

## SAITSA Students' Legislative Council

Minutes

Monday, January 13, 2014

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### Present

Alasdair Edwards	School of Business	Voting Member
Joshua Bettle	School of Business	Voting Member
Spencer Janke	School of Business	Voting Member
Steven Robert Uren	School of Business	Voting Member
Josh Perlette	School of Hospitality and Tourism	Voting Member
Katerina Dulay	School of Hospitality and Tourism	Voting Member
Rahul Bali	School of Hospitality and Tourism	Voting Member
Amanda Siebert	School of ICT	Voting Member
Shyamili Velmurugan	MacPhail School of Energy	Voting Member
David Huston	School of Transportation	Voting Member
Kristyn Melanson	School of Transportation	Voting Member
Andrew Crossett	BOG Representative	Ex-Officio
Matthew Armstrong	Alumni Representative	Ex-Officio
Tegan Cochrane	SAITSA President	Voting Member
Kenneth Taylor	SAITSA VP External	Voting Member
Thomas Cruickshank	SAITSA VP Academic	Voting Member
Amanda Hanna	SAITSA VP Student Life	Voting Member
Marcel Carpenter	SAITSA Advisor/SLC Neutral Chair	Ex-Officio
Lindsay Wye-Palmer	Recording Secretary	Ex-Officio
Katie Hope	SAITSA Policy and Governance Coordinator	Guest

### Excused

Ana Pizuk	School of Business	Voting Member
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### Absent

Scott Mantle	School of Business	Voting Member
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#### 1.0 Call to order

Marcel called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

#### 2.0 Approval of Agenda

9.3: BOG Planning session' 9.4 Joint Exec. Ideas, and 9.5 Academic Council Rep were added to the agenda

#### Motion

It was moved by David and seconded to approve the amended agenda

#### Motion carried

#### 3.0 SLC Resignations

##### 3.1 Resignation of SLC Member – Tegan Cochrane

Tegan informed the SLC that Steven Robert Uren would be resigning from Council. Steven was present, and gave a brief speech to the group. Marcel thanked Steven for his contribution to the SLC and wished him good luck in the future. Steven then left the meeting. The SLC accepted his resignation.

##### 3.2 Resignation of SLC Member – Tegan Cochrane

Tegan informed the SLC that Felipe Soto Torres would be resigning from Council. Felipe was not present, but the SLC accepted his resignation, and Marcel thanked him for his contributions to Council.

#### **4.0 Adoption of Minutes**

December 4, 2013

#### **Motion**

It was moved by Thomas and seconded to adopt the minutes from December 4, 2013

#### **Motion carried**

#### **5.0 Reports**

Reports were given by Tegan, Kenneth, Thomas, Amanda and Andrew.

#### **6.0 Ad-Hoc Committee Reports**

Reports were given by Kenneth and Katerina. There were no reports to give for the Transportation and Parking, International Student Issues, or Academic Policy Committees.

#### **7.0 Action Items**

There were no Action Items at this time.

#### **8.0 Business Items**

There were no Business Items at this time.

#### **9.0 Information/Discussion**

##### **9.1 Skill Swap – Amanda Siebert**

Amanda presented a document to the SLC with an idea for a SAIT 'Skill Swap'. She suggested creating a platform for students to swap their skills in their particular area of knowledge/expertise. The idea is in its infancy and the details would need to be worked out, but the Council was in support of looking into the concept and finding out how feasible it would be. The Campus Improvement Committee offered to look into it.

##### **9.2 SLC Membership – Katie Hope**

There are now three open positions on Council, and the SLC previously decided over email to not hold an bi-election. The options now are to either appoint individuals to the SLC, or operate with a partial council. Katie explained the appointment process to Council, and pointed out the guidelines (as per Bylaw 9). A discussion was held, and the SLC opted to proceed with the appointment process. Should there be more than 9 applicants—3 per open position, as per Bylaw 9—the committee to narrow down the candidates for final selection will be as follows: Tegan, David, Rahul, Amanda S., and Shyamili.

##### **9.3 BOG Planning Session – Tegan Cochrane**

Tegan announced that the BOG strategic planning session is scheduled for January 23<sup>rd</sup>, and said that she and Andrew are looking for suggestions about what they should bring up. One of the main focuses will be daycare, with other possibilities including: the eCard, parking, a comprehensive on-campus meal plan, and having more full-time instructors on-campus. Andrew and Tegan will also accept more suggestions via email.

##### **9.4 Joint Executive Ideas – Kenneth Taylor**

Ken mentioned that the next Joint Executive meeting would be the coming Friday, and asked Council to send him any suggestions.

##### **9.5 Academic Council Representative – Thomas Cruickshank**

Steven Robert has resigned as the Academic Council Representative, and the position now needs to be filled. There are currently no policies about how to appoint someone. It was decided, to save on time, that it would be best to appoint someone from SLC to serve for the remainder of the term. A straw poll was taken, and Council agreed to allow the SEC to appoint someone. Candidates should email Lindsay, expressing their interest.

**10.0 Questions/Adjournment**

**Motion**

It was moved by Spencer and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:07pm

**Motion carried**

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SLC Neutral Chair: Marcel Carpenter

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Approval Date

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SLC Chair: David Huston