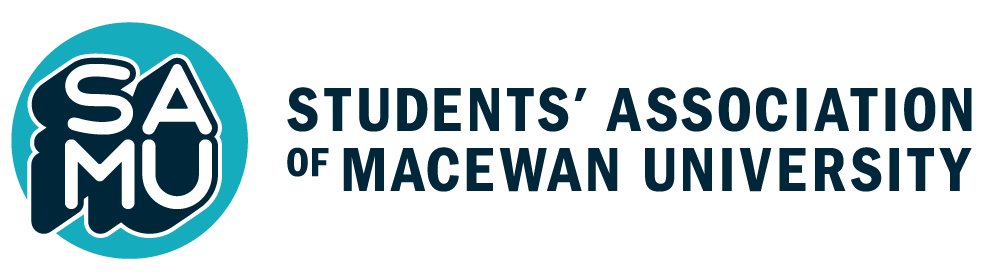
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**Minutes for the Executive Committee Meeting of the**

**Students' Association of MacEwan University**

**July 27, 2022 @ 2:00pm**

**Voting Members:**

Myles Dykes, President

Stephan Vasquez, VP Academic

Matt Yanish, VP External

Larissa Williams, VP Operations & Finance

Elaine Tran, VP Student Life

Resource Officials:

Darryl Kostash, Acting General Manager

Alan Honey, Governance Advisor

Recording Secretary:

Parvin Sedighi, Advocacy Coordinator

1. Call to Order: 2:04 pm
2. Approval of Agenda:
   1. **VPE/VPO**
   2. **CARRIED**
3. Approval of Minutes for: July 20, 2022

**VPA/VPE**

**CARRIED**

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| **TOPIC** | | **DISCUSSION** | **ACTION/MOTION** |
|  | SAMU Branding | AGM – Presentation from Senior Designer Tom Corcoran on Fall 2022 branding. |  |
|  | Health and Dental Update | VPO - This is a recap of the meeting the AGM and I had with Gallivan. Financially, we’re doing very well with regards to health and dental. Currently, we have just over $500,000 in our ASO account, which is what overages would be drawn from before it would go the health and dental contingency fund. We had a $300,000 surplus in the ASO account last year, which contributes to the amount we have this year. Currently, it looks like next year’s surplus is projected at nearly a million dollars, in addition to whatever is remaining in the account following the end of this fiscal year.  GM- We have to ensure that Gallivan has subtracted their fees from that projected surplus, that can mean $170,000 less than the current projection.  VPO- Currently, we have a surplus both from low usership during the pandemic years, and actual costs being lower than our initial projections with the health and dental service. Gallivan has done some cost analysis for us for MyWellness Enhanced, which would be an upgraded service than the current version of MyWellness that students can access. This would then leave us with a surplus closer to $800,000, factoring in the additional cost of MyWellness Enhanced.  Pres- I'd like to see some long term financial modelling for the various situations we could move forward with, with this decision. Enrolment numbers are projected to increase, but so is the projected rates of healthcare services, so having that additional information will help with figuring out what to do next.  GM- We have a year of time to have this discussion and to look at our options, so we don’t need to rush through and make a decision immediately.  VPA- I think we should be cautious and get some more information with regards to MyWellness Enhanced before we move forward. Forecasting will help with that task.  VPO- We're going to have an in-depth conversation about this with the Health and Dental sub-committee, and Gallivan will be in attendance as well to provide further information. From there, the committee will discuss and make a decision for the next year. |  |
|  | SAL Appointments | VPA – There are two students who are being appointed to three bodies, and those are Joe to the General Faculties Council, and Celina Vipond to both the Research Ethics Board and the Animal Research Ethics Board. | **MOTION**  **TO APPOINT JOSEPH LA TORRE TO THE GENERAL FACULTIES COUNCIL, FOR A TERM ENDING ON JUNE 30, 2023**  **VPA/VPSL**  **CARRIED**  **MOTION**  **TO APPOINT CELINA VIPOND TO THE RESEARCH ETHICS BOARD AND THE ANIMAL RESEARCH ETHICS BOARD, FOR A TERM ENDING ON JUNE 30, 2023**  **VPA/VPE**  **CARRIED** |
|  | Conduct Process Discussion | VPO - | TABLED |
|  | Block Party Discussion | Pres – I received an email from the University Relations team to gauge interest from SAMU on running a table. We do have Meet SAMU at the same time, so we would need to split up if we wanted to do both events.  VPO- We would need to determine the deadline to register for the Block Party, so we can determine viability for our involvement. We can reach out to council as well to support the table.  VPSL- We might meet more students at the block party, given that they’re giving away food and prizes.  VPO- The thing to consider is that this is going to be a very busy time for students’ councillors, given that they’re also students themselves and may be busy with going to these events for the first time as students.  VPSL- It's important to note that having things to give away is a requirement of participation at the table, which may be problematic given that it’s not just MacEwan students we will be talking to.  VPO- We can visit the block party and shepherd people to Meet SAMU, even if we don’t participate with a table set up.  Pres- I think that’s something we are aligned with as a team, so we will focus our presence at Meet SAMU. |  |
|  | VP Operations and Finance’s Report | GovWeek Prep  Audit Report  Meet SAMU Materials  Code of Conduct  Meeting with SAMU Staff Team on SAMU Cares |  |
|  | VP Student Life’s Report | GASC Meeting  Meeting with United Way Downtown Committee  Students for Consent Culture Webinar  GovWeek Planning |  |
|  | President’s Report | SAMU and CAUS Check In  CAUS Board Meeting  ESA Planning and Preparation  Media Training |  |
|  | VP Academic’s Report | GFC SAL Interviews  AREB and REB Appointment  Dean Meetings  Committees Description Rewrite  Discussion with Craig Kuziemsky  Meeting with SAMU’s Student Advocate and Policy Support Specialist GFC Election  Media Training |  |
|  | VP External’s report | SAMU and CAUS Check In  Meeting with CAUS Chair  GOTV Strategy Meetings with Advocacy Coordinator  CASA Member Relations Committee Meeting |  |
|  | General Manager’s Report | AMICCUS Regional Meeting  Office Construction Update  Branding Presentation  Vendor Timeline Update  Director of Finance Farewell  Fall Fest Planning Update  Onboarding and BambooHR Update  SAMU Cares Meeting |  |
|  | Recognition |  |  |

1. Adjournment

Time: 4:27 pm