

### Board of Directors Meeting Minutes December 15th, 2010

Attendance: Chad, Lisa, Connor, Negar, Dylan, Laura, Niki, Michael, Tim, Moses, Jeff, Pia, Kaylee, Michael, Tom, Paulina

Start Time - 1:15 PM

#### **Chad Embree - Constitutional Review**

• See Powerpoint

#### Questions:

- Pia: What was the structure prior to the current one?
  - All the executives were elected. There was VP 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year, and we still had exec council and ombuds. We changed it because the executives were overworked, it was one giant popularity vote.
- Niki: Why two year reps?
  - We don't want all the responsibility to fall on one person. Having two people, you can balance the relationship, without having a third "floater". With the first year MAL, we could still hire the first year coordinator. The dynamic can be discussed. They can't run as a slate.
- Connor: Is there timing on meetings?
  - o At minimum, twice a term, but the option is once or twice a month.
- Paulina: Would all the items that go to the Board, first go through the exec?
  - I think it would make sense for it to enter the executive council. If the proposal is automaticall over \$10,000 then it would go to the board.
- Paulina: Some people may not know whats strategic, and may not know where it all goes.
  - Connor: The AMS has a written request form, so if you wanted something from the CUS, we would implement the same thing. The executive assistant would collect the information, then bring it to the Board.
- Tim: Anything that is lower than \$6500 is for the executive, but currently the Board still receives these requests
  - Chad: Now, with this change, anything that is over \$10,000 goes to the Board. Anything below \$10,000 would be reviewed by the executive.
- Michael: Can people appeal to the board?
  - Yes, people can still do that now. Essentially the Board can overturn anything.
- Tim: If I have a request that's less than \$10,000 can I request to go to the Board?
  - They will be sent back to the board.
  - We would have to put it in policy that any request below \$10,000 needs to go to executive
- Dylan: We already refer so many requests to the executive

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- Connor: The executive assistant takes in the forms, but everything goes to executive. If there was an online form, it would be sent to the executive assistant, and it would be taken to executive to be discussed.
- Chad: This is a continuity process. IT will always go through executive council first.
- Tim: Are we trying to arrive at an agreement on a motion? If we pass the motion today, then you will send us a draft. Will we be debate the details of the Constitution?
  - I will send a draft
- Jeff: Will there be any public consultation?
  - We may have to have an emergency BoD meeting for people to discuss.

#### Discussion:

- Niki: I like that the MAL's are returning, I would like to see MAL's for third years, and I would like grad council under fourth year reps. I'd like to see VP First Year, VP Second Year. I don't see the MAL's being under the first year and second year reps. If there's not going to be executives on the board.
- Laura: The Board and Event Planning positions attract different people.
- Niki: Two reps managing six people can create a problem. The six people are the MAL's. Its difficult to determine what positions fall under exec and who falls under the board.
- Moses: We must discus what we want the purpose of the Board to be
- Paulina: We shouldn't have two people on the board doing service council and the rest doing strategy. What happened to having the BOD being people who hold a service council position? It would be okay to give Board members more responsibility
- Connor: I like Niki's point. I think that the execs would still attend the Board meeting. I don't think having two people running a team is a good idea. The first years only sit on the Board for four or five months, and a lot of discussion is in the summer before they are hired. I think people see the Board as a way to make a difference, but it's for policy.
- Michael: To address the two leaders, we should allow our First Year Reps to be on the board and be on a committee. Instead of giving the two Board members the control, you make them the MAL's, and have a different person as head of the committee.
  - The two board members would be elected as Board Members, and the four MALs are hired.
- Moses: We need to define what an MAL is, and what is the group of six.
- Chad: We should discuss clubs.
- Jeff: How can we convince the big clubs to come under our umbrella?

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- If they aren't part of us, they don't get the funding
- Tim: For the clubs that don't join, do they lose anything?
  - o They wouldn't be eligible for special projects funding
- Connor: I think this allows clubs like VCPE and Finance club, who are very close to the CUS, to essentially change their structure. Gives them more leverage to work with our funds.
- Moses: The clubs don't lose anything.
- Niki: If accounting club doesn't come under the umbrella, then they later on may come join us
- Dylan: We should have a form to fill out and the 10,000 is appropriate for the executive to approve
- Tom: The executive approval can be capped. Would it be good to have a mechanism of a total amount between board meetings that can be approved
- Pia: Exec and Board have same stakeholders and same initiatives.

"Whereas the Constitutional Review Committee has reviewed the proposed changes put forward by

Senator Chad Embree,

Whereas the CUS Board of Directors has received the minutes from the Constitutional Review

Committee,

Whereas the CUS Board of Directors is willing to consider a new draft of the CUS Constitution with the

proposed changes of Senator Chad Embree, the Constitutional Review Committee, and the CUS Board

of Directors,

Be it resolved that the CUS Board of Directors direct the Policy and Procedures Committee, in

consultation with the CUS President and the Ombudsperson, to update the CUS Constitution and

propose a new draft at the first meeting of the CUS Board of Directors in January, 2011

Be it further resolved that if, in the opinion of the CUS Board of Directors, the redrafted CUS Constitution

is satisfactory (subject to minor amendments) and is in the best interest of undergraduate students at the

Sauder School of Business, the CUS Board of Directors will call to question the CUS Constitution via

referendum of the general membership of the CUS at the first Board of Directors meeting in January,

2011.



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Be it further resolved that the CUS Board of Directors direct the VP Marketing to promote the review of

the CUS Constitution to the general membership of the CUS at their earliest convenience within reason."

For: 12

Abstain: 0

Against: 0

**Motion Carries**