



2nd MEETING OF COUNCIL 2024/2025 **MINUTES**

TIME:

Wednesday,
September 25, 2024
7PM

PLACE:

Community room
269C

ZOOM INFO FOR OBSERVERS:

Matteen Pezeshki is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

TOPIC: 2nd USC meeting

TIME: Wednesday, September 25, 2024 @7PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 918 0698 2513

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Turning Point: 387611

1. **Call to Order** (7:07PM)
2. **Land Recognition** (Triantafillakis)
3. **Western Song**
4. **Roll Call**
5. **Approval of Agenda**
 - a. Amend agenda to include motion re: Election of Councillors to the Library Student Advisory Council (E. Kalaydjian, R. Smith)
6. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. [20240728_\(Minutes\) Meeting of Council 1](#)
 - b. R. Smith/ R. Li
7. **Comments from the Chair**
8. **Announcements**
9. **Presentations**
 - a. Executive Reports - E. Kalaydjian, President
 - b. Executive Reports - M. Batista, VPUA
 - c. Executive Reports - M. Wodchis-Johnson, VPEA
 - d. Executive Reports - S. Fullerton, VPOP
 - e. Executive Reports - D. Klapper, VPSS
 - f. Executive Reports - S. Menon, VPSE
10. **Board of Directors Report**
 - a. Delivered by Ethan Berry
11. **For Action**



Motion 1 (01:08:00 of the September 25, 2024 recording) - [Appendix A](#)

Election of One (1) Councillor to EDI Committee

Be it resolved that: Council elect one (1) member to sit on the EDI committee.

E. KALAYDJIAN/ R. Li (unanimous)

Candidates: S. Ahmad, J. Ijam, R. Smith

Successful Candidate: S. Ahmad

Motion 2 (01:30:22 of the September 25, 2024 recording) - [Appendix B](#)

Election of OUSA Fall General Assembly Delegates

Whereas, the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance is a student-led organization and advocates on student-directed policy recommendations,

Whereas, its policy papers are approved by student delegates at General Assemblies following review and discussion,

Be it resolved that council elect (9) delegates to represent Western at the OUSA Fall General Assembly 2024 in October.

E. KALAYDJIAN/ N. Matsakawo Fugar (unanimous)

Candidates: M. Gleed (Video), M. Brooking, B. Begg, B. Zhao (Video), S. Nar, N. Matsakawo Fugar, L. Hashi (Video), N. Ayele, M. Sarofiem, W. Masse, S. Lou (Video)



Motion 3 (02:32:30 of the September 25, 2024 recording) - [Appendix C](#)

Executive Reports

Be it resolved that Council accept the executive reports for September 2024.

R. LI/ A. Teoderascu (unanimous)

Motion 4 (02:33:30 of the September 25, 2024 recording) - [Appendix D](#)

Federal Budget Submission Recommendations

Whereas the federal government will be accepting written submissions for the pre-budget consultations in advance of the upcoming 2025 federal budget.

Be it resolved that the Agenda and Operations Standing Committee of Council approves the Federal Pre-Budget Submission Recommendations.

E. KALAYDJIAN/ C. Lubano (unanimous)

Motion 5 (02:34:45 of the September 25, 2024 recording) - [Appendix E](#)

Revision of Grants Policies and Procedures

Whereas: The current grants policies and procedures have been identified as confusing and unclear for students to understand, potentially hindering their ability to apply for and receive grants effectively.

Whereas: The lack of clarity in the current system has led to delays in the grants committee's ability to respond to applications in a timely manner, potentially impacting student and club activities on campus.



Be it resolved that: The USC adopt the revised grants policies and procedures as developed through the recent review process, which aim to streamline the application process and improve clarity for students.

Be it further resolved that: The VP Student Services and the Grants and Recognition Coordinator implement these new policies effective immediately, and conduct ongoing assessments to ensure the changes effectively address the identified issues and align with the USC's mission of providing better support for clubs and students on campus.

E. KALAYDJIAN/ M. Avigliano

Motion 6 (02:37:30 of the September 25, 2024 recording) - [Appendix F](#)

University Budget Submission Recommendations

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 Vice President University Affairs has identified recommendations related to Menstrual and Gender Equity, Work Integrated Learning and the Expansion of Student Spaces as crucial themes in our advocacy this year;

Be it Resolved that Council endorse the University Affairs Budget Submission recommendations.

E. KALAYDJIAN/ C. Bennett

Motion 7 (02:14:53 of the September 25, 2024 recording) - [Appendix G](#)

Election of Councillors to the Library Student Advisory Council



Whereas: The Library Student Advisory Council requires student representatives to ensure diverse representation and effective communication between the student body and Western Libraries administration.

Whereas: The lack of student representation may lead to inadequate feedback on services, ultimately impacting the quality of Library experiences for all students.

Be it resolved that: that Council elect two (2) Councillors to the Library Student Advisory Council.

E. KALAYDJIAN/ T. Smith (unanimous)

Candidates: C. Bennett, N. Matsakawo Fugar, T. Smith

Successful Candidates: C. Bennett, T. Smith

12. For Information

13. For Discussion

- a. Pres. Soto brings forth information regarding parking spaces on Epworth drive
 - i. Pres. Kalaydjian defers speaking rights to M. Wodchis-Johnson
- b. Pres. Soto brings forth information regarding neighborhood investment proposals for blue phone, for improved lighting. Encourages council to vote on the matter in November.
 - i. Pres. Kalaydjian speaks in favour of encouraging constituents to vote

14. Questions and Comments from Western Community

15. New Business

16. Termination 9:47PM (J. Ijam/ G. Triantafillakis)



Appendices

Appendix A

[W Motion Regarding Selection of Councillor for the EDI Committee.docx](#)

Appendix B

[E Copy of OUSA Delegate Election Motion Fall 2024](#)

Appendix C

[E Copy of September Council Executive Reports](#)

Appendix D

[E Motion Regarding Federal Budget Submission Recommendations](#)

Appendix E

[E Motion Regarding the Revision of Grants Policies and Procedures](#)

Appendix F

[E UA Budget Submission 24-25](#)

Appendix G

[E Copy of Motion Regarding the Election of Councillors to the Library Student Advisory Cou...](#)

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