

WLU Student Publications Board of Directors Meeting Minutes April 21, 2016 – WLUSP Board Room – 5:00pm

Attendance: Bryan Stephens (President and Publisher), Lakyn Barton (Executive Director), Emily Crump (HR Manager), John Pehar (Board Member), Fred Kuntz (Board Member), Angela Foster (Board Member), Gary Doyle (Board Member)

Gallery: Randy Moore (Finance Manager), Meghan Roach (Radio Laurier Station Manager)

1. Call Meeting to Order

Called to Order at 5:09pm

2. Approval of Agenda (April 21st, 2016)

Motion: Fred Second: Gary Approved.

3. Approval of Minutes (April 7th, 2016)

Corrections: Strike the blank items from the agenda.

Motion: John Second: Angela Approved.

4. Chair's Report

- a. Update on File Server
 - i. lan's building is renegotiating his lease and has been unable to contact Bryan for the past few weeks
 - **ii.** Because of this they cannot offer the ad deal originally discussed but he is working with us to offer the best deal possible
- **b.** VAs
 - i. Both were held earlier this month
 - ii. Plaques were picked up this week
- **c.** Transition
 - i. Currently working on transferring authority over to Meghan
 - ii. Working on transition report
 - iii. Working with Meghan and Lakyn on Budget meeting for next week
- d. Final Publications

- i. Cord and Sputnik released end of March
- ii. Blueprint Magazine released a few weeks ago and held a release party
- **iii.** The Community Edition released their last issue for this publishing year this month

5. Executive Director's Report

- a. Websites
 - i. Sam is interested in coming back but cannot commit to a date at this time
 - **ii.** Websites went down last week and with Sam's help, Lakyn has fixed the issue
 - iii. Steel Rails
 - 1. Possibly getting alcohol donated this year
 - 2. Date is June 24th
 - **3.** Artists are confirmed and theme is decided
 - **4.** We started selling tickets on Friday
 - iv. Contracts
 - Corrections: Keystone is salary and therefore not volunteer
 - v. Summer Camp
 - **1.** Currently working with a possible consultant for Strategic Planning
 - vi. WLUer
 - 1. Checking different suppliers and working with Care to decide

Questions/Corrections:

Fred: Switching words like 'witnesseth' and 'here-to' to plain English

Fred: Two-weeks vacation: perhaps accruing on a pro-rated basis

6. Annual Report

- **a.** Unfortunately, this year, strategic planning fell though.
- **b.** Bryan put together an Annual Report based on discussions with department heads and the strategic planning that was done.

7. Period 3 Variance Report

- **a.** Key Points
 - i. Over estimated SAC fees because of the drop in students
 - ii. Sales are up
 - iii. National Advertising for Free Media
 - 1. Try to get away from exclusivity because they are not fulfilling what they said they would fulfill

- **2.** They lost a lot of large clients
- iv. Yearbook sales are still coming in
- v. Salaries and honoraria are currently being paid out for the end of the month
- vi. Volunteer Appreciation costs are currently coming in
- vii. Brantford rent will be coming out late
- viii. Estimated forecast: a small loss as budgeted
- ix. As a whole, we are a healthy organization
- **8.** In Camera section will be stricken from the agenda.

9. Final Remarks

- **a.** Thank-you for your contributions this year.
- 10. Meeting Adjourned at 6:17pm