



## 4th MEETING OF COUNCIL 2020/2021

28 October 2020

Note: the meeting will recess for 5 minutes approx. every 90 minutes in order to mitigate some of the strain of long Zoom meetings.

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7:00PM

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Land Recognition**
3. **O Canada**
4. **Western Song**
5. **Roll Call**
6. **Comments from the Chair**
7. **Approval of Agenda**
8. **Approval of Minutes**  
[Minutes of 20200030\\_Meeting of Council 3](#)
9. **Presentations**
  - a. UCRU Presentation (10 minutes, plus 10 minutes for questions)-*M. Metcalfe, Vice-President External Advocacy*
  - b. By-Law 2 and Elections Policy (10 minutes)-*M. St. Pierre, Vice-President Governance and Finance*
  - c. Online Elections (10 minutes)-*M. St. Pierre, Vice-President Governance and Finance*
10. **Action Items**
  - a. Election of Students at large to Sustainability Working Group ([Motion 1](#))-*K. Barkhouse, Science Councillor*
  - b. Election of Councillors to Sustainability Working Group ([Motion 2](#))-*K. Barkhouse, Science Councillor*
  - c. Election of Students at large to Anti-Oppression Working Group ([Motion 3](#))-*S. Mahakul, Science Councillor*
  - d. Election of Councillors to Anti-Oppression Working Group ([Motion 4](#))-*S. Mahakul, Science Councillor*
  - e. Elect Replacement OUSA Election-*M. Reesor, President*
  - f. Election of External Advocacy Committee Chair ([Motion 5](#))-*E. Alie, Arts and Humanities Councillor*



**Student Experience Standing Committee**

- g. Motions for Athletics Anti-Racism Training ([Motion 8](#))-*N. Paldino, Arts and Humanities President*

**Governance and Finance Standing Committee**

- h. Bursary Allocation ([Motion 9](#), [Appendix C](#))-*Mover*
- i. Student Refugee Fund Councillor Position ([Motion 6](#))-*Mover*
- j. Bylaw 2 and Elections Policy ([Motion 7](#), [Appendix A](#), [Appendix B](#))-*R. Baldwin, Ivey Councillor*

**Executive Reports**

- k. Executive Reports ([Motion 10](#))-*M. Reesor, President*

**11. For Information**

- I. Board of Directors Chairperson Report
- II. Governance and Finance Standing Committee Report
- III. Advocacy Standing Committee Report
- IV. Student Experience Standing Committee Report

**12. For Discussion**

**13. New Business**

**14. Termination**



**Motion 1**

**Election of Students at large to the Sustainability Working Group**

**Be it resolved that** Council elect four (4) students at large to the Sustainability Working Group.

**BARKHOUSE/Seconder**



**Motion 2**

**Election of Councillors to the Sustainability Working Group**

**Be it resolved that** Council elect four (4) Councillors to the Sustainability Working Group.

**BARKHOUSE/Secunder**



**Motion 3**

**Election of Students at large to Anti-Oppression Working Group**

**Be it resolved that** Council elect four (4) students at large to the Anti-Oppression Working Group.

**MAHAKUL/Secunder**



**Motion 4**

**Election of Councillors to Anti-Oppression Working Group**

**Be it resolved that** Council elect four (4) Councillors to the Anti-Oppression Working Group.

**MAHAKUL/Seconder**



## Motion 5

### External Advocacy Standing Committee Chair Election

**Whereas**, USC Standing Committees of Council require a Chair to organize and facilitate the annual Standing Committee meeting process;

**Be it resolved that**, members of Council nominate themselves or another voting-member of Council;

**Be it resolved that**, each candidate receive (2) two minutes for a speech, and field (2) two questions from Council relating to their candidacy;

**Be it resolved that**, Council elect (1) one Standing Committee Chair for the External Advocacy Standing Committee of Council;

**Be it further resolved that**, ballots are destroyed following the election.

**ALIE/Secunder**



**Motion 6**

**Election of Councillor to Student Refugee Fund**

**Be it resolved that** Council elect one (1) Councillor to the Student Refugee Fund.

**MOVER/Secunder**

**Motion 7**





## By-law #2 Updates

**Whereas** democratic elections are core to the legitimacy of the USC and constituent representation.

**Whereas** the current structure of By-law #2 does not represent good governance, creating situational challenges for those applying the By-Law.

**Be it Resolved that** council approve the creation of the Elections Governance Committee Violations Policy.

**Be it further Resolved that** council approve the report from ACOSC and the associated updates to By-Law #2.

**MOVER/Secunder**



### **Athletics Anti-Racism**

**Whereas** students from underrepresented communities at Western have recently been subjected to a series of well-publicized acts of prejudice, harassment, and discrimination;

**Whereas** these acts are not isolated incidents, but rather are a part of a larger systematic problem on campus and in society; amplified through the lack of anti-racism training

**Whereas** currently Western Athletics does not provide student athletes with mandatory anti-racism training

**Be it resolved** Council task the executive with advocating for mandatory Anti-Racism training for all Western Athletics Members (including but not limited to, athletes, coaches and employees), in particular anti-black racism training

**Be it further resolved that** the USC Executive report back to Council on their advocacy and findings by November 28th, 2020.

**PALDINO/Mendes**



## Student Bursary Fund

**Whereas** the USC represents all undergraduate and professional students on campus.

**Whereas** Council passed a motion at the September meeting to release \$300,000 to fund bursaries for: (a) low income, (b) international, (c) BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, people of colour) students.

**Whereas** the creation of a USC Student Bursary Fund Committee will help enhance representation and feedback from community stakeholders.

**Be it resolved that** Council approve of the creation of USC Student Bursary Fund Committee 2020-2021, outlined in Appendix C, to allocate the release of funds through an application based process.

**REESOR/Secunder**



## Motion 10

### Executive Reports

**Be it resolved that** Council accept the executive reports for October 2020.

**REESOR/Secunder**

## Appendices

### Appendix A

[Bylaw 2 2020 Review](#)

### Appendix B

[Elections Governance Committee Violations Policy](#)

### Appendix C



[Student Bursary Fund Committee TOR](#)