

Call to Order – 3:32 pm, February 2, 2015 | Executive Conference Room

1. Roll Call of Attendance

Committee Composition

President (*chair*)..... Chardaye Bueckert
Vice President Finance..... Adam Potvin
Vice President Student Services Zied Masmoudi
Vice President Student Services Kayode Fatoba
Vice President University Relations Moe Kopahi

Society Staff

Build SFU General Manager..... Marc Fontaine
Campaigns, Policy, and Research Coordinator Pierre Cassidy
Executive Director..... Colleen Knox
Student Union Organiser..... Antonio Daling
Minute Taker Dion Chong

Regrets

Vice President External Relations Darwin Binesh

2. Adoption of Agenda

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Kopahi

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as amended.

2 items are on the agenda

Ownership of Society Property struck – discussion in relation to the ownership of video content produced by the Society. Fatoba has communicated the issue to the sponsors.

CARRIED

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

MOTION EXEC 2015-02-02:02

Potvin

Be it resolved to approve the minutes of 2015-01-26

CARRIED

4. Ratification of Regrets

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Potvin

Be it resolved to ratify the regrets of:

Vice President External Relations Darwin Binesh (*personal*)

The Vice President External Relations indicated that they had a personal issue of a sensitive nature. Has indicated that anyone who needed clarity could speak to him directly.

CARRIED

5. New Business

a. SFU Got Talent – Consent Issue

Concern had been raised from the Communications Office that participants of SFU Got Talent had not submitted consent forms to be filmed by the Society. The Vice President Student Life expressed that auditioners checked a box indicating their agreement to be filmed as part of the application process through Google Forms. It was expressed that the results of the form could be made available for review and had been communicated to the Communications Coordinator. It was indicated that this issue was a result of a desire to furnish participants with a copy of their audition video, which had been filmed on the Society camera as well as three volunteer cameras. *[MT note: The two statements above are under review by the Executive Committee 2015-02-23 and through working conditions]*

It was expressed that a photo/video waiver should be on file in hard copy within the Communications Office as long as the videos are available online. Until the forms were filed, concern was raised around the videos continuing to be online. The provision and collection of waivers were seen to be a matter that should have been accounted for within the event planning process.

A discussion commenced on the level of consent being provided through the completion of the web form, due to the lack of a signature, electronic or otherwise, through the form. The yes/no checkbox for the recording was seen by the project lead as implicit consent, as seen by the two individuals who did not click the yes box and therefore did not have their video taken. They did not wish to seek out all 50 participants to get a physical document filled, particularly given the care of the volunteers to avoid filming anyone who indicated that they did not wish to be filmed. Further, the majority of the participants had already lost. Further, the conversation was seen by a director was redundant, given the lack of waivers signed for the Open Mic night. Because the individuals are requesting the video individually, it was being made an issue. The recording consent was provided as a result of the judging.

The Committee was reminded that the Society has received a legal opinion in the matter in the past and thus had developed model release forms accordingly. These have been used internally for projects such as the Build SFU photo campaigns, and their use has been enforced by the Student Union Resource Office for student unions. Communications Coordinator and Legal review of the process was recommended.

The Vice President Student Life was reminded that this was not an issue with the event in question, but rather it was a desire to improve Society business and processes. This was particularly true given the lack of electronic signatures, as Google forms can be filled out by any individual.

The EXEC was reminded that taking down the videos at the present stage, given the necessity of community votes on wildcard performers, would hamper the event process. If an individual did not wish to have their video up, they can request removal. Enforcing such policies and removing videos was seen by a director as an example of the Society ruining student experiences.

It was expressed that the 10 who were performing could sign the form in person. For those who are already online, it was recommended to send them a form to sign and scan. The Vice President University Relations volunteered to assist.

The Vice President Student Life indicated that the Communications Coordinator did not have time to send the videos of auditions to the individual members and therefore brought up the consent matter. *[MT note: Statement above is under review by the Executive Committee 2015-02-23 and through working conditions]* The videos had already been uploaded and legal issues had therefore already occurred.

6. Executive Officer and Staff Updates

Vice President Finance

- Met with Sustainable SFU and other groups to discuss a series of events in March on climate change and renewable energy
 - Would be leading a green jobs fair
 - Setting up Green Energy ETF at the end of the week
- Planning to work with Campaigns, Research, and Policy Coordinator and Build SFU General Manager on initiatives

Executive Director

- Working on budgets for Out on Campus and Women's Centre for FASC and the Vice President Finance
- Bargaining was nearly complete
- Beginning process of budget review

Vice President Student Services

- Reviewing Women's Centre Coordinator applications
- Working on Spring Concert

Vice President Student Life

- Wild Salmon initiative on campus - will be brought to Surrey campus via Events and Promotions Committee.
 - Desire to work with FNSA to develop community relations
- Sex Week – sex fair and conference occurring soon
- SFU Got Talent
- EPCOM series of events incoming – getting everything sorted
- Working with General Office
- Finalizing a soccer club that had been ejected from SFU Recreation facilities.
 - Storage facilities and funding have issues.
 - Working with Mark Pope
 - Concern raised that sports clubs should be handled through SFU Recreation.
- Working with Student Engagement Fund to reduce AV costs

Vice President University Relations

- Negotiating with SFU Recreation to take on recreation clubs, given complimentary access to Recreation facilities – trying to expand free access to all SFSS clubs.
 - Meeting with SFU Director of Recreation Marc Pope on 2015-02-10
- Considering Surrey space expansion
- Managing requests for information from various university departments on the SGM results and steps moving forward.
- Joint Operations Group meeting
- Reviewing General Office hiring committee applications
- Fielding membership questions on the election process

Campaigns, Research, and Policy Coordinator

- Policy summit with other universities
 - Not as productive as it could've been, but networking conducted.
 - Advocacy Committee has provided consent to share progress on advocacy events to consider opportunities to work together
 - Portfolios developing
- Significant work on policies
- Working on orientation process – content on governance and operations
- Acting as resource for the IEC
 - Council did well on the hiring process. Policy change to such effect was successful

Cassidy left at 4:00pm

Build SFU General Manager

- Waiting for board direction for the department
- Conducting active outreach to members - revamping think tank space to encourage student discussion

Student Union Organiser

- Providing training for a number of student unions
- Advising on the student union event planning process – discussing legal risks, logistics of conferences, explaining issues of catering contracts on satellite campuses etc.
- Discussions on Council reform which have been postponed – recommending that the reform ideas be developed through working groups struck at the February Council meeting.
- FASSU constitution and bylaws will need to be addressed.

Minute Taker

- Board may wish to have a discussion on the process of replenishing the vacant committee positions across multiple Society committees.

President

- Employers bargaining committee reached a tentative agreement and signed an MOU. Still subject to ratification by both parties
- Leading a number of advocacy campaign
 - Meeting Environment Representative and Executive Director to draft a job description for project worker to develop submission to NEB
 - GSS has expressed interest in jointly funding this position.
 - Meeting for the transit referendum at HC 1450 from 6 to 7pm
 - Drafting letter for the final submission to the VP Academic for presentation to the Board of Governors on the international student tuition fee increases as per BOG 10.1.5.
- Ongoing issue around indigenous catering on campus – FNSA and other groups cannot provide indigenous catering on indigenous land for indigenous events, due to catering contracts.
 - A student has been working on an agreement for two years

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- Meeting tomorrow with SFU President and AVP Students tomorrow – Build SFU, tuition fee increases
- JOG tomorrow – transit referendum, GSS proposal to restructure the collection of fees
 - At other universities, students are able to opt out of optional fees through a single consolidated portal
- Next steps for Build SFU – SFU President has offered some suggestions, and has reminded the Society of upcoming changes to the BC Society Act.
- Open textbook campaign – working group meeting.

7. In Camera Session

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Fatoba

Be it resolved to move the meeting in camera with management

CARRIED

8. Attachments

9. Adjournment

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