



Music Education Undergraduate Students' Association

Executive Meeting
Monday October 30, 2017
Montreal, QC

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Members Present:

Nicole Furrier (Co-VP Social)
Nicole Tempas (Co-VP Social)
Min Kim (VP Academic)
Naira Sidi (VP Finance)
Trevor Tsui (President)
Mitchel Russo (VP Communication)
Kristi Fox (First Year Rep)

Regrets:

Rebecca Manga (VP Professional Development)

1. **Call to Order at:** 17:37 by Naira, Seconded by Min
2. **Welcome & Announcements**
 - None
3. **Approval of Agenda**
 - **October 16**, Motioned by Nicole T
4. **Action Items from Previous Meetings**
 1. *All Members:* Server training for any executives whom are without (**Server Training**)
5. **President's Report**
 - a. **VP Academic:** Meeting with Dean - See VP Academic
 - b. **Wrap up** Halloween Spooktacular. Extra bottles of wine.
 - i. Council mistakenly took some bottles (three) of wine from Lisa which were given to us mistakenly. Nicole will reply to her email and return the wine to the 7th floor October 31st

c. VP Professional Development:

- i. Rescheduling Alain Juteau's workshop: We were forced to cancel his workshop as it centered around "SmartBoard" technology, something the Music Building/McGill/Montreal doesn't own? Rebecca decided not to reschedule but instead move it to the Winter Semester.
- ii. Update on Teresa Lescaudron's workshop.
 1. Poster - not created as of yet, but will be created tomorrow
 2. Facebook event description - Updated as per the request by Teresa (Participants should bring Pen, Paper, Questions etc.)
- iii. Workshop on classroom management? RE: Samie Archer's email - It appears all the workshops take place in the USA, travelling to the USA to participate in this workshop is not plausible. Samie however was discussing with Naira about a workshop Helen Boucher regarding Music Classroom Management (But en francais). Rebecca will contact Helen about giving a workshop in English.

- d. Council picture:** We have a council photo from the Halloween event, Trevor will forward it to Mitchel to update the website with.

6. VP Finance's Report

- **Sleeman Beer Contract:** Not sure what is entailed in this Sleeman Beer Contract. Anna from MUSA has signed on behalf of the Music School but MEdUSA is unsure of any actions, responsibilities or anything that are amended or anything in this new contract. Naira has reached out to Anna and followed up but no response.

7. VP Academic's Report

- **Meeting with the Dean:** Min will be meeting with John McMaster Wednesday at 10am. It appears this will be a very casual meeting just updating him on the inner workings, issues and everything MEdUSA. Raising the standard of practical exam for faculty/Music Ed. Students. As of right now it stands at 55% (C) whereby it should be raised to 65% (B-). For performance majors the minimum passing grade is 75% (B+) and MEdUSA feels that it presents a message to the world that we don't need to be adequate at our instruments even though legally we're Music Majors with a Bachelor of Music, governed by the laws, regulations and everything of a Bachelor of Music degree. One of the issues as well Min will be bringing up is the courses and course registration. Winter courses are still closed and some of the courses opened without notice causing panic and struggles. The student affairs office should be communicating when integral, required and salient classes open for registrations.
- **Education Stage:** In many stage experiences over recent years, ISA has placed music education students with a non-music teacher (many students are placed with an arts teacher or phys ed teacher, which are not as fulfilling experiences as being placed with a music educator). In addition, ISA delays placements and once failed to assign a placement to a student. Nicole will mention this issue in her monthly meeting with ISA this week.

8. VP Social's Report

- **Halloween Social Debrief:** Thanks to all the executives, the event was a major success. The only issue was the Alcohol permit issue, we didn't get it until HOURS before the event. This was caused by the time in which the request was sent, but moving forward we've already submitted our Festivus permit, and we will ensure we submit our alcohol permits well in advance. As well we do have lots of things left over from the event - if it's not open we can use it for another event, if it's opened however someone from council should claim it.
- **November Movie Night:** Council is thinking of having another movie night as we've done last year. Movie TBD but it would be a very "chill" and "low key" event. This week the Nicole's will pick a date (November 15th) and book a room, and have a warm fun night.
- **Festivus:** The alcohol permit has already been submitted and the date will be the last official date before classes (Dec. 7). The theme was mulled over as "Great Gatsby" or "Ugly Sweater". The consensus was an ugly sweater with perhaps changing the name to something such as "Ugly Sweater Party" or something along those lines. Games will be planned as well as to make this a fun last sort of "hurrah" before exams and break.
- **Music Ed Board:** The board has been updated with information and things. Min had an idea of doing something for Remembrance Date such as giving out poppies or things would be super respectful. Min will look into getting poppies and spearhead this and as well council was thinking of collaborating with MUSA on this (tabling in the Lobby). Kristi will collaborate on this with the MUSA council

9. VP Professional Development's Report

- **Confirmation of Teresa Lescaudron:** November 2nd, 7:00pm and has been confirmed
- **Workshop Update:** Due to the cancelled workshop this semester, we'll be having 2 workshops in the fall and 4 in the winter.
- **Snacks in MEdUSA Office:** VP Socials will look into extra food for Teresa Lescaudron's workshop.

10. Website (VP Communications)

- **Council Photo:** Mitchel will get the photo from trevor from the Halloween event to update the website with.

11. First Year Representative:

- **MUSA Meetings:** Meetings are slightly unknown as there was an impromptu, "secret" meeting. Kristi will email Anna to check in when the meeting date. At this meeting she'll discuss everything we've discussed
- **Building Director - Key Return:** When getting her MEdUSA office key, Katherine told her the Nicoles need to return their keys or "their student ID's will be deactivated" if not returned by Noon. The Nicoles have arranged to ensure the wine is returned to the 7th floor and the keys are returned to K

12. E-News/Facebook Group

- **November E-News:**
 - i. **Movie Night (Blurb from Socials) - 13th Monday Night**

- ii. Poppies - Blurb from Min
- iii. Sarah Burnell - see email (coachings - blurb from Rebecca)
- iv. Vandoren Artists Article
- v. Calling All Graphic Designers (Redesigning Merch)

13. Next meeting date on:

- o November 6th

14. Adjournment at: 20:49 by Naira, seconded by Trevor

Action Items from Previous Meeting:

Further Outstanding Action Items:

Rebecca: Contact Helen regarding Classroom Management Workshop, make poster for and reply to Sarah Burnell's email

Kristi: Bring up Sleeman Beer Contract at next MUSA meeting & MUSA Collab with Poppies?

Trevor: Send council photo to Mitchel

Min: Send a blurb to Mitchel about the poppy collab for the e-news. Copy Lisa in the email regarding the Dean's meeting.