# Students' General Association Board Meeting Tuesday, October 25, 2016 6:00pm

**Chairman of the Board**: Kraymr Grenke

## **Information Items**

- Finance
  See Budget
- Auto Assignment Moved until the next meeting
- 3. Clubs
- Clubs will receive their funding if they have followed the cancellation process.
  Everything seems to have worked out fairly well so far
- Issues with clubs and insurance: The Voyageur Racing club has doombuggies, they asked for insurance. They wanted to insure sponsors to drive their buggies around, the University and the SGA said no as it was not necessary and there was too much liability
- Sponsorships to kin games, nursing games, architecture these are things we support on campus

### 4. Student Centre

- Capital projects has given a list of what should go in the student centre. Student space is the mandate we are looking to stay with. Spaces for students to use.
- The current list of assigned spaces: clubs room, two small meeting rooms, two multi purpose rooms, partition walls, a quiet room, open student space, atrium style breezeway, office space and board room for the SGA, commercial space (food bank, photography, dental hygienist and bring back the café), janitorial, IT and a communications office.
- The SGA has funded this student centre; they are not opening this to other student associations as nobody has approached them or has funded any of what is going into this space. Many areas will be open to the public, however, some areas will be accessed by SGA members only.
- The shovel is expected to be in the ground by Summer 2017.
- Astrid would like to see some of the spaces left empty for potential rental spaces and would like us to break down what is going in the student centre and present it to other

student associations. Astrid also suggested we look for extra money i.e. Sponsorship of the building

- Rachel mentioned that Pride would like to maybe stay within Laurentian as AEF also funds them.
- Connor asked if pub will be moving into the new building? Kraymr was unable to answer at this moment as the plans have not gone this far.
- Jessica mentioned that pub is run exclusively by SGA and SGA students'; will other students' have access if we make it in the new SGA student centre and will it be exclusive to SGA students' and former SGA students'. Alumni who have paid towards it and will no longer have access? The SGA should be prepared to answer these questions.

### 5. Executive Reports

## 5.1 President Report

Kraymr's policy paper is ready to read. It will be published on November 8<sup>th</sup>. They cover a lot of basis; he will put it in the drive for everyone to look at it. Kraymr is going to a CFS conference next month, he will be asking for specific demands to be met. He is hoping the sexual violence policy is finalized by Christmas. Open House was a success. Will send out a doodle poll for our next meetings time and day.

## 5.2 Vp of Student Life

Daniel has been developing trivia nights in the pub, November 9<sup>th</sup> is the next one. Pizza sales in the pub have been left for clubs to fundraise. Pub nights are every Thursday night. He is working on developing live music in the pub, red stool sessions, live musicians on Wednesdays? SGA gives back is at the end of November, care packages for exams are being put together, affiliated residences are to help contribute. Daniel started working on frost week, this is intended to be the first week back after xmas. Prides budget is going to events during pride so pride doesn't have to flip the bill. Open to ideas for events?

# 5.3 Vp of policy and advocacy

Financial literacy week, turn out wasn't good. The attendees who came have great feedback. Hoping to up attendance for next year.

# Senator reports:

Connor: Senate does not work with his school schedule; he has not been receiving the agendas for our BOD meetings. Spoke about the amount of French students' who actually graduate with a full French degree and that this amount is very minimal

Astrid: Either everything happens or nothing happens at Laurentian. Astrid's been working with REFO for their impact workshop. Mental health, it would be great to have a psychiatrist on campus for part of a day/once a month. Astrid has noticed a

phenomenon where LU says they can do a 4-year degree in french but part way things change and they have to shift to English courses. Some people at the AEF, such as Mia, Jess and Alex, suggest to look at the baby boomers dropping like flies. Our population is going down because people aren't having kids. Astrid believes the University should offer more bilingual classes and that students should be able to hand in their work in either or languages.

### 6. Memo of Agreement for New Student Centre

Spoke about this in Actions Items

# 1. Budget

### Pub:

- Pub is doing well, budgeting to spend approximately \$120,000
- Security is paid every time we have a pub night
- LU bills us every time we have a pub night

#### V-Desk

- scheduled to break even
- we have funded the Health Living/learn to lift program, we paid towards equipment in the new athletic centre
- The ISC is part of SGA but are their own entity

# Miscellaneous expenses

- campaign on social work, food bank, outsourcing and translation
- Pride went up \$1 in 2016-2017

# <u>Telephone</u>

- cell phones are paid for, for our staff, this expenses was just re-assigned on a line rather then in general expenses
- Our expenses are higher then our revenue
- Clubs are now on a budget line.
- Our reserve as it stands is \$22,441.00

Budget Approval: moved to the next board meeting in November

# 2. Financial Statements

- Received final financial statements from KPMG
- The SGA has not paid their CFS fees, cheques have been recorded for this expense, yet they never got them, and they ever contacted us to make us aware, Kraymr is going to CFS next month and will deliver the cheques, he will ensure we haven't been charged interest
- This was our first year with the new health plan (trial year), we over spent on our health and dental plan last year, fees were raised this year to compensate. We had extra money in our bank account, we therefore paid off our investment account. Our goal is to break even; we will know in 6 months if we are on the right track

- Pub was open for 2 months last year and we made \$60,000. Pub might actually make money this year
- The budget is in the drive under finance
- We had no money left over. We broke even at zero, we touched the reserve a little bit

#### 3. Other Business

- The draft for the sexual violence policy is ready, Kraymr has requested everyone to read this and get back to him with feedback by 10am October 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Kraymr will make it a google doc, therefore people can make notes
- Astrid has a conflict of interest as Alyssa is a voting member and she is an employee
- Pub menu- we don't make money on the food sold, we therefore revamped the menu to only appetizers
- We are missing missing board members from Nursing, Medicine, ISC etc...
- The minutes from the last meeting will be approved at the next meeting in November
- Connor for the next board meeting will join us via teleconference

#### 4. Committees

Motion to create a standing committee for francophone affairs

- moved by Kraymr, seconded by Astrid
- Passed
- Astrid would like to start this committee in order to ensure the voice of the SGA francophone students are heard and that there is always a representative for those who are francophone and members of the SGA. Astrid suggested a committee of 7 voting members and 3 non-voting members. Kraymr would change that to an exofficio position. They would therefore have the power to make recommendations to the board for motions. Only a voting member of this board can bring a recommendation

Connor would like to see more in writing, something to review. Astrid will send this and we will vote on it during the next meeting.

Astrid suggested a working committee for making a pub menu or making better options in pub.

### 5. In Camera