University of Alberta Students’ Union

M I N U T E S

Executive Committee
October 24, 2002

Attendance

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

Observers

There were no observers present.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mike at 12:35 pm

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was amended to add the following Discussion Items:
a. Simple Foods

Business Items

c. Bursaries
d. Access Fund
e. Tuition Task Force
f. RDC

SMITH/SHARMA MOVED THAT the agenda be approved as amended.
VOTE ON MOTION 3/0/1 CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

SHARMA/BRECHTEL MOVED THAT the October 21, 2002 minutes be approved.
VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

4. Reports

PRESIDENT
Received cookies from a group to thank us for work done on homelessness and housing crisis.

VP EXTERNAL
Leaving for CASA tomorrow

VP ACADEMIC
Attended CAAST

VP OPERATIONS AND FINANCE
FARCE bylaw revisions should be tabled at next exec. meeting

Massage idea is positive, working on the logistics with Margriet
GENERAL MANAGER
Working on:
- SUB expansion event
- Food and Beverage area
- SU print centre agreement
Attended CA for 4 days-working on white label atm, affinity card, electronic info sales
Met with President of CUP-excellent meeting
Distributed Dr. McInroy letter to executive
EA
Assisting with SUB expansion

5. Items of Business
   Discussion Items
a) Confluence
This is a literary magazine that would be published in conjunction with GMC and U of A. The organizers of this magazine would like funding to be provided via a referendum fee of .80/student/semester. The executive feel that the petition route is the best route for this referendum question. Kail will investigate the GMC funding.

b) IVR
Concerns were raised regarding the speed of the phasing out of the phone registration system. Concerns were raised about the lack of computer access for many students. ROSS felt that there was adequate access for students who are motivated. There is a serious issue with the incompatibility and upgrade issues of Peoplesoft.

   B. SMITH raised concerns about people soft and if a cost benefit analysis has been done.

c) Simple Foods
Update provided on the meeting with Simple foods regarding becoming a service of the SU. Simple Foods would like to retain the name, member list and supplier list should they cease being a service of the SU. Simple Foods will be consulted regarding decisions affecting their service, however final say will rest with the SU. A budget is needed regarding the costs involved.

Old Business
a) Strike Policy
SMITH/SHARMA MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the tabled policy relating to Strikes.

Discussion of the original motion and the proposed changes that appear to change the original intent of the policy.

   HUDEMA/SHARMA moved to amend the policy to read “except where there are previous contractual arrangements which would result in a significant damage to our organization.

   VOTE ON MOTION 2/3/0 DEFEATED

SMITH/SHARMA MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the changes relating to the Strike policy.

   VOTE ON MOTION 3/2/0 CARRIED

New Business
a) Operating Policy 11.23

These are housekeeping changes

ROSS/SMITH MOVED THAT the Executive Committee accept the proposed changes to Operating Policy 11.23

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0 CARRIED

b) Recreation Action Committee

ROSS/BRECHTEL MOVED THAT the Executive Committee appoint the Vice President (Student Life) to the Recreation Action Committee for the 2002-2003 year.

VOTE ON MOTION 3/0/1 CARRIED

c) Bursaries

HUDEMA/ROSS MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve in principle the political policy relating to Bursaries.

This policy has been drafted in consultation with Claire and Katherine. There appears to be a movement to granting bursaries from need to merit. This is a major concern. CAUS and ACTISEC will be writing letters regarding this.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

d) Access Fund

HUDEMA/SHARMA MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve in principle the political policy relating to the Access Fund.

BRECHTEL/ROSS MOVED TO INCLUDE the following amendments: “has been” inserted prior to designed, “implemented and funded by students” inserted after designed “involvement” inserted after support, “retroactively” inserted after officially and “opportunities” inserted after Institutional.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT 3/1/0 CARRIED

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION 4/1/0 CARRIED

e) Tuition Task Force

SMITH/HUDEMA moved to appoint two executive committee members to the tuition Task force Committee. Congratulations to HUDEMA AND SHARMA

f) RDC

HUDEMA/SHARMA MOVED to approve the tabled agreement with Red Deer College.

S.SMITH provided background

HUDEMA left to attend another meeting

ROSS left.

Quorum lost

6. Announcements

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm