



Minutes of the 196th Meeting

Board of Directors Meeting
Sheridan Student Union Incorporated (SSUI)

Date: Thursday, February 16, 2017

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: H153, Davis Campus

Directors Present:

Ben LeBlanc, Vice-Chairman of the Board
Richard Mohorovich, Director, TRC
Navnit Bains, Director, HMC
Nicholas Ameerpaul Singh Grewal, Director, TRC.
Faiza Qaiser Rana, Director, HMC
Manmeet Singh Nanra, Director, Davis
David Roy Siringo Ringo, Director, HMC

Aadesh Puri, Secretary of the Board

Directors Absent:

Gunjan Arun Makwana, Director,
Maninder Singh Khehra, Director, Davis
Raymond Luk, Director, TRC
Tyler Bogaert, TRC

Ex-Officio Members Present: Sylvia Ibrahim, President
Jamie King, General Manager

Ex-Officio Members Absent: Maria Lucido-Bezely, Dean of Students, Sheridan College

Guests Present: Jenna Pulver, Leadership & Engagement Coordinator
Janet Morrison, VP Provoce & Academic

Guests Absent: Enrique Ponce, EVP, HMC
Azhar Ali, EVP, Davis
Anders Gatten, EVP, Trafalgar

I Call to order: 7:17pm at by the Chairman Ben LeBlanc

II Quorum: Five Board members present (eight required).

III Ben gets candidates, board and guests to introduce themselves and explains they can ask questions in the end and that while we are not at quorum the presentation does not require voting. He introduces Janet Morrison for her presentation

IV Building Sheridan's Next Academic Plan

Janet Morrison explains that she leads Provoce, (academic, student affairs, deans, indigenous support, institutional intelligence, senate, course content.

- She explains that she is there to present her Academic plan and to receive feedback on the Academic plan and to get input on next steps to ensure that the plan represents student's vision.
- Planning process has been underway for approx. a year. Small groups worked on recommendations, the government provided feedback, funding, market data and Janet has spent the last 2 months meeting different stakeholders
- Janet reviews Sheridan's vision and says that stakeholders broke it down to three priorities character, Quality, Accountability/Sustainability

- Nick suggests the topic of school spirit should fall under character and probably be a priority of the school perhaps the more quality that might develop school spirit
- A candidate asks isn't Sheridan already doing this, and Janet explains that we are but in some ways we can do more for example providing support at every campus to provide support at each campus.
- Janet broke down each section Character was broken down to creativity, community, growth-mindset, Partnerships
- Quality was broken down to Teaching and learning specifically training for faculty perhaps around international success or mobility and accessibility. Scholarship, Research and Creative Activity (including coop, internships etc.) and lastly student experience which includes (the first year experience, programs & services, Student Mental Health)
- A few ideas about of the impacts on International students including language barriers.
- KPI, NESI survey measure satisfaction and engagement is how the data is gathered. And describes the difference between satisfaction and engagement
- Richard asks if Janet can elaborate on the engagement portion. She elaborates and says that student success is best solved when a student feels connected to a professor, to staff, to peers. Someone who knows their names and wants them to be successful
- Janet runs through the 6 priorities:
 - 1) Build community by championing Sheridan's Unique character
 - 2) Advance quality and learning through the lens of Universal Design for Learning
 - 3) Promote a culture of scholarship, research and creative activity
 - 4) Fuel academic success by cultivating Growth-mindset
 - 5) Enhance the student experience through programs, services and space design
 - 6) Develop an operational culture of planning, accountability and continuous improvement
- We need to go through an exercise to understand what Sheridan's shared values are
- Janet says that she has 3 meetings with Senate and on March 5 they will be presenting their final plan at that time.
- The presentation is posted on the dropbox

V Approval of Meeting Agenda:

- Sylvia asks to table the New By-Law Changes for AGM
- Richard has an athletic question time permitting
- Be it resolved that the SSUI approve the 196th Meeting Agenda.
 - First by Navneet Second by Richard Motion Carried

VI Emergency Student Loan

Jenna reviewed the emergency student loan service that her and the Executive team are hoping to implement. Students would be able to come to the SU office, speak to an Executive and loan up to \$500 in case of emergency. There would be a committee that review the students' situation and evaluate their ability to pay back the loan, the situation and if money would resolve the problem.

Richards asks if we have gotten feedback from students and Jenna says just the Executive Team, our survey results and past employees but not students at large. Richard also asked if she thought students would be okay using their money for the service. She explained that the motivation was the challenge putting the President and GM in a moral dilemma having to decide who to help and who not to help. This process at least creates some structure and guideline to follow.

Ben asks what method we have to get the funds back if students do not pay and Richard agrees that we have to have some form of payment. Aadesh also brings up that International students from India have to get Guardian Letters under the age of 18. Jenna explained that we are working to see if we can connect the loan with registrar's office, but it has not been possible up to now, but this is the intent and that at least in the interim we would at least like to have the process. There was a lot of discussion about the need to have a process for repayment.

David said he thought this was a good service overall for students. Richard wants it to be noted that he prefer it was called the Student Emergency Grant because it doesn't affect their credit like a loan

It resolved that the SSUI approve the access to the Student Loan Programs line of \$13,000
First by Aadesh Second by Faiza Motion Carried

Pending the changes of adding a graduation date, getting positive student feedback and received a guardian letter for international students under the age of 18

VII Carrier 25 Ton "Rooftop Unit"

- Jamie explains a critical project. A week ago the Operations manager smelled gas after further investigation
- The consequence of this breaking is that we would lose heat to half of the building
- Approve the withdrawal of 46,900+tax from the SSUI Building reserve

- Be it resolved that the SSUI Board approve the expenditure of up to \$46,900 + taxes from the SSUI Building Fund Reserve to replace the existing rooftop air exchange unit at the TRC Student Centre with a 25 Ton Carrier Rooftop Unit described in quote attached and circulated within the report to the SSU Board.
 - First by Ben , Second Nicolas Motion Carried

VIII Approval of the Meeting Minutes:

- Be it resolved that the SSUI approve the 195th Meeting Minutes as amended.
 - First by Richard , Second Aadesh Motion Carried
 - The only change was Other Business section 9 where Richard elaborated to who his comments from the previous meetings
 - Discussion of Trafalgar Fire Pit was briefly discussed and Ben is going to put them on the agenda

*Be it resolved that the SSUI approve going in motion
First by Aadesh, Second by Navneet Motion Carried

IX-Shuttle Bus

Jamie's says the SU was approached about willingness to sign onto the shuttle bus for another year. They have committed to 10 months but have suggested that there should be a referendum. To this point they have seen no evidence the college has started research or efforts toward referendum specifically related to the survey responses. Jamie is wondering if the Board would consider a willingness to fund if they saw evidence from the college to take strides until they seek student feedback. Sylvia suggest we fund so the shuttle can be phased out or while the do their RFP and consider enhancements such as WI-FI. Jamie says he got an email yesterday asking what the board wants to do and how to proceed.

David likes the idea that Sylvia suggested. And they are not able to pay until the date is announced to students, we see evidence of research, and the question has been determined. Sylvia doesn't think its fairs that students filled out this survey said they wanted a referendum and it's not right that they shouldn't have the opportunity to vote.

the SSU not commit to funding the shuttle for the next year until such time that Sheridan college can provide the students a referendum date, research of evidence and a referendum question.

Motion Ben Seconded David Motion Carried

Firepit

Nicolas is curious how we can get a fire pit to the Trafalgar campus to bring people together, boost school spirit. He believes it's simple and not expensive. Ben is concerned about the pit going onto the Sheridan

property. We need approval Sheridan regarding liability etc. Sylvia says Sheridan can gain school spirit in other ways, but that the board can continue. Sylvia agrees to be put it in her transition package.

X Other Business:

Richard wants it to be noted that he prefer it was called the Student Emergency Grant because it doesn't affect their credit like a loan **Adjournment:**

Be it resolved that the SSUI Board of directors adjourn the 197th meeting at 10:06.

- First by Ben, Second Faiza, Motion Carried

A. Meeting adjourned at 10:06

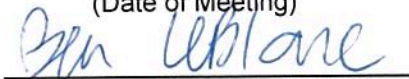
Respectfully submitted by,



Richard Mohorovich
Secretary of the Board

Adopted by the Board in the meeting

of March 16th 2017,
(Date of Meeting)



Ben Ublane
(Signature of Board Chair)