contacting government people today. Bill suggested that CAUS and ACTISEC develop a common platform.
e) Environmental Office

Dr. Fraser and Dr. Owram are supportive of environmental issues being focused on. Dan is investigating possible funding sources.

f) Marketing

Discussion ensued regarding the changes to the marketing department due to the Gateway becoming autonomous. It is important that a sponsorship person be hired soon to deal with these areas of priority.

g) APIRG

An executive is needed to sit on the APIRG Board.

BRECHTEL/SHARMA MOVED THAT Steve Smith, VP Operations and Finance be appointed as the APIRG member from the SU Executive Committee.

VOTE ON MOTION 3/1/0 (CARRIED)

Steve accepted the appointment.

h) Elections

The elections budget may need to be revised. Points were raised that it is important to review what can be done to improve the process. Steve will take on the review of this budget. The CRO position will need to be re-opened. Concerns were raised regarding the archiving of the past CRO records and the impact of any changes on the FAC elections as well. Steve will review all the concerns.

i) Unheard Of

This motion was passed at council and will need to be included in the budget for this year.

j) GFC Executive

The main item on the agenda is the change from the 9 to 4 grading system. There do not appear to be significant changes to policies being made. Kim will research the transfer system between University of Calgary and Mount Royal as well as at Simon Fraser.

k) CAUS

As per Mike’s report, Anand, Kim and Mike attended the CAUS transition this weekend in Lethbridge. Anand was elected chair. The current fee is to be increased from $1250.00 to $5000.00 to cover increased hours for the administrator as well as ensuring that there is money should the chair be from a small school. In the past the chair’s school has paid for many of the costs.

SHARMA/SMITH MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve an increase from $1250.00 to $5,000.00 for yearly CAUS fees.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

l) University Budget

Mike provided an update regarding the University budget. Philip Stack raised concerns with Mike regarding a lack of presentation by the SU to the tuition committee. Kim provided background on the University tuition committee.
m) Advisory Search Committee

Two representatives are being sought from the SU for the Advisory Search Committee for VP Facilities and Operations position at the University. Mat will sit as one representative and the second will come from council.

SHARMA/ROSS MOVED THAT Students’ Council appoint one (1) councilor to sit on the selection committee for the Vice President Facilities, University of Alberta.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

n) CASA AGM

Anand tabled a conference request for two representatives to attend the upcoming CASA AGM May 28 to June 3 at Brock University. This is a budgeted expense. Discussion ensued regarding who should attend with Anand.

Meeting adjourned until 4:00 pm

Meeting re-convened at 4:00 pm

SMITH /ROSS MOVED THAT Students’ Council upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee approve a budgeted expense of not to exceed $1850.00 to send Amanda Sharma, VP External and Mat Brechtel to the CASA AGM May 28-June 3 at Brock University.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0/ CARRIED

o) COCA

Kail tabled a conference request for Steve Derpack, Manager of Programming and Licensed Activities, Muriel Dagot, SAC and himself to attend the upcoming COCA conference in Guelph. This is budgeted expense and it is important for all positions to attend.

SHARMA / SMITH MOVED THAT Executive Committee approve a budgeted expense not to exceed $2670.00 for Steve Derpack, Manager of Programming and Licensed Activities and Muriel Dagot, SAC to attend the COCA Conference July 7-12 in Guelph, ON.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0/ CARRIED

SHARMA / SMITH MOVED THAT Students’ Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee approve a budgeted expense not to exceed $1335.00 for Kail Ross VP Student Life, to attend the COCA Conference July 7-12 in Guelph, ON.

VOTE ON MOTION 3/1/0/ CARRIED
p) Sustainability Coordinator

Mike tabled a job description for the proposed Sustainability Coordinator position. Eco City will be using a step grant to pay some of the salary. Discussion ensued regarding the reporting structure, job description and the monthly goals. There are two separate motions for this position as one relates to the salary costs and one to costs that would be incurred to investigate other eco centres.

SHARMA/ROSS MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve an expenditure of not to exceed $1900.00 to support the hiring of a Sustainability Director for 3 months.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0/ CARRIED

SHARMA/ROSS MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve an expenditure of not to exceed $1000.00 to support the investigation of various campus eco centres.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0/ CARRIED

q) Office Space

Additional office space will be needed once a CAUS administrator is hired. Space needs will be reviewed at that time.

r) Chancellors Cup

The upcoming chancellors cup is proving to be a challenge. It is very unclear what has been done and what is budgeted for. Discussion ensued regarding the group of people that will be attending the tournament and the amount that the SU is prepared to spend. Catherine and Anand will investigate what has been done in the past.

6. Announcements

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm.