



Agenda

MEETING OF THE CONCURRENT EDUCATION STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
November 15th, 2009 7:00 pm
Dunning Hall, Room 11

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Adoption of the Minutes of the Meeting of Nov. 1st, 2009
3. Business Arising from the Minutes
4. Speaker's Business
5. Guest Speakers
6. President's Report – Appendix A
7. Vice President's Report
 - a. Vice President (Internal) – Appendix B
 - b. Vice President (External)
8. AMS Representatives' Report – Appendix C
9. Senator's Report
10. Statements by Members
11. Question Period
12. New Business
 - a. October CESA Financial Report [Information]
 - b. Creation of CESA Representative to the AMS Equity Caucus Council Position (Second Reading) – Appendix D [Action]
13. Discussion Period
14. Adjournment



Motion Sheet

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1. Moved by: Mike Brinkworth
Seconded by: Katie Shifman
That the agenda for November 15th, 2009 be approved as circulated.
2. Moved by: Mike Thaler
Seconded by: Katie Shifman
That the minutes of the meeting November 1st, 2009 be approved as circulated.
3. Moved by: Mike Thaler
Seconded by: Katie Shifman
That CESA Council amend subsection 5.02.03 of the Constitution of the Concurrent Education Students' Association as outlined in Appendix C.
That CESA Council amend subsection 5.05.04 (a) of the Constitution of the Concurrent Education Students' Association as outlined in Appendix C.
That CESA Council render these amendments null and void effective April 9, 2010.

Appendix A



President's Report

Dear Council,

I actually wrote a report this week! Enjoy.

Interview with Queen's Journal

Last week, Vanessa and I were asked to comment on a story by the Journal concerning the addition of a Gender Studies course to the grade 11 curriculum in Ontario. Check out the article, and Vanessa's picture, in last Tuesday's edition! I think the article's subject matter will be of interest to all members; particularly those in the Intermediate-Senior stream.

Election Policy

Jason and I will be sitting down before the next meeting to hammer out the necessary changes to our Constitution re: online voting. We will be working with the AMS to ensure that the spirit of our current elections policy is still reflected in the voting process. We hope to bring the amendments to the next meeting, so that we can have a second reading at our first meeting in January to ensure all changes are made before elections begin. We are planning on retaining the amended parts of the constitution in some form of report to future years of Council in the event the AMS decides to revert back to paper balloting.

Event Policy

I am beginning the process of sifting through AMS policy on event sanctioning, and hope to have some ideas brought forth for our next meeting. In the early stages, I am finding it challenging to adapt their policies to our needs. I don't want to make it a painful process to get an event approved, and I don't want to add unnecessary and unaffordable costs to all of our events. However, we need to protect the Association; we need to protect the organizers of our events; we need a mechanism to ensure that all of our events are consistent with the mission statement and purposes of the Association, and of course we need to ensure the safety of attendees.

The Office

I thought there was a significant improvement in the Office the last two weeks. I didn't see nearly as much garbage and general messiness as I have in weeks prior. I am not aware of any conversations that were unsupportive of members of Council or their events. Thank you for addressing my concerns and the concerns of others, and thank you in advance for continuing to do so.

Communication Policy

Thank you for your support and input on the Communication Policy Manual last meeting. I know for some of you, this is very different than what you're used to, so I appreciate the growing pains you must be suffering through. I encourage you all to be thinking of ways we can make this process better, or to clarify things that are unclear. This is the first year of a comprehensive communication overhaul, so I know it's not perfect. Ideally, however, by the end of the year we will be able to work out all the kinks so that in following years, the policy addresses all the needs of the Association.

Thank You's

I need to thank Vanessa for doing the Journal interview on such short notice. I think she did a great job and offered a unique perspective that I couldn't offer.

I need to thank Jody for her continued work on the CESA website and for helping Conference with theirs. Both look great!

I need to thank Dan for donating the fridge for the office. Now we can sell cold drinks!

I know I'm overstepping umbrella boundaries here, but this week's Coffee House was fantastic, so thank you to Thea and Emily. I really think this event was a success for a variety of reasons and I can't wait to see what else they have in store for us all.

I need to thank Mike Thaler for all his work with his umbrella, with Exec, and with ASUS. He's done a great job all year on ASUS Assembly for us. He's worked really well with Katie and I, supporting us in our duties as well as taking care of his own. Finally, I think he's doing a great job with his umbrella. I know his umbrella is gearing up for a lot of activity in the next little while and planning into next term, and he's been great in facilitating that.

Last, but not least, I need to thank Katie. I'm not sure people realize how much time, energy and effort she puts into her position but it's incredible. This past weekend, she sat in on a full weekend of Teach Exec interviews; she continues to be heavily involved in Conference and Bursary committees as well as attending her own Faculty Board meetings. Her umbrella is just bustling with activity, so I thank her for all her work in making it all happen.

Cheers,

Michael Brinkworth



Vice President's Report (Internal)

It has been an exciting last couple of weeks for the Internal Umbrella. Great work and big thanks to The Sticks for getting the BEWIC Sports Days teams up and running, I'm excited for the theme reveal this Wednesday! We had a great turnout at the Coffee House that was put together by our lovely Socials, amazing job guys! The fundraisers are doing a great job, and if you haven't signed up for the wax-a-thon, get on it!! Other than that, I had ASUS Assembly on November 5, and here are the highlights!

ASUS Assembly

- The four new chairs of ASUS Orientation week were ratified by Assembly, they all seemed quite competent, and will do a great job!
- We had a lengthy debate on whether or not ASUS Assembly should keep its business casual dress code. After a heated discussion it was decided that the dress code should remain. This means that if you lurk in the JDUC on Thursday nights, you may see the rare sight of Mike Thaler dressed in something other than jeans and a t-shirt, I hear it's amazing!
- We discussed some constitutional amendments that would clarify the rules of proxy voting, and whether or not a vote could be passed to a non-elected member of the Assembly.
- We got to see an amazing 80s themed slide show of the newly renovated ASUS Core. If you had seen the core before this summer you know it was a disaster zone. The new ASUS Executive and their team have done an amazing job cleaning and painting, and the place looks fantastic! They also have a cool new window advertisement that you should check out!

That's all folks!

Mike Thaler

Appendix C



CESA Representative to the AMS Report

Dear Council,

Here are the goods that you need to know this week from your AMS Reps!

Memorial Plaque – On Wednesday, November 11th, a plaque was unveiled at the entrance to the JDUC to those who have served our country. Be sure to check it out the next time you walk by!

Policy about AMS Jobs – During Assembly on Thursday night, we passed new policy which allows each student to apply for only three jobs per hiring period. This policy was created to cut down the number of interviews managers have to conduct during hiring period.

CASA – At Assembly, discussion was held about AMS's position on CASA, the Canadian Alliance of Student Association. Now what is CASA? While OUSA (Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance) addresses policy at the provincial level for undergraduate universities, CASA represents several institutions, such as universities, colleges, and graduate schools. Furthermore, CASA looks at policy at the federal level, such as The Millennium Scholarship. This year, the AMS sits as an observer on CASA, which means they do not pay CASA fees, but have a vote at their meetings. This following week, AMS Vice-President of University Affairs, Adam Zabrodski as well as Academic Affairs Commissioner, Susannah Gouinlock will travel to Halifax for the CASA General Assembly. Upon their return, they will formulate a report that will discuss if AMS should join CASA.

SGPS - Also discussed at Assembly this week was the Society of Graduate and Professional Students in relation to the Queen's Centre. With clubs and services moving from the JDUC to the Queen's Centre, there is question as to what will happen to the vacated space in the JDUC. Although several ideas have been looked at such as a café, or yoga space, nothing at all has been finalized.

Queen's Centre – Clubs are now being moved into the Queen's Centre for its December 1st opening date. The AMS has assured us that everything is on track for the opening, despite rumors that say otherwise.

Resist 2010 – From November 16-20 there will be an “Anti-Olympic Awareness Week” at Queen's to bring forward the issues and effects of the Vancouver 2010 Olympics. For more information, search Resist 2010 on Facebook.

W.J. Barnes Teaching Excellence Award - Do you have an outstanding teacher that deserves recognition? If so, nominate them for the W.J. Barnes Teaching Award, by ASUS.

Nominations, which are available at the ASUS Core, are due by 4:00 on Friday, November 27 to the ASUS Core. If you have any questions, please contact academicsdeputy@asus.queensu.ca

Grad Photos – Book your grad photos online at www.queensgradphoto.ca

P&CC – 1 cent copy day will be held in the near future!

Also, if you are considering running for an AMS full-time position next year, now is the time to start talking to this year's executive!

And if you ever have any questions regarding the report, please feel free to contact us!

Con-Ed Love!

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Appendix D

5.02.03

(e) The CESA Representative to the AMS Equity Caucus

5.05.04

- (a) Should a motion to enter into closed session carry, all persons not described in sections 5.02.01, 5.02.02 or 5.02.03 (d) and (e) shall leave the room as long as the session remains closed.