



**Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 13th, 2013, 5:00 PM
Council Chambers, CAW Student Centre**

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ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ACTION
1	Call to Order 5:08pm	Chris Rudnicki
2	Chair's Business Moving the visiting guests presentation and request for funding forward in the agenda. Approved	Chris Rudnicki
6.1	Caring for Cambodia: Beach Volleyball Tournament Hoping to raise: \$5000 Hospital for Hope \$3000 Local Orphanage – Supplies that they need, e.g. Desks or Chairs Cambodia top affected countries affected by aids. 40% of population living below the poverty line. Hospital is in desperate need of assistance. Their services are operated like a lottery on a daily basis instead of a first come first serve option. They will be holding a volleyball tournament and are requesting \$400 for prizes in their tournament. Bibilovska: Do you travel to Cambodia? Derusa: They only raise funds. There are members that will be attending, but the cost will be out of their own pockets. Farhan: Date of the tournament Misic: July 20, 2013 Farhan: Is concerned with the allocation of the money and how the money will arrive to the hospitals. Wants to ensure a guarantee since the money is not directly transferred to the organization, but through a third	Milica Misic Monica Derusa



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party means.

Misic: The President of their student group has a sister working with the organizations as a Doctor. As she did her residency there she is a part of the organization they are working with.

Farhan: Does not feel comfortable with the situation, would like contact information and a better understanding of how the money is transferred to the right organizations.

Fynbo: Has worked with previous organizations that work in a similar fashion and believes this to be a good initiative for the board to fund.

BIRT the Board approve \$400 to be dispersed to Caring for Cambodia towards prizes for the fundraising volley tournament on July 20th.

BIFRT the funds be dispersed from the line in the 2012/2013 UWSA Operating Budget.

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4 Approval of Minutes

May 17th, 2013 Board Minutes

Approved

May 30th, 2013 Board Minutes

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5 Presentations

5.1 Peer Support Centre

Sobia Ali Faisal

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5.2 President's Report

Robert Crawford



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Moving forward, there should be policies in place for better transitions. There was great difficulty with the lack of training with new executives coming into place.

Feels that he could take a more professional approach and is new to the UWSA environment. Is new to the processes of the UWSA decision making bodies.

Hired new Editor-in-Chief, she has a diploma in journalism as well as a degree in History.

GM – Hiring. Would like to have a short-list developed by next week.

Administration is now allowed to enter student's emails when "legal to do so" There should be major concern for this. There is concern for the protection of students.

Centre for studies and social justice is now closed. Has met with Bob Orr the FASS president and the University stands by the closure. The UWSA could take over some of the Centre's activities. The UWSA possibly hosting the conference that they held with the help of funding.

Food services, an assessment is being done and taking a look at new food vendors.

The UWSA has a weak presence at Head Start, the planning should be done for the new coming executives for next year. Giving new students a good impression of the UWSA is important for the university. A social would be an idea for students to meet with the UWSA staff.

Student Space – University administration wants to create more student spaces on campus. They are currently creating space in the Computer Centre.



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Downtown student space for 2015, with the university moving into the downtown core, how do we accommodate students with disability? Where can these students write exams? These issues need to be assessed.

Renovations for the restaurant space are estimated costs \$750,000. A proposal will be put together for Board and Council to consider.

Board to track executive hours, a policy to consider.

Farhan: Regarding the proposals, the UWSA should take into consideration as many as possible. UWSA should also take into consideration a third party management.

Fynbo: Can you explain the email situation.

DeJong: Execs sit on the senate. The university did not have a policy that said whether or not they could access student emails. There are issues with the legality of the wording that has been put into place. The university is able to enter a student's email "when legal to do so," however what is legal binding with the university?

Farhan: Asked for clarification of taking over the Social Justice Centre.

Crawford: The Conference that the centre held would be a great initiative for the UWSA to continue on with the closing of that program.

Farhan: Who would be organizing that?

Crawford: Ivona

5.3 University of Windsor 2013/2014 Operating Budget Robert Crawford

The new provincial framework, the government



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lowered the maximum allowed to increase tuition. There is a budget shortfall of \$1.8 million with the university.

They have made a strategic investment plan to enhance the student experience. UWSA should make them accountable to that.

9 new academic appointments on campus, which means additional professors will be on campus.

The university is trying to build strong student services and a welcoming environment. Our university is saying they are trying to put students first and it's the UWSA's job to make them accountable to that.

42% of students are arts and social sciences, it's such a large component, by engaging them, students can become more involved in the development of these services.

72% of students are from the Windsor area which means they are not necessarily on campus. Strategy to engage those students.

Our Academic fees are 54.2% which would make students that majority funders, which should give them a great voice regarding how funds are spent.

Students need to be accessing financial aid that is not being applied for.

The student garage has worked out a preferred parking pass. If students are purchasing these passes, there is concern whether they will be oversold. Will there be parking spaces available to students who purchase these passes.

The UWSA should be helping with recruitment to help



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bring students to this school.

Developing ideas to influence changes to curriculum, technology, etc that the university offers.

Advocate for students to become entrepreneurial even if the students are not business students. Students can be creating jobs instead of looking for them.

Protecting students jobs with the unions on campus.

The university will be doing upgrades to the bathrooms in Leddy. As well as other buildings on campus.

The University is concerned about the drop in government funding as their costs rise and revenue drops.

Farhan: You mention unions contracts coming up soon. Having a stronger student presence with jobs on campus is important. The jobs that are taken are not occupied by students, such as the front desk and food court.

DeJong: 2.4 million strategic fund, has the money been earmarked.

Crawford: Only a portion of it.

Akbar: Which faculties are going to be increasing with professors? Are these sessional?

Crawford: Believes them to be sessionals.

Akbar: What do you think the role of the UWSA jobs with collectively bargaining?

Crawford: How does the UWSA want to involve themselves, the council and board should consider. The contracts are not up until the end of the year, there is time to decide what role the UWSA wants to



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5.4 RFP Presentation

Mohammad Akbar

A Request for Proposal is sent out to companies who submit proposal given certain guidelines and then the UWSA looks over these proposals to best suit UWSA needs.

The Health and Dental plans are provided through a broker. ACL Student benefits was the previous provider. C&C then came in with a better offer that the UWSA currently uses.

Now is a good time to send out an RFP to propose:

OHIP Equivalent Coverage – cheaper than what international students are paying now.

Administrative Costs – Have those costs included.

Collaboration with GSS and OPUS

Does not want to limit these points to the RFP process.

Farhan: Timeline for the RFP

Akbar: Have something drafted over the summer.
Changes will not take place until the fall of next year.

5.5 Board Contract Signing Policy

Jessaline Fynbo

Tabled

6 Funding Requests

7 Posted Motions

- 7.1 BIRT** the UWSA seek an RFP for its' health and dental plan
BIFRT a committee for the RFP be developed by the VPF&O

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Farhan



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7.3 Whereas Natasha Marar's employment contract ended May 31st, and we need her to train the incoming Lance Editor-In-Chief Robert Crawford

BIRT the Board compensate Natasha Marar at the rate of \$15/hour to train the new Editor-In-Chief to a maximum of one working say (8 hours)

BIFRT Natasha Marar report these hours to the UWSA President, to report to Board

Natasha will not agree to training the new Editor in Chief until there is a written contract since she is not under contract for payment of her services.

Farhan: How long would the training be?

DeJong – A two day period.

Fynbo -How would we track their hours?

Crawford: I will track them and then submit them.

Motion to move In Camera

Farhan

Fynbo

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Motion to move Out of camera

Fynbo

Farhan

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Fynbo: Understands there has been a negative history. It is important to train someone with their new jobs, we just talked about poor transition with the UWSA



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and it wouldn't be fair for this new employee. Natasha has previously performed well for The Lance and she should be given the benefit of the doubt.

Farhan: Against, would rather find alternative ways of training her.

Akbar: Has the new employee had previous experience as an editor in chief?

Crawford: Unsure

El Dika: How was the two days training established? Was it recommended by Natasha?

Crawford: They were not established in any particular way. It was a suggested timeframe.

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8 New Business

Farhan

BIRT each executive give a report regarding their goals and accomplishments for the term;

Fynbo

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Farhan: Enjoyed the report that Crawford presented at the beginning of the meeting.

DeJong: Asked for clarification on the motion.



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9 Question Period

S.Akbar: An email was received from Josh and Nadia Hachem – UWSA previously funded \$4000 for Welcome Week. Inquired to see if this money was be allocated again this year.

Ivona: There was a misunderstanding with last year's event where they did in fact receive funding. They have already received a reply that they will not be receiving funding.

10 Adjournment

Farhan

El Dika

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