

**Minutes for the Executive Committee Meeting of the  
Students' Association of MacEwan University  
September 20, 2017 @ 10:00am**

**Copies To:**

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

Emma Patterson, VP Operations & Finance  
Jason Garcia, VP Student Life  
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1. Call to Order:  
10:00am
2. Approval Minutes for:

**MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 12, 2017**

**VPA  
CARRIED**

3. Approval of Agenda

**VPO  
CARRIED**

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/MOTION
		<b>MOTION</b>
		<b>TO CLOSE THE SAPLING POET TREE CLUB</b>
		<b>VPA CARRIED</b>
		<b>MOTION</b>
		<b>TO APPROVE THE MACEWAN MUSIC BUSINESS CLUB</b>
		<b>VPE CARRIED</b>
		<b>MOTION</b>
		<b>TO APPROVE THE MISSION OF MIRACLES CLUB</b>
		<b>VPO CARRIED</b>
		<b>MOTION</b>
1. Clubs	<p>Club Closures: - Sapling Poet Tree</p> <p>New Club Applications: - MacEwan Music Business Club - Mission of Miracles Vpa - Have clubs dept. address the titles of executives and list responsibilities. Vpe – do we have a club like this that does a bible study? Vpa – they are also wanting to do volunteering on top of bible study, which the other similar club does not. - Spicy Engineering Crew - BScN Grad Spring 2018 club</p> <p>Vpsl – President of Sapling Poet Tree club requested closure.</p>	

			<p><b>TO APPROVE THE SPICY ENGINEERING CREW</b></p> <p><b>PRES CARRIED</b></p> <p><b>MOTION</b></p> <p><b>TO APPROVE THE BSCN GRAD SPRING 2018 CLUB</b></p> <p><b>VPA CARRIED</b></p>
2.	Fall Fest Debrief	<p>Pres – like idea for tent for EC and SC to engage students. People were frustrated that they could not bring in guests that are not MacEwan students. People wanted to know how to pitch suggestions for next years bands.</p> <p>Vpe – Overall, feel it went really well. People commented that prizes were better this year. Moving forward it would be a good opportunity to find a way to talk about what SAMU is; Accompany information with prizes.</p> <p>Gm – Staff appreciated how involved EC was this year. Setting up and taking down – volunteer base is struggling.</p> <p>Vpa – there seems to be confusion about whether people will get paid or if they are volunteering their time.</p> <p>Gm – Staff do get paid for their time on FallFest during regular hours. Will need to look at after hours.</p> <p>Vpsl – allowing guests that are not MacEwan students – fear was that our swag would go to non-MacEwan students or that we would be at capacity for too long. However, Alumni are allowed to attend event. One of our pillars is our community.</p> <p>Vpa – people complained last year about non-macewan students being allowed to attend.</p> <p>Pres – set a precedent for our successors to participate and help with events such as Fall Fest.</p>	
3.	Healthy Campus In-Person Design Team Meeting	<p>Vpsl – Teleconference on sept 7<sup>th</sup>. In-person design team meeting will be coming up on Oct 26<sup>th</sup> in Red Deer. Collection of students, support staff, high level admin, that join together to collaborate and sharing best practices on mental health, and recently seen as a resource by Gov of Alberta. Still planning out goals. There is a budget line that recognizes that other vice presidents will be hopping on travel for certain events (Travel within Alberta).</p>	
4.	Elder Jerry Wood Atrium Naming Update	<p>Vpsl – Cost is being covered by MacEwan; they do have a standardized plaque. Our logo will be on the plaque. Late November for event, and recommended midday, however they got back to me saying mid afternoon to early evening. Will go back to them stating midday is preferred.</p> <p>GM – the statement does read a bit awkward.</p> <p>Vpe – not using an oxford comma makes it difficult to read. As long as sentiment doesn't change, then it can be looked at again for editing.</p>	
5.	Dreamcatcher's Conference	<p>Vpsl – brings together indigenous youth from middle school to high school from province. MacEwan day portion, students that are either considering MacEwan as their future home, or post – secondary as a career-goal. Hoping to have SAMU talk about us</p>	

		and campus life. Oct 27, events department is willing to support and help. Take over 30 minutes. Provide events department with priority topics for us to talk to them about.	
6.	G.E.F. Student Award	<p>Vpo – global education fund no longer exists. We will receive the full fee that is charged to students. We did not receive the reserve of this fund, instead they are creating a student bursary or award for international students. Vpsl and I have been sitting on this committee to put together a TOR. Fund should be ready for next year. Only one award per year – they invest the fund, and it's the interest that they accrue that is given away which is done with all fund development so that it is continuously topping itself up.</p> <p>Vpsl – there are only two awards that require international student status at this time, all others are applicable to all students.</p> <p>Vpe - how did you arrive at the 1500 number?</p> <p>Vpo – determined by the committee. Fund development recommended this amount, an estimate of what this endowment will give in a year.</p> <p>Vpe – what is the plan for the money SAMU is receiving?</p> <p>Vpsl – potentially develop a funding framework for how long we want to sustain the SRP.</p> <p>Pres – how many students do we support through SRP?</p> <p>Vpsl – traditionally supported a new student every year, with support for 2-year period.</p>	
7.	SAMU Speak Out form	<p>Vpsl – outdated speak out form provided. Same idea of what is online. Good opportunity to make a feedback mechanism more available. "samu.ca/speakup" Cards? Collateral?</p> <p>Pres – current speak up form online is not intuitive. Agree with standard URL as Vpsl mentioned.</p> <p>Vpa – still need to have access through the current format in case students don't know about "speak up".</p> <p>Vpe – need to look at what it's called instead of 'speak up'. Need neutral language.</p> <p>Vpa – expand to make it easier for students to provide feedback.</p>	
8.	Peer Support Retreat	<p>Vpa – Vpsl &amp; I will attend the Peer Support retreat and now know the cost for it. \$185/each.</p>	<p><b>MOTION</b></p> <p><b>TO APPROVE UP TO \$200 FROM EACH OF THE VPA &amp; VPSL EC SPECIAL PROJECTS BUDGET LINE FOR PEER SUPPORT RETREAT ATTENDANCE</b></p> <p><b>PRES CARRIED</b></p>
9.	Dean of Arts and Science Reappointment Committee	<p>Pres – want to put a student at large on this committee.</p> <p>Vpe – deadline?</p> <p>Vpa – just need to tell them it's a student at large by Friday, but don't need to provide name right away. Committee will probably begin in January.</p> <p>Pres – reach out to SC first to see if anyone is interested.</p>	<p>Action:</p> <p>Pres to ask if any SC member wants to sit on committee.</p>
10.	AVP of Students Search Committee	<p>Pres – Vpsl would like to sit on this committee.</p>	<p><b>MOTION</b></p>

			<b>TO APPOINT JASON GARCIA TO THE AVP STUDENTS SEARCH COMMITTEE</b>  <b>VPE CARRIED</b>
11.	Outstanding Action Items		
12.	President's Report		
13.	VP Academic's Report	Indigenous student welcome. CAUS teleconference. Met with St Albert MLA. Met with former VPE from Lethbridge. CAUS membership agreement. BOG. AGC. All Candidates meeting. Met with David Shepard. Building meeting.	
14.	VP External's Report	Met with students (committees & appeals) Grad Policy Working Group Review meeting. Indigenous student welcome. Breakfast with MacEwan pres. APPC. All Candidates meeting. Gwen & I met with Cathryn Heslep. AGC.	
15.	VP Operations Report	MP Randy Boisenault meeting. Barriers Campaign meeting. Indigenous student welcome. MP Azelte. CAUS teleconference. CAUS update. Breakfast with MacEwan Pres. Met with MLA. Fall Fest. CAUS membership. All Candidates meeting. CASA meeting. AGC meeting.	
16.	VP Student Life's Report	Interview with Anna from Office of Sustainability. Auditor meeting. Indigenous welcome. Business breakfast with MacEwan pres. Fall Fest. All Candidates meeting. Met with a student. Building update. U-Pass Advisory Committee meeting. AGC. GEF TOR. Strat Plan TOR.	
17.	GM report & Dashboards	MacEwan Committee on Internationalization meeting. Indigenous student welcome.	

		<p>Griffins all star game.  Business breakfast with MacEwan pres.  Fall Fest.  USolve committee meeting.  Psych &amp; Wellness Services update.  SC All Candidates meeting.  Sexual Violence Awareness Week update.  Dreamcatchers session.  SLI grant.  Met with councilor candidate.</p>	
18.	Recognition	<p>Met with FA rep (Jasmine French).  Met with Auditor.  Budget process update.  Staff meeting.  HR update.</p>	
19.		<p>Pres – our team for great job at Fall Fest &amp; Vpsl for helping coordinate Governance tent. Mike/Maura/Alissa for a killer event.  Vpsl – the four of you for attending AGC last night.  Vpo – Joanne for Audit process.</p>	

4. Adjournment

Time: 12:00pm