

**UWSA Board of Director Meeting Minutes
UWSA Council Chambers
Wednesday January 26th, 2011
4:00pm**

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Chair:

Laine McGarragle

Voting Members Present

Executive:

Jaideep Singh, Robert Woodrich, Andrew Bell

Board of Directors:

Ryan Dhiman, Jake DeJong, Dane Dillon

Present by Proxy:

Masum Mukit, Anuj Virani

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Call to Order at 4:08 pm.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion: DeJong

Second: Dhiman

Tally: 5-0-0

2.0 Approval of Minutes

Motion: Virani

Second: DeJong

Tally: 5-0-0

3.0 Chairs Business

None

4.0 Presentations

4.1 Katelyn Murray

Presented by: Katelyn Murray

- Has started a charity called Kujali Congo

- At the moment we are working on making our organization a recognized charity and thus far have been working under Rotary International
- Goal of the organization is to provide academic scholarships for children to go to school
- Education children receive is all encompassing and teaches about how to farm and survive as well as traditional academics
- Will be traveling to the DRC with an organization call Cross Cultural Solutions and will also be living in Tanzania
- While in the DRC will be working with the community to find out the needs of the children and how else help can be provided to them
- Reasons why the Board should fund this project:
 - Have done a similar trip before and so proper preparation has been and will continue to put into this trip
 - Will be giving back to the community and University through education and awareness
 - Has been keeping a blog, will be doing a Podcast through CJAM, would like to place an article in the Lance and would like to make presentations
- Has applied to many other places and is looking for \$1000 from the UWSA in funding

Questions

(Q) Dhiman – The net loss is what you are looking to fill?

(A) Murray – Yes, this is how much money I will need to be raising before my trip.

4.2 SAE BAJA 2011

Presented by: Mr. Kant

- Is a fourth year mechanical engineering student here at the University of Windsor and as apart of their final project, students must participate in the building of a BAJA car for the international SAE BAJA race
- The car then participates in a four hour endurance race and last year the University of Windsor car came in second place
- The race takes place June 8th to 11th in Edward Illinois
- The car must be changed 40% from last years car
- Our cost to cover is \$12, 406.59 and this includes material and equipment for the vehicle, costs of travel for the student's participating etc.
- In the past we have received a lot of funding from many different organizations and companies throughout Windsor and Detroit, however due to the recession, or resources have dwindled

- We are requesting \$5000 from the UWSA to help cover the costs of designing, fabricating and testing the vehicle and in return we will place the UWSA logo on the car for the race

Questions

(Q) McGarragle – It was mentioned that the technician working on the car is paid for out of your funds raised, have you thought about inquiring to see if the University administration will cover these costs?

(A) Kant – The technician is a University employee and has a separate contract with us.

(Q) Singh – Of the \$12,406 what are other companies and cooperation's donating?

(A) Kant – We have already gone everywhere and most places have said no.

(Q) Dillon – What happens to the car after the competition?

(A) Kant – All of the cars are in storage here at the University. For all big donators we allow them to rent the car for special events or open houses.

(Q) Dhiman – How have past cars finished in this race?

(A) Kant – It is all on our website. Last year we came 2nd, 2009 was 45th overall, 2008 was 8th overall amongst 121 teams.

(Q) DeJong – How much was the total cost of the car last year?

(A) Kant – Last year's car cost \$17, 500

5.0 Discussion

- Funding summary present by Jaideep Singh
- Funding is split into two categories, club and special events
 - Within the clubs funding \$7000 was allocated, \$5196 has been used to date with \$1804 remaining
 - Within the clubs funding \$7000 was allocated, \$2300 has been used and \$4700 is remaining

BIRT the UWSA Board of Directors give Katelyn Murray \$1000 from the special events account.

Motion: DeJong

Second: Dillon

Singh – Speaking in favor – Ms. Murray is very involved in the University and in charitable events and causes, though I do not know her personally I see her all the time working hard. I do think the Board should fund her because she is not only looking to benefit herself but others also. However in regards to the \$1000

request, I ask the board to look at the budget and possible revise the amount them plan to allocate to her.

DeJong – Speaking in favor – Would like to provide her with as much as we can however what we are giving her is steep and am open to suggestions.

Dillon – Speaking in favor – She seems to be very involved on campus and does have a good plan for after her trip, which will benefit the campus community. I think it will be a good choice for the Board to support Ms. Murray because it is our way of helping a very positive cause.

Motion to move in Caucus at 6:00 pm.

Motion: DeJong Second: Virani Tally: 5-0-0

Motion to move out of Caucus at 6:09 pm.

Motion: DeJong Second: Mukit Tally: 5-0-0

McGarragle – So we are back to our original motion

BIRT the UWSA Board of Directors give Katelyn Murray \$1000 from the special events account.

Motion: DeJong Second: Dillon Tally: 4-0-1

Note: Virani’s proxy abstained

Discussion on SAE BAJA funding

(Q) Dhiman – this comes out of club funding?

(A) Singh – Yes

POPP – DeJong – have we funded them in the past?

Coffin – Yes, I believe so.

Motion to move in caucus at 6:12.

Motion: Dhiman Second: Dillon Tally: 5-0-0

Dhiman – Automotive engineering is the crown jewel of our university and I would like to give them this money however we don’t have that much in either account.

DeJong – It is surprising how much this project is costing since it is a mandatory project needed to graduate. It’s surprising that the university isn’t funding them more for this.

Dillon – They should think about selling the past cars.
Motion to move in camera 6:15 pm.

Motion: DeJong Second: Virani Tally: 5-0-0

Motion to move out of camera 6:28 pm.

Motion: DeJong Second: Dillon Tally: 5-0-0

6.0 Adjournment

Motion: Dhiman Second: Mukit Tally: 5-0-0

Meeting adjournment at 6:43 pm.