Student Administrative Council

Meeting #13

Wednesday, March 21st, 2018

MINUTES

Present Regrets Absent Observers Dean Alford Madelyn Allen Tayshun Ally Harinder Bhatia Carlie Forsythe Ryan Chambers David Eigbe Logan James Paul Masse Aaron Peterzon Arohi Nagdive Morganna Sampson Nilam Patel

Thomas Seymour

Lydia Van Meppelen Scheppink

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Aaron Peterzon as chairperson and Shelby Harrington as secretary.

Approval of Agenda

13.1 It was:

MOVED by Thomas Seymour, SECONDED by Logan James and CARRIED to approve the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

13.2 It was:

MOVED by Thomas Seymour, SECONDED by Lydia Van Meppelen Scheppink and CARRIED to approve the Minutes from Meeting #12.

<u>Chair's Report – Aaron Peterzon</u>

Aaron had no report at this time.

President's Report – Morganna Sampson

Morganna noted the results for the 2018-2019 Election determined that nine Directors and one President will create the Board.

During the week of March 13th, 2018, a team of students and staff spent time promoting the 2018 Charity Ball: Disney in Paris. Morganna noted the Charity Ball was scheduled for March 22nd, 2018 but due to low ticket sales and late promotion time, the Charity Ball was cancelled. A survey was conducted and the poll showed great interest in the event, however, there was not sufficient promotion time to make the event happen.

Morganna attended a focus group on March 20^{th} , 2018 where the discussion was how to keep students in London, Ontario after graduation as many students leave the city.

The Donut Cheat event was held on March 21st, 2018 with approximately 350 – 400 students attended throughout the event. Donuts and donut stress balls were distributed and a trivia game was played by students. During the game, students were asked questions about the Academic Integrity policy and APA/MLA formatting. Morganna noted that many students did not know the answers or answered the questions incorrectly.

Morganna noted the Canadian Mental Health Association's Crisis Counselling service began on March 5th, 2018 and is open weekly on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Morganna reported CMHA's Crisis Counselling is seeing approximately five students per night. Counselling and Accessibility Services are looking into utilizing an online database called Welltrack which is a mental wellness tracker. This would cost approximately \$15,000 per year which would allow students to track mental wellness.

Morganna will be attending a Town Hall Meeting at CDPA with Michelle Giroux on March 22nd, 2018 Students will be addressing concerns about security, student space, and teacher issues at the meeting. Paul and Dean agreed to attend this meeting with Morganna and Michelle.

The FSU will be hosting the Student Impact Gala on April 12th, 2018 and a car smash and Glow Run and Dance on April 19th, 2018, as both events were approved by Health and Safety.

13.3 It was:

MOVED by Logan James, SECONDED by Dean Alford and CARRIED to approve the President's Report.

Directors Reports

<u>Dean Alford</u> – Dean reported that two Class Representative Meetings have been scheduled, to be announced.

<u>Madelyn Allen</u> – Madelyn held a Class Representative Meeting on March 15th, 2018 and has no issues to report at the time. Madelyn started the Community Hub Club on Campus and reported many Health Science students are interested in joining the club.

Ryan Chambers – Ryan noted a concerns regarding parking meters on Campus. Ryan reported some parking meters on Campus are collecting the change for ticket, but are not releasing a ticket or opening the parking gate. Ryan noted the issue is regarding both per hour parking meters as well as the \$4.00 coin lots. Ryan wondered if there was a possibility of upgrading the parking meters or gates to lower the frequency of this happening. A suggestion of parking lot access being programmed into student/staff ID cards was brought forward. Morganna has been in contact with Facilities about this issue previously, but will inform them of this issue.

Action Item: Morganna to contact Facilities re: Campus Parking Lots.

<u>Logan James</u> – Logan held a Class Representative Meeting on March 19th, 2018 where feedback, issues and concerns were addressed regarding bursaries and strike relief fund applications.

Logan reported students have applied for bursaries in Winter 2018 with the same financial need as Fall 2017 but were denied. Logan explained some students, for example, applied while maintaining employment in Fall 2017 and were approved. In Winter 2018, they are not employed

and in financial need but their applications were denied. When students ask Financial Aid why their applications were denied, they were being told there is a lack of funds. A discussion was held that students can ask for their denied applications to be reviewed.

The Strike Relief Fund application deadline is April 30th, 2018. Logan reported students who have submitted previously have not received their refund. When students followed up about the status of their application, employees in the Office of the Registrar were unable to provide any answers. A discussion was had that one employee should be designated to providing updates on application statuses.

Logan reported two upcoming Class Representative Meetings scheduled for April 9th, 2018 and April 23rd, 2018.

Logan provided a personal note that he will be away in Leduc, Alberta from March 23rd, 2018 until March 29th, 2018 as he will be at the CCAA's for Curling Nationals.

<u>Thomas Seymour</u> – Thomas reported on some concerns the School of Aviation students have regarding Y Building.

Thomas reported students are requesting a fourth microwave to be installed in the student lounge. There are currently three microwaves on site with over 200 students which is causing line-ups. Thomas reported a safety concern with a large wood block used for propeller rigging which is splitting into two pieces.

Thomas informed the Board that students are paying high parking prices between Y Building and Main Campus. A discussion was held about a reduced parking pass could be issued for School of Aviation students so they can park at both campuses at a lower price.

Thomas noted there are currently a designated number of lockers for students to use at Y Building. However, lockers are being used to store airplane parts so students are putting belongings on the floor and on tables. A discussion was had that more lockers could be installed to provide more secure space for students' belongings as well as storage for tools and airplane parts.

Thomas noted the Aviation students are purchasing jackets for their school. To help offset the cost of the jackets, the students are selling patches as well. 100 patches have been sold and the students are looking to sell another 100 before the end of semester.

Thomas met with Kelly Moffatt, Coordinator for the School of Aviation, on March 14^{th,} 2018 to discuss evaluation problems that students are having with professors, lockers and the low amount of specialty tools. Kelly also mentioned hosting a barbeque when the Military present career opportunities to the students. Thomas has spoke with Morganna about this idea and Ismael has been contacted.

Thomas has scheduled a Class Representative Meeting on March 23rd, 2018.

<u>Lydia Van Meppelen Scheppink</u> – Lydia held two Class Representative Meetings on March 14th, 2018 and March 19th, 2018.

Lydia reported that course rubrics and due dates are based on pre-strike dates. Not all professors have updated this information since the strike which has caused confusion as to when assignments are due.

Lydia reported a professor made fun of the International students in a program for their language barrier and lack of understanding. Lydia has offered to attend a meeting with the coordinator. If issue is not resolved, Lydia will attend a meeting with the Chair and then the Dean until the issue is resolved. Meeting dates to be determined.

Lydia reported a student received a Doctor's note for a missed test. When the student presented the Doctor's note, the Professor as well as the Coordinator refused it because of a grammatical error. The Board discussed whether or not the student receives accommodations from Counselling and Accessibility Services or if the Student Success Advisor is able to help accommodate this missed test.

Lydia is investigating an issue regarding International students enrolled in the Network and Security Architecture (NSA) program that received a Letter of Acceptance (LOA) for Winter 2018. Lydia noted these students were notified that their completion date would be August 2018, however, they are now being informed that will not be until December 2018. The Student Visa process has been completed with these students being approved until August 2018 and are now having issues with staying in Canada. Lydia is following up with the International Office in regards to these students.

Action Item: Lydia to follow-up with International Office re: International NSA Students.

Lydia reported that Part-Time Professors are not responding to email and a professor was fired. This caused students to fail a test as the professor stated "they lost the students' mark and paperwork". It is unclear if the professor that was fired was also the professor who is not responding to emails via FanshaweOnline or if this is a different professor. Lydia will book a meeting next week, date to be determined, to discuss this topic further.

Lydia has schedule a Class Representative Meeting within the next two weeks. Date to be determined.

New Business

Paul brought forth a discussion concerning the tie for the 8th director in the recent Student Administrative Council (SAC) Elections. Current bylaws stipulate that SAC will consist of a maximum of 8 directors, elected in accordance with policy. The election policy does not refer to any protocol concerning ties. The current SAC board is now presented with 3 options:

- a. SAC makes the decision to break the tie for 8th.
- b. A proposal is brought forth at the AGM for a bylaw amendment or resolution to increase the maximum directors from 8 to 9.
- c. SAC motions to revise the election policy to include language on ties for the final 8th director positon.

Discussion ensured and there was consensus of the directors that eliminating one of the tied directors was not the preferred option, as it is important to recognize the voice of the members and that is what the election results determined. Further, having a 9th director could be helpful to

board business. Paul noted that he received a legal opinion that option 3 could occur without concern, since the elections results have yet to be ratified, and will be at the upcoming AGM on April 10th, 2018. That is, SAC could amend the election policy to speak to a tie, rather than amend the bylaws at AGM. It was determined that this was the preferred option.

13.4 It was:

MOVED by Ryan Chambers, SECONDED by Dean Alford and CARRIED to revise the Election Policy such that: "1.4.8 Each Member of the FSU shall cast one vote for each vacancy and no Member shall cast more than one ballot. The 8 candidates receiving the most votes will be eligible as incoming directors. In the event there is a tie for 8th, all those candidates tied for 8th will be eligible to be incoming directors."

Next Meeting – Wednesday, April 4th at 6:00 p.m.in SC-2016.

Adjournment

13.5 It was:

MOVED by Ryan Chambers, SECONDED by Lydia Van Meppelen Scheppink and CARRIED to adjourn the meeting.