

STUDENT FEDERATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA
MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION FOR 2013-2014

Date: Sunday June 23rd, 2013

Location: FSS4006

Time: 1:00 PM

Chair: Dave Molenhuis

Secretary: Amy Hammett

1.1 Welcome

The meeting began at 1:30pm

1.2 Roll Call

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| SFUO | Anne-Marie Roy |
| SFUO | Dave Eaton |
| SFUO | Brad Lafortune |
| SFUO | Pat Marquis |
| SFUO | Chris Hynes |
| SFUO | Nicole Desnoyers |
| Arts | Nicolette Addesa (absent) |
| Arts | Alex Boettger |
| Arts | Vicky Ransom (absent) |
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| Common Law | Emily Beveridge |
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| Health Sciences | Daniel Stojanovic |
| Health Sciences | Sinthusan Sinadurai |
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| Management | Othman Tmoulik |
| Management | Mahmoud Dief |
| Medicine | VACANT |
| Sciences | Sophie Cousineau |
| Sciences | Chris Macmillan |
| Sciences | Alexandre Giroux |
| Social Sciences | Ciara Roberts (proxy : Myriam Whalen) |
| Social Sciences | Ahmed Hussein (proxy : Quinn Blue) |
| Social Sciences | Katya Moussatova |
| Social Sciences | Mike Randazzo (absent) |
| Social Sciences | John Davies |
| Social Sciences | VACANT |
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1.3 Comments from the Chair

1.4 Adoption of the Agenda

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented:

- 1.1 Welcome
- 1.2 Roll Call
- 1.3 Comments from the Chair
- 1.4 Adoption of the Agenda
- 1.5 Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting
 - 1.6 Executive Update
 - 1.7 Question Period
 - 1.8 Committees
 - 1.8.1 Policy and Bylaws Committee
 - 1.8.2 Elections Committee
 - 1.8.3 Constitutional Committee
 - 1.8.4 Finance Committee
 - 1.8.5 Disciplinary Committee
 - 1.8.6 Accessibility Fund Committee
 - 1.8.7 Student Experience Committee
 - 1.8.8 101 Week Council
 - 1.8.9 Accessibility Committee
 - 1.8.10 Student Life Services Committee
 - 1.8.11 Promotions Committee
- 1.9 Multi-Year Beverage Contract
- 1.10 BOA Meeting Dates
- 1.11 Miscellaneous
- 1.12 Question Period
- 1.13 Closing of the Meeting

Proposed by : JP Dube
Seconded by: Ossob Hassan

Adopted

1.5 Adoption of the Minutes from the Previous Meeting

Be it resolved that the minutes from March 2013 be adopted

Proposed by: Sinthusan Sinadurai
Seconded by: Alexandre Giroux

Adopted

Be it resolved that the minutes from April 2013 be tabled until the July meeting of the BOA

Proposed by: Daniel Stojanovic
Seconded by: Brad Lafortune

Adopted

1.6 Executive Updates

President

Things are going super well so far at the SFUO and we've had a busy first month and a half!

Shortly after our respective mandates, the main SFUO offices we're temporarily moved for renovations.

Our current offices are located at UCU 102.

Over the last few years, particularly with the adoption of the u-pass, the traffic flow at the SFUO reception has increased significantly. It was now time to look at our front reception area and find solutions to improve the service for members.

In mid-May, the executive went on an executive retreat. We came up with a few goals for the year to come. We will have another retreat in the near future to establish our priorities for the academic year, and present them to the board in the form of a report later in the summer.

As many of you may have already noticed, the SFUO attracted a lot of media attention over the last few weeks, particularly around the issue of Tuition Fees.

To sum up the events quickly, the On Friday May 24th, Allan Rock had meeting with both the SFUO and the GSAÉD informing us that he intended on proposing a tuition fee

increase of 3% per year for the next four years. The vote was to take place Monday May 27th. Over the following weekend, students mobilized over social media, some of you may have noticed the many Facebook photos that were posted around that time. These actions along with a press release that we published on the day of the vote attracted a lot of media attention. Thanks to the efforts of students in mobilizing around this issue, Allan Rock informed us at 5:10pm, 20 minutes for the BOG vote on a tuition fee increase for one year. Despite this, at this point, any increase is a problem and students decided to serve Kraft Dinner to Board members, before shutting down the meeting. Despite the fact that students we're incredibly vocal and clear with their message "No increase", we heard last week that the BOG passed the vote to increase our tuition fees, 3% for undergrads domestic; 10% for international students, and 5% for grad students.

The vote finally took place on June 21st* over via e-mail. Student governors expressed concerns with the process, and did not agree to voting online. Furthermore, a student governor presented an amendment which was not passed around to the Board of Governors, nor discussed before the tuition fee vote passed.

Everyone at the SFUO is not only planning the year ahead, but also focusing on 101 week which is fast approaching. I won't give away too many scoops! I'll let Pat Marquis give you all the details.

In relation to 101 week, I am currently getting a team of Safety Ambassadors together. The interview process for selecting Safety Ambassador is ongoing, and I am planning the necessary training that needs to take place before the end of summer.

As an executive, this year we've decided to have a welcome back event on September 13th. This will be an event at which all students will be invited! Details to come soon.

From May 3rd to May 5th, I went, with the Bilingualism centre, to the general assembly of the Regroupement étudiant franco-ontarien (RÉFO). We've had very constructive discussions around the barriers that francophone students face on our campuses. We also discussed the General Town halls which will take place in February, preceded by a provincial tour and discussions with francophone students from every corner of the province.

Last year, the francophone gala was a great success. This year, I have started working on the gala much sooner with the hope of getting new partners and having a bigger event. I am also working with the Gee-Gees, sports services and the Quidditch team. At the end of May, I attended the National General Assembly of the Canadian Federation of Students, during which I was elected Francophone representative on the national executive. Additionally to this, I attended the Skills Symposium put on by the Canadian Federation of Students-Ontario in Mississauga. It was a great success. Finally, I must inform the board of any courses I am taking during my mandate. During the first half of the summer, I took Women and the Media, CMN 3104.

VP Finance

- Working on the 101 Week Budget with Pat
- Completed hiring of summer staff, opportunities for Fall semester employment will be posted in late July with interviews to begin late July/early August.
- 1848, Cafe Alt, Pivik all receiving new equipment/shelving to ensure better service and more storage space.
- working with the Executive Coordinator to finalize insurance procedures for the year.
- preliminary budget analyses.
- attended CFS AGM and Skills Symposium.
- Preliminary stages of SFUO auditing process
- First MRT in late June
- Finance/Acc. Fund meetings to be held mid- July
- meetings with administrators
- Executive retreat

VP Equity

- Attended the Canadian University Queer Services Conference in St-John`s, Newfoundland for the first week of May with two employees of the Pride Centre. The SFUO put in a bid to host this conference in 2014 and won! We have started working on the organisation of CUQSC 2014
- The services are submitting their summer/year plans to get organised for the year
- The services are also starting to plan for 101 week, and will be running an event through the course of the week. Some of these include the annual Take Back the Night campus march and the Pride Centre's Drag Show.
- Working on a Pow Wow for 101 week with the Sustainability Centre, the Sociology and Anthropology Students Association and the Indigenous and Canadian Studies Students Association
- The Pride Centre has revamped their Ally Training for the upcoming Guide trainings
- IHouse will be organising a series of summer events, including a soccer tournament and a series of international meals.
- The Centre for Students with Disabilities has almost completed their accessibility consultations with the VP Socials of every Fed Body for their 101 weeks.
- The Clubs Department is undergoing a series of changes, including renovations to the Clubs Room.
- Attended the Canadian Federation of Students Aboriginal Caucus Standalone meeting and had the chance to work with Indigenous students from across the country
- Attended the Canadian Federation of Students Annual General Meeting; was elected as Commissioner for the Queer students constituency group
- Attended the Skills Symposium, organised by the Canadian Federation of Students Ontario chapter

VP University Affairs

Advocacy and Governance

- Services
 - The two services are very busy at the beginning of the summer because students now have more time to pursue appeals and seek help.
 - At the Centre for Equity and Human Rights we have hired two new employees. This is very helpful since they have been waiting to have those positions filled.
 - Working on a review of the university's Accessibility and Accommodation policies, in preparation for a stakeholder meeting in September.
- Campaigns Department
 - Going through a restructuring as part of the summer planning. This includes creation of a mandate, a new volunteer structure as well as looking at how priorities are set, and how the department can support the rest of the organization in the work that is done
 - Executive and the department meeting regularly to discuss advocacy work and how to outreach to students.
 - Stop the Hikes BBQ planned for next Wednesday which will be free in front of FSS. Hear students on these issues, answer questions and feed people

External Relations

- Union and Community Relations
 - Working with other student's unions in the city to challenge the student pass age cap
 - Become part of a working group on international students' issues with others from the CFS Ontario Executive Committee.
- U-Pass
 - The Coordinator is now a full time employee and we have the U-Pass Assistant working full time during the summer which helps provide more capacity as we prepare for distribution.
 - We have had regular meetings with university computer programmers to improve our process.
 - -We will be introducing some brand new systems this year to make the U-Pass distribution smoother and give students more options.
 - We are also set to have the U-Pass co branded with the ISIC once again.

VP Services and Communications

- The agenda for the 2013-2014 academic year has been designed and ordered through the Canadian Federation of Students.
- I am currently working on the design and content of the mail out that is going to be sent out to all first year students coming to the University of Ottawa
- Planning of 101 week has begun and, in case you have yet to see the new logo for this year's theme, Vision, check out our Facebook page.

- I also participated in the AGM of the Canadian Federation of Students as well as the 2013 Skills Symposium, which took place over the month of June.
- My new position is also comprised of 5 of the 12 student services.
 - Peer Help is developing a new chat function for the Peer Help Support Phonenumber which will be accessible through the Peer Help website. There will also be a BBQ during 101 week to promote the services that we are currently planning.
 - The Bike Coop is planning tune ups around the city and has been very busy as usual during the summer semesters. New bike repair stations are going to be set up around campus very soon so keep an eye out!
 - The Sustainable Development Centre is planning a Pow wow with a few partners as well as a farmers market during 101 week.
 - Food Bank is looking into developing some new campaigns revolved around the use of the food bank as well as eliminating the stigma around it's users and is also working on acquiring more food for students
 - Foot Patrol is expanding their bus riders program to include STO buses and more OC Transpo buses as well
- Furthermore, all the services are currently working on their promotion strategies for the year and so I'm in consultations with them and the marketing department on those.
- I, along with Nicole, went on a services retreat with the coordinators of the services for a couple of days of skill sharing, discussion regarding volunteers, promotion, how to better serve our members, and general ideas of projects to work on throughout the year.
- Zoom is working on a video for our new 101 week website which will be online soon. This video will show the different events and initiatives of the Student Federation throughout the year as well as introduce 101 week to new students.
- I've also created a bank of volunteer translators that will help translate materials for federated bodies when requested.
- First CRT was held earlier this month and the next one is in a couple of weeks.
- Lastly, our new webmaster has been working tirelessly on updating and creating new websites as needed.

VP Social Affairs

101 Week is going well. Committees have been started to discuss large events such as Fedstock, Camp Fortune (Named Gotham City Throwdown this year), the SFUO 101 Week, and Shine day. This year, alt 101 week is not happening as usual, so the SFUO will take the role to host the more accessible week for students. The week will be \$40 and alcohol free. Social Round tables are going very well, they have been bi-weekly since the start of May and will be weekly in July-August. Guide training has started, its going very well.

In terms of our philanthropic activities, Shinerama has already started and raised a significant amount. Federated Bodies are contributing a lot. We are also starting a new initiative called Gee-Gees for awesome. It is a week where it is highly encouraged to raise awareness and fundraise for the charity of your choice. Any group of friends, club, team, or association can participate and choose their own charity of preference. It can also be done individually and we encourage faculty, administration and other university staff to participate.

In terms of plan for the year, we plan on having another TEDxUOttawa, and a Friday the 13th event on September 13th that will serve as a back to school event for all incoming students and not just first years. We will also host various concerts throughout the year, speaker events and more. Party offs will happen again this year at 1848, which will bring more business on Thursday nights. Winter challenge is scheduled to happen again and same with end of year bash, volunteer gala and leader action. Will try to set up a “semaine de la poutine” which will be like ribfest (have various poutine stands throughout campus).

1.7 Question Period

1.8 Committees

1.8.1 Policy and Bylaws Committee

Be it resolved that the members of the Policy and Bylaw Committee be the following and that the ballots be destroyed:

Ciara Roberts
Ahmed Hussein
JP DUBE

Proposed by: SInthusan Sinadurai
Seconded by: Zorga Qaunaq

Adopted

1.8.2 Elections Committee

Be it resolved that the members of the Elections Committee be the following and that the ballots be destroyed:

Brad Lafortune
Ossob Hassan
John Davies

Proposed by: Dave Eaton
Seconded by:JP Dube

Adopted

1.8.3 Constitutional Committee

Be it resolved that the members of the Constitutional Committee be the following and that the ballots be destroyed:

Anne-Marie Roy
Nicole Desnoyers
Dave Eaton
Sinthusan Sinnadurai
Emily Beveridge

JP Dube (alternate)
Ciara Roberts (alternate)

Proposed by: Chris Hynes
Seconded by: Sophie Cousineau

Adopted

Be it resolved that we recess for 10 minutes

Proposed by: Nicole Desnoyers
Seconded: Brad Lafortune

Adopted

Roll Call - 3:45pm

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| SFUO | Anne-Marie Roy |
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| SFUO | Brad Lafortune |
| SFUO | Pat Marquis |
| SFUO | Chris Hynes |
| SFUO | Nicole Desnoyers |
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| Arts | Vicky Ransom (absent) |
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| Social Sciences | Ahmed Hussein (proxy : Quinn Blue) |
| Social Sciences | Katya Moussatova |
| Social Sciences | Mike Randazzo (absent) |
| Social Sciences | John Davies |
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1.8.4 Finance Committee

Be it resolved that the members of the Finance Committee be the following and that the ballots be destroyed:

Sinthusan Sinnadurai
Mahmoud Dief
Ahmed Hussein

Proposed by: Myriam Whalen
Seconded by: Alexandre Giroux

Adopted

1.8.5 Disciplinary Committee

Be it resolved that the members of the Disciplinary Committee be the following and that the ballots be destroyed:

Zorga Qaunaq
Emily Beveridge
Ossob Hassan
John Davies
Mahmoud Dief

Katya Moussatova (alternate)
Daniel Stojanovic (alternate)

Proposed by: Quinn Blue
Seconded by: Mahmoud Dief

Adopted

1.8.6 Accessibility Fund Committee

Be it resolved that the members of the Accessibility Fund Committee be the following and that the ballots be destroyed:

Emily Beveridge
Sinthusan Sinnadurai
Daniel Stojanovic

Proposed by: Zorga Qaunaq
Seconded by: John Davies

Adopted

1.8.7 Student Experience Committee

Be it resolved that the executive member of the Student Experience Committee be the following:

Chris Hynes

Be it further resolved that the members of the Student Experience Committee be the following and that the ballots be destroyed:

JP Dube
Mahmoud Dief
Ciara Roberts

Proposed by: Alex Boettger
Seconded by: Sinthusan Sinnadurai

Adopted

1.8.8 101 Week Council

Be it resolved that the executive member of the 101 week Council be the following:

Nicole Desnoyers

Be it further resolved that the members of the 101 Week Council be the following and that the ballots be destroyed:

Daniel Stojanovic
Sophie Cousineau
Zorga Qaunaq

Vicky Ransom (alternate)
Sinthusan Sinnadurai (alternate)

Proposed by: Ossob Hassan
Seconded by: Chris MacMillan

Adopted

1.8.9 Accessibility Committee

Be it resolved that the executive member of the Accessibility Committee be the following:

Nicole Desnoyers

Be it further resolved that the members of the Accessibility Committee be the following and that the ballots be destroyed:

Ossob Hassan
John Davies
Alexandre Giroux

Proposed by: Mahmoud Dief
Seconded by: Myriam Whalen

Adopted

1.8.10 Student Life Services Committee

Be it resolved that the members of the Student Life Services Committee be the following and that the ballots be destroyed:

Vicky Ransom
JP Dube
Daniel Stojanovic

Proposed by: Nicole Desnoyers
Seconded by: Zorga Qaunaq

Adopted

1.8.11 Promotions Committee

Be it resolved that the members of the Promotions Committee be the following and that the ballots be destroyed:

Katya Moussatova
Ciara Roberts

Proposed by: John Davies
Seconded by: Alexandre Giroux

Adopted

1.9 Multi-Year Beverage Contract

Be it resolved that the BOA move in camera and that Amy Hammett be invited to attend.

Proposed by: Dave Eaton
Seconded by: Chris Hynes

Adopted

Be it resolved that the SFUO Executive be directed to sign the 2013-2016 Coca-Cola contract.

Proposed by: Ossob Hassan
Seconded by: Daniel Stojanovic

Adopted

1.10 BOA Dates 2013-2014

Be it resolved that the following dates be ratified as the 2013-2014 BOA Meeting dates:

June 22nd-23rd (includes BOA training)
July 21st
August 25th
September 22nd
October 27th (RGN)
November 17th
December 1st
January 26th
February 23rd
March 23rd (RGN)
April 6th

Proposed by: Anne-Marie Roy
Seconded by: Zorga Qaunaq

Ammendment:

Be it resolved that the August 25th BOA meeting be amended to start at 4:00pm.

Proposed by: Brad Lafortune
Seconded by: Sophie Cousineau

Adopted

Amendment:

Be it resolved that the July 21st, 2013 meeting of the BOA be amended to occur on July 14th, 2013.

Proposed by: Mahmoud Dief
Seconded by: Slnthusan Sinnadurai

Ammendment to the amendment:

Be it resolved that the July 21st, 2013 meeting of the BOA be amended to occur on July 28th, 2013.

Proposed by: Nicole Desnoyers
Seconded by: Dave Eaton

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Adopted

Be it resolved that a recess of 5 minutes be taken

Proposed by: Ossob Hassan
Seconded by: Alexandre Giroux

Adopted

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1.11 Miscellaneous

- Pat Marquis wishes the BOA dates to be on the next SFUO newsletter
- Anne-Marie Roy - info point bylaw 3
- Pat Marquis -info point bylaw 10
- Brad Lafortune - info point - policy manual (new policy)

1.12 Question Period

1.13 Closing of the Meeting

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 6:15PM

Proposed by: JP Dubé

Seconded by: Alex Boettger
Adopted