



MUSSA October Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, October 9th, 2019

Time: 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Location: BL 520

Meeting called to order: 4:09

Approved: Jordan Fee, Sydney Stype

In attendance: Emma Puddicombe, Natalie Heaton, Jordan Vetter, Amelia Smith, Denise Tenio, Madison Carmichael, Joanna Wreakes, Michelle Wright, Sydney Stype, Erika Serodio, Alexandra Forand, Jordan Fee, Elizabeth Sitco, Vicky Jamieson, Julie Suh, Savannah Sewell, Jaime Meier

Regrets: Hanna Schacter, Melissa Mertsis, Lindsay Chisholm

Approved Previous Minutes: Natalie Heaton, Jordan Fee

Welcome BISA!

Voting in MUSSA Exec -Nat

- I. Hanna Schacter for Committee on Standing
 - A. Voted in - all in favour, none against, none abstained
- II. Melissa Mertsis for Social Media Rep
 - A. Voted in - all in favour, none against, none abstained

Committee Updates/Reports

- I. Alumni Association
 - i. Librarians are leaving the inforum because there are no books
 - ii. On October 28 there is Coffee Roulette - an alumni mentoring event
 - iii. Will update FIA on election results and Ottawa trip
- II. Admissions Committee
 - i. Dean would like to review various aspects of admission including international admissions, criteria, admission requirements
 - ii. Committee wants to know if there is a more interactive way to do things with students coming to information day
 - iii. Looking for keywords on the type of students we want in the program (eg. cooperative, risk-takers, etc) - please email Michelle with any information
 - iv. Issues in diverse admissions due to the lack of funding for international students
- III. Programs Committee
 - i. Considering adding a "with distinction" to students graduating with a thesis because it is important for PhD programs

- ii. Due to the amount of people on sabbatical MMSt cannot accommodate unconventional internships (eg. one day a week) but there can be inconvenient locations
 - iii. Changing the role student evaluations in staff reviews due to discriminating feedback that should not be affecting professors and other outcomes may also be implemented for assessment purposes
- IV. Committee on Standing
 - i. No meeting yet
- V. Tech Fund
 - i. We have A LOT of money because it keeps getting saved
 - ii. Savannah unable to access budget due to dead computer
 - iii. There is a \$6000 budget for events (approx \$3000 each) so event ideas are welcomed
 - iv. Part of the budget is being used for a museum based workshop but not mount making because there already is one, many topics to cover, and we do not want to step on iskills toes
- VI. MISC-MUSSA Liaison
 - i. Changes have been made to the position. Instead of being voted in, the outgoing and incoming presidents (from both MISC and MUSSA) will decide the position.
 - ii. 2% of students opted out of MISC fees
- VII. Musings
 - i. Started posting on Monday, October 7
 - ii. Sharing and liking posts on social media is important for viewership
 - iii. Pub night being organized for contributors
 - iv. Plan to purchase a camera

Exec Updates

- VIII. Treasurer
 - i. Reimbursement
 - 1. Can be reimbursed through cash, cheque, etransfer
 - 2. Form to be filled out, (can be obtained on google drive) with itemized receipt and give it to Jordan at MUSSA meetings
 - ii. Budget Status (exact amounts provided by treasurer)
 - 1. Current budget is \$3640 and expected revenue is \$3070
 - 2. Budget used so far is \$368
- IX. Social Chair and Social Assistant
 - i. Upcoming Events
 - 1. Board game night on November 13 - being lead by Andrea Meier and volunteers are needed (approximately 3 hours of training). Contact Elizabeth to volunteer
 - 2. Textile museum tour on October 28th in the afternoon, costs \$5 (TBC)
 - 3. Holiday party - when? Where? Let Elizabeth know!
 - 4. Denise can add things to the event calendar as needed - open to suggestions on jazzing it up

- ii. Past Event Debrief
 - 1. Successful pizza with profs
 - iii. Ottawa Field Trip
 - 1. Working out the buses
 - 2. Funding was provided by faculty (yay!)
- X. Social Media Manager
 - i. Social Media Rep
 - 1. Not in attendance
 - ii. Promotion Request Protocol
 - 1. Email to Julie with information (when, where, etc) 2 weeks in advance and she will post it on social media
- XI. First Year Representative
 - i. Not in attendance
- XII. Second Year Representative
 - i. Merchandise
 - 1. We are now making money!
 - 2. \$590 worth of merch was sold and \$551 was invested (exact amounts)
 - 3. Baseball shirts and sweaters selling the best
- XIII. Vice President
 - i. Elections
 - 1. Super successful
 - 2. 14 people ran - possibly highest amounts
 - 3. All positions are full - 20 peeps in total
 - ii. Website - The following needs updating for website:
 - 1. Merch
 - a. Amy will set up a photoshoot for new merch
 - 2. Tech Fund
 - 3. Social
 - a. Calendar on website needs updating
 - 4. Photos
 - 5. Musings
 - 6. Bios
 - a. Send to Natalie ASAP
 - iii. UTGSU Meeting
 - 1. Head Grant
 - 2. Meeting update
 - a. Head of finance is retiring
 - b. Teachers college violated 20 of their constitution rights during their election. Including, but not limited to, not holding fair and free elections, did not uphold election length, held AGM with few people so it was voted that they are kicked out of the UTGSU
- XIV. President
 - i. OMA Student Rate
 - 1. Conference at the end of October

- 2. Due date has passed but may extend the student rate
 - 3. Alumni are presenting on an exhibition project
- ii. AGM
 - 1. Constitution was passed
 - 2. Budget confirmed
- iii. Eco-Friendly Initiative
 - 1. Use actual plates, metal cutlery, and mugs
 - 2. Dishwasher upstairs to aid in washing
- iv. Post MMSt50
 - 1. How can students promote the faculty more? Talk to Emma or Cara
- v. Council Member Manual Initiative
 - 1. Currently not a very organized system with only year end reports to work from
 - 2. At the end of the year, create a manual for each position written by the person currently holding it to aid in transition
- vi. Gavel
 - 1. WE GOT ONE
 - 2. For important symbolism and Natalie's entertainment

Announcements/Updates

- XV. Pizza with Profs - Tuesday, October 8th 12:00-1:00pm
 - i. Past event, see social update
- XVI. MUSSA / MISC exec Bonding event?
 - i. Two councils getting together over fun and food
 - ii. Friday Night Live at the ROM tickets are cheaper for MUSSA/MISC people
- XVII. Eco-club
 - i. Want to change a room in the basement into a recycled items room

Adjourned: 5:02