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Date and Time of Meeting:

26 March 2015

Location:

SUB Council Chambers RM206

**Call to Order:** 12:50

**Amendments to the Agenda:**

Moved by Madeline, Seconded by Jesse,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council amend the agenda to add a presentation titled "Transition Reports by Madeline St. Onge

**...MOTION PASSES**

Moved by Shaaban, Seconded by Kaitlyn

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council amend the agenda to table the motion that reads "Council adopt the report of Code & Policy Committee titled "Changes to Article 4: Duties and Powers of Voting Members of Council" and thus amend the article as recommended"

Motivated by: Shaaban

Remove them now or keep them, wait till there is a concrete report for SUS

Debate:

Paul

Motion is relevant to bylaw 4, do we want to dismiss that as well?

Shaaban

Not about communication, remove the non-voting seats from council. They are still SUS clubs

Kaitlyn

Non-departmental club don't have that seat, leave the general officer, for code

Abstentions: Carmen L., Diane

**...MOTION PASSES**

**Adoption of the Agenda:**

Moved by Shaaban, Seconded by Vanessa,

That Council adopt the agenda.

**...MOTION PASSES**

**Introductions**

**Presentations**

"Transition Reports" – Madeline St. Onge

Write down answers for the transition report:



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- 1) What committees were you a part of and what was your role individually on these committees?
- 2) What do you wish you knew coming into your role? Examples: common concerns in your department, or people who were difficult to get in touch with in your department, things you would have liked to have had guidance on.
- 3) What would you see like to happen with your role next year?
- 4) What resources would you need to accomplish this?

Template will be sent out by Carmen Leung. Please fill out the questions. The last portion should be tips for fulfilling this position. The deadline for this will be the end of April. If you have questions contact Madeline or Carmen L. Very important for continuity moving forward.

“Code and Policy Amendments” – Carmen Leung

Bylaw 4: Council

Alphabetized all science majors and taken out the departmental and non-departmental clubs as they vary year to year and it is not necessary to put that into code.

Bylaw 5: Executive

We have changed elections committee to elections administrators as it no longer exists for both the spring and fall elections. Annual general meeting has been changed to AGM since it was defined in code. Added “transferring to another faculty” to make the statement more specific.

Article 4: Duties and Powers of Voting Members of Council

Motion was failed on the last council meeting due to the general officers point. The Code & Policy Committee agrees that this statement is not valid for general officers and it should be taken out. The extra office hour for general officers was added.

Question Period

Paul

Just to touch on article 4 because I don't want to get into the other ones because they are less controversial, the motion failed because there was some discussion on who is representing clubs. What came through is club commissioners filling the role of communicating with clubs and trying to expand on that. I know that club commissioners feel as strong a communication role, however, currently the GO's are not actively participating in the clubs. What this code is planning to push forward is more development on this communication and stronger relationships



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between club commissioners and clubs. Club commissioners fill in the role that GO's would that's why this change is necessary.

### **Executive and AMS Report**

#### **1. President**

- a. Science Career Information Fair
  - i. Huge success, 21 companies and there was a lot of positive feedback. Turnout was fantastic and the companies appreciated being invited there. Looking forward to next year's event.
- b. Science Student Recognition Awards
  - i. Closed, will be evaluating

#### **2. VP External**

- a. Transition Period
  - i. Got in touch with corporate representatives including exam prep companies and security.
- b. Careers Online Postings

#### **3. VP Internal**

- a. Elections
  - i. Has passed for the new executive teams
- b. Year End Appreciation Dinner
  - i. Invitation has been sent out, RSVP by Sunday Night
- c. FYC
  - i. Umbrella sharing program
  - ii. Will be giving out care packages

#### **4. VP Academic**

- a. Defeat Depression Run
  - i. Please sign up, an email will be sent out, and it is posted in the Facebook group
- b. Free Coffee Booth
- c. Exam Data Base
  - i. Not ready to be sharing to friends but it is ready to access and play around with it to see what is working

#### **5. VP Administration**

- a. Transition Template
  - i. Will be sent out after this meeting, due at the end of April
- b. Code & Policy
  - i. Discussed the motions that will be brought later in the meeting

#### **6. VP Communications**

#### **7. VP Finance**

- a. Budget Update



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- i. So far on track, committees have been notified
    - b. SSRA Adjudication
    - c. Endowing Surplus
    - d. Finance Committee
      - i. Last grant review, passed 21,000 in total
- 8. **VP Student Life**
  - a. Science Grad
    - i. Advertise
- 9. **Science Student Senator**
- 10. **AMS Reports**
  - a. AMS Council
    - i. Lengthy discussion of the BDS referendum question. A lot of the conversation was on the communication of the AMS stance and elections and whether the elections administrator should be responsible for communicating this. Referendum is still happening up until tomorrow. Lot of discussion about new job descriptions that were opening up. Please vote: yes/no/abstain. The question still needs to be handled. Should be able to find the information on the AMS website, they had meetings with both sides so AMS is trying to convey the information. The Talon also has an article that represents the two sides in a fairly neutral way.

### **Approval of Minutes of Council/Committees**

Moved by Nick, Seconded by Maris,  
That SUS Council approves the following Executive meeting minutes.

CM 2015 03 12  
XM 2015 03 24  
FINCOM 2015 03 16

Motivated by:  
Debate:  
Abstentions:

**...MOTION PASSES**

### **Committee Motions**

Moved by Shaaban, Seconded by Vivian,  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of Code & Policy Committee titled  
"Changes to Bylaw 4: Council" and thus amend the bylaw as recommended



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Motivated by: Carmen L.

New amendment better reflects how SUS operates now

Debate:

**...MOTION PASSES**

Moved by Madeline, Seconded by Diane,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of Code & Policy Committee titled  
“Changes to Bylaw 5: Executive” and thus amend the bylaw as recommended

Motivated by:

Debate:

**...MOTION PASSES**

Moved by Kaitlyn, Seconded by Nick,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of Code & Policy Committee titled  
“Changes to Article 4: Duties and Powers of Voting Members of Council” and thus amend  
the article as recommended

Motivated by: Carmen L

CAPC committee agrees that the new amendment should be how it is now

Debate:

Shaaban

No change to the motion we failed last time, against it, non-departmental clubs  
should have GOs representing them. What makes science non-departmental clubs? Table  
this motion back to CAPC, make a motion from the floor. Motion to direct CAPC to have  
an extensive review on the purpose, reason and criteria behind science non-departmental  
clubs and how they can be supported by SUS. Pushed to first meeting of November 2015

Abstentions: Carmen L., Diane

**...MOTION FAILS**

## Committee Reports and Motions

### Club Reports

1. Astronomy
2. BPP
3. BioSoc
4. Biophysics
5. CLF
6. CSS
7. CSSS
8. Dawson
9. ESSA



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- 10. GSA
- 11. Heart Club
- 12. ISSA
- 13. MISA
- 14. PhysSoc
  - had elections
  - wine and cheese tonight
- 15. PreDental
- 16. PreMed Society
- 17. PreOptometry
- 18. PrePharmacy
- 19. PSA
- 20. SCOOPS
- 21. SOS
- 22. Storm Club
- 23. UCS

**Discussion Period**

**Maddy- exam database**

**Type in a code in the exam database, ex: chem 205**

**All past exams can be found in the database**

**Other tabs include resources**

**It would be great if a few of the councillors can help Maddy test out the exam database**

**Adjournment**

Moved by Santiago, Seconded by Tamara,  
That Council adjourn at 1:42

*Lily Takeuchi*

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AVP Administration

*Carmen Leung*

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VP Administration