



**CUSA COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 21ST 2019 @6:00 PM  
SENATE ROOM, ROBERTSON HALL**

**Prepared by:**

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| <b>MAY CUSA COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDANCE</b> |                     |                          |                  |
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| <b>Position</b>                            | <b>Councillor</b>   | <b>Proxy(print name)</b> | <b>Signature</b> |
| <b>President</b>                           | Lily Akagbosu       |                          | Present          |
| <b>Vice President Finance</b>              | Jacob Howell        |                          | Present          |
| <b>Vice President Internal</b>             | Farook Al-Muflehi   |                          | Present          |
| <b>Vice President Student Issues</b>       | Sissi De Flaviis    |                          | Present          |
| <b>Vice President Student Services</b>     | George Owusu-Mensah |                          | Present          |
| <b>Vice President Student Life</b>         | Jamie Laxton        |                          | Present          |
| <b>Engineering and Design</b>              | Cameron Davis       |                          | Present          |
|  | Michael Isa         |                          | Present          |
|  | Ruona Osharode      |                          | Present          |
|  | Davies Moore        |                          | Present          |
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| <b>Business</b>                            | Lana Nikro          |                          | Present          |
|  | Zayne Khamissa      | Ali Makki                | Proxy            |
| <b>Public Affairs</b>                      | Camille Houde       |                          | Present          |
|  | Dami Fukolujo       |                          | Present          |
|  | Julia Sterling      | Jasmine Lim Tong         | Proxy            |
|  | Kareem AlWazir      | Leen Al-Zu'bi            | Proxy            |
|  | Osman Elmi          |                          | Present          |
|  | Ruby Ezeh           |                          | Present          |
|  | Tinu Akinwande      |                          | Present          |
| <b>Science</b>                             | Aaron Fisher        |                          | Present          |
|  | Ayan Waberi         |                          | Present          |
|  | Hailey Graham       | Rosemary Hill            | Proxy            |
|  | Sara Abbass         |                          | Present          |
| <b>FASS</b>                                | Marina Guadagnin    |                          | Present          |
|  | Pierce Burch        | Dillion Buck             | Proxy            |
|  | Ryan Evans          | Rachel Campbell          | Proxy            |
|  | Elizabeth Fraser    |                          | Present          |
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| <b>Special Student</b>                     |                     |                          |                  |
| <b>BOG</b>                                 | Taylor Arnt         |                          | Present          |
| <b>GSA</b>                                 |                     |                          |                  |
| <b>RRRA</b>                                | Douglas Cochrane    |                          | Present          |
| <b>CASG</b>                                | Matthew Gagne       |                          | Present          |

**AGENDA**

1. Motion to Elect the CUSA Council Officer – Council Chair
2. Motion to Elect the CUSA Council Officer – Council Clerk
3. Announcements and Correspondence
4. Approval of the Agenda
5. Approval of Past Minutes
6. President's Report
7. Vice Presidents' Reports
  - a. Vice President Finance
  - b. Vice President Internal Affairs
  - c. Vice President for Student Issues
  - d. Vice President of Student Services
  - e. Vice President of Student Life
8. RRRR Report
9. GSA Report
10. CASG Report
11. Senate Report
12. Board of Governors Report
13. Constituency Report
14. Committee Reports
  - No Committees
15. Items for Information
16. Question Period
17. Other Business
  - a. Motion to Strike and Fill the Constitutional Board
  - b. Motion to Fill the Vacant FASS Seats
  - c. Motion to Fill Vacant ENG Seats
  - d. Motion to Fill the Vacant Special Student Seat
  - e. Motion to Strike the Summer Standing Committees
  - f. Motion to Fill the Accessibility Fund Committee
  - g. Motion to Fill the Student Initiative Fund Committee
  - h. Motion to make David Oladejo an honorary member of CUSA
18. Adjournment

The meeting commenced at 6:13 pm

**1. Motion to Elect the CUSA Council Officer - Council Chair**

**Motion to Elect the CUSA Council Officer – Council Chair**

**PRESENTATION SUMMARY:**

**Whereas** a Council Officer’s term and contract shall commence after being elected at the first meeting of Council of the CUSA year and terminate on April 30 of that year as per Bylaw I s. 4.0(f);

**Whereas** Council Officers must be elected by a majority vote of Council under Bylaw I s. 4.0(e);

**And whereas** The hiring committee interviewed applicants for the CUSA Council Officer positions in order to make recommendations to Council.

**INFORMATION TRANSFER:**

**Be It Resolved** that a member of the association be elected as CUSA Council Chair for the 2019-2020 term.

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi

SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

Motion passed. Candidates presented to CUSA Council. Ryan Boucher elected by majority vote as the CUSA Council Chair for the 2019-2020 term.

\*All hiring processes are held off camera and are not included in the minutes as per By-law I s.6.0(a)

## **2. Motion to Elect the CUSA Council Officer - Council Clerk**

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**Whereas** Council Officers must be elected by a majority vote of Council under Bylaw I s. 4.0(e);

**And whereas** The hiring committee interviewed applicants for the CUSA Council Officer positions in order to make recommendations to Council.

#### **INFORMATION TRANSFER:**

**Be It Resolved** that a member of the association be elected as CUSA Council Chair for the 2019-2020 term.

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi

SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

Motion passed. Candidates presented to CUSA Council. Katia Sahnoun elected by majority vote as the CUSA Council Clerk for the 2019-2020 term.

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### **3. Announcements and Correspondence:**

None.

### **4. Approval of the Agenda**

MOVED: Jacob Howell

SECONDED: George Owusu-Mensah

Motion passes.

### **5. Approval last Minutes**

MOVED: Cameron Davis

SECONDED: Rachel Campbell

Motion passes.

### **6. President's Report**

#### **Past Month:**

- New CUSA logo
- Student Choice Initiative Communications with Admin
- Justin Trudeau's visit to Carleton University
- Executive Transition (Executives, Full-time staff, Studentcare)
- Reviewing & renewing Internal MOUs & Contracts
- Introductory Meetings with Administrative Staff (SEO, Equity Services)
- Strategic Planning Retreat (Vision & plan, Team building)
- Clubs & Societies: (Operation Education gala)
- External Partnerships: Discussion with CUSA General Manager
- Peer Tutoring: Nimbus agreement
- Scholar Pro: Discussions around grants with Zuberi
- CUSA Council: Chair & Clerk Interviews with Farook & Sarah

#### **Ongoing Projects:**

- Strategic Planning: Finalize project list, Establish a timeline
- Nimbus Tutoring: with Sissi
- Student Union Concert tour: with Jamie and other student unions across the province

#### **Month Ahead:**

- Studentcare Stakeholders Meeting: Attending with Jacob
- Implement a new project management system (Monday.com)
- CFS Semi-Annual National General Meeting (June 8-11)
- Fall Orientation Add-ons
- Strategic Planning Session with SEO
- Strategic Planning Debrief with Full-time Staff
- Year Long Communication Plan: Working with Christine, Jamie, Travis
- Consistent Funding Expectations: In collaboration with Jacob
- Senate Meeting

## **7. Vice President' Report a. Vice President Finance Report**

### **Past Month**

- Completed transition from the outgoing executives
- Change of signing authorities (Pres, VPF, VPI)
- Strategic Planning to develop timelines for the year and breakdown all projects
- Sponsorship Coordinator hired
- Preliminary Oliver's Renovation Research

### **Ongoing Projects**

- Budget – standardizing and creating a fluid formula
- Exploring changes throughout all businesses to increase profitability (RFP)
- Summer UPass outreach
- Oliver's Renovations
- Rooster's On-The-Go development

### **Month Ahead**

- Entertainment Pass Sponsor acquisition
- Student Care Stakeholders Conference
  - Health and dental plan effects of OHIP+ removal
- Tory Junction Renovations
- Summer UPass coordination with partners & Stakeholders

## **b. Vice President Internal Report**

### **❖ Past Month**

- Transition
- Organizing CUSA Inc. Meeting and May Council Meeting
  - Organizing what committees need to be chaired
- Hiring of Clerk and Chair with Lily and Sarah
- Strategic Planning Retreat
- Posting and advertising council officer positions and committee positions
- Clubs summer sponsorships rather than funding

### **❖ Ongoing Projects**

- Clubs Storage - Has started to be cleaned out and other rooms are being looked at
- Vacant Positions - Trying to fill all vacant positions on council
- Installation of cameras in storage rooms
- Policy Points; Tory Junction, Clubs startup fund, etc.
- Planning retreat and organizing tasks for the year
  - Faculty of the month/Semester

### **❖ Next Month**

- Explore different storage options for clubs storage
- Clubs exposure to the incoming students
- Community partnerships for clubs
  - Busses, Photo Booths, Venues
- Changing the passcodes of storage rooms



## **c. Vice President Student Issues Report**

### **Past Weeks**

- Completed transition from the outgoing executive
- Attended CFS Ontario Executive Committee Meeting (to ratify me as the CUSA representative)
- Strategic Planning to develop our mission statement and our goals for the year

### **Ongoing Projects**

- Peer-to-Peer Tutoring program
  - o Looking into hiring a tutoring coordinator
  - o Setting up tutor interviews
  - o Create a promotion strategy - Marketing
  - o Contact PMC to see how they do the note taking hiring people (Dean, profs, students)
  - o App platform
- Brainstorming ideas to ensure our campaigns deliver results and structuring them to be month themes instead of week-long
  - o Create an effective timeline so all the events and workshops are spread out throughout the month
- Federal election campaign promotion
  - o Matt Gagne (from CASG/PSCI society) reached out to help me with ideas
  - o Have a list of MPs who are confirmed (so far) to run in elections
  - o Matt made a list of groups on campus who have a political affiliation

### **Month Ahead**

- Federal elections
  - o Connect with the MPs
  - o Plan a timeline for events
  - o Decide how we want to promote students voting (Video?)
  - o Confirm early polling stations
- Meeting with a few University staff for collaborations throughout the year
- Working on media strategy for each campaign
- Improve EmpowerMe
- Meet with the Mental Health Committee on Campus
- They are asking for EmpowerMe numbers
- Will connect with Lily to see how we can improve and promote the service to students
- Connect with Bonnie Stevenson for Counseling services
- Adil will give me the details and data

#### **d. Vice President Student Services Report**

##### Past Month:

- ❖ Orientation at CUSA
- ❖ Transition with past VP Student Services - Diana Idibe
- ❖ Service centre end of year Report

##### Ongoing Projects:

- ❖ Canadian Tour Program- This is a new initiative which was part of my campaign promises which involves a tour for both domestic and international students in the fall and winter break
- ❖ Restructuring the service centres(Roles) in preparation for Hiring in June
- ❖ Developing Service centre Program skeleton

##### Month Ahead:

- ❖ Service centre coordinator hiring

##### Other Information:

- ❖ Strategic Planning Retreat- Outlined all our plans for the year and layed down strategies in place to effectively accomplish these tasks.

## **e. Vice President Student Life Report**

### Ongoing Projects

- Campus kick-off party
  - Looking into different venues - camp fortune under construction until November
  - Mount Cascade seems like a good option - reduced costs for security, and event necessities
    - Looking into its accessibility
  - As per recommendation from Foot Patrol we are looking into alternative security companies
  - Looking into loot bags to get potential sponsorship
- Homecoming
  - Will not be holding an event at Brewer again - looking into programming for Olivers instead
  - Event last year wasn't very successful and cost a lot of money - olivers programming will bring in revenue to our businesses
  - Will be trying to tag onto SEO programming
- Student Union Concert Tour
  - Collaborating with other Student Unions to bring a big artist to campus and reducing cost
- Olivers programming
  - Creating a calendar timeline for clubs and societies/groups on campus to increase foot traffic and to help provide additional funding
  - Developing new programming ideas
- Academic events - policy point
  - Applying for TedX license

### In the Office this month

- Meeting with Oliver's managers and general manager - discussing programming opportunities Thirsty Thursday themes
- Meetings with Havens staff - developing programming for the community to increase foot traffic
- Reaching out to clubs and societies for partnership opportunities
- Looking into sponsorship for Campus Kickoff
- Meeting with Fall Orientation Coordinator (Connor) - discuss CUSAs involvement in Frosh

### Next Month

- Headed to CoCa Conference to learn more about campus programming
- Solidifying campus kickoff event
- Working with the communications office to install an effective marketing plan
- Looking into sitting down with service centre coordinators in hopes to have events that better serve and represent all of the different communities on campus
- Revamping CUSA street team

## **8. RRRR Report**

Douglas: So right now we just finished the transition. It was really well done. Thank you to Jacob Howell, Sissi De Flaviis, and Mali Mapani. Similar to CUSA we have started to meet with members of the SEO and members of CUSA as we are trying to plan around frosh. Moving forward we are trying to work out scenarios with the student choice issues. That is something we have been focusing on heavily and their website will be coming out later next month. Thank you.

## **9. GSA Report**

None.

## **10. CASG Report**

Matthew: My name is Mathew Gagne I'm the V.P Operations for Carleton Academic Student Government this year. Our transition is almost complete. Had a meeting with Sissi regarding how CASG can help out with the Federal Election campaign. Moving forward, we look forward to talking about frosh and how CASG can support in any way.

## **11. Senate Report**

None.

## **12. Board of Governors Report**

Taylor: Meeting on April 25th, Unfortunately, I was not there but I will share what the meeting was about. The big thing, the revised sexual violence policy was approved by the board, if anyone is interested in reading the new policy it in on the office of Vice President student and enrollment website. You can check it out there. I am really proud to have this passes, I feel there is always improvements to be made but i feel we have made a lot of integral changes in the past year. For any councillors who are new, if you have any questions about the policy or whats changed or if you need any sort of information or if you want to pass on any information please reach out to me as I am well informed. As well, during that meeting, the student association fees were approved, including the opportunity for students to opt out for next year as it was mandated by the provincial government. We are also having convocation soon. So as Board members we are invited to the front row at convocation which I am excited for, I got to do it in November. What's special about the one in June is that we will be installing our chancellor. The chancellor has a really special role with the board and one of the most important members and so we will be installing her as chancellor. As well we will be giving the Community achievement award to Frohan Faroutan, I was on the committee who decided to give this award to her. Spoke so much in her favour. She is a mature student, who volunteered with all kinds of students. So it was very well deserved. The next meeting will be on June 27th which will be the same day as our intro board welcome dinner. I look forward to meeting my new team. I just got some new material today so looking forward to my second year on BOG and we are revising are different structures for the committees. We have many different committees levels with the board. Not only do we have specialized meetings, the governance committee, community relationships enhancement. So we looked a few changes that we can have there. I think I might sit on the governance committee on the next year. Next year we will be overlooking changes that we may want to have regarding student elections. I look forward to that.

## **13. Constituency Report**

None.

## **14. Committee Report**

None.

## **15. Items for Information**

None.

## **16. Question Period**

Marina: I was just wondering if there is going to be another CFS Skill conference;

Sissi: So there is going to be one but the CFS still due to the Student choice Initiative want to see how much budget they have and will let us know how many members each school can bring. I'll send the updates to Farook and let him share it with you all.

## **17. Other Business**

### **a. Motion to Strike and fill the Constitutional Board**

## **Motion to Strike and Fill the Constitutional Board**

### **PRESENTATION SUMMARY:**

**Whereas** the term of office for all members of the CUSA Constitutional Board ends on April 30<sup>th</sup> under Bylaw III s. 2.0(a);

**And whereas** the Constitutional Board must be filled at the first meeting of Council under Bylaw I s. 5.1(a).

### **INFORMATION TRANSFER:**

**Be It Resolved** that CUSA strikes the Constitutional Board for the 2019-2020 year;

**Be It Further Resolved** that CUSA Council fill the vacant seats on the Constitutional Board as follows:

- a) 4 members of the association who are not members of council.
- b) 2 alternatives

**Be it further resolved** that CUSA Council ratify the University Ombudsperson to be the fifth member of the Constitutional Board as per Bylaw III s. 1.0(b).

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi

SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

Farook; We didn't have any applicants so we will keep the application only and advertise it further. I will move this motion to the next meeting when we have applicants to discuss.

Motion passed.

## **b. Motion to fill the Vacant FASS Seats**

### **Motion to Fill the Vacant FASS Seats**

#### **PRESENTATION SUMMARY:**

**Whereas** after the 2019 CUSA General Election, 3 Faculty of Arts and Social Science CUSA Council seats are vacant.

#### **INFORMATION TRANSFER:**

**Be it resolved that** the following seats of the council be voted on and filled

- 3 Faculty of Arts and Social Science Councillors

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi

SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

#### **Representative;**

##### Elizabeth Fraser:

Going into third-year environmental studies, founded and was president of Carleton U Green Party Club (positioned held in the second year as well), in second year was the director of outreach for student energy, VP of marketing and events for Equal Voice, member of CUSAs Sustainability Advisory Council

Interest: wanted to expand my relationship with students from a wide range of disciplines, enjoy speaking with other students and hearing about their experience at Carleton, this is a good opportunity for me to bring students concerns to a body which has the power to enact real change, FASS has a broad range of degrees under it and it's a chance to learn about and talk to students from all disciplines

Qualifications: leadership of Green Party club has pushed me to put myself out there and reach out to students which will lend itself well to this position, strong communication skills developed through constant communication with different people/clubs and organized/efficient communication are crucial for this role, will make conscious effort to ensure all students, not just those I interact with or are in program, feel like their voices are heard and accepted

Overall: excellent leadership experience, chance to better understand and appreciate Carleton's diverse community

Motion passes.

Council members vote on paper ballots.

Election results:

Elizabeth Fraser is a new FED Faculty councillor.

**c. Motion to fill the Vacant FED Seats**

**Motion to Fill the Vacant FED Seats**

**PRESENTATION SUMMARY:**

**Whereas** after the 2019 CUSA General Election, 5 Faculty of Engineering and Design CUSA Council seats are vacant.

**INFORMATION TRANSFER:**

**Be it resolved that** the following seats of council be voted on and filled

- 5 Faculty of Engineering and Design Councillors

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi

SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

**Representatives:**

Michael Isa:

Good day,

My name is Michael Isa, I am in communications engineering. I'm running for the position of the Engineering Councillor. I am interested in this position because I want to be involved in the decision making the process for not only my faculty but for the Carleton community and I want to be able to better support those in my faculty. I am a good candidate because I am outspoken and articulate whilst also a receptive listener. This enables me to not only listen to the problems and concerns of those in my faculty but deliver their collective message in an articulate and concise manner to the council.

Regards,

Ruona Osharode:

Hey,

My name is Christian Osharode and I would like to be a councillor for the faculty of engineering at Carleton University.

My goal is to keep it real as a councillor. The engineering society in Carleton is not as engaging as I hoped, and I will do my best to help reach out to students so that people are not lost along the tedious engineering path. I personally bring diversity to the team. Engineers are rumoured to be socially awkward and I will also do my best to eliminate that norm. Finally, I would be honoured to play a role in making Carleton be a better place for young aspiring engineers.



Davies Moore:

Good evening council members, my name is Davis Moore. I am a student of Carleton's school of Engineering and Design and I have recently completed my first year of Aerospace Engineering. I am here today with the goal of joining all of you in the amazing work you do here on CUSA council. As CUSA councillors, you strive to create a better environment for your fellow students to ensure that they can succeed not only in the academic aspects of university, but also in the social, financial, and mental health aspects. I want to be a part of making these differences.

I feel like I am a strong candidate for the role of Faculty of Engineering and Design Councillor for a number of reasons. I have been known to be more than willing to support others around me in accomplishing their goals. I am driven to help my peers get what they need in order to excel during their time at Carleton. As a student who has just finished their first year, as well as someone who is going to be a Fall Frosh facilitator in the New Year, I am well connected with the large amount of student I have met both inside and outside my faculty. This will allow me to communicate the concerns of a large number of students to the council with professionalism and ease.

The role of a CUSA Councillor is ideal for individuals who have experience with leadership positions, and throughout the past few years I have had a number of chances to exercise leading others, making executive decisions, and working with both large and small groups of people. I was a part of my high school's student council for four years, being elected as the president in my final year at Paris District High, in which I advocated the needs of the entire student body, ran meetings, and relayed necessary information back to faculty members in order to ensure changes were made. In addition to student council, I was a Grade 9 orientation leader for three years where I was given the responsibility of integrating new students to an unfamiliar environment. and ensuring that they had the resources to smoothen the transition as much as possible, allowing them to be more successful in the following years. Furthermore, I have acted as a camp counsellor, a role that I have held for the past seven years. In these numerous years, I have been trained to readily take on any situation presented to me, practice quick problem solving and decision making, as well as organize activities. My many years of being a camp councillor have built me up to be ready to take on any situation where I have to make decisions or work with the people around me to solve a problem.

As an aspiring engineer, it is obvious that I have a knack for solving problems. Even though I may not be able to solve them all, I am certainly going to put my strong work ethic into working with you all to continue the much important work that happens here on CUSA council. I promise to bring years of teamwork, problem-solving, and leadership experience to the table and will enjoy my important task of speaking on behalf of the students of my faculty, the faculty of engineering.

I will be more than happy to answer to any questions anyone may have, thank you for your time.

Motion passes.

Council members vote on paper ballots.

Election results:

Michael Isa, Ruona Osharode, and Davies Moore are now FED Faculty Councillors

**d. Motion to fill the Vacant Special Student Seat**

**Motion to Fill the Vacant Special Student Seat**

**PRESENTATION SUMMARY:**

**Whereas** after the 2019 CUSA General Election, 1 Special Student CUSA Council seat is vacant.

**INFORMATION TRANSFER:**

**Be it resolved that** the following seat of council be voted on and filled

- 1 Special Student Councillor

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi

SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

Farook: We didn't have any applicants so we will keep the application only and advertise it further. I will move this motion to the next meeting when we have applicants to discuss.

Motion passes.

**e. Motion to strike Summer Standing Committees**

**Motion to Strike Summer Standing Committees**

**PRESENTATION SUMMARY:**

**Whereas** under Bylaw V s. 2.4, Standing Committees may be struck in the Summer Session.

**INFORMATION TRANSFER:**

**Be it resolved** that CUSA Council strike the following Standing Committees:

- Financial Review Committee
- Constitution and Policy Review Committee

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi

SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

Motion passes.

**f. Motion to strike and fill the Accessibility Fund Committee**

**Motion to Strike and Fill the Accessibility Fund Committee**

**PRESENTATION SUMMARY:**

**Whereas** CUSA needs to fill the Accessibility Fund Committee for the 2018-2019 year;

**And whereas** Bylaw VIII s.3.0 states that the composition of the committee be:

- a. VP Finance
- b. The appropriate Vice-President
- c. Four (4) students with disabilities,
- d. Two (2) CUSA Councilors
- e. Two (2) students at large

**INFORMATION TRANSFER:**

**Be it resolved** that CUSA Council Strike the Accessibility Fund Committee for the 2019-2020 school year,

**Be it further resolved** that CUSA Council vote to fill the committee with the following seats:

- a. 2 students at large
- b. 2 councillors
- c. 4 students with disabilities

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi

SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

**Students with disabilities:**

Nicole Apata: (**Farook read on their behalf**) As a student entering my fourth year of my university studies in Public Affairs and Policy Management, navigating the last three years at Carleton- working, studying and participating in extracurricular involvement while having a disability has made it abundantly clear to me that while there are strong efforts to recognize and meet the needs of students with disabilities, there still exists a number of challenges we face as students in many of our daily experiences.

Especially in regards to ensuring that spaces are readily accessible to all students belonging to the Carleton community. I believe the opportunity to be a part of the Accessibility Fund The committee would allow me to contribute to areas which I feel are strongly related to maximizing the quality of the experience of students with disabilities here at Carleton. In particular, working alongside other committee members to focus on:

Keeping students with disabilities informed and aware of where they can go to receive direct support and services, especially students who are newly in the process of transitioning into university life at Carleton.

Fostering clear communication with CUSA clubs, societies, services and facilities in order to provide them with them with information on remaining or improving accessibility to all students.

Promoting disability awareness around campus to bring attention to key issues facing students with disabilities, in addition to challenging stereotypes and stigmas in order to assist in the removal of barriers experienced by students.

Most importantly advocating to center efforts around the recognition that having a disability whether it's visible or non-visible is not a monolithic identity. Students with disabilities at Carleton encompass a wide variety of individuals from different backgrounds and walks of life who have unique interests and abilities. And all have the right to feel comfortable and accommodated occupying the available spaces, clubs, societies and facilities and services offered to students at Carleton University.

Thank you very much for your time!

**Iman Hersi: ( Read by Farook on their behalf)**

Good Evening,

Apologizes for not making it to the meeting tonight. I give permission to Farook Al-Muflehi to address the committee regarding my interest in applying for the Accessibility Fund Committee. I believe this opportunity would enhance my learning experience and have a tremendous stepping stone into my academia.

My name is Iman Hersi, I am an alumna from an Algonquin College holding a diploma in General Arts and Science and currently, a third-year undergrad studying Communications and Media Studies. I self-identify as a student with a learning disability and an anxiety disorder. I can understand first-hand the pressure, inequality and barriers associated with being quote on quote different. I say it like that because at the start of my education career my disability was viewed from a stigmatized light. I started my post-secondary journey in 2015. The community and services in comparison to both institutions are welcoming and it uplifts me to know that this position aims to foster accessibility support on the Carleton Campus.

As an advocate for students with disabilities, I am committed to promote and increase awareness for the greater campus in working to remove barriers, provide services, equal access etc., that would impact the greater student success. Outside of academia, I work as a leader in my community with the South Nepean Muslim Community as a youth outreach coordinator, also I work with the Ottawa Art Gallery as a Youth Council member and with Empowerem' a grassroots youth group creating safer spaces for women of colour. I also served with the Daughters of the Vote as a delegate for the Nepean federal riding in April 2019. I had the privilege to speak with daughters all across the nation about topics of interests that matter in their community. During my experience, I had the opportunity to speak with Members of Parliament and politicians about ways to empower youth with accessibility barriers within their community. And how student associations and workplaces can develop solutions to increase awareness, accessibility and safety in all spaces.

Some ideas of interest and helpful tips in order to arrange activities, that is geared towards individual skills rather than academic learning techniques. Include:

- organizing events to help students build support and friendship on campus
- executing campaigns to raise awareness of issues facing their group
- facilitating discussions and seminars on important issues in the community
- finding ways to break down stigma in the broader society
- improving accessibility for students to resources, programs and events on and off campus

A few activity ideas can be:

- art therapy    - movie nights                    - sport                    - therapy animals for exam season
- tea infusion test taste                    - community gardening                    - visit museums
- open door Ottawa tours

We can also host other sessions if necessary, this is just an idea but it would be helpful if we brought in community partners that align with our own mandate. It is of importance that as students we have people who can relate and understand how to help students with a visible and invisible disability. Just like it is best to help those in need it as the importance that as a student body we create hubs which offer welcoming services that perfectly contribute to the fabric of the university community. For that I conclude, thank you for your time and for giving me the platform to speak about strategies that accommodate students with a visible and invisible Disability.

### **Councillors;**

Lana Nikro: Hi my name is Lana and I'm in the faculty of Business, the reason why I feel this position is good for me is the fact that I have a disability myself, like ADHD. I understood where the student comes from. I want to make sure they get the finding they want and to make it more equitable.

Camillie Houde: Hey everybody my name is Camille if you don't know me yet, I am a student studying social work. The reason I want to sit on this committee is that I also identify as a student with a learning disability. I have ADHD as well. I am also studying ASL. Although it's not recognized as a disability, I still think that it is really important. I really like some idea presented by Iman Hersi like the paint therapy night.

Ruby Ezeh: Hey everyone my name is Ruby, I'm a third-year student in the PAPM program. Although I do not identify myself as a student with a learning disability, I have a lot of previous work experience working with students and kids with learning disabilities. I feel this would be a really good opportunity for me to enhance my knowledge. I am really charismatic towards people who have a learning disability and this opportunity will give me the chance to spread and help them as well. So if you please vote for me and give me the chance.

Dami: Hey, my name is Dami I am studying global and international studies and specialize in global law and social justice. With AFCOM making sure people with accessibility get what they need. My past experience, try to help with accessibility, I applied at the Senate level for AFCOM. If you can vote for me to be on this committee. Thank you

Motion passes.

Council members vote on paper ballots.

Election results:

Nicole Apata and Iman Hersi elected as students with disabilities.

Lana Nikro and Ruby Ezeh elected onto the committee.

**g. Motion to strike and fill the Student Initiative Fund Committee**

**Motion to Strike and Fill the Student Initiative Fund Committee**

**PRESENTATION SUMMARY:**

**Whereas** CUSA needs to fill the Student Initiative Fund for the 2019-2020 year,

**And whereas** Bylaw VII s3.2 the SIFC shall have the following composition:

- a. CUSA Vice President Internal as Chair
- b. CUSA Vice President Finance
- c. 3 Councillors appointed by Council
- d. 3 Students-at-large appointed by Council

**INFORMATION TRANSFER:**

**Be it further resolved** that CUSA Council vote to fill the committee with the following seats:

- a. 3 students at large
- b. 3 councillors

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi

SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

**Students at large:**

**Christabel Akhimien: (Read by Farook)**

Good day ladies and gentlemen, my name is Christabel Akhimien. I am an international student currently in my second year studying Communication and Media Studies. I am an active member of the Carleton community, I have a club called IHouse where we organize and host a talent show competition for both the Carleton community and students from other universities within Ottawa. We also host other events highlighting creativity in the city of Ottawa. I believe I fit this position perfectly because I understand the need for fund allocation to provide Financial help for clubs and groups to improve the Carleton community. Also in my first year, I applied for funds in my for the first season of the IHouse show and I was impacted by this club in a positive way. It will be an honour for me to be a part of the SIF Committee soon, and I can't wait to meet everyone.

Matthew Gagne: .

**Councillors:**

Tinu Akinwande  
Marina Guadagnin  
Osman Elmi

Motion passes. Council members vote on paper ballots.

Election results:

Student Initiative Fund Committee;

Tinu Akinwande  
Marina Guadagnin  
Osman Elmi  
Christabel Akhimien  
Matthew Gagne



**h. Motion to make David Oladejo an Honorary Member of CUSA**

**Motion to Make David Oladejo an Honorary Member of CUSA**

**PRESENTATION SUMMARY:**

**Whereas** historically the outgoing President of the Carleton University Students' Association has been made an honorary member of CUSA;

**And whereas** David Oladejo, has served as President of CUSA for the 2018/2019 academic year.

**INFORMATION TRANSFER:**

**Be it Resolved that** Council confer the title of honorary member of CUSA to David Oladejo for life.

MOVED: Lily Akagbosu

SECONDED: Farook Al-Muflehi

Motion Passes.

In favour: 23

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

**18. Adjournment**

MOVED: Osman Elmi

SECONDED: Sarah Abbass

Motion Passes. Meeting Adjourned at 8:50pm