

CESA MEETING
February 22nd, 2009
John Orr Room

-----7:00 pm-----

MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm on February 22nd, 2009.

1. Motion: Approval of the Agenda. *That CESA Council approve the Agenda for the Meeting of February 22nd, 2009.* The motion was put and passed unanimously.
2. Motion: Approval of the Minutes from Jan. 25th, 2009. *That CESA Council approve the Minutes from the Meeting of January 25th, 2009.* The motion was put and passed unanimously.
3. Speaker's Business
 - 3.1. Thanks for showing up tonight! Hope everyone had a wonderful reading week. Our last official meeting before the AGM is March 8th (two weeks from now). You need to have transition manuals ready for next meeting in hard and soft copy. The AGM is March 22nd, in the Policy Studies building, room 202. You can make constitutional changes at AGM – this is where the ORCA changes will be put through. If you have any possible changes, give Jennifer at least 10 days' advance notice of what you'll be presenting at the AGM. If you have any job description changes or other changes to suggest, please email Jenn or Mike. Our next ORCA meeting is tomorrow night, so if you could send proposed changes to us tonight, that would be wonderful.
4. President's Report
 - 4.1. Thanks to Community Affairs and to everyone who came out to Lovers and Other Strangers; thanks to AMS reps, for attending two AMS meetings the week before reading week.
5. Vice Presidents' Reports
 - 5.1. Internal. Task Force meeting on Wednesday before Reading Week; thanks to Matt Parker for helping to go over details. They're starting to make concrete changes now. Thanks to everyone who came out to Lovers and Other Strangers and thanks to the musicians.
 - 5.2. External. Thanks to Community Affairs for putting on Lovers and Other Strangers. Faculties of Arts and Science and Education meetings last week.
6. AMS Representatives Report – See Appendix A
 - 6.1. The first AMS meeting was about the Queen's Students' Centre. They are taking a recommendation from students on which phase to build next. The AMS voted for the Student Life Centre before the Field House. The Student Life Centre will be geared towards all students, so it is a good replacement for the JDUC. The

budget includes \$7.7 million to go to the Student Life Centre and \$5.4 million to renovations to the JDUC.

- 6.2. Second meeting: two guest speakers. They want to increase the student fee by \$120 over the next four years. The OUSA also spoke to us; they plan to advocate for more affordable and accessible post-secondary education.
 - 6.3. The AMS website is still broken.
 - 6.4. There is information in the appendix about the Agnes Benidickson Tricolour Award and the AMS Award.
 - 6.5. There will be a display in the JDUC this week about the history of racism at Queen's.
 - 6.6. The Golden Cockroach Award will be presented Feb 27th in the JDUC.
 - 6.7. The Student Constable fee will be increased; we passed it but it needs to have a second reading at the Annual General Meeting. The increase is to keep up with minimum wage and to pay for mandatory training sessions for Student Constables.
 - 6.8. The Annual General Meeting will occur Monday March 16th, 7 pm.
 - 6.9. There has been some confusion over the AMS decision to divide our funding: we've divided it up proportional to our interest. We can start contributing money to each site the minute that construction starts on those sites, but the AMS will keep the money in trust until then.
7. Student Senator's Report
 - 7.1. There is a meeting coming up on Thursday, at 3 pm in Policy Studies 202; the Principal will be giving the second financial update.
 - 7.2. Honorary degrees will also be awarded soon.
 - 7.3. In terms of the enrolment plan for next year, they're not planning to make many changes.
 - 7.4. The number of spaces for Con-Ed Arts will be increased to 70 next year (10 more spaces than this year's total).
 - 7.5. Hiring forms are due on Friday; put them in the senator's mailbox and sign up for interview times.
 - 7.6. ORCA's new constitution will include new job descriptions. If you have a change to suggest to your job description, please let us know.
 - 7.7. Any suggested amendments should likely be made to the new constitution as opposed to the old one.
8. Statements by Members

Katlynd McLaren, Community Affairs: big thanks to Sarah (other C Affairs) for running Lovers and Other Strangers solo.

Théa Pel, Social Affairs: Formal tickets will be on sale tomorrow starting at 11:30. You have to sign up for a meal and a table, but you can only sign up after you've purchased a ticket. You can pay for a ticket in cash or by cheque made out to the Concurrent Education Students' Association. Please let everyone know that it is being held at Grant Hall. If anyone's interested in helping with crafts or decorations for Formal, there is a craft day on March 1 in the JDUC.

Sarah Wolinsky, BEdSpread Co-Editor: If you haven't written for a BEdSpread issue yet, you have to contribute to the March edition.

Trevor Lin, Treasurer: Our financial situation is still green. Remember to label your receipts when submitting them.

9. Question Period

Katlynd McLaren: How many people per table at Formal?

Théa Pel: 10 people per table.

Matt Parker: When will the practicum change take effect?

Sarah Dall: It will start next year.

Mike Brinkworth: So practicum will be in two six-week blocks?

Sarah: Yes.

Trevor Lin: Will there be any changes to the program length?

Sarah Dall: The program length will remain the same.

Cat Lee: Where will the Con-Ed AGM be held?

Jenn Peirce: It will be in the Policy Studies Building, Room 202.

Cat Lee: Do arrangements for the alternative practicum change?

Sarah: No.

Matt Parker: What's happening with the athletic fee increase?

Erin Cannon: We will be voting on it at AGM; the vote will be whether or not to raise it by \$120 over four years.

Matt Parker: Do we all have a vote at the AGM?

Erin Cannon: Yes. Make sure to bring your student card. Proxy votes aren't allowed at the AGM.

Katlynd McLaren: What is the Athletics fee right now?

Erin Cannon: About \$131.

Jason Liu: Where can we find budget info for the athletics fee?

Erin Cannon: On the athletics and recreation website.

10. New Business

There is no new business.

11. Discussion Period

There are no topics on the agenda for discussion.

12. Adjournment [Motion 3]

Motion: That CESA Council move to adjourn the meeting of February 22nd, 2009.

Moved by Katlynd McLaren, seconded by Alison Sullovey.

The motion was put and passed unanimously.

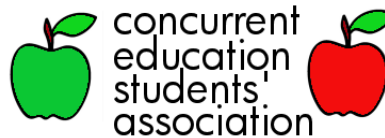
APPENDIX A



The Alma Mater Society

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FROM THE DESK OF THE AMS REPS



Dear Council,

We hope you all had a wonderful and relaxing reading week. Since we last met, AMS assembly has had two meetings. Our first meeting took place on **Monday, February 9th, 2009**, and the second assembly took place on **Thursday, February 12th, 2009**. Due to these two meetings the length of this report is quite lengthy but please make sure to read over it, as many important things have happened over the past two meeting that you should be aware of!

The first meeting was regarding the Queen's Centre. The Queen's Centre project team was seeking a recommendation from students on the phasing of the remainder of the project. AMS assembly approved the recommendation that the construction of the new Student Life Centre be built first followed by the field house rather than building the field house first and then building the Student Life Centre. The main reasons for building the Student Life Centre first is the idea the Student Life Centre is designed to serve all students, not just student athletes and that the current state of the John Deutsche University Centre is no longer adequate to meet the needs of the student community.

Secondly the AMS Assembly approved that the remaining monies outstanding on the capital commitment (approximately \$21.1 million) will be portioned in the following manner:

- a. Student Life Centre (new building) \$7.7m
- b. Student Life Centre (Renovation) \$5.4m
- c. Field House \$4m
- d. Arena \$4m

Also in regards to this, in the event construction is delayed or any reduction in size and programming for any of the remaining components of the Queen's Centre referenced above, it was agreed that the AMS will hold in trust any outstanding portion of the commitment allocated for these component(s) until construction commences or negotiations take place. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

On Thursday, February 12th we had two guest speakers come speak to Assembly. The first presentation was from Queen's Athletics & Recreation. At the upcoming AMS Annual General Meeting Queen's Athletics is hoping to pass an increase of \$120 phased in over the next four years to the student fee. The presentation detailed the reason why they need the increase and some of the feedback that they have received from student themselves on Queen's Athletics. Erin will speak more to this at the CESA meeting.

The second presentation was from the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance (OUSA). Queen's is a member of OUSA, which is a student run group that lobbies the provincial government for a more accessible, affordable, accountable and higher quality post-secondary education in Ontario. We encourage you to check out their website at <http://www.ousa.on.ca> for more information on OUSA. Keep your eyes peeled for the OUSA'S Blue Chair Campaign taking place on our campus during the first week of March. The Blue Chair Campaign is about providing an opportunity for all deserving students to realize their dream of attending university.

Other important information from this meeting includes:

- AMS website still not working. They are trying to get it resolved ASAP.
- Nominations are do soon for the Agnes Benidickson Tri-Colour Award and AMS Staff Award (See attached advertisements detailing more about these awards
- February is Black History Month. This week there will be a big display detailing the history of racism at Queens in the JDUC. So keep your eyes peeled for that!
- The Social Affairs Commissioner has mentioned that there have been several racial incidents that have occurred on or around campus lately. One of the things that the Social Affairs Commission is hoping to educate students on in the coming months is the effects and the role of a being bystander can play in these sorts of events.
- CFRC fundraising week was very successful. They raised more money they had projected for.
- Municipal Affairs will be presenting the Golden Cockroach award in the lower Caleigh of the JDUC at 11am on Friday February 27th. This year they are hoping to take a more positive approach to the award!
- The AMS Assembly approved a \$3.54 fee increase for the Queen's Student Constables meaning the student fee will increase from \$2.36 to \$5.90; however this motion needs a second reading in order to be passed. This second reading will be held at the AMS Annual General Meeting. Erin will talk more about this at the CESA meeting.

Thanks for reading, and once again we encourage you all to come out to the **AMS Annual General Meeting which is going to be held on Monday, March 16th, 2009 at**

7pm as there will be some very important fees such as the Student Constable fee and Queen's Athletics fee on the agenda.

See you all on Sunday!

Until next time,

Erin Cannon, Tiff Kwong, Joann Mendler
Your CESA reps to the AMS



AMS Staff Award Information Package and Nomination Form



The purpose of this award is to recognize staff members employed by Queen's University who consistently provide outstanding contributions, directly or indirectly, to the learning and working environment at Queen's University at a level significantly beyond what is usually expected.

All full and part-time Queen's University staff members who have been employed for twelve months or more are eligible for this award. AMS permanent staff members are not eligible.

Nominations must be made by two currently-enrolled students, and these nominations may be supported by any member of the Queen's community, including students, staff, faculty, alumni, co-workers, supervisors and other friends of Queen's. A maximum of five letters of support may accompany the nomination.

The factors that will be considered by the selection committee shall be

- Nature and type of contribution significantly beyond what is usually expected
- Breadth of impact over and above what is usually expected including activities outside specific job responsibilities.
- Evidence of initiatives to develop and / or upgrade work skills over and above what is usually expected
- Strength of support in nominations
- Range of nominators
- Length of service

Completed nomination forms and letters of support must be submitted to the AMS front desk by noon on February 27, 2009.

Questions about the award or the nomination process can be directed to the Chair of the AMS Staff Award Committee, Leora Jackson, at 613-533-2733 or rector@queensu.ca.



Agnes Benidickson Tricolour Award Nomination Package

Admission to the Tricolour Society is the highest tribute that can be paid to a student for valuable and distinguished service to the University in non-athletic, extra-curricular activities. Such service may have been confined to a single field, or it may have taken the form of a significant contribution over a wide range of activities. **Admission to the Tricolour Society shall be limited to students of the University.** Although the number of students to be admitted to the Society each year shall be decided by the selection committee, the number shall be limited so as not to jeopardize the distinction of the Tricolour Society. Admission shall not be granted simply because a person holds or has held a certain position or office on campus. More information about the Tricolour Society and past recipients of the award can be found at <http://www.queensu.ca/rector/tricolour.htm>

Instructions to Nominators:

1. Each nomination must have a primary and secondary nominator, both of whom must be students, who will complete and submit their nomination letters and attached sheet in a sealed envelope.
2. Signed and sealed letters of support from students, alumni, faculty, and staff will be considered, provided that at least two student nominations are also received.
3. If applicable, include the name, faculty, and class of the nominator on each letter (e.g. Jane Smith, ArtSci '08).
4. Letters should describe the nominee contribution and the impact she/he has had at Queen's.

The nominee will be contacted to provide a list of her/his activities at Queen's. Interviews will be held with all candidates who accept their nominations.

Deadline for submitting nominations is Monday, March 16th at 4:00 pm.

Nominations are to be submitted at the AMS or SGPS, addressed to Leora Jackson.

Decisions by the Tricolour Awards Committee are final and will be made public by the end of March.

Thank you for taking part in this important process. Please address all questions or concerns to:



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