

Minutes
Student Administrative Council (SAC)
June 12th, 2019
FSU Boardroom

Present: Paul Masse, General Manager, Chair

Cole Ayerst, Director
Christine Belanger, Director
Abhinav Chaudhary, Director
Bilal Latheef, Director
Abdullah Qassab, President
Rajkumar Vanpariya, Director

Bonnie Williams (Recording Secretary)

Absent: Kamalpreet Kaur, Director

Guests in Attendance: Julia Brown, Finance Coordinator

This meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda

1.1 It was:

MOVED by Christine Belanger, SECONDED by Cole Ayerst and CARRIED to approve the agenda.

President's Report

Abdullah attended Orientation Day, Campfire Event and the Summer BBQ. Abdullah noted a concern regarding Fanshawe College staff members and faculty eating the free food that is meant for students at the Summer BBQ and FSU Events. Abdullah explained it is not an issue for College staff to attend events, however, these staff members should not be eating or drinking items at the event that are intended for student consumption. Abdullah noted FSU staff try to police lines, however, sometimes the Fanshawe College staff get through the lines. Abdullah noted a concern regarding the hand dryer in the men's washroom being broken and it was noted a new hand dryer has been ordered and extra paper towels will be put into the washroom. Additionally, an issue with the urinals in the same washroom was brought forward and the suggestion of self-flushing urinals was presented as a solution.

Abdullah attended the Accessibility Advisory Committee, International Satisfaction Survey Presentation, Orientation Steering Meeting and the Wellness Working Group Meeting.

Abdullah attended a Facilities Design Working Group meeting and noted the Executive Committee will be attending a meeting with the Executive Director, David Belford, to discuss the Innovation Village renovations and stated any Board Members are able to attend this meeting as well. The renovation was explained further noted the first stages impacting the library and Forwell Hall would not be renovated until Stage 2 or 3, pending the approval of plans by the Student Union.

Abdullah attended the Newcomer Strategy Advisory Board Meeting and discussed the influence of the FSU within the London Community and the important role the FSU plays with the new International Members from other cities within Canada. Additionally, the possibility of potential collaboration or participation in upcoming events was discussed.

Abdullah attended the International Advisory Committee Meeting and the results from the I-Grad 2018 survey was presented to attendees and a presentation regarding the admission process for students in India was given by the Manager of International Recruitment and Market Development. The London South Campus was discussed at this meeting and Abdullah noted the Campus will be open for classes in September 2019 with the grand opening in January 2020. Abdullah noted the FSU visited the Campus in April and the building was still in the construction phase. The purpose of this visit was to look for space opportunities for students in terms of student life, for example, the possibility of adding a picnic table, ping-pong table, or BBQ at the Campus.

Abdullah abstained from voting after Julia Brown, Finance Coordinator, presented a report on the Life*Spin Charity at the Executive Committee Meeting as the decision should be supported by the Board. A motion of support of the Charity was passed with a ‘subject to’ that encompasses the need of the Board’s approval and support to move forward with the motion.

Abdullah noted the Executive Committee approved the Camping and Fishing Clubs, the General Arts and Sciences Program’s Trip to the Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology at Western University, a \$500.00 sponsorship to support the first annual Personal Support Worker Appreciation Workshop and the table sponsorship for a Canadian Club Event for 8 high school students and two FSU Representatives to attend. Abdullah explained the FSU was recognized at the Personal Support Workshop with the FSU Logo being looped on the power point, verbal recognition, and the FSU logo in the sponsorship thank-you in the event program.

Abdullah met with Michele Beaudoin, Vice President of Student Services, and discussed the importance of the relationship and partnership between the FSU and the College and noted more discussion and meetings regarding student life will occur throughout the year with Michele. Abdullah met with Janice Lamoureux, Registrar, to make formal introductions and to review role at graduation. Abdullah participated in the Fanshawe Graduation Ceremonies from Tuesday, June 4th – Thursday, June 6th, 2019.

Abdullah noted Welcome Packages, provided by Niagara Falls Tourism, were handed out to the students that attended the Niagara Falls trip. The package included discount coupons, a postcard and a map. All remained packages will be handed out to students on the June 22nd, 2019 trip. Abdullah noted a concern regarding students purchasing tickets and reselling them at a higher price, however, reselling tickets are difficult to track and there are rules and measures in place by the FSU against reselling tickets and a waiver is required for all attendees to sign for the event.

Abdullah noted the Frosh Theme, #AvengetheFalcon, subject to College approval, and the Awareness Weeks have been determined for the Fall Semester; Physical Wellness, Mental Health Awareness, Sexual Health Awareness, Financial Awareness, Sustainability and Diversity. Abdullah noted ideas for Financial Awareness Week are being determined which will include Financial Awareness Videos. Abdullah asked for the videos to utilize students and their strengths as well as follow the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Guidelines. Additionally,

Abdullah noted the Class Representative System is being updated and revised for the new academic year.

Abdullah attended a meeting with Julia Brown, Chelsea Bancroft, Advocacy and Communications Coordinator, and the EnviroFanshawe Club to discuss the importance of a partnership with Fanshawe Sustainability and other Educational Institutions, for example, the Western Enviro Club.

Executive Committee Proposal – FSU Charity of the Year

Julia Brown presented the Life*Spin Charity Presentation to the Board. It was noted the presentation was presented at the Executive Committee Meeting and there is a motion of support of the Charity was passed with a ‘subject to’ that encompasses the need of the Board’s approval and support to move forward with the motion. It was noted the location of the organization is on Dundas Street and it is accessible by bus for students to utilize. A suggestion regarding using students to re-brand the charity’s website was brought forward, however, it was noted that the charity, if chosen, would need to approve this suggestion. Julia explained this charity is geared towards low income individuals and has done a lot of different things for the London Community which includes a Community Centre for the individuals the organization helps. A discussion was held regarding giving money to a Charity vs. utilizing student skills and volunteering as a way to give back to the Community, for example, assisting with the organizations website or assisting with the tax clinic. It was explained that historically the FSU has supported a yearly Charity to help raise awareness and give back to the London Community. Additionally, a discussion was held regarding providing more free food events, specifically free breakfasts, to students with any monies raised vs. the budget allocation that is already in place for these events. It was noted if the Charity was approved, all fundraising would be allocated to Life*Spin.

1.2 It was:

MOVED by Christine Belanger, SECONDED by Cole Ayerst and CARRIED to approve Life*Spin as the chosen charity for the 2019-2020 academic year.

A vote was held and the motion was passed. One Director, Bilal Latheef, abstained from the vote.

Appointing Chair and Secretary

It was stated that a Chair and Secretary would need to be appointed from the Board of Directors. Each role and the responsibilities for each role were explained to the Board. It was suggested to have an anonymous, closed ballot vote by the Board until a majority is determined for each role; Chair and Secretary. It was explained one name would be written down for each position and the votes would be reviewed by Paul and Abdullah. The Board was asked if there were any questions or objections regarding the suggested voting for each role. There were no objections from the Board.

Cole Ayerst and Christine Belanger nominated themselves for the role of the Chair.

1.3 It was:

MOVED by Cole Ayerst, SECONDED by Christine Belanger and CARRIED to approve Cole Ayerst as the Chair for the 2019-2020 SAC Board.

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

Christine Belanger was nominated and nominated themselves for the role of the Secretary.

1.4 It was:

MOVED by Abhinav Chaudhary, SECONDED by Cole Ayerst and CARRIED to approve Christine Belanger as the Secretary for the 2019-2020 SAC Board.

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

Personnel Matter – In Camera

1.5 It was:

MOVED by Christine Belanger, SECONDED by Abhinav Chaudhary and CARRIED to go In Camera with Paul Masse and Abdullah Qassab present.

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

Surveillance Camera

This item was discussed within the ‘Personnel Matter’ section that was held In Camera.

1.6 It was:

MOVED by Christine Belanger, SECONDED by Abhinav Chaudhary and CARRIED to go Out of Camera.

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

New Business

There were no New Business Items at this time.

Next Meeting – Thursday, June 27th, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in SC-2016.

Adjournment

It was:

MOVED by Christine Belanger, SECONDED by Bilal Latheef and CARRIED to adjourn the meeting.