Executive Committee
March 7, 2003

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

Absent
Anand Sharma       Vice-President External

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by HUDEMA at 11:00 am

2. Approval of Agenda
SMITH/BRECHTEL MOVED THAT the agenda be approved as tabled

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes
SMITH/BRECHTEL MOVED to omnibus the approval of the minutes of February 5, 7 and 10 2003

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

4. Reports
a. President
Met with Larry Booi regarding Generation Debt campaign. The ATA would like to see the campaign a bit more aggressive. Memorandum of Understanding between AGC and ACTISEC should be signed by the end of March
Met with Dr. Connor regarding the UPass
Nader course is going well.
FSTF website is up, encourage executive to circulate this to students.

b. VP External
Absent

c. VP Academic
Elections are done

d. VP Operations and Finance
Elections are done

e. VP Student Life
WUSC bylaw should be done by the end of the month
Athletic fee breakdown policy will be coming to exec. soon
Pleased with how well Backpack to Briefcase went

f. General Manager
ACUI was very valuable, many pertinent topics were discussed
g. E/A

5. Discussion Period
a. Lawsuit

HUDEMA raise the possibility of challenging the provincial government as the Universities Act states that the BoG must represent the general public view and there may be the case that this is not being done. Would like to contact Bill Shores to investigate the possibility of pursuing this.

SMITH: should ask Bill Shores about the cost and feasibility of this case.

BRECHTEL will speak with Shores

b. Charter Challenge

HUDEMA provided an update regarding the proposed human rights challenge. The office of human rights said that there might be a better case for a charter challenge. BRECHTEL will speak with Shores about this as well.

c. Iron Chef Challenge

HUDEMA provided background on this event. It may be possible to do this at NAIT, but if not then SUB stage would need to be used. This event will be paid for by CAUS. The executive approves this if it is necessary to have in SUB.

d. U of T Study

HUDEMA brought the recent U of T study regarding differential tuition to the executive attention.

e. International Women’s Day

There will be a march on Saturday March 8 and all executive are encouraged to attend. HUDEMA will provide details later today.

f. Provincial Savings Plan

An MLA will be introducing information regarding this in the legislature and is seeking feedback from the students’ Union. This is tabled to EAB to review.

g. Collection for Education

This is an imitative being undertaken by various high schools. The SU should support this by placing a container at the front desk.

h. Campus Rec. fees

Spoke with Glen Cowper regarding the breakdown of the athletics fees. Would like to change the breakdown, would need council’s approve as well as athletics or a full referendum. SLB will be drafting a policy on this and it will be brought to exec soon.

i. In camera

SMITH/BRECHTEL MOVED that the meeting move in camera.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

6. Old Business
a. VIDS

Bill, Kail Christine McCourt Dan and Marc met to discuss concerns with VIDS. Bill has received a draft from Christine with suggestions. This will be discussed fully on Monday.

7. New Business
a. TF Retreat
HUDEMA/SMITH MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a TF retreat request at a budgeted amount not to exceed $1550.00.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

b-g
SMITH/BRECHTEL MOVED to object to consideration of items b-g and that all of these should be referred to EAB.

VOTE ON MOTION 3/1 HUDEMA/0 CARRIED

h. War Photographer
Tabled to the next meeting

i. Tess Elsorthy
HUDEMA/SMITH MOVED that the Executive committee approve the proposed agreement between the Students’ Union and Tess Elsorthy.

HUDMEA provided background on the Women’s Centre. Concerns were raised regarding spelling errors in the agreement, space for a men’s/person’s centre/exclusion of men in the planning process.

SMITH/BRECHTEL Moved to postpone this item to Monday.

VOTE ON MOTION 3/1 HUDEMA/0 CARRIED

j. Fair Trade Coffee
HUDEMA/SMITH Moved that L’Express offer a 10% discount on all purchases of fair trade coffee.

Concerns were raised regarding the financial implications of this.

VOTE ON MOTION 1/3/0 FAILED

k. Policy
HUDEMA/SMITH moved that the Executive Committee approve the proposed policy relating to Food Tenancy agreements.

B. SMITH: concerned about taking tenancy issues into a political venue. Could be excluding perspective tenants. Policy was discussed at length.

SMITH/BRECHTEL MOVED to amend the policy by striking 12.12.01 point 2.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT 3/1 HUDEMA/0 CARRIED

VOTE ON AMENDED MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED
1. SU Accomplishments

SMITH/ROSS MOVED THAT the list of what the S.U. has accomplished this year, currently displayed on a wall in SUB and on the Students' Union website, be removed from these media and not displayed in any other.

HUDEMA: this is a way of informing students what the SU has done over the past year.

Concerns were raised that this is something that we need to do throughout the year, it is not necessary for the SU to take credit, rather we should just say what we have done and let students decide if the initiate has been a success or not.

SMITH: will withdraw the motion if a year in review can be undertaken instead.

Motion withdrawn.

8. Announcements

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:40pm