Wednesday, October 27, 2021 5:00 – 7:00 PM via Zoom



# BOARD OF DIRECTORS PACKAGE

# Attendance

Last Name	First Name	Constituency or Position	
Abdillahi	Sarah	President	
Murray	Isaiah	Vice-President Equity	
Mai	Andy	Vice-President Operations	
Chandrasegar	Kashi	Vice-President External	
Rahman	Rimsha	Vice-President Academic & University Affairs	
Но	τJ	Vice-President Campus Life	
Malik	Muntaha	Director of Critical Development Studies	
Marvia	Marvia	Director of Sociology	
Rautela	Janvi	Director of Computer & Mathematical Sciences	
Haggag	Zeyad	Director of Management	
Maqsood	Aytha	Director of French & Linguistics	
Grey	Victoria	Director of Historical & Cultural Studies	
Ahamat	Khalisah	Director of Health Studies	
Munir	Anika	Director of Human Geography	
Juneja	Devesh	Director of Philosophy	
Vacant		Director of Political Science	
Krishna	Gautham	Director of Biological Science	
Afzal	Maidah	Director of English	
Edwards	Janeve	Director of Psychology	
Fine	Max	Director of Physical & Environmental Sciences	
Yi	Angela	International Student Director	
Parvin	Fa	Director of Anthropology	
Gordiychuk	Anastasiya	Director of Arts, Culture and Media	

# Agenda

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Equity Statement
- 3. Announcements

# 4. Approval of the Agenda

Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded:

Be it resolved that the October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Board Meeting agenda be approved as presented.

### 5. Approval of Minutes

Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded:

Be it resolved that the October  $27^{th}$ , 2021 minutes package including the following documents be approved as presented:

a)	) Executive Committee		
	i.	October 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2021 (pg. 13)	
	ii.	October 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2021 (pg. 16)	

- b) Board of Directors Meeting i. September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (pg. 19)
- c) Policy and Bylaw Committee Meeting i. Octobre 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 (pg. 18)

### 7. Appointment of Vice-President Operations a. Motion to go in-camera

Motion	Moved: Abdilahi	Seconded:
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Be it resolved that the Board of Directors meeting move in-camera to discuss applicants.

### b. Appointment of Vice-President Operations

Motion	Moved: Abdillahi	Sconeded:	
Be it resolved that	be appointed	be appointed as Vice-President Operations.	
8. Appointment of Directors			
Motion	Moved: Abdillahi	Seconded:	
Be it resolved that	and	_ be appointed as First Year Representatives.	
Be it resolved that be appointed as Director of Political Science.			
Be it resolved that	be appointed as International Director.		

Be it resolved that \_\_\_\_\_ be appointed as Part-Time Director.

### 9. Review of Vice-President Campus Life

### **10. Bursary Funding Policy**

The following motion has been recommended for adoption by the Policy and Bylaw Committee.

Motion Moved: Murray Seconded:

Whereas the SCSU's Academic Bursary is currently administered through the Financial Aid Office directly into ACORN; and

Whereas this method prevents students from immediately accessing financial support to pay for academic related accommodations such as textbooks, resources, etc.; and

Whereas direct administration via SCSU has proven to be an effective and faster method as utilized for the Emergency Grant;

Be it resolved that the Bursary Funding Policy be amended to read:

### <u>Preamble</u>

The Scarborough Campus Students' Union (SCSU) believes education is a right, and that students at the University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) should be provided with various means of receiving financial support. The SCSU provides funding opportunities to students at UTSC through our bursary programs in effort to enhance the accessibility of the academic experience at UTSC. The SCSU is dedicated to supporting students throughout their post-secondary educational journey.

To ensure accountability and efficiency for the distribution of bursary funding, the SCSU has adopted the following policy as the Bursary Funding Policy.

SCSU Academic Bursaries Grants are to be awarded to any member of the Scarborough Campus Students' Union who demonstrates financial need in relation to inequitable access to education. Inequities are based on factors that include but are not limited to race, class, sex, ability, citizenship status, or otherwise.

### Terms of Funding

Funds will be provided to students in accordance with established guidelines outlined below:

- Officers and Voting Directors of the SCSU are not eligible to apply.
- Awards from the SCSU Grant will be deposited into a student's ACORN account.
- A bursary (grant) is intended to assist students with unmet need with respect to their educational expenses.
- Before applying for bursary grant assistance, students are expected to have explored ALL other avenues of financial assistance (e.g. family support, savings, summer and part-time earnings, OSAP or other government assistance programs, daycare subsidies, and bank lines of credit).
- A bursary (grant) is not intended to fund non-educational expenses or repay other debts.
- Complete all sections of the application. Answer each question and explain in detail any exceptional expenses or circumstances. Insufficient information or an incomplete application will

affect the consideration of your application. Supporting documents, such as receipts, are welcomed.

• Supporting documents are to be submitted to the Registrar's Office (AA142).

### Funding Restrictions

- Students will not be eligible for funding if they are not enrolled at UTSC as a full-time undergraduate student.
- Students whose revenue outweighs their expenses will not receive a grant.

### **Application Process**

 Grant and Bursary applications are available at <u>www.scsu.ca/bursaries-grants</u> here: https://webapps.utsc.utoronto.ca/regoffice/eservice/student/index.php?req=scsu\_awards

### **Adjudication**

The SCSU Bursary Committee is responsible for the appropriate distribution of Bursary Funding to students. The SCSU Bursary Committee will only consider detailed and complete Bursary Applications.

- The distribution of SCSU bursaries will be based on the outlined criteria and procedures set out in SCSU Policies, By-laws and the SCSU Constitution<del>, in conjunction with Financial Aids Office.</del>
- The SCSU Bursary Committee will meet regularly on an as-need<del>ed</del> basis and will be comprised of the following members:
  - President or designate
  - One (1) Director who is not ex-officio and that is appointed by the Board.
  - One (1) member of the Union who shall be appointed by the Board in accordance to the Bursary Funding Policy
  - Representation from the Financial Aids Office (non-voting)
- Decisions by the SCSU Bursary Committee will be received by e-mail.

### Funding Pick-Up

- Upon approval for the funding by the SCSU Bursary Committee, funding will be provided to students via cheque or e-transfer, to be coordinated with the student by the Vice-President Equity. via their ACORN account, should they be been granted approval
- Cheques or e-transfers not deposited within six (6) months will be voided and cancelled.
- Should you wish to make an appeal to your SCSU Bursary, download an Appeal Form on our website: http://www.scsu.ca/services/student-services/bursaries/

### 11. Executive Report

Moved: Abdillahi

Seconded:

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

### **12. Directors Updates**

### 13. Adjournment

### Motion

Motion

Moved: Abdillahi

Be it resolved that the October 27th, 2021 meeting be adjourned.

# **Executive Report**

# **Vice-President Operations**

### Income statement October

Income Statement		
	Sept-21	
REVENUE		Description of Accounts
Student Fees	40,661.16	Health and Dental Fees, SCSU Membership fees
Space Rental Income	25,709.54	Tenant Fees and Conference Room Rentals
Service Revenue	87.25	Discounted tickets, Lockers & Postering, H&D Sales
Event Sales	7,840.00	Orientation, Mosaic, Boat Cruise, etc.
TTC Metropass and Fare Sales	0.00	TTC Merchandise
Vending Commissions	0.00	Vending Machine commissions
Advertising Revenue	0.00	Student centre advertising, agenda, and ad revenue
Other Income	33,064.07	Investments, Grants, Sponsorship & CEWS Plan
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 107,362.02	

### EXPENSE

Wages and Benefits Costs	94,289.38	Salaries, Part Time, Honorariums and Benefits
Supplies	848.29	Office, Computer, Supplies, and Photocopier
Ticket Purchases	64.58	Discounted Tickets
Services	3,051.65	Agenda Books, Postage, and Insurance
Metropasses	0.00	TTC Merchandise
Event Costs	30,421.77	Orientation, BHM Event and Other Event Costs
Elections	0.00	Election related costs
Meetings	0.00	Annual General Meeting & General Meeting Costs
Programming Costs	5,129.93	Campaigns, Food Centre, RSC and Appreciation
Funding	0.00	Donations, Bursary, Clubs and DSA Funding
Professional Development	5,047.16	Continuity, Transportation and Travel
Building Repairs and Maintenance	4,875.00	Repairs and Maintenance Costs for the Building
Professional Fees	0.00	Legal and Auditing Fees
Phones and Telecommunications	377.49	Phone Charges
Subsidiaries	0.00	Subsidy to Rex's Den
Bank Charges	1,037.91	General Bank Charges, H&D E-Transfer Fees
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$145,143.16	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	(\$37,781.14)	

### Scarborough Campus Students' Union

### President

### **Black Student Welcome Event**

On September 16th, the President and VP Equity attended UTSC's Black Student Welcome where we got a chance to interact with the Black students of UTSC virtually. There were club leaders in the space and we all had a couple of minutes to share the work that we do and how students can get involved with the SCSU. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

### **VaxFacts Student Ambassador Meetings**

On September 20th, the President met with the students who signed up to be VaxFacts Student ambassadors and we talked about progress of where we are at right now. We've met weekly on Mondays until I had the last meeting with Scarborough Health Network, UTSC, Centennial College and other community members about Developing a Young Adult Vaccine Strategy for Scarborough. SHN is now looking for new Vaxfacts student ambassadors who are interested in helping getting youth between the ages of 5-18 in Scarborough fully vaccinated. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at <u>president@scsu.ca</u>

### Service Centre Launch Week

From September 21st to September 23rd, the SCSU launched 5 virtual events for each of our service centres and our street team. All the events were amazing and students had the opportunities to win prizes! For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

### Meeting with UTSC Senior Executive Team

On September 22nd, President, VP Equity, VP Academics, and VP External had the opportunity to speak with UTSC's top decision makers: The senior executive team at UTSC. We made a presentation and a document with all of our demands this year and received such high praises for being super organized this year and having demands that aligned with the work UTSC wants to do. We are hoping to see a lot of student victories and we are especially excited for SCSU's lobby week where students get to talk and lobby UTSC's senior executive team on the different demands that we talked to them about on September 22nd. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

### **Council on Student Services**

On September 22nd, we had our first Council on student services meeting for the 2021-2022 school year. We started the meeting with folks from the office of student experience and wellbeing office explaining what CSS is to all the students on the call. Then the President, Sarah, got elected chair of CSS. After we explained the different committees that are part of CSS and the students on the call got to choose which committee they would like to sit on for this year. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

### Sign Making & Global Climate Strike

On September 23rd, the President organized an on-campus sign making event where students came to the Student centre and painted their own signs. Then on September 24th, the SCSU and the students of UTSC took our signs to the streets as we participated in the Global Climate strike happening at Queen's Park. There were thousands of people present, we chanted, we marched and then we watched amazing performances from local artists. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

### **Housing initiatives**

On September 27th, the President worked on SCSU's Multi-Tenant Rooming Housing Letter in collaboration with the GTA student unions to Major Tory and his councillors in order to get them to vote in favor of the Multi-Tenant Rooming Houses Framework which would make MTRH in Scarborough legal and safe for UTSC students. Unfortunately the vote on MTRH has been pushed and will likely keep getting pushed because our leaders don't care about the safety and well-being of students and people with low-incomes who have no choice but to live in these dangerous but cheap living conditions.

On September 28th, President VP Academics and VP External attended UTSC Residence's consultation on how to make their residences better for future students and see what students are willing to give up for cheaper but safer living conditions (for example sharing a room with another student) and we would pick the designs that would still provide the students with privacy even though they would be sharing a room. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at <u>president@scsu.ca</u>

### Mental health Advisory Committee

On September 29th, the President, VP Academics, VP External and VP Equity attended the first Mental Health advisory committee of the 2021-2022 academic year. We heard updates from the Health & Wellness about how they plan on supporting students this year as we slowly move into a hybrid model of virtual and in-person services. We are excited to organize with the students on the committee and see victories on all of the demands of our My Mental health matters campaign. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

### **SCSU Campaigns**

We successfully launched all of our campaigns on Instagram and our Website. On Monday September 27th we dropped our Education for All campaign and on Tuesday September 28th we dropped our My Mental Health Matters campaign, We also did some outreach & tabling to let students know what our campaigns are and how they can get involved with all of them especially since we want to get students hyped for SCSU's Lobby week. On Wednesday September 29th we dropped our Building consent culture campaign, on Thursday September 30th we dropped our Local & Global Justice Campaign and on Friday October 1st we dropped our Unite with Students campaign. If anyone wants to get involved with our campaigns please contact campaigns@scsu.ca to join our working groups. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

#### **UTSC Clubs Week**

From October 5-8, SCSU tabled with our friends APUS and TTC Riders along with clubs at UTSC and we talked to students about our campaigns, upcoming events, all the services we provide to students and we gave away free stuff like our agendas, water bottles, snacks, and so much more. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

### UMLAP TownHall

On October 5th, the SCSU attended one of the last townhalls about UMLAP that was hosted by the chairs of the UMLAP review committee Donald Ainslie and Varsha Patel. Unfortunately the town hall was a complete waste of time as the format was super inaccessible and the chairs failed to provide legitimate responses to the questions that students had. We have come to the conclusion that the review committee can only provide recommendations but they aren't necessarily going to implement what we suggest. We will continue to advocate for better mental health services at UofT along with our sister unions. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

### **Club & DSA Training**

On October 6th, the SCSU hosted a two hour session for all interested clubs & dsas to get recognized by SCSU for the 2021-2022 school year. Over 100 campus groups attended the live session and then watched the pre-recorded videos on their own times. We were delighted to see many campus groups eager to come back to campus. We can't wait until it's finally safe for us to be on campus and have events like we used to do before the pandemic. If you are a club and you have any questions please contact <u>clubsandevents@scsu.ca</u> and if you are a DSA please contact Rimsha Rahman at <u>academics@scsu.ca</u>. If you have a general question like how to start a club or want to get involved with any of the SCSU recognized campus groups please contact Sarah Abdillahi at <u>president@scsu.ca</u>

### Meeting with OSEW

On October 7th, SCSU met with a representative from the OSEW where their office has committed to donating \$25,000 to SCSU's emergency fund that will go live starting November 1st! We are so excited to be able to provide some financial support & relief because we know the effects of the pandemic are on-going and that students are one of the most vulnerable communities in need of support during these unprecedented times. We are grateful for the OSEW for putting students first. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

### **Outdoor Movie Night**

On October 7th, the SCSU hosted our Outdoor movie night in the HW Patio where we watched Cruella! 70+ students had signed up to attend and we came prepared with free popcorn, hot chocolate, coffee and tea! The students had an amazing time and requested that we host more in-person events. We look forward to all the stuff we have planned for the year. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

### Vice-President External

### **Outdoor Movie Night**

On October 7th, the Vp External and SCSU Executives hosted an in-person outdoor movie night. The VP external partook in all of the events such as making hot chocolate and popcorn and setting up the outdoor supplies. During the event, the VP External also outreached and talked to various students, discussing the premise of the union, future events, and how students can get involved. The overall night went pretty well, and the VP External and SCSU Execs were able to provide students with an opportunity to reconnect with each other and the union. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Kashi at external@scsu.ca.

### **Clubs Week**

The VP External and SCSU Execs tabled during Clubs week. The VP External took part in various promotional pieces and talked to various clubs and students in the meeting place. The VP External also tabled for SCSU in the Students Centre, connecting with various first-year students to discuss the premise of the union, future events, and how they can get involved. In addition, the VP External invited the TTC Riders and Association of Part-Time Undergraduate Students to join SCSU at the Students Centre table. They had attended all three days of tabling and connected with respective students, talking about the need for accessible and affordable transit (many students also signed the petition and also signed up to be volunteers), and how to get involved with APUS as a part-time student. Overall, clubs week was a success, and the VP External was able to connect with various external organizations. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### **Residence in-person Consultation**

The VP External, SCSU President and VP AUA attended a Residence in-person consultation on September 28th that was hosted by an independent third party. The meeting was held in person at UTSC's Arts and Administration Building. During the meeting, the SCSU Executives introduced themselves and discussed the many housing concerns that students were facing. The SCSU Executives were also able to connect with students that attended to discuss their experiences and concerns regarding housing. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### **Campaigns outreach**

At the end of September and at the beginning of October, the VP External and SCSU Execs connected with students on campus to discuss SCSU's campaigns and how they can get involved this year. The VP External partook in various promotional pieces to further advertise

SCSU campaigns, namely the Unite with Students Campaign. If you have any further questions, please feel free to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca.</u>

### **Clubs and DSA Training**

On October 6th, the VP External attended the Clubs and DSA Training with the SCSU President, VP AUA, VP Equity and VP Operations. The VP External partook in the activities that were part of the programming, formally introduced herself, and also discussed the premise of SCSU and its three main pillars. Furthermore, the VP External and SCSU executives were able to connect with clubs around campus. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### **Board of Stewards Meeting & Agenda Committee**

As the official SCSU designate, the VP External attended the Board of Stewards Meeting, which was hosted on October 7, 2021. The Board of Stewards Committee is the highest form of governance at Hart House. The VP External introduced herself and listened through the virtual Hart house presentations, a series of presentations that touch base on the various opportunities, programming and clubs. In addition to this, in an endeavour to get further involved, the VP External volunteered and was accepted to be an official member of the Board of Stewards' Agenda Committee. The VP External looked over the agenda for approval and all relevant documents and information that was going to be presented in the meeting. The VP External was able to connect with various members on the team, some of them from the UTSG Campus, and was able to discuss the Board of Stewards meeting and what would be presented to the members. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca.</u>

### **SCSU X Varsity Meeting**

On October 8th, the SCSU President and VP External attended a meeting with the Varsity to discuss their publications on the SCSU. The VP External and SCSU President introduced themselves, and during the meeting, discussed what the plan was for the upcoming year. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca.</u>

### **COSS** Meeting

On October 19th, 2021, the VP External attended the first Council on Students Services Meeting. The committee consists of key members of the University of Toronto from all three campuses. This year, the chair of the meeting is UTSU. As such, the VP External is the official UTSC Representative on the committee. The VP External introduced herself and connected various members, some of which are in sister unions. During the meeting, various updates were shared, carrying on from the last meeting held last year. In addition, presentations also took place regarding official programming, student opportunities and clubs. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### **CSS** Meeting

On October 20th, 2021, the VP External attended UTSC's Council on Students Services Meeting. During

this meeting, presentations on Student Affairs and Services took place. The Department of Student Life and International Student Centre, AACC and AccessAbility were a couple of the presenters and had discussed the various programming and opportunities they have available for UTSC students for the upcoming year. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### **Midterm Destressor Outreach**

SCSU hosted a 3-day midterm de-stressor event for UTSC students. This outreach event provided them with exam care kits, hot drinks, snacks, agendas, and student supplies to help during the midterm season. The VP External was able to attend two out of the three days (the VP External had a midterm scheduled during the time outreach was happening). During the two days, the VP External connected with various UTSC Students, made countless hot drinks and talked to students about SCSU Campaigns, and how to get involved with the union. The VP External also helped with set up and takedown and participated in various promotional pieces to further outreach for the de-stressor event. The SCSU President and VP External also went around the science wing to give students the exam care kits, while also discussing the premise of SCSU. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### Equity and Community Funding Committee meeting

On October 19th, 2021 the VP External attended an Equity and Community Funding Committee meeting which is a student advisory committee that is part of CSS. The VP External was made an official member back in September. During this meeting, the VP External discussed her thoughts on certain matters and connected with the small group of members, including the VP Equity to discuss various applications and the budgets for them. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### **TCBN Fall Quarterly meeting**

On October 19th, the VP External attended a fall quarterly meeting hosted by the Toronto Community Benefits Network (TCBN). The VP External is the official representative for SCSU and attended all 90 minutes of the meeting. During the meeting, various presentations and updates took place regarding initiatives and opportunities in Scarborough and Toronto. If you have any further questions, please feel free to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### **UMLAP** Consultation

On October 5th, the VP External and SCSU President attended a UMLAP Consultation. During this meeting, the VP External asked the members hosting the event questions regarding the policy, expressing concerns that both the union and students had. In addition, the VP External also signed a petition regarding the UMLAP policy on behalf of the Scarborough Campus Students Union and its Executive Team. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### **Mental Health Advisory Committee**

At the start of October, the VP External as well as other SCSU Executive members attended a Mental Health Advisory Committee meeting hosted by UTSC Senior Administration members. The VP External and SCSU members introduced themselves and, along with other students, had expressed their concerns regarding mental health at U of T and UTSC. Furthermore, a group chat was set up for all students so that further correspondence can take place, which the VP External and SCSU Executives are also part of. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### **TTC Horror Stories**

On October 27th, The VP External and other SCSU Executives took part in an event that was hosted by SCSU regarding the TTC. This was an opportunity for students to describe their experiences with the TTC.

The findings from this event were shared with TTC Riders to further SCSU's advocacy for more affordable, accessible and safe transit. The VP External took part in the programming and also connected further with students. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### **VNP** Program

The VP External and VNP Coordinator have been meeting on a weekly basis to discuss the VNP Program and its reconstruction. New levels and partnerships have been established and introduced. Over the last month, the VP External has been working on securing partnerships for the program. Furthermore, programming has been established for November, wherefore workshops in collaboration with various UTSC departments have been ascertained. In addition to this, the VP External and VNP Coordinator have also made programming for the upcoming year, discussing details about networking events and the appreciation gala. The VP External and VNP Coordinator have also determined new programming that will help provide UTSC students with more opportunities and experiences. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca.</u>

### Connecting with the MP and MPP of Scarborough-Rouge Park

As a goal for this upcoming year, the VP External has made a mission to grow external connections and strengthen the relationship between SCSU and the Scarborough-Rouge Park MP and MPP. As such, after further correspondence and official meeting with MPP has been ascertained. This meeting will be an official introduction between SCSU and the MPP, and we will also discuss SCSU's goals for the upcoming year. More information to follow in the next board meeting. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

### **Ontario Executive Meeting**

On October 21st, 2021, the VP External attended the Ontario Executive Meeting that was hosted by CFS. As the official representative for Local 99, the VP External voted on various motions and engaged in the meeting's programming. During the meeting, the VP External listened to numerous presentations regarding the CFS's campaigns for the upcoming year and passed various motions that were scheduled for the meeting. In addition to this, various pressing matters were discussed in regards to the government and student concerns. If you have any further questions, please feel free to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

# **Office Hours**

For the month of October, the VP External maintained regular office hours. During the weekdays, the VP External was present at the SCSU Offices. In addition to this, the VP External attended all meetings and scheduled events with the SCSU Executive team. If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>.

# **Director Updates**

# **Board of Director Management**

- Contributed to a student consultation session and gave feedback on campus resources and mental health on campus for internal UofT future programming planning to align with the National Standard of Canada: Mental Health and Well-Being for Post-Secondary Students.
- Participated in the Housing Master Plan Focus Group.
- Attended the SEM Student Success Working Group, working in the "Space" sub-cluster.

# **Board of Director Computer and Mathematical Sciences**

- Coordinated planning for activities with fellow CMS club (helped with coordination between team, and brainstorming ideas)
- Reached out to professor that manages mathematics seminars to discuss completed objectives
- Asked and noted from CMS students the mental health services needed on campus

# **BOD Physical and Environmental Sciences**

• Met with department union, groups from UTM, UTSG about planning a how to find/apply for research internships event.

# Board of Director Psychology, Neuroscience and Mental Health Studies

- Attended BOD check-in meeting.
- Communicated with AACC to finalize details for the upcoming November event; focused on reference letters, personal statements and CV's.
- Confirmed session with Professor Nina Wang for November 15th; discussing academic background and career paths in social psychology.
- Promoted Post-Grad Readiness Survey on social media and within classes.
- Communicated with the Psychology department for upcoming events promotion.
- Met with VP Academics to discuss upcoming events.

# Board of Director Arts, Culture and Media

- Met with the BOD of English to finalize all details for the upcoming Alumni Speakers Series.
- Confirmed a speaker for the November event.
- Met with the ACM Programming Coordinator to discuss how the ACM department could help advertise all upcoming events.
- Created promotional materials for the event in November.
- Attended BOD check-in meeting.

# **Board of Director English**

• Met with the BOD of ACM to discuss

# **Board of Director Human Geography**

• Created a newsletter that gets sent out to all students in the department. The newsletter contains academic tips, mental health resources, job postings and information on upcoming events.

- Worked with the department student association to host three different events. The theme of September was transportation month. Students go to learn about transportation research, planning, advocacy and more.
- Helped with the launch of the Scarborough Opportunity Report which provides recommendations to help the City of Toronto jump-start policies for active transportation in Scarborough. For the launch I created graphics, created the eventbrite, and was an MC for it. The report was worked on by Professor Sorensen and students in the Human Geography department. That report has now pushed City Councillors in Scarborough to bring motions up at committees about having more biking and active transit in Scarborough.

Motion Link: <u>http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaltemHistory.do?item=2021.IE25.20</u>

- Updated the student department website with more job postings to help students find internships, co-op opportunities and volunteer positions.
- Started hosting office hours + study sessions every Monday 5pm to 7pm in which students can ask questions and can study while most classes in this department are virtual. Therefore, it is becoming a space where students feel welcomed and can connect with others.
- Promoted various SCSU events with the departmental association.
- Have been having meetings with other geography departments at different universities about potentially hosting an event together.

# SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students October 1st, 2021 | Via Zoom

- 1. Attendance: Everyone except Ho
- 2. Call to Order: 3:08pm
- 3. Equity Statement: Ready by Murray
- 4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Chandrasegar

Be it resolved that the agenda for the October 1st, 2021 Executive Committee meeting be approved as presented.

### **Motion Carries**

5. Woodland Cultural Centre Donation

Motion Moved: Murray Seconded: Mai

WHEREAS the SCSU stands in solidarity with Indigenous communities against all instances of systemic oppression and commits to the journey of Reconciliation.

WHEREAS Save the Evidence is a campaign to raise awareness and support for the restoration of the former Mohawk Institute Residential School, and to develop the building into an Interpreted Historic Site and Educational Resource. To create a fully-realized Interpretive Centre that will be the definitive destination for information about the history of Residential Schools in Canada, the experiences of Survivors of the schools, and the impact that the Residential School system has had on our communities.

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU Donate \$500 to Woodland Cultural Centre's Save the Evidence campaign in order to support the initiative of restoring the former Mohawk Residential School to a centre to raise awareness about the impacts of the Residential School system.

### **Motion Carries**

6. Community Mentorship Program \*Potential Collaboration\*

Abdillahi – OSEW creating structure and launching pilot in Winter semester

- Strong networks of community in marginalized communities
- Empowerment of marginalized and underrepresented communities
- Could link with VNP, ASC, or RSC

CHandrasegar said would be great to intersect and get students involved in UTSC community; want to have meeting with Coordinators of program

Rahman said would be great for collaboration and recognizes curriculum; last week met with East Scarborough Boys & Girls Club to discuss gap with pursuing PSE in students from marginalized community; potential for Tri-Service Centre collaboration

### 7. AGM Report

Deadline for Exec & Board Reports: October 22nd @ 5pm

8. Executive Updates

# Murray

- Real Talks October 27th
- Planning Palestinian Justice Week
  - Anti-Colonialism Open Mic Night
- Attended Unity Circle Event discussing 94 Calls to Action
- Meeting with new Black Student Engagement Coordinator
- IG Live Let's Talk UTSC: Orange Shirt Day and Local & Global Justice
- 2SLGBTQ+ Town Hall on Monday (closed space)

# Chandrasegar

- Mental Health Fair on Monday cancelled due to weather
- Board of Stewards will be designate for SCSU (part of Agenda planning committee)
- TTC Riders & APUS confirmed for Clubs Week
- VNP strategizing and planning for upcoming year
  - Want to create Code of Conduct
- Attended TTC Stakeholders Meeting
- Email to MPP Vijay to have meeting
- Outreach for Campaigns
- Residence Consultation
- Parking Structure Meeting followed up when next meeting will take place because want to address introducing student parking rates
- First COSS meeting happening October 19th

### Rahman

- ASC Planning
- Advocacy Associate supporting with developing Mentorship Program
- Laptop Program getting ready for next wave, having students complete exit forms to gain testimonials for proposals
- START Platform environmental scan and resource mapping on campus & at SCSU
  - Being conducted by AACC
- Report on findings of Academic Review Survey
  - 97 responses to date
- East Scarborough Boys & Girls Club want to work together to help bridge gaps to PSE
  - Expressed community organizations often left behind
  - Focus on middle school age kids
- URS Planning

### Mai

- Attended Climate Strike
- Sponsorship Check In with Coordinator
- September Board Meeting took place

### Abdillahi

- Reviewed award recipients for University
- Mental Health Advisory Committee Meeting
- Multi-Tenant Advocacy Letter sent to City Councillors in advance of vote
- Met with St. George club wanting to branch to UTSC
- VaxFacts Student Ambassadors created IG & TikTok page
  - Will be starting on-campus outreach

- Considering connecting with The Basement Gang
- Attended Climate Strike
- 9. ED Updates
- 10. Adjournment

Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Chandrasegar

Be it resolved that the October 1st, 2021 Executive Committee meeting be adjourned.

**Motion Carries** 

Meeting ended at 4:07pm

# SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students October 8th, 2021 | Via Zoom

- 1. Attendance: Everyone except Ho and Mai
- 2. Call to Order: 10:12AM
- 3. Equity Statement: Ready by Murray
- 4. Approval of the Agenda:

### Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Murray

Be it resolved that the agenda for the October 8th, 2021 Executive Committee meeting be approved as presented.

### **Motion Carries**

5. Executive Updates

lsaiah:

- Met with RSC and Nasim
  - Finalize the graphics for the Volunteer social
- Met with Juanita
  - Indigenous Education Week
- Black Founders Network Launch event Webinar
  - UofT Tri-campus initiative for investors in the Black Community
  - Network with Black professionals from all around the world
- Listening Conversation Sub-circle
  - A committee under the Curriculum review
  - SCSU hosts their own listening circles and promote it on our socials
  - Promo video Isaiah will be making this
- LGBTQ2S+ Town Hall
  - More diverse counsellors
  - Introduction courses to create dialogue for all students
  - Immigrant students might not hve the same level of education around Safe sex so creating safer spaces and places for conversations for incoming students who didn't have a chance to learn about this before
- Met the new Black student Engagement coordinator with the OSEW
  - Spoke to them about SCSU's Black Students for Justice & Equity Collective
- Met with OSEW to talk about their generous donation for our emergency grant
  - We need to Schedule the next PBC meeting to make the policies reflect each other more accurately

### Chandrasegar:

- Sent an email to Sheila
- Sent the email to APUS
- TTCRiders was happy they got to attend UTSC Clubs Week
- Kashi tabled for in person clubs week
- UMLAP Town Hall
  - Got to ask questions
- Went the Hart House Board of Stewards meeting
- Attended Clubs & DSA training
- Got training from Sarah for VP External

- Reorganizing the VPE google drive
- Weekly session with VNP Coordinator
  - Planning a linkedin session sometime in January
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Come and get their professional headshot taken by the SCSU  $\;$
  - VNP Appreciate Gala (TBD)
  - Working with Jen from AACC for VNP workshops (Resume, cover letters, etc)
- Equity & Community Fund meeting is happening after reading week
- COSS Meeting is happening on October 19th
- Helped with Movie night from last night
- BOD team meeting
- Kashi is emailing the Parking structure committee about the parking prices for students
- Will contact MP Gary, waiting for a response from MPP Vijay and will schedule weekly meetings with SCSU's government associate

### Rahman:

- Meet with the Academic Advocacy associate
  - Mentorship program ready to launch for November
- BOD team meeting
  - Went really well everyone gave their updates
  - Rimsha will be scheduling 1:1 meetings with all the BODs
  - Janeve is facilitating her own workshops with AACC for the post-readiness grad program
  - BODs will start hosting study sessions with ASC
- Clubs & DSA trainings
  - Three DSAs didn't show up they'll have to wait until January
- Met with ASC Coordinator and Nasim
  - Set some deadlines
  - Will look into the budget for new textbooks
  - Institutional Resources and Supports Sub-circle
    - Under the Campus Curriculum review
    - Rimsha was asked to help with an "Equity Matters" summit/conference will refer this to Isaiah, will ask for more details
    - This sub-circle is phase 2: They did an environmental scan of all the resources on campuses
    - Lack of student voices through the consultations, Rimsha will host her own with DSA leaders
- TTC Horror Story Event
  - Graphics are ready to go
- SCSU Lobby Week
  - $\circ$   $\;$  We need to get the University's schedules and start planning lobby week
- 6. ED Updates
- 7. Adjournment

Motion Moved: Abdillahi

Seconded: Murray

# Be it resolved that the October 8th, 2021 Executive Committee meeting be adjourned.

**Motion Carries** 

# Policy & Bylaw Committee Meeting Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students October 21st, 2021 | Via Zoom

- 1. Call to Order: 9:13 AM
- 2. Present: Abdillahi, Rahman, Mai, Murray, Sobowale
- 3. Bursary Funding Policy

### Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Sobowale

# Be it resolved that the Bursary Funding Policy be recommended for adoption to the Board of Directors as amended.

Abdillahi motivated that pursuing administering Bursary via cheque or etransfer rather than current metho of direct deposit on ACORN because this will give greater flexibility for students to gain immediate access to funds for academic financial relief.

### **Motion Carries**

4. Adjournment

Motion Moved: Murray Seconded: Mai

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned.

### **Motion Carries**

Meeting ended at 9:18 AM

Wednesday, September 29, 2021 5:00 - 7:00 PM via Zoom



# BOARD OF DIRECTORS PACKAGE

# Attendance

Last Name	First Name	Constituency or Position	
Abdillahi	Sarah	President	
Murray	Isaiah	Vice-President Equity	
Mai	Andy	Vice-President Operations	
Chandrasegar	Kashi	Vice-President External	
Rahman	Rimsha	Vice-President Academic & University Affairs	
Ho	TJ	Vice-President Campus Life	
Malik	Muntaha	Director of Critical Development Studies	
Marvia	Marvia	Director of Sociology	
Rautela	Janvi	Director of Computer & Mathematical Sciences	
Haggag	Zeyad	Director of Management	
Maqsood	Aytha	Director of French & Linguistics	
Grey	Victoria	Director of Historical & Cultural Studies	
Ahamat	Khalisah	Director of Health Studies	
Munir	Anika	Director of Human Geography	
Juneja	Devesh	Director of Philosophy	
Vacant		Director of Political Science	
Krishna	Gautham	Director of Biological Science	
Afzal	Maidah	Director of English	
Edwards	Janeve	Director of Psychology	
Fine	Мах	Director of Physical & Environmental Sciences	
Yi	Angela	International Student Director	
Parvin	Fa	Director of Anthropology	
Gordiychuk	Anastasiya	Director of Arts, Culture and Media	

# Agenda

1.	Call to order	
	@ 5:10pm	
	Ho was absent	
	Malik was absent	
	Marvia was absent	
	Rautela was late	
	Grey was absent	
	International Student Director position is now Vacant	
	Parvin was absent	
2.	Equity Statement Murray performed a land acknowledgement and read th	e Equity Statement
3.	Announcements Mai resigned from the position of VP Operations.	
Motion Going	n Moved: Murray into camera	Seconded: Chandrasegar
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ΜΟΤΙΟ	ON CARRIES	
Going	into camera @5:22pm	
Going	out of camera @ 5:33pm	
4.	Approval of the Agenda	
Motion	n Moved: Abdillahi	Seconded: Murray
Be it re	esolved that the September 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2021 Board Meeting age	enda be approved as presented.
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М	OTION CARRIES	
5.	Approval of Minutes	
Motion	n Moved: Abdillahi	Seconded: Gordiychuk
	solved that the September 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2021 minutes package in ved as presented:	cluding the following documents be

- a) Executive Committee

   August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021 (pg. 13)
   September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (pg. 15)
   September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 (pg. 17)

### b) Board of Directors Meeting

i. August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (pg. 38) No questions

VOTING

# **MOTION CARRIES**

# 7. SCSU Frosh 2021: SHINE Report (pg. 19)

MotionMoved: AbdillahiSeconded:RamanBe it resolved that the Orientation Report be accepted as presented.Abdillahi allowed Sobowale to discuss the SHINE ReportSobowale discussed the SHINE ReportAbdillahi spoke in favour of the report

# VOTING

# **MOTION CARRIES**

# 8. Executive Report

MotionMoved: AbdillahiSecondedChandrasegarBe it resolved that the Executive Report be accepted as presented.Mai discussed the VP Operations Report

Abdillahi presented the work that has been done throughout the summer such as: Policy & By-Laws Committee Meetings, CFS Ontario General Meeting, & the VaxFacts Student Ambassador Meeting. Abdillahi also discussed FROSH and Week of Welcome.

Rahman discussed participating in various committees and working groups specifically the UTSC Campus Curriculum Review. Rahman also discussed

progress on the campaign promises.

Chandrasegar clarified re-designing the VNP program. Chandrasegar discussed passing Motion 68 at the Ontario Executive Meeting.

Murray clarified the work done for the Street Harassment ByStandard Intervention Training. Murray also clarified hiring a new RSC Coordinator. Murray discussed the Queer Orientation Planning and Racially Responsive Leadership Conference as well as, the antisemitism Training by Tema Smith.

SPEAKERS LIST OPEN NO SPEAKERS

VOTING MOTION CARRIES

# 9. Board of Directors Updates

Director Updates are on pg. 12-16

# 10. Adjournment

Motion

Moved: Abdillahi

Seconded: (?)

Be it resolved that the September 29th, 2021 meeting be adjourned.

# VOTING

**MOTION CARRIES** 

Adjourned @6:26pm

# **Executive Report**

# **Vice-President Operations**

# Income statement September

	Scarborough Campus Students' Union	
Income Statement		
	August-21	
REVENUE		Description of Accounts
	01 757 00	Health and Dental Fees, SCSU Membership
Student Fees	81,757.82	fees
Space Rental Income	25,397.04	Tenant Fees and Conference Room Rentals Discounted tickets, Lockers & Postering, H&D
Service Revenue	0.00	Sales
Event Sales	0.00	Orientation, Mosaic, Boat Cruise, etc.
TTC Metropass and Fare Sales	0.00	TTC Merchandise
Vending Commissions	0.00	Vending Machine commissions
	0.00	Student centre advertising, agenda, and ad
Advertising Revenue	1,857.50	revenue Investments, Grants, Sponsorship & CEWS
Other Income	<u>39,171.79</u> \$	Plan
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>148,184.15</u>	
EXPENSE		
Wages and Benefits Costs	63,558.87	Salaries, Part Time, Honorariums and Benefits
Supplies	926.01	Office, Computer, Supplies, and Photocopier
Ticket Purchases	0.00	Discounted Tickets
Services	2,231.65	Agenda Books, Postage, and Insurance
Metropasses	0.00	TTC Merchandise
Event Costs	76,424.36	Orientation, BHM Event and Other Event Costs
Elections	0.00	Election related costs
Meetings	1000.00	Annual General Meeting & General Meeting Costs
Meetings	1000.00	Contraction Campaigns, Food Centre, RSC and
Programming Costs	7,292.27	Appreciation
Funding	0.00	Donations, Bursary, Clubs and DSA Funding
Professional Development	19.00	Continuity, Transportation and Travel
·		Repairs and Maintenance Costs for the
Building Repairs and Maintenance	125.00	Building
Professional Fees	1084.37	Legal and Auditing Fees (Form 1 x 2) =
Phones and Telecommunications	747.74	Phone Charges
Subsidiaries	0.00	Subsidy to Rex's Den General Bank Charges, H&D E-Transfer
Bank Charges	220.50	Fees
TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>\$153,629.77</u>	
	<u>\$155,029.77</u>	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	(\$5,445.62)	

# Frosh 2021

On September 1st to September 4th. The SCSU execs team, SCSU staff and Frosh staff launched SCSU's most important in-person event Frosh 2021.

As one of Frosh fluorite team representatives, together with VP Academics. Participated in ice breakers. Helped set up and take care of facilities for frosh. Helped make popcorns and cotton candy.

### Week of welcome fall semester

On September 7-10th, SCSU held a booth near the student centre to give out our students the newest agenda, events postcards, water bottles, free food & drink and back to school essentials. Helped facilitate the student crowd. Helped reach out to random students walking around campus. Helped both setup and supply delivering.

# **Transit Action Day**

On September 14th, SCSU executives, BODs and staff launched the Transit action day event to spread awareness of the current transit issues in Scarborough. To reach out to as many students, posters and brochures were spread around campus by SCSU staff and BODs Helped make posters. Helped reach out to students walking around campus.

### Food centre launch event

On September 23rd, SCSU food centre coordinators and staff launched the Food centre launch event to introduce SCSU's food centre to students. The event was successful as all meeting attendees (19 people) were participating in the event.

Helped facilitate with the meeting attendees

# President

# **CAMPAIGNS & MEETINGS**

# **Policy & Bylaws Committee Meeting**

On Monday August 16th we had our PBC Meeting, where we discussed two new policies. The first was introducing a permanent SCSU's Emergency grant and the second policy was about Executive Remuneration. Both policies were recommended for adoption at the August board meeting and both policies were adopted by the board. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at <a href="mailto:president@scsu.ca">president@scsu.ca</a>

# **CFS Ontario General Meeting**

From August 18th to August 20th, President, and our VP AUA attended CFS's Ontario General Meeting. Unfortunately OGM was virtual this year, however we still had the amazing opportunity to connect and network with other locals in Ontario. We participated by voting for all the motions during the opening and closing plenary. Since I am also the Treasurer for CFS Ontario I had a bigger part in OGM by helping with the house rules presentations before we started business, and presented CFS Ontario's audit and budget to the locals in Ontario. As President, I made sure that every motion that SCSU voted on was relevant and helpful to our membership here at UTSC. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at <u>president@scsu.ca</u>

# VaxFacts Student Ambassador Meetings

Starting on August 30th, every Monday I've been meeting with 30 UTSC and Centennial College students who signed up to be SHN's VaxFacts Student Ambassadors. We've talked about outreach, any updates we've received from SHN, pop up clinic information and we would occasionally check in with each other so

that no Ambassador feels overwhelmed. At the moment we are working towards creating a temporary instagram and tiktok page for the student ambassadors to convince young people to get vaccinated. We also received word that Black youth are the most hesitant to get vaccinated so we will be discussing strategies on how we can better support youth who have questions but don't know who to ask or don't trust anyone unless it's a professional and/or doctor. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

# **Anti-Semitism Training**

On Monday August 30th, the SCSU Executive and BOD team received anti-semitism training from Tema Smith. The training was thorough and Tema shared their experiences navigating through the world as someone who is half Black and a Jew. She went through the history and I personally learned a lot of things that I hadn't known before Tema spoke on it. The SCSU team is grateful for Tema and we look forward to incorporating the teachings from their training session with us into our anti-oppression training material. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

# **Better Transit in Scarborough Initiatives**

On Thursday September 9th, President, VP AUA and VP External went on Instagram Live to talk about SCSU's GTHA Transit letter. We had three demands: (1) Lowering TTC fares and introducing a single between-transit system fares for post-secondary students. (2) Expansion of student discounts to also include part-time students. (3) Fulfilling the promises that were made to the Scarborough community like the EELRT. Four student unions signed on with us, UTMSU, CESAX, UTGSU and APUS where we all represent a total of 67,000 full-time, part-time and undergraduate students in the GTHA. Across all of these cities we are saying that enough is enough and that Public transit is a human right and we are demanding for more public transit funding now. Later on that day, the President, VP AUA and VP External attended a Deputation Training with TTC Riders where we learned how to speak to the TTC. Metrolinx, and the city of Toronto about our demands. On Tuesday September 14th, President, VP AUA, VP External and VP Operations attended TTCRiders Transit Day of Action at Military Trail and Ellesmere where we talked to students about the Transform the TTC report and demands. The executives and some of our BODs & part-time staff helped with making signs so that students who necessarily didn't have time to listen to what we had to say knew that we were talking about the TTC and would get students, faculty and staff upset hearing about the TTC's new plans for its transit users and now there are students, faculty and staff who are reaching out to their councillors and elected representatives to do something about the upcoming changes that the general public is not asking for or looking forward too. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

# **Federal Elections Outreach**

During September 13th-17th, the President along with the executives would walk around campus and encourage students to fill out a sheet on why they will vote in this upcoming federal election and would be put in a raffle to win a \$25 everything card. We talked to students about SCSU's Generation Vote where we talked about student issues that are often neglected by federal leaders. Overall we spoke to hundreds of students on campus and continued to encourage students to get out to vote everyday until September 20th at 9PM when the polls were closed. We also watched the federal election debate and we posted notes onto our website so students can read the summary and make an informed decision come election day. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at <a href="mailto:president@scsu.ca">president@scsu.ca</a>

# **EVENTS & PROGRAMMING**

# Know Your Tenant Rights Workshop

On Monday August 30th, President hosted a KYR Tenant Edition workshop with ACTO and Downtown Legal Services where they gave amazing legal advice, tips, and institutional knowledge on what tenant rights were when renting a space. This workshop was super important because a lot of UTSC students do live on their own and don't necessarily know that they have rights upon their landlords and not only the other way around. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

# SCSU Frosh: SHINE 2021

President helped plan Frosh 2021 with the OCs for the second half of the summer semester. I attended the senior leader meetings that took place Sunday evenings from 8-10PM and supported the Frosh team with any logistical planning. From September 1st to 4th, the President along with VP AUA and VP External attended all Frosh events both in-person and virtually. VP Operations attended most of the Frosh events, while VP Equity attended only the virtual events of Frosh due to location restrictions. VP Campus life attended some of the in-person programming of Frosh but was very hard to get a hold of and was not present for the majority of Frosh. Overall, Frosh was a huge success thanks to the Orientation coordinators and the senior leader team. The first years and group/logistic leaders had an amazing time during both the virtual and in-person events and we are happy that everything ran smoothly. More information about SCSU's Frosh: SHINE 2021 is in the Orientation Coordinator report which went into detail as to what worked, what needs to be improved, and how we can do even better next year. This year's Frosh was our first attempt at a hybrid model and we are so delighted that everyone followed the provincial and UTSC covid-19 guidelines. I definitely encourage us to continue having the option of virtual programming for accessibility reasons and because 10-12 hours in-person like we previously used to do before the pandemic is mentally and physically exhausting for some folks. A hybrid model is a good balance in my opinion. For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

# Week of Welcome Programming

From September 7th-10th, President, VP AUA, VP External and VP Operations attended all the tabling opportunities where we gave students free ice cream, bubble tea, agendas, water bottles, snacks, and SCSU swag like notebooks, pens and highlighters, and so much more. VP Campus life would occasionally help us with tabling and talking to students but would become hard to reach during clean up and/or when we would be wrapping up the in person tabling so we can attend the virtual programming. The President hosted the Speed Friending salon where we played games with students virtually and where we raffled a \$25 gift card. On Wednesday I hosted an Instagram Live session with Dr. Murji from the Scarborough Health Network and Holly Yuen from UTSC's Environmental Health & Safety committee where we talked about vaccines and the benefits of getting fully vaccinated. We had over 500 views and received a lot of great questions and feedback from the University for encouraging the students and youth watching the live to go get vaccinated. On Thursday I hosted another Speed Friending salon where we played games with students virtually and where we raffled another \$25 everything card. Lastly on friday, I hosted a karaoke session where the students on the call got to sing their hearts out to all the classic tracks and because this was the last event of the week we raffled a \$50 everything card. All the winners have been contacted and we look forward to hosting more fun events in the future! For more information please contact Sarah Abdillahi at president@scsu.ca

# **Vice-President Academics and University Affairs**

# EVENTS:

# Frosh

VP AUA participated and assisted in the virtual and in-person Frosh events. SCSU served over 200 students with the in-person Frosh component. Virtual program delivery included preparing presentations for students, participating in activities and answering questions from any incoming students. In-person program delivery included organizing and faicliaiting activities such as the carnival and participating in frosh activities with the first year students. For more information, please contact Rimsha Rahman at academics@scsu.ca

# Week of Welcome

VP AUA helped out with in-person Week of Welcome Tabling. SCSU served over 300 students by welcoming students and providing material such as agendas, notebooks, water bottles, key chains, highlighters, pens, etc. Other events included giving away bubble tea and cotton candy! For more information, please contact Rimsha Rahman at academics@scsu.ca

# **TTC IG Live**

VP AUA, VP External and the President hosted a TTC IG live a few days before TTCRiders Transit Day of Action. The executives spoke about their demands for the upcoming board meeting, which includes: 1. Lowering TTC fares and the introduction of single between-transit system fares for post-secondary students; 2. Expansion of student discounts to include part-time status students; 3. Fulfilling promises to the Scarborough community. For more information, please contact Rimsha Rahman at academics@scsu.ca

# **TTCRiders Deputation Training Session**

VP Academics, VP External and President attend TTCiders Deputation Training in preparation for the upcoming board meeting. For more information, please contact Rimsha Rahman at academics@scsu.ca

# **Transit Day of Action**

The SCSU team took part in TTCRiders Transit Day of Action, where we canvassed with TTC Rider's representatives and spoke to students about a proposed 5-year Fare Plan that includes: lower fares, including fully funding the promised Fair Pass discount for low-wage workers; discounts for low income riders should be funded through the City of Toronto, not by raising fares for other riders; Fair fare integration, like a free transfer between TTC and neighbouring transit agencies, whereas Toronto is the only city in the GTA without a two-hour window agreement with other municipalities, and paying more to ride the subway or longer distances within Toronto would be an unfair integration solution; Expanding free transit to people receiving social assistance and high school students and lengthening the 2-hour fare window; Fare capping, to help low income riders who can't afford the up-front cost of a monthly pass; end fare policing and racism on public transit; climate and poverty solution, like fare-free transit on extreme weather alert days (TTC Riders, 2021). To sign the petition, please go to this link: <a href="http://www.ttcriders.ca/fareplan/">http://www.ttcriders.ca/fareplan/</a>. For more information, please contact Rimsha Rahman at <a href="http://www.ttcriders.ca/fareplan/">academics@scsu.ca</a>

# **Undergraduate Research Symposium 2022**

Vice President Academics started planning for the annual SCSU Undergraduate Research Symposium, a call out for volunteers as part of the planning committee will be shared soon with the general membership.

# WORKING GROUPS:

# **UofT SMART General Meeting**

Vice President Academics, Vice President Equity and Vice President External attended the September Monthly SMART meeting. The U of T Student Mental Advocacy and Resource Team (SMART) is a community- led, tri-campus initiative dedicated to improving the mental health and well-being of our students. From Fall 2020 to September 2021, SMART has comprised of a network of "working groups" (WGs), dedicated to exploring different aspects of student mental health, experiences, and advocacy work. In the September meeting we discussed how student consultations have been taking place over all three campuses and came up with creating recommendations admin when holding student consultations, some of the themes included: transparency, how it's advertised, who was reached, and minutes should be made public. For more information, please contact Rimsha Rahman at academics@scsu.ca

# **UTSC Campus Curriculum Review**

Vice-President Academics sits on the UTSC Campus Curriculum Review working group, as the purpose of this group is to ensure that the campus's commitment to inclusion, Indigeneity, and anti-racism is reflected across our programs and embedded in our curriculum and in our pedagogical approaches and supports. A campus-wide curriculum review was initiated in 2020-2021 to assess the current standings. The working circle will now assess pathways to ensuring our commitment towards the key principles. Vice-President Academics supports the Institutional Resources and Related Supports subcommittee - we've been tasked with considering how resources and supports reflect key principles such as inclusion, Indigeneity and anti-racism, and anti-imperialism be reflected across our curriculum and campus.

# CAMPAIGNS:

# **Education For All Updates**

VP AUA met with Vice Deans Larson and Donaldson to discuss the Education for All demands and they were well received by the Vice-Deans. Discussions towards the CR/NCR policy are still taking place. Formal updates of the EDA campaign will be shared in

the next few months. For more information, please contact Rimsha Rahman at academics@scsu.ca

# **Vice-President External**

# **VNP Program:**

Since joining the team, the VP external has been working with the VNP coordinator to redesign the VNP Program. In addition to this, the VP External has been working with both the VNP Coordinator and Campaigns Coordinator to reach various companies and organizations to secure partnerships. In the last week, the VP External worked with the VNP Coordinator to discuss further redesigning details (including hours for each package, awards & scholarships, and details regarding reference letters) before the program's official launch, which occurred on September 22, 2021. If you have any further questions or concerns, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# **Emergency Ontario Executive Meeting**

On September 10th the VP External attended an emergency Ontario Executive Meeting. During this meeting one motion 68, a motion that brought forth an amendment to the Operations Policy to include the Ontario Black Caucus, was discussed and passed. During this meeting the VP External was also officially rectified and introduced as the official representative of Local 99. If you have any further questions or concerns, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# SCSU Frosh 2021

As the first endeavour as an SCSU Exec, from September 2-4, the VP External attended both virtual and in-person Frosh. The VP External interacted and engaged with countless first-year students, while also participating in many of the activities that took place during the 3 day event. In addition to this, the VP External took part in various promotional pieces, attended the carnivale to further interact with students and provide staff with supplies. If you have any further questions or concerns, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# Welcome Week Fall 2021

The VP External attended all 4 days of tabling to interact and engage with students around campus. During the 4 day event, the VP External and SCSU Execs spent about 5 hours each day outreaching and engaging with students from all years to discuss the premise of SCSU, our upcoming Lobby Week, and important academic deadlines that are upcoming. In addition to this, the VP External answered any questions that first-year students had and helped students around campus. If you have any additional questions or concerns, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# **TTC Raiders Deputation Training**

On September 9th, the VP External, The President and the VP AUA attended the deputation training hosted by TTC Raiders. During this event, the VP External learned tools and gained further insight into the TTC Deupation that will be occurring in November, in which the VP External will be taking part in. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# Transit Action Day Rally

In addition to this, on September 13th the President and VP External both prepared for Transit Action day which occurred on September 14th. On September 14th, The VP External, The SCSU President, VP Operations and VP AUA attended the transit action day rally and spoke to TTC Raiders as well as outreached to UTSC students about the importance of affordable and accessible transit in Scarborough. The VP External also partook in promotional pieces that further discussed and advocated for better transit in Scarborough. The VP External has also gotten confirmation that TTC Raiders will be attending UTSC Clubs Week (October 5-8th) to table and engage with UTSC students. If you have any further questions, please reach out to Kashi at <a href="mailto:external@scsu.ca">external@scsu.ca</a>

# **TTC Advocacy**

In preparation for Transit Action Day, the VP External partook in an IG Live with the VP AUA to discuss the letter SCSU published as well as the need for affordable and accessible transit for post secondary students. The live was hosted by the SCSU President on September 9th, and the VP External discussed the need and importance for part-time students to be recognized as students and to be included in discounts, which was highlighted as SCSU's second demand in

the letter (Expansion of student discounts to include part-time status students). The VP External, President and VP AUA called attention to students' struggle to attain affordable and accessible transit in the GTHA, adding further to the TTC Advocacy. The Live received great attention and UTSC students reached out to both the VP External and President to find ways to get involved. If you have any further questions or concerns, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# **Experience UTSC Showcase**

On September 15th, the VP External partook in the official Experience UTSC Showcase 2021. During this event, the VP External presented a 5 minute presentation discussing the premise of SCSU, the VNP Program, and the ways students can join and get involved in the union. The VP External also answered any questions students had regarding the union and VNP Program. If you have any further questions, please reach out to Kashi at external@scsu.ca

# **Generation Vote Campaign**

Right at the start of the term, the VP External reached out to the Government Associate to discuss ways to make students aware about the snap federal election. The VP External also attended the weekly campaigns meeting to gain further insight into the Generation Vote Campaign and the ways students can get more engaged with it, especially with the upcoming

federal election. The VP External and Government Associate also met a number of times throughout the week to prepare for the IG Live which was set up with Professor Cochrane, a Political Science at UTSC. In this light, the VP External hosted an IG Live on September 17th with Professor Cochrane to discuss the various important topics that were discussed in the federal debate (ie. housing, climate justice, transit, etc) as well as topics and concepts students should be particularly aware of for this upcoming election. As the premise of the campaign, and the IG Live, the VP External and Professor engaged in conversation regarding the importance of voting, especially since students are the largest voting population in the country, and provided resources that students can use to further gain knowledge before voting; therefore, emphasizing the value of making well informed decisions when voting.

In addition to this, as part of the Generation Vote Campaign, and in the spirit of the upcoming federal election, The VP External outreached for 4 plus days to encourage students to go out and vote on September 20th. With doing so, the VP External also collected responses of why students wanted to vote in the upcoming election, which helped in building an enormous mural

outside the SCSU Office. The VP External also participated in promotional videos and pieces to promote the snap federal election as a way to emphasize the importance of voting, while also urging students to vote on September 20th. If you have any further questions, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# **SMART Meeting**

On September 12, the VP External attended the The U of T Student Mental Advocacy and Resource Team (SMART) meeting to gain further insight into various working groups, and student consultations. The VP External also further learned about SCA and MLAP. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# SCSU X UTSC Senior Administration Team

On September 22nd, the VP External and SCSU Execs attended a meeting with the UTSC Senior Administrative Team in which the UTSC Principal and Vice Deans were in attendance. The VP External and SCSU Execs formally introduced themselves to the team and presented their priorities for 2021, voicing many students' concerns, especially ones that arose during the pandemic. The VP External discussed the Unite with Students Campaign and the need for the University to join SCSU in lobbying external parties such as the federal and provincial governments. The SCSU Execs answered any and all questions the administration team had, and also agreed to continue such meetings for the future. If you have any further questions, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# Service Centre Launch

The VP External attended the VNP, ASC, and RSC service launches. During these launches, the VP External participated in activities and engaged with students, especially

during the VNP Service Launch. On September 22, the VNP program officially launched, the VP external aided the VNP Coordinator in preparation for the event. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# **UTEAU Coalition Meeting**

On September 22, the VP External attended the University of Toronto Employees Associations and Unions (UTEAU) Meeting, which primarily focused on COVID Action Planning. The meeting touched base on how reopenings were going within all three campuses, work refusals, and petitions. If you

have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Kashi at external@scsu.ca

# **CSS Meeting**

On September 22, the VP External attended the first Council on Student Services Meeting. During this meeting, the VP External nominated SCSU President as the Chair of the Council. In addition to this, the VP External was nominated and rectified as the official UTSC Representative for COSS. Furthermore, the VP External was also nominated and rectified as a representative of the Equity and Community Fund committee, a student advisory group within CSS. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# **Office Hours**

The VP External has maintained in person office hours for all weekdays since the start of September. Ensuring that all COVID Procedures are maintained, the VP External has maintained office hours primarily during the weekdays, and has made sure to uphold more than adequate communication with the SCSU Executive team. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kashi at <u>external@scsu.ca</u>

# **Vice-President Equity**

# Safe Return to Campus Town Hall

VP Equity and SCSU Executive team attended the Safe Return to Campus Town Hall, providing a space for admin to directly interact with returning UTSC students and answer questions. President hosted the event, with VP Equity mediating student questions to staff and admin.

# Street Harassment Bystander Intervention Training

VP Equity attended Hollaback!'s GBV Bystander Intervention training. A drop in session which aims to provide intersectional and accessible training on preventing street harassment using tactics of Distraction, Delegation, Documentation, Delay, and Direct intervention.

# **RSC Coordinator Hiring**

VP Equity and the SCSU staff team conducted multiple interviews for the position of RSC Coordinator. A student who would be primarily responsible for conducting and hosting events/initiatives through the SCSU's equity service center. A candidate was selected and began preparations with the staff team and VP Equity to launch the service center in the Fall semester.

### **Queer Orientation Planning**

VP Equity attended Queer Orientation's planning meeting to discuss potential collaboration opportunities for the week of Sept 20th-24th. SCSU in collaboration with SBA, WTC and LGBTOUT will host a QIBPOC Mental Health & Healing Workshop with facilitator Kayla Carter leading the space.

### **Policy and By-Laws Committee**

VP Equity and other members of the Policy and By-Laws Committee met for the first time to launch for the 2021-2022 academic year. Two new policies were discussed, the new executive accountability policy, as well as an update to the Emergency Support Bursary in order to make the process more accessible to applicants and streamline the process.

### **Racially Responsive Leadership Conference Presentation**

VP Equity and VP Academics were invited to present at the racially responsive leadership conference to speak on the work currently being done in order to close the inequitable gaps that exist among ethnicities

in the postsecondary educational context. VP Equity and VP Academics began to work on their joint presentation for the conference in October.

# **Antisemitism Training**

VP Equity along with President and SCSU staff, met with Tema Smith, diversity advocate, writer and Jewish community builder in order to discuss ANtisemitism Training for the SCSU Board. Tema was selected and provided an interactive training session.

# SEPTEMBER:

# Frosh

VP Equity and other execs hosted presentations for newly incoming first years surrounding SCSU's campaigns as well as other engagement opportunities through the various service centers.

# **SMART Meeting**

VP Equity, VP Academics and VP External all attended the UofT SMART Meeting for August and September. SCSU discussed the University's approach to consultations and working groups (with a focus on UMLAP and Campus Safety Service Review) highlighting the current issues in lack of transparency and methodology. SMART agreed to meet again in order to draft an open advisory response to the Universities tendency to have student unions carry a brunt of the work in contacting the greater membership.

# **Director Updates**

# Board of Director Psychology, Neuroscience and Mental Health Studies

In September, the Director of Psychology reached out to their DSA as well as other associated groups in order to discuss planning events for the upcoming months. She has also confirmed speakers for future events and is working to develop them. She will meet with AACC representatives later this month to discuss potential collaborations and resources for career-based workshops and events for students.

# **Board of Director Computer and Mathematical Sciences**

In September, the Director of Computer and Mathematical Sciences organised a meeting with the chair of the department to discuss possible social events and ways the department can interact with students. Additionally, she also spoke with Professor Parker to discuss the future of CMS Seminars and attended the CMS Seminars general meeting. She created an instagram page for cms events that she hopes to further work on and generate engagement with in the next month. She also met with the president of AMACSS to discuss how she can help the DSA. Lastly, she attended the CSSU orientation (downtown CS Student Union), as an orientation leader, so that she could learn more about community building for CMS students.

# **Board of Director Philosophy**

The Board of Director of Philosophy was part of the Senior Leader Team for Frosh 2021 as the Group Leader Supervisor. As you all know Frosh happened in September, and he was able to attend all four days. Furthermore, during Frosh different DSA were invited to table virtually, and during that discussion he was able to open a channel of communication with the Association of Philosophy Students. Through this he will be able to attend their meetings, and the goal is to further develop the department in collaboration with each other, SCSU and APS. He also promoted the academic survey in the discord servers for philosophy and to their classes. He continues to work with APS to promote Philosophy at UTSC.

# **Board of Director Management**

- In September, the Director of Management was part of the Frosh 2021 team as a Talents Senior Leader. He attended virtually since he is not in Canada.
- He met with one of the DSA Co-Presidents to discuss future plans as well as the organizational process of the Management Launch Week and how he could help in promoting the event.
- Volunteered to help facilitate and conduct components of the 2021 Management Orientation.
- Spoke with the Management Managing Director and discussed participation in upcoming student admission events.
- Got selected to be part of a Focus Group to share insights on how the university can best include equity, diversity, and inclusion in their re-designed student space.
- Connected with the Management Experiential Learning Coordinator and discussed being part of the user testing process of the new student-centric portal platform and to represent the student voice during the implementation process.
- Promoted the 2021 Academic & Equity Support Survey through contacting professors to post announcements on Quercus, including it in the Co-op connect weekly newsletter, and reaching out to fellow students.
- He attended the SEM Student Success Working Group and was part of the "Space" sub-cluster.

## **Board of Director English**

In September, the Board of Director English met up with DSA to schedule support and interviews for their upcoming 2021-22 team. Also ensured all students interviewing received emails confirming these times, and used the English Director google calendar to help make scheduling simpler. She also met with the Director of Arts, Culture and Media to discuss potential collaboration, including monthly alumni speakers as well as monthly creative events. She had also contacted multiple alumni, with a few confirmed and names suggested. Finally, she had contacted and met with the Chair of the English Department to discuss upcoming events with the DSA. Interview included the Vice President of Operations and Vice President of Academics. Discussed ways in which student outreach can be improved, the upcoming year for events, funding for events, and the department's views on the online school year.

## Board of Director Arts Culture & Media

In September, the Director of Arts Culture & Media began working with the Director of English to host monthly alumni speakers series for students in the ACM and English departments. She also reached out to multiple alumni to secure some speakers. Together with the Director of English, she brainstormed ideas for creative events and workshops. In addition, she attended the ACM Open House and talked with the students about the ACM department as well as the SCSU services. She also co-hosted the ACM Cafe. Lastly, she connected with the Chair of the Arts, Culture and Media Departmental Student Association (ACMSA) to discuss the funding for the events.

## **Board of Director - Health Studies**

As of Sept. 16th...

- Connected with Health Studies DSA to discuss potential collaboration and the idea of biweekly or monthly meetings
- Attended the Bystander Intervention Training hosted by Hollaback
- Joined as a VaxFacts Student Ambassador
- In process...
  - Will be reaching out to Health Studies Chair and Professors about potential program ideas
  - Will be reaching out to HWC, specifically the HWC representatives to inquire about potential promotions (if possible/approved)
  - Researching of health studies opportunities, to be shared on to the SCSU resources page
  - Planning for Naloxone training event (tentative)

## **Board of Director of Anthropology**

Over the summer, the Director of Anthropology has contacted the department chair, program coordinator, and the anthropology student department. This was done in efforts to work alongside them to introduce events and opportunities for anthropology students.

As of September, the Director of Anthropology has helped the Anthropology Department Student Association (ADSA) in order to become CCR approved. This approval of ADSA would make them become an official group, thus allowing for its members' involvement to be recognized on their official university transcript, and allow for more opportunities to be introduced for anthropology students. Lastly, the Director of Anthropology has agreed to be contacted by ADSA for their newsletter that is being introduced in October. This will allow for the Director of Anthropology to promote certain things in the newsletter.

## SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students August 31st, 2021 | Via Zoom

- 1. Attendance: Everyone except Ho & Murray
- 2. Call to Order: 2:25PM
- 3. Equity Statement: Read by Abdillahi
- 4. Approval of the Agenda:

#### Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Rahman

# Be it resolved that the agenda for the August 31st, 2021 Executive Committee meeting be approved as presented.

#### Motion Carries

- 5. TTCRiders Letter, Deputation Training, & TTC Board Meeting (Sarah)
  - #VoteTransit2021 Federal Election Debate (August 31st 7-8PM on Facebook Live)
    - Scarborough Transit day of Action on September 13th:
      - i. Kennedy & Ellesmere
      - ii. Morningside & Kingston
      - iii. Scarborough Centre Station (SCSU will be attending this location 4-5PM)
- 6. APUS's UMLAP Letter to Governing Council (Sarah)
- 7. SCSU Frosh Presentation (Sarah)
- 8. UTSC Medical Brigade Donation Request (Sarah)
- 9. Events:
  - Frosh Tasks for Executives (Starts tomorrow!!)
  - Week of Welcome (Sept 7-11)
    - i. New Event: Let's Talk UTSC: Vaccine Edition with UTSC & SHN (IG Live September 8th 5-6PM est)
  - Service Centre Launch Week (Sept 13-17th)
  - Know your Rights Week (Sept 20-24th)
    - ii. Academic: Rimsha
    - iii. Reproductive: Rimsha & Kashi
    - iv. Immigration (Isaiah)
    - v. Housing: Sarah (bumped to the following week)
  - SCSU Queer Orientation Event (Sept 23rd 5-7PM)
  - Climate Strike (Sept 24th 12-2PM)
    - vi. We should host a sign making event before the strike
- 10. Executive Updates

Rahman

- Working on GenVote campaign
- Grad Readiness Survey
- ASC System Developed (generating QR Codes for each of Textbooks)
- With Sarah, met with Jaime & Katie good progress for EFA demands

Mai

- Food Centre delivery last week
- Abdillahi
  - Antisemitism training took place yesterday
  - Interviews for PT staff
  - Appointed Kashi as VP External
  - VaxFacts Student Ambassador Training

- Frosh presentation & planning
- SCSU First Year Guide
- Know Your Rights Tenant Workshop
- Working on Social Media Contest Giveaway
- Sustainability Committee, looking to start reached out to UTERN
- 11. ED Updates
- 12. Reminders
  - a. Put your school schedule in your work calendar
  - b. Scheduling BOD Meetings for Fall
    - i. Wednesday, September 29 (5-7pm)
    - ii. Wednesday, October 27 (5-7pm)
    - iii. November TBD
    - iv. Wednesday, December 15 (5-7pm)
- 13. Adjournment:

Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Chandrasegar

Be it resolved that the August 27th, 2021 Executive Committee meeting be adjourned.

**Motion** 

### SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students September 10th, 2021 | Via Zoom

- 1. Attendance: Everyone but Ho
- 2. Call to Order: 4:39PM
- 3. Equity Statement: Read by Murray
- 4. Approval of the Agenda:

#### Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Murray

# Be it resolved that the agenda for the September 10th, 2021 Executive Committee meeting be approved as presented.

#### Motion Carries

5. Graphic Designer New Computer

#### Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Mai

## Be it resolved that the SCSU invest in a new laptop and screen monitor for the Graphic designer.

Notes: Abdillahi motivated that the Graphic Designer has been using their personal laptop for their SCSU work

Executives spoke in favor of getting the graphic designer a new laptop and screen so they can continue to make the amazing graphics that they do for the SCSU

#### **Motion Carries**

6. Donation to Hollaback

#### Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Rahman

#### Be it resolved that the SCSU donate \$500 to Hollaback

Notes: Mai spoke in favor, executives agree that the training that the SCSU team received for anti-Asian racism went very well

#### **Motion Carries**

7. Service Centre Launch Week (New Dates: September 21st-24th)

#### Notes:

Murray spoke about RSC and how the coordinator made a video for promo for the centre Murray spoke to our campaigns & advocacy coordinator about the know your reproductive rights Rahman spoke about the Know your Rights week and how we will push it to the last week of September Chandrasegar spoke to the VNP Coordinator about their launch event Tasks:

Send and email with the new dates and times to our GD Confirm with the service centres what day they want to do their launch

8. SCSU team consultation for UMLAP

Notes: We will check in with the uoft student unions and come up with a game plan

9. Executive Updates

Rimsha:

- Supporting with week of welcome events
- Transit:
  - TTC Letter with student unions
  - IG Live with Sarah & Kashi
  - New dates & times for the transit day of action
- Conference Presentation with Isaiah
  - Will meet with Isaiah and Nicole Monday morning to go over the conference details
- Rimsha is going to start looking into meeting for the DSA Funding committee and hold DSA training soon

Murray:

- Helping his RSC coordinator with the RSC launch events and presentations
- Supporting the campaigns 7 advocacy coordinator with the other service centres
- Queer Orientation:
  - Met with UTMSU about the Queer & Trans town hall a possible collaboration
  - Touch based for SCSU's Queer orientation event
- Supporting students from Afghanistan, responding with sponsorships they could apply for in order for them to complete their studies
- A suggestion for Murray to do an IG Live to launch SCSU's grants & bursaries, and Isaiah will message the GD for a graphic
- Isaiah will be attending CFS-O's Constituency & Caucus meetings on behalf of Local 99
  Kashi:
  - Attending Frosh all four days
  - Supporting with week of welcome events
  - Met with the Ontario Executive Committee and got ratified as the new Local 99 representative
  - Got in touch with our Government relations associate
  - Scheduling a meeting with her VNP Coordinator to discuss VNP launch and logistics
  - Attended TTC Riders Deputation training session with Sarah & Rimsha
- 10. ED Updates
- 11. Adjournment:

### Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Chandrasegar

#### Be it resolved that the September 10th, 2021 Executive Committee meeting be adjourned.

## **Motion Carries**

## SCSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Scarborough Campus Students' Union | Local 99, Canadian Federation of Students September 23rd, 2021 | Via Zoom

- 1. Attendance: Everyone but Ho & Chandrasegar
- 2. Call to Order: 4:13PM
- 3. Equity Statement: Read by Murray
- 4. Approval of the Agenda:

#### Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Rahman

Be it resolved that the agenda for the September 23rd, 2021 Executive Committee meeting be approved as presented.

#### **Motion Carries**

5. Rent Subsidy for Upper Year WUSC Students

## Motion Moved: Rahman Seconded: Abdillahi

Be it resolved that the SCSU commit to supporting the four (4) upper year WUSC students via rent relief in the form of \$550 per month for the 2021-2022 academic year.

- Execs discussed a more permanent commitment that could reflect, as long as are studying for <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> semesters for the year then they are eligible for the rent relief
- Execs all in favour of approving for 2021-2022 and will pursue a more permanent implementation.

#### **Motion Carries**

6. Executive Updates

Murray:

- SHARE: would rather do a Zoom session for Know your Rights week
- UMLAP: SCSU will attend the October 5th Consultation
- Housing: SCSU will work on a letter to the mayor and councillors and plan for a press conference soon

Andy:

Foodcentre Service Centre Launch was a huge success

Rimsha:

- Working on ASC, we had our ASC Launch
- Working on URS, and started planning for the URS Committee
- Connecting with her academics associate
- SCSU's Lobby Week will be pushed to Winter semester
- DSA Training October
- 7. ED Updates
- 8. Adjournment:

## Motion Moved: Abdillahi Seconded: Mai

Be it resolved that the September 23rd, 2021 Executive Committee meeting be adjourned.

#### **Motion Carries**

# SCSU FROSH 2021: SHINE Report

By: Oluwapelumi (Michael) Sobowale and Esma Boztas

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# **ORIENTATION PLANNING:**

# Format

This year's orientation used a different approach to group students. The plan was for the Group Leader Supervisors to split the incoming students up into three "houses". The houses were divided into houses namely; (AMETHYST - purple, FLUORITE - green, AZURITE - blue) for the incoming first year study of choice this September. Amethyst house consisted of approximately 146 first years with 50 of them being in-person and 10 Group Leaders. The Flourite house consisted of approximately 146 First Years, with 50 of them being in-person and 10 Group Leaders. Lastly the Azurite house consisted of approximately 152 First Years (50 of them being in-person and 10 Group Leaders. Within each house, there were 9 groups each of up to 16-18 First Years and a minimum of 3 Group Leaders per group. There were several notable differences this year in comparison to last year:

- 1. This year, due to a reduced number of in-person First Years in comparison to 1,000 students in previous years, we manually checked in students once shown their ticket. This method was to avoid any potential complications with the EventBrite App that was experienced in the past. Once the leaders gained familiarity with registration, the process went by very smoothly.
- 2. This year due to having a hybrid model, we provided one meal for the in-person events. In theory for our budget, this was a smart decision because we were able to use the money for the programming of the two days.
- 3. This year we had first years wear wristbands for the two days of in-person events and we decided against using name tags as it was more expensive, we decided to have the schedule printed in the first years frosh kit.
- 4. Due to popular demand, we brought back Playfair. Playfair is an event which consists of a group of icebreakers to get to meet everyone at Frosh. This was a great way for students to open up and be more comfortable in the space. Many students have suggested continuing with this event for the future.
- 5. Lastly, with the decision of making houses divided into various houses, we created a competition called House Cup. Within each numbered group, first years and group leaders would participate in daily challenges to earn points for their respected house. Each day, they will be given new challenges to complete during specific times in the day. Winners of each day are announced by MCs each morning and last-minute points will be earned during the social media challenge which were awarded to the houses during closing ceremonies.

## Timeline

The Orientation Coordinators (OCs) were hired in May 2021. The hiring of the Masters of Ceremonies and Senior Leaders was completed by the end of June 2021 and the first meeting was held during the first week of July.

Group Leader interviews were conducted in early-July and offers were sent by the end of July. Notification of finalized dates for Leader training and Orientation week were sent out in advance to allow the volunteers to confirm their participation and adjust their schedules accordingly. This year, Senior leader training took place on July 11th. The Anti-O training was conducted by the Vice-president Equity, Isaiah Murray. On August 22nd, Jia Yao and Paula Lam from the Office of Sexual Violence Prevention and Support Centre conducted consent training for the entire orientation team. On August 25th, Oluwapelumi (Michael) Sobowale conducted a follow-up consent and Anti-O training for any Group Leaders or Senior Leaders who were unable to make previous sessions.

Orientation took place from September 1st to 4th. For the first time, due to the Covid-19 health restrictions, we executed a hybrid model with a mixture of both in-person and online events. We ended with a concert on the 4th of September. Despite the events being online and in-person, the attendance was still successful as we had about 377 students registered for frosh. We had to deal with the time zone differences but a lot of students were about to make most, or all, of the Frosh events.

In the future, we suggest hiring the Senior Leader team in the month of May in order to accomodate more opportunities for team bonding and planning logistics.

## Recruitment

Hiring for the Senior Orientation Team took place for the following positions: Masters of Ceremonies, Seniors Leaders, Group Leaders, and Logistics Leaders.

## Masters of Ceremonies (MC):

 The postings went up in early-June and interviews took place in late-June. Offers were sent by the end of June. There were 3 MCs hired (1 for each house). The MCs created the ideas for promotional materials and cheers, and planned the Closing Ceremonies along with the House Cup (HC).

# Senior Leaders:

- Job postings went up in late-May and interviews took place in early-June. Offers were sent by mid-June. The Senior Leaders were broken down into:
  - SL Academics (2)
  - SL Clubs (2)
  - GL Supervisors (3)
  - SL Externals (3)
  - SL Talents (2)

The interviews were conducted by the Orientation Coordinators.

## Group Leaders (GL):

 Job postings for Group Leaders went up in early-July. Interviews took place in late-July and consisted of 3 parts: traditional questions and answers, scenarios/situations and improvisation/cheers. We hired a total of 30 group leaders. The Orientation Senior Leaders and the MCs all took part in the hiring process. We suggest updating the questions being asked to group leaders, because those who participated in past years thought it to be repetitive which caused our interviews to be taken loosely. Logistics Leaders (LL)

• The job postings for Logistics Leaders went up in early-July. The interviews took place in late-July and were conducted by the OCs and one of the SL Externals. It consisted of formal questions and answers, scenarios/situations and problem-solving exercises

## Meetings

The Orientation Executive team meetings were held every week on Sunday from 8:00PM - 10:00PM. Starting the 3rd week of July, the OCs also held weekly meetings with each of the Senior Leaders to help coordinate logistics for their respective events in order to ensure that tasks were completed by each weekly meeting.

During central weekly meetings, the OCs would receive updates from each general group (MCs, GL Supervisors, Carnival, Talent Show, and Decompression) and answer any remaining queries from the team.

Notably, Sarah Abdillahi was the only SCSU Executive who made an effort to attend weekly meetings. Moving forward, we highly suggest that the SCSU executives continue to actively take part in the Orientation team meetings to help build a relationship with the Orientation team.

Additionally, we strongly suggest that meetings should take place at least twice weekly in the month leading up to Frosh; and efforts should be made to host weekly meetings on weekdays to promote attendance from SCSU Executives and provide more opportunity for collaboration within the Orientation Team.

# Ticket Sales & Promotion

We utilized Eventbrite fort ticket sales and aimed to sell 700 tickets:

- 50 Early Bird virtual and in-person tickets (\$25)
- 50 Early Bird virtual access only at (\$10)
- 100 Regular Virtual and In-person tickets (\$30)
- Regular virtual access tickets at (\$15)

Unfortunately, students showed a strong preference for in-person Frosh which led to reduced virtual ticket sales. This led to last minute ticket purchasing for virtual programming and a non sold-out event.

As with previous years, in-person Group Leaders were required to pay a \$15 fee to assist in covering the cost of their shirt, food, and kits. The Group Leader fees were paid via Eventbrite unless specially requested to pay in person prior to the first in-person programming day.

Frosh promotion was restricted to the Frosh website, @scsuuoft and @scsu\_frosh instagram pages, as well as the associated Accepted pages on Facebook. Unlike previous years, due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Orientation Team was unable to conduct in-person Frosh outreach during AACC's Get Started Mix n' Mingle events in late-June/early-July and the phone blitz program.

# Budget

The total expected income was \$101,181, however due to fewer expected virtual ticket sales \$96,336 was received. Council on Student Services Orientation fee contributed \$90,000. We also received \$7,405 in ticket sales - 227 virtual access and 150 in-person access. Approximately \$430 was received in GL fees. Approximately \$4,260 was contributed from SCSU's operating budget to reflect the income discrepancy. Notably, this was the first year that Senior Leaders will be awarded up to \$500 as an honorarium for appreciation of their hard work. Please refer to our budget worksheet for more information regarding Orientation revenue and expenses.

# Graphics & Bulk Purchasing

The SCSU Senior Graphic Designer was responsible for the Frosh promotional graphics and Frosh t-shirt designs. Graphics we prepared for the following: general logo, banners, website, lawn signs, t-shirts, schedule, design for the scsu sanitizers, masks and so much more.

Excluding t-shirts and the planners, all other printing was completed through UTSC's Academic Printing & Custom Publishing Services. We will recommend them for the future as well due to ease of communication and good turnaround time.

Bulk Order Purchases:

- Entripy
  - Frosh T-shirts
    - Due to limited supply, although Ethical Brands were prioritized (Fruit of the Loom and American Apparel), some of the shirt colours had to be Gildan as a result of pandemic impacts on production
- Canadian Federation of Students Ethical Purchasing Network
  - Handbooks
  - Masks
  - Pens
- 4 Imprint Design
  - Frosh Bags
  - Hand Sanitizers

# Videography

SCSU hired a Videographer during the summer named Naomi Cabral. She was in charge of making the Frosh intro video and the campus tours. We highly suggest releasing the recap video in July as promotion for next year.

Unfortunately, we didn't have the opportunity to ask Naomi to photograph and videotape the two days of in-person Frosh.

# **Team Bonding**

A number of informal team dinners occurred during the last few days leading up to Frosh. This was quite unfortunate due to the fact that Frosh was just around the corner but the socials were very much needed to help the orientation team bond with one another. The first informal dinner was during kit-stuffing that took place at Rex's Den. We ordered food from Dominoes and enjoyed some quality time with one another. Orientation coordinator Esma, along with some of the senior leaders had an off-campus social at Putting edge which ultimately was a great time.

In the future, we suggest holding off-campus team building activities such as escape rooms, go-karting, Wonderland, or even a weekend retreat to allow for relationship building within the team as early as possible.

# Involvement of SCSU Executives

This year, the SCSU elected executives were not really involved in frosh planning apart from the president Sarah Abdillahi. All executives were placed into houses, President and Vice President External were in the house of Amethyst, Vice President Academics and Vice President Operations were in the house of Fluorite and Vice President Equity and Vice President Campus Life were in the house of Azurite. Out of the 6 executives only 4 (President, VP External, VP Academics and VP Operations) were present during all four days of Frosh (virtually & in person). Vice President Equity, due to not being physically in the country, was only present during the virtual parts of the four days of Frosh.

The SCSU Executives did an introduction on Day 1 of Frosh, did a get involved with SCSU presentation on Day 3 of Frosh and lastly SCSU presented their SCSU 101 presentation going over all of their campaign priorities, services, and events for the year on Day 4 of Frosh.

Since this Frosh event falls under the jurisdiction of Vice-President Campus Life TJ Ho, it was very unfortunate that Campus life had little to no involvement with SCSU's Frosh this year. Ho would not attend weekly Frosh Senior leader meetings, he would not participate in logistical meetings with the University or External partners, and showed no enthusiasm towards frosh planning this year which led to the OCs not feeling supported by VP Campus Life throughout their entire employment.

Because of VP Campus Life's lack of attendance, the OCs had to plan a hybrid model for this year's Frosh, a first of its kind due to the Covid-19 pandemic restrictions at UTSC and the Province of Ontario. The President and Executive Director had to support the OCs with frosh planning, and attend all the meetings with necessary stakeholders to make Frosh 2021 happen because VP Campus life neglected all of their Frosh duties.

We highly suggest that the new elected SCSU executives of next year also try to get more involved with the orientation team whether it comes to attending meetings, doing outreach, hiring volunteers, or even attending team socials because this creates a sense of trust and friendship amongst the executive team and the orientation team.

We also highly suggest that the SCSU takes the necessary steps to ensure that the elected VP Campus Life does their Frosh responsibilities. Having to plan Frosh without the guidance of VP Campus Life had made

this a very difficult experience for the OCs since we had to do additional tasks that were under TJ Ho's portfolio for the 2021-2022 academic school year.

Leaders' (Senior, Group and Logistics) Feedback

This year, the OCs created a feedback page for all group leaders and logistic leaders to state their opinions. In addition, we held a debrief/feedback meeting on September 4th to ask the Orientation Team and some of the SCSU executives' opinion on how the three days of Frosh:

- Start the day earlier and feed everyone lunch or snacks.
- There wasn't enough time allotted towards bonding time between group leaders and their first years throughout the three days
- More communication; walkie talkies from senior leaders to communicate with each other and the SCSU Executives and staff and megaphones for the MCs
- More signage for events
- During exam season training for leaders' should not take place if we want majority of the hired leaders' to participate in Orientation

# ORIENTATION WEEK:

- Register the incoming First Year Students and provide them with their designated t-shirt, Orientation kit, guidebook and wristband. A water station and situations area was prepared along the far end of the Outer Lot
- Timing for food should be thought upon, food was served cold
- Communication with taking seconds for food was not told, in result a lot of pizza was left behind and thrown out
- Communication with food options was not communicated
- Frosh Kits were administered upon in-person registration to First Year students and Group Leaders. Virtual Frosh attendees were instructed to bring their Frosh Ticket to pick up their Frosh Kit from the SCSU office upon campus reopening/start of classes. Unfortunately, some of our orders were received very late and were damaged and were later replaced after frosh ended. We recommend ordering from Entripy early to avoid delays and having to replace damaged shirts.

# Day One

# Break the Ice

Dieak the ice	
Context	• First years come in and are asked to change the prefix of the name to reflect their house colors, i.e, Azurite AZ. First years were put into the various breakout rooms where icebreakers took place.
Comments	Sort First years and GLs into their breakout rooms
lssues	<ul> <li>The students were having difficulties entering their breakout rooms</li> <li>This step took longer than expected to do but ultimately we finished.</li> </ul>
Recommendations	<ul> <li>We should inform the first years before about changing their names to reflect their house colors before frosh tom make sorting them to their houses easier</li> <li>Have more than two individuals handle the situations table</li> </ul>

# Grand Entry

Context	<ul> <li>We hired an indeginous tiktoker Notorious cree to open up on the first day of Frosh and to welcome the first years.</li> </ul>
Comments	•
lssues	<ul> <li>Notorious cree couldn't make it so because he was sick, we had activities and music playing in the background</li> </ul>
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Follow up on all speakers and performers at least a day before the event</li> <li>Make sure all leaders on the team have been communication with the minute to minute of event</li> </ul>

Opening ceremo	ony
Context	<ul> <li>This was official opening of frosh, the introduction video was played for the everyone, we had a video message from the Vice-President and Principal at UTSC and Dean Student experience and wellbeing (OSEW)Desmond Pouyat, followed by remarks from scsu executives and the entire orientation team</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>We were ahead of schedule so we had time for more breakout room sessions and breaks, which built communication and team spirits amongst each other</li> </ul>

lssues	<ul> <li>Had to readjust our plans because Notorious cree couldn't make it</li> </ul>
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Have buffer programming incase something happens and need to fall back on another plan</li> <li>Ensure that all group leaders know about the new updates being told to the first years.</li> </ul>

Show and Tell	
Context	<ul> <li>First years were asked to show an items from their rooms/houses and tell their fellow first years the meaning and importance of it</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>First years and group leaders were placed in their various breakout rooms so that students will feel more comfortable and willing to share ir</li> </ul>
Issues	•
Recommendations	•

<u>Playfair</u>	
Context	Carol Ann hosted Playfair on zoom
Comments	<ul> <li>Make sure to read the contract strictly and list out all preferences and accommodations to be asked for Playfair</li> </ul>
lssues	•
Recommendations	Longer time

# Cheers and team bonding

Context	<ul> <li>Group leaders teach the first years their various house cheers and spend some time getting to know each other</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>Students seems to like the breakout rooms and the music being played in the main room provided entertainment for the first years</li> </ul>

Issues	•
Recommendations	•

<u>Karaoke</u>	
Context	<ul> <li>First years were divided into their house zoom meetings, as First years preferred the smaller breakout rooms to the main room</li> <li>SL's were in charge of playing the songs and the first years chose the songs they wanted to play next</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>One of the highlights of Frosh this year</li> <li>First years participated during the karaoke session</li> </ul>
Issues	•
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Alternative events should be made available for people not interested in taking part in karaoke</li> </ul>

# Hypnotist Show

Context	<ul> <li>The Hypnotist Show took place live and lasted 1 hour. It featured the Incredible Boris</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>Students were highly attentive and engaged throughout the entirety of the performance.</li> <li>Incredible Boris had effective audience participation strategies</li> <li>Three first years won a book from Boris</li> </ul>
lssues	None
Recommendations	It is recommended that Incredible Boris be invited back in future years.

# Cup Game (Wikipedia Game)

Context	<ul> <li>The cup part of frosh was designed as a way for houses to compete against each other</li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>First year's took part in the Wikipedia Race (Wikipedia race or Wikirace is a race between any number of participants, using links to travel from one Wikipedia page to another. The first person to reach the destination page, or the person that reaches the destination using the fewest links, wins the race.) and had a lot of students interested and actively participating in the games</li> <li>House of Fluorite emerged as the winner.</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>The event was successful students were able to enjoy the game we had lined up for them</li> </ul>
Issues	<ul> <li>We had a problem with the breakout rooms answer couldn't put them in their houses</li> </ul>
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Advertise and encourage first years to participate during the day before the games as to get a lot of participants</li> </ul>

# Day Two

<b>Registration</b>	
Context	<ul> <li>Incoming First Year Students and Leaders were registered and provided with their designated t-shirt, Orientation kit, booklet, hand sanitizers, water bottles and masks</li> <li>We had three registration points due to social distance and covid restrictions</li> <li>A water station was prepared besides the various registration stations</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>Although not implemented, an effective rain plan was prepared. Note: in the event of rain, it is essential to have a smooth method of transition with which to move students to an indoor registration area</li> <li>Since registration was limited to 50 first years per house, the SLs and with support from scsu executives and scsu staff went fairly well</li> <li>Water stations were well stocked with backup jugs for replacement</li> <li>We had masterlists of the first years and GLs and basically checked them in based on the lists we had.</li> </ul>
Issues	The online registration method was extremely efficient, which led to the

	<ul> <li>completion of registration being done quickly, this meant more time for icebreakers and cheers</li> <li>Students were entertained with cheer-offs/icebreakers</li> <li>Due to Wifi issue in one of the locations, we had to use hotspot to handle registration</li> </ul>
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Having a masterlists of first years and GLs allows for easier and quicker registration process</li> <li>During registration, ensure GLs receive all materials that First Years receive Make sure the locations for registrations have great wifi access</li> </ul>

Lunch	
Context	<ul> <li>Lunch was provided by Crazy burritos and beaver tails, and served in front of the student centre and in front of the daycare centre</li> <li>Chicken, beef and vegetarian options were provided</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>First years ate in the various locations outside</li> <li>Food was slow which lead to a delay in the in person activities (campus tours and the athletics activities at TPASC</li> </ul>
Issues	<ul> <li>Allow for buffer times between each house rotation to allow each house get food on schedule and fast</li> <li>Some students had additional dietary needs that required separate meals to be purchased</li> <li>Due to the delay in food, some of the houses had to have their campus tours at the very end, which lead to a delay in the start of the virtual events</li> </ul>
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Stagger Houses by about 10 minutes to prevent congestion</li> <li>Communicate with the orientation team to avoid communication issues</li> <li>Have walkie talkies available for the SLs to communicate with each other better, also have megaphones for the MCs to avoid them shouting</li> </ul>

Athletics Challeng	<u>je</u>	
Context	•	Each House participated in a rotation of athletic events in the TPASC gyms for 2 hour, organized by Athletics & Recreation Indoor Decompression Space was available in a TPASC meeting room

Comments	<ul> <li>There was a good variety among the stations across TPASC</li> </ul>
Issues	Due to delay with lunch, some houses got to TPASC late
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Have a TV or board games set up in the Decompression Space in advance</li> <li>Ensure that the availability of the location of the Decompression Space is well emphasized</li> </ul>

# Talent Show

Context	<ul> <li>The Talent Show was delayed by 30 minutes due to the delay in the TPASC with the last house.</li> <li>We decided to delay the start by 30 minutes to give the first years, GLs and LLs enough time to get home and decompress before the next event.</li> <li>We had submissions from approximately 10 students, we were only able to play half so we could keep to time</li> <li>Students preferred sending pre-recorded videos instead of performing live</li> </ul>
Comments	•
lssues	• Due to the delay in the start of the evening events we had to cut the talent show by half (30 minutes)
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Check audio and video quality to make sure the videos is ready to be played without issues</li> </ul>

Consent Training	
Context	<ul> <li>We had an hour presentation concerning consent culture on campus, which was done by Chrys Saget-Richard</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>The students remained attentive and respectful during the presentation, some students were able to participate and ask questions</li> </ul>
Issues	None
Recommendations	Consent culture on campus is important and should occur every year

Cup Game (Minute to win it)		
Context	<ul> <li>The cup part of frosh was designed as a way for houses to compete against each other</li> <li>First year's took part in the Minute to win it and had a lot of students interested and actively participating in the games</li> <li>House of Fluorite emerged as the winner.</li> </ul>	
Comments	<ul> <li>The event was successful students were able to enjoy the game we had lined up for them</li> </ul>	
lssues	<ul> <li>We had a problem with the breakout rooms answer couldn't put them in their houses</li> </ul>	
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Advertise and encourage first years to participate during the day before the games as to get a lot of participants</li> </ul>	

# Virtual Scavenger Hunt

Context	<ul> <li>The virtual scavenger hunt was organized by Hart entertainment and it went well</li> <li>Virtual scavenger hunt is a game where players try to find items or complete challenges before time runs out</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>The event was successful students were able to enjoy the game hart entertainment had lined up for them</li> </ul>
Issues	• NA
Recommendations	Recommend them for virtual events in the future

# Day Three

Get involved (Clubs Fair)

Context	<ul> <li>Different clubs were contacted about participating in the virtual clubs fair.</li> <li>Students were given opportunity to visit various clubs in their various breakout rooms</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>There was a good variety of club for students to choose from</li> <li>The clubs were engaging and fun</li> <li>Some clubs had more students than others</li> </ul>
Issues	• Some clubs finished before time, so we had first years in the main room.
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Put first years in random breakout room instead of asking them, this gives each club equal opportunity to talk about their clubs</li> </ul>

# Cup Game (UTSC Kahoot)

Context	<ul> <li>The cup part of frosh was designed as a way for houses to compete against each other</li> <li>First year's took part in the Minute to win it and had a lot of students interested and actively participating in the games</li> <li>House of AMETHYST emerged as the winner.</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>The event was successful students were able to enjoy the game we had lined up for them</li> </ul>
Issues	• NA
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Advertise and encourage first years to participate during the day before the games as to get a lot of participants</li> </ul>

# Get involved (4.0 Fair)

Context	The 4.0 Fair took place from virtually from 2:00pm- 3:00pm
	<ul> <li>We had about 15 different groups and services give presentations and send pre-recorded videos which we played for the first years.</li> </ul>

Comments	<ul> <li>The First Years had the opportunity to network with representatives from the various services that are on campus.</li> </ul>
Issues	• Some services took longer than they were assigned, which made us run late
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Make sure OCs keep to a strict time schedule so that everyone gets fair time and students can ask questions</li> </ul>

# Mentalist/Magician

Context	<ul> <li>The Mentalist show was organized by Hart entertainment and it went well</li> <li>This event was designed solely for virtual access and for folks who couldn't make it or get in person tickets</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>The event was successful students were able to enjoy the game hart entertainment had lined up for them</li> </ul>
lssues	• NA
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Recommend them for virtual events in the future</li> </ul>

# Chill Breakout Rooms Context Group leaders were in charge of organizing virtual events for first years and spend some time getting to know each other Comments Students seems to like the breakout rooms and the music being played in the main room provided entertainment for the first years Issues • Recommendations • Recommend for virtual orientation

# <u>CARNIVAL</u>

Context	<ul> <li>Carnival was prepared by the two senior leaders.</li> <li>All first years were provided with the rotation before hand so they know where they should be at all time</li> </ul>
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Comments	• The event was highly successful and many students enjoyed the events present
	and the freedom to walk around campus on their own
Issues	<ul> <li>Placements for clubs and services to be visually shown</li> <li>To provide more light fixtures for darker areas of the campus</li> </ul>
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Make more signage for participants to know which clubs and services are present at each building. For a creative idea, print a directory and place on UTSC map</li> <li>Have the orientation team to all help out and be on the same page of logistics for the event.</li> <li>Scsu team should rent a golf cart to help with transporting items between locations, having the orientation team manually carry items across the various locations took a lot of time</li> </ul>

<u>Dinner</u>	
Context	<ul> <li>Dinner was provided by Pronto Pasta and we had ice cream truck for dessert</li> <li>Vegetarian and non-vegetarian (halal) options were made available by Pronto Pasta</li> <li>The houses were in a rotation so that there wasn't overcrowding and long lines</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul><li>The quality of the food was good</li><li>The service was fast</li></ul>
Issues	• NA
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Would highly recommend them for future events, the food was tasty and the service was fast</li> </ul>

Day Four

Speed friending

Context	• First years are timed and are placed in random breakout rooms and then they have to answer questions that we came up with.
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Comments	•	Students thoroughly enjoyed it and they were able to participate
lssues	•	NA
Recommendations	•	Highly interactive

# Been there Done that

Context	<ul> <li>This event was designed to give students tips to dealing with the struggle of first years</li> <li>We reached out various upper years in various departments to give tips to surviving their first year</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>It was really engaging and students followed along</li> </ul>
Issues	• NA
Recommendations	Breakout rooms really made first years comfortable

# Virtual Game show

Context	<ul> <li>The game show was organized by Hart entertainment and it went well</li> <li>This event was fun and engaging</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>The event was successful students were able to enjoy the game hart entertainment had lined up for them</li> </ul>
lssues	Shorter time than we discussed
Recommendations	Recommend them for virtual events in the future

# Closing Ceremonies

Context	<ul> <li>The Closing Ceremonies featured the Orientation Team surprise performance, the Ultimate House Challenge to complete score for the House Cup</li> <li>House of fluorite won</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>Students enjoyed the Ultimate House Challenges and the surprise orientation team dance</li> </ul>

lssues	• N/A	
Recommendations	<ul> <li>Continue to do Ultimate House Challenges for inclusiveness and for a better sense in community</li> </ul>	

# **CONCLUDING REMARKS**

In conclusion, under the diligent supervision of Michael Sobowale and Esma Boataz, the SCSU Orientation continued to be one of the highlights of the academic year at UTSC. We hope that through this report, future Orientations continue to grow, improve, and prosper for the betterment of the UTSC student body.