



## #9 MEETING OF COUNCIL 2025/2026 **AGENDA**

**TIME:**

Part 1:

Date

6:30 PM

**PLACE:**

UCC 269,

Community Room

**ZOOM INFO FOR OBSERVERS:**

Armaan Jassal is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

**TOPIC:** USC meeting

**TIME:** 6:30 PM

Part 1: April 22, 2026 6:30 PM

**Join Zoom Meeting:**


<https://westernuniversity.zoom.us/j/94530335611>


**Meeting ID:** 945 3033 5611

**Passcode:** 137668

**Echo360 Part 1:**

**Echo360 Part 2:**

Echo Login Instructions:  Logging in to Echo 360

1. **Call to Order (0:00 PM)**
2. **Land Recognition**
  - a. Delivered by Braedan Lovie
3. **Roll Call**
4. **Approval of Agenda (Mover/Seconder)**
5. **Approval of Minutes (Mover/Seconder)**
  - a.  MINUTES 20260323\_(Minutes) Meeting of Council (2 parts)
6. **Comments from the Chair**
7. **Announcements**
8. **Board of Directors Report**
  - a. Delivered by Grace Wu, *Chair of the Board of Directors (max 15 mins, Q&A permitted)*
9. **Presentations**
  - a. Student Experience Presentation



*(max 15 mins per presenter, Q&A permitted W/ debate rules applied)*

- i. Co-Curricular Record Relaunch, *Jacob Clarke, Experiential Learning Coordinator*
  
- b. Executive Reports  
*(max 15 mins per presenter, Q&A permitted W/ debate rules applied)*
  - i. Executive Reports - K. Henricus, President
  - ii. Executive Reports - J. Ijam, VPUA
  - iii. Executive Reports - O. Sayyed, VPEA
  - iv. Executive Reports - R. Whelpley, VPOP
  - v. Executive Reports - W. Masse, VPSS
  - vi. Executive Reports - S. Ahmad, VPSE

## 10. For Action (First Reading)

### **Executive Reports**

- a. Motion to Approve Executive Reports ([Motion 1](#), [Appendix A](#)) - *K. Henricus,, Seconder*

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

- b. Motion to Approve the Updated Strategic Plan ([Motion 2](#), [Appendix B](#)), *For Students, By Students* - *K. Henricus, Seconder*
  
- c. Motion to Approve Minor Administrative Amendments to the Bus Pass Policy - ([Motion 3](#), [Appendix C](#)) - *K. Henricus, Seconder*

### **University Affairs Standing Committee**

- d. Motion to Reaffirm USC Advocacy for Divestment and Human Rights in Western's Responsible Investing Policy ([Motion 4](#), [Appendix D](#)) - *C. Ghuman & Z. Nadeem, S. Khan*
  
- e. Motion to Endorse the Accessibility Position Paper Draft Recommendations as Interim Advocacy Priorities ([Motion 5](#), [Appendix E](#)) *K. Henricus, Seconder*
  - i. *Chair's note: This item was received by the standing committee and approved by majority vote at ACOSC to proceed to Council for consideration.*

### **External Affairs Standing Committee**

- f. Motion to Approve Federal Budget Recommendations ([Motion 6](#), [Appendix F](#)) - *K. Henricus, Seconder*



- i. Chair's note: This item was received by the standing committee and approved by majority vote at ACOSC to proceed to Council for consideration.*
  - g. Motion to Endorse the Teaching, Learning & Assessment Draft Recommendations as Interim Advocacy Priorities ([Motion 7](#), [Appendix G](#)) K. Henricus, Seconder

    - i. Chair's note: This item was received by the standing committee and approved by majority vote at ACOSC to proceed to Council for consideration.*
- 11. For Information**
- 12. For Discussion**
- 13. Questions and Comments from Western Community**
- 14. New Business**
- a. Chairs note: Items brought forward must be action items requiring a Council decision (not discussion or announcements), be time-sensitive, and unable to wait until the next meeting.*
- 15. Termination (insert time)**



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## **Motion 1**

### **Motion to Approve the April 2026 Executive Reports**

**Be it resolved that** Council accept the Executive reports for April, 2026

**K. HENRICUS/Secunder**



## **Motion 2**

### **Motion to Approve the Updated Strategic Plan, *For Students, By Students***

**Whereas:** The current strategic plan is outdated and has not been updated since COVID or during the lifecycle of current undergraduates on campus.

**Whereas:** An outdated strategic plan hinders our ability to make effective long-term investments that serve students in a post-COVID academic environment

**Be it resolved that:** Council approve an updated strategic plan, *For Students, By Students*

**K. HENRICUS/Seconder**



### **Motion 3**

#### **Motion to Approve Minor Administrative Amendments to the Bus Pass Policy**

**Whereas:** the USC regularly reviews its policies and procedures to ensure clarity and consistency;

**Whereas:** the Bus Pass Policy requires minor administrative updates;

**Be it resolved that:** Council approve the administrative amendments to the Bus Pass Policy as presented.

**K. HENRICUS/Seconder**



#### **Motion 4**

### **Motion to Reaffirm USC Advocacy for Divestment and Human Rights in Western's Responsible Investing Policy**

**Whereas** Western University maintains a Responsible Investing Policy intended to guide ethical investment practices;

**Whereas** the January 2026 draft and current policy lacks human rights considerations aligned with internationally recognized frameworks and divestment from weapons manufacturers;

**Whereas** a USC-administered student survey conducted during the 2024–2025 academic year demonstrated approximately 95% support for divestment from companies involved in weapons manufacturing and for stronger ethical investment practices;

**Whereas** the 2024–2025 USC passed a motion to advocate to Western University to incorporate human rights considerations and divestment from weapons manufacturers into its investment policy;

**Whereas** the Faculties of Science, Social Science, Music, Arts and Humanities, and Health Sciences, as well as Huron and King's have passed parallel motions advocating for the adoption of human rights considerations;

**Whereas** over 70 campus clubs, the Society of Graduate Students, CUPE 2361, and UWOFA have publicly called for divestment and the incorporation of human rights considerations into university investment practices;

**Whereas** Western's Senate passed a motion recommending that the Board of Governors incorporate commitments to internationally recognized human rights and international law into Western's investment policy, and pursue divestment from weapons manufacturers and companies complicit in human rights violations;

**Be it resolved that** the University Students' Council (USC) reaffirms its commitment to advocate for the incorporation of human rights considerations into Western University's investment policies, and for divestment from companies involved in weapons manufacturing;

**Be it further resolved that** the USC advocates for the inclusion of clear and enforceable screening, monitoring, and accountability mechanisms in the updated Responsible Investing Policy to ensure that investments are not made in companies complicit in human rights violations or breaches of international law; and



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**Be it further resolved that** the USC communicate these positions to the University administration, the Board of Governors, and any relevant advisory committees involved in the Responsible Investing Policy revision process.

**C. GHUMAN & Z. NADEEM/S.Khan**



## **Motion 5**

### **Motion to Endorse the Accessibility Position Paper Draft Recommendations as Interim Advocacy Priorities**

**Be it resolved that** Council endorse the Student Accessibility draft recommendations as interim advocacy priorities to guide USC advocacy efforts;

**Be it further resolved that** this endorsement does not constitute approval of an advocacy paper or standing policy under the Advocacy Papers Policy;

**Be it further resolved that** this endorsement shall expire at September 2026 Council Meeting, at which time the recommendations must be reviewed, formalized through the Advocacy Papers process, or lapse.

**K. HENRICUS/Secunder**



## **Motion 6**

### **Motion to Approve Federal Budget Recommendations**

**Whereas** the federal government has advanced its budget timeline, requiring submissions by April 30;

**And whereas** this change reduces the time available for USC submissions;

**Be it resolved that** the USC acknowledges the revised federal budget deadline and supports the necessary adjustments to internal processes to meet this timeline;

**Be it further resolved that** the appropriate USC Executive Members and staff be authorized to finalize and submit the required materials by April 30.

**K. HENRICUS/Seconder**



## **Motion 7**

### **Motion to Endorse the Accessibility Position Paper Draft Recommendations as Interim Advocacy Priorities**

**Be it resolved that** Council endorse the Teaching, Learning, and Assessment draft recommendations as interim advocacy priorities to guide USC advocacy efforts;

**Be it further resolved that** this endorsement does not constitute approval of an advocacy paper or standing policy under the Advocacy Papers Policy;

**Be it further resolved that** this endorsement shall expire at September 2026 Council Meeting, at which time the recommendations must be reviewed, formalized through the Advocacy Papers process, or lapse.

**K. HENRICUS/Seconder**



## Appendices

### Appendix A

- ☰ April Council Executive Report \_2026.04.22.

### Appendix B

- ☰ Approval of the Updated Strategic Plan, For Students, By Students

### Appendix C

- ☰ Copy of Motion \_Approval of Amendments to the Bus Pass Policy\_20260402

### Appendix D

- ☰ Copy of Motion \_Responsible\_ Investment Human Rights Considerations\_20250924

### Appendix E

- ☰ Copy of 2026 Accesibility Policy Paper Draft Recs

### Appendix F

- ☰ Motion to Approve Adjustments to the Federal Budget Submission Timeline

### Appendix G

- ☰ Teaching, Learning, and Assessment Policy Paper Recommendations