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# LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVES



Dear Members,

Welcome to the Scarborough Campus Students' Union's (SCSU) Winter General Meeting! This is a very exciting time, in which we get to inform you, our members, of the work that we have been doing during our term.

Over the years, the SCSU has worked diligently to convey a diverse range of programming in engaging our membership. Whether it is through our events, campaigns, social justice initiatives, or members-only cost-saving services, we hope to continue this meaningful support for our students – both within the classroom, and in the greater community. It is through the united work of our 14 000+ students, that we have been able to accomplish such victories.

Therefore, it is imperative that we continue to work together. With threats from the government putting students' union under attack, it is essential that we unite and fight back. This year, our combined efforts have supported the Food Bank, Racialized Students' Collective, and the Free Book Network; simplified the volunteer recruitment process; executed the largest concert in SCSU's history; hosted the first-ever Indigenous PowWow and Conference at UTSC; and secured student-only polling stations on campus next year, for the Federal Elections! In addition, we are in the process of securing a safer crosswalk at Military and Ellesmere Trail, working towards increasing the number of gender inclusive washrooms on campus, and fighting to keep the Scarborough East LRT expansion project. Moreover, SCSU has worked to ensure you know your student rights – whether that be in academics, housing, or employment.

It is important to remember though, that there is strength in numbers. These accomplishments would not have been made possible without each and every one of you! Furthermore, recognizing that we, as Ontario students, pay the highest tuition fees in all of Canada; the SCSU is united, through the Canadian Federation Students, with over 500 000 students across the country, in the fight for a more accessible and affordable university experience. We will not stand down against threats of OSAP cuts, or efforts to increase International Student fees. This movement requires everyone's support, and it our collective responsibility to ensure that everyone has an equitable access to a high-quality education. A united voice has the capacity to create amazing things. This is your student movement, and the possibilities become endless when we unite together. Although we should take great pride and joy in our victories, we are reminded that the work does not end here, and we look forward to working with you!

Best Regards,

SCSU Executive Team 2018-2019

# ROBERT RULES OF ORDER AT A GLANCE

To Do This:	You Say This:	May You Interrupt the Speaker	Must You Be Seconded?	Is the Motion Debatable?	Is the Motion Amendable?	What Majority is Required?
Object to incorrect procedure being used	Point of Order	Yes	No	No	No	No vote taken, chair rules
Seek clarification from the previous speaker	Request for Information	Yes, if urgent	No	No	No	No vote taken, chair rules
Object to something which prevents your continued participation (eg. Excessive noise)	Point of personal privilege	Yes	No	No	No	No vote taken, chair rules
Object to a motion being considered	I object to consideration of this motion	Yes	No	No	No	2/3 Majority
Consider something out of its scheduled order	I move the agenda be amended in order to deal with the following item...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	2/3 Majority
Appeal the ruling of the chair	I appeal the ruling of the chair on...	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Majority
Change a motion	I move that the motion be amended to read...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Have a motion studied more before voting on it	I move that the motion be referred to...	No	Yes	Yes, advisability of referral only	Yes	Majority
Postpone further discussion on a motion until later in the meeting	I move that the motion be postponed until...	No	Yes	Only to time	Yes	Majority
Postpone further discussion on a motion until a future meeting	I move that the motion be postponed until...	No	Yes	Only to time	Yes	Majority
Defer consideration of a motion temporarily	I move that motion...be laid on the table	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Raise a matter previously tabled	I move that motion...be taken from the table	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Reconsider a motion already voted on earlier in the meeting	I move that the motion...be reconsidered	no	yes	Yes (if original motion was)	No	Majority
End debate on a motion	I call the question	No	Yes	No	No	2/3 Majority
Ask that everyone's vote on a particular motion be recorded in the minutes	I call for a roll call vote	No	No	No	No	No vote taken, chair rules
Recess the meeting	I move that the meeting recess until...	No	Yes	Only to time	Yes	Majority
End the meeting	I move that the meeting adjourn	No	Yes	No	No	Majority

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# EQUITY STATEMENT

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# EQUITY STATEMENT & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND

The following statement shall be read aloud during the opening address of all meetings and events held by the Scarborough Campus Students' Union:

## 1. EQUITY STATEMENT

As members of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union, mutual respect, cooperation and understanding are our goals. We shall neither condone nor tolerate behaviour that undermines the dignity or self-esteem of any individual or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment.

It is our collective responsibility to create a space that is inclusive and welcomes discussion. Any form of discrimination and harassment will not be tolerated. Hate speech rooted in, but not limited to, anti-Muslim, anti-Semitic, sexist, racist, classist, ableist, homophobic, or transphobic sentiments and/or remarks will also not be tolerated. We all have an obligation to ensure that an open and inclusive space, free of hate is established. Any behaviour that does not demonstrate an understanding of these principles and/or creates an unsafe atmosphere will not be tolerated.

## 2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND

We work towards ending systematic and institutional violence, by including Indigenous people in our collective decision making for social justice and equity. As settlers in Canada we have directly benefited from colonization and genocide of Indigenous people of this land. In order to engage in resistance and solidarity against injustices inflicted on Indigenous people, it is imperative we constantly engage in acts of decolonization. The first thing is to acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the treaty of the dish with one spoon, the Anishinaabe of which the Mississauga of New Credit peoples are a part of, and the Haudenaasane, the people of this tradition territory. I would also like to pay my respect to their elders past and present, and to any who may be here with us today, physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually.

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# AGENDA

## 1. Call to Order

## 2. Equity Statement

## 3. Welcoming Remarks & Introduction

## 4. Approval of the Agenda

**MOTION**                      **Moved: Brayianis**                      **Seconded:**

## 5. Approval of Minutes

**MOTION**                      **Moved: Brayianis**                      **Seconded:**

Be it resolved that the 2018 November SCSU Annual General Meeting minutes be approved.

## 6. Financial Statements

## 7. Executive Report

**MOTION**                      **Moved: Brayianis**                      **Seconded:**

## 8. Motion for Winter General Meeting

**MOTION**                      **Moved: Kidanian**                      **Seconded:**

WHEREAS the Ontario PC Campus Association was formed in September 2018 at UTSC,

WHEREAS the SCSU has shown anti-sentiments towards Conservatives on campus,

WHEREAS the SCSU has shown anti-sentiments towards the Ontario PC Campus Association at UTSC (OPCCA),

WHEREAS the Internal Director refused for the OPCCA to table citing the SCSU as "nonpartisan"

WHEREAS the President on various occasions stated that the SCSU is "non-partisan"

WHEREAS the SCSU on various occasions have publically declared partisan sentiments towards various causes such as; fifteen & fairness, the recent OSAP changes, and more contrary to their supposed non-partisan beliefs,

WHEREAS the SCSU has shown these sentiments all while refusing the Ontario PC Campus Association 'basic rights' of a club,

BE IT RESOLVED the SCSU publically apologize on their social media within 72 hours of the pass of this motion to the Ontario PC Campus Association for their distance and antisentiments they have presented,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCSU provide the same rights and privileges to the OPCCA UTSC that all other clubs and associations have on campus.

## 9. Motion to mark the Armenian Genocide and mark Genocide Awareness, Condemnation and Prevention Month at UTSC

**MOTION**                      **Moved: Kidanian**                      **Seconded:**

WHEREAS the the Armenian Genocide perpetrated by the Turkish regime under the Ottoman Empire was the first Genocide to take place in the 20th century

WHEREAS over 1.5 million Armenians were massacred in this atrocity the Turkish Government continues to deny.

WHEREAS the Ontario Government recognized the Armenian Genocide in April of 1980.

WHEREAS the Canadian Government recognized the Armenian Genocide in April of 2004 and reaffirmed their recognition in 2006.

WHEREAS in 2015, the Canadian Government marked April as Genocide Awareness, Condemnation, and Prevention Month in Canada

WHEREAS the Canadian Government marked April 24th as Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day

WHEREAS the University of Toronto including the Scarborough Campus Students' Union does not do anything to remember this solemn day.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Student Union release a statement on April 24th, 2019 recognizing the Armenian Genocide.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that statements are released on an annual basis marking the Armenian Genocide by every executive body that follows.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Student Union make statements on commemoration dates such as; Holocaust, Rwandan, Ukraine, Assyrian, Greek, Indigenous, and others as deemed prevailing at such particular time. Be it further resolved that the Scarborough Campus Students' Union mark April as Genocide Awareness and Prevention Month at UTSC.

BE IT FURHTER RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Students Union mark the first week of April as the main week to hold events pertaining to Genocide Awareness, Condemnation, and Prevention

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCSU create and implement events to raise awareness regarding Genocide, Awareness, Condemnation, and Prevention.

#### **10. Motion to Condemn the UTSU's condemnation & rejection of the Ontario Government's Free-Speech Mandate**

**MOTION**

**Moved: Kidanian**

**Seconded:**

WHEREAS on October 30th, 2018 University of Toronto St. George Campus condemned and rejected the implementation of the current Ontario Government mandating freespeech on campus,

WHEREAS the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus (UTSC) did not in return present a dissenting response to UTSU,

WHEREAS such response by UTSU has created a divisive and hostile environment between student(s) and group(s) on campus,

WHEREAS the SCSU in their mandate states that they "democratically unite and represent the diverse undergraduate student body of the University of Toronto Scarborough, to advocate on their behalf, to advance their experience, while serving their needs and interest."

WHEREAS the University of Toronto has had an free-speech policy since 1992,

WHEREAS the SCSU identifies as an independent body operating on the grounds of the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus,

WHEREAS the SCSU did not outline their steps to ensuring and guide-lining free-speech, Whereas from time and time, the SCSU has made distance from associations, including the Ontario PC Campus Association simply due to partisan-sentiments, lacking reason and proper justification.

BE IT RESOLVED that within 72 hours of the pass of this motion, the SCSU publicly condemn UTSU's condemnation and rejection of the Ontario Government free-speech mandate which took place at their AGM on October 30th, 2018 citing divisive and hostility in its nature

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU work towards creating a detailed free-speech policy as mandated by the current Ontario Government separate from the University of Toronto's Free-Speech Policy.

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU release a statement within a week after this motion passes reiterating the Union's support for free speech on campus.

### **11. Motion to create Multi-Partisan Policy Analyzing and Developing Committee (MPPADC)**

#### **MOTION**

**Moved: Kidanian**

**Seconded:**

WHEREAS the SCSU lack proper external relationships between multi-partisan representatives across provincial and federal means

WHEREAS the importance of networking and building relationships is crucial in the 21st century

WHEREAS the University of Toronto Scarborough can gain critical counterparts by broadening their reach by having support from important associations on campus

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU create a permanent sub-committee which shall be chaired by the VP External; and shall also consist of the Director of Political Science, two executives from the Ontario PC Campus Association (OPCCA), two executives from the Young Liberals at UTSC, and two executives from the New Democratic Students of Scarborough (NDSS).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this permanent sub-committee be named Multi-Partisan Policy Analyzing and Developing Committee or short form; MPPADC,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this sub-committee work towards ensuring stronger relationships between the Student Union and the external counter-parts across partisan lines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this sub-committee work towards analyzing, and developing policies that will ensure a stronger, and constructive environment for UTSC and its external counter-parts

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that final policies developed by this committee be passed by the SCSU Board of Directors,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this committee shall have priority on policies that should relate to the student union and government affairs,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the permanent sub-committee be created no later than May 1st, 2019

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this sub-committee in-charge of developing the Free-Speech Policy.

### **12. Motion for Adjournment**

#### **MOTION**

**Moved: Brayannis**

**Seconded:**

Be it resolved that the 2019 SCSU Winter General Meeting be adjourned.

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# 2018 SCSU ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

## 1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:22PM

## 2. Equity Statement

Elder Wendy provides welcoming remarks highlighting the importance of working together.

Chemi reads out the Scarborough Campus Students' Union (SCSU) equity statement and land acknowledgment.

## 3. Welcoming Remarks & Introductions

Nicole introduces the meeting and gives welcoming remarks thanking members for attending the meeting.

The Chair stated some housekeeping rules for the meeting. The Chair mentions that members speaking are speaking directly to the Chair and not the previous speaker. The Chair provides a brief introduction of who she is and reviews the meeting package. The Chair reviews Robert's Rules of Order as she will be using it to conduct the meeting.

## 4. Approval of the Agenda

### MOTION

**Moved: Brayianis**

**Seconded: Gheerawo**

Anup requests to amend the agenda stating that he had submitted motions (motions 11 & 12) that are moved by him; however, he states that they have been altered and amended, and therefore would like to remove them out of the agenda.

The Chair explains the process of moving an amendment to change the agenda, which is a requirement of 2/3 to pass.

### Seconded: Tera

Anup asks if motions were moved by him, what way he could vote.

The Chair clarifies that the motions had to go through the Board meeting as they are by-law motions; however, the motion has been seconded so it's up to the body to decide.

Anup asks where in the Act it mentions this.

The Chair mentions that she does not want to get into a debate with individuals, so she'll address the room. The Chair mentions that according to the corporations act By-law motions must go to the Board, but right now they are discussing the motion to amend the agenda.

Anup mentions that this procedure is out of order.

The Chair states that this isn't out of order as she has made it clear to the Board and members of the Executive committee.

Anup mentions to the floor that the motions were proposed by him and states that he wants to make clear that according to the act [Anup reads the corporations act section 56]. Anup mentions, that section 56 is clear that we are not obligated the motions do not have to be considered by SCSU, in other words, there is no formal system for motions to be vetted before members to discuss them. Anup states that the motion was proposed by himself.

Rebecca moves an amendment to remove items 11 and 12 from the agenda.

The Chair states that the meeting is on the amendment to the agenda currently

Amanual asks if the previous speaker is stating that the SCSU does not have the rights to his motions.

Anup confirms.

Amanual mentions that when people put forward motions it is up for amendments, so why are people asking why the SCSU considered motions?

The Chair states that is a point of debate and seeks for other discussion.

Anup requests to finish his points. He mentions By-law 15 of the SCSU and states that its clear amendments to the By-laws should be reviewed by the Policy and By-laws. Anup reads By-law 15.

Rebecca requests for a point of information asking how members in the meeting would know if the previous speaker is being bias as he is reading from a computer.

Ghaith calls for a point of order stating that this was not part of the agenda.

The Chair suggests that members find the Not-for-Profit Corporation act online.

Sarkis mentions that having the Not-for-Profit act on the screen would be fair.

A member suggests to the floor that reading the act is not reasonable line-by-line, so the meeting should just vote on this now.

Anup calls for a point of order requesting to continue his debate. Anup mentions that if ideas are being censored or modified (Anup reads the corporations act). Anup mentions that it is out of order for proposal to be amended before going to the members because they should see them. Anup states that members in the AGM should make those amendments. Anup discusses the motion to remove the two motions that are not his and reads the procedure of notice under article 56 of the act, and reads by-laws 1 to 3. Anup mentions that the corporation is supposed to send notice to members and that they are not to amend proposals. Anup continues and suggests that there is no language in the By-laws that directors can refuse proposals.

Aisha calls to question

**Seconded: Zara**

A member asks why they cannot amend to what it was before.

The Chair mentions that it is up to the floor.

Tera asks what the question is.

The Chair states that calling to question ends debate and explains the process of calling to question under Robert's Rules.

The floor votes on calling to question.

Vote: majority in favor

**Motion carries.**

The floor is back to the amendment in removing item 11 and 12 from the agenda

Vote: majority in favor.

**Motion to amend carries.**

Item 11 and 12 have been removed from the agenda.

The Chair makes a media announcement and mentions that photos are being taken by members of the Varsity, and suggests that if members do not want their photos taken to let the Varsity know.

## 5. Approval of Minutes

**MOTION**                      **Moved: Brayianis**                      **Seconded: Saldanha**

Be it resolved that the 2017 SCSU Annual General Meeting minutes be approved.

The Chair calls for discussion.

None.

Vote: majority in favor

**Motion carries.**

**MOTION**                      **Moved: Brayianis**                      **Seconded: Saldanha**

Be it resolved that the 2018 March SCSU General Meeting minutes be approved.

The Chair calls for discussion.

None.

Vote: majority in favor

**Motion carries.**

## 6. Receipt of the 2017 – 2018 SCSU Audited Financial Statements

**MOTION**                      **Moved: Brayianis**                      **Seconded: Alemayehu**

Be it resolved that the 2017 – 2018 SCSU Audited Financial Statements be received.

The 2017-2018 auditor (Lane) gave a presentation on the 2017-2018 audited statements.

Lane mentioned that this is a standard report and opened the floor for questions.

A member asks if this is Lane's first time doing the audit.

Lane mentions that this is his fourth or fifth time doing the SCSU audit.

A member asks how the process works and what Lane does exactly.

Lane explains that there's two key financial statements: the balance sheet is like taking a picture of where the organization is, and there is the income statement. Lane mentions that when auditing the balance sheets for cash there is a confirmation with the bank like GIC accounts, and there is an inventory count. Lane mentions that SCSU is mostly with the bank. Lane also states that the deferrals, the liabilities, are the Health and Dental plan that come in and go out.

A members asks what non-current on Note 8 means.

Lane mentions the KFC and Heroes franchises that SCSU previously owned.

Prish asks what amortization under expenses mean and what type it is.

Lane provides an example of buying a building, where the building will deplete over time. He mentions that it's an accounting charge, so the expense of building is reduced overtime.

Vote: majority in favor.

#### **Motion carries**

### **7. Appointment of Auditors for 2018 – 2019 Fiscal Year**

#### **MOTION**

**Moved: Brayannis**

**Seconded: Juneja**

Be it resolved that Yale and Partners be appointed as the external auditors for the Scarborough Campus Students' Union for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2019.

The Chair asks for discussion.

None.

Vote: majority in favor.

#### **Motion carries.**

### **8. Executive Report**

#### **MOTION**

**Moved: Brayannis**

**Seconded: Williams**

Executives present their report for 2017-2018.

The Chair opens the floor for discussion.

Raj asks a question around study space as he noticed a problem that other students from other campuses are coming to campus. Raj asks if there's a system in place like checking student cards, or if there will be an implemented system because it's not public space.

Ayaan answers and mentions that the library had a policy where they do look at student cards after hours, however, the library is part of the municipal district. Ayaan mentions that the rest of the campus it's an ongoing conversation and is uncertain whether the university is looking to implement it because it's a large space.

Ankit mentions that he has attended a meeting where members of the administration is aware of the issue. The administration is aware but has not mentioned of steps being taken, but stated that there will be cameras getting installed.

Sarkis asks what improvements have been made to the food centre and what the cost associated in running the food centre.

Desmond mentions that there is a cost for the food bank as the SCSU partners up with the Daily Bread for deliveries. He states that there has been an improvement on the operations of the food bank especially around privacy. Desmond also notes that SCSU is trying to be more active on social media.

Sarkis asks a follow-up question on the cost of running the food bank.

Desmond answers and notes that it's \$90 a month.

Chemi mentions that the capacity of space is limited and that there's more room to advocate and lobby for more spaces. Chemi mentions that, unfortunately, the Free Book Network and Food Bank operates in the same room. The SCSU Executives, staff and volunteers have received training and attended a food conference. Chemi mentions that Scarborough is one of the highest rates of students depending on food banks, and therefore the SCSU Executives are looking at many initiatives.

A member asks if there's any action in adding more plugs or lighting.

Ayaan notes that the issue has come up in HW and that they are going to start restructuring those areas, but this will take time because the buildings are old. Ayaan mentions that she is not sure about the library and will have to take this back. Ayaan will follow up offline.

A member asks about study space accommodation and initiatives for silent study spaces.

Ayaan mentions that it's an issue that comes up every time and notes that the library has a quiet room study space. Ayaan also states that Highland Hall will have dedicated quiet study space.

Nicole mentions that SCSU will also bring this up at CAO.

Ali asks if the SCSU has a direct role in purchasing furniture.

Nicole states that SCSU does not.

Ali asks if it's possible for him to attend spaces like CAO.

Nicole mentions that unfortunately the spaces for CAO have been filled, but encouraged Ali to connect with SCSU. For Highland Hall it was supposed to be more bright and happy, but that isn't reflected on what is currently there. SCSU will follow up about space and see where the plans changed.

A member asks what is being done regarding food vendors as it's limited on campus.

Ashley asks if there's been any plans for Black History Month

Ray asks if there are any plans for building a recreation room.

A member asks if it's possible for 24 hour food locations.

Leeza asks if there are other platforms that students can direct their questions in case it does not fall under SCSU.

Nicole mentions that for food vendors on campus the issue is that a lot of them are franchised companies that have bought leases in the university and student centre. She states that in the new building being built there will be room to advocate for newer food. Nicole notes that Rex's Den recently changed their menus. Nicole suggests that the SCSU brings this up with the administration. Further, Nicole notes that for IC2 that is getting built, the SCSU will advocate for better options for food on campus. In terms of having food available for 24 hours, Nicole explains the difficulty with this is that franchises will lose revenue. Nicole answers the question around having a recreation area and mentions that in the student centre there are plans in improving gaming space. Specifically, improving the furniture in the student centre.

Chemi answers questions asked by members. First, in regards to Black History Month, conversations have already started and Chemi states that she is in touch with administration across the University of Toronto. Currently, there are plans to initiate a campaign that is tackling anti-blackness and is in touch with Black Student Association. In regards to Black History Month, concrete planning hasn't began because this year all the events that would normally happen in the second semester happened in the first, so that there can be a heavier focus on Black History Month planning. Chemi also noted that she is doing personal outreach to unlearn a lot of things as there's a slight hesitation because she is not from the black community. Chemi also mentioned that Ankit is working closely with her to reach out to clubs. Currently, the SCSU is looking into potentially hiring a black student to assist in the planning.

Vote: majority in favor

### **Motion carries**

## **9. Muslim Chaplaincy Initiative Motion**

**MOTION**

**Moved: Ayub**

**Seconded: Zara**

WHEREAS the role of the Muslim Chaplaincy at the University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) is to provide spiritual and

faith-based counselling, mentorship and guidance to students of faith, establish programs, workshops and services that would improve and promote the mental health and spiritual wellbeing of Muslim students. All the while, being culturally sensitive and conscious of meeting unique intersectional identities and religious observances of all students; and WHEREAS the Muslim student population is currently one of the largest faith group on campus; and

WHEREAS 93.2% of students of Muslim students surveyed by the Muslim Chaplaincy team feel the need for a full-time Muslim Chaplain; and

WHEREAS 94.6% of Muslim students surveyed by the Muslim Chaplaincy team believe a Muslim Chaplain is crucial for their mental health and the quality of their undergraduate experience at UTSC; and

WHEREAS the American political climate which attempts to temporarily ban people from several Muslim-majority countries has resulted in the "Trump effect" as international Muslim students reconsider pursuing education in America. This has resulted in a significant increase in applicants to University of Toronto Scarborough as per University of Toronto spokeswoman Larysa Woloszansky. The school has received 22 % more international applications for the 2017 school year compared with the previous 2016 academic year; and WHEREAS many Muslim students feel disengaged from their Islamic identity due to political and social pressures; and

WHEREAS 94.6% of Muslim students surveyed by the Muslim Chaplaincy team believe the Muslim Chaplaincy can help empower their identity in order to deal with the challenges and effects of racism and Islamophobia on campus; and

WHEREAS 21.6% of Muslim students surveyed by the Muslim Chaplaincy team have experienced a form of Islamophobia or have felt unsafe on campus; and

WHEREAS 58.1% of Muslim students surveyed by the Muslim Chaplaincy team believe other counselling services on campus do not do an effective job of providing faith-sensitive guidance to Muslim students; and

WHEREAS the Scarborough Campus Students' Union (SCSU) Mental Health Survey identified cultural gaps in the services provided by the Health and Wellness Centre; and

WHEREAS over the past year, three Muslim students have committed suicide at the University of Toronto due to extreme mental health issues; and

WHEREAS the Muslim Chaplaincy at UTSC has helped prevent over six Muslim student suicides at the Scarborough Campus in the past academic year; and

WHEREAS over the past academic year the Muslim Chaplaincy has held 137 counselling sessions accommodating the needs of 100 students on campus. Of these students, 20 students came back for recurring sessions; and WHEREAS there has been an overwhelming increase in the number of students who are booking counselling appointments with the Muslim Chaplaincy at UTSC. There is a large demand for the service, but due to limited office space and funding, it is difficult to accommodate for the increasing demand; and

WHEREAS UTSC on the principles of equity, inclusion, and diversity and the SCSU (referencing SCSU's current mission statement) aims for a more safer and inclusive campus; and

WHEREAS the Canadian Federation of Students and the SCSU has a long-standing commitment to challenging systems of oppression, including the "Anti-Islamophobia" campaign and "Challenge Racism" under the United For Equity Campaign; and

WHEREAS Islamophobia, racism and other forms of discrimination intersecting with student mental health affects students across the Scarborough campus; and

WHEREAS it is important for the SCSU to meet the needs of Muslim students on campus to counter the rampant Islamophobia that students face; and

WHEREAS as students, we need to ensure that the SCSU is fulfilling their responsibility to collectively challenge these systems of oppression on campuses and beyond while supporting and resourcing the Muslim community at UTSC; and

BE IT REOLVED that the SCSU allows the Muslim Chaplaincy to utilize and share the Racialized Students' Collective space

to hold counselling sessions for students, as was similarly done by Ryerson Students' Union at Ryerson University, which permits their centres to be used by their chapter of the Muslim Chaplaincy to function; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCSU commits to creating a permanent space for Muslim Chaplaincy in the upcoming SCSU expansion plans and goals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that \$25,000 is donated by the SCSU to help fund the operational costs to sustain the service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCSU donate \$25,000 annually to the Muslim Chaplaincy to aid in the operational costs required to sustain a vital and important service for Muslim students at UTSC; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCSU connect with Canadian Federation of Students–Ontario to investigate more thoroughly for spiritual and faith-sensitive mental health services on campuses across the province; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCSU connect with the Muslim Chaplaincy at UTSC to seek ways of further supporting this service as it is extremely vital for the Muslim students on campus.

The Chair mentions that item number 9 was not discussed in the last AGM, so it's being brought forward in this meeting.

Sarkis asks for a point of information on whether the SCSU funds any other chaplaincy this much.

Chemi answers and mentions that there are few chaplaincy on campus and none are getting funded, so the Department of Student Life (DSL) there's only one staff in the office and none are getting funded.

Sarkis asks if SCSU is ready to fund the chaplaincies as there are 7.

Chemi notes that they are waiting for students to share their ideas on this and make amendments, currently there's \$5000.

A members speaks against the idea as there isn't enough funds and there are many chaplaincies on campus.

Alemayehu moves an amendment to strike the funding on the third and fourth be it further resolved clauses

### **Seconded: Ghaith**

Kalkidan motivates the amendment and mentions that this is unreasonable as the other ones are not funded and therefore is not fair.

Ashley speaks on the amendment to take away the funding portion as stated previously the chaplaincy service falls under the DSL. Ashley mentions that members pay into the SCSU \$41, but pay the university \$100, so the SCSU should lobby the university if there is no money.

Zara speaks in favour of the amendment as it does not fall under the SCSU.

Ray speaks in favor of the amendment and believes that 25k is a lot of money and encouraged members to amend the amount. Ray notes that 25k every year is a bit too much and excessive.

A member mentions that it is not an issue of fairness. The member notes that 25k is the right amount and entertains reducing the amount, or encouraging SCSU to lobby the university.

Ghaith moves an amendment to the amendment that the funds will be given to Muslim chaplaincy be given after reasons are provided.

The Chair rules the amendment to the amendment as out of order because it does not deal with the two items.

Chemi moves an amendment to the amendment to read that includes both the 2nd, 3rd and 4th clause.

The Chair rules the amendment to the amendment as out of order.

Vote on amendment: majority in favor

**Motion to amend carries.**

The floor is now back on the main motion as amended

Ray puts forward an amendment to add "Be it further resolved that 25k is donated by the SCSU to help fund the creation of multi-faith chaplaincy service so all groups on campus may apply for this fund if they need it.

Seconder: Katherina

Ray discusses the importance of being equitable and being fair and notes that having a fund for a single group on campus may stir up drama, and allocating to specific groups will lead to issues, so this will allow any faith on campus to apply.

Sarkis speaks against the motion as the SCSU does not have the money.

Zara speaks against the amendment as SCSU does not have the funding for this but encourages giving receipts to the university.

Katherina speaks against the motion as it already exists through the DSL

Vote: majority in favor.

**Motion to amend carries.**

The floor is back on the main motion as amended

Katherina motions to strike the first be it further resolved clause

**Seconded: Amanual**

Katherina motivates and mentions that the floor should strike because the spaces already exists, but not under the SCSU. Katherina encourages the SCSU to advocate to DSL if more space is needed.

Sarkis requests for a point of information asking if this is all chaplaincy.

Chemi notes that there is one room beside SC:OUT in the BV hallway has been allocated for chaplains to access.

Sara speaks in favor and notes that there's lots of space on campus.

Ghaith speaks in favor of the amendment as creating one specific space for one chaplain will create conflict, and in order to eliminate any further complication between chaplains then a multifaith room will be best for all beliefs.

Sarah makes an amendment to this a specific space for all chaplaincy.

The Chair mentions that this is not jermaine to the amendment.

Sarah calls to question

**Seconded: Alemayehu**

Chemi speaks against calling to question

Kalkidan mentions that the floor is discussing striking out the be it further resolved clause.

Vote: majority in favor.

The floor is back on the amendment to strike the second clause.

Vote: majority in favour

**Motion to amend carries.**

The Chair notes there is only the first be it resolved clause on page 8 and all on page 9.

Sarkis motions to add a further be it resolved clause that the SCSU commits to creating a larger permanent multi-faith space in the upcoming SCSU expansion plans and goals

**Seconded: Sara**

A member speaks against and notes that they don't know how many people in the room met with their chaplaincy, and mentions that creating a permanent space may not be useful.

A member speaks in favor because there is a need for more when it comes to counselling.

Rebecca asks for a point of information on what the further be it resolved clause is.

The Chair notes that it is an addition clause to the motion.

Annie speaks in favor and mentions that with the growth of students on campus the student centre should be as accessible as possible.

Hassan calls for a point of information asking when the SCSU expansion will be.

Nicole mentions that currently there is no set date on the expansion, however there is a building fund that the SCSU is moving towards for an expansion which will take years. Nicole mentions that the Student Centre is at capacity, and during this year's terms there are no plans to expand.

Chemi moves an amendment to the amendment adding a further be it resolved clause that SCSU strike a committee to lobby for funding and advocate for a permanent space within the University Muslim Chaplaincy and multi-faith initiatives.

**Seconded: Amanual**

Chemi motivates and mentions that sentiments have been shared from the audience and notes that SCSU does not have the funds to create a whole new entity. Chemi mentions that this is prioritized over the University, and encourages students to lobby the University in creating permanent spaces. Chemi also notes that this motion has been put forth because of the needs of Muslim students on campus, and mentions that this committee can tackle on and commit for advocacy for Muslim students.

Michael speaks in favor of the amendment to the amendment and believes in the usefulness and importance of a safe spaces.

Rebecca speaks in favor of the amendment to the amendment.

Rebecca encourages the committee to oversee funding as this is being brought to the SCSU's attention.

Ray requests for a point of information on what kinds of plan the SCSU has in advocating for other multi-faith groups on campus, and whether there will be a campaign.

Chemi mentions that for May 2018 there was a survey that was sent out on campus for all faith based groups on campus, and will continue to do this work.

Rays requests for a point of information on how this will be different from the previous committee.

Chemi mentions that there is an equity fund committee.

A member calls to question

**Seconded: Alemayehu**

Vote: Majority in favor

The floor is back on the amendment to the amendment

Vote: majority in favor.

The floor is back to the amendment

Vote: majority in favor

Nicole speaks in favor of the motion as DSL is moving to IC2.

Rebecca moves an amendment, be it further resolved that SCSU strike a committee.

**Seconded: Arda**

Shagun requests for a point of information whether there is a specified time on the committee.

The Chair states that there is not.

Rebecca mentions that this is important because the Muslim Chaplaincy brought this forward and it's important to have space in the committee.

Sarah call to question

**Seconded: Alemayehu**

Rachel mentions that as it stands the clause leaves room for Multi-faith and encourages calling to question.

Katherina is in favor of calling to question and mentions that this is not a good use of time right now and this could be figured out later.

Rebecca is in favor of calling to question and mentions that the amendment would state that Muslim chaplaincy can figure out later.

Ray states there should be more discussion on this.

Shagun is against calling to question because she agrees with the previous speaker and notes that this requires changing the By-laws.

The Chair notes that this is a campaign.

Shagun mentions that if there's no timeline then it is assumed that it's an on-going committee.

The Chair clarifies that this is for the purpose of the 2018-2019 term because it's a campaign motion.

Vote: majority in favour

The floor is now back on the main motion as amended

Ray motions to add to the 6th be it further resolved clause that the SCSU connect with multi-faith chaplaincy on campus at the University of Toronto Scarborough to seek ways of further supporting this service as it is extremely vital to all multi-faith on campus which is extremely

**Seconded: Alemayehu**

Ray motivates and mentions it's great that SCSU wants to connect with chaplaincies on campus because SCSU should be open to all faiths and be equitable. Ray also mentions that this is a great policy.

Sara speaks against the amendment because Muslim students brought forward the motion.

Sarah speaks against the amendment because a Muslim student asked for the motion on behalf of Muslim students.

Kalkidan calls to question

**Seconded: Arda**

Vote on call to question: fails

The floor is back on the amendment

Amanual asks what the vote was on

The Chair mentions a mistake was made on the procedure and will bring the floor back to calling the question.

Vote on call to question: majority in favor

Call to question carries

The floor is back on the amendment

Vote: fails

Sarah calls to question on main motion as amended

**Seconded: Shangari**

The floor is back on the main motion as amended

Sarah calls to question on main motion as amended

**Seconded: Shangari**

Ray speaks against calling to question and notes that he understands where the concerns are coming from

Katherina speaks in favor of calling to question

Zara is in favor of calling to question.

Rebecca is in favor of calling to question and mentions that no one is not inviting the other faith groups. The committee would advocate for all faith groups.

Kalkidan speaks against calling to question and believes there's more amendments that should be made.

Vote on call to question: majority in favor

Calling to question carries

The floor is back on the main motion as amended

Vote on main motion as amended: majority in favor

**Motion as amended carries.**

## 10. Winter General Meeting Motion

### MOTION

**Moved: Kidanian**

**Seconded: Amanual**

Whereas the annual general meeting is the only meeting that lets students hear about the work of the SCSU.

Whereas the annual general meeting sums up the previous administrations term, as well as partially the new administration.

Whereas not everyone is able to attend the annual general meeting.

Whereas the student body cannot hold SCSU executive accountable with only one Annual General Meeting.

Be it resolved the SCSU host a Fall General Meeting and a Winter General Meeting to make the Student Union's work transparent and allow the students to hold their executed tasks accountable, and

Be it resolved that, the Fall General Meeting take place between August 30-November 30, and

Be it further resolved that, the Winter General Meeting take place between February 28-April 1st, and

Be it further resolved that Director Updates be included in the Winter General Meeting.

Be it further resolved that, this clause take immediate effect such that the Winter General Meeting be held in 2019, and

Be it further resolved, that the format of the General Meetings consist similarly to the Annual General Meeting, and

Be it further resolved that the SCSU is required to present the revised operating budget including the breakdown of the remaining funds for the fiscal year at the Winter General Meeting.

Nicole speaks in favor of the motion because this was discussed at the last general meeting, and this is setting provisions.

Sarah calls to question

### **Seconded: Shagun**

Ray speaks against calling to question and motivates for amendments like switching the dates as November 30 is too early.

Kalkidan speaks in favor of calling to question.

Rachel is against calling to question as the timeline should be amended.

Katherina speaks in favor of the motion as the motion is reasonable as is.

Vote on calling to question: majority in favor.

The floor is back on the main motion

Vote: motion carries

## 11. Budget Motion

### MOTION

**Moved: Atwal**

**Seconded:**

WHEREAS in the 2018-2019 calendar year, each full-time UTSC student paid the SCSU \$82.00 each, amounting to a total of ~\$1.1 million in Incidental Student Society Fees;

WHEREAS the University of Toronto passed the Policy on Open, Accessible and Democratic Autonomous Student

Organizations in 2016, which states:

"The University affirms the value of autonomous Student Organizations operating independently and without interference from the University in their day-to-day operations. However, autonomy must be exercised in a manner that is compliant with the law and University policy. Further, all Student Organizations must conduct themselves in an open, accessible and democratic manner. [...]"

"Open Student Organizations are characterized by many of the following: [...]"

Willingness to freely share information about the organization with members [...]"

Accessible Student Organizations are characterized by many of the following: [...]"

Commitment to encourage and facilitate participation in the full scope of the organization's activities

Transparency about what the activities are [...]"

Democratic Student Organizations are characterized by many of the following: [...]"

Transparency and accountability to the membership, especially in budgeting and expenditures";

WHEREAS the SCSU's Constitution outlines the purpose of the Union "to organize students on a democratic, co-operative basis for advancing the interest of the UTSC student community" (2.b);

WHEREAS the SCSU's Constitution outlines the purpose of the Union "to endeavour to bring about fundamental redistribution of socio-political and economic power so as to permit substantially greater participation by students in making those decisions which affect their lives" (2.m);

WHEREAS Bylaw IX.2 clearly states, "There shall be three budgets prepared (Preliminary, Operating, and Revised), all which must follow the Budgeting Planning Framework set in the Operational Policy Manual";

WHEREAS the Not for Profit Corporations Act, which provides the SCSU with legal recognition to exist legitimately in Canada, states:

"84

(1) The directors of a corporation shall place before the members at every annual meeting,

(a) the financial statements approved by the directors under subsection 83 (1);

(b) the report of the auditor or of the person who conducted a review engagement, as the case may be; and

(c) any further information respecting the financial position of the corporation and the results of its operations required by the articles or the by-laws.

(2) Not less than 21 days before each annual meeting of the members or before the signing of a resolution under section 59 in lieu of the annual meeting, a corporation shall give a copy of the documents referred to in subsection (1) to all members who have informed the corporation that they wish to receive a copy of those documents."

WHEREAS numerous concerns (past and present) have been raised regarding the inappropriate allocation or usage of Union funds, which remains a specter that damages the integrity and resolve of the Union;

WHEREAS members of the Union signed a petition over the past month for the SCSU to address concerns regarding budget transparency, but whose concerns were never acknowledged nor responded to;

WHEREAS members should be equipped with the necessary competency in all matters concerning the financial operations of the Union, so they may engage with the SCSU with tangible and realistic expectations from a fiscal point of view;

WHEREAS it has been the experience of countless members over the past several years to have the Vice President Operations unable to answer basic questions regarding the Union's budget; and

WHEREAS the simplicity of the current line-item budgets that are published for members consist of broad expenditure categories which create a superficial analysis of expenditures:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Students' Union immediately make available to members copies of more

comprehensive line-item budget sheets that detail expenses and revenue

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCSU amend Bylaw IX, "Finances", to the following:

2. Budget

2.1 There shall be three budgets prepared (Preliminary, Operating, and Revised), all which must follow the Budgeting Planning Framework set in the Operational Policy Manual.

Be it resolved that 2018-2019 Executive Committee work with Board of Directors, Finance Committee and Policy & By-laws Committee to create documents outlining the Budgeting Planning Framework made accessible online (scsu.ca) for members.

**12. By-Law Formatting Motion**

**MOTION**

**Moved: Atwal**

**Seconded:**

WHEREAS a comprehensive bylaw review is necessary for the well-functioning of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union (SCSU);

WHEREAS these gaps, repetitions, and errors in the bylaws threaten the daily operations and special operations of the SCSU;

WHEREAS the SCSU Board of Directors nor the Policy and Bylaws Committee have submitted substantial amendments to the by-laws in recent years;

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU amend to update Bylaw II "3. Membership Fees" to reflect the financial amounts of the current 2018-2019 academic year.

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU amend Bylaw VIII "5. Vice President Operations" by removing the following repetition: "r. Shall chair the Finance Committee"

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU amend and update the Header of Page 24 to "Bylaw XI – Commissions", and the Header of Pages 25 and 26 to "Bylaw XII – Committees"

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU amend and update sections g, h, and i of Bylaw XII.2.5 to state "DSA Committee" instead of "Clubs Committee". Otherwise, be it discussed whether sections g, h, and i of Bylaw XII 2.5 need be shifted over to Bylaw XII under "2.4 Clubs Committee"

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU include a Cover Page for the available Mission Statement, Constitution, and Bylaws Package. The cover page shall include the SCSU Logo and the following text:

Scarborough Campus Students' Union

Mission Statement, Constitution, and Bylaws as amended with the publication date

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU Mission Statement, Constitution, and Bylaws be made consistent using a single accessible font style and using consistent spacing schemas.

**13. Board of Directors Motion**

**MOTION**

**Moved: Dang**

**Seconded: Gheerawo**

Whereas the democratic representation afforded by the bylaws of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union has ceased to develop since the last set of policy and bylaws reform in 2013-14,

Whereas the trend is in accountability and students being able to choose their representatives,

Whereas the Vice President Operations before was justified to be a democratically elected position because of the

transparent and democratic control of SCSU's finances,

Whereas the Vice President Campus Life is a position that is about the students and their community,

Whereas other student unions have elected their Vice President Campus Life,

Whereas the student population and our equity obligations have developed since the 2013-14 reform,

Be it resolved that the position of the Vice President Campus Life be elected in all upcoming elections

Be it resolved that there be general at-large directors be discussed within policy and by-laws meetings as potentially implemented for the campus.

Be it further resolved that the policy and by-laws committee discuss compensation for the efforts of board of directors now and for the future as an operational policy.

Be it resolved that future Policy & By-laws Committee meetings discuss the implementation of at-large directors at the SCSU.

Be it further resolved that the SCSU introduce 1 elected international student representatives as voting members on the Board of Directors

Dang calls for a point of information on what compensation is meant on page 12.

Nicole mentions that it was previously about monetary, but it's been stuck. Nicole notes that this recognizes that the Board of Directors positions are considered volunteer positions, and this looks to investigating ways to show appreciation.

Sarah calls to question

**Seconded: Katherina**

Vote: majority in favor

**Motion carries**

#### **14. UTSC Women's and Trans Centre Donation Motion**

**MOTION**

**Moved: Kanwar**

**Seconded: Rachel**

WHEREAS the role of the University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) Women's and Trans Centre (UTSC WTC) is in providing a safe, inclusive, and anti-oppressive space and resources and references for all students on women and LGBTQ+ issues pertaining, but not limited to topics such as feminism, health, and equity; and

WHEREAS the UTSC WTC has been actively engaging, empowering, and raising awareness on campus and within our community in an intersectional, accessible manner for the past 24 years via a multitude of events, campaigns, and collaborations; and

WHEREAS UofT advocates for the the principles of equal opportunity, equity, and justice (according to the UofT Mission Statement); and

WHEREAS SCSU, despite its mission to "democratically unite and represent the diverse undergraduate student body at UTSC, to advocate on their behalf, to advance their experience, while serving their needs and interests", has taken a passive stance in moving to support LGBTQ+ focused issues and events in the past few months, as seen by SCSU's lack of involvement with UofT's tri-campus Queer Orientation (UofTQO) during September. Both UTSU and UTMSU showed active involvement in Queer Orientation whereas SCSU's lack of presence was highly noticed among other stakeholders; and

WHEREAS the UTSC Women's and Trans Centre has been having an annual conference for the past 6 years to commemorate International Women's Day and Women's History Month by inviting workshop facilitators, well-known speakers, and performers such as Warsan Shire, Leah Lakshmi, Banoo Zan, Cecile Emeke, Rupi Kaur, Angela Phung, Vava Valentina, Beardonce, and Shannon Boodram. The interactive workshops and keynote presentations have effectively

created accessible spaces of open, critical dialogue among attendees (constituting of UofT students and members of the community) and networking opportunities, especially for students belonging to marginalized communities; and WHEREAS SCSU's support for the the UTSC Women's and Trans Centre's annual conference, despite its overall impact in bringing greater recognition to the UTSC campus and in creating a platform and space for women and individuals of the queer community, has been limited and gradually decreasing over the years. In the 2014-2015 academic year, SCSU supported the conference with \$2000 of funding. In the 2015-2016 academic year, SCSU supported the conference with \$1000 in funding. In the 2017-2018 academic year, \$1500 were requested towards the annual conference; however, SCSU redirected funding requests, ultimately leading to no contribution whatsoever other than a minimal amount of marketing efforts; and

WHEREAS the UTSC Women's and Trans Centre is scheduled to have their annual conference on March 23, 2019. This year, the theme for the UTSC Women's and Trans Centre is titled: "Making HERstory", in hopes to explore the powerful female/femme influencers and the path towards a feminist future. Topics covered in the interactive workshops and keynote presentation include, but not limited to discussing LGBTQ+ inclusion, sexual violence prevention and support, black feminist thought, indigenous acknowledgement and reconciliation, equity issues, mental wellness, and women empowerment. Event attendees will include UofT students, UofT alumni, and community members; and

BE IT RESOLVED that SCSU contributes \$7,000 in monetary support towards the UTSC Women's and Trans Centre's 2019 conference "Making HERstory".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the SCSU use their available resources to assist in advertising the UTSC WTC conference "Making HERstory" online on Facebook and on-the-ground advertising.

Shagun motivates and mentions that the UTSC Women's and Trans Centre has been in operations for the last 24 years. Shagun notes that the 5th clause suggests that the SCSU support has been decreasing, and that the motion is pretty straightforward.

Dang calls for a point of information on what the \$7,000 will be spend on if the Women's and Trans Centre has a balance of \$40,000.

Shagun notes that the Women's and Trans Centre is a levy collecting group and the fees are spent on honorariums for three coordinators. Shagun highlights that the group has dedicated approximately \$10,000 for the conference this year, where the conference is expected to be \$30,000.

Tsai mentions that the 5 Board of Directors are needed to do a workshop each semester, booking spaces, as well as providing food. Tsai also mentions that she has hosted events in September already and that there's campus wide collaborations.

Amanual notes that earlier the SCSU said has \$5,000 under donations.

Tsai mentions that this is not a donation, but it's a sponsorship.

Katherina calls for a point of information asking where the money is going towards.

The Chairs says that folks cannot bump people out of the speakers list.

Dang is in favor of the motion and is familiar with the work of the Centre, which is vital to the Women and Trans students in UTSC. Dang also notes that they did an event around yoga and mental health, and believes that this is something that has never been addressed on campus.

A student is against the motion because DSL and SCSU already provides funds, and notes that the amount is not reasonable.

Ghaith is in favor of the motion. Ghaith mentions that the Women's and Trans Centre has been committed in doing work on campus, and he has witnessed their work.

Rachel is in favor of the motion as they run workshops, which require lots of funding and commitment. Rachel notes that there are not enough spaces for decompression, so they are having a space on campus dedicated to this. Rachel continues to highlight that the honorarium fees are for full-time jobs; however, they get paid part-time wage. Rachel also notes that

the \$7,000 goes towards a conference which includes speakers.

Ghaith calls to question

**Seconded: Dang**

Sarkis calls a point of information on how the funding will work if this will get SCSU to fund right away or if there's an application.

Lhamo confirms

Ashley notes that the room has not heard from the other side yet.

A member is against calling to question because there are still unanswered questions around funding.

Ghaith is in favor and mentions there is nothing else to debate because it's clear and straightforward.

Kalkidan is against calling to question and mentions there is more to discuss.

Dang is in favor of calling to question there is ample evidence that the Women's and Trans Centre is using the funding for speakers and they've demonstrated it enough in the written text.

Zara calls a point of information on where the money is coming from.

Lhamo mentions that it's her understanding that if it's not considered a donation she assumes it would come out of campaigns and advocacy budget. Lhamo mentions that there is a max of \$12,000 for this budget in a year.

Nicole mentions the operating budget has already been passed at the beginning of the year.

Ghaith calls for a point of information if it's possible for the SCSU to give \$5,000 from clubs.

Nicole mentions that this is restricted to clubs on campus and Women's and Trans Centre is a levy collecting group.

A member calls a point of order on entertaining the question.

Shagun calls for a point of information if there is a surplus of money.

Nicole mentions that the money goes towards the building fund.

Dang calls for a point of information on how much is left on the advocacy budget, and where the funding is coming from.

Zara calls for a point of information on why the fund is coming from the SCSU and not the university.

Amanual mentions that if SCSU does not have the funds for this how they plan on balancing.

Nicole mentions that the donation line has a \$5,000 budget for the year. Nicole encourages the Women's and Trans Centre to work with other clubs to secure funding through that route.

Syed (Director) is against calling to question because there's a lot to consider and this is a big decision and there are more questions.

Vote: majority against

**Motion on calling to question fails**

Ashley mentions that questions have been brought up and there still isn't a breakdown of where the money is going, therefore she cannot support the motion without knowing where the \$7,000 is going.

Zara mentions that if they want the money they should provide receipts and request for reimbursement, and asks why

SCSU is providing the funds and not the university.

Dang moves an amendment to the first be it resolved clause to change \$5,000 to \$4,000 and to create a committee that will assist the UTSC Women's and Trans Centre through fundraising endeavors.

**Seconded: Alemayehu**

Amanual calls for a point of information on what the maximum funding is.

Nicole says \$5,000

Sarkis calls to question

Seconded: Xiaoye

Dang mentions that the fundraising could help

Shagun is against calling to question

Amanual is in favour of calling to question because SCSU cannot support the \$7,000.

Rebecca is against calling to question because SCSU does not have the budget.

Dang calls for a point of information if the budget from the Women's and Trans Centre can be shown.

Shagun mentions she will email it to Nicole

Sarkis is in favour

Sarah calls for a point of information on what the room is voting on.

The Chair mentions that the room is voting on \$4,000 and a fundraising committee

Vote: majority against

**The amendment fails.**

The meeting is back on the main amendment

Tsai mentions that she is the External coordinator who is responsible for the conference, and the keynote costs \$20,000. Tsai mentions that the conference will be a tri-campus event, but also there is good representation. Tsai notes that there are 6 workshops on the conference and they are open for everyone. Tsai also mentions there is a lack of support for LGBTQ rights.

Amanual calls for a point of information if there's been a request from other campuses.

Tsai mentions that she's been meeting with Centres in each campus, and the reason for coming to SCSU was to ask for help.

A member is against because this is only talking about SCSU and that the university has funding. The member notes that last year the Women's and Trans Centre requested from DSL and it got approved, and the amount seems reasonable and would get approved by DSL.

Ashley is against the motion because the room is focusing on cost itself. Ashley mentions that the execs already said it's coming from donation line. Ashley supports the Women's and Trans Centre.

Rebecca is against the motion because the SCSU does not have the money for it.

Tsai mentions there are different pools of money.

The Chair encourages members to stay on topic.

Chemi moves an amendment to the amendment that the SCSU contributes \$2500 in monetary support towards the UTSC Women's and Trans Centre 2019 Conference "Making HERstory" as a co-collaborator.

**Seconded: Alemayehu**

Chemi motivates and mentions the Women's and Trans Centre does great work, however, being practical in terms of donation line she wants to emphasize that funding is hard to access. Chemi mentions that there are struggles in accessing funding anywhere and that taking money from a budget line with no money does not solve the problems.

Nicole is in favor of the amendment because this is reasonable. Nicole encourages the Women's and Trans Centre to collaborate with other clubs so they can access other funds.

Shagun is against the motion because SCSU did not contribute too much last year. Shagun noted that they've applied for DSL for funding.

Rayna is against the motion and that folks are advocating for the motion.

Katherina asks a point of information on who the speaker is for the conference.

Tsai mentions that she cannot release the name yet.

Zara is against the amendment because SCSU does not have the funds.

Shargun mentions the Women's and Trans Centre is exploring other funding revenues, and that the union has been a collaborator in the past.

Kalkidan is in favor of the amendment.

Ankit calls for a point of information on clarifying the policy on clubs funding because it's not a guarantee.

Dang calls for a point of information on what time the room will close.

The Chair mentions they will look into this.

Vote: majority in favour

**Amendment carries**

Ghaith calls a point of order and mentions he did not speak.

The Chair apologizes.

The meeting is now back on the main motion as amended

Shagun requests for it to be read.

The Chair reads out the amended motion.

Amanual calls to question

**Seconded: Alibux**

Amanual mentions that the motion has been talked over for a long time.

Zara is in favor of calling to question

Vote: Majority in favor

**Motion on calling to question carries**

Vote on motion as amended: majority in favour

**Motion as amended carries.**

Chemi makes an announcement and thanks the work of the Women's and Trans Centre. Chemi mentions that the university should be doing this work and SCSU will continue to support the Women's and Trans Centre.

**15. Motions for Adjournment****MOTION****Moved: Brayianis****Seconded: Amanual**

Be it resolved that the 2018 SCSU Annual General Meeting be adjourned

The Chair notes that it is 11:01PM

Vote: majority in favor

**Motion carries.**

The meeting ends at 11:01PM.

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# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

May 1, 2018 – March 14, 2019

REVENUE	2018-2019 REVISED BUDGET	2018-2019 YTD
Health and dental plan fees collected (minus admin fee)	4,149,711	3,789,137
TTC Metropass and fare sales	437,150	265,957
Unrestricted membership fees	756,748	714,450
Restricted referendum fees	396,627	376,142
Admissions, events, sales and advertising	314,056	265,763
Rental and leasing	373,361	296,480
Health and dental plan admin fee	242,505	0
SRI operating subsidy	127,500	127,500
Investment income	32,000	36,588
Grants and sponsorship	19,528	9,041
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>6,849,186</b>	<b>5,881,058</b>

EXPENSES		
Health and dental plan disbursements	3,570,345	2,577,077
Cost of TTC metropass and fares	435,650	264,989
Wages and benefits	751,320	511,148
General and administrative	547,595	329,313
Restricted referendum fees disbursements	396,627	376,142
Operating subsidy paid to SRI	127,500	127,500
Repairs and Maintenance	124,633	19,803
Professional fees	31,000	19,143
Ticket Purchases	19,634	32,898
Utilities	13,960	9,539
Bank Charges	6,450	6,809
Loss on disposal of equipment and bad debt	2,300	0
Amortization	26,061	0
Reserve Allocation	150,000	0
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>6,203,076</b>	<b>4,274,361</b>
Transfer to H&D Reserve	579,366	0
Net surplus/(deficit)	66,745	1,606,697
Transfer to contingency reserve	66,745	

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# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT**

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# BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES DIRECTOR REPORT

By Hassan Syed

## **INCREASING OUTREACH TO BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES STUDENTS**

Worked with BioSA's VP Communications to increase the following on BioSA's Instagram account (100s to 700s). Utilized Instagram posts and story feature to better engage the students in the services offered to them. Examples include consulting students on selection of dates for major events being held, inquiring about new events/services they want to see, and increased promotion of existing events/services.

## **FUNDING FOR EVENTS FOR BIOLOGY STUDENTS**

Applied for funding from the Department of Student Life and SCSU to make social and academic events for biology students possible. Obtained over \$1,200 in total to fund event costs.

## **BIOLOGY STUDENTS VS PROFESSORS BASKETBALL GAME**

Hosted an event in collaboration with BioSA and SCSU. Students and Professors were recruited to face off against one another in a full court basketball game. Event included pre-game performance by UTSC's 1265 Dance Crew, during game cheering by UTSC's Cheer Squad, pizza and drinks, prizes, and more. Attendance of over 100 students.

## **MALE WASHROOMS URINAL BARRIER MOTION**

Advocated for the installment of barriers between urinals in male washrooms which are situated too low on the wall, or leave people exposed when relieving themselves. Identified washrooms include those in the student center and SY building. Conversations with the university are being had to make this happen.

## **BIOLOGY COURSE INDIVIDUALIZED STUDENT CONSULTATIONS**

Course evaluations sometimes do not address very specific aspects of courses. Currently conducting an initiative to ask students about specific aspects of biology courses such as their reflection on the textbook being used, effectiveness of assignments for improving the learning experience, lab or tutorial experience, etc.. A productive conversation between representative students who delivered the surveys and the professor will be had on the findings at the end of the course.

## **LAB COAT AND GOGGLES RENTAL SERVICE**

Managed lab coat rental service for students who may have forgotten their lab coat at home or cannot afford to purchase a lab coat. Service is used by multiple students every week.

# COMPUTER AND MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES DIRECTOR REPORT

By Soaad Q. Hossain

The following are updates for the Director of the Department of Computer and Mathematical Sciences for the month of March 2019:

1. Established spaces for C-level and D-level courses for computer science, mathematics and statistics students through having discussions with the UTSC Department of Computer and Mathematical Sciences and relevant DSA. Spaces for C-level and D-level courses for computer science, mathematics and statistics students will be made available to them upon completion of the construction of the Instructional Centre 2 (IC2) building. The construction of the building is set to be completed by 2022.
2. Proposed the following specialization programs to the UTSC Department of Computer and Mathematical Sciences:

PROGRAMS	DEGREES
Computer Science: Computer Security and Networks Stream (Specialist)	Honours BSc
Statistics: Applied Data Science Stream (Specialist)	Honours BSc
Statistics: Biostatistics/Biomedical Data Science Stream (Specialist)	Honours BSc
Mathematics: Mathematical Economics and Econometrics Stream (Specialist)	Honours BSc

Further discussions about the programs and implementations of them will continue over the remaining of the semester and during the 2019-2020 academic year.

3. Established multi-purpose space similar to that in the Environmental Science (EV) building on the north side of the campus through having discussions with the UTSC Department of Computer and Mathematical Sciences and relevant DSA. Multi-purpose space is used as a multi-faith space whenever a major university event is not taking place and will be used for storage or coat room whenever a major university event. The space will be made available to them upon completion of the construction of the Instructional Centre 2 (IC2) building. The construction of the building is set to be completed by 2022.
4. Advocated for domestic and international students' needs through Campus Council and Campus Affairs Committee through standing against the motion to increasing student tuition, and advocating and pressuring the university to improve security, academic services, health and mental health services, food services, accessibility services, and marketing of professional services (e.g. improve marketing of Career Fairs and Graduate Fairs hosted by the Academic Advising & Career Centre).
5. Hosted a Coding Session with UofT Open Source Society, an event that provided students the opportunity to learn more about tech projects happening on campus, practice their computer science fundamentals and coding interview questions, learn about Git and Git Workflow, and socialize with other students.

6. Hosted an Employment and Research Panel with NeurotechUofT, providing students with the opportunity to learn more about Nuralogix and Procter&Gamble, how to secure a job or research position within a business and institution, and how neurotechnology is applied within industries.
7. Shared opportunities from in companies such as IBM, Microsoft, and Google, and tech related events such as competitions, workshops and hackathons on the following Facebook groups: UTSC Department of Computer Science, Mathematics and Statistics, UTSC – Computer Science, Computer Science, and UTSC Computer Science, Mathematics and Statistics Community.
8. Hosted an Information Session with UofT Open Source Society and Mozilla (Contributing to Open Source with Mozilla), providing students the opportunity to learn more about Mozilla and their projects, how to start contributing to Mozilla's codebase, and meet engineers at Mozilla.
9. Hosted a Tech Resume and Skills Workshop with UofT Open Source Society and Rogers Communications, providing students with the opportunity to learn more about Rogers and employment at Rogers, learn more about tech resumes and interviews, and allowing students to get their questions answered by a senior tech recruiter.
10. Hosting an Information Technology Career Panel with the Association of Mathematical and Computer Science Students (AMACSS) and UTSC Academic Advising and Career Centre (AA&CC) on March 21 from 6 – 8pm in the UTSC Council Chamber, AA 160. This panel will provide students to learn more about and meet representatives from Amazon Inc., Rogers Communications, and Veeva Systems, find out tech opportunities for undergraduates and recent graduates within those companies, learn more about the tech application process and interview tips, and provide students with the opportunity to ask questions to tech recruiters and software engineers.
11. Hosting a Natural Language Processing and Dementia seminar with NeurotechUofT on March 26 from 5 – 7pm at the UofT St. George Campus. The seminar will provide students an opportunity to learn about natural language processing, neurotechnology and dementia, and understand how natural language processing and neurotechnology can be applied to the research and treatment of dementia.
12. Shared the UofT Sexual Violence Policy Consultation to students, providing them the opportunity to give feedback to the university on their experience with the policy, help and support available for survivors, and culture-based surrounding gender-based violence within UofT.
13. Working with the UTSC Food Policy Committee, Food User Committee, Sustainability Committee, Aramark, and the Director of Business Development and Special Advisor to the Chief Administration Officer (CAO) to improve food management and services on campus.
14. Attended the Scarborough Campus Student Union (SCSU) We The Students Coalition Meeting, providing insight and input regarding the situation pertaining to the Ford government, post-secondary education and tuition.
15. Assisted computer science, mathematics and statistics student groups - Association of Mathematical and Computer Sciences Association (AMACSS), Women in Computer Science, Statistics and Mathematics (WiCSM), Computer Science Enrichment Club (CSEC) and UofT Open Source Society (OSS) with marketing and promoting their events, giving students a better sense of tech and social events hosted by those groups.
16. Attended the Student Ambassador Symposium (2019), learning more about leading on campus and leading in life. This symposium provided attendees a great opportunity to know how to answer hard questions easily about the university, allowing ambassadors to better represent it, provide feedback about student support and student experience, discuss how to better incorporate equity, diversity and inclusion, and propose services to all three University of Toronto campuses.
17. Volunteering at the UTSC March Showcase on March 23 from 8:30am – 4:00pm, assisting incoming students with discovering student life at UTSC, academic programs and courses offered at the University of Toronto, support and resources available for undergraduate students, and how to make the best out of their experience at the University of Toronto.
18. In the process of creating a Degree and Certificate Program - a joint college and university program that allows

students to complete a bachelor's degree and get a certificate or certification upon completion of the program. Program will be proposed to members in the Campus Council.

19. Proposed the following double degree programs selected members of the UTSC Campus Council:

PROGRAMS	DEGREES
Management & Marketing Specialist and Psychology Specialist	BBA and BSc
Economics for Management Studies Specialist and Psychology Specialist	BBA and BSc
Management & International Business and International Development Studies	BBA and BSc
Management Strategic – Strategic Stream Specialist and City Studies Specialist	BBA and BA
Psychology Specialist and Political Science Specialist	BSc and BA
Environmental Science Specialist and Human Geography Specialist	BSc and Ba
Economics for Management Studies Specialist and Political Science Specialist	BBA and BA
Mental Health Studies Specialist and Sociology Specialist	BSc and BA
International Development Studies Specialist and City Studies Specialist	BSc and BA
Neuroscience Specialist and Psycholinguistics Specialist	BSc and BA
Statistics - Quantitative Finance Stream Specialist and City Studies Specialist	BSc and BA
Economics for Management Studies Specialist and Computer Science: Health Informatics Stream	BBA and BSc

20. Assisted the Academic Advising & Career Centre with marketing and promoting their academic and professional events such as their Exam Anxiety Session, Time Management Session, Career Fairs, Graduate Fairs, Information Sessions, Choose Your Program, allowing students to better know what is happening on campus so that they can attend the events and make better use of them.
21. Working with the university through the Campus Council and Campus Affairs Committee to assist them with the strategic plan, which the strategic plan determines the goals, objectives, plans and initiatives that the university will undertake over the coming years.
22. In the process of creating an Indigenous Experience Program – a program that allows indigenous students to get unique co-op or professional experience year (PEY) placements, allowing them to get employed and get professional experience. This also allows indigenous students to get money, which can help finance them. Program will be proposed to members in the Campus Council.

# POLITICAL SCIENCE DIRECTOR REPORT

By Raymond Dang

As a Director of Political Science in this term, I have maintained and created a standard that board of directors follow. In this fiscal year, I have:

- Maintained over 100+ hours of office hours, both digitally and physically
- Professionally dealt with 20 different academic situations
- Dealt with 5+ unique personal situations from constituents that required various amounts of intervention
- Made progress towards and is continuing to work towards accomplishing the campaign points that I promised during my election
  - Ensured Political Science has program advice structural support for the introduction and continuation of bilingual Political Science students
  - Laid out the conversation platform plans for Co-op Public Policy to facilitate meaningful discussions about improving the program
  - Pressed for the need for a Public Law Major Program to the Chair of the Department of Political Science
- I have also worked closely with the different leaders within the PSSA in advertising the journal Respublica and other events on my social media and asking the SCSU, providing structural and transitional advice to past and current PSSA leadership, and working with different DSAs to advertise and promote their achievements and innovative projects
- Made progress to helping environmental studies students gain representation within the DSA
- Put forth motions in support of our legacy partners and projects whom we collaborate with, such as a Holocaust Education Week motion
- Wrote over 50 pages of Operational and Procedural Policies
- Sat on the Policy and By-laws Committee
- Helped organize board of directors into an effective advocacy force at board meetings and at other events
- Provided continual advice to colleagues about how to complete their campaign points
- Volunteers and Volunteered at the Food Centre
- Successfully lobbied for Office space for the Board of Directors in the next year and this year
- Is a core planning member of the Undergraduate Research Symposium Organizing Committee

If students would like to contact me, I am available for office hours in the SCSU office.

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**GENERAL ADMISSION = DEAL = \$10**  
TAX INCLUDED  
Deal represents one (1) ticket for general admission.

**3D PASS = DEAL = \$13**  
TAX INCLUDED  
Deal represents one (1) ticket for general admission.

### DISCOUNTED TICKETS & TTC METROPASSES

The SCSU offers TTC Tokens and discounted Metropasses, as well as a wide variety of discounted tickets that are sold at near cost to students. With the phasing out of the Metropasses, SCSU is currently investigating the prospects of getting a Presto Machine in the office. Tickets offered include Cineplex, CNE, Wonderland, Halloween Haunt, and Wet n' Wild. With suggestions for new partnerships of discounted tickets, please contact Desmond at [operations@scsu.ca](mailto:operations@scsu.ca).

**CLASS OF 2019**  
**GRADUATION PHOTOS**

**NOVEMBER 19-23**  
SL 283 (Alumni Lounge)

The SCSU is offering graduation photo sessions with Snap Studios for those intending to graduate in either June or November 2019.

**\$25 SEATING FEE MUST BE PAID IN CASH AT PHOTOSHOOT**

**THIS FEE COVERS**

- 7 digital proof photos
- 1 complimentary class composite
- 1 complimentary 5" x 7" portrait photo (shipping and handling fees separate)

**WANT TO HAVE YOUR GRADUATION PHOTOS TAKEN?**  
BOOK AN APPOINTMENT [WWW.SCSU.CA/GRADPHOTOS](http://WWW.SCSU.CA/GRADPHOTOS)

### GRADUATION PHOTOS

SCSU offers the opportunity for students to take their grad photos. If you would like to book your graduation photos, please book your appointment at <http://www.snapstudios.ca/auth?action=login>. The first session for this year is from November 19-23, 2018. For more information, please contact Desmond at [operations@scsu.ca](mailto:operations@scsu.ca).

### STUDENT JOBS

SCSU is one the largest student employers on campus. The Union hires students in order to provide opportunities to develop skills and foster career development. Currently, the Union offers student staff positions in Members Services Staff, Clubs Assistant, Street Team Coordinator, Food Centre Coordinator, Free Book Network Coordinator, RSC Coordinator, Orientation Coordinators, Jr. Graphic Designer, and Rex's Den staff members. Although all positions within the union are currently filled, if you would like to become involved through a volunteer basis, please contact Nicole at [president@scsu.ca](mailto:president@scsu.ca).

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SEND YOUR RESUME AND COVER LETTER TO [APPLICATIONS@SCSU.CA](mailto:APPLICATIONS@SCSU.CA)  
FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT [WWW.SCSU.CA/EMPLOYMENT](http://WWW.SCSU.CA/EMPLOYMENT)

### SCSU FOOD CENTRE

SCSU has its very own fully functioning Food Centre that is located in the upper level of the Student Centre in SL210A, and currently operates 2 days a week on Tuesday and Wednesday from 4:00pm - 7:00pm. This is the SCSU Food Centre's second year of operation, and it has already gained over 100 - 150 visits per week. The SCSU is happy to have Maha Ejaz as the Food Centre Coordinator for this year. In recognizing the importance of food insecurity, the Food Centre aims to assist its visitors in ensuring they receive the proper nutrients necessary to maintain a healthy lifestyle. For more information, please contact Desmond at [operations@scsu.ca](mailto:operations@scsu.ca).

**SCSU FREE BOOK NETWORK**

**WE ARE GIVING AWAY FREE LAB COATS!**  
**QUANTITIES ARE LIMITED!**

PICK THEM UP AT SL 210A, OPEN EVERY  
TUESDAY + WEDNESDAY 11-1PM  
THURSDAY 1-4PM

### FREE BOOK NETWORK

The Free Book Network is a service which provides quality textbooks that can be obtained through a comprehensive trade-in system. Students bring in their old textbook to earn points towards their next textbook. That contribution will then be similarly acquired by a student that needs it. This year, the Free Book Network Coordinator is Zeynab Farah. Zeynab coordinated with volunteer on the best practices for cataloguing books and serving students. The Book Network Coordinator and volunteers also sorted through books that were donated by students throughout the semester, and donated/gave away unused literature.

**RACIALIZED STUDENTS' COLLECTIVE**

**MOVIE NIGHT**

EVERY THURSDAY AT 6:00 PM  
FREE SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED  
CAPTIONING WILL BE AVAILABLE

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT ZARTASHA - [RSC@SCSU.CA](mailto:RSC@SCSU.CA)  
LIKE THIS EVENT? CHECK OUT [WWW.SCSU.CA](http://WWW.SCSU.CA) FOR MORE!  
FOR ANY ACCESSIBILITY ACCOMMODATIONS, QUESTIONS OR BOYCOTT CONTACT [CSO@SCSU.CA](mailto:CSO@SCSU.CA)

### RACIALIZED STUDENTS COLLECTIVE

Racialized Students Collective (RSC) is an Equity Service Centre which seeks to combat racism and colonialism with and for Racialized, Black and Indigenous students. The RSC is both a group and a physical space that serves to provide a safer space for Black, Indigenous, Racialized students and allies on campus. RSC has been hosting real talk discussions throughout the year and will be working on movie nights for the rest of the year. Look out for more events! For more information, please contact Chemi at [equity@scsu.ca](mailto:equity@scsu.ca).



## Volunteer Network Program

### **VOLUNTEER NETWORK PROGRAM (VNP)**

Volunteer Network Program (VNP) is a free service built to aid students in connecting to meaningful volunteer opportunities on campus and around the GTA. Students gain practical experience by engaging in community outreach, building their resumes, inciting potential employment opportunities in the future, among other benefits. With the use of the VNP Rewards Chart, the VNP also permits students to garner recognition in the form of certificates, awards, and scholarships. This year has seen a substantial increase in student engagement with VNP. For more information, please contact Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca).

### **EQUITY AND COMMUNITY FUND (ECF)**

The UTSC Student Community and Equity Fund is a fund officially launched this year by VP Equity of \$30,000 funded by the University of Toronto Scarborough. It was originally created in response to lobbying by the Scarborough Campus Students' Union in 2013-2014. The purpose of the fund is to support undergraduate and graduate students with initiating equity-based initiatives either on campus or with the surrounding Scarborough community. Any recognized student organization or university department enrolled at UTSC is eligible to apply and Black, Indigenous, Racialized, Genderqueer and faith based groups will be prioritized. The ECF committee consists of a majority of students. For more information, please contact Chemi at [equity@scsu.ca](mailto:equity@scsu.ca).  
<https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/studentaffairs/equity-and-community-fund>

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## ADVOCACY WITHIN UOFT

### SMOKE FREE CAMPUS POLICY AT UOFT

As of January 1st, 2019, UofT implemented a Smoke-Free Policy across all three campuses. In resistance to lack of student consultation of the policy, on December 13th, President attended the Governing Council meeting and spoke in opposition to its immediate implementation. Despite the requests for more concrete wording and contesting a too rushed process, Governing Council passed the motion. Following this, SCSU hosted a student-led consultation to address the locations of the Designated Smoking Areas on campus. This was a collaboration with the University that included presence from Campus Police, Residence, Health and Wellness, and the student group, Leave the Pack Behind. For more information, please contact [president@scsu.ca](mailto:president@scsu.ca).

### TRI-CAMPUS MEETINGS WITH VICE-PROVOST - STUDENTS

VP Academics and VP Equity met with the other UofT student unions to address Sandy Welsh, the Vice-Provost Students, in regards to the Ford government education cuts. For more information, please contact Ayaan at [academics@scsu.ca](mailto:academics@scsu.ca) or Chemi at [equity@scsu.ca](mailto:equity@scsu.ca)

### MEETINGS WITH PRINCIPAL AND DEAN OF STUDENT LIFE

President, VP Equity, and VP Academics met with Principal and Vice-President Professor Wisdom Tettey and Dean of Student Life Desmond Pouyat to discuss matters affecting students at UTSC. Topics of discussion included the Smoke Free Policy, Black History Month programming, the Human Library Project, and the pending Ford Government education cuts. For more information, please contact Nicole at [president@scsu.ca](mailto:president@scsu.ca)

### ASSOCIATION OF PART-TIME UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS (APUS)

The Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students at the University of Toronto (APUS) represents all summer, fall, and winter semester part time students across all three campuses of the University of Toronto. APUS represents the voices of part time students focusing its operations, services, events, and campaigns and advocacy work for part time students. The VP External is an ex-officio member on the APUS Board and has contributed to the conversations, and initiatives on bettering the experience of part-time students at the UTSC campus. For more information, please contact Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca).

### ACADEMIC ADVISING ROUND TABLE

VP Academics and University Affairs and President sit as part of the Academic Advising Round Table. This body brings together many different groups who all play a role in providing academic advice to students. This group consists of UTSC administrators, staff, faculty and students. For the Winter semester meetings discussions surrounded: understanding students' course drop behavior to enable data-driven student retention planning, the Get-Finished Program and more. For more information, please contact Ayaan at [academics@scsu.ca](mailto:academics@scsu.ca).

### COUNCIL ON STUDENT SERVICES (CSS)

CSS is the only administrative body where students have the majority seats and voting powers. Students at this body discuss how services can be improved at Health and Wellness, Athletics, and the Academic Advising and Career Centre at the Scarborough Campus. In the February vote meeting, all of the proposed increases were accepted by the student vote. For more information, please contact Nicole at [president@scsu.ca](mailto:president@scsu.ca)





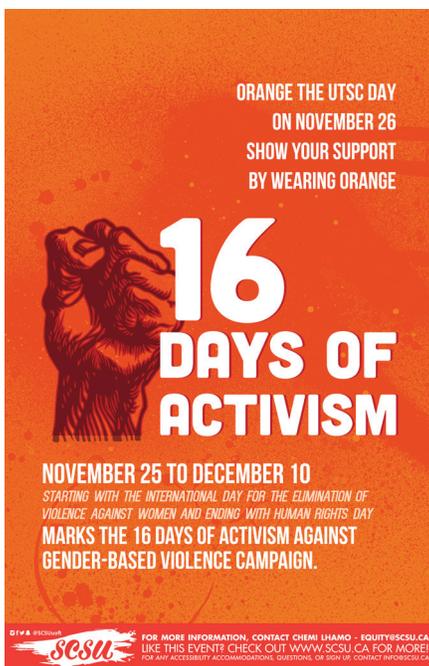
**MULTI-FAITH INITIATIVES**

VP Equity has taken on multiple conversations with key stakeholders within the university, including Karima, Senior Advisor of Equity and Diversity for the office of Vice President and Principal, the Manager of Student life and leadership programs, Nadia and Dean, Desmond Pouyat from Department of Student Life (DSL) to share student’s concerns and create funding avenues for further initiatives. VP Equity has also met with Brian Millado, Indigenous, Multifaith and Community engagement coordinator, DSL on multiple occasions to plan for upcoming final Multi-faith initiatives and creating a transition document. In collaboration with faith based groups, multiple events were hosted from Interfaith launch, Chai with Chaplains; ideas were generated and collected on how we can further provide assistance and engage with the student body. For more information, please contact Chemi at equity@scsu.ca.



**MEAL EXCHANGE FOOD SUMMIT**

VP Equity and VP AUA attended had a great experience connecting with students, activists, thinkers and non-profit organizations at the Meal Exchange National Student Food Summit and Food Secure Canada’s 10th Assembly! We recognize that thinking about food systems is complex. That said, we learned about the importance of moving beyond healthy food and sustainability when we think about food systems, and toward working in solidarity with folks fighting for migrant worker justice, fighting poverty, and supporting Indigenous food practices. We hope to connect with student leaders within the food movement on expansion of our food bank and options on campus. For more information, please contact Chemi at equity@scsu.ca.



**COLLABORATION WITH THE WOMEN AND TRANS CENTRE**

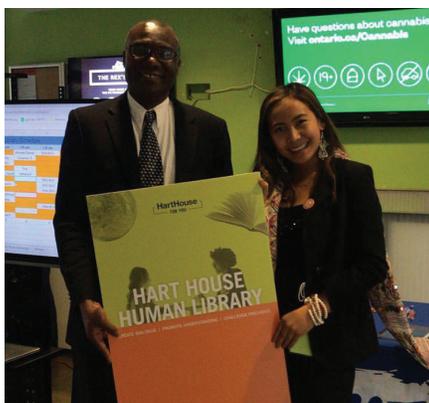
Throughout the school year, multiple meetings have been held with Women and Trans Centre, VP Equity met with Leon, the external coordinator of the Women and Trans centre in regards to the monthly Women’s writing circle, Monologues and 16 days of activism. Conversations at WWC, included ‘Relationship to food, Ourselves, New year same me’. For more information please contact Chemi at equity@scsu.ca.

**16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM: STATEMENT**

On November 25th marking the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, while marking the first of 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence. VP Equity and the executives launched a statement touching on No means No campaign, forced sterilization of Indigenous women and girls, and speaking to the systemic barriers for specifically Black, Racialized, Indigenous, Trans, disabled, and other marginalized bodies. For more information please contact Chemi at equity@scsu.ca

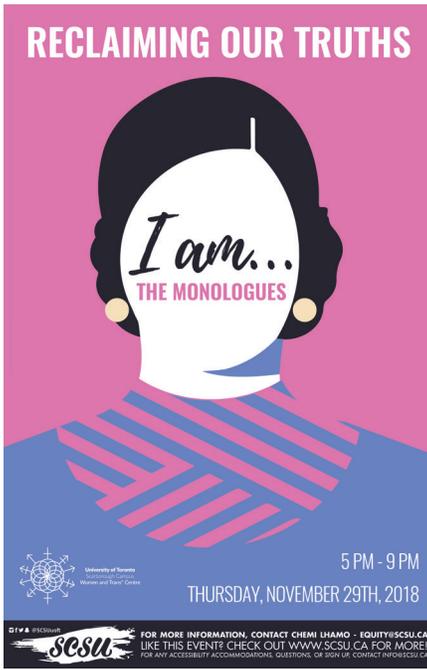
**ORANGE UTSC**

On November 26th: #OrangeUTSC, Members of the union and UTSC were encouraged to wear Orange to mark the first monday of the 16 days of activism aligned with the campaign by UN Orange the world. For more information please contact Chemi at equity@scsu.ca



**HUMAN LIBRARY PROJECT**

On November 27th: VP Equity along with our collaborating partners such as the Hart House, UTSc Library, and DSL. This event was a success in many ways: 1) Students enjoyed the event and shared that it made them reflect. 95% satisfaction rate recorded via surveys after the checkout. 2) All slots were filled except for 2 in the morning! 3) Principal Wisdom checked out a human book! For more information please contact Chemi at equity@scsu.ca



### I AM... MONOLOGUES 2018

On November 9: Leon Tsai and VP Equity hosted the photoshoot where participants showcased their beautiful selves and visualized their truths!

November 29th: Vp Equity along with Leon, External coordinator hosted the "I am... Monologues 2018" Reclaiming our truths. A magical night filled with UTSC talent, a racialized femme DJ and good vibes. For more information please contact Chemi at equity@scsu.ca

### FOOD ISSUE ON CAMPUS

Vp Equity met with student on residence who shared concerns about food options and timings. VP AUA and VP Equity met to debrief and plan for future campaigns and initiatives on Food Justice. We are looking forward to exploring new ways for advocacy and lobbying the university for more equitable service. For more information please contact Chemi at equity@scsu.ca

### MEETINGS WITH VICE DEAN UNDERGRADUATE MARK SCHMUCKLER

VP AUA meets with Professor Mark Schmuckler on a monthly basis to discuss student concerns surrounding academics, petitions, course protocols, and more. Professor Schmuckler is also an integral part of continuing the self declared sick note pilot. For more information, please contact Ayaan at academics@scsu.ca.

### ANTI-BLACK RACISM WORKING GROUP

Anti-Blackness is an ongoing issue on our campus and is perpetuated by not only students but also in classrooms by faculty. VP AUA has met with Black identifying students, Karima Hashmani, Nadia Rosemond, Dr. Leonie Brown, and Professor Maydianne Andrade to discuss how to combat Anti-Black racism on campus. We are working towards creating an Anti-Black Racism working group that consists of students, staff and faculty to ensure that all perspectives are recognized and included. For more information, please contact Ayaan at academics@scsu.ca

### ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON PHYSICAL ACCESSIBILITY

The Advisory Committee on Physical Accessibility (ACPA) is a committee that has student, staff and faculty representation. Issues of physical accessibility and how we can ensure the current campus is physically accessible for all are discussed. Updates on initiatives such as the new Electronic Reporting System and the Valley Trail reconstruction are shared in this space. This committee also decides on how the Accessibility budget is allocated and where it can efficiently be used. For more information, please contact Ayaan at academics@scsu.ca.

### STUDY SPACE COMMITTEE

The population of UTSC and the amount of space available for study use on campus has been a longstanding issue. Students have long had complaints about the inefficiency of the lack of space. Study Space Committee meetings are a place where updates on future study spaces and improvements to current study spaces are discussed. Updates on Highland Hall were given and details on the UTSC Study Space App were solidified. The Study Space app will be a tool students can use to search for study space - it provides live updates on the capacity of all the study spaces on campus. The app will soon be available for download via the App Store and Play Store. For more information, please contact Ayaan at academics@scsu.ca.

**STRUGGLING TO FIND STUDY SPACE ON CAMPUS?**

**MAKE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE FOLLOWING SPACES –**

**THE LIBRARY**  
DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>-21<sup>ST</sup>  
OPEN 24/7

**CLASSROOMS & OTHER SPACES**  
DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>-6<sup>TH</sup>  
8 AM - 2 AM  
DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>-21<sup>ST</sup>  
8 AM - 11 PM

**PLEASE NOTE:**  
THE UNIVERSITY CLOSES AT 6 PM ON DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>

AA 207, AA 208, AC 332, AC 334, BV 355, HW 308, IC 326, IC 328, HW 130, HW 352, HW 264

**ACADEMIC RESOURCE (ARC) STUDY CARRELS**  
BLADEN WING 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
SOCIAL SCIENCE (MW) BUILDING ATRIUM  
**(NEW)** HIGHLAND HALL OPEN STUDY SPACE  
HUMANITIES WING (HW) CARRELS  
SCIENCE WING (SW) STUDY CARRELS  
INSTRUCTIONAL CENTRE (IC) STUDY ROOMS AND ATRIUM  
MEETING PLACE  
MARKETPLACE SEATING AREA (HW 305)  
TPASC RM 2060

**QUIET STUDY SPACES AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY AND HIGHLAND HALL**

**DOWNLOAD SPACEPLUS**  
UTSC'S STUDY SPACE APP

FOR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL AYAAN ABDULLI - ACADEMIC@SCSU.CA  
DOWNLOAD THE NEW STUDY SPACE APP: **SPACEPLUS**  
SPACEPLUS CAN BE FOUND ON BOTH THE APP STORE AND PLAY STORE

## CONNECTING UTSC TO THE COMMUNITY

### TRANSIT

VP External is continuing active engagement and work to improve transit in Scarborough and the GTA. Potential improvements to transit services including the TTC, GO Transit, and DRT are continuing to be analyzed and discussed



through conversations and lobbying with UTSC students, community members and organizations, UofT Administration, government officials, and community stakeholders. Partnership/collaboration with transit organizations including TTCriders, Scarborough Transit Action Network, and the TTC Stakeholder Advisory Group have been conducted such as on-campus outreach opportunities to connect and educate students and to discuss plans and advocacy work for transit in Scarborough/GTA. This includes improvements to the TTC's 905 Eglinton East Express, the 95 Express, York Region service lines, Durham Transit, and the possibilities of a U-Pass that would allow for unlimited travel and use across municipalities, and heated bus shelters to improve commuter comfort and ridership. For more information, please contact Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca).

### HOUSING IN SCARBOROUGH/GTA

VP External is continuing to advocate and work towards improvements to both on and off-campus housing. This is achieved through consultations, meetings, initiatives, and engagement with with students and community residents, community organizations and stakeholders (such as the Landlord and Tenant Board, City of Toronto, Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario, Power in Community, and Voices of Scarborough), legal services and organizations (including Downtown Legal Services and West Scarborough Community Legal Services), and government officials. VP External provided feedback on the As-Of-Right Zoning for Secondary Suites By-Law change. A Housing Media Event was organized with 'Voices of Scarborough' covered by external news media outlets including the CBC and Toronto Star. VP External spoke on the panel discussing the poverty and housing crisis in Toronto - affordable housing, student concerns, tenant rights, the need to prioritize safety, and strategizing housing licensing, policies, and bylaws to address and reflect this. For more information, please contact Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca).



## DEMOCRATIC ENGAGEMENT

### MUNICIPAL, PROVINCIAL, AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ENGAGEMENT

The SCSU is continuing to meet with government officials to discuss and prioritize student issues, highlighting UTSC students' concerns. Topics include tuition fees/ grants, housing, food security, community safety, sustainability initiatives, the environment, equity, transit, accessibility and healthcare with a focus on access to mental health services. These have been discussed with proposals for concrete actions and solutions by the SCSU Executives with local councillors, MPPs and MPs. Canadian MPs, and Ontario MPPs were met with during the Winter Federal and Provincial Lobby Weeks at Parliament Hill and Queens Park. The SCSU is committed to continuing these discussions, lobbying, and other efforts towards achieving tangible change. For more information, please contact Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca).

### CHANGES TO POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION IN ONTARIO

The provincial government's post-secondary education announcement is directly impacting students at UTSC, and across Ontario. Highlighted changes include the 10% tuition cut, proposed changes to OSAP, and the Student Choice Initiative. The government's recognition of tuition in Ontario as a pressing issue that needs to be addressed is a step in the right direction. However, there is a failure to adequately address the root causes of issues in post-secondary education including chronic underfunding, unfunded cuts to tuition, and the quality of education. The SCSU is committed to prioritizing students, meeting and outreaching to the campus community, working with coalition partners and post-secondary education institutions across the province, and meeting and lobbying government officials, and the University Administration. The SCSU has struck a Campus Coalition (open to all students and the campus community!) to drive the direction of this campaign and these efforts. For more information, please contact Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca).

**MEETING WITH THE UNIVERSITY AND COUNCILLOR JENNIFER MCKELVIE**

On Wednesday, March 6, President attended a meeting with Andrew Arifuzzaman, the Chief Administrative Officer, and Jennifer McKelvie, Councillor of Ward 25, Scarborough-Rouge Park. The meeting included topics of the Scarborough LRT project, gender inclusive washrooms, rooming houses, and the Highland Creek Redevelopment project. SCSU is going to write a letter of support for the Scarborough LRT project, to ensure its construction continues into Malvern, and President is also scheduled to make a deputation at a city meeting in April. In addition, due to the persistent lobbying of SCSU and the University, the Councillor has agreed to work to transition the crosswalk at Military Trail and Ellesmere into a scramble crossing, so to address the lack of safety at this dangerous intersection. Furthermore, the topic of gender inclusive washrooms was discussed, and the Councillor was supportive as SCSU expressed the intent to transition the main floor student centre washroom, once the logistics with the building inspector and the University has been organized. In regards to rooming houses, unsafe living situations were discussed, and the Councillor updated that the city has just completed a multi-tenant dwelling investigative project, and is now looking towards legalizing these living conditions. Lastly, the Highland Creek Redevelopment project includes the projected building of two condo buildings, which is hopeful in also relieving some of the housing shortages for students in the local UTSC community. For more information, please contact Nicole at [president@scsu.ca](mailto:president@scsu.ca).

**MEETING WITH MPP DOLY BEGUM**

On Tuesday, February 19, President and VP External attended a meeting with Doly Begum, MPP of Scarborough Southwest. The meeting was in regards to the recent Ford government announcements of cuts to post-secondary education. The MPP expressed support for the student movement, and agreed to meet with the University to express opposition to the cuts, especially the Student Choice Initiative. In addition, the MPP recommends that SCSU encourages students to write letters to their local MPPs and voice their concerns and shared opposition to the education cuts. For more information, please contact Nicole at [president@scsu.ca](mailto:president@scsu.ca) or Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca).

**CANADIAN FEDERATION OF STUDENTS****CANADIAN FEDERATION OF STUDENTS**

SCSU is a part of the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) which represents over 500,000 students across the country and over 350,000 students in Ontario working to provide students with an effective and united voice, provincially and nationally. SCSU (Local 99) has participated in numerous provincial and national general meetings and training sessions to set goals, collaborate, coordinate and learn with student unions across the country. CFS programs and services such as the handbook/day-planners and International Student Identity Card (ISIC) discount card, are provided to help individual student members and unions. The SCSU is committed to being an active voice in driving the direction of the larger student movement provincially and nationally through united lobbying efforts, research, and campaign-engagement (such as CFS' We The Students, Fairness for Students and Vote Local campaigns) to raise awareness of pressing student issues/concerns and influence government decision making. These united efforts have been crucial during the recent announcement regarding post-secondary education in Ontario (i.e. tuition fees, OSAP, and the student choice initiative). UTSC students are encouraged to learn about, and drive the direction of the CFS, and this process has been facilitated by an increase in direct in-person, and online outreach. For more information, please contact Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca).





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**WE THE STUDENTS**

**COALITION MEETING**

Join the fight to stop the Ontario government's attack on:

- ▶ **Quality of Education**
- ▶ **Student Groups & Organizations**
- ▶ **OSAP Grants**

<b>DATE</b> Wednesday, March 20, 2019	<b>LOCATION</b> SL 219, Student Centre
<b>TIME</b> 5:30 PM - 8 PM <i>Dinner will be provided</i>	<b>CONTACT</b> campaigns@scsu.ca

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## WE THE STUDENTS CAMPAIGN

On January 17, the Ontario government announced sweeping changes to post-secondary education. The announcement included several changes that will impact both the quality and accessibility of our education system. These changes will:

- Make it more difficult for students to access financial assistance and non-repayable grants;
- Force students to take on more loans to finance their education pushing them further into debt;
- Cut approximately \$360 million from university operating budgets increasing class sizes; and
- Threaten the existence of student-run organizations (e.g. Scarborough Campus Students' Union, Food Centre, Women and Trans Centre).

In response to these changes, students across the province, under the leadership of the Canadian Federation of Students, launched the We The Students campaign. This campaign counters the message being pushed by Ford's administration that these changes are "for the students".

This campaign unites students across the province in a call to the Ontario government to:

- Provide more grants not loans,
- Eliminate tuition fees for all students,
- Increase public funding for public education,
- Protect students' independent voices, and
- Defend the right to organize.

To date, the campaign at UTSC has focused on base building using a variety of tactics including petition collection, attending rallies and marches, working with unions at all three campuses, and organizing open coalition meetings.

## MENTAL HEALTH

### MENTAL HEALTH NETWORK

VP External is an active member of the University's mental Health Network working-group. The group meets to plan and carry-out on campus-campus, initiatives, and campaigns to address the mental health crisis in post-secondary education. The group also connects the campus community with 'Safetalks' trainings, mental health first aid training, and mental health literacy training. The goal is to ensure diverse, intersectional, and accessible mental health services are made available to students. For more information, please contact Hana at external@scsu.ca.

### COLLABORATIVE DE-STRESSOR PROGRAMMING

VP External collaborated with UTSC Athletics & Recreation, and the Health and Wellness Centre to launch midterm destressor programming as part of the 'Healthy Campus Initiative.' This was achieved through massage therapy de-stressor programming, where students could relax by signing up or dropping in for FREE massages from professionals. For more information, please contact Hana at external@scsu.ca.

### HEALTH AND WELLNESS

VP AUA connected with the Health and Wellness Centre to explore ways to improve the current counselling model after student complaints. VP AUA consulted with Assistant Dean Sheila John with other students to ensure that students were able to share their experiences clearly. Recommendations such as ensuring that students are provided with adequate post-treatment support and more community relationships were provided during these connections. For more information, please contact Ayaan at [academics@scsu.ca](mailto:academics@scsu.ca).

VP AUA sits on the Health and Wellness Advisory Committee, and within this committee students have the opportunity to better the Health and Wellness centre and the services provided.

## KNOW YOUR RIGHTS!

### LEGAL INFORMATION SERIES

VP External launched a legal information campaign and workshop series, facilitated by Downtown Legal Services - the UofT legal aid clinic. Students have the opportunity to gain a general legal overview on the topics of: Housing, Academic Offences & Academic Appeals, and Employment from lawyers and professionals in the field. For more information, please contact Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca).

## GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

### RAISE OUR VOICES: TEACHING YOUNG CANADIANS HOW TO ADVOCATE

VP External launched the first-ever collaborative Global Citizenship campaign and conference, with Global Youth Impact and students at UTSC. This aims to bridge generational gaps through teaching and learning, and will feature talks, performances, and workshops on empowering young people to be stronger advocates. The day will serve as a platform for students to meet and network with professional leaders and one another to exchange ideas, make connections and develop skills to strengthen their capacity to address pressing issues in one of this year's four themes: Health, Politics, Art, and Business/Technology in Toronto, Canada or internationally. For more information, please contact Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca).

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MW170

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**  
ACADEMIC OFFENCES & APPEALS  
MW170

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21**  
EMPLOYMENT & WORKERS RIGHTS  
HW214

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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**STREET TEAM**

The Street Team does on-the-floor promotions and planning for SCSU events on campus. VP Campus Life has regular meetings with the Street Team Coordinator. For more information please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

**SCSU COMMISSIONS**

Commissions is a space for students to voice their concerns and ideas, and become a force in shaping the work that their Student Union does. SCSU Commissions are hosted on the last Monday of every month. For more information, or to submit a motion to Commissions, please contact Nicole at [president@scsu.ca](mailto:president@scsu.ca).

**KARAOKE NIGHT**

On November 28, SCSU held a karaoke night event at Rex's Den for students to destress before exams. Refreshments were served. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).



**EXAM DESTRESSORS**

From December 10-14, SCSU hosted exam destressors in the BV hallway every night. Complimentary tea/coffee, refreshments, snacks, and on one night a free meal was handed out to students. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

**WEEK OF WELCOME**

On January 7, SCSU held a movie night at Rex's Den with a free screening of Avengers: Infinity War. On January 8, there was an arcade/games day in the Student Centre Cafeteria with Pump It Up, Foosball, Giant Connect 4, and Giant Jenga. On January 9, SCSU held an open mic karaoke night at Rex's Den. On January 10, there was a freestyle Paint Night at Rex's Den. Finally, on January 11, SCSU hosted Party in the 6ix Pub Night at Rex's Den. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).



**CLUBS TRAINING**

On January 12, SCSU held its third round of clubs training, which is needed for clubs to be able to access SCSU services. Over 30 clubs attended. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

**CLUBS WEEK**

Clubs week this semester went on for two weeks, from January 14-25, with over 70 UTSC clubs participating. Clubs tabled in the Student Centre and Meeting Place. This is the perfect opportunity for students to get involved, and clubs gain a lot of their membership through this. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

**ISC OPEN HOUSE**

On January 15, VP External and VP Campus Life attended the International Student Centre's (ISC) Open House. The department has a new space in Highland Hall and the event was open for the campus community to learn more about ISC's services and programs. For more information, please contact Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca) or Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

**ATHLETICS WINTER OPEN HOUSE**

On January 15, VP Campus Life and VP External tabled at the Athletics Winter Open House in the TPASC gym. We distributed promotional materials and free swag to attendees. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).



### OFF CAMPUS HOUSING CONSULTATION MEETING

On January 30, VP Campus Life attended a meeting hosted by Student Housing & Residence Life, where former and current off-campus housing students had a platform to speak about their housing experiences. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

### DSL ANNUAL INTERFAITH & WORLDVIEW DINNER

On January 30, VP Campus Life and VP Equity attended DSL's Annual Interfaith & Worldview Dinner, where faith-based clubs and student leaders had a chance to engage in dialogue and mingle. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca) or Chemi at [equity@scsu.ca](mailto:equity@scsu.ca).

### ISC LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

On February 4, VP Campus Life, VP Operations, and President attended ISC's Lunar New Year Celebration, where the new year was brought in with food, performances, and a cultural fair. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

### ISC NIGHT MARKET

On February 7, VP External, VP Operations, and VP Campus Life attended the International Student Centre's 'Night Market' showcasing and highlighting cultures around the world. For more information, please contact Hana at [external@scsu.ca](mailto:external@scsu.ca).

### PRINCIPAL WISDOM TETTEY'S INSTALLATION CEREMONY

On February 11, Professor Wisdom Tettey was formally installed as the 11th Principal of the University of Toronto Scarborough. Within this ceremony, President made formal remarks on behalf of the SCSU, and VP Equity assisted in the ceremonial robing of the Principal. It was a very moving event, and SCSU looks forward to continue working with Principal Tettey in the future. For more information, please contact Nicole at [president@scsu.ca](mailto:president@scsu.ca).



### MOSAIC

On March 1, SCSU held its annual Mosaic Cultural Showcase in the Meeting Place from 7-9 PM, showcasing the diversity of the campus community. Campus groups participated as vendors in the cultural fair and performers in the show. Refreshments were provided. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).



### "INDIG-U-KNOW?" INDIGENOUS CONFERENCE AND POW WOW

On March 9 and 10, SCSU held its first-ever Indigenous Conference and Pow Wow in the Highland Hall event space, titled "Indig-U-Know." To ensure important discussions take place, build bridges between communities to deepen capacities, over the course of two days, attendees were able to participate in various panel discussions, keynote lectures, and experience the first ever Pow Wow. This is student-led project celebrated Indigenous culture and gave students an opportunity to engage with the Indigenous community. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca), Chemi at [equity@scsu.ca](mailto:equity@scsu.ca), or Ayaan at [academics@scsu.ca](mailto:academics@scsu.ca).



### BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Black Film Festival commenced on February 5th, with the screening of Hidden Figures. Students enjoyed the screening and look forward to future screenings. On February 7th, SCSU hosted a talent night and dance workshop at Rex's Den. The event was well attended and students who were part of the BHM planning committee were able to take leadership roles in the logistics of the event. On February 13th, VP AUA attended the DSL Slam Poetry event. On February 15th, SCSU hosted the first event Black History Month Banquet. The banquet provided

guests with a three course meal and an after party with a DJ. The event had a great turnout and the feedback was primarily positive. VP AUA recommends that this event continues in upcoming years. For more information, please contact Ayaan at [academics@scsu.ca](mailto:academics@scsu.ca).



### UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

The Undergraduate Research Symposium is an annual event held by SCSU to provide undergraduate students with an opportunity to have their work and research recognized. On August 16, the first official Planning Committee meeting for the Undergraduate Research Symposium was held. Priorities for the event and ideas were generated through this meeting. This year's symposium theme, Divergence, aims to divert from the restrictive ways of knowing presented in traditional classrooms. We intended to offer a space to celebrate the community activist, artist, and community elders who hold and share valuable knowledge, but are often unseen in academia. The two-day event included workshop presentations by selected undergraduate researchers, free dinner, and our keynote address presented by Adrian De Leon. For more information, please contact Ayaan at [academics@scsu.ca](mailto:academics@scsu.ca)

## CLUB/DSA EVENTS & COLLABORATIONS

### DIWALI EVENTS

President, VP Campus Life, and VP Equity attended various Diwali events on campus on November 1 and November 6, hosted by the Hindu Students' Council, UTSC Cricket Club, Indian Students' Association, and Scarborough Campus Punjabi Association. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

### RELAY FOR LIFE PIE IN THE FACE

On November 19, President and VP Equity volunteered as participants for a campus club event that raised money for cancer research. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

### UTSC ON ICE

On December 4, SCSU collaborated with Athletics & Recreation and the Scarborough Campus Hockey Players' Association for a skating event at Harbourfront Centre. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

### BIO SA STUDENTS VS. PROFESSORS BASKETBALL BASH

On January 8, BioSA held its annual professors vs students basketball game. VP Campus Life and VP Equity, and Director of Biological Sciences volunteered as participants for this event. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

### ENACTUS COOKING CLASSES

Since the end of the summer semester, SCSU has met with Enactus on multiple occasions to assist in the organizing of free cooking classes for students on campus. On January 16, President, VP Campus Life and VP External attended and assisted Enactus and the International Student Centre with free cooking classes offered to students in the SW culinaria. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca) or Nicole at [president@scsu.ca](mailto:president@scsu.ca).

### IDSSA SWEATER SOCIAL

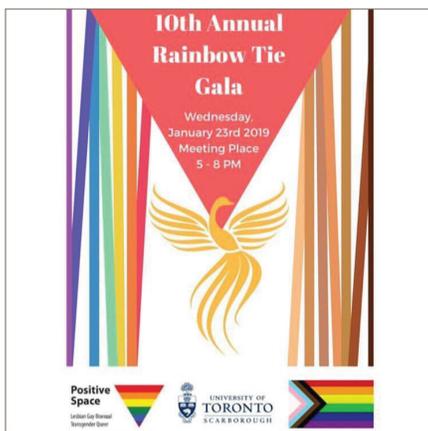
On January 16, VP Campus Life attended the IDSSA's Sweater Social in the Meeting Place. This event included games, giveaways and tabling. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

**AFRICAN STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION INITIATION PUB NIGHT**

On January 17, ASA held its annual Initiation Pub Night at Rex's Den. VP Campus Life, VP Equity and VP Academics attended and assisted them with this event. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

**SCHPA PRESENTS: WINTER DUCK HUNT 2019**

On January 20th, President attended, and Director of Philosophy participated in the SCHPA's first ever Women's hockey team Duck Hunt. The Duck Hunt is an annual event that traditionally features the UTSC Men's hockey team vs. UTM's Men's hockey team. This year, it was exciting to see the Women be featured in a game against UTM. It was a well-attended event, and featured free t-shirts to show the UTSC women's hockey team support. For more information, please contact Nicole at [president@scsu.ca](mailto:president@scsu.ca).

**RAINBOW TIE GALA: JAN 23RD**

President and VP Equity spoke at the event emphasizing the need for safe spaces especially the marginalized bodies that often go unheard. The annual RTG is hitting the 10 year milestone and was a pleasure to have participated in that. For more information please contact Chemi at [equity@scsu.ca](mailto:equity@scsu.ca).

**RALLY FOR HEALTH OF MIGRANT WORKERS: JAN 28TH**

VP Equity met with student who initiated the conversation about the rally and had couple of meetings with other stakeholders to ensure that SCSU was in solidarity. SCSU was open to supporting them via tokens and providing assistance by organizing and planning tips the rally. For more information please contact Chemi at [equity@scsu.ca](mailto:equity@scsu.ca).

**TEDxUTSC: RESONANCE**

On February 2, VP Campus Life and President attended the annual TEDxUTSC conference, where the UTSC community had an opportunity to watch, listen to, and engage with a variety of speakers, presenters, and performers. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

**UTSC INTERFAITH SPORTS TOURNAMENT**

On February 7, VP Campus Life hosted a sports tournament in collaboration with Athletics and Recreation and the Department of Student Life where faith-based students and chaplains came to TPASC to play basketball, pickleball, and table tennis, followed by a meal and group discussion. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca) or Chemi at [equity@scsu.ca](mailto:equity@scsu.ca).

**SPORTS AND BUSINESS ASSOCIATION ALL-STAR COMPETITION**

On February 14, VP Campus Life participated in SBA's All-Star Competition, where students had the opportunity to compete in various basketball skills competitions for prizes. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

**HOOPS FOR HOPE**

On February 22, VP Campus Life collaborated with a campus club called The Olive Branch of Hope to host a basketball tournament at TPASC, open to all students. All proceeds raised went to support women with breast cancer. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).

**A TASTE OF BUDDHISM**

On March 7, VP Campus Life attended an event held by the Buddhist Student Association called "A Taste of Buddhism," where there was a discussion on various topics within Buddhism, followed by a post-discussion meal. For more information, please contact Ankit at [campuslife@scsu.ca](mailto:campuslife@scsu.ca).