

STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

September 15, 2009
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

LATE ADDITIONS (SC 2009-11)

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To: Students' Council 2009/2010

This should be a shorter report due to two council meetings within two weeks. Enjoy.

Important Initiatives

Room At The Top

Reminder: Contest entries due September 19, 2009. Be creative or tell your pals to be creative! <http://www.su.ualberta.ca/roomatthetop>. Also, you'll notice a ~8000.00 expenditure from the Contingency Allocation noted in the executive minutes for difficulties encountered during the Room At The Top revitalization project—perfect opportunity for someone to ask about it in question period!

Executive Blog

Executive blog functional: <http://blog.su.ualberta.ca>. Now the executive will have to start developing content (especially the technophobic Nick Dehod). It isn't the swankiest website to grace the interwebs—so we're looking to make it more aesthetically appealing.

Online Events Calendar

Met with Juliana Pree from Whitematter, along with Nick Dehod, Marc Dumouchel, and Web Content Editor Craig Turner in order to discuss what functionality we want to see out of an online events calendar—great ideas discussed, looking forward to the next meeting to start wireframing and hashing out the scope.

Other Information

Operating Policy Review

The Finance policies have been reviewed. Now having the recommendations formalized into draft editions of the policies. After reviewing these changes, the executive will review for implementation.

Communications and Marketing Manager

We've lost another senior manager and are currently in the hiring process for our new C&M Manager. After asking preliminary questions via email, we've been able to further narrow down the candidate pool. Interviews will be commencing shortly and hopefully we'll have someone before the end of September. The Communications and Marketing department is still progressing on projects very well for the time being.

Coca-Cola BBQ

Wednesday, September 22 – 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM – QUAD

Free BBQ in quad put on by Coca-cola! (Although it is technically free, we're asking for a small donation for the Campus Food Bank, if you can)

Report to Students' Council

September 15, 2009

Kory Mathewson, President



UASU Executive Blog – Sep 8 2009

Check out <http://blog.su.ualberta.ca> for more information.

Meeting with the Provost – Sep 8 2009

Presentation of the Academic Plan, H1N1 preparations, and some preliminary tuition discussion.

Alumni Council – Sep 9 2009

Students' Union Alumni Chapter, collaboration on Centenary events, and homecoming.

Meeting with the University of Alberta Chief Creative Officer – Sep 9 2009

Discussion on centenary, marketing and branding the University with students.

Academic Planning Committee – Sep 9 2009

Action Items: Centre for Global Citizenship Education and Research and Technology Commercialization Center. Discussion on Budget, H1N1 and Faculty of Nursing Unit Review.

Revolutionary Speaker and Debate Series – Sep 10 2009

Energy debate preparations with ECOS, Greenpeace, Energy Club. Watch out October 19 2009 at 5:30pm for the debate. Still looking for volunteers and collaborators.

Think Tank – Sep 2009

Discussion on SUBstage on the privatization of water.

Undergraduate Student Survey 2009 – Sep 11 2009

Marketing discussion. Please check out <http://bit.ly/UASUsurvey> for the most recent draft.

Meeting with Annual Giving, University of Alberta External Relations – Sep 11 2009

Possible collaboration on the letter sent out to potential donors.

Public Interest Alberta: Don't Cut Us Out – Sep 15 2009

Press conference, for more information check out: http://bit.ly/PIA_dontcutusout

Meeting with University of Alberta Registrars – Sep 15 2009

Information sharing, student feedback on admissions, Registrars website, and Bear Tracks.

Meeting with Rachel Notley – Sep 15 2009

Discussion on lobbying the government, and current student financial aid concerns.

Alberta Public Interest Research Group Open House – Sep 15 2009

Meeting with ARAMARK – Sep 15 2009

For the Good and Welfare of the University of Alberta Students' Union,

I remain, Kory Wallace Mathewson, President, University of Alberta Students' Union 2009-2010

Hi Council,

I was just looking through the Political Policies and we don't have a policy on transportation other than public transportation. With the recent forward movement of the City of Edmonton's Transportation Master Plan (but the jeopardy of the biking and walking policies), I think the Students' Union should have a political policy on this. Biking and walking as methods of transportation are both sustainable and a necessity for students, which are things we advocate for! :-)

A friend of mine also had his bike stolen recently right outside of SUB, and with the huge number of students biking to school (which is only increasing) I think security is another issue we should be looking at.

If you think this is a good idea (or if you don't!) please send me an e-mail as I would love to hear your thoughts on it. I also don't have classes on Fridays this term (for the first time in my Uni career!) and I love coffee and good discussion.

I look forward to bringing this to a Policy Committee in the near future, and will give everyone a head's up when it will be coming forward.

Thanks for your time, Council! I will see you all tonight at 6 PM!

Cheers,
Brittany Kustra

September 15, 2009
Vice President (Student Life)

Prepared by: Nick Dehod, Vice President (Student Life)
To: Students' Council 2009/2010

Food Provider Search

The SU will be involved with two student focus groups designed to provide input into a Request For Proposal for a new food provider on campus. The first session will be next Wednesday and because I will be out of town, the Vice President Fentiman will be attending in my place.

Health & Dental Plan

The last two days we have had the Street Team approaching students across campus and giving them a final reminder of the Change of Coverage deadline on September 16th. Please use the Health & Dental Plan as a topic of water cooler conversation, pick-up lines, over the next two days as a reminder for people to review their coverage.

Physical Activity & Health Centre

We are now having bi-weekly meetings to ensure that we have the details of any referendum prepared for council by late October/early November. We are expecting a report from the design charette shortly.

Recycling/Composting in SUB

The new signage has been pushed back due to a few factors including the marketing departments server crashing.

Sustainability

Next week the ECOS Director & I will be attending a conference in Indianapolis on sustainability practices at Post Secondary Institutions across North America. We will be leaving September 19th returning to the office on September 24th. We are also working with the Office of Sustainability on Sustainability Awareness Week happening October 19th to October 23rd. Events are being confirmed in the next couple weeks and I should have more information at the next Council meeting.

U-Pass

On Thursday we have an admin meeting where we will discuss U-Pass distribution so far this year. On Friday we have a Joint U-Pass meeting where we will further discuss the new contract in preparation for the Transportation and Public Works Committee meeting on October 6th.

If you have any other questions ask during council, stop by the office, or send me an email at vp.studentlife@su.ualberta.ca.

“To hell with circumstances, I create opportunities” – Bruce Lee