



WLU Student Publications Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
January 16, 2018, WLUSP Board Room

Attendance: Andreas Patsiaouros (President and Publisher), Lisa Irimescu (Vice President), Noa Salamon (Board Member), Rosalind Horne (Board Member), Alan Li (Board Member), John Pehar (Treasurer), Lakyn Barton (Executive Director), Benjamin Cooke (Board Member), Hailey Watson (Community Member)

Gallery: Shyenne Macdonald (BOD Candidate), Garrison Oosterhof (BOD Candidate), Terrence Mroz (BOD Candidate), Daniel Vandendor (BOD Candidate)

1. Call Meeting to Order

Call to Order at 4:07PM

2. Approval of Agenda (January 16, 2018)

Motion: Noa

Second: Hayley

All in favor, Passes

3. Approval of Minutes (December 1, 2017)

Ammendment: John Pehar needs to be removed from the minutes.

Motion: Lisa

Second: Noa

All in favor, Passes

4. Chair Report

Andreas: Preparations have begun for WLUSP elections. We have 1 President + 4 board members running. AGM is set for February 2, 2018 in the Senate and Board Chambers at 7:00pm. There will be catering provided and a cash bar as usual. This year both Brantford and Waterloo campus candidates (and the student membership) will be attending AGM on the Waterloo campus. Transportation will be provided for Brantford.

We are working to have more involvement from Radio Laurier and The Sputnik to increase coverage this year as a whole. This includes: moderation of open forums, on-air Radio Laurier interviews, endorsements, etc. We have been working closely with the Chief Returning Officer from the Students' Union to ensure a smooth process elections process.

Rosalind: Why aren't people allowed to campaign outside of the debates?

5. ED Letter

Lakyn: A pipe has burst in our basement and we have been working under a temporary setup of makeshift offices within the WLUSP building. I am speaking with physical resources about what must happen next, as we have discovered that our building is not up to code. This may result in a move or a renovation. Nash went extremely well this year! Minimum wage has increased so our budget will be reflective of that change. Based off the conversations with the Board in past meetings and with staff, I renewed our Lynda.com license. We are going to work to make it more accessible and well used for the next year.

Rosalind: What do we need to replace for damaged furniture in the basement? I may be able to find replacements at my office.

Lakyn: We will let you know in the spring when we have a better idea of office options.

TJ: I was talking to someone at the all candidates meeting and they said that Lynda was coming out with a free subscription for students.

Lakyn: Yes! We have 5 licenses that we have to cycle through departments so please let me know if you would like to build a schedule.

6. If Streets Could Talk Book

Lakyn: We have made 50 copies of the book to do an introduction into the market and see what interest is like.

Hayley: What's the expected publication date?

Lakyn: I'm hoping to get it out by mid-February. We may also do pre-sale options.

Rosalind: Will it be sold at local retailers and will pre-sales available online?

Lakyn: We have an online shop that it will be sold through. Gifted and OpenSesame are particularly interested in selling it, but we do not have an official contract with them.

7. Approval of Audit

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raised the issue of reviews of cash controls, as some of the cheques did not have 2 authorized signatures.

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Motion: Hayley

Second: Alan

8. Treasurer/Financial Discussion

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Motion: Hailey

Second: Alan

9. Final Remarks

Andreas: As a reminder, AGM is on February 2 at 7PM.

10. Adjournment

Motion: Noa

Second: Ben

All in favor, Motion Passes

Meeting adjourned at 4:30PM on January 16, 2018.