

Report to Council
January 13, 2008



COUNCIL MINUTES

The Meeting of the Concurrent Education Student's Association Council was held on
January 13, 2008 in Room E229 of Mac-Corry Hall at 7:00 P.M.

REGRETS:

1 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was moved and approved

That CESA Council approve the Agenda for the Meeting of January 13, 2008.

Amendment to the Agenda:

Remove discussion item 1 (regarding survey feedback)

The motion with amendments was put and **carried unanimously**

2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes was moved and approved

That CESA Council approve the Minutes for the Meeting of November 25, 2007.

The motion was put and **carried unanimously**.

3 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2.1 General Business

2.1.1 Elections are coming – nomination period right now. Nomination period closes 11:59 Tuesday night. Mike does have the power to extend the nominations, but the voting days are January 29th to 30th, so there must be a significant campaign period. Get the nomination forms in.

2.1.2 Even if you're not sure what you're going to run for – 8 pm Wednesday night elections info meeting. General campaigning guidelines. If you can't make it, let Mike know. Direct questions during questions period.

2.1.3 If you get a rental car during skiing, make sure you zip up your pockets!
If you're running for elections, can't do CESA related stuff

2.1.4 No campaigning in or around the CESA office. You can only run for one council.

4 GUEST SPEAKERS

There are no guest speakers tonight.

5 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

5.1 General Report

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- 5.1.1 Happy new year everyone!
- 5.1.2 The Office is now under construction, and of course taking longer than expected. Things have just been shifted around. Don't worry about what it looks like – it'll look good by next week. Also about the Foosball table – it's broken, and we will be taking it out. We're thinking about fixing it and donating it to an organization.
- 5.1.3 Any questions about elections – email us and talk to us.
- 5.1.4 I submit to Board of Trustees every month - anything you want to have said there, send it to us.
- 5.1.5 If interested in AMS elections, feel free to come Thursday 7 pm at MacLaughlin room.
- 5.1.6 Good job, hope 2008 will be great.

6 VICEPRESIDENTS' REPORT

6.1 Vice President Internal – General Report

- 6.1.1 We've got most of the surveys – thanks for filling them out. One of the big things was how much we keep bringing up attending events. We didn't mean to do it constantly, and we don't expect everyone to attend everything, so we apologize. We understand that as students we've got a lot of other things going on. There's a great initiative going on that Mike will talk about to address that.
- 6.1.2 Problem with ort – get a lot of fundraising for frosh week – matt will be able to speak a bit more. We got shot with a really big bill this year – lots to do with not knowing what goes on to Con-Ed frosh week., and also with some car crashes. They also used previous excel spreadsheets to calculate our costs and a lot of them were outdated. Round of applause for Matt – we're really happy with everything he's done. This is also a problem for asus – officially in the negatives right now – having an emergency meeting tomorrow night, but will keep you posted. They'll also be bringing up ORT and their financial power on Thursday's AMS meeting.
- 6.1.3 Finished all the research on honorarium, and decided that it would be fair for there to be a \$50 increase for all three exec positions. VP to \$100, prez to \$150.
- 6.1.4 Lots of stuff going on – smoker, formal, clothing on its way. Music rep description will be discussed during discussion period. Exciting stuff about the website, photo contest.
- 6.1.5 Racial issue – Con Ed is obviously against that. Rally that will be going on Wednesday outside Stauffer for only 15 minutes at 3:15, try to attend. Jeff Brown will be coming in to talk about this, we'll keep you updated.

6.2 Vice President External – General Report

- 6.2.1 Office hours – if you've changed, let Pat know. They start tomorrow. Key was left in the office again.
- 6.2.2 We tried to order pizza, but there was a pretty inappropriate email that came up, so let's just stay away from those sites.
- 6.2.3 Meeting with LeRoy Whitehead this Wednesday, so might be a little late for office hour. Change in Con-Ed grading scheme – percentages, grades – this is very important, we should talk about this.
- 6.2.4 BEWIC, Conference coming, conference bursaries closed now and excellent job, workshops have some stuff to talk about tonight, head teaches are in the midst of transitioning
- 6.2.5 All umbrellas meet quickly after just to touch base

7 AMS REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

7.1 AMS General Assembly

- 7.1.1 Hasn't been AMS meeting yet this year – it's on Thursday.

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8 STUDENT SENATOR'S REPORT

8.1 Senate

8.1.1 Not much to report, but code of conduct will return February.

8.1.2 Hitchcock resubmitted name for being principal.

9 STATEMENT BY MEMBERS

9.1 Todd – Webmaster

We have a website! www.queenscesa.com – there is nothing there yet, so please don't check it tonight. We're in a limbo period, but it is coming back. We had this domain already and have posting rights for 2 years. Sheets sent around for events to be posted and any corrections to be made to website.

9.2 Emily and Erica – Workshops

Hand-raising poll for who has night classes. Tuesdays possibly the best day. If you have any ideas, let us know!

9.3 Victoria – '08 Rep

Clothing update – probably picking them up on Tuesday and will be available in the office by the end of the week

9.4 Steve - Photomaster

Photo contest – details went out on Friday's email. It's a year challenge, I'll keep you updated.

9.5 Trevor and Brooke - Newsletter

We don't have any articles yet, but deadline is January 15th, so feel free to write about anything. Especially your announcements for upcoming events, we'd really love those. thebedspread@gmail.com

9.6 Rohini – ESS Transition Chair

Education students are back! Final year info session Tues. Jan. 22, 6 pm at CoGro. It will be really informal, just a bunch of final year students who can answer your questions. If you have anything you want discussed, email questions so a rough agenda can be made. Ontario College of teachers will be have booths set up on Tuesday, January 15 on West Campus. Science Discovery Camp on Saturday, January 26. TORF (all international schools come to Queen's and do interviews/hiring) on February 8-10 – take a look if you're interested. 3rr11@quensu.ca

9.7 Julie Herczeg - Conference

Conference is coming. We've been working really hard, and making it as big as possible. There are endless surprises! A conference of this size does require a lot of organization, so we need to get this information to you. Regarding workshops, although they are finalized, they are not going to be released until registration on Friday. We are looking for 3 or 4 extra billeters to house people from Trent, Brock, McMaster. You're not required to feed them. If any of you have offered to volunteer for events, then you'll be hearing from Sarah Taylor. If you're still interested, please send one of the conference coordinators an email.

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DJ Black Magic will be deejaying, requests are being taken, let Suhail know at 5sp11@queensu.ca

Panel Discussion: What makes a good school? – we want to know what you guys are looking for in terms of questions (talk about during discussion period)

Call for toasters – offering hot breakfast on Sunday morning, so if anyone has hot plates, grills, etc. that you would be willing to lend to us, then let us know

Apologies in advance, none of us are coming – it's the Sunday after conference. Hope you all will enjoy yourselves if you're coming!

9.8 **Aleks – Social**

Thanks to everyone who came out to the coffee house – it was a huge success and we hope it was a nice evening. Smoker is tomorrow night at 8:30 at the Grad Club - \$5. There was a bit of a mix up in the email – Aleks and Tiff are putting together a formal committee – first meeting Monday, January 21st 4:30 to 6:00 room 509 in Douglas. Formal itself is on Sat. March 1.

9.9 **Lois and Liz – Community Affairs**

We're having a lovers/couples/friends night on February 5th at CoGro. Entertainment starts at 9 pm, game starts at 9:45 pm. We're playing the newlywed game. You sign up in teams of 2 – if you don't have a partner, we'll pair you up! All of the proceeds will go towards the Hart School of Smiles, which focuses on creative expression.

It may not be on March 1st, but we're going to be doing a change drive (like the one during Frosh week) Kingston Food Sharing Program – providing food to more than 50 Kingston schools.

If you have any local organizations that you are particularly inclined towards, let them know. Penny jars closing it on March 15th. We can tell everyone who won on the March 16th, and then an email will be sent out to the winning year to decide which charity they want it to go towards.

We hope that by the week of March 10th, we will have everything set up for Crest Painting. We'll looking towards mid-late March for Cover the Crest [with change]. Depending on what the weather is like, we will have some entertainment like busking.

We were thinking that instead of every year doing an event, we'll just have one huge event with all the years, organized by the year reps community affairs, and social affairs. Emails will be sent out.

9.10 **Katie and Ben –Athletic Sticks**

We're the pirates! We encourage everyone to come out to it – dress up as pirates. We don't know the times yet of any of the games. 1st game is on Friday at 2:30 pm. No longer ultimate Frisbee, but floorball with scoops.

9.11 **Janice -Fundraising**

Movie night will be on Sunday, January 20, 2008 at 7pm. We're going to have a table with hot chocolate and , watching across the universe – musical featuring the Beatles song. We're having a yoga thing at Karma with all proceeds going towards CESA on February 14th. Thanks to TEAMFLASH for their night out. Auditions first week of February.

9.12 **Jason – Academic Affairs**

OUSA: blue chairs and posters campaign (seat for potential student who can't be there because of financial and other barriers). January 24th, social event at Alfie's to promote this campaign.

Organizing a Town Hall meeting – close to last year's Con-Ed Forum, but this is university wide. January 22nd, 2008 at 7pm? So keep your eyes out for those.

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9.13 Katlynd – AMS Rep

AMS committee - Looking at international students, who we don't have much policy for. So if you know any international students, we would love to hear from them.

10 QUESTION PERIOD

What are we not allowed to do during the elections campaign period?
For the election period, all the duties for your position as outlined by the constitution.

Is there transportation for the Conference Banquet?
Shuttle busses from Goodes Hall to the harbour – a few runs. First one at 6:50

What is CESA's position on the financial issue for orientation?
Don't really like to look at price, but the percentage it increased – 4x increase. We want to give everyone a chance to figure all this out. We don't know what our position is on it yet – some people want to cut ORT's financial power completely, but we need to know more, and will keep you informed. We really encourage everyone to come out on Thursday to talk about this.
At the president's caucus, we talked about it, and were supposed to have it paid by a certain date last year, but there's a lot of slack that hasn't been picked up yet.

How long will the election meeting be for?
Room booked for 2 hours - Quick powerpoint, rules, guidelines. Ideally, it's for half an hour. Room TBA

BEWIC meeting will be on Wednesday – can I not do my duties for it?
Campaign period doesn't start until Thursday. Exec will have to take over if all athletic sticks are running.

Is this meeting mandatory at 5:30?
Yes.

Does the formal have a theme? Can you tell us it?
We had many ideas, and have narrowed it down to a few that we like. We wanted to call the meeting to throw the ideas out there and see how everyone is feeling about them.

Are we going to talk about panel later?
Yes.

Where is the movie night?
It is in Dunning auditorium.

Is it possible to pass the BEWIC game schedule to exec?
Yes, we will send out a schedule through all channels possible, except we won't know for finals.
Remember that list serv can't send file attachments.

Is there a policy about pricing for events?
There is nothing in the constitution about it; it's generally up to the discretion of the people running
Reason we have had to up the prices because we need to go through another group, and cost for different events are redistributed through other events.

Year email will be sent out by mike if year reps running again.
If we have class on Wednesday– email mike, copy info

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10 NEW BUSINESS

10.1 **Ratification of Amanda Leonard as a member of the Robert J. Hill Award Committee**

A motion that CESA Council ratify Amanda Leonard as a member of the Robert J.Hill Award Committee

Motion carries unanimously, and Amanda Leonard is accepted as '08 rep for the committee.

10.2 **Amendment to the constitution: article V - Finances (1st reading)**

A motion that CESA Council approve the changes to Article V – Finances of the Constitution as seen in APPENDIX SUPER MARIO

It's nice, we'd love to see it go up in the future. But for now, \$50 more makes sense. There is a lot of time that goes into CESA.

Is there another place where the money could go towards?

\$100 or \$150 is not a lot, but by taking on this position, you're giving up the opportunity to do a lot of things that are paid. A lot of the time, the honoraria actually goes back to CESA because it is used to buy things for CESA.

Since it's just \$50 more, is this really worth it?

\$50 is kind of a slap in the face for all the work that you do during the year. We're not really looking at it as an incentive, because that's not the right reason. We just wanted to make Con-Ed a little bit more parallel to other faculties.

We don't really see all the work that goes on, but it is a nice gesture to recognize the value of the input that exec puts in, so really in favour of it.

No one is going to look at \$100 as an incentive to run for exec. and yes, as treasurer, we are tight on money, but we are in no way destitute, so we do have the money for it. We really need to appreciate the people who have made it possible to give money to other organizations and to do all the things that we do for everyone.

You can always give money elsewhere, but I think we've done really well this year giving to charities, etc. so I think it's worthwhile to increase the honoraria. In the future, hopefully it will be even higher.

How did you guys come up with this number?

We looked at what every faculty was giving their equivalents – time, etc. Some faculties giving \$250-\$500, and it was also around the time we were looking at the ORT issue, so we didn't want to jump up too much. We just wanted to start small.

In terms of faculty that are more similar size, why do they get more money?

It's just what it says in the constitution, it's just what they've worked out. It hasn't been changed, it's just been followed.

There is still a clause that says that "if we are able to", so if we are not able to raise the funds, we do not need to give the honorarium.

Also, we have a lower student fee, so CESA doesn't have quite as much money, so that might be a reason for other faculties having a higher honoraria.

Motion for secret ballot is carried with a majority vote.

Original motion is carried.

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10.3 Creation of ad-hoc CESES committee

*That CESA Council create an ad-hoc CESES Committee as seen in APPENDIX
DONKEY KONG*

Addressing event problem: positions that ran events would meet up to organize events

Very informal

Meetings will be first week of each month – organize a calendar

This committee would be responsible for relaying information from

One member of each position represented: 1st-4th year, workshop, social, comm.

During discussion, welcome to open it up to other positions

Welcoming debate on idea as well as friendly amendments: Is this even necessary? Or should we just have a constitutional amendment to be responsible for events coordinating?

As it is written, it's an **ad-hoc** committee, which means that it meets as long as it sees it is useful, but if they don't see it as working, they can dissolve it themselves

It's important, will help make things flow better, more cohesive, less confusion. Hopefully it will result in better turn-out and better con-ed spirit.

There's this really cool events calendar thing on the website – could possibly put it under webmaster description

Friendly amendment: a member of exec be present at the meeting

It only needs to be one person, but more than one is welcome to come.

Friendly amendment: add "at least one member" to

Initially when we put PR together, this is part of what we had in mind – it could be possible that this could be included in a profile description for that position

Suggestion for music rep to be placed on that too

Suggest that one person should be responsible to report it to webmaster and newsletter so that they don't need to physically be at the meeting.

We will be sending the info out for sure, and we will use the best avenues that we can.

Within the committee itself, they can delegate tasks and have their own standing rules, so not everything needs to be explicitly laid out in the motion

It's not a closed meeting, so if you want to add yourself to the meeting when you have an event, feel free.

Agree with the committee idea, this way everyone can compromise if there's an overlap.

Friendly amendment to add fundraising

Add a chair position on committee, and we also need to remember to keep the size of this committee in check.

Perhaps next year chair of the committee could be PR

Great idea. It will help to know what events to stress, and to push us to plan events ahead of time

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Concern is that we're essentially adding everyone on council to it, and that this meeting will eventually become a second CESA meeting. We should be able to do that at these current CESA meetings.

Possibly use something like google events calendar?

Like idea, but share above concerns. Perhaps it can be once a term. Hopefully we start an improved line of communication through this.

By creating an ad hoc committee, it does make it an official committee of CESA, so it makes it a little more formal.

Motion is put with amendments and **passes**.

11 DISCUSSION PERIOD

11.1 Motion to extend meeting to 9:30 is put and passes.

11.2 Conference Panel

Sheet for questions addressed at conference panel will be circulated during discussion period

11.3 Potential changes to job descriptions (2nd and 3rd year reps, music rep)

Concern of whether there should be a change in descriptions: to have 3rd year reps do directory, 2nd year reps doing buddy events. Arguments are that if 2nd years are teaches, then planning buddy picnic might be a little hard, but exec is sure that they would like to help out. Also with music rep, it doesn't have to be just regarding music, but to all of con-ed.

Beginning of the year, a lot of negative vibes regarding events. At first I thought that the music rep position was redundant, but I think that because the faculty is very different, there needs to be more communication between the faculty and con-ed so that con-ed can come out to music events as well.

Big music trip open to all of con-ed to see something – up for discussion, hopefully \$50.

The point of having buddies is to have someone who you can talk to and get books from, and just help you out in the past little while. Is the buddy even necessary, considering most frosh do feel most comfortable with their teaches.

This goes to show how much the buddy idea needs to be re-vamped, because I think it is really important. By getting rid of it, it's

Upper-year buddies may be reduced if we made it a 2nd year rep description. Personally feel that the directory hasn't been up on the website, and it has been okay with the help of facebook and everything.

Music rep to work with comm. Affairs for informal entertainment before

Switch is good. The frosh would probably feel more comfortable knowing that a second year is running the event, and the turnout of the event by upper years is probably not related to who is running, but because they want to. A lot of the success hangs on how good of a connection the buddies have.

It seems to be that directory is not necessary anymore. Perhaps if they do this, you can put both 2nd and 3rd year reps on

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Not everyone has facebook. Everyone deserves to have a buddy – for second years, there are a lot of people who were not teaches but would really love to have a buddy and would do a really good job.

From a non-cesa perspective, the directory is good for those who are not as involved in the faculty.

Perhaps we could have less random pairings.

If we could have a buddy event really soon after frosh week, it would be good to keep the ball rolling. Also, important to publicize it more at frosh week.

11.4 Remaining Discussion Items

No time for the following items. If you have anything to say about them, send an email out:
- CESA communications strategy
- Grading

11.5 Next meeting

The next meeting will be on January 27th, 2007 at 7 pm. Place to be determined.

12 **ADJOURNMENT**

I move the CESA council does now adjourn.

The motion was put and **passed**.

CONFIRMED

DATE: JANUARY 13, 2008

APPENDIX

1 APPENDIX SUPER MARIO

Sections 5 and 6 of Article V – Finances shall be altered to read as follows:

1. The President shall receive a honourarium of \$150.00 to be presented at the Spring Annual General Meeting, pending the financial stability of C.E.S.A.
2. The Vice-President (Internal) and the Vice President (External) shall each receive a honourarium of \$100.00 to be presented at the Spring Annual General Meeting, pending the financial stability of C.E.S.A.

2 APPENDIX DONKEY KONG

The creation of an ad-hoc CESES Committee (Concurrent Education Student Event Scheduling Committee)

1. The members of the CESES committee shall consist of one (1) representative from each of the following positions:
 - a. First Year Representative
 - b. Second Year Representative
 - c. Third Year Representative
 - d. Fourth Year Representative
 - e. Social Affairs Commissioner
 - f. Community Affairs Commissioner
 - g. Workshop Coordinator
2. The CESES committee shall convene one (1) meeting in the first two (2) weeks in each of the following months:
 - a. January
 - b. February
 - c. March
3. The CESES Committee shall be responsible for the creation of an events calendar for the 3-5 weeks between CESES Committee meetings, which shall be made available to all of CESA.