# SCARBOROUGH CAMPUS STUDENTS' UNION Board of Directors Package

Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019

6:00PM – 9:00PM University of Toronto Scarborough Campus,

Student Centre - SL232

# **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	NO	NO	NO	No vote taken, chair rules
Object to something which prevents your continued partici- pation (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 that 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 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	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 consideration of 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 mo- tion temporarily	I move that motionbe laid on the table	NO	YES	NO	NO	Majority
Raise a matter previously tabled	I move that motion be lifted from the table.	NO	YES	NO	NO	Majority
Reconsider a motion already voted on earlier in the meeting.	I move that 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	Majority
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

Last Name	First Name	Constituency or Position	
Lhamo	Chemi	President	
Kadhem	Tebat	Vice-President Equity	
Alibux	Rayyan	Vice-President Operations	
Bukhari	Chaman	Vice-President External	
Sahagian	Carly	Vice-President Academics & University Affairs	
Mohamed	Sarah	Vice-President Campus Life	
Sahagian	Jacqueline	Director of Arts Culture & Media	
Chaudhry	Eesha	Director of Critical Development Studies	
Waheed	Urba	Director of Sociology	
Shanqiti	Ahmad	Director of Computer & Mathematical Sciences	
Santosh	Heyden	Director of Management	
Kalonji	Deborah	Director of French & Linguistics	
Matta	Jacobo	Director of Historical & Cultural Studies	
Saini	Sahiba	Director of Health Studies	
Imran	Kandeel	Director of Human Geography	
Bogle	Mickel	Director of Philosophy	
Rahman	Rimsha	Director of Political Science	
Kashif	Daniyal	Director of Biological Sciences	
Caluag	Claire	Director of English	
Sassaninejad	Kian	Director of Psychology	
Clement	Michael	Director of Physical & Environmental Sciences	
Guido	De Filippo	International Student Director	

# Attendance

Board of Directors Meeting #3 of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Wednesday, July 24th, 2019 | 6:00PM | SL-232, UTSC Student Centre

# Agenda

# 1. Call to order

# 2. Approval of the Chair

Motion Moved: Lhamo Seconded:

Be it resolved that Sarkis be approved as the Chair of the July 2019 Board of Directors meeting.

# 3. Announcements

# 4. Approval of the Agenda

Motion Moved: Lhamo Seconded:

Be it resolved that the agenda for the June 26, 2019 Scarborough Campus Students' Union Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

# 5. Equity Statement

# 6. Approval of Minutes

Motion Moved: Lhamo Seconded:

Be it resolved that the June 26, 2019 minutes package including the following documents be approved as presented:

- a) Executive Committee
  - i. July 06, 2019 (Page 16)
  - ii. July 27, 2019 (Page 17)
- b) June Exec Reports (Page 20)

# 7. Striking of Committees

Policy & By-Law Committee Motion

Moved: Lhamo Seconded:

Whereas the Policy & By-Law Committee is a committee of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union,

Be it resolved that \_\_\_\_\_\_and \_\_\_\_\_be elected by and from the Board of Directors to serve on the 2019-20 Policy & By-Law Committee.

Elections & Referenda Committee Motion

Moved: Lhamo Seconded:

Whereas the Elections & Referenda Committee is a committee of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union,

Be it resolved that \_\_\_\_\_\_and \_\_\_\_\_ be elected by and from the Board of Directors to

serve on the 2019-20 Elections & Referenda Committee.

**Elections & Appeals Committee** 

Motion Moved: Lhamo Seconded:

Whereas the Elections & Appeals Committee is a committee of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union,

Be it resolved that \_\_\_\_\_ be elected by and from the Board of Directors to serve on the 2019-20 Elections & Appeals Committee.

**Clubs Committee** 

Motion Moved: Lhamo Seconded:

Whereas the Clubs Committee is a committee of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union,

Be it resolved that \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ be elected by and from the Board of Directors to serve on the 2019-20 Clubs Committee.

Finance Committee

Motion Moved: Lhamo Seconded:

Whereas the Finance Committee is a committee of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union,

Be it resolved that \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ be elected by and from the Board of Directors to serve on the 2019-20 Finance Committee.

DSA Committee

Motion Moved: Lhamo Seconded:

Whereas the DSA Committee is a committee of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union,

Be it resolved that \_\_\_\_\_\_ be elected by and from the Board of Directors to serve on the

2019-20 DSA Committee.

**Bursary Committee** 

Motion Moved: Lhamo

Seconded:

Whereas the Bursary Committee is a committee of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union,

Be it resolved that \_\_\_\_\_ be elected by and from the Board of Directors to serve on the 2019-20.

Commissions

Motion Moved: Lhamo Seconded:

Whereas the SCSU Commission is a meeting that generates, shapes and develops campaigns and events of the SCSU,

Be it resolved that \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ be elected by and from the Board of

Directors to serve on 2019-20 SCSU Commission.

# 8. New Business

#### a. Motions

## i) Transparent and Accessible Meeting Act

Moved: Alibux Seconded:

WHEREAS the board of directors of the SCSU both believes and is legally bound by the University of Toronto Governing Council's Policy that states "all Student Organizations must conduct themselves in an open, accessible and democratic manner".

WHEREAS the SCSU must demonstrate a "willingness to freely share information about the organization with members" as well as principles that embody "transparent management".

WHEREAS the SCSU must act in a way that promotes "transparency and accountability to the membership".

WHEREAS as democratically elected representatives, the board members must show an "openness to scrutiny", in regards to the decisions they make.

WHEREAS the SCSU must honour their "commitment to ensuring that meetings, events and activities of the organization are communicated to the membership in such a way that members are able to participate fully in such meetings, events and activities".

WHEREAS there have been baseless allegations of anti-blackness during discussions within the union meeting spaces, that have detrimentally impacted the function of the executive team and their mandate for "ensuring that members' voices

and perspectives whether expressed individually or by a group, can be heard and, if appropriate, acted upon".

BE IT RESOLVED that the meetings of the board, finance committee, elections and appeals committee, and annual general meetings have the audio recorded to be published online with the minutes of the meeting. If the audio is to be turned off to discuss sensitive information, a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> majority of the board/committee must authorize this and the reason for this must be documented along with the names of the board members who requested this.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the audio is uploaded to the SCSU website and Facebook page by the VP Operations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the board live-stream their monthly meetings using Facebook live to allow students the ability to comment and ask questions during these meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the live-streamed video will be uploaded to the SCSU YouTube Channel and Facebook page on a monthly basis by the Vice-President Operations within a week of the meeting.

# ii) Financial Transparency Act

Moved: Alibux Seconded:

WHEREAS the board of directors of the SCSU both believes and is legally bound by the University of Toronto Governing Council's Policy that states "all Student Organizations must conduct themselves in an open, accessible and democratic manner".

WHEREAS the SCSU must demonstrate a "willingness to freely share information about the organization with members" as well as principles that embody "transparent management".

WHEREAS the SCSU must act in a way that promotes "transparency and accountability to the membership, especially in budgeting and expenditures".

WHEREAS the student body has shown a distrust of SCSU executives in regards to previous purchasing and payroll practices.

WHEREAS given the student choice initiative, students must be trusted to make informed decisions on what they choose to fund.

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU immediately release the master budget sheet that illustrates the full in-depth yearly budget from 2016 to present.

## iii) Black Graduation Motion

Moved: Alibux

Seconded:

WHEREAS the board of directors of the SCSU both believes and is legally bound by the University of Toronto Governing Council's Policy that states "all Student Organizations must conduct themselves in an open, accessible and democratic manner".

WHEREAS the SCSU must act in a way that promotes "transparency and accountability to the membership, especially in budgeting and expenditures".

WHEREAS the Board of the SCSU approved a donation of \$1,500 towards the Black Graduation Committee in contradiction of SCSU bylaws that state "The SCSU will provide a maximum of \$1000 in donations per term" and donations to "organizations are eligible to receive a maximum of \$500 through Donations per year".

WHEREAS in previous years donations have exceeded the legal \$3,000 limit, with yearly budgets putting donations at \$5,000.

BE IT RESOLVED the SCSU publish a letter stating their acknowledgment of the situation and their resolution to fix it.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the SCSU create a plan to ensure that the bylaws are not violated with the passing of motions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the SCSU make a commitment to amend the donations policy at the fall AGM to be compliant with previous practices and the evolving needs of the organization.

## iv) Online Voting Motion

Moved: Alibux Seconded:

WHEREAS the Board of Directors of the SCSU both believes and is legally bound by the University of Toronto Governing Council's Policy that states "all Student Organizations must conduct themselves in an open, accessible and democratic manner";

WHEREAS the SCSU must act in a way that promotes "transparency and accountability to the membership, especially in budgeting and expenditures";

WHEREAS the SCSU envisions to have environmental justice as one of its priorities for the year;

WHEREAS an online voting system would drastically reduce paper and ink consumption while also keeping the campus aesthetically neat;

WHEREAS the Union spends approximately \$3100 on reimbursement to electoral candidates;

WHEREAS the SCSU must honour their commitment to ensuring that "meetings, events and activities of the organization are communicated to the membership in such

a way that members are able to participate fully in such meetings, events and activities";

WHEREAS there has been difficulty in ensuring "fair processes for members to initiate change" within the SCSU, due to a below average understanding of the bylaws of said corporation among previous boards;

WHEREAS the Union has failed to ensure "impartial and fair electoral processes that allow members to participate easily as both voters and candidates" in previous elections, resulting in legal charges totalling \$2,000 in the last election cycle;

WHEREAS the University of Toronto has created a free tool (in that it is paid for by students regardless of the Union's use of it) for ensuring that major referenda/elections are tamper and miscount free;

WHEREAS students pay for the U-elecT online voting system;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Union express its support for an online voting system to be passed in the first Annual General Meeting taking place after the passing of this motion;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bylaws and the Elections Procedure Code be amended in accordance with this new feature;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that levies for the U-elecT system are to be put to a referendum every 3 years by the Executive Committee for mandatory re-evaluation by the students beginning September of 2019.

# v) Breach of Contract Motion

Moved: Bukhari Seconded:

WHEREAS the President has been found to be in breach of their Employment Contract and by extension, the SCSU Bylaws and the Ontario Nonprofit Corporations Act (refer to Annex I);

WHEREAS the President has been unapologetic and unremorseful after said violations having repeatedly been brought to their attention, including the publication of an official letter by the Executive Committee;

WHEREAS the duty of the Board of Directors is to uphold the Bylaws and to hold the Union accountable to ensure it is in compliance with all laws (provincial or federal) that it purposes to abide by;

WHEREAS the student body, as a general principle, expects transparency and accountability from the Union;

BE IT RESOLVED, That, the President release a public statement on all official SCSU social media explicitly stating the ways in which they breached their Employment Contract, to ensure transparency for the students to also illustrate the President's best intentions for the student body as well as the Union;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, in the aforementioned statement to the public, the President vow to resign should further breach of their contract occur in the future;

# 9. Executive Report (on page 11)

Moved: Lhamo Seconded: Be it resolved that the Executive Report be accepted as presented.

## **10. Director Updates**

## **11.Other Business**

#### 12. Adjournment

Motion Moved: Lhamo Seconded:

Be it resolved that the July 24th, 2019 Scarborough Campus Students' Union Board of Directors meeting be adjourned.

# **Executive Reports**

# Services & Operations

	Jun19	Description of Accounts		
REVENUE				
Student Fees	\$0.00	Health & Dental fee, SCSU Membership fees		
Space Rental Income	\$25,245.54	Tenant Fee's and Conference Room Rental		
Services Revenue	\$1,753.66	Discounted Tickets, Lockers & Postering		
Event Sales	\$0.00	Orientation, Boat Cruise, Mosaic, etc		
Metropasses	\$497.01	TTC Merchandise		
Vending Commissions	\$0.00	Vending machine commissions		
Advertising Revenue	\$3,200.00	Student Center advertising and agenda book ad revenue		
Other Income	\$6,880.20	Investment, Grants, Sponsorship		
TOTAL REVENUE	\$37,576.41			
EXPENSE				
Salaries, Wages & Benefits	\$42,426.62	Salaries, wages, honorariums, and benefits		
Supplies	\$676.41	Office, computer, photocopier, and general supplies		
Ticket Purchases	\$241.74	Discounted Tickets		
Internal Services	\$4,036.77	Postage, Insurance etc.		
Metropasses	\$465.00	TTC Merchandise		
Event Costs	\$3,044.51	Orientation, Spring Formal & other event costs		
Elections	\$16.10	Election related costs (candidate reimbursement, materials, etc.)		
Meetings	\$0.00	Annual General Meeting, General Meeting & Meeting Costs		
Programming Costs	\$1,091.07	Campaigns, VNP, Food Centre, RSC and Appreciation		
Funding	\$0.00	Clubs Funding, DSA Funding, Donations and Bursaries		
Professional Development & Trav	\$2,057.10	Continuity, Transportation and Travel		
Building Repairs & Maintenance	\$1,243.04	Repairs and maintenance costs for the building		
Professional Fees	\$17,824.50	Legal fees, Auditing Fees, etc		
Telephone & Communications	\$0.00	Phone Charges		
Bank Charges	\$257.29	General Bank Charges		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$73,380.15			
NET INCOME	-\$35,803.74			

# Campaigns & Advocacy

#### Slack Implementation

Beginning on July 2, the VP Operations has been working with the executive team to get them used to using Slack for work communications. Various committees, SCSU events and planning, and announcements are encouraged to be discussed here with the BoD, and one day the membership. For more information contact Alibux at <u>operations@scsu.ca</u>

#### SCSU Garden

Beginning on July 3, the VP Operations in conjunction with VP External Bukhari and the head of Campaigns Rajean Hoilett, have been developing a garden for the SCSU's food bank. Blueberries, tomatoes, and potatoes have been planted so far, as well as the creation of a compost bin to be used by Rex's den. For more information please contact Alibux at <u>operations@scsu.ca</u> or Bukhari at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

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#### Google Business Revamp

VP Operations has been working on the SCSU's online presence, updating outdated information, and working on raising ticket sales on events such as Frosh through, targeted ads and keyword markers. For more information please contact <u>operations@scsu.ca</u>

#### **Petition Meeting**

On July 3, the VP Operations and President were placed on the Dean's Advisory Committee to provide student input during their Academic appeals process. For more information please contact <u>operations@scsu.ca</u>

#### Trello Implementation

VP Operations has been beta-testing a free service called Trello that enables teams to actively view active projects in real time and allow for better coordination and planning of tasks. The service will also allow students to view motions that have been passed or failed by the SCSU with links to previous board package minutes. For more information please contact <u>operations@scsu.ca</u>

#### New Food Centre Fridge

VP Operations had been actively working and successfully acquired a new fridge for the food centre at zero cost to the union, after numerous negotiations with different parties. For more information please contact <u>operations@scsu.ca</u>

#### Pride poetry slam

VP Equity ran a Pride Poetry Slam on June 27<sup>th</sup> to provide a fun and safe space for students to celebrate Pride Month

#### SCSU X PSSA Townhall: Quebec Religious Symbols Ban

VP Equity in collaboration with the Political Science Students' Association hosted a town hall on the new and controversial Bill 21 or more commonly known as "An act representing the laicite of the State" in Quebec. The most esteemed Professors Christopher Cochrane and Andrew McDougall led the discussion. This town hall was meant for students from all departments to come and seek answers to their questions on Bill 21.

Both Professors elaborated on the impacts of this ban for Quebec, other Provinces, and the federal government. Other points of interest are the 2019 federal elections, the history of similar rhetoric in Quebec in the past and how it's shaped the current ban, and other aspects of interest for UTSC students to consider.

#### Anti-Oppression training for SCSU Execs and DSA's

VP Equity organized Anti-O training for SCSU Execs, this was facilitated by CFS staff members.

VP Equity organized Anti-O training for DSA's, this was facilitated by Chemi Lhamo. VP Equity was not present due to personal matters.

#### Registrars office meeting to discuss Textbook Bursary Grant

VP Equity and President met with Maria from the registrar's office to discuss the Text Book Bursary Grant

#### WUSC meeting with Nadia and Erika

VP Equity and President met with Nadia from DSL and Erika from ISC to discuss the Student Refugee Program and how it will be effected by the SCI

#### Multifaith meeting with Nadia

VP Equity met with Nadia to discuss how to better serve Chaplains and multifaith groups in the upcoming year.

#### **Queer Orientation**

VP Equity, VP Campus Life met with the WTC for a prep meeting for Queer Orientation. Event collaborations were discussed.

VP Equity, and VP Academics went to the queer orientation planning meeting.

#### Meeting with Accessibility Services

VP Equity is in communications with Tina and Jennifer from accessibility services to further discuss Accessibility Study Space, Note taking program, and Accessibility Orientation

# **Events & Programming**

#### Canada Day

Vice President External led the posting of a Canada Day post on SCSU's Instagram. For more information, please contact Chaman at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

#### Mental Health

Vice President External met with Armin and Emad, private contractors who specialize in solving mental health issues on various platforms. Armin, a public speaker, intends to solicit his services to the SCSU at a cost. These services are described as 'unconventional' and were not detailed by Armin and his team. For more information, please contact Chaman at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

The Vice President External is in correspondence with Dr. Tayyab Rashid's office regarding data on mental health. Data received focuses on loneliness around campus. Oncoming campaigns will take into account the findings from this data. For more information, please contact Chaman at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

#### **Committees**

The Vice President External has followed up with the Campaigns and Advocacy Coordinator regarding the CFS and Mental Health committees. Both committees are awaiting hiring and publication after the Creative Designer conveys the designs to VP External. Once completed, they will be published for students to openly apply to. For more information, please contact Chaman at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

Approximately 1,200 students at UTSC require accessibility services. Along with VP Equity, Vice President External toured the Racialized Students Collective with university admin and VP Equity. The main purpose was to evaluate whether the RSC would serve as a fit location for an accessibility student study space. For more information, contact Chaman at <a href="mailto:external@scsu.ca">external@scsu.ca</a> or Tebat at <a href="mailto:equity@scsu.ca">equity@scsu.ca</a>

#### **Provincial Ministry of Education**

The Vice President External met with Stephen Lecce, the Provincial Minister of Education, and received a positive response from him with regards to answering questions on provincial policy through on-campus publication. For more information, please contact Chaman at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

#### Federal Candidates Debate

The Electoral District Associations of federal candidates from the Conservative Party of Canada, the Liberal Party of Canada, the People's Party of Canada, and the Green Party of Canada have confirmed their attendance for the first-ever Scarborough Rouge-Park debate to be held at UTSC. Venue is being decided upon. For more information, please contact Chaman at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

#### Meeting with a student regarding international students concerns

The student has conducted a research regarding the experience of international students on campus and they wanted to share their research with the Union so we can support them better and voice their concerns to the higher executives in the University.

The student met with VP AUA and some of the main concerns are the tuition fees especially with the current provincial cuts, loneliness on campus, lack of sense of community on campus and especially on the residence.

Furthermore, many international students are not aware of the services that the campus offers such as travel safer with the campus police when they feel the need to travel some distance to their vehicle, bus stop, residence, or another building.

International students also face barriers in accessing the health and wellness centre such as the long waiting list to get assistance and the need for clothing bank. VP academics alongside the rest of the executives will be working towards these issues and make sure that their voices are heard For more information please contact Carly, <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

#### DSA updates

VP AUA has worked on the renewal of DSA packages and updated their contact information in the SCSU records. As it was mentioned in the previous board package for June 2019. The first DSA training took place on July 12th from 1-5pm.

The training included an introduction to SCSU, Anti Oppression, SCUS campaigns and finally SCSU services for DSA's.

Whereas the department's chairs take their own DSA's input very seriously and it is part of the student consultation process before making changes in a given department, the importance of the DSA's in lobbying was empathized by the vice Dean of Undergraduate, Mark Shmuckler in a meeting with the VP AUA.

In return, the VP AUA also emphasized the importance of collaboration between the DSA's and the union in the face of the Studnet Choice Initiative and when it comes to lobbying the administration for policy changes that benefit the students in their academic departments, such as expanding the self deceleration of illness

VP AUA is committed to act as the liaison with the Departmental Studnet Associations and work with them as appropriate to advance the academic interests of all students at UTSC. For more information, please contact Carly, <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

#### Queer Orientation (QO)

On July 10th, VP AUA and VP equity attended the 2019 Queer Orientation planning meeting alongside the Accessibility office, Athletics and Women's and Trans centre organized by the Sexual & Gender Diversity Office UofT.

We have discussed the importance of the Queer Orientation and the Union's goal this year in the QO. Furthermore, we have discussed some of the points that the organizing team needs to consider

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while planning the QO events such as accessibility, diversity and collaboration with other departments to practice solidarity and build an inclusive community. For more information, please contact Carly, <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

#### MINUTES – SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students

June 6, 2019 | UTSC Student Centre

- 1. Call to order
  - a. Present: Lhamo, Mohamed, Alibux, Bukhari, Sahagian, Kadhem, Pineda
- 2. Social Media

The Executives had a conversation about approval process. The Executives agreed to post requests if approved by a majority of the committee.

1. Black Grad Donation

Motion Moved: Mohamed Seconder: Alibux

Whereas the Black graduation is an annual event that has successfully celebrated black students who graduated from all three UofT campus

Whereas the Scarborough Campus Students Union has always contributed financially along with the other UofT students' Unions

Be it resolved that the Union donate a minimum of \$1,500 to help the Black Graduation Committee to pay their expenses

Be it further resolved that the union promote the event online closer to the date of Black Graduation 2019

Mohamed motivates and mentions that other students' unions have contributed to Black Grad. Mohamed notes that the group is asking for support in order to run programming.

Lhamo mentions that it is a great initiative and is in favor of the motion.

Alibux raises concerns with the budget with the Student Choice Initiative.

Kadhem discusses issues of barriers for folks to graduate. Kadhem is in favor of donating to Black Grad while looking for other sources for funding such as DSL. Kadhem notes the available Equity Fund that folks can access.

Bukhari mentions concerns around funding and the overall budget of the organization.

Vote: motion fails

#### MINUTES – SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students

#### June 27, 2019 | UTSC Student Centre

- 1. Call to order
  - a. Present: Alibux, Bukhari, Sahagian, Kadhem, Pineda
- 2. Letter of Acknowledgement

Alibux has created a letter after last night's incident and would like approval from the Executive team.

Motion Moved: Alibux Seconded: Bukhari

This should be added to the agenda because it happened yesterday. This needs to go out as soon as possible before the news slanders the group .

Motion to add: carries

Alibux reads out the letter.

Kadhem states she was wondering if the group could line out support for Black Graduation. The dialogue got cloudy and the main purpose of the motion was for acknowledgment. The SCSU team would like to stress its support for the initiatives and the intention it brings to the UTSU community.

Bukhari mentions that he was going to suggest to publish a separate letter in support of the Black Graduation. Or to include support for the Black Graduation in the same letter. He suggests that the approved letter be amended.

Kadhem clarifies support for Black Graduation is necessary.

Bukhari amends the motion that a letter be published after approval by Ray Alibux, after edits, to ensure the accuracy and compliance of bylaws

#### Motion Moved: Bukhari

Seconded: Alibux

Bukhari mentions that the group should go through the appropriate means, and that they are not taking any steps against student interests by the nature of being against the bylaws.

Alibux makes an amendment to the amendments pending approval from the majority of the executive team.

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Alibux states this will allow everyone to see that the majority of the executives agree with this. This will give folks an opportunity.

Carries

Back on the amendment

Vote: carries

Back on the motion as amended

Be it resolved that the SCSU publish the letter condemning the President's actions to social media, and place it on the white board within the office.

Vote: motion carries

3. Emergency motion by Bukhari & Alibux

"Breach of SCSU bylaws by the President of the Union"

Bukhari and Alibux state they are aware that the President is in breach of bylaws when they were on vacation for 3 weeks. They have all the conditions that said individual has broken and Board of Directors' code of ethics. They believe it's in the best interest of the students that procedures are acted in the full transparency that is disclosed.

Vote on adding to the agenda: Motion Carries

Alibux amends to state that "we will go forth with publishing this letter after contacting the SCSU lawyers"

Motion Moved: Alibux

Seconded: Kadhem

Alibux states legal help should be seeked.

Bukhari states it is clear that bylaws are broken. He would suggest to approach a lawyer's advice that is pro-bono rather that is fiscally irresponsible.

Kadhem wants to suggest that they call an emergency BOD meeting and that they have a discussion with them as well because this is important and necessary for them. It is a breach of contract and they do not know. If they move now, they might get backlash from the BODs

Alibux amends the amendment and scratches the current motion.

Be it resolved that the SCSU hold a BOD Emergency Meeting within the next two weeks to discuss the letter highlighting the president's breach of SCSU Bylaws.

Alibux states the President has breached the contract and the bylaws. This is just making people aware that she has broken the law. It is within their scope to show this to the BOD. He does not think the group needs to consult a lawyer. They should have talked about this letter. She does not think they need to have a meeting as soon as possible.

Kadhem is consulting the rest of the BODs for quorums

Vote on motion: Carries

Back on amendment

Vote: Carries

Vote on main motion: Carries

# **Campaigns & Advocacy**

#### <u>Religion</u>

On May 16, VP External and VP Equity met with Pastor Johnson Hsu and discussed the various challenges facing the religious community on campus. The discussion included safer atmosphere for religious representation, modification/expansion/relocation of the multifaith prayer centre, and normalization of Christian culture on campus. An initiative to begin a series of monthly interfaith discussions was also mutually agreed upon, wherein members of communities that are not commonly acquainted with religion would be primarily invited and welcomed. The aim of this would be to foster a respectful understanding between students belonging to contrasting worldviews and ultimately bring about a sense of community. For more information, please contact Tebat at equity@scsu.ca and Chaman at <a href="mailto:external@scsu.ca">external@scsu.ca</a>.

#### <u>Survey</u>

From May 21 through 23, VP Operations designed a survey to gauge the image of SCSU among students. It was further designed to determine the general overview of where students stand in terms of whether or not the Union should take political stances, on the student satisfaction with the Union, and if students are comfortable paying for services they do not use. VP Operations dressed up in Rex's Den costume to attract students and taking a picture with Rex was presented as an incentive to complete the surveys. VP External outreached to students and presented them with the surveys, assisting students wherever required. VP Operations created visual representations of the data gathered. The sample size is not statistically significant. For more information, please contact Ray at operations@scsu.ca and Chaman at external@scsu.ca.

#### <u>Rex's Den</u>

On June 13, had a conversation with Chef Blu of Rex's Den regarding introduction of new items to the restaurant's menu. Also in talks about revamping marketing for Rex's Den to boost sales for a restaurant that is currently in financial deficit and is costing the Union instead. For more information, please contact Chaman at external@scsu.ca

#### <u>Pride</u>

On June 7, VP External and VP Academics advertised Pride Pub taking place at Hart House, St. George Campus. It was discovered that the office doors were closed on Friday to students despite the presence of staff inside the office. VP External ensured that a student who was denied access to the office was let inside. With the office closed, SCSU could not hand out TTC tokens to students requiring it. Therefore, VP External reached out to the Executive Director to have the office doors opened so that students are allowed to avail the services of the SCSU for Pride Pub. For more information, please contact Chaman at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>, Carly at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>, and Tebat at <u>equity@scsu.ca</u>.

#### Committees: Mental Health, CFS & Management Consulting Task Force

Established a CFS committee to investigate the standing relationship between the CFS and the Union. The committee will advise the Executive Committee on the next proceedings on the issue of CFS. The terms of reference for the committee have been drafted and it will shortly be publicized. Established a Management Consulting Task Force (MCTF) which is to consist of qualified management students who will advise the Union on how to profit while cutting costs and rooting out inefficiencies. The MCTF will also look for any discrepancies within financial records. For more information, please contact Chaman at <a href="mailto:external@scsu.ca">external@scsu.ca</a>

#### Meeting with (ICHSSA)

On May 22nd VP Academics met with the president of ICHSSA and had a conversation about the DSA renewal process and upcoming academic events on short notice. For more information, please contact Carly at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

#### Principal's Awards Selection Committee Meeting

On May 23rd VP Academics met with the Principal's Awards selection committee as the SCSU representative in choosing the best candidates. The information shared is confidential about the candidates but for other information, please contact Carly at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

#### Meeting with Scholarly Communication and Liaison Librarian, Sarah Forbes

On May 24th VP Academics met with the liaison librarian for future collaboration with the Student's union library. Some of the areas that the VP Academics discussed is regarding the annual Undergrad Research Symposium (URS). The librarian proposed assistance in choosing papers and sit on the URS Committee, she also mentioned that the faculties and Department Student Associations (DSA's) can also be handy to encourage students to submit their papers.

VP Academics has also collaborated with the library and promoted LIB for life (series of workshops

skills, searching techniques and how to evaluate basis in research which is very helpful to the first year students) if this event has a good turn out, we can hold another session in the winter semester. https://utsc.library.utoronto.ca/lib4life attending their sessions are CCR approved. (Possible dates 24 or 25th of September)

VP Academics furthermore discussed the academic events such as the series of debates by and the Liasion librarian suggested that the library can help by doing prep debate sessions. For more information, please contact Carly, <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

#### <u>UofT Alumni (The Hub)</u>

Board of Directors Meeting #2 of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Wednesday, June 26th, 2019 | 6:00PM | SL-232, UTSC Student Centre

On May 28th VP Academics attended Alumni-Startup Networking Night. The first half of the event was The Hub's Open House, which was open to all alumni who wish to visit. The second half was for those alumni who wish to network with the start-up founders, with a desire to establish a relationship as an alumni advisor.

VP Academics being previous board advisor was invited to attend this event and had a discussion with The Hub Director Gray Graffam, and looked for collaborations and more advertisement of The Hub. Both agreed that it is a great place for ideas to become a reality. However, there was a concern to make the Hub more public to the students because of the small place and limited staff to manage, currently, there is only one director to manage the space. Nevertheless, Gary agreed that we need to advertise the place more, to attract more brilliant ideas and give all students a chance. VP Academics also met with some of the undergraduate start-up founders and had discussions for collaborations with the SCSU and the responses were positive. For more information, please contact Carly and <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

## Student Affairs Showcase

On May 29th VP. AUA attended the Student Affairs Showcase as the SCSU representative. The event was a staff mix and mingle from different student's services departments such as the Department Student Life, Academic Advising &Career Centre and the Residence. VP. AUA had discussions with the different departments as well as with the assistant dean of student success and

planned a meeting to discuss further collaborations with the SCSU. For more information, please contact Carly and <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

#### Grand Iftar

On May 30th, VP.AUA with VP External and VP Campus life shared the last iftar with the Muslim Students' Association (MSA). We thank the MSA for inviting us and for putting together a successful event in which all students were welcomed to break the fast with their Muslim brothers and sisters. For more information, please contact Carly and <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

#### Looking Forward: UTSC Admissions and recruitment event

On June 5th, VP. AUA attended the UTSC Admissions and recruitment event as the SCSU representative, which is organized for grade 9, 10 and 11 students. VP. AUA was introduced to share her student experience regarding the various leadership roles and involvement on campus with the incoming student and encouraged them to get involved as well to get the full University experience. Furthermore, she pointed out the importance of the Student's Union and its initiatives that enhanced her experiences as a student such as FROSH, encouraging them to attend. For more information, please contact Carly and <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

#### Meeting with the Assistant Dean of Student Success, Varsha Patel

On June 10th, VP AUA met with the Assistant Dean of Students Success. The meeting was an introductory meeting where VP. AUA shared some of the points that she is working on based on student's needs and concerns. Furthermore, she discussed the ways in which the Academics Advising and Career Centre and the SCSU can collaborate. VP. AUA shared one of the initiatives that she is planning which are a series of KNOW YOUR RIGHTS! workshops-the name is not fixed which include Academics, Housing and Work rights. In return, Patel shared with VP. AUA some of their vision for the 2019-2020 academic year, such as increasing more Experiential learning opportunities. Overall Patel and VP AUA. are looking forward to working together in the upcoming year. For more information, please contact Carly and <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

#### Meeting with the Registrar & Assistant Dean of Enrolment Management, Curtis Cole

On June 12th, VP. AUA met with Curtis and his assistant Fiorella. The meeting was an introductory meeting in which VP AUA introduced some of the student's concerns and needs. VP. AUA discussed

#### the course retake policy

# http://www.governingcouncil.lamp4.utoronto.ca/wpcontent/uploads/2019/01/a0114-1-2018-2019app.pdf

Curtis welcomed the policy, however, we need to investigate more how that would look like to UTSC and for Co-op courses. Curtis also mentioned how some certain graduate schools asking the students to contact the registrar and reveal the CR-NCR grades on their transcript he discussed how would that looks when it comes to the repeated courses. VP. AUA argued that students might repeat a course for various reasons and not only for graduate schools.

#### VP AUA also discussed the deferred exams fees

https://www.utsc.utoronto.ca/registrar/deferredexams and the deferred exam's time, currently, students pay \$70 for one exam or \$140 for two or

more exam. VP. AUA mentioned how this service is not accessible to all students because of the monetary burden that students face, especially with the OSAP cuts and given the fact that many UTSC students rely on OSAP for paying their fees. Curtis mentioned that they have evaluated the fee a couple of years ago, the fee covers the administrative fees such as getting a different exam copy form the faculty and it also covers the invigilators and the room bookings. Curtis mentioned that they are working on a way to make faculties submit 2 versions of final exams and thinking of a way to make students sign in electronically. Furthermore, the registrar is aware that the deferred exams period should be much earlier so students don't have to wait for a semester and they think that having 2 exam copies ahead by the faculty can help. VP AUA will continue the discussion on this matter in the coming meetings with Curtis. For more information, please contact Carly, academics@scsu.ca

#### Meeting with the Vice-Dean Undergraduate, Mark Schmuckler.

On June 14th, VP. AUA met with Vice-Dean Undergraduate. Schmuckler mentioned that he always had a good relationship with the previous VP AUA's and he is looking forward to working with the current VP. AUA to make positive changes. VP. AUA discussed some of the academic events that she is planning for the upcoming year as well as some of the important initiatives that she is taking on such as the course retake policy, increase web option and expand the self-declaration of illness to other departments. Schmuckler is aware of the course retake policy that is implemented by UTM and he is happy to visit the proposal. Furthermore, he mentioned that it is very important to talk with the department's chair regarding the web option because it is up to the faculties to adopt it. Furthermore, he mentioned that the Biology department is quite happy with it as they were very hesitant at the

beginning of the last year. The data showed that the students didn't abuse the current selfdeclaration of illness policy and he is hoping that this data can also help other departments to start

adopting it as well. For more information, please contact Carly, academics@scsu.ca

#### DSA Updates

The DSA renewal packages are sent out and our first DSA training will take place on July 12th from 1-5pm, lunch will be included. For more information, please contact Carly at academics@scsu.ca Accessibility

VP Equity met with Tina Doyle and Jennifer Martel from Accessibility Services to talk about accessible study space on campus, improving the NoteTaking program, Ensuring the AODA can be followed at UTSC, and Making frosh more accessible to students.

VP Equity is in contact with Students for Barrier Free Access at the St George campus to talk about increasing visibility of students who have accessibility concerns, and what spaces with barrier free access look like. VP Equity will be meeting with SBA on Friday June 28th.

VP Equity has worked with SCSU staff to make literature provided by the SCSU are given in braille and large font. This includes Business Cards, and the Rex's Den Menu. For more information, please contact Tebat at <u>equity@scsu.ca</u>

#### Indigenous Awareness Month

VP Equity has arranged a UTSC contingency to attend the 12th Annual South East Scarborough Pow Wow on June 26th from 10-4.

VP Equity has released a statement on the Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. For more information, please contact Tebat at <u>equity@scsu.ca</u>

#### <u>SVEP</u>

VP Equity sat on the Sexual Violence Education and Prevention Advisory Committee to disscuss an online Sexual Vioence Disclosue Training Program.

## <u>WTC</u>

VP Equity met with Myuri Srikugan and Yasamin Sadeghi from the WTC to discuss Pride Month

planning and future collaborations with the SCSU.

# SC:OUT

VP Equity met with Alin Condescu the President of SC:OUT to discuss Pride Month planning and future collaborations with the SCSU.

## Fillipino Heritage Month

VP Equity met with Claire Caluag to discuss future plans for Fillipino Heritage Month.

# <u>Multifaith</u>

VP Equity along with VP External met with Pastor Johnson to discuss future Multifaith initiatives like

# Monthly Interfaith Debates/Discussions.

VP Equity met with Ruxandra Pop the newly appointed DSL point person for Multifaith initiatives, to discuss how campus chaplains can be supported throughout the year. Chaplain Training was a possible option for informing the chaplains about the services available on campus. It would include similar information tat clubs receive as chaplains normally run their services closely resembling how clubs or DSA provide their services to students. VP Equity also discussed reaching out to future chaplains to represent and support the underrepresented religions and faiths of UTSC students. VP Equity discussed improving the current Multi Faith Spaces to better support all UTSC students, this included putting new furniture, rearranging the barrier, cleaning up the space, and allocating other spaces on campus.

## Meeting with Michelle Robinson

VP Equity and VP External met with a representative from King's College London Faculty of Life Sciences and Medicine to discuss Mental Health initiatives and practises on both campuses.

## Health and Wellness Manager Hiring

VP Equity sat on the Hiring Committee for the new Health and Wellness Manager. For more information, please contact Tebat at <u>equity@scsu.ca</u>

# **Events & Programming**

# <u>CFS</u>

On June 6, met with Jonathan Collaton of DSL to discuss a letter sent by CFS that directed universities to continue to collect fees and remit them in contradiction to provincially mandated policy. Upon passing a motion in the ECM that condemned this directive by the CFS, the CFS discovered this motion and sent out an updated letter which excluded the directive that the Union had sought to originally condemn in public. Currently looking into how the student body can be made aware of this issue and the Union's stance on it. For more information, please contact Chaman at external@scsu.ca

## Raptors Game

On July 10, VP External received a request from a student to screen the Raptors game. On short notice, VP External arranged for the game in the Student Centre. For more information, please contact Chaman at external@scsu.ca or Carly at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>.

#### Pride Month

VP Equity was very excited to help UTSC students celebrate Pride this year. Here is a list of events that the Scarborough Campus Students' Union hosted or will be hosting:

Pride Pub - June 7 @ 4:30 pm - June 8 @ 1:00 am - SCSU helped advertise the Start of pride celebrations with U of T. Pride Pub was an event for LGBTQ2+ students and allies to celebrate pride month while they are surrounded by friends and colleagues in the beautiful outdoor Hart House Quad at the U of T St George Campus. A delicious outdoor BBQ and drinks, a Community Fair with local LGBTQ+ organizations and tons of activities, and an opportunity to dance the night away with fabulous DJs and performers were all available.

#DisplayYourPride June 13 (all day), SCSU Executives along with the EDO, Campus Police, and other departments on campus went around UTSC giving out free ice cream o students, staff and faculty. We also encouraged everyone to display their pride by sharing pictures of pride month on their social media, and for UTSC departments to decorate their spaces with messages of love and support for Pride Month.

#### Chalking the outside of the Student Centre - June 14th (all day)

The SCSU will be writing messages of support for the Queer and Trans communities during Pride Month. All members of the USC communities are welcome to cotrbute. SCSU Pride Outreach Day- June 19 12pm - 4pm - Details: The SCSU are excited to be hosting a Pride Outreach Day on Wednesday June 19th from 12-4PM in the Student Center. Representatives from the DSL, WTC, SC:OUT, SGDO, Health and Wellness and EDO were present to talk to students about the services and initiatives at UTSC. We were Banner, Poster, and Buttons Making, T-shirt Screen printing, Giving out Goodie Bags, and talking about what SCSU has in store for Pride Month like the Pride Flag Raising, Trans, Dyke, and Pride Marches, and our Pride Poetry Slam. It will be a great time to relax eat some Popcorn, Cotton Candy, and Drink some Smoothies from our Smoothie Bike.

Pride Flag Celebration – Friday June 21st in front of the AA building - "More Colour, More Pride" Along with the EDO the SCSU gave out free rainbow cupcakes and raised a LGBTQ+ flag in a Pride celebration where the UTSC community will share how Pride at UTSC contributes to our culture and goal of inclusive excellence. The new design adds black and brown stripes to the top of the standard six-colour flag, and is meant to recognize people of colour in the LGBTQ+ community. Pride is not always an inclusive space for Indigenous Peoples, Black people and people of colour. The newly added stripes are a sign of SCSU's commitment to being intentionally inclusive and representing more voices and experiences in the LGBTQ+ community. The VP Equity and President gave a speech to support the initiatives, and what the future needs to hold for UTSC students.

Trans March - June 21 @ 7:50pm - 9:30pm - The SCSU executives took UTSC Students down to the Trans parade to join the UofT Contingency. T-Shirts were handed out.

Dyke March - June 22 @ 1:50pm - 4pm - The SCSU executives took UTSC Students down to the Dyke parade to join the UofT Contingency. T-Shirts were handed out.

Pride Parade - June 23 @ 2pm - 6pm - The SCSU executives took UTSC Students down to the Pride parade to join the UofT Contingency. T-Shirts were handed out.

Pride Poetry Slam - June 27 @ 5:30pm - 8:30pm - The SCSU will be hosting a Free poetry slam to close out Pride month. Free food and prizes available for performers and audience members.

For more information, please contact Tebat at equity@scsu.ca

#### International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia - May 17th

VP Equity met with student leaders from across the GTA to canvass for the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia.

For more information, please contact Tebat at equity@scsu.ca

#### Meeting with EMRG

On May 16th, President met with the Executive Director and two representatives from EMRG to discuss collaborations for Orientation and the following year. The meeting was fruitful as we discussed developing a strong relationship between the two entities that is long lasting. This meeting included discussions of First Aid Trainings, EMRG presence at SCSU social events both on and off campus and tabling opportunities. For more information, please contact Chemi at president@scsu.ca

#### Vice Provost Meeting

President joined a conference call on May 27th with the Vice Provost in regards to Student Choice Initiative updates. This was then followed up by multiple email exchanges for updated lists and descriptions of services provided and/or facilitated by our union. We are consistently following up with the office to control the harmful effects of Student Choice Initiative (SCI), this ranges from budget reallocations to redefining our projects to fit the limited categories provided by the government. For more information, please contact Chemi at <u>president@scsu.ca</u>

#### Tiananmen Sq. Massacre 30 yrs Commemoration

On May 30th, President spoke at the Tiananmen Square commemoration in India alongside esteemed Human Rights Lawyer, Teng Biao and other human rights activists on Freedom, justice and equity. President spoke specifically on the role academic institutions can play to ensure that education is not a commodity but a right that everyone deserves. For more information, please contact Chemi at president@scsu.ca

#### Leadership Panel: ReSisters

On June 2nd, President was invited to speak on a panel about leadership in India about challenges that one faces while balancing multiple identities. Intersectionality. Many topics were covered including, the violence that takes place when rising to power. For more information, please contact Chemi at president@scsu.ca

#### Meeting with Athletics and Recreation Representative

On June 11th, President met with a representative from Athletics and Rec in regards to possible collaborations throughout the year, specifically with a Colour Run/ Walk-a-thon around the end of September to keep the momentum up from orientation and beginning of the year planning. This would also aim towards building on our healthy campus initiative. For more information, please contact Chemi at president@scsu.ca

## Transit Survey: StudentsMoveTO

Since May 9th, President has been conversation with Students Move TO, in regards to a transit survey. At UTSC, many students are dependent on transit and the survey previously done in 2015 has enabled SCSU to be on the forefront of many transit initiatives. We are looking to be part of the 2019 survey to gather more data on our students to make our services more accessible. For more information, please contact Chemi at president@scsu.ca

#### Mental Health Network

On June 13th, President, VP Campus Life and VP AUA attended the Mental Health Network where Dr. Tayyab provided his findings in a lecture on 'Loneliness' that also included UTSC specific data. This provided great insight on the initiatives that are ongoing on campus in regards to mental health. For more information, please contact Chemi at president@scsu.ca

#### Admissions and Recruitment

On June 14th, the President had a meeting with Admissions and Recruitment about including SCSU in their outreach. This meeting was fruitful as we look forward to building a new relationship with the A&R office, to have a bigger presence within our community and set a good impression on our prospective students. This bond is also looking good for more opportunities for collaborations especially, our Global Citizenship initiative. For more information, please contact Chemi at president@scsu.ca

#### **UTSC Strategic Planning Roundtable**

On June 13th, the President met with Tamara Jacobs, from the Principal's office in regards to the strategic planning for 2019 onwards. We discussed how SCSU can amplify their outreach and ensure that we, the students are part of the process of deciding UTSC's steps forward. For more information, please contact Chemi at president@scsu.ca

## Green Waste at UTSC

President is in conversations with representatives of Regenesis, Eco club and at-large members that would like to introduce compost bins and do an in-depth analysis of recycling on campus. For more information, please contact Chemi at <a href="mailto:president@scsu.ca">president@scsu.ca</a>

#### WetheStudents Skills Symposium

On June 18th, President and VP Campus Life attended the WetheStduents Skills symposium planning meeting for a GTA skills training that is free and open to all of our members. This conference will take place in mid-late July for two days that will include training that covers organizing, mobilizing and community building. The aim of this initiative is to equip our student leaders to be their best and enhance their hone leadership skills. For more information, please contact Sarah at campuslife@scsu.ca or Chemi at president@scsu.ca.

## **CFS National General Meeting**

On June 7th to June 12th, VP Campus Life, VP Equity, and VP Operations attended CFS's 72nd Annual National General Meeting where we, Local 99, got to make decisions on behalf of the students at UTSC. We attended Provincial meetings and discussed the Student "Choice" Initiative, attended the different constituency and caucus groups where we got elected in those spaces to make recommendations of the motions being discussed at this meeting in the sub committees. Although the meetings were long, they were very cool to experience and we've learned a lot. We also had the chance to meet, socialize, and network with the other executives from student unions all over Canada. For more information, please contact Sarah at campuslife@scsu.ca, Tebat at equity@scsu.ca or Ray at <u>operations@scsu.ca</u>.

# WE THE STUDENTS

The power truly does lie in the people. To re-emphasize that and mobilize our student body, the President is working to revive the WetheStudents campaign. This includes meetings with other student unions about the recent Student Choice Initiative changes and its effects on the various campuses. For more information, please contact Chemi at president@scsu.ca RAPSINSIX!

On June 13th, VP Campus Life and President hosted a licensed screening of Game 6. UTSC played a part in the historical game for the North. We had over 200 students in attendance and fully packed house that made a lot of noise! We couldn't let our guests watch this game without snacks, so we provided them free cotton candy and free popcorn throughout the game. For more information, please contact Sarah at campuslife@scsu.ca or Chemi at president@scsu.ca.

# UTSC X RAPs Championship Parade

Lead by VP Campus Life, on Monday, June 17th UTSC students made its presence known at the Raptors parade joining 2.5 million people in the championship celebration with UTSC placards and

@scsuuoft drake. For more information, please contact Sarah at campuslife@scsu.ca or Chemi at president@scsu.ca.

#### Daily Bread Conference

On Friday, May 24th, VP Campus Life attended the Daily Bread Food Bank: Right to Food Conference with the Campaigns and Advocacy Coordinator to learn about what it means to have the right to food and how accessible is it to get healthy food options. We learned how to community organize a campaign and also learned from the panel discussion different ways we can change our current Food Centre for the better. Some suggestions included having culture-appropriate ingredients, hosting cooking classes, or even creating a free breakfast program/community kitchen, or getting food scraps from Rex's Den. For more information, please contact Sarah at <u>campuslife@scsu.ca</u>.

#### Transit EELRT March

On Saturday, May 25th, VP Campus Life attended the March for LRT to Malvern and had the opportunity to speak on behalf of the Students of UTSC. The event was a success with about 40 people present for the March. We understand that transit is an issue in Scarborough and will continue to work with TTC Riders and Scarborough Transit Action until Scarborough sees better transit. For more information, please contact Sarah at <u>campuslife@scsu.ca</u>.

## 2019 Transit Summit

On Sunday, May 26th, VP Campus life attended the transit summit 2019 hosted by TTC Riders where we learned the 10 Key lessons about Transit Advocacy in Toronto. During the summit one of the workshops we attended was hosted by 15 and Fairness about Movement Building and Training new leaders where we learned the usefulness of petitions and how to follow up with the supporters of the cause. Another workshop was about how to get the EELRT built in Scarborough and the action items that we decided to commit to is to table at Rib Fest Toronto to talk to the general public about transit and the other action item is to host a Leaders' Meeting with all the Scarborough MPPs and get their point of view on transit. For more information, please contact Sarah at campuslife@scsu.ca.

## Frosh Planning

Since the last Board of Directors meeting, VP Campus life and the Orientation Coordinators conducted interviews and hired our full orientation team, attended Get Started where we talking to

incoming first years about Frosh 2019 and why they should attend Frosh this year. Group Leader and Logistics Leader applications are now out so we highly encourage all board of directors to apply that way SCSU creates a bigger impact at the beginning of the year. More updates coming soon on Frosh planning but so far one artist has been confirmed for our third day of Frosh. For more information, please contact Sarah at <u>campuslife@scsu.ca</u>.