October 27 Transcript

ITEM DESCRIPTION ACTION

1 Call to Order 4:05

2 Chair's
Business
Jake DeJong-Information
- welcome everyone

3 Approval of Agenda Approval

Chaudhry and El - A. Motion to record meeting.

Debate

Orr - speaking against - don't allow ppl to record, if we want to change minutes and allow ppl to rescind them, so we don't want people to record

EI - A. Akbar - Write articles about UWSA so this way there are no mistakes made Jameel to Palmer - would like to remind everyone that this place needs to have minutes and recordings

1-9-2 Failed

Motion to give speaking to the floor rights

Homewood - speaking against - should go with Robert's rules

Chaudhry - just give Akbar speaking rights

Jameel - takes away the privilege of being elected to council, should be asking for it

Orr -know how long election ratification meetings can get, understand reasoning behind motion, if we want to get out of here at a reasonable time, Robert's rules is in place for a reason so for efficiency sake would like to speak against.

2-11-0 Noted

Capaldi and Chan 12-0-0 4Approval of Minutes – October 13, 2011 Approval

5 Reports 5.1 Report of the President André Capaldi

- -has had two president council meetings, working really well, have been talking about security issues
- -partners seminar student government meetings with students from windsor and Detroit
- -rep at Toronto uni fair
- Nov. 24 will be having a town council meeting and town hall will be our arena, all full time students can go to
- -working with town council for info package, and presidents office, for local residents
- -launching a strategic advising committee, anyone here can join, place for people to give direction to the UWSA and email will be going out to all new councilors

Questions

Doubbssi - how are 500 homes selected Capaldi - using IT services to choose

S - why only this area around the uni

A- working on the uni community relationship for closest

Chaudhry to random - are residency getting these too Capaldi - only to families, have worked extensively on this position

5.2 Report of the VPUA

- Kim Orr
- main focus is the OUSA GA, is one week from today
 - working on spreadsheets and logo for the conference, spending 40 hrs a week
 - rooms on campus, catering services and the nitty gritty
- have been working with grading scale committee, working to move it to a 100 pt grading scale, working so A+ will be a 90 like all other schools instead of 93
 - ironing all the issues
- had first general senate meeting and having student senate caucus meetings before
- Andre and I had meeting with Dr. about the music therapy program
 - at next senate meeting when this comes up will be talking about approval problems
- children's safety
- judicial panel
- online teaching award so that people can nominate teachers
 - ability to reflect on what a good teacher really is

Question

Dabboussi - how are the grades going to change to the 13 to 100 pt scale, are they all going to change or will they be converted

Orr - don't know yet, one of the items to iron out, wont be going back if you have already graduated

- there is going to be 3 yrs. of overlap

Chaudhry - wont affect us?
Orr- only if your graduating after 2013

Homewood -

Orr - another issue to iron out with not a lot of answers, but these meetings

Palmer - could you elaborate on a program being removed without student approval?

Orr -to take a program away it is a financial matter so it doesn't come through senate, whereas is you want to implement a program it does go through senate

- the process is not proportional

S- are we working on this

A- would really like to see a change but I am not sure/don't see it happening but am trying to voice my concerns

Capaldi - program isn't cancelled yet but are no longer accepting applicants

Daboussi - back to grading scale - do you think it will be a possibility that for the students that will have a mix could they opt out of one or the other, bc it will definitely be affecting they're GPA Orr-registrars cannot handle 2 systems at once so everyone will have to convert over to one system or another. But like your idea so will be looking into this

Chaudhry - when is the safety village Orr - tonight at 5

5.3 Report of the

VPA

Stephanie Saad

- Afrofest has been hired and everything is motion
- Nadia hagazi has resigned
- Student life coordinator is working hard on events
- have a seat on alcohol policy committee, working with the alcohol coordinator for a dry events
- Alumni associates event the AMazing pace
- Rose bowl lanes \$7 all you can bowl
- Shinerama event on nov 4 at boom boom room
- Council and board training on monday and all sub committees have been sent out
- all board and councils will have fresh attendance members starting nov 1
- will be out of office nov 4 to 13

Jameel - what are responsibilities for shinerama Saad - doing fund raising

5.4 Report of the VPFO

Ronnie Haldar

- -working on water recall stations, need uni rep and cauligan guy to come for a walk through
 - -scheduled for next week, money has been approved
 - -just need for good and safe areas
- -glad to report as of today, we are right online with the budget, accredit that to everyone working with us bc they are working very hard to keep this a reality
- -doing OUSA GA conference and going over fiances
 - -being miss orr's slave
- -working will student life director to map out plan for the rest of the legendary pub nights for the vr. so we can do looks of awesome events
- -966 cheques signed, largest is 1.4 million for the opt out cheques
- -opt out cheque pick up is in november in the clubs room
- -if you want to support, show face over in the athletics

Questions

Chaudhry - is this the event that everyone can attend

Orr - the final meeting is open to all students in the senate chambers in toldo

5.5 Supplementary VPUA report

CFS and OUSA presentation was asked for after election

- -ousa's report to council net thursday at 4 pm
- -working on getting CFS to come down later

Dhaliwal - is it mandatory

Orr- it would be nice if you all came, it wont count toward attendance

6 Presentations

6.1 CRO Election

Report

Jordan Renaud -Information

- -all the seats that ran
- -1 member to BOD, 20 to council and 6 for lance oversight board and 27 seats in general
- -timeline located in the package with additions that renaud added in that hasn't been in there
- poll clerks and stations 3 stations, purchased 6 new laptops
 - -were treated like gold, 11 were scheduled and 1 as a floater
 - -had 2 part training session
 - -paid \$11 per hour
- -pre season planning
 - -came to Council, ASC to hire DRO
 - -had a robust and well received election
 - -for instance was able to go to all of the listed apartments so that I could post on their bulletin boards

JAMEEL EXITS

- -spoke with clayton smith to gain support which he did, spoke with camp police for patrolling
- spoke with SIS ppl they were great
- -nomination period lots were made and plenty was found at all three locations
 - -ppl take a lot of forms but not all of them were brought back
 - -used BENTO for all information data input
- -All candidates meeting had help from exec, EMC and DRO...took full attendance of everyone in the room
 - -wanted to make sure this happened because wanted proper documentation
 - -spoke about everything, gave candidates all candidates package and elections policy
 - -5 ppl did not attend so they were emailed to let them know that they disqualified
- -did not want any turn around
- -had poster night and had exec's happen for that
- -Campaign period october 1 to 8th
 - -no complaints were made
 - -no penalties were handed out
 - -poster recycling night was organized
 - -penalties were handed out for posters left up
- -Voting period
 - -2 voting days with 3 polling stations open
 - on the second day of voting there was only one email about being unable to vote and this was reconciled
 - -took graph of voting activity, day two have 900 or so ppl
 - -had a power outage day one at 11:35, there was a rolling outage and the issue was corrected within 10 minutes
 - -there was no gap in voting and it was only 13 minutes
 - -no reason to throw out election or to have a re vote
 - -was handled very well
- -Results and rock the vote
- -FASS had 6 ppl elected
- -Faculty of Science 1 and HK 1

OSMAN RAZA ENTERS

- -1 first yr. rep
- -IFS rep was acclaimed
- -LAW rep and teaching was acclaimed
- -Lance oversight board 4 ppl acclaimed
- -Referendum question fell short
- -Odette
- -Appeal one
 - -said system was down for too long and this affected the voting, EMC decided the appeal was invalid and the case was dismissed.
- -Appeal two
 - -was disqualified because they used a list serve from the club coordinator to send mass emails out
 - -EMC upheld the disqualification

Questions

Chaudhry - congratulate and wondering if there is anything you would like to change? Renaud - has doing most of what I wanted to do, lots of hard record keeping, making forms

Capaldi - Would like to thank CRO and DRO for all of their efforts, time taken and enhanced transparency

Haidar - in terms of the finances - had your own form and reason for expense, made my job much easier and this was great

-6.12 EMC Appeal

Trevor

Appeal number two

EP 6.11D - do not believe that the CRO made my offense clear, using a UWSA assets

- EP 6.12 assets of the UWSA or advantage to the candidate little if any advantage was given, clubs emails were posted
- I used these but stream lined these through the clubs coordinator
- but my punishment was not fair for my "cheat"
- EP 6.4 do not feel that my offense lead to any confusion nor did it threaten any candidates
- I did break a rule but it was not a big one
- thought my story and circumstances went beyond what i put on
- received the email at 1:10 am that the meeting was 11am
- got the email at 10:30 and i take the bus in which takes 45 mins
- EMC upheld the CRO's decision, but asked to still go and speak
- was told that it was OK that I didn't have to speak, I have my 50 signatures
- I did make a mistake but there are certain factors that lessen the degree, don't think the advantage was big, don't think overall circumstances warranted my disqualification

Orr - this will be turned into a motion as an amendment in the posted motions part of the elections ratification

Chaudhry - funds?

Trevor - \$40 was what I lost

S - you somehow got ahold of the clubs coordinator list serve?

A - the clubs coordinator sent out my platform all clubs

Orr - spoken with clubs coordinator Bola. We are issuing a written letter to the clubs coordinator about this issue

Raza - were you aware that you were not allowed to use UWSA assets?

trevor - I was not made aware of this

S - was it stated that UWSA assets are not allowed?

A - not to my knowledge

S- was it stated in the policy package?

A- there is a small line

El-A. - was you package promoting you, telling ppl to vote?

A - No it just stated my platform

Chan - were you given the policy package?

Trevor - Yes

Timperio - based on the presentation given at the ACM, did my renuad tell you want he could do? Trevor - he went over everything that he can do, but did not make it clear exactly what my problem disqualification would entail

Raza - Why did you use the CLubs coordinator?

S - would you agree this is abusing the UWSA resources?

Trevor - no, bc I don't think that it really gave any advantage

S - would you agree that using a paid UWSA employee is an abuse of the UWSA resources?

A - I would to a degree, but think the severity does not match the what i did wrong

Daboussi - What are you looking to gain here?

Trevor - I am looking for a reduction and reinstatement back onto council

Chair - grounds are that the CRO report wants changed

Dhaliwal - were you the one that sent out the email?

Trevor - yes

Raza - you spoke with the coordinator?

Trevor - yes

Daboussi - you used the UWSA website which is the UWSA asset?

Orr -this is a grey area because the website is public

POI - raza - what is available on the UWSA website, list serve or just emails?

Orr- emails

Homewood - do you think that the clubs coordinator email enhanced your appearance and gave you more validity?

Trevor - don't really think that is a concern, perceived advantage was not really true

S - so don't you think this was an advantage then

A - well yes

Dhaliwal - I am a person that looks at the email for my club, so I look at the emails and I always look at the clubs coordinators emails so that is an advantage

Lock - do you think that receiving your funds back is a good enough compensation? Trevor - do you think that

S - bc the vote difference btw 6th and 7th was only 8 votes, would this not be an advantage?

A - I think the votes reflect the work I put in

Timperio - what do you think will be an adequate punishment? Trevor -not being disqualified would be good

Chair -his appeal was that he got kicked out and doesn't want to be anymore, so we are deciding whether he is off or on

Raza to autumn - is it true that your ideal outcome would be to not be disqualified?

Trevor - absolutely, i don't care about the money I would like to serve on the council and I feel I would be a great addition

Chaudhry - what year are you in? Trevor - first

6.2

Afrofest

Stephanie Saad- Information

Michelle Palmer

- am a past afrofest coordinator, am here because had some difficulties with hiring the coordinator
- got a consensus that there was concern
- my fear was that there is nothing in the by laws that coordinator positions
- when I spoke to the VPA, she let me know that it was presented to council and decided that they were going to go forward with the changes
- Ms Kim Orr made a suggestion that the position is changed, and it was talked about with IPC but thats it
- No where was there proof that ppl changed the bylaws
- so no one followed the by laws
- at the point now cant go back into the future, met with the human rights coordinator and she was not pleased that this happened
- based on the circumstances, only hired in october instead of april, bring it to council that we create an ad hoc coordinator for afrofest so that this afrofest is successful
- don't have a work study position posted until just last week

Questions

Orr -would like to address the concern about by laws. It was a goal of mine that we have a diversity coordinator, so thought it would be a good adaption to include a diversity coordinator. Brought this to council, motion was passed by council BIRT the second issue that IPC deal with be to change the job descriptions of the coordinators. It was not for council to change the job description and the IPC bring it to the by law changes. Intent was never for council to change the position. It was for council to say "yes we like the idea, lets see what IPC comes up with"

Palmer - fact that we went into the 2011 year without a coordinator is not right, it is october, we need to have an ad hoc coordinator for this

Haidar - what are you asking for from the board? A-would like to have an ad hoc coordinator S- a funded one? A- yes

Homewood - the position was posted right?

Palmer - it was posted but then it was taken down so no one could apply, so would like to do some damage control now

Capaldi - can you clarify ad hoc

Palmer - looking to council to add an ad hoc, and believe this is necessary, this is an extreme situation

Dhaliwal - what do you expect the ad hoc to do?

Palmer - the coordinator has a lot of her plate and has a huge undertaken, so ad hoc will be doing all the things that the coordinator will not get too

Renaud - what does work study have to do anything?

Chan - are you proposing an Ad Hoc, like is this welcomed by the coordinator? Why isn't she presenting this?

Palmer - she is doing afrofest and is too busy

Chan - is this position really necessary? Can she not go to her committee and request something there? Palmer - do think this is necessary. At a point now where we need someone who is experienced. Because this is a 6 day event, we need 2 ppl because we have lost so much time. Need to step forward and take some recruitment time

Timperio - has an afrofest committee been formed?

Palmer - we are not a committee, we are a group of concerned students. Coordinator was concerned and came to me.

Renaud - it is frequently been said that when something is important you make time for it, why hasn't she come here to speak to all this?

Palmer - she has me speaking on her behalf, because she cannot have me go to a sponsor

El-A. - who is hiring this ad hoc?

Orr- if it is going to be funded by the UWSA then it goes through the appoint and search committee. Haidar -

Autumn - whats is your backup plan

Palmer - she is going forward full steam even if she doesn't get this motion.

S - so yes you do have one?

A- most definitely, it would be very helpful if she had some help because she is over whelmed

Homewood - what is the

Palmer - since we did not come into the school yr. with a plan, lets try and rectify some of the mistakes, and the lack of follow through, so that afrofest isn't a fail

S- so it is the fake that we didn't follow through that you want this?

A- so the fake that we went into the 2011 fall yr. without IPC doing something about it, bc of this situation and IPC actually did something, that would be another meeting.

6.3 Council rep. on

Board

Kim Orr- Information

- Tabled

6.4 Operation Christmas

Child

Praveen Sehra- Information

- project with samaritans first
- am a law student and have done this for 8yrs
- goal is to run this campaign without doing a club bc as a law student don't have a lot of time
- also would like to have more communication with law student-UWSA
- Samaritans first-operated in 70 countries, do not discriminate
- is a Christian organization but do not discriminate in their aid

- operation christmas child, ppl take boxes and fill them with toys, send them oversees and give them to impoverish children
- program started in 1993, and 86million shoeboxes has been sent
- price to fill boxes is up to 15 dollars and shipping price is 7 dollars and this goes towards sustainability
- most communities that these go to will then have a program started up
- is an easy way to give back and especially with law students it is a great way to be involved with something
- floors in residence will pack boxes! yaa
- volunteer hours
- national collection week is November 21-27
- will be a box event where ppl can take boxes away and then
- What I want from t
- he UWSA is that I want help from he UWSA for communication
 - is looking for someone to help for financial support, caw operations, art supplies and photo copying

Questions

Haidar - I was

to go to peru last yr., and I was just wondering if you have approached the B of directors for financial support?

Um not sure but would like to be informed

Autumn - can you use anything used? I would really like to help Would like your support

Homewood - use to work in the packing lines and they do allow used things to go through

Autumn - if i was to pack a shoe box with things with pristine?

Yes

S- Can I be a volunteer?

A- Yes

6.5 Reading

week

Mohammad Akbar- Information

6.6 FASS Rep.

webpage

Mohammad Akbar- Information

7 Posted Motions

7.1Elections

Ratification

Jordan Renaud- Information

7.2 Reading

Week

Mohammad Akbar- Information

7.3 FASS Rep. webpage Mohammad Akbar- Information

- 8 Question Period
- 9 New Business

10.0 Adjournment

"Whereas students are overwhelmingly in favour of a Fall reading week, and whereas very recently Fall reading week was phased out, Be it resolved the UWSA lobby on renewing Fall Reading Week."

Whereas several FASS representatives have created a Facebook page to communicate with their constituents, and Whereas many FASS reps ran on a platform of transparency, and Whereas FASS representatives agreed in advance to create a Faculty of Arts and Social Science Centric page to inform constituents, Be it Resolved that the UWSA endorse and support the "University of Windsor Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences" Facebook page, and Be it Further resolved that the UWSA post a short advertisement for the page in upcoming UWSA mass messages to students."