



Arts Council Meeting

May 16, 2016



Agenda

Date: Monday May 16, 2016

Time: 5:00 PM

Place: ML 246

University of Waterloo
Arts Student Union
Arts Council Meeting

Order	Subject	Action
1	Approval of the Agenda Motion: That Council approve the agenda	Decision
2	Approval of the March 22, 2016 Council Minutes in Appendix A Motion: That the Council approve the above minutes	Decision
3	Items for Report/Announcement <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Executive Reports• Councillor Reports• Society Reports	Information
4	Adjournment	Decision



Minutes

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: That council approve the agenda

First: German Studies Society

Second: Arts and Business Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The council approves the aforementioned agenda.

Approval of the Council Minutes

Motion: That the council approve the March 8, 2016 Council Minutes

First: Political Science Student Association

Second: History Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The council approves the aforementioned council minutes.

Society Reports

History Society

- Upcoming events for Spring Term:
 - Planning Meet & Greet with Profs
 - Planning Movie night

German Studies Society

- Upcoming events for Spring Term:
 - Beginning of term event, Movie night
 - End of term hiking event



Political Science Students Association

- Upcoming events for Spring Term:
 - Pints & Profs Event planned
 - Debate event/American Politics event

Arts and Business Society

- Upcoming Projects for Spring Term:
 - Buddies program – Attempt to get upper year students to be buddies/mentors to incoming first years
 - Fix office for ARBUS office (renovate to make it safer)

Executive Reports

Amber – President

- Beach Day update – July 16th
- Officially transitioning on May 16th
- Breakdown of rough budget draft shown, completed budget to be e-mailed out when completed

Alexa – VP Executive

- FEDS Arts Councillor – Will be coming to Arts Council for opinions and with information
- Office will be closed majority of the time during spring term, get in touch through email if needed

Motion to Adjourn

First: German Studies Society

Second: Political Science Students Association

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: Council approves the motion to adjourn the meeting



Absences

- Accounting and Finance Student Association
- Anthropology Society
- Classics and Medieval Studies Society
- Digital Arts and Communications Society
- Economics Society
- English Society
- Le Cercle Français
- Global Business and Digital Arts Society
- Human Resources Society
- Human Sciences Society
- Legal Studies Society
- Music Society
- Peace and Conflict Studies Society
- Philosophy Society
- Psychology Society
- Religious Studies Society
- Sexuality, Marriage, and Family Studies Society
- Society of Fine Artists
- Sociology Society



- Spanish Society
- Speech Communications Society
- Theatre Students Union
- Women's Studies Society



Appendix A: Approval of the March 22nd Minutes

Agenda

Date: Tuesday, March 22, 2016

Time: 5:30 PM

Place: AL 211

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Order	Subject	Action
1	Approval of the Agenda Motion: That Council approve the agenda	Decision
2	Approval of the March 8, 2016 Council Minutes in Appendix C Motion: That the Council approve the above minutes	Decision
3	Approval of the English Society Grant Proposal in Appendix A Motion: That the council approve the above proposal	Decision
4	Approval of the Theatre Student Union Grant Proposal in Appendix B Motion: That the council approve the above proposal	Decision
5	Approval of the Arts Student Union Constitution Amendments Motion: That the council approve the changes to the Arts Student Union Constitution	Decision
6	Items for Report/Announcement <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Executive Reports• Councillor Reports• Society Reports	Information
7	Presentation from Dean Chesney	Information
8	Presentation from HeForShe	Information
9	Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• JDCC Discussion	Information
10	Adjournment	Decision



Minutes

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: That council approve the agenda

First: English Student Society

Second: Society of Fine Artists

Vote: Motion Carried

Resolved: The council approves the aforementioned agenda.

Approval of the Council Minutes

Motion: That the council approve the March 8, 2016 Council Minutes

First: German Studies Society

Second: Psychology Society

Vote: Motion Carried

Resolved: The council approves the aforementioned council minutes.

Approval of the Arts Student Union Constitution Amendments

Motion: That the council approve the changes to the Arts Student Union Constitution

First: Psychology Society

Second: Human Sciences Society

Oppositions: N/A

Abstentions: Amber Keegan, Diahhan Zhu, Alexa

Fuentes Valdez, Jessica Smith, Sri Vishnu,

Michelle Fong, Dylan Ball, Brandon Rad,

Christopher Leung



Vote: Motion Carried

Resolved: The council approves the changes to the constitution

Grant Proposals

English Society Grant Proposal

Motion: That the council approve the above grant proposal.

First: German Studies Society

Second: Anthropology Society

Oppositions: N/A

Abstentions: Brandon Rad

Vote: Motion Carried

Resolved: The council approves the grant of \$300 to the English Society.

Theatre Student Union Grant Proposal

Motion: That the council approve the above grant proposal.

First: Arts and Business Student Society

Second: Human Sciences Society

Oppositions: N/A

Abstentions: N/A

Vote: Motion Carried

Resolved: The council approves the grant of \$300 to the Theatre Student Union.

Executive Reports

Brandon Rad (President)

- Thank you for your patience while I get through the emails I have received
- There have been many questions about elections and constitutions, we may just make a guide for you to follow
- Elections are encouraged
- Arts Gala – looking for feedback



- Thank you to everyone who came out, it was successful
- Not every faculty's associate Deans are as committed as those in Arts
 - Dean Chesney came in person today, if you have any feedback please let us know so that we can pass it along
 - This will make the new orientation as smooth as possible
 - He is very approachable and more than willing to help
- Elections are coming

Dylan Ball (VP Executive)

- Constitution Amendments
 - Questions?
 - Is there anything directly affecting societies rather than the ASU Exec team?
 - No, it's mostly updating to reflect the accurate duties of the executive roles
- Thank you to everyone

Amber Keegan (VP Communications)

- Putting final touches on the website

Chris Leung (VP Finance)

- There are a lot of cheques to be picked up still, please do so

Jess Smith (VP Academic)

- Still talking about the development of EDGE

Alexa Fuentes Valdez (VP Marketing)



- Working on getting things ready to go for next term

First Year Representatives

- Working on one last event with the Student Engagement Office for the Arts Faculty as a whole, but specifically for first years

Society Reports

Anthropology Society

- Got sweaters
- Had end of term faculty dinner and awards

Political Science Student Association

- Had pints and politics event good turn out
- Had American politics discussion went well
- Confirmation on swag will be coming in three weeks
- Working on elections

Peace and Conflict Society

- Film screening tonight
- Prof meet and greet was very well attended

Theatre Student Union

- Drama ball is coming up – making arrangements for that
- Prof mixer went well



- Movie night was successful

Accounting and Finance Student Association

- Holding tax clinics this week

Society of Fine Artists

- Wrapping up semester
- Running an event next week
- End of year party

Legal Studies Society

- Last event was the volunteer panel
- In the process of executive recruitment currently

Philosophy Society

- In the process of planning end of term event – it will be a prof mixer at Bomber

Psychology Society

- Working on elections and constitution
- End of term event

English Society

- Business cards complete
- Sweater orders are in



- Prof alumni mixer tomorrow
- Finalizing the symposium planning, found presidents for next year

German Studies Society

- Order placed for apparel this morning
- Board game event tomorrow
- End of term event next week

Sociology Society

- Held academic event which was successful
- Tees for textbooks is going well
- Social event at the end of the term

FEDs Councillor

- Not much going on
- SLC expansion
- Sleeping spaces on campus conversation completed (most people didn't feel the need for more)

Classics and Medieval Studies Society

- Got sweaters in
- Planning end of term dinner
- Call for papers for undergraduate journal is still open

History Society



- Events have been successful so far this term
- History swag was successful
- Trivia night currently happening

Religious Studies Society

- Field trip last week was successful
- Working on swag
- Having end of term dinner

Global Business and Digital Arts

- Decided to run more events in the next two weeks (WTF is GBDA?, fourth year send off event, social event)
- Gala was successful

Economics Society

- Board games night was successful

Music Society

- Got sweaters
- Had coffee house
- Compositions
- End of term dinner

Human Sciences Society



- Guest lecturer
- Looking at doing a get together at grad house for end of term event

Presentation from Dean Chesney

- Working Group for Student Transition
 - Orientation has recently changed significantly
 - There has also been an increase of awareness in the importance of the transition to university
 - Attempting to streamline practices around transitions across campus
 - Arts Faculty has instituted a working group to house planning for transitions (from acceptance to the end of first year)
 - Trying to create a better focus on the transition period past orientation
 - Working group tasked with providing support and resources as necessary relevant to new student success and transition
 - Looking for students to come to the next meeting on Tuesday, particularly first year but all student years are welcome, to reflect upon their orientation experience and anything else they want to share about their experience as a new student at the University of Waterloo
- Update on Hagey Hall expansion
 - Progressing well
 - Will be a space for students – food available, seating, study and social areas



- The food has not been finalized but it will not be a repeat of Liquid Assets, it will also likely be open later in the evenings
- Spaces will be bookable by students
- Furniture is the next thing on the list, analyzing the space to see what fits
 - Will be flexible and easily moved around (longue on the first floor, boardroom upstairs)
- Are there any questions?
 - Are transfer students included in the transition discussion?
 - Yes
 - Are outlets being considered in the space?
 - Outlets are approximately every 6 feet, if not closer
 - There may even be some sort of digital feature
 - This is a space for students, this is taken very seriously, it must be accessible and useful to students
- The orientation schedule will necessitate performing Single and Sexy to more students at a time – looking for feedback on your experiences with this play
- If there any more questions or feedback please feel free to pass them along, through Brandon



Presentation from HeForShe

- Visiting various on campus groups to raise awareness and gather opinions
- HeForShe is a gender equity campaign on campus originating in the UN Women's Group
 - Goal to become a world wide movement for gender equity encouraging men to take a stand on behalf of this movement
- 10x10x10 challenges tens head of states, ten universities to sign on to the movement – Waterloo is the only Canadian university to have been signed on
- How do we make this campaign relevant to Arts? Arts Faculty is very diverse
- Built a website to provide information to students, including contact information and instructions to get involved
- The website also has a form that is looking for ideas to make HeForShe relevant to the Arts
 - This information will be presented to the Deans
- Orientation meeting April 6 – looking for ideas from students for initiatives that the campaign should be focussing on
- Does anyone have an input now?
 - Finding a way to eliminate the startled atmosphere when a female pronoun is used
 - Using the position of a professor to broadcast the ideas of gender equality from a position of authority
 - Requirements to take gender studies courses



JDCC Discussion

- This club asked us for \$1500, they wanted it to cover their scarves
- Council has asked that this money went to delegate fees instead
- JDCC did not use our money to cover the delegates
- If they use the cheque now it could go into miscellaneous fees, which is what we were attempting to avoid
- What do you think about this?
 - Are they asking for reimbursement?
 - No, they have not indicated that they are looking for reimbursement at this time
 - Did they know that the money was supposed to go towards the delegates?
 - Yes, we were very clear about the contingencies placed on the grant
 - By allowing people to pick up a cheque this way, we are allowing them to use the cheque for anything they like – essentially this is allowing people to take advantage of the system and pocket the money they had asked for
 - We decided that they didn't need to change their clothing all of the time so the funding doesn't need to go towards that
 - If the money was allotted for certain things, but then they didn't use it, shouldn't that just make the money null?



- It can be sympathized that money is wanted back for the out of the pocket fees, but they need to take responsibility
- There is an expectation that you will be paying out of pocket for certain things
- They were aware that they were getting that funding specifically for the delegates
- Not letting them pick up this cheque because they didn't use it accordingly, but allow them to submit another proposal at another time
 - That is an option
- This is essentially a breach of agreement – technically we cannot put it to a motion unless JDDC is present but we wanted these thoughts to be presented to JDCC and FEDs, it is \$1500 of arts students fees that could be put to better use
- Can we have them show us their receipts and decide what we want to cover?
 - That is an option
- We have gone out of our way to find JDCC and sit down with them, but nothing has been resolved
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Motion to Adjourn

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Second: Dylan Ball

Vote: Motion Carried

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