

**UWSA Board of Director Meeting Minutes
UWSA Council Chambers
Wednesday March 2, 2011
5:00pm**

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Chair:

Laine McGarragle

Voting Members Present

Executive:

Laine McGarragle, Jaideep Singh, Andrew Bell

Board of Directors:

Jake DeJong, Dane Dillon, Anuj Virani, Ryan Dhiman, Massum Mukit

Present by Proxy:

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Call to Order at 5:11 pm.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion: DeJong

Second: Dhiman

Tally: 5-0-0

2.0 Approval of Minutes

Motion: DeJong

Second: Dillon

Tally: 5-0-0

3.0 Chairs Business

None

4.0 Presentations

4.1 SOS

Presented by: Gayathri Sivakumar

- Windsor Students Offering Support is a registered charitable organization whose goals are to provide tutoring sessions to students and to participate in outreach programs throughout Latin America
- The Windsor chapter provides 2-3 hour group tutoring sessions before midterms and exams
 - Sessions are held by bright upper year students who have succeeded academically

- These sessions are known for their open learning atmosphere and data has shown that students who participate in the program see a 17% increase in grades
- 100% of the money from all tutoring sessions goes towards Outreach programs which students at the University of Windsor can participate in
- Windsor chapter has tutored over 500 students and raised over \$10,000
- This year the outreach program is in Píllao, Peru
 - 19 students will be going
 - Short term goal is to ensure better nutrition and a long term goal is to irradiate illiteracy
- Are asking the UWSA to donate \$2000 towards the trip

Questions

(Q) Bell – What are the tangible benefits coming back to the University of Windsor campus?

(A) Sivakumar – We would like to see the University of Windsor involved in global initiatives and we will be doing a documentary and bring it back to campus to tell our experiences.

4.2 Womyn's Center – International Women's Day Event

Presented by: Cassandra Thomas and associates

- International Women's Day will be held on Tuesday March 8, 2011 and the Womyn's center will be holding a large event, it is the 100th Anniversary of International Women's Day
 - Windsor has never held a big day long event like this before for International Women's Day
- We will have booth's set up in the common's area of the CAW, fun activities to do during the day and a panel discussion in the evening followed by a cultural dance
- The purpose of this event is to bridge gaps, bring students together and show students safe places on campus
- Are asking the UWSA to partner with us and help to cover our budget of \$1,145.39, this includes a lunch for the participants and volunteers of the event

Questions

(Q) Bell – what will you do if you do not receive the funding and do you have funding coming from anywhere else?

(A) If we do not receive the funding we will have to cut the lunch for participants and volunteers. The Women's Study Program has told us there will provide us with a small amount if we are in need and the Womyn's center could also contribute a small amount

(Q) Singh – You mentioned you would like to make this an annual event, do you have any plans to make this event more self sufficient in the future?

(A) This is the first year we have run the event and only have a small planning committee of three people, however will do plan to seek funding from the community next year

4.3 Lancer Nation

Presented by: Keith McShan, Adam Powel, Nick Rupert and Peter Brewer

- **Mission Statement and Purpose**
 - Lancer Nation is a Sport Management and Marketing Group in conjunction with the Lancer Athletic Program
 - The purpose of Lancer Nation is to increase revenue through sponsorship and ticket sales, reduce the management role of varsity coaches, increase the Lancer brand, increase student attendance and make games more enjoyable and exciting for everyone
 - Members of Lancer Nation have the chance to gain experience in a professional setting
- **Past Events**
 - Past events that Lancer Nation has organized have been the first Annual Gino Fracas Memorial Golf Outing, 2010 Lancer Football Homecoming, an orientation program for International students, 2011 Windsor Indoor Golf Classic, the Loony Lancers and much more
- **Event**
 - Windsor will be hosting the CIS Women's Basketball event from March 18th - 20th 2011
 - Event will be televised
- **Funding**
 - We are requesting \$1800 for the UWSA to help cut down the cost for students who want to attend and also to purchase some t-shirt to be given to students at the event
- **Benefits**
 - Will help the overall image of the University of Windsor
 - Promote our pride to potential students
 - Give students the opportunity to see a National Basketball Championship
- **Participation**
 - We'll be hoping to fill 240 seats with students and if the UWSA partners with us the cost for students to attend will be cut down significantly

Questions

(Q) Bell – How will you be soliciting students to attend these games?

(A) We have been recording the emails of students that have attended games in the past. These students will receive the first chance to purchase tickets and then a general email will be sent out to everyone.

(S) Once you have surpassed the original 240 seats for students will the \$5 price be extended for the overhaul?

(A) Yes it will be.

(Q) McGarragle – Have there been any talks with Lancer Athletics in regards to selling the tickets to everyone through Lancer Nation

(A) No, there has not but that is definitely an option.

(Q) Coffin – Is it your impression that the Athletics Department gets to set all the prices?

(A) It is the OUA and CIS the make the rules for ticket pricing

4.4 Tanzania Project

Presented by: Brianna Jentzel and Liam

- Global Education Research and Development Initiative (GERDI) is a program designed to provide teacher candidates with an opportunity to participate in meaningful learning projects around the world
- The current project is to support the vulnerable children of the Kitititmo Centre in Singidia, Tanzania
- The project will be providing basic necessities, funding educational initiatives, providing psychosocial support and more
 - Participants of this trip are expected to become acquainted with the culture, language and educational systems before the trip
 - Provide psychosocial support, in-class teaching and brainstorm ideas to develop a more sustainable system while there
 - Present finding to current and incoming University of Windsor students, establish initiatives and utilize the knowledge they have gained to the best of their advantage upon their return
- Goals are to contribute a sustainable chicken coop (\$2800), stove (\$600) and resource library (\$500) while there, will also be providing basic necessities like clothing, soap etc. from other fund raising
- Are asking the UWSA for \$2750, which is the cost of one person for this trip
 - That is 4% of our trip to be covered by the UWSA
- We have approached many other sources including the University of Windsor's Strategic Priority Fund, the Rotary Club of Windsor, CAW Social Justice Fund and have been in touch with over 90 businesses in the community

Questions

None

5.0 Discussion