Executive Committee
December 1, 2004

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

Absent
Alex Abboud  Vice-President External

Guests
Members of ESS

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by BLATZ at 12:10 pm

2. Approval of Agenda
LAW/MCLAUGHLIN MOVED THAT the agenda be approved as follows:
Delete 4c. Venue Agreements
Table 6a. President’s Farewell to Friday
Add In Camera Business

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED
Agenda renumbered accordingly.

3. Approval of Minutes
TAYLOR/LAW MOVED THAT the November 26, 2004 minutes be approved.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

4. Old Business
a. NODA
Further information was tabled relating to the NODA request.

LAW/TAYLOR MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a budgeted expense not to exceed $3020.00 for the Transition Programs Manager, Orientation Volunteer Coordinator and Orientation Programs Coordinator to attend NODA February 18-20, 2005 in Spokane Washington.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED
b. ESS

Members of ESS tabled information in response to queries raised at the last meeting. Items tabled were:
- Adapted code of conduct
- Letter to Campus security
- ECC Notes
- Letter sent to Dean Lynch
- Unofficial excerpt from meeting between ESS and Dean October 6, 2004
- Excerpt from Code of Student Behaviour regarding suspension or banning of student group activities
- SU faculty week political policy

BLATZ: everything looks good, like the inclusion of humour.

TAYLOR: it is critical to put the onus on the teams to be responsible for their members behaviour and that an adequate number of volunteers are used to ensure crowd safety.

BLATZ: it would be great if you could let the participants know of the SU involvement. Once the meeting with the Provost happens I will let you know if the SU is able to book Quad for this event.

c. Augustana

BLATZ: Any further concerns with the document discussed at last executive meeting?
Matt Hebert will be giving a presentation at council next Tuesday.

A conference call will be set up with Augustana to discuss financial issues.

MCLAUGHLIN: what is the percentage of on campus vs. off campus students?
BLATZ: not sure, it could be between 40%-60% on campus.

MCLAUGHLIN/BLATZ MOVED THAT the Executive Committee remind the VP External that his title refers to the focus of his portfolio, not his geographic locations for the majority of the executive meetings.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

5. New Business
a. **Bar Update**

LAW: Complete financial picture will be tabled next week. The summer performance was not very good but the business is beginning to grow, the year to date shows that improvements are slowly coming.

SMITH: will do a mid year review and bring this to Council in January. All indications are that food revenue is up 10% due to meal card usage.

TAYLOR: what areas aside from staff costs, are causing expenses to be so high and why did we fall short of budget in the summer?

SMITH: there are three key areas, they are:
- Gross margins which is doing okay
- Staff- concerns are being addressed
- Supply costs-where expected but may be a bit high

During the summer there must be things going on to get people here, as well the poor weather may have been a factor.

6. **Discussion Period**

a. **In Camera Business**

MCLAUGHLIN/BLATZ MOVED that the Executive Committee move in camera.

Vote on motion 4/0/0 CARRIED

7. **Reports**

a. **President**

Will be away December 17 (leaving after BoG meeting) to January 5. Planning for tuition week with happen before the Christmas break

b. **VP Academic**

Due to quorum being broken, unable to report

c. **VP External**

Absent

d. **VP Operations and Finance**

Will be away December 24-January 7

Have a very packed schedule the next few days

DFU is progressing well

Campus Advantage meeting was very good. There was a long discussion about the direction that we should be moving in. Several national agreements are still in place and it is important to have a full time staff member to deal with these. We are working on a national standard for clubs.

Will be bringing a request for approximately $7,000.00 loan to council.

e. **VP Student Life**

Will be away from December 22-January 2

Health plan will be at SLB tonight and council on Tuesday

Anti Freeze registration is today at 4:00 pm on SUB stage

Finishing work on the Responsible Use Campaign

e. **General Manager**

f. **EA**

8. **Announcements**

9. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm