

**Arts & Science Students’ Union Agenda**

**November 19, 2018**

**Arts Building Room 202**

**Regrets: Frances Trotter, Arhum Niaz, Hooriya Zia, Aadil Kahlon, Nadia Ristau, Braden Dubois**

**1. Adoption of agenda**

* **Motioned by Lydia Sauder**
* **Seconded by Hunter Martin**

**2. Recognized treaty 6 territory**

**3. Debate Presentation**

**4. Executive Reports**

**4.1 Presidential reports**

**4.2 Committee reports**

**4.2.1 VP Williams**

**4.2.2 VP Jessee**

**4.2.3 VP Jaisee**

**4.2.4 VP Ashworth**

**5. Students’ Councils Report**

 **5.1 Member of Students’ Councils report**

**6. Other Business**

**Kagen Newman – Debate Presentation**

* President of the Debate club came in to talk about funding request made for Diefenbaker Cup
	+ Club fosters debate and speech proficiency
		- We do this by holding practices, weekly meetings, & tournaments
	+ Tournaments
		- Consist of 4-6 rounds of debate
		- Compete against people from around the nation
		- Had the Diefenbaker Cup on November 3rd
	+ We requested $500 from the ASSU to cover tournament expenses
		- We supply everyone food for the entire weekend
			* Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, & breakfast for the next morning
		- 45 debaters
		- We Subsidise registration for debaters
			* We also subsidies registrations for those who still struggle to afford it
	+ Money is also made from hosting tournaments which we use to:
		- send our debaters to other tournaments
		- pay for gas money
		- buy food
	+ We invited high school students to compete in the tournament as well
		- We provided subsidies for them

**Discussion**

* Emma: We already approved their funding request
	+ They already made their budget according to the fact that we will fund them $500
	+ Unless there is a reason why anyone thinks we shouldn’t, we will go through with it
* Remember: this is funding for an event that has already happened
	+ You can say no but you must have a valid reason
* Motion to approve funding request of $500 to The Debate Club
	+ Motioned by Jayda
	+ Seconded by Tyrel
		- Motion passes

**Olena Malko - President Report**

* Received an email from a professional basketball team – The Rattlers
	+ Offering us 2019 season tickets, not sure why
		- Tickets are $500 each

**Richard Williams - VP Academic**

* Scholarship has launched
	+ Launched during reading week
	+ People had already gone home by the time advertisements went out
	+ We have from now to the 5th
		- Not a lot of time, please advertise the scholarship as much as you can
		- Send mass emails out to your classes
		- Talk to your profs and ask to make an announcement about it at the beginning of your classes
	+ We have advertisements up on the USSU TVs in Place Riel & the TVs in the Arts building
	+ Also on the Paws site
	+ Carlos will mention it at the next USSU meeting
* All applications will be emailed directly to Richard
	+ All instructions are online in a clear & specific format
* Scholarship Questions:
	+ List any community or volunteer involvement
		- Changed it to community involvement this year from university involvement so application could be more inclusive to first year students
	+ Why did you apply for this scholarship & how will it benefit you?
		- Want to give scholarship to someone who actually needs it
	+ List involvement in academic or athletic groups
	+ List awards achievements or honours
	+ Applicant must answer 2 essay questions
		- 1 mandatory question
			* Describe what makes you a leader. How have you demonstrated leadership ability in your athletic, community, and school involvement?
		- Can pick 1 question from 2 options
			* What do you believe is an important problem afflicting society today? How will you use your Arts & Science degree to improve upon this problem or contribute to a solution for this issue?
			* Describe a time where you encountered an obstacle and/or failure, and how you used your leadership capabilities to overcome and grow from the experience
* Promote scholarship as much as you can
	+ tell all your arts and science friends

**Jayda Jessee – VP External**

* Paint Night is happening this Wednesday
	+ Posters are up
	+ Thought about playing a Bob Ross video
		- Aurora might be instructing as well
	+ Paint and brushes are in the office
		- will do more shopping tonight for canvases & more paint
		- Planning on getting 30 canvases
		- We’re estimating everything will cost around $200
	+ STMSU is providing food & alcohol
		- They have a separate insurance that allows them to serve alcohol at their events
		- $2 shots. Mix included
	+ Planning on getting 1 bottle of Rum and 1 bottle of Vodka
	+ STM will also be providing a bartender
* Are 2 bottles enough for 30 people?
	+ Alcohol is not advertised
		- people will not be coming to the event for the alcohol
	+ Not everyone will drink
	+ STMSU is not allowed to keep any left overs
		- Will have to pay full price of any bottle used
		- We’ll be better off having not enough drinks than too much
* Food provided will be cheese platters
	+ This was the cheapest option
	+ We can buy chips if we feel like we don’t have enough food
* Motion to spend $200 on Paint Night
	+ Seconded by Tyrel
	+ Motion passes

**Tasnim Jaisee– VP Marketing**

* Posters were made for Paint Night
* December
	+ Want to have a tutor give away
		- Free 3 hr tutor sessions for finals
	+ Will make a post on Facebook
	+ Will start advertising tomorrow
	+ Will run until November 27
	+ Winner will be picked on the 28th
		- Before finals start

**Emma Ashworth – VP Operation and Finance**

* We no longer need to buy a new mouse
	+ New batteries fixed the problem
* We want to start putting up winter decorations in the office & lounge
	+ We asked to use $200 for Halloween decorations but only spent 100
		- 200 is a max, we won’t go over it
		- Planning on spending around $100 again
	+ Want to have the windows painted
		- Window paint is expensive and is not something we can get from the dollar store
			* Costs about $70 with paint brushes
		- Want to have a winter theme
	+ Might put garland along the Arts Building ramp railing
		- Will have to talk to FMD about that
	+ We’ll still be using décor from last year as well
* Motion to have a budget of $200 for winter decorations
	+ Seconded by Tasnim
	+ Motion passes
* Taz – Secret Santa
	+ Want to do Secret Santa
	+ Cap $20
	+ A Facebook poll will go up on the page
		- Your name will be added to a bucket if you vote yes
		- We can draw names online
* Internal Committee has been talking about getting a TV for the lounge
	+ Need permission from FMD
	+ We want to make the lounge more inviting
	+ We already have a gaming counsel available
	+ Discussion:
		- People like to do homework in the lounge
			* gaming will distract those who like to study there
				+ we could always make sure to keep the sound off
				+ Pool is also noisy

There’s difference between clicking sounds and people yelling

* + - * video game players can get really loud
		- The lounge was renovated 2 years ago
			* It has been working better than it ever has
			* People used to never use the lounge
		- Counsel gaming is not super inclusive, how many people can play at the time?
			* Will have people there for hours
			* There will be a niche
				+ We can have memberships, we can set up rules
				+ Can set up time limits
			* How would we enforce it?
		- Geology Students have private lounge where they have Projectors
			* FMD is phasing out a lot of projectors
				+ We can talk to them about giving us a projector for free
			* Geology students recommended projectors over TVs because they are cheaper & more versatile
		- Lounge is known as a study space
			* Adding a TV and video games will make it unusable for those who currently use it as a study space
			* Lounge is for the students, we need to put what they want first
				+ We can have a poll and ask other students
		- Lounge is open 24/7
			* If we have TVs, we can’t keep it open 24/7
* Will table this discussion for next meeting

**Carlos Pimentel – Member of Students’ Councils**

* Friendly reminder that AGM is on Thursday at 6:00pm
	+ Arts 143
	+ Free pizza and pop
	+ We need to meet quorum to pass amendments

**Other Business**

* Olena: someone suggested I should make keys and have a deposit
	+ $50 deposit
	+ Office is there for members, sometimes people want to come in late or on the weekends
	+ Name will be attached to key
		- As long as we give NSID, they will know who a key belongs to
	+ Discussion
		- We have up to $50,000 in office
			* People can always copy keys
			* If there are any more lost keys we’ll have to change the locks again
		- How will this be beneficial to members?
			* Only 2 people who have keys are available most of the time
		- We could impose regulation based on membership
			* Would have to be a member for a year
			* This excludes most of group
				+ Members are members
	+ Table this discussion to next meeting
* There’s a karaoke night at louis on the 29th
	+ 7:30pm
	+ Tickets are $5
	+ 19+ event
* Paint night – bring food item or monetary donation

**Meeting Adjourned**

* **Motioned Rinad Ramadan**
* **Seconded by Amber Jackson**