



Concordia University of Edmonton

Students' Association

General Council Meeting Agenda

August 20, 2016 at 3:00pm

HA206

1. Call to order: 3:08pm

2. Roll Call:

- Voting Members: Kelsea Gillespie – President; Natasha Miller – VP Student Life; Brandon Vollweiter – VP Finance; Madeline Ludlage – VP Marketing; Laura Hebert – VP Internal; Adrianna Blitterswyk – Arts Representative; Dylan Haslam – Arts Representative; Curtis Goruk – Education Representative; Zachary White – Management Representative; Alex Bedard – Science Representative.
- Ex Officio Members: Dr. Barbara van Ingen – Dean of Students, Lin Zhang – Incoming CSA Executive Director; Bryan Boechler – Gallivan & Associates Representative.

3. Action Item Summary:

4. Approval of Agenda:

4.1. Agenda for August 20, 2016

- **Motion:** To approve the agenda for August 20, 2016.
- **MSC.**

5. Approval of Minutes:

5.1. Approval of Minutes from July 9, 2016

- **Motion:** To approve the minutes from July 9, 2016.
- **MSC.**

6. Special Presentation:

6.1. Gallivan & Associates Presentation

- Presentation Notes: Insurer – Great West Life, Consultant/Broker – Gallivan & Associates, Contract Holder – Concordia Students’ Association, Insured – Concordia Students. Prices and decisions on what is covered under the plan is determined by the CSA. Questions about coverage details can be answered by Linda (on-campus support). Special student rates at certain practitioners. Maximizing student opportunity to use the plan. Additional marketing through website, posters, hand-outs for students. Personal service is important on campus, also chat feed on website. Three ways for students to make claims – paper, eClaims (mobile app/online), pay-direct and my-benefits card. Claims are up over the years, not as significant as other small institutions in Alberta. *myWellness* toolbox kit reporting that 50% of CSA students are at diagnostic risk.
- At the end of the presentation, Bryan Boechler left the CSA General Council meeting.
- **Motion:** To re-sign the CSA’s contract with Gallivan & Associates, renewing for a new 5-year term from 2016-2021.
- **MSC.**

7. Unfinished Business:

7.1. CSA Office Coordinator/Executive Director

- **Motion:** To accept Lin Zhang as the new Office Coordinator for the Concordia Students' Association.

- **MSC.**

7.2. CSA Mental Health Initiative/ACMHI Grant

- Discussion: ACMHI response. Received 93% of funding, some ASEC schools received 0% funding for their initiatives.
- Councillors thanked VP Student Life, Natasha Miller, for her hard work writing the ACMHI grant proposal, and for her dedication to the work of ACMHI on campus.

8. New Business:

8.1. CSA Executive Council Written Reports

- **Motion:** To accept the CSA Executive Council Written Reports as presented.
- **MSC.**

8.2. CSA General Council Verbal Reports

- **Arts Representative:** Budget passed by the Budget-Steering Committee. Meeting with Dr. Querengesser on Wednesday, as well as with library staff to discuss literature/language days. Spirit sculpture quote more than expected, meeting to discuss with institution later this week.
- **Management Representative:** Planning for Executive Council clothing. Management student network opportunity, might be joining with other Canadian/international universities.
- **Science Representative:** Budget approved by Budget-Steering Committee. Events are in the

planning stages. In contact about Spiritual Life Week/Science Week with Kevin Joannou.

- **Education Representative:** Trying to connect with Education Students' Society students, all busy over the summer. Planning Year 1 Orientation for new Ed students.
- **Motion:** To accept the General Council Verbal Reports as presented.
- **MSC.**

8.3. SUDS UBC Conference

- Discussion: Executives explained the SUDS Conference, answered questions about professional development sessions, and noted that they will bring a report forward to General Council for approval.

8.4. CUCASPOOKA

- Discussion: Renaming campaign for CUCASpooka to launch in October, as CUCA no longer makes sense. If no suitable name is brought forward, the event will remain as "CUCASpooka" for next year.

8.5. CUE Public vs. Private

- **Motion:** To go in camera at 4:55pm.
- **Motion:** To go out of camera at 5:10pm.

8.6. Student-Led Event Form

- **Motion:** To approve the new "Student-Led Event Form" as presented by VP Student Life.
- Discussion: Suggestion to make the sections longer for some of the more complicated questions to accommodate potentially lengthy answers.
- **MSC.**

8.7. Club/Union Budget Approvals

- **Motion:** To approve the budget for the Concordia Arts Society as presented by the Budget Steering Committee.
- **MSC.**
- **Motion:** To approve the budget for the Concordia Christian Union as presented by the Budget Steering Committee
- **MSC.**
- **Motion:** To approve the budget for the Concordia Science Society as presented by the Budget Steering Committee.
- **MSC.**
- **Motion:** To approve the budget for the Pride Club as presented by the Budget Steering Committee.
- **MSC.**

8.8. CSA Budget Reallocation

- **Motion:** To reallocate the “Lockers Donation” portion of budget expenses, totalling \$8000, to the following budget lines:
 - o \$300 to Orientation T Shirts in VP Marketing.
 - o \$1000 to Orientation Packs in VP Marketing.
 - o \$800 to Presidential Discretionary in President.
 - o \$1200 to Shaw Cable Expenses in President.
 - o \$1000 to Thunderwear Friday in VP Student Life.
 - o \$1000 to CUCASpooka in VP Student Life.
- **MSC.**

8.9. Gallivan & Associates Contract

- Discussion: Councillors appreciated the presentation by Bryan Boechler, and found the

information on students' mental health and prescription usage very valuable for planning Mental Health Initiative events in the future.

9. Information:

9.1. CSA Budget Update

- Discussion: Not all clubs have completed budgets in with the required expense/revenue distribution, have been sent back by VP Internal/Finance for re-submission.
- **Motion:** To have a separate meeting on August 30, 2016, to pass the remainder of the club budgets.

9.2. New Meeting Times for September-April

- Discussion: President to send out Doodle Poll to determine exact dates for Wednesday/Sunday General Council meetings for first and second semester.

10. Round Table:

- Adrianna: GC Office Hours should be scheduled amongst GC members, conversations to be initiated before the August 30 meeting.
- Madeline: GC Apparel Sales should be coordinated across all faculties – willing to make posters to ensure that students get the message. Hoping to see sales happen in the first semester, will require the unions to coordinate.
- Dr. Barbara van Ingen: Approached by former student, Ahmed Abdulkadir, who is a part of the Edmonton Somalian Society, who would like to host a conference on campus sometime in February. Appreciated the presentation by Bryan Boechler.

11. Adjournment: 5:53pm.