



Present:

Gar Gar	President	Voting Member
Mikayla Schaffer	Vice President External	Voting Member
Alex Dimopoulos	Vice President Academic	Voting Member
Connor Goodfellow	Vice President Student Life	Voting Member
Mitchell Holt	BOD Chair	Voting Member
Joshua Bettle	Vice Chair	Voting Member
Cameron Hodgins	Director	Voting Member
Daniel Caine	Director	Voting Member
Donavin Nichols	Director	Voting Member
Ha Nguyen	Director	Voting Member
Harsha Bhamidipati	Director	Voting Member
Hayli Hinchey	Director	Voting Member
Herlina Siagan	Director	Voting Member
Ian Buenaventura	Director	Voting Member
Jessica Beddow	Director	Voting Member
Joshua Eway	Director	Voting Member
Naomi Movilla	Director	Voting Member
Tanya Pittis	Director	Voting Member
Vanessa Williams	Director	Voting Member
David Morales	Board of Governors Student Representative	Ex-Officio
Rachel Paris	SAITSA Manager, Governance & Advocacy	Ex-Officio
Martin Cruz	SAITSA Coordinator, Governance & Compliance	Ex-Officio
Blair McCormick	SAITSA Executive Director	Ex-Officio

Regrets:

Jessica Polivchuk	Neutral Facilitator	Ex-Officio
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Guests:

Kelsea Gillespie	Chair, Alberta Students' Executive Council & President, Concordia Students' Association
Chelsea Kemp	Correspondent, The Weal

1.0 Call to order

M. Holt called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

2.0 Conflict of Interest Check

No conflicts of interest noted.

3.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion:

Move to approve the agenda as presented.

A. Dimopoulos/ T. Pittis
Motion carried

4.0 Adoption of Minutes

Motion:

Move to approve the BOD Meeting Minutes from Monday, February 13, 2017.

A. Dimopoulos/ D. Nichols
Motion carried

5.0 Alberta Students' Executive Council Presentation (M. Schaffer, VP External)

M. Schaffer, VP External provided the Board an overview of Alberta Students' Executive Council (ASEC), the provincial lobby group that represents the interest of students in Polytechnics and Colleges to government officials. She outlined the organizational structure, past advocacy wins, and current and ongoing challenges the organization is facing. M. Schaffer provided the Board an overview of the costs associated with being a member of ASEC. M. Schaffer invited K. Gillespie, Chair of ASEC and Concordia Students' Association President, to respond to questions that were provided to her in advance of the meeting, questions pertained to ASEC's strategic planning and governance.

6.0 Individual Reports

Verbal report was provided by G. Gar, M. Schaffer, A. Dimopoulos, C. Goodfellow, & D. Morales. A report was submitted by members of the Executive Committee and circulated prior to the meeting.

7.0 Committee Reports

G. Gar presented a report on behalf of the Finance Committee.

R. Paris presented a report on behalf of the Governance Committee.

D Nichols and D. Caine presented a report on behalf of the Campus Life Committee. A report has been submitted and circulated prior to the meeting.

B. McCormick presented a report on behalf of the Student Space Advisory Committee. A report has been submitted and circulated prior to the meeting.

Motion:

Move to add 7.5 Environmental Sustainability Ad-Hoc Committee to present a report.

**A. Dimopoulos/ C. Goodfellow
Motion carried**

Item 7.5 was added to allow the Environmental Sustainability Committee to present their report. J. Bettle reported on behalf on the Environmental Sustainability Ad-Hoc Committee. A report had been submitted and circulated prior to the meeting.

Motion:

Move to re-open the agenda to include an item for V. Williams resignation.

**V. Williams
No seconder**

Motion:

Move to have a 5 minute recess

**C. Goodfellow/ D. Nichols
Motion carried**

M. Holt called the meeting back to order 7:20pm

The BOD agreed to discuss V. Williams resignation at this time.

Motion:

Move for V. Williams resignation from the Board.

V. Williams/ C. Goodfellow

Motion:

Move the meeting in-camera.

**C. Goodfellow/ J. Beddow
Motion carried**

Motion:

Move the meeting out-of-camera.

D. Nichols/ I. Buenaventura
Motion carried

Vote on main motion:

Motion carried

The Board thanked V. Williams for her service as a Director of SAITSA. V. Williams then left the meeting.

8.0 Action Items

8.1 Change procedures for Programming Fund

R. Paris noted that the changes to the Programming Fund procedures is currently on-going and will be forwarded to the Governance Committee for approval.

8.2 Correct bylaws 7.7.1 and 10.2

Correction to bylaws 7.7.1 and 10.2 are on-going and will be presented to at the next Regular Meeting of the Board.

8.3 Sustainability Vision

The Environmental Sustainability Ad-Hoc Committee will present at the next meeting.

8.4 Email SAITSA Events list to Board Members

R. Paris noted that this tasked has been completed.

9.0 Business Items

9.1 Approval – SAITSA Fiscal Year

B. McCormick provided the Board information regarding a proposed change to SAITSA's Fiscal Year. SAITSA would like to align with SAIT's Fiscal Year, which is July 1st – June 30th, for ease of accounting process and budget planning.

Motion:

Move to change SAITSA's fiscal year end to June 30th.

D. Nichols/ J. Beddow
Motion carried

SAITSA Strategic Plan

R. Paris noted that the Governance Committee is recommending that SAITSA's current strategic plan be extended by two years. The Governance Committee believes the current strategic plan is still relevant, there is great momentum on goals, and the objectives laid out in the plan have not yet been fully achieved.

9.2 Motion:

Move to extend the current Strategic Plan by two years.

T. Pittis /D. Nichols
Motion carried

9.3 Committee Member Ratification

Motion:

Move to ratify Alysson Torres – Gillet as a member of the Student Space Advisory Committee and for C. Hodgins, Karine Potvin, and Ha Nguyen as new members of the Environmental Sustainability Ad-Hoc Committee.

J. Bettle/ C. Goodfellow
Motion carried

9.4 Approval – Board of Governors SAL Selection Committee

Motion:

Move to strike a Board of Governors Student-at-Large Selection Committee.

A. Dimopoulos/ D. Nichols

Motion carried

9.5 ASEC Membership Approval

Motion:

Move for SAITSA to change its ASEC membership status from permanent to probationary.

M. Schaffer/ N. Movilla

Motion carried

10.0 Information/Discussion

10.1 Elections

R. Paris noted that Wednesday, February 15th is the opening of nominations for the Executive Council 2017 Elections. R. Paris also noted that there are several important dates to be noted and she will follow up with an email.

10.2 SAITSA Events

An email will be sent out to Board members with the list of upcoming SAITSA Events.

Motion:

Move for a 7-minute break at 8:09pm

C. Goodfellow/ J. Beddow/

Motion carried

M. Holt called the meeting back in-order at 8:15pm.

10.3 In – Camera Session

Motion:

Move the meeting in-camera.

J. Bettle/ C. Hodgins

Motion carried

G. Gar, C. Goodfellow, & noted guests were asked to leave the room.

Motion:

Move the meeting out-of-camera

D. Nichols/ T. Pittis

Motion carried

M. Holt called the meeting back in-order at 10:27pm.

Motion:

Move for a 5-minute break.

A. Dimopoulos/ J. Beddow

Motion carried

G. Gar & C. Goodfellow re-joined the meeting after the break.

Motion:

Move the meeting in-camera

J. Bettle/ H. Nguyen

Motion carried

Motion:

Move the meeting out-of-camera

D. Nichols/ I. Buenaventura

Motion carried

11.0 Questions/Adjournment

No questions noted.

M. Holt adjourned the meeting at 10:56pm.

BOD Chair: Mitchell Holt

Approved Date:

President: Gar Gar