

**Minutes for the Executive Committee Meeting of the
Students' Association of MacEwan University
February 21, 2018 @ 9:00am**

Copies To:

Stephanie Nedoshytko, President
Robbie Lepp, VP Academic
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Samantha Hay, Governance Assistant (Recording
Secretary)

1. Call to Order: 9:02am

2. Approval Minutes for:

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 21, 2018

**LEPP
CARRIED**

3. Approval of Agenda

**VPE
CARRIED**

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/MOTION
1. Student Ombuds	<p>Plouffe– Discussion regarding role of ombudsperson; the value in the position, funding for position</p> <p>Vpa – immense value in Catherine as the ombudsperson. She is able to see the patterns over the years which is good considering my position changes on a yearly basis. It would be a huge loss if we got rid of the position.</p> <p>Vpsl – anytime students come to me with questions regarding policy in unique instances or are in distress regarding feeling as if they've been wronged, Catherine has been an incredible resource in those ways.</p> <p>Pres – I do see how much this position benefits students; often many times when a student will reach out, and instantly the first person we think of directing them to is Catherine. I see immense value having an ombudsperson at this institution. Having the neutral body to send students to is really valuable.</p> <p>Gm – do you keep stats on the number of students?</p> <p>Plouffe – there are, yes. What are SAMU's thoughts regarding funding? We are finishing up our 2 year commitment on this position. Is SAMU willing to continue funding 50% of this position?</p> <p>Vpa – I feel that we should as this position is supposed to be neutral, so it would make sense for both parties to be paying.</p> <p>Pres – we see value in Catherine's role, so I would imagine the arrangement would remain the same as it has been?</p> <p>Plouffe – what would the length of the term?</p> <p>Pres – I think we would commit to 2 years for the ombudsperson.</p>	

		Plouffe – I can draft a simple renewal. We can all review the commitment that is already enforced. Will draft something for your review. Should probably be able to have that to you by the end of the week. If we can commit to wrapping this up within the next two weeks, that would be good.	
2.	Mental Health Resource Fair	Pres – would like to order stress balls, candy, and bath bombs.	MOTION TO APPROVE UP TO \$650 FROM THE PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECTS LINE FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCE FAIR VPE CARRIED
3.	Travel Advisory Committee Presentation	Vpe – would like 1 or 2 of us to speak on SAMU's travel. They would like to address what falls under MacEwan's responsibility/liability regarding EC travel. We need to consider whether our travel falls under SAMU travel insurance, or MacEwan's. I will speak with the Gm and Vpo. Vpo – we are covered by the student plan, we don't receive benefits Vpe – when MacEwan students travel, the Great West Life insurance is seen as inadequate and further insurance is required to be purchased. As EC, we don't purchase additional insurance when we travel. I will let them know that an April meeting would be preferred to discuss this.	
4.	Missing Credit Card Receipt Form	Vpsl - receipt for beverages purchased for EC For a Day	MOTION TO APPROVE THE MISSING CREDIT CARD RECEIPT FORM FOR JASON GARCIA, DATED JAN. 25, 2018, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45.42 VPE CARRIED
5.	Safety Survey	Vpsl – would like to hand out candy during this time period. Will be roaming around campus. Would like to incentivize students by offering a price for filling out the survey. Five \$50 gift cards as prizes.	MOTION TO APPROVE UP TO \$425 FROM THE VPSL SPECIAL PROJECTS LINE FOR THE SAMU SAFETY SURVEY PRES CARRIED
6.	Outstanding Action Items		
7.	President's Report	The Griff interview re: Building Campus Master Plan meeting Dirty Sexy Bingo Chinese Students and Scholars Association Lunar New Year CASA Ukrainian Partnership Conference prep Budgeting	

		GRAC meeting	
8.	VP Academic's Report	Pizza and Consent event Appeals Committee Ukrainian Partnership Conference prep Met with Amy Plouffe from Nelson publishers Roles and Responsibilities of Vpa Appeals Committee	
9.	VP External's Report	Food for Thought Interview with The Griff re: UPC policy proposals for Post-Secondary Travel Advisory Committee meeting Met with MP SAMU Data Review with IT Mobilize event prep. Prep and the City event EC all candidates meeting Met with Student re: Women of Color in Politics CAUS teleconference Travel Advisory Committee Travel Toolkit Working Group meeting Campus Master Plan session CASA board call Dirty Sexy Bingo event Students' Council Review Committee meeting Students' Council Budgeting Session CAUS	
10.	VP Operations Report	Interview with The Griff re: Building Campus Master Plan Building meeting Budget Consolidation meeting Students' Council Budget Presentation Review Students' Council Budgeting session Met with Predecessor re: MacEwan relations, budgeting process Building meeting Strategic Plan Working Group prep.	
11.	VP Student Life's Report	Pizza and Consent Workshop Dirty Sexy Bingo Sexual and Gender Minority Program Working Group meeting Budgeting Session Review of resumes for Director of Programs and Services	
12.	GM report & Dashboards	Met with Communications Strategist Building Operations Transition BambooHR EC Transition/Retreat overview Directors' Meeting Records Management Budgeting Clubs' Space	
13.	Recognition		

4. Adjournment

Time: 9:59am