



Concordia University of Edmonton

Students' Association

Executive Council Meeting Agenda

October 17, 2017 at 4pm

Location: S206

1. **Call to order: 4:04pm**

2. **Roll Call:**

- ✓ Ian Lee – President (Chair, non-voting)
 - ✓ Laura Hebert – VP Internal
 - ✓ Alex Bedard- VP Student Life
 - ✓ Madeline Ludlage – VP Marketing
 - ✓ Brandon Vollweiter – VP Finance
 - ✓ Lin Zhang – Executive Director(Ex-officio, non-voting)
 - ✓ Barb Van Ingen -Concordia VP Student Life & Learning
- Quorum met

3. **Approval of Agenda:**

3.1. **Agenda for October 17, 2017**

- **Motion:** To approve the Agenda for October 17, 2017 with the following amendment:
 - Add 4.5. Other October Event, 5.1 My Wellness
 - Motioned by VP Student Life, Seconded by VP Finance
 - Motioned Carried.

4. **Unfinished Business:**

4.1. **CUCASPOOKA**

- **Information updates:** Photo Booth order is confirmed and the contract needs to be signed. Tomorrow is CUCASpooka



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promotion day. Will give away free booster Juice and 2 or 3 sets of CUCASpooka tickets.

4.2. Food Service Town Hall

- **Discussion:** VP Marketing will start promoting the town hall after CUCASpooka.

4.3. Freshman Challenge

- **Discussion:** Last Freshmen challenge event was Man & Woman Volleyball. VP Internal was leading the challenge but unfortunately no freshmen showed up. Next event is Schwanger Hunt at noon on this upcoming Friday at Tegler.

4.4. Panorama Cost Assessment

- **Information updates:** Student will have choices to have double/triple/quad room. The bus is a minimum of 40 passengers. A two day trip will cost maximum \$475/per person for double room, \$378 for quad room. A three day trip will cost \$656/per person for double room, \$526 for a quad room. It is \$110 per empty seat. The rate includes a luxury round trip transportation, a licensed coach on board with beverage/wine served, tour guide, two or three days of ski and accommodation.
- Discussion: CSA has about \$800 budgeted for this trip. ECs are concerned about not able to fill the bus and pay for the empty seat. CSA may ask the international office and residence and see how much interest this trip is getting.

4.5. Other October events

- **Information Updates:**



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- Pumpkin Carving - VP Student Life will pick up about 25 pumpkins this Friday. Tables will be in circles, 5 pumpkins each table with jars of paint brushes, sharpie markers, and carving tools. VP Student Life will make a list of prizes for the pumpkin carving winners, including some CUCASpooka tickets.
- Costume Contest- Will run it as the Pep Rally structure, hanging up streamers and order some orange and black Helium balloons.

5. New Business:

5.1. Committee Updates

5.1.1. Mental Health

- **Information Updates:** Mental Health meeting was on yesterday. The committee had discussed Health Campus Alberta, and events for future Wellness Wednesdays. Peer Support team just started and has their office hours. Mr. Will Strickland, who approach CSA and would like to offer a speech session about mental health and black history. He is based on Toronto so the total cost of his speech, flight and accommodation is about \$3500. VP Student Life is planning to make this speech integrated with Wellness Week, where other wellness events such as massages and free foods are hosted at Tegler.
- **Discussion:** CSA can give away some prizes for students who gives feedback on Wellness Cafe. CSA can also mimic CAS's Acoustic Day and bring the students to play music in



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Tegler. Dr. Van Ingen also recommend to move the Wellness Week to the same week as Concordia “Make some noise” Week, which is the last week in January.

5.1.2. Budget Steering

- **Information Updates:** The committee had talked about 3 investment options, as well as agree on the Health and Dental policy draft and will send it to P&G Committee. EHSU Rep had proposed detail of their new budget funding request and would go back to see if their faculty department can cover some of the Professional Development cost.

5.1.3. Policy & Governance

- **Information Updates:** Dr. Neufeldt has prepared a recommended draft of new CSA By-laws. CSA President will schedule a meeting with Barb and Dr. Neufeldt to discuss the potential changes before they are submitted to the CSA EC and P&G. Also discussing potential policy specified on the limit of scale of Club/Union's budget.
- **Discussion:** VP Finance was concerned about the Club/Union's budget scale as well so he will join the P&G discussion next meeting.

5.1.4. Academic Standard Committee

- **Information Updates:** Some students who has to retake their courses had proposed not to take the lab again but only the class, because they make good mark on the lab.



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Concordia Academic Standard Committee is looking for feedback on this proposal.

- **Discussion:** CSA thinks this is hard to administrate. Sometimes the lab changes too. Lab usually are very essential component to the course, so CSA think keeping the lab is more beneficial to the students.

5.2. Club Updates

- **Updates:** Indigenous Student Council is having a round dance on Friday, Oct 20, which starts from 5pm to Midnight. It is open to everyone. President Loreman mentioned this during the GFC meeting.
- CSS is having a Bowling Night at the same night.
- ISC and CAS are partnering to do an Indigenous Reads book club from 7pm-10pm and they are bringing the Author.
- GTC is having their own Halloween night from 6-7pm on Oct 27 and 28.
- ISC paintnight was very successful. 15 tickets were sold.

5.3. Issue Committee Duties

- **Discussion:** President will send out an email to committee members. Need to schedule the meeting for this and next semester.

5.4. My Wellness

- Discussion: President has talked to Bryan Boechler from Gallivan regarding to their new online counselling service. The counselling service is an add-on. The cost of the add-on



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is 10 cents per student per month for additional my-wellness counselling services.

- CSA GC needs to decide to adopt the ad-on (GC decision). The benefits fee surplus would cover the cost for this add-one feather this year.
- Revise restrictions: Referral requirement for psych benefits. Benefits provider (Great west life) would remove this restriction without change to premium on the front end, but increased claims would likely result in fee increase. Benefits provider (Great west life) would also remove the restriction on the per visit cap for psych appointments. Increased claims would likely result in fee increase.

6. Information:

6.1. Next Meeting Time: Oct 24, 2017 @ 4 pm at S206

7. Round Table:

- **President:** Would like all the executives to review their goal setting for their positions. Storage room needs to be cleaned. Clubs and Unions members needs to be reminded their responsibility on keeping the room organized
- **VP Student Life:** Will be able to represent CSA and join the Indigenous round dance on Friday.

8. Adjournment: 5:20pm