

Executive Board Meeting 13-21
Thursday, January 23, 2014 @ 2:30pm
MSU Main Boardroom, MUSC room 201

Call to order @ 2:31 pm

Present Campbell, Doucet, Graham, Leslie, Mallon, Morrow

Late

Absent D'Angela, Harper, Wolwowitz

Others Present V. Scott (Recording Secretary), M. Wooder (SLDC), Ellen Xu (MAC Breadbin Director), Laura Fox (EFRT Director)

1. Adopt Agenda

Moved by Graham, **seconded** by Campbell that the Executive Board adopt the agenda as amended.

Amendments

- Doucet – Campus Events Assistant Director Job Description

Passes Unanimously

2. Adopt Minutes

Moved by Doucet, **seconded** by Mallon that the Executive Board adopt the minutes from Executive Board Meeting 13-19 – January 6, 2013 as presented.

Passes Unanimously

3. EFRT Report – Laura Fox presented

- Fox summarized the report.

Questions

- Graham asked how the person broke into their office. Fox responded that the lock had recently been sticking and they would find that it wouldn't close properly. The door has since been fixed. She explained that it was probably left open by accident.
- Mallon asked if there was anything targeted. Fox responded that it was just first aid supplies, which they got back. The person was caught by security, and the items were returned.

4. MAC Breadbin Report – Ellen Xu presented

- Xu summarized the report.

Questions

- Graham asked if they are managing to keep their food input and output constant. Xu responded that they are trying to promote it more to reach out to students.
- Wooder commented that earlier on in the year they were having trouble of figuring out who was running the twitter account. Xu responded that she found out that it's linked to their Facebook account. She added that she asked the previous director but they don't have the password. Wooder stated that they will have to address that soon.
- Graham asked if the Skip A Meal program was new this year. He asked how the logistics with Hospitality be worked out. Xu responded that this was done two years ago and they are planning on re-introducing it

this year. Students will be able to donate a minimum of \$5 off of their meal card to go towards this program.

- Mallon asked where the scanners will be placed. Xu responded that they will be placed in Keyes and Centro. There will be a separate scanner set up and then they will cut MSU a cheque of the money donated.

5. PSL Report – report attached.

Questions

- Leslie asked if there were more volunteers out in December. Campbell responded that it would take a couple of years to determine if the spike was because of exam stress or promotions. In September there were more calls than in October because of advertising.
- Wooder stated that Carlin has plans in the works for a mental health fair. They are also in conversation with a government health line, that is willing to come in and are offering financial incentive. Wooder added that he will let her come to the Board with the details.
- Mallon thought that it was huge that they received their first crisis call and handled it successfully.

6. Recommendations from Sponsorship and Donations Committee

Moved by Doucet, **seconded** by Mallon that the Executive Board approve the following donations as per the recommendation of the MSU Sponsorship and Donations Committee:

- \$200 to Brianna Cheng
- \$200 to Breah Cheng
- \$50 to Nichole Fanara
- \$50 to Amy Harrigan
- \$50 to Brenda Morales
- \$100 to Michael Kovacs
- Doucet apologized for not doing a report. He explained that the first five on the list are going on MacServe trips. Doucet stated that they received a number of applications from students, so the money was allocated based on the quality of the applications. Doucet stated that Michael Kovacs will be receiving \$100 for going to the EWB National Conference. He updated everyone that they are still under the allocated amount for the donations budget. Doucet added that more donations will be coming forward and that they will deal with them then.
- Graham asked why they were tying their hands with only being able to give out money to a few students at a time.
- Doucet responded that the MSU donates a maximum of \$750 per organization and a maximum of \$250 per student for the entire year. Sponsorship doesn't have set amounts. This is so that the Committee doesn't give out all of the money all at once.
- Graham felt that the policy should change to allow more students opportunities.
- Doucet stated that they have been receiving a lot of applications from groups, so they have to choose between giving a set amount of money or blowing the budget on one group.
- Mallon asked if MacServe could apply for a sponsorship from the MSU.
- Wooder responded that it would have to be a unique package as MacServe is a program and sub-office of the Student Success Centre, and they wouldn't know how it could work. Wooder stated that the MSU can sponsor anything, but he added that there would probably have to be a lot of campus promo. He added that it wouldn't be a sponsorship for the students going, but of the office and making a commitment of lowering students' costs. Wooder stated that they could possibly form a plan, but that the reason why there is so much variance is because they are trying to be divergent and look of the quality of applications.
- Campbell stated that they recently raised the cap last year, but they could look at it again.
- Graham asked if looking at the quality of applications was necessary because of the cap.

- Doucet responded yes and no. He explained that they will get other applications asking for money between \$100-200, but if the application is shoddy then they may not necessarily give them money but may ask them to re-apply with more information.
- Campbell stated that it's good to look at that and just because there is money in the line, they shouldn't just throw it away.

Vote on Motion

Passes Unanimously

7. Campus Events Assistant Director Job Description

Moved by Doucet, **seconded** by Morrow to approve the amendments to the Campus Events Assistant Director job description, as circulated.

- Scott explained that these changes came forward as a result of the new Welcome Week Faculty Societies Coordinator position.

Vote on Motion

Passes Unanimously

8. Information and Question Period

- Campbell thanked everyone who came out to the State of the Union. He updated everyone on the Red Suit situation, and that the MSU will be issuing a press release before the end of the day. Campbell stated that while they do agree with the University's decision, the best thing to do would be to re-establish that the MSU isn't the MES. Campbell announced that the referendum videos were released today.
- Wooder announced that the State of the Union will be available for download on the MSU website.
- Graham reported that he will be bringing forward two general policies to the SRA meeting. He asked for the Board to please read them. He stated that the Provost had indicated that McMaster may be leaving Access Copyright. Graham felt that the policy would be a good reminder of when the issue arises. Graham reported that the Ministry released an announcement on credit transfer, and that they will be creating an online database for transferring credits. He added that the Spark Pilot Program Coordinator job description is now online.
- Wooder asked if there was any new news on the Access Copyright lawsuit. Graham responded that nothing new has come forward.
- Doucet reported that he has been trying to work on promotions for the referendums, and that he will be asking the presidential candidates about the Health plan options.
- Mallon reported that the DCS General Meeting is tonight at 5:30, and that they will be discussing constitutional changes. The first open meeting was on Tuesday and they didn't allow observers speaking rights. Graham asked what the changes would be. Mallon responded that some of the changes include taking out the 30 days notice of a general meeting and changing it to ten days notice. He added that at the General Meeting in March DCS will be asking for a \$15 increase, but with no updates on spending. Leslie asked if they are doing this to their students, why not get rid of the exec team. Mallon explained that the only position elected is the president, and currently you can only recall one member of DCS as the rest are all hired.

9. Adjournment and Time of Next Meeting

Time of Next Meeting:

**Thursday, January 30, 2014
2:30 p.m.
MSU Boardroom, MUSC room 201**

Moved by Morrow, **seconded** by Doucet that the meeting be adjourned.

Passes by General Consent

Meeting adjourned @ 3:08 pm

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