Executive Board Meeting 21-23 Tuesday, February 8, 2022 @ 1:30pm Remote Meeting, Microsoft Teams

This meeting was done remotely through Microsoft Teams, due to unusual circumstance laid out by the response to COVID19

Called to Order 1:34pm

**Present** Baig, Della-Vedova, Dhiloon, Devarapalli, Fleming, Jayachandran,

McCauley

Late S. Chui, Teel

Absent

Others Present J. McGowan (GM), V. Scott (Recording Secretary), M. Wooder (MCD),

Simranjeet Singh (AVP (Services)), Mitchell German (Spark Director),

Kavya Patel (SWHAT Coordinator)

### 1. Adopt Agenda

**Moved** by Baig, **seconded** by Jayachandran to adopt the agenda, as presented.

### **Amendments**

- Scott push PCC Report to next meeting
- Singh would like a discussion of VP Candidates shadowing EB meetings. Scott suggested pushing it to next week due to time constraints for today's meeting. Della-Vedova agreed.

**Moved** by Baig, **seconded** by Jayachandran to adopt the agenda, as amended.

**Vote on Motion** 

# **Motion Passes**

Teel arrived at 1:38pm

# 2. Adopt Minutes

**Moved** by Jayachandran, **seconded** by Baig to adopt the minutes from Executive Board meetings 21-21 – January 25, 2022 and 21-22 – February 1, 2022, as circulated.

### **Motion Passes**

### 3. Spark Report – Mitchell German presented

German summarized the report.

# Questions

- Wooder congratulated German on the numbers for second term, as it's been consistently noted as the biggest challenge amongst successes. Wooder confirmed that the budget number for promo was likely based on the old Operating Policy without thinking about Horizons being integrated with Spark. He stated that Spark was still on target with the number back from the summer.
- Della-Vedova stated that this is something amazing that German has done this year. They stated that they appreciated that German was cognizant of volunteer retention and that it was going well considering COVID. Della-Vedova stated that as for room bookings McGowan may be a valuable resources for that.
- McGowan stated that without doing any work hopefully the room booking process gets easier after Reading Week with campus re-opening and spaces being available. He stated that if there were any events planned for after reading week and German was still having challenges to reach out to him or Devarapalli to navigate.
- German thanked everyone for the support. They stated that it has been a challenge as the previous year was all virtual.
- Jayachandran was glad that everything that was going well. They stated that in terms of the budget and the possibility of additional money the two of them should jump on a call within the week to chat about it.

# 4. SWHAT Report – Kavya Patel presented

Patel summarized the report.

### S. Chui arrived at 1:49pm

### Questions

Wooder thanked Patel for getting the service off of the ground, and it seemed like some of the strategies were working. He added that he updated the SWHAT website with the new walking information, he asked Patel to check it out and let him know if there were any other updates.

# 5. Sponsorship & Donations Committee Recommendations

**Moved** by Jayachandran, **seconded** by S. Chui that the Executive Board approve the following recommendation from the Sponsorship & Donations Committee:

- \$100 Sponsorship to JamHacks VI
- Javachandran went over the recommendation with the Board.
- Scott stated that since the recommendation was to be a donation, not sponsorship, the motion will need to be amended.

#### Amendment

**Moved** by Della-Vedova, **seconded** by Jayachandran to amend the motion to read: "**Moved** by Jayachandran, **seconded** by S. Chui that the Executive Board approve the following recommendation from the Sponsorship & Donations Committee:

- \$100 Donation to JamHacks VI"
- Della-Vedova stated that they need to change it as the intention was to be a donation.
- Jayachandran agreed that it's supposed to be a donation.

#### Vote on Amendment

#### **Motion Passes**

### **Main Motion**

**Moved** by Jayachandran, **seconded** by S. Chui that the Executive Board approve the following recommendation from the Sponsorship & Donations Committee:

- \$100 Donation to JamHacks VI
- S. Chui stated that the committee decided on the 100 dollar donation because they wanted to support the Hackathon even though no MSU members would be participating.

#### Vote on Motion

## **Motion Passes**

### 6. Closed Session

**Moved** by Della-Vedova, **seconded** by Devarapalli to move into Closed Session.

#### **Motion Passes**

# 7. Return to Open Session

### **Information and Questions**

- Scott informed everyone of SRA Generals and that nominations were now open and will close February 28. Polling will be March 9 and 10.
- Singh reported that the Services Committee just finished the surveys for the student body and they're now waiting on the internal ones to be done. They stated that they set a goal of 100 participants and exceeded them. They stated that this will be useful when making the reports and is hoping to have them all to EB by early to mid-March.
- McGowan stated that the Board provided direction on the Food and Beverage operations and they're continuing to have discussion with Compass Group and the management team at UM and TwelvEighty. He stated that they have another meeting

tomorrow morning and received the second draft from legal. McGowan updated the Board that the RFP was out for the compensation and benefits review and was hoping for submissions by the end of February. McGowan reported that staff are expected to return to a minimum of 25% of in-person attendance starting in March. He added that the Clubs Administrator position was still open and the MSU has asked the predecessor to help with the transition. McGowan stated that they will also be working on transitioning the new structure of The Silhouette, that was just approved by the SRA. He reported that if anyone is hearing about drive-bys with HSR to please let him know and he can follow up with the HSR, while they can't mandate space in buses there is an agreement about frequency.

- Wooder announced they the MSU Awards nominations are still open until the end of this week. WGEN, PCC, and SHEC all have upcoming campaigns. Valedictorian nominations are continuing until the end of the month. Wooder reported that Teel and the AVP (MA) were presenting today at the City of Hamilton meeting on their upcoming budget. He stated that Campus Events does have welcome back promotions going on right now.
- Della-Vedova stated that they have been hearing what others are saying about the return. They explained that if anyone wanted to share their experiences that they would be happy to listen as there is something down the pipeline for advocacy. The Board quickly discussed their experiences and concerns with coming back to in-person classes.

# 8. Adjournment and Time of Next Meeting

Time of Next Meeting:

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 1:30pm Remote Meeting, Microsoft Teams

**Moved** by Dhiloon, **seconded** by Devarapalli that the Executive Board meeting be adjourned.

**Motion Passes** 

Adjourned at 2:19pm

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