

#### 4th MEETING OF COUNCIL 2021/2022

29 September 2021

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7:00 PM

- 1. Call to Order (7:02/0:00:00 on the recording)
- 2. Land Recognition
- 3. O Canada
- 4. Western Song
- 5. Roll Call
- 6. Comments from the Chair
- 7. Approval of Agenda (GHATTAS/Milanczak/passes (95%/3%/3%))
  - a. Amendment: Add Presentation from Careers and Experience (Fakirani/Biswurm/passes)
  - b. Amendment: Add Greek Life Presentation (Fakirani/Ghattas/passes)
  - c. Amendment: Motion arising from new business added as 10.a (Fakirani/Peplinski/passes)
  - d. Amendment: Endorsement of Executive ASGBV Recommendations (end of action items) (Fakirani/Jarman/passes)

### 8. Approval of Minutes

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- 9. **Presentations (00:16:14)** 
  - a. Office of the Secretariat (10 minutes)-L. McKivor, Associate University Secretary
  - b. Careers and Experience Presentation (10 minutes)-*C. Ingram, Careers and Experience*
  - c. Elections Governance Committee (10 minutes)-*J. Elsays, Chief Returning Officer* and B. Yip, Deputy Returning Officer
  - d. Greek Life Presentation (5 minutes, 10 minute question period)-Z. Fakirani, USC President
    - i. Presentation extended by 10 minutes: Chen/Beltran/passes
    - ii. Question period extended 5 minutes: Dusick/Ghattas/passes
    - iii. Question period extended 15 minutes: Clark/Bajaj/passes
  - e. Sexual and Gender Based Violence on Campus: Response and Advocacy (10 minutes)
    - i. Motion to extend 15 minutes Xu/Fakirani/passes

Recess: Jarman/Biswurm 5 minutes (2:07:04)



# 10. For Action

ADDED: Motion Arising from Presentation (2:14:31)
Motion re: Greek Life/USC Relationship
Whereas Greek Life organizations (ie. fraternities and sororities) are not USC- and/or Western-ratified and/or recognized student groups;
Whereas the USC and Western do not have any authority over the operations and governance of Greek Life organizations;
Whereas USC Councillors and the student body have expressed discomfort over the USC's continued relationship with Greek Life organizations;
<b>Be it resolved that</b> the USC begin the process of cutting ties with Greek Life organizations by no longer offering space and room booking at a subsidized rate;
<b>Be it further resolved that</b> the USC not involve itself in fraternities' Rush Week programming henceforth.
<b>Be it further resolved that</b> the Council Composition Procedure Section 3B be amended to remove Section V, which allows the Presidents of the Inter-Fraternity Council and Panhellenic Council Presidents to hold a resource member seat at Council.
FAKIRANI/Jarman
Motion to table to October meeting: Fakirani/Ghattas/passes
Motion 1 (2:21:54)
Election of Student to Transport Advocacy Working Group
<b>Be it resolved</b> that Council elect,, as Students-at-Large to the Transport Advocacy working group.
CHASMAR/Jarman
Motion to table to October meeting: (Biswurm/Mohan/passes)



Motion 2 (2:27:13)
Election of OUSA Delegates
Be it resolved that council elect (4) delegates to represent Western at the OUSA Fall General Assembly 2021.
FAKIRANI/Xu/passes (unanimous)
Elected: Matthew Chasmar Ethan Chen Sara-Emilie Clark Alexis Magder
Motion 3 (3:03:33)
Elections to the Clubs Governance Board
Be it resolved that Council elect,,,,, and to the Clubs Governance Board.
FAKIRANI/Jarman/passes (unanimous)
Elected: Owen Foster Chris Mohan Sinead Osivwemu Natalie Alaves Ana Milojevic Neel Vajaria
Motion 4 (3:32:34)
Executive Reports
Be it resolved that Council accept the executive reports for September 2021.

FAKIRANI/Mohan/passes (unanimous)



#### Motion 5 (4:09:40)

### Amending the EGC Finance Procedure

Whereas elections at the USC are one of the most important functions our democracy;

**Whereas** the EGC Finance Procedure requires minor updates to keep it in line with the goals of the EGC;

**Whereas** the EGC and USC have recognized the misalignment between their goals and the act of collecting a bond;

Whereas finance procedures are often some of the most confusing for candidates;

**Be it resolved that** Council approve the recommended amendments to the EGC Finance Procedure.

FAKIRANI/Jarman/passes (unanimous)

Motion 6 (4:15:36)

### Amending the EGC Nominations Procedure

Whereas elections at the USC are one of the most important functions our democracy;

**Whereas** the EGC Nominations Procedure requires minor updates to keep it in line with the goals of the EGC;

**Whereas** Covid-19 highlighted accessibility concerns in terms of facilitating nomination form submissions;

**Whereas** preferred names and pronouns of candidates should be recognized and made clear to students;

**Be it resolved that** Council approve the recommended amendments to the EGC Nominations Procedure.

**FAKIRANI**/Jarman/passes (unanimous)



Motion 7 (4:21:38)

## Amending the EGC Violations Policy

Whereas elections at the USC are one of the most important functions our democracy;

**Whereas** the EGC Violations Policy requires minor updates to keep it in line with the goals of the EGC;

Whereas election rules can be confusing and lengthy;

Whereas the existing EGC policy has been exploited in the past;

**Be it resolved that** Council approve the recommended amendments to the EGC Violations Policy.

**BISWURM**/Peplinski/passes (unanimous)

Motion 8 (4:32:12)

## Amending the EGC Violations Procedure

Whereas elections at the USC are one of the most important functions our democracy;

**Whereas** the EGC Violations Procedure requires minor updates to keep it in line with the goals of the EGC;

Whereas election rules can be confusing and lengthy;

**Whereas** existing EGC policy and procedures have been exploited in the past, and new rules may lead to further abuse;

**Be it resolved that** Council approve the recommended amendments to the EGC Violations Procedure.

**BISWURM**/Jarman/passes (84%/6%/9%)

Motion to refer back to committee (Fakriani/ Mohan/fails)

Amendment: 3.7 reject amendment to this section (Biswurm/Xu/passes)



Motion 9 (5:00:20)

## Amending the Grants Committee TOR and Student Refugee Fund Policies

**Whereas** the current function of the SRF Committee does not serve as a comprehensive development opportunity;

**Whereas** the students relying on the SRF face material delays in accessing necessary funds to support academic and living costs;

Be it resolved that the SRF Committee be moved into and under the Grants Committee;

**Be it further resolved that** Council approve the additional amendments outlined in the appendices.

FAKIRANI/Xu/pases (unanimous)

Motion 10 (5:05:00)

### Ratification of the EGC Balloting Procedure

**Whereas** Council voted during the August 2021 meeting to remove most of the policy in Section 10. *The Ballot* from By-Law #2;

Whereas there is a now a policy gap that needs to be filled by a balloting procedure;

Be it resolved that Council ratify the Elections Governance Committee Balloting Procedure.

**FAKIRANI**/Biswurm/passes (unanimous)

Motion 11 (5:09:18)

### Endorsement of Themes for the USC 2021/2022 University Budget Submission

**Whereas** each year, the University Affairs Portfolio is responsible for the USC's Budget Submission to the university;

Whereas the Budget Submission should be reflective of the needs of the student body;

Whereas the USC VP University Affairs has identified Gender-Based Equity, Work-Integrated Learning, Racial Equity, and Sustainability as key priorities in line with the Council-endorsed 2021/2022 Executive Roadmap;



**Be it Resolved** that Council endorse **Gender-Based Equity, Work-Integrated Learning, Racial Equity, and Sustainability** as four themes to develop the 2021/2022 USC Budget Submission around.

FAKIRANI/Bajaj/passes (unanimous)

ADDED MOTION (5:14:03)

### Endorsement of Executive ASGBV Recommendations

**Whereas** the USC Executive has put forward University Affairs and External Affairs facing recommendations to combat ASGBV on campus,

Be it resolved that Council endorse these recommendations.

**FAKIRANI**/Jarman/passes (unanimous)

### 11. For Information (5:16:15)

- a. Board of Directors Chairperson Report
- b. Governance and Finance Standing Committee Report
- c. External Advocacy Standing Committee Report
- d. University Affairs Standing Committee Report

### 12. For Discussion (5:19:14)

a. Student Voter Turnout-E. Oladejo, Vice-President External Affairs

### 13. New Business

14. Termination (XU/Adnan/passes) (12:40/5:32:36 on the recording))



Appendices

Appendix A Draft TOR, Transport Advocacy Working Group

Appendix B OUSA Delegate Motion

Appendix C E Election of CGB Members

Appendix D

September Executive Updates .pdf

Appendix E

EGC Finance Procedure

Appendix F EGC Nominations Procedure Motion

Appendix G EGC Violations Policy Motion

Appendix H EGC Violations Procedure Motion

Appendix I

 Motion to Amend the Grants Committee ToR and SRF Policy

Appendix J Motion to Ratify the EGC Balloting Procedure

Appendix K Sept - Budget Themes Council Motion