Beloved members,

Thank you for coming and welcome to the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union (SCSU) Annual General meeting. This is a very exciting time as we get to engage with you, our membership about the work that we do for all of you.

Over the years, the SCSU has worked diligently to bring the membership a diverse range of events and programming to engage our membership. Whether it be through our events, campaigns, social justice initiatives, or our members-only cost saving services; we hope to help our members both in and outside the classroom.

Through the combined effort of our 12,000 students, we have been able to make a lot of positive strides in the student realm.

Working together works! Through our combined efforts we have won a fall reading week, gotten more study space, made it easier for students to pay their tuition, and have helped steer the university towards a more environmentally friendly path. These accomplishments could not have happened without each and every one of our members, there is strength in numbers! However, a better campus is a continuum and requires constant attention. We still face many barriers both on and off campus that still need to be addressed, and who better to address them than the future; students.

Ontario still pays the highest tuition fees in all of Canada and our provincial government along with our administration has no intention of stopping the increases in tuition fees. Tuition fees have grown to become an epidemic and we must stand together and fight against these tuition fee hikes!

United with over 500,000 members across the country through the Canadian federation of students. We are actively working together to create a university atmosphere that is more accessible and affordable for people all over the country. This fight is everybody’s battle to make sure people from all walks of life have access to high-quality education. A united voice has the capacity to create amazing things.

This is your student union, and we can achieve so much by standing together! We have achieved several victories, but much work still needs to be done.

Best Regards,

SCSU Executive Team
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1. Call to Order

2. Equity Statement

3. Welcoming Remarks & Introductions

4. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION
Moved: Dionisio
Seconded:
Be it resolved that the agenda for the 2015 SCSU Annual General Meeting be approved as presented.

5. Approval of Minutes

MOTION
Moved: Dionisio
Seconded:
Be it resolved that the 2014 SCSU Annual General Meeting minutes be approved as presented.

6. Executive Report

MOTION
Moved: Dionisio
Seconded:
Be it resolved that the Executive Report be approved as presented.


MOTION
Moved: Dionisio
Seconded:
Be it resolved that the 2014-2015 SCSU Audited Financial Statements be approved as presented.

8. Appointment of Auditors for 2014-2015 Fiscal Year

MOTION
Moved: Dionisio
Seconded:
Be it resolved that Yale and Partners be appointed as the external auditors for the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2016.

9. Motion to Amend Bylaws - Bylaw-X Removal from Office

MOTION
Moved: Dionisio
Seconded:
Whereas the current bylaws do not address the inaccessibility for International Students, co-op students, and otherwise students who may not be able to attend meetings during the Summer term to hold seats on the SCSU board of directors; and

Whereas this inaccessibility may prevent several eligible students from running as a board of director; and

Whereas the current bylaws do not hold directors accountable for attending a reasonable number of meetings within their term;

Be it resolved that Bylaw-X Removal from Office Section 1. Abandonment of Office be amended to the following; and

Be it further resolved that Bylaw-X Section 2. Exceptions to the Abandonment of Office be added:

1. Abandonment of Office
   1.1. A director of the Union shall be deemed to have vacated their position automatically.
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1.1.1 Upon missing a maximum of four (4) Board of Director meetings during their term under the following conditions:
   a. upon missing two (2) Board of Director meetings during the summer term with no regrets; or
   b. upon missing a total of three (3) meetings during the fall and winter term with regrets; or
   c. upon missing a total of two (2) meetings during the fall and winter term with no regrets;
1.1.2 Fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings or any four (4) meetings of the Commission or Committee which such director has been appointed; or
1.1.3 Fails to satisfy the office requirements as established for three consecutive weeks or any four weeks as stated in Bylaw VII.
1.1.4 Regrets shall be given 48 hours in advance of the Board of Director meeting or unless otherwise exempted by the Secretary of the Board or President.
1.2. Regrets shall be accepted in the forms of:
   1.2.1 A doctor’s note as proof of illness; or
   1.2.2 A copy of the exam schedule with proof of enrolment in the course; or
   1.2.3 Written documentation for illness or death in the family; or
   1.2.4 If a director is on a co-op term and all efforts have been exhausted to accommodate the director, a letter from the co-op office shall be accepted; or
   1.2.5 If a director is leaving the country, a combination of two (2) of the following documents:
      a. Proof of residence
      b. Letter from parent, guardian, or next of kin
      c. Travel documentation

2. Exceptions to the Abandonment of Office
   2.1 A director may be granted absence during the summer term for up to three (3) Board of Director meetings under the following condition:
      1.1.1 Any of the following regrets are submitted by June 1:
   2.1.2 If a director is on a co-op term and all efforts have been exhausted to accommodate the director, a letter from the co-op office shall be accepted; or
   2.1.3 If a director is leaving the country, a combination of two (2) of the following documents:
      a. Proof of residence
      b. Letter from parent, guardian, or next of kin
      c. Travel documentation
   2.2 Final decision on the acceptance of regrets or absences shall be at the discretion of the Secretary of the Board or President.

10. Motion to Amend Bylaws - Bylaw-XII Committees and Bylaw-VIII Responsibilities of Executive Committee Members

MOTION
Moved: Kirk Seconded:
Whereas there is currently no composition or terms of reference to oversee the administration of SCSU bursaries;

Be it resolved that Section 1. President of Bylaw-VIII be amended to include “bursary committee” as a responsibility in point g; and

Be it further resolved that Bylaw-XII Section 1. Committees of the Union be amended to include “Bursary Committee” as the fifth committee of the SCSU; and

Be it further resolved that Bylaw-XII be amended to include Section 2.6 Bursary Committee, as follows:

2. Composition and Terms of Reference for Committees
2.6. Bursary Committee
   a. Voting members of the Bursary Committee shall be:
      i. President
      ii. One (1) Director who is not ex-officio and that is appointed by the Board.
      iii. One (1) member of the Union who shall be appointed by the Board in accordance to the Bursary Funding Policy
      iv. Representation from the Financial Aids Office
   b. The Vice President Equity shall chair the Bursary Committee
   c. The Executive Director or a designate shall serve as the secretary of the Bursary Committee, who shall be responsible for forwarding all minutes and records of transactions to the Secretary of the Board
   d. Bursary Committee shall have the responsibility of developing policy recommendations for the Board and relevant University organizations or offices that aim to improve the Bursaries distributed to UTSC students.
   e. All acting members of the Bursary Committee shall sign a confidentiality agreement before the first Bursary Committee Meeting.

11. Motion to Amend Bylaws - Bylaw-V Board of Directors and Bylaw-VI Elections of Board of Directors

MOTION
Moved: Dionisio  
Seconded:  
Whereas the Vice President Operations is responsible for creation of the budget and the services administered by the SCSU; and
Whereas access to cost-saving services is of vital importance to our membership; and
Whereas the membership currently has few avenues to guide the operational work of the SCSU;
Be it resolved that Bylaw-V Section 1 be amended to remove the non-voting status of the Vice-President, Operations; and
Be it further resolved that Bylaw-VI Section 5 be amended to read “one appointed Executive”.

12. Motion to Amend Bylaws - Bylaw-XII Committees Section 2.5 DSA Committee

MOTION
Moved: Dionisio  
Seconded:  
Be it resolved that the following points g. h. and i. be struck from Section 2.5 DSA Committee in Bylaw-XII Committees.
   g. The Clubs Committee shall have the responsibility to develop policy recommendations for the Board and relevant University organizations, offices, or departments that aim to improve the viability of the Clubs Community at UTSC.
   h. The Clubs Committee shall have the responsibility to consider expenditures using Union funds allocated to clubs funding and club services funding.
   i. The Clubs Committee shall assist the Campaigns & Equity Commission in working to facilitate campus-wide discussion and action on issues of equity.

13. Motion for Racialized Student Collective

MOTION
Moved: Mohamed  
Seconded:  
Whereas Racialized and Indigenous students need safe space on campus to discuss issues of race and intersecting systems of oppression
Whereas connecting struggles amongst racially marginalized identities is an important component to building solidarity
Whereas an anti-racism subcommittee has been struck at the Campaign and Equity Commission two years consecu-
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tively, demonstrating the need for collective organizing space

Whereas the Scarborough Campus Students' Union is mandated to advocate for anti-racism policy

Be it resolved that the Racialized Student Collective exist as an official equity service centre under the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union; and

Be it further resolved that the Racialized Student Collective act as a support system for students, and those student groups engaged with anti-racist and anti-colonial work on campus; and

Be it further resolved that the Collective organize events and campaigns specifically geared toward challenging racism and its intersecting systems of oppression; and

Be it further resolved that the Racialized Student Collective have its own Equity Service Centre, which could be used as organizing space, decompression space, safe space, meeting space, or lounge space; and

Be it further resolved that the Racialized Student Collective's Equity Service Centre be located in SL 210B

14. Motion for Improved Multi-faith Space and Scheduling

MOTION Moved: MacDonald Seconded:
Whereas the multi-faith rooms are important components of the Student Centre, and are safe spaces for students to engage in various faith-based practices

Whereas the SCSU hosted a multi-faith meeting where those who frequent the multi-faith rooms could discuss what they liked about the space and what they thought needed improvement.

Whereas the multi-faith space on campus does not provide a space that is conducive to prayer or meditation due to the physicality of the space as well as the excessive noise in the hallway outside the space.

Whereas rather than simply ad hoc meetings for faith-based groups, the multi-faith spaces are often booked regular programming.

Whereas the booking procedure for the multi-faith space is inadequate for those who use the space for regular programming.

Be it resolved that the SCSU looks into providing funding to renovate the multi-faith space; for example painting the walls, installing hooks upon which posters can be hung, and providing better mats for prayer and meditation.

Be it resolved that the SCSU looks into providing a sign for the multi-faith space that diminishes noise issues.

Be it resolved that the SCSU have space made available in the closet in SL-279, so that different faith-based groups have room to store their mats, posters, etc.

Be it resolved that the SCSU look into changing the booking procedure for those who use the multi-faith space for regular programming. This change should look like a meeting at the end of every semester wherein all those who use the multi-faith space for such programming meet and book the space for their programming for the entire following semester.

15. Motion to Condemn TPP
MOTION  Moved: Rajabi  Seconded:
Whereas the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) is a trade partnership embarked on by a 12 country trading block, riddled with undemocratic regulations and non-transparent processes, undermining Canada's manufacturing industry, Agricultural production, access to medicines and creating barriers to on-line mobility;

Whereas the TPP excessively extends monopolies for pharmaceutical companies through abusive intellectual property rights.

Whereas the TPP will have grave consequences for patients by limiting access to affordable prescription drugs, as a result of extending monopolies of pharmaceutical company interests.

Whereas the TPP poses serious challenges to issues of academic integrity through copyright legislation, as students currently rely on various on-line mediums utilized in popular culture to provide an analysis of systemic barriers and how oppression manifests itself;

Whereas Canada’s current copyright laws allow for wider non-commercial use of copyrighted content than other TPP countries;

Whereas the TPP poses the threat of transnational copyright legislation, through the erosion of civil liberties and make people liable for criminal or civil penalties;

Whereas the TPP is highly entrenched with structural adjustment programs (SAPs) that will erode Canada’s agricultural sector and automobile manufacturing industry;

Whereas the TPP grants new access for the 12 member countries to all the import of dairy production further exposing domestic production to job loss and the increased consumption of GMOs in order to maintain lower costs in food production;

Whereas the SCSU endorses the campaign in support of Students & Workers United and the TPP diminishes the rights of auto and agricultural workers' within Canada and around the world to be able to maintain job security;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the membership direct the SCSU to mobilize a campaign to unravel the grave realities imbedded in the TPP through the Campaigns and Equity Commission; and

Be It Further Resolved that the SCSU deliver a letter expressing the dire concerns that students have regarding the social, economic and political impact that the TPP can have for the Canadian Economy to our Local MP.

Be it Further Resolved that the SCSU collaborate with national campaigns to challenge the grave socio-economic setbacks brought forth by the TPP by Civic and Labour Organizations.

16. Motion for Syrian Refugee Support

MOTION  Moved: Aziz  Seconded:
Whereas Syria is undergoing a Civil War that has resulted in a political and humanitarian crisis, better known as the Syrian Migrant Crisis

Whereas in the span of just 3 years, the civil war has claimed the lives of more than 220,000 innocent people, and displaced more than 10.9 million from their homes - most of them being young couples, single mothers and children

Whereas Toronto is home to 4 out of every 10 new immigrants to Canada, and therefore as a community, has the duty to serve a population of people just like us.
Whereas the Canadian Government has committed to resettle 11,000 refugees over the span of the next 2 years

Whereas incoming refugees are not provided with resettlement programs upon their arrival, “receiving no special income assistance,” as stated by the Canadian Council for Refugees

Whereas the Embrace Syria Campaign has committed to sponsoring and supporting a Syrian refugee family for a period of one year

Whereas the funds earned through the Embrace Syria Campaign will be used to provide necessities such as housing, food, clothing and other costs necessary for resettlement;

Whereas a subcommittee was launched at the first Campaign and Equity Commission of the 2015/2016 school year

Whereas striking a subcommittee means that the SCSU is obligated to support the work of the subcommittee that is struck

Whereas the cost of sustaining a family of 4 in Canada for one year is $27,000

Be it resolved that the Scarborough Campus Student Union donate $500 to the Embrace Syria Campaign; and

Be it further resolved that SCSU speak with the respective UTSC staff, faculty, students, and administrative bodies and ask for a donation; and

Be it further resolved that SCSU ask that affiliated organizations and student groups collaborate with the Embrace Syria UTSC campaign.

17. Motion for South African Solidarity (Submitted by UTSC ASA)

MOTION

Moved: Okhilua
Seconded:

Whereas Wits University is proposing a 10.5% fee increase despite the stance Student Representative Council had taken in opposing the tuition fee increase,

Whereas rather than a corporate enterprise, Universities should be sites for all students to engage in higher learning, regardless of financial limitations or other potential barriers students may face,

Whereas aside from socio-economic limitations, students at Wits University are also addressing institutionally racist limitations people face when accessing post-secondary education,

Whereas historically, black universities in South Africa have been under resourced, have had infrastructure deficits and have insufficient academic staff,

Whereas similarly to Student Representative Council, the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union advocates for the right to accessible education,

Whereas the African Students Association works toward engaging with issues impacting black students and the African diaspora,

Whereas within the Canadian context, education is becoming increasingly inaccessible, especially for students within the margins,

Whereas education is not a privilege, but a right.
Be it resolved that the Scarborough Campus Student Union work with the African Students Association to write a letter in solidarity with Student Representative Council and students at Wits University.

Be it further resolved that the Scarborough Campus Student Union and African Students’ Association consult with student organizers at Wits University to set the direction of the campaign in solidarity with #WitsFeesMustFall.

Be it further resolved that the Scarborough Campus Student Union and African Students’ Association lead a campaign #EducationIsMyRight to create awareness on the importance of accessible education.

18. Motion to Livestream SCSU AGM

MOTION Moved: Konstantopoulos Seconded: 
WHEREAS the Annual General Meeting is a meeting that usually lasts well over the time allotted;

WHEREAS the Annual General Meeting frequently is a meeting that students are unaware of or may not be able to attend due to class and other engagements;

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU mandate that the SCSU Annual General Meeting must be live-streamed and later archived on the SCSU website.

19. Motion for Website Update

MOTION Moved: Rahman Seconded: 
WHEREAS students are unaware of the committees that operate under the SCSU;

BE IT RESOLVED that a list of all SCSU committees and their descriptions be accessible on the SCSU website.

20. Motion to have the SCSU Hold an Open Public Forum at the End of March 2016 to Review and Follow up with Motions from the 2015 AGM Package and Present a Formal Report of Years Activity

MOTION Moved: Hill Seconded: 
WHEREAS executive positions are required to train and advise the incoming executives

WHEREAS executives are required to create a transition binder for the incoming executives respective of position

WHEREAS there is no public forum for all UTSC students

WHEREAS a public forum and public formal report will create better transparency between the SCSU and the membership

WHEREAS a public formal report will be used as reference for the incoming directors and executives

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU hold an open forum at the end of March 2016 and present a public report on the years activity at the end of term 2016.

21. Motion for Adjournment

MOTION Moved: Dionisio Seconded: 
Be it resolved that the 2015 SCSU Annual General Meeting be adjourned.
The following statements shall be read aloud during the opening address of all meeting and events held by the Scarborough Campus Student Union:

1. **EQUITY STATEMENT**

“As members of the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union, mutual respect, cooperation and understanding are our goals. We shall neither condone nor tolerate behaviour that undermines the dignity or self-esteem of any individual or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment.

It is our collective responsibility to create a space that is inclusive and welcomes discussion. Any form of discrimination and harassment will not be tolerated. Hate speech rooted in, but not limited to, anti-Muslim, anti-Semitic, sexist, racist, classist, ableist, homophobic, or transphobic sentiments and/or remarks will also not be tolerated. We all have an obligation to ensure that an open and inclusive space, free of hate is established. Any behaviour that does not demonstrate an understanding of these principles and/or creates an unsafe atmosphere will not be tolerated.

2. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF LAND**

We can never work to end systematic and institutional violence if we do not center the narratives of indigenous folks in our collective decision making for social justice and equity. As settlers in Canada we directly benefit from the colonization and genocide of the indigenous people of this land. In order to engage in resistance and solidarity against the injustices inflicted on the indigenous people of this land it is imperative we constantly engage in acts of decolonization. Therefore, I would like to acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Mississauga New Credit peoples, the traditional owners of this land. I would also like to pay my respects to their elders past and present, and to any who may be here with us today, physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually.
1. CALL TO ORDER
The meeting is called to order at 5:30 PM

2. EQUITY STATEMENT
Azraq reads out the official SCSU Equity Statement and Acknowledgement of the Land.

3. WELCOMING REMARKS & INTRODUCTIONS
Chowdhury welcomes students and introduces the executives.

4. OVERVIEW OF PROCEDURES
Smith goes over the procedures of the meeting.

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
MOTION
Moved: Chowdhury Seconded: Narzi
BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the 2014 SCSU Annual General Meeting be approved as presented.
CARRIED

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
MOTION
Moved: Chowdhury Seconded: Khan
BE IT RESOLVED that 2014 SCSU Annual General Meeting minutes package including the following documents be approved:

a. 2013 SCSU Annual General Meeting, November 13, 2013
CARRIED

7. EXECUTIVE REPORT
MOTION
Moved: Chowdhury Seconded: Kirk
BE IT RESOLVED that Executive Report be approved as presented.
Chowdhury goes through the report

Sanyal: How are you going to treat the 2022 world cup?
Azraq: If you will like to raise awareness on campus about the issue I will help you.
Konstantopulous: The DSA’s and other clubs on campus were wondering if space will increase this year.
Chowdhury: We hope that they will open up more space this year. Chowdhury assures students that they are working on having more space for DSA and clubs.
CARRIED
8. RECEIPT OF THE 2013-2014 SCSU AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MOTION
Moved: Mulatu    Seconded: Nehrin

BE IT RESOLVED that 2013-2014 SCSU Audited Financial Statements be approved as presented.

Konstantopolous: When we have the option to opt-out of a fee, where do those funds go?
Mulatu: SCSU does not obtain the funds.
Sivarajah: Can we review some of the numbers in regard to the surplus of operations?
Mulatu explains the change in law as of this year and therefore must be reflected within the report.
Desai: Where does the unrestricted fees come back into the expenses aspect of the report?
Mulatu explains that it is difficult to specifically outline where because it is throughout the expenses.
Desai: Why do they order a low amount of pass (TTC)
Mulatu: Increase in price for student. Passes must be sold out in order to not run a deficit, and to stay in line with our agreement with the TTC.
Osman: When is the fee for the shuttle bus going to be reflected on the report
Chowdhury: There will be no money from the SCSU going towards a shuttle bus.
Sivarajah: When someone uses the Rex’s Den space, who is getting the fee and how is it reflected within the report? Does the money go back to the SCSU?
Mulatu: It is received by the SCSU as revenue and given to Rex’s and expensed.
Desai: How much money is coming from Rex’s Den?
Mulatu: I don’t have that number on hand.
Desai: Where is the loss coming from if Rex’s Den is not open on Friday.
Mulatu: We are still working to add operational efficiencies and improve student services to turn a profit. This year we are offering specials that will help increase profit.

CARRIED

9. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS FOR 2014-15 FISCAL YEAR

MOTION
Moved: Mulatu    Seconded: Nehrin

BE IT RESOLVED that Yale and Partners be appointed as the external auditors for the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2015.

Sanyal: Would it be better to use a new auditing firm?
Mulatu: It will not change anything because all auditors look at the laws and apply it.
Desai: Can we vote to have a new auditor?
Smith: There is an RFP Process to select auditors; we won’t have an auditor if not passed here.
James: I understand why the suggestion was made, however, googling a new auditor on the spot is not a legitimate process and will not properly represent us.
Suresan: Is there any actual reason to change the auditor, will it just lower or increase the cost?
Mulatu: Reason to keep the auditor, experience.

MOTION
Moved: Nehrin    Seconded: Barrah

Be it resolved that debate be limited to 5 minutes per speaker.

CARRIED
10. MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

MOTION Moved: Chowdhury Seconded: Polecina
Be it resolved that Bylaw II – Membership, Section 4 be amended to include:

f. Seek to be hired for Executive or Director office

CARRIED

11. MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

MOTION Moved: Chowdhury Seconded: Azraq

BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw V – Board of Directors, Section 1, Sub-Section 1.2, Clause c. be amended to:

c. Department of Anthropology and Health Studies

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bylaw V – Board of Directors, Section 1, Sub-Section 1.5, Clause d. be amended to:

d. All elected undergraduate students representatives of the UTSC Campus Council and its Boards and Committees

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bylaw V – Board of Directors, Section 1, Sub-Section 1.5, Clause f. be amended to:

f. Frontier College Moderator/Coordinating Chair or designate

CARRIED

12. MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

MOTION Moved: Chowdhury Seconded: Bakr

BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw X – Removal from Office, Section 1. Abandonment of Office be amended to:

1. Abandonment of Office
   i. A director of the Union shall be deemed to have vacated their position automatically:
      a. upon missing two (2) Board of Director meetings during the summer term with no regrets, or a total of three (3) meetings during the fall and winter term with regrets or, a total of two (2) meetings during the fall and winter term with no regrets;
      b. upon missing a maximum of five (5) Board of Director meetings during their term;
      c. fails to attend three consecutive meetings or any four meetings of the Commission or Committee which such Directors has been appointed; or
      d. fails to satisfy the office requirements as established for three consecutive weeks or any four weeks as stated in Bylaw VII.

   ii. Regrets shall be given 48 hours in advance to the Secretary of the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Bylaw X – Removal from Office, Section 3, Sub-Section 3.1, Clause b. be amended to:

b. If the vacancy occurs on or after August 1 or once the Fall Session General Elections process has begun, the Executive Committee shall post the vacant position for no less than twenty (20) days, conduct an interview process and select two (2) candidates to send to the Board of Directors for election.
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Discussion
Brandon: Directors should attend the all meetings.
Bakr: (for) Raise the question of representation of international students on the board. Not to have any representative involved within the union. If you were to campaign well and help change stuff within the SCSU. How can international students be involved
Azarq: (for) The current bylaw removed four director off the team. They pay a lot of money, more than the domestic students.
Sanyal: I do agree leave of absence should be granted. I think the amount of meetings to be removed is a lot, too much. It is almost half the meetings
Khan: (for) The BOD is involved in other way as well, therefore attending board meeting is just a small aspect of the job. There is other ways to do your jobs.
Chan: (for)

MOTION to Divide
Moved: Nehrin   Seconded: Azraq
Be it resolved that Section 1 be discussed separately.

CARRIED

We ARE ONLY REFERRING TO SECTION 1
Glenda: (against)
Padiernos: (for)
Desai: How many meeting take place during the year and what was the bylaws before
Desai (Against): We are having a problem with director not coming to the meeting, Why are e allowing them to miss more meeting. Individual students whom will like to be apart on SCSU and are proactive. This is unfair to them because student are not being properly represented.
Suresan: (for) UTSC has the most commuter and working students. This is effecting a lot of students. This motion is discriminators
Oloid: (for) Would allow us to see their family.
Dionisio: (for) the reason why this motion is here today because it is an issue for all students, that needs to be addressed.
James: (against)
Azraq: Motion to extend the speaker list. (Faysal Seconded)
Desai: we should not extend the speakers list because.
Ramoudith: If you do not understand the motion you can call to question
Nehrin: point of information on missing meetings during the summer

FAILED - does not extend

Nehrin: Point of information: What is the procedure for missing meetings.
Chair: it is a max of five meting with or without regrets
Anwar: The current clause suggest that you can missing up to seven meeting.
Sivarjah: is there an official meeting when the majority is not in attendance.
Chair: 50 percent of the board plus one must be in attendance.
Bakr: Point of information. Summer is separate from the rest of the term with regrets.
Desai: Do you have to be enrolled in courses during the summer
Amir: In order to be apart you must be a member while running,
Rahman: If you are student with disability, how would you address this issue.
Chowdury: They would be removed.

CARRIED
13. MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

MOTION    Moved: Chowdhury    Seconded: Anwar

BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw XI – Commissions, be amended to:

COMMISSIONS

1. Commissions
The Commissions of the Union shall conduct all decisions made by the Board and seek Board approval in all matters. All Commissions shall file an annual report to the Board at the Joint Board meeting. The Board shall maintain the following three (3) Commissions:
   1.1. Campaigns & Equity Commission
   1.2. Events Commission
   1.3. Services Commission

2. Composition and Terms of Reference for Commissions
   1.1. Campaigns & Equity Commission
       a. The voting member of the Campaigns & Equity Commission shall be:
           i. President
           ii. Vice President Academics & University Affairs
           iii. Vice President External
           iv. Vice President Equity
           v. Three (3) Directors who are not ex-officio Directors who are to be appointed by the Board
           vi. Any member of the Union subject to ratification by the Board of Directors
       b. The Vice President Academics & University Affairs shall chair the Campaigns & Equity Commission. In the absence of the Vice President Academics & University Affairs, the Vice President External shall chair or, in their absence, the Vice President Equity shall chair.
       c. The Executive Director or designate shall serve as the secretary of the Campaigns & Equity Commission, who shall be responsible for forwarding all minutes and records of transactions to the Secretary of The Board.
       d. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall be responsible for advocating and promoting campaigns related to education issues, issues related to national and provincial student unions, federal, provincial, and municipal governments, and external organizations to the University of Toronto.
       e. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall ensure that Members are aware of the Union’s position with respect to municipal, provincial, national and international educational issues.
       f. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall have the responsibility to consider all matters relating to municipal, provincial and national educational policy and recommend to the Board campaigns on all issues relating to this educational policy.
       g. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall be responsible for advocating and promoting campaigns related to ensuring the University develop as an equitable space; ameliorate the status of women and minorities at the University.
       h. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall implement projects and campaigns relating to racism, Islamophobia, homophobia and other forms of discrimination affecting the membership.
       i. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall work with the Vice-President Equity to facilitate campus wide discussion and action on issues of equity.
       j. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall discuss, develop, and formulate policy recommendations for the Union and for the University that aim to raise awareness of discrimination and promote equity in the University community.
       k. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall work to facilitate campus wide discussion and action on issues of equity, and, in this spirit, work with the Clubs Committee and the Board with the aim of promoting this discussion.
l. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall ensure that Members are aware of the Union's position with respect to equity issues.
m. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall be responsible for advocacy on academic, cultural, educational and university governance issues at the University of Toronto.
n. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall work with UTSC Campus Councilors on relevant student academic and non-academic governance policy at the UTSC Campus Council.
o. The Campaigns & Equity Commission may review any matters relating to the academic policies established by UTSC.
p. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall have the responsibility to consider and recommend to the Board of Directors all matters relating to academic policy.
q. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall ensure that Members are aware of the Union's position with respect to academic policy.
r. The Campaigns & Equity Commission shall be responsible for implementation of federal, provincial and municipal campaigns on campus.

1.2. Events Commission
a. The voting member of the Events Commission shall be:
b. President
c. Vice President Campus Life
d. Vice President External
e. Vice President Equity
f. Three (3) Directors who are not ex-officio Directors who are to be appointed by The Board
g. Any member of the Union subject to ratification by the Board of Directors
h. The Vice President Campus Life shall chair the Events Commission. In the absence of the Vice President Campus Life, the Vice President Equity shall chair or, in their absence, the Vice President External shall chair
i. The Executive Director or designate shall serve as the secretary of the Events Commission, who shall be responsible for forwarding all minutes and records of transactions to the Secretary of the Board.
j. The Events Commission shall be responsible for assisting in the coordination of all of the Union’s events.
k. The Events Commission shall be responsible for working with Student Clubs, and other student organisations to offer a diversity of events.
l. The Events Commission shall focus its resources and be responsible for advocating on student life issues at the University.

1.3. Services Commission
a. The voting member of the Services Commission shall be:
b. President
c. Vice President Operations
d. Vice President Campus Life
e. Vice President Academics & University Affairs
f. Three (3) Directors who are not ex-officio Directors who are to be appointed by The Board
g. Any member of the Union subject to ratification by the Board of Directors
h. The Vice President Operations shall chair the Services Commission. In the absence of the Vice President Operations, the Vice President Academics & University Affairs shall chair or, in their absence, the Vice President Campus Life shall chair
i. The Executive Director or designate shall serve as the secretary of the Services Commission, who shall be responsible for forwarding all minutes and records of transactions to the Secretary of the Board.
j. The Services Commission shall be responsible for assisting in the coordination of all of the Union’s services.
k. The Services Commission shall be responsible for working with Student Clubs, and other student organisations to offer a diversity of services.
l. The Services Commission shall focus its resources and be responsible for advocating on student services
issues at the University.
m. Shall be consulted in the creation of the budget for the fiscal year that coincides with the elected term to provide recommendations to the Finance Committee
n. Discuss monthly income statements
o. Present recommendation to the Finance Committee on the format of the presentation and proposed expenditures
p. May request a detailed outline of expenses and budgets notwithstanding legally confidential items

3. Commission Membership
Members may sit on any Commission of the Union subject to ratification by the Board of Directors. Members of the Union shall become ratified members at a meeting of the Commission and shall obtain voting rights at the subsequent meeting of the Commission, pending approval of the Board.

4. Commission Procedures
1.1. Commission membership expires April 30th of every year.
1.2. The Commissions shall have the right to implement their own procedures which must obtain Board approval.
1.3. All Commissions shall meet at least once in September, October, November, January, February and March.
1.4. Notice of meeting shall be given no less than seventy-two hours (72) prior to the start of the meeting.
1.5. Every member has one vote and cannot proxy.
1.6. Non-Director members may be removed from Commissions by a majority vote at the Board.
1.7. Non-Director members cease to be members of the Commission when they fail to attend three (3) consecutive meetings in a row.
1.8. Quorum is four (4) members of the Commission.
1.9. Commissions have the right to strike working groups and sub-committees to assist with the work of the Commission.
1.10. All resolutions of the Commissions have to be ratified by the Board.

Polecina : Can we not extend the list further.
Chowdury goes through the motion.
Desai: Why do staff do it. Not as legitimate.

CARRIED

14. MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

MOTION Moved: Chowdhury Seconded: Azraq

BE IT RESOLVED that Bylaw XII – Committees be amended to read:
COMMITTEES

1. Committees of the Union
The Committees of the Union shall conduct all decisions made by the Board and seek Board approval in all matters. All Committees shall file an annual report to the Board at the Joint Board meeting. The Board shall maintain the following five (5) Committees:
1.1. Executive Committee
1.2. Finance Committee
1.3. Policy & By-Laws Committee
1.4. Clubs Committee
1.5. DSA Committee
2. Composition and Terms of Reference for Committees

1.1. Executive Committee
   a. The voting member of the Executive Committee shall be:
      i. President
      ii. Vice President Academics & University Affairs
      iii. Vice President External
      iv. Vice President Equity
      v. Vice President Operations
      vi. Vice President Campus Life
      vii. Two (2) members of the Union who shall each be appointed by the Board
   b. The Executive Director shall be an ex-officio non-voting member of the Executive Committee.
   c. The President shall chair the Executive Committee. In the absence of the President, the Vice President Academics & University Affairs shall chair or, in their absence, the Vice-President Equity shall chair.
   d. The Executive Director shall serve as the secretary of the Executive Committee, who shall be responsible for forwarding all minutes and records of transactions to the Secretary of The Board.
   e. The Executive Committee may review any matters relating to the property, revenue, business, and affairs of the Union. The Executive Committee shall have the responsibility to consider all matters relating to fiscal policy, revenue and expenditure.
   f. The Executive Committee shall be responsible to for ensuring that all necessary books and records required according to the By-Laws of Union or by any applicable statute or law are regularly and properly kept.
   g. The Executive Committee shall recommend policy, but shall not initiate policy without the approval of the Board or unless prior permission to establish any policy has been given by the Board.
   h. The Executive Committee is required to make a report to the Board once a month summarizing its activities.
   i. The Executive Committee may act in the absence of the Board provided such action is recorded in the minutes and is submitted to the next regular meeting of The Board.

1.2. Finance Committee
   a. The voting members of the Finance Committee shall be:
      i. President
      ii. Vice President Operations
      iii. Two (2) Directors who are not ex-officio Directors who are to be appointed by the Board.
   b. The Vice President Operations shall chair the Finance Committee.
   c. The Executive Director or designate shall serve as the secretary of the Finance Committee, who shall be responsible for forwarding all minutes and records of transactions to the Secretary of The Board.
   d. The Finance Committee shall aid in the creation of the annual budget for the fiscal year that coincides with the elected term and shall present a recommended operating budget to the Board for ratification no later than August 30.
   e. The Finance Committee shall meet as needed.

1.3. Policy & By-Laws Committee
   a. The voting members of the Policy & By-Laws Committee shall be:
      i. President
      ii. Vice President Operations
      iii. Vice President Academics & University Affairs
      iv. Vice President Equity
      v. Vice President External
      vi. Two (2) Directors who are not ex-officio Directors who are to be appointed by The Board.
   b. The President shall chair the Policy & By-Laws Committee.
   c. The Executive Director or designate shall serve as the secretary of the Policy & By-Laws Committee, who shall be responsible for forwarding all minutes and records of transactions to the Secretary of The Board.
d. The Policy & By-Laws Committee shall convene within the elected term to assess the state of the Union’s By-Laws and develop initial amendments. These amendments shall be presented to the Board, and shall be ratified at a Union’s Meeting of Members.

e. The Policy & By-Laws Committee shall convene within the elected term to assess the state of the Union’s Policies and develop initial amendments. These amendments shall be presented to the Board for ratification.

f. The Policy & By-Laws Committee shall ensure that existing policy and procedure manual & the constitution and bylaws are updated and complete.

g. All policies and procedures must be submitted to the Committee for review before Board approval.

1.4. Clubs Committee

a. The voting members of the Clubs Committee shall be:
   i. President
   ii. Vice President Campus Life
   iii. Vice President Equity
   iv. Two (2) Directors who are not ex-officio Directors who are to be appointed by the Board.
   v. Two (2) members of the Union who shall each be appointed by the Board in accordance to the Clubs Funding Policy.

b. The Vice President Campus Life shall chair the Clubs Committee.

c. The Executive Director or designate shall serve as the secretary of the Clubs Committee, who shall be responsible for forwarding all minutes and records of transactions to the Secretary of The Board.

d. The Clubs Committee shall have the responsibility to develop policy recommendations for the Board and relevant University organizations, offices, or departments that aim to improve the viability of the Clubs Community at UTSC.

e. The Clubs Committee shall have the responsibility to consider expenditures using Union funds allocated to clubs funding and club services funding.

f. The Clubs Committee shall assist the Campaigns & Equity Commission in working to facilitate campus wide discussion and action on issues of equity.

1.5. DSA Committee

a. The voting members of the DSA Committee shall be:
   i. President
   ii. Vice President Academics & University Affairs
   iii. Vice President Equity
   iv. One (1) Directors who is not ex-officio Directors who is to be appointed by the Board.
   v. One (1) member of the Union who shall be appointed by the Board in accordance to the DSA Funding Policy.

b. The Vice President Academics & University Affairs shall chair the DSA Committee.

c. The Executive Director or designate shall serve as the secretary of the DSA Committee, who shall be responsible for forwarding all minutes and records of transactions to the Secretary of The Board.

d. The DSA Committee shall have the responsibility to develop policy recommendations for the Board and relevant University organizations, offices, or departments that aim to improve the viability of the DSA Community at UTSC.

e. The DSA Committee shall have the responsibility to consider expenditures using Union funds allocated to DSA funding and DSA services funding.

f. The DSA Committee shall assist the Campaigns & Equity Commission in working to facilitate campus wide discussion and action on issues of equity.

3. Committee Procedures

1.1. Committee membership expires April 30th of every year.

1.2. The Committees shall have the right to implement their own procedures which must obtain Board approval.

1.3. All Committees shall meet as needed.
1.4. Notice of meeting shall be given no less than seventy-two hours (72) prior to the start of the meeting.
1.5. Every member has one vote and cannot proxy.
1.6. Not less than half the members of the Committee shall constitute quorum.
1.7. Committees have the right to strike working groups and sub-committees to assist with the work of the Committee.
1.8. All resolutions of the Committee have to be ratified by the Board.

CARRIED

15. MOTION TO ADVOCATE FOR INDIGENOUS STUDIES AND PROGRAMMING

MOTION Moved: Hill Seconded: Nasiri

WHEREAS the University of Toronto at St. George provides The Aboriginal Studies program; and

WHEREAS the University of Toronto at St. George has a First Nations House located on their campus; and

WHEREAS the University of Toronto at Mississauga has an Indigenous Centre located on their campus; and

WHEREAS the University of Toronto at Scarborough neither provides The Aboriginal Studies program nor has a centralized space for Indigenous students and programming; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union work alongside Indigenous students to advocate for Indigenous Studies at the University of Toronto at Scarborough; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union lobby the University of Toronto Scarborough to create a centralized space committed to Indigenous programming and support for Indigenous students.

CARRIED

16. MOTION ON INDIGENOUS AWARENESS WEEK

MOTION Moved: Hill Seconded: Kirk

WHEREAS Indigenous voices are regularly silenced within mainstream academic and mainstream discourses; and

WHEREAS Indigenous Awareness Week was initiated to honour, acknowledge, and raise awareness of Indigenous peoples, epistemologies, struggles, and methodologies; and

WHEREAS Indigenous Awareness Week is an annual week-long series of events that takes place at the University of Toronto at St. George and the University of Toronto at Mississauga; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union work alongside Indigenous students in creating and sustaining Indigenous Awareness Week at University of Toronto at Scarborough.

CARRIED

17. MOTION ON CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

MOTION Moved: Dionisio Seconded: Chowdhury
Whereas Indigenous and racialized narratives and experiences are generally silenced in society; and

Whereas the University of Toronto Scarborough’s curricula and teaching practices does not accommodate to the needs of its student population; and

Whereas students have expressed concern at forums such as Changing the Culture of the Classroom event that took place on March 5, 2014; and

Whereas the University of Toronto Scarborough currently does not systematically consult with its students to develop curricula and review programs; therefore

Be it resolved that the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union regularly consult with students regarding curriculum development and advocate for these concerns at appropriate administrative bodies on their behalf.

Be it further resolved that the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union lobby the University to adopt a consultation process for curriculum development in which Indigenous and racialized students can advise curriculum changes that more accurately reflect the UTSC population.

Dionisio: Many students have express this issue. Fear to rasie them as a result of penalty. I do believe professor have the right to teach as they want but never at the expense of a student.
Desai: What does this mean?
Chowdhury: We can bring this to the university.

CARRIED

18. MOTION ON SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT

MOTION   Moved: Azraq   Seconded: Suresam

WHEREAS the University of Toronto is a public university in Toronto, Ontario, Canada; and

WHEREAS the University of Toronto receives funding from the Government of Ontario; and

WHEREAS the University of Toronto also receives funding from students in the form of tuition fees; and

WHEREAS the University of Toronto created a fully-owned subsidiary called the University of Toronto Asset Management Corporation (UTAM) in May 2000 for the purposes of managing the University’s pension funds, endowments and other short and long-term investments; and

WHEREAS UTAM has in the past and is currently investing these funds in companies such as but not limited to BHP Billiton, Chevron Corp, Encana Corp, Exxon Mobil Corp, Halliburton Co, Northrop Grumman Corp, Pfizer Inc., Raytheon Company; and

WHEREAS BHP Billiton was ranked in 2010 as the 19th largest corporate polluter; and

WHEREAS Chevron Corp and Exxon Mobil Corp have been responsible for multiple environmental disasters such as but not limited to oil spills, deforestation, polluting forests and rivers on indigenous lands; and

WHEREAS Exxon Mobil Corp has violated multiple human rights such as but not limited to removing domestic partner benefits for same-sex employees; and
WHEREAS Encana Corp utilizes hydraulic fracturing operations that causes pollution of ground and surface water, as well as air and soil pollution; and

WHEREAS Halliburton Co pleaded guilty to intentionally destroying evidence pertaining to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in 2010; and

WHEREAS Northrop Grumman Corp is a weapons manufacturer and was the fourth-largest defense contractor in the world in 2010; and
WHEREAS Pfizer Inc. representatives administered an experimental antibiotic to approximately 200 children in Nigeria and more than 50 of these children died from the experiment; and

WHEREAS WikiLeaks documents indicate that Pfizer Inc. hired private investigators to black mail the Nigerian attorney general to drop legal actions against Pfizer Inc.; and

WHEREAS Raytheon Company is a major American weapons manufacturer and is the world’s largest producer of guided missiles; and

WHEREAS the University of Toronto divested it from tobacco companies due to pressure from the University of Toronto community; and

WHEREAS the University of Toronto’s Investment, Delegation of Authority to the University of Toronto Asset Management Corporation policy states “UTAM’s obligations hereof to act in accordance with the Investment Policies and to act in accordance with any other instructions issued by the University from time to time”; therefore

WHEREAS the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI), supported by the United Nations, is an international network of investors working together to put the responsible investment into practice; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union (SCSU) lobby the University of Toronto administration and its subsidiaries to become a signatory to the Principles for Responsible Investment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union initiate a review of the investments of the University of Toronto Asset Management Corporation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union submit this review to the University administration.

Azraq (for): reads motion
Ramoudith: Point of information. Who will be involved in to process
Desai: How much will it cost
Chowdhury: It is salary based
Mitra: People volunteering to discuss
Savirajah: Point of information. Whose money is invested
Azraq: All of UofT
Savarjah: (against) how affective is this motion, if it may not carry out
Azraq: (for) students united is a lot more effective. This is a untied project we must work together to make any effective change.
Kirk (for): Students collective working together has happened in the past. And it is possible for us to make changes.
Suresan (for): This is a really big thing that can have a really big impact. The overall argument is that we do not want our money going to negative things that are killing people and animals. It is really important because the
university is not investing our money back into the students. We should do it even if it takes a long time.
Desai: (against): Is it students funding combined or just UTSC students

CARRIED

19. MOTION TO OPPOSE BAN OF NIQAB

MOTION
Moved: Abdul
Seconded: Macdonald

WHEREAS in December 2011, the Government of Canada banned women who wear niqab from becoming Canadian citizens unless they remove their niqab while taking the oath of citizenship in public ceremonies; and

WHEREAS women who choose not to remove their niqab must remain permanent residents without the right to vote or run for office in Canada; and

WHEREAS Jason Kenney, Canada’s Ex-Immigration Minister in an interview on CBC News Network said the niqab is “a cultural tradition” which “reflects a certain view about women that we don’t accept in Canada”; and

WHEREAS this ban forces those who wear the niqab to choose between their religious convictions and adopting Canadian citizenship; and

WHEREAS Zunera Ishaq has taken the federal government to court arguing the ban breaches her Charter rights and fails to accommodate her religious beliefs and dress code; and

WHEREAS Ishaq stated she had no issue with removing her niqab in a private setting for security or identification purposes;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union condemn the ban on niqab from citizenship ceremonies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCSU oppose any legislation that would restrict or prohibit any Canadian individual of their freedom of expression and/or Charter rights; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCSU support Zunera Ishaq in her case against the federal government.

Abdul (for): The action taking place is going against our charter. If some wants to become a citizen, they should not have to give up their religious freedom. She is the voice of many Muslim people and can not be alone.
Abdirham (for): It is terrible that the white many is still telling women how to dress.

CARRIED

20. MOTION ON PROGRAM ACCESSABILITY

MOTION
Moved: Dionisio
Seconded: Nicole Branis

WHEREAS the University of Toronto Scarborough continues to admit a disproportionate number of students without improving institutional infrastructure for program retention; and

WHEREAS upper-year students may be hindered from graduating in a timely manner due to challenges in course registration; and
WHEREAS students continue to express these concerns to the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union and several Departmental Student Association’s; and

WHEREAS a survey on course availability was created by several Departmental Student Association’s to target courses where accommodation may be necessary; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union reach out to Departmental Student Associations to work on an interdisciplinary campaign addressing program accessibility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Scarborough Campus Students’ Union lobby the University of Toronto Scarborough to create a joint Task Force on Program Accessibility to address course availability and academic support and retention.

CARRIED

21. MOTION TO INTRODUCE ONLINE VOTING

MOTION Moved: Desai Seconded: Brower

WHEREAS the Scarborough Campus Students' Union (“SCSU”) is committed to accessible and open, democratic elections.

WHEREAS the SCSU is committed to furthering the directive of accessible, open and democratic elections.

WHEREAS the SCSU follows many of the same practices as the University of Toronto Students’ Union (“UTSU”) which currently practices online voting.

WHEREAS online voting allows for elections to be more accessible and open thus increasing voter participation

BE IT RESOLVED that the SCSU investigate the possibility and feasibility of online voting for the next election in February - if this is not possible then the following election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCSU deliver a report to the membership on the feasibility of online voting at the first board meeting following the winter break.

James: Against. No form of online voting in government. Would not be legitimate process. SCSU offers polling stations at different dates and times and is accessible for all students. Online voting would have more ways for the system to be corrupt
Fairbain: (against)
Aasdien: Against. Riot have happen at a national level
Suresan: (for) we are student government. It is a little easier to regulate. It is not unreasonable to ask for online voting. This can be explored by students. This allows for more people to vote. It will allow for more people to have a voice and regain trust in the SCSU.
Kaleb (for): studying the feasibility.
Desai: Vote to extend speaker list (Azraq seconded)
Bossoke: Not everyone has access to internet or at a limited time. May not necessarily have access. Original of 3 days at school makes the most sense because most people are on campus.
James: Against. All points are valid, but I don’t want my vote to be a study. If there was corruption, I would not trust the incoming.
Desai: for I am for a feasibility study to ensure that SCSU is in doing there job
Nehrin: for Doing study will not harm the student and will add to the services commission.
Suresan: for There are students that do not care on campus, and this will allow use to give students access to voting. This way their will be correct dialogue
Sivarajah (against) this study will like to have both online and in person voting. This motion will leave people to not fully understand the campaigns.
Desai: Motion to extend (Azraq seconded)
Failed
Kirk: what would it mean to make the study happen
Ramoudith: does the board have the power to change the voting method
Chair: clarified

CARRIED

22. MOTION FOR SOLIDARITY WITH UTSU

MOTION Moved: Desai Seconded: Daursh

WHEREAS the University of Toronto Students’ Union (“UTSU”) is undergoing a restructuring of their board.

WHEREAS the UTSU membership feel that they will be greatly losing their representation on the UTSU, at the board level.

BE IT RESOLVED the SCSU issues a public show of support and solidarity for the membership of the UTSU, fellow UofT students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the SCSU condemns the board restructure proposal raised by the UTSU executives

WITHDRAWN

23. MOTION FOR THE STUDENT TO HAVE STUDY ROOMS REMAIN OPEN AT NIGHT FOR THE BENEFIT OF COMMUTER STUDENTS WHO NEED A SECLUDED STUDY SPACE

MOTION Moved: Desai Seconded: Chowdhury

WHEREAS the campus has limited study space, especially at night

WHEREAS the student center is already open 24/7

WHEREAS the rooms can be used for private study space for students that stay at school to study all night

WHEREAS the student center belongs to the students and should always be accessible to them

BE IT RESOLVED that the rooms on the second floor of the student center remain open for in order to increase study and student space for students on campus

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SCSU commences this policy at the end of this meeting.

Chowdhury: Amend the last clause (seconded by Mulatu) we do not have the security method to secure the equipment in these rooms.
Chowdhury: Amend to do it as soon as possible

CARRIED
Chan: DSL has sent email to campus groups about having old gym converted to study space, which will probably be open until nighttime. Student Centre is open 24/7, but opening at night isn’t beneficial because equipment is expensive and it isn’t safe without enough patrolling.

James: Who b would pay for lost equipment? I also have an issue of non-UTSC students using these spaces. How can this be guaranteed? This is a safety risk.

Chowdhury: SCSU would pay for it. Any we will increase security and T-card check

Bossoke: (against) we are already getting study spaces in the old gym. We cannot make study space in ever area in the school. The Student center should stay the student centre.

Kat: Will this just be for night time

Desai: both

Kat: Against. It should be open space for all student. We are trying for study space on campus. This should be a place for students to interact.

Desai: for. If those rooms are not being used and we can use a t-card system. This is space that is ours. We should make the student center more efficient for students

Suresan: for. We can easily change these spaces because we (students) own them.

24. MOTION TO PUT A HOT WATER MACHINE IN THE STUDENT CENTRE

MOTION Moved: Desai Seconded: Phani

WHEREAS students do not have a kitchen area and may not want to use microwaved hot water

WHEREAS a hot water machine will allow students to make quick hot drinks and noodles especially when campus food spots are closed

BE IT RESOLVED that the hot water machine be bought and installed next to the microwave in the student center by December 2014

Chowdury: Amend to remove the place and time, but as soon as possible (seconded Faisal)

We need to look further into this issue. We can not do this by next month

Macdonald: Point of Clarification. I’d like to see a thorough process to ensure that the implementation is safe.

Chowdhury: Liabilities are something we would have to look at.

Mulatu: Favour. We don’t control the timelines because we do need to consult the University.

Bossoke: Favour. Does it have to be in the student centre?

Smith: Out of scope of motion, and we do not have jurisdiction outside the student centre.

VOTE on Amendment: CARRIED

Main Motion, as amended:

Azraq: Favour. Students need this.

Fairbairn: Against. Security issues because it could easily be used as a weapon. I do not feel safe as a woman at night on campus already, and this would be an additional security issue.

Desai: Could also be used by female as a weapon.

Padiernos: Call to Question

VOTE CARRIED Call to Question

Main motion, as amended: CARRIED.

25. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION Moved: Chowdhury Seconded: S. Khan

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STUDENT CENTRE
Campus Express closed its doors on December 13th and INS Markets took over on the 16th. Campus Express was not interested in renewing their lease as a part of a longstanding strategy to wind-down its Campus Express operations. Campus Express provided a suitable incoming vendor (INS) to take over the space. Over the Winter break, we revamped the flooring in the first and second floors of the Student Centre as part of annual maintenance.

As part of the PanAm Centre referendum, SCSU was given a kiosk to run operations in the PanAm. We moved in in February this year, with hours from 10AM-4PM selling bus passes and discounted tickets. The kiosk closed and was temporarily taken over by the PanAm during the games, and was given back to us in September. Operational setbacks have delayed us from opening the kiosk this term, however, we are looking to reopen in January.

REX’S DEN
We worked hard over the last year to improve services and marketing. Rex’s Den launched an Instagram account (@therexsden) and hired two Rex’s Den Coordinators; something we are looking to do again this year. A monitor was placed at the top entry of the stairs to increase visibility in the Student Centre, and to better communicate opening times, specials, and display the great food that Rex’s Den is delivering from its kitchen.

With respect to aesthetics, Rex’s was renovated with new lighting, two arcade machines, renovated floors, HD TV’s, new booths, upgraded table and couch and chair bottoms to prevent scratching, new host station, and new Date Night and 5-for-5 menu. A 60” TV with surround sound was installed in the Lab to meet the AV needs of students, as well as an HD projector for the stage side. Art work was also installed in all of the booths. A new decal was also placed on the patio-side window to increase visibility. Accessible menus are also now available upon request.

Rex’s also hosted many events last year, including Superbowl, Jeopardy Nights, #TasteTheDen, Wired in Wednesdays, Open Mic Nights, and a Retro Pub Night. Currently, we are investigating the feasibility of online orders for students running from class to class and don’t have time for a sit-down meal. We are also looking into expanding the seating area at Rex’s. Due to popular demand, Rex’s pool tables were made free as of September. We have also revamped the booking process to increase ease of access and transparency for clubs and DSA’s looking for space or catering from Rex’s Den.

STUDENT JOBS
The SCSU is committed to offering students meaningful experiences that provide opportunities for growth. In response to a desire expressed by students during the elections, we have increased wages to better reflect the work of our student positions, and increased funds to make more positions available. This has been reflected in an increase in student associates, as well as plans to hire more student coordinators for the Winter term, including: graphic designer associate, member services associate, social media coordinator, and clubs & logistics coordinator. This is in addition to the many opportunities we currently provide, such as our VNP coordinator, tax clinic coordinator, Rex’s Den event coordinators, elections staff, SCSU event coordinators, front desk staff, and SRI staff.
KFC EXPRESS
We have finally been able to get in contact with YUM! Brands, the owners of KFC, to bring new menu boards and items to the KFC menu.

SCSU INCOME TAX CLINIC
SCSU hosts an annual tax clinic to aid students in filing their taxes. Last year, we secured sponsorship of $1000 from the CPA.

MICROWAVES
We ran into some issues this year with microwaves breaking down. Due to the high usage, the microwaves often do not live their whole lifespan and need to be replaced. We worked diligently to order replacement microwaves as well as adding additional ones in high traffic areas throughout the school.

COMPOSTING IN THE STUDENT CENTRE
Many conversations were had between executives last year and the Sustainability Office/Facilities to bring composting to the Student Centre as a means to encourage front end waste diversion. The composting bins are located in the food court beside the stairs.

SCSU MEETING ROOMS
As per a motion passed at the 2014 AGM, all meeting rooms in the student centre have been opened as 24 hour study space. We are looking into better regulation, specifically, regulation of the space on weekends where clubs may be liable for any damages that occur in the rooms.
The TV Lounge, SL-222 and SL-219 have now been upgraded with AV equipment for the use of student organizations. All rooms were also freshened up with new paint.

HEALTH AND DENTAL PLAN
A request for proposal was put out this year for a new provider, effectively ending our relationship with Student Care, and moving over to Greenshield. We are still ironing out the kinks, but this is to be expected with a transition to a new provider. With Greenshield, we were able to negotiate better coverage for students, including 100% coverage of IUDs, as requested by students last year.

HOT WATER MACHINE
As passed at the last AGM, we have finally been able to install the hot water machine. It is located beside the microwave in the Student Centre next to Hero Burger.

SCSU WEBSITE
The website layout was changed and was made mobile compatible, while meeting AODA standards. We are currently in the process of re-organizing the website and updating the information for easier access.
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NEW SERVICES
New services have been added: bookable cash boxes, popcorn and cotton candy machines, clubs printing/photocopying, 3D cineplex passes, TTC Day passes, Wild Water Kingdom, Yuk Yuk’s, Toronto FC, Maple Leafs, Campus Homestay, Charging Stations in the SC, and more recently, Breakout Room group tickets.

FOOD CENTRE PLANNING
Currently there is being research done on the feasibility of having a food centre created by SCSU. The Food centre would help our members who struggle to make ends meet have access to food. It will also encourage healthy eating by incorporating a good food box program and seed library.

SCSU BOOK EXCHANGE
To create a more sustainable service, the VP AUA has transferred the SCSU bi-annual book giveaway into a book exchange program. Inspired by little free libraries and other “leave a book, take a book” type programming, students now receive “credits” for each of the books they exchange. Books are rated according to a specific scale to ensure that the exchanges are as fair as possible. In the case that students are unable to take a book because there is no book available to them, their credits are reserved for them to use at the next book exchange period. We will hold book exchange blitzs at the start of each semesters but students are still able to donate all year around and this goes for picking up books as well. All students who have used the service so far have been saved in a student database to ensure that their credits are saved.

INCLUSIVE TEACHING SUPPLEMENTARY DOCUMENT
From previous conversations around the academic handbook and equity statement in the syllabus, and upon passing the motion on curriculum development at the SCSU AGM, we have been looking to other strategies to address issues of inclusive teaching practices. Together with the Equity and Diversity Office, AccessAbility Services, DSL, and the Dean’s Office, we will be looking to draft a supplementary document to the academic handbook to advise faculty in their teaching practices. To be a part of this initiative, please contact academics@scsu.ca

PETITIONS AND APPEALS HANDBOOK
The VP Academics and University Affairs and VP AUA associate have been working to put together a petitions and appeals guide to assist students in filing and formulating petitions, as well as informing students of the appeals process. Please contact academics@scsu.ca for more information.
DOWNTOWN LEGAL SERVICES

Over the summer term, VP AUA and the President met with Sam Greene, a member of the DLS Student Executive team 2015/2016. The purpose of this meeting was to improve communication methods between the two organizations. As members of the SCSU, students have the right to access this free resource. Operated by the Faculty of Law at U of T, DLS is a free legal clinic available to students to use. They are able to help with a number of different legal cases including tenant cases, criminal law cases, family law cases, and representation for academic offences. However, it is important to note that they are unable to provide help for civil cases. As DLS receives a levy from members of the SCSU for their services, it is important that students are aware and able to use this important resource available to them. If you would like more information, feel free to contact VP AUA at academics@scsu.ca
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LOBBY DOCUMENT
The SCSU executives meet with upper admin of UTSC at the beginning of the Summer, along with individual meetings throughout the year. We took a different approach this year and for the first time, compiled a lobby document with a list of demands for the University. This included a reduction in tuition fees, support for a centralized resource directory, OHIP for International students, a comprehensive, survivor-supporting sexual assault policy, and divestment from fossil fuels. As expected, responses have been mixed, with administration remaining, for the most part, very diplomatic. We have been able to make some strides with the sexual assault policy and the centralized resource directory. All other issues were often deflected as “problems meant for central (administration)”. However, we know that all support matters, and continue to bring these issues up in our meetings. This is in addition to the issues we commonly bring up at several admin sub-committees such as study space, parking, and food.

COUNCIL ON STUDENT SERVICES
This is the only administrative body where students have the majority seats and voting powers. Students at this body discuss how services can be improved at Health and Wellness, Athletics, and the Academic Advising and Career Centre. For the first time in SCSU history, students voted down all ancillary fee increases in fundamental opposition to sky-rocketing tuition fees.

HANDBOOK COMPETITION
To create more engagement in the Handbook compilation process, the SCSU put out a competition for students to create their own handbook covers. The best cover was voted on Facebook by students, and the winner received a grand prize.

MEMBERSHIP LISTSERV
After years of lobbying, SCSU has finally been able to gain access to our membership list. This is one step towards more transparency and engagement with our members. We are now better able to communicate important dates and meetings to students such as this one.

DEMOCRACY TALKS
On November 13 SCSU and PSSA partnered to bring Democracy Talks which allowed for a non-partisan discussion among students regarding issues we face in our communities. We partnered with PSEPLA who will be bringing these concerns to the appropriate level of government.

SCSU/PSSA MEETING WITH TRACY MCCARLINES,
MPP PICKERING-SCARBOROUGH EAST
On February 13, 2015, the VP AUA with executives/members of PSSA met with MPP Tracy McCharles to discuss the high costs of tuition fees, and their relation to transit, co-op fees, ancillary fees etc. We had fruitful conversation and laid out some solutions for these issues, which will be sent to the Minister of Finance as it is currently time for pre-budget consultations.
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CANADIAN FEDERATION OF STUDENTS
SCSU is a part of the Canadian Federation of Students which democratically unites 600,000 students across the nation, working to provide students with an effective and united voice, provincially and nationally. SCSU (Local 99) has participated in numerous provincial and national general meetings to set goals, collaborate, coordinate and learn with student unions across the country. Training was also provided to executives and board members through a Skills Symposium that happened for the first time on the UTSC campus. Executives also took part in a coordinated provincial lobby week to discuss tuition fees, OHIP for international students, sexual assault policy, and student union autonomy to MPPs in March.

TTCRIDERS
TTCriders is a grassroots transit advocacy organization that gives Torontonians who use the TTC a voice. SCSU and TTCriders have worked and will continue to work together to improve transit in Scarborough. Currently we are advocating for a Rapid Transit Network that would improve bus service and build a rapid transit network in Scarborough.

JOBS, JUSTICE, CLIMATE ACTION
VP External, Equity, the President of SCSU and a few other UTSC students were actively involved in demanding environmental justice through a series of actions organized in early July. Actions were rooted in the demand that politicians across the country make a commitment to freeze tar sands expansion and support a just transition to a clean economy.

STUDENTS FIRST MEETING
Students First is a coalition of student organizers from across UofT, this group emerged from the work of student organizing in solidarity with the TA Strikes in the past year at UofT.

CUPE 3902 RALLY
The VP External and VP Equity attended a demonstration hosted by CUPE 3902 Women’s Caucus against gendered violence. The rally was about the importance of speaking out against gendered violence and in favour of safe work places! This was a response to the recent threats made against women in the sociology and women & gender studies courses and feminists on campus.

ASSOCIATION OF PART TIME STUDENTS
The Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students at the University of Toronto (APUS) represents over 6000 fall/winter and 12,000 summer part-time students across all three campuses of the University of Toronto. APUS endeavours to ensure that the rights of all part-time students are respected, provide cost-saving services, programs and events, and represent the voices of part-time undergraduate students. The VP external is a voting member on the Association of Part Time Undergraduate Students, and attended the APUS board retreat. The importance of outreach and representation of UTSC students was stressed as an APUS priority.
HART HOUSE
VP External is a voting member of the Hart House Board of Stewards. The Board of Stewards is Hart House’s highest governing body and oversees the affairs of the House in concert with the Warden. VP External is currently working with the Warden of Hart House, John Monahan to improve Hart House presence and access to UTSC students.

TRANSIT WORKING GROUP
The Transit Working Group was struck as a committee of the Campaigns and Equity Commission. The aim of the Transit Working Group is to improve transit on campus in a united grassroots effort. It includes working to improve YRT, TTC, Go, Durham service and any other transit systems and concerns that students have. On September 21st VP External attended the Transit Symposium held by Student Move T.O. to discuss transportation issues facing students in the GTHA.

STUDY SPACE

Study Space Working Group
Struck November 2014 to help with the planning of Highland Hall, this committee includes members from administration and aims to ensure that study space is a priority in campus planning. In September, the group met to discuss a school-wide study space survey. The purpose of the survey is to help with the planning of study space in Highland Hall but there is hopes that this practice will continue in future years to ensure that study space continues to be a priority in campus development and planning. This survey will be administered by the university across the campus to better understand how study space is being used by students.

Study Space-subcommittee
First meeting was November 27.

#SavetheRspace Campaign
Following news from the SCSU’s November 18 Student Space sub-committee meeting, several recreational and faith-based groups have mobilized on campus to #savetheRspace. We will be meeting with the CAO on Friday, February 6 to discuss the issue. Please contact academics@scsu.ca if you would like to get involved.

SCSU Space Survey
The SCSU has transferred their study space survey to an online source. This allows for the continuous collection of study space data from students. With the continuous collection of information, it will allow executives to have insight into current study space.
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GET HEARD: PROGRAM ACCESSIBILITY CAMPAIGN
The DSA Councils have focused on the development of the program accessibility campaign, passed at the most recent SCSU AGM. Together, we have been working to develop a survey and campaign timeline. DSA’s have been organizing academic concerns nights to inform a supplementary report to this data collection. For more information, you may contact academics@scsu.ca regarding this campaign or to be connected to your respective DSA.

ACADEMIC ADVOCACY “BARRIERS TO EDUCATION”
VP AUA is launching two academic advocacy sessions this school year. The purpose of this is to increase awareness towards academic advocacy initiatives. The fall academic advocacy session is dedicated to help provide students the tools they need to break down barriers to education. We are also working to bring awareness to the barriers affecting students such as race, sexuality, culture, religion, different abilities, and more to bring the understanding that there are systemic issues that make being a student difficult.

ALUMNI DEVELOPMENT OFFICE
The VP AUA has been meeting with the Alumni Development Office to discuss events they host available to undergraduate students. Building networks and connections are especially important in today’s society. As alumni understand the transition between the university into the industry and working environment, it is important to utilize it. Building networks are also difficult in immigration communities, therefore utilizing this resource and developing the connection for students is key. Programs we have opened up to undergraduate students include the Time Auction. The Time Auction allowed undergraduate students to make bids towards selected UTSC Alumni for a day of networking and mentoring using their volunteer hours as their credits.

COURSE EVALUATIONS
This is a University-distributed survey to collect data on student input in the classroom. It is the number one source that helps decide what improvements need to be made in teaching practices and syllabus structure. Course evaluations have been transitioned from paper to online surveys, resulting in lower response rates from students, and thus giving the University less feedback to work with in improving the academic experience from year to year. Course evaluations are also the source of data necessary for the Union to create the anti-calendar, a service provided to students to assess how student experience in specific courses has been in past years. Upon moving to an online system, the University now publicizes course evaluations on Blackboard (without commentary), effectively stopping the production of the anti-calendar. A second important piece is that it has been brought to the attention of the SCSU that there is not enough information about the purpose of course evaluations. Not only are course evaluations used by professors but they are provided to the chairs of the respective departments as well as the Vice-Dean’s office. Course evaluations are used for tenure and promotion processes for professors. They also provide chairs and administration with markers for improvement in courses.
DEPARTMENTAL STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS

Departmental Student Associations One-on-Ones
VP AUA met with each of the DSAs for a one-on-one during the summer term. At these meetings the VP AUA and the DSA executives discussed DSA support from the SCSU for the upcoming school year, Orientation, and the DSA training date. The purpose of these one-on-one’s is to ensure that DSAs are receiving the necessary support from the SCSU and to help plan what may be needed to help support DSAs in fulfilling their mandates.

Departmental Student Association Training
From the DSA One-on-ones, the VP AUA was able to receive substantial feedback to ensure that DSA training day on June 12 will help set up the DSAs for meeting their goals for the school year. The programming for the day included workshops and presentations on anti-oppression training, event management, to funding practices. The end of the day has been dedicated to Orientation planning as well as the yearly brainstorm. DSA training leads to DSA Council, an opportunity and space for DSAs to collaborate but also address their concerns with the Union and the University.

Orientation
For better practice and planning purposes, the VP AUA worked with the DSAs and Orientation Academic Day executives to plan academic day. The reason being is that DSAs have been involved with presentations and the 4.0 fair but that communication has not always been done well. This year, there was an attempt to include DSAs throughout the planning process for academic day specifically. Because of this, we were also able to highlight a number of issues to be improved for the following year. This includes, betting vetting of selected alumni, improving communication between the DSAs during the planning process, and improving communication between DSAs when involving their departments.

ACADEMIC STUDENT FORUM
This space was created to develop communication between the Academic Dean’s office, the office of the Department of Student Life, the SCSU, and students to discuss academic issues and concerns. Current discussion has included the equity breadth requirement, support for international and refugee students, centralized resource directory, program fees. It is important to have this space because it allows for an opportunity to discuss concerns and issues that have come up pertaining to academics.

AA AND CC
The SCSU has been meeting consistently with the AA and CC to work on strengthening the student network and sharing resources for student academic advocacy. This has included work on; academic integrity, the upcoming research catalogue launch, support for student athlete, tip sheets, and more to name a few.
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UOFT DIVEST - SCARBOROUGH
This is a subcommittee that was launched through the Campaign & Equity Commission in Fall 2014. They focused on developing methods of encouraging the university to engage in responsible spending patterns, which means holding the University accountable for its investments in military arms companies and military technology that profit off ethnic cleansing in Palestine. On January 29th, 2015, they released a statement in response to the violent threats and theft of a poster that read “WARNING: THIS UNIVERSITY PROFITS OFF ISRAELI APARTHEID AND OCCUPATION”. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jvExGy--v_8

FOSSIL FREE UTSC
Amanda Lickers and Fossil Free UofT Organizers
SCSU, Environmental and Physical Sciences Students’ Association (EPSA), and ISA hosted an event on February 4th, 2015, to bring the conversation around fossil fuel divestment to UTSC. Amanda Lickers is an Indigenous organizer who belongs to the Turtle Clan of the Onondowa’ga Haudenosaunee; who spoke of the need for Indigenous people to lead land defending movements. Riley McCullough and Ben Donato-Woodger explained the importance of joining the Fossil Free movement, and to get our University to divest from the fossil fuel industry.

Jobs, Justice, Climate Action
SCSU and some UTSC students were actively involved in a series of actions organized in early July 2015, centred on environmental justice. Fossil Free organizers demand that politicians across the country make a commitment to freeze tar sands expansion and support a just transition to a clean economy.

Presidential Advisory Committee on Divestment from Fossil Fuels
SCSU drafted up a submission encouraging the University to divest from the fossil fuel industry. The University of Toronto Mississauga Students’ Union (UTMSU), University of Toronto Students’ Union (UTSU), Indigenous Students’ Association (ISA), International Developmental Studies Students’ Association (IDSSA), Association of Mathematical and Computer Science Students (AMCSS), Environmental and Physical Science Students’ Association (EPSA) and Biology Students’ Association (BioSA) undersigned our submission. SCSU also undersigned a Press Release drafted by UTMSU, as well as a submission by Association of Part-Time Undergraduate Students of the University of Toronto (APUS).

BLACK LIVES MATTER TORONTO
SCSU has supported the work of BLMT since their first demonstration held at the US Consulate Office, in response to the non-indictment of Darren Wilson in November 2015. SCSU officially endorsed BLMT in July 2015, after the murder of Andrew Loku, a Black Sudanese man who was living with a mental health illness. SCSU released an open letter of support, and has made a small financial contribution to the grassroots organization.
#UTSCFEMINISTSTRONG

**CUPE 3902 Rally**
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**Series of Actions**
Initially, SCSU released a statement in response to the online post which spoke of violent threats against women at the University of Toronto, particularly those in Women & Gender Studies, Sociology, and feminists. In late September 2015, SCSU also collaborated with the Women & Trans* Centre, SOS, HCSSA, and Health & Wellness to create platforms like a rally as well as an open forum for students to address their concerns having to do with the gendered threats. We also created private decompression space for students who feel unsafe or overwhelmed on campus.

**Safety Committee**
As a result of conversations had through the #UTSCFeministStrong Open Forum, SCSU and WTC met with the Campus Police to create a structure for the Community Safety Advisory Committee. It was also requested that the Campus Police look in to the feasibility of creating work-study positions for a Student-Administered Walk-Safe Program.

**REFUGEE SUPPORT**

**Embrace Syria Subcommittee**
After having been contacted by Muslim Association of Canada requesting a call to action from UTSC, Samreen Aziz launched the Embrace Syria Subcommittee through the Campaign and Equity Commission in September 2015. Since its launch, Samreen has created an Executive Team and a campaign plan, all in effort to raise awareness and money for Syrian Refugee Support. Embrace Syria UTSC hopes to raise $27,000, which would support a family of 4 asylum seekers’ migration to Canada. To donate or to get involved with the campaign, contact either equity@scsu.ca or embracesyriautsc@gmail.com.

**Refugee Student Grant**
SCSU met with the International Student Centre and Financial Aids & Awards Office to discuss the possibility of creating a Refugee Student Grant. This grant would be created for refugee students administered through the WUSC program, as well as students without status and protected persons at UTSC. SCSU has begun consulting with protected persons and refugee students in October 2015 to explore its feasibility.
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*Lobbying for Emergency Admission*

SCSU and WUSC are lobbying for UTSC to participate in emergency admittance of an additional refugee student through the WUSC program, in response to the Syrian refugee crisis. There are many students who have been approved through the WUSC programme to attend University.
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KARAOKE AT REX’S DEN
Due to popular demand SCSU hosted monthly karaoke event at Rex’s den. The SCSU hosted various Karaoke Nights during the Fall semester which was well received and had a great turnout. Students that attended really enjoyed the show put on by the student singers.

IPOD BATTLE
We held our first ever iPod battle in the Student Center on the November 13th from 12pm to 2pm. We had students sign up to play music on their mp3 players/phones and had students in the audience decide which songs they liked. Winners of the Ipod Battle received gift cards to Scarborough Town Center.

BIRTHDAY MAIL
During the Fall semester we created a platform for students to create birthday cards from scratch to be sent out to orphanages around the city. On November 17th and 18th of November we set up a table in the student center and got students to come and create a heartfelt card to be sent out to an orphan.

THE SCREENING OF “HAPPY”
On Tuesday November 18th SCSU screened a documentary named “Happy”. The documentary takes us on a journey through different places in the world in search for what really makes people happy. The film combines real life stories from different walks of life and the science behind these emotions to understand what happiness really is. The screening was followed up by a group discussion which was very fruitful for the students in attendance.

SCSU PRESENT: GLOW
SCSU held its year end party on the 21st of November. The event was held at The Great hall Toronto and we had busses pick up and drop off students from/to campus. We were unable to sell out the event as it was a busy time for students. However the students in attendance had a great time and was a successful event all around.

UTSC ON ICE
On the last day of fall exams, SCSU held the Annual UTSC on ice event. This was to make sure students had an opportunity release their exam tension and skate on the Natrel rink in downtown Toronto. The event was organized in collaboration with the UTSC athletics department and the UTSC Hockey team was also present to help beginners learn how to skate.

EXAM DESTRESSORS
SCSU showed their support for students during the Fall and Winter exam period by hosting exam destressors. We were outside of the Tim Horton’s starting at midnight giving out free coffee, hot chocolate, tea, and snack bags. Each day we gave out 100 snack bags which included a pamphlet with words of encouragement and studying tips. Exam destressors lasted from midnight until 2am every day for the duration of the first week of exam period. Student feedback has been exceptional and we look forward to continuing in the upcoming semesters.
WINTER WEEK OF WELCOME
The Winter Week of Welcome happened through the second week of the winter semester from the 5th of January to the 8th. There were a series of events that took place in the student center throughout the week.

Day 1 – There were over 500 free pancakes given out for free during the hours of 10am to 1pm

Day 2 – There was an open mic night held at Rex’s Den from 5pm to 10pm. There were about 15 performances that took place throughout the night. This event was a huge success and the students were very happy with the event. There were also free hot beverages including flavored gourmet coffee and hot chocolate for all students that were at Rex’s den for the event.

Day 3 – The student center was turned into a gaming zone as we held our first ever game day at UTSC. This event was held with the collaboration with 2 student clubs and was a huge success with a huge turnout.

Day 4 – Due to much demand by the students we held our first Karaoke night of the year inside Rex’s Den on this day. There was a good turnout for the event, however the event had to be cut short due to some technical difficulties we faced with the projector.

STUDENT CENTER PARTY: VIEWS FROM THE BOROUGH
In order to celebrate the 10 year anniversary of the student center, the SCSU host their second student center party Views from the Borough. On January 29 students were able to with to different sounds in both Rex’s Den and the student center food court.

MONTREAL READING WEEK TRIP
The Montreal Trip took place during the winter reading week from February 18th to the 21st. The event had a great turn out and was well received by the membership.

MOSAIC XXV THE 25TH ANNUAL CULTURE MOSAIC
Mosaic took place on the 18th of March 2015 at the Meeting place. There were 25 different performances with over 80 individuals participating. There were also several other events that took place under the Mosaic theme which included Pre-mosaic, Counter-mosaic and Mosaic Afterhours, that took place during the week. The events were a great success and very well attended by UTSC students.

SPRING FORMAL
Spring Formal: The Gatsby Gala happened Thursday March 26th. The event took place at the Scarborough Convention Center, which was transformed into the 1920’s Gatsby theme with decorations, lighting and a live jazz -band. Tickets went on sale on March 5th and early bird tickets sold out within the day. As a result of the high demand for tickets, capacity was increased in order to accommodate more people. The capacity was capped at 600 people and was sold out by the 18th of March. This was a record for the most number of participants at a UTSC Spring formal event.
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GET STARTED 2015
The Scarborough Campus Student Union and the Orientation team were able to attend this year’s Get Started, hosted by Academic, Advising and Career Center (AA and CC). The SCSU is currently the only student based organization that is present at this event. It involved the various executive members and orientation team interacting with some of the newest members of our union.

SUMMER MOVIE NIGHT
On July 30th, the SCSU hosted its first Movie Night at Rex’s Den. Student were able to destress from their summer studying while watching the Hunger Games at Rex’s den.

ORIENTATION TRAINING
One August 1st, the VP Campus life and the Orientation team host their first orientation volunteer training. Students who attended this training when through various workshops such has, an Anti-O training by VP Equity and a seminar on the Volunteer Network Program (VNP).

ORIENTATION NOTORIOUS 2015
From August 26 to 28 SCSU Executives and the Orientation 2015 hosted this year’s Orientation 2015. The event included three full days of fun activities and learning about the UTSC Community. In collaboration with our various clubs, DSA’s and administrative department, the SCSU Executive and the Orientation created and hosted a series of events to better welcome student to campus and to better inform them on student life. If you have any questions about the events, contact VP Campus Life Trina James campuslife@scsu.ca.

WEEK OF WELCOME
This year, the SCSU host week’s' worth of events from September 3rd and September 11th in order to welcome their member’s back to school. These events included, a book drive, movie night, free breakfast, open mic night, free Kardinal Offshall concert disorientation and much more.

DISORIENTATION
On September 10th, the Scarborough Campus Student’s Union held our annual Dis-Orientiation. Disorientation was a block party with student performers as well as by Sze- Yang, a BBQ and tabling opportunities for clubs and external organizations. The purpose of Dis-Orientation is to engage SCSU members with the work of our campus partners and our broader community partners who are working on issues related to advocacy and social justice.

TRI-CAMPUS PARADE
This year on September 11, the SCSU combine with the downtown colleges, UTSU and UTMSU to take part in a tri campus parade. The parade started at the varsity stadium and ended at the King’s College circle. After the parade, UTSU provided a free Shawn Desman concert for UofT. The event was very successful, the SCSU was thrilled with the turnout.
SCSU X SCAA PRESENT OASIS

OASIS the SCSU Annual Boat Cruise took place on September 24. Special thanks goes out the Scarborough Campus Athletic Association (SCAA) for collaborating with us for this event. We would also like to extend a thank to Fusion Radio for providing sound for the events. We look forward to working with them in the future. Though the event was successful we recommend changing the timing of the event and checking with religious calendars to ensure the event does not fall on any sacred holidays. For more information email campuslife@scsu.ca.

CLUBS WEEK

Clubs week took place from September 28 to September 30, Many club participated. However due to a limited amount of spaces some clubs were unable to attend. As a result of this we will be hosted two clubs day on October 19 and 22 from 11:00am to 4:00pm in the Meeting Place. It was a great event that allowed students to see a small portion of the over 200 clubs that are currently recognized by the SCSU. For more information email campuslife@scsu.ca.

MOVIE NIGHT

This Month the SCSU hosted their second monthly movie night on October 22 in Rex’s Den. It was a great success and we are looking to continue our monthly movie nights in the winter semester. For more information email campuslife@scsu.ca.

FREE BREAKFAST

After the great response we had during our last breakfast programming, we decided to host another On October 27 from 11:00am to 12:30pm, the SCSU a Free Breakfast program in the Student Center. We were thrilled with the turn-out.

OPEN MIC NIGHT

On October 20th, The SCSU hosted their second Open Mic night of the year. it was a great space for students to showcase their talent. Students were also welcomed to use our Karaoke machine during the night. We are looking host more events similar to this during the winter semester. For more information email campuslife@scsu.ca.

BLACKOUT

On October 27, 2015 the SCSU hosted an all black Pub Night called Blackout. The took place in the Rex’s Den. In order to decrease the number of culturally appropriative costumes, this event was as all black theme.

MULTI-FAITH WORKING MEETING

SCSU invited all faith-based groups, UTSC Chaplains, and those in the UTSC community who have booked the Multi-Faith Space to a meeting on October 22nd, 2015. At this meeting, we discussed what folks appreciate about the space, and what they feel could be improved about the space to make it more inclusive, welcoming, and safe.
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FEDERAL ELECTIONS PROGRAMMING
The federal elections was a vital time for students to show that their votes matter and that student issues should be a priority. Through a series of events and outreach to students we hoped to engaged and encourage students to vote. We hosted two live screenings of leader's debates on September 17th and September 28th concerning the economy and foreign policy. The SCSU was able to do outreach and events through a dedicated team of volunteers who focused on getting students informed and involved in the elections during outreach and events. We also hosted a Trivia Night (with DSL & Engage UTSC), a Public Forum on Work and as well as an all candidates debate for the electoral riding of Scarborough Rouge Park in collaboration with the local community associations.

IRDS
This symposium was created to provide a space for undergraduate and graduate students to present research. This event has been done in collaboration with the Graduate Students’ Association at Scarborough, and the UTSC VP Research Office. This year, the focus was to bring more student presenters from the undergraduate level and increased presence from undergraduate students. Researchers from a wide array of disciplines and levels of study were present, increasing the quality of the event. A new addition was introducing keynote professors and a graduate speaker, as well as hosting DSA workshops focused on undergraduate research. For this year, this event has been moved to the winter semester and will include a collaboration with the library. This year’s Inter-disciplinary Research and Discovery Symposium will look at connecting students with research opportunities.

OPEN ACADEMIC FORUM: BARRIERS TO EDUCATION
For November 10, 2015 the SCSU has organized an open forum with administration and students to discuss what barriers are impeding on a students ability to participate in their academics and university community. Because a part of this years academic advocacy campaign is to bring awareness to these barriers, it was a goal to bring this awareness to administration as well. It is understood that one of the barriers to utilizing resources is simply the awareness of these resources. Therefore, in addition to the Know Your Rights campaign, the VP Academics is creating more resources for academic integrity pieces, financial literacy, a university resources cheat sheet, and knowing your rights. In the works right now are improvements to the SCSU page on Know Your Rights and a Z-card. These resources will supplement the Centralized Resource Directory project.

CENTRALIZED RESOURCE DIRECTORY
The VP AUA along with other students and directors are working to create a centralized resource directory. The purpose of this project is to provide a resource for students that will make it easier to navigate the university.
OUTSIDE THE BOX
SCSU partnered with the Sexual Gender & Diversity Office on two separate accounts over the past year for their “Outside the Box” programming. In November 2014, the theme of the facilitated discussion was “Giving Voice to our Community Needs”, focusing on exclusion within the LGBTQ+ community. In October 2015, the theme was “Sexuality, Race & Class”, which was centred on the difficulties of being intersectionally oppressed, and the importance of supporting differently marginalized members of the LGBTQ+ community.

MAAVEERAR NAAL
The Tamil Students’ Association at UTSC invited the SCSU to speak at the Maaveerar Naal 2014: Ignite Your Legacy, on Wednesday, November 19 2014 in the Meeting Place. This annual event was centred on commemorating those who died fighting with the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam for self-determination of Tamil peoples.

LEE MARACLE AT UTSC: MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN
The SCSU collaborated with the Indigenous Students’ Association and the Department of Student Life to bring Lee Maracle to UTSC on Monday, November 24, 2014. Lee Maracle is an Indigenous author, critic, and expert on Indigenous culture and history as well as an influential Indigenous voice in Canadian postcolonial criticism. This event centered the Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women (#MMIW).

THIS IS NOT ABOUT JIAN GHOMESHI
The SCSU collaborated with Equity & Diversity Office and the Women & Trans* Centre to host an event centered on rape culture and the importance of consent. This event took place on Monday, November 24 and was facilitated by the Equity & Diversity Officer: Tanya (Toni) De Mello, the Campus Safety Officer: Marie Mathai, Chair of the Women & Gender Studies: Professor Guberman, the Sexual Harassment Officer: Paddy Stamp, and the Sexual Assault Officer: Cheryl Champagne.

NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE AND ACTION ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN
SCSU was involved with two (2) sets of programming centred on the elimination of gender-based violence in December 2014. Firstly, SCSU collaborated with the Women & Trans* Centre to give away gifts, poems of resistance, and resources to womyn and trans* folks on campus. Also, on December 1st, we collaborated with the Principal’s Office, the Equity & Diversity Office, and the Women & Trans* Centre to honour women and trans* folks who endure gender-based violence with a ceremony for the Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women. Various members of the UTSC community placed a rose in a vase to commemorate victims of gender-based violence.
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SCARS / RSC

Lack of Diversity at UTSC
In response to the lack of racialized faculty and syllabi, SCSU’s SCARS led an event in collaboration with the African Students Association and the Indigenous Students Association on Wednesday, January 21st, 2015. The event featured Dr. George Dei, a Professor of Social Justice Education and Director for the Centre for Integrative Anti-Racism Studies at OISE. Along with a large crowd of students, many UTSC professors and staff members also attended this event.

Understanding Equity: A Conversation with UTSC Student Leaders
SCSU, SCARS, ISA and ASA organized a facilitated conversation with students enrolled with IMANI Mentorship Program, for a discussion about power, privilege on Wednesday, January 28th 2015. Racialized and Indigenous student leaders on campus participated in this informal discussion and encouraged community engagement.

Stories of Resistance
SCSU’s Scarborough Campus Anti-Racism Subcommittee in collaboration with the Women and Trans* Centre organized a conference on Saturday, March 7, 2015. The event examined the importance of building inclusive and intersectional feminism. Workshops included: Unlearning Feminism and Creating Intersectional Spaces, The “Iron Triangle”: Deconstructing the Prison and Military Industrial Complex, Sex Work in Canada and Bill-C36: Empowerment or Exploitation?, Resistance Through Film, Blank Noise. There was a screening of an oral history project put together by SCSU, and keynote speakers were Ayesha A. Sidiqqi and Harsha Walia.

Israeli Apartheid Week
SCSU’s SCARS teamed up with Toronto Students for Justice in Palestine for one of their Israeli Apartheid Week events on Thursday, March 12. We screened Concerning Violence, a documentary based on Frantz Fanon’s 1961 essay in his book The Wretched of the Earth and narrated by Lauryn Hill.

ABORIGINAL AWARENESS WEEK AT UTSC
After a motion calling for an annual Aboriginal Awareness Week at UTSC, the Indigenous Students Association in collaboration with the SCSU initiated its first AAW in February 2015. Events included an opening ceremony, film screening of “Hi-Ho Mistahey!”, Aboriginal Awareness Fair, and an arts and crafts session.

TRANS* INCLUSIVE VAGINA MONOLOGUES
SCSU and the Women & Trans* Centre created a space where women and trans* folks reclaim their narratives in a variety of creative expressions. Auditions took place in January, and the event was held on Wednesday, February 11th, 2015. Aside from the performances, there was an opportunity to submit art and poetry to the Trans* Inclusive Vagina Monologue Zine, and feminine hygiene products were accepted so that we could donate them to a women’s shelter.
LAVERNE COX: AIN’T I A WOMAN: MY JOURNEY TO WOMANHOOD
On March 24th, 2015, Ryerson Students’ Union, George Brown Students’ Union, York Federation of Students, and all student Unions with UofT organized a collaborative keynote address. It featured Orange Is the New Black actress, Laverne Cox. She will be delivered an address of her experience as a black trans* womyn.

CFS CONSENT CULTURE FORUM
SCSU and a Women and Trans* Centre rep attended this 2-day forum on March 19th and 20th, 2015 in Ottawa. The purpose of this forum was to discuss, share, and create ways we can end rape culture and foster consent culture on our campuses. It was a heavy but enlightening two days as speakers and leaders across the country facilitated discussions to foster consent culture in an intersectional way. We hi-lighted the importance of physical spaces for marginalized groups on our campuses, how to communicate with diverse communities of our membership, and large-picture ideas of consent and consent-culture.

counterMOSAIC
SCSU collaborated with TSJP, Tribe at UTSC, SC:OUT, UTSC TSA, The Underground, and the Women & Trans* Centre for an event that looked at means of resistance within cultural expression. The event aimed to broaden normative definitions of culture that often reduce it to something that is only (artistically) performed. Dismantling the notion that cultures are organic manifestations independent of systems of power; this event put the spotlight on people whose cultures are undergoing state vilification, people whose cultures have been stolen, and people who are facing the impacts of cultural imperialism and cultural genocide.

CUQSC
From May 7th – May 10th, SCSU and a SC: OUT exec attended the Canadian Universities Queer Services Conference, hosted by RyePride at Ryerson University. CUQSC is an opportunity for students to unite, network, and share resources of queer and trans services offered to post-secondary students. There were many invigorating workshops like Navigating the Queer Community Through an Intersectional Lens, and Pinkwashing and Decorporatizing Pride, and an amazing keynote address by d’bi young, a Jamaican-Canadian dub poet and educator who spoke of the importance of self-reflection and integrity throughout the process of building a strong community.

BELIEVE: GIRLS BODY, MIND & COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT
On May 22nd, 2015, SCSU, TDSBs Equitable & Inclusive Schools Student Equity Program Advisor (SEPA) South East and the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus to host a conference geared toward empowering high school girls. At the event, there was a documentary screening of “MISSRepresentation”, a keynote address by Tonika Morgan (“From Homeless to Harvard”), a series of useful workshops presented by SCSU, Scarborough Women’s Centre, Black Pearls Community Services and TDSB Student Equity Advisors. There was also a panel of discussion led by UTSC students, including executives from both SCSU and the Women & Trans* Centre.
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PRIDE 2015
SCSU has been actively involved with Pride initiatives in June, primarily working alongside Scarborough Campus: OUT (SC: OUT), the Sexual and Gender Diversity Office (SGDO), Association of Part Time Undergraduate Students (APUS), and University of Toronto Students’ Union (UTSU). Free transportation was provided for UTSC students to attend the annual UofT Pride Pub on Friday, June 19th. Furthermore, SCSU partnered with APUS, UTSU, UTMSU, and Woodsworth Inclusive (WINC) to help organize Love Play Picnic with Pride on Tuesday, June 23rd, where there was free food, music, games and pride! Lastly, SCSU volunteered at the Pride March on Sunday, June 28th, 2015.

HIRING COMMITTEE FOR COUNSELLOR
Health & Wellness Centre invited SCSU to sit on their Hiring Committee for counselor positions in August 2015. HWC is seeking to build a team of counsellors whose diversity is reflective of the campus community, and would like unique perspective to the decision making process.

XPRESSION AGAINST OPPRESSION

Miseducation: An Open Mic Night
Miseducation was the launch event for Xpression Against Oppression, a campaign which aims to create platforms for marginalized identities to present narratives often silenced in the mainstream. On September 8th 2015, the staging area of Rex’s Den was packed, and many familiar faces and new performers hit the stage.

No Justice, No Peace: A Panel of Discussion on Police Brutality
This event aimed to create space to speak on issues surrounding police brutality, racial profiling, and carding. This event was held on September 16th, 2015, and was organized through the Racialized Student Collective, in collaboration with Jamaican Canadian Student Affiliation, Imani: Black Student Alliance and Caribbean Connections. We invited the following people to be panelists: Pascale Diverlus, Black Lives Matter Toronto organizer, Runako Gregg, a lawyer at the African Canadian Legal Clinic, and Ajamu Nangwaya, someone who works with the Network for the Elimination of Police Violence.

Reclaim Your Agency: A Self Defense Class for Women and Trans* Folks
This event took place on September 22nd in the TPASC building. In collaboration with the Women & Trans* Centre, SC:OUT and the UTSC Community Police, we organized the self-defence class that it was done in conjunction with Take Back The Night. This was a march aimed to challenge street harassment.

XAO Zine
SCSU is currently accepting submissions for the XAO Zine. If there is a short story, poetry, photography, graphic art, or any other form of creative art that you would like to incorporate to the Zine, contact equity@scsu.ca. The Zine will be released tentatively released in March 2016.