

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

1st Regular (MAY) Meeting OF THE 2025/2026 CARLETON UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

26th May 2025 at 6:00 pm, Online

Prepared by:

Vice President Internal



ATTENDANCE RECORD:

Position	Councillor	Signature
President	Sean Joe-Ezigbo	Present
Vice President Finance	Om Maradia	Present
Vice President Internal	Jahnelle Woldegiorgis	Present
Vice President Student Issues	Aidan Kallioinen	Regrets
Vice President Student Life	Cass McIsaac	Present
Speaker	Vacant	
Deputy Speaker	Vacant	
Public Affairs (7)	Yasmine Abdulla	Present
	Nifemi Boamah	Present
	Avery Cole	Absent
	Jaac Doduck	Present
	Elissa Gee	Proxy through N. Boamah
	Maxwell Heroux	Present
	Chloe Tran	Present
FASS (8)	Mohamad Adel El Fitori	Present
	Withchelie Louima	Present
	Gerardo Maldonado- Jimenez	Present
	Brooke Muzzatti	Proxy through J. Doduck
	Maya Shaban	Present
	Cherry Zhang	Present
	Vacant	



	Vacant	
Business (3)	Prestyn Colliton	Absent
	Nathan Vinokur	Absent
	Vacant	
Science (6)	Ramla Ahmed	Present
	Mariem El Domiaty	Absent
	Reyna Itani	Present
	Godchosen Ojediran	Present
	Liam Orlowski	Present
	Maheeshan Sivanesan	Present
Engineering and Design (7)	Jeronimo Cumming	Absent
	Amy Kopytskiy	Present
	Viveca Matida-Torrico	Present
	Boothaina Sheltami	Absent
	Aryan Singh	Absent
	Amogh Thungathurti	Proxy by V. Matilda- Torrico
	Vacant	
Special Student (1)	Vacant	
BOG	Vacant	
	Vacant	
GSA	Vacant	
RRRA	Alexis Agyei-Gyamera	Present
CASG	Alison Kocsis	Absent

^{*}Nonvoting members in *Italics*.



AGENDA:

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Election of the Speaker of Council
- 3. Election of the Deputy Speaker of Council
- 4. Approval of the Agenda
- 5. Approval of Past Minutes
- 6. Executive Reports
- 7. External Reports
- 8. Council Reports
- 9. Announcements and Correspondence
 - a. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest
 - b. Items for Information
 - i. Statement of Resignation of Councillor Bruni
 - ii. Student Nightlife Safety Survey
 - iii. Anti-Arab and Palestinian Discrimination Report
 - iv. Update on the Policy Review Committee Mandate Letter

10. Regular Business

- a. Unfinished Business
 - Motion to Amend the CUSA Bylaws Regarding Rules on Proxies (C-109)
- b. New Business
 - Motion To Endorse the "Arms Embargo Now" Statement and Question Canadian Inaction On the Palestinian Humanitarian Crisis
 - ii. Motion to Endorse a Teach-In for Graduating Students
 - iii. Motion to Adopt the 2025 Advocacy Recap Report
 - iv. Motion to Adopt the CUSA's Parking Accessibility Report
 - v. Motion to Adopt the Moose Hide Campaign Policy
 - vi. Motion to Discontinue Weekly Executive Reports
 - vii. Motion to Amend the External Affairs Committee Composition



- viii. Motion to Temporarily Amend the Composition of the CUSA Clubs Oversight Commission
- ix. Motion to Temporarily Appoint a Councillor to the Clubs Oversight Commission
- x. Motion to Amend Quorum Requirements for the Clubs Oversight Commission Temporarily
- xi. Motion to Appoint Committee Placements for 2025/2026
- xii. Motion for June Training Days for CUSA Council 2025/2026

11. Adjournment

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.

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm.

2. Election of the Speaker of Council (C-01)

a. Recommendation of the Speaker Hiring Committee **Be it resolved**, that Amy Kopytskiy be elected as Speaker of Council.



Moved: M. El Fitori Seconded: N. Boamah

14 yays, 0 nays

Carried Unanimously

3. Election of the Deputy Speaker of Council (C-02)

a. Recommendation of the Speaker Hiring Committee **Be it resolved**, that Withchelie Louima be elected as the Deputy Speaker of Council

Moved: M. Heroux Seconded: A. Singh

14 yays, 0 nays
Carried Unanimously

4. Approval of the Agenda

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

Moved: R. Itani Seconded: Y. Abdulla

15 yays, 0 nays
Carried Unanimously

5. Approval of Past Minutes

a. Annual Members' Meeting (V) (April 29th 2025)



Be it resolved, that the minutes of the April 29th 2025 meeting of Council be approved.

Moved: M. Heroux Seconded: N. Boamah

Unanimous Consent
Carried Unanimously

6. Executive Reports

Sean Joe Ezigbo - President/CEO

Month in review

- Chaired multiple executive meetings to set team expectations and discuss portfolio Plans.
- Chaired the Vice-President Finance hiring committee, leading to a successful candidate recommendation.
- Attended and participated in the first Board meeting and AGM 5.
- Met with the Chair of the Board to define responsibilities and CEO expectations.
- Began portfolio analysis for implementation of your presidential campaign.
- Approved payments and set up ADP and ScotiaConnect systems.
- Met with RRRA President (twice) to establish year-long collaboration.
- University Senate representative Kathy McKinley (twice) to discuss your role in university governance, and prepare for the next senate meeting.
- uOttawa Legal Clinic (Jasna) to explore better legal services, especially housing/tenant support.
- Telfer Students' Association President to learn about effective merchandising strategies.
- Met with SEO (Jeremy) to explore CUSA-university touchpoints.
- Past CUSA President (Alex Golovko) to explore potential alumni support.
- Participated in CASA (Canadian Alliance of Student Associations) orientation on possible membership benefits.
- Chaired a national meeting with student unions across Canada to address accessibility issues.



- Initiated policy discussion with VPI on standardizing engagement with embassies.
- Engaged in conversations to enhance student legal, wellness, and accessibility services through Studentcare.
- Held onboarding meetings with:
 - 1. Former President for transition.
 - 2. Executive Director on team onboarding structure.
 - 3. Executive Team and full-time staff to present plans.

Met with:

- 1. Ollie's Manager to ensure smooth transition after summer layoff.
- 2. Business and Hospitality Manager and Finance Manager to assess operations and audit timelines.
- Filmed the Moose Hide Campaign video (anti-violence advocacy).
- Engaged in Fall Orientation (FROSH) planning with VPSL.
- Attended the Student Care Conference with the VPF key takeaways included:
 - 1. Expanding student health & wellness services.
 - 2. Legal aid direction.
 - 3. Leadership development and inter-union collaboration.

Month ahead:

- Beginning collective agreement bargaining with the union
- Contract evaluation for FTS and Executives
- Review and reconstruct sublease agreement with tenants
- Creating KPIs for staff through the organization
- Creating contracts and launching vacant positions for hiring
- Space utilization and Tenant search
- Finalizing housing support plan for students through legal clinic and exploring other avenues for support
- Creating metrics in order to conduct an internal levy review and present findings to FFFC
- Finalize signing authorities
- Finalize tenant agreements for Haven
- Job description and responsibilities for board



- Board hiring
- Sustainable plan building for providing support to students with disabilities (parking reimbursement plan?)
- Begin construction of 5 year long term strategic plan for CUSA
- Sustainable partnership development

Jahnelle Woldegiorgis - Vice President Internal

- Participated in the onboarding process and official training with the new executives and full-time staff
- Attended training by StudentCare, uOttawa legal clinic, and senior management
- Met with the finance department to review the council budget
- Reviewed clubs and the council transition document
- Assisting clubs in the election process (ongoing)
- Collaborating with the office administration to improve documentation management
- Connected with VPF on clubs' banking and finance ledger
- Discussed FROSH planning with VPSL and the University and how clubs can be involved
- Toured CUSA business and USC, learning about the operations and services they provided to students
- Reviewed Think Tank Policy with VPI
- Reviewed chonk Nation policy
- Looked at club certification and recertification policies and procedures
- Attended CASA Foundational week conference with VPSI discussing Federal support for Canadian universities
- Researching alternative bank options for CUSA clubs that will cost less in bank fees.
- Developing CUSA council training materials, including Robert's Rule of Order, CUSA structure, and more
- Exploring a partnership with Student Care and uOttawa legal clinic
- Met RRRA executives and discussed possible collaborations



- Developed a job description and posted a Policy Analyst position with Senior Management
- Troubleshoot banking issues with some clubs
- Filmed Moose Hide Campaign video with the executive team
- Supported the Speaker subcommittee with the interview process

Month Ahead

- Complete Council Training
- Meet with the club oversight to start the recertification and certification process
- Working in collaboration with Clubs Oversight to create club training
- Work on documentation management procedures
- Start training material for Committee Officer Training
- Continue to respond to any and all email inquiries (including club inquiries)
- Continuing club election processes
- Researching for documentation management softwares
- Looking through Club Financial ledgers with clubs oversight
- Continue attending Fall-O planning with University stakeholders and CUSA executives
- Supporting the hiring process of Policy Analyst
- Continue to look through Student-at-large committee member appointment processes

Aidan Kallioinen - Vice President Student Issues

- General onboarding and training items (ex. StudentCare, uOttawa legal clinic. senior management presentations)
- Transition wrap-up with Artur, community partner introductions
- City of Ottawa Food Waste Reduction Strategy Meetings
- Pulmonary Fibrosis Fundraiser Meetings
- Planning with Risk Management, Campus Card Office, and Mexican Embassy for a Dia de Muertos event in October
- Created and launched the Bank Transit Action Group website, of which CUSA is a partner
- Finished Advocacy Recap 2025



- Finished Parking Accessibility Report and data analysis
- Attended CASA Federal Election Symposium as part of Foundations
- Attended Canada After Dark conference with nightlife stakeholders
- Attended State of the Ward budget consultation with Coun. Menard
- Think Tank Policy and Terms of Reference (with VPI)
- Moose Hide Campaign Policy
- Moose Hide Campaign video (feat. Exec)
- Presentation to Nightlife Commissioner on survey findings
- Culturally-responsive mental health and counselling services initiative meetings with students
- Meeting with City for All Women Initiative on transit survey
- Office hours schedule, poster, and reel
- Meeting with environmental consultants ENUF about potential FROSH partnership (with VPSL)
- Student Discount Card discussions (with VPF)
- Meeting with student interested in starting transit-focused club on campus (with VPI)
- Met with Alastair Mullin, Carleton gov. relations on summer strategy
- Long-term event and campaign planning KPI and metric-setting
- Convocation photographer form initiative
- Inquiries into a CUSA Breakfast Club Program with Breakfast Clubs of Canada and Student Nutrition Ontario

Om Maradia - Vice President Finance/Treasurer

- Meeting between execs and the full-time staff to plan for the year. Discussed each executive's plans and initiatives.
- Meeting between the execs and the finance office to better understand roles/duties of each finance staff member and the finance processes/procedures/controls within the organization.
- Worked with the finance office after the meeting to better understand the various software/processes used by the team.
- Meeting with the business operations manager and the president for current and future plans for Haven, Ollies and Roosters.



- Weekly emails regarding collaboration/partnership.
- Set up the Scotia Connect account and made the transition from Samuel Easby.
- Reached out to Scotiabank representatives to transfer the signing authorities from student groups administrator to myself after meeting with VPI.
- Met with VPSL and building operations manager about fall orientations costs, and efficient planning on events that bring in student traffic.
- Met with USC supervisor to understand more about USC's functioning, role and impact on students.
- Visited CUSA businesses, service centers, and other places rented by CUSA with the team.
- Reviewed previous budgets, current budget allocations, and audited financial statements to gain a comprehensive understanding of CUSA's financial health.
- Compiled notes and key questions for discussion with the Director of Operations regarding financial trends and operational clarity.
- Held a strategic meeting with Lisa Yu to prepare for the upcoming 2024–25 financial year audit with BDO. Also reviewed current status and future planning for the Accessibility Fund.
- Participated in both Executive and Senior Management Meetings to align on executive priorities and collaborative planning.
- Engaged in a financial debrief with the former CUSA President to better understand the evolution of CUSA's financial operations and define short, medium-, and long-term financial goals.
- Contributed to fall orientation planning by attending meeting focused on budgeting and evaluating a partnership proposal.
- Supported year-end AFCOM reconciliations for 2024–25, ensuring clean transitions and accurate reporting.
- Attended a Studentcare meeting to deepen understanding of the health and dental plan and explored opportunities for optimizing CUSA's collaboration with Studentcare.
- Drafted a refreshed business outreach letter and began reaching out to past Student Discount Card (SDC) partner businesses to encourage their participation for the 2025–26 cycle.



- Initiated research into cost-effective outsourcing options for printing SDC cards, exploring vendors on platforms such as Alibaba and Temu.
- Recorded a video message in support of the Moose Hide Campaign, reinforcing CUSA's commitment to advocacy and awareness.
- Attended the first CUSA Board Meeting of the 2025–26 term, contributing to early-stage planning and engagement for the year ahead.
- Met with Jasna, a representative from uOttawa's Legal Clinic, to learn about the services available to Carleton students.
- Visited RBC with the Executive Director to explore potential partnerships and banking opportunities.
- Reached out to new businesses regarding participation in the Student Discount Card program.
- Met with the Business Operations Manager to identify additional sponsorship and business engagement opportunities.
- Responded to emails from previous Student Discount Card partners.
- Attended the StudentCare Stakeholder Conference in Montreal alongside the President to learn more about the health and dental plan, discuss social initiatives, and participate in leadership training.
- Networked with student leaders from across Canada, including representatives from Queen's University, University of Ottawa, UBC, Okanagan, University of Northern British Columbia, and University of Manitoba and others.
- Met with various student care staff to learn more about the organization and got the opportunity to connect with Alex Golovko, former CUSA president.
- Processed pending FPARF requests.

Month ahead

- Space utilization plan for renting CUSA spaces
- Reach out to BMO, TD and CIBC for partnerships and banking opportunities
- Research other student unions for their budget and audited statements
- Meeting with Wasserman Next Generation for sponsorship opportunity
- Student discount card pricing
- Finding new student discount card partners
- Reaching out to last year's SDC partners again



- SIF and AFCOM applications with VPI and VPSI respectively
- Assisting the finance office during internal audit
- Preparing for the upcoming BDO audit

Cass McIsaac (Vice President Student Life)

Monthly recap

Team Building & Onboarding

- Started role on May 1st, 2025
- Participated in team-building sessions with the executive team and full-time staff.
- Met with Ollies business Manager prior to Summer Layoff for introduction
- Toured CUSA-managed spaces to understand available logistical assets.
- Met with USC Coordinator (Neeni) to explore volunteer operations that could support Chonk Nation.
- Participated in team building activities
- Attended CUSA 101 meetings as an introduction.
- Met with many others throughout the month in support of onboarding.

Fall Orientation (Fall-O) & FROSH Planning

- Held multiple meetings with SEO and execs on Fall-O programming, logistics, and partnership concerns.
- Developed collaboration with RRRA around joint events
- Reviewed SEO artist shortlist for Fall-O concert; shared rankings for final decision with the executive team.
- Drafted preliminary Fall-O event plan and orientation structure.
- Attended Orientation Advisory Committee and Student Leader Assembly meeting.
- Identified gaps in SEO-CUSA partnership and worked on strategies to strengthen collaboration.
- Filmed the Moose Hide Campaign video, part of VPSI's initiatives :)

Internal Strategy, Planning & Budgeting



- Collaborated with executive team to define strategic goals.
- Presented short-, medium-, and long-term goals to senior management.
- Began restructuring the \$130K VPSL budget into functional categories.
- Met with the Finance Manager to clarify budget processes and marketing cost responsibilities.
- Identified documentation gaps in historical event planning; began organizing and improving file management systems.

Chonk Nation Development

- Presented the Chonk Nation Proposal to the President and VPI.
- Finalized Job Descriptions; pending submission to HR.
- Distributed return-interest forms to 2024–2025 volunteers and held consultations to assess engagement and retention.
- Met with USC Coordinator to draw volunteer management insights.
- Drafted Code of Conduct and started a Request Document for internal resource use.
- Developed an updated Chonk Nation Budget, set for executive review.

Communication & Student Engagement

- Consistently responded to inquiries from students, event promoters, and student groups.
- Met with a former VPSL for mentorship on strategy and expectations.
- Supported Councillor Louima in reviewing responses for the end-of-August CUSA Mixer.

Partnerships & External Relations

- Built foundational plans for co-hosted programming with RRRA.
- Met with StudentCare to explore wellness services for students, especially during Fall-O.
- Re-engaged past service partners and began evaluating current partnership value.
- Initiated sponsorship discussions with VPF for event-related support.



Promotions, Merch & Branding

- Evaluated free merch samples from Big Tree Promotions; gathered feedback for final decisions.
- Explored branding and design of a "CUSA Orientation" identity including logo, visual tone, and merchandising.
- Planned promo assets with the Comms and design teams.

Looking Ahead: Priorities for June & Beyond

Chonk Nation Expansion & Operations

- Launch Applications for:
 - Team Leads
 - General Volunteers
 - Content Creators
 - Additional key roles as needed
- Submit finalized Job Descriptions and Code of Conduct to HR.
- Prepare onboarding and volunteer engagement structure.

Budget & Resource Management

- Present full VPSL Budget Breakdown to execs, including allocations for:
 - o Fall-O logistics
 - Chonk Nation
 - Promotions & merch
 - Year-round programming
- Present Chonk Nation Budget with increased funding for training, events, and support.

Event Vendor Research & Partnerships

- Begin building a list of Ottawa-based event vendors for:
 - Staging, catering, talent, logistics
- Compare pricing and service quality.
- Focus on student-friendly, DEI-conscious, and community-based companies.



• Work with VPF to review contracts and explore sponsorship opportunities.

Orientation Branding & Promotion

- Work on Fall-O branding with comms and other relevant parties
- Integrate branding into merch, event graphics, and volunteer materials.
- Begin creation of:
 - o Orientation schedule posters
 - CN recruitment

Council & Student Life Committee

- Follow up with Councillor Louima on CUSA Mixer form feedback.
 - o Begin proposal draft for the Mixer to submit to VPI.
- Create a standardized event evaluation document for the Student Life Committee to streamline event reviews.

7. External Reports

- a. Rideau River Residence Association
 - Report given
- b. Carleton Academic Student Government
- c. Graduate Students' Association
- d. Senate
- e. Board of Governors

8. Council Reports

- a. Constituency Reports
 - i. FPA
 - ii. FASS
 - iii. Business
 - iv. Science
 - v. FED
- b. Committee Reports

9. Announcements and Correspondence



- a. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest
- b. Items for Information
 - i. Statement of resignation of Councillor Nathan Bruni

Motion to Accept Councillor Nathan Bruni's Resignation Letter (C-03) Whereas, Council has been presented with a resignation letter from Councillor Bruni to be considered in his absence from the meeting;

And whereas, Council has the right to request to be excused from duty as outlined in Robert's Rules of Order s.32.2;

And Whereas, Council should declare how the seat will be filled;

And Whereas, this motion cannot be postponed as per Robert's Rules of Order s.32:2.2;

Be it resolved, Council accept the resignation and request to be excused from duty from Councillor Bruni;

Be it further resolved, the vacancy be filled at the October by-election.

Moved: M. Heroux

Seconded: A. Kopytskiy

13 yays, 5 nays

Carried with Majority

- ii. CUSA Nightlife Safety Survey Findings
- iii. Anti-Arab and Palestinian Discrimination Report
- iv. Notice of Applications for Student-at-large positions in committees
- v. Update on the Policy Review Mandate Letter
- c. Notice of Motion



d. Question Period

10. Regular Business

a. Unfinished Business

Motion to Amend the CUSA Bylaws Regarding Rules on Proxies (C-109)

Whereas, CUSA Councillors or Members (as referred to in the CUSA Bylaws) have been taking advantage of proxy votes during Council business;

Whereas, during the March 31st, 2025, Annual Members Meeting (III), Members of Council had accumulated several proxy votes and it brought into question the integrity of the votes made during that Council meeting;

Whereas, the concern of soliciting proxy votes was raised during the March 31st, 2025, meeting which could be seen as a violation of the Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act, 2010.

And whereas, the abuse of proxy voting has weakened the trustworthiness and integrity of CUSA Council.

Be it Resolved, CUSA Council amend Bylaw 6.16 to the following:

6.16 Can Members vote by proxy?

If a Member is unavailable to attend or participate in a Members' Meeting, they may appoint another Member to vote for them by proxy. No member shall hold the proxy vote of more than two (2) other Members of Council.

Moved: M. Heroux Seconded: Y. Abdulla

16 yays, 0 nays

Referred to the Policy Review Committee



b. New Business

Motion To Endorse the "Arms Embargo Now" Statement and Question Canadian Inaction On the Palestinian Humanitarian Crisis. (C-04)

Whereas, the <u>State of Israel has engaged in the creation of a man made</u> <u>famine</u> threatening the lives of all Palestinians;

And whereas, Tom Fletcher, a UN humanitarian chief, said on May 20th "14,000 babies in Gaza could die in the next 48 hours if lorries of aid do not reach communities in the Strip";

And whereas, the Foreign Ministers of Iceland, Ireland, Luxembourg, Norway, Slovenia, and Spain released a joint statement condemning the Israeli plan to expand its military operations in Gaza;

And whereas, the Catalan government's trade and investment office in Tel Aviv is to be closed in response to the actions of the State of Israel, the United Kingdom has paused trade talks with Israel, and the European Union is reviewing its relationship with Israel;

And whereas, shots have been fired around Canadian diplomats in Jenin by the IDF, a consequence of Canada's continued trade with the Israeli regime amidst ongoing human rights violations within the occupied Palestinian territories, such as ethnic cleansing and mass starvation;

And whereas, other students' associations including Scarborough and York have signed onto the "Arms Embargo Now" statement;



And whereas, faculty associations have signed onto the statement at Toronto Metropolitan University as well as CUPE Ontario, and "Faculty 4 Palestine" along with groups at Saint Mary's University, University of Western, and University of Guelph;

And whereas, other associations have signed the statement including, but not limited to, Amnesty International Canada, Canada BDS Coalition, the Canadian Federation of Students, and the Ottawa Chapter of the Council of Canadians;

And whereas, the Canadian Government has not taken meaningful action in response to Israel's conduct, having only signed statements that stop short of enforcing concrete consequences such as sanctions on Israel;

Be it resolved, that CUSA sign onto the "Arms Embargo Now" statement demanding an arms embargo on Israel from the Canadian government;

Be it further resolved, that CUSA's divestment subcommittee shall draft a statement for CUSA to release addressing the man made famine caused by Israel blocking virtually all aid into Gaza, and the actions the Canadian government should take;

Be it further resolved, that the CUSA President, on behalf of CUSA, send this same statement to the office of the Minister of Foreign Affairs



Anita Anand, condemning Canada's silence and inaction while also urging her to comment on and investigate the situation.

Moved: M. El Fitori **Seconded:** R. Itani

17 yays, 1 abstain (Councillor Muzzatti)

Carried with Majority

Motion to Endorse a Teach-in for Graduating Students (C-05)

Whereas, students for Justice in Palestine (SJP) Carleton will be hosting a teach-in for graduating students at an unconfirmed date in June;

And whereas, the teach-in will have prominent community organizers as speakers. It will be focused on educating students on continuing activism after graduation;

And whereas, the encouraged activism is a result of the ongoing genocide in Gaza, and Canada's involvement in it through the refusal of a complete two-way arms embargo on Israel.

And whereas, the genocide has resulted in the complete destruction of all universities in Gaza. Tens of thousands of students have been killed. No student will be graduating this year and no one has graduated since the genocide began in October 2023;



And whereas, CUSA affirms students' right to protest and condemns universities unjustly withholding degrees based on students' decisions to speak out.

Be it resolved that, CUSA promotes the event on their Instagram page in a collaborative post with SJP.

Moved: M. Sivanesan **Seconded:** M. El Fitori

16 yays, 1 abstain (Muzzatti) Carried with Majority

Motion to Adopt the 2025 Advocacy Recap Report (C-06)

Whereas, CUSA's Advocacy Team engages in a regular review process, highlighting the successes and challenges of our advocacy work throughout the academic year;

And whereas, the Advocacy Recap is designed to provide a public-facing, transparent, and honest overview of the Advocacy Team's efforts;

And whereas, advocacy documents such as the Advocacy Recap are within Council's mandate to adopt or reject as per the Council Terms of Reference;

Be it resolved, that Council adopts the Advocacy Recap Draft.

Moved: A. Agyei-Gyamera **Seconded:** J. Doduck

13 yays, 1 nay



Postponed with majority

Motion to Adopt the CUSA's Parking Accessibility Report (C-07)

Whereas, CUSA's Advocacy Team identified accessibility concerns, especially parking, as a ;

And whereas, the Parking Accessibility Report identifies challenges and recommendations, provides an overview of the survey's results, and includes price comparisons with other universities;

And whereas, advocacy documents such as the Parking Accessibility Report are within Council's mandate to adopt or reject as per the Council Terms of Reference;

Be it resolved, that Council adopts the Parking Accessibility Report.

Moved: Y. Abdulla **Seconded:** W. Louima

12 yays, 1 nay
Postponed with majority

Motion to Adopt the Moose Hide Campaign Policy (C-08)

Whereas, CUSA is committed to upholding the principles of solidarity with Canada's Indigenous peoples and the Calls to Action as outlined by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission;

And whereas, the Moose Hide Campaign is a day of ceremony where all Canadians are called to join together to take a stand against violence towards



women and children and to take practical steps for our collective journey of reconciliation;

And whereas, CUSA's policies and stances provide us opportunity to codify and reaffirm our commitments through advocacy.

Be it resolved, that Council adopts the Moose Hide Campaign Policy. To be amended:

5a. Awareness and advocacy surrounding disproportionate gender-based violence

5f. And the meaning of the Moose Hide Campaign, defending Indigenous women and children, with particular reference to the local Anishinabek peoples of Turtle Island, and the local First Nations communities in and around Ottawa.

Moved: W. Louima Seconded: M. Heroux

19 yays, 0 nays, Carried unanimously

Motion to Discontinue Weekly Executive Reports (C-09)

Whereas, the requirement for weekly executive reports was introduced by the previous Council during the summer of 2024;

And whereas, executive reports allow Council to maintain accountability of the Executives;

Be it resolved that, the CUSA Council discontinues the requirement for weekly executive reports from the executive team, and instate bi-weekly (every two weeks) Executive Reports in its place, effective immediately;



Be it further resolved that, executives continue to provide detailed monthly reports and maintain regular office hours to ensure transparency and accessibility for all councillors and members of the student body.

Moved: M. Heroux Seconded: Y. Abdulla

10 yays, 2 nays

Carried with Majority

Motion to Amend the External Affairs Committee Composition (C-10)

Whereas, the Vice President Community Engagement role is no longer an active position within the Carleton University Students' Association (CUSA);

Whereas, the External Affairs Committee currently lists the Vice President Community Engagement as a voting member, creating a structural gap in committee composition;

Whereas, this gap directly contributed to the External Affairs Committee being unable to operate effectively during the 2024–2025 governance year;

Be it resolved that, the External Affairs Committee mandate and committee composition be amended to remove the Vice President Community Engagement as a voting member;

Be it further resolved that, the Vice President Student Life and Vice President Student Issues be added as a voting member of the External Affairs Committee to ensure full functionality and appropriate representation of student life initiatives moving forward.



Be it further resolved that, the External Affairs Committee Composition will be the following

COMPOSITION

- 2. Per section 12 of the Committees Policy, this Committee shall have the following members:
 - (a) a minimum of four (4) councillors;
- (b) the Vice President Community Engagement as a voting member; and
 - (c) the Vice President Student Life as a voting member; and
- (d) the Vice President Student Issues as a non-voting resource member; and
- (c) (e) Any CUSA full-time staff member, upon invitation, as the non-voting resource member.

Moved: W. Louima Seconded: R. Itani

17 yays, 0 nays Carried Unanimously

Motion to Temporarily Amend the Composition of the CUSA Clubs Oversight Commission (C-11)

Whereas, the current composition of the CUSA Clubs Oversight Commission includes the CUSA Student Groups Administrator as a voting member; **And whereas**, the Student Groups Administrator is a staff position and not an elected or student-representative role;



And whereas, the position of the Student Groups Administrator is currently unfilled, leaving a vacancy on the Clubs Oversight Commission;

And whereas, The position of the Student Groups Administrator is not a role that will be re-filled during the re-certification and certification processes, causing delays in the certification and recertification process;

Be it resolved that, the CUSA Clubs Oversight Commission composition be amended by removing the CUSA Student Groups Administrator as a voting member;

Be it further resolved that, this position be replaced by an additional CUSA Councillor, to maintain student-led oversight.

Moved: M. El Fitori Seconded: W. Louima

8 yays, 0 nays Carried unanimously

Motion to Temporarily Appoint a Councillor to the Clubs Oversight Commission (C-12)

Whereas, CUSA Council has a representative that serves on the Clubs Oversight Commission:

And Whereas, Council must decide on their representative on the Commission.
And whereas, the position of Student Groups Administrator is currently unfilled and that seat needs to be filled temporarily;

Be it resolved, that Jack Doduck or Boothania Sheltami be appointed as the second Council Representative on the Clubs Oversight Commission.

Moved: W. Louima Seconded: J. Doduck

9 yays to table, 7 against tabling



Motion postponed

Motion to Amend Quorum Requirements for the Clubs Oversight Commission Temporarily (C-13)

Whereas, the Clubs Oversight Committee currently requires full membership to reach quorum for meetings;

Whereas, the student-at-large position on the committee has not yet been filled for the 2025–2026 governance year;

Whereas, the certification and recertification period for clubs is a big task to undertake and needs to be started immediately to ensure that clubs are able to receive funding, support and more in preparation for the academic year and clubs expo

And whereas, Council tabled a motion to fill a 2nd Council vacancy;

Be it resolved that, quorum for the Clubs Oversight Commission be temporarily set at two (2) members until the student-at-large position is appointed;

Be it further resolved that, upon the appointment of the 2nd councillor the temporary quorum be set to three (3) until the student at large is appointed;

Be it further resolved, upon the appointment of the above the positions quorum be set back at its original number.

Moved: G. Maldonado Jimenez Seconded: W. Louima

15 yays, 0 nays

Carried Unanimously

Motion to Appoint Committee Placements for 2025/2026 (C-14)



Whereas, as per s.9 of the CUSA Council Committees Policy (G-04), Councillors are required to serve on a minimum of one committee;

Whereas, each standing committee needs a minimum of (4) councillors as per their mandate letter;

Be it resolved that, the following councillors be appointed into their respective committees.

Finance, Fees and Funds Committee has the following councillors;

- Councillor Kopytskiy
- Councillor Maldonado Jimenez
- Councillor Tran
- Councillor BLANK
- Councillor BLANK
- Councillor BLANK
- Councillor BLANK

Student Life Committee has the following councillors;

- Councillor Abdulla
- Councillor Louima
- Councillor Zhang
- Councillor Ahmed
- Councillor Ojediran
- Councillor BLANK
- Councillor BLANK

University Affairs Committee has the following councillors;

- Councillor Itani
- Councillor El Fitori
- Councillor Abdulla



- Councillor Doduck
- Councillor Heroux
- Councillor Sivanesan
- Councillor Orlowski

External Affairs Committee has the following councillors;

- Councillor Boamah
- Councillor Tran
- Councillor Heroux
- Councillor Maldonado Jimenez
- Councillor Doduck
- Councillor Sivanesan
- Councillor El Fitori
- Councillor Doduck

Policy Review Committee has the following councillors;

- Councillor El Fitori
- Councillor Abdulla
- Councillor Louima
- Councillor Kopytskiy
- Councillor Tran
- Councillor Boamah
- Councillor Doduck
- Councillor Heroux

Moved: R. Itani Seconded: J. Doduck

12 yays, 0 nays

Carried Unanimously



Motion for June Training Days for CUSA Council 2025/2026 (C-15)

Whereas effective governance requires that councillors are well-informed and adequately prepared to fulfill their responsibilities;

Whereas the beginning of the Council term benefits from timely training to ensure clarity on policies, procedures, and strategic goals;

Whereas the month of June precedes the first full council meeting and provides a practical window for preparation;

Be it resolved that CUSA implements two mandatory training days for all elected council members during the month of June, prior to the June council meeting of the 2025–2026 term;

Be it further resolved that the Vice President Internal coordinate these training sessions to include:

- CUSA's structure and by-laws
- Council procedures and Robert's Rules of Order
- Equity and inclusion training
- Overview of portfolios and committee responsibilities
- Strategic planning and budgeting basics

Be it further resolved that the specific dates and format (in-person or hybrid) of the training be announced no later than June 3rd, 2025.

Moved: M. El Fitori Seconded: R. Itani

Unanimous consent asked Carried Unanimously



11. Adjournment

a. Motion to Adjourn to a Specific Time

Be it resolved, that Council adjourns until 6:00 p.m. on June 30th 2025, and that this shall constitute for the purposes of the *Act* and our *Bylaws*, prior notice.

Moved: M. El Fitori **Seconded:** M. Heroux

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00 p.m.