



Minutes for the Executive Committee Meeting of the
Students' Association of MacEwan University
January 10, 2024 @ 2:00pm

Voting Members:

Gabriel Ambutong, President
Stephan Vasquez, VP Academic
Jakob Cardinal, VP External
Joseph A. La Torre, VP Governance & Finance
Cierra Jacobs, VP Student Life

Resource Officials:

Darryl Kostash, General Manager
Alan Honey, Governance Advisor

Recording Secretary:

Alan Honey, Governance Advisor

1. Call to Order: pm
2. Approval of Agenda:
**VPGF/VPA
CARRIED**
3. Approval of Minutes: January 3, 2024
**VPSL/VPGF
CARRIED**

TOPIC		DISCUSSION	ACTION/MOTION
1.	EC Election Expectations	Pres – just want to review expectations for those of us who are planning to run again during the upcoming election.	
2.	Maintenance Fund	<p>Gm – Project 9: this is the expense for The Lookout & Quiet Study Space doors automation to make them more accessible for all students.</p> <p>Gm – Project 11: Couple reasons for doing this, people with visual issues, using a cane, may walk into the area that is low and not usable as there are no touch points to notify them that a hazard is close by. Another issue that would be resolved would be people crawling underneath the stairs and getting stuck and or hurt under there. Cost for walls access door and painting is \$12,500.00 from the Maintenance Fund.</p>	<p>MOTION</p> <p>TO APPROVE AN EXPENSE OF UP TO \$39,000.00 FOR PROJECT 9 – ACCESSIBLE DOOR OPERATORS FOR SA-200 AND SA-112 FROM THE MAINTENANCE FUND</p> <p>VPGF/VPSL CARRIED</p> <p>MOTION</p> <p>TO APPROVE AN EXPENSE OF UP TO \$12,500.00 FOR PROJECT 11 – ACCESSIBLE STAIRCASE WALLS BUILD FROM THE MAINTENANCE FUND</p> <p>VPGF/VPSL CARRIED</p>

3.	Student-at-Large apps	<p>Audit Committee – Brandon Ahn, Noor Fatima, Justin Learmonth</p> <p>FAS Council</p>	<p>MOTION</p> <p>TO APPOINT JUSTIN LEARMONTH TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE FOR A TERM ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2024</p> <p>VPSL/VPGF CARRIED</p> <p>MOTION</p> <p>TO APPOINT MABEL ADESOPO TO THE FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE COUNCIL FOR A TERM ENDING JUNE 13, 2024</p> <p>VPA/VPGF CARRIED</p>
4.	Conflicts Survey	<p>Pres – any feedback on the survey questions provided?</p> <p>Vpsl – is the wording based on generalizing to be all inclusive?</p> <p>Pres – yes. Results of the survey will influence how we move forward afterwards.</p> <p>Vpsl – ensuring anonymity by making contact info optional?</p> <p>Pres – correct.</p>	
5.	Housing, Affordability, Accessibility	<p>Pres – came up during meeting with MacEwan Admin today. Very limited info at this point. Looking to gather data, with external group, and they'd like to work with us. Is this something we're interested in doing? Want to make sure they're not just offloading work onto us if we decide to support. Would prefer to influence questions. Is this something we'd consider supporting.</p> <p>Vpa – could use this with our future advocacy.</p> <p>Vpsl – think it's something we could support if they're looking to do something with a committee to formalize it. Would be able to provide a student perspective.</p> <p>Want to also ensure we know what they'll be using the data for, or what they're ultimate goal is with collecting the info.</p> <p>Vpgf – want to ensure they're doing this for the right reason(s).</p> <p>Vpa – need to ensure there's capacity depending on what they want from us.</p> <p>Vpe – capacity is there, and involving ESA would be good.</p> <p>*everyone interested in an initial meeting to get more info.</p>	
6.	Mental Health	<p>Pres – MacEwan wants to look at supply and demand within the university so they have better idea of where to invest in. Would be MacEwan specific.</p>	

		<p>Vpsl – this sounds like they might be duplicating efforts of what the Mental Health Group is already doing.</p> <p>Vpe – there other survey info already available to review.</p> <p>*Pres & Vpsl to have initial meeting with MacEwan.</p>	
7.	Students First	<p>Pres – internal campaign by MacEwan. Looking for support for initiative. They want stories of impact re. SABs from students.</p> <p>Vpa – if we can do that in a soft way and increase SAB fundraising it would be good.</p> <p>Vpsl – ties with our affordability piece, but also worry that we're being leveraged.</p> <p>Vpgf – what's goal of campaign?</p> <p>Vpe – opportunity to talk about students in need. And for the student voice to be promoted.</p> <p>*Vpa, GM, and Pres to meet with MacEwan for intro discussion.</p>	
8.	Project Updates (Standing Item)		
9.	Outstanding Action Items		
10.	VP Student Life's Report	Student Mental Health Working Group updates.	
11.	President's Report	<p>Radioactive interview. Now posted online.</p> <p>SABs – meeting with MacEwan Pres update.</p>	
12.	VP External's report	<p>CASA updates.</p> <p>BIPOC art festival update.</p>	
13.	VP Academic's Report	<p>Student affordability survey update.</p> <p>Ponoka update.</p>	
14.	VP Governance and Finance's Report	<p>Governance Committee meeting update.</p> <p>FFAC/Nursing survey update.</p>	
15.	General Manager's Report	<p>SAMUCares, SAMU Emergency Loan, SAMU Emergency Bursary meeting updates.</p> <p>Out of office next week.</p> <p>Budget work.</p>	
16.	Recognition		

4. Adjournment

Time: 3:12pm.