

MINUTES TO THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF THE ALGONQUIN COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2009 AT 9:00 P.M. IN ROOM C151.

12/09

Present: Mike Hirsch, President
Emily Boehm, Vice-President
James Kenny, Director
Betania Osorio, Director
Dayna Poulin, Director
Andy McTaggart, Director
Samantha Davidson, Director
Julia Berardini, Director
Kevin Johnston, Director
Jack Doyle, General Manager

Regrets: Don MacRae, Executive Assistant

Guests: Deborah Rowan-Legg, Vice-President, Student Services
Phil Rouble, Facilities Planning Specialist

1. ATTENDANCE

Attendance was taken and noted as above.

2. SET TIME FOR ADJOURNMENT

The following motion was moved, seconded and carried:

McTaggart BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors set time for
Poulin adjournment at 12:00 a.m.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following motion was moved, seconded and carried:

Kenny BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors approve the
McTaggart agenda for meeting 12/09 as presented.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following motion was moved, seconded and carried:

McTaggart BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors approve
Boehm the minutes from meeting 11/09 as presented.

5. GOVERNANCE PROCESS

a) Student Centre Presentation

The President welcomed Deborah Rowan-Legg, Vice-President, Student Services and Phil Rouble, Facilities Planning Specialist to the meeting and invited them to provide the members with a presentation on the student centre. Deborah described the process for developing the vision of the student centre and identified the SA, College and Ancillary Services as the three partners in this project.

Phil then walked the Board through the typical major project process employed by the College followed by the full proposal for the student commons. Deborah and Jack fielded many questions and noted the Board member's comments.

b) Incidental Reports

The President provided an incidental update to the Board.

The Vice-President offered an incidental report with an emphasis on the challenges experienced at the last Student Forum.

The CEO offered clarification on the club posting process from "recognition" to posting on our website.

c) Legislative Change

i. Program/Services Review

The President reported on the data collection for campus programs and services and the opportunity this presents for the Board to link and influence the outcome.

ii. Environmental Accountability

The Vice-President reiterated her emphasis on holding the college accountable for its environmental strategy. The new features on the ACCE are a step in the right direction. Kevin expressed difficulty with reaching college officials to receive updates and progress reports.

iii. Developing Campus Facilities

Kevin reported that he has not received any news on government grants for a new campus. Samantha added that Pembroke fundraising has now reached \$1.3 million. The Vice-President reported on the groundbreaking ceremony for the new ACCE.

iv. Explore Student Services

Julia reported on a presentation that she attended regarding financial aid. She was impressed with the efforts to improve financial aid to support student success. The Personal Security Committee that she sits on discussed the problem with members bringing their dogs on campus near the veterinary facility. The Board also discussed the need for smoking regulations.

v. Virtual Campus

James and Andy have been in constant contact with Joe Ranieri regarding the idea of Algonquin offering programs online. A survey will be conducted to ascertain student opinion on a virtual offering. Samantha noted the lack of counselling services online in the Virtual Campus white paper.

vi. Create a Stronger Bond

Dayna reported that the concept is very abstract which makes linkage and research a little difficult. However, students have been asked if they feel “part” of the community and why or why not? The feedback was very informative.

The President reported that the SA/College Collaborative Committee is now well aware of the SA’s concerns with the extra move-in fees for residence and other penalty fees. The Vice-President reported that we are pushing for no early move-in fees during the week before classes.

d) Director’s Job Description

The Vice-President emphasized that feedback forms need to be filled and handed in and then to follow up with students to acknowledge receipt of their concern.

The Board then scheduled the December meeting for December 11, 2009 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

e) Board Monitoring

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The Board monitored its own performance.

6. EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS

There was no business on this item.

7. ENDS

There was no business on this item.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The following motion was moved, seconded and carried:

McTaggart BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors adjourn this
Osorio meeting at 12:07 a.m.

Chairperson

Secretary