University Students' Council of the University of Western Ontario

#1 MEETING OF COUNCIL 2026/2027 MINUTES

TIME:
July 26, 2026
10 AM

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TIME: July 26, 2026 10AM EST (US and Canada)

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1. **Call to Order (10:11 AM)**
2. **Land Recognition**
    a. Delivered by Braedan Lovie
3. **Roll Call**
4. **Approval of Agenda -** S. Xia, J. Antonelli
    a. Motion to amend (S. Xia, T. Hamilton) - motion 6 to strike the current be it resolved statement "Elect 1 councillor to the service review committee" to "Be it resolved that Council elect five (5) Councillors to serve on the Service Review Committees, one Councillor to serve on the Review Committees for each for the following services, for the 2026-2027 term
        - REACH
        - Charity
        - EnviroUSC
        - Public Arts
        - Income Tax Clinic"
            1. In favour: 19
            2. Opposed: 0
            3. Abstain: 0
                a. Carries (unanimous)
    b. Main motion carries

5. **Approval of Minutes** (B. Dunn, S. Xia)
    a. MINUTES 20260506_AGM_(Minutes) Meeting of Council_10
6. **Comments from the Chair**
7. **Announcements**
8. **Presentations**
    a. Summer Executive Reports
    (max 15 mins per presenter, Q&A permitted W/ debate rules applied)
        i. Summer Executive Reports - S. Xia, President
        ii. Summer Executive Reports - S. Kaur Sukhija, VPUA
        iii. Summer Executive Reports - S. Titizian, VPEA
        iv. Summer Executive Reports - S. Huc, VPOP
        v. Summer Executive Reports - H. Munniwala, VPSS
        vi. Summer Executive Reports - A. Gill, VPSE
        vii. Executive Roadmap & Budget Presentation - S. Xia, President (15 Minutes)

9. **Board of Directors Report**
    a. Delivered by Sukhman Sunner, *Chair of the Board of Directors (max 15 mins, Q&A permitted)*
        i. Recess (Speaker/Booth) - 11:56 - Lunch until 12:20 PM
            1. In favour: 17
            2. Opposed: 0
            3. Abstain: 0
10. **For Action**

Motion 1 (1:26:06 of the July 8, 2026 recording) - Appendix A
Executive Reports **Be it resolved that** Council accept the executive reports for July 2026. **S. XIA**/T. Hamilton/CARRIES

Motion 2 (1:28:25 of the July 8, 2026 recording) - Appendix B
Motion to Endorse the 2026-2027 USC Executive Roadmap

Whereas Council's role, in part, is to hold the USC Executive accountable to achieve their mandate and represent the interests of undergraduate students in their work; and,

Whereas endorsement from Council legitimizes and strengthens the ability of the USC Executive to achieve their goals in the Executive Roadmap; and,

Be it resolved that Council approve the Executive Roadmap as presented.

Be it further resolved that the USC Executive provides updates on new and ongoing initiatives through their executive reports, with a focus on purpose and alignment with the Executive Roadmap.

S. XIA/*M. Booth/*CARRIES

Motion 3 (1:41:44 of the July 8, 2026 recording) - Appendix C

Motion to Approve the 2026-2027 Executive Budget

Whereas, the Executive have developed a Budget for the 2026-2027 academic year based off previous council approved numbers and previous executive spendings; and,

Whereas, Bylaw 1 allows the Executive to present modifications to the approved Executive Budget provided that there are no changes to the bottom line; and,

Whereas, the Budget supports the themes of the Executive Roadmap and content of the Presidential Platform.

Be it resolved that, Council approve the 2026-2027 Executive Budget.

S. XIA/*J. Antonelli/*CARRIES

Motion 4 (1:44:50 of the July 8, 2026 recording) - Appendix D

Approval of the 2026–2027 Legislative Calendar

Whereas: USC Council requires an approved Legislative Calendar to guide meetings and governance timelines;

Whereas: the Legislative Calendar approved in the May 2026 AGM posed scheduling issues due to statutory holidays and contractual limitations.

Be it resolved that: USC Council amend the 2026–2027 Legislative Calendar to reflect the dates proposed in Appendix 1.

S. XIA/*B. Dunn/*CARRIES

Motion 5 (1:47:05 of the July 8, 2026 recording) - Appendix E

Motion to Establish the Student Life Standing Committee, and Integrate the University Affairs and External Affairs Standing Committees into Advocacy Standing Committee

Whereas in 2025-2026, Council passed an updated Advocacy Approvals Policy and created an Executive Portfolio Review Policy, and

Whereas those policies require more regular and consistent engagement from Council in advocacy and service reviews, and

Whereas there is often significant overlap between the University and External Advocacy Standing Committees,

Be it resolved that the Standing Committee Terms of Reference be amended to join the two existing advocacy standing committees, and

Be it further resolved that Council create a Student Life Standing Committee to support and receive the service reviews mandated by the Executive Portfolio Review Policy.

S. XIA/*A. Zabian/*CARRIES

Motion 6 (2:04:14 of the July 8, 2026 recording) - Appendix F

Election of Councillor Representative to the Service Review Committee

Whereas: The Executive Portfolio Review framework provides for the review of Executive-led services and programs to ensure accountability and effective stewardship of student resources; and

Whereas: Council representation on the Service Review Committee supports transparency, oversight, and student input throughout the review process;

Be it resolved that: Council elect five (5) Councillors to serve on the Service Review Committees, one Councillor to serve on the Review Committees for each for the following services, for the 2026-2027 term

- REACH
- Charity
- EnviroUSC
- Public Arts
- Income Tax Clinic

Candidates:
J. Antonelli
T. Hamilton
G. Osei-Tutu
Y. Baltazar
B. Dunn

Uncontested
Election results carried

S. XIA/*R. Rajab/*CARRIES

Motion 8 (2:14:55 of the July 8, 2026 recording) - Appendix H

Ratification of Sukhman Sunner as Board Chair

Be it resolved that Council ratify the appointment of Sukhman Sunner as Board Chair of the USC Board of Directors for the 2026-2027 term.

S. XIA/*T. Suleman/*CARRIES

11. For Information
12. For Discussion
13. Questions and Comments from Western Community
14. New Business

a. New Business - S. Xia, H. Lai - Motion to appoint Jason Holiday to the BoD
Whereas: USC Council is responsible for ratifying appointments to the Board of Directors;

And whereas: there has been a resignation on the Board of Directors resulting in an unfilled seat;

And whereas: the selected Director has been appointed through a process aligned with USC By-Laws and Terms of Reference;

Be it resolved that: USC Council ratify Jason Holliday as a member of the Board of Directors for the 2026–2027 term:

Be it further resolved that: the ratified Director begin their term immediately upon approval.

In favour - 24

Opposed - 0

Abstain - 0

Motion carries

15. Termination (1:27 PM) - Speaker/A. Zabian

Appendices

Appendix A

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Appendix B

Copy of 2026-2027 Motion to Endorse Exec Roadmap

Appendix C

Copy of 2026-2027 Motion to Approve Executive Budget

Appendix D

Motion to Approve the Amended 2026-2027 Legislative Calendar

Appendix E

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Appendix H

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