

Previous Meeting Minutes (28 May 2017)

Federation of Students May 28, 2018
Federation of Students' Council Minutes
SLC MPR, University of Waterloo
Speaker: President Brieva *Secretary:* Vice President Knight

Attendance

The following members were present:

- Altaf, Subham
- Ayre, Alexander
- Brieva, Antonio
- Clubine, Andrew
- Easton, Benjamin
- George, Rebecca
- Knight, Jill
- Mohan, Andrew
- OSullivan, Elizabeth
- Potter, Tristan
- Schwan, Brian
- Shibli, Aisha
- Small, Jason
- Tran, Tomson
- Velling, Seneca*
- Xu, Wenyu*
- Ye-Mowe, Stephanie
- Small, Jason

* remote

The following members were absent:

- Clarke, Antonio
- Goomer, Kanishk
- Jowhari, Nickta
- Mills, Cameron
- Mistry, Harsh
- Simpson, Abigail
- Terzian, Hagop
- Mohan, Andrew

* excused

The following gallery was present:

- Kim, Ju Hyun
- MacDonald, William

Preliminaries

Call to Order

President Brieve called the meeting to order at 12:55 PM.

Appointment of the Speaker

Be it resolved that Students Council appoints Vice President Clubine as temporary speaker for the current meeting.

Vice President Schwan and Councillor Easton.

Motion carries unanimously.

Appointment of the Secretary

Be it resolved that Students Council appoints _____ as secretary, for the term ending April 30, 2018.

Vice President Schwan and Councillor Easton.

Vice President Schwan nominates Councillor Potter who accepts the nomination. There were no other nominees.

The motion now reads:

Be it resolved that Students Council appoints Councillor Potter as secretary, for the term ending April 30, 2018.

Motion carries unanimously.

Appointment of the Assistant Secretary

Be it resolved that Students Council appoints _____ as assistant secretary, for the term ending April 30, 2018.

Vice President Schwan and Councillor Potter.

Councillor Xu nominates themselves. There were no other nominees.

The motion now reads:

Be it resolved that Students Council appoints Councillor Xu as assistant secretary, for the term ending April 30, 2018.

Motion carries unanimously.

As Councillor Xu is participating remotely, they will assume their duties at the next meeting. Until then, Vice President Knight continues as acting assistant secretary.

Approval of the agenda

Be it resolved that Students Council approves the agenda as presented.
Vice President Schwan and Councillor Small.

Vice President Schwan updated an inaccuracy in the agenda. The councillor appointment to Budget Committee is made by recommendation to the Board of Directors.

Motion carries unanimously.

Executive Reports

Please see the attached written reports for the full reports from the Executive Board to Students Council.

All executives spent this month preparing for their terms, including hiring their staff and creating their individual annual plans for the term.

Report of the President

The President noted that construction on the expansion to the Student Life Centre and Physical Activities Complex had begun, and that all students had received an email detailing how they would be affected. A ground-breaking ceremony is being planned for June 19, 2017 and the President will be co-hosting with President Bruce of the Graduate Students Association.

The President also touched on some of the plans they were making for the year, as well as the positive advocacy relationships that had already begun. As an example, Premier Kathleen Wynne came to campus to promote the new PharmaPlus plan. The President also took the opportunity to also discuss the government's role in preventing sexual violence on campus; a follow up meeting was scheduled to discuss the matter in more depth. More

locally, the President was invited to a police task force on sexual violence and how it affects students.

Finally, the President highlighted that some work had begun on the new Presidents Advisory Committee on Mental Health, and that Students Council could expect more updates at future meetings.

Report of the Vice President, Internal

The Vice President, Internal also made note of the work happening in the University related to student mental health, including that there would be plenty of opportunities for Councillors to get their constituents active in the discussion.

In addition, the Vice President, Internal is involved in a wellness committee that is investigating how partners on campus are working towards a culture of wellness on campus. The goal is to have all of the stakeholders working together in a unified direction.

In terms of student life, the Vice President, Internal spent time learning more about the clubs and services ecosystem, and has determined some termly goals for the services as well as ensuring that the club support team has the necessary resources to excel in their roles.

Finally, the Vice President, Internal will be investigating potential renovations to the multi-faith prayer space to differentiate it from a classroom and make it more accommodating.

A councillor inquired about the Federations plans to increase interaction with the student societies, and was informed that the Vice President, Internal is attending the society executive meetings, organizing lunch and learns with the society executives, and increasing the role of the Committee of Presidents within their portfolio.

Report of the Vice President, Education

The Vice President, Education provided an update on the co-op fee review process that was promised as part of their platform. Meetings with the Di-

rector of Coop are proceeding and the terms of reference for the fee review committee are being discussed.

In addition to their university advocacy, the Vice President, Education attended a conference held by the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance and was elected President. They anticipate that this will assist them in achieving the goals of the Federation in concert with those of the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance.

Finally, the Vice President, Education shared their desire to improve the Federations policy framework with research and evidence to support existing policy, and they encouraged councillors to contact them to discuss any policy they felt the Federation was lacking. In response to a question from Students Council, they also expressed that a large amount of the Federations policy is expired or expiring in the near future, and that councillors and their constituents could find the Federations policies and their expiration dates online.

Report of the Vice President, Operations and Finance

Beginning with the commercial services, the Vice President, Operations and Finance highlighted that there was an increase in traffic to Bomber and plans for a new menu. As well, they announced that the selection of hot items at iNews had increased, stocking three hot meals a day and Campus Bubble now serves chocolate ice cream and twist cones.

Internally, the new website encountered some unexpected issues with its backend but will be launched soon.

Finally, the Vice President, Operations and Finance drew attention to the recent government announcement on subsidized access to medication. They are working closely with StudentCare to determine how the Federations health insurance plan will change with the new Pharmacare Plus program. A current lack of details about the plan is making it difficult to arrive at long-term sustainable decisions. At the moment, fees haven't changed for the health and dental plan; until more details are released the plan will operate as usual.

Speakers Report

Given that no Speaker has been appointed, there was no formal report submitted for this meeting; however, Vice President Clubine highlighted the need for councillors to attend meetings and that council policy stated that councillors may be removed after two un-excused absences or four excused absences.

General Orders

Election of Committees

Be it resolved that Council appoint members to the following committees.

- _____ and _____ to fill the councillor seats on the Policy and Procedures Committee.
 - Councillor Potter nominated himself.
 - Councillor Velling nominated himself.

There were no other nominees, Councillor Potter and Councillor Velling fill the blanks.

- _____ and _____ to fill the at-large seats on the Policy and Procedures Committee.

There were no nominees.
- _____ and _____ to fill the councillor seats on the Campus Life Advisory Committee.
 - Councillor Tran nominated himself.
 - Councillor Ayre nominated himself.

There were no other nominees, Councillor Tran and Councillor Ayre fill the blanks.

- _____ and _____ to fill the at-large seats on the Campus Life Advisory Committee.

There were no nominees.
- _____ and _____ to fill the councillor seats on the Internal Administration Committee.

- Councillor Tran nominated himself.
- Councillor Ayre nominated himself.
- Councillor Altaf nominated himself.

Councillor Tran withdrew his nomination. There were no other nominees, Councillor Ayre and Councillor Altaf fill the blanks.

- _____ and _____ to fill the at-large seats on the Internal Administration Committee.

There were no nominees.

- _____, _____, and _____ to fill the councillor seats on the Education Advisory Committee.

- Councillor Small nominated himself.
- Councillor Easton nominated himself.
- Councillor Ye-Mowe nominated herself.
- Councillor Ayre nominated himself.

Councillor Ayre withdrew his nomination. There were no other nominees, Councillor Easton, Councillor Ye-Mowe, and Councillor Small fill the blanks.

- _____ and _____ to fill the at-large seats on the Education Advisory Committee.

- Councillor Tran nominated himself.
- William MacDonald nominated himself.

There were no other nominees, Councillor Tran and William MacDonald fill the blanks.

- _____ and _____ to fill the councillor seats on the Presidents Advisory Committee.

- Councillor Velling nominated himself.
- Councillor George nominated herself.

There were no other nominees, Councillor Velling and Councillor George fill the blanks.

- _____ and _____ to fill the at large seats on the Presidents Advisory Committee.

There were no nominees.

- _____ and _____ to fill the councillor seats on the Internal Funding Committee.

- Councillor Easton nominated himself.

- Councillor Tran nominated himself.

There were no other nominees, Councillor Easton and Councillor Tran fill the blanks.

- _____ and _____ to fill the at-large seats on the Internal Funding Committee. There were no nominees.

- _____ , _____ , and _____ to fill the councillor seats on the Government Affairs Advisory Committee.

- Councillor Small nominated himself.

- Councillor Ye-Mowe nominated herself.

- Councillor Altaf nominated himself.

- Councillor Easton nominated himself.

Councillor Altaf withdrew his nomination. There were no other nominees, Council- lor Small, Councillor Ye-Mowe, and Councillor Easton fill the blanks.

- _____ and _____ to fill the at-large seats on the Government Affairs Advisory Committee.

There were no nominees.

- _____ , _____ , and _____ to fill the councillor seats on the Cooperative Students Council.

- Councillor Altaf nominated himself.

- Councillor George nominated herself.

- Councillor Velling nominated himself.

- Councillor OSullivan nominated herself.

- Councillor Small nominated himself.

There were no other nominees; however, given that there were more nominees than available seats the appointment proceeded to a secret ballot. The Chair reviewed the terms of reference for the committee and its existing membership, and each nominee was given a speaking turn. Councillors cast their ballots, and it was determined that Councillor George, Councillor Velling, and Councillor OSullivan fill the blanks.

- _____ and _____ to fill the at-large seats on the Cooperative Students Council.
 - William MacDonald nominated himself.
 - Councillor Small nominated himself.

There were no other nominees, William MacDonald and Councillor Small fill the blanks.

Vice President Schwan and Vice President Knight.

Motion carries unanimously.

Be it resolved that the ballots created in the election of councillors to the Cooperative Students Council be destroyed.

Vice President Schwan and Vice President Knight.

Motion carries unanimously.

Councillor seat on the Budget Committee

The Vice President, Operations and Finance informed Students Council that the process for creating the budget had started, and that there was a seat on the Budget Committee for an interested councillor.

Councillor Velling and Councillor Xu expressed an interest in being considered for the position, and the Vice President, Operations and Finance committed to bringing their names forward for consideration at the next meeting of the Board of Directors.

Vacant at-large committee seats

Be it resolved that councillors may fill vacant at-large committee seats, subject to ratification at the next council meeting.

Councillor Small and Councillor Easton.

Motion carries unanimously.

Appoint service coordinators

Be it resolved that Students Council appoint the service coordinators for the Spring 2017 term.

Vice President Knight and Vice President Schwan.

Students Council was informed that the coordinators are selected by the Vice President, Internal and then approved by Students Council. This is because Students Council has the ability to remove coordinators from their positions.

A councillor inquired about the turnover between spring terms, and the Vice President, Internal responded that there were about six returning coordinators.

Be it resolved that the appointment is postponed until the next meeting of Students Council.

President Brieva and Councillor Easton.

Motion carries unanimously.

New Business

Next Meeting Date

Be it resolved that the next meeting of Students Council occur on _____ and, **Be it further resolved that** the chair will send out a poll to determine the July and August meeting dates.

Vice President Schwan and Councillor Small.

After a brief discussion, June 18, 2017 was proposed as a potential meeting date. No councillor expressed a conflict with this date.

Be it resolved that the blank be filled with June 18, 2017.

Vice President Schwan and Councillor Small.

Motion carries unanimously.

The motion now reads:

Be it resolved that the next meeting of Students Council occur on June 18, 2017 and,

Be it further solved that the chair will send out a poll to determine the July and August meeting dates.

Motion carries unanimously.

Reconsider the appointment of officers

Be it resolved that Students Council reconsider the preliminary meeting motions on the appointment of the speaker and deputy speaker of Students Council.

Councillor Velling and Councillor Easton.

Motion carries unanimously.

The following motion is on the table:

Be it resolved that Students Council appoints _____ as speaker, for the term end- ing April 30, 2018 and,

Be it furthure resolved that Students Council appoints _____ as deputy speaker, for the term ending April 30, 2018.

Councillor Velling nominates Councillor OSullivan as speaker. She accepts. No other nominees, Councillor OSullivan fills the blank for speaker.

Councillor Velling nominates himself as Deupty Speaker. No other nomi- nees, Councillor Velling fills the blank for deputy speaker.

The motion now reads:

Be it resolved that Students Council appoints Councillor OSullivan as speaker, for the term ending April 30, 2018 and,

Be it further resolved that Students Council appoints Councillor Velling as deputy speaker, for the term ending April 30, 2018.

Motion carries unanimously.

Adjournment

Be it resolved that Students Council adjourns. With no other business the speaker adjourned the meeting at 2:07 PM.