

GENERAL ASSEMBLY



MINUTES

5th MEETING OF 2017-2018

NOVEMBER 23, 2017 AT 6:00 PM

ULSU Council Chambers

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ATTENDANCE: **HAILEY BABB** – PRESIDENT (CHAIR), **ROYAL ADKIN** – VP OPERATIONS & FINANCE, **DAAN SMIT** - VP STUDENT AFFAIRS, **SANDEEP PARMAR** - VP ACADEMIC, **CONNER PETA** – VP EXTERNAL, **JAREN ROBINSON** - A & S REP, **RILEY DESROCHERS** - A & S REP, **JESSICA JONES** - A & S REP, **LAURA BRYAN** - A & S REP, **ALAINA PYDE** - A & S REP, **KALLEN MORRISON** – A & S REP, **JILLIAN MCGINLEY** – EDUCATION REP, **KELSEY HALLETT** – HEALTH SCIENCE REP, **STORM LIVERSUCH** – 1ST YEAR STUDENT REP, **DARREN NII MARTEY ARMAH** – INTERNATIONAL REP, **MONICA COLLINS** – FINE ARTS REP, **BRADY HORNUNG** - RESIDENCE REP, **GARETH JONES** – CALGARY CAMPUS REP, – **MAYA MANY GREY HORSES** - FNMI REP

ABSENT: NONE

GUESTS: ELECTION CANDIDATES, JAZZ CLUB PRESENTERS

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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MOTION [21639GA]

MSC: B. Hornung/ J. Robinson

BIMT the General Assembly adopt the agenda of November 23, 2017.

Carried

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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MOTION [21640GA]

MSC: K. Hallett/K. Morrison

BIMT the General Assembly approve the minutes of October 24, 2017.

Carried

3. CHAIR REMARKS

Everyone is welcome to join us in the Zoo after the meeting.

4. PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL

4.1 BY-ELECTION

Winning Candidates

Management Rep Candidate: Christian Blott

Education Rep Candidate: Mikayla Kwan

- A. Introduction** – welcome to candidates with an explanation of the by-election process and how voting will take place.
- B. Candidate speeches** – maximum of 2 minutes each one faculty/group at a time.
- C. Q & A** – questions from the GA, one minute answers from the candidates.
- D. Distribution of Secret Ballots for Voting** - GA members to privately mark their choices.
- E. Collecting & Counting of Ballots** – CRO collects ballots and will privately count them with the Executive Assistant.
- F. Announcement of Results** – Winning candidates announced but not vote count. Invitation to candidates to sit at the GA board table, but won't be voting members until the next GA meeting. Those candidates who did not secure a spot on the GA were thanked and encouraged to run in the Spring General ULSU Elections and to volunteer at ULSU events.
- G. Ratification of Results** – at next GA meeting.

4.2 QIP PROPOSAL – JAZZ CLUB (Insert 7.2) – Royal

Kaylee and Jennifer presented the proposal for a jazz education conference in Dallas Texas.

- We don't have a huge program right now.
- We sent in a recoding and were invited to play there. It will give us a chance to emerge in the culture.
- We will learn how to teach classes, how to organize ensembles. There will be multiple sessions going and those attending will learn a lot.
- It is an expensive trip. We are looking for funding to help cover costs of flights, hotels etc. and it does cost to get all of our instruments there. We have been doing a lot of fundraising and are hoping that the music department can help too.
- The raffle will happen tomorrow at our concert. We will also be having a 50/50 draw. The students will be paying as much as they need to, but it is hard financially for them. Not all club members are music majors. We also have also submitted a club grant and a travel grant application with the ULSU.

5. REPORTS

Please read each report as posted on the ULSU website. Reports are due by the 5th of each month.

5.1 PRESIDENT – *Hailey*

- Attended a CAUS conference in Edmonton with the other 4 EC members. It is the 30th anniversary of CAUS.
- U-pass – met with Lethbridge Transit to get opinions on practicum opt-out. The new director of transit is more open to work with us. We have requested an option for faculty and staff to opt-in and he will look into it. There will be more information to present at the December GA meeting.
- Two EC members attended a poverty survey research preliminary work they have done and talk about what this means. To see it presented as a statistic at the U of L was surprising. 40% of students skip meals because they can't afford it.
- We will be doing pass the hat at BoG and Senate.
- Susie Kennedy will be doing a survey on reading break.
- The EC has been putting a lot of hours in fee review committee meetings.

5.2 A. VP OPERATIONS & FINANCE – *Royal*

- Dean of the Management Hiring Committee is still happening.
- Budget Advisory Committee is busy.
- The Zoo continues to improve. There is new flooring in the hallway on 3rd level and behind the bar.
- WUSC – we are doing our best to figure out the best way to fund those students.
- I have been working with the University on tax receipts for the Food Bank. They want to make sure we have controls in place.
- Advertising charging stations are good to go. People can leave your phone for two hours and lock it while it charges.

B. FINANCIAL UPDATE (Insert 5.2) – *Royal*

Insert 5.2 – QIP tracking form
Royal reviewed the budget.

5.3 VP STUDENT AFFAIRS – *Daan*

- I have been working on the flow efficiency and how every club has to do an event proposal. I have been working on improving it through Google forms. I want to make it flow so everything is automatic.
- Attended CAUS.
- Working on events with Riley Miller.
- Attended meetings – Club Council is tomorrow.

5.4 VP ACADEMIC – *Sandeep*

- Met regarding Reading Week and professors piling on homework during the break. We are going to call it Fall Break and Spring Break and it will be focused on mental health.

- Calm Café is going to happen.
- Art Therapy Night last night was great.
- Have been planning the student speaker challenge with LPIRG and SACPA. We are talking about sexual violence.
- Attended a lot of meetings.

5.5 VP EXTERNAL – Conner

- CAUS Advocacy Days – met with the Minister of Advanced Education.
- Funding framework review.
- There are some staff changes at CAUS.

5.6 GENERAL ASSEMBLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monica – New Media events this weekend.

Alaina – I want to organize a physical wellness night.

Darren – The International Centre is hosting a dinner in the ULSU ballrooms.

Maya – I attended an indigenous student leaders meeting.

Brady – Put up Christmas lights around campus – Mental Health Week.

Jill – EUS wrapped up everything and had a pre-ED bingo. The EC accountability Committee has met a couple of times and hopefully it will be out soon.

Riley – I have attended semi formal events, would like to get us some new lapel pins.

6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 GA CHRISTMAS PARTY – Hailey

- Date – After the GA meeting on December 8th
- Draw for Secret Santa

7. ITEMS FOR ACTION: CLUBS, GROUPS, AND INDIVIDUALS

7.1 CLUB RATIFICATIONS – Daan

Trying to coordinate activities in Calgary is difficult.

MOTION [21641GA]

MSC: D. Smit/R Adkin

BIMT the General Assembly ratify the following clubs for the 2017-2018 academic year:

1. Backcountry Hunters & Anglers
2. Calgary Campus – MSS
3. Calgary Campus – Student Accounting Association
4. United Conservatives at the University of Lethbridge (UCUL)

Carried – Jessica abstain

7.2 QIP PROPOSAL – JAZZ CLUB (Insert 7.2) – Royal

This proposal came in right before reading break. I did bring the T&C and club grant to EC but we tabled it to see what would happen with the QIP request. It used to be a policy that when someone applied for QIP then they aren't eligible to apply for T&C grants or Club grants for the same initiative. We need to put that back into our operation manual. This event isn't until January. If we want more information we can table it until our December meeting which is in two weeks.

- I don't like other students having to pay more than the attendees are paying. Seems like this is a lot for those who are attending.
- They have a community member attending this trip. I feel uneasy that we might be using student dollars to go towards the community member.
- We gave a lot of money to iGem, however I don't think \$7,000 is justifiable. I would feel better lowering the amount to about \$5700.
- They received \$4000 in 2014. At that time the Canadian money was on par with the US money.
- Concerned that there might be other groups on campus who would like to apply for funding too.
- The experience is valuable but it's for themselves. The music department is funding them less than they are requesting from QIP.
- If we approve all this money along with a T&C grant and club funding, I feel like we are paying for most of their trip and don't feel right about that.
- Would like to cut out the funding for the community member.
- They didn't say how this was going to affect the university as a whole.
- Community members are allowed to join clubs and I feel like the club should be able to distribute funds as they need. Don't feel a need to table the request.
- The University will be measured as this group will be bringing the experience back to campus.
- Feel more comfortable to approve \$5,000.
- The experience will be good but hope they will promote it as the ULSU helping with their funding.
- Feel like QIP should be going to the student body.
- They will have a 15 minute performance. They are getting access to equipment that the University does not have and can be very important to their education. They are doing workshops on how to teach in a non education setting. They are a club so why would the Music Department fund them, why wouldn't we?
- iGem \$42/person, Jazz \$75 per person per day.
- More concerned how much money is spent on one group.
- Amend the motion to \$5300 - MSC: S. Parmar/L. Bryan – Carried - Jessica and Darren abstained, Conner opposed.

MOTION [21642GA]

MSC: Jillian/J. Jones

BIMT the General Assembly approve a QIP Proposal in the amount of \$5,300 for the Jazz Club to perform at the Jazz Education Network Conference in Dallas, Texas on January 3rd - 6th, 2018. Monies to come from QIP- Student Clubs and Organizations.

Carried 12/4/1 – Jessica abstained, Brady, Jill opposed

8. ITEMS FOR ACTION: ULSU BUSINESS

8.1 POLICY STATEMENT IX – MENTAL HEALTH (Insert 8.1) – *Conner*

This policy expired last year. The original policy statistics were out of date but also couldn't find them anymore. The new one has been reconstructed and everything is accurate.

MOTION [21643GA]

MSC: M. Collins/A. Pyde

BIMT the General Assembly approve "Policy Statement IX – Mental Health" as presented by the 2017-2018 Advocacy Advisory Committee effective immediately with an expiry date of January 1st, 2021

Carried

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Appreciate everyone attending the meeting, we understand that everyone is busy.

10. NEXT MEETING

December 8th at 3pm

11. ADJOURNMENT

11.1 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION [21644GA]

MSC: B. Hornung

BIMT the General Assembly adjourn the meeting of November 23, 2017.

Carried