



Agenda

MEETING OF THE CONCURRENT EDUCATION STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

October 30th 2011

Dunning Hall, Room 11

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Approval of the Minutes from the October 2nd meeting
3. Speaker's Business
 - Happy Hallows Eve!
 - Thank you Jennifer Parker for the cool border!
 - SAVE THE DATE!! November 27th meeting should be scheduled in your calendars
4. President's Report
5. Vice President's Report
 - a. Vice President (Internal)
 - b. Vice President (External)
6. AMS Report
7. Senator's Report
8. Statements by Members
 - Melissa Sit on Teach Bar money in the office
9. Question Period
10. New Business
11. Discussion Period
 - Fundraising ideas (Meghan & Allison)
 - Education GPA System
 - Secret Non-Denominational Gift Exchange
12. Adjournment



President's Report October 30th 2011

Hope everyone had an amazing night last night! I'm sure some of you did!

GPA System

I will talk more about this in the discussion period, however I will point out a few things here. Essentially, as known to those in PROF classes this year, the new grading system is 4.0, 3.0, 2.0, 1.0 and 0.0. To me, this is troubling since there is a large gap between 4.0 and 3.0, with no chance to get anything in between. I have been in contact with the Education Registrar and Peter Chin about this since we found out about this change last year, but a clear answer as to why the system is the way it is has not been given. This is currently a work in progress, and may have the potential to reach AMS and Senate if we deem it a large enough issue for our student body.

Budgets

Make sure you are staying within them whenever you purchase something. If you are unsure or forget, you can always check with Melissa.

CESA Council Contracts

As an Executive we have decided to continue the Contracts that have been given to CESA Council members in previous years. This is because there has been some confusion and discrepancy as to exactly what it means to be on CESA Council. If you have any concerns about this, please let myself know. This is not a binding statement, just a document that will say you understand what your role is.

Secret Non-Denominational Gift Exchange

This is also a discussion topic, but Exec this year would like to do a gift exchange with anyone who is interested on Council. It was also brought to our attention that this was also proposed by Social Affairs so it will definitely be in collaboration with them. We were thinking a \$5 spending limit (to encourage creativity and to ensure that everyone can participate who wants!) and that's if you want to spend any money! But this will be discussed in discussion period.

Until Next Sunday (WITH A SPECIAL GUEST!), and with much Con-Ed Love,
Alex

Senate
Monday, October 24, 2011

Principal's Report (*Item I.4*)

- Acknowledged the Queen's Wears Green Campaign.
- Academic Planning:
 - Been almost two years since "Where Next" was written.
 - Idea was to kick-start the creation of the Academic Plan.
 - Academic Writing Team was formed and the task force worked for over the past year on the Academic Plan.
 - Input provided by wide rang of groups through interactive website, town hall meetings etc.
 - Considers it as the foundation of our academic path ahead.
 - Believes that it can be changed, improved etc. in the future as needs change.

Academic Planning Task Force (*Item III.4.a*)

- A "notice of motion" has been put forward to vote on the Academic Plan 2011 at the November 22nd meeting.
 - To access the current plan online please visit:
http://www.queensu.ca/secretariat/senate/agendasminutes/102411/Oct24_11AppGb.pdf
- The blended and online learning has been removed from the current draft of the Plan (the link above).
 - An even further updated Plan will be posted online soon (before the Agenda minutes go out for the November 22nd meeting).
- The Task Force emphasized that they are still willing to make changes to the current document. At this point in time, I would encourage you to look at the document. If you have any questions or concerns, either:
 - a) contact me with your concerns that I can submit to the Task Force; or
 - b) go to the following website and post your own comments on the Plan that will be read by the Task Force ("Anonymous Comments Form"):
<http://www.queensu.ca/saptf/>

To review the entire agenda from the October 24th meeting, please go to this link:
<http://www.queensu.ca/secretariat/senate/agendasminutes/102411.html>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 7jpp@queensu.ca

Happy Hallowe'en!

Jen Parker
Senator for CESA