

**Minutes for the Executive Committee Meeting of the  
Students' Association of MacEwan University  
September 6, 2017 @ 9:00am**

**Copies To:**

Stephanie Nedoshytko, President  
Robbie Lepp, VP Academic  
Parvin Sedighi, VP External

Emma Patterson, VP Operations & Finance  
Jason Garcia, VP Student Life  
Gwen Bauer, General Manager  
Alan Honey, Governance Advisor (Recording Secretary)

1. Call to Order:

9:00am

2. Approval Minutes for:

**MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES FOR August 29, 2017**

**VPA  
CARRIED**

3. Approval of Agenda

**VPO  
CARRIED**

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION/MOTION</b>
1. OER Conference	Vpa – per diem is less because lunch is provided, hotel has continental breakfast. Long flight as it still works out to be cheaper than the short flight when factoring in cost of my time.	
2. APPOINTMENTS	VPA -	<p><b>MOTION</b></p> <p><b>TO APPOINT DARREN BARNETT TO THE FACULTY OF FINE ARTS AND COMMUNICATION</b></p> <p><b>PRES CARRIED</b></p> <p><b>MOTION</b></p> <p><b>TO APPOINT KASSIDY GREEN TO THE FACULTY OF HEALTH AND COMMUNITY STUDIES</b></p> <p><b>VPE CARRIED</b></p>
3. FALL READING BREAK	Vpa – 36 instructional hours, taking 2-3 days off at the beginning of the term, exams would go later. Pushed for a full fall reading break but there is not enough research supporting this at this point. E-mail Dean's. Attend AGC if possible on	

		Sept 19. Gwen to reach out to part time staff regarding e-mailing Deans.	
4.	BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETINGS	Vpa – A lot of closed session meetings when many can be open – it would be beneficial for us to be attending because it would show that students are interested in having more representation on the Board of Governors.	
5.	Strategic Plan	<p>Vpo – doesn't have to go out until next week.</p> <p>Vpe – emphasis on the campus becoming more diverse – the language suggests that there has been a transformational change that has happened on campus, which I don't see that reflected within campus life.</p> <p>Vpsl – I feel that the campus has grown to support our students. SAMU has partnered with many different aspects of MacEwan for change to be put in place. I would suggest more of an "inclusive culture" rather than "diverse" possibly. I feel that it is crucial to include it in the addendum to reflect the work that has been done.</p> <p>Vpe – a lot of this work has been done by SAMU, as a bottom up approach, and it's not necessarily reflected by what the university itself is doing. There is still a lot of work to be done.</p> <p>Bauer – in the addendum, the balance is that we are not making substantive changes to it, in order to keep it as an addendum.</p> <p>Vpsl – more effective if we state our ongoing commitment?</p> <p>Pres – State what the commitment is within the addendum.</p> <p>Bauer – emphasize that there is commitment to the current goals rather than focusing on one element. We have changed the consultation process to a bottom up approach, by asking robust questions, and not leading.</p> <p>Vpo – the first two paragraphs we are wanting to edit</p>	
6.	Media Releases	Pres – Government Ministries are making two releases: I believe you campaign; Mental Health funding announcement. Both on the same day, around the same time. I propose that Vpo attends I believe you with the Vpsl. The Mental Health media release will be on campus, Vpe will MC and I will be making an official statement on behalf of SAMU. I will be working with Marketing and Communications department regarding how the statement will be structured. All other Edmonton schools have been invited to attend.	
7.	Outstanding Action Items		
8.	President's Report	<p>Board of Governors Meeting</p> <p>CAUS Teleconference</p> <p>Met with Chris Neilson</p> <p>The Griff Interview</p> <p>Building Meeting</p> <p>Cost Update meeting</p> <p>Richard Feehan (MLA) meeting</p> <p>Policy Committee meeting</p> <p>Met with Dr. Turner</p> <p>NSO</p>	
9.	VP Academic's Report	<p>Met with Chair of Accounting/Candidate for Dean of Business</p> <p>AGC Exec meeting</p> <p>Café Faculty Development Day</p> <p>Met with Dorothy Ritz</p>	

		Met with Wanda – Candidate for Dean of Business Met with Students Research Council Meeting Met with GM NSO	
10.	VP External's Report	Met with MP Linda Duncan Met with Iwinit and Duncan – Municipal Election discussion Met with Minister of Seniors and Housing Met with President of MacEwan CAUS Teleconference Met with MLA Chris Neilson Met with MLA Trevor Horne CASA ED and Research and Policy Analyst tele-meeting Minister of Indigenous Affairs meeting Federal Policy Committee meeting Met with Bob Turner NSO	
11.	VP Operations Report	Building meetings Global Education Fund meeting School of Business Dean Search Health and Dental Meeting IMR Meeting NSO	
12.	VP Student Life's Report	Met with family of Jerry Wood (Allard Hall space naming honoree) Global Education Fund meeting Met with GM U-Solve Retreat Training GASC Meeting Met with Susan Cooper – Food Services NSO	
13.	GM report & Dashboards	Met with HR Consultant Met with staff individually Met with Susan Cooper – Food Services	
14.	Recognition	Pres – recognize everyone for their great work with NSO. Recognize GM for work with HR Consultant.	

#### 4. Adjournment

Time: 10:33am