



# Fulcrum Publishing Society

5<sup>th</sup> year of autonomy

## Board of Directors Meeting MINUTES

**February 5, 2012**

UCU206, 10:30 a.m.

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**Voting members present: Andrew Hawley, Alex Smyth, Ben Myers, Matthew “The Seconder” Conley, Des Fisher, Jonathan Rouseo, Ben Mitchell**

**Ex-officio members present:** Deedee Butters, Michelle Vicha,

Other:

Absent: Mercedes Mueller,

Opening of the meeting at 10:40am

1. Opening of the Meeting
2. Approval of the Agenda
  - a. Change point 8 to point 4 to approve Jonathan as new board member.
3. Director Application
  - a. Motion by Matt Conley, seconded by Alex Smyth to approve Jonathan Rouseo as University Representative on Fulcrum BoD. Motion passed.
4. Approval of the Minutes
  - a. Motion to add Matt Conley to attendees via Skype in last meeting minutes
5. Ad Rep Report
  - a. We’ve met target!
  - b. Jonathan suggests investigating Career Days attendees as potential advertisers for the Fulcrum.
  - c. Will software problems be solved by replacing the hardware?
  - d. Deedee now knows how to upload ads for the website.
6. President's Report
  - a. Daniel actually **not** interested in being Webmaster.
  - b. What about our webmaster from last year?
  - c. Des: “Football? I don’t give a damn.”
7. General Manager's Report
  - a. \$6,000 remaining from last year’s collections. Expected \$1,500 for write-off.
  - b. Fulcrum will co-host Regional CUP conference with La Rotonde.
    - i. We’re trying to get facilities for free;
    - ii. Bilingual newspaper
    - iii. Web broadcast
    - iv. Tentative speakers
      1. Andrew Coyne
      2. Rick Mercer
8. Editor-in-Chief's Report
  - a. Absent from meeting, but report received.
  - b. Proposals for changes to Fulcrum Policy have to be approved by the BoD prior to the AGM.
9. NASH Report

- a. Amazing report from Matt “The Seconder” Conley.
- 10. Editorial Hiring Policy Amendment
  - a. Because Daniel does not want to be webmaster, no motion needed at this time.
  - b. Can we allocate some budget to allow Ed board members to call in website coding support when necessary?
  - c. Refer hosting to the iTask committee.
    - i. Netfirms
    - ii. Webmaster
- 11. Auditor Update
  - a. Audit supposedly done. Luc needs to respond to Danielle’s email requests for them to come in to present the results.
- 12. IT Infrastructure Purchase Motion
  - a. Where can we take the money from the budget?
  - b. Four areas that need improvement
    - i. Computer upgrades
      - 1. Deedee’s computer is relatively new
    - ii. Network infrastructure; wired network
    - iii. New server
    - iv. Data protection
  - c. **Motion:** WHEREAS, Information Technology consultants have recommended the Fulcrum improve four aspects of its IT infrastructure as soon as possible, and WHEREAS, the Fulcrum's financial prudence has led to resources available to pay for this, BIRT the Board of Directors authorizes spending not to exceed \$10,000 from the “Capital Purchases/Assets” line of the budget to upgrade computer hardware and software, install new wired network infrastructure, and replace the Time Capsule in the Fulcrum office with a new server (aka “Operation Grand Slam”). **Motion passed** by all directors in attendance and Ben Mitchell and Devanne O’Brien via email.
- 13. Any other business
  - a. Frank credit card
    - i. Need to receive invoices from CUP from Nash and Danielle and Andrew/Devanne will meet to apply for a new credit card.

**(14) Adjournment**

- Ben Myers moves to adjourn, seconded by Conley. Motion carried at 1:24 p.m.