

Assiniboine Community College Students' Association Students' Association Council Meeting SAC Office Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Call to Order: 3:49PM

Attendance: Jonn Olson, Ariel Cummer, Alycia Canada, Faith Manulak, Mubarak Adewumi, Sydney Huston, Katrina Spangler, Justice Constant, Gina Carnegie

Online: Kailee-Rae Delmage, Emma Babiak

Regrets:

Land Acknowledgement

Assiniboine Community College campuses and the offices of the ACCSA are located on the traditional territories of Treaty No. 1 and Treaty No. 2, and the shared traditional lands of Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, Dene and Anishinabek/Ojibwe peoples, and the homeland of the Red River Metis.

1.0 Consent Agenda

- 1.1 Approval of Agenda
- 1.2 Approval of Minutes of Previous SAC Meetings
 - a. 2023.10.11
 - b. 2023.10.18
- 1.3 Approval of Attendance of Previous Meetings
 - a. 2023.10.18
 - **a) Attendance:** Amanda Hamm, Alyshia Kelbert, Karley Woods, Jonn Olson, Alycia Canada, Ariel Cummer, Faith Manulak, Justice Constant, Gina Carnegie, Sydney Huston, Katrina Spangler, Mubarak Adewumi
 - **b) Online:** Emma Babiak, Kailee-Rae Delmage
 - c) Regrets: Tasha Swaenepoel

Motion: Be it resolved that the consent agenda be adopted as presented motioned by Canada seconded by Manulak. Motion Carried.

2.0 Old Business

2.1 Year End Gala

a. Need to come to an agreement on by November 8th for the gala. Looking at partners for this through the College.

3.0 New Business

3.1 Note on Peer Support Poll

a. Poll was sent out on Oct 30 for the approval of Peer Support swag. Items approved 12 to 0.

3.2 International Students

a. Finalized documents for International Club, just has to give items to Alyshia Holden. Karley created special email for international students that was sent out on Tuesday, November 7. Mubarak advised he has had a few students make some complaints:



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- a) No update on fitness centre (won't be ready until close to May) students would like update when this will be ready
 - 3.2.a.a.1 No update on this yet, Amanda to email Jim Simmons for update
- b) Students taking Brandon Transit busses are often late by 20 to 30 minutes, making students late for classes Students at the North Hill Campus also have to cross to 1st street, making it dangerous for them 3.2.a.b.1 Patrick from the City of Brandon agreed to chat about the bus pass agreement with us. The city is currently doing a bus routes assessment to see if routes need to be changed.
- c) There have been complaints about it being too cold in classrooms
- d) Complaints have been made about there being no hot water dispenser; there are only the filtered water dispensers at the water fountains Alycia suggested when we are in our new space, we can put the big hot water jug in an accessible area
- e) Students have been making complaints about having to pay out of pocket when going to the hospital or getting health/dental services rather than directly billed to the student insurance plan Karley has advised that some international students are showing the wrong plan card when needing medical care at the hospital, which is why they have to pay out of pocket Discussed in prior meeting making a communications strategy with Ginnut to educate students on this.
- f) Mubarak would like to send out an email once a month

3.3 Parade Float

- a. Had to grind a couple welds out for the float (elf theme) and the trades students would like to paint the float. Only have room for 15 students on the float. The carpentry students have emailed Kevin asking for materials. Welding made some tables and Gina has made sure they're up to par. Alycia Canada would like to do a pizza party for the students who helped with this. We can possibly put the trailer in room 504. Kevin is covering the costs of everything. Gina would like the float done by November 16 to allow time for planning. Everyone would like to decorate Jonn's truck as well.
- **b.** Alycia Canada to arrange teams meeting next week to arrange for planning of the float.

3.4 Heated Bus Stop for North Hill Campus

- **a.** Kevin emailed the City of Brandon about this.
- **b.** Students would like a Keurig machine for The Cube
- **c.** Tool supply-list for trades students is off/not correct. Gina would like this to be reviewed. Gina to contact Kevin about this.

3.5 Summer Recap

a. John was reading council members' reports and that they had wanted clarification as to what occurred over the summer.

3.6 Karaoke Night

a. Sydney and Katrina were talking about doing a Karaoke Night. They're in the idea stage right now – they were thinking of doing the Karaoke through



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YouTube, as they have a big projector they can use, as well as a microphone. They're thinking cookies and hot chocolate for food. This event would happen before Christmas and will be called Winter Caroloke. It will take place in the Centre for Creative Media (CCM). This event is tentatively set for December 15. The SA has lots of winter/Christmas decorations in the shed that can be used to decorate this event.

b. Canada suggested tying in this event with the Winter Wellness Week as it is around the same time. Canada is thinking that we can use the snack bar from the Winter Wellness Week for this event as well.

3.7 Council Professional Development

a. There is around \$4000 to use for PD. Council could do something along the lines of first aid training, mental health training, or anything that will provide a new skill or credential. Amanda suggested that each council member can have a PD amount given to them and they can choose the type of PD to undertake. Amanda to check the exact number of the PD budget for this.

4.0 Executive Updates

4.1 Vice President of Operations

a. No Updates

4.2 Vice President of Engagement

Going forward when planning events, a form will be sent to the Remote Campus Committee if there is someone from that committee that would like to run that event, then they will fill out the form so we at the SA can allocate the budget for it. Canada is requesting \$700 for event money for Morden, Portage, and Winnipeg campuses.

MOTION: Be it resolved that the ACCSA approved \$700 of event money to purchase items for Morden, Portage and Winnipeg. Motioned by Canada. Seconded by Manulak. Motion Carried.

4.3 Vice President of Diversity & Inclusion

- **a.** National Addiction Awareness Week
 - a) In the summertime we had motioned for purple pins, this is relevant to overdose awareness. Faith has scrapped this, as they had the wrong colour. The purple pins will be used for National Day of Action on Violence Against Women as purple is relevant to that day.
 - b) Faith needs volunteers for EDI Movie Nights. The next EDI Movie Night is November 23. Mubarak advised that he would like to work with Faith on this.

4.4 Remote Campus committee

a. Winnipeg Representative has raised concerns about nurses being harassed at HSC and indicated there has been a news article about this issue. Nurses would like some sort of safety precaution put in place for this for students. Kailee-Rae mentioned that staff at HSC are equipped with a device like a whistle for safety. Amanda suggested doing something along the lines of SafeWalk, such as getting Health Sciences Centre security to safely walk nurses to their cars.



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5.0 Executive Director Updates

5.1 Audit Update

a. Will be completed by November 24 to present completed financial at the AGM.

5.2 Raynor Services going forward

a. Last year's finances were a little bit messy; Raynor has suggested of doing an assessment of what the SA needs. Amanda asked for this to be done for July, but it has taken longer that. Raynor has proposed what they think we need to Amanda. Right now, we're paying \$900/month for services provided by Raynor.

MOTION: Be it resolved that the ACCSA approve \$11,100 for Raynor Booking Services Inc. Motioned by Huston. Seconded by Spangler. Motion Carried.

5.3 Move Update

a. Jonn, Alycia and Amanda had a meeting with Mark Frison about the delay with the ACCSA space being ready. Mark Frison has provided the ACCSA with the Continuing Education space as another office space for us while we wait for our permanent spot.

5.4 Sock Drive

a. Will be put out bin for donations for a Sock Drive in remembrance of a students' family member who passed away from addiction. We can put one of the bins outside of Alyssa's office at the North Hill Campus, possibly by the community fridge.

6.0 Upcoming Dates, Reminders, & Deadlines

- 6.1 Remembrance Day Saturday, November 11, 2023
- 6.2 Office Closed in lieu of Remembrance Day Monday, November 13, 2023
- 6.3 North Hill Happy Hour Friday, November 17, 2023
- 6.4 National Pronoun Day Friday, November 17, 2023
- 6.5 Brandon Santa Clause Parade Saturday, November 18, 2023
- 6.6 National Addiction Awareness Week November 19-25, 2023
- 6.7 SAC Meeting Wednesday, November 22, 2023
- 6.8 Volleyball 50/50 November 24-25, 2023
- 6.9 Humble Brag Event Tuesday, November 28, 2023
- 6.10 SAC Meeting Wednesday, December 6, 2023
- 6.11 SAC AGM Wednesday, December 13, 2023
- 6.12 SAC Meeting Tuesday, December 19, 2023

7.0 Open Forum

- **a.** On November 17th there is a Happy Hour Mixer going on at The Link & The Cube of the Len Evans Centre. Alycia Canada to pick the food for the Happy Hour Mixer and let Alyshia Holden know.
- **b.** Mark offered to provide a showing of the Taylor Swift: Eras Tour Movie on November 29 due to the office delay. Just quotes received as of right now for this. Amanda has been working on this with Larissa Lockerby



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- c. Community Fridge \$100/week is going into the community fridge
- **d.** Bus passes will be starting again for January intake
- e. Places 4 Students contract came in to place a while ago, we had an outstanding bill from last year (\$2800). Kris Desjarlais from Indigenous Affairs, who works with Places 4 Students as well (contract with the college), offered to foot half the bill for us. The Students' Association would pay \$1400 over 2 years as per the contract. Amanda has suggested that if we're paying \$1400, then we should put in the effort to promote the service to students. This has been tabled for now.
- f. Peer Support Sustainability We were given a Bell Let's Talk grant that went to the College where we received money to develop the Peer Support Program. We have trained Peer Support Volunteers with \$9,000 left for our Peer Support Program. Alycia Canada has advised to table this until we need more money for the program.
- g. COCA Alyshia Holden would like to go to a COCA (Canadian Organization of Campus Activities) Conference in June 2024 in Windsor, Ontario. Alyshia advised some of the money can come from the Peer Support Program money, and some from the Professional Development budget we have allotted for this purpose (\$6,000). Jonn has suggested to split the \$6,000 into four, as there are four staff members, and we don't have enough money to send a staff member every year. This has been tabled, as Amanda will contact Matthew to see how he budgeted for this when he was ED.
- h. Sun of a Beach forum discussion to be set 30 minutes before our next meeting; as Huston wanted to talk about helping to bring this event back to the College.
- i. A student from the practical nursing program reached out to the nursing SSA. They want to create a warm sock campaign, with a box somewhere on campus that would collect warm socks and mitts to donate in honour of a students' family member who passed away (talked about earlier in meeting minutes). This information to be given to Alyshia Holden.

8.0 Adjournment: 5:29PM

MOTION: Be it resolved that the SAC meeting ends at 5:29. Motioned by Spangler. Seconded by Manulak. Motion Carried.

After these minutes are approved in the following SAC Meeting:

Meeting minutes to be signed by Executive signing authorities

Name	Title	Signature

Date: