Executive Committee

May 29, 2008

Attendance
Janelle Morin President
John Braga Vice-President Academic
Beverly Eastham Vice-President External (joined late)
Steven Dollansky Vice-President Operations & Finance
Kristen Flath Vice-Student Life
Catherine van de Braak Executive Assistant

Absent
Bill Smith General Manager

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by MORIN at 9:00 am

2. Approval of Agenda
FLATH/BRAGA MOVED THAT the agenda is approved with the following additions:
5a. Retreat
7c. Gateway Review
8b. Library Letter
8c. Student Group Granting
8d. Website
VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes
DOLLANSKY/MORIN MOVED THAT the May 26, 2008 minutes be approved as tabled.
VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

4. Action Summaries
Reviewed and updated

5. Students’ Council
a. Retreat
Retreat plans reviewed, everything is ready to go.

6. Old Business
a. Letter to Carl
Morin will forward the letter to exec. for review prior to sending it out.

7. New Business
a. Services Retreat
MORIN/DOLLANSKY MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a budgeted expense not to exceed $400.00 for the Service Directors and the Senior Manager of Services to attend a retreat June 16/17, 2008 in Pigeon Lake.
VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0/CARRIED

b. CASA
DOLLANSKY/BRAGA MOVED THAT the Executive Committee
approve a budgeted expense not to exceed $1628.00 for the Director of Research and Political Affairs to attend the CASA Policy and Strategy Conference in Halifax June 2-7, 2008.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

8. Discussion Period
   a. UPC/EPC

   MORIN: would like to have a presentation at Council to explain how political policies work and the difference between a statement and action.
   BRAGA: had understood that political policies were backup for strengthening the action, have now found out that they speak of intent and are not used to force action on something.

   DOLLANSKY: could be used to force action if Council indicates that it is a priority.
   Discussion ensued regarding the purpose of political policies and how they are used.

   Eastham joined at 9:40 am

   Morin will discuss further with executive and will ask Brittney to bring this up as a discussion on retreat.

   b. Library Letter

   BRAGA: met with Ernie Ingles regarding Cameron Library reno’s, very positive meeting. Funding of the first floor is in place, seeking confirmation from the University of funding of the second floor, will be contacting the SU asking for a letter of support for this project.
   Executive support this project and will provide a letter stating so.

   c. Student Group Review

   DOLLANSKY: committee met last night; no quorum so reviewed the standing orders. Wondering how the grant allocation operated last year, would like to update the procedure.

   van de Braak will look into the procedures form the past and update exec.

   c. Website

   DOLLANSKY: website review committee met and the following topics were discussed:
   Event calendar should be functioning by mid August, there will be a public posting component
   Orientation database is in the process of being re-written
   Housing registry is being renovated and will be re-launch end in July
   Jobkin: trying to increase the traffic to the site, will include on all SU job postings
SU wiki-ready to go except the advocacy component
Student groups review, fee info and volunteer registry were also discussed.
Morin: concerned about the timelines and how quickly things are being done

9. Reports
   a. President
      CASA next week, have been busy working on the council retreat

b. VP Academic
   ARG meeting on June 12
   COFA is the love of my life, sending out an email report tomorrow
   GFC student Caucus is excellent
   Attended a formative feedback meeting, good meeting
   Academic Materials Campaign is going very well
   Gateway scholarship-working on
   Met with AIS yesterday to Beartracks upgrade commitment plan

c. VP External
   CAUS teleconference on Tuesday
   Housing week will be Sept 29, working on a province wide campaign
   Working with the Senate on All Roads Lead to the U., very positive to work with
   CASA next week
   EAS-trying to set up
   CPAC-still working on

d. VP Operations & Finance
   Left meeting prior to reports

e. VP Student Life
   Programming Committee has met, ideas for next year were discussed
   Working on WOW themes
   Sustainability is going very well, moving ahead with small ideas
   Reviewed health plan files
   Meeting with groups next week regarding Campus Rec.
   Investigating possible ECO week

f. 10. Adjournment
    Meeting adjourned at 10:25 am