

Students' General Association  
Board Meeting  
Tuesday, September 20, 2016  
6pm-Senate Chambers

Attendees: Astrid Fournier, Kraymr Grenke, Jessica Robinson, Daniel Melchior, Alyssa Mifflin, Abraham King, Graham Yeo, Jordan Pennington, Roberto Bagnato, Laura Palmer, Rachel Seabourne, Jordan Williams, Ben, Nick Higgins, Connor Koch, Andrew

**Information Items**

1. Constitution

- Kraymr spoke about the constitution and governance. Everyone agreed we would go through the constitution at the next meeting.

2. Board Member Agreements

- Kraymr went over the SGA's governance structure and spoke to the light of everyone having to sign a confidentiality agreement.

**Action Items**

3. Adoption of the Agenda:

- Moved by Kraymr, seconded by Daniel Melchior  
Passed

4. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

Daniel had a conflict with the history society and the Italian club

5. Appointment of Chair

-Kraymr called out to nominate a chair for the meeting.  
-Kraymr moved to nominate Roberto as chair, seconded by Alyssa  
Passed

6. Adoption of the minutes from the last meeting

-None

**Information Items**

7. Executive Reports

7.1 VP Student Life- Daniel spoke about going to COCA, marketing, event planning, tried to get the regional meeting of COCA at Laurentian, PTBO succeeded instead. Attended OUTA in Kingston, learned about sexual violence, attended round table discussions, brought ideas back from the conference for the school year. SUDS in Vancouver, met with executives from all

around the country. Welcome week overview, overall was a success. Positive reviews from students' and staff, 5 events were planned including open mic night, beach day, Rendez-Vous; Coleman Hell and Tyler Shaw were the headliners. Drone Malone did a video. Over 1200-1500 students attended. Gloria's restaurant hosted their pancake breakfast again. Dr. Shuey came on campus, sexologist. First pub night was a big success, country pub and throw back Thursday are coming up, hoping to have trivia nights planned throughout the year. Porketta bingo will be back in pub this year. Hypnotist scheduled for November. Daniel is accepting ideas throughout the year for events. The SGA website has been translated. Director of Outreach- Jenna, has organizing our new V-Crew. Will be hosting a volunteer gala at the end of the year. Clubs day was a huge success, 650 students attended. Hired Alyssa as an associate VP of student life. Committees planned for this year are a sexual violence and health committee and mental health committee, students' can help and run the campaigns. Daniel's budget will be attached.

-Astrid asked about Pride week and if it's in our budget. Pride week is now officially ran at the University level. Pride week is no longer run by the Pride office. Laurentian will be helping in making this week a bigger event.

-Feedback from Roberto regarding rendez-vous, ensure communication with Sudbury Students who are off-campus. Daniel replied that we are working on it, he is trying to figure out a way to go about making it more off campus friendly.

Andrew- frosh kits were great. Sunglasses and water bottles. Are we getting more of these?

Daniel- We're working on it. Costs a lot to have those items, the intention is to figure out a way to have students' pay for these products in order to offer them on campus.

Astrid- Rendez-vous, no bins for recycling. SGA did not seem to be thinking about sustainability despite having a sustainability budget.

Alyssa- nobody will go through the recycling bins to ensure things are actually recycled.

Kraymr- Logistical issue, will work on it for the future

7.2 VP Policy and Advocacy, Abraham spoke about the Landlord Tenant Talk with Suzy Franklin on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1pm. She will discuss students' rights and responsibilities as a tenant. Working on financial literacy week, working with finance and working with kpmg to have speakers attend and get involved. There will be presentations, kiosks and booths throughout the week of October 25<sup>th</sup>.

Graham- Enactus, already a part of the financial literacy week.

Roberto- LU investors group willing to help during this week

7.3 President, Kraymr- Lobbying with the University, dug into the pub over the summer months. Working to make pub a fun and clean space to come hang out at study space, hoping students' will flock there. Has been working closely with major stakeholders, looking to meet with LAMBDA, women's centre to organize initiatives throughout the year. Attended a "How to build a student centre seminar" at SUDS. Talked to the president of UBC, they just finished their student centre. The process was exactly the same. Went to Kingston for OUTA, found it to be captivating and eye opening. There will be a sexual violence policy in place at LU, it is currently at legal review, it will return for student review once approved by the lawyer's office. Kraymr was introduced to provincial advocacy this summer with OUSA, he is co-authoring on a paper about rural and northern students'. The presentation will be available in about 5 weeks, Western and Laurier authors on this paper as well.

Kraymr will put the map of where he is at on this paper in the drive for everyone to view. Sections have been created, will go along in the next month.

Roberto- What's the situation with the SGA and CFS and the LU paper.

Kraymr- 11 student unions from across the country that are represented by the CFS got together to write this paper. The CFS is not policy based. We incorporated with them in 1980. If you try to leave the CFS, you get sued. Cape Breton University filed for bankruptcy after trying to leave the CFS. Kraymr went over the letter and explained each problem that was found. Clarified the written paper. There is only one vote per student union. The National will be doing an exposé on CFS. There are schools that would like to leave this year, that will cripple the CFS.

Jessica- Kraymr do you have a plan to meet with the major stakeholders

7.4 New COO position-Kraymr spoke about who was on the panel, the summer board was comprised of 3 executive members. The board senators were 4 representatives from the University. 3 were on the interview panel to select the COO and 6 people were present for the selection process. Chief Operating Officer is the new Executive Director position. Amanda Lachapelle was chosen as the successful candidate for this position.

Astrid- were there any minutes from the summer meetings. The public is worried about the lack of transparency.

Kraymr- Parts of the interview process can be disclosed.

Connor- The power of the summer board is equal as per the constitution

Astrid- Student's are worried that the summer board can change things in the constitution

Daniel- The executive team had the ultimate power in the past. It was a 2/3 vote that had the ultimate power. The executives now don't have ultimate decision; the summer board or board has full power. The board can out vote the executives.

Astrid- lack of transparency, student's want control over the summer board

Abraham- has notes he can share from the interview process if needed.

7.5 New Logo, Logo reform over the summer months. Student's who have the old logo do not require to get a new card. New students are provided with the new card system with the new logo. Other students' have the opportunity to buy one for 25\$.

#### 8. Memo of Agreement for the New Student Centre

- Notes will be put in the drive
- Nothing has changed about the process, LU will own the building, we own what's inside of it.
- We will not have to go through Chartwells or other LU ways of doing things when it comes to food and beverages
- We want to continue a great relationship with the University (no evictions from the University), we will therefore keep them informed in the processes
- ETA for new student centre- September 1, 2019, Kraymr will show the temporary critical path

Astrid- without the participation of the other student associations?

Kraymr- This conversation will be tabled for later discussion

#### 8.1

Unaware of the amount of money we are getting. We don't have an accurate amount of students yet for the year, we therefore don't have set dollar amounts.

#### 8.2

Meeting with KPMG in early September.2016- met with our accountants, there were a few things that needed to be worked out from last year. Everything was kosher, nothing wrong. The financial statements will be presented at the next meeting.

Astrid- When will we start talking to the affiliated organizations about accessing the new student centre

Kraymr- Higher power has the ultimate control; they will eventually fix the situation hopefully by October 20<sup>th</sup>.

### **Action Items**

#### 11. Club Ratification

*Ratified Clubs*-Laurentian University African-Caribbean Association, Canada World Youth Student Network at Laurentian University, Best Buddies, World University Service of Canada, Laurentian University in Focus, Huntington University Gerontology Society, Exercise is Medicine

on Campus, Laurentian Interprofessional Health Council, Humanity First at Laurentian University, Anthropology Club, Laurentian University Free the Children, Students Offering Support, Law at Laurentian, Laurentian University Chemical Engineering Chapter, Laurentian Students for literacy/Frontier College, Laurentian University Engineering Society, Laurentian Game Society, Medlife Laurentian, Laurentian University History society, Laurentian LoL eSports Club, Jack.org, Math & Computer Science Club, Phi Club, Laurentian University Muslim Student Association, Laurentian University Mining Society, Incontri Italian Club, Laurentian Christian Fellowship, Laurentian Investors Group, Laurentian Chess Club, Economics Student Association, Laurentian University Earth Sciences Club, LU PreMed Club, Laurentian Ladies in Science, Laurentian University Chinese Student and Scholar Association, Laurentian University Mine Rescue, Neuro and Mental Science clubs, Enactus Laurentian, Laurentian Shinerama, Neuro Everywhere, Laurentian Brewmasters, Laurentian University Relay for Life, Friends of MSF-NOSM Chapter, Laurentian University Jam Club, AuthenticallyU, Women's gender and sexuality association, Canada world Youth

## 12. Other business

Astrid- what is happening for service access

Kraymr- We will discuss further during the in camera session

Graham- Does this time work for everybody for future meetings

Alyssa- Does not work with her schedule

Rachel- People who aren't present are to be made aware of future meetings or changes

Kraymr- There will be a doodle poll for future meeting times

Kraymr- The SGA will be moving to the Liaison office; this is a great location. Office space will be shared amongst our executives and certain staff as space is limited. There will be very limited space for Senators to have office hours.

Alyssa- The SGA should have a suggestion box

Kraymr- In the SGA's current location, we are unable to put things up on the wall

Scheduled to move during reading week; G24 will move back to its game room

Kraymr- KPI's for CKLU, fairly successful, they have received donations

Motion to move to the in camera sessions

- Astrid moved the motion, Roberto seconded

- Passed