

## Agenda of the AMS Advocacy Committee

October 11<sup>th</sup> 2016

## Attendance

Present: Daniel, Hannah, Cameron, Adrian, Ella, Kathleen, Sally, Aiyana

Regrets: Samantha So

Recording Secretary: Kathleen/Leslie

## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 pm

## Approval of Agenda

Moved by Daniel, Seconded by Sally

## Agenda Items:

- 1) Land Acknowledgement
- 2) Introductions
- 3) Appointment of a Vice Chair:

BIRT Sally Lin be appointed to the position of Advocacy Commission Vice Chair, for a term commencing immediately, and ending on the first meeting of May, 2017.

Moved by Kathleen, Seconded Hannah. Passes unanimously

- 4) Discussion on Advocacy Committee's terms of reference and priorities
  - Need to follow up on timeline for caucuses

## Identification of purpose:

- A) Is the general description of the committee's purpose clearly stated so that it will be easily understood by others?
- B) Without altering the intent or basic content of the description, can we determine a succinct, clearly stated statement of purpose?

## What committee had to say:

- Coordinate advocacy
- Hear student concerns
- Open and transparent (grass roots)

- Promote student involvement and education in the structure of advocacy committee and caucuses
- Build networks (referrals)
- Share work that we do

Setting and evaluating goals:

**A) Routine goals**

- What are some of the traditional responsibilities of the committee that you would like to see continued?
- Committee said: policy
- What improvements would you like to affect in terms of the organization and the terms of reference of the committee?
- Committee said: mandating participation, increasing outreach, conscientiously attempt to reach out in innovative ways.
- Are there working groups that promptly need to be established?
- Committee said: caucuses

**B) Specific goals**

- What are some immediate projects (Term 1) that need implementation
- List goals or projects that you intend to achieve by the end of the Winter Term
- Committee said: housing campaign, caucuses, and general consultation

**C) Strategic goals**

- What are some long term strategic goals you intend to see this committee achieve in the future?  
When setting goals, evaluate them based on the principles of:
- Specific- target a specific area for improvement
- Measurable- quantify or at least suggest an indicator of progress
- Assignable- specify who will do it
- Realistic- state what results can realistically be achieved, given available resources
- Time-related- specify when the results can be achieved

5) Advocan Lobby Group

- Discussion on merits of attending the lobby session

Next Meeting: Doodle

Motion to Adjourn, Moved: Hannah, Seconded Sally

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 pm