CUSA DECEMBER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY DECEMBER 5TH 2019 @6:00 PM
SENATE ROOM, ROBERTSON HALL

Prepared by:
Farook Al-Muflehi, VP Internal
AGENDA

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The meeting commenced at 6:15pm

1. Announcements and Correspondence

None.

2. Approval of the Agenda

MOVED: Sarah Abbas
SECONDED: Kareem Alwazir

Motion passes.

3. Approval of Past Minutes

MOVED: Pierce Burch
SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

Motion passes.
4. President’s Report

Please see midterm report.

5. Vice Presidents’ Reports
a. Vice President Finance

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d. Vice President of Student Services

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e. Vice President of Student Life

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6. RRRA Report

Douglas: Ticket sales for Residence Formal which will take place on February First.

7. GSA Report

None.

8. CASG Report

Matthew Gagne: Our VP Academic is stepping down as their are going overseas for exchange. We are looking to fill that exec position. If you are interested please email our president.

9. Senate Report

None.

10. Board of Governors Report

Taylor: We had our full board meeting and had Jim Watson spoke about his relationship with Carleton and what is going on in the Ottawa community. We also passed our operating budget framework. We reappointed our VP Students and enrollment. The most exciting one, one that I am passionate about is we had the Carleton University Indigenous strategic initiative committee come and show us their 41 calls to action. So we thank them for their efforts and we recognize that we will work into the implementation process and anything that needs approval will come back to the board. We updated our strategic integrative plan.

11. Constituency Report

None.
12. Committee Reports

None.

13. Items for information

None.

14. Questions:

You said you will do a week about housing. Is there a program and a way for students to reach out?

Jamie; Yes, it is something we are looking to do and when it comes to subletting, that is something that we can look into.
Motion to Fill the Electoral Board for the 2020-2021 CUSA General Election

PRESENTATION SUMMARY:

Whereas in section 6.1 of the CUSA Electoral Code states that for every election, recall, or referendum there shall be an Electoral Board;

Whereas section 6.2 states that the Electoral Board shall be convened by CUSA Council no later than the day of the presentation of the writ of election, recall or referendum

Whereas section 6.4(i) sets out the restrictions as to whom can sit on the board to: no one who currently holds a position on CUSA Council or in the Executive, or who is or expects to be a candidate for such a position during the term of the Electoral Board may hold the position of member therein.

INFORMATION TRANSFER:

Be it resolved that CUSA Council strike and fill the Electoral Board with the following composition:
   a. The Chair, being the Carleton University Ombudsperson
   b. The Members, being five (5) individuals appointed by CUSA Council;

Be it further resolved that CUSA Council approve an honorarium of $50 per board member.

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi    SECONDED: Jacob Howell
Candidates;

Adam Khan;

I am Adam Ali Khan, final year student at Carleton U, my journey here began in 2015 and it has been quite the ride; I find myself irrevocably attached to the school and would be extremely grateful for an opportunity to be able to participate and bring real change, and give back to the community that has offered me immense growth and knowledge. my dear friend and colleague, Jamie Pettis brought to my attention that you are looking for candidates to fill positions at the electoral board; and are having an emergency meeting. I would like to offer myself as a potential candidate for the same, and would like to meet in person to see how much I can offer. I have a strong feeling that I can bring value to the board. I am attaching a copy of my resume, for you reference. You will find my past experience with student governments and other prefectorial roles I have been assigned throughout my tenure at Billabong High International School, India.

Apart from that I have also been part of the International press committee at Indian International Model United Nations (2014); and was awarded best delegate; and I have maintained a great professional relationship with the proprietors of IIMUN for last 5 years. My executive roles in prefectorial bodies, also are a testament to my love for a democratic setup, and my faith in democracy to bring change to its people. I humbly request you to consider me as a potential candidate. strongly hope to meet with you in person. Thank-you.

Tolu Lawal;

To Whom it may concern,

This role appeals to me because I want to be part of something bigger than just myself or any one person. I am a strong believer in democracy amongst students and students having their voice be heard. I have been around politics for a long time. Since early adolescents, I have either ran in an election or been part of the successful democratic electoral process. It would be an honour to work for not just the student association of Carleton, but the actual student body. My goal is to get more involved with the students at Carleton and I believe this position will help me do that. This position will also be a great opportunity to display my previous knowledge of elections but also strengthen my many skills that are required. I believe that my skills make me very qualified for this position. I have worked in many supervisory positions that require plenty of organization. At all positions, I have met or most times exceeded expectations. During my time at Elections Canada, I was trained for various positions including polling clerk, CEO, and DEO. I was hired to be a polling clerk, but because of my technical skill set as well as the ability to communicate with everybody, I was ultimately decided to be the chief officer at my polling station. I was later asked to stay on and work full time with Elections Canada. I believe with my expertise in this process, I can guarantee smooth conduction of operations. My technical skillset and experiences in supervisor positions make me qualified for this position as part of your team. I would love to be part of this process and do my part in making sure all students voices are heard. I understand the role and the delicacy that accompanies it. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions!

Thank you so much for consideration,
Hi everyone,

My name is Huzaif Qaisar and I am currently in my 2nd year, double majoring in Political Science and Law. I have a passion for pursuing a career in Politics and aspire to become a politician one day. Therefore, I understand the importance of a fair and just election being held, that runs seamlessly and impartially. It is of the utmost importance that the board consists of people who will hold the values of an impartial and fair election to the highest standards and learn to put their biases aside. Therefore, I believe I would be the ideal candidate to serve on the board. Apart from that, I have served on my high-school electoral board and electoral boards for various school clubs, which has given me direct experience on how an election should be held and the violations that can occur during an election. I have also worked in the federal government as a legislative assistant for over six months, which gave me direct insight and valuable experience on the importance of fair elections being held and how an election should be held. Taking into consideration my practical experience and my values, I truly believe I could play a vital role in serving on the electoral board and serve as a qualified board member. Thank you.

Shreya Virani

Third year-Bachelors of Social Work. Executive member of Ottawa Ismaili Students Association-OISA (club on campus). House Captain(prefectorial board) for my high school. An executive committee with MetroMUN and AKAH-MUN

Motion passes.

All four have been elected to serve on the committee.
Motion to strike and fill Electoral Review Committee

Presentation Summary

Where as CUSA Council created a new committee to draft a report to council outlining:
   a. General issues with the conduct of the election or referendum discovered by the committee
   b. Trends in turnout
   c. Logistical challenges encountered during the electoral process
   d. Issues raised by candidates and voters
   e. Any other matters relevant to CUSA’s democratic process.

Information transfer:

Be it resolved that CUSA council elect an electoral review committee be composed of
   a. Two students at large
   b. At least two members of council

Moved: Farook Al-Muflehi  Seconded: Jacob Howell

Farook; They just analyze and review the elections and recommend things to do for the upcoming election.

Candidates;

Micheal; When I came straight from Nigeria, I came during the winter semester and in the middle of elections. UC was so packed and busy and full. I want to get involved in carleton. I am an exec for the nigerian society and helped with their election. I want to be on this committee and help and also seek out what is best for carleton students.
Aaron; I am very hard working and detail oriented which I believe is important for this position and will do everything I can in this position.

Davis; I have experience in running elections. I ran 3 elections in highschool and believe I have the experience for this position.

Council voted. Micheal and Aaron will sit on the committee.

Motion passes.
Motion to Change Title and Duties of the Vice President Student Services

PRESENTATION SUMMARY:

Whereas the 2019 CUSA Strategic Plan provided an opportunity to assess the tasks, duties and work flow of the executive team.

Whereas there are a significant amount of initiatives that CUSA needs to undertake to better serve the student body and with some overlap between full time staff duties and executive duties, the opportunity to re-align priorities and duties is evident.

INFORMATION TRANSFER:

Be it Resolved that Council adopt the following:

The title of the existing Vice President Student Services, be renamed to Vice President Community Engagement.

The Carleton University Students’ Association Vice President Community Engagement shall:

1. Organize and promote career opportunities and trainings to prepare students for their careers after graduation
2. Foster collaborative initiatives with the University administration and departments
3. Maintain relationships with other student associations across the country
4. Foster collaborative initiatives with the Ottawa community at large
5. Maintain Alumni relationships and partnerships
6. In conjunction with the Sponsorship Coordinator, generate revenue opportunities for CUSA through external partnerships.
7. In conjunction with the Services Manager, ensure continued viability and visibility of all CUSA Service Centres.
8. Sit on the Accessibility Fund Committee

Moved: Lily Akagbosu Seconded: Farook Al-Muflehi
Lily: So earlier this year when we released our strategic element plan, we identified our critical element for success is consistency. Our general theme for the year is how to create a CUSA that is sustainably that will withstand anything that comes up during the years, like the SCI. So we realize we need to restructure our structure as executives, so we saw an opportunity in the VP SS. Which they can engage the community. This way not only our Student services can benefit but the students of Carleton as a whole.

Vote; Unanimous
Motion passes.

16. Adjournment

MOVED: Jacob Howell                        SECONDED: Sarah Abbas

Motion Passes. Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 pm