University of Alberta Students’ Union

MINUTES

EXEC 02-32

Executive Committee

September 26, 2002

ATTENDANCE

Mike Hudema                President
Mat Brechtel               Vice-President Academic
Anand Sharma               Vice-President External (joined late)
Steve Smith                Vice-President Operations & Finance
Kail Ross                  Vice-President Student Life
Catherine van de Braak     E/A, Recording Secretary

OBSERVORS

Christine Osinchuk         ECO

ABSENT

Bill Smith                  General Manager

1. Call to Order

Mike called the meeting to order at 12:30 am.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was amended to add the following Items of Business:

Discussion Items:
   a) Forestry Presentation
   b) Car Pool Presentation
   c) Dr. Kevin Taft
   d) Sexual Assault Centre
   e) Our Voice
   f) GFC Student Caucus
   g) Garneau

Action Items:
   a) Incite
   b) Parking Policy
   c) Telephone Intercom Use Policy
   d) In Box Motion
   e) Die Board
   f) Referendum Question
   g) Peer Health Conference

ROSS/SMITH MOVED THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

VOTE ON MOTION            4/0 CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

ROSS/SMITH MOVED THAT the approval of the minutes of the September 23, 2002 Executive Committee Meeting be approved.

VOTE ON MOTION            4/0 CARRIED
4. Reports
5. Items of Business
   Discussion Items
   a) Forestry
      Presentation

Members of the Forest Society gave a brief presentation regarding a request for a loan of 20,000.00 to purchase Christmas trees for their annual sale. This is the main fundraiser for the group. 10% of the money raised is given to the United Way, 45% is for their grad and 45% goes to the Forest Society. The members believe that there is an agreement with the Students’ Union to provide this interest free loan for 10 years. The Forest Society has been putting money away each year so that at the end of the 10-year term they will have 20,000.00. The presenters were thanked for their time.

The executive would like to see a copy of the agreement that was made in either 1999 or 2000 prior to making a decision.

b) Car Pool

Marc D. gave a presentation regarding car-pooling. Currently registries has something like a car pool with the ride board. Marc presented two options and expanded on the pros and cons of each. Steve raised concerns regarding liability/risk issues. Mike will provide information from UBC where they have a successful car pool program.

c) Dr. Kevin Taft

Hector Macintyre has arranged for Dr. Taft to speak in the Alumni Room. Hector would like the Executive to send an official invitation to Dr. Taft. Anand raised concerns about the political ramification, the bulk of students on this campus are not constituents of Dr. Taft’s. The Executive feels that it is reasonable for an MLA or MP to speak within their riding.

d) Sexual Assault Centre

Steve met with Dr. Connor and Chris Fowler regarding a proposed increase to the current 1.00 fee. The increase would raise the fee to 2.00/student. The service is expanding and the University has cut some of their funding. Concerns were raised regarding

• Value of this service to students.
• Areas that the service is expanding into.
• Athletics’ fee increase was not approved last year.

This will be brought back to executive at a later date.

e) Our Voice

Mike would like to offer Our Voice a table /space in SUB to have a vendor. The executive approve of this idea.

f) GFC Student Caucus

Mat would like students to bring up specific questions at the next GFC meeting. Mike felt that changes need to be made to some of the guiding principles that have been outlined.

Anand left the meeting
g) Garneau Policy
A concern was raised if EAB is dealing with Garneau issue. This will need to wait until Anand is able to give a full report.

Action Items
a) Incite
SMITH/ROSS MOVED THAT Students’ Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee approve an expense not to exceed $2417.00 from the Special Project Reserve to hire Incite Solutions to conduct a student survey relating to UPass issues.

VOTE ON MOTION 3/0 CARRIED

b) Parking Policy
ROSS/SMITH MOVED THAT Students’ Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee approve the proposed political policy relating to Affordable and Accessible Parking.

VOTE ON MOTION 3/0 CARRIED

c) Telephone Intercom Use Policy
ROSS/SMITH MOVED THAT Students’ Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee approve the Telephone Intercom use operating policy

VOTE ON MOTION 3/0 CARRIED

d) In Box Motion
This motion was withdrawn. When questioned as to who was paying for the replacement, Steve was not forthcoming with the information. Mike finds Steve to be deceptive. Steve feels he has no obligation to disclose information that does not relate to SU finances.

e) DIE Board
SMITH/ROSS moved that the Executive Committee nominate one (1) Vice President to serve on the selection committee for the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board.

VOTE ON MOTION 3/0 CARRIED

Congratulations Steve.

SMITH/BRECHTEL moved that the Executive Committee recommend to Students’ Council that it select two (2) councilors to sit on the selection committee for the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board.

VOTE ON MOTION 1/1/1 HUDEMA broke the tie CARRIED
f) Referendum

SMITH/ROSS moved that the Executive Committee recommend to Students' Council that it approve in principle a referendum question to eliminate the Student Financial Aid and Information Centre dedicated fee and replace it with a corresponding increase in the base Students' Union fee, and that it direct the Internal Review Board to draft a specific wording for the question.

Mike would like to know how SFAIC feels about this.

VOTE ON MOTION 3/0 CARRIED

Steve offered to provide entertainment in the form of naked juggling. He only stripped to half naked due to wearing heart boxers.

g) Peer Health Conference

SMITH/ROSS moved that the Executive Committee approve the proposal for the Students' Union to co-host the National Peer Support Conference.

Proposal provided by Meip was reviewed.

VOTE ON MOTION 1/0/2 abstentions CARRIED

6. Announcements

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM.