

AUSU Meeting on January 25, 2006

Members Present: *Paul. Q, Asif .M, Skye, Justin, Mark, Rob.M, E.Ahenkorah, J.Pringle, A.Dukes, J.Mills*

Members Absent: *Arlene, Jess.F, J.Trinier*

Guests: *Paul Raycroft, Melanie Prevost, Ashley Burdnt, Erin Gordon*

Call to Order: 9:39pm

Approval of Minutes: (P.Quesnele, & M.Pitcher)

Paul Raycroft Proposal

Requested Amount: \$15,000-\$20,000

- March 11th, concert can be promoted in the Leach; Trews on the Monday & Default show in the Leach on weekend
- All ticket revenue and bar expenses will be given to us
- Proposed Default show at the Canadian; tickets can be less for less
- If show is in the Leach; Production, Stage= \$15000-\$20000, roughly \$17/ticket for purchase
- AUSU would have to provide a stage for the production of the show
- Doesn't expect the continuation of this show, but for future reference or example when promoting show of high publicity

Students concerns with Sentient

Mel

- Past two issues of student newspaper, concerning the articles of John B.
- Articles have direct attacks at students and professor
- Slanderous material is included in the article that does not represent the University
- Certain quotes are directly offensive against professors and students, which does not represent proper journalism
- Also, there are Liberal campaign ads in the student newspaper, which promote a bias opinion

Erin

- Personal attacks in the article
- Paper has no educational quality; just slanderous material
- Articles should be edited in order to prevent slander and errors

J.Mills

- English department can offer an assignment as an article in the student paper

P.Quesnele

- Should find more alternatives of promoting the sentient
- Could have a suggested topics list for those who may want to write
- Tony Bonofero's paper reflects badly on AUSU

Mark:

- Points of students are valid; students' papers are for the students. Students should be writing for the newspaper.
- Something should be done to make the students more happy
- Newspapers should be impartial; political views always are controversial
- Should help hire an assistant editor for the newspaper; should be a student

Justin:

- Unintentionally, promoted the Liberal campaign
- Printed Tony B.'s articles because there is a lack of students willing to write articles for the student paper

A. Dukes

- Positions of AUSU should help contribute to the development of the paper

Aboriginal Representative

Elise:

- Arlene has only received a resume from Rita Chitblow for the position of Aboriginal Representative
- No one else received any other resumes, except for Rita's
- Rita shows a great deal of passion and dedication for the Aboriginal rep. position, and would be an excellent candidate

Motion: (J.Pringle & A.Dukes) AUSU accepts the resume of Rita Chitblow for the position of Aboriginal Representative. Rita Chitblow now has the position of Aboriginal representative.

Abstains: J.Teterault

PowerPuff Proposal

Requested Amount: \$1000

Rob:

Request for travel expenses for Powerpuff Team to Wilfrid Laurier University's Powerpuff football tournament on Feb. 2nd – 5th.

- There have been attempts by the Football team to promote their own financial expenses
- There have also been numerous amounts of support from the community and the student body.

Motion: (J.Mills, E.Ahenkorah) AUSU agrees to approve the Powerpuff proposal of \$1000 for the travel costs to Wilfrid Laurier University Powerpuff tournament.

Abstains: (M.Pitcher & R.Mallet)

Black History Month Appearance

Paul & Elise:

- AUSU members should attempt to be at the events, in order to show support. Especially in light, of the anti-harassment incidents occurring on school campus.

Rob:

- Very important, AUC lacks a university atmosphere and culture which will be beneficial for the school.

30-Hour Famine

Paul: - Needs people to help coordinate the events within the famine

Beach Bash set-up

Paul:

- Needs help to setting up and taking down decorations for the Beach Bash Pub.

Mark:

- Suggest ordering pizzas as motivation for attracting help

Constitutional conference

Mark:

- Suggest a constitutional retreat, for two days in order to make needed changes for constitution
- Suggest going to WaterTower Inn. There is a conference room which provides laptops for each AUSU members. Each member or several groups of members can make suggestions for changes to AUSU constitution.

Press Conference for Algoma University College's Computer Design Program

Mark:

- AUSU members should be at press conference in order to show AUSU/student support

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