

CESA MEETING
January 11th, 2009
John Orr Room

8:00 PM

AGENDA

1. Approval of the Agenda [Motion 1]
2. Approval of the Minutes from Nov. 30th, 2008 [Motion 2]
3. Speaker's Business
4. President's Report
5. Vice Presidents' Reports
 - i. Internal – Appendix A
 - ii. External
6. AMS Representatives Report
7. Student Senator's Report
8. Statements by Members
9. Question Period
10. New Business
11. Discussion Period – 15 minute limit per topic!
 - Task Force Ideas
 - Con-Ed Student Fee Increase
12. Adjournment [Motion 3]

APPENDIX A



Hello CESA council!

I hope that you have all had a wonderful start to the New Year! Hopefully we will all be getting back into the groove of things.

Surprisingly enough it has been quite a busy week! I have had a few meetings so try to take a few minutes to read over my report so that I can get some productive feedback from you during discussion period or question period.

Task Force

During exam period Vanessa and I both attended a task force meeting (a fairly unproductive one) where the group was divided into two subgroups- a financial one and a program one. Based on the submissions we received it seemed that the suggestions for the most part fell under one of these two categories. I chose to be in the program subgroup where we look at how to change the program in order to attract students and maintain its integrity while Vanessa offered to be part of the financial group.

This week my sub-committee met and we came up with a few ideas:

- We need to develop a program that caters to the educational needs in the field (French, special education, sciences (with the exception of biology))
- Right now there is no French certification for elementary candidates
 - With the development of a J/I program, students could take half a credit of an I/S French stream that could potentially provide them with their certification
 - This J/I stream would provide more options for students and would be possible to implement without much change to the program. These students would simply take half credits of both P/J and I/S
- The group went over the parameters of the program (8 months, ends in April, 6.0 courses)
- Steve Elliot suggested that we need to work on the program tracks- ACE, OEE, and ATEP are all tracks which are not fully loaded (extra spaces, full class is 40 students)- we need to maximize these classes
- The group struggled with the idea that many students feel it is not a program, it just a collection of courses, however many students are attracted by the academic freedom we offer (which is why it seems to be a fractured program)→ how do we satisfy both needs?
- The group is meeting again, and we were all given jobs to do before that meeting such as looking at successful programs (Lethbridge, potentially Brock)
- I was assigned to review the student exit polls, so that we can feedback from what the students felt needed to be improved upon
- There was a lot of discussion about the Alt practicum, and moving it after April and then have 2- 6 week teaching blocks rather than 3-4 week blocks to provide teach candidates with a more realistic experience. Would this save costs? Living expense problems?

- If we have I/S and P/J out at different times, they could be paired with a student with whom they would “share” a room, meaning only one would be in the room at a time so you would only need to pay for once housing accommodation

The meeting revealed how much is really on the table right now. The Faculty of Ed is in an extremely difficult position and it has forced them to be open-minded. This is a great opportunity to give us, the students, a voice. Please e-mail me if you have any suggestions or questions. 6sd5@queensu.ca

ASUS meeting

This Thursday we had our first ASUS meeting of the year. Unfortunately I had to leave at 8:30 but Joann Mendler was my proxy.

For anyone who is interested, the following positions are up in the election

- 2 1-year senators
- 2 2-year senators
- 7 ASUS reps to the AMS
- 10, 11, and 12 year society reps
- 09 permanent executive

The election is on January 27th and 28th.

Lauren Peddle, the Services Commissioner, announced that Jackets will be available Monday at 12:00 in the bookstore.

The rest of the meeting, for the time I was there, focused on changing the policy for the removal of a position. One of the AMS reps developed a more thorough outline of the steps required for the removal of a council member. The motion was passed.

I will leave Joann to cover the rest of the meeting.

That is about it for me. There are a few exciting things underway and I hope that you all keep your ears open and check your e-mail regularly. Thanks everyone! We are off to a great start for the semester!

Sarah Dall
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CESA Council 08/09

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MOTION SHEET

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Seconded by:
That CESA Council approve the Agenda for the Meeting of January 11th, 2009

2. Moved by:
Seconded by:
That CESA Council approve the Minutes for the Meeting of November 30th, 2008

3. Moved by:
Seconded by:
That CESA Council move to adjourn the Meeting of January 11th, 2009.