Executive Committee
November 10, 2004

Attendance
Jordan Blatz President
Lisa McLaughlin Vice-President Academic
Alex Abboud Vice-President External
Alvin Law Vice-President Operations & Finance
Duncan Taylor Vice-President Student Life
Bill Smith General Manager
Catherine van de Braak E/A, Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by BLATZ at 12:50 pm

2. Approval of Agenda
TAYLOR/LAW MOVED THAT the agenda be approved as follows:
g. Alumni Room request
h. Health Plan Update
i. Remembrance Day

VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes
ABBOUTH/TAYLOR MOVED THAT the October 29, 2004 minutes be approved.

VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED
TAYLOR/ABBOUTH MOVED THAT the October 29, 2004 In Camera minutes be approved.

VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

4. Old Business
There is no old business

5. New Business
a. International Centre Request
Leslie and Heather (International Centre) gave a presentation regarding International Week.
The theme this year is Marking Poverty History.
Each year the International centre approaches the Students’ Union asking for support. This year would like to build on that relationship and work closer. The only funding that is coming from the University is staff costs. Sponsorship is coming from various sources, hoping the SU will be able to help with: space requirements, cash donations, involvement and attending events. There are 10 thousand programs circulated all over Alberta. Sponsorship by the SU would be recognized with the SU logo on the poster.
Leslie and Heather were thanked for their time

Additional information is needed relating to what was done in the past. This will be discussed in further detail that the next meeting.

b. Bear Scat Servers

McLAUGHLIN: Stephen still believes that 2 additional servers are necessary for Bear Scat. I have spoken with Marc about this request. During the peak periods, Bear Scat cannot handle the volume. Cost of new servers are $1765.00/server plus shipping. There is just under $1,000.00 left from the initial money received, as well as approximately $860.00 in revenue from Amazon and Indigo and $500.00 that could come from computer capital.

Concerns are that would be using Dell servers which may result in a need to upgrade the link to the U of A server. This could be a considerable cost. The use of unused server time could be made available to other SU services during slower times.

ABBOUD: If we can find the money for this and a contract is signed I am fine with this however; all capital requests should come through the budget system in the future.

TAYLOR: agree that memorandum of understanding needs to be set up, concerned about where the money would come from.

ABBOUD: it is up to budget committee to recommend to council and then council makes the decision.

c. Budget Transfer

LAW/TAYLOR MOVED THAT THE Exec Committee approve a budget transfer of $660 from 612-8321-100 to 612-8321-400 for the purpose of purchasing SDC promotional items instead of placing a Folio ad.

VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

McLAUGHLIN left the meeting

6. Discussion Period
a. Christmas Office Hours

BLATZ/TAYLOR MOVED THAT the Students’ Union Office take Monday January 3, 2005 as the day in lieu of January 1, 2005.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

b. Christmas Cards

The executive will sign Christmas cards once Catherine books a time that will work for all exec.
c. Ski Club

BLATZ: the Ski Club booked the Alumni Room on October 29. They said that there would be no liquor at the event. On Oct. 29 the windows were covered with plastic, there was silly string everywhere and there was a considerable amount of alcohol brought in and consumed. This type of activity puts our insurance coverage in jeopardy.

Student Groups Director, with support of the Dean of Students’ Office is recommending that all room-booking privileges be revoked for the Ski club for the remainder of the school year.

Taylor: they screwed up and placed other student groups in jeopardy.

BLATZ: will be meeting with the Ski Club on Thursday to discuss this issue.

d & e

Tabled to the next meeting

f. NASA Request

LAW tabled a request from NASA for a donation of a door prize for their seasonal celebration December 1. A door prize of not more than $30.00 will be purchased from SPR.

g. Alumni Room request

ABBOUD: Campus ND’s would like to book the Alumni room outside of available hours. Don’t feel that this is a good idea, have asked for a proposal about the event but have not received it.

TAYLOR: students want that space as study space; encourage the ND’s to book Sub stage instead.

h. Health Plan Update

Tabled to next week

i. Remembrance Day

TAYLOR: is anyone else planning on attending? Due to prior commitments, Taylor will be the only executive attending.

7. Reports
8. Announcements

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm