

Executive Board Meeting 16-15
Tuesday, November 1, 2016 @ 9:30am
MSU Boardroom, MUSC room 201

Called to Order 9:30am

Present Almeida, Eom, Farah, MacDonald, Monaco-Barnes, Nadarajah, Oliver, Shingleton-Smith

Late Flowers

Absent

Others Present J. McGowan (General Manager), V. Scott (Recording Secretary), M. Wooder (SLDC),

1. Adopt Agenda

Moved by Eom, **seconded** by Shingleton-Smith to adopt the agenda, as presented.

Passes Unanimously

2. Adopt Minutes

Moved by Nadarajah, **seconded** by Oliver to adopt the minutes from Executive Board meetings 16-14 – October 25, 2016, as circulated.

Passes Unanimously

3. Advocacy Report – report attached

- Oliver went over the report.

Flowers arrived at 9:32am

Questions

- Almeida asked if anything else was yielded from the budget for the Mental Health Survey. Oliver responded that she would follow up.
- Almeida asked if Oliver could speak to the successes received from the strat priorities. Oliver responded that they spoke at the meeting about advocacy pieces, with the asks attached. She added that they will be going to the SRA.
- Almeida asked if there was a specific budget to draw from. Oliver responded that the Coordinator doesn't have a budget line, but instead uses the Educational Initiatives line with the VP Education. Oliver stated that she will ask her to put a breakdown in the next report.
- Nadarajah stated that under 'challenges' it said that the Coordinator was having a hard time reaching out to campus partners for Mac Talks. She asked since the campaign was next week when does Oliver expect promotion. Oliver responded that the Coordinator told her that the promotion would be put up on Wednesday at the latest.

4. Mac Bread Bin Report – no report

- Nadarajah stated that a report was not submitted and that she will be following up with the PTM and hopes to have the report for next week.

5. Mac Farmstand Report – report attached

- Nadarajah went over the report.

Questions

- Oliver asked when the contract will be done for the Director. Nadarajah stated that the contract goes until the end of November.
- Shingleton-Smith asked if the outdoor spot will be the permanent location. Nadarajah responded that yes it was, but that MUSC has been nice to allow them to come inside when it's raining.
- Almeida asked how many of the food discount cards were given out. Nadarajah responded that she wasn't sure, but that she will be talking to the SCSN Coordinator to see if they can continue the initiative. MacDonald added that the cards are available online as well.
- McGowan stated that he was very impressed with how hard the Director worked this year.

6. Macademics Report – Rohoma Zakir presented

- Zakir summarized the report.

Questions

- Shingleton-Smith asked what challenges the PTM was facing with the faculty societies. Zakir responded that it was the lack of initiative. She explained that they all knew when the wikithon was schedule but a lot of them forgot or didn't have a team in place, so that was why it was postponed. Oliver added that this wasn't specific just to Macademics, that there are just some faculty societies that don't care and that it depends on the person and the year.
- Wooder praised Zakir and stated that she has demonstrated leadership when it comes to promotions meetings, and has done a good job.

7. Maccess Report – report attached

- Nadarajah went over the report.

Questions

- Farah asked about the SoBi referendum, and the fact that she has seen a lot of posts about accessibility. She asked if it was Maccess's place to take a stance, and how would they go about doing that. MacDonald responded that he spoke to the Coordinator yesterday about the posts. The service cannot take a stance but they can act as advocates. He explained that with the referendum there is an opt-out for students, with a separate one for those who are registered with SAS that will allow them to opt-out throughout the entire year.
- MacDonald stated that he was noticing that the service was taking on the facebook group model of QSCC. He explained that in principle he was against the concept of a group, instead of a page as there have been issues in the past. Wooder explained that QSCC has articulated that they wanted to use a group as it was a community based concept, except that it could be problematic on an organizational standpoint.
- Almeida asked if the Disability Studies event is two hours solid, or broken up into half hour seminars.
- Oliver asked if in the future PTMs doing campaigns could keep her in the loop, as tweeting the University could harm the relationships they have built with partners. She added that they worked hard to form relationships to advocate for disabilities and this may cause issues down the line.
- Eom asked for more clarification on those who drop into the space each week. She felt that having an average would be easier to articulate. Nadarajah responded that she will ask the Coordinator to track everything.
- Monaco-Barnes felt that this report was very vague in each category, and would like more detail with what is happening with the service.

8. TRRA Update Report – Nadarajah presented

- Nadarajah summarized the report.

Questions

- Farah asked about Safe Talk, and what other avenues provide training to talk about suicide. Nadarajah responded that in the past they have done the Safe Talk training in partnership with SWELL, and this year they decided to do their own training through a peer support model. She explained that they received feedback from last year stating that they felt it wasn't effective. Nadarajah added that they're putting together data to see if it was best to keep this all separate or develop a collaboration model with SWELL.
- Oliver asked if this position with the hours received will be maintained. Nadarajah responded that it was a pilot position, and felt that if it were to continue she would recommend that there be reduced hours for the summer.
- McGowan stated that with pilot projects or roles he thought it would be a good idea to see how the changes affect the full-time staff as well.

9. Sponsorship and Donations Committee Recommendations

Moved by MacDonald, **seconded** by Almeida that the Executive Board approve the recommendations made by the Sponsorship and Donations Committee as follows:

- \$250 donation to Christine Yachouh to attend the Higher Education Summit
- \$250 donation to Nandini Nandeeshia to attend the Impact on Global Issues on Women and Children in Manipal University India
- MacDonald went over the memo with the Board.
- Farah asked if they only approved conference requests from the MSU.
- MacDonald responded that if it was a request of an employee to attend a conference as part of their job, then it wouldn't be put forward.

Vote on Motion

Passes Unanimously

10. Committee of the Whole – Services

Moved by Nadarajah, **seconded** by Oliver that the Executive Board move into Committee of the Whole to discuss Services that presented the previous week. (Diversity, EFRT, MACycle, SWHAT, WGEN)

Passes Unanimously

Moved by Nadarajah, **seconded** by Eom that the Executive Board move out of Committee of the Whole and to Rise and Report.

Passes Unanimously

Rise and Report**SWHAT**

- Nadarajah reported that the Board felt that the report was extensive and that they had really good promotions for their events. She added that the service is great at volunteer appreciation.

MACYCLE

- Nadarajah reported that the Board would like the VP Admin to follow up with the PTM with respect to hiring execs to help out. The PTM has been doing a good job with working with the Health and Safety Committee to address some concerns with the space.

EFRT

- Nadarajah reported that the Board felt that the video put together for the conference was good, and that they would like to see early recruitment for standardized patients.

DIVERSITY

- Nadarajah reported that Board decided that there weren't enough hours spent on AOP to warrant monetizing it, and would also like the service to involve the Office of Equity and Inclusion in taking up training again.

WGEN

- Nadarajah reported that the Board stated that the Spooptacular event was great. She reported that the Board felt that the service tracking was great and would like to know what kind of peer support was being accessed.

11. Closed Session

Moved by Nadarajah, **seconded** by Shingleton-Smith that the Executive Board move into Closed Session.

Passes Unanimously

12. Return to Open Session**Action Items****a) Contract with Housing and Conference Services**

- MacDonald stated that he has emailed Kevin Beattie, but hasn't heard a response yet.

13. Information and Questions

- Nadarajah reported that the Horizons Coordinator, Welcome Week Faculty Coordinator, and Farmstand Director positions are now open.
- MacDonald reported that ping pong will be happening at TwelvEighty next week.
- Wooder reported that the TwelvEighty social media numbers are up due to the wings promo. Policy Con registration is open until tomorrow. Referenda promotions are underway.
- McGowan stated that whenever the Comptroller sends out the YTDs to please feel free to ask questions about services.
- Oliver stated that Policy Con closes tomorrow, and currently the demographics are showing that first year sign ups are low and same with Arts & Sciences. OUSA General Assembly is this weekend.
- Monaco-Barnes reported that he was currently finalizing updated on the Health Sciences Library being open 24/7, and was waiting to hear back from Security and the Director of the space.

14. Adjournment and Time of Next Meeting**Time of Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, November 8, 2016

9:30am

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Moved by Oliver, **seconded** by Farah that the meeting of the Executive Board be adjourned.

Passes Unanimously

Adjourned at 11:02am

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