

AUSU Council Meeting
Minutes for November 17, 2005.

Present: Crystal (SASA President), Rita.C , Elise Ahenkorah, Rob Skeggs, Mark, Justin, Paul, Jess.M , Angela D., Arlene Pitts

Absent: Jay Trinier, Jessica Ferlaine, Joshua Pringle, Skye Berry, Dave Elliot

Minutes Approval of November 10th AUSU Meeting; (Justin T, Angela Dukes)

Call to Meeting: 9:41

History Society Proposal (Rob Skeggs)

- **Written proposal given discussed History committee's contribution to AUC**
- **Asking for \$650 for assistance in hosting event for fundraising purposes**
- **Fundraising Proposal : Bowling night \$400, including : \$180 pizza , \$100 Snack and Nibbles bar for music concert.**

Other issues:

- **Want to set an email account for history society (similar to AUBS), for more promotion for society funding and awareness**
- **Suggest fundraising promotion (i.e.: donation box) for fundraising idea at Togo Pub; to alleviate issues of problems with students having to pay for cover**
- **Proposing trip to Chicago, reason for AUSU Meeting**
- **Sold majority of tickets to students to Guns N' Roses concert, but due to unforeseeable circumstances, the supposed money was allocated elsewhere.**

Justin:

- **Asks R. Skeggs about the organization and initiative of locating monetary funds; looking for possible fundraising options for them, instead of going to AUSU (History Society Club has shown attempts and initiative in fundraising proposals, ie: Guns N' Roses concert, a portion of the tickets were sold by the History Society Club)**

Mark:

- **Asked R. Skeggs about the educational proponent is included in history society, for student body**
- **Concerned about disorganization about Guns n' Roses concert; supposed to be fundraising event for History Society Club**

Paul:

- **Asked about Togo Pub; fundraising for History Society**
- **Concerned about the frequent covers for pub, and suggest an alternative way of getting money for fundraiser is a donation box or something to that effect.**

AHENKORAH, E.

- Believes History Club have taken initiative for fundraising events (States this because of Guns N' Roses concert, promoted by History Club, but they didn't receive funding through their promotion for concert)
- Suggest the approval of the proposal

Jess. M:

- Attests to the educational proponent of the History Club. Participated in the Chicago trip that was proposed, and organized by History Club last year.

Motion Carried: (Paul Q., Justin. T) that AUSU will give the History Society Club, the requested amount of \$650 for their Bowling Night Fundraiser Event. Jess Mills Abstains

Professional Conduct at AUSU Meeting

Angela:

- Concerned about the professionalism conducted at meetings. Personal comments were made about particular people in Nov. 10th meeting that was offensive.
- Suggests that AUSU members should remember, when in meetings members should act in a mature and professional manner.

Update on Deferral fees

Arlene: Received email from Karen Doyle; email attached to minutes. No particular response; just says that she will look into the issue of deferral fees, and will respond to Arlene as soon as possible.

Mark: - Suggest that a proposed deadline should be requested for update of information; concerned about how long AUSU and student body has to wait for information about deferral fees.

- Students are asking for update progress report

Justin: Suggests that there should be discussion promoted around student body; in order to initiative a response on this issue

AUSU Meeting With Karen Doyle (Nov.16/05; AUSU Reps: Arlene, Jess. F & Elise .A)

Overview of Topics discussed at Meeting with Karen Doyle:

- AUSU's role in harassment policy within the school
- Information about Anti-Harassment Policy
- Explains that AUSU should designate two representatives from union

Arlene: - Karen Doyle explained Anti-Harassment Policy

- Discussed the majority of people don't know where her whereabouts and her position

- Suggested to Karen to promote new posters; for the knowledge for her positions and whereabouts
- Concerned about the legitimacy of harassment process; particular comments said at the meeting that maybe regarded as problems
- Anti-Harassment committee was discussed with Karen; decided that both her and Anti-Harassment committee should keep in contact.
- Cindi Elgie; gave AUSU Student Code of Conduct, to review the policies
- Need to give students, more concise information for students to locate services of this nature.

Mark: - Suggests Anti-Harassment committee should review AUC Anti- Harassment policy, to see if there should be any changes implemented to the policy.

Board Game Night

Paul Q.: - Date of Board Game Night, will be moved to some time next semester (January 06- April' 06.)

Academic Standards Committee

Justin: - Student proposed question to AUSU and other divisions:

Q: There are structures set up in the school to help students with learning troubles such as the learning centre, writing lab etc, but is there a way(s) to identify and help students in the classroom that would prevent students falling through the cracks, who may not use these services or be identified as needing help, but who need assistance?

Rita: Suggests group discussions for class subjects

Jess: Suggest a mandatory test for first year students in order to evaluate the presence of learning disabilities, so that people in Learning Centre, can pick out students that need assistance

Paul: - Suggests that professors, can be more involved.

Mark: Concerned about students aren't aware of Learning Centre, and Barb Miuo (Writing Lab & Special Needs) position

Paul: Beginning of year, have people introduce themselves earlier, in classroom

Semi Formal Tickets

Paul:

- Concerned people aren't buying tickets; due to no money or wrong timing, has to sell 100 tickets in order to run event
- Bruno Barban (AUC Director of University Services) suggests, we can use Ballroom Dining Room, in January. Basically, the event might be cancelled, and postponed, and might be cheaper to move it

- Should wait until the result of ticket sales by Monday; then can have a better estimate of the number of students participating
- Should avoid planning the WinterBall in December, because there are always problems with students not being able to participate and moved it permanently move it to January

Justin:- Doesn't think we can sell 100 tickets by Monday
 - Might be best to cancel the semi formal

Mark: Suggest if 100 tickets are not sold, by Monday by 10pm, the Semi Formal should be moved to January, and not cancelled

Paul Q.:- Agrees to attempt to sell tickets by proposed deadline, and will call the person organizing the preparations for the semi formal if the event is cancelled or not.

New Years Eve Party

- Paul Raycroft, wants to host New's Years Party in SpeakEasy

Paul: Suggest All age's event (Positive: *People under legal drinking age have had no experience the New Year's holiday, therefore there would be interest in this event; *Can charge similar rates as other bars; can make profit)

Rita: Suggest a Semi- Formal; people can dress up for event

PowerPuff Football Team

Mark:

-New addition to AUC Athletic Teams

Football tournament is being held in Ottawa; tournament has been happening for twenty years

- Explains there have had a tremendous turnout for football team; sooner or later there will be a proposal for the team's expenses

SASA Christmas Dinners

Crystal (SASA President)

- Booked auditorium for Dec 3rd, for Christmas Dinner
- No funding needed; just informing of what's happening in SASA
- Asks about funding allocations for SASA

Mark:

-Explains the funding audits, from last year are incomplete. Audits need to be completed, in order for funding to be allocated to SASA

-Suggests that AUSU and SASA should put pressure for individual allocations for each student unions.

Daycare Program within AUC

Arlene:

- Business student proposing Daycare service in AUC, has asked AUSU to distribute surveys (meant for student/faculty/staff with children) in order to assess need for this service (* Survey attached)
- Issues: Bruno said the proposal is not feasible without subsidizing positions,
- Mark: Student will give Daycare proposal in order to show it to AUSU; maybe in January, the project is being done in Business class for the Fall Semester of '05.

Removal of Dave Elliot

Justin:

- Explains Dave's absence in AUSU meeting for past two months
- Concerned about Dave's lack of involvement in AUSU
- Suggests he should be replaced for next semester
- By next meeting, if Dave hasn't resigned, he should be removed.

Mark:

- Removal isn't reflective on AUSU; don't want to cause any personal offences
- Suggests someone get in contact with Dave, to give AUSU a definite answer

Rita:

- Taking initiative to get in contact with Dave Elliot

Other Business

Jess. M

- Concerned about if there would be a conflict between her involvement in AUSU and Recording Secretary of NDP, not an executive position with NDP club
- No member believes there are any issues of conflict with Jess. M's involvement with NDP Club

Meeting Adjourned (Jess Mills; Paul Q.)

Daycare Survey

This survey is completely confidential and will be used to validate the presence of a daycare on campus.

Use an "X" to mark the appropriate box please.

1. Please state your position at Algoma University.

AUC Student: ☐ Full Time ☐ Part Time
Faculty: ☐ Tenured ☐ Sessional
Staff: ☐

2. Do you presently have a child in daycare?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **YES**, is it a subsidized position?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If **NO**, is your child(ren) with/in:

Family ☐ Yes ☐ No
Friends ☐ Yes ☐ No
School ½ day ☐ Yes ☐ No
School Full Day ☐ Yes ☐ No

If **NO**, will you be requiring daycare?

☐ Yes ☐ No

3. Are you on a waiting list for daycare?

☐ Yes ☐ No

4. If there were a daycare at Algoma U would you be interested in your child/children attending this daycare?

☐ Yes ☐ No

5. What age is/are your child/children that would require daycare?

☐ 0 to 17 months
☐ 18 months to 30 months
☐ 31 months to 5 years
☐ 6 years to 9 years
☐ Over 10 years

6. What hours of care would your child be requiring?

☐ 8am-12pm
☐ 8am-5pm
☐ 5pm-10pm

7. Are you able to afford daycare if it were not subsidized?

☐ Yes ☐ No