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September 22, 2004  
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Administration

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**\*\*Present:\*\*** Kelli Cornforth, Marjan Farahbaksh, Amanda French, Susan Lai, Frank McMahon, William O'Higgins, Shelley Respondek, Sunir Shah, Edward White

**\*\*Absent:\*\*** Emal Bariali (with intent), William Denton, Charles Dunham (with intent), Victoria Goodfellow (with intent), Mindy Myers, Lorraine Salt, Melissa Troemel (resignation), Nick Wesson (with intent).

**\*\*Observers:\*\*** Martha Tuff, Passany Elalfy

Meeting called to order by Edward White at 16:35 and adjourned at 17:25.

**\*\*Reading and Approval of minutes from the August 25, 2004 Student Council meeting:\*\***

Edward moves to approve the minutes. Shelley seconds. Vote to approve: unanimous.

Officer's Reports

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President (Edward White)

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Future meetings:

- Roberts Rules are to be used more precisely during meetings.
- Minutes will become a record of what was done, not what was discussed; there is still debate as to how discussions will be recorded and who will have access to these recordings.

Treasurer (Marjan Farabaksh)

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Funds:

- Monies collected during Orientation were approximately \$5,300. A report with exact amounts is forthcoming.

#### Secretary (Amanda French)

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Amanda French has tendered her resignation. The Secretary position will now be added to the election slate for the end of the month.

#### Committee Reports

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#### Academic Affairs Committee (Nick Wesson, absent)

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- Marjan Farabaksh suggests using Class reps as a vehicle to announce events/news in class.
- Nick Wesson will have to make all those running for Class Rep positions aware of all the details involved with the job, including public speaking.

#### Alumni Association

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- Added to election slate.

#### Professional Development Committee (Shelley Respondek)

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- Guest Speakers announced, and more to come.
- Resume Clinic is set for February 11th, 2005.

#### Publicity Committee (Kelli Cornforth)

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- Sale during registration was successful; \$400 in sales since April.

#### Social Committee (Chris Dasanjh)

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- Organised all Hart House activities; HH set for Oct 9-10 (Thanksgiving); Bus leaves at 10am Saturday.
- Committee meeting is TBA.
- Potluck next Thursday (Sept 30th).

#### Tech Fund Committee

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- Marjan Farabaksh is still looking for a "paper copy" of what the Tech Fund is and what it covers.

#### Web Committee (Charles Dunham, absent)

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- Progress on website continues; open invitation for new content (particularly from committees).
- Council members are encouraged to verify contact information on site is correct; ask Charles Dunham about any other site concerns.

#### Unfinished Business

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##### Purchase 1:

Amanda French moves to approve Purchase 1, which is defined as "4 workstations @\$1500/ea = \$6000 to replace older computers in 224/225"; Edward White and William O'Higgins second. \*\*Vote: unanimous\*\*.

##### Purchase 2:

Edward White moves to approve Purchase 2, which is defined as "4 workstations @\$1500/ea. = \$6000 to replace older computers, 3 in the Inforum and one in 415"; Sunir Shah seconds. \*\*Vote: unanimous\*\*.

##### Purchase 3:

Edward White moves to approve Purchase 3, which is defined as "22 upgrade licences (from NT to XP) @ \$86/ea. = \$1089"; Amanda French seconds. \*\*Vote: unanimous with William O'Higgins abstaining\*\*.

##### Purchase 4:

Edward White moves to approve Purchase 4, which is defined as a "\$1200 upgrade to the existing \$900 camera to be shared with the PhD student"; Frank McMahon seconds.

#### Discussion:

Buy the equipment but decide later whether PhD students have equal access to it. Heated debate occurred when some parties expressed concern that PhD students would enjoy the benefits of something to which they did not contribute. Others stated MIST students should have exclusive access."

#### Amendment:

Motion to upgrade original camera for \$1200. The option of sharing with PhD students is to be discussed and decided upon at a

later date. Camera hogging issues will be resolved by applying time limits for borrowing. \*\*Vote: unanimous\*\*.

#### Purchase 5:

Edward White moves to approve Purchase 5, which is defined as "a \$4950 estimated cost for deploying wireless access in 116-119, 313/319 and the 5th floor"; Kelli Cornforth seconds. \*\*Vote: unanimous\*\*.

Edward White clarifies that the Council has approved the full slate of Tech Fund proposals, totalling \$19,239.

#### New Business

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#### Non-attendance Issues, as defined by the constitution

Edward White moves to remove 3 Council members for non-attendance, citing sections 4.1.5 / 4.1.6 and 4.1.6.1 of the FISSC Constitution. These are: Farah Ledford, William O'Higgins; Marjan seconds.

#### Discussion:

The Constitution's wording does not necessarily allow for the dismissal of these members. According to some, the wording pertaining to "academic year" is not clearly defined. \*\*Vote: all opposed with Edward White abstaining\*\*. Motion defeated.

Marjan Farabaksh moves to contact Farah Ledford, and William O'Higgins and find out if they will wish to fulfil their obligation. If they do not, their positions will be added to the election slate. Edward White seconds \*\*Vote: unanimous\*\*.

Sunir Shah acknowledges the new constitution attendance rules and resigns from Tech Fund Committee and Master's Committee.

#### Student Elections:

- 2 Master's Committee reps will be added to Election slate.
- Total of 14 possible positions up for election.
- Discussion about Part-time Student representative pending on Constitutional overview.

Edward White moves to establish an ad hoc committee on the Tech fund; Amanda seconds. \*\*Vote: unanimous\*\*.

Edward White moves to implement the Master's Chat mailing list sign up on a negative option basis because of registration day complications; William O'Higgins seconds. \*\*Vote: unanimous\*\*.

Frank McMahon moves that on behalf of the FIS student body, FISSC strongly recommends a Professional Development Officer be appointed as soon as possible; William O'Higgins seconds. \*\*Vote: Unanimous\*\*.

Sunir Shah moves to appoint someone with information systems experiences; William O'Higgins seconds. \*\*Vote: unanimous\*\*.

Edward White moves to adjourn the meeting at 5:25pm; Sunir Shah seconds. \*\*Vote: unanimous\*\*.