

Executive Board Meeting 23-04
Thursday, June 29, 2023 @ 9:30am
MSU Main Boardroom, MUSC 201

This meeting was done virtually through Microsoft Teams.

Called to Order 9:37am

Present Arora, Dawdy, Hu, Popovic, Suganthan, Wang, Yang

Late

Absent Samuels, Sugumar

Others Present J. McGowan (GM), V. Scott (Recording Secretary), M. Wooder (MCD),
Veronica Larrazabal Zea (AVP (Services)), Ayesha Zahid (DEN
Director), Hannah She (Maroons Coordinator)

1. Adopt Agenda

Moved by Dawdy, **seconded** by Wang to adopt the agenda, as presented.

Passes Unanimously

2. Adopt Minutes

Moved by Dawdy, **seconded** by Wang to adopt the minutes from Executive Board meetings 23-02 – June 6, 2023 and 23-03 – June 15, 2023, as circulated

In Favour: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 0
Motion Passes

3. Diversity & Equity Network Report – Ayesha Zahid presented

- Zahid summarized the report.

Questions

- McGowan stated that this was a great report. He told Zahid that if they needed assistance with the space to reach out.

4. Macademics Report – Angela Bilic presented

- Bilic summarized the report.

5. Maccess Report – report circulated

6. Maroons Report – Hannah She presented

- She summarized the report.

Questions

- Arora stated that this was a great report. They asked if Maroons has considered expanding to TikTok for Welcome Week. She stated that they definitely considered it, and it was something that was touched upon in the meeting with the comms team.
- Wooder commented about the concerns for financing for promotions. He stated that they might see expenditures catching up with expectations later in the year, and that the budget should be used with Underground. He stated that this might need a discussion to ensure the budget was matching with the expectations of the OP. Wooder also brought up the recent concerns about TikTok and let Maroons know they're welcome to start one, but not to rely on it as their only promo tool as it may be banned in the future.
- Dawdy stated that they could possibly look into other expense lines for promo items if the promo line was used entirely with Underground.

7. PCC Report – report circulated

8. Close MSU Seat on Sponsorship & Donations Committee

Moved by Arora, **seconded** by Dawdy that the Executive Board close nominations for one (1) MSU member on the Sponsorship and Donations Committee.

Nomination

- Shauna Vanderhorst

Vote on Motion

Passes Unanimously

- Shauna was acclaimed to the MSU seat on the Sponsorship & Donations Committee.

9. Transition Report

Moved by Popovic, **seconded** by Wang that that Executive Board approve the 2022-2023 President Transition Report, as circulated.

- Popovic explained that the report came approximately four weeks late. They noted that the transition report was identical to the one that the 2021-22 President submitted to the previous president, and still included references to the 2021-22 BoD members. Popovic stated that their hope was that the wrong document was submitted but couldn't vote in favour of the document due to these items.
- Yang asked what would happen if EB didn't approve the report.

- Popovic stated that if the report was approved then the past president would receive two weeks pay, so if it wasn't approved then there wouldn't be a payment.
- Dawdy stated that there wasn't a reason to feel guilty about rejecting a transition report, and that the past BoD could try to resubmit if it was an error.
- Wooder suggested going back to the previous president and asking for more information, and then bring it back to EB for approval.

Motion to Postpone

Moved by Popovic, **seconded** by Hu to postpone to EB 23-05.

- Hu thought that everyone could all agree that this was a strange situation and that they should delay it.

Vote on Motion

Passes Unanimously

10. Service Yearplans

Moved by Hu, **seconded** by Yang that the Executive Board approve the following Service yearplans:

- Diversity + Equity Network
- EFRT
- FCC
- Macademics
- Maccess
- Maroons
- PCC
- SHEC
- Spark
- SWHAT
- WGEN

- Larrazabal Zea stated that they were very excited for the services this year based on the yearplans submitted, and could tell that the PTMS are passionate about their roles. They stated that they saw no red flags and the only thing to note was hiring plans. Larrazabal Zea explained that some had on-boarding in October, but other than that they all looked good.
- Wooder flagged the language used in PCC's yearplan about promotions. He explained that content creation is usually done through Underground, but PCC hasn't had Comms training yet to go over everything.
- Yang asked about Diversity being on hiatus, and asked why they haven't been in service. They pointed out that a couple of services wanted to start peer support and that

everyone just needs to ensure they don't overlap. They suggested having a collaboration to send students to specific supports.

- McGowan responded that with Diversity there were staffing challenges before and during COVID, and with that it may have stagnated programming. He stated that a lot of education needs to be done in the broader community and that is probably what Diversity is referring to.
- Larrazabal Zea added that Diversity will be doing a lot of new things this year. They explained that there was a lot of building the peer support last year, and hopefully the service can start to incorporate it. Larrazabal Zea stated that there was lot of overlap with peer support services in general and has seen that some services have noted to collab with the other services to create a wider audience and intersectionality.
- Yang thanked everyone for their insight. They asked if there was a channel created between the PTMs to collaborate.
- McGowan stated that he knew that Sugumar has been putting in a lot of time with the PTMs, but hasn't put together an official channel yet.
- Dawdy pointed out that each service has a different timeline about getting apparel for their services and volunteer recognition spending. They explained that the BoD would be in charge of purchasing apparel for the services, so it will be done all at once.
- Arora asked about Spark working with Maroons for Welcome Week, since Maroons stated that they were working with Campus Events during that time. They asked what Spark could do with Maroons working with Campus Events.
- Wooder stated that was a good point. He explained that this was why yearplans were aspirational documents and that the Maroons were listed, as they are a high energy service. He stated that this will allow Maroons to figure out time management.
- McGowan reiterated that these plans weren't fixed, and items will come forward throughout the year. He told the Board to not hesitate to bring forward any ideas throughout the year.

Vote on Motion

Passes Unanimously

11. Strike Hiring Committees

a) Deputy Returning Officer

Moved by Dawdy, **seconded** by Arora that the Executive Board strike a hiring committee for the Deputy Returning Officer, consisting of the Vice-President (Administration), the outgoing DRO, the incoming CRO, and one Executive Board member.

Nominations

- Dawdy

Vote on Motion

Passes Unanimously**b) Spark Director**

Moved by Dawdy, **seconded** by Hu that the Executive Board strike a hiring committee for the Spark Director, consisting of the Vice-President (Administration), the outgoing Spark Director, and one Executive Board member.

Nominations

- Arora

Vote on Motion**Passes Unanimously****12. Information and Questions**

- Dawdy stated that they received a thank you letter from TedX thanking the Sponsorship & Donations Committee and the MSU for their contributions to the conference. They added that people do genuinely appreciate the Committee.
- Wooder informed the Board that the Comms team was still conducting training to the services, and four have been completed. Wooder announced that the MSU Golf Tournament went really well, and that they raised over \$8,000. He noted that there were nearly double the amount of players from last year, and they had great sponsor support from businesses, campus, and the local MP.

13. Adjournment and Time of Next Meeting**Time of Next Meeting:**

**July 13, 2023
9:30am EDT
Microsoft Teams**

Moved by Yang, **seconded** by Hu that the Executive Board meeting be adjourned.

Passed by General Consent

Adjourned at 10:56am

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