Student Council of the Anglo-American University

MINUTES FOR MEETING

Official Council Meeting Friday, September 13th, 2019

This regular meeting of the Student Council will be held in classroom 1.32 in AAU campus, starting at 16:00 and ended at 18:00.

name	expected	present?
Joey		X
Tijana		X
Stefan		X
Mateja		X
Jovan		X
Ana		X
Maia		X
Oscar S.		X

Recap from last SC meeting (06/09/19)

- Elections are finally open, and new freshmen can apply. Applications close Sep. 16th, voting begins 24th-25th online. Campaigning happens in this week.
- We were talking about the outlets inside of the classrooms. Jovan put a poll on FB indicating which of the classrooms need outlets.
- Joey send an email to the Faculty, the statement was sent on Monday morning.

September Events

Welcome Back BBQ

- Time/Day (Last week of September on the 27th at 15:00)
- Maia, was the email send?
- Budget + Marketing timeline
- Joey, Maia, did you talk with Kieran?
- Afterparty?

Maia talked with Kieran about the BBQ, everything is set except for the Afterparty.

Club Fair #1

- How many clubs did show up?
- How was the fair, everything smoothly?
- How to improve for next time?
- Start planning Club Fair #2

Lot of people this semester. Students were excited to sign up. Clubs are starting to be more active. We'll probably host another around 1-2week of October.

Mateja, she will go through the application and discuss the budget.

Flea Market and Objext

- Firstly, we will change the name **Flea market and Objext.** We will combine Stefan's idea for exchange objects, PLUS buy/sell market with Maia's idea for the Flea market
- Change the date from 24th to the 19th (Thursday) 13:00-18:00.
- Any thoughts/concerns?
- Maia, is the poster done?
- PR make sure to promote it!

Stefan will make it clear on the event over FB. Make sure to communicate this among the students. Maia will make the poster by Monday.

Faculty/Administration Issues

SC Elections

Time to market! Need to make a poster + social media posts. Applications close Sep. 16th, voting begins 24th-25th online. Campaigning happens in this week.

- We need to announce the places available
- We need to officially make the new event coordinator position as well as a brand new 10th position.

By now, only 6 people applied. PR will promote over media.

Anastasia added a folder in SC about photo/content. She suggests that one PR to be a content manager/website, and another managing the communication/emails.

Idea: The newsletter

Meeting with Administration

Members of SC met with the administration to defend our budget requests and advocate for financial transparency. What were the results of this meeting?

Surprisingly open and interesting meeting. There were no specific red flags towards where the money goes. We made clear that SC that salary that should be more transparent, however, the President was pretty quiet towards this. He did disclose some numbers (60 %) that goes to faculty, but it still does not show transparency.

There was an idea where students would be invited in these types of discussions, however, it never happened.

Mr. Shallow advises should propose an action towards this issue again, after faculty elections.

"Institutional Knowledge" might lack when the position of presidency was given over to someone else. The committee should understand the importance of faculty, afterall, there will not be a University

without faculty.

The point is, the average salary of a tram driver is the same as being a professor.

Faculty Discussion

- The Faculty Senate spoke to the administration, what were the results of this meeting? Bill Edilson (VP) was attending the meeting, and he made sure to make it clear that University raised a lot of money during the summer.

Some of the Faculty members thinking of resigning and leaving next semester. By far, there is no increase on faculty this semester (despite promise from last semester).

There will hire new faculty (to fill the places from other resign members, which has nothing to do with salary)

The board of trustees seemed optimistic about the salaries.

Within a year, with the new fiance member, it could have a surplus to pay more.

Graduation Date

- Open response from Dean of Students.

Iveta will update us.

Iveta says it needs to move a week earlier (June 19th) because the venue will not be available.

Student Lounge

Make a cleaning schedule weekly for SC members (2) to clean up the lounge 30 mins before the meetings on Friday. What can we add; improve for this Fall semester?

Apparently, the cleaning lady is not responsible for the lounge.

We need new pool sticks.

We could have a pool tournament.

Disciplinary Committee

Dean of Students: I request that Student Council please nominate 3 students to serve on the Disciplinary Commission for the 2019-2020 academic year.

Open email.

Next course of action?

The decision should be made after the elections. Iveta says that a SC can join the committee.

Potential Speakership

Open email in SC

Clubs

Mateja, update on clubs.

- Bae is joining us to discuss over his Music club

Bae send the proposal and the budget to Mateja. He is 99% sure that it might not be possible. The purpose was to participate in events and open a small concert. The average club budget is 6000, so the budget Bae propose is too expensive.

- Did every club have a budget proposal?
- Mateja: present all clubs and see those which we can approve, and those which we can approve on a preliminary basis until we have our budget confirmed. (next week)

We will contact Iveta for noise rules

PR

- Update Social Media & Website
- Is the Website updated?
- Need posting schedule! We have no posts on FB at all. No frequent posts on IG. Plenty of things to share:) Post Ideas: about SC elections, Club Fair (& Application), our new FA, maybe brief summary to share with students on what we've been working on so far + future plans? Newsletter if you will? Events!

The events will be updated 2 weeks before any events. Jovan updated the agendas and minutes. Idea: We need a 10th position, a Communicator. (?)

Members should make a proposal for a new position for next Friday.

Budget

- We need to make a physical budget proposal with details about our funds. Can Stefan make a draft that we work on together at the next meeting.
- Need to arrange a meeting with the CFO of AAU and head of financial matters, Martina. Can Stefan arrange this; could invite her to attend SC meeting.

BAD NEWS: No budget until December.

No matter, we will use the same budget from last semester. We will have a type of ghost budget.