SCARBOROUGH CAMPUS STUDENTS' UNION

Board of Directors Package

Monday February 12, 2018 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?	A C 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

Attendance

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
Hosseini Nassab	Seyed Ali	Director of Philosphy
Dang	Raymond	Director of Political Science

Agenda

1. Call to order

The meeting is called to order at __:__

2. Announcements

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion Moved: Srithas Seconded:

Be it resolved that the agenda for the February 12, 2018 SCSU Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

4. Equity Statement

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion

Seconded:

Be it resolved that the February 12, 2018 minutes package including the following documents be approved as presented:

- a) Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
 - i. January 2018 on Page 8
- b) Bursary Funding Committee Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2017 on Page 32

Moved: Srithas

- c) Clubs Funding Committee Meeting Minutes
 - i. January 30, 2018 on Page 33
- d) Commission Minutes

i.

i. January 30, 2018 on Page 39

6. Executive Report

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

7. Director updates

8. Other Business

9. Adjournment

Motion Moved: Srithas Seconded: Be it resolved that the February 12, 2018 SCSU Board of Directors meeting be adjourned.

Executive Report

Services & Operations

Campaigns & Advocacy

Transit Survey Meeting

On January 26th, SCSU President and Graduate Student Rep Conor Anderson presented the findings of the UTSC Commuter Survey to CAO Andrew Arifuzzaman. Here are some of the findings:

- 1,335 respondents (92% undergrads, 8% grads)
- one fourth of the students live within 5 km radius, 90% live within 25 km radius
- 85% students attend UTSC 3-5 days/week

- 86% students use public transit; only about two-fifths students are satisfied with their commuting experience

For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

Meeting with UTSC Upper Executive

On February 6th, SCSU President, VP AUA, VP Equity and VP Campus Life met with the UTSC Upper Executive, which consists of Principal Bruce Kidd, Vice-Principal and Dean Bill Gough, Acting Vice-Principal Reseach Marc Cadote, CAO Andrew Arifuzzaman, Dean of Student Affairs Desmond Pouyat, Executive Director, Development & Alumni Relations Georgette Zinaty. We followed up with several of the priorites and recommendations that the SCSU Executive put forward through student consultations. We discussed the following: availability and supply of free Menstrual Products, follow-up on Monthly Parking Passes for Students, repurpose space to recreational space, student representation on Self-Declared Sick Notes Working Group and updates on CUPE 3902. Conversations are ongoing. For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

Meeting with Centennial College Students' Association (CCSAI)

On February 6th, SCSU President met with Centennial College Students' Association President, Ravneet Kaur, to continue to work together by leveraging our geographic proximity and strengthening our partnership. We had discussed our commitment to continuing to work together on student issues such as better transit, support for international students and possible event collaborations. Conversations are ongoing. For more information, contact <u>president@scsu.ca</u>.

Chief Administrative Officer Forum

On February 7th, SCSU President, VP AUA, VP Campus Life and student representatives from SC:OUT met with CAO Andrew Arifuzzaman to advocate on the following: follow-up on Gender Inclusive Washroom Signs across campus, Hot Water Machine Installation in the IC, and

repairing Accessibility Button Repairs. SCSU was able to get a commitment from Andrew to working on these items. For more information, contact <u>president@scsu.ca</u>.

Cultural Connections

The first of eight sessions for wellness centered around racialized students began on February 2nd. February 9th's session was the last possible date for newcomers to join the group. After this session, the group will be closed to respect the privacy of the students involved. For more information, please contact Nana at <u>equity@scsu.ca</u> and/or Christina at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>.

Health and Wellness Advisory Committee (CSS Subcommittee)

Friday January 26, the VP AUA and the VP Equity attended the Health and Wellness Advisory Committee. There was a discussion towards the promotion and visibility of the Health and Wellness Center, new walk-in system, and a peer support wellness program. For more information please contact Christina, VP AUA at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u> or Nana, VP Equity at <u>equity@scsu.ca</u>

Meeting with Academic Integrity Office

Friday January 26, VP AUA and VP Equity met with Nisha Pachal from the Academic Integrity Office. Matters that were discussed was the education on academic integrity (especially in the first years of University) and ways in which we can make the academic integrity appeals process more clear and accessible to students. For more information please contact Christina at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

Meeting with Mark Schmuckler

Wednesday January 31, VP AUA met with Mark Schmuckler. Items that were discussed are: self-declared sick notes, academic rights within the syllabus, CUPE3902, academic integrity, and the removal of the \$15 exam review fee as it does not exist at the St. George Campus. For more information please contact Christina at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

DSA Council

Monday February 5, VP AUA chaired DSA Council. DSA Funding procedures were reviewed at this meeting. Items that were discussed were: academic integrity, CUPE3902, academic rights, self-declared sick notes, DSA updates. For more information please contact Christina at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

AART

Tuesday February 6, VP AUA attended the AART meeting. A review of the terms of reference for this committee was reviewed in order to get a better understanding of the goals that we are trying to achieve through these meetings. Defining and achieving student success was also a topic that was discussed. For more information please contact Christina at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

Events & Programming

Tamil Heritage Month Closing Reception

On February 2nd, Scarborough Campus Students' Union, in partnership with UTSC Tamil Students' Association, hosted the first ever Tamil Heritage Month celebration last week at the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus with guests speakers UTSC Principal Prof. Bruce Kidd, Councillor Neethan Shan, MP Gary Anandasangaree and student performers. Several students and community members came out to celebrate Thai Pongal, THM and the ongoing contributions of Tamil people in this country. If you are club or DSA wanting to collaborate with SCSU, contact president@scsu.ca.

Black and Queer: A Discussion on Anti-Blackness in Queer Communities

On February 6th, SCSU hosted the first of several Black History Month events in the SC:OUT Lounge. The session was facilitated by SC:OUT executive Tele Kapkirwok and SCSU 2017-2018 Board of Director, Lavelle Williams. The session was attended by over 10 students. Topics of discussion ranged from individual experiences of being queer and racialized and how anti-blackness manifests in queer communities. For more information, please contact Nana at equity@scsu.ca.

SCSU Presents: An Evening with Actor, Singer, and Former Child Soldier Emmanuel Jal.

On February 7th, SCSU brought Emmanuel Jal as part of Black History Month. Jal began his performance with a song and then spoke on how he escaped life as a child soldier, his current projects and his philosophy around forgiveness and releasing himself from trauma. For more information, please contact Nana at<u>equity@scsu.ca</u>.

Management Panel

Monday February 5, VP AUA was invited to speak for a class panel for an Human Resources class. MESA was also present at this panel. Topic surrounded the similarities and differences between associations and unions. For more information please contact Christina at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

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	Weaver	Curtis	Director of Physical and Environmental Sciences
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\checkmark	Morris	Ashley	Director of Sociology
✓	Gupta	Rahul	Director of Computer & Mathematical Sciences
\checkmark	Sahgal	Armaan	First Year Director
✓	Jahangir	Hania	Director of Historical & Cultural Studies
√	Hosseini Nassab	Seyed Ali	Director of Philosophy
✓	Dang	Raymond	Director of Political Science

Board of Directors, Scarborough Campus Students' Union

1. Call to order

A quorum being present, the Chair called the meeting to order at approximately 7:10 p.m.

2. Announcements

Srithas sent an email regarding the February Board of Directors meeting, which is scheduled for Monday February 12th from 6pm to 8pm in SL-232. Srithas is waiting for folks to fill in the Doodle for the March and April meetings.

Jahangir asked if the February meeting should take place after the 15th since the monthly income statements come in on the 15th of each month.

Srithas stated that generally, Board of Directors meeting are at the end of the month but there is no rule against scheduling meetings earlier in the month. Due to scheduling conflicts, the only days available for the meeting are the first two weeks of February. Srithas explained that the third week of February was not an option because of Reading Week and the Chair is unavailable during the last week of February because she will be out of the province. The meeting is scheduled for February 12th because it was the most popular choice out of the available dates.

Frimpong announced that tomorrow is the National the Day of Action and all the programming will be listed on the Facebook page.

Frimpong announced that Black History Month programming starts next week. Frimpong stated that the topic of the first discussion is the Queer Black Experience: Anti-Blackness in the Queer community. This discussion will be held in the SC: OUT lounge and facilitated by Lavelle Williams. Everyone is welcome to attend this event. Food will be provided.

Frimpong stated that there will be a keynote with Emmanuel Jal in MW110. Emmanuel Jal is an actor, singer, and former child soldier who will be singing his songs and telling his story. Everyone is welcome to attend this event. Food will be provided.

Mohamed announced that the Montreal Reading Week trip will begin on February 21st. This trip is 4 days and 3 nights, with activities during the day and a club event each night. Mohamed stated she will post the full itinerary on Facebook this weekend.

3. Approval of Agenda MOTION

Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Sahgal

Be it resolved that the agenda for the January 31st, 2018 SCSU Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

Vote: All in favour

CARRIED

4. Equity Statement

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

5. Approval of Minutes MOTION Move

Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Dang

Be it resolved that the January 31st, 2018 minutes package including the following documents be approved as presented:

- e) Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
 - i. December 2017 on Page 16
- f) DSA Funding Committee Meeting
 - i. January 15, 2018 on Page 32

Dang asked for the report back from the Executives regarding the CSS Sleep Committee, the CRO and Committee decision, the Transit Survey, the TA strike and the Journalism statement. Dang stated that these matters were discussed in the previous meeting and the Board was told there would be report backs during the January meeting.

The Chair stated that the Transit Survey would go in reporting outside of the minutes. The Chair explained that the approval of the minutes is more in terms of meetings the Executives held or the Board had leading up to today. The Chair asked Dang if he was referring to meeting minutes that were not included in the meeting minutes package.

Dang clarified that the December meeting minutes stated there was a reassurance of a report back from the Executives because they would have action on the items he mentioned.

The Chair stated that meeting minutes are just for official committees of SCSU. The Chair stated that Dang could get an update on these items directly from the Executives during Other Business.

The Chair stated that the Elections and Referendum Committee (ERC) does not do a report other than the Board ratifying them at the end of the election process. The CRO will provide a report on the February 12th meeting but the SCSU does not receive a report about what the Elections and Referendum Committee does. The Chair checked SCSU's by-laws regarding the minutes SCSU receives.

The Chair referenced SCSU's by-laws and informed Dang that if he wants to receive meeting minutes, he could receive external motions requiring approval from the Board. The Chair stated that there was an exception of meetings of the Elections and Referendum Committee, motions

dealing with allocating funds, meetings of the Election and Appeals Committee, and Executive Committee meetings related to staff. The Chair reiterated that the Board will receive a CRO report at the end of the election.

Srithas stated that the CRO report includes everything from the beginning of the election period to the final count, and it is open to questions.

Jahangir requested a point of information. Jahangir asked for clarification and stated that the Board collectively voted for a report back during the previous meeting.

Srithas stated that her understanding of the report back is that there would be a discussion, not a visual presentation of the report. Srithas explained that this type of report back would not be in the meeting minutes for approval; instead, the Executives would deliver a verbal report back in the Other Business section of the meeting. Srithas stated that the Executives are more than happy to answer questions.

The Chair reviewed the December Board of Directors meeting minutes and stated that there was no motion for a report.

Dang asked for clarification on whether CRO will be including the pre-nomination period as part of the CRO report. Dang explained that the specific incidents he is referring to occurred prior to the nomination period.

Mohamed asked for clarification on what Dang was asking. Mohamed asked Dang if he wanted to go through the ERC report in terms of elections procedures. Mohamed also asked if Dang wants to know what ERC decided in terms of the Board Meeting.

Dang stated that he would ask a different question during the Other Business section of the meeting.

The Chair stated that the previous meeting minutes stated "The Chair asked Hassan to include a report back as part of the agenda." The Chair stated that this contradicts the SCSU by-laws. The Chair reminded the Board that they overruled her decision when they voted in favor of reading the emails out loud, which is also outside of SCSU by-laws. The Chair advised the Board to not include a report as part of the agenda because it contradicts SCSU by-laws. The Chair stated that Hassan did not include the report back as part of the agenda but she can check in with Hassan to see if that was the intent.

Jahangir requested a point of information because she believed that the Board decided to include a report as part of the agenda.

The Chair stated that there was a conversation for Hassan to include a report as part of the agenda, but not a motion. The Chair stated that if the report was part of the Board Package she would rule it out of order because it is against the SCSU by-laws. The Chair stated that the Board will receive the CRO report on the 12th. The Chair stated that if Jahangir needed something specific from the ERC, she can ask them. The Chair reiterated that the ERC does not produce minutes because it is not part of their duties.

Vote: All in favour

CARRIED

6. Executive Report MOTION

Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Gupta

Services & Operations

Srithas speaks on November and December Income Statements

Srithas stated that the November and December Income Statements are the same as the past couple of months. Srithas explained that the net income is negative because the SCSU did not receive the revenues this month. The SCSU only receives revenues 4 times per year.

Campaigns & Advocacy

Zakir speaks on Mental Health Network Committee

SCSU executives are members of this year's Mental Health Network Planning Committee. Executives have engaged in roundtable discussions with students, staff, and faculty to discuss mental health supports on campus that is community driven and meets the needs of the diverse UTSC community. VP External also signed up to sit on the terms of reference meetings and SCSU executives helped create three working groups, Awareness, Advocacy and Peer Support to work on a list of projects, services, and campaigns (developed in the meeting) for the year 2017-18. For more information, contact <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

Zakir speaks on Mental Health Network Committee Terms of Reference Meetings

VP External has met several times with representatives from the Mental Health Network to discuss the conditions and terms used to operate the Network. Editions and changes have been made to the terms of references to shift from short term solution to address student mental health to a long term solution, noting that the Mental Health Network must start advocating for accessible, intersectional, traditional, and diverse mental health supports and resources on campus. The Terms of References were presented at the last Mental Health Network Committee meeting. For more information, contact external@scsu.ca.

Zakir speaks on Meeting with Dean of Student Affairs Desmond Pouyat

VP External and VP Equity met with Desmond Pouyat to discuss the Terms of References for the Mental Health Network Committee. Executives recommended that the current Terms of References be adopted for a long term solution for the Mental Health Network Committee.

Zakir speaks on Meeting with Health and Wellness

VP External has met with Elsa Kiosses from Health and Wellness several times to discuss strategies on addressing the gap and barriers in access to the health and wellness service on campus. VP External highlighted cultural, spiritual and religious gaps in the Health and Wellness services, making suggestions that the Health and Wellness must start understanding the intersection of identities of students on our campus, and bring forth accessible, diverse, and intersectional supports and services such as spiritual, religious, traditional, and cultural supports on campus to cater to our UTSC student population. For more information, contact external@scsu.ca.

Zakir speaks on Health and Wellness Advisory Committee

VP External has also attended Health and Wellness advisory committee with VP AUA to further voice student concerns on the committee regarding the health and wellness of students at UTSC.

Zakir speaks on Meeting with Dr. Tayyab Rashid, Health and Wellness Muslim Counsellor

VP External met with Dr. Tayyab Rashid, Muslim counsellor at the Health and Wellness to discuss the gaps of mental health services that Muslim students face at UTSC, the new intake model at health and wellness, the annual health and wellness survey, the SCSU mental health survey that was launched last semester, and the next steps to create a more inclusive Health and Wellness for Muslim and racialized students on campus.

Zakir speaks on Meeting with UTSC Eating Disorder Association

VP External met with the President of the UTSC Eating Disorder Association, Hareem Ashraf to discuss the lack and absence of an Eating Disorder specialist at Health and Wellness, more efficient mental health programs at UTSC, and how SCSU can further support the student group. For further information, please contact <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

Zakir speaks on Mental Health Resource List

As your students' union, we recognize the current barriers in access to the health services that students pay for on our campus. For this very reason, we have put together a list of free external health supports for students to use off campus. We have launched a wallet size mental health card with categories of different kinds of supports such as Sexual Health, Cultural, Gender, Language, LGBTQ+, Black & Indigenous. This card is accessible and convenient to have as it will direct you to SCSU's external mental health resource list which is now on our website, <u>http://www.scsu.ca/mentalhealth/</u>.

This list of diverse, intersectional, and accessible mental health resources and services off campus are meant to reflect the needs of the Scarborough student population. This card is to serve as an accessible resource tool for their well-being and a list for students so they can have a

more effective, productive, and efficient university experience. SCSU realizes that this list of support is an on-going development and would like to hear from students themselves on how to improve and make additions, so please contact <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

Zakir speaks on Mental Health Awareness Outreach Day

This last semester, SCSU executives talked to several students about mental health on our campus. We talked about existing mental health services at the health and wellness and other departments, and conducted a survey with students reflecting on various gaps in the current services. We used this outreach day to launch our mental health resource list and engage students with free supports off campus for students to use.

Zakir speaks on SCSU Mental Health Survey

In recognizing the current barriers in access to health supports on campus, SCSU is collecting relative information from students to most effectively advocate the mental health of students on campus. If you are interested in having your voice heard, please fill out this survey https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfEt_rcVBoeS-GooapVd3VmT7I_KJHdK3eg-7a64ITIY7UYXg/viewform as we will be continuously lobbying the university for accessible, diverse, and intersectional mental health resources on campus. For more information, contact external@scsu.ca

Zakir speaks on Multi-faith Committee Meetings

VP External started a temporary Multi-faith Committee, where SCSU Executives and the Racialized Students Collective Coordinator met twice with the UTSC Chaplains and cultural/faith based student groups this past semester to investigate into Multi-faith Initiatives and spiritual, cultural, and faith-based counselling at our campus. These meetings were chaired by the VP External. We discussed the thirteen different Chaplaincy programs at UTSC reflecting the different faiths on our campus, the need of support from the UTSC administration for funding for chaplains as they work for free, and the need for a Multi-Faith Centre to meet the needs of the large students of faith population at UTSC. This meeting was supported by the Indigenous Elder, Wendy Phillips, Department of Student Life, Equity and Diversity Office, and the Health and Wellness, where directors of the departments attended the meetings to engage in the conversations and better understand how to provide more efficient faith based resources and support the Chaplaincy programs. To get involved and for more information, please contact external@scsu.ca

Zakir speaks on ROBAM Conference Planning

As participants of the ROBAM planning committee, VP External and the Campaigns and Advocacy Coordinator, Jessica Kirk have attended several meetings this past semester with the committee to discuss how UTSC can take part in organizing around the conference in the upcoming school year in March 2018. We are also representing the entire University of Toronto in the committee helping the conference get funding from different departments at UofT. The

theme this year will be "Nothing about us: Without us", focusing on disability justice and disability rights through an intersectional lens and approach. For more information, contact <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

Zakir speaks on Justice For Soleiman Faqiri (#JusticeForSoli)

Soleiman Fagiri was a prison inmate living with mental health conditions, and was brutally murdered by prison guards in his cell in the "most complained about jail" at Central East Correctional Centre in Lindsay on December 15, 2016. Fagiri was a visible Muslim individual living with schizophrenia under government care. It has been revealed that despite the prison administration knowing that Soleiman Fagiri was mentally ill and diagnosed with Schizophrenia, he was placed in segregation, otherwise knows as solitary confinement and was brutally beat inside his jail cell, with his legs and arms cuffed, pepper sprayed, and then covered with a spit hood. The coroner's report released did not identify the guards involved or the legal consequences for their actions. A campaign called 'Justice For Soli' was launched in efforts to seek justice for Soleiman Faqiri and his family, directly lobbying the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services for accountability. On December 15 2017, the movement hosted a Vigil to mark Soleiman's death one year later which SCSU helped promote. On January 12, SCSU partnered with OPIRG Toronto and UTSC MSA to host a panel discussion on Justice For Soli at UTSC, along with discussing the intersections of Islamophobia, racialization and mental health. The Scarborough Campus Students' Union is in solidarity with the Justice For Soli campaign, and its motion for CFS and other student unions to support the movement was passed at the previous Ontario General Meeting. For more information about this campaign, please contact external@scsu.ca

Zakir speaks on Islamophobia Campaign

Earlier in the year, VP External contributed to discussions with CFS Ontario via meetings and through feedback on how to alter and better the educational materials such as the poster, buttons, and pins for the CFS' No Islamophobia campaign. This year, SCSU launched its' very own Islamophobia working group/task-force towards challenging systemic racism and oppression on our campus and beyond. To join this working group and for further details, please contact external@scsu.ca

Zakir speaks on A statement in Solidarity with the Communities Affected by the Islamic Foundation School Closure

Over 150 high school students and teachers at the Islamic Foundation School (IFS) have been displaced. It is unfortunate that the closure transpired after the teachers recently unionized with United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW) in May 2017, asking for better working rights, fair wages, improved benefits (i.e. health benefits), security and safety assurance, and respect at their workplace. The Scarborough Campus Students' Union condemns the actions of the IFS administration to close down the school and is in solidarity with the UFCW Local 175, where teachers of other faith based institutions are also represented. UFCW so far has helped all the teachers with finding new jobs making a fair agreement on the wages for teachers. SCSU

previously contacted UFCW to seek ways of supporting. For more information, contact <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

Zakir speaks on **Young, Muslim, and Canadian: A Discussion with Canadian Leaders** The Young, Muslim, and Canadian: A Discussion with Canadian Leaders was hosted by the Council of Canadian Muslim Women and the Office of the Honorable Senator Marilou McPhedran in collaboration with several groups and organizations including your Students' Union. SCSU provided free tokens to and from this event for all UofT students. Various community representatives like MP Yasmin Ratansi, MP Iqra Khalid, and Minister Maryam Monsef were present at this event. We discussed the anti-Islamophobia Motion M-103, engaged in discussions around mobilizing the Muslim Youth and Muslim organizers across the country and how to combat Islamophobia in Canada as a united nation. For more information, please contact <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

Zakir speaks on Meeting with Dean of Academics Bill Gough

VP External, VP Campus Life, and VP Operations met with Dean Gough to discuss how to create a safer UTSC for Muslim students with the current political climate of Islamophobia on our campuses. We discussed students' rights of Muslim students, creating supports for Muslim women and overall the Muslim community, creating new support systems but also bridging various different resources that already exist on campus, and making it more accessible for the community.

Zakir speaks on Online Voting

Online Voting Research as part of the Canadian Federation of Students Ontario board, VP External joined a working group on Online Voting to discuss a motion submitted on the topic to the General Meeting in January 2017 that got pushed to the Ontario Executive Committee. The Working Group met several times to gather research to bring forth a recommendation to the General meeting on the topic of Online voting, so local members can make an informed vote on the CFS 'Online Voting' motion. This motion was recommended to be moved to the Semi-Annual General Meeting.

Zakir speaks on University of Toronto Governing Council Meet & Greet

VP External attended a meet and greet with the Governing Council at UofT. VP External had the opportunity to meet the different governors and the chair on the council, as well as other members who were invited. This allowed VP External to network with different student leaders, propose the priorities of SCSU to the governing council and seek support from the governing council.

Zakir speaks on APUS Board Meetings

The Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students at the University of Toronto (APUS) represents over 6000 fall/winter and 12,000 summer part-time students across all three campuses of the University of Toronto. APUS represents the voices of part time students focusing its

operations, services, events, and campaigns and advocacy work for part time students. The VP External is a ratified voting member on the APUS Board advocating on bettering the experience of part-time students at the UTSC campus. So far, VP External has attended three APUS board meetings to advocate for part-time students. For more information, contact <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

Zakir speaks on APUS General Assembly

VP External attended the General Assembly representing part-time students at UTSC. At this general assembly, we reviewed financial statements and audit reports of APUS.

Zakir speaks on COSS Meetings

VP External is a ratified member of the Council On Student Services (COSS) at UofT, representing CSS and Scarborough. So far, VP External has attended two meetings for COSS where we reviewed different services offered by UofT, the departments that operate within UofT, the structure of governance at UofT, and a better understanding of how UTSC Student Fees that are directed to the central campus are used.

Zakir speaks on Canadian Federation of Students Ontario Executive Meetings

VP External has attended two Ontario Executive Meetings, as your CFS Ontario Executive representative. In these meetings, we held workshops to strengthen campaigns such as Fight the Fees at our respective locals, we also submitted local reports, reviewed financial statements and audit reports and approved them for ratification at the semi-annual Ontario General Meeting.

Zakir speaks on Canadian Federation of Students National General Meeting

VP External attended the CFS Semi-Annual National General Meeting that took place in Quebec in late November. At the National General Meeting, delegates from locals across the country discussed and voted on motions and attended seminars and workshops on post-secondary education, and the future campaigns and services of the Canadian Federation of Students. At the meeting, Coty Zachariah was re-elected as the National Chairperson for the upcoming term, Jade Peek was elected as the National Deputy Chairperson for the upcoming term, and Trina James was elected as the National Treasurer for the upcoming term.

Zakir speaks on Fight the Fees Provincial Coalition Meetings

VP External and Campaigns and Advocacy Coordinator have attended provincial coalition meetings for the Fight the Fees campaign, connecting and networking with student unions across the province to to plan the provincial day of action on February 1st, 2018.

Zakir speaks on Fight the Fees Organizing Meetings

VP External has hosted two organizing meetings for the Fight the Fees campaign at our campus, striking a task force. Students in this meeting discussed for a new focus on the campaign, to be more inclusive and have a larger conversation of systemic barriers in education, beyond rising tuition fees. Students also helped shape the Limits of the Ontario Students Grant Panel, activities leading up to the day of action, and what the day of action itself should look like. The upcoming

Fight the Fees and Fairness For Students organizing meeting will be this Wednesday, January 23in SL222, to get involved and for more information, please contact <u>external@scsu.ca</u> or <u>ashvika.baskaran@gmail.com</u>

Zakir speaks on Fairness for Students Campaign

Fairness for Students Campaign is a new campaign on behalf of the Canadian Federation of Students, which will be launched on February 1st, on the provincial day of Action. This Campaign is in conjunction with the Fairness of Students Campaign, providing a platform for larger, broader, and more inclusive conversations regarding tuition fees and other education costs.

Zakir speaks on Day of Action – February 1st

The Provincial Day of Action this year for the Fight the Fees and Fairness for Students Campaign will be on February 1st, 2018. There will be a series of events taking place throughout the day. To volunteer for the day of action and to get involved, please contact <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

Zakir speaks on Meeting with MESA

VP External met with VP Finance from the Management and Economics Students' Association to discuss the Fight the Fees campaign in relation to the skyrocketing Management Student fees at UTSC, and possible strategies to raise awareness for management students.

Zakir speaks on Meeting with Revolutionary Student Movement at UTSC

VP External met with executives of the Revolutionary Student Movement at UTSC, a new club on campus to discuss potential collaborations and how the student union can support the student group moving forward. To get involved and for further information, please contact external@scsu.ca

Zakir speaks on Meeting with the Toronto Students for Justice in Palestine (TSJP)

VP External met with an executive of the Toronto Students For Justice in Palestine, Sarah Touman to discuss how SCSU can support with BDS Coalition planning and the upcoming Israeli Apartheid Week in March, in response to BDS being passed at a former SCSU AGM and rightfully serving the Palestinian Students at UTSC. Free Palestine. To get involved and for further information, please contact <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

Zakir speaks on Meeting with the Scarborough Campus Punjabi Association

VP External met with the co-president of the Scarborough Campus Punjabi Association, Anup Atwal to discuss a project the group is working on called the Dialogues in Diaspora: Exploring the meaning of Religion in a Postmodern Canada and how the Student Union will further support this project. This project involves event programming, coalition building, and networking amongst student groups at UTSC. To get involved and for further information, please contact external@scsu.ca

Srithas speaks on UPASS Deputation

On December 11th, SCSU President spoke in favour of the City of Toronto conducting preliminary consultations for a Universal Pass for post-secondary students. A U-PASS would better serve the needs of UTSC students who commute from all over the GTA using different transit systems like TTC, YRT, Brampton transit, etc. The Toronto Transit Commission unanimously voted in favour to move forward. For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

Srithas speaks on City of Toronto LRT Consultation Tabling at UTSC

On January 15th, the City of Toronto held consultations at UTSC on the LRT route options connecting UTSC. SCSU President, VP AUA, VP Equity and BODs attended to give feedback. The city planners will be back on Thursday January 25th from 6:30 - 9:00 pm in HW 216 for further community consultations on the Eglinton East LRT. For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

Srithas speaks on UTSC on Ice

SCSU, in collaboration with several campus partners, brought the first ever ice-rink to campus. Students were able to rent out skates and test out the synthetic ice rink for free. The rink was available Jan 9th - 11th and had over 280 participating individuals. For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

Srithas speaks on UTSC Tamils Students' Association Thai Pongal

On January 17th, SCSU President attended UTSC TSA's annual Thai Pongal event which also celebrated Tamil Heritage Month. Pongal is a harvest festival celebrated by Tamil people all over the world, which marks the start of the sun's six-month-long journey northwards (the Uttaraayanam). The event included cultural games and student performances.

Frimpong speaks on Photo Journal

Photo Journal nomination forms closed on January 12th. Successful applicants for the "Maya" Photo Journal were selected. Individuals will have their photo taken in the month of February and early March. If you are looking for more information about the journal contact VP Equity at equity@scsu.ca

Frimpong speaks on Monologues Workshop Session

SCSU in collaboration with the Women's and Trans Centre hosted a 2-hour long workshop for the performers of the 2018 Monologues. The goal of the workshop was to help performers with their stage presence and finalize their pieces. Sharine Taylor facilitated this session for a group of 15.

Frimpong speaks on Outside the Box: Queer Representation in the Media

SCSU, Department of Student Life, and the Sexual Gender and Diversity Office (SGDO) collaborated on an Outside the Box conversation on January 10th. 15 students attended the session that was facilitated by Robin Fraser from the SGDO.

Frimpong speaks on Anti-Oppression Workshop for SCSU Free Textbook Network and Food Centre

VP Equity and VP Academics and University Affairs conducted an anti-oppression workshop for the volunteers of the Free Textbook Network. Later, VP Equity and VP Operations facilitated an anti-oppression workshop for volunteers of the Food Centre.

Frimpong speaks on Women's Writing Circle

The first Women's Writing Circle of the Winter semester took place on January 11th and was facilitated by VP Equity. The second student-led Circle will take place on January 23rd. Contact VP Equity at <u>equity@scsu.ca</u> for more information.

Frimpong speaks on Gender Inclusive Washroom Conversation

On January 17th, VP Equity met with Chief Administrative Officer Andrew Arifuzzaman, Sexual Gender and Diversity Officer Allison Burgess, and student representatives to discuss gender neutral washrooms, mapping, signage and do a tour of the washrooms in Highland Hall.

Arayata speaks on Highland Hall Furniture/Fabric Testing:

On December 5 and January 9 the VP Academics and University Affairs went to the drop in sessions hosted by the University to look at the different furniture options and fabric options for Highland Hall. For more information please contact Christina <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

Arayata speaks on Free Book Network

On January 11 the VP Academics and University Affairs, Joyce Estrais (FBN Coordinator), and VP Equity conducted training for the new volunteers. The Free Book Network has been open for operation since January 16 2017. For more information contact Christina at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

Arayata speaks on DSA Committee

On January 12 the VP Academics and University Affairs chaired DSA Committee. Both round one and round two of funding were looked over at this meeting. There were a total of 16 applications among six DSAs. For more information please contact Christina at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

Arayata speaks on **SOS Policing Bodies and Borders**

January 18 the VP Academics and University Affairs and VP Equity collaborated with SOS to present the event Policing Bodies and Borders. For more information please contact either Christina at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u> or Nana at <u>equity@scsu.ca</u>

Events & Programming

Mohamed speaks on Winter Week of Welcome

From January 8-11th, SCSU held a couple events to welcome students into the new semester. On January 8th, we gave away hot chocolate, on the 9th we had a giant games in IC where students were able to play, on the 10th we hosted a paint night in Rex's Den, and finally on the 11th, we had a party on ice, which unfortunately had to be cancelled due to the rain. If you have any questions about any event, feel free to contact Nafisa at <u>campuslife@scsu.ca</u>.

Mohamed speaks on Clubs Week

Clubs week this semester started on January 15th and went on for two weeks in the meeting place or student center. This is an opportunity for clubs to engage with students, increase their membership and promote their events. If you have any questions about any event, feel free to contact Nafisa at <u>campuslife@scsu.ca</u>.

Mohamed speaks on Clubs Training

Clubs Training happened on Jan 19th, which is Executives inform clubs about the necessary resources and tools to help them with their clubs. If you have any questions about any event, feel free to contact Nafisa at <u>campuslife@scsu.ca</u>.

Ali thanked Zakir for what she does for Mental Health. Ali asked Zakir about the results of the SCSU Mental Health Survey.

Zakir stated that there was not enough data from the last survey because there was only one outreach day. Zakir stated the trend of students identifying cultural gaps. Zakir stated that there are discussions about launching the survey again this semester to get more data. The survey was modified to make it easier for students to answer by narrowing down the options.

Ali asked if it was the same survey as the one launched last semester.

Zakir explained that the survey has the same questions but the answers changed.

Jahangir asked Frimpong about the signage of the Gender Inclusive Washrooms.

Frimpong stated that the Gender Inclusive Washrooms would use the toilet bowl symbol as sign because it is gender neutral. Frimpong had conversations with Allison Burgess, the Sexual Gender and Diversity Officer, who recommended this sign. Students also voted for the toilet bowl sign on Outreach Day. Frimpong stated that the university hired a consultant who also chose the toilet bowl as the sign.

Dang asked what the next steps the Union is taking for the engagement campaign. Dang stated the importance of engaging with youths around campus because the youth engagement rates at UTSC are low.

Zakir stated that she will have discussions with Dang about what could be done collectively. Zakir is hopeful for the next steps, which are temporary discussions that may extend the roles of the SCSU to help with voter campaign.

Jahangir asked Zakir if Health and Wellness would be hiring an Eating Disorder Specialist.

Zakir replied that she had a conversation with UTSC Eating Disorder Association and there will be follow-up discussions.

Frimpong announced the first session of Cultural Connections, a mental health support group for racialized students on campus, which will be held on Friday from 1pm to 2pm. If anyone is interested in attending, feel free to contact her.

In terms of the Fight the Fees Campaign Dang asked what sort of engagement the Board sees on campus.

Zakir stated that the Board initiates engagement on campus through Task Force meetings, outreach, and conversations with students. This year, the Task Force realized that students want to see the Day of Action happening on their campus. Zakir stated that the Day of Action is the biggest engagement with students and it is a step towards the conversation leading to the Provincial Election.

Vigneswaramoorthy asked why the Fight the Fees Campaign is being changed to the Fairness for Students Campaign. Vigneswaramoorthy asked if it is the same campaign but rebranded.

Zakir explained that the Fairness for Students Campaign will be launched tomorrow. Zakir explained there were discussions on our campus and on a provincial level that led to the creation of the Fairness for Students Campaign. The Fairness for Students Campaign looks at different aspects of student life and factors of educational costs, whereas the Fight the Fees Campaign is very singular and focuses on tuition.

Dang asked what is included in the travel expenses in the November 2017 income statement.

Srithas stated that the Travel and Professional Development expenses cover the cost for training and delegate fees for CFS meetings. Srithas explained that the biggest expense for this account is the delegate fees. Srithas stated that one delegate from each student union is free but there is a standard fee for each extra delegate.

The Chair stated that there can be a follow-up.

Dang stated only the November and December 2017 income statements were included in the January Board Package. Dang asked why the January 2018 income statement was not included since the meeting package was sent after January 15th.

The Chair stated that there will be a follow-up since the person in charge of the income statements is not here.

Dang stated that some, but not all, Executives included their contact information at the end of the descriptions of their items of the Executive Report. Dang asked if contact information could continue to be included in future board packages.

Dang stated that the Gender Inclusive Washroom Conversation announcement just trails. Dang asked for clarification because he is unsure whether something is missing from the last statement.

Frimpong stated that a period is just missing from the end of the sentence.

Vigneswaramoorthy asked if the Gender Inclusive Washrooms are single stall or multi-stall.

Frimpong stated that the Gender Inclusive Washrooms are multi-stall.

Vigneswaramoorthy asked Arayata if the fabrics for Highland Hall were chosen based on aesthetics or accessibility.

Arayata stated that both aesthetics and accessibility were taken in consideration when choosing the fabrics for Highland Hall. Arayata stated that accessibility was included in the decision making process from the beginning.

Morris asked if there were any discussions with the Racialized Students Collective (RSC) about hosting an event for Black History Month.

Jahangir stated there have been discussions for holding two events. Jahangir stated there is a Racialized Students Collective meeting tomorrow at 3pm to discuss the logistics. Jahangir can message Morris to give her an update.

Frimpong stated that the Racialized Students Collective will be collaborating with Ayisha Gariba, who directed The Hallmark of Tolerance, to host a film screening on February 28th at 5pm in the TV Lounge. After the film screening, there will be a question and answer period with Ayisha. Food will be provided. Frimpong stated that there is another event in the works.

Jahangir stated that the other event is a possible collaboration with Caribbean Connections on February 15th. Jahangir stated that the Racialized Students Collective may host a final event but the logistics will be discussed at the RSC meeting tomorrow.

Dang asked Arayata if she could bring representatives from social science DSAs to tour Highland Hall in the future.

Arayata stated that they cannot do a tour and even she has not seen Highland Hall yet. Arayata explained the discussion about furniture deals with accessibility and ways we can improve study aids.

Dang asked if the lighting conditions for study spaces in Highland Hall were included in these discussions and if so, to what extent.

Arayata stated that Highland Hall was designed to have many windows; therefore it relies on natural lighting. In addition to natural light, they are looking at lamps that have dimmers. Arayata stated that all the furniture that was selected so far is not guaranteed because they have not received a quote yet.

Gupta asked if Highland Hall has multi-purpose spaces that can be used as recreational space.

Arayata stated that there were these types of spaces

Mohamed stated that based on the conversations they had there will be multi-purpose spaces and more student spaces. Mohamed explained that it is up to students how they will use these multi-purpose spaces.

Arayata stated that most of the space is crash space and no part of the building is dedicated for silent study.

Dang was concerned that the first Eglinton Crosstown LRT consultation occurred in the middle of the day, which is inaccessible for students because they are attending class at this time. Dang stated that the second consultation was held last week from 6pm to 9pm, which is equally inaccessible. Dang asked if there will be another conversation at our campus. If so, could there be effort to make it accessible to students.

Srithas stated that there will be many other LRT conversations and there are resources available at the Student Union office regarding the various route options, which is another way for students to engage. Srithas stated that a consultation could be held on campus without the city planners there because they are only looking at 4 route options and they are trying to determine what students prefer. Srithas stated there are many opportunities for students' voices to be heard.

Dang asked Frimpong for a follow-up on the Sexual Violence Policy discussion. Dang asked if there have been any discussions about when and how frequently training will be and what will it look like for students.

Frimpong sits on the Climate Survey, which is a survey about sexual violence that will be given to all universities. Currently, it is going through the ethics process but they have the bare bones of the survey. They hope the survey will be released at the end of this term. In terms of the Sexual Violence Policy, there are training modules on Portal. Last month, the committee met and went through the changes of the draft they presented. The modules are live, 40 minutes long and any student can complete them. Frimpong stated that you can exit at any time and there is selfcare button because some questions can be triggering for students. Anyone with suggestions or concerns can contact Frimpong because she will be attending a Sexual Violence Committee meeting in a few weeks.

Gupta asked about the process of reporting instances of sexual assault. Gupta stated that students on Residence are required to report instances of sexual assault to Residence; yet, there is a completely separate reporting process if they want it to be reported to the university. Gupta asked if the lengthy reporting process could be streamlined because it is traumatic for the individual who has to retell their story multiple times.

Frimpong stated that the first Sexual Violence Committee meeting of the year discussed the channels of communication. Frimpong explained how the reporting process should work.

Gupta shared an instance of reporting sexual assault that Residence did not handle well. Gupta asked if she could attend Sexual Violence Policy meeting.

The Chair suggested Frimpong could bring up this issue at the next Sexual Violence Policy meeting

Frimpong stated that she would send Gupta information about the meeting.

Gupta stated that the Sexual Assault and Violence Centre at UTSC is great and they recently hired a crisis councillor. Gupta stated that their hours are only 9am-5pm and there is no support on weekends. Gupta asked if the Sexual Assault and Violence Centre could compile an easily accessible list of resources near campus so students have access to support on weekends.

Vigneswaramoorthy asked if anything was brought up about the new walk-in system during conversations with Health and Wellness. Vigneswaramoorthy received complaints from students who felt that the new system made Health and Wellness services less accessible because if they do not show up at Health and Wellness by 9am, they will not be able to get an appointment for the rest of the day.

Arayata brought up this issue with Laura, who recommended moving the lunch break of all councillors 1 hour up (from 2pm to 1pm) to make more spaces for appointments in the afternoon. Arayata mentioned that Health and Wellness has extended hours. Arayata brought up student concerns about the new system but a lot of question dodging happened. If Vigneswaramoorthy and other students want to conduct research about problems with the walk-in system, she will support them.

Frimpong mentioned that Health and Wellness prioritizes people as a way to remedy the situation.

Arayata acknowledged that this is a delicate situation. Arayata stated there were talks about peer student discussion groups. Arayata explained that students would still see councillors as their first point of contact but they would also present this as an option for students. Arayata suggested connecting offline and organizing a different meeting to discuss how to approach this issue.

Gupta stated that last year, Health and Wellness used a referral system. This year, Health and Wellness is using the walk-in system to make their services more accessible. Gupta asked if a combination of referrals and walk-ins is possible. From personal experience, Gupta knows it is difficult to get an appointment. Gupta stated that there is a small number of Health and Wellness staff and asked if more staff members could be hired to accommodate the large volume of students who use Health and Wellness services.

Jahangir felt that there is disconnect because there are only walk-in appointments available, whereas emergency appointments were available in previous years. Jahangir suggested working towards an integration of multiple systems as Gupta suggested.

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

Vote: All in favour

CARRIED

7. Director Updates

Gupta had no updates.

Gupta stated that there is an International Development Conference on February 10th.

Dang finished his report, which consisted of over 50 student concerns about Political Science and what needs to be improved. Dang stated that the Political Science Student Association (PSSA) had 2 book launch events with different professors. Dang stated that there are a lot of events on campus about Chinese Legalism and Scarborough Studies.

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Jahangir has been looking into the Historical and Cultural Studies Student Association (HCSSA) and creating new representation for all types of students in their department. According to their by-law, they have representation and positions for all directors of each department, they just need to raise awareness through promoting these opportunities. If you know anyone who is interested, feel free to contact her. The Woman and Gender Studies Association collaborated with HCSSA and SCSU to host a vigil for slave trade happening in North Africa, which will be held on February 12th at 4pm.

Sahgal has been helping students figure out their majors. Sahgal had many conversations with first year students about what can be improved around campus. Sahgal received many contradictory comments, as well as trans-phobic and islamophobic comments. Sahgal is working on this major issue that affects first year students, especially international students.

Ali stated that the Association of Philosophy Students (APS) hosted their Speaker Series on January 30th and invited Professor Jonathan Rick to discuss ethical contractualism and intergenerational ethics. Ali stated that the Speaker Series ties with the discussions for the upcoming international conference.

Vigneswaramoorthy stated that her list of undergraduate UofT publications is posted on the SCSU website under Campaigns & Equity. Vigneswaramoorthy reiterated that these journals that are based at UofT or run by UofT students and accept submissions from undergraduate students. Vigneswaramoorthy encouraged students and their departments to submit their research.

Williams sent an email to the Head of the Department of Health Studies, Janet Roopnarinesingh, but she has not replied yet. Williams will give an update once he receives a response.

Morris spoke to the Sociology students about creating Facebook pages and groups for Sociology and putting links for different courses as a means for students to get help from other Sociology students. Morris and Williams are helping the IMANI Academic Mentorship Program plan their Black History Month event, which will be a Black Professionals Networking event. If you know any Black Professionals who want to network and speak to students, please contact her.

8. Other Business

Dang reminded the Board of the news that the tuition fees for international Management PhD students are now equalized to domestic students. Dang asked what conversations the SCSU had about equalizing tuition for international and domestic undergraduate students.

The Chair explained that International PhD students do not qualify for funding. Currently, International PhD students are only eligible for 2 sources of funding either federal funding or another funding package. The Chair explained that the University of Toronto allows International graduate students to get external funding.

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Sahgal heard student concerns that the decrease in international graduate tuition fees will be offset by an increase in international undergraduate tuition fees.

The Chair explained that there is a potential for international student fees at the University of Toronto to increase because it is unregulated in the province of Ontario. The Chair stated that at the University of Trent made international student fees equal to domestic student fees due to pressure from the student body. The Chair suggested the First Year representative could encourage first year students to apply pressure on administration to do the same at the University of Toronto.

Dang reminded the Board of the discussions about the Bridging Programs for Journalism, Paramedicine and New Media Studies. Dang asked the SCSU for more information about these Bridging Programs and the lobbying attempts for the university around these programs.

Srithas stated that the university is looking into more Bridging Programs. Srithas is meeting with the Centennial Student Union next week to work together on tasks, such as transit and tuition fees.

Dang asked if the Union will continue conversations about U-Pass and how so.

Srithas stated that there are continuing conversations about U-Pass. Along with other student unions in the GTA, they are building a report that will be used for Provincial Lobby Week and U-Pass is part of that conversation. Srithas stated that the TTC will be presenting numbers for U-Pass at the next meeting. Srithas will have a meeting with YRT and TTC to discuss the UTSC transit survey, U-Pass and transit options.

Morris asked if the Durham campus could be included as part of U-Pass.

Srithas stated the DRT is not currently part of U-Pass but we want them to be because the DRT comes to our campus and it would benefit UTSC students. Srithas stated this has been part of the discussion at the consultations.

In regards to the increase of minimum wage to \$14, Dang asked if SCSU had information or talks with Tim Hortons, which operates on our campus. Dang wants to make sure workers are paid fairly and have breaks.

Srithas stated that the minimum wage at Tim Hortons is now \$14. The SCSU continues to have conversations with Tim Hortons. Tim Hortons said that minimum wage will eventually be \$15 but the standard of work/workplace is not the best.

Dang reminded the Board that there will there be a TA strike if a deal is not struck on February 26th. Dang asked for updates on this topic.

Srithas stated that Arayata had conversations with CUPE and CUPE will be present tomorrow on the National Day of Action. Today, Srithas met with CUPE TAs who will attend the negotiations meeting at Simcoe Hall on February 7th. CUPE encouraged students to support them by attending the negotiations meeting to add pressure on administration. Srithas confirmed that if a deal is not struck on February 26th the TAs will strike. Although no one wants to go on strike, they want to make sure that they are getting proper funding packages, no asbestos in their workplace, standard workplace conditions, etc.

Jahangir asked how the TA strike would affect students' marks. Specifically, would students get their credits or would students be able to credit/no credit necessary courses.

Srithas stated that it is best to ask CUPE. Arayata is organizing an information session for CUPE members to present on campus and answer questions.

Dang asked if Sustainability activities, resources or campaigns that the Executives are working on could be included in future board packages.

Currently, the only Sustainability project that is being worked on out of the student union office is the Food Equity initiative, which was passed at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). Srithas stated that they are still having conversations with Katie Konstantopoulos, who is spearheading this initiative. Srithas is hoping to restart conversations this semester.

Dang asked if there was a chance for social science DSAs and the VP AUA to discuss Co-op and ways Co-op can be improved on a multi-disciplinary level.

Srithas stated that they had a roundtable discussion with the Minister of Employment MP Patty Hajdu and student leaders on campus about the co-op experience and how we can make improvements. They urged the university to hire more co-op students for their projects such as Highland Hall. They are looking for immediate and long term solutions. Srithas suggested Dang could take part in the DSA Council Meeting.

In regards to IT on this campus, Dang asked how administration is working towards changing how Portal works and improving Wi-Fi on campus

Srithas stated that UofT will not be using Portal anymore and there are still conversations about working out technical issues of the new software. Srithas stated that the SCSU had conversations with administration about improving Wi-Fi. It is a work in progress.

Gupta asked what software is being used, since UofT is no longer using Portal.

Dang stated that Varsity wrote article about the new learning management software, Quercus.

Gupta asked when this new software will be in place.

Arayata stated that Quercus is expected to be in place by September 2018.

Sahgal asked what this means for ACORN.

Arayata explained that only BlackBoard is affected.

Ali asked why students need to log-in multiple times to get access to webmail.

Mohamed stated that IT is working on streamlining the process and making it a 1 step login system.

Ali asked when it would be resolved.

Mohamed replied she did not know but the university is working on it.

Dang stated that there should be 3 separate discussions for Arts, Science and Management Co-op because these programs are very different.

Arayata stated that she is aware of the differences between these Co-op programs. Throughout the year, Arayata has been trying to have these conversations with DSAs. If DSAs are open to having this conversation, Arayata would like to see whether they can branch out to different working groups.

Dang asked when Intranet will be replaced and if the Intranet applications could be streamlined as well.

Srithas explained that the BlackBoard software changed because the contract ended. There was a competition between companies to get signed for a new contract and another company won. Srithas stated that she will ask if the contract with Intranet is up for renewal.

Dang asked if there is a Disability Conference on this campus and if there is, how it can be promoted.

Frimpong stated that she brought forward a motion to the AccessAbility Committee to gain access to funding so they can send students to the Disability Conference occurring at Ryerson University in March. Frimpong will have a meeting with the AccessAbility Committee on Friday and she can provide Dang with a formal answer.

Zakir clarified that the conference itself is free but the funding they are gathering from UofT will be used to support the conference because it has a \$28 000 budget. Zakir explained that multiple universities along with CFS are pitching in to make the conference happen. Zakir also wants to make sure that there is a way for SCSU students to attend this conference. Zakir is looking into the possibility of providing tokens for students.

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In terms of BOD engagement and outreach, Dang asked how the SCSU office hours model changed.

Srithas stated that there was a discussion about the office hours model. Last semester, she sent out forms to schedule office hours and Board members filled them out. Srithas stated that some Board members have informed her that they were not able to make office hours for legitimate reasons. In addition, some Board members engage with their constituents in different ways. Some hold office hours whereas others attend the meetings, etc. As a result, Srithas gave Board members the choice of how they want to use their office hours, either inside or outside the SCSU office.

Mohamed stated that there is an IT meeting next month and encouraged anyone who wants to get involved to contact her.

9. Adjournment		
MOTION	Moved: Srithas	Seconded: Morris

Be it resolved that the January 31st, 2018 SCSU Board of Directors meeting be adjourned.

Vote: All in favour

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

MINUTES – BURSARY COMMITTEE MEETING Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students Wednesday, December 13th, 2017 | 2:00pm | UTSC Student Centre, SL – 232

- 1. Call to Order:
 - a. Present: Frimpong, Williams, Pacheco, Siewrattan, Abdulla
- 2. Meeting Summary
 - a. There were 3 meetings of the Bursary Committee where each application was reviewed with the assistance of the Financial Aid Office. All who attended the meeting were required to sign confidentiality forms to participate in the deliberation process. Below is a summary of the applications:
 - *i.* 126 Applications received
 - *ii.* 4 Applications were incomplete
 - *iii.* 59 Students received Bursaries
 - *iv.* 63 Applicants were denied
 - b. Once the applications were reviewed, letters were sent out to all students whether they were successful, denied or incomplete at which point students had two weeks to respond. The following occurred after the letters were sent out:
 - *i.* 1 Appeal was submitted
 - c. Total amount of money issued for Bursaries was:
 - *i.* \$9180.00

BIRT the December 13th meeting be adjourned APPROVED

MINUTES – SCSU CLUBS COMMITTEE

Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students Tuesday, January 30th, 2018 | 12:00pm | UTSC Student Centre, SL – 219

- 1. Call to Order: 12:05pm
 - a. Present: Srithas, Frimpong, Mohamed, Williams, Siewrattan
 - b. Absent: Aina
- 2. Equity Statement
- 3. Welcome Remarks & Introduction
- 4. Approval of Agenda

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

Moved: Frimpong CARRIED

Moved: Williams

Seconded: Williams

5. Review of Clubs Funding Packages

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU grant Indian Students Association \$647.94 in funding for Bollywood Movie Night and Bollywood Night

Moved: Frimpong Seconded: Williams CARRIED

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU grant Hear2Speak @ UTSC \$43.95 in funding for Initiation.

Seconded: Srithas

Discussion:

There is no indication that there was an income. This club will be contacted for more information

FAILED

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU grant Language Translation & Social Science Career Path Association \$291.54 in funding for Orientation & Career Path Workshop.

Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Frimpong

Discussion:

This club needs to use more affordable goods for their programming CARRIED

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU grant UT Hong Kong Student Club \$219.80 in funding for Show me the Oday, Booth Set Up & White Theme Party.

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Moved: Srithas CARRIED	Seconded: Williams	
Motion: Be it resolved that the SCS (MSF) UTSC \$101.00 in funding for	SU grant <u>Friends of Medecins Sans Frontieres</u> <u>AGM.</u>	
Moved: Williams	Seconded: Frimpong	
CARRIED		
Motion: Be it resolved the SCSU gr	ant <u>Korea Fever UTSC</u> \$9.77 in funding for	
Korea Fever Chingu Mingle		
Moved: Williams	Seconded: Srithas	
CARRIED		
Motion: Be it resolved that SCSU g Launch Service/Weekly Service & C	rant <u>Campus Church</u> \$1427.35 in funding for Christmas Service.	
Moved: Srithas	Seconded: Frimpong	
Discussion:		
This club has requested a lot of fun	ding and will be asked to present at a future	
meeting	-	
FAILED		
Motion: Be it resolved that SCSU g funding for <u>Islamic Heritage Panel</u>	rant Muslim Students' Association \$276.87 in	
Moved: Srithas	Seconded: Williams	
Discussion:		
There are several Visa receipts but no invoices for the panelists. Invoices will be		
requested.		
FAILED		
	5U grant Hindu Student Council \$1036.20 in	
funding for <u>Diwali Cultural Gala</u>		
Moved: Frimpong	Seconded: Srithas	

CARRIED

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Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSL	J grant Jack.org UTSC \$38.70 in funding for	
Stress Relief Packages.		
Moved: Srithas	Seconded: Williams	
CARRIED		
Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU	J grant Thaqalayn Muslim Association at	
<u>UTSC</u> \$113.64 in funding for <u>Dua Ku</u>	mayl Night & Academe in a Post-Truth	
<u>Universe.</u>		
Moved: Frimpong	Seconded: Srithas	
CARRIED		
Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU	J grant Pakistani Student Association	
\$298.18 in funding for Sham E Rang		
Moved: Williams	Seconded: Srithas	
CARRIED		
Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU	J grant <u>African Students Association</u> \$496 in	
funding for <u>Initiation</u> .		
Moved: Srithas	Seconded: Williams	
Discussion:		
Only one receipt was received for \$2	256.00 which will be reimbursed.	
Amended Motion: Be it resolved that	at the SCSU grant <u>African Students</u>	
<u>Association</u> \$256.00 in funding for <u>Ir</u>	<u>nitiation</u> .	
Moved: Srithas	Seconded: Williams	
CARRIED		
Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU grant South Asian Alliance \$415.72 in		
funding for Auditions, Team meeting, NACS Competition.		
Moved: Williams	Seconded: Frimpong	
CARRIED		

Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>OXFAM Canada at UTSC</u> \$400.00 in funding for <u>Hunger Banquet.</u>

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Williams

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Discussion:

Only one receipt was received for \$40.57 **Amended Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>OXFAM Canada at UTSC</u> \$40.57 in funding for <u>Hunger Banquet</u>. **CARRIED**

Motion: Be it resolved the SCSU **grant** <u>Health Occupation Students of America</u> \$711.88 in funding for <u>First Year Rep Elections/Annual General Meeting</u>.

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Williams

Discussion:

Websites, posters and pizza will be covered, nothing else will be permitted **Amended Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Scarborough Campus</u> <u>Punjabi Association</u> \$311.05 in funding for <u>First Year Rep Elections/Annual</u> <u>General Meeting</u>

Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Williams

CARRIED

Motion: Be it resolved the SCSU **grant** <u>University of Toronto Canadian Korean</u> <u>Students</u> \$906.14 in funding for <u>Ski Trip/Orientation</u>

Moved: Williams Seconded: Frimpong Discussion:

Only food and supplies will be reimbursed for this application **Amended Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU grant <u>University of Toronto</u> Canadian Korean Students \$530.08 in funding for Ski Trip/Orientation

Moved: Williams Seconded: Frimpong

CARRIED

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

Moved: Williams Seconded: Srithas

Discussion: Traditional attire will be covered.

Amended Motion: Be it resolved that the SCSU grant <u>Scarborough Campus</u> <u>Bhangra Team</u> \$1667.87 in funding for <u>Orientation 2017</u> FAILED

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6. Adjournment

Moved: Williams

Seconded: Srithas

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1. Call to Order – 5:21pm

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved: Frimpong

Seconded: Joachimpillai

CARRIED

3. Land Acknowledgement/Equity Statement

4. Attendance (voting & non-voting members)

Present: Srithas (chair) Frimpong (voting) Joachimpillai (voting) Ramzi (voting) Raguwaran (non-voting) Williams (non-voting) Morris (non-voting) Brown (non-voting)

Absent: Siewrattan (secretary) Hassan (voting) Mohamed (voting) Okoro (non-voting) Maharaj (non-voting) Han (non-voting) Arayata (voting) Vigneswaramoorthy (voting) Estaris (voting) Zakir (voting) Banvyei (voting) Atwal (voting) Abdillahi (voting) Konstantopoulos (voting) Sahavian (voting)

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5. Other Business

Raguwaran: Currently volunteers at South Asian Autism Awareness Centre. The centre is moving to a new location and is looking for a donation to go towards programming and a larger space.

Srithas: What exactly this money is going towards? How would donating this money benefit UTSC students?

Raguwaran: A lot of UTSC students are volunteers at the centre. The money would also be used for renovations and additional materials for the space. Nishani is asking for \$2,000.

Be it resolved that the SCSU donate \$2,000 towards South Asian Autism Awareness Centre

Moved: Frimpong

Seconded: Joachimpillai

6. Adjournment

Moved: Ramzi

Seconded: Joachimpillai