

**CESA COUNCIL MEETING**  
**February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009**  
**John Orr Room**

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

**AGENDA**

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Motion: Approval of the Agenda. *That CESA Council approve the Agenda for the Meeting of February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009.* Moved by Vanessa Floras, seconded by Todd Ormiston. The motion was put and passed unanimously.
3. Motion: Approval of the Minutes from Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009. *That CESA Council approve the Minutes from the Meeting of January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009.* Moved by Joann Mendler, seconded by Todd Ormiston. The motion was put and passed unanimously.
4. Speaker's Business.
  - 4.1. Elections all done. AMS misplaced some of the Con-Ed ballots, we received them after the results had been published; but the results did not change when these ballots were counted. Thank you to everyone who ran.
  - 4.2. Supposed to have ORCA presentation, but technology is not available. Jenn will send out a compatible powerpoint.
  - 4.3. Message from Exec: Congratulations to the incoming exec and all elected members for 2009/2010.
5. President's Report.
  - 5.1. AMS meeting for today postponed to tomorrow.
  - 5.2. Queen's Centre phasing; considering building it in a different order; athletic centre or new JDUC first. Meeting at 9:30 in McLaughlin Hall.
  - 5.3. Looking forward to transitioning; keep working on transition manuals; they're due March 8; two more meetings!
6. Vice Presidents' Reports
  - 6.1. Internal – Sarah Dall.
    - 6.1.1. Thanks to: Cindy and Sarah for the BEdSpread; Lois and Nicole for clothing; Year Reps for trying to do the pub crawl; social affairs on formal; Sarah Taylor for working on Robert J. Hill award; Steve for working on the website.
    - 6.1.2. Lovers and Other Strangers happening on Thursday in the CoGro; come with a partner; live music; come around 8:30.
    - 6.1.3. Welcome to Allie, new VP Internal.
    - 6.1.4. Task Force keeps canceling meetings.
    - 6.1.5. Meeting with Academics Committee scheduled for Wednesday.
    - 6.1.6. ASUS meeting: debates over voting policy; two motions passed to make voting rules clearer. Picked a new ASUS logo.

- 6.2. External – Erika MacRae.
  - 6.2.1. Congrats to Katie, new VP External.
  - 6.2.2. Thanks to QCE Exec for all of their hard work; thanks to Amanda and Vanessa who did bursary for QCE; thanks to Anna, Ben, Holly, and Jess for teach interviews; thanks to workshops coordinators for the classroom management workshop; to Jenn for hard work on elections; to Thank You committee for their hard work.
  - 6.2.3. Thank You committee this year is selling “Because of You” certificates – buy them for someone, and the certificate says that “Because of You” we’ve made a donation to the Con-Ed class of ‘09 gift.
7. AMS Representatives Report – See Appendix A
  - 7.1.1. Last meeting was January 29<sup>th</sup>; next meeting tomorrow.
  - 7.1.2. Federal alignment assessment committee result: AMS will seek a one-year trial membership in CASA.
  - 7.1.3. Team CYZ won the elections; there was a 37% voter turnout. People who were on exchange were unable to vote, unfortunately.
  - 7.1.4. AMS website hasn’t been working for a while; they’re trying to fix it.
  - 7.1.5. The Annual General Meeting is scheduled for March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009.
8. Student Senator’s Report – See Appendix B
  - 8.1.1. Congratulations to Trevor for being elected to Student Senator for next year.
  - 8.1.2. Residence committee wants to increase residence fees, reduce occupancy levels.
  - 8.1.3. Looking into the composition of senate (reviewing). Faculties will now be allotted Senate seats according to population.
  - 8.1.4. We have our 20<sup>th</sup> principal chosen for next September.
  - 8.1.5. Queen’s Centre Phase 1 is on schedule for Fall 09. Phases 2 and 3 will not be started until they have money to finance them.
  - 8.1.6. Inquiry @ Queen’s is an upcoming research conference.
9. Statements by Members
  - 9.1.1. **Alison Camire, Conference Chair:** Thanks to everyone who helped and volunteered with conference.
  - 9.1.2. **Cindy Lui, BEdSpread Editor:** next issue is out Monday. Thanks to everyone who submitted, there’s one more issue left.
  - 9.1.3. **Théa Pel, Social Affairs:** Formal has officially been moved to Friday March 13. 7 pm, tickets \$65 on sale Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>. GRANT HALL. Also, planning another hip hop class.
  - 9.1.4. **Anna Pfeiffer, Head Teach:** chose 39 teaches; had our first teach night out and first ORT meeting; first leader training is March 13-15<sup>th</sup>; this year we will have sweat-free clothing and tams.
  - 9.1.5. **Mike Brinkworth, Student Senator:** we’ll be passing around an info flyer for hiring next year’s council. Applications are due Friday after Reading Week. Stick forms in the Senator’s mailbox; deadline is Feb 27<sup>th</sup>.

Sunday, March 1 will be the date of the Conference chair interviews; Monday, Wednesday, and Friday will be the other interviews. March 7<sup>th</sup> will be the date to let everyone know the results of interviews.

9.1.6. **Steven Mueller, Web Master:** new website is up now! Still need blurbs.

9.1.7. **Erika MacRae, VP Internal:** Thanks to Kate for the workshop, it was a big success. We're going to have our Council party on the Friday after Reading week.

#### 10. Guest Speakers – ORCA Presentation.

10.1.1. The Con-Ed Mission Statement should be included in the Constitution.

10.1.2. Table of Contents and Title page to be added.

10.1.3. Preamble to be added: constitution to be recognized as the supreme document, superseding any others.

10.1.4. Article 1: edits included deleting a few unnecessary definitions. Any ambiguity is up to the Exec Admin to interpret.

10.1.5. Changed the purpose of the association: previously the purpose was basically to organize events and talk to people. This was changed to make it more relevant and more specific.

10.1.6. Executive vacancies: There only exists a procedure to follow when the presidency becomes vacant, so we came up with some new procedures; For a presidential vacancy prior to Nov 1, the VP Internal becomes president temporarily, or the VP External if both the Internal VP and the presidency become vacant. If 60 days or more have elapsed since the election, or if no one runs to be president, then the VP Internal becomes president. If there is a VP vacancy within 60 days of the election, a new VP will be elected and the president will fulfill the required duties in the interim period. If there is a VP vacancy after 60 days or more have elapsed since the election, the VP's duties will be redistributed among other members. If all 3 positions become vacant, an emergency council meeting must happen within 72 hours. The council must elect an interim president by a 2/3 majority vote and the meeting will not end until the interim president is elected; this is followed by elections, and if no one runs for president, the interim president becomes the official president.

10.1.7. Honoraria are staying the same; exec members don't get honoraria until they prepare a transition manual.

10.1.8. Removal of the Executive: Currently, Exec can only be impeached using 50% + 1 vote at a CESA Council meeting; the new procedure is that they can be removed separately; there is no recourse for exec to be removed unilaterally; to impeach a member of Exec, we need 20% of Con-Ed to sign a petition; the vote must have at least 35% turnout and at least 2/3 support of those who vote.

10.1.9. Council and Committees of Council: debating, creating, reviewing policies, decisions, etc.

10.1.10. Ex officio members are now "observers of council." Clerks are also now included as observers of council.

10.1.11. The exec admin must vote in the negative in the event of a tie.

- 10.1.12. People cannot officially hold two positions at the same time.
- 10.1.13. All members of council shall: attend all council meetings and notify exec admin 24 hours prior (extreme lateness is not acceptable as “presence”); hold one office hour per week; contribute to the Con-Ed newsletter; create a transition manual. Specific job descriptions will appear in the job description manual.
- 10.1.14. Removal of a council member may occur in the event of absence or extreme lateness to three meetings without proper notification; or other just cause. Removal from council requires at least two weeks’ notice and a 2/3 majority vote from CESA Council.
- 10.1.15. Closed sessions: only clerks, elected and appointed members of CESA Council may attend closed sessions. Confidential and no one is allowed to enter or leave. (Closed sessions are rare, but important that they remain confidential.)
- 10.1.16. Emergency meetings may be called by Exec or if 20 members submit a written request to Exec Admin.
- 10.1.17. Some other parts are still being worked on.
- 10.1.18. Hoping to have a draft by the Sunday meeting when we come back from Reading Week.
- 10.1.19. Feb 27<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for applications for appointed positions on CESA Council.

## 11. Question Period

Cindy: What if no one runs for Exec? Also, is (50 +1) 50% of Council or 50% of those present?

Mike: If no one runs for Exec, they’ll have a by-election... and keep having by-elections until somebody runs. 50% + 1 is 50% + 1 of whoever’s here. For impeachment, they do also have a regulation that 35% of con-eddiees have to vote.

Lois: Are clerks the same thing as scribes?

Todd: Yes.

Todd: Can you explain the idea (with ASUS) of electing two senators but only voting for one on the ballot?

Sarah: The motion was to give two votes for the two positions and add a ranking system; this would add at least an extra day for the scrutineers’ work; plus there would be a lot of spoiled ballots. This year the team of scrutineers was counting until 5 am after the election. There was a question because this year there was some ambiguity among a couple of the people running about whether they were running as individuals or as a team.

Alison: Are the conference positions now under the Internal Umbrella?

Mike: With Alli’s experience with conference, we’d like to put conference people under her umbrella this year; we’re making it more fluid.

Matt: Are there any plans to add/change/delete positions?

Mike: The PR position will be changed to Communications Director (it was part of our platform). Maybe changing web apprentice to photographer/photomaster. We want to see who applies for what and what the potential is.

Erin: How many positions can we apply to?

Mike: You can apply for up to 3 positions.

12. New Business

There is no new business.

13. Discussion Period

There are no items for discussion.

14. Adjournment [Motion 3]. *That CESA Council move to adjourn the Meeting of February 8, 2009.* Moved by Ludmila, seconded by Vanessa. The motion was put and passed unanimously.

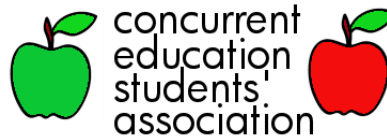
## APPENDIX A



# The Alma Mater Society

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE AMS REPS



Hey Con-Eddies!

Our last regular meeting with the AMS was held on **Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2009** and we have a second special assembly to be held on **Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009** in regards to the Queen's Student Centre. We will be able to discuss more about this meeting at council, as it will have already happened. That being said here are a few things that you should be informed of:

- The Federal Alignment Assessment Committee presented their report to assembly, and it was decided that the AMS will seek a one year trial membership in which AMS will attend and observe activities of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations also known as CASA. No fees are required to be an observing member of CASA. If any of you have further questions, please don't hesitate to speak to Todd or Erin as they sat on this committee.
- The new AMS executive joined us for the evening. For those of you who don't know Michael Ceci, Lesile Yun, and Adam Zabrodski will serve as AMS Exec for 2009-2010.
- There was a 37% voter turn out rate for winter elections. All referendum questions were passed except for the question surrounding Queen's Bands. Those who were on exchange were unable to vote. The Commission of Internal Affairs had hoped to be able to provide exchange students with an online way to vote, however with some minor glitches they were unable to do so.
- The AMS website has not been working, as it was hacked by hackers from Brazil (Crazy!!!) They are currently working on it, and it should be back up and running in a weeks time.
- The AMS Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009! Book your calendars now!

See you all on Sunday!

Until next time,

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



## Appendix B

# Student Senator's Report

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Senator Michael Brinkworth

Council,

Here are some highlights of the January Senate meeting from last Thursday, as well as some committee updates.

- The Residence Committee is leaning towards a policy of increasing residence fees by 5-6% per year for the next few years. They're also looking to reduce occupancy levels from this year's "packed like sardines" approach, but occupancy will be higher than when the '10s and '11s were in residence.
- The Senate Operations Review Committee is looking into the composition of Senate. Nothing yet on whether the number of students on Senate or the proportion of students on Senate is changing, but I will let you know when I know
  - Faculties will be allotted Faculty positions on Senate based on how many students are enrolled in their faculty, and what percentage of the University that constitutes.
- Principal's Report
  - A new Principal has been chosen. Dr. Daniel Woolf will become the 20<sup>th</sup> Principal and Vice-Chancellor of Queen's. In July, he will be appointed a professor in the Department of History. He will then begin the transition process, and will officially take over on September 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Federal Budget
    - Good news for the capital budget. Queen's may be getting some infrastructure money to repair buildings, build new ones, etc.
    - Unfortunately, not much on the operating budget side.
  - Principal Williams will give an update on the Operating Budget at the February Senate meeting.
  - The Intergroup Dialogue review panel should have its report out by this week. Leora might have more to say on that.
  - Queen's Centre Phase 1 is on schedule for completion in the Fall of this year.
  - Phase 2 and 3 will not be started until the money is in hand.
- Inquiry @ Queen's <http://www.iatq.ca/conference.html>
  - Undergraduate Research Conference March 5-9

- Established a Master's Program in Biostatistics
- Established Policy on Integrity in Research
  - A nail biter vote to include the word "reasonably" in one of the paragraphs is voted down 18-17. That's about as exciting as it gets on Senate, folks.
- Amended Senate Policy on Teaching Assistants to include a better dispute resolution mechanism

Cheers,

Mike