



## MEETING MINUTES

2018/2019 Academic School Year

Date: October 2, 2018

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: UCC 41

### Call to Order

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### Roll Call

#### 1. Attendee Names:

*Executives:*

Jared Forman, Nick Bottger, Matt Sparling, Mac Grenier, Camellia Wong

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*USC Councillors:*

Lisa Teno, Sam Potter, Ana Raja, Jack Stebbing, Kieran Lawlor, Ryan Baldwin, Anne Campbell, Charles Ma, Nikol Kamenetsky

*Senators:*

Jill Malcolm (proxy: Drew Patterson), Daniel Sowinski

*Soph Team Representative:*

Jill Malcolm (proxy: Abi Ravibalan)

*First Year Reps:*

Glen Hebert, Amanda Lee, Jayden Sohal, Celine Mano, Vishal Vijay, Alyssa Grant-Pereira, Anthony Berg, Niyonella Kamera

**2. Attendees Not Present:**

Kristen Coenen

**3. Attendees Excused:**

Hannah Tobias-Murray, Jordyn O'Connor

**Adoption of the Agenda**

- Motion: move First Year Rep and Alumni Commissioner Ratifications to the top of the agenda.
  - Seconder: Jack S
  - Motion passes.

**Ratification – First Year Representatives**

- Motion to allow each candidate one minute to speak, two minutes for a question-and-answer period, followed by a vote of confidence.
  - Mover: Jared F
  - Seconder: Mac G
  - Passes.
- Speeches:
  - Niyonella:
    - Perth.
    - Has experience in leadership and is excited for this year.
    - Hopes to promote events as Rep.
  - Vishal:
    - Ontario.
    - PPE-E.
    - Passionate about representation and be a voice for the voiceless.
    - Has experience in leadership; Free the Children.
    - Excited to represent the community and SSSC.
  - Amanda:
    - Med Syd.
    - BMOS, consumer behaviour.
    - Involved in community committees, such as DECA, Public Speaking and Youth Action Committee.
    - Developed lots of leadership skills and is looking forward to applying them.
  - Alyssa:
    - Essex.
    - Experience: member of, and helped to restructure, student council.
    - Has experience bringing spirit and wants to apply experiences from high school.

- Celine:
  - Elgin.
  - Econ.
  - Loves to run, sketch, read, cooking.
- Anthony:
  - OC.
  - PPE-E.
  - Experience: student council in high school for three years, Relay for Life.
- Glen:
  - Delaware.
  - BMOS.
  - Experience: student council in high school in junior high. Helped find avenues for student voice. Wants to help engage first year students. Deli.
- Jayden:
  - Saugeen.
  - Experience: high school Prefect, Head of House, UN leader, student council leader, helped to establish various charities in his high school.
- Vote of Confidence: passes unanimously.

### **Ratification – Alumni Relations Commissioner**

- Motion to allow each candidate one minute to speak, two minutes for a question-and-answer period, followed by a vote of confidence.
  - Mover: Jared F
  - Seconder: Jack S
  - Passes.
- Abi:
  - Program: 4<sup>th</sup> year Political Science w/ minor in Philosophy
  - Experience:
    - Social Science Soph & Academics PA
    - UNICEF President
    - Sells sweaters to empower female students
- Vote of Confidence: passes unanimously.

### **Members' Announcements**

- Trisha: IR Association Commissioner applications due tonight.
- Adriana W: Anthropology Society has first AGM on October 16 at 6:30 with speakers discussing volunteer opportunities

## Executive Report

### Presidential Update (Jared Forman)

- Done:
  - Presidents' Roundtable
    - Discussed pending budget cuts and free speech policy.
  - Campus Gear Meeting
    - Mac and Jared met reps from Campus Gear. Cam will elaborate.
  - First USC Meeting of the Year!
    - Counsellors will elaborate further.
- Doing:
  - Grad Program Fair Update
    - Matt and Jared met with the Associate Dean of Graduate Affairs to implement an internal Graduate Program Fair.
    - Faculties would set up booths in the UCC to display opportunities within Social Science after they graduate.
  - Constitutional Changes
    - Internal Review Committees will receive a message soon to set up a Skype meeting over the break.
  - Ward 6 Counsellor Debate
    - Co-hosted with the SSC.
    - Vote in the upcoming election!
    - October 18: graphics will be sent out
- To-Do
  - Programming budget for Sophs
    - \$250 provided to Social Sci Sophs for res-based programming.
  - Purple Frost
    - Meeting after the break to discuss potential artists.
  - New Head Soph Hiring
    - Picking up after Reading Week.
  - Academic Counselling Survey
    - Set up after reading week
  - Dean's Meeting
    - To discuss budget cuts from the provincial government
- Municipal Election Update
  - Vote on October 22!
  - On October 4, you can vote on campus.
  - Register to vote on [westernvotes.ca](http://westernvotes.ca)
  - Bring proof of residence and ID.
  - If your address does not match your letter, you can fix this in Student Centre.
  - POI Matt: if you live OC, chances are your polling station is not in the UCC unless you vote on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Finance Update (Nick Bottger)**

- Done:
  - Money has been received!
    - We have \$2,900 from SCF funding.
    - USC money has not been deposited yet.
    - This money is going to covering Soph fees.
- Doing:
  - Combining SOGS and DOGS accounts
  - SDF Contract Review
    - Draft e-mailed to all but those hired at today's meeting to review edits.
  - Approving Departmental Requests
    - \$200,000 of requests made
    - Approval process made tonight with SDF committee
    - Will be done this week and reading week
  - Finalize Budget
- To-Do:
  - Sponsorships
    - We want free money!

**Communications Update (Camellie Wong)**

- Done
  - Headshots
    - Finished yesterday!
  - First Year Rep Hiring
  - Alumni Relations Commissioner Hiring
  - Wellness Week Promos
    - Wellness Day initiate tomorrow!
    - Visit UCC Atrium and Rec Centre
- Doing
  - Exec Intro Video
    - Coming out next week!
    - Share so we have more traction on social media!
  - SSSC Leadership Awards
    - 11 awards valued at \$2,200 (increased this year from \$1,800)
    - Apply!
    - POI Nikol: Is each of the 11 awards valued at \$2,200?
      - Cam: Yes!
  - Women in House promos
    - Nov 21-23
    - Apply if you're a woman into politics
    - Go to Ottawa for free for two days. You get mentored by and shadow a female MP, as well as hang out with USC executives.
  - General member recruitment

- To-Do
  - Hype Team recruitment
    - Bridged off of Comms Committee to promote events
  - Social Sci Design Contest
    - Intent to sell general Social Sci merch through Campus Gear
    - Get designs from across the faculty
    - Vote on favourites.

### **Academics Update (Matt Sparling)**

- Done:
  - Academic Conference Committee
    - First meeting is Tuesday two weeks after Reading Week
  - Update to Josh Clark
    - Regarding speaker ideas for the Conference
  - Preliminary Grad Fair work
  - VP Academics Roundtable
    - Discussed student advocacy issues and budget cuts
  - Alumni Relations Commissioner Selection
- Doing:
  - Clubs MOU
    - Bring clubs that fall under the faculty closer to the Council
  - Academic Conference Planning
- To-Do:
  - Meeting with Alumni Relations Commissioner
  - Department Rep Election
    - Vacancy in Women's Studied needing to be filling
    - Applications and elections after Reading Week
  - Department Rep Meeting
    - Do the Doodle poll!
  - Academic Conference Committee Meeting

### **Student Events Update (Mac Grenier)**

- Done:
  - Charity Week
    - Three days of programming; successful.
    - Bar Night did not go well due to conflicts with Soph events and proximity to FOCO.
- Doing:
  - Tri Sci Wellness Fair
    - Atrium is booked from 9AM to 2PM.
    - WEC, SDC, and Tri Sci booths will be set up
    - Agenda:
      - 12PM – 2PM: Speakers Panel

- Tri Sci Execs, Peer Support Center, and WEC will discuss general wellness matters, study tips, resources of campus, and advice on how to stay well during the study period.
    - 1PM: Graduate and Second-Entry Program Application Session
      - Help by HIPPO and Ivey Council
      - Advice on transition from undergrad to these program.
    - 6-9PM: Healthy Lifestyle and Wellness Area
      - Snacks and running competitions in the Rec Centre
      - Aimed at helping to establish SSSC's presence in the area.
  - Office hours tomorrow are now in the booth in Atrium to discuss Council.
  - Share the Facebook event!!
  - Retreat
    - In contact with Rec Room to get wristbands, you will have to buy your own food.
    - Potential date: October 19 (Friday after Reading Week)
      - POI Milana: Business 2257 exam is 20<sup>th</sup>
      - POI Nikol: do November!
  - Discussing Future Charity Initiatives
    - Halloween potential date
    - Oct 23, 25: Blood Drive Days
      - Promoted through SSSC social media channels
      - Volunteering by Events Team
      - Register at [blood.ca](http://blood.ca) to give if you're on council!
  - Reaching Out for Our First Life – skills events
    - Want another LinkedIn event again
    - Reached out to Peri Monaco
- To-Do
  - Work on our wellness
    - Wellness Commissioners are theme-ing future months and discussing about specific areas of wellness that are often not discussed
      - For example, February will be focused on sexual wellness and sexual health
  - Looking ahead for our next large-scale event
  - Bring back suggestion box
- Grab SSSC laptop stickers from Mac!

## Senate Report

- No updates.

## USC Report (Ryan Baldwin)

- No motions
- OUSA discussion
- OUSA Reps were elected
- USC 102 presentation regarding how the USC works intended to be held at every faculty council's biweekly meeting
- Executive reports regarding Purple Fest
- POI Mac: where are new agenda and minutes posted?
  - Not too sure as the location has changed.
- POI Charles: the Governance and Finance Committee also reopened debate on the SPO elections clause. Currently votes are public, and they are trying to make them anonymous again.
  - POI Jared: who is SPO?
    - Core Exec hired by USC electives.
    - Last year they made votes public and there are pros and cons to that.

## New Business

- POI Trisha: when are Dep Rep elections?
  - Matt: TBD
- POI Ashyana: can someone studying a minor in WS apply?
  - Matt: TBD

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**Adjournment**

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