

# Arts Student Body Council Meeting Minutes

## Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Acknowledgment of Treaty 1 Territory
- III. Reminder to vote in the federal election
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
- V. Reports
- VI. Final Considerations
- VII. Adjournment

### **Attendance of Voting Members**

Name	Position	Attendance	Proxy
Efwah Opoku-Agyeman	President	Present	
Tabitha Clavecillas	Vice-President	Present	
William Evans-Murphy	Director of Academic Programming	Absent	
Divjyot Grewal	Director of Social Programming	Regrets	Alexa
Lilja Best	Senator	Present	
Amy Spearman	Senator	Regrets	Cleche
Anika Khan	Senator	Present	
Camryn Anderson	UMSU Director	Present	
Iman Ano	UMSU Director	Present	
Abdul Ahad	UMSU Director	Present	
Victoria Stutsky	Womyn's Representative	Regrets	Dario
Ishaanee Didwania	International Students' Representative	Regrets	Fardeen
Raven Morrisseau	Indigenous Students' Representative	Regrets	Chloe
Maia Bacchus	Accessibility Representative	Absent	
Emily Green	LGBTTQ* Representative	Regrets	Elizabeth

## **Attendance of Non-Voting Members**

Name	Position	Attendance
Stephen Gatphoh	Chairperson	Present
Alexa Mucyo Kayonga	Executive Assistant	Present
Celeste Petrick	Co-director of Communications	Resigned
Fardeen Zareef	Co-director of Communications	Present
Brook Rivard	Director of Finance	Regrets
Alyssa Adair	Director of Sustainability	Regrets
Dimitar Tomovski	Arts Tribune Editor-in-Chief	Present
Cleche Kokolo	Academic Programmer	Present
Elizabeth Young	Social Programmer	Present
Chloe Dreilich-Girad	Assistant Indigenous Students' Representative	Present
Dario Giraldo	Racialized Students' Representative	Present
	Graduate Students' Representative	

#### **Minutes**

#### I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:06PM.

#### II. Acknowledgment of Treaty 1 Territory

#### III. Approval of the Agenda

I. Agenda passed by Efwah/Lilja. Motion passed

#### IV. Approval of previous minutes

I. Approved by Efwah/Camryn. Motion passed

#### V. Reports

#### I. President

- i. Nimbus Presentation: Efwah has posted to the #reports Slack channel some advertising brochures from Nimbus. They may be presenting at our October 2nd meeting, more details to come. The goal would be for our council to pass a motion officially implementing Nimbus tutoring services. So far a few other student groups on campus such as SSA, UMES and CSA have joined Nimbus services; therefore they agreed to lower our price to \$2500 for the year.
- ii. Faculty council/Faculty committees: This is an opportunity to sit on a committee with faculty members and be involved in decisions regarding the student experience. It is open to all students in the Faculty of Arts. The time commitment is quite low as committee meetings are only held a few times during the academic year. We still need a few more individuals to sign up and each student can sit on more than one committee. There is one remaining spot on the endowment committee and seven remaining spots on the faculty council. Please message Efwah on Slack if interested in joining.
- iii. Meeting w/ Heidi Marx (Associate Dean of Undergraduate Affairs): Tabitha and Efwah met with Heidi to provide her with information on how ASBC operations are going this year and ask for any support we may need. Regarding hampers, she suggested that the council applies for the Arts Endowment Fund to cover the costs. She is also willing to match donations and garner financial support from professors as well. They discussed equity and diversity; Heidi acknowledged that the faculty still has a lot of work to do. A professor in the Sociology department is also working on creating an EDI report showing statistical data as it pertains to the Faculty. Heidi also suggested that our council apply for the endowment fund to cover the cost of Nimbus. Tabitha and Efwah will be working on preparing the two endowment fund applications for Nimbus and the hampers.

iv. Council resignation: Celeste Patrick (formerly co-director of communications) has resigned. Efwah said they may decide to accept new applications, but are still unsure.

#### II. Vice-President

- i. Lunch and learn: Turnout was lower than expected and Tabitha noted that one week of advertising was not enough. Student groups which presented did appreciate being able to advertise themselves in this format.
- ii. Servers: Tabitha has posted a doodle poll in the #general Slack channel for councillors to sign up for October shifts. Added rules: Make sure to monitor chats for any threat of self harm or harm to others and watch for any instances of academic dishonesty (such as reposting slides, lecture notes, etc.)
- iii. Arts career roundtable meeting: Will take place on November 25; 2:30-5:30pm. Please book this day off now as we need 14 volunteers to lead breakout groups with alumni. The faculty will be organizing nearly all of the logistics of the event, and our council will be in charge of hosting/moderating.
- iv. Council social distancing event: Tabitha would like the council to have an in person hangout. During the meeting we discussed several options such as a photoshoot on campus, or a socially distanced gathering at the forks, kings park or the quad on campus. Please note we would follow all public health recommendations such as mandatory mask wearing and keeping distance between members. Several councillors also suggested that if we meet, it should take place somewhere that isn't already busy with members of the public, ie the forks. Please send any other thoughts to the #general Slack message that has been posted by Tabitha.

#### III. Senate

i. No report

#### IV. UMSU BOD

i. Consent culture meeting: Because we attended the consent culture meeting, we can now begin applying for UMSU funding. Anyone who would like to plan an event and request funding, please see Iman and Abdul for help on filling out those applications. At the next UMSU meeting, they will mention our discord server and ask UMSU to advertise on their social media on our behalf.

#### V. Community Representatives

- i. Indigenous Rep
  - 1. They have planned different things for each day of the week leading up to Orange Shirt Day on September 30, please see the report for details. They hope to have faculty members from the Department of Native Studies as speakers. In terms of advertising, they would like councillors to participate by sending Zareef a picture wearing an orange shirt. Please see Chloe's message in the #general Slack channel for details on purchasing an orange shirt, for those who don't have one.

#### ii. 2SLGBTQ+ Representative

#### 1. No further info - see report for details

#### VI. Arts Tribune

i. Dimitar suggested that we only print around 100 physical copies this year as opposed to 200-300 in previous years. He would also like the copies to be posted onto our website as a pdf for easier visibility by as many students.

#### VI. Reports of Standing Committees

I. None

#### VII. Old Business

I. None

#### VIII. <u>New Business</u>

I. None

#### IX. Final Considerations

- I. Libby and Div are planning a trivia event to be held on our council's Instagram stories. She is looking to make the event themed. Efwah suggested that we poll students on our instagram with a list of different netflix shows/movies that could be used as themes.
- II. Tabitha suggested that the next council meeting on October 2nd be held during our council hangout event. Although Heidi Marx and perhaps Nimbus may be participating in the meeting, logistically it may be hard to organize a smooth meeting. Tabitha will gauge everyone's interest on this over Slack and a final decision will be made later.
- III. Iman asked if we have access to our offices on campus. Efwah noted that access has been restricted to those areas such as the Arts Lounge. It is not recommended for us to be on campus unless it is needed. Efwah will ask the Associate Dean of the Faculty of Arts whether we'd be able to access our offices, more details to come.

#### X. Adjournment

I. Meeting adjourned at 6:14PM, approved by Efwah/Lilja. Motion passed

#### The next meeting is on October 2, 2020 at 5:00pm CST.

The above are considered to be a true and accurate recording of all items discussed. Please advise the recorder of any ambiguity, discrepancy, inconsistency, error or omission noted.

Minutes taken by,

ALEXA MUCYO KAYONGA EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

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