



*CUSA Council acknowledges and respects the Algonquin people, on whose traditional territory the Carleton University Students' Association is located.*

**MINUTES OF THE  
JANUARY  
CUSA COUNCIL MEETING [PUBLIC]**

22 January 2024, 6:00 PM EST, 608 Pigiarnvik

**Prepared by:**

Logan Breen, Vice President Internal  
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**ATTENDANCE RECORD:**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Signature</b>
<b>President</b>	Mohamed Faris Riazudden	Present
<b><i>Vice President Finance</i></b>	<i>Sean Joe-Ezigbo</i>	Absent
<b><i>Vice President Internal</i></b>	<i>Logan Breen</i>	Present
<b><i>Vice President Student Issues</i></b>	<i>Emilia De Jesus Peixoto</i>	Present
<b><i>Vice President Community Engagement</i></b>	<i>Patrick Ene</i>	Present
<b><i>Vice President Student Life</i></b>	<i>Eman Elnaidnay</i>	Absent
<b>Speaker</b>	<i>Nkosi Mhlanga</i>	Present
<b>Deputy Speaker</b>	<i>Jayln D'Jan</i>	Present
<b>Public Affairs (7)</b>	Rachel Awad	Present
	Nabiha Bilgrami	Proxy
	Clara Borba	Present
	Keana Solimar Cavero	Present
	Michael Huynh	Proxy
	Aiden Rohacek	Present
	Aya Abu Sheikh	Absent
<b>FASS (8)</b>	Tima Sakka Amini	Present
	Moobinah Faisal	Present
	Nicky Laborde	Absent
	Nkosi Mhlanga	Present
	Eddy Udo	Present
	Nissi Alanshitu	Absent

	Piper Jeffrey	Absent
	Alison Kocsis	Present
<b>Business (3)</b>	Youssef El Nil	Absent
	Diya Kulkarni	Present
	Zeba Munira	Present
<b>Science (6)</b>	Jayln D'Jan	Present
	Edi Ekeng	Present
	Maheeshan Sivanesan	Present
	Parihan Parihan	Absent
	Kaniz Fathma Sinethyah	Absent
	Dilkusha Sakiba	Absent
<b>Engineering and Design (8)</b>	Marc Anthony El Khoury	Absent
	Marc Denault	Proxy
	Jaden Desveaux	Present
	Xavier Haziza	Proxy
	Faye Nitta Mackay	Absent
	Clovis Nsengiyumva	Proxy
	Dana Sayed Ahmed	Present
	Puru Parth Verma	Absent
<b>Special Student (1)</b>	<i>Vacant</i>	-
<b>BOG</b>	<i>Mira Gillis</i>	Absent
	<i>Jonathan Ojangole</i>	Absent
<b>GSA</b>	<i>Elie Abou Zeid</i>	Absent
<b>RRRA</b>	Kamran Azizli	Present
<b>CASG</b>	Francesca Lepore	Present

\*Nonvoting members in *Italics*.

## **AGENDA:**

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of Past Minutes
4. Presentations/Delegations
  - a. Kristie Tousignant, Carleton University Associate Vice-President  
(Student Health and Wellness)
5. Executive Reports
6. External Reports
7. Council Reports
8. Announcements and Correspondence
  - a. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest
  - b. Items for Information
  - c. Notice of Motion
    - i. Motion to Amend the CUSA Bylaws
9. Question Period
10. Regular Business
  - a. Unfinished Business
  - b. New Business
    - i. Motion to Endorse a Referendum on the Mental Health Ancillary Fee
    - ii. Motion to Declare a Position on Referendums in the 2024 CUSA General Election
    - iii. Motion to Adopt the Greek Letter Organizations Policy
    - iv. Motion to Adopt the Transit Policy
    - v. Motion to Adopt Expiring CUSA Policies and Issue Stances
    - vi. Motion to Delay the Opening of VP Election Nominations
    - vii. Motion to Appoint Vice President Internal Breen as Acting Vice President Finance
11. Adjournment

*Meeting commenced at 6:08 p.m. Quorum was established.  
Speaker Nkosi Mhlanga presides over the meeting.*

## **1. Call to Order**

Before we address the regular business of this meeting, I'd like to acknowledge that we are today gathered on the traditional territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabe, lands never ceded or surrendered in peace to the Crown of Canada. Indigenous peoples living under the modern colonial state of Canada have suffered disproportionate injustice and marginalization. A mere land acknowledgement is not enough to make reconciliation and reparation to the Indigenous peoples of Turtle Island. We must stand in solidarity against colonialism and remember our responsibility to the land and the peoples who have kept it for generations—which means affirming their call for the free and unencumbered return to their ancestral land. It is also fitting, for this body of lawmakers, to remember the spirit and wisdom of Indigenous governance models—from the collaborative bicameralism of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy to the consensus-based government of the Inuit—to deliver to students a better student union.

## **2. Approval of the Agenda (C-62)**

***Be it resolved,*** that the agenda be approved as presented to Council, notwithstanding s. 18 of the *Council Rules of Order*.

**Moved:** A. Rohacek

**Seconded:** A. Kocsis

*Councillors vote by show of hands.*

*17 yays, 0 nays.*

*Motion Passed.*

### 3. Approval of Past Minutes (C-63)

**Be it resolved**, that the minutes of the [4 December 2023](#) meeting of Council be approved.

**Moved:** C. Borba

**Seconded:** Z. Munira

*Councillors vote by show of hands.*

*17 yays, 0 nays.*

*Motion Passed.*

### 4. Presentations/Delegations

- a. [Kristie Tousignant, Carleton University Associate Vice-President \(Student Health and Wellness\)](#)

### 5. Executive Reports

- a. Mohamed Faris Riazudden (President)

#### Month in Review:

- Supporting the executive team and full time staff.
- Advocacy Roadmap published.
- Hiring for Director of Operations.
- Connect with the Provost.
- State of the Union.
- The Wing is opening soon with a new look and business concept.
- Advocacy: Transit, Flowing Rights, International students immigration updates (met with Minister Fraser), CASA Conference, addressing sexual violence on campus.

#### Month Ahead:

- Hiring for Director of Operations.
- Launching The Wing.

- Executive composition.
- Referendum planning.

b. Logan Breen (Vice President Internal)

Month in Review:

- Completion of winter club funding.
- Greek Letter Organizations Policy.
- General Election planning.
- Finalized plan for club storage improvements.

Month Ahead:

- Acting Vice President Finance.
- Executive composition.
- Supporting General Election and VP Elections.
- Leading referendum efforts.
- Procedure drafting for Clubs Oversight Commission.
- Launch of Simply Voting.

c. Patrick Ene (Vice President Community Engagement)

Month in Review:

- Successfully launched the first iteration of the Exam Shuttle Service.
- Dedicated Access Fund Committee Meeting.
- External Affairs Committee meeting discussing various CUSA advocacy efforts.

Month Ahead:

- Inaugural PMC Award Ceremony.
- Black History Month initiatives.
- Ideation and execution of Valentine's day initiatives.

d. Emilia De Jesus Peixoto (Vice President Student Issues)

Month in Review:

- Mosaic completed.
- Study Snack Campaign.
- Address to Greek Letter Organizations/ Charlantan Article.
- Attended Hatch Changemaker Presentations.
- Participated in Sexual Assault Awareness Week Committee meetings.
- Planning for Pop the Stigma Campaign.

Month Ahead:

- Frost Week.
- Pop the Stigma running from January 22nd - 26th with The Wellness Centre.
- Meetings with RISE for Black History Month Committee.
- Planning Snatched for Black History Month.
- Sexual Assault Awareness Week from January 22nd - 26th.
- Participation at the Universities Wellness Fair on Jan. 24th.
- Collaborating with The Wellness Desk in the MacOdrum Library.
- Advocacy Planning for Trans Rights in collaboration with the GSRC.
- Working with the National Eating Disorder Information Centre of Canada to increase awareness and resources.
- CUSA Awards.

e. Eman Elnaidany (Vice President Student Life).

Month in Review:

- Successfully expanded our annual clothing drive into a larger-scale thrift event, "Thrift & Flip," which garnered participation from over 500 students. The event received widespread interest and positive feedback. We also donated winter clothing to a local charity.
- Collaborated with a renowned sustainable fashion designer to host the "Thrift & Flip Workshop." This event focused on teaching basic sewing skills and the art of upcycling thrifted clothes, aligning with our commitment to sustainable fashion.



- Efficiently planned and executed Frost Week, incorporating four bi-weekly committee meetings with various campus stakeholders. This led to a series of successful events organized by different departments, including Eng Frosh, Sci Frosh, and CAB.
- Enhanced campus engagement through regular tabling efforts for Chonk Nation, supported by the AVP SX. We also maintained high team morale through monthly meetings.

#### Month Ahead:

- Upcoming exciting Frost Week events, including a Magic Show, a Winter Wonderland experience, and the Winterfest Concert featuring talented local artists from Ottawa.
- Beginning the initial planning stages for the CUSA Gala and other events for the winter term.
- Launching a recruitment drive for Chonk Nation to increase our efforts for the upcoming winter referendums.

## **6. External Reports**

- a. Rideau River Residence Association
  - i. Elections upcoming (dates to be released soon)
  - ii. New club funding board
  - iii. Events upcoming (ex: residence formal)
  - iv. Scholarships released soon (academics, leadership, residence involvement, etc.)
- b. Carleton Academic Student Government
  - i. Academic Initiative Fund open
    - Community Sponsorship Fund
  - ii. Scholarships open (x9)
    - Due Feb 16th 2024
  - iii. Study Snacks program
  - iv. Op/Ed for academic issues

- v. Course Outline project ongoing
- c. Graduate Students' Association
  - i. None.
- d. Senate
  - i. None.
- e. Board of Governors
  - i. None.
- f. Board of Directors
  - i. Upcoming meeting: January 28th 2024
  - ii. Various policy renewals upcoming

## **7. Council Reports**

- a. Constituency Reports
  - i. FPA
    - None.
  - ii. FASS
    - None.
  - iii. Business
    - None.
  - iv. Science
    - None.
  - v. FED
    - None.
- b. Committee Reports
  - i. University Affairs Committee
    - Discussion about the lack of student representation in the renewal of the university's Sexual Violence Policy
    - Passed motion to bring to Council on Greek Letter Organizations

## 8. Announcements and Correspondence

- a. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest
- b. Items for Information
- c. Notice of Motion
  - i. Motion to Amend the CUSA Bylaws at the next CUSA Council meeting on February 12, 2024 (VPI Breen)

## 9. Question Period

## 10. Regular Business

- a. Unfinished Business:
- b. New Business:

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### Motion to Endorse a Referendum on the Mental Health Ancillary Fee (C-64)

**Whereas**, visits to Health and Counselling Services of Carleton University have increased 50% from 2018-2022;

**And whereas**, Carleton University is proposing a referendum for a \$25 mental health services ancillary fee to expand health and counselling services;

**Be it resolved**, that CUSA endorses Carleton University's proposed referendum on a Mental Health Ancillary Fee.

**Moved:** J. Desveaux

**Seconded:** K. Solimar Cavero

*Councillors vote by show of hands.*

*17 yays, 0 nays.*

*Motion Passed.*

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## Motion to Declare a Position on Referendums in the 2024 CUSA General Election (C-65)

**Whereas**, CUSA Council has declared five referendums for the 2024 CUSA General Election;

**And whereas**, CUSA Council has the ability to formally endorse and support referendum initiatives that it believes will be beneficial for students;

**Be it resolved**, that CUSA officially endorses and supports by any means deemed appropriate the “YES” campaigns for the following referendums in the 2024 CUSA General Election:

- Millennium Promise
- World Food Programme
- Clubs and Societies Levy
- Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Levy
- First-Year Transition Levy

**Moved:** A. Rohacek

**Seconded:** J. Desveaux

Motion to Amend

**Be it resolved**, that CUSA officially endorses and supports by any means deemed appropriate, **including initiatives in CUSA’s businesses, service centres, and staff**, the “YES” campaigns for the following referendums in the 2024 CUSA General Election:

**Moved:** M. Faris

**Seconded:** K. Solimar Caverro

*Councillors vote on amendment of motion by show of hands.*

*16 yays, 0 nays.*

*Motion Passed.*

*Councillors vote on main motion, as amended, by show of hands.*

*17 yays, 0 nays.*

*Motion Passed.*

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### **Motion to Adopt the Greek Letter Organizations Policy (C-66)**

**Whereas**, the CUSA has an interest in advocating on behalf of students;

**And whereas**, CUSA is committed to taking action on recent investigative journalism by the Charlatan on alleged hazing within Greek Letter Organizations at Carleton University;

**And whereas**, the University Affairs Committee voted unanimously in recommending that Council adopt this policy;

**Be it resolved**, that Council adopts the Greek Letter Organizations Policy as written in Appendix A.

**Be it further resolved**, that Council mandates the Clubs Oversight Commission to amend the CUSA Clubs Certification Procedure to reflect that Greek Letter Organizations will not be certified

**Moved:** C. Borba

**Seconded:** A. Kocsis

*Councillors vote by show of hands.*

*17 yays, 0 nays.*

*Motion Passed.*

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*Recess beginning at 7:41 p.m. until 7:55 p.m.*

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### **Motion to Adopt the Transit Policy (C-67)**

**Whereas**, service disruptions and cuts in Ottawa public transit have had negative impacts in students' lives;

**And whereas,** CUSA recognizes that access to safe, organized, reliable, and predictable public transit services are key to numerous facets of students' lives, including, but not limited to, their transportation to and from school;

**And whereas,** CUSA should formally commit to always advocate for safe, organized, reliable, and predictable public transit on behalf of students;

**And whereas,** the External Affairs Committee voted unanimously in recommending that Council adopt this policy;

**Be it resolved that,** the Council adopts the *Transit Policy* as written in Appendix B.

**Moved:** J. Desveaux

**Seconded:** J. D'Jan

*Councillors vote by show of hands.*

*14 yays, 0 nays.*

*Motion Passed.*

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## **Motion to Adopt Expiring CUSA Policies and Issue Stances (C-68)**

**Whereas,** CUSA reformed as an organization on May 1, 2022 and became a not-for-profit corporation;

**And whereas,** numerous policies and issue stances of the previous organizational iteration of CUSA have not been adopted by CUSA the not-for-profit organization;

**And whereas,** if these policies are not adopted by Council, they will expire and therefore cease to be policies of CUSA at the end of February 2024;

**Be it resolved that,** that Council formally adopts the following policies as currently written with no amendments:

- CUSA Awards and Scholarships Policy (A-01 through A-07)
- Discrimination, Harassment and Violence Prevention Policy (E-01)
- Indigenous Solidarity (E-02)
- Mental Health Policy (E-03)

- Sexual Violence Prevention Policy (E-04)
- Sustainability Policy (E-06)
- Council Rules of Order (G-00)
- Speaker of Council Terms of Reference (G-08)
- Conflict of Interest Policy (G-05)
- Social Media Policy (G-07)
- Councillor Accountability and Discipline Policy (G-10)
- Board Nominating and Selection Committee Terms of Reference (G-12)
- Vice Presidential Elections Policy (X-04)
- Vice President Finance / Secretary-Treasurer Nominating & Selection Committee Terms of Reference (G-13)
- CUSA Transparency and Ethical Standards Policy (G-06)

***Be it resolved further that,*** *Bylaw IX - CUSA Clubs* be changed to *CUSA Clubs Policy* and adopted by Council with no additional amendments.

**Moved:** K. Solimar Cavero

**Seconded:** A. Rohacek

*Councillors vote by show of hands.*

*14 yays, 0 nays.*

*Motion Passed.*

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### **Motion to Delay the Opening of VP Election Nominations (C-69)**

***Whereas,*** CUSA Council will meet on Monday, February 12th, the day nominations for VP positions are set to open pursuant to the Vice Presidential Elections Policy;

***And whereas,*** the agenda of this Council meeting will contain a motion to amend CUSA's Bylaws and make changes to CUSA's executive composition;

***And whereas,*** delaying the opening of nominations for two days will allow for Council to deliberate on changes to the Bylaws and allow for any changes to be implemented before nominations open;

**Be it resolved that**, the Council delays the opening of VP nominations until Wednesday, February 14th at 5pm.

**Moved:** C. Borba

**Seconded:** K. Solimar Cavero

*Councillors vote by show of hands.*

*12 yays, 0 nays.*

*Motion Passed.*

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## **Motion to Appoint Vice President Internal Breen as Acting Vice President Finance (C-70)**

**Whereas**, Vice-President Finance Joe-Ezigbo will be on a leave of absence until February 9, 2024;

**And whereas**, pursuant to section 13(1) of the Executive Policy, if the office of any Vice President becomes vacant, the members of the Executive Council shall appoint from among themselves or Councillors an Acting Vice President, subject to ratification or rejection by the CUSA Council;

**And whereas**, the Executive Council has appointed Vice President Internal Breen as Acting Vice President Finance (see [here](#));

**Be it resolved that**, the Council ratifies the appointment of Vice President Internal Breen as Acting Vice President Finance until February 9, 2024.

**Moved:** J. D'Jan

**Seconded:** Z. Munira

Motion to Amend

**Be it further resolved that**, Council direct the CUSA Board to confirm the nomination at the Board level.

**Moved:** M. Faris

**Seconded:** C. Borba

*Councillors vote on amendment by show of hands.*



15 yays, 0 nays.

*Motion Passed.*

*Councillors vote on main motion, as amended, by show of hands.*

16 yays, 0 nays.

*Motion Passed.*

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## 11. **Adjournment**

- a. Motion to Adjourn to a Specific Time (C-71)

***Be it resolved***, that Council adjourns until 6pm the 12th of February, and that this shall constitute for the purposes of the *Act* and our *Bylaws*, prior notice.

**Moved:** A. Kocsis

**Seconded:** E. Ekeng

*Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.*

**Appendix A:**

**Greek Letter Organizations Policy**

**E-12, U-12**

LONG TITLE	A Policy Respecting the Greek Letter Organizations operating on campus	DATE OF ENACTMENT	
		LAST AMENDED	
REFERENCE No.	E-12, U-12	NEXT REVIEW	01 February 2028
CATEGORY	Political Positions	COMPETENT CHAMBER	Council

**PREAMBLE**

The Carleton University Students' Association supports student safety and a supportive campus culture and community. CUSA advocates for values, including not discriminating on the basis of sex, gender identity or expression, religion, race, colour, national or ethnic origin, age, disability, sexual orientation or political affiliation. CUSA believes that the operations of Greek Letter Organizations in the Ottawa area are incompatible with the functioning of Carleton University.

**INTERPRETATION**

- 1** This Policy may be called the *Greek Letter Organizations Policy*.
- 2** In this Policy, the following definitions shall apply:
  - “Art Committee” means the Carleton University committee responsible for public art on campus
  - “Campus” means any lands of buildings owned, leased, or rented by Carleton University
  - “Carleton” or “University” or “Carleton University” means the research and teaching higher education institution so recognized by the Carleton University Act, 1952
  - “Certified Club” or “Club” means a student group certified or approved for the academic year by the CUSA Clubs Oversight Commission

"Clubs Oversight Commission" is a Committee under the jurisdiction of CUSA Council tasked with Overseeing the CUSA Clubs system

"Commercial Activity Review Committee" means the Carleton University committee responsible for reviewing and approving all commercial activity on campus

"Graduate Students' Association" means the Carleton University recognized student groups representing graduate students at Carleton University

"Greek Letter Organization" means fraternities and sororities established by the use of the Greek alphabet with chapters at multiple institutions of higher education

## **RATIONALE**

**3 (1)** The Carleton University Students' Association adopts these policy principles because:

**(2)** Students attest to having been subjected to unsafe situations by a Greek Letter Organization operating in the Ottawa area<sup>1 2</sup>

**(3)** Aspects of Greek Letter Organization's operations increase the likelihood of their members experiencing sexual harassment and/or assault, and all students who engage with Greek Letter Organizations activities may be exposing themselves to an "unanticipated vulnerability to sexual victimization"<sup>3</sup>

## **POLICY PRINCIPLES**

**4 (1)** The Graduate Students' Association and Carleton University, like CUSA, should not recognize Greek Letter Organizations as a part of their respective Student Groups Accreditation processes<sup>4</sup>

**(2)** Carleton University should explicitly state in their Recognition of Student Organizations Policy or in a new standalone policy that Fraternities and Sororities will not be recognized, similar to McMaster University, Durham College<sup>6</sup>, and Ontario Tech University<sup>7</sup>

**5** Carleton University Leadership should direct the Office of Risk Management and Risk Management Committee that events, activations, or activities proposed by Greek Letter Organizations are inherently high-risk and should not be approved<sup>8</sup>

**6** The University and its Commercial Activities Review Committee (CARC) should not accept sponsorship from Greek Letter Organizations or allow Greek Letter Organizations to be present on campus under the sanction or recommendation of CARC<sup>9</sup>

**7** The University and its Conference Services should not accept bookings from the Greek Letter Organizations<sup>10</sup>

**8 (1)** The University should enforce the Posting Policy in all its aspects, including

**(2)** clauses which represent postings are meant to promote campus activities<sup>x4</sup>

**(3)** clauses which represent postings posing a threat to health and safety are not permitted<sup>11</sup>

**(4)** clauses which represent postings incompatible with the functioning of the university are not permitted<sup>11</sup>

**(5)** clauses which represent postings outside of permitted posting areas will be removed or destroyed<sup>11</sup>

**(6)** clauses which represent that violation of the Posting Policy may result in a range of consequences including the removal of postings by University staff or disciplinary action against and/or loss of posting privileges by the individual student who posted material<sup>11</sup>

**(7)** clauses which represent that a violation of the posting policy by individuals not affiliated with the University may result in criminal charges and/or a trespass from University property<sup>11</sup>

**9** The University should not permit non-posting promotion, such as chalking, painting, or other writing which promoted the interests of Greek Letter Organizations, and should make this clear in either the Posting Policy<sup>11</sup> or the Damage and Destruction of Property section of the Student Rights and Responsibilities Policy<sup>12</sup>

**10** The Carleton University Vice President of Student Affairs or their designates should not permit Greek Letter Organizations to book space in the Galleria<sup>13</sup>

**11** Carleton University and its agents should apply policies, as applicable, such as the Student Rights & Responsibilities<sup>12</sup>, Human Rights Policies & Procedures<sup>14</sup>, Academic Consideration Policy for Students in Medical or Other Extenuating Circumstances<sup>15</sup>, and/or Sexual Violence Policy<sup>16</sup> to cases where either the alleged accused or accuser are students, regardless of affiliation with Greek Letter Organizations.

**12** The Carleton University Art Committee should not accept proposals or donations from Greek Letter Organizations<sup>17</sup>

**13 (1)** Carleton University should, under the On Campus Filming Policy<sup>18</sup> deem filming on campus by fraternity or sorority members a commercial activity, subject to the approval of the Office of Risk Management, due to the recruitment-based nature of the groups and the cost of Greek Letter Organization membership<sup>19</sup>

**(2)** The Carleton University Office of Risk Management should not approve any filming requests submitted by Greek Letter Organizations

**14** Carleton University and its agents should apply the policies above as outlined in the scope or procedure of the respective policy regardless of concurrent enforcement processes being conducted by relevant internal, campus, or external authorities.

<sup>1</sup> International Council of Alpha Pi Phi Sorority, "[Alpha Chapter Preliminary Risk Report](#)".

<sup>2</sup> Greco, Faith & Mendes, Elissa "[Alleged Hazing Within Carleton University Greek letter Sorority](#)." The Charlatan, October 30, 2023

<sup>3</sup> Barnes, Melissa L.; Adams-Clark, Alexis; Rosenthal, Marina N.; Smith, Carly P.; and Freyd, Jennifer J. (2021) "Pledged into Harm: Sorority and Fraternity Members Face Increased Risk of Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment," Dignity: A Journal of Analysis of Exploitation and Violence: Vol. 6: Iss. 1, Article 9. <https://doi.org/10.23860/dignity.2021.06.01.09>

<sup>4</sup> Carleton University, Vice President (Students and Enrolment), web: "[Recognition of Student Organizations Policy](#)"

<sup>5</sup> McMaster University, "[Policy on Fraternities, Sororities, And Honour Societies](#)"

<sup>6</sup> Durham College, "[Recognition of Student Organizations](#)"

<sup>7</sup> Ontario Tech University, "[Policy on the Recognition of Student Organizations](#)"

<sup>8</sup> Carleton University, Office of the President, web: "[Risk Management Policy](#)"

<sup>9</sup> Carleton University, Office of Risk Management, web: "[Commercial and Supplemental Revenue Generating Activities Policy](#)"

<sup>10</sup> Carleton University, Housing and Residence Life Services, web: "[Conference Services Space Booking Policy](#)"

<sup>11</sup> Carleton University, University Communications, web: "[Posting Policy](#)"

<sup>12</sup> Carleton University, Office of the Vice President - Students and Enrolemnt (SE), web: "[Student Rights & Responsibilities](#)"

<sup>13</sup> Carleton University, Office of the Vice President (Students and Enrolment), web: "[Galleria Space Booking Policy](#)"

<sup>14</sup> Carleton University Board of Governors, web: "[Human Rights Policies & Procedures](#)"

<sup>15</sup> Carleton University, "[Academic Consideration Policy for Students in Medical or other Extenuating Circumstances](#)"

<sup>16</sup> Carleton University, Office of the Vice President (Students and Enrolment), web: "[Sexual Violence Policy](#)"

<sup>17</sup> Carleton University, Office of the Vice President (Finance and Administration), web: "[Public Art Policy](#)"

<sup>18</sup> Carleton University, Vice President (Finance and Administration), web: "[On Campus Filming Policy](#)"

<sup>19</sup> Sportelli, Natalie. "[Buying Into Greek Life: Is it Worth it?](#)" Forbes, June 19, 2014

## Appendix B:

### Transit Policy

**E-12, M-12, P-12, N-12**

LONG TITLE	A Policy Respecting Public & Private Transit	DATE OF ENACTMENT	
		LAST AMENDED	
REFERENCE No.	E-12, M-12, P-12, N12	NEXT REVIEW	30 May 2026
CATEGORY	Stances, Equity, and Advocacy	COMPETENT CHAMBER	Council

### PREAMBLE

The purpose of this policy is to guide and outline CUSA's work and continuous advocacy in the area of transit. It aims at ensuring students' access to safe, organized, reliable, and predictable public transit services, providing strategic plans and acknowledging the impact public transit may have in students' lives. This policy shall be reviewed every two years by Council.

### INTERPRETATION

- 1 This policy may be called the *Transit Policy*.
- 2 In this Policy, the following definitions shall apply:
  - “Public Transit” refers to “a system of shared passenger transportation services that are available for use by the general public, typically characterized by scheduled routes, fixed or semi-fixed pick-up and drop-off points, and shared vehicles; characterized by buses, trains, subways, and other forms of transportation that charge set fares, run on fixed routes, and are available to the public.”
  - “[Safe](#)” refers to "secure and free from liability to harm, injury, danger, or risk."
  - “[Organized](#)” refers to "having a formal structure or network of elements, especially to coordinate or carry out widespread activities."
  - “[Reliable](#)” refers to "that may be relied on or trusted; dependable in achievement, accuracy, and honesty."
  - “[Predictable](#)” refers to being “able to be foretold or expected in advance, especially on the basis of previous or known behaviour.”

## **POLICY ADMINISTRATION**

**3** The President and VPSI — with the assistance of AVP Research & Advocacy and AVP Government Affairs — have the responsibility of advocating on behalf of students in the realm of transit and transportation.

## **POLICY**

**4** CUSA commits to advocate on behalf of students for the access to safe, organized, reliable, and predictable public transit services tailored to the needs of Ottawa's student population.

**5** CUSA will employ the following strategies to ensure students have access to such services:

- (a) CUSA will maintain contact with respective government officials (such as but not limited to City Councilors, the Mayor's Office, Members of Provincial Parliament, and Members of Parliament) and stakeholders (such as but not limited to OC-Transpo) responsible for the maintenance of public transit services.
- (b) CUSA will provide students with updates concerning changes to their access to public transit services.
- (c) CUSA will publish updates on its advocacy work on the realm of transit.
- (d) CUSA will provide students with adequate lines of communication through which transit-related concerns can be reported and addressed.

**6** CUSA acknowledges the impacts of public transit service unreliability in students' lives, such as and not limited to:<sup>1</sup>

- (a) How it disconnects students from their communities.
- (b) How it limits students' housing options
- (c) How it affects students' academic and professional performance
- (d) How it constitutes a burden to student's well-being and mental health
- (e) How it affects students' ability to make plans and arrive timely at appointments and commitments

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<sup>1</sup> Paula Rodrigo, "Can We Make It? The Impact of Public Transit on Carleton Students' Understandings of Place and Time," p. 13.