

Master of Information Student Council  
10<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010  
12 – 1 pm

**Agenda**

**Present-** Kim Stymest, Christine DeLuca, Jill Kwiecien, Laura Mustard, Jessica Lawson, Dana Silk, Cybil Stephens, Sarah Shujah, Jennifer Slater, Courtney Fisher, Catherine Dunn, Amy Hoffman, Suzanne LeBlanc, Jessica Barr, Jacqueline Whyte Appleby, Michael Desjardins, Carmen Lee, Effie Patelos, Chris Trainor, Alex Whiteman, Ryan Nyler, Erika Heesen

**Regrets-** Rustam Dow, Christina Kim, Jennaya Web, Tracy Manning, Amanda LeClerc, Cathryn Ziefle, Teresa Sine, Patricia Ayala

**Recorder-** Jennifer Slater

1. Approval of Agenda-**Carried**
2. Reading and Approval of the Minutes March 26<sup>th</sup> -**Carried**
3. Business Arising from the Minutes-
  - a. Christine has noted that there was some content missing from previous Minutes in the Vice-President section. She noted that it is now the responsibility of the new Executive to find an auditor concerning the referendum earlier in the year.
  - b. Christine also noted corrections for the Treasurer section. First that Jill Kwiecien is not yet Treasurer, the name should be Courtney Fisher. The Treasurer section should have also included the fact that the Council voted last meeting and the motion was carried to provide funds for the Special Libraries Exhibit, however, this was a very close vote.
4. Executive Committee Reports:
  - a. **President- Kim Stymest**
    - i. General Report / Update- Kim mentioned the success of the student lounge project. She noted her work throughout the year on addressing student issues with the new curriculum and noted this as an issue of ongoing discussion. One of the main topics of discussion this year has been the potential for integrating both the MISC and the MSGSA, however, this is not possible according to the GSU. Throughout the year Kim has worked on keeping both student and faculty needs addressed.
  - b. **Vice-President- Christine DeLuca**
    - i. General Report / Update- Christine noted her initial work on the Fee Institutionalization Referendum, prior to learning that a CRO would be needed. Further details provided by the CRO.
    - ii. Report by Jill- She noted the creation of the Fee Institutionalization Sub-Committee, for which Jill was appointed as CRO for the referendum. The final vote was 88% in favour of the referendum. With the passing vote the

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paper work is now in and we should know in next 2 weeks if everything is successful.

**c. Secretary- Given by Kim on behalf of Patricia Ayala**

- i. General Report / Update- Patricia noted the successful nomination process, however, there was a low voter turnout with 18% of students voting. She mentioned that this low voter turnout should be kept in mind for improvement next year. Issue raised of voter anonymity and the need to look at future projects to ensure voter anonymity next year.

**d. Treasurer- Courtney Fisher**

- i. General Report / Update- There was a good balance of the budget throughout the year. The majority of students paid for student fees, according to a rough estimate 2/3rds of the students paid this year. Despite some unexpected expenses and requests for funding during the year, everything went well overall.

**e. Webmaster- Michael Desjardins**

- i. General Report / Update- Recommendation for the incoming Webmaster to fully redo the Student Council website. States that it was difficult to maintain and update and reconstructing might be the best option.

**5. Reports by Committees:**

**a. Social Committee- Catherine Dunn**

- i. Upcoming Events- The final pub will be held at the Bedford this Friday, which is an accessible venue. Regrets that the previous Dean, Brian Cantwell Smith, and the Dean Seamus Ross will not be able to attend. An estimated 100 students are expected to attend.
- ii. General Report / Update- Throughout the year there were roughly 2 pub nights per semester, and events overall were very successful compared to previous years.

**b. Student Tech Fund- Jacqueline Whyte Appleby**

- i. General Report / Update- Jacqueline discussed the current issues with the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, with electrical and lock problems. There is an issue with student cards not working on the swipe locks and new ones cannot be installed due to lack of availability. The suggestion was made for next year to purchase a key pad lock for the third floor. Most of the items ordered for the Inforum are here, such as the kindles. Outstanding current issues are still being worked on for next year.

**c. Professional Development**

- i. General Report / Update- **No Report**

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**d. Merchandise Committee- Erika Heesen**

- i. General Report / Update-Currently 77 hoodies and 67 steins have been sold, the sale was successful overall. Faculty merchandise has continued to sell throughout the semester with the help of the new merchandise case in the lounge.

**b. Academic Affairs- Alex Whiteman**

- i. General Report / Update- Completed for the year. For the future look the Council should look into whether class representatives should be presenting an end of semester report for to further communication with the administration.

**6. Reports by Representatives**

**e. Alumni Association -No Report**

**f. Admissions -No Report**

**g. GSU – Jill Kwiecien**

- i. General Report / Update- The primary issue pertaining to this faculty was the discussion of new access fees for non-students at Roberts, though this issue has been raised it has yet to be resolved.

**h. Life & Times- Suzanne LeBlanc**

- i. General Report / Update-At the last Life & Times meeting there was general uncertainty regarding lack of student turnout for iTeas. There was discussion over our lack of unique social event listserv. There have been some iTeas held at iSouth, however these are not being made known or available to students, though it has been noted that we are apparently welcome.

**i. Faculty Council- Laura Mustard**

- i. Integration of KMDI in FI program/courses-There have been changes to integrate these programs, rather than have them controlled solely by the Dean.
- ii. Integration of the ATRC in FI-Same as above.
- iii. Changes at the PLC (now the iSchool Institute)
- iv. ALA program accreditation-Went well from what we know so far.
- v. Question regarding any upcoming faculty council meetings, we have not been made aware of when this may be.

**j. Programs Committee- Amy Hoffman**

- i. General Report / Update- Considerable work was done by committee over the summer. Current work is going into course evaluations, whether they should be done by paper or continue online, with lower turn out. There has been discussion of a potential revision to student advisor connection, with a potential open house day to meet with and pick your own advisor.

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- k. Standing Committee- No Report**
  - l. Information Technology Services- No Report**
  - m. Inforum Committee- No Report**
7. **New Business-** Catherine made the suggestion to integrate the Student Council more into the introductory events during orientation next year. Kim replied that the Dean has agreed in discussions to allot time for student council this fall. Cybil raised an issue with the constitution, since it does not state the need for an election of the first year Professional Development Co-Chair in the fall, and that this needs to be done.
8. **Adjourned at 12:51pm.**