

October 14, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes

Prepared by: Kayla Clark, Council Clerk

## **MINUTES- OCTOBER 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)

Mackenzie Huckvale by proxy of Vanja (Faculty of Science)

Hani El Khairy (Faculty of Engineering and Design)

### <u>Departmental Representatives</u>

# **Faculty of Public Affairs:**

Kevin Caswell

Jorja Darrington

Anthony Valenti

Carley Pompa

Seun Aduwo

Meika Clarke

Emma Rajala

Stef Burch by proxy of Sabrina

Miranda Caley

Madison McKinney

Will Smith

Ally Kruger-Kischak

Ben Beiles

Keana Cavero

Davin Caratao

David Coaker

Josh Garraz

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

Em Madole

Mel MacRae

Amrita LaRose

Sean Maguire

Sarah Muscolino

Nicholas Surges

Christie Charles

Nigel Klemencic-Puglisevich

Caedyn Bouwman

Cary Diaz

**Tyson Scott** 

# **Faculty of Science**

Lynn Kadamani

Mandi Highfield

Jay McCracken

Madena Sherzad

Elsa Faisal

Anjali Patel

Nat Chan

# **Faculty of Engineering and Design**

Akeel Samji

Logan Young by proxy of Oluchi

Shaun Senevirante

Robin Feeney

Matt Reid

Rumey Sados

Bailey Lenihan

Nishi Prajapati

Daniel Relleve

Irbaz Rehman

Aishwarya Upadhyayulla

# **Faculty of Business**

Yash Gandhi

# Other Attendees

Gialina Jiang (RRRA)

Kathy McKinley (Assistant University Secretariat)

Mark Ramzy (Charlatan Reporter)

Olivia Hobbs (Council Chair)

Kayla Clark (Council Clerk)

Francesca Lepore (Global and International Studies Candidate)

Anthony Valenti (Global and International Studies Candidate)

#### Call to Order

- List the time and who called the meeting to order
  - Olivia called the meeting to order at 6:09 pm on 10/14/2021

#### Motion to Hire Council Chair and Council Clerk

 A vote was launched to hire Olivia Hobbs as Council Chair and Kayla Clark as Council Clerk

**Moved:** Dakota Livingston **Seconded:** Jennifer Ramnarine

**Motion Passed** (93% Approval)

### Approval of the Agenda

- Olivia requested a motion to approve the Agenda
  - o Moved by Gialinia Jiang
  - Seconded by Kevin Caswell

### **Announcements and Correspondence**

Any member of the association can make any number of announcements. No debate shall be allowed during the announcements, although short questions or clarifications may be made at the discretion of the Council Chair.

# **Reports:**

- Executive Reports
  - Jennifer Ramnarine (President)
    - Review of expectations and decorum
    - Open call for equity officers (one student at large, one that has previously served on council)
    - Office hours will be happening in person and virtually
    - Provided a review of summer events: truth and reconciliation, revamp office and banking, passed Sat/ Unsat for fall,
    - Next steps include working on a long term grading policy, bring your concerns to Jen for admin
  - Dakota Livingston (VP Internal)
    - Over the summer, updated CASG documents to reflect the changes passed last year, and worked on Faculty coordinator reform
    - Hosted annual councilor election, and facilitated councillor training sessions in September
    - Next steps include more opportunities to get involved including workshops and professional development

- Vanessa Buecking (VP Operations)
  - Over the summer, revamped website, and helped with creating online banking for CASG
  - Provided a thorough review of the 2021/2022 budget
- Pierce Burch (VP Academic)
  - Will be opening AIF and will need help with the committee. Interested applicants are encouraged to email Dakota at <a href="mailto:vpinternal@casg.ca">vpinternal@casg.ca</a>
  - Currently working on affirmative action scholarships, because of issues with RARB last year including grade difficulties
  - Provided notice that there are faculty shirts in the office from Academic Orientation Day if interested, stop by the office to pick one up!
  - Study snacks will be starting next month if you want to help reach out to Pierce
- Coordinator Reports
  - Siena (FPA) introduced herself encouraged people to reach out to her
  - Mike (FASS) introduced himself encouraged people to reach out
  - Science (Vanja proxy) gave a rundown on the science society, more updates will come next meeting
- Campus Organization Reports
  - o RRRA
    - Gialina updated CASG that they have a new financial team as they no longer share one with CUSA
    - They hosted their first council meeting and are soliciting application, looking for students at large for equity committee,
    - Abstentions, the residence convenience store has reopened and is operating on regular hours,
    - RRRA hosted many events over the summer including the Fall Orientation Carleton/UOttawa faceoff, back to school give aways
    - Next steps include working on bringing back the Parliament Hill Program, working with university administration to bring back Carleton's Attendant Services Program, writing an open letter about sexual assault and having an open house, reviewing student resources with CUSA, creating BIPOC student safe spaces, joining the Student Mental Health Committee, and opening consultations for the Winter Orientation.
  - o GSA
    - No report
  - o CUSA
    - No report

- o BOG
  - Kathy McKinley updated CASG that the Board met on Orange Shirt Day and a moment of silence was observed.
  - They approved the financial statement for the year ending April 30th
  - The Board of Governors reviewed the return to campus plan, received update on Indigenous learning strategy, and received updates on the work Senate had done in the previous year,
  - The new residence proposal is back on the table and will allow for more single rooms to be available.
  - The next meeting of the board is Dec 3 at 6pm
- Senate Report
  - Kathy McKinley updated CASG that the next Senate meeting will be October 22 and they will be approving fall graduates.
  - There are currently Senate vacancies, 2 for the Faculty of Arts and Social Science and 1 for the Faculty of Engineering and Design. In order to apply you must have achieved 4 credits and have served on an academic government. More information can be found on the Senate Website.
- Committee Reports
  - No Report
- Constituency Reports
  - No Reports
- Items for Information
  - Departmental Representative, Nicholas Surges brought forward an item for information:
    - Reevaluating compassionate grading for transfer students, because of the weighting of transfer credits in calculating the CGPA. This makes the current system of SAT/UNS less helpful for this student population

#### **Ouestion Period:**

• No questions asked.

#### **Votes:**

- Motion to Strike Standing Committees
  - o A question was raised about striking the Equity Committee this year.
    - Since the Equity Committee was an ad-hoc committee, it was only struck last year to create the Equity and Ethics Code.

**Moved:** Dakota Livingston **Seconded:** Jennifer Ramnarine

**Motion Passed:** (72% Affirmative)

• Motion to Pass 2021-2022 Operating Budget

Moved: Jennifer Ramnarine Seconded: Vanessa Buecking

**Motion Passed** (88% Affirmative)

• Motion to Amend Terms of Reference Policy

Moved: Dakota Livingston Seconded: Michael Shoresh

Motion Passed (85% Affirmative)Motion to Amend CASG Bylaws

Moved: Dakota Livingston Seconded: Mackenzie Huckvale

**Motion Passed** (82% Affirmative)

• Motion to Amend Electoral Code

**Moved:** Dakota Livingston **Seconded:** Jennifer Ramnarine

**Motion** (78% Affirmative)

• Bachelor of Global International Studies Vote for Vacant Seat

o Francesa Lepore 37%

o Anthony Valenti 39%

o Abstain 24%

 Anthony Valenti was elected as the Global and International Studies Representative

## **Adjournment:**

• Olivia requested a motion to adjourn the October Council Meeting

Moved: Sean Seconded: Ally