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**Bethune College Council Meeting #1**  
BC 203  
Tuesday May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - 2:00 P.M. EST  
Chaired by: Adam Brihmi

**MINUTES**

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Start time: 2:05 PM

**Roll Call**

***Voting Members:*** Adam Brihmi, Victoria Van Dyk, Matthew Lim, George Gerges, John Amanatides, Nicole Shwartz, Sara Sarwari, Valeriya Tolstineva, Teodora Neagu, Aaron Suresh, Clifford Baker

***Non-Voting Members:*** Robert Cheung (incoming VP finance), Ahmad Ali (current VP finance), Nima Yazdankhah, Syed Naqvi, Melissa Rrashkadolli, Claudia Martire

**President's Update**

- Proposed that members of council should look through constitution to make any possible improvements in regards to their designated roles by **Sunday May 20<sup>th</sup>**
- CPA meeting did not happen last week due to the strike
- Working with MO's throughout summer to improve council website

**Executive VP's Update**

- Plans on taking inventory this Thursday
- Looking into accommodations for council retreat
  - o Members are most interested in having waterfront cottage
  - o All members should respond to retreat match-form created by Victoria ASAP
  - o Will have more details by next meeting
- Members must fill out BCC form and submit to Victoria by **Friday May 18<sup>th</sup>**
- Interested in switching JCR and JACS
  - o Main purpose: to create a larger recreational space and another study space in Bethune
  - o Discussion:
    - More demand on study space due to larger volume of people
    - JACS will contain higher tables for study but keeping chairs
      - Adam will be looking into quotes for tables
    - JCR will have pool and foosball table
    - Issues regarding idea: there will not be enough space for sleeping arrangements during frosh



- Need to send out poll to Bethune community and figure out layout of new rooms before we make conclusive decision

### **Finance Update**

- Motion made by Ahmad Ali to accept David Burkes as the Councils auditor for the upcoming 2018-2019 academic year
  - Seconded by George Gerges
    - 11-0-0 motion passes
- Ahmad has been teaching Robert the details of the position
- Audit should be completed by this week
- Robert met with all of the execs to review budgets for the year
  - Open to receiving questions from general members regarding position
- Looking into credit cards
- Robert is working with Victoria to keep track of all inventory in the office
- Ahmad is working on annual report
  - Comparing audits from the last 10 years to help Robert
  - Student services levy expected to drop this year due to the strike
- At the end of May, Ahmad and Robert will be giving a presentation outlining how to conduct transactions
- Robert asks that the exec office is completely off limits to non- exec members

### **Communications Update**

- Working on marketing proposal (due June 30<sup>th</sup>)
- Wants to focus more on advertising events through email promotion
- Looking into having council merchandise – will have more information next meeting
- Working with Adam on council website – if any members want to include something specific on website, message both of them

### **Social Update**

- Interested in doing a summer event at the end of August to Wasaga beach
  - Ideal if 50- 75 people can attend
- Will present all event ideas for the school year during meeting in June

### **Orientation Chairs Update**

- First meeting today: discussed theme for Frosh
  - Theme: Camp Frosh
- Melissa is gathering codes from buses and ice-cream companies
- Motion made by Adam to approve of \$2000 deposit for boat cruise
  - Seconded by George Gerges
    - 11-0-0 motion passes
- Company for boat is River Gambler



- Capacity of 500 people
- Meal will be provided prior to boat cruise
- Design for Frosh t-shirts are finalized
- All leader applications have been submitted
  - Interviews starting in 2-3 weeks
  - 158 leader applications → taking 120 leaders
  - 29 captain applications → taking 9 captains

### **Athletics Update**

- Hired all executive members
  - Director of Operations: Kevin
  - Director of Promotions: Meryl and Klara
  - Director of Communication: Chloe
  - DMA: Zain and Bae
  - General Members: Rafael, Mohammed, Sara, Nicole and Justin
- Going to have first meeting today
- Wants to change “senior members” to “director of members”
- George will be attending SIRC retreat

### **SOS Update**

- SOS representative will be chosen when Tanya comes back after the strike

### **YFS Update**

- Working on York fest
- Will have more updates by next meeting
- Provide students with this email ([strikeinfo@yfs.ca](mailto:strikeinfo@yfs.ca)) if they have any questions about the strike

### **Other Business**

- Motion made by Nima to give VP social and finance votes (withdrawn)
  - Discussion:
    - Votes should be designated to those who are elected onto council because they are representing the constituents of the college
- Motion made by Adam to assign Nicole and Sara to social committee
  - Seconded by: George
    - 11-0-0 motion passes
- Motion made by Adam to assign Teodora and Valeriya to finance committee
  - Seconded by Melissa
    - 11-0-0 motion passes
- General members should help out all execs if necessary



- Motion made by Ahmad for President and Executive VP to approve of last two meeting minutes for audit
  - o Seconded by: George Gerges
    - 11-0-0 motion passes
- Constitution committee will be looking into different college constitutions to modify/change Bethune constitution for the purpose of improving it
- For future meetings, changes will be implemented about meeting conduct

Next Meeting: next two weeks (TBD)

Meeting Adjourned at: 3:25pm