The regular meeting of the Federation of Students Students’ Council was called to order at 12:35PM on Sunday, February 2nd, 2014 in SLC 1120/1121. The Speaker in the chair was David Collins and Julia Meriel served as Secretary and Josh Amalraj as Secretary Assistant.

The meeting began with an amendment to the agenda, by adding, as the first item, to destroy the ballots from the January 28th meeting. After a vote, the motion passed unanimously. A motion by Councillor Hamade, seconded by Councillor McFaul to approve the agenda (with the amendment included) passed unanimously and is as follows:

Approval of the Agenda

1. **Motion:** BIRT Council approves the agenda for this meeting.

Consent Agenda

2. **Councillor Reports**
   a. **St. Jerome’s** (attachment 01)

Regular Agenda

Reports

3. **Executive Reports**
   1. President (attachment 02)
   2. Vice-President, Operations and Finance
   3. Vice-President, Internal (attachments 03, 04, 05, and 06)
   4. Vice-President, Education

4. Executive Presentations
5. Executive Q&A Period
6. Councillor Reports
7. Officers of Council
   a. Speaker
   i. **Removal of Councillor:** Councillor Birnbaum has accumulated 4 excused absences. Consequently, any councillor may now move to declare his seat vacant.
   b. Secretary
   ii. **Motion:** BIRT Council accept the resignations of Brandon Berlingieri from Council, Adam Garcia from the Elections Appeals Board, and Roland Fung from the Campus Life Advisory Committee.

8. **Standing Committees**
   a. **Policy & Procedure Committee:** Policy Presentation Part 2 (attachment 07)

Special Orders

Unfinished Business and General Orders

9. **Elections Not Completed at January Meeting:**
   a. **Leadership Awards Committee** (1 Councillor, 1 Director, 1 former recipient)
b. Honourary Lifetime Membership Committee (1 Director, 2 Councillors, 1 at-large)

10. **Elections Postponed from Special Meeting:**
   a. Special Committee on Campus Space Allocation (2+ at-large)
   b. Special Committee on Campus Food Options (2+ at-large)
   c. Special Committee on School Spirit (2+ at-large)

11. **Elections to fill Vacancies:**
   . Elections Appeals Board (1 at-large)
   a. Campus Life Advisory Committee (1 at-large)

**New Business**
Adjournment by 3:30 PM

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was put to a vote and the motion passed.

A motion to destroy the ballots was put forth by Councillor McFaul, seconded by Councillor McGinnis, from the January 28th meeting. The motion passed.

3. A. assume council has read it, no presentation
   b. VPOF: SLC audit –consult w/ students, compile info, draft policies,
      1. Highlight: event calendar (FEDS calendar) –should be live soon, waiting on updates, way to promote students events, through sponsors we can save $,
   c. Any co-op student paying winter fee; $25 decrease b/c they paid of Tatham centre; effective spring 2014, 3% increase →still an overall decrease; CASA, Moncton and Western –drop to associate member status—membership an issue with others, not just as; effectiveness of emails from Registrar’s office …send me e-mails; ancillary protocol; co-op students in 5th year, eligible for 30% refund; apps deadline is March __, 2014
   
   **Motion** to accept VP Garcia’s report; Turner, Garcia –vote: abstention: Abuseir

4.

5. Ramdev: for VPOF; when doing consultations, what are you looking for?
- put together questions; removing/add services; creating mission statement for SLC –if you add a blank slate, what would you really want to see?
6. Math: renovations; space in general w/ Dean’s office; SJ –separate program?
   
   Looking for a college experience, not two separate faculties, not approved

Science:
   Env: report submitted from last week consultation during potential Stratford person
   Arts: consulting w/ societies; work w/ CourseEvals; fall reading week informal discussion w/ laurier’s VP; ASU conference, lots of fun
   Q: VPEd, env also not public w/ course evals –along with AHS and ARTS

Eng:

7. a. Motion by Garcia to remove him, 2nd by Gaphoor
- discussion: it’s been standard practice when they reach this number that they be removed
  - Turner: does it include this meeting? Collins: no
  - Ramdev:
  - McFaul: should leave this removal to a later date
  - Hamade: if you’re far,
  - Collins: within 110km –FEDS will provide necessary reimbursement –Council Procedure
McGinnis: fair to wait for later date; advocate to not remove him
Turner: reference to removal of Nickta Jowhari; therefore think that this is unfair
McClowski: removal of Abuseir did not go through
McGinnis: it was 2 unexcused absences
Garcia: **Motion** for a secret ballot –vote: 9-1-4 (noted abstention: Ramdev)

Voting will be on, Yes or No regarding removal of Councillor Birnbaum
Scrutineers: Danielle Burt and Maaz Yasin

**Motion to table McFaul, McGinnis: vote- passes unanimously**

  b. **Motion**: Hamade, Drury ---
     - McGinnis: why does VP Garcia want to step down?
       - Doesn’t want to appear biased
     - McFaul:
Check minutes on what he is stepping down
- VP Adam Garcia was nominated for an at-large seat along with Councillor Gaphoor, and Sean Hunt.

**Vote: motion passes**

Motion to lift 7.a. from the table –McIntosh: passes
Results: 8-8-1 –Motion fails; Birnbaum “lives another day”

Presentation by David Collins on Feds Policy Review 1:05PM-1:17PM
Pol. 22: advocating for IP rights
How motions for policies are created:
  - Whereas: why you’re doing it vs BIRT: what you’re aiming for

9. a. **moved** by McFaul; Hamade
  - **Leadership award Committee**: takes nominations for leadership awards/dinner (March) makes recommendations or appropriate people to present various awards for different aspects
  - Ramdev nominated himself (McGinnis) –on the board (Councillor)
  - McIntosh for Director seat (McFaul) –accept
    - chaired by Collins
  - **Motion to ratify Councillor Ramdev + Director (McIntosh) –VPOF + Abuseir**
**Vote: McIntosh, Ramdev abstention –motion passes**
Motion to provide LAC with authority to pick recipient (McGinnis, McFaul)
Amendment: empower committee to fill empty seat
Vote: motion passes; 1 abstention

c. Honorary Lifetime Membership committee

Motion: McFaul, McGinnis
Preface: exactly what the committee sounds like
Councillor Hamade nominated (Garcia) for Councillor spot
Councillor Gaphoor nominated by McGinnis
Councillor Turner nominated by Ramdev

VP Drury for Director (seconded)

Motion McGinnis to restrict speeches to 30 seconds; 2nd McIntosh – friendly w/ everyone

Non-ranked voting

Hamade withdrawn from committee

Motion to ratify (McIntosh, Harrison) Gaphoor, Turner, Drury to committee
Vote: 3 (Turner, Drury, Gaphoor) abstentions

Move to empower committee to choose at-large (McFaul: McGinnis)
Vote: 13-0-2 (Turner, Drury)

10.

a. Motion to empower committee members to choose their at-large counterparts, McFaul + McGinnis

Motion to amend to empower all committees to select their own at-large members (Drury, McGinnis)
- will save time
vote: motion to amend passes
Vote on original motion: 1 abstention, motion passes

11. Motion to add to table, Ramdev and McGinnis
Ramdev nominates himself, 2nd by VPOF
VPOF nominates VP Drury –resinds acceptance of nomination

Vote: for the ratification of Ramdev to the Elections Appeal Board: 5 abstentions (Hamade, MCginnis, Gaphoor, McIntosh, MCfaul) –motion passes

Gaphoor: Motion to resign from Elections Appeal Board
Council accepts his resignation
Motion to fill Council seat on Elections Appeal Board (Drury, Ramdev)
Vote: 9-0-8 (MCIntsh, McFaul, Drury, HAamde, McGInnis, Turner, Ramdev, Nelson)

11. b. Nominate Maaz Yasin from gallery (Harrison) – acclaimed to the committee
Motion to ratify MAaz Yasin (Mcfaul, Ramdev)
Vote: unanimous pass

New Business
- FEDS Bus: waiting time concerns

Motion to adjourn, Drury, MCClowski
Vote: 1/15: fails

Motion to destroy ballots regarding Birnbaums, McClowski, Turner
Vote: passes unanimously

Motion to adjourn, Mcfaul, Harrison
Vote: unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 1:43PM.