



## Attendance

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### Core Exec

PRESIDENT:

Albert Hoang

FINANCE COMMISSIONER:

Raye Negatu

### Executive

ATHLETICS COMMISSIONER **(SKYPE)**:

Benjamin Wang

LITERARY AND CREATIVE ARTS COMMISSIONER:

Kaitlyn Ferreira

SERVICES COMMISSIONER **(SKYPE)**:

Martha Beach Bartel

SOCIAL COMMISSIONER:

Tua Hytonen

SPIRIT AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSIONER:

Dan Proctor

UNIVERSITY AND ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMISSIONER:

Danielle Stella

SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSIONER:

Michelle Zhong

### Representatives

UPPER YEAR:

Michelle Beyn

Mahzeb Ashraf

Sameer Rai

MIDDLE YEAR:

Paul Schweitzer

Aster Gerard

**(SKYPE)**

Miranda Desbiens

FIRST YEAR:

VACANT

### UTSU Directors

UTSU VOTING DIRECTOR:

Aidan Swirsky

Anushka Kurian

Kshemani Constantinescu

### Staff

SPEAKER:

Ryan Gomes

SECRETARY:

Snow Mei

### Guests

ORIENTATION CO CHAIR:

Lindsay Kruitwagen

UC STUDENT:

AJ Ubhi

### Not in Attendance

UCRC PRESIDENT:

Artur Khasanov

VICE-PRESIDENT:

Victoria Kourtis

OFF-CAMPUS COMMISSIONER

Sara Mandia

EQUITY AND OUTREACH COMMISSIONER:  
MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSIONER  
MIDDLE YEAR REP:

Mira El Hussein  
Thomas Pender  
Priya Gupta  
Sarita Bhukal  
Olivia Jordan  
Meng Lim

STUDENT LIFE COORDINATOR:

## 1. **Call to Order**

The meeting is called to order at 11:03AM.

## 2. **Land Acknowledgement Statement**

Ryan Gomes reads the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

## 3. **BIRT the previous council meeting minutes be approved as presented (Kourtis/Stella)**

MOTION CARRIES.

## 4. **BIRT the agenda be approved as presented. (Kourtis/Proctor)**

MOTION CARRIES.

## 5. **BIRT council reports are approved as presented. (Kourtis/Hoang)**

MOTION CARRIES.

## 6. **Reports**

### a. **President**

Albert reads his report.

### b. **Vice-President**

Raye reads the report.

### c. **Finance**

**Raye:** Later today I'll send out a document on how to use Expensify, which is the same as the one Snow sent last year. Please upload everything there otherwise you won't get reimbursed. Also if you need a cash box this summer, because I commute please let me know at least two

weeks in advance otherwise you will not be getting one. Also we hired our entire commission so things should be going well now.

d. **Athletics**

Ben reads his report.

e. **Equity and Outreach**

(see report)

f. **Literary and Creative Arts**

Kaitlyn reads her report.

**Kaitlyn:** I know that seven of us on council need to know how to use sound equipment according to policy

g. **Mental Health**

(see report)

h. **Off-Campus**

Paul reads the report.

i. **Services**

Martha reads her report.

j. **Social**

Tua reads her report.

k. **SCC**

Dan reads his report.

**Dan:** \$870 of Spirit Wear was sold at Welcome Day yesterday.

**Albert:** I want to point out how impressive this is, last year we've barely sold anything; It shows how good we are at welcoming students.

**Aster:** Let's try to break \$2000.

l. **Sustainability**

Michelle reads her report.

m. **University and Academic Affairs**

No report.

**Danielle:** Not much happening. I am working with MyJourney. Martha and I are planning the alumni social and I'll probably get in touch with those alumni for future UAA events. Another thing is that I'm booking therapy dogs already because those have to be booked way in advance.

n. **Middle Year Representatives**

No report.

**Aster:** So we haven't all chatted yet but we want to do a welcome event where we eat snacks and talk about what students want to see planned for next year and utilize the student's initiative fund.

o. **Upper-Year Representatives**

No report.

**Mahzeb:** We were talking, and we want to set up feedback forms for events. We think it's a good idea if the rest of council thinks so!

p. **Orientation**

Michelle and Lindsay read the report.

**Michelle:** Parents at welcome day were so nice! There's like 40 sign ups!

q. **UC Review**

No Report.

r. **UC Follies**

No Report.

s. **Diabolos'**

No Report.

t. **UCRC**

No Report.

u. **Gargoyle**

No Report.

v. **UTSU**

**Aidan:** I'm sure a lot of you heard but the UTSU is considering laying-off two employees. The statement is on the UTSU Facebook page. These employees were liaisons to students who wanted to use the health/dental plan but there's now help that's built in and there's more engagement in the campus life. The health and dental services for students won't be impacted. If you have any questions please ask us. We also have updates on the Sandra Hudson lawsuit; we'll be voting on that in the next board meeting, which is in the next week or so.

**Anushka:** We have a new Facebook page, took idea from Vic College. We have a UTSU retreat/training coming up.

**Aidan:** Last week Anne the UTSU VP External had a Community Action Commission meeting. There was discussion on transit and student engagement and other giveaways and small programs. This coming week, there's an academic and students' rights commission meeting tomorrow. Then on Thursday there's a campus life commission meeting, we'll be talking about club engagement throughout the year and updates on UTSU orientation. UTSU summer budget will be approved next meeting. Also we'll be posting on our Facebook page.

**Aidan:** I'll be chairing the UC Lit rep feedback-working group so I'll send you all updates on this in the coming week, to continue the work Felipe started last year!

**Anushka:** We would like your thoughts and prayers for our next meeting.

w. **SLC**

**Albert:** Meng says "Hi council - apologies for my absence, but I hope you've all been well and that the weather has finally become more truly summery! I'll be back in my office later this week and look forward to catching up with the core exec on all the Lit-related updates. In the meantime, please don't hesitate to email me if there's any support you need, and I'm excited to hear and see more of your summer plans and initiatives."

## 7. **CRCSS Nomination**

**Mahzeb:** Can you explain what this is?

**Albert:** This is a committee under the Vice Provost's office. So if nothing is getting resolved amongst us, I could take the issue to this committee to resolve. Last year Dan was the UC representative, and the prior year was Sean Xu.

**Dan:** I want to nominate Ryan Hume.

**Albert:** I want to nominate Sophie Nielubowicz.

**Dan:** Ryan's sat on the UTSU for two years, been on the Lit for two years. Ryan's a guy; he does things, very involved, great guy. He's also very good with conflict resolution. I would trust him in this situation to be unbiased.

**Albert:** Sophie's really invested in the community, always in the CSC, knows what's going on around UC. She doesn't necessary have the decorative Lit experience but she's aware how it functions and has good conflict resolution skills!

**Paul:** Can I motion for a blind vote? (Paul/Dan)

## **MOTION CARRIES.**

**Aidan:** I just want to mention Sophie did serve on con review and did some great work there but because of bureaucracies the con review didn't function so well. I'm really happy that she wants to serve on this as well. Also Ryan is fiercely independent and I concur with Dan that his qualities are impeccable. Either one would be phenomenal.

**Ryan Gomes:** So Ryan Hume was voted in, congratulations!

## **8. Decision to Sign with Another Studio Company**

**Albert:** I've had many discussions with Ramsey. We've been with Luxarte studios for a very long time. Last year they met with Ramsey to discuss continuing but there's a bunch of grievances he had. He had to chase them to get the contract. When Ramsey was deciding which to sign with last year, he gave Luxarte another trial year to resolve all the problems he listed. But at the end of this year there were still a bunch of issues that remain unresolved, such as Fireball photos not arriving on time and students kept coming to get them.

Some info is confidential so I'll try to summarize what I can.

Luxarte has 5 minutes for grad student photos, so if you took a composite you know how quick it was. So there are only digital prints now because they find that it's a waste to print pictures. Also their studio is in Hamilton so retakes have to happen there. This is one of their pushes, that they know how to handle UC because they've been with us for a while. Also they said if they don't come on time this year, the grad photos would be free they said.

So New Paramount Studios, their proposal was good but they only did print with no option for digital download. They seemed like a standard photo studio, and would offer a 10/10/10 plan (\$10 sitting fee, \$10 rebate back to the Lit), which they said, was amendable depending on what

we wanted. They have an external studio nearby on St Clair Avenue West, which is a pro, but the lack of digital compared to the other two companies was definitely felt.

Lassman studios, I met with them last, it's a mix of both the two companies' qualities. They shoot the entire year; they shoot for all the other colleges at U of T, and dentistry, medicine and pharmacy. They do prints and advertise the option. They would take our Lit photos as well. They'd do all our events for free as well. Also they make bobble-heads of all of us. They know how to run a business. They were trying to get with us for a while. And that's why I decided to go with Lassman. I'm really excited to work with Lassman for the upcoming year.

**Aidan:** Does the Lit bobble-heads come with additional costs to UC students?

**Albert:** No they are complimentary. Also to add, they give students 15 minutes, and throughout the year. They give people a chance to do group/funny shots as well.

**Sameer:** If the bobble-heads are free anyways, can you ask if other students can also get bobble-heads at a cost if they want, so it's not exclusive to council?

**Albert:** Students can order it themselves but it's at a market price of \$120.

**Sameer:** Can they reduce it to the cost price?

**Albert:** I can ask.

## 9. **SCC Social Media Policy**

**Dan:** Basically I'm proposing slight change to social media policy. I'd like to give posting rights to core exec and SCC (myself, deputies, reps ratified to my commission) and give all other execs moderator rights, which is when they can respond to messages only. There's over posting and clustering, where none of the events posted at the same time get much reach. Also this will avoid misuse of Lit page where people made comments in prior years. If we have to keep every commissioner trained, it could be harder to maintain, whereas a smaller group is easier to maintain.

**Danielle:** Where can we find the policy?

**Dan:** This is policy in a vague and abstract sense. We'll have a meeting in the summer to discuss social media practices.

**Sameer:** How are you proposing the procedure of posting?

**Dan:** For example, if Kaitlyn wants to post something, message the page like 24 hours before the post is needed and edits can be made accordingly.

**Albert:** How it's going so far is good; I think it's a really good idea.

**Michelle:** Do reps on your commission need to be on this? I don't think it's necessary.

**Dan:** We're trying to flesh out the rep role this year, so this could give reps a concrete impact in my commission.

**Paul:** Would there be some place where we could message the entire group in charge of posting?

**Dan:** The process would be messaging the UC Lit's Facebook page, where everyone with admin status can see it. If AJ is the first one to see it, then he could be the one to post it and everyone will see that he's posted.

**Mahzeb:** If the event's going on and you want to take a picture and post it what happens?

**Dan:** We'll make sure that someone is ready to post or temporary access could be provided.

**Aster:** What if it starts raining and a quad event needs to be moved?

**Dan:** You could post in the event page yourself with your personal account since people would still see the post.

**Albert:** Barring that immediate need for posting, it's giving SCC more agency in that role. This puts emphasis on planning for your events, communication and marketing to all go smoothly.

## 10. **Other Business**

**Aidan:** Another UTSU report: The Social Justice Equity Commission might have a pride-planning meeting. Also I spoke to Chim and he said they're putting a pride and policing discussion event, and they'll be bringing in Rodney Diverlus who is the co-founder of the Black Lives Matter Toronto.

**Anushka:** I've moved into a condo near St. Mikes so I'm thinking Lit social. I'll put some dates, probably Saturday toward the end of June.

**Dan:** Today I will update the UC Lit schedule on the website.

**Anushka:** Do you want UTSU stuff on there too?



**Dan**: If it's UC Lit related then yes.

**Albert**: On the 9th there's a pride event. Pride is always a fun time.

11. **Quote of the Meeting (Kourtis/Gerard)**

**Albert**: The photography companies are trying to get in with UC.

12. **BIRT the meeting be adjourned (Kourtis/Beyn)**

**Meeting Adjourns at 11:59AM.**

**President:**

- Chose to change our photo studio company to Lassman Studios
- Welcome Date was yesterday
- We'll be planning a social this month, so stay tuned ☺
- SGRT: Homecoming, which was originally scheduled to be the Monday of Orientation Week, was moved to October 5th (which is a Thursday)

**Vice-President:**

- Good morning sunshines!
- Thank you for sending in your reports on time this month ☺
- Welcome Day yesterday and in two weeks!
- Lit Synopsis
- I hope you're all having a wonderful summer!
  
- Vic

**Finance:**

(not submitted)

**Athletics:**

Another quiet month for Athletics here at UC. My deputies and I are currently taking inventory of the equipment and jerseys owned by the commission and seeing how many new jerseys need to be ordered. Little administrative things.

We have also registered our summer intramural sports teams. Unfortunately, we only had sufficient interest to sign up a recreational ultimate Frisbee team, but it's ready to go! I have been told that they are still seeking players of all skill levels, so if you or anybody you know is interested in playing, let me know! Additionally, we are (at the time of the writing of this report) seeking teams interesting in partaking in the 3v3 basketball tournament in June, and we'll work on registration as soon as they close.

Lastly, we're also working on procuring the tickets for the Blue Jays game we have planned in September, and continuing exploring other events we'd like to explore through the year. As always, input in welcome!

That's all from Athletics! Summer is really coming in; I hope you all enjoy the sunshine (and rain, as the case may be!).

From Athletics with love,  
Benjamin Wang

**Equity and Outreach:**

Hey pals!

Not too much to report on my end, we're looking into our event for MyJourney and are compiling a list of resources, cool spots, and relevant info - let me or Ziigwen know if you want us to include anything that you feel would be really useful!

Lots of love,  
Mira and Ziigwen

### **Literary and Creative Arts:**

Hello lovely people! LCA has been a little quiet this past month but we're looking forward to a busier June. I'm in the works of ordering the Velcro and other organization things I needed for the locker. As well, I'm in the process of planning a couple of days where I'll be running Sound 101 for those who are interested. Finally, by the time you're reading this I'll have gone to our first Welcome Day of the summer! I'm sure it'll be (UC) Lit.

Xoxo,  
LCA

### **Mental Health:**

None to Report

### **Off-Campus:**

Hey guys, sorry I couldn't be there but about the time you're reading this, I'll be getting home from Vegas. Not too much to update on since our last meeting. Right now, our exec team is hard at work planning MyJourney (we decided on keeping the name!) and we are in the process of interviewing and hiring leaders. Hopefully the welcome day was successful in getting some early registrations and spreading the word! That's all for now – Sara

### **Services:**

Hi people,

Happy beginning of June! Services is a bundle of busy now, which is great because i have nothing else to do with my time. We switched caterers for dessert, because one of the dessert places is shut down and/or not replying to my emails. It's the same pricing as the other dessert places, but more variety. My deputy and I are figuring out layout for both red and white and fireball, as well as brainstorming decoration ideas and how i'm gonna sneak in as many Jeff Goldblum decorations as possible. I'm emailing and booking everything for Red and White in the coming week or two.

Love,  
Martha

**Social:**

Hi everyone,

I hope everyone's summer has been great so far! I had my summer meeting for social last week, and I was able to get some great ideas for the quad party that is happening with UCADAN in September. If anyone has suggestions for any fun games/activities we would be able to do in the quad, please let me know, I am open for more ideas! That's it for now.

Tua

**Spirit and Communications:**

This month was fairly quiet on the SCC front but there are a few things to mention. I'm planning to have the spiritwear photoshoot the week of **June 19th**, I'm just still finalizing the exact day with the photographer Alice. I've also been planning out what to bring to Welcome Days for the SCC Booth. Otherwise not much has happened since our last meeting.

**Sustainability:**

I met with my deputy to discuss the specific events that we would like to see in the next year. We came up with 4 event series: Food, Fashion, DIY, and Waste. We plan for all events to fall under these themes and "hire" people to lead each series.

**University and Academic Affairs:**

(not submitted)

**Mid-Year Reps:****Upper-Year Reps:****Orientation:**

Hello folks!

- Registration is live and people are signing up! Website should be up soon!
- We have ordered all of our merchandise from Target Promotions! This includes t-shirts, lanyards, bags, ponchos, etc.
- We had our Exec retreat! Aside from Paul's ankle (rip), it was very successful! Hopefully everyone had fun, cause we did.
- We are in the process of finally getting signing authority, bless
- Working on collabs: New College for Get Active & Thomas for our Mental Health event
- Sponsorship updates: Redbull (!), possibly Bell, Tims, working on P&G, banks, etc.

- It's June now! Wow react only! Things are starting to pick up and get busy, expect more from us in the next little while.

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