

AUSU Council Meeting

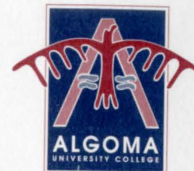
Minutes for November 30 2005

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AUSU

Minutes Approved by Nov.17 Meeting; (J. Pringle, J.Ferlaine)

Approval of Agenda; (Paul Q., J.Pringle)

Members Present: A. Dukes, Crystal .F, J.Mills, Asif, Rob.S, Justin. T, J. Ferlaine, Arlene P., Paul.Q, Skye , Josh Pringle

Members Absent: M.Pitcher, J.Trinier

Guest(s): Rita Chiblow

Aboriginal Representative- Temporary Fill In

Crystal:

- Contacted Dave Elliot, hasn't sent in his letter
 - But she did it, the letter of resignation (email and letter to confirm)
 - Wants to appoint a representative, rather than bi-election
 - Has chosen a candidate, Rita Chiblow to take over Dave Elliot's position
 - Has contacted students, and discussed issue at SASA meetings for interested individuals

Justin:

- Wants its to be an open process for selecting a replacement of Aboriginal rep
 - Only fair, because the school should be involved in the process
- This was the format in choosing other AUSU positions as well

Paul Q:

- Suggests SASA should inform students of vacant position, to make it fair for all

Jess M:

- Concerned it was not open to the students
- Rita is good candidate, but the availability should be open to public

Motion Carried: (Justin T & Josh P.) There will be an email sent to the student body to inform them of the opportunity of becoming Aboriginal representative for AUSU on November 30th, the deadline for position is on Wednesday December 7th 05.

Paid Positions

Crystal:

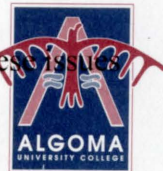
- Questions - The amount each member gets paid
 - If there is training for executive positions
- Believes SASA should be allowed to participate in theses services

Arlene:

- Been sent to places for training, going away this weekend and will return for information about the event

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ASA shirts with logos

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Crystal:

- Want to make shirts with SASA logo, wonders whether Algoma logo have to be on it

Justin:

- Algoma logo does not have to be incorporated into the shirt's design

AUSU Constitution

Justin

- Executive meeting discussed, the constitution is out of date, and inconsistent
- Complains the AUSU Constitution needs to be amended
- Each **executive** member should overview constitution in the month January, due to busy schedules
- If each member review the constitution individually, and then bring all noted issues within the constitution to AUSU, it will be done more efficiently
- Give it to members to be approved then to AGM

Planet Smashers

Justin:

- Show is going on with other sources financial contributions for the event
- Tickets aren't generating profits because they are still five dollars. Originally tickets were going to be fifteen-twenty dollars.
- Concerned about the fact that the continuation of event; other promoters promoting within our student lounge
- Concerned for next student union having to deal with issues of this nature; should implement some guideline for the relationship between the SpeakEasy and AUSU.
- Because half of the bar's money belongs to AUSU, there should be greater accountability.

Arlene:

AUSU made a letter to give to Paul concerning issues with the bar's performance, but not necessarily about this particular issue. (attached)

Josh

- Reminds members to take in consideration, AUSU money is used to pay expenses of SpeakEasy

Jess.M:

- Complains bar has been inconsistent in bar's schedule, not acceptable.
- Suggests have an hours of operation sign to create some knowledge of when the bar is going to be open

Motion: (A.Pitts & J. Mills) AUSU agrees with the content addressed in AUSU's letter to Paul Raycroft concerning the problems of Speakeasy. The letter will be given to Paul.

Abstains (Rob)

Powerpuff football proposal

Rob:

-Gave ten copies of powerpuff proposal, and fundraising efforts (Attached)

-Amount requested: \$1200, to accommodate funding efforts, accommodation, to get certainty that the attend tournament first week of February in Waterloo.

Fundraising efforts: - Selling candy and coneheads at school and basketball games

- Will look into Chartwell's exclusivity issues

- Hasn't estimated how much people are going to pay for the possible trip, but have informed team members of those possibilities. They did not have a problem with it.

Jess:

- Questions the possibility fundraising events

-Selling food in the cafeteria may cause problems because of Chartwell's exclusivity policy

-Not sure if its possible to sell candy or food at pub

Paul Q.:

Concerned if students are willing to pay for their traveling expenses

Skye:

Can attest to positive feedback from students about this team

Motion Carried: (J. Pringle & A. Pitts) AUSU is going to give \$1200 to the Powerpuff Team for fundraising efforts to attempt to gather costs for attempt to go to Wilfrid Laurier University for a Powerpuff tournament.

Abstains (Rob and Jess. F)

Federal Elections

Justin:

- Suggests that candidates speaking about issues to promote awareness for upcoming elections should be done in the school.

- no dates have been arranged

Jess:

- Is planning to have Jack Layton come in mid January

Arlene:

-Should ensure that there is no mentioning or indications of AUSU's involvement in particular political parties

- Number priority should be students' issues at debates

Motion Carried: (J. Ferlaine & A. Pitts) AUSU in going to explore the idea of having an election debate for students held in the university.

Dave Elliot

Arlene:

-Letter should be sent to Dave Elliot for his contributions

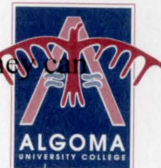
Motion Carried:(J.Ferlaine & A. Pitts) A letter should be sent to Dave Elliot to thank him for his past contributions and efforts while on AUSU.

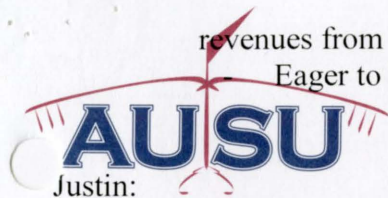
Tickets for Panama City Trip Giveaway

Paul:

- Budget was sent to AUSU within the email about tickets for Pananma city giveaway

Amount \$23,313, includes all Campaigns and Special Projects for school year. Does not include any





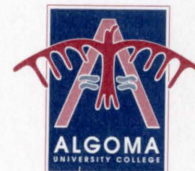
revenues from various special events

Eager to have budget approved, because there has been much delay

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Justin:

- Concerned about the getting last year's audit, before approving our current budget

Arlene:

- Concerned because there are no additions of CFS, there are CFS expenses that need to be added from
- Suggests adding a figure into the budget

Josh P: - Suggest rounding the figure to \$25,000

Motion: (J. Pringle & Justin) AUSU approves the budget of \$25,000 presented by Paul Q. for the Campaigns and Special Projects throughout the school year

Black History Month

Paul:

- The amount of \$1500, was added into the yearly budget for the events planned for Black History Month.

Daycare Survey

Arlene:

- Making sure that everyone has gotten the survey
- Members should attempt to distribute the survey among students with children

Paul Q:

- Suggests giving the survey to Cindi Elgie to put in her office and in different areas of the school.

Expenses of AUSU

Josh P.:

- Changing the expenses of AUSU from cheques to credit card
- Makes it easier than using cheques

Provincial Lobby Day

Arlene:

- Meeting with Dave Orrazetti, and representatives of other universities.
- If there is any questions anyone want to ask Dave Orrazetti, they should get it to her as soon as possible.

Meeting Adjourned: (J..Ferlandino & A.Pitts)



AUSU

On behalf of the student body, AUSU would like to request that you make an attempt to provide events that are geared to a wider student audience. Our current student population includes many diverse groups including 20% Aboriginal, and 11% International. The students would like to see events or activities in the Speak Easy that will appeal to everyone. There has been an emphasis on "rock" concert type shows so far which have been enjoyed by many, but this type of show has limited appeal within the AUC community. There has also been a great deal of feedback on the lack of regular pub nights with DJ and dancing, and too many events being ticketed. We hope that you will be able to accommodate the students from a variety of backgrounds and interests.

There is also a great deal of concern with the conduct of the SpeakEasy's security staff. There has been enormous amounts of negative feedback regarding their aggressive nature, lack of respect for students, confrontational approach and violent behaviour in dealing with "security" issues. There has been a great deal of buzz from students and community members about not wanting to attend the events due to the attitude and reputation of the security staff. We would

request that you deal with this issue as quickly as possible and provide us with some response regarding how you will ensure that this will be corrected. Thank you for respecting the concerns of the students of AUC and the wider community, and we look forward to hearing back from you.

Sincerely,
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ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR CAMPAIGNS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Oct. 20, 2005

Fall Semester

Welcome Week

Sept. 5	Game Show Night - supplies	\$ 240
Sept. 6	Galaxy Movie Night	
Sept. 7	Glamour Bingo - Joan Rivers	\$ 800
Sept. 8	Mardi Gras Pub - decorations/beads	664.66
Sept. 9	Tony Lee/High Holy Days	\$ 1,228
	Prizes total	\$ 820

Sept. 30 - Oct. 2 *Wonderland Trip*

Bus	\$ 3,300
Wonderland Tickets at \$23 each	\$ 529
23 tickets sold at \$60 or \$75	
Revenue: \$987 in ticket sales	

Oct. 13 *Hoe Down Pub -*

Cost for Decorations	\$ 86
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Oct. 24 *Pumpkin Carving Contest*

Prizes - 10 movie passes, 6 G N R tickets
2 Frosh Kits

Oct. 27 *Halloween Pub*

Decorations	\$ 64
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Nov. 4 Student Poker Championships

\$ 696

Nov. 17 *Toga Pub (decorations)*

Nov. 24 *Decorations for Christmas in Student Centre*

Nov. 28-30 *Aids Awareness Week* free

Dec. 4 *Holiday Movie and Sunday Night*

\$ 50

Fall Total

\$ 8,477

Winter Semester

Nov. 13 *Board Game Night (games)*

\$ 200

Jan. 5 *Mock New Years Bash (decorations)*

\$ 200

Jan. 16-19 *Winter Carnival*

\$ 1,000

Jan. 21 *Snow Ball Formal*

Damage Deposit to Windsor Park (returned at end of night)	\$ 500
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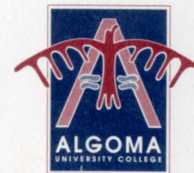
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Semi Costs (estimate food for 150 people): (705) 983-0983

DJ E-mail: ausu@auc.ca \$ 220

Prizes \$ 300

Decorations \$ 700



Jan. 26	Beach Bash Pub Prizes		
	Deposit by Dec. 1: \$75		
	Cost for 2 trips to Panama City Beach	\$	600
Feb. 8	Black History Month	\$	1,500
	Includes speaker on anti-racism and diversity		
Feb. 9	Valentines Prizes for Couples Game Show	\$	200
Feb. 11-12	30 Hour Famine		
	Final Buffet	\$	600
Mar. 2	Student Poker Championships	\$	696
Mar. 16	St. Patrick's Day Pub (decorations)	\$	150
Mar. 20-22	Dodgeball Tournament	\$	500
	Equipment (balls, prizes, etc)		
Mar. 25	End of Year Spring Semi Formal		
	Deposit	\$	500
	DJ	\$	220
	Semi Costs (estimate food for 150 people)	\$	3,150
	Prizes	\$	300
	Decorations	\$	700
Apr. 6	Going Out In Style Pub		
	Decorations	\$	100
Winter Total		\$	14,836
<u>Final Year Total</u>		<u>\$</u>	<u>23,313</u>

This total does not include any profits from tickets sales from the Formals

November 30, 2005

Algoma University Students Union. (AUSU)

Re: Letter of resignation

First and foremost let me say thank you to all of you for making feel welcome. In the time that I had spent as the Aboriginal Representative is was one of learning and of being secure in knowing that there are many young people that are in our universities and colleges hat care for their fellow students education, and future. I feel very comfortable in knowing that there are many young people who care for their communities and the country they live in.

I am sorry that it has taken me this long to offer my resignation but I had initially thought by a slim chance that I might be able to continue my studies part time, this was not to be.

I find myself in my mid-fifties of trying to care and raise my two grandchildren, one eight months, the other two years old. To add to this disorderly life, my wife of thirty years has severe asthma that makes it very difficult for her to move about while trying to care for our grandchildren. So I asked for her permission if I could drop my studies and assist her full-time, reluctantly she agreed.

So it is without prejudice that I offer my resignation on this day of November 30, 2005.

Best of Luck in all of your futures and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

David Elliott
Aboriginal Rep.

P/S Good luck on your finals.