

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE — 2023-2024 #27

September 21, 2023

12:35 PM

### 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>
Ellen Salter	<i>Assistant General Manager</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.  
5/0/0 CARRIED

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ALMEIDA/GRIFFITHS MOVED TO approve the Executive Committee minutes from September 18, 2023 as presented.  
5/0/0 CARRIED

### REPORTS

#### PRESIDENT

- Met with F&O about a well-received OneCard proposal.
- APC included a broad debate about textbook access and AMP.

#### VICE PRESIDENT (ACADEMIC)

- Met with VP Research.
- Met with Augustana to discuss implications and possibilities of centralizing research.
- Planning SRA Summit.
- Met with Registrar's Office on a number of issues that may lead to near-future developments.
- Finished presentation on generative AI for a workshop today.

#### VICE PRESIDENT (EXTERNAL)

- Visiting Camrose to advocate on transit.
- Invited to participate in a municipal press conference tomorrow.

#### VICE PRESIDENT (OPERATIONS AND FINANCE)

- Attended CSJ event.
- Connecting with potential clients and service providers.
- Attended a U-Pass meeting with the City. They are releasing a bulk buying portal, which will significantly improve Arc Card ordering and should allow us to avoid the fare preload issue.
- Managing fee issues for UAlberta students at Calgary Centre, in discussions with Registrar's Office. Some faculties file Calgary Centre students incorrectly as being on North Campus, leading to several fee implications.

#### VICE PRESIDENT (STUDENT LIFE)

- Working on safety and security issues, some in connection with a OneCard access proposal. The proposal has been shared with some University administrators and received positive feedback.
- Working on Campus Clash event and Residential School Memorial.
- Doing follow-up work on the UAlberta-specific sexual violence data release.

#### ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

- Visiting Camrose to prepare ASA for transition.

#### DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND ADVOCACY

- Working on surveys about alcohol and events, textbook costs, Arc Cards and transit, safety, and sustainability.

#### ASSISTANT MANAGER, GOVERNANCE SUPPORT

- Working on DFU and FAMF supports, including issues around the Gateway DFU.
- Planning CSJ and Augustana Council retreats.

## EXTERNAL RELATIONS SPECIALIST

- Working on various issues related to climate justice.

## STUDENTS' COUNCIL

- The Executives discussed future strategic closed discussions at Council.
- KAIROS blanket exercise turnout was not as strong as it could have been, but engagement was very good and the event was positive.
- The Augustana Council retreat timing in mid October is facing major complications; it is becoming a regular meeting again.
- Up to 11 FAMF/DFUs will come forward, which requires a great deal of meeting time.
- There are complications around the timing of the ratification of new student representatives on GFC.

## ACTION ITEMS

NO ITEMS

## DISCUSSION PERIOD

### IHCC and ECSA Fees and Status

- These two associations are not currently functional to one extent or another, but the fees are being levied to some students regardless. GRIFFITHS briefed the team and laid out bylaw and banking complications.
- ECSA's FAMF has expired; IHCC's will expire in 2024.
- The Executives discussed options, ideally to credit students for fees paid in the case of ECSA, and will engage with Bylaw Committee, University administration, the Global Education Coordinator, and stakeholders.
- IHCC was well established until COVID and has struggled more recently. The Executives discussed possibilities for helping IHCC revitalize itself.

### OneCard Access Proposal

- The proposal document has been finalized and is starting to be shared with University administrators and committees. There may still be significant obstacles at the level of building managers, as the proposal touches on several buildings.

### Clean Air Strategy

- The GFC agenda for October 16 will come to GFC Executive Committee at October 2, so the UASU's package for the draft agenda must go in by Monday, September 25. The package currently includes a new survey report, two

statements from the ASC/ISU, and a letter of support from the LSU and ILSU. CoFA Senior Board may also make a joint statement. The Executives discussed what other materials would be appropriate.

- Student representation on GFC is at issue given some recent resignations and candidates running in the by-election.

#### ASA Job Ad

- The Executives reviewed a job ad for a new Executive Director of the Augustana Students' Association. The position has historically had a unique relationship to the ASA and the UASU, which needs closer examination, and the formal JD will be approved at a later time.
- The Executives discussed how to ensure, within the bounds of human rights laws, that the new ED will have or acquire an appropriate level of cultural competency on Indigenous issues.

#### Municipal Press Conference

- BEASLEY has been invited to participate in a press conference with Councilor Janz tomorrow for announcements related to housing regulation.

#### CLOSED SESSION

#### ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 2:34 PM.