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Council Meeting Minutes

Date: February 14, 2017

Place: Web conference

Time: 6:00pm

Attendance:

Teagan Gahler, President

Jamie Czerwinski, Vice President External

Margaret Clappison, VP Operations & Finance

Steve Green, VP Academic

Ross Tyson, Executive Director

Shawn Ang, Faculty of Business Representative

Peter Chan, Faculty of Business Representative

Vanessa Colettas, Faculty of Business Representative

Patrick Corbett, Faculty of Science & Technology Representative

Lindsay McNena, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative

Komal Kumar, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative

Eric Snow, Speaker of Council

Lisa Gray, Faculty of Health Disciplines Representative

Robert Janzen, Faculty of Science & Technology Representative

Susanna Suchak, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences Representative

Shanna Rowney, Centre for Distance Education Representative

Absent:

Michelle Halle, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences Representative

Mahsati Abdul, Centre for Distance Education Representative

Regrets:

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1.0 Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm MDT.	

<p>2. Approval of Agenda</p>	<p>Motion: To delete 3MT sponsorship from the agenda.</p> <p>(VPOF, McNena)</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p> <p>Motion: To approve the agenda as amended.</p> <p>(President, VPOF)</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p>	
<p>3. Approval of Previous Minutes</p>	<p>Motion: To accept the minutes of January 17 as distributed. (McNena Corbett.)</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p>	
<p>4. Reports</p>		
<p>4.1 Executive Reports</p>	<p>All executive members presented their reports as distributed. Highlights include:</p> <p>President: Third party review of AU under way.</p> <p>VP Academic/Provost position being sought.</p> <p>Budget meeting with AU postponed once again.</p> <p>VPOF: The IT governance committee met as well as the Engagement committee of AUGSA.</p> <p>VPEX: abGPAC has submitted a proposal to GOA regarding Campus Alberta grant. Currently each school receives an amount relative to a previous amount. Looking to transition to a more outcome oriented model.</p> <p>abGPAC hired a part time Executive Director. This should help with the administration.</p>	

	<p>CASA has not had any meetings since November. Next AGM in Nova Scotia in March. Advocacy as well as a policy paper on research will be highlights.</p> <p>Discussed scholarships and eligibility.</p> <p>Jamie will send pertinent documents to Council.</p> <p>VPA: Met with OGSA and one student advisory meeting.</p>	
4.2 Financial Report	Margaret presented her financial reports for January 2017.	
5. New Business		
5.1 Bargaining Position	<p>Motion: Approval of the 2017 AUGSA bargaining position that applies to Teaching and Research Assistants. (VPA, VPOF)</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p>	
5.2 Administrative Access Ooh La La	<p>Motion: Be it resolved that AUGSA provide Engagement Committee members with Admin Access to the OOH LA LA app on an annual basis.</p> <p>(VPEX, Corbett)</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p> <p>Jamie will reach out to the Ooh La La admin to change.</p>	
5.3 Ooh La La Updates	<p>Motion: Be it resolved that AUGSA update the OOH LA LA app and Athabasca Landing, as well as any future information systems (social media), to link prominently to www.augsa.com (VP, Ang)</p> <p>Carried Unanimously</p>	

6. Old Business		
7. Other Business		
7.1 Update from Faculties	<p>Question: Are all faculty fees the same? Do you pay for programs even when you are not taking classes? Teagan suggested the person contact the program chair. If no resolution pass it along to Teagan.</p> <p>Meet and greet was poorly attended in Edmonton. There is a meet and greet in Red Deer next Friday.</p>	
8. Adjournment	<p>Motion: To adjourn the meeting (Corbett, Rowney)</p> <p>Carried unanimously</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm</p> <p>Next meeting: March 14, 2017</p>	

Teagan Gahler, President

Ross Tyson, Executive Director

Date of Approval