

**STUDENTS' GENERAL ASSOCIATION**

**BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**6:00 PM**

Attendees: Kraymr, Abraham, Alyssa, Roberto, Jessica, Graham, Astrid, Amanda, Rachael,

Laura,

Absent: Connor

**Chairman of the Board: Kraymr Grenke**

Kraymr: **Motion to Adopt the Agenda**

Moved: Astrid

Seconded: Roberto

Kraymr: All in favour? Any abstentions?

**Passed**

Kraymr: **Approval of Minutes**

Moved: Alyssa

Second: Andrew

Kraymr: All in favour? Any abstentions?

**Passed**

**Information Items**

1. Executive Reports

### 1. President

Myself and Roch went to OUSA. Great papers on housing, international, and access. Access was interesting because they talked about ways to give all students in Ontario the opportunity to go to University. International paper will help students with their international fees. March 27<sup>th</sup> is the open house sessions for the strategic vision for the university. I have started the transition with Roch and taking him to every meeting that I go to.

### 2. VP Policy and Advocacy

Worked with LUACSA for the Black History Club. Felt it was a good start and really pushed them to take the initiative. I am currently just reviewing my year and seeing what we did well and where we can improve. Just had an appeal case that went successfully.

### 3. Chief Operating Officer

Process of hiring a Director of Programming. Held interviews on Monday and final decision will be made on Friday. This position will help all of the Executives and staff with planning events. This position will be involved in every event on campus. Aside from that, a lot of Student Centre staff with the surveys and focus groups.

Andrew: Is this new position taking any roles from any current staff?

Amanda: Not really. We see the value in this position because with new execs each year, there not expected to know how to plan events so with this position, they can build the relationships with the community and have consistency with events.

Astrid: Is this person available to help clubs?

Amanda: Yes

## 2. Finance

Kraymr: Talked with our Finance Manager today. I will send a report of what we discussed in an email. We have no issues with our Finances and we have received the second instalment from the University for the second semester. Gained 120 students in second semester.

## 3. Student Centre

Kraymr: There was short notice on meeting the architecture last Thursday but they will be back. The reason they hired this architecture firm is because this is there 5<sup>th</sup> student centre that they are building so they know how to interact with students and what works.

Astrid: Will this create any summer jobs for architecture students? Do architecture students have the opportunity to get involved?

Kraymr: No, but Capital Projects will be hiring 2 summer intern which will not have a direct impact on the building. The board will be the main focus group for the building. You can bring student input and your own. Another focus group will be the School of Architecture.

Astrid: I know there are partial SGA club centres. Do you know which one of those are going in the building?

Kraymr: Yes. Pride, Women, and ISC will stay in their own spot. Lambda and LUCert will join us.

Astrid: Will there be extra room for future people to come into our building?

Kraymr: The architects have been informed about the political structure of our university and aware of future potential plans. In general, there will be additional space that can be allocated for office space or booths. You have seen the pop up survey stands. They will be moving and

going through different buildings and the affiliated buildings. We have had 500 results so far and we have received positive feedback. They will get data and the focus groups will push the data. We did a site tour with the architects and they saw no issues. Soil samples have been taken and the site should look good.

### **Action Items**

#### 1. Election

Kraymr: We will go through the ratification process. We will have 4 motions, one for each of the executives and do all of the Senates together.

Astrid: Do we have enough quorum to vote because two of the candidates are on the board?

There would be a conflict of interest.

Laura: Those members will just have to abstain. We just need quorum for the motion.

Abraham: Also, our Senators are not on the email list.

Kraymr: They will be added and briefed about Senate.

Kraymr: First motion: Senator motion. Be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the SGA ratify the candidates that were elected through this year's electoral process; Alyssa Mifflin,

Astrid Fournier, Katherine Grove, and Cassidy Houston

Kraymr: Any discussion?

Moved: Roberto

Seconded: Rachael

Kraymr: All in favour?

**Passed**

Kraymr: Vice-President Student Life. Be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the SGA ratify the candidate that was elected through this year's electoral process; Simon Lafontant for the Vice-President Student Life position.

Moved: Graham

Seconded: Astrid

Kraymr: All in favour?

**Passed**

Kraymr: Vice-President Policy and Advocacy. Be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the SGA ratify the candidate that was elected through this year's electoral process; Abraham King for the Vice-President Student Life position.

Moved: Andrew

Seconded: Graham

Kraymr: All in favour?

**Passed**

Kraymr: President. Be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the SGA ratify the candidate that was elected through this year's electoral process; Roch Goulet for the President and Chief Executive Officer position.

Moved: Astrid

Seconded: Roberto

Kraymr: All in favour?

## **Passed**

Kraymr: We have officially elected our Executives. We will start our transition and I ask the Senators to prep the new Senators. There is Senate meeting on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

### 2. Committee of Francophone Affairs

Astrid: We were supposed to have a meeting for that and for Pub.

Kraymr: Okay. Any Francophone Affair issues? Any Pub issues?

Astrid: The drinks taste different every time.

Kraymr: I will talk to Pub.

Alyssa: I'm talking to Nick about a permanent photographer and looking for a honorarium for that position.

Kraymr: Okay we will look into it.

### 3. Board Information for Government

Kraymr: Please sign these forms that are required for board members.

### 4. Planning for Next Year

Kraymr: Is there anything you would like to see next year?

Astrid: A meeting that is open to the public and they can voice what they would like there.

Kraymr: We are having a AGM in three weeks where they can voice it there.

Alyssa: If we can push to have a faculty representative from each council, that would be great.

Kraymr: Yes, no problem.

Roberto: Schools do live streaming that we can look into.

### 5. Other business

Astrid: Information item, I went to the RAFO AGM on campus were there was no representation from any student association. There was a change to the constitution. Previously you had to take at least two French courses over three semesters and they realized it was difficult because there are limited French courses. Now everybody who speaks French that is a member of the 11 francophone institutions is a member. That means more members and more voting members at Laurentian.

Kraymr: UofS and Laurentian are considered different institutions?

Astrid: Yes, on campus starting in May, we will have three co-presidents.

Kraymr: RAFO is funded by the government

Astrid: They are funded by several things, it's not funded by the government. It's all by grants.

Roch: For next year, if he didn't receive an email, I would like to receive one.

Astrid: Yeah, no problem.

Astrid: What is going on with student life?

Alyssa: We are planning a clothing swap. It will be on the 26<sup>th</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in West 132. If I do the 26<sup>th</sup>, it would have to be a certain set up. I had a meeting with Rachael for Pride Week. Pub will be a themed night.

Astrid: Before we adjourn, can I schedule the next meeting?

Kraymr: Week of the 27<sup>th</sup> so Pride Week doesn't get affected. We will do a Doodle Poll.

Kraymr: Any other business?

Roberto: School of Sports Administration hosted the first northern sport conference at the university. We invited other universities and we had students who were offered acceptance to go

to SPAD attend the conference and accepted their offer while at the conference. We have had sponsors like CIBC who already want to be a part of it next year.

Kraymr: Friday night will also be Relay for Life so if you can make it, please support.

Astrid: Game society is planning a huge charity event in September. We are looking to go around the community and looking for participants.

6. In Camera

7. Adjournment

Kraymr: **Motion for Adjournment**

Moved: Abraham

Seconded: Astrid:

**Sustained and Carried**