



## 1st MEETING OF COUNCIL 2020/2021

1 April 2020

Zoom Call

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7:00 pm

1. **Call to Order at 7:01** (video time stamp 32:37)
2. **Land Recognition**
3. **O Canada**
4. **Western Song**
5. **Roll Call**
6. **Comments from the Chair**
7. **Approval of Agenda**
  - a. Add 15 minutes presentation from C. Liu: Reesor/Fakirani/passes (no objections)
  - b. Add Motion 5: Reesor/Fakirani/passes (no objections)
  - c. Approval of agenda as amended: Alie/Tom/passes (no objections)
8. **Presentations**
  - a. Navitas (30 mins)-**Andy Hrymak, Provost & Ruban Chelladurai, AVP Planning, Budgeting, and IT**
    - i. Extension 1:10 minutes Barkhouse/Alie/no objections
    - ii. Extension 2: 15 minutes Alie/Kotadia/no objections
  - b. Presentation-C. Liu, *Vice President Student Support and Programming*
    - i. Motion to extend: 10 minutes Alie/Tom/no objections



## 9. For Action

### **Motion 1 (Video timestamp: 2:16:00)**

#### **Standing Committee Chair Elections**

**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 each of the Governance and Finance, Advocacy, and Student Experience Standing Committees of Council;

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

Alie/Malik/passes (100%)

### **Motion 2 (2:40:11)**

#### **Ratification of the 2020-2021 Standing Committees**

**Be it resolved**, that Council ratify the 2020/2021 Standing Committees.

#### **Advocacy Standing Committee**

Katie Bennett  
Augustine Mendes  
Antonio Beltran  
Nika Bajaj  
Kris Tom  
Eva Alie  
Kennedy Barkhouse  
Katie Campbell  
Elias Boussoulas  
Ali Malik  
Josh Harry  
Harrison Hart

#### **Governance and Finance Standing Committee**



Ido Feldman  
Sebastian Deagle  
Jackson Van Bakel  
Ryan Baldwin  
Jennifer Villeneuve  
Jacky Lee  
Ben Kitching  
Bipratip Tirzak  
Emily Petch  
Brandon Folia

### **Student Experience Standing Committee**

Faran Khalid  
Jess Omorodion  
Savannah Mastronardi  
Shanika Mahakul  
Shayli Aghababazadeh  
Katie Brown  
Ethan Biswurm  
Stephanie Ng  
Jack Chazi  
Nicole Paldino  
Ziyana Kotadia

**Alie/Tom/passes (100%)**

### **Motion 3 (2:42:25)**

**Be it resolved that** Council approve the Orientation Budget (Appendix A).

**Alie/Baldwin/** passes (83% in favour/17% opposed/0% abstain)

### **Motion 4 (3:15:02)**

**Be it resolved that** Council approve the Work Integrated Learning Policy Paper.

**Reesor/Tom/passes (100%)**

**Amended:** add a time limit of one year

**Reesor/Alie/passes** with no objections



**Motion 5 (4:06:17)**

**Supporting Western Students During the COVID-19 Crisis**

**Whereas** the World Health Organization has declared COVID-19 a global pandemic;

**Whereas** on the advice and regulations of public health authorities, large parts of the Canadian economy have shut down to maintain physical distancing, to prevent the spread of COVID-19, and to protect the health and safety of Canadians;

**Whereas** both the USC and Western University have shut down most physical operations and moved operations and supports online wherever possible;

**Whereas** physical distancing requirements have caused substantial harm to Western students, including potential loss of summer employment, disruption to their undergraduate education, and unique wellness challenges associated with physical distancing;

**Whereas** the executive and staff of the USC have been responding to the crisis since it began and have been working in close collaboration with University administration to minimize the negative impact of this issue on our students;

**Resolved** that the USC expresses support and empathy for all students affected by this crisis and declares responding to this issue to be our top priority for the time being;

**Resolved** that Council authorizes the executive to spend up to \$150,000 on COVID-19 relief for our students and student organizations, with oversight of implementation delegated to the Board of Directors.

**Reesor/Alie/passes** (97% in favour/3% abstain)

**10. For Information**

- I. Executive Reports
- II. SSC Report

**11. For Discussion**

- I. Navitas ([Appendix C](#))-C. Dunne, Vice-President
- Alie/Folia: 15 minutes for discussion

**12. New Business**

- a. **Motion 5: Covid-19 Response (see above)**

**13. Termination (11:27)**

**Alie/Malik** (no objections)



## **Appendices**

### **Appendix A**

[Orientation Budget 2020](#)

### **Appendix B**

[WIL Policy Paper](#)

### **Appendix C**

[Navitas Brief](#)