## **BOD MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, February 12, 2015

Members present: Chris Pie, Chris Burke, Ian Hall, Madison Byblow, CJ Arinze, Suzanne Desa, Kaitlin

Romano, Michael McTavish, Jacqueline Trottier, Kristen Maclean, Nathan Gravelle.

Meeting called to order at 9:33 p.m. by Ian Hall moved by Pie seconded by Burke.

Do not have standardized minutes, Chris Burke motioned to move forward without adopting the minutes, seconded by Michael McTavish. Board accepts the motion unanimously.

Chris Burke provides an update on events of Frostbite cancellation and Open up the Vote event briefly. Ian Hall mentions office hours during reading week.

Ian Hall provides an update from Governance meeting. Hall overviewed the discussion of plans going ahead for building plan for the future student center as well as the decision made in regards to a tie for positions such as CRO and DRO of committees. The decision will be decided in a coin toss following two revotes.

Awareness, Social, and Academic committee have not sat since last update.

Geography requests \$600 in funding from the board. The request is for a teetertoting competition in conjunction with the Relay for Life event. The money would be used to purchase the equipment, snacks, and prizes. Gravelle motions to reject the request and Kristin seconds. All in favour.

Math club requests \$500 for club start-up funds. They would use most of the fund to participate in a ball. Chris Pie motions to provide \$300 and McTavish seconds. All in favour.

Eddie Pub is requesting \$800 in donations for their formal. Gravelle motions to provide \$400 and Kristin seconds. Everyone in favour except for Gravelle abstains.

International Food Fest is requesting \$1000 for their event to purchase ingredients and prizes. Gravelle motions to provide \$250 and Desa seconds. Kristen motions to provide \$500 and McTavish seconds. Taun motions to provide \$700 and McTavish seconds. Five in favour, four opposed, three abstentions. The motion of \$700 is accepted.

## Entered close session.

Closed session ended.

Black Legacy Network requests \$300 for general funds, particularly for promotions and events. - Kristin motions to provide \$300 and Byblow seconds. All in favour with the abstention of CJ.

Dance club is requesting \$200 to help with the cost of their showcase that is put on every year.

Kristin motions to provide \$200 with the invitation of performing on Local Talent Tuesday and Byblow seconds. All in favour.

Dance team is requesting \$150 from donations for the cost of their showcase that is put on every year. Byblow motions to provide \$150 and McTavish seconds. All in favour.

Ian Hall provides a SOFA update and announces an upcoming meeting to view their services, a brainstorming session.

Gravelle motions the board submits the NUFA open letter and empower the executive committee to change wording where appropriate, McTavish seconds.

Hall motions a friendly amendment executive committee could work with NUFA to work on wording but the final literation comes down to the board of directors. All in favour with the abstention of McTavish. The motion is accepted.

Hall reviews the terms of reference for the election committee.

Motion #1 of the Elections Committee was put forward, and all were in favour.

Chris Burke motions to omnibus the motions from Elections Committee, and Romano seconds the motion. All in favour for the motion. The terms are accepted as such:

RESOLUTION I: The Board of Directors establishes the creation of an Elections Committee composed of five (5) Directors (which can include Executive Directors) in order to conduct the 2015-2016 Executive Elections. The proposed Elections Committee would consist of, at minimum, a CRO and DRO (elected by the Board of Directors, pursuant to the NUSU Bylaws) and three (3) other Directors (elected by the Board of Directors). In the event that five Directors are unable to sit on the committee, the Board of Directors will elect as many Directors as possible to fill seats on the Elections Committee, up to the maximum of five (5).

RESOLUTION II: The Board of Directors directs the Chief Returning Officer and Deputy Returning Officer of the 2015-2016 Executive Elections to enforce the following Terms of Reference (on top of the existing Bylaws in the Governing Documents):

"Any decision that would result in the disqualification of a candidate must be made by the Board of Directors and accompanied by a recommendation to the Board of Directors by the Elections Committee."

"The Election Committee has the authority to direct the Management Staff and Executive Committee (notwithstanding the Executives who are participating in the election) to assist in the execution of the election and any related activities."

McTavish nominates Gravelle for CRO, Trottier seconds the motion. Byblow nominates Pie, Kristen seconded Pie. Both nominees accept their nominations. After a vote, Nathan Gravelle is

elected. Chris Pie is nominated for DRO by Kristen and Suzanne seconded. Chris Burke is nominated for DRO by Ian Hall and is seconded by Alex Taun. Both nominees accept their nominations. Chris Pie is elected as DRO.

Taun, Trottier and Burke are the only members of the board who express interest in being a part of the election committee, and as such, fill all remaining positions.

Gravelle touches on the senate election.

Hall discusses with the board a study available to the board by a graduate student. More info and times for interviews will be presented at a later date.

McTavish motions the board directed the executive committee to encourage the University Board of Governors to facilitate a townhall meeting and is seconded by Gravelle. Board is all in favour.

The board adjourns the meeting.