

Brock University Students' Union, Inc.
Minutes of the Board of Directors
Meeting # 10 August 25th 2009

Members present:

Executive (2): Lianne Bradley (Chair), Sameer Iqbal

BUSAC (2): Luke Speers (via-conference call)

SAL (3):, Shane Buckingham (via-conference call) Kathryn Haynes (via-conference call),

General Manager:

Recording Secretary: Chris Green (Executive Assistant)

Guests: Rob Lanteigne, Mike Gillespie

Members absent (*with regrets): *Steven Nicholls, *Nazir Khamis, *Daud Grewal

This was the 8th meeting of the Board of Directors for the 2009-2010 year.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Lianne Bradley at 5:03pm on August 25th 2009 in the BUSU Board Room.

Agenda Review & Revisions

The agenda was approved as follows

- 1.0 Call to order
- 2.0 Approval of the Agenda
- 3.0 Approval of the Minutes – August 10th 2009
Approval of the BUSAC Minutes – July 26th 2009
- 4.0 Grants and Bursary Policy – Presentation (Rob Lanteigne)
- 5.0 Brock TV Presentation / Loan (Mike Gillespie)
- 6.0 Universal Bus Pass Appeals (in-camera)
- 7.0 Question period
- 8.0 Next Meeting
- 9.0 Adjournment

2.0

BIRT the Board of Directors approves the agenda for the 10th meeting of the 2009-10 BUSU Board of Directors as presented and amended.

Sameer Iqbal, Luke Spears.

Motion carried unanimously

3.0

BIRT the Board of Directors approves the minutes from the 9th meeting of the 2009-10 BUSU Board of Directors as presented and amended.

Lianne Bradley, Kathryn Haynes

Motion carried unanimously

BIRT the Board of Directors approves the minutes from the 2nd meeting of the 2009-10 BUSAC as presented and amended.

Lianne Bradley, Luke Spears

Motion carried unanimously

4.0

Rob Lanteigne presented the proposed amendment to the Policies & Procedures regarding the creation of a Emergency Grants as well as a Scholarship and Bursary Policy.

Kathryn: How much have we given out in the past for Emergency Grants?

Rob: We have never done this before to my knowledge. We are able to do this with the shift in our policy regarding the segregation of the flat fee tuition dollars.

Kathryn: Will this \$1,000 be enough?

Rob: The Board can choose to add more at a later time in the year.

Luke: Was this your idea Rob?

Rob: No, it was in conjunction with me and the last year Executive.

Lianne: With no application process how do we manage this?

Rob: We will follow the ESLP protocol and if the VPFA thinks it might be a grant then they will bring it to the Board for approval.

Kathryn: If this was brought to the Board, the student would not be there right?

Rob: Correct, paragraph 3.

BIRT the BUSU Board of Directors approves the creation of a Emergency Grants Policy as well as a Scholarships and Bursary Policy to be inserted into the Policies & Procedures.
Luke Speers, Sameer Iqbal

Motion carried unanimously

5.0

Mike Gillespie presented the Brock TV Budget for the 2009-10 year.

Kathryn: Is this the budget that would normally go to BUSAC?

Lianne: Yes.

Mike Gillespie walked the Board of Directors through the budget (attached).

Lianne: With regards to the payment of staff for the summer, you are showing 17 weeks of payment. The two Executive Producers started in the third week of June. So why are we paying these two people for the month of May and the first 2 weeks of June.

Mike: These people were hired with the understanding from the posting that these were \$24,000.

Lianne: But this should be prorated over the period of work.

Luke: What is your recommendation?

Lianne: I do not think we should be paying them for month of May and the time that they did not work in June.

Mike: This isn't these people's faults.

Lianne: But they did not even work nor get hired.

Luke: I am fine with that.

Kathryn: I also agree.

AMENDMENT

The month of May and the first week of June will not be paid to the Executive Producers as they were hired in the second week of June.

Lianne Bradley, Kathryn Haynes

Amendment carried unanimously.

Luke: In the budget you show a \$5,000 legal retainer, but do not show it in your expenditures?

Mike: We were reserving this for incorporation. However with the sunset clause in the referendum, we are not willing to try for separate without a firm footing and a constant levy.

Kathryn: Can you purchase anything second hand on the gear and capital.

Mike: I thought about this, but the change in technology moves so fast, I don't think we can do this, if we buy new they will last that much longer.

Kathryn: I see that you are purchasing from the United States, are you factoring the duty and bank fees for conversion?

Mike: No, the items are so minimal from the United States and I have it renewed with a Canadian quote.

Lianne: Have you incorporated shipping costs?

Mike: No, I will be picking it up in Etobicoke.

Mike carried on with the presentation of the budget.

Lianne: I am confused about the shortfall shown for the 2010 year. There was supposed to be a \$20,000 contingency and I only see \$7,000 here.

Lianne: I think we can approve the loan without the budget.

Luke: I disagree. We are discussing the payment of their bills, and do not have a budget in place that we are comfortable with.

Lianne: We know the HR, and the Capital are fine to go forward on, we are just unsure of the contingency. We can approve the loan for the salaries and the capital and then work out the rest of the budget.

BIRT the BUSU Board of Directors approves a loan to Brock TV in the amount of \$47,000 for the payment of salaries and the purchase of capital.

BIRFT the Board of Directors revisits this loan and approval of Brock TV budget at its next scheduled meeting.

Lianne Bradley, Kathryn Haynes

Luke: I still want the budget first.

Sameer: I am comfortable as we are on the hook for the HR and the we are okay for the capital

Motion carried
In Favour: 3
Against: 1
Motion carried

Motion carried unanimously

6.0

The BUSU Board of Directors moved to an in-camera session at 6:14pm.

The BUSU Board of Directors moved out of the in-camera session at 6:15pm

BIRT the BUSU Board of Directors rejects the Universal Bus Appeal as per discussed during the in-camera session.

Luke Speers, Sameer Iqbal

Motion carried unanimously

7.0

Question Period was opened:

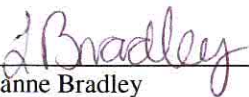
Kathryn: I missed an in-camera session a few meetings, can I be updated.

8.0

Lianne will email the Board for the next meeting.

9.0

The BUSU Board of Directors adjourns the 10th meeting at


Lianne Bradley

Chair



Sameer Iqbal
Secretary of the Corporation.