

Executive Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 18th, 2014 at 6:00 P.M.

Henry Angus Building, CUS Boardroom

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Attendance:

Name	Position	Present ("X")	Late ("X")	Proxy
Sean Fleming	President (Chairperson)	X		
Niloufar Keshmiri	Vice-President, Academic Affairs (Vice-Chairperson)	X		
Jasmine Yeh	Vice-President, External Affairs	X		
Lorenzo Babini	Vice-President, Finance	X		
Thea Simpson	Vice-President, Internal Affairs	X		
Benjamin Chen	Vice-President, Marketing and Communications	X		
Grace Kim	Ombudsperson	X		
Hannah Vandenberg	Administrative Director/ Recording Secretary	X		

Guests: Ben Gardiner, Jordan Hearne

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A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:02

B. Amendments to and Adoption of the Agenda

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented

Moved: Nil, Seconded: Thea

Objections: none

...the motion carries

C. Presentations to the Executive Council

I. Sauder Ethics Initiative - Sindi S - 6:15 AM

1. Faculty developed program meant to shape the culture at Sauder to make it more ethical
2. Highlighting the importance of ethics
3. Trying to get students to have an interest in ethics
4. Want to partner up with the CUS
5. Offer: actively seek solutions to problems in the Sauder community
 - Working to resolve daily problems that Sauder students face
6. Want to write stories on how Sauder's an ethical place, etc.
7. We want to act as a liaison between faculty and students
8. Ethics initiative wants to officially represent the student body
9. We are a faculty developed program; students will be able to get faculty support in anything they undertake
10. We have resources to help out with internal issues CUS is facing; we have expertise from the faculty to help you out in any situation. We are working with the Dean to rebuild your image, because you don't have strong faculty relations
 - We actually have very strong faculty relations; and this doesn't seem to have anything to do with ethics
11. Educate new Sauder students on past indiscretions and Sauder's response to show we are ethical
12. Want to partner and work with our three largest clubs: Finance and UBCMA are already on board; we're going to go after accounting club next
13. Want to go through these clubs to address ethical issues through having workshops with new students
14. Want to create Ethical Clubs

Questions

- Sounds like you're trying to operate on the same level as the CUS, but not be a part of the CUS
 - Not looking to promote our image; trying to actually just complete our initiatives. We just want a partnership with you
 - We're not a club and not a student initiative, so we're really not at the same level
- Sean: Why are you guys here?
 - We are here because we want to help out with the clubs; because they're technically

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- Sean: no they're not, they're under the AMS; we have no control over them
- Eli: We think it would be good to make a verbal agreement to honor ethics; a sort of damage control. We want to partner up and actively look for problems and find a solutions
- Nil: I think it's nice to say this, but there are no actionable items. You can't articulate what you actually want to do with the clubs; we can't back you if you can't articulate what you're trying to do.
- Sean: there's nothing new here from when you came in October
- Sindi: we can't discuss anything to do with clubs right now because they haven't yet turned over.
- Eli: We're trying to just build up the partnership with the clubs and you; you don't have to fully endorse us yet, this is more about the CUS itself. Our overarching goal is to make Sauder a better place, and we feel the CUS is a great place to do this
- Sean: So what do you really want?
 - We want you to institute a couple different policies, like hiring practices, something on your website about the reinforcement of ethics, and show more support for us and what we do
 - Sean: each time you meet with us you want to do things, which is great, but you don't know what, then you go home and think about it, and the next time you come back it's the same thing
- Sindi: What we want from you guys is to say that it's ok for us to go and approach clubs and get them interested in ethics; just say it's ok to go do it
 - Nil: Go to them with an idea, this will engage them more than our endorsement
 - Thea: tell them to contact the VP Internal if they have any questions about it
- Sindi: Is there a more formal process?
 - Sean: we will not endorse you based on what you've shown today; just go talk to them
 - Thea: we can't do endorsements without formal approval and seeing more concrete ideas, but if they do have questions, they can ask us

D. Personal Updates

E. Professional Updates

I. President

1. Went to 3CC; I highly recommend funding them in the future, it was very well done
2. POITS has their last event this Friday in Sauder
3. FYC is finalizing things for their boat cruise
4. Grad Night's good

II. Vice-President, Academic Affairs

1. Met with Sauder Ethics Initiative: they want us to contact the media. They've had the same idea for a year. It may be useful to talk with David Silver about it at some point
2. Went to faculty caucus: they've proposed a change of taking away the core average: all students

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there voted against it, they weren't bothered by it. There is an issue, but they didn't address it in the right way. They also proposed the new entrepreneurship option; the discussion around it was only 10 minutes.

3. Met with Laura, a past president; talked about her experiences
 4. Did lots of service council hiring
 5. Met with Graeme Nixon
 6. My portfolio is business as usual
 7. Premiere 32 ran their last event; it went well
 8. Planning board retreat; going to be April 6th
 9. Dealing with the frosh contract; may try to divert the contract to SFU if they're planning roundtable
 10. Done more JDC consultations
 11. AMS's academic experience survey has a question about whether CUS frosh rape chants make them feel more or less comfortable; followed up to ask the purpose and benefit that could come from this
 12. Meeting with the president of the MBA society next week
- III. Vice-President, Finance
1. Processed some reimbursements today
- IV. Vice-President, Internal Affairs
1. Dealing with some club subsidies
 2. Spent four hours in Starbucks this morning answering emails
 3. Awards night has taken over my life
 4. Room bookings with Jordan
- V. Vice-President, Marketing and Communications
1. Yearbook is coming up; they do need more photos. Nicola may take photos from Facebook. The next big thing is the marketing; I told her the CUS would do the vast majority of their marketing
 2. Sauder Squad was out and about today
 3. CUSVM took MeInc photos
 4. Still getting weird yearbook emails from last year's grads
 5. Vanessa has been dealing with most of my portfolio the past two weeks
- VI. Vice-President, External Affairs
1. Imprint is still trying to go ahead with their sponsorship breakfast; we need to discuss this since we said they couldn't do it. Also, their budgeted amounts are way different from their actuals here. They're invited a lot of people to the brunch already
 2. They seem to be within their original budget, and they don't have any more sponsorship money to use. I would like to know where they went wrong; this is a fundamental error
 3. MeInc went well
 4. EMP wrap-up event on the 27th
 5. There's a Menchies and Hootesuite tweet-up for Imprint
- VII. Administrative Director
1. 3CC is waiting for their cheque
 2. SAI is coming to us soon for SPF funding
 3. Working on the SPF Record and Follow up that Thea started
 4. Second service council photo shoot is coming up this Thursday at 5 PM, before Awards Night

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VIII. Ombudsperson

1. Gotten a lot of feedback emails about hiring round 1; half were really positive, the other half not so much
2. People have been reaching out to me, so it's really great that people know about me. I would like to improve upon this further and create more awareness to give students this resource

F. Executive Business and Discussion

- I. Pool Table – Thea on behalf of Tony Han
 1. Looking at “Home Billiards” company
 2. Refelting current table: \$350
 3. New Table: \$800 and \$200 delivery
 4. Refelt existing new table \$250
 5. Purchasing tool kits for repairs, cues, chinks, triangle

Be it resolve that the Commerce Undergraduate Society authorize an expenditure of up to 500 to refelt the existing pool table in the CUS lounge and replace associated equipment

2. *Moved: Ben, Seconded: Jas*
Objections: none

...the motion carries

G. Approval of Minutes

That the minutes from the March 11th meeting be approved for public distribution

3. *Moved: Thea, Seconded: Nil*
Objections: none

...the motion carries

H. Next Meeting

Regular Time

I. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM

4. *Moved: Thea, Seconded: Ben*
Objections: none

...the motion carries