

1. **Call to Order**

Called to order at 11:11

2. **Land Acknowledgement Statement**

Discussion Item

Mira explains what the land acknowledgement statement is. Chim says the land acknowledgement statement.

Ryan walks in at 11:13.

3. **Introduction to Council Meetings**

Discussion Item

Eric introduces council and the way council operates and the Roberts rules can be uploaded to the Facebook page so that everyone has an idea of what they are.

Ramsey explains point of personal privilege, point of information and point of order

Sameer walks in at 11:17

Daman explains more of Robert's Rules; you are not allowed to speak unless Eric says you can speak.

4. **Adoption of Agenda**

Motion

Moved: **SINGH** Seconded: **SWIRSKY**

Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented

Motion to Amend (Andary/Singh)

Be it resolved that a 15-minute recess be added after item 9 before item 10

Amendment passes

Main motion passes

5. **Approval of Minutes**

Motion

Moved: **SINGH** Seconded: SWIRSKY

Be it resolved that the attached minutes of the two previous council meetings be approved

Eric explains what minutes are and why they need to be approved.

Felipe clarifies that these are the minutes for the last regularly scheduled council meeting and the emergency meeting.

Main motion passes

6. **Reports**

Discussion Item

Executives read their reports. Reps introduce themselves as this is the first full meeting of council.

7. **Ratification of Mental Health Commissioner**

Motion

Moved: **ANDARY** Seconded: HOANG

Be it resolved that Tisha Hasan be ratified as the Mental Health Commissioner for the 2016-2017 term

Ramsey outlines the hiring process for the Mental Health Commissioner, and why Tisha was chosen. Clarifies that she won't have a vote on council.

Albert states that he supports the decision and has had good working relationships with Tisha.

Main motion passes

8. **Ratification of Sustainability Commissioner**

Motion

Moved: **ANDARY** Seconded: Kourtis

Be it resolved that Michelle Zhong be ratified as the Sustainability Commissioner for the 2016-2017 term

Ramsey outlines the hiring process for the position. Clarifies that Michelle also won't have a vote on council.

Victoria speaks in favour of Michelle being ratified.

Main motion passes

9. **Ratification of First Year Representatives**

Motion

Moved: **ANDARY** Seconded:

Be it resolved that _____, _____, _____, _____, and _____, be ratified as the First Year Representatives for the 2016-2017 term

Thomas, Danielle, Anushka, Martha be ratified as the reps of 2016-17

Ramsey states that there was a tie for the 5th position and as such a run-off election has to be held. This election will be held ASAP between Minli and Olivia.

10. **Recess for 15 Minutes**

11. **Consultation on SGSA Bylaws**

Discussion Item

Meeting called back to order at 12:50.

Daman goes over the structure and purpose of the SGSA, states that he is not involved with its creation but can offer a neutral reading of its bylaws. States that there will be four commissioners: advocacy, operations, student life commissioner, and academics and each of them will serve as officers of the corporation. States that the organization would encompass all full time students at the St. George campus and would allow individual division societies to enter as members and elect their own representatives.

Abbey asks whether or not part time students would be members. Ramsey says they wouldn't be.

Felipe states that the mandate is covered other organizations and that it should be more clearly defined so there isn't too much overlap.

Sameer says that this would create a new layer of bureaucracy that would only further distance average students from their student organizations. States that if a student has a problem with a UTSU service it would just be easier to go to the UTSU rather than have this new organization ask as a mediator.

Aidan states that the organization should be redesigned as a lobby group instead of what it is now.

Mira says that having too many organizations that are trying to complete the same goals instead of one single strong organization is only hurting the goals.

Paul asks what the difference between the UTSU and SGSA actually would be. He also states that the bylaws don't do a good job explaining what the purpose of the organization is and that it is hard for those not already involved in the creation of the organization to see its purpose or role on campus.

Albert asks what the tangible pros and cons would be of being a member in this organization. Where does the membership fee go? Albert asks why we should be a part of this if the UTSU already exists.

Daman states that the membership fee in the bylaws seems to be a placeholder until students can decide how much they'd want to pay. Responds to Paul that the main difference seems to be the size of the membership, namely that UTM students would not be members.

Abbey states that she doesn't see the purpose in this and asks for clarification on what the point of the SGSA is.

Ramsey clarifies that its role is to better support the UTSU and represent the concerns of St. George students. Its main focus is the St George campus whereas UTSU is more general. Students felt their voices weren't being heard by the UTSU in the way that they should be.

Chim states that the SGSA needs a stronger equity presence in its structure.

Michelle states that whether or not the UTSU would agree, the UTSU does focus largely on the St. George campus. All the UTSU events are held downtown and it doesn't make sense to have the SGSA. SGSA might draw away from the UTSU and weaken the role they have on campus instead of actually helping students.

Aidan supports Michelle's points.

Felipe asks why the organization's fee structure is the way that it is, and asks whether council feels that the opt-out system is fair to the average student. States that he thinks St. George voices are already prioritized at UofT and in the UTSU and asks why people would want even more of a focus on an already catered to group.

Ramsey clarifies that the fee is set in the bylaws as a placeholder until broad student solicitation allows the SGSA to set a fee that students feel is fair. He says that the organization can look into an opt-out process. Clarifies that the fees will be collected the same way all other levies are collected. States that there is no formal connection between the division heads and the UTSU, although the division heads are given ex-officio seats at meetings, not enough is being done to work with the different divisional memberships and to engage students in UTSU decision making.

Sylvia states that divisional heads aren't that involved because there are already UTSU directors for each division that fill that exact purpose.

Sameer says he doesn't support the organization as it exists right now and doesn't see what benefit it would have on campus. He asks what problem the SGSA is really trying to fix?

Motion to Enter Camera (Andary/Kourtis)

Be it resolved that the meeting enter camera

Motion to enter camera passes

The meeting enters camera at 1:29.

The meeting exits camera at 1:40.

12. College Council Selection Working Group

Motion

Moved: **SINGH** Seconded: Andary

Be it resolved that a working group consisting of the Core Executive Members, the University and Academic Affairs Commissioner and any other interested Council Members be created

Be it further resolved that this working group be tasked with selecting students for the Appointments Committee, Curriculum Committee and University College Council.

Daman explains that we need to provide the administration with the names of the students that will be sitting on the various administrative bodies of the College.

Ramsey explains what the various bodies are and the roles that students have on each of them.

Main motion passes

13. Other Business

Discussion Item

- Sylvia: pictures after meeting
- Vic: Fireball might be the weekend before instead only because
- Daman: send in your commission meeting dates for your october meeting
- Aidan: Felipe takes over his office hour
- Sameer: jerseys are going out
- Ramsey: send out meeting dates by tonight.
- Ryan: please put your events in the Lit calendar.
- Daman: 1st year reps and new commissioners will get an officer hour asap.
- Sylvia: schedule your posts rather than just posting them
- Michelle: reuseable cups and plates.

14. Adjournment

Motion

Moved: **SINGH** Seconded: **KURIAN**

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned

Main motion passes

Meeting is adjourned at 2:00PM.