



January 24th, 2023  
Council Meeting Minutes  
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## CASG MINUTES -- January 24th, 2023

### **Attendance**

#### Executive Members

- Dakota Livingston – President, CASG
- Gray Simms – Vice President Internal, CASG
- Francesca Lepore – Vice President Operations, CASG
- Nora Draper – Vice President Academic, CASG

#### Department Representatives

- Sydney Weaver
- Sarah Muscolino
- Jillian Fox (Proxy for Carley Pompa)
- Chris Pratt
- Cassandra Bellefeuille
- Olivia Grandy (Proxy for Annie Tuba)
- Steve Mansour
- Michael Huynh
- Allan Buri
- Spyra Papoulias (Proxy for Saiyara Elahi)
- Daniella Akat
- Christie Charles
- Solenne Ntowow Djougoue
- Taran Allan-McKay
- Ben Albirght-Peakall
- Ellis Bissonnette
- Charlie Brockmann
- Elyse Rogers
- Bronwyn Hubbard
- Richa Duphare
- Liam Kavanagh
- Robin Feeney
- Ciaran McDonald-Jensen
- Maria Guilla Testa
- Belle Henderson
- Angus Jull
- Armaan Bhullar (Proxy for Michael Shaikhet)
- Forest Anderson
- Elim Herx (Proxy for Rizzieri Balestra)
- Maham Shaikh (Proxy for Charlotte Turenne)

- Ainsley Lewis

#### Faculty Coordinators

#### **Faculty of Engineering and Design:**

- Alexandria MacDonald

#### Other Attendees

- Amrita LaRose – Council Clerk
- Tyson Scott – Council Chair
- Jonathan Ojangole - Board of Governors

#### Regrets

- Cassie Klein
- Carley Pompa
- Annie Tuba
- Ally Krueger-Kischak
- Saiyara Elahi
- Jessica Bertoni
- Zaneta Wilkinson
- Sydney Logan
- Tori Metcalf
- Nikita Yovchev
- Michael Shaikhet
- Aaditya Chopra
- Rizzieri Balestra
- Charlotte Turenee
- Sarah El Fitori
- Gialina Yiang

#### Absences

- Haley McDonald
- Ben Lieu
- Gabriella Pickton
- Josh Garraz
- Sean Cruz
- Moobinah Faisal
- Ty Summers
- Akeel Samji
- Angelique Bernard
- Bonnie Rebelo de La Rocque

- Massi Mirella
- Megan Umubyeyi
- Emilia Callanan
- Mihir Bissessur
- Kiri Sidhu
- Mira Gillis

**Call to Order**

- Chair Scott called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm on 01/24/2023.

**Item 1: Land Acknowledgment**

- Chair Scott provided a land acknowledgement at 7:05 pm on 01/24/2023.

**Item 2: Motion to Approve the agenda**

- Chair Scott requested a motion to approve the agenda for the January 24th, 2023, CASG Council Meeting.

**In favour: 100% Abstain: 0% Against: 0%**

**Motion Passed Unanimously.**

**Item 3: Motion to Approve Previous CASG Minutes from December 2022 CASG Council Meeting**

- Chair Scott requested a motion to approve the minutes for the December 2022 CASG Council Meeting.

**In favour: 85.7% Abstain: 14.3% Against: 0%**

**Motion Passed Unanimously.**

**Item 4: Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

No Declaration of Conflict of Interest.

**Item 5: Announcements and Correspondence**

**Item 5 a. Items for Information**

No items for information were made.

**Item 5 a. i. CASG Equity Scholarships**

- For the Equity Scholarships, Nora and the AIF committee removed the requirement of students having to submit a CCR record. The scholarship's requirements were rewritten to make it easier to comprehend and for applicants to have an easier time understanding

what is required of them.

- There are now five scholarships.
- Applicants are now encouraged to submit all information in their Academic CV in order to reduce the various documents applicants have to submit for this scholarship. Nora and her team consulted with several external partners to consult on the scholarships, specifically the Affirmative Action (now called Equity Scholarships).
  - Some of the changes that were made after the various external consultations include:
    - First, inclusivity. There were issues of inclusivity and the lack thereof, such as individuals without formal leadership roles would be unable to apply for this scholarship. There was a recognition that leadership positions can be limited, therefore, this requirement can exclude a variety of students who want to apply for this scholarship.
    - Second, Nora expressed that she wanted to create the application to reduce the situation where students feel the need to ‘trauma dump’ on their personal reflection. Therefore, for the personal reflection requirement for the scholarship, students can now reflect on an experience where they demonstrated their leadership qualities (for example, helping a peer in class or describing a challenge they had to overcome in their life).
    - Finally, this scholarship was identified as being complicated to apply to in contrast to the other scholarships offered by CASG. To address this problem, there were notable changes to the applications’ required documents, such as expanding the requirements of references and removing the CCR requirement.
    - This scholarship will no longer be named ‘The Affirmative Action Scholarship.’ The new name is ‘Equity Scholarships.’

### **Item 6: President’s Report**

- Executive Reports
  - President, Dakota Livingston
    - Dakota expressed gratitude to everyone who participated in CASG’s Study Snacks Campaign and ‘Net Night.’ Net Night was well attended by students and faculty. Due to the success of this event, CASG hopes to host a similar event and broaden its scope.
    - Currently, Dakota has spent the beginning of the semester creating a strategy to ensure the stability of CASG.
    - Nora and Dakota attend the Student Governance lunch. They discussed concerns about the University’s course withdrawal deadlines.

- Looking ahead: Dakota will be attending the next senate meeting. She is also looking forward to CASG to continue collaborating with other clubs and societies.

### **Item 7: Vice President's Reports**

- **Item 7 a:** Vice President Internal, Gray Simms
  - Gray conducted various policy work and reviewed the electoral code. He is hoping to have a full set of policies created and reviewed for CASG's meeting in March.
  - The hiring board will receive an email about hiring a CEO. If anyone is interested in the CEO position, please reach out to Gray for more information.

### **Item 7 b:** Vice President of Operations, Francesca Lepore

- Francesca met with her respective committees. Francesca also met with RRRRA to talk about CASG.
- CASG has new funding opportunities for clubs and societies as CASG now has extra funding under the 'Sponsorship Tab.' Francesca is currently in the process of making an application for clubs and societies sponsorship. She intends to have the application posted in early February.
- Looking ahead: Francesca plans to complete the AIF promotional campaign. She is working on a February campaign and finalizing the application process for the clubs' and societies' sponsorship.

### **Item 7 c:** Vice President of Academic, Nora Draper

- CASG has successfully spent the Fall semester AIF budget and was able to fund six different events (some include collaborative funds).
- On February 1st, 2023, from 9-10 pm, in the Nicol building, there will be an information session for academic funding. This session will include information on how students can apply for scholarships and what details to include in their application.
- Everyone is welcome to apply for CASG's scholarships. However, if you are on the AIF committee, you are unable to apply. Applications will open from January 31, 2023 to March 13, 2023.
- Looking Ahead: Nora will continue to work with the executive team of CASG for any upcoming events. Moreover, Nora will continue to work with her committees to promote CASG scholarships.

### **Item 8: Coordinator Reports**

- No report provided.

### **Item 9: RRRR Report**

- No report provided.

### **Item 10: GSA Report**

- No report provided.

### **Item 11: CUSA Report**

- No report provided.

### **Item 12: Board of Governors Report**

- A new position is a member of the Order of Canada. Board award nominations are open for students who are engaged in unpaid work. You are able to nominate students. One requirement for this position includes that the student has done work that advances the University in any way.
- The Senate meets on January 27, 2023. The Senate will have a full board meeting on March 09, 2023. The focus of the upcoming meeting includes rebranding Carleton to boost Carleton's overall reputation.

### **Item 13: Senate Report**

- The last Senate meeting was in November, 2022. Some of the points discussed in the meeting were: the self-declaration form and ratification of a new senator.
- The upcoming meeting will discuss the following: approving three new graduate programs and modifications for existing programs and collaborations. This meeting will receive a Fall 2022 enrolment report. Also, they will be participating in a consultation in the FPGA process. The Senate will also receive information on Carleton's draft master plan.
- The renewal process for Senate membership begins in February 2023. Student positions in the senate are one term, and the position begins on July 1st, 2023. If anyone is interested, please reach out for more information.
- Eligibility requirements for this position include:
  - Good standing
  - Academic experience
  - Full or part-time enrolment at Carleton
  - Must have completed at least 4 credits

### **Item 14: Committee Reports**

- a. Minutes from the Governance review committee
  - i. Clarified sections on the code
  - ii. Including important sections
  - iii. Made amendments

- b. Minutes from the promotions & campaigns committee
  - i. The promotional campaign for AIF; testimonial videos to get the word out about AIF funding
  - ii. Potential February campaign
- c. Minutes from the scholarships committee
  - i. Approved equity, academic & community involvement, and achievement scholarships. Applications open from January 31, 2023, to March 13, 2023.
- d. Minutes from the November 1 and 29 AIF Committee meeting
  - i. Six groups received funding. About \$900 left in funding to allocate.

**Item 15: Constituency Reports**

- Sydney Weaver represents the communications department.
  - Had a meeting with the director of the program. Concerns about the quantitative aspects remain online, and qualitative is only required in person. Mobility requirement. The Communications Department met earlier this week. Program specific, only half the courses are filled. Due to budget cuts in the program, students expressed big concerns. The fail rate in this program has increased. There are also calls for there to be a priority on the health concerns in the program. The Communications Department will be reviewing all required classes.
- Ben Albricht-Peakall represents History Majors.
  - There will be a meeting/survey conducted by the University of Waterloo to keep the results and feedback anonymous. During this meeting, history majors will be able to discuss ways in which Carleton can improve its history curriculum.

**Item 16: Presentations/Delegations**

- No report provided.

**Item 17: New Business**

- No report provided.

**Item 18: Introduction of ByLaw/Policy**

- No report provided.

**Item 19: Reconsideration of ByLaw//Policy**

**ITEM 19.a: Motion to Amend the Carleton Academic Student Government Electoral Code**

**Preamble:**

Be it resolved that the council amend the Carleton Academic Student Government Electoral Code as recommended by the Governance Review Committee.



**Moved:** Gray Simms **Seconded:** Allen McKay  
**In favour:** 85.7% **Abstain:** 14.3% **Against:** 0%  
**Motion Passed Unanimously.**

**ITEM 19.b: Motion to Amend the Terms of Reference Policy:**

Whereas Council has amended the Carleton Academic Student Government Electoral Code, and whereas in addition to those amendments, the Terms of Reference for the Chief Electoral Officer need to be updated.

**Moved:** Micheal Huynh **Seconded:** Sydney Weaver  
**In favour:** 80% **Abstain:** 20% **Against:** 0%  
**Motion Passed Unanimously.**

**Item 20: Unfinished Business and Deferred/Tabled Items**

**ITEM 20.a: Motion to Declare a position on due dates that fall on Remembrance Day and Truth and Reconciliation Day**

**Moved:** Sydney Weaver **Seconded:** Ben Albirght-Peakall  
**In favour:** 96.7% **Abstain:** 3.2% **Against:** 0%  
**Motion Passed Unanimously.**

**Item 21: Other Business**

**Item 21 a.: Motion to Declare a Position on Due Dates that fall on Remembrance Day and Truth and Reconciliation Day**

- Chair Scott requested a motion for the council to adopt the position that assignments due on Remembrance Day and Truth and Reconciliation Day should have flexible due dates.  
**Moved:** Sydney Weaver **Seconded:** Gray Simms  
**Motion Passed.**

**Item 22: Question Period**

- No questions were asked during this time.

**Item 23: Adjournment.**

- Chair Scott requested a motion to adjourn the December Council Meeting at 8:04 pm until the following CASG meeting  
**Motion Passed Unanimously.**