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Minutes: October 22, 2004
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Administration
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****Present:**** Victoria Goodfellow, Charles Dunham, Stanislav Orlov, Paulette Rothbauer, Martha Tuff, Passant Elalfy, Nicholas Wesson, Tina Bauer, Marjan Farahbaksh, Kelli Conforth, William Denton, William O'Higgins, Ahmed Nizami, Edward White, Frank McMahon, Sapna Mahboobani.

****Absent:**** Shelley Respondek, Emal Bariali.

****Observers:**** None present.

Meeting called to order: Edward White at 6:10pm.
Meeting adjourned: 7:35pm, Willam Denton 2nd – moved unanimously.

****Reading and Approval of minutes from last meeting:****
Approval of Minutes is pending. Victoria Goodfellow is going to review the Minutes of meetings past and, once she has fixed any discrepancies, they will be circulated for reading and then put forward for approval at the next meeting. Motion to have Victoria Goodfellow fix minutes before they are brought forward for approval was made by Edward White, seconded by Tina Bauer, and moved unanimously.

FISSC Officer's Reports
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President (Edward White)

- Congratulations and welcome to new Council.
- No-Scent Policy at FIS.
 - U of T does not have a policy because it would be unenforceable.
 - Faculty are going to deal with this by writing an email asking students to be respectful.

- Issue of past problems with FISSC email communications brought up and an Ad Hoc committee proposed as being the way to deal with this.
- A motion was made at the end of the meeting to do this.

Vice President (Passant Elalfy)

- Glad to be on board and willing and able to help where needed.

Treasurer (Marjan Farabaksh)

- Finished collecting FISSC fees.
- Received money from selling of FIS ware
- Received GSU grant
- Motion to allow FISSC money to be spent on the student lounge, at an amount to be approved by FISSC when it is presented, was made by Marjan Farabaksh, seconded by Edward White, moved unanimously.

Secretary (Victoria Goodfellow)

- Asked for contact list to be corrected.
- Will send around copy of short version of Robert's Rules.

FISSC Committee Reports

Academic Affairs Committee (Nick Wesson)

- Not going to change course evaluation this year as had planned because the Dean wants to be involved and it's going to take time.
- Class Reps all signed up.

Alumni Association

No report (Susan Lai absent).

Faculty Council

- Explained what Faculty Council is and what it does.
- Asked that members attend the meetings.
- Asked for issues that need to be brought up.

- need a PD Officer.
- timetables in advance.
- grading schemes.

Graduate Student Union

- GSU events will be sent out by Kelli.
- Going to attend next meeting.

Inforum and Tech Committee

- New software installed on computers in Inforum.
- Going to work in consultation with Emal and the Student Tech Fund.
- Going to investigate problem with wireless problems in room 205.

Master's Committee

Covered under the Academic Affairs report.

Professional Development Committee (Shelley Respondek)

No report (Shelley Respondek absent).

Publicity Committee (Kelli Cornforth)

- Introduced self and reminded that she is the point person for the Masters list.
- Also responsible for merchandise and display case.
 - Decided wants to sell new sweatshirts, and pens.
- Kelli moved motion to approve the purchase of sweaters and pens, Marjan seconded it, discussion, moved unanimously.
- 4th floor display case available for us end of November – needs help with it – solicited photos.

Social Committee (Martha Tuff)

- Planning a Halloween Party.
- Going to send out introductory email.

- Movie event being planned.

Tech Fund Committee

No report (Emal Bariali absent).

Web Committee (Charles Dunham)

- Class Reps posted on website.
- Updating contact list - with input from Secretary.
- Going to solicit more content.

Other Committee Reports

Life & Times Committee (Frank McMahan)

- Andrew Clement was surprised Frank was there.
 - Victoria asked that Edward send out email explaining Frank's role on the Committee.
- Paulette Rothbauer and others explained purpose of the Committee.

Degree Committee (William Denton)

- Met September 22 - confidential as usual.
- Explained what the Committee does.

Student Lounge Committee (Victoria Goodfellow)

- Going to put out call for members and ideas.
- Paulette suggested L&T Committee interested in helping.

Ad Hoc Tech Fund Committee (Edward White)

- Question of referendum was cleared up and we do have to have one.
- Explained what the university is responsible for in terms of technology and it's not very much. We need this money to have the computers etc. that students need.

- Nick Wesson raised question of when we are going to see stuff we've approved purchase of.

Unfinished Business

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None.

New Business

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Faculty Council Appointments - representatives to sit on Faculty Committees need to be elected.

- Alumni Association - Edward moved Tina Bauer, William Denton 2nd - moved unanimously.
- Degree Committee - Edward moved William Denton, Tina Bauer 2nd - moved unanimously
- Masters Committee - Edward moved Sapna Mahboobani, William O'Higgins 2nd - moved unanimously.
- Inforum and Information Technology Committee - Edward moved Frank McMahon and William O'Higgins, Tina 2nd - Stanislav expressed interest - moved unanimously.
- Student Tech Funds Sub-Committee - Edward moved Ahmed Nizami - Tina 2nd - moved unanimously.

Ad Hoc Constitution Committee

Edward moved that we create an Ad Hoc Committee to examine the FISSC Constitution and that it shall comprise of 2 members of the Executive and 2 Committee Chairs, William Denton 2nd - moved unanimously.

Ad Hoc Procedural Committee

Edward moved that we create an Ad Hoc Committee to examine procedural matters of FISSC, Kelli 2nd - moved unanimously.

Web-based voting

Edward moved motion to move FISSC elections to a web based voting system, Frank 2nd, large amounts of discussion - Edward amended the motion to send the issue to an Ad Hoc Committee, Nick 2nd - all the favour.

William O'Higgins wants the chair of the meetings to make a ruling on how much rigour is necessary in enforcing rules at meetings – made motion to have the chair determine this, Frank seconds, large amounts of discussion – Tina amends the motion to have it sent it to an Ad Hoc Committee which will be part of the Procedural Ad Hoc Committee, Victoria seconds, passed with one opposed.

Frank moves motion to get a card for Denyse, Kelli 2nd, Edward amends to get Martha to buy card and gift for \$60 total, Passant 2nd, Paulette recommends bookstore gift certificates – moved unanimously.

Tina asks that the Agenda and therefore Minutes be reformatted appropriately by committee and Victoria agrees to do this.

Victoria will call meeting re the part-time student issue.

Frank wants a petition to get a PD Officer but we decide to wait until it is brought up at Faculty Council.

Announcements

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None.