SCARBOROUGH CAMPUS STUDENTS' UNION

Board of Directors Package

Monday December 11, 2017 6:00PM University of Toronto Scarborough Campus, Student Centre - SL232

RULES	OF OR You say this:	May you interupt the speaker?	Must you be seconded?	AC 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	Point of 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
Williams	Lavelle	Director of Anthropology and Health Studies
Sithamparanathan	Gobika	Director of Biological Sciences
Vanessa	Vigneswaramoorthy	Director of English
Touman	Sarah	Director of Psychology
Mohamed	Nafisa	Vice-President Campus Life (ex – officio)
Srithas	Sitharsana	President
Frimpong	Nana	Vice-President Equity
Stojanovski	Sylvie	Director of Arts, Culture and Media
Hassan	Deena	Vice-President Operations
Weaver	Curtis	Director of Physical and Environmental Sciences
Zakir	Kubra	Vice-President External
Gupta	Radhika	Director of Critical Development Studies
Arayata	Christina	Vice-President Academics & University Affairs
Morris	Ashley	Director of Sociology
Gupta	Rahul	Director of Computer & Mathematical Sciences
Caluag	Claire	Director of French & Linguistics
Jahangir	Hania	Director of Historical & Cultural Studies
Ali	Seyed	Director of Philosphy
Dang	Raymond	Director of Political Science

Agenda

Motion

1. Call to order

The meeting is called to order at _____

Moved: Srithas

Moved: Srithas

2. Announcements

3. Approval of Agenda

Seconded:

Be it resolved that the agenda for the December 11th, 2017 SCSU Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

4. Equity Statement

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion

Seconded:

Be it resolved that the December 11, 2017 minutes package including the following documents be approved as presented:

- a) Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
 - i. November 2017 on Page 12
- b) Executive Committee Meeting
 - i. October 24th, 2017 on Page 31
 - ii. November 9th, 2017 on Page 32
 - iii. November 16th, 2017 on Page 33
 - iv. November 19th, 2017 on Page 34
 - v. November 23rd, 2017 on Page 36
- c) Clubs Committee Meeting
 - i. November 20th, 2017 on Page 37
- d) SCSU Commission Meeting
 - i. November 21st, 2017 on Page 42

6. Motion to donate to Rohingya Campaign

Motion Moved: Srithas Seconded:

Whereas, The Rohingya people of Myanmar are the world's most persecuted minority,

Whereas, The United Nations has declared this crisis as a "textbook example of ethnic cleansing" and yet, the massacre continues

Whereas, students from across the campus have used their own resources, including monetary, to come together to create a campaign to raise awareness, petition, and fundraise, therefore;

Be it resolved that the SCSU donate \$100.00 towards the Rohingya campaign

7. Executive Report

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

8. Director updates

9. Other Business

10. Adjournment

Motion Moved: Srithas Seconded: Be it resolved that the December 11, 2017 SCSU Board of Directors meeting be adjourned.

Executive Report

Services & Operations

Tax Clinic

Applications for the Tax Clinic coordinator are out! You can find it on the SCSU website. They are due December 15th! Let your friends and colleagues know!

Food Centre

The Food centre is now closed for the year and will reopen in the new year during the week of January 8th. We are looking to expand the centre sometime during the next semester.

Campaigns & Advocacy

Mental Health Network Meeting

On November 23rd, VP Equity attended the final Mental Health Network Meeting of the semester. Attendees were given a presentation by Johnson Hsu, a Chaplain at UTSC. Attendees also spoke about upcoming mental-health programming they had for the rest of the Fall semester.

Paris is Burning Film Screening

The SCSU, Women's and Trans Centre, and the UTSC Library partnered on a film screening of *Paris is Burning* in the TV Lounge as part of our programming around the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence. Approximately 10-15 students attended the event.

"Woman Enough" Tabling

The SCSU and Women's and Trans Centre partnered for two days of tabling in the Student Centre for the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence. Photos were taken of selfidentified women and put on a white poster board. Participants were also asked to write a quote or words or affirmation around their photos.

Monologues Photoshoot

On December 1st, the SCSU and the Women's and Trans Centre came together to host the annual Monologues Photoshoot. The shoot took place in the Alumni Lounge and SL-279. There was a makeup artist, live calligraphy, button making, and colouring available. The photos from the shoot will be used as promotional material for the upcoming Monologues show at the end of January.

Anti-Racism and Cultural Diversity Office (ARCDO) Advisory Committee

On November 28th, VP Equity attended the ARCDO Advisory Committee meeting downtown. There were several topics of discussion at hand, including updates around the Unfiltered Dialogues conversation at UTSC and the University's Drafted Mandated Leave of Absence Policy.

Sexual Violence Prevention and Support Centre (SVPSC) Advisory Committee

On November 29th, VP Equity attended the SVPSC Advisory Committee Meeting in SL-232. The entire meeting was spent discussing the teaching modules for staff, students, and faculty around sexual violence prevention and support for the UTSC community.

Bursary Committee Meeting

Two of three bursary committee meetings have happened thus far. The last meeting will take place in the week of December 10th. The committee has made steady progress through the applications, and we will send out letters of acceptance or refusal before the holiday break.

Photo Journal Photoshoot

The first Photo Journal photoshoot for self-identified women took place on November 30th. The journal will be launched in March 2018 and will showcase various self-identified women on campus. For more information about this journal, please contact VP Equity.

Positive Space Meeting

VP Equity and the Board of Director of English attended the last Positive Space Meeting of the year. During the meeting, we finalized plans for the upcoming Rainbow Tie Gala in January. If you would like to volunteer, please contact VP Equity.

DSA Council

On October 25 the VP AUA held DSA Council for the month. Discussions surrounded DSA and SCSU Collaboration and Academic Advocacy. The VP AUA presented a summary of the report "Creating an Accessible Campus: Guidelines and Recommendations for the University of Toronto Scarborough - 2017". Five DSAs submitted letters of support for lobbying purposes.

Meeting with Mark Schmuckler

On October 25 the VP AUA and the President had their monthly meeting with Dean Schmuckler. The things discussed are as follows: prayer spaces and study spaces, credit no credit extension academic integrity and the Undergraduate Research Symposium.

Academic Travel Fund and Partnership Fund Committee Meeting (Round 1)

October 25 the VP AUA sat in on the Academic Travel Fund and Partnership Fund Committee Meeting. This space is where student applications for Academic research/travel is approved.

DSA Anti-Oppression Trainings

On the following dates the VP AUA and the VP Equity hosted two Anti-Oppressive training sessions for the DSAs.

Student Academic Forum

November 3 the Executives met with Dean Bill Gough and Assistant Dean Liza Arnason for the Student Academic Form. Here the Academic Advocacy report that was written by the VP AUA was presented. The following items were discussed at this meeting: Credit/No Credit Extension, Best Practices Policy on Laptop Policy Ban, Student Rights, Study Space, Self-Declared Sick Notes, 5% Cap off on Late Penalties, and Work Integrated Learning. The recommendation for Self-Declared Sick Notes has been brought up to the Vice-Provost by Bill Gough.

DSL and ISC Advisory Committee Meeting:

November 3 the VP AUA sat on the DSL and ISC Advisory Committee Meeting (a subcommittee in CSS). This was an introductory meeting to the procedures and services that they provide.

Study Space Working Group

November 7 the VP AUA sat on the Study Space working group. Topics discussed included: opening lecture halls as study spaces when not used/booked, midterms, extending library hours during midterms.

Health and Wellness Advisory Committee Meeting:

November 9 the VP AUA sat on the Health and Wellness Advisory Committee Meeting (a subcommittee of CSS). Items discussed were: an overview of the health and wellness centre and the proposal of a self-declared sick note system.

Study Space Communications Meeting

November 21 the VP AUA sat on the Study Space Communications Meeting - a subcommittee of the study space committee. With both Ruxandra and Billi Jo the VP AUA discussed how to advertise the available study spaces during exams.

Study Space Committee

November 24 the VP AUA sat on the Study Space Committee to discuss the new furniture for Highland Hall.

Meeting with Terry

November 21 and November 28 the VP AUA, VP Equity, and President met with Terry to discuss the Sexual Violence Training slides for faculty, staff, and faculty. The second meeting was to provide feedback to ensure that the information and presentation of the information would resonate with students.

Meeting with CUPE 3902

November 22 the VP AUA met with Jessica from CUPE 3902 to discuss the potential of the Unit 3 Strike. The VP AUA has continued to keep in touch with CUPE.

AART

November 22 the VP AUA and President sat on the Academic Advising Round Table. What was discussed are: START demo and a continuing conversation on what is student success.

DSA Council

November 23 the VP AUA conducted monthly DSA Council. DSA updates were given in terms of the support they needed for the events that they were holding as well as the Mandatory Leave of Absence Policy Draft. Conversations will continue around the Leave of Absence Policy.

Library Advisory Committee

November 24 the VP AUA met with the Library Advisory Committee to discuss the overall services that the Library provides to both graduate and undergraduate students as well as the development of a skills class (basic research skills needed).

Sweater Social

November 27 the VP AUA collaborated with IDSSA and SOS had a Holiday Sweater Social at Rex's Den.

Health and Wellness For Racialized Students

November 29 the VP AUA and the VP Equity collaborated with the Health and Wellness Centre to conduct student working groups to determine what racialized students were looking for in wellness services.

Free Book Network Interview

November 30 and December 1 the VP AUA and the Free Book Network Coordinator (Joyce E.) held interviews for marketing and cataloging volunteers.

Meeting with Mark

December 4 the VP AUA and President met with Professor Schmuckler. Discussions were: a follow up on the credit no credit extension (anticipated to be implemented in the 2018 Winter/Summer Semester), self-declared sick notes (a pilot is currently being developed and has been brought to the attention of the Vice Provost), and the 5% maximum cap off on late penalties which is still being discussed.

Curriculum Committee

December 4 the VP AUA sat on the Curriculum Committee for review the proposed double degree in Statistics and and Finance and a graduate proposal for collaborative specializations in food studies.

DSL Advisory Committee CSS

December 4 the VP AUA sat on the DSL advisory committee where the breakdown of finances were provided to students.

Meeting with Curits

December 5 the VP AUA and President met with Curitus Cole and Fiorella. The following was discussed: classrooms and lecture halls as prayer spaces, student rights within Blackboard and ACORN, and Academic Integrity, petitions, and appeals.

Student Leaders Reception

On November 21st, SCSU executives attended the Student Leaders Reception hosted by the Department of Student Life. This was to celebrate and acknowledge the hard work and dedication of student leaders. SCSU President delivered a speech on how student leaders of clubs, student societies, and DSAs continue to positively contribute to student experience at UTSC.

TSA's Maveerar Naal

On November 22nd, SCSU President attended UTSC Tamil Students' Association event: Maveerar Naal. Maveerar Naal (Tamil Heroes' Day) is a day where fallen soldiers are commemorated who fought for the freedom of Tamil people and for the establishment of an independent homeland for Tamils, Tamileelam. SCSU President delivered a speech on the importance of solidarity among marginalized and displaced communities.

Community Partnerships Table

On November 23rd, SCSU President, VP Equity and VP Campus Life attended a meeting where U of T upper administration talked about UTSC's strategy to build community partnerships.Some

Eglinton East LRT Stakeholders Meeting

On November 23rd, SCSU President attended a Stakeholders Meeting to give feedback to the Town Halls and consultations that are going to held on the Eglinton East LRT. For more information, contact <u>president@scsu.ca</u>.

Meeting with Vice-Provost

On November 28th, SCSU executives met with the Vice-Provost Office to discuss issues such the Mandartory Leave of Absense, follow up on the laptop ban and the slef-declared sick notes pilot, among other things. For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

Vice-Provost Advisory Committee

On November 29th, SCSU President attended a Vice-Provost Students Advisory Committee alongside representatives from other UofT student societies. We discussed the Mandatory Leave of Absence Policy, feedback on Sexual Violence Module for faculty, staff and students and discussed U of T's strategy to increase study abroad opportunities among students. For more information, contact <u>president@scsu.ca</u>.

Leading with Legacy: 150+ Neighbors

On December 10th, SCSU President and VP Equity attended the Canada 150 celebrations that took place in the Meeting Place at UTSC. This was a celebratory gathering of the all the community partners that were part of the 150 Neighbours Project. It also served as a reminder to continue our commitment to TRC beyond Canada 150.

Meeting with Andrew for ASO Storage

On December 6th, SCSU met with CAO Andrew alongside ArtSide Out executives to advocate for storage space for ASO. The meeting was successful and ASO was able to secure storage space to assist with all future events. For more information, contact <u>president@scsu.ca</u>.

Toronto Environmental Alliance - 30th Birthday Bash

On December 11, SCSU President attended Toronto Environmental Alliance's annual fundraising event. This year they celebrated 30 years of alongside student organizers, change-makers across the province.

Events & Programming

Exam Destressors

This semester, we received help from the Environmental Health and Safety Department and APUS to provide students with healthier options for Exam destressors. If you're studying for exams, come by starting today till Friday from 11-1am in the BV atrium to get some goodies to help you get through the night of studying.

SCSU Street Team and MNHI: Holiday Pictures with Santa

SCSU Street Team in collaboration with Maternal and Natal Health Initiatives had a Holiday Photo booth and Hot Chocolate Giveaway. This happened in the Meeting Place on November 27th, Student Centre on November 28th and IC Atrium on November 29th. Donations were collected and proceeds went to supporting the Maternal and Natal Health Initiatives. For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

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~	Arayata	Christina	Vice-President Academics & University Affairs
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\checkmark	Jahangir	Hania	Director of Historical & Cultural Studies
	Don	Justin	Director of Human Geography
	Nouri	Rosia	Director of Management
\checkmark	Ali	Seyed	Director of Philosophy
\checkmark	Dang	Raymond	Director of Political Science

Board of Directors, Scarborough Campus Students' Union

The Chair designated Sitharsana Srithas, a non-voting member of the Board, as the Chair of the meeting.

1. Call to order

A quorum being present, the Chair called the meeting to order at approximately 6:38 p.m.

2. Roll Call

3. Announcements

Arayata stated that the Undergraduate Research Symposium (URS) is accepting submissions until December 1st. Arayata explained that the URS was formerly known as the Interdisciplinary Research & Discovery Symposium (IRDS). The URS is an opportunity for undergraduates to share their research and it is peer-reviewed by faculty. Arayata encouraged students to send in their submissions because the authors of the approved submissions get a monetary honorarium and the opportunity to speak at the conference.

Srithas stated that the SCSU is collaborating with the South Asian Alliance (SAA), Caribbean Connections and Fusion Radio to host their silent party called HUSH on Thursday November 23rd. Tickets are \$20 and Directors can speak to Srithas for a \$5 discount.

Srithas stated that SCSU's Annual Holiday Appreciation Party will be held on Wednesday November 22nd at Rex's Den from 5pm-7pm. This event is SCSU's way of saying thank you to everyone who contributed to SCSU and it is a networking opportunity. There will be free food, fun games, prizes to be won and a performance. If you would like to participate in the Guess the Baby Picture contest, please send your baby photo as soon as possible.

4. Approval of Agenda

MOTION Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Sahgal

Be it resolved that the agenda for the November 20th, 2017 SCSU Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

Vote: All in favour

CARRIED

5. Equity Statement

Frimpong read the Equity Statement and the Acknowledgement of the Lands we occupy of the Mississauga New Credit First Nation.

6. Approval of Minutes MOTION Move

Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Jahangir

Be it resolved that the November 20th, 2017 minutes package including the following documents be approved as presented:

- Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
 - a. October 23rd, 2017 on Page 9

Vote: All in favour

CARRIED

7.	Executive Report	
MOT	ION	Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Dang

Be it resolved that the Executive Report be accepted as presented.

Services & Operations

Hassan speaks on October Income Statements

Hassan explained that the Student Fees have come in, which is why the Net Income is positive this month. Hassan reminds the Board that the Student fees are only paid 4 times per a year.

Campaigns & Advocacy

Frimpong speaks on Focus Group for Mental Health and Wellness for Racialized Students VP Equity and VP AUA in partnership with the Health & Wellness Centre, successfully held two focus groups for racialized students to provide insight for the development of a peer support group centred around racialized students and their experiences. Parties are currently reviewing the data.

Frimpong speaks on Interviews for Manager at Health & Wellness

VP Equity participated in two days of interviews for the newest manager for the Health & Wellness Centre.

Frimpong speaks on Monologues Auditions

On November 9th, auditions for the 2018 Monologues were held. VP Equity and coordinators from the Women's and Trans Centre held the auditions in SL-222. The next audition date is November 24th. Contact VP Equity for more information.

Frimpong speaks on Athletics Advisory Committee

VP Equity was ratified as Co-Chair of the Athletics Advisory Committee. Topics of discussion included women only exercise hours and an equity position for the Athletics department.

Frimpong speaks on Out on the Field of Play

VP Equity and the President attended "Out on the Field of Play," a discussion about LGBTQ+ inclusion in sport.

Frimpong speaks on Sexual Violence Centre Launch

VP Equity, VP Campus Life, VP AUA, and the President attended the opening of the Sexual Violence Prevention and Support Centre on November 14th. The President addressed attendees about the importance of the Centre and steps we must take to ensuring that students feel supported both on and off campus around issues of sexual violence.

Frimpong speaks on Trans is Beautiful Workshop

VP Equity and the President attended the Women's and Trans Centre's event "Trans Is Beautiful" in the Alumni Lounge. Guests were treated to snacks provided by the SCSU and a presentation on being a trans ally.

Frimpong speaks on Hart House Board of Stewards Meeting

VP Equity attended the Hart House Board of Stewards Meeting at UTSC on November 16th. Presentations included the Warden's Annual Report and a presentation from Trish Starling on the Human Library Project, an event happening at UTSC in collaboration with SCSU and DSL.

Srithas speaks on Transit Survey Report Back

We deployed our survey from October 16 - Nov 3rd (three weeks). The survey had questions with a focus on the transit experience and development in Scarborough. We had an amazing response from our students! 1724 total respondents and 1350 completed the survey. We also had responses from staff/faculty. The stakeholders will be meeting later this month to discuss how to present this data.

Srithas speaks on CAO Forum

On October 31st, SCSU executives and student representatives attended a meeting addressing student issues, especially in regards to the operations of the University. Particularly, following up on signage for gender-inclusive washrooms, creating more study space by opening up unused lecture rooms, more outlets on campus, following up on the YRT stop at UTSC, multi-faith space on campus, and financial support for the SCSU Food Centre. Each executive will continue to follow-up on commitments made by University administration. For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

Srithas speaks on Student Town Hall with Mayor John Tory

On October 25th, SCSU hosted a Student Town Hall with Mayor Tory: Vision for Scarborough, in collaboration with Centennial College Students' Association (CCSAI) and Scarborough Community Renewal Organization (SCRO). Policing, housing, transit, food insecurity, job creation, more funding for the arts - These were some of the issues that were brought up by students. The event was a great success! We had media coverage of the event on Inside Toronto, Varsity, the Underground and UTSC communications. Thank you to all the students who participated amidst midterm season.

Srithas speaks on Convocation Ceremony for the Honorable Murray Sinclair

On November 6th, the President attended the convocation ceremony and luncheon celebrating the conferring of the degree of Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa*, upon the Honourable Murray Sinclair from the University of Toronto. Senator Sinclair served the justice system in Manitoba for over 25 years. He was the first Aboriginal Judge appointed in Manitoba and Canada's second. He served as Co-Chair of the Aboriginal Justice Inquiry in Manitoba and as Chief Commissioner of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC). As head of the TRC, he participated in hundreds of hearings across Canada (receiving testimony from more than 6,000 witnesses), culminating in the issuance of the TRC's report in 2015. He also oversaw an active multi-million dollar fundraising program to support various TRC events and activities, and to allow survivors to travel to attend TRC events. He has been an adjunct professor of law at the University of Manitoba. He was very active within his profession and his community and has won numerous awards, including the National Aboriginal Achievement Award, the Manitoba Bar Association's Equality Award (2001) and its Distinguished Service Award (2016) and has received Honorary Doctorates from 8 Canadian universities. Senator Sinclair was appointed to the Senate on April 2, 2016.

Srithas speaks on Out on the Field of Play

On November 7th, President, VP Equity, and BOD of Anthropology & Health Studies attended Out on the Field of Play—a discussion about LGBTQ+ inclusion in sport with Olympian and U of T Scarborough student Rosie Cossar! Rosie was team captain of the first Canadian Rhythmic Gymnastics team to qualify for an Olympic Games in London 2012, 2011 Pan American Games 3 time medalist, and the first openly "out" competing rhythmic gymnast in the world. She has advocated for LGBTQ+ inclusion in sport ever since her retirement from competition in 2012 and now leads the Canadian Olympic Committee's #OneTeam program for LGBT Inclusion in Sport.

Srithas speaks on Remembrance Day Ceremony

On November 10th, SCSU participated in the Remembrance Day Ceremony that took place in the Meeting Place. The event was open to the UTSC community and started with a smudging ceremony by Elder Wendy Philips, followed by remarks by Principal and Vice-President Bruce Kidd, Dean William Gough, SCSU President Sitharsana Srithas and Honorable MPP Mitzie Hunter. The ceremony also included performances by the UTSC Concert.

Srithas speaks on Meeting with MPP Mitzie Hunter

The President, VP AUA and VP Equity attended a meeting with Honorable MPP Mitzie Hunter. The discussion included the flaws of the Ontario Student Grant, following up on Bill 132 and more support for international students. For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

Srithas speaks on Annual General Meeting

On November 15, SCSU had our Annual General Meeting where the audited statements and an Executive Report was presented to the membership. There were also motions brought forward by the membership, such a investigating the implementation of gender-inclusive washrooms in the student centre, improving the accessibility and promotion of the AGM, and SCSU supporting a food equity campaign. There was a great discussion and engagement from the students. For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

Srithas speaks on Through the Eyes of Rohingya Panel Discussion

On November 16th, the President attended this Panel discussion, the aim of which was to raise awareness on the Genocide of Rohinya people in Myanmar. The event had keynote speakers, including Rohingyan Youth Refugees and Humanitarian Aid Workers, who shared their personal stories, experiences, and knowledge about the current crisis.

Srithas speaks on Assaulted Women's Helpline Gala

On November 17th, President and VP Equity attended Assaulted Women's Helpline's biggest annual fundraising event representing UTSC. This year, the guest speaker was Human rights activist, journalist and award-winning author Sally Armstrong.

Events & Programming

Mohamed speaks on Hush: Silent Party

SCSU, SAA, ISA, and other campus groups came together to host the first ever Silent party at UTSC. This party is happening on November 23rd, where students have the opportunity to in a new atmosphere. Students are provided headphones as they enter Rex's and get to pick from three channels of music that DJs will be playing. If you are interested in attending or have any questions, feel free to talk to VP Campus Life.

Mohamed speaks on Clubs Funding

The clubs committee have met and looked through over 20 applications from various clubs for funding. Approving many but have also given suggestions on better spending habits to be more cost efficient.

Dang asked Frimpong, who sits on the Athletics & Advisory Committee, about the progress of the Women Only gymnasium hours.

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Frimpong stated that there is resistance from advisors because they do not want to create a culture at Pan-Am where certain times are available only for women or certain groups, they want everyone to come together. During a committee meeting, a committee member stated "although it is important to have these designated hours, we need to start embracing diversity and bringing people together because when you hold people back from each other you lose that diversity". Frimpong raised her concern to the committee regarding that statement because not having access to Women Only gym time may not be an issue for self-identified women but we need to think of people who may feel uncomfortable. Frimpong stated that she would continue to bring it up with the people at the table. Frimpong stated that the issue seems to be trying not to create a culture of separation. Frimpong encouraged anyone with suggestions to contact her.

Ali asked for verification whether there is already an hour of gym time for women only.

Frimipong stated that there is but she received feedback that this time is inaccessible for most women because it is very early in the day and they would like more accessible times available. Frimpong also received a complaint that there was not enough space because there is only a small corner of the gym reserved for the Women Only gym time, and the barrier is just a curtain.

Dang asked Hassan about the Space Rental Fees in the Revenue portion of the Operations Budget. Dang inquired what these fees include and whether the SCSU charges a flat rate or a whole sale rental rate.

Hassan stated that the Space Rental Feels entails the SCSU's tenants, different food vendors on the top floor, and the Meeting Rooms such as the Rex's Den side room, which gets rented out to external and internal people.

Dang noted that there was a Student Town Hall with Mayor John Tory. Dang asked whether the SCSU will secure a second Town Hall this semester or a time in the Winter semester to give students another opportunity to discuss issues with the Mayor and have their voices heard.

Srithas stated that this is something the SCSU can look into. Srithas stated that the Executives are currently looking to meet with other representatives.

Dang asked about the recommendations that the Transit Survey received. Specifically, will the recommendations from the report focus on improvements in quality or quantity of service because both need to be improved.

Srithas stated the questions on the survey were both quantitative and qualitative. Srithas added that the way that the report will be drafted will be discussed later this week by all the parties

involved and the recommendations come directly from the data collected from students. Srithas will provide a report back at the next Board Meeting.

Vigneswaramoorthy asked if there was any timeline for the Peer Support Group for Mental Health & Wellness for Racialized Students, specifically if something will be ready by the end of this year. Vigneswaramoorthy asked if Frimpong could speak more on the Equity position on the Athletics Committee.

In regards to the timeline, Frimpong stated that the goal was to have the Peer Support Group rolled out in the winter semester. Frimpong stated that they are thinking of having the pilot project in the winter semester, over the course of 6 weeks, closer to the end of January. Frimpong stated that the Peer Support Group will be out during the winter of the next year.

In regards to the Equity position on the Athletics Committee, Frimpong stated that she has not seen the final write up but she can mention what was discussed at the table. Topics discussed at the table were: being open to collaboration, which means working with Women & Trans Centre and various groups of stakeholders on campus. The person who takes up the Equity position should be someone who is ready to do outreach, participate in campus life and culture on campus so we could bring people over. Frimpong suggested that they work with student groups such as the Women & Trans Centre because in the past, when those collaborations happened people who do not typically go there end up going there. Simply put, the Equity position is suited for someone who believes in equity.

Ali recalled that a few weeks ago the SCSU proposed Mental Health Resources. Ali asked for the progress of this project. Ali asked if the SCSU had the results of the student survey.

Srithas stated that Zakir was the lead on the Mental Health Resources initiative but she spoke on Zakir's behalf. Srithas stated that the Mental Health Resources are a collection of resources on and off campus that are available online. Zakir also made materials that could be given to people to make these resources more accessible. The survey is still out and Srithas will ask Zakir for a report of the results of the Mental Health Campaign at the next Board Meeting.

Dang stated that Bill 62 passed in Legislature yesterday, which is a force back to work legislation for college faculty. Dang is wondering what conversations the SCSU had to support college faculty in this tough time of negation and being forced back to work.

Srithas stated that the SCSU took a stance and released a public statement to express our support of college faculty immediately after they announced that they would go on strike. Srithas noted that the SCSU circulated the petition they were collecting. In terms of the college faculty being forced back to work, the SCSU have not said anything publicly yet but the general consensus is that the SCSU is supporting college faculty, especially since they are talking about a

better education system. The SCSU reached out to the college faculty members who were in charge of the strike but there was no response, which is understandable since the college faculty may be overwhelmed in this difficult time. The SCSU did their best based on what was communicated to them by the Canadian Federation of Students. The SCSU hopes to release a statement on the decision made by provincial administration.

Dang noted that UTSC students who are part of the Journalism and Paramedicine joint programs with Centennial College are affected by the strike. Dang asked what guarantee the SCSU can give to these students to allay their concerns, which are causing additional mental health stress for this period, since these students are also paying joint fees with Centennial College. Dang asked how these students are supported or how they would be supported during this process.

Srithas stated that the SCSU took a stance of supporting college faculty. Srithas stated that they want college administration to agree with the requests that the college faculty put forward, which would result in the faculty returning to school to start teaching. Furthermore, agreeing to what the faculty asked for will benefit students and the college directly. For instance, college faculty is asking for stable jobs, which will benefit college faculty members and students who are making plans to become teachers. The SCSU did not do something to directly support students. Srithas stated that the SCSU's vision is more long term and the SCSU supports the faculty who are there to support students.

Arayata noted that there was an article this morning which claimed that college students have the option to get a full refund of their tuition because of the strike. Arayata asked what this means for students in the Joint Programs between UTSC and Centennial College.

Srithas stated that this outcome was not likely. Srithas noted that every time there is a strike there is some kind of the lawsuit and the lawsuit usually fails.

Stojanovski asked Frimpong if she could expand on the Hart House Board of Stewards Meeting. Stojanovski asked for an explanation of the Human Library Project, specifically what is it, when is it happening and whether there was a certain theme.

Frimpong spoke on behalf of Zakir and stated that the Board of Stewards was an alternative name for Board of Directors. Frimpong stated that anyone could go to the Board of Stewards meeting. There is another meeting on December 7th, just let Frimpong or Zakir know if you would like to attend.

Frimpong stated that the Human Library Project will take place on November 30th at Hart House at 11am. Frimpong explained that in this space people act as libraries. Depending on the theme, attendees get to go up to people, hear their stories and ask them questions. Trish and Frimpong

want to bring this to UTSC so the SCSU is partnering with Hart House to bring the Human Library Project to UTSC at the end of March. Although there is no set theme yet, they are looking into locations.

Vote: All in favour

CARRIED

8. Director Updates

Ali received an email at 11:49pm about the misconduct of a SCSU Executive in relation to the upcoming spring election. The letter stated that the Executive violated multiple Elections and Referenda Committee (ERC) campaign rules including campaign preparation within the Union office and conducting elections meetings in their office during their office hours. This Executive also accused the person who sent the letter and their friends of libel and slander. The sender of the email would like the Board to be aware of these issues and to take action to ensure that SCSU Executives are not abusing their power and office space for their own personal benefit. SCSU Executives should serve the interests of the students that they represent.

Ali stated that Association of Philosophy students (APS) will be holding its Annual International Undergraduate Philosophy Conference on March 24th, 2018 and the keynote speaker is Professor Rahul Kumar from Queen's University.

Dang stated that he is in the process of compiling a report about the concerns regarding political science, public policy and public law, and he will send this report to Arayata for review. This report includes topics such as providing Web-Option for all political science courses, and expanding the Co-op program.

Williams reached out to Health Studies students to help complete a general study regarding their opinion on Health Studies. Williams asked Health Studies students how they are feeling being in the Health Studies program, their opinions on what works and potential improvements.

Many students brought it to Sithamparanathan's attention that an online C-level biology course, which was putting up lectures from previous years, had questions on the final exam that the professor previously stated would not be on the exam. Sithamparanathan noted that the professor said that they would reconsider it. Sithamparanathan remarked that it was a stressful exam viewing to attend. Sithamparanathan will bring this issue up again at the December board meeting when they have their marks back.

Arayata asked Sithamparanathan to reconnect offline.

Stojanovski had 2 updates regarding the professional development for Arts students. Firstly, students asked Stojanovski if the SCSU is offering any workshops regarding Equity if they are not a part of clubs programming. Stojanovski connected with Frimpong, and Stojanovski put in a request to the Equity and Diversity in the Arts Committee to receive funding to implement an Anti-Oppression workshop for cultural producers and artists.

Secondly, Stojanovski had a question regarding Equity & Diversity Anti-Oppression training. Stojanovski had folks ask her whether SCSU has an Equity Event Checklist and found out that SCSU does not have one. Therefore, Stojanovski plans to compile her own Equity Event Checklist.

Stojanovski also noted that cell phone chargers in the library have gone missing. Stojanovski stated that folks are wondering if more charging stations will become available on campus.

Jahangir stated that she met with faculty earlier this month regarding Co-op opportunities and the Co-op Program for Humanities, Woman & Gender Studies, and Social Studies. Jahangir stated that it was a productive meeting in which the faculty understood her perspective. Jahangir noted that a lot of faculty are not involved in Co-op students. Jahangir noted that there was some misinformation and helped with the bridging the gap. Jahangir hopes to see more updates with this issue.

Jahangir worked with the Historical and Cultural Studies Student Association (HDSSA) in hopes to expand it and she hoping to do outreach. Jahangir stated they received Anti-O training. Jahangir has been working to plan the Woman & Gender Studies Symposium for next year but it is still in the early stages. Woman and Gender Studies will be holding an open house tomorrow at from 2pm to 4pm that is open to all students. Real Talks from the Racialized Student Collective (RSC) will be held this Thursday from 5pm-7pm in SL232; the topic of this month is combating violence against women. Jahangir also noted that she has been working with a local MP, Gary, on his Youth Council and Human Rights Committee. They decided to focus on improving the needs of Scarborough youth. This is a work in progress and there is more to be announced.

Vigneswaramoorthy reminded the Board about the issue Indigenous English Literature course she mentioned a few meetings ago. Vigneswaramoorthy stated that nothing was being done about it so the VP AUA spoke with the Chair of the English Department, Professor Larson, about the issue of foisting off the Indigenous English Literature course when there is no Indigenous professor in the English Department.

Vigneswaramoorthy is working on getting the list of journals she created last month onto the SCSU website.

Weaver stated that students raised the issue of wanting to connect more with their professors and hear more about professor's ongoing research. Weaver plans to talk to EPSA about hosting events where professors can talk about their ongoing research. Weaver noted that EPSA is in a state right now so anything the SCSU can offer would be much appreciated.

Weaver also shared an update regarding the professor who is trying to get a new course into the Course Calendar but experienced difficulties. Weaver will forward this information to Srithas.

Sahgal talked to First Year students and found that a major complaint that Residence students have is everything closes early on weekends. Therefore, these students are forced to spend money on UberEATS and delivery services every weekend, which this is problematic because these services are expensive and fast food is bad for their health. Furthermore, there are not enough healthier alternatives to fast food available on campus.

Saghal stated that more people are getting out of Residence for ridiculous reasons.

Srithas stated that the SCSU is working on this issue and informed Saghal that a motion on food equity and availability was passed at the SCSU Annual General Meeting (AGM). Srithas offered to connect with Saghal offline if he is interested in getting involved.

Morris stated that she set out a plan of action after speaking to sociology students. Morris plans to reach out to the Students of Sociology (SOS), in addition to checking in on them, to see what they can do expand. Morris will also be meeting with Arayata to work on another project.

Srithas proposed a motion to give speaking rights to the speakers present at the meeting. Srithas suggested to go in-camera. Srithas explained that it would be easier to have an open dialogue without the restrictions of Robert's Rules of Order. Srithas also provided alternative options to allow for an open discussion regarding the issue that was emailed to Ali, such as directing the matter to the Elections and Referenda Committee.

9. Motion to Give Speaking Rights MOTION Moved: Dang

Seconded: Weaver

To allow speakers to contribute to the discussion, a motion was put forth to give the four speakers speaking rights.

Vote: All in favour

CARRIED

The speakers introduced themselves Joseph, Nicole, Nash and Madina.

Srithas asked the Board and the speakers if they want to go in-camera.

Nicole requested on behalf of the speakers that the meeting does not go in-camera. Nicole stated that going in-camera is traditionally used to discuss Human Resources or Financial discussion. The speakers would like to have a discussion about this matter minuted to ensure there is transparency and accountability.

Ali asked for clarification if the email he received pertains to the issue the speakers would like to discuss.

The speakers answered in affirmation.

Dang asked to hear an opposing view for the benefit of the Board so they can consider whether or not the meeting should go in-camera.

Srithas put a motion on the floor of whether or not the meeting should go in-camera. Srithas invited folks to give their opinions on why they are in favor of or against this motion.

Jahangir agreed with Nicole's reasons about not going in-camera. Jahangir stated that because SCSU is a student's union we should work more as a team because we are on the same side and not going in-camera will help support that aspect.

Saghal agreed that the meeting should not go in-camera, especially to discuss a serious issue that seems to call into question the integrity of members of the SCSU.

10. Motion to go In-Camera

After the discussion about going in-camera, which focused on the importance of transparency and accountability in regards to this serious issue, a motion was put forth to go in-camera.

Vote: Majority against, 1 abstention

Motion FAILED

The meeting did not go in-camera.

Dang asked for a point of personal privilege and requested Ali to re-read the email.

Ali re-reads the email he received.

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Nicole stated that she and the other speakers are planning to run for the spring campaign. Nicole spoke to the Chair of Elections today. Nicole and the other speakers want to bring the occurrences to the attention of the Board because this matter deals with a greater student issue than just Elections or Campaigning. Nicole thanked the Board for granting the speakers speaking rights.

Joseph introduced himself as the sender of the email. Joseph explained to the Board that they want to ensure that the Elections next year will be played fair and that the SCSU Executive is not abusing their power. Joseph stated that an Executive violated Election By-laws by using their space for meetings and collecting information on Board of Directors. Furthermore, the SCSU Executive told false rumors about Joseph and his 3 friends who are present at this meeting. Joseph stated that he is disappointed that this Executive spoke negatively and falsely of their character because this is not what the SCSU represents, the SCSU should be more inclusive.

Nicole explained that Joseph mentioned demerit points in his email to demonstrate the severity of this situation. The speakers understand that it is not campaign period right now so demerits cannot be given out. As it stands, the maximum amount of demerit points in order to be disqualified is 35, and they are proposing that this individual would have 30 demerit points. Furthermore, candidates can have demerit points given in regards to scrutiny and defamation of character so there is a potential for this individual to have more than 30 demerit points. Although demerit points cannot be administered right now, during election time it would be a serious matter and they want to bring this to the attention of students.

Joseph reiterated that they understand that the Executive cannot be demerited now, but in future should this continue to happen the SCSU should take action.

Nash was approached by students who have been quote "headhunted". Joseph explained that these students told him they were contacted out of the blue, told to come to the SCSU Office and meet with the Executive in their office during office hours. Nash quoted students' description of the meeting, which were "anxiety inducing and intimidating". Nash paraphrased a student's experience of being headhunted. The student told Nash that they did not want to get involved in the politics of the SCSU, they wanted to say no but they felt pressured and unable to say no because they were in this office environment where they did not have power in the situation. Nash reminded the Board of the Anti-Oppression training regarding awareness of power dynamics and not to abuse them. Nash stated that it was discouraging to hear that these students do not want to get involved in the SCSU because they were on the other end of this power dynamic. Nash and his friends felt discouraged about getting involved in the SCSU because their names were dragged through the mud.

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Joseph stated that as volunteers of the SCSU, it feels uncomfortable that people in the SCSU Office would look at them with that point of view.

Nicole stated that due to the false rumors their integrity is questioned. Nicole stated that they are volunteers of the SCSU and they are being accused of using their time as volunteers to reach out to students and campaign. Nicole stated that this rumor is untrue; they joined the SCSU volunteer positions before they decided on running for the spring election. Nicole stated that these accusations are disheartening and upsetting. Nicole reiterated that they do not want students to be discouraged to participate in the SCSU.

Jahangir asked Nash for clarifications about what he meant by "headhunting" and what the meeting with the Executive entailed.

Nash defined headhunting as a corporation or company singling out a person that they want to work for them then asking them to come in for an interview to get the hiring process started. Students have come forward to him as members of their own respective clubs and friend groups, which were not affiliated with the SCSU, because they were contacted and told to go to the SCSU Office at a particular time during SCSU office hours to meet with the Executive. These students had to sit at the front desk and wait to meet with the SCSU Executive. These students were brought into the Executive's office for the meeting and they were asked to join this Executive's slate as either a Board Director, an Executive or as a general volunteer.

Dang asked the email drafter, Joseph, for clarification on what he meant by "ERC". Dang asked if he was referring to the Elections and Referenda Committee or the elections procedure code.

Joseph stated that he was referring to the by-laws.

Jahangir asked the speakers if they had any ideas on how they would like the Board to aid them in this situation.

Nash stated that they had a goal: to clear the fact that they have not said anything that they were accused of saying about the Executive. Nash reiterated that it is disheartening that the Executive told others that they said bad things about the Executive.

Nicole reiterated that they believe this issue is bigger than just an Elections or Campaign procedure. Nicole stated that students are feeling anxious, out of place and discouraged. Nicole reminded the Board that the SCSU is essentially funded by students and the SCSU represents the student population so they want students to be transparent and know what is happening. They did not know who to go to. Since the Board of Directors is the biggest representation of students who are still associated with the SCSU, they felt that the Board would be their best

resource and the Board of Directors meeting would be a place they can come to where they can feel safe and express their views.

Joshua stated that he wants to ensure that everything is fair and by the book.

Nicole stated that she wants fairness and she wants students to feel welcome. Nicole stated that the SCSU should be a place that encourages student engagement.

Dang asked for resolution. Dang suggested that folks could look into an independent non-partisan investigation into what occurred.

Nicole asked for clarification on what Dang's suggestion entails.

Dang explained that an investigation could mean anything from presenting findings to the Board and having the Board decide after they have a qualified understanding of what occurred. The investigation procedure and investigation process would be controlled by the body that governs the SCSU.

Nicole stated that they needed to discuss this option further prior to coming to a decision. Nicole stated that she feels like it could be a viable option.

Vigneswaramoorthy asked for clarification on whether the investigation would be conducted by the CRO or ERC or people who were not affiliated with the SCSU.

The Executive Director stated that there is no body that governs the SCSU. In regard to Dang's suggestion, it would be the ERC who takes on the investigation.

Srithas thanked the speakers for attending the meeting and sharing their story. Srithas apologized on behalf of the Executives.

Srithas proposed 2 options: 1) the Executives have a meeting to discuss this situation and report back at the next board meeting to maintain accountability or 2) this case could go to the ERC, they could have a discussion and the findings will be presented at the next board meeting.

Williams feels that the second, more discussion-oriented approach would be beneficial but Williams does not want to speak on behalf of the speakers. Williams stated that accountability is important because what happened is unacceptable. Williams stated that an Executive meeting needs to happen so this issue can be sorted out and something can be presented at the next Board of Directors meeting so everyone is in the loop.

Jahangir stated that because the speakers took a stand, they should have the first say in the resolution. Jahangir does not want the speakers to feel pressured to choose only one of these two options. Jahangir stated that she wants to support their comfort level and their decision.

Vigneswaramoorthy stated that she supports the Executive meeting and the ERC looking into this serious issue. Vigneswaramoorthy thanked the speakers for coming out and taking about this issue.

Srithas confirmed that both proposals would be put into action and there would be 2 report backs.

Frimpong asked for confirmation that the Executive Committee referred to the 6 Executive Directors.

Srithas answered in affirmation.

Weaver asked if the speakers could receive a summary of the Executive Committee meeting.

Srithas answered in affirmation. Srithas stated that the meetings are minuted and they could be forwarded to the speakers. Srithas offered to send the speakers invites to the next board meeting, should they want to attend to hear the report back.

Dang asked if the report back via email could happen as soon as possible. If not, what ways will the Board of Directors be allowed to have more information prior to the next Board of Directors meeting?

Srithas stated that the next Board of Directors meeting would be on Monday December 11th. Srithas stated that she cannot answer Dang's question right away because she does not have the Executive Calendars with her. Srithas stated that they also have to look at the availability of the Board of Directors for the Elections and Referenda Committee. Srithas stated that she does not want to set a strict timeline but she will have access to the meeting minutes at latest at the next Board of Directors meeting.

Dang asked the speakers if they would be comfortable with the email which expressed their concerns being forwarded to all the members of the Board.

The speakers answered in affirmation.

Dang asked if that could be arranged.

Srithas answered in affirmation.

Dang asked what steps the SCSU and Board of Directors could take to prevent the revictimization that occurred.

Joseph stated that they will take time to think about it, since the elections have not officially begun.

Nicole stated that they still want to run but they do not want this to affect their campaign, they just want it to be fair.

In response Dang's question, Williams suggested dismissal of all slandering.

Ali stated that public slandering should not be tolerated at any time. Ali stated that the rule is in place and it should prevent public slandering from happening.

In response to Dang's statement regarding re-victimization, Frimpong does not want invalidate anything that has been said but Frimpong asked at what point does one person's truth become the whole truth. Frimpong stated that it was important to consider the other perspective. Frimpong stated that when using words such as re-victimization and taking steps to accommodate a group of people we need to realize that another group of people was involved.

Stojanovski asked whether the ERC has the power to amend the SCSU's policy, specifically the by-laws for the election.

Srithas stated that the ERC could make recommendations and the Policy and By-laws Committee make amendments based on these recommendations.

Dang asked whether the Policy and By-law Committee would meet soon to see if there could be any resolution and discussion on this matter.

Srithas stated that the Policy and By-law Committee would be meeting soon but she is unsure if it will be in the next month. Srithas proposed waiting to hear back from the Executive Committee and the ERC prior to making changes in the by-law.

Ali asked if there was any guideline or article available for Directors to reference so that Directors and Executives know what to do and what not to do. Ali would like to get information in terms of guidelines and rules so the Board knows what is within our control and what is not.

Srithas clarified if Ali would like the Board to go through the Elections and Procedures Code during the next meeting. If so, Srithas suggested that Ali could put forward this recommendation at the ERC, which would allow the Executive Committee to consider this for the next board meeting. Srithas also suggested putting forth a motion.

11. Motion to Recommend Going Through the Elections and Procedure Code
MOTIONMoved: AliSeconded: Jahangir

A motion was put forth to recommend thoroughly going through the Elections and Procedures Code with the attendees of next the Board of Directors meeting.

Vote: All in favour

CARRIED

Dang asked if the changes to procedure code and by-laws made by the Policy and By-law Committee would be effective immediately or if there would be a grace period.

Srithas stated that changes suggested at the Policy and By-law Committee get brought to Board of Directors meetings. If it gets passed at the Board of Directors meetings the changes are effective immediately. For instance, if the Board of Directors hears feedback at the next meeting and there is a meeting in January, the earliest it could happen is January, but if folks are not able to meet the latest it will happen is February.

Srithas thanks everyone for their feedback. Srithas made a commitment on behalf of the Executives to address this issue as soon as possible. Srithas stated that she will get feedback to ensure that they are held accountable. Srithas also takes Frimpong's point to make an effort to ensure that all aspects of the story are covered.

12. Adjournment MOTION

Moved: Morris

Seconded: Arayata

Be it resolved that the November 20th, 2017 SCSU Board of Directors meeting be adjourned.

Vote: All in favour

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

MINUTES – SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students Tuesday 24th October, 2017 | 10:00am | UTSC Student Centre, SL – 108

- 1. Call to Order:
 - a. Present: Arayata, Srithas, Frimpong, Hassan, Mohamed, Siewrattan
 - b. Absent: Zakir

BIRT the October 24th Agenda be approved as presented APPROVED

2. Silent Party

Graphics are currently being processed for this event. Security and payment for headphones are currently in discussion. Tickets will also be available online.

3. SCRC

The Residence team is interested in supporting for the ice rink and the montreal reading week trip.

4. HCSSA

This DSA is available for an anti-o on Friday and there are several other DSAs that have been in contact about anti-oppression workshops.

- Sexual Health Collaborative Fair Health and Wellness has emailed about tabling for a fair on November 9th in the meeting place. The executive has expressed interest in being present at this event.
- 6. Sexual Violence Centre

The lead coordinator at the sexual violence center would like to do the red feather project for the missing and murdered indigenous women. The women and trans centre will also be looped into the conversation.

BIRT the October 24th meeting be adjourned APPROVED

MINUTES – SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students Thursday, November 9th, 2017 | 1:00pm | UTSC Student Centre, SL – 108

- 1. Call to Order:
 - a. Present: Arayata, Srithas, Frimpong, Hassan, Mohamed, Siewrattan
 - b. Absent: Zakir

BIRT the November 9th Agenda be approved as presented APPROVED

2. Winter Week of Welcome

The skating rink will be opened in January, there are several departments that have shown interest in partnering. There have also been discussions about an Arcade, Paint Night and a party on Ice.

3. UofT Dance Club

There is a tri-campus club based downtown that offers classes for students and they would like to have a launch in Scarborough.

4. Amigo Charity

This is a charity that is located in Nigeria that would like SCSU to sponsor. This will be brought up at the Commissions

5. Food for Fines

The library has asked that we collaborate on the food for fines initiative. One can donated will cover \$2 of fines up to \$20

BIRT the November 9th meeting be adjourned APPROVED

MINUTES – SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students Thursday, November 16th, 2017 | 1:00pm | UTSC Student Centre, SL – 108

- 1. Call to Order:
 - a. Present: Arayata, Srithas, Frimpong, Hassan, Mohamed, Siewrattan
 - b. Absent: Zakir

BIRT the November 16th Agenda be approved as presented APPROVED

2. Unflitered Dialogues

These are dialogues that will be held by SGDO. SCSU will be attending and will share on the Facebook page.

3. Mandatory Leave of Absence

There is a prof and a group (SBA) that is passing around a petition against the policy. There will be an organizing meeting that the SCSU Executive will be attending.

4. Peterson

This professor has been doing work that the student union advocates against. This should be discussed further with UTFA.

5. Transit Survey

There are talks about having a response by the staff and faculty. There will be a meeting with the rest of the collaborators soon.

6. Showcase

ASA would like help with their Showcase and Feb 15th is the only date that is available.

7. ROBAM

The VP external will be giving funds towards this conference. There will be discussions about taking money out of the wheelchair accessibility fund.

8. Resisting Education Panel

APUS will be hosting a panel and would like to know whether our logo can be put onto the event. The VP External and Campus Life will be attending.

9. Outside the Box

There is interest in collaborating with outside the box in Jan 10th from 1-230. The discussion for this event will be about queer representation in the media.

BIRT the November 16th meeting be adjourned APPROVED

MINUTES – SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students Thursday, November 19th, 2017 | 11:30am | UTSC Student Centre, SL – 108

- 1. Call to Order:
 - a. Present: Arayata, Srithas, Frimpong, Zakir, Mohamed, Siewrattan
 - b. Absent: Hassan

BIRT the November 19th Agenda be approved as presented APPROVED

2. TSA

TSA has expressed interest in having their banner put up in the student centre. The Executive has supported this request

3. Commission Follow Up

There were several issues that came up at the last commission meeting. The VP Equity will be following up with a student about a Peer Mental Health Group.

4. Outreach

The BOD has noticed that the Executives are not doing outreach. Students that are part of Street Team have also identified this. Some executives have indicated that they will not be doing outreach.

5. Study Jam

There are plans to have a DSA event similar to 4.0 Fair in November. Initially the DSAs were interested in having it, but they have decided against moving forward with the event.

6. Academic Advocacy

There is a banner that has been put up and several students have signed a petition to support the academic asks. The report is close to being completed and will be available for students to read.

7. Laundry Bags

There will be outreach schedule for residence where the remainder of laundry bags will be given out.

8. URS

The deadline for proposals is fast approaching. It will be pushed back to November and there are discussions to push back the date of the conference.

9. AGM

A prezi will be put together for the executives to do a presentation.

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> BIRT the November 19th meeting be adjourned APPROVED

MINUTES – SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students Thursday, November 23rd, 2017 | 11:00am | UTSC Student Centre, SL – 108

- 1. Call to Order:
 - a. Present: Arayata, Srithas, Frimpong, Hassan, Mohamed, Siewrattan
 - b. Absent: Zakir

BIRT the November 23rd Agenda be approved as presented APPROVED

2. Street Team

The street team will be doing a hot chocolate and pictures in front of the SCSU office

3. Spread the Warmth

There is this initiative a past student has presented to have people interested in packing kits for people in need. The organization will be providing all materials for this.

4. Anti-choicers

Ryerson has indicated that they also have anti-choicers on campus and would like to collaborate on a campaign to have them removed from campus.

BIRT the November 23rd meeting be adjourned APPROVED

MINUTES – SCSU CLUBS COMMITTEE

Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students Monday, November 20th, 2017 | 3:00pm | UTSC Student Centre, SL – 232

- 1. Call to Order: 3:05pm
 - a. Present: Srithas, Frimpong, Mohamed, Williams, Aina, Siewrattan, Caluag
- 2. Equity Statement
- 3. Welcome Remarks & Introduction
- 4. Overview of Procedures
 - a. Clubs Funding Policy
- 5. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Be it resolved that the Clubs Funding Round 2 Agenda be approved as presented.

Moved: Frimpong

Seconded: Williams

CARRIED

6. Review of Clubs Funding Packages

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU grant Muslim Students' Association \$213.45 in funding for Anti-Oppression and Equity Training. Moved: Frimpong Seconded: Williams

CARRIED

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU grant African Students' Association \$496.00 in funding for Initiation.

Moved: Williams

Seconded: Aina

Discussion:

No receipts were provided, therefore no funding will be approved for this round. FAILED

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU grant UTSC Shinerama \$458.08 in funding for Fall Shinerama Vendor's Market.

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Aina

Discussion:

It was not clear on how this event was paid for, it seems as though this club profited from the event, they will be contacted for further explanation FAILED

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Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>DECA UTSC</u> \$41.95 in funding for <u>Diverge.</u>

Moved: SrithasSeconded: AinaDiscussion:No receipts were provided and therefore this club will not be receiving funding.FAILED

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Jack.org</u> \$46.90 in funding for AGM.

Moved: Williams

Seconded: Frimpong

CARRIED

Motion: Be it resolved the SCSU **grant** <u>Harry Potter Alliance UTSC</u> \$123.65 in funding for HPA General Meeting.

Moved: Williams Seconded: Aina

CARRIED

Motion: Be it resolved that SCSU **grant** <u>Scarborough Campus Bhangra Team</u> \$2431.63 in funding for <u>Orientation 2017.</u>

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Aima

Discussion:

This club did not present their funding request and will not be approved for funding

FAILED

Motion: Be it resolved that SCSU **grant** <u>UofT Korean Canadian Students</u> \$1256.06 in funding for <u>Orientation Training</u>, <u>Membership Training and</u> Academic Seminar

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Aima

Discussion:

This club did not present their funding request and will not be approved for funding

FAILED

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU grant Health Occupation Students ofAmerica \$711.88 in funding for Clubs Week, AGM and First Year Rep Elections.Moved: FrimpongSeconded: Srithas

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Discussion:

Their swag was quite expensive, no funding will be approved until a presentation is received

FAILED

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>UTSC Tamil Students' Association</u> \$447.00 in funding for <u>Orientation</u>.

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Williams

Discussion:

The committee has decided not to provide funding for gear and therefore only funding for venue will be covered.

Amended Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>UTSC Tamil Students'</u> <u>Association</u> \$192.00 in funding for <u>Orientation</u>.

Moved: Srithas	Seconded: Williams
CARRIED	

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Asian Christian Fellowship</u> \$4375.00 in funding for a <u>Retreat.</u>

Moved: Aina

Seconded: Srithas

Discussion:

This event has not happened yet and will be brought up at a future meeting **FAILED**

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Korea Fever UTSC</u> \$265.50 in funding for <u>Korea Fever Welcome Picnic</u>

Moved: Aina Seconded: Srithas

Discussion:

There were questions regarding the membership fee that is collected by this club. This was deducted from the original application.

Amended Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Korea Fever UTSC</u> \$130.50 in funding for Korea Fever Welcome Picnic

Moved: Aina Seconded: Srithas

CARRIED

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Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Indian Students Association</u> \$648.07 in funding for <u>ISC Diwali Celebration and ISA Garba Night</u>.

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Aina

Discussion:

There were no receipts submitted for the food and the committee made a decision to not fund gear.

FAILED

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>World is Moe</u> \$267.07 in funding for <u>WIM Fall Welcome Party.</u>

Moved: Williams Seconded: Frimpong

Discussion:

No receipts were received, therefore no funding will be granted. **FAILED**

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>South Asian Alliance</u> \$415.72 in funding for Auditions, Team Meeting, NACS Competition.

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Williams

Discussion:

No receipts were received, therefore no funding will be granted. **FAILED**

Motion: Be it resolved the SCSU grant Scarborough Campus Punjabi

Association

\$617.55 in funding for <u>Welcome Night + Diwali Gala</u>.

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Williams

Discussion:

There have been discussions about not funding club gear, so only other items will be funded.

Amended Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Scarborough Campus</u> <u>Punjabi Association</u> \$184.19 in funding for <u>Welcome Night + Diwali Gala</u>.

Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Williams

CARRIED

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> **Motion:** Be it resolved the SCSU **grant** <u>UofT Scarborough Pharmacy</u> <u>Association</u> \$141.98 in funding for <u>General Members Meeting and Pathways to</u> <u>Pharmacy</u>

Moved: Williams Seconded: Frimpong CARRIED

Motion: Be it resolved the SCSU **grant** <u>OXFAM Canada at UTSC</u> \$400 in funding for <u>Hunger Banquet.</u>

Moved: Williams Seconded: Srithas

Discussion: No receipts were received and therefore no funding will be issued. **FAILED**

7. Adjournment

Moved: Williams

Seconded: Srithas

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1. Call to Order – 5:16pm

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved: Frimpong

Seconded: Arayata

CARRIED

3. Land Acknowledgement/Equity Statement

4. Attendance (voting & non-voting members)

Present: Srithas (chair) Siewrattan (secretary) Arayata (voting) Vigneswaramoorthy (voting) Estaris (voting) Frimpong (voting) Joachimpillai (voting) Hassan (voting) Mohamed (voting) Okoro (non-voting) Maharaj (non-voting) Han (non-voting)

Absent: Zakir (voting) Banvyei (voting) Atwal (voting) Abdillahi (voting) Konstantopoulos (voting) Sahavian (voting)

5. Gender Inclusive Washrooms

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Earlier in the year a campaign was started to educate the membership about gender inclusive washrooms. There was outreach about signage and why these washrooms should be implemented. At the AGM there was a meeting to discuss what the

implementation would look like. There will also be development of a committee to help inform this project.

6. Donate \$200 towards Amigo Charity Lagos

Be it resolved that the SCSU donate \$200 towards Amigo Charity Lagos

Moved: Frimpong

Seconded: Arayata

Discussion

Okoro: This charity was developed to help children in Nigeria with sickle cell. Recently, there was a community raided by the government and the charity has shifted focus because the community needs the most help. For the month of December there will be a fundraiser and a soup kitchen to raise funds and collect non-perishable food items to donate to this community.

Srithas repeats for folks that just entered the meeting.

CARRIED

7. Donate to the Rohingya Campaign

Be it resolved that the SCSU donate \$100 toward the Rohingya Campaign

Moved: Frimpong

Seconded: Arayata

Discussion

Srithas: Armanians have been suffering and the UN has declared that this is genocide. There have been discussions about the government doubling the funds that are raised.

Frimpong: There is a campaign video that is being circulated. This money will also reimburse these speakers. They would like more support for social media campaigns.

Arayata: Is the more clarity on where this money is going?

Frimpong: Options are to donate to them or to donate directly to an organization that supports them.

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Han: there are many questions that need to be asked. If we provide funds for students then what is that going to look like. How do we determine whether the organization is reliable and trustworthy?

Hassan: We will not donate because we don't know whether it is towards the panel or the donation?

Frimpong: If we wanted to change the motion to that then we could clarify.

Han: If it looks like \$100 for the panelist or for food, is that going to make the correct impact for people.

Srithas: They could have used clubs funding for the panelist.

Mohamed: Can they come back with specifics and then we can determine whether they would apply for clubs funding.

Srithas: We would need an organization that they would need to have the donation towards.

FAILS

8. Other Business

Han: Enactus would like to partner with SCSU for the Food Centre and they would like to determine whether there are more research opportunities. There is interest in opportunities to have gardens or cooking workshops.

Hassan: When you say a partnership do you mean partnership by cooking with food from the food center.

Han: Partnership in terms of legal, but allowing us the freedom to operate.

Hassan: It is not like we are partnering ourselves, because we have a contract with Daily Bread, however we would have to look at this contract in more detail.

Frimpong: Partnership is so open and we are not really sure what that would look like.

Han: The only reason why I mentioned partnership, is because they want to know that Enactus is working with them to make this Food Center better.

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Aryata: Would they like a letter of support rather than a letter of partnership.

Frimpong: Do you folks want to be sitting there with the coordinator and looking at the information?

Estaris: Are you looking for a collaboration rather than a partnership?

Han: A collaboration would probably fit in better, I thought there were other opportunities for us to make this grow. Enactus can be used as a way to create more funding for the food centre.

Hassan: I can work with you about creating a working group, however when it comes to activities then that is something that we can work on together as part of a working group.

Joachimpillai: What are the rules about lobbying people about the funds for research.

Srithas: Representatives meet with MPs and MPPs regularly.

9. Adjournment

Moved: Hassan

Seconded: Vigneswaramoorthy