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Council Meeting Minutes

Date: August 11, 2014

Place: Web conference

Time: 5:00pm

Attendance:

Lynde McKinley, President
Kaitlyn Hillier, VP Operations & Finance
Kurt Spady, VP External
Nicole Hill, VP Academic
Peter Chan, Faculty of Business Representative
Maria Greaves, Faculty of Business Representative
Sharon Hamlin, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative
Julia Radke, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative
Sarah Barbour, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences Representative
Cynthia Gordon, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences Representative
Steve Green, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences Representative
Nadine Muglia, Centre for Distance Education Representative
Eric George, Faculty of Science & Technology Representative
Ross Tyson, Executive Director
Eric Snow, Speaker of Council

Absent:

Justin Litun, Faculty of Business Representative
Steve Harris, Faculty of Science & Technology Representative

Regrets:

Kathleen Kelava, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative

Absent:

INDEX	MINUTES	ACTION
1.0 – Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 5:00pm MT.	
2.0 – Approval of Agenda	MOTION: To accept the agenda (Greaves/ Barber) Carried (Unanimously)	

3.0 – Approval of Previous Meeting’s Minutes	MOTION: (Green/VP Academic) That the previous meeting’s July 7 minutes be approved as amended. Carried.(Unanimously)	
4.0 – Declaration of Conflicts of Interest		None declared
5.0 Reports		
5.1 – Executive Reports	All exec presented their reports as distributed.	
5.2- Financial Report	VPOF presented her financial report year to date as distributed. We are in good shape financially.	
6.0 – New Business		
6.1-Student Lifeline Information	Lynde showed the website and explained the benefits of the program. Website: www.lifeworks.com Username: AUGSA Password: WELLNESS.	Ross will check on materials sent out in registration.
6.2-Strategic Plan	President Lynde reviewed the Strategic Plan as developed by Executive under the direction of Randy Boissonnault. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part of the plan is bylaw review to ensure good governance. • 15 month rolling strategic plan. • Excellence in transition (passing a lit torch) • Current budget is tied with the strategic plan but no additional line items need be developed to accommodate the plan • Next steps: with development of the next budget the strategic plan will be used as a guide. <p>Motion : To accept the strategic plan as documented: (President/VPOF)</p> <p>Amended Motion: To accept the strategic plan in principle. (President/Barbour)</p> <p>Carried (one abstention by VPOF)</p> <p>Main motion: To accept the strategic plan in</p>	

	<p>principle.</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p>	
	<p>Motion: To amend the agenda to deal with Town Hall committee first and then bylaw committee (Greaves/Barbour)</p> <p>Carried unanimously.</p>	
<p>6.3- Selection of Bylaw Review Committee</p>	<p>Motion: That Julia Radke, Nadine Muglia and Eric George be appointed to the Bylaw Review Committee.(President/ Greaves)</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p>	
<p>6.4- Policy Review Procedure</p>	<p>We will review policies beginning in September with one review per meeting (standing agenda item). Each policy will be presented by the appropriate executive member, with revisions presented to council for approval.</p>	
<p>6.5- Awards Committee Update</p>	<p>Nicole gave an update. Our outstanding student distinction award went to Kathleen Kelava. Outstanding staff member went to Gina Wong.</p>	
<p>6.6- Motion to amend the Award Deadline</p>	<p>Motion: To amend our awards deadline from May 31 to September 15. (VP Academic/ President)</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p>	
<p>6.7- Selection of Town Hall Committee</p>	<p>Motion: That Steve Green, Sarah Barbour and Maria Greaves and be appointed to the Town Hall Committee. (VPOF/ VP Academic)</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p>	
<p>7.0 – Other Business</p>	<p>None</p>	
<p>8.0 - Adjournment</p>	<p>Motion: To adjourn the meeting: (President/ Greaves) Carried unanimously</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.</p>	

Lynde McKinley, President

Ross Tyson, Executive Director

Date of Approval