

Student Administrative Council

Meeting #2

Wednesday, October 29, 2014

MINUTES

Present

Imrana Ahmed
Zachary Benayon
Sandeep Bharti
Jessica Brook
Alan Bushell
Darian Driese
Keir Jack
Taylor Lodge
Cheriss Marson
Becca McCarron
Nick McMurray
Maria Nikides
Anthony Sawyers
Matt Stewart
Amy VanEs
Matthew Ward

Regrets

Joey Lippett

Observers

Paul Masse
John b. Young

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. with Matt Stewart as chairperson and Emma Zekveld as secretary.

Approval of Agenda

2.1 It was:

MOVED by Alan Bushell, SECONDED by Imrana Ahmed and CARRIED to approve the agenda, with the addition of reusable cups under New Business.

Approval of Minutes #1

2.2 It was:

MOVED by Jessica Brook, SECONDED by Matthew Ward and CARRIED to approve the Minutes from Meeting #1.

President's Report – Matt Stewart

Matt reported that the SAC Retreat at Bayfield Pines went extremely well. The Board reviewed FSU history, bylaws and more. Matt was glad to have Veronica Barahona present a session to the Board. Matt noted that the additional day was beneficial for reviewing material thoroughly.

Municipal elections have come to a close. Mo Salih is the new Ward 3 councillor and Matt Brown is the newly elected mayor of London. Matt is looking forward to working with both of these city officials over the rest of the year. There were 220 voters in the Student Centre on Election Day.

Jessica and Matt attended the CSA October Conference the weekend of October 16th, 2014 in Niagara Falls. There was discussion about the 30% off tuition grant, OSAP and public transit issues. There was also a session regarding how to handle yourself in the public spotlight. CSA February Conference will be held in Thunder Bay at Confederation College.

Matt also attended the Ontario College Information Fair with several other employees from the College. The fair went well and Matt spoke with many potential students.

The College will be contributing \$3,000,000 to the Fitness and Wellness Centre in the hopes of having a full third floor. Paul and John b. are working closely with the College to make sure that the original agreed upon design is still upheld.

Jessica Brook – VP External and Academic Affairs

Jessica has sent the list of Class Reps to all the SAC Reps. Jessica requested that the SAC Reps encourage their Class Reps to RSVP to the Class Rep Meet.

Jessica also enjoyed the SAC Retreat.

Alan Bushell – VP Athletics and Residence Life

Alan reported that the SAC Retreat was very informative, with the team leaving with a new found sense of unity.

The Athletics Department is having a dodgeball, table tennis and ball hockey tournament on October 31st starting at 1:00 p.m.

Alan updated the Board on Varsity Athletics. The Men's Basketball team made an astounding come back against Sheridan and won 92-82 after being down 20 points. The Women's Basketball team won 65-54 after being down 17 points. The Men's Volleyball team took the defending Ontario Champions Mohawk to a 5th set. The next Men's and Women's home basketball games are on Saturday November 1st, 2014 starting at 1:00 p.m.

The next Residence Games event will be on November 22nd at 3:00 p.m. in Gym 3.

On November 10th at 5:00 p.m. in SC2016, the first RA/VP Residence Life committee meeting will be held. The purpose is to plan for the Residence Games and to have an open dialog between the FSU and the student leaders who live within the Residence buildings.

Taylor Lodge – VP Finance

Taylor had a wonderful time at the SAC Retreat; she is looking forward to a great year with the Board.

Cheriss and Taylor will be participating as an FSU team for the Mission Services Scan-Away Hunger Campaign. They will have 3 minutes and 11 seconds to collect items for a healthy meal for 10 for \$31.10. Taylor is looking forward to the event.

Taylor brought a donation request to the table.

2.3 It was:

MOVED by Taylor Lodge, SECONDED by Becca McCarron and CARRIED to approve a donation of \$50.00 to the London Abused Women's Centre and Operation Christmas Child for the 2014-2015 academic year, subject to normal restrictions.

Cheriss asked if we could do something further for Operations Christmas Child, but Matt noted that the FSU already takes part in the Adopt-A-Family program through Children's Aid Society.

Taylor brought several SLEF proposals to the table.

2.4 It was:

MOVED by Taylor Lodge, SECONDED by Matt Ward and CARRIED to approve the SLEF proposals for the Renewable Energy Technician and Electronics Industrial Controls and Mechanical Engineer Technician program trip to the Canadian Solar Industries Association Exhibition at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre and the ECE Level 4 trip to the Woodland Centre.

Taylor noted that the Woodland Centre is a place where the ECE students will study residential schools.

Cheriss Marson – VP Internal Affairs

Cheriss reviewed upcoming events. The FSU Movember campaign will be held throughout the month of November. The FSU will be promoting students to sign up on the FSU Movember team, win prizes and attend events such as the Movember Swag Sale and the Movember Country Pub.

Cheriss noted that Ladies Night will be held on November 4th. Nova Rutherford will be speaking and all proceeds will go to charity.

Anthony Sawyers – VP Entertainment

Anthony reviewed upcoming events which include: Wayne Hoffman on Wednesday, October 29th at 8:00 p.m., Halloween Pub on Thursday, October 30th, Pumpkin Carving Contest on Friday, October 31st at noon in Oasis and the Fanshawe Poetry Showcase next Wednesday, November 5th.

Anthony noted that there are some stipulations for the Fanshawe Poetry Showcase, including no hate poetry.

Anthony enjoyed the SAC Retreat and is looking forward to the year.

Imrana Ahmed – Health Sciences and Nursing

Imrana noted that she has 21 Class Reps and she is looking forward to working with them.

Imrana has made a Facebook group for her Class Reps and she has encouraged them all to attend the Meet and Greet.

Imrana is trying to book her first Class Rep Meeting for November 4th.

Students in the Practical Nursing program informed Imrana that the microwave in B Building is broken and that microwaves should be checked on a regular basis. John b. noted that the FSU microwaves are checked regularly. Emma noted that the FSU is usually informed quickly if microwaves are broken and that the B Building microwave has already been replaced.

Imrana reviewed upcoming events including: her Class Rep Meeting and the Blood Donation Clinic in the Alumni Lounge.

Darian Driese - Contemporary Media

Darian has made a Facebook group for all of the Contemporary Media Class Reps. He has also emailed all Class Reps asking them to add him on Facebook.

Darian noted that the Radio Broadcasting students want 106.9 played throughout the school.

Darian plans to set up a meeting for his Class Reps in the near future.

Keir Jack – Tourism and Hospitality

Keir's meeting with program co-ordinators went well. He is currently in the midst of class visits to inform students about class representation to engage in meaningful dialogue in the hopes of spending their student fees wisely.

Keir requested Christmas decorations to be put up in and around the school. Emma noted that the Oasis and the FSU Office put up numerous Christmas decorations. Keir suggested putting lights up in the trees outside. John b. noted that it's too difficult to get power outside for the lights. Alan will speak to Residence about putting up décor in the Residences.

Action Item: Alan to discuss putting up Christmas decorations with the Residence staff.

Keir encouraged the Board to attend the Wayne Hoffman event tonight.

Joey Lippett – Language and Liberal Studies

Joey was unable to attend the meeting, so Matt read his report for him.

Joey enjoyed the SAC Retreat and was able to learn a lot.

Joey will be setting up a meeting with his Class Reps shortly.

Becca McCarron – Social Director: Simcoe Campus

Becca is working on gaining more Class Reps.

Becca brought forward several concerns for Simcoe Campus. Her concerns include: a slow and poor connecting wifi, lack of printers and printer access, renovations causing insufficient study areas and class rooms, environmental health issues such as low quality air and no bookstore or clothing store. Matt noted that he will look into these concerns and try to resolve some of them.

Action Item: Matt to look into Simcoe Campus' concerns and try to resolve some of the issues.

Nick McMurray – Lawrence Kinlin School of Business

Nick has set up a Facebook group for all of his Class Reps. He is missing several Class Reps emails and Jessica is looking into finding them.

Nick plans to speak to some professors about recruiting more Class Reps.

Nick is looking forward to the Class Rep Meet and Greet so that he can meet his Class Reps face to face.

Maria Nikides – Human Services and Public Safety

Maria currently has 15 Class Reps and she has invited them to join the Facebook group that she created. Maria has also informed her Class Reps of the Meet and Greet.

Maria brought several concerns to the Board including lack of wifi in the Residences. Matt noted that the College is looking into getting wifi for the Residences but it is an expensive process.

Maria also noted that a Reason and Writing professor has said several offensive things to students. Imrana suggested that the student or Maria speaks with the teacher, as Imrana has faced some of these issues in the past and they were resolved by confronting the problem.

Action Item: Maria to suggest to the offended student to speak to the Reason and Writing professor about his/her offensive language.

Another concern Maria brought forward was a lack of accessible washrooms in A Building. Matt said that he will look into this problem.

Action Item: Matt to look into the issue of lack of accessible washrooms in A Building.

A Class Rep informed Maria that the hallways in the school are set up inefficiently. The Class Rep suggested a courtesy lane or a fast lane.

Amy VanEs - Design

Amy has 50 Class Reps and she has had more students approach her about how to sign up. Amy has invited all her Class Reps to the Meet and Greet.

Amy noted that a concern regarding design software has been brought to her attention. A number of people in the design programs have had trouble with their workflow being interrupted when moving from their assigned labs to open labs because the open labs do not have the proper programs. John b. asked Amy to send Emma the list of programs that need to be updated so that he can look into this problem.

Action Item: Amy to send Emma the list of programs that need to be updated in the labs.

Amy noted that the Fall Open House is coming up soon.

Matthew Ward – Information Technology

Matthew has set up a Facebook group for his Class Reps.

Matthew brought several concerns to the Board including poor quality power outlets in classrooms R1020, F3002 and B1071. John b. will address this issue to Facilities.

Action Item: John b. to address the issue of poor quality power outlets to Facilities.

Matt has not been able to arrange a Class Rep Meeting yet, but hopes to do so soon.

Sandeep Bharti – Building Technology and Applied Science and Technology

Sandeep currently has 7 Class Reps but is still looking for more. Sandeep has also created a Facebook group for his Class Reps.

Sandeep is looking forward to the Class Rep Meet and Greet.

BOG Report – Zachary Benayon

Zachary introduced himself as the Board of Governors Rep and a Broadcast Journalism student.

Zachary reported what was discussed at the previous Board of Governors Meeting. Fanshawe has a 70.7% graduation rate, which is the College's highest so far and one of the highest in the province. There was also discussion about international students. The BOG is electing 1 new external governor. Will Sorrell is the new support staff representative.

Zachary attended the Mega Business After 5 Event, which was very successful.

New Business

- a. Seniors gift – Kacey German and Matt met regarding a seniors’ gift. This would involve each graduating student to be asked to give a monetary donation towards a “gift” for Fanshawe. The gift would be anything from a piece of a equipment to an outdoor study lounge. Matt asked the Board what they thought of this idea. There were mixed reviews. Some SAC members preferred the money would go towards bursaries, whereas others believed it was a good idea. Matt will take all comments into consideration and report back to Kacey German.
- b. Pledge to End Bullying – Matt was asked to have the FSU donate room space and a PA system for an event for a Pledge to End Bullying. Matt will forward this request for Cheriss to follow up.

Action Item: Matt to forward the Pledge to End Bullying request to Cheriss.

Action Item: Cheriss to follow up with the Pledge to End Bullying event.

- c. Water Dispensers – Keir requested water dispensers at future SAC Meetings.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, November 25th, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in SC2016

Adjournment

2.5 It was:

MOVED by Alan Bushell, SECONDED by Nick McMurray and CARRIED to adjourn the meeting.