# SCARBOROUGH CAMPUS STUDENTS' UNION Board of Directors Package

Tuesday January 23, 2018 6:00PM University of Toronto Scarborough Campus, Student Centre - SL232

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Object to incorrect procedure being used	Point of order.	speaker? YES	seconded?	debatable?	amendable?	required? 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
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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 January 23, 2018 SCSU Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

#### 4. Equity Statement

#### 5. Approval of Minutes

Motion

Moved: Srithas

Seconded:

Be it resolved that the January 23, 2018 minutes package including the following documents be approved as presented:

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

#### 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 January 23, 2017 SCSU Board of Directors meeting be adjourned.

### **Executive Report**

#### Services & Operations

#### Scarborough Campus Students' Union (SCSU)

#### **INCOME STATEMENT**

#### Nov-17 Description of Accounts

#### REVENUE

Student Fees	\$0.00	Health & Dental fee, SCSU Memebership fees
Student Levy's	\$0.00	Levies collected on behalf of other societies/organizations
Space Rental Income	\$22,116.47	Tenant fee's and conference rooms rental
Services Revenue	\$48,539.78	Metropasses, discounted tickets and other services
Event Sales	\$0.00	Orientation, Spring Formal & other event ticket sales
Vending Commissions	\$320.00	Vending machine commissions
Advertising Revenue	\$0.00	Student Center advertising and agenda book ad revenue
Other Income	\$0.00	All other revenue
TOTAL REVENUE	\$70,976.25	

#### EXPENSE

Salaries, Wages & Benefits	\$70,067.58	Salaries, wages, honorariums, and benefits
Supplies	\$2,696.41	Office, computer, photocopier, and general supplies
Student Levy's	\$0.00	Levies submitted to other socities/organizations
Services	\$55,155.97	Metropasses, discounted tickets, liability insurance, payroll costs
Phone &		
Telecommunications	\$0.00	Website, cell phone allowance, e-mail hosting
Capital Renewal	\$1,500.00	Repair and maintinance costs
Event Costs	\$21,660.08	Orientation, Spring Formal & other event costs
Elections	\$102.60	Elections supplies and promotion materials
Meetings	\$1,022.54	Conferences and events attended/hosted by the SCSU
Programming Costs	\$3,036.59	Clubs/DSA Funding, campaigns, agenda books and newsletter
Professional Fees	\$28.64	Legal, Consulting, auditing fee's
Professional Dev & Travel	\$15,133.93	Health & Safetly training, transportation and continuity costs
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$170,404.34	

NET INCOME -\$99,428.0
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#### Scarborough Campus Students' Union (SCSU)

#### INCOME STATEMENT

#### Dec-17 Description of Accounts

#### REVENUE

Student Fees	\$0.00	Health & Dental fee, SCSU Memebership fees
Student Levy's	\$0.00	Levies collected on behalf of other societies/organizations
Space Rental Income	\$12,134.61	Tenant fee's and conference rooms rental
Services Revenue	\$11,152.90	Metropasses, discounted tickets and other services
Event Sales	\$0.00	Orientation, Spring Formal & other event ticket sales
Vending Commissions	\$2,829.29	Vending machine commissions
Advertising Revenue	\$11,711.05	Student Center advertising and agenda book ad revenue
Other Income	\$0.00	All other revenue
TOTAL REVENUE	\$37,827.85	

#### **EXPENSE**

Salaries, Wages & Benefits	\$42,091.07	Salaries, wages, honorariums, and benefits
Supplies	\$2 <i>,</i> 869.40	Office, computer, photocopier, and general supplies
Student Levy's	\$1,700.00	Levies submitted to other socities/organizations
		Metropasses, discounted tickets, liability insurance, payroll
Services	\$11,091.59	costs
Phone &		
Telecommunications	\$0.00	Website, cell phone allowance, e-mail hosting
Capital Renewal	\$0.00	Repair and maintinance costs
Event Costs	\$2 <i>,</i> 668.08	Orientation, Spring Formal & other event costs
Elections	\$0.00	Elections supplies and promotion materials
Meetings	\$822.50	Conferences and events attended/hosted by the SCSU
Programming Costs	\$985.36	Clubs/DSA Funding, campaigns, agenda books and newsletter
Professional Fees	\$96.79	Legal, Consulting, auditing fee's
Professional Dev & Travel	\$0.00	Health & Safetly training, transportation and continuity costs
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$62,324.79	

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NET INCOME	\$24,496.94

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#### **Campaigns & Advocacy**

#### **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>.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### 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<u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### 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>

#### **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>

#### 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.

#### **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 surveyhttps://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfEt\_rcVBoeS-

<u>GooapVd3VmT7I\_KJHdK3eg-7a64ITIY7UYXg/viewform</u> as we will be continuously lobbying the university for accessible, diverse, and intersectional mental health resources on campus. For more information, contact<u>external@scsu.ca</u>

#### **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<u>external@scsu.ca</u>

#### **ROBAM Conference Planning**

As participants of the ROBAM planning committee, VP External has 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>.

#### 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 Faqiri 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 Fagiri 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

#### 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<u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# 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>

#### 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 external@scsu.ca

#### 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.

#### **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.

#### 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.

#### **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>.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

#### 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>

#### **Fairness for Students Campaign**

Fairness for Students Campaign is a new campaign on behalf of the Canadian Federation of Students, that will be launched on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 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.

#### Day of Action – February 1<sup>st</sup>

The Provincial Day of Action this year for the Fight the Fees and Fairness For Students Campaign will be on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 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>

#### 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.

#### 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 contactexternal@scsu.ca

#### 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>

#### 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<u>external@scsu.ca</u>

#### **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 <u>president@scsu.ca</u>.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### **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

#### **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.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### **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 Halls

#### 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>

#### **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>

#### **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 was a total of 16 applications among six DSAs. For more information please contact Christina at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>

#### **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**

#### 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>.

#### 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>.

#### **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>.

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✓	Williams	Lavelle	Director of Anthropology and Health Studies
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	Touman	Sarah	Director of Psychology
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	Srithas	Sitharsana	President
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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
✓	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 6:46 p.m.

#### 2. Roll Call

#### 3. Announcements

There were no announcements at this time.

#### 4. Approval of Agenda MOTION Moved: Dang

Seconded: Jahangir

Be it resolved that the agenda for the December 11<sup>th</sup>, 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** Moved: Ali Seconded: Caluag Be it resolved that the December 11<sup>th</sup>, 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

Vote: All in favour

#### CARRIED

#### 7. Motion to donate to Rohingya Campaign **MOTION** Moved: Arayata

Vigneswaramoorthy

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

Vote: All in favour

#### CARRIED

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oved: Arayata

Seconded.

#### **Services & Operations**

Hassan speaks on November Income Statements

Hassan explained that the November Income Statements have not been produced yet since the monthly income statement is completed on the  $15^{\text{th}}$  of each month.

Hassan speaks on **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!

#### Hassan speaks on 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**

Frimpong speaks on 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.

#### Frimpong speaks on 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.

#### Frimpong speaks on "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.

#### Frimpong speaks on 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.

#### Frimpong speaks on 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.

#### Frimpong speaks on 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.

#### Frimpong speaks on 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.

#### Frimpong speaks on 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.

#### Frimpong speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on **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.

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

# Motion for a 5 minute RecessMOTIONMoved: Hassan

Seconded: Arayata

Hassan put forth a motion for a 5 minute recess.

Vote: All in favour

#### CARRIED

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

Arayata speaks on **DSA Anti-Oppression Trainings** On the following dates the VP AUA and the VP Equity hosted two Anti-Oppressive training sessions for the DSAs.

Arayata speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on Study Space Committee

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

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on **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.

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on 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).

#### Arayata speaks on Sweater Social

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

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on 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.

#### Arayata speaks on Curriculum Committee

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

Arayata speaks on DSL Advisory Committee CSS

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

#### Arayata speaks on Meeting with Curtis

December 5 the VP AUA and President met with Curtis 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.

Arayata speaks on behalf of Srithas regarding **Student Leaders Reception** On November 21st, SCSU executives at tended 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.

Arayata speaks on behalf of Srithas regarding **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.

Arayata speaks on behalf of Srithas regarding **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.

Arayata speaks on behalf of Srithas regarding **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 be held on the Eglinton East LRT. For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

Arayata speaks on behalf of Srithas regarding **Meeting with Vice-Provost** On November 28th, SCSU executives met with the Vice-Provost Office to discuss issues such the Mandatory Leave of Absence, follow up on the laptop ban and the self-declared sick notes pilot, among other things. For more information, contact president@scsu.ca.

Arayata speaks on behalf of Srithas regarding **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 president@scsu.ca.

Arayata speaks on behalf of Srithas regarding 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.

Arayata speaks on behalf of Srithas regarding **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 president@scsu.ca.

#### Arayata speaks on behalf of Srithas regarding **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, changemakers across the province.

#### **Events & Programming**

#### Mohamed speaks on 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.

Mohamed speaks on **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.

# Motion for a 5 minute RecessSeconded: ArayataMOTIONMoved: VigneswaramoorthySeconded: Arayata

Vigneswaramoorthy put forth a motion for a 5 minute recess.

Vote: All in favour

#### CARRIED

Dang stated that the Fight the Fees campaign is still ongoing and encourages students to join. Dang stated that there would be a list of tasks available at the January meeting and encouraged people who are not part of the Fight the Fees Task Force Facebook meeting to join the group.

Vigneswaramoorthy asked Frimpong about what was said at the ARCDO meeting about the University's Drafted Mandated Leave of Absence Policy.

Frimpong stated that generally, people are upset with the policy. People are not comfortable with the language and the idea of the policy because someone could be forced out. Frimpong stated that there were many agenda items, so a follow up meeting was held today. At this meeting, a subcommittee within the advisory committee went through every section of the policy. The Vice-Provost of Students gave an update about words that she is changing and items that need to be considered. Frimpong stated that this was one of several meetings. Frimpong stated that conversations are still happening because the policy is still in the draft stage. Frimpong stated that the Vice-Provost of Students continues to meet with the Executives on the downtown campus. Frimpong noted that there is a petition circulating about the policy, which lists out the concerns of students. Frimpong asked students to let her know if they are interested in adding to the petition because she can pass on the petition to them.

Dang had a general and a specific question. Dang asked if Executives could include their contact information, such as their SCSU email, at the end of their report description in the Executive Report. Dang stated that this would make it easier for students to contact Executives if they have any questions about the Executive Report.

Dang asked for clarification regarding the Community Partnerships Table. Dang asked any Executive who attended to elaborate on what was said because Dang felt the item description was incomplete.

Frimpong stated that Andrew spoke on relationships and why it is important to build community partnerships. Frimpong stated that this discussion flowed into the 150 Celebration that occurred this past Saturday. Frimpong noted that Amerell spoke on the topic of what the long-term equity and diversity on campus will look like. Frimpong noted that the room consisted of stakeholders on and off campus with relationships with UTSC.

Frimpong stated that she could show the agenda of the meeting to Dang during an offline conversation.

Dang asked Arayata about the progress that administration and the SCSU made in regards to the Student Academic Forum; specifically, regarding the list of items Arayata put forth.

Arayata stated that almost all the items except the 5% cap off of late penalties have been approved. Arayata stated that the changes will happen in the 2018 year or in the near future. Arayata stated that the matter of self-declared sick notes is more complicated because of data finding but it is moving along faster than she anticipated. Arayata stated that Mark and the Vice-Provost are working together to figure out what looks good for with UTSC and which departments will be piloting the project. In terms of Academic Rights, Blackboard and ACORN, Arayata spoke with Curtis Cole, who suggested that these university platforms are not the best place to put it so Arayata is looking for alternative university platforms to plug it in. Arayata noted that the 5% cap off is still under discussion; Arayata did not receive a hard no, she just needs to expand on what she was working on before, which is what she has been doing.

Vigneswaramoorthy asked for clarification whether it was guaranteed that something would be put out by January for the Health and Wellness for Racialized Students initiative or whether it was still being worked on.

Frimpong responded that it was most likely to occur at the end of February. Frimpong stated that right now, Ranya is making a module based on focus groups and conversations they have been having. Frimpong stated that from that module they will build what the group will look like.

Vigneswaramoorthy asked how long the process from pilot project to something permanent would be.

Frimpong stated that by "pilot" she meant that this is something new and they will be working together to make it better for next time. This includes determining if they will have different discussions each week, whether the group should be more open, etc. Frimpong noted that this is something she believes that Health and Wellness wants to continue because the Racialized Counselling staff brought it forward. Frimpong believes that Mirror, Mirror and other groups will also continue this initiative.

Dang asked whether the SCSU could look into collaborating with Computer Science students to create an innovative tool for students at UTSC, which would tell students where study space is available in the library. Dang suggested that someone could go around and update where space is available.

Arayata stated that Computer Science students are already working on a study space app that does what Dang suggested. Arayata noted that she is sitting on the Development Committee for this app. Arayata stated that they are getting close but they still need to work out the kinks when it comes to safety and security; therefore, she is not sure about the launch date.

Caluag asked a follow up question regarding whether areas of study space will be built in the new building, Highland Hall.

Arayata stated that Highland Hall is a building that is dedicated to study space for students.

Caluag asked if there has been any discussion to plan how to monitor the study space to ensure that it is being used solely by UTSC students.

Arayata stated that there have not been discussions because UTSC is a public building from 9am to 5pm, therefore anyone is allowed to come in. Arayata noted that when it comes to Exam Time and late night studying, the Campus Police will go around to the best of their ability and check for UTSC ID Cards. Arayata noted that this has always been in place.

Dang noted that Ryerson University has 1 floor in 1 building where only Ryerson students can get in because you need a Ryerson card to enter. Dang asked whether the SCSU can implement this system at UTSC.

Arayata stated that she was unsure.

Caluag noted that a student walked in and wanted to know if the Board will discuss the issue in the next meeting because her questions need to be included in the next meeting to be approved.

The Chair stated that this matter will be discussed in the Other Business portion of the meeting.

Dang asked how the Sexual Violence Prevention module will be implemented for students. Specifically, will there be a pilot roll out then a full roll out or just fully implemented all at once.

Frimpong stated that she is unsure what the roll out will look like. Frimpong knows that they are trying to mandate it for everyone, students and faculty, but in terms of how they will make people do it, that is still under discussion.

Arayata reported that Terry said, "Ideally, in order for students to log onto Blackboard, they would need to fulfil training before getting access to course material."

Dang asked a follow up question about whether training will be annually, biannually or just once.

Arayata stated that she is unsure because there is still discussion about this topic.

Dang suggested that training could occur each semester as a reminder at the beginning of each term.

Dang noted that there is little media coverage of the potentially substantive issue of Unit 1 CUPE 3902 tentative agreement. Dang asked how long will the tentative agreement last and what does it mean for courses at UTSC if this deal is not ratified by the Teaching Assistants (TAs).

Arayata is unsure of what it means for courses. Arayata has kept in touch with the External Coordinator of CUPE and noted that the CUPE strike vote will happen this week. Arayata noted that in 6 days we will find out what happens from there.

Dang reiterated that the SCSU does not know how long this tentative agreement will last and we need to wait for media coverage to learn more about this matter.

The Chair stated that she believes the agreement is asking for 3 years but there is still bargaining because the university has not agreed with a good portion of what CUPE 3902 has asked for. The Chair noted that CUPE 3902 has a website, a twitter and Facebook page that will have updates on this issue. The Chair noted that there would be more updates as CUPE gets closer to bargaining and has more frequent meetings with the university.

Dang asked, in regards to the Toronto Environmental Alliance, what conversations the SCSU had about bringing TEA to Scarborough related initiatives. Dang asked if this was a point that could be answered by anyone other than Srithas.

The Chair stated that Srithas would be the person who could answer this question best.

Dang asked, broadly speaking on the issue of the environment, who a student should go to if they want to speak with a member of the SCSU about environmental issues.

The Chair stated that students who want to discuss environmental issues should contact the VP External, Kubra Zakir.

Stojanovski noted that Srithas brought up the college strike in the last Board meeting, and the college strike concluded. Stojanovski asked if there were any updates regarding the Paramedicine and Journalism Studies students. Stojanovski asked if there was anything the SCSU is doing to make up for lost time and to make sure that these students are getting back on their feet.

Arayata stated that she had soft conversations with Mark, who is working on this matter, and she will touch base with him again. From her knowledge, professors are pushing course work in with the remaining time that they have left.

Dang stated that the New Media Studies students are also affected by the disruption in class services. Dang asked whether the SCSU could release a statement regarding this matter because it was said at the last meeting that a statement would be given to the public and he would like to pursue that.

Arayata stated that the SCSU already released a statement about the college strike, which is available online on the SCSU website and the SCSU Facebook page.

Dang asked if another statement could be released about the impact of the college strike on the 3 UTSC programs (Paramedicine, Journalism Studies and New Media Studies) and the affected students.

Frimpong asked Dang why he wants a separate statement.

Dang replied that he would like the separate statement to be addressed to the students involved since the first statement was addressed college faculty. Dang acknowledged that it is important to address college faculty, but he knows that some students may not link it directly to the idea that they are being supported and represented by the SCSU.

Stojanovski asked if it is possible to have an update incorporated in the next agenda.

The Chair answered in affirmation. The Chair asked Hassan to include an update of the college strike in the agenda of the next meeting.

Dang asked if someone wanted to investigate the possibility of a sustainability commission meeting at UTSC, would it fall under VP External or another Executive.

The Chair suggested that Dang should try to attend a committee meeting and propose the idea for a commission. The Chair noted that the Executives could have other ideas too.

Frimpong agreed with the Chair's suggestion for Dang to bring up his idea at a commissions meeting and encouraged Dang to attend a commission meeting.

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

Vote: All in favour

#### CARRIED

#### 9. Director Updates

Jahangir, Williams, Morris, Stojanovski, and Sithamparanathan had no updates.

Vigneswaramoorthy stated that her update was the same as last month, she is trying to get the list of journals onto the SCSU website.

Caluag stated that the Communication Café for French and Linguistics will be different next semester.

Dang stated that there was a crisis yesterday in the POLC09 and POL D09 courses, which are taught by Professor Ahmad. Dang stated that he already emailed Arayata regarding this issue. Dang stated that he is still working on his report.

Ali stated that the Association of Philosophy Students has sent out emails to professors so they can distribute the posters for the Philosophy Conference to their students.

#### 10. Other Business

The Chair reminded the Board of the discussion at the last board meeting regarding the motion to receive the Elections and Referenda Committee (ERC) report back based on the students that spoke at the last meeting and to thoroughly go through the ERC.

The Chair noted that Caluag had a question regarding the student who came in earlier.

The Chair explained that the student wanted to come in to speak to an email that was sent to members of the ERC today. The Chair informed the student that the ERC has not met yet and advised the student to go through the process of going to the ERC, having the ERC meet and coming back to this space if the issue was not resolved.

Mohamed stated that the ERC did not have a chance to meet due to hectic schedules but the ERC will meet after this Board meeting.

Mohamed stated that the ERC received several emails about the spring elections. Mohamed stated that the ERC is a 10 page document and proceeded to read out the important parts of the ERC to the Board so they know what the ERC is and what the elections go through.

The Chair understands that other emails have been sent to members of the ERC. The Chair informed the student who wanted to speak at the meeting that they need to go through the ERC protocol. The Chair ruled that the student was unable to meet today because the ERC had not met. According to the process of the SCSU, the student needs to go through the process, which meant going to the ERC, but the ERC had not met up yet. If the issue is not resolved at the ERC, it can be brought up to the Board at the next Board meeting. The Chair noted that the student was adamant that the email should be read aloud today. The Chair does not want that to happen but the Chair acknowledges that some folks in the room want the email to be read. The Chair stated that if anyone wanted to object her ruling, they are welcome to do so. Although it may not be following protocols, the Board could overrule the Chair and have the emails read aloud at this meeting. The Chair noted that a simple majority vote would overrule the ruling.

Ali asked for a Point of Clarification whether the people who spoke at the previous meeting were allowed to speak.

The Chair responded that these individuals were given speaking rights by the Board.

Ali asked if, according to the rules of the SCSU, should these individuals have been given the right to speak at the Board of Directors meeting.

The Chair responded that students can come to meetings and speak to motions on the table. The Board is given an agenda in advance of the meeting, recognizing that their job is to read the documents in its entirety. The Chair stated that students can speak on issues if they are unable to go through their representatives. The Chair noted that she was not at the last Board of Directors meeting but assumed that is what happened at the last meeting based on the meeting minutes. The Chair noted that the Board granted these individuals speaking rights and they were allowed to speak on those issues.

The Chair reiterated that as the Chair of this meeting, she advised the student to go through the process and if the issue is not dealt with by the ERC at their sufficient request, the student can come back to speak to the Board and have this issue addressed.

Dang requested a Point of Order regarding the last meeting. Dang asked whether one could retroactively amend the agenda if it has already been passed.

The Chair stated that it was not possible because the agenda has already been approved.

Caluag asked for a Point of Clarification on whether the CRO met already and approved.

The Chair stated that the CRO had not met yet.

The Chair reminded the Board that she told the student to go through the proper channels: to go to the ERC first and if there is no resolution, they can come to the Board at the next Board of Directors meeting. The Chair ruled that out of order but stated that folks can object this ruling and have that discussion today.

Dang put forth a motion to object the Chair's ruling.

Vote: Majority in favour

#### CARRIED

The Chair's ruling was overturned.

Mohamed read the email sent to the ERC. The sender of the email stated that a certain group of students have been pre-campaigning for the upcoming spring SCSU election. These individuals have been asking student to support and volunteer for them in regards to their slate. The sender

of the email is concerned with their tactics, which include slandering current and previous Executives in order to gain students' trust and support. The sender of the email is concerned that the students mentioned are putting down a current SCSU Executive who they claim is coming back as an unqualified President. Students feel that these 4 students are attempting to play with the Executive's emotions and mentally disabling her from getting the job done.

The sender is familiar with the SCSU guidelines and policies, and expresses concern because these students are campaigning in places where they should not be campaigning such as: the Racialized Students Collective (RSC), the Student's Centre, and anywhere else on campus. The sender of the email noted that these individuals have been talking to them about their campaign in the Meeting Place, outside Tim Hortons and the Student's Centre.

The sender of the email is not comfortable with how these 4 are playing dirty and asked for action to be taken because these students should not be pre-campaigning, slandering current and past SCSU Executives, using their insider resources to build themselves up, and pressuring students to vote for them and volunteer for them.

The sender of the email stated that other individuals have contributed to this email but they wished to stay anonymous.

The Chair stated that the ERC needs to deal with this matter as a committee and there is not much the folks on the Board can do other than hear the email. The Chair asked Hassan to include the ERC as part of the agenda of the next meeting to give a report back on how the meetings have gone.

Dang asked whether a transit survey statement could be procured from the Union. Dang stated that they were promised a statement at the last meeting and he would like a follow up. Dang asked if a statement could be put forth regarding the findings.

Dang asked if there could be an update on the CSS subcommittee on Sleep at the next meeting.

Dang stated that a student approached him because they want to see a list of beneficial donorship at UTSC, which will include all the information about where money donated to organizations external of the university is going for accountability sake and clarity. Dang would like a follow up on that as well.

#### 11. Adjournment MOTION

Moved: Morris

Seconded: Stojanovski

Be it resolved that the December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 SCSU Board of Directors meeting be adjourned.

Vote: All in favour

#### CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m

1. Call to Order: 4:59pm Present: Frimpong, Arayata, Srithas, Kirk, Stoganovski

2. Equity Statement

Frimpong recites a Land Acknowledgement and an Equity Statement

- 3. Welcome Remarks & Introduction
- 4. Overview of Procedures

Arayata explains an excel spreadsheet that was developed so Committee members can see how

Stoganovski asks what type of projects DSAs are approved funding for.

Arayata responds informing the Committee that we fund social, academic

Srithas outlines other areas of DSA Funding Policy for the Committee.

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Be it resolved that the DSA Funding Round 1 Agenda be approved as presented.

Moved: Frimpong Seconded: Stoganovski

#### CARRIED

6. Review of Clubs Funding Packages

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Students of Sociology</u> \$241.74 in funding for <u>Career</u> <u>Panel.</u>

Moved: Frimpong Seconded: Srithas

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Students of Sociology</u> \$180.57 in funding for <u>Graduate</u> <u>School Panel.</u>

Moved: Stoganovski Seconded: Srithas

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Students of Sociology</u> \$234.63 in funding for <u>Social</u> <u>Science Carousel.</u>

Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Stoganovski

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>International Developmental Studies' Student</u> <u>Association</u> \$187.52 in funding for <u>Frosh.</u>

Moved: Frimpong Seconded: Srithas

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>International Developmental Studies' Student</u> <u>Association</u> \$67.45 in funding for <u>Orientation Hike.</u>

Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Stoganovski

#### **Discussion:**

Frimpong mentioned that they shouldn't be crossing out information in the receipts. Srithas suggests in the approval e-mail it should read please do not cross out receipts in the future. **CARRIED** 

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Geography and City Studies Student Association</u> \$107.32 in funding for <u>Frosh.</u>

Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Stoganovski

#### **Discussion:**

Arayata suggests that in the follow-up approval e-mail, the DSA should complete the description section of the funding package. The committee is comfortable letting it slide this time since reimbursements were for their tabling at Frosh.

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU grant <u>French Department Students' Association</u> \$175.35 in funding for <u>Soyez à L'Aise</u>.

Moved: Frimpong Seconded: Srithas

#### **Discussion:**

Stoganovski suggests that Arayata reminds all DSAs to use reusable bags rather than paying 5 cents and doing something that is harmful for the environment

Stoganovski also prefers the Clubs Funding package because it categorizes how items were used. They suggest this committee borrow from the other system.

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU grant <u>French Department Students' Association</u> \$22.54 in funding for <u>Franco-Ontarian Day</u>.

Moved: Frimpong Seconded: Stoganovski

#### **Discussion:**

Arayata explains that the package originally requested 29.04, but we are only covering partial funding because they did not provide receipts for the full amount. She will let them know we are partially funding their package.

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Environmental and Physical Sciences Students'</u> <u>Association</u> \$65.05 in funding for <u>Tie Dye Event</u>.

Moved: Srithas

Seconded: Stoganovski

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Environmental and Physical Sciences Students'</u> <u>Association</u> \$32.71 in funding for <u>Fall Mix and Mingle.</u>

Moved: Stoganovski Seconded: Frimpong

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU grant <u>Environmental and Physical Sciences Students'</u> <u>Association</u> \$197.37 in funding for <u>Frosh.</u>

Moved: Frimpong Seconded: Srithas

#### **Discussion:**

Stoganovski inquires the partial inclusion of their bank statement.

Rather than 191.87, Arayata suggests we make a friendly amendment to give them \$197.37 due to conversion rates

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Environmental and Physical Sciences Students'</u> Association \$195.55 in funding for <u>Space Week Telescope</u>.

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Stoganovski

#### **Discussion:**

Arayata will be contacting all DSAs (whether or not they are approved funding) that the Committee recommends alternative food options and cheaper printing options. Catering through Rex's Den means they do not have to pay out of pocket, and SCSU offers cheaper printing options.

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Environmental and Physical Sciences Students'</u> <u>Association</u> \$399.48 in funding for <u>BioSa & EPSA Paintball</u>.

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Frimpong

#### CARRIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Biology Students' Association</u> \$87.95 in funding for First Year Rep Elections.

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Stoganovski

#### Discussion:

Arayata points out that their revenue outweighs their expenses.

Stoganovski suggested e deny their package, because based on their submission, they

have enough money to pay for it on their own.

Srithas recommends that Arayata invite them to meet with the BSA.

#### DENIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Biology Students' Association</u> \$42.92 in funding for <u>Active Site.</u>

Moved: Srithas Seconded: Stoganovski

#### **Discussion:**

Srithas notices this package also includes revenue that outweighs their expenses and recommends denial.

#### DENIED

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the SCSU **grant** <u>Biology Students' Association</u> \$150.22 in funding for <u>Fall Exam De-stressor</u>.

Moved: Stoganovski Seconded: Srithas

#### **Discussion:**

Frimpong notices this package also includes revenue that outweighs their expenses and recommends denial.

#### DENIED

7. Adjournment

Moved: Frimpong

Seconded: Stoganovski