

# **MINUTES**

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE — 2023-2024 #47

December 11, 2023 3:13 PM

### **ATTENDANCE**

Christian Fotang President

Pedro Almeida Vice President (Academic)

Chris Beasley Vice President (External)

Levi Flaman Vice President (Operations and Finance)

Michael Griffiths Vice President (Student Life)

Marc Dumouchel General Manager

Ari Campbell External Relations Specialist

Courtney Graham Assistant Manager, Governance Support

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

BEASLEY/ALMEIDA MOVED TO approve the Executive Committee agenda as presented.

5/0/0 CARRIED

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

FLAMAN/ALMEIDA MOVED TO approve the Executive Committee minutes from December 7, 2023 as amended 5/0/0 CARRIED

# **REPORTS**

#### **PRESIDENT**

- Board of Governors meeting last week
- Attended the Tuition Town Hall

# VICE PRESIDENT (ACADEMIC)

- Had a meeting about the Student Bereavement Policy
- Tomorrow, has a lunch meeting with GSA and VPRI alongside President Fotang
- Vice Provost Learning Initiatives and Vice Provost Programs meeting later in the week

## VICE PRESIDENT (EXTERNAL)

- Session ended on December 7th
- On Friday, prepped media with ISA.
- Also on Friday was a CAUS Board Meeting where a new vice-chair was elected.
- Attended the Tuition Town Hall
- Talked with ASEC and CAUS about media regarding international students

## VICE PRESIDENT (OPERATIONS AND FINANCE)

- Attended the Council Dinner Wrap up at Balmoral Lounge
- Earlier today had the last United Way meeting
- Gateway Board Meeting later in the week
- 88 redeemed Perks memberships, with an average 3.5 people enrolled per day

### VICE PRESIDENT (STUDENT LIFE)

- Attended the CAUS Board meeting last week
- Working on Student Group and Sustainability Committee items.
- Interview with the Gateway tomorrow
- Presenting to the Senate EDI and EDII committees

# **GENERAL MANAGER**

Working on Strat Planning

#### EXTERNAL RELATIONS SPECIALIST

• Working on a draft summary for advocacy updates

# ASSISTANT MANAGER, GOVERNANCE SUPPORT

- Continuing work on FAMF and DFU presentations and submissions
- Wrapping up Council committees and editing committee minutes

### STUDENTS' COUNCIL

NO ITEMS DISCUSSED

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### Approve Release of Additional Access Fund Funds

- The Access Fund was created in the mid 90s to provide needs based bursaries to students. All undergraduate students pay into this fee. Emergency bursaries are partially funded through the Access Fund.
- The Access Fund has an 850,000-thousand-dollar limit.

• Would like to increase the Access Fund limit to 1 million dollars for this fiscal year.

GRIFFITHS/FLAMAN MOVE TO allow the release of an additional 150,000 dollars from the Access Fund to be released to the Registrar's Office.

5/0/0 CARRIED

#### **DISCUSSION PERIOD**

AMP Article by Michael McNally

- Michael McNally reached out about the potential of writing an editorial about AMP.
- The Executive Committee raises no concerns about this, but would like to request that a draft of the editorial be sent to them beforehand.

Student Group Approval Updates

- Met with the prospective Palestinian cultural association student group last week.
- Bear's Den form was opened up to them, they completed 9 of 11 required steps, and then their access was revoked. This was caused by a staff mistake as student group registration was not currently open at the time and because staff misunderstood that the Palestinian cultural association was registering as a new group and not re-registering a pre-existing group.
- SGS and VP Student Life will work with the student group to help ensure that
  any requirements that still need to be finished will be provided a pathway to
  ensure completion by the January 8th deadline to accommodate for the mistake
  by the staff member.
- Student group registration will reopen on January 8th for all student groups.

UASU's Involvement with FURCA

- Crystal Snyder is reaching out to ask if the UASU will again sponsor and promote FURCA and attend the FURCA Awards Night.
- The Executive Committee will reach out to relevant people outside of this meeting.

**CLOSED SESSION** 

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.