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Council on Student Services
Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, January 11th, 2010
at 5:00p.m. in SL-232

Members Present: T. Nowers, T. Doyle, A. Love, C. Cole, L. Arnason, A. Bashir, M. Thambiah, R. Sen, J. Kapageridis, S. Abdus-Samad, O. Hassan, J. Aruldason, M. Jeelani, A. Khaja (Chair)
Non-Members Present: S. Platt, D. Dudley, R. Loudon, S. Abiy, M. Lindsay

1. Chair's Comments

Aisha Khaja

Ms. A. Khaja welcomed the group and thanked all for attending. Passed to Mr. T. Nowers who suggested individuals introduce themselves for the benefit of new members.

Ms. A. Khaja stated this was an emergency meeting to talk about the referendum. She also stated the sub-committees have started meeting; everyone should be part of a sub-committee, if not members should contact Ms. Khaja.

2. Referendum

Tom Nowers

Mr. T. Nowers stated the purpose of the meeting was initially planned in case the referendum was not passed at the December 18th, 2009 SCSU Board of Directors Meeting. If the SCSU had voted no, CSS could vote yes and override SCSU vote. Thankfully SCSU voted yes.

Mr. T. Nowers said that Heidi and Liza have been working with student advisors. Now that SCSU has embraced it, the referendum is now in student hands and has been passed to Amir.

Mr. A. Bashir stated the SCSU has been talking to students to see if they are in favour of a student levy for the athletic facility. SCSU has also been working with administration over the facility.

Mr. J. Kapageridis and the sub-committee have been discussing the path to the referendum, the marketing strategy and how to promote a yes vote to the students. The referendum dates are March 17th, 18th, 19th to run with the SCSU election in order to get the best voter turn out.

Mr. J. Kapageridis discussed the two upcoming Town Hall Meetings:

Wednesday, January 20th – 12:00pm – Meeting Place

Will include the principal and student discussion and promotional material

Wednesday, March 3rd

Will have community representatives to hear how project will affect community and may possibly include Adam Giambrone, TTC.

Mr. M. Jeelani said they are working on posting a billboard on the corner of Military Trail and Morningside Ave to announce to the community where the new facility will go. High traffic area promises lots of promotion.

Ms. L. Arnason said it is important everyone has to learn the correct information in order to give the correct information. The sub-committee is working on creating a new URL which is easier to remember and the SCSU is working on a banner for all UTSC sites to add. There is also an active facebook group promoting referendum. Student groups are being asked to take a yes position and add the banner to their websites.

3. SCSU Clubs Funding/CSS Enhancement Funding

Mr. J. Aruldason said SCSU clubs funding overlaps with CSS Enhancement Funds. Clubs are double submitting receipts and making money from their events. The funding amount has been increased but is not being positively utilized. The SCSU has a working spreadsheet outlining which groups have received funding which needs to be compared to the Enhancement Fund spreadsheet. Since clubs have no working capital SCSU offers money upfront for events, while CSS reimburses.

Some concern expressed by Mr. S. Abiyu about official receipts but said he would be happy to discuss with SCSU/CSS.

Ms. L. Arnason said there are many different issues that the committee needs to discuss and wants to create a process to simplify.

4. Adjournment

MOVED: M. THAMBIAIAH
MOTION CARRIED

SECONDED: J. ARULDASON

MEETING ADJOURNED