



7th MEETING OF COUNCIL 2021/2022

26 January 2022

07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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1. **Call to Order (7:03pm/0:00:25 of the January 26, 2022 recording)**
2. **Land Recognition**
3. **O Canada**
4. **Western Song**
5. **Roll Call**
6. **Comments from the Chair**
7. **Approval of Agenda** (Ghattas/Bradley/passes)
 - a. Amendment: Move OUSA Delegate Election to February 2, 2022 meeting (Fakirani/Ghattas/passes)
 - b. Amendment: Add COVID 19 Mental Health Policy Paper to For Action
8. **Approval of Minutes** (Ghattas/Chasmar/passes)
 - a. [20211124_\(Minutes\) Meeting of Council 6](#)
9. **Presentations**
 - a. Holocaust Day of Remembrance (10 minutes)- *Western Hillel (A. Miller, VP Outreach at Western Hillel/Ivey Councillor)*
10. **For Action (0:22:52 of the January 26, 2022 recording)**

For election

 - a. **OUSA Delegates** ([Motion 1](#), [Appendix A](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President (moved)*
 - b. **Student Awards Committee** ([Motion 2](#), [Appendix B](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*



First Reading (to be heard on January 26, 2022)

Note: This is a new format for the 2022 session. In the first reading, motions will be presented and councillors will have the opportunity to ask questions. Further questions, debate, and voting will take place during the second reading of the motion.


Executive Reports (0:35:10)

- a. Motion to Approve Executive Reports ([Motion 3](#), [Appendix C](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*

Governance and Finance Standing Committee (1:24:23)

- a. Updated Nomination and Selection Committee TOR ([Motion 4](#), [Appendix D](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*
- b. Updated Constituency Council President TOR ([Motion 5](#), [Appendix E](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*
- c. Updated Standing Orders of Council ([Motion 6](#), [Appendix F](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*
- d. Updated Standing Committee Terms of Reference ([Motion 7](#), [Appendix G](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*
- e. Updated Peer Support Centre Usage Policy ([Motion 8](#), [Appendix H](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*
- f. USC Divestment ([Motion 9](#), [Appendix I](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*
- g. Amendment to the Councillor Accountability and Discipline Policy ([Motion 10](#), [Appendix J](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*

University Affairs Standing Committee (2:29:52)

- a. Updates to the Environmental Policy Paper ([Motion 11](#), [Appendix K](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*
- b. Security Patrols in Residence ([Motion 12](#), [Appendix L](#))-Z. *Adnan, Science Councillor*
- c. COVID Mental Health Policy Paper (ADDED)-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*
 - i.  COVID MH Motion

Agenda and Council Operations Standing Committee (3:02:40)

- a. Bylaw 3: Executive Bylaw ([Motion 13](#), [Appendix M](#))-Z. *Fakirani, USC President*

11. For Information (3:04:12)

- 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

Adjournment for January 26, 2022 (10:25/3:14:29 of the January 26, 2022 recording)



Meeting Reconvened at 7:04 PM on February 2, 2022 (0:00:22 of the February 2, 2022 recording)

12. For Action

Second Reading (to be heard on February 2, 2022)

Note: In the second reading, councillors will debate and vote on each motion.

Motion 1 (0:00:33 of the February 2, 2022 recording)

Election of OUSA Delegates

Be it resolved that council elect (~~4~~) (8) delegates to represent Western at the OUSA Spring General Assembly 2022 in March.

FAKIRANI/Jarman/passes (unanimous)

Amendment: from 4 to 8 delegates (Fakirani/Chen/passes)

Elected:

Iman Berry
Matthew Chasmar
Zahra Hakim
Nikki Lobban
Jessica Look
Pe'er Krut
Emily Poirier
Veria Walcott

Motion 2 (0:22:52 of the January 26, 2022 recording)

Student Awards Committee Election

Whereas the University Affairs Portfolio facilitates Recognition and Awards for the student body every year;

Whereas the membership for the Student Award Committee to adjudicate the awards calls for two USC Councillors to be elected to this body;

Be it resolved that Council elect two (2) Councillors to the University Affairs Portfolio's Student Award Committee.



FAKIRANI/ Milanczak/passes (unanimous)

Self-Nominations: Councillor Ghattas, Councillor Paez Gomez, Councillor Jarman

Elected: Councillor Ghattas, Councillor Jarman

**Motion 3 (0:28:35 of the February 2, 2022 recording)
Executive Reports**

Be it resolved that Council accept the executive reports for December 2021-January 2022.

FAKIRANI/Ghattas/passes (unanimous)

Motion 4 (0:34:16)

Motion to Approve Updated Nominating and Selections Committees TOR

Whereas, the USC Vice Presidents Governance and Finance, Communications and Public Affairs, and Student Support and Programming are hired rather than elected;

Whereas, the VP CPA and SSP have one student-at-large each on their hiring panels;

Whereas, having a student-at-large on a Vice Presidential hiring panel presents a number of risks including engagement, confidentiality, and understanding of the organization;

Be it resolved that, Council approve the amendments to Nominating and Selection Committees ToR

FAKIRANI/Jarman/passes (94/6/0)

Motion 5 (0:36:40)

Motion to Approve Updated Constituency Council President TOR

Whereas, the USC conducts continuous review of all documents in its policy manual on a rolling basis;

Whereas, this policy is scheduled for review in the 2021/2022 academic year;

Whereas, all proposed amendments are of an administrative nature;



Be it resolved that, Council approve the proposed amendments to the Constituency Council Terms of Reference.

FAKIRANI/Mahakul/passes (unanimous)

Motion 6 (0:38:45)

Motion to Approve Updates to the Standing Orders of Council

Whereas, the USC conducts continuous review of all documents in its policy manual on a rolling basis;

Whereas, this policy is scheduled for review in the 2021/2022 academic year;

Whereas, all proposed amendments are of an administrative nature;

Be it resolved that, Council approve the proposed amendments to the Standing Orders of Council.

FAKIRANI/Ghattas/passes (unanimous)

Motion 7 (0:40:40)

Motion to Approve Updates to the Standing Committee Terms of Reference

Whereas, the USC conducts continuous review of all documents in its policy manual on a rolling basis;

Whereas, this policy is scheduled for review in the 2021/2022 academic year;

Whereas, all proposed amendments are of an administrative nature;

Be it resolved that, Council approve the proposed amendments to the Standing Committee Terms of Reference.

FAKIRANI/Mahakul/passes (unanimous)

Motion 8 (0:43:45)

Motion to Approve Updated Peer Support Centre Usage Policy

Whereas, the USC Peer Support Centre exists to foster a confidential environment that is welcoming and safe for all identities;



Whereas, a regular review of the policy that governs the usage and activities of the Peer Support Centre is important to ensure the space is reflective of the community the USC hopes to foster;

Be it resolved that, Council approve the proposed amendments to the Peer Support Centre Usage Policy.

FAKIRANI/Jarman/passes (unanimous)

Motion 9 (0:45:36)

Motion Regarding USC Divestment

Whereas students have raised concern over corporations like the USC investing in fossil fuels;

Whereas student dollars are invested by the USC to ensure the long-term financial viability of the organization;

Be it resolved that Council approve the recommendation produced and endorsed by the USC Executive to divest the USC's investment portfolio from fossil fuels over a set 3-year period as recommended by the USC's investment managers.

FAKIRANI/Biswurm/passes (unanimous)

Motion 10 (0:52:56)

Motion to approve the updated Councillor Accountability and Discipline Procedure

Whereas, Council voted to amend the Legislative Calendar to reflect a two-reading model with two meetings of Council per month;

Whereas, Councillors did not expect this additional monthly meeting when accepting their positions;

Whereas, Councillors are also students who have academic, work, and other commitments outside of Council;

Whereas, Many Councillors expressed concern that moving to a two-reading model would be difficult to integrate into their schedules;



Be it resolved that, Council amend the Councillor Accountability and Discipline Procedure to include Section 2 - Definitions to clarify attendance requirements;

Be it further resolved that, these amendments only apply to the Councillor Accountability and Discipline Procedure until the end of the 2021/2022 academic year;

Be it further resolved that, as of the start of the 2022/2023 Council Cycle, the Councillor Accountability and Discipline Procedure revert back to the version ratified on November 28, 2018 until further amendments are proposed.

FAKIRANI/Jarman/passes (97/0/3)

Motion 11 (0:57:54)

Changes to the Environmental Sustainability Policy Paper

Whereas ongoing consultations have resulted in edits to the Environmental Sustainability Policy paper

Be it resolved that Council accept the changes to the Environmental Sustainability Policy paper (Appendix K).

FAKIRANI/Milanczak/passes (unanimous)

Motion 12 (0:59:46)

Security Patrols in Residences

~~**Whereas** Western has introduced new safety measures, including security guards on residence~~

~~**Whereas** some students have expressed concerns that these security guards make them less comfortable on residence~~

~~**Be it resolved that** the USC consult with first year students and residence staff about the impact of these security guards on student safety and experience.~~

~~**Be it resolved that** the USC executive report back to the UA Committee in March providing an update about the consultations, and next steps moving forward.~~

New Staff in Residences

Whereas, Western has introduced new safety measures, including hiring **Safety Ambassadors and Residence Health and Safety Advisors** in residence,



Be it resolved, that the USC consult with first year students and residence staff regarding the impact of Safety Ambassadors on student safety and experience.

Be it resolved, that the USC consult with first year students and residence staff regarding the impact of Residence Health and Safety Advisors on student safety and experience.

Be it resolved, that the USC executive report back to the UA Committee in March providing an update about the consultations, and next steps moving forward.

ADNAN/Jarman/fails (28/66/6)

Amendment: Change “security guards” to “Building Safety Ambassadors”
(Adnan/Chen/fails)

Amendment:

New Staff in Residences

Whereas, Western has introduced new safety measures, including hiring Safety Ambassadors and Residence Health and Safety Advisors in residence,

~~**Whereas**, some students have expressed concerns that these individuals present a foreign presence in residence and make them feel less comfortable.~~

Be it resolved, that the USC consult with first year students and residence staff regarding the impact of Safety Ambassadors on student safety and experience.

Be it resolved, that the USC consult with first year students and residence staff regarding the impact of Residence Health and Safety Advisors on student safety and experience.

Be it resolved, that the USC executive report back to the UA Committee in March providing an update about the consultations, and next steps moving forward.

(Chen/Adnan/passes)

Amendment to amendment: Remove second whereas clause
(Adnan/Biswurm/passes)



ADDED (2:00:30)

COVID-19 Mental Health Policy Paper

Whereas the COVID-19 Mental Health Policy Paper was passed in February with a one-year expiry term;

Whereas the University Affairs Portfolio has conducted consultations with Councillors and student leaders to update the policy paper;

Be it resolved that Council approve the COVID-19 Mental Health Policy Paper.

FAKIRANI/Jarman/passes (unanimous)

Motion 13 (2:03:42)

Motion to Approve Amendments to Bylaw #3

Whereas, the USC conducts continuous review of all documents in its policy manual on a rolling basis;

Whereas, this policy is scheduled for review in the 2021/2022 academic year;

Whereas, all proposed amendments are of an administrative nature;

Be it resolved that, Council approve the proposed amendments to By-Law #3 - Executive By-Law.

FAKIRANI/Mahakul/passes (unanimous)

13 For Discussion (2:05:57)

Announcement from CRO/DRO re: virtual elections-*J. Elsays and B. Yip, CRO and DRO*

NEW BUSINESS: Motion to add 5 minute discussion re: in person events for clubs

(Chen/Miller/passes)

5 minute extension (Biswurm/Bilodeau/passes)

14. New Business

15. Termination Chen/Clark/passes (9:42/2:27:34 of the February 2, 2022 recording)



Appendices

Appendix A

- ☰ OUSA Delegate Election Motion 2022

Appendix B

- ☰ January Rec and Awards Motion

Appendix C

- 📄 Executive Updates - December+January.pdf

Appendix D

- ☰ Nominating and Selection Committees ToR Review Motion

Appendix E

- ☰ Constituency Council President ToR Review Motion

Appendix F

- ☰ Standing Orders of Council Review Motion

Appendix G

- ☰ Standing Committee ToR Review Motion

Appendix H

- ☰ Peer Support Centre Usage Policy Review Motion

Appendix I

- ☰ USC Divestment Motion

Appendix J

- ☰ Councillor Accountability and Discipline Procedure Review Motion

Appendix K

- ☰ Environmental Sustainability Edits_Motion

Appendix L

Original Appendix: ☰ Security Patrols

Appendix M

- ☰ Bylaw #3 - Executive Bylaw Review Motion

