



November 11, 2021  
Council Meeting Minutes

Prepared by: Kayla Clark, Council Clerk

## MINUTES- NOVEMBER 2021

### **Attendance**

#### Executive Members

**Jennifer Ramnarine (President)**

**Dakota Livingston (Vice President Internal)**

**Vanessa Alves Buecking (Vice President Operations)**

**Pierce Burch (Vice President Academic)**

#### Faculty Coordinators

Siena Pacheco (Faculty of Public Affairs)

Michael Shoresh (Faculty of Arts and Social Science)

#### Departmental Representatives

##### **Faculty of Public Affairs:**

Jorja Darrington

Anthony Valenti

Carley Pompa

Emma Rajala

Stef Burch

Miranda Caley

Madison McKinney

Will Smith

Ally Kruger-Kischak

Davin Caratao

David Coaker

Josh Garraz

Rafi Mamdani (Law Proxy)

##### **Faculty of Arts and Social Science**

Kevin Caswell

Amrita LaRose

Sean Maguire

Sarah Muscolino

Nicholas Surges

Christie Charles

Caedyn Bouwman

Ashley Brunelle

##### **Faculty of Science**

Lynn Kadamani

Jay McCracken

Madena Sherzad  
Anjali Patel  
**Faculty of Engineering and Design**  
Akeel Samji  
Logan Young  
Robin Feeney  
Bailey Lenihan  
Nishi Prajapati  
Daniel Relleve  
Irbaz Rehman  
Erwin Huang  
Melissa Schlottko

#### Other Attendees

Gialina Jiang (RRRA)  
Olivia Hobbs (Council Chair)  
Kayla Clark (Council Clerk)

#### **Call to Order**

- Olivia called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm on 11/11/2021

#### **Approval of the Agenda**

- Olivia requested a motion to approve the Agenda
  - Moved by Kevin Caswell
  - Seconded by Anthony Valenti
- Olivia requested an approval of previous minutes
  - **Motion Passed:** 94%

#### **Announcements and Correspondence**

#### **Reports:**

- Executive Reports
  - Jennifer Ramnarine (President)
    - Provided an update on the discussion of grading reform
    - CASG is hiring a new graphic designer and a statement of interest is to be emailed to Dakota at [vpinternal@casg.ca](mailto:vpinternal@casg.ca)
    - Councillors shirts are in the works expect updates in the slack channel soon
    - Reminder to join slack if you haven't yet
  - Dakota Livingston (VP Internal)

- Asks council to contact her if there is anyone that you think would make a good councillor for open seats
    - Would like to feature coordinators and councillors on the instagram, if you are interested email Dakota a nice photo.
    - Reviewed her committees: Governance Committee reviews bylaws and policies on an annual basis and is looking to meet in the winter semester. Appeals Committee only meets when necessary
    - Next steps include the first issue of the CASG newsletter being released next week
  - Vanessa Buecking (VP Operations)
    - AIF application, budget, and October minutes have been uploaded to the website
    - Is planning a networking event for exec and council to build stronger relations and there is the possibility of an external speaker and is hoping to have the event at the end of November
    - Reviewed her committees: Finance Committee focuses on reviewing finances of the budget and makes recommendations on the allocation of funds, ensures the financial policy is being followed, time commitment is 1-2 meetings a semester. Promotion and Campaigns Committee promotes academic and CASG campaigns to students at large
  - Pierce Burch (VP Academic)
    - Confirming more scholarships so that there is more variety such as campus involvement
    - Reviewed his committees: Scholarship Committee has input on the affirmative action sponsorships and is planning on meeting in January. The AIF Committee reviews applications and will be meeting in the next two weeks.
    - Asks council to tell people to apply for AIF
    - Gave an update on study snacks: giving out snacks on campus and giveaway options so those who aren't in Ottawa are able to participate
- Coordinator Reports
  - Siena (FPA) met with councilors earlier this week and is looking at having a townhall at the end of November so that students can get to know their representatives
  - Mike (FASS) discussed goal setting with councilors as well as talked about the transfer credit process and the issues faced by students when coming to Carleton
- Campus Organization Reports
  - RRRA
    - Gialina updated CASG that RRRA will be presenting and passing it's budget next at their next meeting

- RRRA still has open council seats encourage friends living in residence to apply
    - The Parliament Hill program will be resuming winter semester,
    - Next steps include working with housing services to get free feminine products across residence, hosting online study sessions for all students, partnering with cusa for study snacks, planning frost, an open town hall for past and present carleton students to talk about what they want to see from the university regarding sexual and gender violence.
  - GSA
    - No report.
  - CUSA
    - No report.
  - BOG
    - No report.
- Senate Report
  - No report.
- Committee Reports
  - No Report
- Constituency Reports
  - Departmental Representative Nicholas Surges brought forward the recommendation for TA's to alternate between assignments in larger classes to avoid the grade discrimination currently occurring.
- Items for Information

#### Question Period:

- Anthony Valenti: Following CUSA election, will CASG undertake electoral reform
  - Jennifer acknowledged the flaws in our current system and working to fix the gaps
  - Dakota recommended it be brought forward to the governance review committee so they are able to look into this further
- Kevin Caswell: Will the governance committee receive the results from last years electoral reform survey
  - Jennifer responded yes

#### Votes:

- Motion to Fill Vacant Environmental Studies Council Seat  
**Moved:** Dakota Livingston                      **Seconded:** Jennifer Ramnarine  
**Motion Passed:** 92%
- Motion to Fill Vacant Music Council Seat  
**Moved:** Dakota Livingston                      **Seconded:** Jennifer Ramnarine

**Motion Passed: 80%**

**Adjournment:**

- Olivia requested a motion to adjourn the November Council Meeting

**Moved:** Kevin Caswell

**Seconded:** Mike Shores