

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE — 2023-2024 #24

August 31, 2023

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### ATTENDANCE

Christian Fotang	<i>President</i>
Chris Beasley	<i>Vice President (External)</i>
Pedro Almeida	<i>Vice President (Academic)</i>
Levi Flaman	<i>Vice President (Operations and Finance)</i>
Michael Griffiths	<i>Vice President (Student Life)</i>
Marc Dumouchel	<i>General Manager</i>
Juliana du Pree	<i>Director of Marketing and Communications</i>
Jonathan Olfert	<i>Director of Research and Advocacy</i>
Ari Campbell	<i>External Relations Specialist</i>
Courtney Graham	<i>Assistant Manager, Governance Support</i>

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

GRIFFITHS/ALMEIDA MOVED TO approve the Executive Committee agenda as presented.  
4/0/0 CARRIED

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BEASLEY/ALMEIDA MOVED TO approve the Executive Committee minutes from August 28,  
2023 as presented.  
4/0/0 CARRIED

## REPORTS

### PRESIDENT

- Extensive work on engaging ETS to ensure Arc Cards are available and functional in sufficient numbers.

### VICE PRESIDENT (ACADEMIC)

- GFC committees have begun to meet.
- Working on the ZTCup to honor usage of Zero Textbook Cost resources.
- Working on opposition to Academic Materials Program.

### VICE PRESIDENT (EXTERNAL)

- Yesterday, the Minister of Advanced Education released province-wide survey data indicating that half of all post-secondary students have been sexually harassed or assaulted since becoming students. Press releases have gone out, asking for prevention funding and a working group, as well as targeted support for sexual assault centres. Many interviews are ongoing. Advanced Education's narrative is that this is an institutional responsibility, not a provincial one.
- Student Leaders Orientation went well (a meeting with Advanced Education). There are concerns that the 2% tuition cap may not last beyond 2024/25.

### VICE PRESIDENT (OPERATIONS AND FINANCE)

- Attended residence move-in with GRIFFITHS.
- Attended Infomart, which wound up attracting mainly graduate students.
- Met with potential beverage vendors.
- Working on discussions around salaries and ways to increase revenue in the context of upcoming strategic planning.
- Held a meeting about the UASU's investment portfolio.

### VICE PRESIDENT (STUDENT LIFE)

- Have been working with ALMEIDA on a OneCard door access proposal.
- Took interviews on sexual and gender-based violence and has been meeting with the University's Coordinator.
- Busy answering instructors' emails about the pronoun campaign. Response is generally very good.

### GENERAL MANAGER

- Has been focusing on ensuring the UPass is functional.
- Wrapping up space allocation arrangements with BSA and ISA.
- Working with senior management on strategic planning.

#### DIRECTOR OF MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Working on various staff administration issues.
- Focusing on start-of-year communications and the website.

#### DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND ADVOCACY

- Have been working to support efforts around sexual and gender-based violence prevention and response, as well as the Academic Materials Program.
- Working on various staff administration issues.

#### ASSISTANT MANAGER, GOVERNANCE SUPPORT

- Working on support for Week of Welcome and scheduling committees.

#### EXTERNAL RELATIONS SPECIALIST

- No updates.

#### STUDENTS' COUNCIL

- FOTANG connected with the Speaker to clarify some items around Council eligibility checks.
- The Executives discussed ways to support Student Groups Committee.
- By-election nominations close on September 18th.

#### ACTION ITEMS

##### Strategic Plan Project Allocation

- This would be to cover a space booking for the University Strategic Plan, either SUBstage or the Atrium. FOTANG sought advice and consensus from the Executives and will come back with a motion for a specific dollar value.

#### DISCUSSION PERIOD

##### Exec Tabling

- The Executives will be conducting public engagement tabling around campus, approximately twice per month if possible. They discussed logistics, availability, basic giveaways, and communications.

##### Campus Food Bank

- The Executives discussed options for adjusting support to meet various CFB needs in the context of past and ongoing monetary and in-kind support.

GRIFFITHS/ALMEIDA MOVED TO approve a \$2000 donation to be made to the Campus Food Bank.

4/0/0 CARRIED

Smoking Survey

- OLFERT presented a draft survey created for GRIFFITHS based on past Clean Air Strategy consultation surveys and NCHA data. The survey aims to gauge opinions on smoking bans through an equity lens.

FLAMAN/ALMEIDA MOVED TO go in camera.

4/0/0 CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:36 PM.