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**Present:** Nick DeSumma, Nick Molkoski, Stephanie Bellotto, Matt DeSumma, Faraz Iftekharruddin, Kevin Jang, Shannon Kelly, Hubert Lee, Genelle Martin, Tarique Plummer, Ryan Price, Jonathan Ricci, Tyler Van Herzele, Colin Aitchison, Carina Gerlings, Kim Hutchings, Kelsey Jenkins, Marley Wildish, Kaitlin Brown

**Regrets:**

**Guests:** Kanwar Brar, Ian Muller, Megan Lacoursiere, Jason Verhoeve, Bethany Bowles, Michael Del Bono

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**1. Call to Order**

The meeting is called to order at 3:03pm on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 on the second floor of the Fred Nichol Campus Centre, Waterloo.

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

**Motion 1** (Plummer/ Kelly): **Motion to adopt the agenda as presented.**

**Vote: 11-0-0**

**Result: Motion Passes Unanimously**

**3. Adoption of Minutes: November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**Motion 2** (DeSumma/ Martin): **Motion to adopt the minutes from the November 25<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting as amended.**

**Vote: 11-0-0**

**Result: Motion Passes Unanimously**

**Senator Brar**

For page number 9 of the Senate updates #3 it should say there is an extension of the MOU.

**4. Regrets and Absences**

No regrets or absences.

**5. Conflict of Interest**

No conflicts of interest to declare.

**6. Comments from the Chair of the Board and CGO**

**Chair DeSumma**

1. We are moving along with preparations for #LaurierVotes Elections which will take place in January almost as soon as we get back from break. We had two info sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week with great turnout. There was also a lot of interest from the ownership linkage event, thank you for participating in that. There will be two last information sessions the Tuesday and Wednesday we get back so that is January 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00pm in the board rooms.

2. Over the break there is a live stream, of the one we took Wednesday for anyone to catch up. Pick up a nominations package before the break, they are due January 9<sup>th</sup> at noon and then the all candidates meeting is that night. We will talk more about expectations at that all candidates meeting. I am looking forward to it.

## **7. Comments from the President and CEO**

### **President VanHerzele**

Fantastic everyone is here. I will keep my report concise as requested, the VPs are here to speak to departments and in the future I will collect their information to pass it with the agenda package.

1. The President's Council met for the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting at Brantford on Tuesday and Wednesday night in Waterloo. I was able to speak to everyone through email and talked about student issues. People have asked about what faculties are doing and are excited to have the opportunities to speak in regards to any changes that may be coming along with election season. As well as the election of new faculty presidents. It is an exciting time and the first time we elect both the president for the Student's Union and all faculties and associations.
2. Presidential hiring update, we have moved on and there will be new information in the New Year. We are a bit ahead of our original schedule.
3. Open office house Friday 1-3. Today I was in a meeting however some students came then.
4. Snapchat is opened up, you can send me a snap if you cannot make it to office hours. There has been traction, some from my team and also the student body at large. Thanks to the cord for putting that in the most recent issue. It is really great to have as much transparency as we can.
5. Turret renovations has moved forward again, we met with the architect and had some drawings that are very preliminary. We are hoping to move forward in the new year and are looking to have final drawings which we can discuss in more detail before moving to the fundraising stage. It is exciting to see what this student space will look like during the day and the eventing. Seeing the drawings has allowed us to see reality in the future.
6. International leadership, over lunch I met Andy Trong who is part of our partnership with high schools in China. I was able to speak to Peter Donahue from the international department about the possibility of going to China and doing workshops with our high school partners there about student government and leadership. This is preliminary and I do not know when this will happen. If it is going to be pushed, I don't have any discussions until we have a new President. I am not going to sign someone up for something they don't agree to. We are waiting for timelines but it is an exciting opportunity to do more overseas. This will

enhance our programming to better accommodate those who might not be accessing our programming due to certain cultural barriers.

7. Financial wellness is moving forward with a meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> with the Dean of Students. We will take the next step forward. I have reached out to fellow Presidents across the province to find out what sort of financial structures they have at their Universities and their Student's Union's. We will be taking all of this data to the meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup>. The Dean of Students have also reached out to their counterparts as well as the finance office has done the same. We will compile this information to create a Laurier branded program in order to be most impactful.
8. The Athletics and Recreation external review took place in May. I was able to sit on that and for the first time in a while there was a meeting with the action committee. This committee was created with recommendations from the review. I was able to meet this past week with the group to discuss structural changes. With budgeting season around the corner, they are working hard to make some of these recommendations become a reality. All reviews should be looking more than one year in the future.
9. I released the letter in response to the event from October 20<sup>th</sup> from the Life Link in the Quad. The letter was meant to address both sides of the conversation. If we are going to have sides, the opportunity for dialogue is important as is student safety. The last month has been extensive consultation with the Diversity and Equity Office with our policy and procedures due to internal space requirements. I am proud of all the work and partnerships we have done to ensure an event like this isn't going to pop up and possibly harm the students. It still gives groups with polarizing topics a chance to actually have that dialogue in a constructive manner on campus. It is a difficult conversation to be had and the reason it came out this week and not a month ago was because we wanted have the right people to talk about this correctly. That is why we have taken our time and the end result represents both sides.
10. The Executive Director, Phil Champagne is on vacation. It is much needed as these positions area taxing. I wish him the best and I have a few helping me with aspects of his portfolio. We are able to continue at the same pace so there is no hindrance to our progress.

### **Director Kelly**

The international leadership opportunity, is this still in preliminary phases? Just looking at costs it would be quite costly, how would it be funded?

### **President VanHerzele**

It has been discussed, this is an opportunity that Laurier would be bringing to our student leaders. The details behind the funding aspects of going on a trip to China are extensive. If it does come back to the Student's Union to contribute that would be a

discussion at this table. At this point we are just talking about logistics regarding content and working over the break we will get some more information on the funding.

**Director Martin**

For Turret renovations did you mention fundraising?

**President VanHerzele**

Capital project fundraising needs to be had when it comes to renovations. In the new year we will be able to take all the conversations that we had and get a sticker price and then look into ways to accumulate money to do those renovations. We haven't had many conversations yet. Now we can have these extensive conversations to complete the project. Giving the Turret back to the students is a benefit but of course we have to do this in the best way when it comes to debt reconciliation.

**Director Lee**

Do you have any of the follow-up from the quarterly financials because I didn't get an email? This is in regards to the governance and fees and revenue of \$500,000 and expenses of \$2000 could you speak on that?

**President VanHerzele**

I talked to Director Turner and I did send an email so if that hasn't reached you I can pull that information up but I have prepared a statement of the specifics from our conversation.

**Michael Del Bono**

Regarding your letter about the Laurier Life Link event, you mentioned that the Student's Union wants to revise several club policies to ensure that something like this doesn't pop up again. Can you go into detail?

**President VanHerzele**

The letter addressed a few of the changes made inside of the department. One of the largest was the on campus event form that was initiated four days before the event happened. With any new policy it takes a bit of time. That will have an opportunity for any club that is hosting an event to go by the eyes of the VP and everyone in the club's department. They will look for any signs of polarizing discussion and opportunities that we feel we need to reach out in order to discuss the possibilities. The other side of this is the space request form as we do currently with the Paul Martin Centre and the Senate and Board Chambers. Now in addition there will be a request to book the Quad that we must approve before booking. Just a public facing space is something easy for us to do and it is a larger area on campus so it makes sense to have oversight on that as well. Those are a couple of the things internally we have changed moving forward.

**8. Comments from the Executive Director & COO**  
**ED Champagne**

No updates, Phil is on a boat.

**9. Referenda Submissions**

**Motion 3 (Ricci/ Jang): Motion to approve question #1 as presented.**

**Vote: 11-0-0**

**Result: Motion Passes Unanimously**

**Motion 4 (Bellotto/ Price): Motion to approve question #2 as presented.**

**Vote: 11-0-0**

**Result: Motion Passes Unanimously**

**Director Ricci**

What other schools implement an advocacy fee like this?

**VP Aitchison**

I know that Western has a fee like this and it is \$3.98 as it includes a federal cost. Brock Student's Union is putting forward this as well to cover both OUSA and CASA. McMaster also has this fee, Laurentian has an auxiliary fee. It cost just under \$50,000 a year and every student is a member of OUSA. When looking at provincial trends it is a good way to go. We think that this would overall help to reduce operating burdens on the Union so that we can use the money elsewhere as well as have students pay for their own membership.

**Director Lee**

How does this account for students who aren't attending campus in the fall and are here in the winter if it is a one-time fee?

**VP Aitchison**

We talked about that at the most recent protocol meeting. Apparently all undergraduate students are assessed one time a year fees regardless so if you are on co-op in the fall the University has a protocol to ensure all students pay the fees.

**Director Bellotto**

I remember in the September 30<sup>th</sup> meeting they said our fee would be \$2.99 and it was one of the lowest prices. How come it is now \$3.15?

**VP Aitchison**

OUSA's membership fee is adjusted by CPI so this will take effect next year. The \$3.15 is the maximum that \$2.99 can increase according to CPI if CPI is pegged at the maximum growth it can be. If it doesn't increase that much all the other fees at schools do account for things like travel. This is not called an OUSA fee but rather a Provincial Advocacy Fee. Then we can use the extra money to cover the cost of me going to Queen's Park for example or the cost of me attending a conference like E-Campus Ontario's recent resource conference. It will allow for more room that would normally just come from operating if the fee does increase. We are leaving it open so we can use that money for provincial advocacy.

**Director Martin**

Why is the price so specific? If this were to be passed will it be annual?

**VP Aitchison**

Like essential services that offset the costs of Foot Patrol minus the fact that we won't build a reserve from this, all the money will be used annually. We will collect however much and we will spend all of that on advocacy to ensure there is no overflow. It will be assessed annually by CPI and then whenever it increases, then the fee will continue to increase.

**Director Lee**

Now that you are further dividing the fee, does this mean that the Student's Union fee will decrease? If it remains the same where will the extra money be going? Every year we do a lot of lump sum payments to reduce our debt, but that will always be there and it isn't really time sensitive. Why didn't we just postpone those debt payments to pay for this?

**VP Aitchison**

That will be a discussion that next year's team will need to have during the budget process. I can't say what next year's President wants to do with their team. UA's budget has been reduced by about 50% since I started University. Even by offsetting the cost of Provincial advocacy you might be able to use the money to increase our federal advocacy and have more trips to Ottawa. We just think that from a cost recovery model this is the best way to cover those costs. Every student is a member of OUSA and will cover their OUSA fee. We think that it is right for them since Laurier Student's Union is not a member it is Laurier Students.

**Director Plummer**

What happens in the event that students don't support?

**VP Aitchison**

We continue operating as we have and pay for OUSA's membership out of operating. This is not a question asking for membership in OUSA, even if it fails we will still be a member. It will just make things a bit tighter financially.

**Director Ricci**

To confirm your goal is to cover the costs of travel and hotel accommodations?

**VP Aitchison**

The overall goal of this is to cover the OUSA fee as well as other associated fees for Provincial advocacy. When I drive to Toronto that is \$90 in mileage or rental car which is \$34 plus gas. For all the conferences that I go to there are individual delegate fees and for OUSA General Assembly was 170 per student to offset those costs to represent students. If next year's team may decide differently. My budget is around \$72000, four years ago it was \$100,000 so it would help they go that route to having these advocacy efforts.

**Director Lee**

How will this fund be managed and how will it be held accountable?

**VP Aitchison**

The way these fees work is the University collects them and releases it to us. Since there are guidelines on auxiliary fees we have to use it specifically for what it is intended. For example, the department of finance will make sure that the money is being allocated appropriately.

### **Director Lee**

If we come to the end of the operating year, there is money left over and you are not able to use it on advocacy efforts, what happens to that money?

### **VP Aitchison**

There will not be more money left over, the fee itself will not cover the \$72,000 cost to run the University Affairs Department. I don't know the exact numbers but it will cover OUSA membership which the rate will always be consistent based on the number of students. I can guarantee it won't cover everything and if it is looking like throughout the year that there is going to be a surplus, then we could look at doing another trip to Queens Park so that they can continue hearing our asks. There are many conferences that my counterparts went to because auxiliary fees cover. For example, the Sexual Violence Conference Tyler and I went to, we had to find money in our budgets because we didn't have money previously budgeted. There are always opportunities to use potential surpluses.

### **President VanHerzele**

There were opportunities this year that we had to speak to government officials or go to conferences that we were not able to because we didn't have the money. If anything this just gave us more opportunity to continue advocating on behalf of students to the government and our local ridings. We can do more when it comes to topics on campus that deserve the attention such as the Sexual Violence Conference that we went to. That came out of my budget because it is important for Laurier's future, so this would help offset that cost as well.

## **10. Committee Updates:**

### **Ownership Linkage Committee**

#### **Director DeSumma**

1. Midterm review was completed last week, there is information to be read there.
2. Our Meet and Eat event on the 29th in the Concourse was a huge success; we had a great turnout and some students even picked up nomination packages which was amazing. Thank you to all those who showed up from the board-- which was nearly all of you--the event would not have been the success that it was without you. That said, huge shout outs to Directors Ricci and Kelly for all they did to help me out with the execution of the event; they took on a bunch of added responsibilities, which I am appreciative and grateful for.
3. Lastly, I just want to take a moment to thank you all for the incredible work you have done helping out and attending Ownership Linkage events this term. You all did such a great job for the committee that if I counted out how many events each director personally went to, we'd actually have gone into compliance

twice. That doesn't mean much, but to me it showed just how effective you have all been as representative directors and which I am confident that you will continue to be moving forward. Thank you.

### **11. Chair's Response to Midterm Review**

**Motion 5** (Kelly/ Plummer): **Motion to approve the Chair's response to the midterm review as presented.**

**Vote: 11-0-0**

**Result: Motion Passes Unanimously**

It is in the agenda, I wanted to take this time to thank you all for your hard work since May. Sitting here now, you wouldn't be able to believe that most of you are new Directors who haven't went through a full year yet. You have all done an amazing job so far and I am happy that I get to work with you.

### **12. President's Response to midterm Review**

**Motion 6** (Molkoski/ Bellotto): **Motion to approve the President's response to the midterm review as presented.**

**Vote: 11-0-0**

**Result: Motion Passes Unanimously**

### **13. Department Updates:**

#### **Clubs and Associations- VP Jenkins**

A lot of what I have been working on is day to day or Life Link which Tyler mentioned.

1. Clubs and events calendar is up to date in collaboration with the on campus event form. Now we can post events to the calendar and all of it is in one place for students to view.
2. My communication executives have been having one on ones with Presidents to sign off for accountability in accordance with constitutions. This happens every year and should be completed before the break.
3. Next semester an initiative is setting up a MLS page for my successors for all the VPS. This will allow more accountability and ease of training.
4. We would like to implement mandatory diversity training during our annual President's meeting for all clubs or those with polarizing mandates.
5. Working with the Centre for Student Life and Engagement to streamline the co-curricular process.
6. Faculty association we want to create a best practices transition for their executives because for example FOSAs entire team is turning over this year. We are looking to ensure that they know what they are doing and what resources are needed to be successful in their positions.

7. We want to create accountability for club presidents themselves to use when transitioning because often times they will graduate and not really care.
8. There is a tentative club registration date for the new semester, Friday January 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **Brantford**

9. There are 2 new clubs in Brantford for January. The Laurier Brantford Mock Trial is Brantford's first program based club and will be working with the Criminology Student's Association to create events.
10. Shinerama will be working with the VP Programming and Services Brantford as well as to operate as a club and fundraise throughout the year.
11. Clubs and Associations Brantford are coming to a close and will resume in January. The next large events coming up is a Fashion Show for charity and the Faculty Association's Formal for FLASS and HASSA to a close and will resume in January.
12. Congrats to Laurier Brantford singers for securing a position in the International Championship of collegiate A cappella that will be taking place in February in Rochester.
13. They just dropped off all their fall appreciations and welcomes for volunteers of all departments. In previous years they were two separate events.

### **Director Plummer**

What does the transition look like?

### **VP Jenkins**

We are working on it for next semester but it will likely happen around the end of April or beginning of May depending on when teams are hired or it will be in September when the year starts. Essentially we will be training faculty and associations on all the things they need to know such as how to fill out expense forms, protocols and how they can spend student dollars. This is an initiative for next term. I will include in my updates at a later time.

### **Director Martin**

When talking about the diversity training, what stipulates a polarizing club?

### **VP Jenkins**

For example, a lot of our religion and culture clubs, clubs that are on a certain side of an issue, or specific clubs that don't necessarily see eye to eye on certain things that have caused conflict in the department in the past. We have opened up training on how to have these conversations and discussions without creating a negative atmosphere or causing harm to the student body.

### **Director Martin**

How does this process work, does the club have to inform you that they are a club like that or do you have a definition of each club?

### **VP Jenkins**

When they sign up they are divided

### **President VanHerzele**

Once it is created we can talk about that in terms of strategy.

### **Director Plummer**

During one on ones has there been any major points or concerns in terms of enhancing the process for next year?

### **VP Jenkins**

For the most part it is just accountability for their individual club or constitution so they sign off saying they will abide by it because every club has an individual constitution that says their mandate and operations. No one has brought up anything to change that process because it is something that has been happening for years. Mostly they have their signature on paper so that if they break anything, the club and president is now held accountable for those actions.

### **Finance and Administration- VP Wildish**

1. I finished all of my performance appraisals for student executives and coordinators. Now we have to do appraisals for executives and general volunteers.
2. I ran training for the coordinators on the Waterloo campus and then Riley will run training for the Brantford campus in January. Hopefully we will have them in for the end of January for when our hiring starts to get going.
3. I have been working with the student executive to get ready for when hiring officially opens so that includes job descriptions and the hiring process. For volunteer hiring we are adding an emergency response carousel, as in the past just 15 min interviews have been conducted. This will better determine who is successful.
4. We are reviewing our contracts one last time to make sure that our clauses are appropriate and we are able to hold our volunteers accountable.
5. We sent our Government online training for volunteers to complete before the break.
6. We had Fall Volunteer Appreciation this past week in Waterloo and Brantford. Rylie said it was great turnout in Brantford. There was great food and people seemed to take a study break to celebrate their successes they achieved this semester.

### **Programming and Services: Brantford- VP Gerlings**

1. All events are finished for the semester and we have been working on budgets making sure they all know where they are at.

2. Finally, we have some Foot Patrol drivers so 6 people who are already on our team but will now be drivers. We will have about one for every day.
3. My main goals for next semester and throughout the break are for Snow Week and we have a mock schedule completed. We are working with community partners, registration will open January 3<sup>rd</sup> and it will be \$10 a ticket. We have information sessions booked January 10<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> so that students can come and learn more about Snow Week and what the registration process will entail. We are working with our marketing team to revamp our social media accounts and get those lifted so that students can interact more with us through that.
4. I have been working with AVP Clubs and Associations and Shinerama in collaboration on a constitution with the President to make sure all policies line up with Orientation Week. Hopefully we will be finished.
5. I am also working with Snow Week Committee on budgeting. We are all really excited the Dean of Students is thrilled to have it come back.
6. Transition report outlines will be due in January to close out the fall semester.
7. Open office hours were great today. I had 3 people stop by and numerous people come to meetings.
8. We are just looking at Orientation Week and training we provide on the Brantford campus to revamp and figuring out what we can add to improve.

### **Programming and Services: Waterloo- VP Hutchings**

Most of the programming is wrapping up for this semester.

1. We had dinner a week ago now, around 200 students came.
2. Peer Connect did a stress relief campaign this week where they provided kits for students writing exams. It went well and they actually ended up running out of materials.
3. Winter Carnival has introduced captain's training in partnership with the DEO. All the captains came in one Saturday afternoon and they learned how to address different issues that might pop up during the week. They can take the information back to their teams. We are working on deadlines for content, so things like t-shirts and lip sings.
4. Department wide we ran a wellness campaign the past week for all the programming and service committees and Student's Union as a whole. Students were able to submit things that would make their exam season easier and as a department we are looking to make those things happen.
5. Next week Deb, the Programming & Promotions Manager and I will be in different areas of campus collecting feedback on programming, things that they want to see next semester and get a general consensus on how the Student's Union is doing as a whole and revisit that feedback moving forward next January.

**Director Plummer**

Is there a set timeline for the feedback you are receiving?

### **VP Hutchings**

Right now we are looking to have it all analyzed and broken into categories by the end of the first week we get back in January. Then we will have the department meeting with everyone who interacts with the department, get a marketing and student experience perspective. After we will set long term goals for things that cannot be completed right away.

### **Director Plummer**

What does a qualitative portion look like?

### **VP Hutchings**

We are looking for easier ways that students can be asked for feedback that isn't necessarily a survey. Right now we are going to have a board where students can post sticky notes with suggestions. We are going to have a Spotify playlist open where students can insert what they listen to so we can get an idea of different music students want to hear. Being present on campus and engaging in conversation for example, being in the Concourse, business building, Athlete Complex in order to hit different demographics

### **University Affairs- VP Aitchison**

Busy semester with many active events as opposed to day to day.

1. In October the Outreach Committee on Waterloo campus ran an axillary fee campaign to inform students where their money is going to and to explain the bigger fees that were ambiguous. This is to make UA more of a two-way medium instead of us just pushing advocacy, it is informative.
2. We have had House Hunting 101 Presentations in residence to hopefully inform first year students on best practices for signing their first lease so that they don't get stuck with ICON or K2.
3. I have had quite a few meetings. In October myself and my counterpart from FEDS went to Minister McGarry of Forestry and Natural Resources to talk about the housing concerns as well as sexual violence, prevention, and response. They will be bringing up our issues in the Cabinet and directly with Mister Bauer as well as Minister Matthews in regards to sexual violence.
4. I went to Queen's Park in October to talk to MPP Michael Harris regarding our concerns. His office has connected me with the PC critique.
5. In November Ian started, which is great! Myself and students attended question period survey at Queen's Park. It is an opportunity to get students off campus and to get experience. We ran into Yvan Baker who chatted with us.
6. We had OUSA's Fall General Assembly where policy papers and sexual violence, prevention, and response were approved. We sent 6 students, myself, Phil, Tyler, Kanwar Brar, and Jordan Dileonardo.

7. We met with MPP Daiene Vernile to discuss the housing issues. This time Minister Bauer told MPP Vernile that he is going to have the senior policy team look into it because he is concerned.
8. The City of Waterloo is running a biannual housing survey until mid-January and it is to help the City of Waterloo better housing issues that are occurring.
9. Brantford has started House Hunting 101 as well.
10. In November myself and Liz Thompson, who is the ACRO, filled in for Phil and we went to Ottawa for a Federal Advocacy Conference with McMaster Student's Union. While we were there we talked about post-secondary school support program, grants for persons with disabilities, and easing the process for international students to apply for permanent citizenship. On Monday while we were there we heard that there were reforms announced for the entry program which is what we were kind of pushing for the international student's integration process. It wasn't a direct influence but schools have been pushing for a couple of years now. Additionally, the post-secondary school support program was released and information was released on how to increase economic growth in the country. Other recommendations in that was for the government to commit to their promise of the support program. Hopefully it is something that we will see in the budget.
11. Ian and I have talked to Kathryn Fife about student housing concerns. MPP Fife put the letter on board papers which means that the government will have to answer this within 28 legislative days which will average out to early February. She is pushing for verbal questions; she hasn't yet had any success.
12. I talked to John Milloy Laurier's Political Science Practitioner to discuss work integrated learning to the political science department at Laurier. I tied this back into OUSA's My Will Campaign, we needed feedback and we will be partnering to get students out.
13. The subcommittee for reference process has begun as we finally have a committee regarding health documentation. Senate wishes us to have a recommendation to them before the end of this year so that this policy can take effect in September. We are not sure what the policy is looking like but I will be sitting on that to help develop. We need everyone on board and it won't make it harder for students.
14. Tyler and I went to OUSA Lobby CON where we discussed OUSA's tuition priorities, sexual violence and response, and University priorities. Yvan Baker reintroduced Bill 76 so hopefully that will get back into the system. Overall, we met with 48 politicians and it was a successful week.
15. In Brantford they are continuing the student survey. This month we start planning for provincial advocacy, priorities are being brainstormed.

**Director Bellotto**

In regards to senate subcommittee is it because of the interest for the removal of the \$20 doctor's note fee?

**VP Aitchison**

That is something that we are exploring for the Wellness Centre. This committee is more towards academic policies and what requires a medical note. Should you have a note for a discussion class that is 5% or should it be for midterms and finals. Each practitioner sets their own rate in regards to the \$20, so it is much more difficult to eliminate.

**Director Iftkharuddin**

You talked about the political science faculty and the work integrated learning, what exactly does that entail? Is that for students?

**VP Aitchison**

Dr. Milloy is looking at Shawn Conway as he wrote the work report that recommended all students get some sort of work integrated learning opportunity to ensure that they have skills rather than just academics. He to look into bring in Shawn here to plan that, he is looking at early February for this to take place.

**Director Ricci**

Have you gotten any responses in regards to meetings that you have had?

**VP Aitchison**

MPP Fife, Minister Chagger, and a few City Councilors. We are aiming for 25 meetings in total throughout the week. That also includes University Staff.

**Director Plummer**

You mentioned during OUSA Lobby CON University data priorities, what exactly is that?

**VP Aitchison**

Formally the Post-Secondary Excellence Act, Bill 76 calls on the government to have centralized data consortium of everything you can think of including satisfaction rates, dropout rates, OSAP, tuition costs and etc. We are asking for the government to put up some sort of online consortium.

**Director DeSumma**

Can you elaborate on the results of the mature student survey?

**VP Aitchison**

It is still ongoing.

**Director Plummer**

The SRAC survey process is it annual? What happened in the last few years and what the results were so we know what we can expect to be implemented?

**VP Aitchison**

Biannual; the most recent is the Norththdale area. They took feedback from students about what we could do to make them feel safer or more at home and it is used in

major student areas of the city. I was only a volunteer before so I can't speak specifically. Matt Mclean used it a lot to push stuff and the transit plan as well, the new LRT that is coming they will adjust some routs based on feedback.

#### **14. Monitoring Report: BMDs**

**Motion 7 (Jang/ Ricci): Motion to approve the monitoring report: Board Management Deligations as presented.**

**Vote: 11-0-0**

**Result: Motion Passes Unanimously**

#### **Chair DeSumma**

I went through the monitoring I did in May, I added evidence and checked the compliance. That is in the agenda package.

#### **15. Winter Semester Meeting Schedule**

**Motion 8 (Iftekharruddin/ Kelly): Motion to approve the winter semester meeting schedule as presented.**

**Vote: 11-0-0**

**Result: Motion Passes Unanimously**

#### **Director Bellotto**

How come there are 3 meetings in March and only one in February?

#### **Chair DeSumma**

That is because of reading week. I pushed one forward instead of the week before reading week.

#### **16. Committee Election: General Meeting and Election Appeals**

#### **Chair DeSumma**

This is the committee that deals with appeals during the elections process. The way it works is that if a candidate receives a demerit from the ACRO Liz or Kaitlin in Brantford the candidate can request an appeal by emailing it to me. I then respond and set up an appeals time. The appeals committee reviews it and determines if they get it or not. No returning directors can be on the committee.

**Motion 9 (Molkoski/ Jang): Motion to approve the acclimations of Directors Bellotto and DeSumma to the Election Appeals Committee**

**Vote: 9-0-2**

**Result: Motion Passes**

- Director Plummer nominated **Director Bellotto** to the Election Appeals committee
- Director Ricci nominated **Director Lee** to the Election Appeals committee

*\*Director Lee does not stand*

- Director DeSumma nominated **Director DeSumma** to the Election Appeals committee

*\*Seconded by Vice Chair Molkoski*

### **Chair DeSumma**

On the Appeals Committee there is myself, ACRO Liz Thompson, DRO Kaitlin Atkins, and 2 students. We are still looking for a student at large for the Waterloo campus. Tell your friends. Our student at large for Brantford is Matthew Coomber. It is a call out, any student can be on it as long as they are interested and not running in the elections. They can contact myself or Liz.

### **New Business and Announcements**

#### **Chair DeSumma**

It is snowing and it looks beautiful!

I hope you all have a safe and Happy Holidays! I will see you January 13<sup>th</sup> if not before.

#### **President VanHerzele**

Call back to Director Lee's question on the Quarterly Financials.

1. The first one is governance fees, the revenue total includes \$541,000 for the Students Affairs Committee (SAC) fee. We have always included this under the governance heading.
2. The expenses to date are travel and accommodations for the Board of Directors and the Governors portfolio always ends up with a large surplus at the end of the year due to the fact that we allocate. That is the reason why it was such a difference.
3. In programming and services, the revenue was from O-Week concert ticket sales and O-Week registration was slightly less than budgeted for. The expenses were under due to not having all the invoices at the time of presenting the report and O-Week's savings on food.

Apologies for the delay

Have a wonderful break! Enjoy yourselves, hopefully exams aren't too hard on anyone- study hard and take care of yourselves. I look forward to the last four months to come.

#### **Chair DeSumma**

#LaurierVotes, tell your friends. Nomination packages are due January 9<sup>th</sup> at noon, pick up online or at the offices.

## **17. Adjournment**

**Motion 10** (Plummer/ Kelly): **Motion to adjourn the meeting.**

**Vote: 11-0-0**

**Result: Motion Passes Unanimously**

**Director Plummer**

Enjoy our time off!

*Meeting adjourned at 4:10pm*

*Next Meeting Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm Waterloo*

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*fi, For Information*

*fd, For Discussion*

*D, Decision required*

*adm, Administrative task*

The preceding reflects an accurate and complete record of the proceedings at the aforementioned meeting of the WLUSU Board of Directors.

Date Signed: December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016

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Nick De Summa

Chair of the Board & Chief Governance Officer  
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