



Meeting/Committee: Advocacy Committee

Date: Friday, March 17th, 2023

Recorded By: Ian Caguiat (guest)

**Attendance:**

**Present: Mimi, Charlene, Kaysan, Alexandre, Ian (guest), Anisha (3:08 pm)**

**Absent:**

**Regrets: Erin**

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**Call to Order:**

- a. The meeting called at: 3:08 pm (Anisha)
- b. End meeting time at: 3:45 pm (Anisha)

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**Last Meeting's Minutes Approval**

Motion by Kaysan to pass last week's meeting minutes to council for approval (Mover – Anisha; Secondar – Matthew; passed with unanimous consent)

**Agenda Adoption**

Motion to adopt agenda for today (Mover – Kaysan; Secondar - Matthew; passed with unanimous consent)

Adopt and amend to remove Erin's updates (Move - Anisha; Secondar - Matthew; passed with unanimous consent)

Agenda Item (Submitter, Time)	Actions and Conclusions
Land Acknowledgement (Anisha, 3:09pm)	
Updates from VP AUA (Anisha, 3:10pm)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- AES is open; please fill it out!</li><li>- Spread it to your friends</li><li>- First three days had three hundred responses; ads are taking a break after elections (374 completed, 140 partial)</li></ul>

## Survey Policy

- To minimize the overlap between SES and AES because the AES has not included enough academic-related questions
- To identify the key themes you want to see year after year on those surveys
- **Mimi:** Since we are looking at Advocom → Executive; might be good to talk about previous VPAUA so we can include timelines on when the AES is supposed to be sent out and when to bring the report of recommendations; analysis is done during the transition period; good so we can make sure people are working on it and they are budgeted
- **Anisha:** Open to keeping the responsible body to two committees but it is unconventional; timeline would be helpful - it would make more sense if the VP who put it out were to take the data they get and make their own report
- **Alexandre:** For sure to keep it before exams
- **Anisha:** Maybe launch it in February? March can be focused on making the report and summaries.
- **Alexandre:** Is this for next year's AES?
- **Anisha:** Yes.
- **Matthew:** So will the outgoing Council be reviewing the report?
- **Anisha:** Yes. We are just bumping out the timeline so the office who creates the survey gets to work with the data.
- **Mimi:** That would be a good approach; it is a really good skill for them to work on the survey from start to finish. It makes sense for the outgoing VP AUA to provide an extensive report to their Council. It might also be worth it to have the incoming VP AUA also present a very brief summary of the results to the new Council to make sure they are aware of the

new issues that they are going to be talking to the Board about in September.

- **Anisha:** Any thoughts Ian?
- **Ian:** Good to have the report done by the Office who releases it because they will have an idea already on how the report should be done. Concern on releasing in Feb because it is a short month and it always gets extended.
- **Anisha:** Maybe last two weeks of January?  
Good
- **Anisha/Ian:** Timeline of SES? Fall.
- **Matthew:** Good because Council will be engaged with the AES.
- **Mimi:** Doing this update is good; timeline is good; role of the Policy Advisor with the VPAUA will be easier if there is a timeline to go off from
- **Anisha:** How does the timeline look like with your work with VPX?
- **Mimi:** There is a lot of lobbying in February; March until May is a lot of onboarding; ties nicely into analyzing the AES
- **Anisha:** Should we propose a timeline for SES? It is interesting the survey policy only focuses on AES but it should be for both?
- **Mimi:** How long has the SES been running?
- **Anisha:** It used to be the Nest experience survey?
- **Ian:** Last SES was from 2019. Separate the topics and issues for each survey so they are shorter to fill out for students/
- **Anisha:** It is hard to fill out the financial aspect to make some connections and make sense of the responses we are seeing and the mental health wellbeing as well.
- **Matthew:** What happens for BoG or what are they particularly interested in?
- **Anisha:** Only the Provost looks into it.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Mimi:</b> Purpose is to show that students are stakeholders and we are bringing evidence on our advocacy</li> <li>- <b>Anisha:</b> The presentation is focused on priorities but not the summary of the numbers</li> <li>- <b>Anisha:</b> Should we go back to timeline of SES?</li> <li>- <b>Matthew:</b> AdvoComm should still be a responsible body; for SES that could be a first term timeline?</li> <li>- <b>Anisha:</b> Overall survey policy or policy specific to each survey?</li> <li>- <b>Mimi:</b> One survey policy; far too much detailed information so we should flush out what we want to ask for each</li> <li>- <b>Anisha:</b> Happy to scrap the appendix! Mimi and I can have a meeting to go more in depth</li> <li>- <b>Anisha:</b> Might be good to look on the previous reports of AES and SES. Will try and find all the questions and send them out as an email.</li> <li>- <b>Mimi:</b> Will also send out other survey policies in other committees before Friday's meeting.</li> <li>- <b>Anisha:</b> Just keeping in mind - no specific questions on the policy.</li> </ul>
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Can we meet March 24th and 31st? No April 14th.</li> <li>- <b>Everyone: YES</b></li> <li>- <b><u>2 to 3 PM ish on March 24? YES.</u></b></li> </ul>

**Notes:**

**SUMMARY: ACTION ITEMS**

*\*update to include incomplete action items from last meeting(s)*

*\*completed items should be marked with a check: ✓*



Action Item	Person Responsible	Deadline	Completed?
Send out previous survey questions and other survey policies	Anisha/Mimi	Monday	