

# Brock University Students' Administrative Council



Meeting: 13

Date: March 23, 2016, 7:00pm

Speaker: Chris Ventura

Deputy Speaker: John Pappas

Recording Secretary: Kaitlyn Daw

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**1.0**

**Call to Order**

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**2.0**

**Approval of the Agenda**

BIRT BUSAC approves the agenda for the March 23, 2016 meeting.

-In favor
-Against
-Abstain

*Passes by general consent*

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**3.0**

**Adoption of the Minutes**

BIRT BUSAC approves the March 9, 2016 minutes.

Bezair, Budgeon
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-In favor
-Against
-Abstain

*Passes by general consent*

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**4.0**

**Open Question Period**

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**5.0**

**Notes from the Speaker**

We have some of our candidates for our upcoming BUSAC elections present, and I see some new faces too. Thank you for joining us tonight, we're looking forward to working with you next year in one way or another.

To reiterate rules for tonight: as per the BUSAC Standing Orders, anyone who is currently running in the election cannot participate in any way, at this time. If you are successfully elected you'll be on this side of the discussion, if not you can ask as many questions as you want as a

member of the public. If you have questions about this, feel free to ask afterwards or email me at Speaker@busu.net.

John has indicated that Mr. Sufi, Ms. Budgeon, and Mr. Hobbs have fulfilled their duties per the BUSAC bylaw already. Please send your schedule information to indicate what you can do. It's important that you help out with this. The more volunteers, the more coverage we can get. We have a lot of people running, we have two referendums as well, so if we want it to succeed it takes all of you volunteering. You will be punished with an unexcused absence if you don't fulfill these duties.

It's our second last BUSAC meeting, so your yearend reports are due by the next BUSAC meeting. If you don't want to be stuck here, then please submit them. Gold star for Ms. Budgeon.

Committee reports are also due at the beginning of the meeting. I'm asking for a paragraph or two, with challenges and success, etc. As long as we're getting some feedback we are happy; we use this to look for areas of improvement and consider it when planning our training weekend in the summer.

BUSU job postings close on Friday, so make sure you submit your applications if you're interested in applying.

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## 6.0

### **Presentation – Club Funding Request (North American Culture Show)**

**Sufi:** Why did you choose to come for funding afterwards?

**NACA:** We had a forecasted budget, but not final numbers. We ordered from India, so we didn't know what the cost would be. We wanted to be sure of the number when we came for funding.

**Sergi:** You said you paid \$1800 for transportation?

**NACA:** Yes, we paid \$1800 for transportation, and we used it about 5 times back and forth between the venue. We used it from here to Toronto. York used this company one time from their location to Toronto at the same cost for only one trip.

**Sergi:** Did you say Mississauga got a similar rate?

**NACA:** We do these things all the time, so because of the business my cousin has he was able to make a great deal for us.

**Horvath:** As Mr. Sufi mentioned, it's great that you won \$3500 from prizes, however, next time try to come for funding beforehand. It would be a shame if club funding had nothing left to reimburse you.

**NACA:** We do plan on coming beforehand next time. We weren't given anything former from last year, so it will be different now that we have some documents recording the costs for next year's executive team.

**Bernie:** You mentioned you had carry over from last year?

**NACA:** That was the cost from last year for the props that we reused. They're part of the sets and costumes; some of the costumes won't be used entirely, but we can use bits and pieces like we used part of the Bollywood tops this year.

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## 7.0

### **Presentation – Club Funding Request (F.A.S.T.)**

*Peter Henen presents about the F.A.S.T.*

**Jaberi:** Could you please provide one example of universities who eliminated Sodexo, how long the process took, and how many years they had left on their contract?

**Henen:** I'm not too sure how long the process took for each of the institutions. I know the University of Western had one year left on their contract. I'm not too certain about University of Concordia. I know the university [Brock] itself is already reconsidering buying out the union since Sodexo was going to leave originally two years ago. I know the contract ends in 2019. Two years ago it would have been a five year difference. Concordia got another monopolistic food service provider, they're not too happy with them. Western managed to get a bit of a food court system going. I believe University of Ottawa has an all you can eat system for \$10, and they were previously bound to a contract with Aramark. Queens University has an all you can eat for \$5 as well. These things aren't impossible; they're already being done. It's a matter of implementing them.

**Piovesan:** You mentioned you want to get rid of Sodexo but not the union workers. Does it specifically say that on the petition?

**Henen:** If you want the exact wording I can bring the petition up for you.

**Piovesan:** I just want to know if the workers are protected.

**Henen:** The petition says that we want to eliminate Sodexo from the university. We do not mention CUPE 1295 because they are distinct entities. They associate but they are not the same thing.

**Hobbs:** How many years are remaining on the current contract with Sodexo?

**Henen:** Three more; it ends in 2019.

**Hobbs:** So why are you deciding to do this now?

**Henen:** We've been working on this for four years. I was working with this with OPIRG. I worked on this project with Em for two years and we made some progress. Unfortunately, Em tricked me by making him an administrator on the Facebook page. I trusted him so I said yes. He demoted me from administrator status, and when I asked him why he was doing this he said it was for safety reasons. I ended up speaking with some other people who said that wasn't the case and he wasn't supposed to do that. After speaking to him, he said he'll "return the Facebook page to you, but you cannot use any of our cards or anything we've supplied to you". They made me sign a contract—Chris Yendt was there at that time—and from that point on we had to start from scratch. The beginning of last year is when we restarted up to this point.

**Sufi:** What would you prefer to use for food service if Sodexo was eliminated?

**Henen:** A professor at Brock said lots of movements fail because they focus on the alternatives rather than the immediate steps. We were told to focus on what needs to be done rather than focusing on what the alternative would look like. It is the administration's job to answer how we want to solve the problem. A food court system or collaboration with Niagara College could be an option. The key transition is in-house catering. If the university can buyout the union as I've been told, it's no longer a monopoly and opens up opportunities.

**Sufi:** Can you elaborate on in-house catering?

**Henen:** In-house catering would involve the university hiring workers of CUPE 1295. We would also suggest to the administration that there could be a possible collaboration with the student union and CUPE 1295. Instead of one entity governing the food with a monopoly, there would be three bodies overseeing this system: BUSU, CUPE 1295, and university administration. We clarify on the Facebook page that we would like it to be non-monopolistic and non profit, and as close to marginal cost as possible.

**Budgeon:** You said you had 8000 signatures? There are only 295 on the online petition.

**Henen:** We realized it was difficult to get people to sign the petition online since not many people are active online. We appreciate the online comments because they show the true value of this initiative. Most of the petitions we have are on paper.

**Budgeon:** Why didn't you bring those papers today?

**Henen:** There are too many and for safety reasons.

**Sergi:** Who have you talked to on the Board of Trustees and would you say this person, or these people, agree to 100% of the facts and the approach you've been taking with students, including interrupting one of our debates.

**Henen:** As you may or may not know, we've been doing these protests for several years. It comes to a point where flash mobs don't get people talking enough. We went out on a limb interrupting the second debate in the 2016 election. It was difficult for many people as well as members of FAST, but it got the university talking. The controversy allows for the sharing of conversations and opinions. Being able to have that conversation will lead to education, and the more people talk about something the more they will be able to be educated about the facts. We did not mean to offend that speaker by interrupting, or BUSU as a whole, but we needed to do it to get your attention. Now that we have your attention, the entire movement has been peaceful from the beginning. We didn't break anything, I wouldn't consider it violent—more than anything it was rude. In regards to the first part of the question, I'm going to refrain from mentioning the person's name. I don't have to, right?

**Rose:** Don't do anything you're not comfortable doing. It isn't required of you.

**Horvath:** If you haven't looked at outside food providers because you're focusing on what needs to be done, how do you know these providers are better solutions than the current provider?

**Henen:** As a student I am not the one to decide the food provider for the university. As long as it meets the needs of the students and is non-monopolistic

**Horvath:** Many have decided to use this sort of system because it's easier on them. They gain a bit of profit. Why do you think that is as opposed to running it themselves?

**Henen:** Many universities have removed these monopolies. I don't know if it would be easier, but I know what's easier isn't always what's best.

**Hashmi:** You put a lot of emphasis on the signatures. When you approached students, what information do you give them in relation to your petition? What financial and legal information do you provide them?

**Henen:** We're trying to lower the food costs at Brock by eliminating the current food provider. They've been removed from other universities, workers won't lose their jobs. We speak to them about collaboration—basically anything I've mentioned in this presentation is what we tell students.

**Hashmi:** You reiterated the information in the presentation, my questions is what facts do you have and where are your sources?

**Henen:** Any facts come from multiple resources we file online. If you are interested in those we can get them to you. They are available online in case you need them.

**Hejazi:** Thanks for coming in. Whether we agree or disagree, we recognize your diligence. In the cases with the other schools you highlighted, were the contract breaches driven by students or university administration?

**Henen:** I believe the students

**Hejazi:** You believe or you know?

**Henen:** I know.

**Dawson:** You're coming to BUSU for support. Getting 8000 signatures isn't easy to do, and it's clear that this is a need for students. Your petition hasn't gone through the appropriate channels to have a significant backbone for BUSU to support it. It has to go through very specific procedures to validate the petition. We have a certain approach to doing business; moving forward, are you going to make sure our priorities are in line with each other?

**Henen:** We did approach BUSU with the referendum but we would have had to wait until October. The only difference between the petitions and referendum was that the referendum was more formal. We would have more luck doing the petition itself since not a lot of students communicate online. When we were working with OPIRG we tried to form a policy two years ago with BUSU. It was amended after being approved, which made us lose our trust in BUSU. The reputation of FAST isn't defined by one event. I have publicly apologized on behalf of that incident. We will work together with BUSU, because on behalf of

myself, I know I am a man of my word. We aren't asking for ancillary fees.

We're only giving time and resources; we're just asking that you hear our voice.

**Green:** When Kayleigh, Peter, John, and I met, we outlined that the timeline wasn't going to work with a referendum. A referendum of this nature has little-to-no teeth and is a waste of student dollars. You're asking for an opinion poll because you aren't making anyone accountable. BUSU takes direction for the undergraduate population, and one of our concerns was that faculty and other members of the school's population have signed this petition. With the methodology of the signing of the petition, there's no way of verifying those signatures. Also, there were a couple of things that spoke from a place of authority about BUSU on the fact sheet attached to the petition that were incorrect—I assume they will be changed when you move forward with petition. That was the recommendation that we made. If you decide to hold a referendum, I'm not sure what you're going to ask, and if they vote yes I'm not sure what they're going to do.

**Henen:** We didn't understand the logistics of it [BUSU]. On the back of the petition it says the Starbucks does not sell sandwiches. That was the Common Grounds Café in the library, that wasn't Starbucks from my understanding. Although I understand the technicalities of that weren't on par, I don't think explaining this to students in this way would change whether they signed the petition.

**Green:** Starbucks selling sandwiches has nothing to do with Sodexo.

**Henen:** Some of the facts on the sheet may not be correct. The actual petition is right on the front and explains that students don't want Sodexo as their main food provider. You can explain the technicalities to them, but there are more than just those five points on the fact sheet.

**Dawson:** It would have been helpful to bring the petition and fact sheet so that councilors could see what you're talking about regarding these technicalities. The technicalities that you say aren't important are of the utmost importance, in my opinion. The things you're telling students should be absolutely accurate when you're trying to collect signatures. My issue is with your messaging, we don't know what your messaging was when you got students to sign this. BUSU has specific messaging procedures and ensures we have the research and knowledge to back it up. The fact that there's no validation that they are Brock students is all the more reason why the university won't support it or take a second glance. The validation piece needs to be there for it to be considered seriously.

**Henen:** Sodexo's monopoly affects staff and faculty too, which is why we've collected their signatures too. The food is really expensive on campus, students are not the only ones upset about this monopoly because it affects employees and the community at large. For the inaccuracies for the facts on the back, I would suggest to BUSU that you can take the torch and take it from here if you'd like.

**Rose:** We appreciate your efforts and the spirit of what you're trying to do. I hope you don't feel like your voice isn't being heard, as much as people are being critical. When we have these conversations with senior administration, it's on a higher level and fine details are really important, especially in circumstances like

this one. I think everyone has done a good job identifying concerns tonight. This isn't something that won't be dealt with, so I want to make sure you understand that the criticisms are just constructive to allow it to be validated so your voice can be heard.

**Henen:** By no means do I take offence to the criticism. It's important with large decisions like this. When you see something wrong, I don't want you to mention it as why it shouldn't happen, but 'this is what you're doing wrong and here's what you should do to fix it'. I'm willing to work with you guys. Essentially a student union in unison with its student body is powerful. I'm trying to give you more power.

**Rose:** I have sat down with Peter and heard his request, and I'm bringing those notes with me to a meeting with Brian Hutchings in the near future. I'm going to have a clear understanding of the next steps moving forward after that. If you have any questions you want to address, you can direct them to me and I'll make sure Peter has a chance to answer so we can support him the best way that we can. I can make the questions into a report in terms of the updates moving forward.

**Hobbs:** Do you know whether we have to break the contract to get them out of the building in the timeline you're looking at?

**Henen:** We're asking that you exempt them from the petition.

**Hobbs:** Do you know if that would cost the university or students money, and how much that would cost?

**Henen:** No, one person from BUSU said \$100,000 and another said up to \$100 million. I found both to be extremely unreasonable. I don't have access to the numbers, so I don't know. Those who have access to those numbers would have a better analysis of the situation.

**Sergi:** A lot of students seem to be behind this, and I do understand and admire the drive and time that you've put into this cause. We just want to ensure it's done in the most well-informed and appropriate way. How many of those students of the 8000 have been informed enough and are students in the university, given that you can't come up with an exact cost if we breach our contract, or that you've been telling students that if over 50% of the student population sign it the university will honour it, and if they don't, the provincial government will intervene?

**Henen:** We're aiming to get over 51% of the student body to support this petition and bring it to the Board of Trustees. We do plan on taking it to the provincial government if they don't agree to make changes. 100% of the students are well informed about what we have, other than the details that are immeasurable. Faculty signatures should not be undermined. While you don't represent them personally, your job is to advocate for students. There may be students who don't have complete information. When we analyze the numbers we are compensating for that. We're getting extra sheets to compensate.

**Sergi:** On one hand you've said this is a student initiative, on the other hand you've included the community perspective. There are people who represent the students and provincial capacity who have the answers. Do you think the cost

associated with the legal battles will be higher than the cost of what we're currently paying to keep them here?

**Henen:** It would be foolish to answer with specific numbers. I don't think you could come up with specific numbers. I don't have access to the specific numbers, I can only ask that we are heard because this is what students want. Yes, this is a student driven initiative—you could remove all staff signatures and faculty signatures and you will still have plenty of undergraduate students in support of it. Just because they [faculty and staff] are a minority of the signatures, it should not mean they are overlooked.

**Bernie:** There are so many contracts involved when trying to buyout of a multimillion-dollar contract. I don't think \$100,000 is a realistic number.

**Henen:** I don't think it's \$100,000. I'm not sure.

**Bernie:** You should consider meeting with representatives who have that information.

**Dawson:** We all know that food prices are an issue for students, if not staff and faculty. It's obvious because we've had other organizations who have supported this initiative in one way, shape, or form. Have you considered negotiating the rates on campus instead of breaking the contract altogether?

**Henen:** I considered exploring that option. Sodexo is solely about outsourcing. They won't do anything except a monopoly from reading up on them. He tried to speak something against it and they told him that you have to pay \$100,000 because that's what they'll charge us (back in 2005). Many professors who have been here for years, explained to me the rate by which market prices are increasing are way larger than the rate of inflation. I will leave the intricate details to you and professionals who have access to those numbers. As a student and representative of students, I'm asking that you advocate for a non-monopolistic food source provider.

**Dawson:** Sticking with the theme that Heather was talking about, if we want to go into a legal battle it's going to cost a lot more than what we've put into it already. This is all student dollars that will be going into this when they will be leaving us in three years.

**Henen:** I don't know the number that is required to break the contract, but spending that money will not be put to waste. It would be a great opportunity to eliminate a negative force on campus.

**Hobbs:** Would you be willing to bring the petitions that have been signed to the next meeting, or bringing them to the CRO to be digitized?

**Henen:** I don't have a problem with that. I have two main conditions, though. You have to photocopy the petitions and you'll have to look through all 8,000 signatures and not discredit any of the pages if there's a single problem. I find that people like to focus more on the problems rather than the positives. Your perception of the whole package is necessary, and if you're going to look through all 8,000 signatures, by that time it will probably be over 9,000.

**Hobbs:** To clarify, we look through every person individually on petitions when we verify. So, we can expect this in council in two weeks?

**Henen:** Yes.

**Jaberi:** What's the point of having access to these signatures when his job is to let people know there's a problem?

**Speaker:** Any councilor can request supporting information.

**Henen:** Not everyone who signed petition may want their name to be viewed. I will submit a poll on Facebook to make sure it's okay with everyone if I share this with BUSU.

**Dawson:** They're willing to put their name forward on a piece of paper, so I would think they would allow for us to see those petitions to validate.

**Henen:** How do you think is the best way to go about this?

**Green:** The question doesn't have BUSU .. I don't think you'll be able to verify who is what. We're not going to be able to get that information from the registrar's office, because it hasn't gone through the appropriate channels.

***Motion to limit discussion to two minutes***

Sufi, Horvath

17-In favor
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0-Against
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0-Abstain
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***Motion passes***

**Sergi:** You've admitted that you're unsure about multiple things, including the cost of breaking the contract. In your opinion, do the costs associated with the legal battles outweigh the cost of waiting out the remaining three years of our contract, even after our GM said the process is undoable?

**Henen:** You're asking me to foresee the future, which is not possible. My opinion is nothing in the face of 8000 students. It's your job to take their petition seriously.

**Dawson:** We've had a lot of good conversation tonight. We're not attacking you or the work you've done. My recommendation to you would be to reach out to the new executive team and continue conversations with Chris Green to make sure your efforts are joined.

**Henen:** Conclusively, I'd like to thank you for hearing me out. This puzzle isn't complete, but nothing starts completed. I have brought you something, and while it isn't completed I'm asking you to take the merit of what I have into account. We don't know the intricate details of the system, just know that we don't want a monopolistic provider or the workers to lose their jobs. Do something about it; it's easy to critique but you have to provide an alternative.

## Clubs Policy Committee Reports

**Budgeon:** CPC recommends full funding. We're happy with how this event turned out. They've done everything right by our books and we have enough money in the clubs funding budget that we can cover it at this time.

BIRT BUSAC approves \$2,120.55 as a grant from North American Culture Association (NACA).
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Horvath, Sufi
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16-In favor
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1-Against
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1-Abstain (Budgeon)
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## Governance Report

**Dawson:** There was some confusion at the last meeting regarding the changes made to the New Building Bylaw, so I'd like to remove that from the omnibus motion to clarify what those changes were council.

BIRT BUSAC approves an omnibus motion approving the changes to Bylaws 402, 401, 604, and 611 in their second readings.
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Hashmi, Sufi
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14-In favor
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0-Against
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3-Abstain
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BIRT BUSAC approves the changes to Bylaw 402 (Referendum Petitions & Polls Bylaw) in its second reading.
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Omnibus item
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BIRT BUSAC approves the changes to Bylaw 401 (Referenda) in its second reading.
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Omnibus item

BIRT BUSAC approves the changes to Bylaw 604 (Appeals Committee) in its second reading.

Omnibus item

BIRT BUSAC approves the changes to Bylaw 611 (External Affairs Committee) in its second reading.  
BIFRT Bylaw 401 (referenda) come into force and effect on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016

Omnibus item

**Pappas:** I would like to add a subsidiary motion, BIFRT Bylaw 401 (referenda) come into force and effect on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016

**Dawson:** This committee was formally known as the New Building Committee. We are not in the financial position to start thinking about what a new building would look like, so we've made some changes to it. IT&I would parallel the Senate IT&I committee; we should start having conversations about that and bridge the communities soon.

**Green:** If anyone has questions about the new building I can answer them.

BIRT BUSAC approves the changes to Bylaw 612 (Information Technology & Infrastructure Committee) in its second reading.  
Hashmi, Dawson

17-In favor  
0-Against  
0-Abstain

**Kayitaba:** I feel that there won't be as many people for the last breakfast because students are going to be done classes and will be studying for exams. If we stick to the current ask it will be more than enough to provide an adequate breakfast for students on campus.

**Budgeon:** For the last breakfast, is it possible to move the time so that it could start a bit later and run later?

**Horvath:** There's a lot of time that goes into take down and setup, and since we operate a food court we need to make sure everything is out of Union Station before their operations open for business.

**Piovesan:** I wasn't at the last breakfast, but the one before that ran out of tofu. One of the things in the original Fed Up MOU is about environmental sustainability, because it takes so much industrial agriculture to manufacture animal products. Instead of using the new funding for more bacon it could go towards other food. I'd like to say that while these breakfasts are a good way for students to get food, we're only treating symptoms of the cause.

**Horvath:** The MOU does state working with ethically food sourced products. At the last breakfast we threw out a large portion of tempeh because no one ate it, and we switched over to chicken because there was a larger demand for it. Anyone can request the Fed Up funds. This is a system that provides students with food at a low cost. If anyone would like to make a change then they are welcome to come forward.

**Bezaire:** Our last meeting is on the 6<sup>th</sup>, so it will be the same day as the last meeting. How would we go about providing additional funding if we didn't decide today?

**Horvath:** Board can only approve up to \$500.00. We're just asking to use "up to" a certain approved amount.

**Bezaire:** I think these breakfasts are great. We make the trek all the way from Quarry View that early in the morning. So, would we not need to decide that tonight in some way then?

**Horvath:** Yes.

**Sufi:** If we ended up going ahead with it, there might be wastage of food because there won't be as much people.

**Horvath:** We'll try to focus more on foods that won't spoil immediately.

**Sufi:** Or give it to the food bank?

**Horvath:** Yes.

**Jaberi:** Why did you choose April 6<sup>th</sup>?

**Horvath:** The breakfasts were consistently on Wednesdays, for the most part. It was a good incentive for students to wake up early to study uninterrupted for the day.

**Jaberi:** How are you going to get funding for the last breakfast?

**Horvath:** I made a request for \$4000 per breakfast at the last meeting, and I'm opening up the floor to increase the funding tonight. The size won't be comparable to the one we'll have next week if this funding request goes through.

**Hejazi:** At what time did the food run out?

**Horvath:** It varied. Holal options ran out at 9:40, muffins were right to the end. Juice was gone by 9:30. Bacon was gone at the end, and so on.

**Hejazi:** Would we have to vote initially on this in order for you to put this on?

**Horvath:** If you felt it was necessary to add more money I think we should.

**Hejazi:** It is on April 6<sup>th</sup> and students aren't on campus, and I'm not sure students will come up. I don't think it's a bad idea, I'm just concerned about turnout.

**Speaker:** If we amend this, we have to send it to the Board again.

**Dawson:** How much did you spend on the last breakfast?

**Horvath:** Right around \$4000. I don't have a total of all of the catering and labour costs at this time, though.

**Kayitaba:** You threw away tempeh. What have you done to make sure that there is no more food being wasted?

**Horvath:** That's the only thing that's been wasted.

**Kayitaba:** So everything else has gone?

**Horvath:** 98-99% of the time, every item runs out. Instead of ordering in tempeh we brought in chicken instead. We gauge where the demand is and constantly improve with each breakfast.

**Hashmi:** If the concern is there's not enough people showing up on April 6<sup>th</sup>, you can do a take home box in Isaac's for students to stop by and pick up to minimize waste.

**Horvath:** We're on a growing trend where students will be on campus. We're asking you to amend it so that we can create a poll to see if there's a demand for it, and if there is we'll have the means to meet the demands. I feel that we're going to be moving backward if we move away from what we can offer.

***Motion to amend up to \$3000.***

Sufi, Dawson

**Sufi:** The way I see it, by approving it here it won't make a difference. If they decide not to spend it, that's okay because it'll come back. Things can be donated to the food bank or given back to students in some other way.

**Horvath:** If it goes back to Board, will we be approved for \$1500 still?

**Dawson:** Once approved, he will receive the \$3000, if not he won't receive anything. If it doesn't pass he would have to make another motion, and come back to BUSAC.

**Jaberi:** Can we approve this and have him ask for another \$1500?

**Speaker:** The Board approved \$1500. If we amend the motion, it has to go back to Board.

**Jaberi:** If we approve this now, could he ask for it again?

**Speaker:** As a separate motion, yes.

**Dawson:** The best way to go about this is to vote for the motion as it originally stands. If you're looking for more funding then go to Board. Are we able to hold a vote online?

**Speaker:** No, we don't have that in the Standing Orders.

**Kayitaba:** I feel like we're over thinking it. He already has the \$4000 for this breakfast that we approved at the last meeting. We're in a realm of comfort to host another great breakfast with these funds, so we shouldn't be overly concerned about this because he has the capacity to serve 800 students right now.

**Horvath:** The students paid into this last year and saw no benefits. If students are coming, we should be meeting their demands while they're still here. We shouldn't be saying "we've served enough". We are doing what the MOU said and we should continue to operate under that assumption.

**Hejazi:** No matter what we can only approve \$1500?

**Green:** Additional approval would be required, I think.

**Speaker:** Let's call a recess so we can re-examine the language of the MOU and make an informed decision about this.

***Motion to recess.***

Dawson, Rose

***Motion passes by general consent.***

**Speaker:** The GM and I examined the MOU and the language is currently written to allow for a two-way approval process, so we are going to amend the language of the motion to read "BIRT BUSAC Approve up to \$1500 from the Fed Up Funds" with a subsidiary motion, "BIFRT BUSAC request the Board approve up to \$1500 in additional Fed Up Funds." This way we can ensure the original ask of \$1500 is approved, if council wishes. If you don't agree, you can argue for that.

**Bezair:** I do support this. Coming from a residence perspective, as much as there's not going to be a lot of students on campus, there are students who will be here on residence with access to this breakfast. The cafeterias don't open until later in the morning, so early risers don't have access to food until then. I've run out of money both years on a meal plan by the end of the year as well, and the amount of food that I can get at one of these breakfasts would cost me probably \$12 and that makes a huge difference.

11-In favor
0-Against
0-Abstain

*Amendment passes.*

BIRT BUSAC Approve up to \$1500 from the Fed Up Funds.
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BIFRT BUSAC request the Board approve up to \$1500 in additional Fed Up Funds.
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Hashmi, Dawson
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10-In favor
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1-Against
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0-Abstain
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**Report – General Manager**

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**Report – VP Student Services**

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**Report – VP External Affairs**

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**Report – VP Finance & Administration**

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**President**

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**Closed Question Period**

**Jaberi:** Are there any updates on the Fed Up legal battle?

**Rose:** No.

**Green:** Soon, but not right now.

**Piovesan:** People were concerned about food waste at the breakfasts. In the future, if there is extra food could something productive happen with it? Maybe have it offered at Skybar or something?

**Horvath:** I will definitely look into that.

### Information and Reminders

**Green:** BUSU job postings will be closing on Friday including positions with the food court, restaurant, GB, and other jobs posted for the SJC will be up soon. We're going to keep the food bank open until the end of the exam period. The drive home program starts on April 7<sup>th</sup> and will run until the 20<sup>th</sup>. It'll be over our 2000<sup>th</sup> drive since the program started.

**Horvath:** Come to the breakfast but don't forget to bring a can of food or two to donate.

**Piovesan:** Next week is Sexual Violence Awareness Week. There will be lots of events going on throughout; I'll share the schedule on the Facebook group for anyone who is interested.

**Hobbs:** The OUSA GA happened this weekend. No one has talked about how absolutely amazing it was. I have to say this was the best GA I've ever been to. Good food and the venue was great, we got similar comments from other attendees. I guarantee they left with a greater opinion of Brock than when they came; they thought the atmosphere was awesome. Sergi did an awesome job putting this together.