University of Alberta Students' Union

M I N U T E S
EXEC 07/36

Executive Committee
November 19, 2007

Attendance
Michael Janz             President
Bobby Samuel            Vice-President Academic
Steven Dollansky        Vice-President External
Eamonn Gamble           Vice-President Operations & Finance
Chris Le                Vice-Student Life
Bill Smith              General Manager
Catherine van de Braak  Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by JANZ at 9:15 am

2. Approval of Agenda
LE/GAMBLE MOVED THAT the agenda is approved with the following revisions:
Remove 7c Marketing
Add:
7d. BearScat
7e. In Camera Personnel
7f. Credit Card
VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes
SAMUEL/DOLLANSKY MOVED THAT the November 8, 2007 minutes be approved as tabled.
VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

4. Action Summaries
Reviewed and updated

5. Old Business
There is no old business

6. New Business
There is no new business

7. Discussion Period
a. NODA
b. CAUS Marketing
   DOLLANSKY: met with Grimble regarding the rate to charge CAUS for the upcoming election campaign work. In the past the internal rate has been charged. This is not a revenue-generating job.
   GAMBLE: what was the original proposal
   SMITH: there may need to be another category, closely related group with rate to be subject to exec. Approval.
   DOLLANSKY: feel that $20.00/hour is a fair rate.
   Executive support this rate.

c. First Responders
   JANZ: two students have raised this issue; there are a number of other schools across Canada that have this program.
Discussion ensued regarding the liability of this program, should it be run through the University rather than the SU, there might be significant coordination challenges. Janz will gather further information and raise at the appropriate place.

e. BearsCat

SAMUEL/LE MOVED THAT the Executive Committee moves in-camera to discuss a proposed contract.

VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

d. In Camera Personnel

SAMUEL/LE MOVED THAT the Executive Committee moves in-camera to discuss a personnel issue.

VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

e. Credit Card

DOLLANSKY: the University is considering removing the ability to pay with tuition with a credit card, this has been done at UBC, and it could save the University money. Spoke with UBC about this; if the University is taking away student convenience then the SU should have more input into where the money should go. Thoughts?
SAMUEL: don’t feel that we should support this, it could create hardship for some students and it reduces the options for students.
DOLLANSKY: the University is going to do it, we need to be ready with a proposal.
JANZ: we need to have more numbers, more information before making a decision.
SMITH: it is important to learn from the mistakes of other campuses and to have a mandate for the use of the money saved.
DOLLANSKY: we should mandate that the money saved go to quality find not tuition relief.
SAMUEL: agree with Smith, give students the questions of how to use the savings.
JANZ: this discussion needs to continue with more information. Will email Carl and discuss at a later executive meeting.

8. Reports

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 am