



**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LITERARY AND ATHLETIC
SOCIETY
AGENDA OF THE JCM MEETING OF COUNCIL
2:00PM ON APRIL 9TH, 2017 AT CROFT CHAPTER
HOUSE**

Attendance

Core Exec

PRESIDENT: Albert Hoang
VICE-PRESIDENT: Victoria Kourtis
FINANCE COMMISSIONER: Raye Negatu

Executive

ATHLETICS COMMISSIONER: Benjamin Wang
EQUITY AND OUTREACH COMMISSIONER: Mira El Hussein
LITERARY AND CREATIVE ARTS COMMISSIONER: Kaitlyn Ferreira
OFF-CAMPUS COMMISSIONER: Sara Mandia
SERVICES COMMISSIONER: Martha Beach Bartel
SOCIAL COMMISSIONER: Tua Hytonen
SPIRIT AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSIONER: Dan Proctor
UNIVERSITY AND ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMISSIONER: Danielle Stella
MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSIONER: Thomas Pender
SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSIONER: Michelle Zhong

Representatives

UPPER YEAR Sameer Rai
Michelle Beyn
Mahzeb Ashraf
MIDDLE YEAR Priya Gupta
Paul Schweitzer
Sarita Bhukal
Olivia Jordan
Aster Gerard
Miranda Desbiens
FIRST YEAR VACANT

UTSU Directors

UTSU VOTING DIRECTOR: Aidan Swirsky
Anushka Kurian
Kshemani Constantinescu

Staff

SPEAKER

Ryan Gomes

SECRETARY (OUTGOING)

Nicole Gumapac

Guests

STUDENT LIFE COORDINATOR

Meng Lim

Not in Attendance

SECRETARY (INCOMING)

Snow Mei

UCRC President:

Artur Khasanov

1. Call to Order

The meeting is called to order at 4:40 PM.

2. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mira reads the land acknowledgment statement. As part of her commission, Mira will also be looking at revising the statement to be more applicable to the Greater Toronto Area.

3. Introduction to Council Meetings

Albert and Victoria welcome everyone to the meeting and go over brief goals for the year.

4. BIRT the agenda be approved as presented (Kourtis/Beach Bartel)

MOTION CARRIES.

5. BIRT Ryan Gomes be ratified as speaker for the 2017-2018 (Kourtis/El Hussein)

Ryan introduces himself, talking about his experience with ENGSOC, the UTSU, VUSAC and other student societies. He's well versed with Robert's Rules and aims to ensure that meetings are efficient while also being conducive to participation by everyone. Albert says that the hiring committee all agreed that Ryan was highly qualified; furthermore, his detached nature from UC will ensure the impartiality needed for the speaker position.

MOTION CARRIES.

6. BIRT Snow Mei be ratified as secretary for the 2017-2018 term (Kourtis/Stella)

Danielle was on the hiring committee and Snow had lots of experience, could type fast and was familiar with Roberts' Rules. Everyone loves Snow!!

MOTION CARRIES.

7. BIRT Aidan Swirsky, Anushka Kurian and Kshemani Constantinescu be appointed to Council as voting members for the position of "UTSU Representative" (Kourtis/El Hussein)

Mira states that the UTSU is the overall governing body and the UC Lit has three representatives from UC to represent the Lit on the UTSU. These representatives also serve on the Board of Directors, as well as Council. They have already been elected but just need to be ratified at the JCM (Joint Council Meeting) as well as the UTSU's ARM (Annual Ratification Meeting).

MOTION CARRIES.

8. BIRT Hannah-Rae Sabyan be ratified as the Executive Producer for the 2017-2018 term. BIFRT Emma Davies be ratified as the Production Manager for the 2017-2018 term. BIFRT Zidi (Helen) Hu be ratified as the Treasurer for the 2017-2018 term (Kourtis/Hoang)

Albert motivates, saying that everyone was solid in their answers, showed great commitment to the Follies and that overall, they were the best candidates for the Follies' Core Exec.

MOTION CARRIES.

9. BIRT Council Reports be approved as presented (Kourtis/Beach Bartel).

MOTION CARRIES.

10. Reports

a. President

Albert reads his report.

b. Vice-President

Victoria reads her report.

c. Finance

Raye reads her report.

d. Athletics

Benjamin reads his report.

e. Equity and Outreach

Mira reads her report.

f. **Literary and Creative Arts**

Kaitlyn reads her report.

g. **Mental Health**

Thomas reads his report.

h. **Off-Campus**

Sara reads her report.

i. **Services**

Martha reads her report.

j. **Social**

Tua reads her report.

k. **SCC**

Dan reads his report.

l. **Sustainability**

Michelle reads her report.

m. **University and Academic Affairs**

Danielle reads her report.

n. **Middle Year Representatives**

Aster, Paul, Olivia, Priya, Miranda and Sarita introduce themselves and read their report.

o. **Upper-Year Representatives**

Sameer, Michelle and Mahzeb introduce themselves and read their report.

p. **Orientation**

Michelle and Lindsay read their report.

q. **UC Review**

Albert reads the report. The first proof was released for the Spring edition and the polished edition will come out in two weeks on April 20th. The editor-in-chief will be hired at the end of the month.

r. **UTSU**

Anushka, Aidan and Kshemani introduce themselves and briefly review the UTSU.

s. **SLC**

Meng reads her report.

11. BIRT Council ratify the following deputies for the 2017-2018 term (Kourtis/Hoang)

a. **Lindsay Kruitwagen as Internal Deputy**

Victoria motivates, stating that Lindsay answered questions perfectly and matched what Victoria was looking to achieve in the year. Victoria also interviewed Joyce Wang, but felt that she lacked in the experience section compared to Lindsay.

BIRT the meeting goes in-camera (Swirsky/Beyn).

MOTION CARRIES.

The meeting moves into camera at 5:39 PM. The meeting moves out of camera at 5:52 PM.

b. **Delrina Nguyen as Clubs Deputy**

There was one applicant and Victoria thought she was the best candidate for the job.

MOTION CARRIES.

c. **Jeremy De Leo as Finance Deputy**

Jeremy is a first-year Rotman student in Accounting. He is experienced with auditing and was praised by Raye and Victoria.

MOTION CARRIES.

d. **Aleksandra Aleksandrova and Danyal Damoodi as Athletic Deputies**

Ben interviewed both candidates: Aleksandra was captain of Women's Basketball and is highly dedicated, while Danyal Damoodi was VP Deputy for Clubs with the UC Lit last year and has more experience on the governing side.

MOTION CARRIES.

e. **Ziigwen Mixemong as Equity and Outreach Deputies**

Ziigwen gave a wonderful interview; she was highly capable and would be outstanding as a Deputy. *Mira leaves the meeting at 6:10 PM.*

MOTION CARRIES.

f. **Melanie Mascarenhas as Literary and Creative Arts Deputy**

Melanie had a similar background to Kaitlyn in terms of musical theatre and lighting set-up. Kaitlyn also thought Melanie would be a great team player. Danielle asks about Jax Wong, who also applied for the position, and in Danielle's personal view, was very qualified. Kaitlyn replies that Jax was the first interviewee and has been involved in past years, but Kaitlyn felt that Jax's level of maturity was not yet there for the role of deputy in terms of handling the

pressure of setting up and taking care of other events. Martha asks Kaitlyn chose to motivate for someone with a similar background as her. Kaitlyn replies that compared to other years, this year's Literary and Creative Arts commission will be more for people who like art who don't necessarily know how to do so, so the portfolio and programming will change a bit to reflect this.

MOTION CARRIES.

g. **Anna Fonesca as Mental Health Deputy**

There were three strong applicants, and one of them was taken out of consideration because they were not a UC student. Anna was chosen for her experience with mental wellness and health.

MOTION CARRIES.

h. **Paul Schweitzer as Off Campus (UCOC) Deputy**

Sara was on the same page with Paul on everything; they had also worked well together in the past.

MOTION CARRIES.

i. **Olivia Yoshimoto as Services Deputy**

Olivia had been a room head in the past, answered all questions professionally even before the questions were asked, had lots of great ideas and overall, Martha had no qualms or doubts about choosing Olivia.

MOTION CARRIES.

j. **Moesha Smith as Social Deputy**

Tua motivates for Moesha, saying that she was super great.

MOTION CARRIES.

k. **Mahreen Khan and Amanjot Ubhi As Spirit and Communications (SCC) Deputies**

Dan said there were six wonderful applicants and that he was very fortunate that he had the opportunity to choose two. He decided on Mahreen and Amanjot for their past experiences and overall capabilities.

MOTION CARRIES.

l. **Kirsten Stevens as Sustainability Deputy**

Michelle said there were four great applicants, and it was a tough decision, but she chosen Kirsten because she was one of the most dedicated members of the Sustainability Commission last year, was incredibly passionate for the position and had a strong interview. Thomas seconds this, saying that Kirsten was one of the best candidates in terms of experience.

MOTION CARRIES

m. **Mahzeb Ashraf as University and Academic Affairs Deputy**

Danielle is excited to work with Mahzeb as upper year representative based on their experience together on the commission.

MOTION CARRIES.

Aidan asks that for future motions where there are discussions of qualifications of one person or another, it would be benefit to create a procedure as to how to approach this so things are run more efficiently.

BIFRT speaking rights be extended to all deputies for the remainder of the 2017-2018 term.

MAIN MOTION CARRIES.

12. BIRT Albert Hoang, Victoria Kourtis and Raye Negatu be ratified as signing authorities for the 2017-2018 term (Kourtis/Hoang)

Albert states that this is just to ensure that cheques can be signed throughout the term by Core Executive.

MOTION CARRIES.

13. BIRT Anushka Kurian be ratified to the Alumni of Influence Selection Committee (Kourtis/Schweitzer)

Victoria explains that this committee is to help the advancement office choose the Alumni of Influence recipient. Anushka accepts being nominated for this position, stating she has lots of experience outside of the UC bubble as well as within equity circles

MOTION CARRIES.

14. BIRT Albert Hoang and Victoria Kourtis be ratified to the University College Council Executive Committee (Kourtis/Beach Bartel)

Victoria motivates, saying that Albert and Victoria must be on the committee.

MOTION CARRIES.

15. BIRT Albert Hoang and Paul Schweitzer be ratified to the University College Council Appointment Committee (Kourtis/Hoang)

Meng reviews the appointment committee, stating that people sitting on the committee would be responsible for appointment of new faculty members, professors and teaching staff at UC.

MOTION CARRIES.

16. BIRT Olivia Jordan, Aster Gerard and Priya Gupta be ratified to the University College Council Scholarship Committee (Kourtis/Hoang)

The scholarship committee works with the registrar to look at the list of those who applied for leadership awards at the end of the year. It is noted that folks who are graduating and are looking to apply for these awards should think about whether or not they want to sit on this committee, as people who apply for the awards cannot sit on the committee.

MOTION CARRIES.

17. BIRT Council take a 10-minute recess to eat food (Kurian/Beach Bartel).

MOTION CARRIES.

The meeting recesses at 6:34 PM. The meeting resumes at 6:44 PM.

18. BIRT Albert Hoang, Anushka Kurian and Paul Schweitzer be ratified onto hiring committee for the 2017-2018 term. BIFRT Meng Lim be given ex-officio, non-voting status on the hiring committee for the 2017-2018 term (Kourtis/Stella).

Anushka is nominated, accepts her nomination and states that people who are passionate will do the best for the job. She has had experience with Tua and Martha to hire for the Social Deputy positions, and had prior experience with implementing interviews for 14 executive positions with a different organization. Aster is nominated and accepts her nomination. She worked full time on a hospitality support team, and would be responsible for hiring people, thus, she would be able to bring in professional hiring experience. Danielle is nominated and accepts her nomination. She was on the hiring committee last year and if chosen again, would consider reviewing the process for hiring committee. Paul is nominated, accepts his nomination and says that he had lots of experience with hiring leaders for MyJourney, as well as hiring head leaders and leaders as executive orientation. He's experienced and states that he has an aptitude for seeing which people would be good for what positions based on their strengths.

Sameer motivates for Paul and Anushka. Sameer says that Paul has had great work from his experience on Orientation Executive. Similarly, Anushka has done great work, is incredibly passionate, and as a younger Lit member, she would be important to ensure continuity for the

future. Danielle withdraws her nomination because she wants to motivate for Anushka to be on hiring committee, echoing what Sameer states.

MOTION CARRIES.

19. BIRT Albert Hoang, Raye Negatu, the Finance Deputy, Dan Proctor and the Managers of Diabolos be ratified to the University College Coffee Bar Board (Kourtis/Proctor)

There is one open position. Dan is nominated and states that as a fourth year student in economics and labour studies, he knows what he's doing, as much as a university student knows what they're doing.

MOTION CARRIES.

20. BIRT Albert Hoang, Victoria Kourtis, Paul Schweitzer, Mahzeb Ashraf, Priya Gupta and Danielle Stella be ratified to the Constitutional Review Committee for the 2017-2018 term. BIFRT Meng Lim be given ex-officio, non-voting status on the Constitutional Review Committee for the 2017-2018 term (Kourtis/Beach Bartel)

Paul said he was interested in the position in the past, but it looked too "sus" for him; however, he's ready to see what the committee is now, stating, "hit me up for that Constitution". Mahzeb says that her two years of experience on the University College Council would allow her to make good decisions. Priya says that this would be a great learning opportunity, a good way to get involved and ensure that UC values are represented by the Constitution. Danielle says that based on her experience on committee last year, there are things that she would like to add and change to ensure that UC is represented in the best possible light.

MOTION CARRIES.

21. BIRT Victoria Kourtis, Michelle Beyn, Mahzeb Ashraf, Tua Hytönen, and Sameer Rai be ratified to the Elections Appeals Committee (Kourtis/Ashraf)

Dan asks for clarification between what the Elections Appeals Committee does and what the Elections Committee does. Albert answers, saying that the Appeals Committee mainly oversees grievances. Aidan agrees, stating that the Elections committee moreso oversees day-to-day operations.

MOTION CARRIES.

22. BIRT Albert Hoang, Dan Proctor and Benjamin Wang be ratified to the Elections Committee (Kourtis/Proctor)

MOTION CARRIES.

23. BIRT Victoria Kourtis, Ryan Gomes and Sameer Rai be ratified onto the Judiciary for the 2017-2018 term (Kourtis/Hoang)

Victoria states the Judiciary is responsible for ruling about Constitutional disputes at AGMs, meetings and other occasions. They would be responsible for looking at interpreting the wording of the Constitution and to essentially act as the voice of reason for the Constitution.

Ben, Sameer, Thomas and Sarita are nominated and they accept. Ben states he's a stickler for the rules as well as figuring out applications for such rules. Sameer says that he has been on the Lit for the past few years, has been on Con Review every year, and has read through the updated policies and Constitution every year as well. Thomas says that as a level-headed person, he can look at things from an unbiased perspective. Sarita says that she's willing to read and re-read things, ask questions and ensure that she would be approaching disputes from a third-party perspective.

Anushka thinks everyone is fantastic but motivates for Sameer, stating that she saw first-hand his critical thinking skills, his ability to be articulate when solving problems and his attention to detail. Mahzeb supports Ben as a creative problem solver who can handle any difficult situation thrown his way in a meticulous manner. Albert motivates for Thomas, echoing his sentiments as a level-headed, thoughtful and non-biased person. Aidan motivates for Sarita as an intelligent individual who will take whatever few opportunities Judiciary will meet to give a third-party, unbiased perspective.

MOTION CARRIES.

24. BIRT Core Executive be tasked to create a search committee of Council members to select two Society members for appointment to the Creative Writing Committee (Kourtis/Hoang)

Albert clarifies that no one will be ratified right now to the Committee, but rather, Core Exec would be working with Kaitlyn and her deputy to create a search party for two appointees to the Committee during the summer.

MOTION CARRIES.

25. BIRT Albert Hoang, Victoria Kourtis and Raye Negatu be ratified as the UTSU Board of Directors delegate(s) for the 2017-2018 term (Kourtis/Wang)

Albert clarifies that while the UTSU UC Directors represent the college, Core Executive would be serving as delegates to represent the UC Lit.

MOTION CARRIES.

26. BIRT the following council members be ratified to summer council for the 2017-2018 term: (Kourtis/Ashraf)

Victoria clarifies that if Council members will be here for the summer, then everyone must be ratified to be part of summer council. Dan points out that if all meetings are on Sunday, then summer council may overlap with Orientation prep week. Michelle replies that the first day of prep week will be on a Monday, so there won't be any scheduling conflicts.

The following members are ratified to summer council: Albert Hoang, Victoria Kourtis, Raye Negatu, Benjamin Wang, Mira El Hussein, Kaitlyn Ferreira, Sara Mandia, Martha Beach Bartel, Tua Hytonen, Dan Proctor, Danielle Stella, Thomas Pender, Michele Zhong, Sameer Rai, Michelle Beyn, Mahzeb Ashraf, Priya Gupta, Paul Schweitzer, Sarita Bhukal, Olivia Jordan, Aster Gerard, Miranda Desbiens, Aidan Swirsky, Anushka Kurian, Kshemani Constantinescu, Ryan Gomes and Snow Mei.

MOTION CARRIES.

27. Other Business

Victoria states that moving forward, everyone should be reading the agenda before the meetings begin, and if there are any questions, she invites everyone to talk to Core Executive for clarification beforehand so everyone can progress through each motion as efficiently as possible. Ryan adds that if there are any procedural questions for the meeting, he invites folks to ask him. Martha asks folks if anyone would like her last chicken nugget. Anushka, too, offers folks her last chicken nuggets. Ryan and Nicole accept the chicken nuggets.

28. BIRT the following be adopted as the Quote of the Meeting: (Kourtis/Beyn)

Anushka: Olivia's playing snake on her laptop!

Nicole: The real snake here is Anushka.

29. BIRT the meeting be adjourned (Kourtis/Beach Bartel)

MOTION CARRIES.

The meeting ends at 7:36 PM.

Appendix (Reports)

President:

Hi everyone,

Welcome to the 2017-2018 council! I am so excited for this year and I'm entirely confident that we're going to do good work. Most of you know me, but for those who don't, hi, I'm Albert! I'm going into my fourth year studying Cinema Studies, Political Science, and History. I'm a photographer and was really involved within LCA and the UC Review these past couple of years. My goals for the year are to improve on sustainability practices, better engage council, and really work on defining the Rep role.

Vice-President:

Good morning (now afternoon but will normally be morning when we have meetings) sunshines!

Welcome to the 2017-2018 council term and I am so incredibly excited to be working with all of you this coming year!

For those that have no idea who I am (although that's pretty hard since I talk a lot in the group and probably have sent you all (too) many notifications by now but a quick low down: I love food (baking is my backup #3), I read a lot (outside of school), the environment is important to me, and I love sports (YAY #Athletics!).

This year, I plan to work with core exec, my deputies, as well as you all to revamp the Rep role and give them new meaning on council as well as help us run in a more organized way and outreach to the greater UC community with our clubs!

At the end of this meeting I will be sending out Student Life Conference emails so that we can all get signed up.

I wish you all nothing but the best of luck and that all your *insert your commission name* wishes come true!

Lots of VP love, Vic

Finance:

Intro to myself:

- RC student
- 3rd year
- First time on the Lit

Plan for the commission:

- 2 deputies
- More division of labour
- More segregation of duties
- Use as a teaching opportunity for younger years

Athletics:

Hello everybody! My name is Benjamin Wang, and I am super excited to be the Athletics Commissioner for the UCLit this upcoming year! I'm wrapping up my third year here at the University of Toronto, where I'm completing a dual major in molecular genetics and microbiology and statistics. I'm from Ottawa, Ontario, our nation's capital, but I really do love it here in Toronto! As you might expect, I enjoy playing sports of all varieties, although how well I actually play is something that's definitely up for debate!

There are a couple of things that I'd really like to see the Athletics Commission achieve this year. Last year's intramural sports program was exceptionally well organized and successful, largely because of policies and programs established by my predecessor, Abbey Kachmar. I'd like to ensure that our intramural sports program continues to be successful by ensuring that these policies and programs persist, while simultaneously seeking new ways to help our teams, our captains, and our players to succeed. Moreover, I'd also like to engage the UC community with the Athletics Commission to a greater extent this year. I'd like to meet more often with students here at UC and get to know our athletics community; I want to hear what they have to say about athletics here at UC and help them

organize events and activities they want to see happen. Overall, I want to make this commission something that everybody here at UC feels like they can contribute to and benefit from.

Lofty goals, perhaps, but I believe that we can achieve them together. It's going to be a great year at UC, and I look forward to working with all of you to make it the best it can be!

Equity and Outreach:

Hey pals! I'm super excited to work with you all and get to know those of you who I'm not already familiar with! I have a lot in store for us this year including lots of smaller events - particularly surrounding education and awareness in topics we have yet to touch on like Indigenous folks in Canada and sexual violence on campus. I'm super excited to bring you more collaborations with groups around campus and off campus, and to sort of remind the commission that there's more to equity and outreach than just our campus. I'm really excited to be able to interact with students and with the broader community in bringing forward a more thoughtful, engaging EOC. As well, I've got some stuff in the works for council including cultural competency training and some alterations to the land acknowledgement statement and some additions to interacting equitably in council meetings so we can call each other in and keep one another accountable and continue to move forward! I'm really excited to start the year and I'm super happy to be here.

Literary and Creative Arts:

Hey everyone! I'm Kaitlyn, your incoming Literary and Creative Arts Commissioner. I'm so excited to work with everyone on the Lit this year to make my commission (and thus the university itself) a better place. For the 2017-2018 school year, I'm looking to breathe new life into LCA: I'm not the most artistic so I'd like to cater to those who might not consider themselves talented in a specific craft. First year outreach is really important to me so I'd like to inspire the incoming UC students to get involved with my commission through sound set up and event ideas. Finally, I'd like to work closely with SCC (looking at you Dan!). Promoting spirit wear and other SCC contributions at LCA events (or even working on events together) would be beneficial for the Lit as a whole. I'm pumped to take on this role and hope to make some great things happen!

Lots of LCA love,
Kaitlyn

Mental Health:

Hello Everyone!

For those who don't know me, my name is Thomas, I'm going into second year life sci, and I'm going to be your new mental health commissioner, which I'm super excited about!

I have a lot of ideas for the new year. Firstly, I'd love to be able to create a campaign to advocate for further resources for UC students who deal with mental health issues. I'm not entirely sure how this would work or what scale it'd be, that really depends on the opinion of the commission but I think it would be a very important issue to tackle.

Secondly, I would like to be able to host events where we get a mental health professional to come in and give students tips on how to deal with issues that affect a lot of students, such as test anxiety. I think this would be a really great resource that a lot of students would be able to find useful.

Thirdly, I'd love to plan some de-stressors during exam seasons. Definitely collabs would be a super cool thing to do, and I'd love to be able to work with you all to create some de-stressors that have aspects that appeal to all students!

I'm super ready to get started on planning some things, and very excited to be working with you all!

Thomas ♥

Off-Campus:

Hey Everyone! I'm so excited to be your Off-Campus Commissioner for the upcoming year! Most of you know me but for those of you who don't, I'm Sara, a 2nd year History and Renaissance Studies double major and this will be my second year on the lit. This upcoming year, I'm planning on bringing back pancakes monthly, I'm going to do a whole bunch of off campus events, things like second city and skating and holiday dinners - all that jazz. I'm also planning on doing lots of collaborations with the cocos and hopefully you guys as well. I've got lots planned but for now, however, and for the majority of the summer, I'm going to be working on planning MyDefinition/MyJourney. We will be beginning exec hiring very soon and will be able to take off from there. That's really all I have to say for the moment. I'm extremely excited to be working with you all and here's to an amazing year with a fantastic council! - Sara

Services:

Hello marshmallow peeps

My name is Martha (not Stewart) and i'm your super duper PUMPED services commissioner. This year the renovations are happening starting in August so the entire UC building can be made into a bust of Donald Ainslie. All jokes aside, renovations are happening, and i'm going to try my very darnedest along with my deputy and commission to make Fireball and Red and White beautiful and amazing without using the rooms that are being renovated. I want to work on running a great, involved commission and making all the dances at least as amazing as they always are. Also 2 doors? Less lines?? Yes please! I'm super excited to work with all you lovely people this year, and i can't wait to get to know y'all!

Love,
Martha

Social:

Hey guys! I'm so excited to be working with all of you this upcoming year, and I am hoping to collaborate with as many of you as I can to make amazing events happen for all UC students. Some of you already know me pretty well, so here's a brief info package of who I am: I'm in my third year, studying Human Geography, Urban Studies and Cinema Studies. I'm an international student from Finland, and have only been in Toronto since I started my undergrad, so I continue exploring this city when I can from my extremely busy schedule. I aspire to be a filmmaker one day, but right now I'm focusing on my more realistic dream of becoming an urban planner. I also love dogs and if you ever see me squealing I've most likely just seen a lil pupper walking around.

Next year for Social I am hoping to have more events that aren't as focused on alcohol as they are now, for those who don't like drinking as much, as well as to engage with our first-year students more, who aren't legal yet. If anyone wants to collaborate with me for these types of events, let me know and I would be more than happy to brainstorm some ideas! I am also looking forward to have a commission in which I am able to delegate tasks to our wonderful UC students so that they can be a bigger part of our community, and want to keep coming back to make events they want to see and experience. Other than that, I am excited for more of our legendary pub crawls! Let me know if you have any ideas for Social and I'll do my best in making them happen.

Spirit and Communications:

I'm Dan and I'm the new Spirit and Communications Commissioner. This year I see there being some big changes in the way my commission is run. I want to run ALL event advertising and social media posting through my commission. By my commission I do not mean just me, because I plan to get my deputies and my commission members more involved in the process. I want to finally make use of the Lit's display case outside of the JCR by posting a monthly calendar of events (ideally a dry erase board to save paper and because we can add things on the fly). I hope to work with the Dons to advertise our events at their monthly house meetings as well. I'm also committing to keeping the website updated, expanding our social media presence beyond merely Facebook, and keeping our blog updated with the work of UC students. With spirit-wear, I'm going to rejuvenate our outreach to alumni and work to get our stockpiles sold while only reordering items we know the UC community want. I want to collaborate with Diabolo's

and the UC Bookstore to market and sell our spirit-wear. Additionally, I want to start hosting a spirit-wear table at UC events like our monthly LCA coffeehouses and the Year End Ball.

Cheers,
Dan

Sustainability:

Hi everyone!

I'm Michelle, the hired Sustainability Commissioner for UC Lit 2017-2018! I look forward to working with you all and have a wonderful year together!

My responsibilities next year will definitely involve all of you because I will be developing a sustainability guideline for all commissions to follow. This means that I will be coming to your events at the beginning of the year and making suggestions on how we can make those events greener and less wasteful. If you have any questions or concerns about how you can take initiative in sustainability, please feel free to come speak to me as well!

I really hope to work with all you guys not only on being sustainable, but running joint events as well! If I have any ideas, I will be sure to stalk you on Facebook. If you have any ideas, please please come talk to me, I love ideas!

Thank you so much for all your dedication to UC, let's all be tree-huggers next year 

University and Academic Affairs:

Hey friends!!!

I'm super excited to introduce myself as this year's UAA commissioner! I want to welcome everyone who is new to the Lit this year. You are joining such a loving and caring group of people and you should be pumped!

Sooooo just a little bit about me...

- I was on the council last year as a first-year rep and it was amazing
- I am a hopeful geography major (and soon to be a poli sci major at the end of the summer)
- I play the ukulele...I used to play the guitar but I have really small fingers so I couldn't do bar chords

Things I plan to do with UAA:

- Continue to plan academic events for first years, graduating students and everyone in between :)
- Rep involvement! Work together to see if you guys want to plan a cool event!
- Work closely with UC directors to ensure that UC students are aware of UTSU events/councils/whatever else they do
- Collaborate with Mental Health and Equity & Outreach to bring some informative and fun events
- I want to plan an Exam Jam in Fung for first year courses. Possible UCRC collaboration???
- Create a FB page affiliated with the Lit to advertise scholarships, bursaries, and grants.
- AND MANY MORE COOL THINGS I AM SO PUMPED

OMG WE ARE GONNA HAVE SUCH AN AWESOME TIME!! PLEASE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR YOU WANNA COLLAB JUST COME TALK TO ME YAY!

Danielle Stella

Mid-Year Reps:

Hey y'all,

We're super pumped to be working with everyone! Let us know what you all have in mind for us to be doing 'cause we want to be involved in what ways we can! Especially once we're ratified to commissions. As reps, we'd like to be kept up to date on happenings in various commissions so don't hesitate to drop us a line!

As reps we're also available to help advertise events in various ways, don't be afraid to ask us. Of course, this works both ways, and we can't help if we don't know what to help with!

We'll also be planning our own events, so if anyone is looking to collaborate talk to us and we can work something out! Otherwise, we're ready to support council in what ways we can. Here's to a good year!

Upper-Year Reps:

As upper year reps, our main goal is to represent the views of the upper years here in the UC community. By virtue of the time we have spent here, we also want to provide our experience to the council and help out with the initiatives that commissioners and core exec choose to undertake.

Orientation:

Hi counsel!

We're so excited to work with you chickens! Here are some updates for orientation:

- All of the hiring is done! Thank goodness!
- Leader town hall and leader pub night was a big hit, thanks to everyone who came out
- We're still hiring a web developer - pls help
- We're currently in the process of making the schedule and working with the UTSU
 - Will give details once we know them later on
- The execs are working hard and bring great ideas
- The Theme is Jurassic Park FYI

UC Review:

UC Follies: new execs/new year

UCRC:

Gargoyle:

UTSU:

Hey everyone! We're Kshemani, Anushka and Aidan, and (pending ratification on April 19th) we're beyond excited to be serving as UC's UTSU representatives for this coming year.

Our job as UC Directors is to connect the UC community with the UTSU, and ensure the two governing bodies are connected, not only through communication but through collaboration on events and campaigns that serve the UTSU's purpose of advocating for all of UofT's unique communities.

Because admittedly the past year has been a tumultuous one for the UTSU, we want to just clear the air about a few things to keep in mind going into next year:

- In addition to our UTSU responsibilities, we're here to serve as representatives on the Lit! Although we've got the added tasks of incorporating UC student feedback into UTSU advocacy, and delivering UTSU support and resources to new and existing UC programming, we're here first and foremost because this College is our home, and we want to work with you all to spread #LoveMyUC and bridge our community with all of the others on this campus!
 - The UTSU's size and scope means that there are many opportunities to actually get involved with, and informed of, the Union. They have commissions and committees just like we do (utsu.ca/commissions), which you can join to help the UTSU plan events and campaigns that promote campus life, equity and anti-discrimination, sustainability, affordability, international student support, mental health awareness, academic fairness and community awareness. It's an aim of ours this year to work directly with the Lit's commissions, UC's student life divisions and campus clubs and groups, to raise awareness of these campus-wide involvement opportunities and to share ideas and resources, so that you get more of a say in affecting change on campus and at the UTSU itself, and more opportunities to meet students from different faculties and programs.
 - Additionally, on its website the UTSU publicizes its financial statements, budgets, and minutes from general, commission and committee meetings. It's our responsibility to update you, through email and/or social media, with these documents AND meeting dates as they are released throughout the

year, and to be your first point of contact if you would like anything summarized or clarified, or if you want to come out to meetings (which you should definitely try to, since they rarely overlap with Lit meetings). Please be sure to hold us accountable if this is not being done, as it's in your benefit to be informed of how the UTSU is representing students and allocating your fees.

- We pay ancillary fees to the UTSU every year, so students should know about, and be encouraged to make use of, the services it offers currently and will add in the near future, which exist to help alleviate challenges you may face as a student. Among the UTSU's offerings are a comprehensive health, dental and psychological plan, funding and equipment rentals for clubs, discounted Metropasses, and a host of scholarships and bursaries you can apply to, including an exam deferral bursary. We would love to keep you all informed about how you can take advantage of these services, not only for your benefit as students but so that we as the Lit can give our constituents answers about these resources as well. We also promise to keep you up to date, and give you consultation opportunities, about the new services we'll be working to institute this upcoming year, such as vision and psychotherapy coverage, discounted Presto prices, more collaborative Orientation programming for colleges, student jobs for clubs services and petition/grant assistance, and a service to provide logistical help to equity and advocacy groups.
- University campuses are hubs of social upheaval, and the UTSU is a large nonprofit serving a large, experientially diverse campus, so internal issues faced (or created) by the organization can tend to reverberate into the broader university climate. This past year, there have been a number of said issues, such as allegations of systemic anti-Blackness and transphobia within the Union structures; an ongoing lawsuit against a former Executive Director accused of fraud; delays and deficits of the Student Commons project; and the controversial reduction of staff responsibilities to avoid an anticipated Union deficit. (Mira, having served on the UTSU this past year and having more details on all of the above, can answer questions in our meeting.) Our goal this year is to keep you and the UC community in the loop regarding these developments, either in conversation or through information sessions, and to involve you, through the UTSU's commissions and collaborations with advocacy groups, in actions to mitigate the social effects of these issues on this campus and on discourse, whenever necessary.
- Some of the matters we would like to work with our community to pursue and advocate for, through the aforementioned means, this coming year are the lowering of tuition increase caps, more affordable TTC Presto for commuters, more front-line support for survivors of sexual assault and protection against perpetrators, more academic accommodations for those with mental health issues or using Accessibility Services, and more support and guidance for marginalized students, especially within the structures of the UTSU. We also want to hold the Canadian Federation of Students accountable – the first step is signing the You Decide petition for a referendum, which you should if you haven't already! We are lucky that a good number of the UTSU execs this coming year (namely Daman, Chim and Mathias) are UC students, the former two being UC Lit alumni, and thus there's even more incentive to seek out opportunities for all of your commissions to work with the UTSU and its commissions, to create wider-reaching events and advocacy campaigns (such as the Poetry Slam that LCA worked on last year with the UTSU). It's also our job to help you find that support!

Looking forward to a great year!

SLC:

Hi everyone, and a huge congratulations on your successful election to the 2017-18 council! Whether you're a new or returning member, I'm so excited to work with you for the incoming school year, and am looking forward to the amazing work I know this council will do. For those of you who don't know me, my name is Meng and I'm the Student Life Coordinator at UC. I sit on council as a staff advisor, and am here to help support you all, both in your roles on council and in your individual lives as students. If you ever have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to send me a message or just stop by my office – I always like chatting with students! I hope you're all excited for the year ahead, but for now, best of luck with April finals and I look forward to getting to know all of you better very soon.