

Social Science Student Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 10/18/23 Time: 6:30 PM Format: In-Person

Meeting 3: October Council Meeting

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mover: Peter Kermack

Seconder: Kathleena Henricus

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

• Presented by Shreya Menon and Aisha Imana

• Talked about settler colonialism

- Engage in indigenous studies
- Touched on Canada and Israel
- Hope to stir a genuine desire to learn

SPEAKER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Social Science Career Counselling Team
 - o Presenters: Monique Hann, Colton Cherman
 - Here to help students with career support
 - Drop-in career appointments in SSC (new)
 - o 1 on 1 appointment also available
 - Open to collaborate on any career-related events/services
 - o Promote internship program
 - o Interview prep available
 - o New: deadline for Social Science Internship Program extended
 - All full-time paid opportunities
- Help spread the message

MEMBER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Raffle prizes will be available to members who sign up for watching over booths to increase signup incentives
- Bags of Promise
 - o The charity started in Kingston
 - Opportunity to get involved

EXECUTIVE REPORT: MICHELLE

- Lots of meeting
- Red Bull sponsorship
- First-year rep hiring done

EXECUTIVE REPORT: ACADEMICS

By Kathleena

Today in History:

Alaska became part of the US

Pierre Trudeau and Lee Harvey Oswald were born on this day

Done

- Met with faculty leadership
- Changed modular requirement for IR
- Several dep rep events
- Did roundtable with University Affairs

Doing

- Poli sci open house looking for volunteers
 - o Michelle
 - o Shreya
 - o Chole
 - o Lillian
 - o Grace
- Coordinator yearly programming initiatives review

To Do

- Bi-monthly academics 1 on 1s
- Will do MOU meeting
 - Hard to coordinate, but getting there
- Oct EPC (this friday)
 - Blacks study major coming for enrollment next year
 - Minor modular change to Poli Sci
 - "How to Academics Policy Session" Chole and Emilie

EXECUTIVE REPORT: COMMS

- Beautiful posts
- Geo Guesser was huge success
- Tuition Breakdown amazing graphic
- Ceeps Bar Night
- Tri-sci wellness
- Right now working on merch
- Editing reels
- Hopefully, by end of month, there will be reels posted
- Scholarship posts coming soon

EXECUTIVE REPORT: GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE

Done

- Shoutout to Cole
- Locker Launch went well
 - Shoutout to Lillian for the graphics
- Council Thanksgiving went great
- First official budget submitted to USC
- Sales ceeps night made good money
 - Canceled out the cost of the dinner

Doing

- Waiting on numbers
- Waiting on USC for personal funding
- USC funding for the first installment, prime portion of how we spend our money
 - Email from Sunday, still waiting for exact numbers

To-Do

- Update spending budget for November
- Roll out first grants

EXECUTIVE REPORT: EVENTS

- Events had been really busy
- 800 dollars from CEEPS
- Make exam kits that were given out at Social Science Reading Room
- Textbook drive
 - Excel spreadsheet available for that
- Planning dodgeball tournament
- Planning social sci formal for end of the year
- Next Student spotlight for World Kindness Day

EXECUTIVE REPORT: ADVOCACY

Done

- Truth and reconciliation day
- Tuition breakdown
- What your tuition pays for UCC initiative
 - o Tried to make reels from it
- A formal request for Wampum Lodge visit
 - Waiting for response
- Meeting with Kim Clark on EDI
- Tri-Sci

Doing

- EDI training inquiries
 - O Any suggestions?
- First policy proposal document
- Follow up discussion with Kim about EDI initiatives for Soc Sci

To-Do

• Get free STI self-testing kits

TEAM SHOUTOUTS

- Michelle!
- Yashvi!
- Dorian! (and he did his LSAT)
- Stavros!
- WHOLE EVENTS!
- Lillian!
- Mary!
- Jeffery!
- Regan!
- Aidan!
- Simone!
- Chole!
- Carolyn!

SENATE REPORT: CHOLE VANDERLUGT

Done

- Met with Vice Provost Susan Lewis to discuss the Western/Brescia integration
- Senate meeting
 - o About Western/Brescia integration
 - Navigate transition
 - MOS tuition raise for incoming year increase by \$3000-\$4000
 - Department decided that
 - To incentivize people to work for MOS
 - MOS hires the lowest representatives of PHDs, so hoping to attract more

Doing

- Currently creating policy research from universities across Canada
- Upcoming
 - Next Senate meeting: November 10th at 1:30 pm
 - WSS Consultations with Western Housing for Claire Hall merge into Western Residence for the incoming school year
 - Brescia is urging for Clair Hall to remain as Brescia's presence
 - There's a chance that the council will get bigger

USC REPORT: DANIEL TELLEZ JIMENEZ

At last meeting

- OUSA delegates were nominated and elected
 - Peter was one of them!

- The executive reports from each executive were approved unanimously
- The ByLaw 2 changes for the 2023-2024 motion passed
- The Board will now serve as a sober second-thought
- The level of authority and control over elections is equally shared between the council and the board as well
- The motion of support of the City of London's As-Of-Right housing increase, being endorsed that the USC endorses the city's proposal to increase the maximum additional residential units permitted from two units to three.

For Next Meeting

- Review executive report
- Student budget redistribution
 - Sunday reconsidered distributing the budget for food support service
 - Two positions were not hired this year
 - o So the salaries for those two positions will be reallocated

SOPH REPORT: COLE PURDELL-LEWIS

- Ceeps night was awesome
- For Oct student spotlight amazing
- Sophs are always eager to volunteer to help out
- Dodgeball logistics happening right now

FOR DISCUSSION

FOR ACTION

Motion to ratify hired representatives

Mover: Sofia Ouslis Seconder: Simon Chou

Motion passed

ROLL CALL

Completed

ADJOURNMENT

Mover: Peter Kermack Seconder: Simon Chou