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Council Meeting Minutes

Date: March 14, 2017

Place: Web conference

Time: 6:00pm

Attendance:

Teagan Gahler, President

Jamie Czerwinski, Vice President External

Margaret Clappison, VP Operations & Finance

Ross Tyson, Executive Director

Shawn Ang, Faculty of Business Representative

Peter Chan, Faculty of Business Representative

Vanessa Colettas, Faculty of Business Representative

Patrick Corbett, Faculty of Science & Technology Representative

Lindsay McNena, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative

Komal Kumar, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative

Eric Snow, Speaker of Council

Lisa Gray, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative

Robert Janzen, Faculty of Science & Technology Representative

Susanna Suchak, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences Representative

Michelle Halle, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences Representative

Shanna Rowney, Centre for Distance Education Representative

Mahsati Abdul, Centre for Distance Education Representative

Absent:

Steve Green, VP Academic

Regrets:

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1.0 Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 6:50 pm MDT.	

<p>2. Approval of Agenda</p>	<p>Motion: To approve the agenda as presented. (Corbett, VP External) Carried Unanimously</p>	
<p>3. Approval of Previous Minutes</p>	<p>Motion: To accept the minutes of February 14 as distributed. (Ang, McNena) Carried Unanimously</p>	
<p>4. Reports</p>		
<p>4.1 Executive Reports</p>	<p>All executive members presented their reports as distributed. Highlights include:</p> <p>President: Thanks to everyone being a part of the conversation with Dr. Coates. This is a very positive thing for AU.</p> <p>Election for executive just wrapped up and I have liaised with many students.</p> <p>Looking at Student Appeals with plagiarism, etc.</p> <p>Presidential transition is important now.</p> <p>VPOF: T4's this year were corrected from last year. Year end is in progress for audit.</p> <p>VPEX: Funding review is under way.</p> <p>Completed abGPAC hiring. Audited abGPAC.</p> <p>Have attended a number of Government meetings.</p> <p>CASA- VP EX is presently in Wolfville NS at the National meetings for CASA. This organization really advocates well.</p> <p>Will transition Lindsay McNena into my current role.</p>	

	VPA: absent	
4.2 Financial Report	<p>Margaret presented her financial reports for February 2017. Margaret will be taking a small amount (\$700) and putting it into a restricted fund account for the Conference.</p> <p>Income accrual is a difficult item for the organization.</p> <p>We are financially sound.</p>	
5. New Business		
6. Old Business		
6.1 Bargaining	Teagan has opened the bargaining position at AU. We have done our due diligence.	
7. Other Business		
8. Adjournment	<p>Motion: To adjourn the meeting (Rowney, McNena)</p> <p>Carried unanimously</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm</p> <p>Next meeting: April 11, 2017</p>	

Teagan Gahler, President

Ross Tyson, Executive Director

Date of Approval