

Minutes

UMES Council Meeting 08S-10

2008 November 19

6:00 p.m.

E2-330 EITC

Present: Kathryn Hearson, Megan Lusty, Dave Barchyn, Ryley Davidson, Steve Bohrn, Michael Guberman, Kathryn Marcynuk, Burke Libbey, Robyn Tarrant, Britta Borchers, Brady Gmiterek, Trevor Price, Kathy Fedirchuk, Simon Cooke, Mark Hearson, Matthew Fair, Matt de Monye, Derek Neufeld, Romain Coudiere, John Grogan, Trevor Gascoyne, Dr. Jason Morrison

Absent with Regrets: Dave Enns, Keith Edie, Jared Marr, Kaitlin Fritz, Brent Malcolm, Andrea Bugera, Noelle Vialoux

Absent: Leah Wong, Matthew Miller, Tim Herd, Steve Foubert, Lisa Pohl, Marcelo Dubiel, Kevin Morgenstern, Brendan Rempel, Bao Nguyen, Nathan Kehler, Nikou Jalayeri, Tyler Grant

I. Call to Order – 5:59 p.m.

Amendment: The Senior Stick moved that Agenda item 10.3 to the shifted to the beginning of the agenda. This was seconded by the Faculty Advisor, and passed by the council.

II. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: VSA

Seconded by: Promos

Motion passed

III. Approval of Minutes from 2008 October 22 (08S-8) meeting

Moved by: VSA

Seconded by: ESG2

Motion passed

10.3 Office Rules – *Senior Stick*

- The executive council has written down the current office rules and is

- asking for the UMES council to approve the wording of the document
- Matt de Monye brought up the point that he wants this to be fair to everyone
 - Kathryn H. was asked if there have been complaints about office behaviour, and she replied that the Dean has talked to her about it before
 - Dr. Morrison asked who should be talked to if someone is found breaking the rules, to which Kathryn H. answered that they should talk to any member of the executive council, or specifically to her
 - John G. raised the point that non-council members sometimes help promote council events and asked how the rules would apply to them. Kathryn H. answered that if someone is your guest then you are responsible for them
 - Kathy F. asked how the rules would apply to people in the council office who are neither members of council nor guests of council members: Council members should ask the students to abide by the same rules we do.
 - Trevor P. added that some students might not give their keys back if they won't get the damage deposit back (after breaking the rules a second time). So the rules should just say that they have to give their key back on the second offense. That way if someone does not give their key back it is stealing
 - Dr. Morrison moved to make an amendment to add "enforced by UMES Executive Council" to the motion
 - Voted: All for, none against, no abstentions
 - Motion passed

IV. Old Business

8.1 Bear Pit & Scrawl on the Wall – *VSA*

- Bear Pit went well and the Dean seemed pleased with the questions, which Ryley typed them up and sent out
- Ryley also typed up most of the comments from scrawl on the wall and sent them to the department heads as well. He has only received two responses: one from Mechanical and one from Design
- Trevor P. asked if there would be any other results from this, and Ryley answered that it is in the hands of the Dean and the Faculty Council

9.8 Christmas Party – *Senior Stick*

- The UMES Christmas Party this year will be at Megan's house on the evening of Thursday, December 18th
- There will be a potluck, and more details including the invitation will be sent out shortly
- Megan was thinking of having a gift exchange, where everyone would buy a gift for about \$5 with which we would play a game. Council gave this idea a thumbs up

V. New Business

10.1 Inflatable Boxing Ring – *Spirit*

- There will be an inflatable boxing ring for the beer bash next Friday, which will have oversized boxing gloves (not real ones)
- Will need volunteers to take/sell tickets and to monitor the boxing ring, and the sign up sheet will be on the outside of the Spirit office starting tomorrow
- Brady suggested that Spirit ask for non-council volunteers

10.2 Holiday Hamper – *Secretary*

- Kathryn M. asked if council would be interested in making a Holiday Hamper for the Christmas Cheer Board. This would be done solely by the efforts of individuals, and would not use council money. If we decided to do this, we will also need to decide how large of a family for our hamper
- The council gave this idea a thumbs up and wanted to make a hamper for as big of a family as possible. We also decided to bring in money rather than actual items, and designate a few people to do all of the shopping. The money should be brought in by December 3rd
- Kathryn M. will call the Christmas Cheer Board to register and will begin collecting money

VI. Reports To Council

EC – The Photobucket information is on the UMES website. The council Mac works again (round of applause) and you can log on with the same username/ password as the other computer. However, printing does not work on the Mac. Will look into colour printing for the PC

Engenda – nothing to report

EngO – nothing to report

EngWeek – The Pubcrawl that was planned for Friday is now Drink the Town Dry. The Aggies have their Aggie Week on the same week and they would like to have some sort of competition or joint activity

Grad – Grad will be at the Inn at the Forks, but a band has not been booked yet. The Iron Ring Ceremony was last night for the December grads, and grad photos are coming up next week

Merchandise – The atrium sale went really well, and Lisa will probably hold that again. Merch asks that everyone please come to your Window shift, because they have noticed that the Window is closed even when someone is supposed to be working there. This is really important in the next while since tickets are being sold at the Window. So far about 4 brown jackets have been sold

Outreach – Thank you to everyone who volunteered for Outreach Day! The comments were very positive, and the teachers were impressed. Ryley was a hit ☺

PR – The Wine & Cheese Event is next Thursday, and the Dean is hosting it. APEGM has a list of people coming, but we have not been told how long the list is yet. Invitations are being sent out to professors as well. PR would like people to advertise the event in their classes with a short announcement. They are hoping to have a 60:40 student to professional ratio. They also hope to have people signed up by Tuesday so that nametags can be made for each person

Pi-Throw – In the process of picking the charity, and will be putting together a committee shortly. Wants to know council's thoughts on donating the money to the Museum of Human Rights: the council gave this a thumbs up

Promos – Posters were made today to go all over campus, and more are still being made. The Aggies vs. Engineers poster was touched up

Pubs – nothing to report

Socials – The beer bash is next week, and volunteer sign up sheets will be up in the council office shortly. It is in E2-229 and OBO will be in charge of security. The Aggies are invited and the response was quite positive. The OPR is booked for the Big One on February 13th. Currently talking with the faculties of Human Ecology and Education to see if either would like to come, and it sounds like both are interested

Spirit – Reminded council that the boxing ring sign up for next week's beer bash will be out soon. They have been approached by Bison Sports about having the band perform at the Cargill Men's Hockey Tournament. There are games in January that Bison Sports is hoping we can attend - please let council know if you are interested! This performance would be a spirit competition against other faculties. The Faculty of Music has asked the BNAD to the Black and White Swing Thing on January 20, 2009, and hopefully engineers will attend as well. Brady asked if Exam Cram will be held this year, and while it is a good idea in theory no one volunteers and not enough people come to make it worthwhile – however, the executive committee will look into this

Sports – Spongee is coming up this weekend on Saturday night with 6 teams signed up so far. They will send out an e-mail to council listing the current volunteers and giving the opportunity for more people to volunteer. Volunteers working at the bar must UMSAFEd

Yearbook – nothing to report

Secretary – nothing to report

VSA – Dr. Britton would like to get something going like a design competition that is integrated with Habitat for Humanity. Council gave a thumbs up to look into the feasibility of this, and would like more information. Dr. Britton is on a

committee about ongoing curriculum changes and revisions and would like our opinion on www.cdio.org

VSC – The Red Lion is at the printers right now, so it should be out during exams. Promos have been doing a lot of work recently and have put up posters all over Agriculture for the beer bash. Ryan is currently organizing the December 6th memorial, which will be held on December 1st at 11:15. He will be asking for volunteers shortly

VSE – NCWIE is this weekend. Selections were made for WEC and we have almost a full roster

VSF – Needs a receipt for the pizza from Outreach Day. We are looking good financially

VSI – The photocopier was picked up, but she is still sorting out some issues with the previous company

VSS – nothing to report

SS – She will send an e-mail about the Christmas Party. The Canadian Nuclear conference will be promoted soon, and although the details are not yet known we are looking for people to go. Two to three students could go, and the application forms will be out soon. It will be held from February 25-27 in Ottawa

Dr. Morrison –

- He noted that there is an inconsistency with the damage deposit, since council members were not told of this consequence at the beginning of the year. Since the executive is in charge of the office rules, he moved they look at the rules again and modify them to correct this inconsistency
- He added that professors did not know that Bear Pit was happening, and that they have not heard any feedback from it yet. He suggested that the Senior Stick and VSA should follow up with the Dean to make sure that the comments from Bear Pit are
- Dr. Morrison also noted that positive feedback (such as letters) can be given, not just negative feedback. This information is taken into account for tenure and awards

VII. Adjournment – 7:15 p.m.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved by: Sports

Seconded by: Faculty Advisor

Motion passed