

MINUTES TO THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FORUM OF THE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF THE ALGONQUIN COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION HELD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2009 AT 4:30 P.M. AT PERTH CAMPUS

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. "Our promise to you"
3. Stop/ Start/ Continue
4. Adjournment

Board members in attendance:

Dayna Poulin,
James Kenny,
Julia Berardini,
Samantha Davidson

SA staff in attendance:

Don MacRae
Lee McKay

Algonquin College Staff:

Forum Chair(s):

Samantha Davidson

Meeting Minutes Taker:

Dayna Poulin

Forum Minutes

4:30 p.m. – Start forum

- Introduction of the SA directors and Algonquin staff present

4:40 p.m. - Open Floor

Program of study	Comments
Shea – PSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- <u>Topic:</u> Parking and smoking area- The door is covered in finger prints and smears and they find it gross.- <u>Their suggestion:</u> They would like it added to the cleaning program, to maybe have it wiped down

	once an hour to keep it hygienic
Kelly –OAE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would like the staff in the cafeteria to be using gloves between handling money and handling food - Especially with H1N1
Kelly – OAE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Her class/ program applied for funding for the IAAP field trip and kept getting refused for funding for these trips (approx 3 times) - Applied for it multiple times because they were unsure as to why they weren't getting funded because it was funded last year - Apparently it was funded last year – we found out this year that it was an incidence - Don spoke to this – and a possibility of an extension of time because of the circumstances
Alec- 2 nd year advanced housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H1N1 – do we still need a doctor's note for a test if we are not allowed attending college with H1N1
Kelly -OAE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>Conversation about:</u> Elementary schools closing if they hit 15%- 20% absentee rate - If they close the elementary schools and I have to stay home with my children – what happens with my class?
Alec- 2 nd year advanced housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Are there going to be flu clinics for vaccinations?
Kelly – OAE & Shea – PSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - H1N1 vaccination info should be in our bulletin - Is there an information session to find out if students want a H1N1 shot - Interested in a nurse visiting letting them know about H1N1
Shea – PSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would like to thank the SA for funding for Alzheimer's field trip, everyone will be wearing their Algonquin shirts there
Alec- 2 nd year advanced housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thanks for the BBQ we had today!
John SSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Biggest concern is kitchen staff handling cash and food - Solutions/ Recommendations: get a student who is on break or a staff member on break to just handle money – give them free lunch, etc.

N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The opening hours of the cafeteria –they would like it to stay open longer - 20 mins before the posted closing time, the staff are packing up and not cooking -
N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Amount of classroom work, it's too much!
John- SSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - It's great that we have an SA! - There are a lot of coupons in the student handbook, a couple are for Perth, most are for Ottawa – They would like to see more Perth coupons, more coupons suited to their campus - They would like more activities –suggestion: fundraising things, like a school discount for a hockey game, yuk yuks, concerts (locals)
Shea -PSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would like to order an observatory for the Perth Campus
Greg – 1 st year Advanced Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wants some sort of drinking on campus –i.e- Keg with counter
Kelly -OAE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Class wants an air filter – for the office admin Room 18 - The computers give out dust and what not and it's nauseating and we can't breathe – we are not supposed to have hard drive on the counter beside us working because they let out all these dangerous rays – yet they are still on the counters for some reason? - Need better hygiene of the computers
John -SSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interested in skiing & snowboarding trips - Don – spoke about the ones the SA holds to Tremblant - Dayna –Spoke about the upcoming Mont Ste Anne trip and welcomed Perth to join in
Kelly -OAE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Graduation ceremony in Perth will take place a year after we graduate, can we join Woodroffe's graduation ceremony? - It's a long time to wait - We graduate in August and don't want to come back a year later - Masons have this problem too - Don – mentioned that it might have to do with the awards -

Breah – SSW 2 nd year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Activities are great! - Likes hockey games and such, would like it to continue
Greg – 1 st year Advanced Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If you want to avoid the flu, get vaccinated and wash your hands! - Doesn't want propaganda being sent to their emails, when there is still debate going on in the first place about H1N1
Rob- 2 nd year heritage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thanks the SA for granting us the woodworking club
Kayla- PSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There are not very many outlets in the school and the computers that the college does have are pretty busy and you are searching for a plug to use your laptop - People are plugging them(laptops) in right by the café and people are tripping over the wires because they extend across a walk way - It would be nice to have a place to sit and plug in – we need a temporary solution! - More outlets
Shae- PSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thanks Lee for being awesome
John -SSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asking about the new school – Are the students building it? - Are they making a new parking lot once the heavy machinery takes the parking lot? - There is an empty building across the street - if they could look into expanding there at some point.
Kelly -OAE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is there a side walk in the front and the back? - Is it going to come to the school (one from the muddy parking lot into the school – they bring rolling bags and they get them all dirty bringing them in from the parking lot) -
John- SSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Topic: Blackboard – discussion group and the live chat - We were having trouble with it and our assignments require us to use these tools
Kelly -OAE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Topic: Emails

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We send & receive emails, but there is a delay and we receive it practically 4 days later - We have timelines for our projects, we need emails to work
Breah – SSW 2 nd year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Topic: ITS support - Sometimes students can't get online and sometimes they want an ITS guy to come down and help them - They need them to come down on Thursdays and Fridays- that's the days when they aren't on placement - ITS is currently a hit and miss with the email and what not
Greg – 1 st year Advanced Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hybrid courses – most people would prefer to have the extra time in class not the hybridness because they aren't tech savvy - Specifically the class: Modern Canadian Architecture
Kelly- OAE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - When is the next meeting? - Dayna spoke to this – Wednesday, December 2nd, 2009 at 4:30pm
Shae -PSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Samantha is awesome!
N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is an insufficient amount of recycling bins
Shae -PSW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In need a change machine desperately! - Would like to see this near the bank machine

5:50 p.m. – Adjournment