

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES

3rd MEETING OF 2017-2018



SEPTEMBER 20, 2017 AT 6:00 PM

ULSU Council Chambers

THE UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE **STUDENTS' UNION** - 4401 UNIVERSITY DR - RM SU180 - LETHBRIDGE AB, T1K 3M4
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GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEMBERS - 18 VOTING MEMBERS (QUORUM IS 10 VOTING MEMBERS)

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ATTENDANCE: **HAILEY BABB** – PRESIDENT – (CHAIR), **ROYAL ADKIN** – VP OPERATIONS & FINANCE, **VACANT** - 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, **DAAN SMIT** – MANAGEMENT REP, **JILLIAN MCGINLEY** – EDUCATION REP, **KELSEY HALLETT** – HEALTH SCIENCE REP, **DARREN NII MARTEY ARMAH** – INTERNATIONAL REP, **MONICA COLLINS** – FINE ARTS REP, **BRADY HORNUNG** - RESIDENCE REP, **GARETH JONES** – CALGARY CAMPUS REP (SKYPE), – **MAYA MANY GREY HORSES** - FNMI REP.

ABSENT: NONE

GUESTS: MELIORIST, SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY CLUB, BY-ELECTION CANDIDATES

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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| MOTION [21557GA] | <u>MSC: B. Hornung/M. Collins</u> BIMT the General Assembly adopt the agenda of September 20, 2017. Carried |
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2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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| MOTION [21558GA] | <u>MSC: B. Hornung/R. Desrochers</u> BIMT the General Assembly approve the minutes of August 4, 2017. Carried |
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3. CHAIR REMARKS

We have a lot of material to get through tonight, it's my hope to stay focused and get through it quickly.

4. PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL

4.1 ULSU BY-ELECTION – Cheri (CRO)

Candidates

1st Year Student Rep Candidates:

Cody Hunter, Connor Morand, Hannah Large, Jacob Louden, Maria Makeev, Presten Sharp-Chrunik, **Storm Liversuch**, Valeria Rusu.

WINNING CANDIDATE: Storm Liversuch

A&S Rep Candidates:

Alexis Montgomery, Jordan Miles, **Kallen Morrison**.

WINNING CANDIDATE: Kallen Morrison

A. INTRODUCTION

Cheri welcomed the candidates and gave an explanation of the by-election process and how voting will take place.

B. CANDIDATE SPEECHES

Each Candidate spoke for a maximum of two minutes one faculty/group at a time.

C. Q & A

General Assembly members had the opportunity to ask candidates questions pertaining to the position they were running for. This took place after all the speeches were finished. Candidates were given one minute or less to answer.

D. DISTRIBUTION OF SECRET BALLOTS FOR VOTING

Cheri distributed the ballots to each voting GA member to privately mark their choices.

E. COLLECTING & COUNTING OF BALLOTS

Cheri collected the ballots. Once this was done, the CRO and the Executive Assistant left the room to count them. The CRO brought the results back to the room and announced the winning names, not the vote count.

F. ANNOUNCEMENT OF BY-ELECTION RESULTS

After the winning candidates were announced, invitations were given to the winning candidates to sit at the GA board table, but won't be voting members until the next GA meeting when the results are ratified. 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.

H. RATIFICATION OF RESULTS

The election results will be ratified at the next GA meeting.

4.2 MELIORIST – Hailey

(10 minutes maximum) - Mav

We are the student publication and have pages dedicated to the ULSU every month and we are also mandated to give space to student clubs. We are redoing our website so we have more of an online presence. Send an email to Info@themeliorist.ca if you have any questions. Our AGM is October 11th. If you are interested with being on the board please come and check it out.

4.3 QIP PROPOSAL BY SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY CLUB – iGEM (Insert) – Royal

(7 minute presentation 7 min Q&A)

We have been working on a project to help solve world problems. 2017 is special for us because it's our 10th year participating and we are the longest running Canadian team. This year we have 19 undergraduate students, advisors, 2 principal investigators. This year's project is cell free protein synthesis: production of protein using biological machinery without the use of living cells. We want to create a cell free system. We have had to develop new lab techniques. We are hoping with the funding the ULSU can provide, to send as many students as we can. People from all over the world attend the iGem and is great for the University of Lethbridge. It will also benefit the community. We have won the gold for 8 years and 1 year we won bronze.

Comments

- They would like to send 8 students.
- The students will raise enough funds so nothing comes out of their pocket.
- We want to develop a cell free kit. Want to purify 38 proteins.
- Where would the budget cuts be made if the ULSU only gave part of the money? We would have to cut back on the number of students who could attend and continue with fundraising.
- There are 19 total undergraduate students but we can only send 8.
- All the judges pay to go to iGem, they don't get paid for doing it.
- The costs are influenced by the dollar exchange.

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

- Welcome our new members.
- We are holding another by-elections for the VP Student Affairs position. All the information is on our website.

- We will be doing a GA bonding activity soon.

5.2 A. VP OPERATIONS & FINANCE – Royal

- Met with an advertising company regarding charging stations.
- Exploring viability for digital kiosks
- I have a bunch of old documents please come talk to me if you are interested.

B. FINANCIAL UPDATE – Royal

Royal gave a budget update.

5.3 VP STUDENT AFFAIRS – Vacant

5.4 VP ACADEMIC – Sandeep

- Tomorrow will be selling tickets at the table.
- Sitting on a lot of committees.
- Advocacy Advisory Committee: we are waiting for our policy analyst to be hired so we can bring things forward. Would like to see more GA members on the committee.

5.5 VP EXTERNAL – Conner

- At our next GA meeting CAUS will be presenting. I will be sending out a document for everyone to read so you can ask informed questions.
- Mental Health funding – I will be sending an email to everyone so you don't have to take notes right now. The U of L received \$1,000,000 over a three year period. 500,000 for non-clinical services and 500,000 for clinical services. The clinical services won't be going away, they will just be funded elsewhere like Alberta Health Care. We need to be consulted.

5.6 GENERAL ASSEMBLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jill – EUS had a Meet and Greet. Pre-Ed: if you could spread the word next Thursday at 8pm is another Meet and Greet in the library.

Brady – Working on things with residence.

Mia – Activity going on in Markin Atrium. Oct 30 there is a Sister's in Spirit Campaign for residential school survivors. Will get orange shirts for people to wear.

Gareth – We have a Meet and Mingle event on campus. Are there forms that I can distribute to students to see what they want to do? Everything is going really well.

6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

None at this time.

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

7.1 CLUB RATIFICATIONS – Cheri

There are a lot of clubs from last year and some new ones.

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| MOTION [21559GA] | <u>MSC: B. Hornung/D. Smit</u> BIMT the General Assembly ratify the following clubs for the 2017-2018 academic year: Carried |
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Agriculture, Earth, Environmental Sciences2. Agricultural Students Society3. Alberta Party Student Association4. Association of Political Science Students5. Calgary Campus Marketing Club6. Calgary Campus Finance Club7. Campus Conservative8. Canadian Blood Services Life Savers9. Cancer Awareness Club10. Chemistry & Biochemistry Club11. Chess Club12. Chinese Culture Club13. Consent, Awareness & Relationship Education – CARE14. Economics Club15. Enactus Lethbridge16. Get REAL Uleth17. Historical Undergraduate Society18. Ismaili Student Association19. Jazz Club20. Management Consulting Club21. Martial Arts Club22. Math Club23. Mixed Curling Club24. Neuroscience Club | <ol style="list-style-type: none">25. Model United Nations26. Musical Theatre Society27. Native American Students Association28. New Media Students Society29. Nursing Student Association30. Organization of Residence Students31. Pre Med Club32. Social Work Students Association33. Sound Off34. Synthetic Biology Club35. The Operation Smile Club36. Theatre Arts Society37. Trolls Rugby Club38. University Catholic Young Adults39. U of L Archaeology Club40. U of L French Club41. U of L Climbing Club42. U of L Psychology Club43. U of L Spanish Club44. U of L Ufology Group45. Wind Orchestra Club46. Young Artist's Collective |
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7.2 CLUB RATIFICATION – LETHBRIDGE STUDENTS FOR LIFE

They haven't been ratified for three years. They had an event in the bus loop area that we very controversial. The university said they needed to hire security. The cost incurred was \$1900 +

and they never paid the bill. We didn't ratify them because they haven't paid the bill. They might be in soon to pay the bill. Future club events, if there are expenses incurred they have to pay in advance.

- The president of the club is still the same from a few years ago but I don't know about the other members.
- We also have an option to table this until the next GA meeting.
- That is true but this club wants to do an event in October and have assured us that all the rules will be followed.
- The University has a policy groups on campus holding a event, it says that they have to pay security charges in advanced.
- They have not made any attempt to pay a portion of the fees until now. Their umbrella group has the money to pay the bill.

MOTION [21560GA]

MSC: J. McGinley/J. Jones

BIMT the General Assembly ratify the Lethbridge Students' for Life for the 2017-2018 academic year, providing that they pay their outstanding bill.

Carried

8. ITEMS FOR ACTION: ULSU BUSINESS

8.1 AMEET KUMAR RESIGNATION (Insert 8.1) - Hailey

This is just a formalized process so we can move forward with filling this position.

MOTION [21561GA]

MSC: M. Collins/L. Bryan

BIMT the General Assembly accept the resignation of Ameet Kumar as ULSU VP Student Affairs.

Carried

8.2 FREEZER FOR ROCKERMAN'S (Insert 8.2) – Cheri

We would like to purchase a standing freezer to sell a variety of frozen foods. We will be buying some more microwaves at a later time to accommodate students. Traditionally this fund has been plentiful by the end of the year. This will increase traffic in the building as well as Rockerman's.

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| Freezer | \$ 3999.00 |
| GST 5% | \$ 199.95 |
| Delivery | \$ 150.00 |

Contingency-10% \$ 399.00
TOTAL \$ 4,747.95

MOTION [21562GA]

MSC: M. Many Grey Horses/ A. Pyde

BIMT the General Assembly approve the maximum expenditure of \$4,747.95 for a freezer for Rockerman's Service Centre. Monies to come from Capital Replacement Fund – Rockerman's.

Carried

8.3 UPASS REFERENDUM (Insert 8.3) – Hailey

This motion is a carry-over from last year. Most of our summer has been spent doing research and consultation on the UPass. We feel strongly that campus mobility. We aren't voting yes or no on the Upass, we are just voting on whether or not we should present it to the students to vote on. City Council has approved a motion on their end. The city has offered us a \$77 per semester, per student. Students within a certain radius or other criteria can opt-out. In our discussions we feel this is something we should bring to the student body. Is this a valuable question to bring to students to vote?

Comments

- The actual opt-out criteria and price stays as is in the document. The EC will create the wording as to what goes forward to students.
- The opt-out process: there is a new department in security called campus mobility. We feel this would be a very smooth process that they could run. We are still working out details.
- We sell a considerable amount of bus passes at Rockerman's.
- A U of L student approached city council to reduce a transit pass. We have been doing a lot of municipal lobbying to reduce cost of municipal transit.
- All these little fees increase costs for international students – there won't be an opt-out if you already own a vehicle it has to be for one of the reasons on the criteria.
- It would still be cheaper for the transit pass rather than pay for parking for a car.
- There are two options – Upass to have cheap affordable option. The other option is to raise parking costs so the \$280 for transit will look cheap.
- We are in a position where this issue needs to be addressed.
- If the University will administer it, it would be a big win for students.
- If this is an issue that affects students then they should vote on it, we shouldn't be the ones that say "no students can't vote on it."

MOTION [21563GA]

MSC: L. Bryan/J. Jones

BIMT the General Assembly approve the Executive Council to hold a referendum for a "UPass" transit pass in the Spring 2018 Semester.

Carried – Darrenn abstained

8.4 QIP – SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY CLUB – iGEM (Insert 8.4) – *Royal*

They have been working on this proposal for a long time. They have a significant number of students going on this trip. After ten years of success I'm surprised we have never sponsored them.

Comments

- Feel this is a lot of money to contribute when they aren't contributing themselves.
- They have put so much work into this. This is life changing for these students.
- They have exhausted their funding resources and have fundraised as much as they could.
- They said that students put in over 150/hr over the summer and minimum wage is higher than that.
- If we sponsor them would we get our logo put on anything? We could ask.
- This is one of the more deserving applications and it's very appropriate. Once this money is gone then it's gone. There will be more groups applying for money.
- Amend to have some visual ULSU representation for acknowledgement?
- Would rather that we approve the funding then just simply ask if they could. Council agreed. Amendment rescinded.

MOTION [21564GA]

MSC: S. Parmar/A. Pyde

BIMT the General Assembly approve a QIP proposal in the amount of \$8,000 for the Synthetic Biology Club to attend iGem Giant Jamboree in Boston, Massachusetts on November 4 – 13, 2017. Monies to come from QIP.

Carried – laura, brady opposed, Darren abstained.

8.5 AUDIT RESULTS (Insert 8.5) – *Royal*

Royal reviewed the audit report.

MOTION [21565GA]

MSC: B. Hornung/M. Collins

BIMT the General Assembly ratify the Audit results from the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Carried

8.6 GM IPAD (Insert 8.6) - Cheri

MOTION [21566GA]

MSC: M. Collins/D. Smit

BIMT the General Assembly approve the maximum expenditure of \$1518.80 for a new iPad for the General Manager. Monies to come from Capital Replacement Fund.
carried

8.7 FRESH FEST LOSS - Royal

It was a result of a number of different things. Council would like a good report on this so we can learn for next year.

MOTION [21567GA]

MSC: J. Robinson/M. Collins

BIMT the General Assembly approve the loss of \$13,000 during regular Fresh Fest operations. Monies to come from Special Funding.
Carried

8.8 ULSU SWAG - Royal

We have adjusted it from \$8,000 to \$5,000.

MOTION [21568GA]

MSC: R. Adkin/D. Nii Martey Armah

BIMT the General Assembly approve \$5000 to purchase ULSU Swag for the 2017/2018 year. Monies to come from Council Advertising/Promotion.
Carried

8.9 MICROPHONES FOR THE BALLROOM

We use the microphones all the time and they completely quit today. They will be locked up and we will charge a deposit for anyone who wants to use them. We checked around for prices and this was the most reasonable.

MOTION [21569GA]

MSC: B. Hornung/S. Parmar

BIMT the General Assembly approve the maximum expenditure of \$1405 for two new microphones for the ULSU Ballrooms. Monies to come from the Capital Replacement fund-Zoo.
Carried

8 OTHER BUSINESS

We should have an update on sound for Galileo's and the Ballrooms. Cheri will give an update in October.

9 NEXT MEETING

October 24, 2017 at 6pm.

10 ADJOURNMENT

11.1 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION [21569GA]

MC: L. Bryan

BIMT the General Assembly adjourn the meeting of September 20, 2017.

Carried