

2nd Meeting of CUSA Council 2009-2010

Thursday June 25th, 2009

Attendance:

Erik Halliwell	President
Meera Chander	Vice President Finance
Cameron McKenzie	Vice President Internal
Nick Bergamini	Vice President Student Issues
Jessica Vasqueza	Vice President Student Services
Alex Sirois	Vice President Student Life
Adam Dewar	Public Affairs Rep
Austin Miller	Public Affairs Rep
Brittany Smyth	Public Affairs Rep
Hashem Hamdy	Public Affairs Rep
Ryan Anthony	Public Affairs Rep
Fatima Hassan (proxy)	FASS Rep
Christina Anderson	FASS Rep
James Witherspoon	FASS Rep
Komajilit Minhas	FASS Rep
Allison Elwell (proxy)	Journalism Rep
Caleigh Campbell	Science Rep
Chris Gillen	Science Rep
Brian Mattock (proxy)	Business Rep
Brian Mason (proxy)	Business Rep
James Craig	BPAPM Rep
Terrah Smith	Humanities Rep
Liz Martin	GSA Rep
Garima Talwar	RRRA Rep

[Chair calls the meeting to order at 6:39pm]

1. **Announcements**

Komaljit Minhas-- FASS Rep: spoke about upcoming Relay For Life, her goal is to raise \$22,000

2. **Approval of the Agenda**

Hashem/Nick
Carried

3. **Approval of Past Minutes**

The Chair said that the minutes were being distributed and would delay it until the end of the meeting so that everyone can look over it.

4. **Electoral Report**

- Heather goes over election and conflicts and details regarding elections on the whole;
- Reasonings behind certain rulings, decisions, etc;
- Outlines her recommendations;
- Thinks candidates should be the ones representing themselves and that campaign managers should not be allowed to file complaints on candidates behalf;

5. President's Report

Erik said that execs participated in the June 11 National Day of Reconciliation. He also noted that the CFS-AGM was MAY 16-19- discussed many issues facing students

6. Vice Presidents Reports

- a. VP Finance
Meera reported that she is working on getting rid of debit surcharge at the Unicentre Store, and hopes to have it in place by the end of the summer. She said that she is also working on changing up the menu at Oliver's, purchasing new espresso machine for Roosters
- b. VP Internal
Cameron said that the nomination forms have been updated, and we received several nominations for FASS, he said that he had contacted the students that submitted incorrect nominations and provided the opportunity to resubmit them. He said that clerk and chair have also been posted.
- c. VP Student Services
Jessica reported that May 8- wheelchair basketball CDAC, great success. The GLBTQ Hidden Rainbow project to be launched soon
- d. VP Student Issues
Nick said that he and Erik are working on the footbaths for the gym area, as well as the issue of the new age limit for student bus passes, must be 27 or younger.
- e. VP Student Life
Alex said that he and the Business Operations Manger are looking into a new liquor control system: Getting AZBAR system and keg flow meters. Oliver's opening night will be September 17. The Alcohol awareness initiative with SEO (FYEO)- September 24

7. RRRR Report

Garima reported that they are still working on parliament hill volunteer programme. She invited everyone to check out the changes going on in RRRR office. All execs went through CUSP training and have met with equity services

8. GSA Report

Kimalee said there are lots of changes happening at Mike's Place; we are open all summer long. Bringing in a new menu for the fall

9. CASG Report

Matt reported that he is trying to bring a motion forward to allow for a CASG seat on CUSA

10. Senate Report

Cameron reported that the new program implemented next year with program that would only be accessible to Mac students—working with president on this because not all students have Macs, or have the money to purchase a new laptop.

11. Board of Governors Report

Cameron reported that the BOG meeting earlier today—president interested in expanding on sustainability issues for next year.

12. Constituency Reports

Adam Dewar—trying to bring junior team Canada trade missions abroad to Carleton so that students are eligible to participate, meeting with president tomorrow

Christina Anderson—in 5 days, current chaplain is leaving

13. Committee Reports

- i. C&P- election of chair: Erik elected
- ii. Equity- has not met
- iii. Financial Review- capital requests processed, Meera elected as chair
- 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- no funding allocated, meeting again next month

14. Items For Information

none

15. Question Period

Dean- what costs are incurred on Carleton students to send executive to CFS meetings, and what are the costs of having those meetings at Carleton

Erik—CFS subsidizes the costs for meetings heavily, but there are registration fees. CFS rents the spaces from Tour and Conference Services, so there are no costs for having the meeting on campus.

Austin- has the issue of the poster banning been brought up with equity services.

Nick B- yes issue was brought up and we discussed preliminary issues surrounding posters but nothing solid

Mike Monks- wondering about nomination forms, what do you mean by 'doctored'

Cameron said that forms with new dates were submitted before he had even posted the positions or released any nomination forms for the year. He said that he contacted all students and gave them a month to resubmit their forms.

Hashem- q for Meera- is there any consideration to debit/ credit card system in Roosters at cash?

Meera said that she hasn't looked into it because the charge outweighs cost and Roosters is generating a lot of revenue for the school.

Adam- q for Meera- can we look into getting the Mastercard 'paypass.'

Meera- will look into it

Dean- q for Erik- there was a proposed change to referendum rules which was defeated at the meeting, just wondering how our execs voted.

Erik- we voted to defeat it.

Matt- question for Nick B- is there going to be a chance for students to voice their opinions on changes going on.

Nick- idea of a gallery for students is something he will explore for sure

16. Other Business

a. Motion to fill vacant council seats

Acclamation of 3 nominations for FASS Seats

Heather Murley

Donnie Northrup

Graham Perrin

Motion to ratify the new FASS Representatives

Carried

b. Motion to support and endorse “Team Carleton” in the 2009 AIDS: Walk for Life

Yami/Meera

Carlos speaking in favor of this motion—it is a great cause for us to support

Adam speaking in favor of this motion—participated last year

Fatima Hassan—speaking in favor- Will generate solidarity amongst students, volunteerism

Motion carries

c. Motion to Oppose the “Public Sector Equitable Compensation Act”

Kandice Price/Austin Miller

Questions/ Debate

Dean- why is this issue pertinent to students.

Brit tany- we all share the community and issues

Meera- speaking in favor- This act is taking away women’s rights that they have had every year, encourages to vote for this motion

Carlos- speaking in favor- agrees with Meera thinks it is important for Carleton community to accept this

Garima- speaking in favor- we all participate, males and females, in society and it is unfair to say that this piece of legislation doesn’t affect Carleton students on the whole

Christina Anderson- speaking in favor- this concerns Carleton students

Amendment to strike third whereas clause, change BIFRT “Jim Flaherty” to “Vic Taves”—Nick/Hashem

Questions on amendment

Donnie- would you consider sending the letter to both people

James Craig- friendly amendment- thinks it should also be forwarded to Helena Gurgess

Debate- Erik- speaking against the amendment- there is a role for Jim Flaherty to be included in the letter

Donnie speaking in favor- send it to as many people as we want to, the more the better

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Adam Dewar- friendly amendment- wants to CC letter to all 308 MPs
Nick accepts this

Vote on amendment
Carried

Original motion, as amended:
Debate- Terrah- as an academic institution we should advocate equity in compensation as a group

Adam- speaking in favor- we should actively pursue this as a student issue

Call the question
Cameron/Adam
Motion Carried

d.Motion to continue lobby efforts for the creation of a universal bus pass

Question period
Chris Gillen- how does it work?
Nick B- first off we need to pass the referendum that gives us the mandate (something like \$125 fee tagged onto tuition)

Hashem- is there an option to opt-out?

Nick- no, but it encourages people to use public transpo, and there is nowhere in n. America that offers refundable U-Passes

Debate- Adam- speaking in favor- having lived in residence it is in fact helpful to res students

Chris G- speaking against this motion- shouldn't be passed without the option to opt-out

Call the Question
Heather/Alex
Carried

17. Adjournment

Meera/Austin

Meting adjourned 8:36pm

As adopted by council on Friday, July 17, 2009.

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