

3rd Meeting of CUSA Council 2009-2010

July 17, 2009

Attendance:

Erik Halliwell
Meera Chander
Cameron McKenzie
Nick Bergamini
Alex Sirois
Adam Dewar (proxy Matthew Dick)
Austin Miller (proxy Sam Heaton)
Brittany Smyth
Hashem Hamdy
Ryan Anthony
Natalie Pinto
Fatima Hassan (proxy?)
Christina Anderson
James Witherspoon (proxy ?)
Heather Murley (proxy)
Graham Perrin (proxy)
Donnie Northrup (proxy Tim Rose)
Allison Elwell (proxy ?)
Caleigh Campbell
Chris Gillen
Kyle Purdy (proxy)
Brian Mason (proxy)
Terrah Smith (proxy)
Nick Falvo
Jonathon Dawe
Devon Wensink (proxy)
Nicholas Osborne (proxy Dean Tester)
Mahdi Yusuf
Omar Shammas (proxy Faris Ashehri)
Brian Mattock

President
Vice President Finance
Vice President Internal
Vice President Student Issues
Vice President Student Life
Public Affairs Rep
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FASS Rep
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Journalism Rep
Science Rep
Science Rep
Business Rep
Business Rep
Humanities Rep
GSA Rep
RRRA Rep
Special Student
Computer Science Rep
Engineering and Design Rep
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Absent:

Jessica Vasquez
Komajilit Minhas
James Craig
Graeme Owens

Vice President Student Services
FASS Rep
BPAPM Rep
Public Affairs Rep

[Chair calls the meeting to order at 6:09pm]

1. Announcements

None

2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda
Brittany/Adam
Carried

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3. Approval of the Minutes

Motion to move minutes to other business

Devon/Nicholas

Carried

4. Motion to fill constitutional board vacancy (member at large, alternate)

Nominations:

Brendon Wallingford

Sam Heaton

Motion to ratify Sam Heaton as the alternate member at large

Brittany/Devon

Carried

5. President's Report

Erik said that CUSA has secured a footbath just outside of the gym where Friday prayer is held, it is a great accomplishment. He has been attending the academic restructuring committee.

6. Vice Presidents' Reports

a. Vice President Finance

Meera said that most of her work has been around the budget which will be presented later in the meeting.

b. Vice President Internal

Cameron said that he is in the process of hiring a clerk and should have someone hired for the next council meeting. He congratulated Brent on being hired as the new Chair. He said that he is also working on online bookings for the Atrium.

c. Vice President Student Issues

Nick said that he has been working on the OC Transpo issues with Erik about the age limit on bus passes. He is also working to implement a volunteer program for city councilors and different volunteer organizations for September.

d. Vice President Student Services

not present

e. Vice President Student Life

Alex reported that Shinearama pub nights have been doing really well, thinking of doing another one in mid-August. Orientation planning is doing well, for closing ceremonies we are still looking for a few bands but are in the midst of signing contracts. We are working on a CUSA map which will feature CUSA businesses as well as a campus map.

7. RRRR Report

Jon said that they have been attending master plan committee, working on bike share program. Looking to sell VIA rail tickets in the RRRR office.

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- 8. GSA Report**
no report
- 9. CASG Report**
Matt Dick reported that things have been doing well, working on the co curricular transcript program, looking to back dating the program.
- 10. Senate**
No report
- 11. Board of Governors**
No report
- 12. Constituency Reports**
No report
- 13. Committee Reports**
 - i. Constitution and Policy – Met but did not review any motions
 - ii. Equity- has not met
 - iii. Financial Review- Met yesterday, has recommended the budget for adoption
 - iv. Sprit/ SAIC/ sustainability- did not meet
 - v. Accessibility- May 15th meeting; able swim program in the works, and to get an aqua-lift in Carleton pool
 - vi. Conference & Discretionary Fund- will be meeting on July 22
- 14. Items for information**
2 items served for the next meeting
- 15. Question Period**

Donnie – Nick or Erik are we planning on having a campaign on the age cap
Nick said that we are campaigning,
Erik – presentation to council, will be meeting with councilors of the city, will be distributing petitions as well, hope to make it a huge issue in September

Hashem – website, can councilors post office hours on the website
Cameron said that it is something we can look at for sure

Nicholas O – Meera, are the debit machines at Oliver's working?
Meera said it is working but likely won't be using it because they cost so much money

Brittany – what time is Constitution and Policy
Cameron 5:15 pm

Nicholas O – can we set up a mailing list for members
Cameron – definitely, unfortunately we don't have access to the email list for our members, but we can look at the option for a sign up newsletter

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Brian Mattock – can we focus on a UPASS for all students that includes mature students as well

Erik said yes

Brittany asked if we have received any feedback from the government about the letter Nick sent?

Nick said no, he hasn't sent it yet

Devon asked if we would look at making opirg and casg accessible .

Allison – Nick, what work have you been doing on the drop fees campaign

Nick said that Erik has been taking the lead on it, but he is focusing on the communications side of things

16. Motions for Consideration

a. Motion to adopt the 2009/2010 budget

Motion to accept the budget
Meera/Erik

Meera introduced the budget info

She highlighted a few things about last year – we didn't meet our enrollment target that the university set out, the recession which affected our investments, the bus strike that really affected our membership.

Nicholas asked about the typo for the womyns centre, noticed that it was placed into a contingency fund instead, why is this the best way to spend the money?

Meera said that last year the bus strike happened and really affected the budget, so it is for emergency situations

Adam asked about the coke fund money, the GSA is doing some renovations in the lounge, is this something that CUSA would consider spending money on.

Meera said that she would look into it

Meera highlighted some of the business expenses

Donnie asked what the renovations are going to be in the Post Office.

Meera said it is a complete overhaul this summer

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Devon asked what COGS was

Meera said cost of goods and services

Brian Mattock asked if there will be more selection of books in Engineering

Meera said that she hopes that we will be able to expand our stock this year

Christina asked what amortization is

Meera said it is the same thing as depreciation

Adam asked about the increase in programming, is there something specific

Alex said that he wants to diversify programming and help more clubs put on concerts and events.

Nicholas were the election for Board of Governors expenses held in here

Meera said no, we didn't do the bog elections this year

Carlos asked about the ISSO, as international students pay \$300 to the ISSO already it is ridiculous that students are having to pay for it twice

Donnie said that he has been around this association in a few years, and thinks that this is a great budget and hopes that it passes.

Adam said that he agrees that this is a good budget and hopes it passes

Nicholas says that he has some issue with the budget as the typo was moved from the womyns centre and should be reflected in that, that the VPSS budget was slashed by quite a bit and that money should go back into the budget.

Carried

16. Other Business

Motion to approve the June council minutes

Erik/Hashem

Carried

17. Adjournment

Kyle Purdy/Allie Ellwell

(Meeting adjourned at 7:29pm)

As adopted by council on Thursday, August 20, 2009.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cameron McKenzie', written in a cursive style.

Cameron McKenzie, V.P. Internal
Carleton University Students' Association.