CUSA COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 25TH 2019 @6:00 PM
PATTERSON HALL

Prepared by:
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   f. Motion to Fill the Vacant Student Initiative Fund Committee Seat
16. Adjournment
The meeting commenced at 6:25 pm

1. **Announcements and Correspondence:**
None.

2. **Approval of the Agenda**

   MOVED: Jacob Howell                     SECONDED: George Owusu-Mensah

   Motion passes.

3. **Approval last Minutes**

   MOVED: Jacob Howell                     SECONDED: Sarah Abbass

   Motion passes.
4. President's Report:

President’s Report

June 25th, 2019

Past Month:
➢ Convocation: chancellor installation, ceremonies & dinners
➢ Community events
➢ Implement a new project management system (Monday.com)
➢ CFS Semi-Annual National General Meeting (June 8-11) with Sissi
➢ Fall Orientation Add-ons
➢ Strategic Planning Session with SEO
➢ Year Long Communication Plan: Working with Christine, Jamie, Travis
➢ Senate Meeting
➢ Student Choice Initiative Stats Report from Admin
➢ Peer Tutoring: Nimbus agreement
➢ Gym Live Tracker Victory
➢ Sponsorship
➢ CUSA Renovations

Ongoing Projects:
➢ Strategic Plan Summary
➢ CUSA Agenda
➢ CUSA Swag & Promotional Orders
➢ FYC Mentorship Program Training

Month Ahead:
➢ Consistent Funding Expectations: In collaboration with Jacob
➢ Senate Meeting
➢ Equity Services Meetings
➢ Student Jobs under Executive Portfolios

If you have any questions, you can always reach me by e-mail at pres@cusaonline.ca or by phone at 613 520 2600 x1603

Sincerely,

Lily Akagbosu
5. Vice Presidents’ Reports
a. Vice President Finance

V.P Finance Report

June 25th, 2019

Past Month

- Rooster’s On-The-Go
  - New PoS in progress
  - Rooster’s On-The-Go integration
- Summer Clubs Funding
  - Met with Clubs to provide Summer Funding/Sponsorship
- Sponsorships
  - Molson Partnership
  - Other miscellaneous revenue
- Panda Gear
  - Frosh Add-On Swag

Ongoing Projects

- Budget Composition
  - Executive and Business Portfolios
- Oliver’s Renovations
  - Construction Stage begun
  - Capital Asset Purchases
- Student Choice Initiative
  - Awaiting Data for Projections

Month Ahead

- Oliver’s Renovations
  - Confirming Layout and Design
- Finalizing Budget
  - Meet With Respective Departments to Review Budget Proposals
- Capital Asset Purchases
  - Oliver’s and Other Assets
- Tory Junction
  - Meet With Farook and Admin to Develop Strategic Plan

If you have any questions, you can always reach me by e-mail at vpf@cusaoonline.ca or by phone at 613 520 2600 x1604

Sincerely,
Jacob Howell
b. Vice president internal affairs

V.P Internal Report

June 25th, 2019

❖  Past Month

➢ Posting and advertising council Council positions and committee positions
➢ Clubs Funding
➢ Installation of cameras in storage rooms
➢ Transitioning Club Chair and Clerk

❖  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 the council
➢ Clubs Funding
➢ Policy Points; Tory Junction, Clubs startup fund, etc.
➢ Community partnerships for clubs
   ● Busses, Photo Booths, Venues
➢ Planning retreat and organizing tasks for the year
   ● Faculty of the month/Semester

❖  Next Month

➢ Clubs exposure to the incoming students
➢ Changing the passcodes of storage rooms

If you have any questions, you can always reach me by e-mail at vpi@cusaonline.ca or by phone at 613 520 2600 x1607

Sincerely,

Farook Al-Muflehi
V.P Student Issues Report

June 25th, 2019

Past Weeks

- Met with Equity Services about an Inclusion Week that will hopefully take place in November. We are still finalizing how it will look like and the overall messages we want to include.

- Sat in the FPA Committee Search for a new Dean. We will meet again in September. If you have any concerns/things you would like to see in the next Dean let me know, specially FPA councilors.

- Attended CFS Semi-Annual National General Meeting here in Kanata. It went pretty smoothly in terms of schedule, meal breaks etc. The main takeaways is that they passed the budget and are projecting an 800k deficit based on SCI and money spent on the lawsuit against the government - still waiting on more details about this.
  - In terms of motions, a Black Causes was formed, two motions regarding Indigenous people passed, one about truth and reconciliation and the other one about missing indigenous women. The motions that did not pass were: to allocate a fund to help locals (schools) bring students from marginalized communities to CFS meetings like NGM, another one that did not pass was the separation from provincial and federal fees.
  - For those who asked about Skills Symposium: due to budget cuts, they will not have one big Skills symposium but if a local wants to host one for their students they can contact CFS. However, I was talking to their execs to see if we could still send some of our students to the GTA skills instead of doing one just for ourselves.

- Took SafeTALK training with Farook yesterday as we will be Peer Mentors with FYC starting the Fall semester.

Ongoing Projects

- Peer-to-Peer Tutoring program
  - I had a couple of conversations with the University regarding how we can execute this promise the best we can.
  - Talked to another university’s tutor coordinator to see how they executed the program and any feedback we should be aware of.

- Campaigns
  - I created a timeline for each month to ensure workshops, events, are well spread
out throughout the weeks.
○ If there is anything you would like to see for each theme, come by my office to chat.

- Federal election campaign
  ○ Talking to Elections Canada to set up a debate during the months of October
  ○ Matt from CASG and I are looking into making an information sheet/video to educate students on how to register/how to vote.

Month Ahead
- Working on promotional items for each campaign
  ○ Talking to our communications coordinator to ensure we have the best promotional items for the campaigns
- Hopefully connecting with the soon-to-be SI committee to see how we can tackle students issues this year
- Finding speakers for the biggest campaigns - looking to combine local speakers with big ones, depending on the month theme.

If you have any questions, or you just want to talk, you can always reach me by e-mail at vpsi@cusaonline.ca or by phone at 613 520 2600 x1617

Sincerely,

Sissi De Flaviis Vivas
V.P Student Services Report

June 25th, 2019

Past Weeks
- Conducting interviews for service centre positions.
- Finalized merger between ISC and Rec Hall with new name Racialized and International Students Experience (RISE)

Ongoing Projects
- Service Centre Hiring - On going
- Service Centre and VPSS budget creation with VPF
- Service Centre Programming Outline
- New RISE Centre renovations/ All service Centre Spaces (Anything that needs fixing)
- Revamping ISM structure and Service Centre Weekly Report-Monday.com (More Fun and Engaging)

Point of Information
- Information about jobs can be found on cusaonline.ca/jobs. Please share this with your constituents, especially those who may be job searching. The VPI and myself will reach out to council too see if any councillors are available for this round of interviews

This Month
- Service Centre onboarding and Full Training Week (Mental Health First Aid, Safetalk, First Aid, Anti-Oppression training)
- Planning of Service Centre Open House for Frosh with SEO
- Planning Canadian Tour Program

If you have any questions, you can always reach me by e-mail at vpss@cusaonline.ca or by phone at 613 520 2600 x1606

Sincerely,

George Owusu-Mensah
6. RRRA Report

Douglas: There’s not much to go over, but there’s 2 main things. We just reopened Abstentions so if you find yourself in Residence commons and you’re hungry come swing by. Additionally, we’re actually starting a new committee this year on RRRA council. It will be made up of 2-4 representatives and students who get identified with accessibility on barriers and then we’ll take that meeting most likely once a month and bring any concerns questions to Heather. Those are the 2 main things we have.

7. GSA Report:

Ashley: I’m Ashley from the Graduation Student Association. So, I'm gonna keep it short, there’s a few things I’ve been working on obviously the campaign for Student Choice Initiative. There's a campaign that we called “Don't Check The Box”. It comes with a terribly funny video of all the executives and emphasis on terrible. But it’s still pretty good, you can check it out on GSA Carleton on Facebook. We are trying to keep the peer support program going for graduate students. Administration cut it in half and it costs about $10,000 to run. So we’re just trying to find ways to raise funds to keep that going because it’s very important for graduate students. We’re going to be passing our budget in the next council which is on Thursday. We anticipated that 30% opting rate for the non mandatory fees. So our budget reflects that. And then we are also preparing for our welcome weeks which normally is 2 weeks but I think we’re reducing it to one week just because of the financial instability that we’re at but it’ll also be loaded with lots of events and fun for grad students.

8. CASG Report

None.

9. Senate Report

None.
10. Board of Governors Report:
The board hasn’t met since the last student council to now but there will be a meeting in 2 days on Thursday. And we have a call for observers up so if anybody wants to come it begins at 3 pm, it’s in richcraft hall. Just message me for the number. It’s not actually on the website. It's on a first come first serve basis. If you want to go, the email is amada.goth@carleton.ca. Just email her, she’s lovely she’ll let you come to the meeting if you want to learn about what the board of governors is all about. If you have any questions you can also ask me about it. If it fills up really quickly there’s also seats in 617 Southam Hall where you can also watch the livestream from there. So after that meeting, there will be the board welcome dinner. We’ll be welcoming new students. For the undergrads it will be myself assuming the board approves this, and our incoming graduates for this year will be Abdulwahab Wehamy, so say hi to him if you ever see him around, he's great a very kind guy. As well as, grad student Jessica Follerton and Reema Fac. They'll be there too ,so I’m looking forward to partnering with them going into this new term and hopefully you guys will be able to meet them throughout the year as well. The only other thing that happened on the BOD lately has been our attendance at the chancellor's installation and convocation ceremonies .Unfortunately, I couldn’t meet the Chancellor because I was on a trip to Belize but got back and I was able to go to a convocation ceremony on Friday so I was happy to take pride in that and support the board. So,if you have any questions let me know.

11. Constituency Report:
None.

12. Committee Reports
None.

13. Items for Information
None.
14. Question Period:

**Ashley:** I got a question either for Lilly or George, I know that Mawandoseg, the indigenious centre, has a campaign every year which is also called RISE that may or may not conflict with RISE center. How are the execs or coordinator or both going to distinguish the RISE campaign with the new RISE center?

**Lily:** honestly we can talk about that after the meeting it’s quite a lengthy conversation, but there was quite a process for selecting the name and I think that was definitely considered. There’s also consultations with different committee members so hopefully its not in conflict but we can talk about it a little more after the meeting just so we don't take up too much time.
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

● 2 Faculty of Engineering and Design Councillors

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi  SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

Representatives:

Firas Aboujame:

Hello everyone, I’m in my second year doing my Biomedical and electrical engineering bachelors. So I was really interested in the councilors position. It’s actually something that's related to my career in the engineering program. I was actually encouraged by a lot of people. I was also volunteering in a lot of clubs and societies. Like the Palestinian Student Association, Cu Smile and once for the community association. Thankyou.

Afaq Ahmed; (Farook reading on behalf)

My name is Afaq Ahmad and I’m in my final year of civil engineering. When I first joined Carleton I had no interest in engineering. engineering and wanted to be a politician but my family wanted me to do engineering first. Over the years I have developed a liking to civil engineering and since this being my final year I decided to do something with cusa and want to be a fed councillor I feel this would give me more insight in the engineering career and would help me raise issues that engineering students face. It would also help me to be a better person and make me a better politician and serve the community to a maximum which still is my ultimate goal.
Adedotun Illorri;

Hey everyone, how’s it going. My name is Dotun, I’m from Nigeria. I’m in my 2nd year civil engineering so essentially I’m running for the Engineering council position. The reason why I wanted to do this because I haven't had the opportunity to reach out to more engineering people. So I feel like this position is a chance for me to actually finally give back to people and help our community. In terms of the idea of what I’ll do when I get there part of it is I am going to figure it out as I go. But at the same time if I have a good support team with me I think I’ll be able to make a couple changes. I believe if I'm given the right support and I'm given the right environment to actually improve some ideas I think I would be really good.

Motion passes.
Council members vote on paper ballots.
Election results:
Afaq Ahmed and Adedotun Illorri are now FED Councillors
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

- 2 Faculty of Arts and Social Science Councillors

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi
SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

Mohamed Hamed;

Thank you guys for coming out today. My name is Mohammed Hamed, I’m a 3rd year student at Carleton University studying psychology with a minor in economics. The reason why I want to run today is because I’ve been here for a couple years now and I feel like it’s best that I think it’s best that I get involved rather than just talking and Carleton has been something that has been apart of me and I would like to be more involved. Thank you very much for your time.

Motion passes.
Council members vote on paper ballots.
Election results:
Mohamed Hamed is elected as a new FASS Councillor.
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.
Motion to Fill the Constitutional Board

PRESENTATION SUMMARY:

Whereas the term of office for all members of the CUSA Constitutional Board ends on April 30th 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 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

Candidates:

Tanisha laryea:
Hello everyone. My name is Tanisha Laryea, I’m going into my 4th year for business admin and currently serving as the clubs admin coordinator. I believe the experience I have gained will help me in this position. Thank you.

Farook reading on behalf of all 4 candidates:

Omar Alami:

Hello Cusa Councillors. My name is Omar. I’m a 4th year student studying policy management. I hope to be elected to CUSAs constitutional board for a few reasons. To begin with, I hope to be able to maintain important themes of CUSAs vision such as inclusivity and consideration. I hold these values very close to my heart, if elected I intend on contributing accordingly during deliberations. Having served on Council for a year myself, and having accomplished all of my promises, I’d like to think of myself as well-versed in CUSA’s dynamics and politics. This can facilitate productive and efficient contributions. Furthermore, being heavily involved in Carleton’s extracurriculars I believe I can offer a vision which is suitably considerate and inclusive of the variety of campus groups here at Carleton. For these reasons I hope you consider my bid to become a member of CUSAs constitutional board. Many thanks, Omar

Jimi Aribido:

Good evening everyone, My name is Jimi Aribido. I’m going into my 3rd year of Political Science with a specialization in International relations here at Carleton. I’m also a varsity athlete, playing with the Men’s Soccer team. My first two years at Carleton have provided me with challenges and opportunities that I would have never imagined myself getting. With that said, I’m always looking to further challenge myself and gain relevant experience, and I believe that I can do that here within CUSA Council. I was very involved on campus in my first and second years, and even sat on this very council last year. CUSA has played a big role in helping me get as involved as I did my last two years, so I’d like to sit on this committee to continue to give back to the community which I now call home.

I hope not only to grow and learn in this position, but to also contribute to discussion that will ensure that the Students Association is working in the very best interest of the students it represents. Thank you for hearing me and I hope you will all consider me for this position on council.
Lis Nzoyihera:

I am Lis neylla Nzoyihera a student here at Carleton University. I just finished my second year in Criminology and Criminal justice with a concentration in Law and a minor in sociology. I am applying for the position of Constitutional Board on the CUSA Council Committee.

If accepted for the position I believe I will contribute to the team by bringing the knowledge I have acquired from my classes, since I’m in a law program we often go over cases and decisions made by judges or other authorities and analyze their decision, compare decision all while learning how to properly make a decision that will have a positive outcome for both parties when applicable, but also that won’t hinder future endeavours. Furthermore, I have several years of experience being on the student council boards at my high school and as a senior cadet in the Air Cadet League of Canada which among my responsibilities a few were similar to the duties of a Constitutional Board representative. In both those roles I became custom to decision making, organization, time management, public speaking and the pressure that comes with such a position. Aside from my experience, I also believe that my positive, initiative and hardworking personally will add to the overall working environment and energy of the CUSA team and colleagues Around.

In addition, if chosen for the position I am ready to learn and grow with the new skills and information I will gain, I am ready to enhance my current skills and be amongst individuals with similar interests and a passion to make decisions that benefit the present and future of our school.

In conclusion, I would like to thank you for taking the time to consider my application for the Constitutional Board and I hope to hear from you very soon!
Saleh Abdelghany:

Good Afternoon, My name is Saleh Abdelghany. I am a third year political science student and I am seeking a position on the CUSA constitutional board. The constitutional board is an important part of CUSA, it can almost be considered its' supreme court. And being a part of it would give me the pleasure and honor to serve Carleton students, in the best way I can possibly can. Last year, I had the privilege of attending the Ukrainian clubs' case against the Communist party of Carleton. Being able to freely express and debate opposing opinions was something that I loved and really appreciated at that hearing, and it was at that moment I knew that joining CUSA and upholding this principle of free speech and debate was something I wanted to do. If I get the opportunity to be part of the board, I will make sure that everyone feels free to bring about their issues and concerns with anything pertaining to CUSA, and that these issues are resolved with the best of my judgement and deliberation with my colleagues. I appeal to you today to give me the opportunity and Privilege to serve Carleton students.

Motion passes.
Council members vote on paper ballots.
Election results:
Jimi Aribido, Lis Neylla Nzoyihera, Omar Alami and Tanisha Laryea
are elected as the new Constitutional board as Students at large

No alternatives.
Motion to Fill the Vacant Accessibility Fund Committee Seats

PRESENTATION SUMMARY:

Whereas CUSA needs to fill the Accessibility Fund Committee for the 2019-2020 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 vote to fill the committee with the following vacant seats:
   a. 2 students at large
   b. 2 students with disabilities

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi

SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

Candidates:

Alexis St Pierre:
Hello everyone, just finished my first year luckily and somehow going into neuroscience and after going into my first year which included a lot of hot cheetos and pizza. Devote to things other than academics. In highschool I was part of my student society. Regarding student issues one major project I worked at was an ALS for students. I also worked as a note taker for PMC. I really think this would be a good spot for me. Hope you consider me, Thank you.

Douglas Cochrane:

Hello, i’m a proxy and have attended council meeting over the past years. I have been pretty passionate, last year I was in electoral board. I am someone who is very passionate. I feel like this is another way to get involved. If you have any questions please ask away.

Leen Abu Zubeid: (Farook reading on their behalf)

An unfortunate fact of life is that the straight, the male, the white (at least in this part of the world), the rich, and the able-bodied have an easy on-going accessibility to many things. Jobs, opportunities, comfort, and freedom come at a very low cost for such people. I, who does not have a disability, am always concerned with my place on the social hierarchy. I find it repressive, outdated, and unfair. I cannot imagine how that may feel if I had a disability as well. It would be unfair if things as simple as going to class, that you and I take for granted, were made many times more difficult, or even impossible, because nobody seems concerned with those with disabilities.

I am running for this position because I believe that all students should have representation that guarantees them opportunities, comfort, and a healthy school environment. Students with disabilities often get the short end of the stick because we are all extremely focused on our problems alone, and I am guilty of that as well. We should all be allies in support of each other in order to eliminate the divisiveness that I often feel on our campus. That is why I want to be on the accessibility fund- to make sure that a disability is not the reason that my friends and peers do not feel comfortable at school.
Thank you

Motion passes.
Council members vote on paper ballots.
Election results:
Alexis StPierre and Douglas Cochrane are elected to be part of the Accessibility Fund Committee
Saad Khan (Farook reading on their behalf):

“Leadership is not a position or title; it is action and example.”

Ladies and Gentlemen! My name is Saad Khan. I am a second-year student in Communications Engineering. As a student at Carleton, I love participating in on-campus activities and helping my community. I sincerely want to make sure that all services, clubs and societies are accessible to all students. As someone who is currently suffering from depression and anxiety and is seeking help from the PMC, I want to raise awareness of issues affecting students with disabilities on campus, whether in the form of mental health issues or physical disabilities and so on. Hence, I have decided to be a part of the Accessibility Fund Committee to help the Carleton community. You may be wondering, “What qualifies me for such a position that involves generosity and service?” Three words. Passionate. Responsible. Dedicated. I am always passionate about serving my community and helping others. To begin with, I was a key volunteer for the Bhopal Non-Resident Indian Welfare Association, an NGO which helps support and fund education for underprivileged children in my hometown. As someone who strongly believes that ‘every child has a right to education’, this was the best way to go forward. Along with a big heart and more than 100 hours of dedication, I used problem-solving skills, organizational skills, attention to detail and good judgement to help my community. I fundraised money to support underprivileged children by organizing fundraising events for around 1000 people with more than 25 passionate volunteers on my side. I played a key role in solving operational and financial issues encountered during the organization of events at the NGO by devising plans to fundraise money in non-conventional ways like fundraising through WhatsApp groups and better use of resources. I also helped develop strategies for selecting deserving candidates for financial support by selecting them on the basis of participation in extracurricular activities and not just good grades.

As a Carleton student, I served as a student ambassador for Carleton through the Engineering Outreach Program. This February, I went to St. Francis Xavier High School and addressed more than 50 high school students about the Carleton Engineering Program which resulted in positive engagement from the students and helped enhance the profile of Carleton. I am currently serving as a ‘Sustainability Advisor’ for the CUSA Sustainability Advisory Council due to my concerns on sustainability and climate change. As a Sustainability Advisor, I advocated for a real dialogue on climate change by publishing an op-ed for the Charlatan on “Debunking Climate Change
Myths”, where I discussed common myths regarding climate change and the need to educate people on climate change so that meaningful action could be taken to fight against it. In addition, I collaborated with the committee on finding solutions to waste management, policy making, green finance and running awareness campaigns on campus as well as on social media and is working to bring several exciting ideas into fruition.

With my experience in financial matters, problem solving skills, attention to detail and a track record of enriching my community, I truly believe that I am the right person for the position. As part of the AFC, I will work with other members of the committee to ensure that CUSA events, services, clubs and societies are accessible to all students. In addition, as I mentioned earlier, I will strive to raise awareness of issues affecting students with disabilities on campus.

I ask nothing but your votes. I would be deeply honored if you’ll vote for me and give me the opportunity to serve you on campus.

Thank you.

Motion passes.
Council members vote on paper ballots.
Election results:
Saad Khan is elected for the Students with Disability 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 resolved that CUSA Council vote to fill the committee with the following vacant seat:

   a. 1 Student at large

MOVED: Farook Al-Muflehi SECONDED: Lily Akagbosu

Candidates:
Ali Makki:

3rd year sport student, I work for at RBC Bank. I am also the VPF for ALS club on campus. I work a lot with funding and budgeting from work and stuff involved in Carleton University. This is an opportunity to help students. It’ll be type of educational projects which is a good project for carleton. If u have any questions im ready to answer.

Rofiat Olusanya:

Hello i'm a criminology student and I want this position as I have never been in a committee. I wanted to build my connections and experience.

Ehi Ebehirmen:

Hello, My name is Iyere Jessica Ebehirmen (Ehi), I am going into my second year in Computer Science concentration in computer and internet security, I’m a member of the Tau Sigma Phi sorority and I’m also an international student from Nigeria, I believe strongly in community and most of all a community of students trying to make their school better for themselves, by themselves.

According to the Constitution of The Carleton University Students’ Association, The Carleton University Students’ Association (CUSA) is a private organization whose aim is to assist its members in making the most of their student experience. CUSA is partly responsible for me attending Carleton University, the community CUSA provides to the Carleton Campus gave Carleton an edge over all the other post-secondary institutions I was accepted to. During my short time in Carleton I have seen my fellow peers successfully deliver the mandate of CUSA to the rest of the student body. CUSA continues to foster a safe and diverse academic environment, where we the students are allowed pursuit personal and academic growth through volunteering and the involvement in leadership roles.

I believe I should be chosen for this position because I care about supporting the creativity of student groups in the Carleton community. I was part of several clubs and student groups at my time in high school I was also part of several entrepreneurial clubs where I found ways to raise funds for our product Tang Spices, so I understand that financing plays an important role in enhancing the creativity and involvement of students in these creative acts. If I am chosen to sit on the CUSA Student Initiative Fund Committee (SIFC) I plan on upholding the values of the Association as mentioned in the constitution while finding new ways to allocate finances and foster creativity by healthy competition between student groups and clubs for the betterment
Hello members and friends of the CUSA Council. My name is Ethan Walker and I am running to be a student at large for the CUSA Student Initiative Fund Committee. I believe that my extensive involvement within the Carleton community and within CUSA clubs and societies would make me an ideal candidate for this role. To quickly summarize my involvement, the two main CUSA organizations that I have been involved with at Carleton have been the Carleton Law & Legal Studies Society and Carleton University’s Relay for Life.

I was most recently President of the Carleton Law Society and have been the head of Entertainment and Logistics for CU Relay for Life for the past two years. These leadership positions have allowed me to see the impact of creating a community at Carleton, the growth our members were able to have, and the necessity of CUSA’s support in facilitating these opportunities.

Most pertinent to this particular council committee position would be my role as President of the Carleton Law Society. Within our society we house the Carleton Moot Team, who annually attend various competitions as part of their educational growth. The Law Society usually covers the bills for one competition at York University each year, aside from the Carleton Capital Cup that we host ourselves. That being said, more and more universities are hosting events like this, which create more opportunities for moot team members to enhance their education, barring the financial strain. Our members would be able to attend such educational opportunities with the help of the Student Initiative Fund, furthering their development at Carleton University. This is just one small example of the multitude of activities that the Student Initiative Fund would allow Carleton students to pursue.

With CU Relay for Life, I interacted with a large demographic of Carleton’s community. This event brings together over 900 Carleton students from all backgrounds uniting them with one cause, the fight against cancer. This year we passed one million dollars in total funds raised and were the fastest and first post-secondary school to do this. This feat is just one of infinite examples of what Carleton students are capable of doing when we come together and support each other. I believe the Student Initiative Fund is an amazing tool to help support the great accomplishments our student population is capable of. If chosen for this position, I would bring the passion I have for CU Relay for Life and supporting students to this role within the Student Initiative Fund Committee.
As someone who has seen the impact and benefit of the Student Initiative Fund up close, overseen the finances of an academic society, and has extensive experience in the operations of some of CUSA’s clubs and societies, I believe that I would be a strong candidate to help contribute to the operation of the Student Initiative Fund Committee. These experiences would allow me to excel in assisting with the assessment of applications’ merits and the best allocation of funds.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Hassan Hamed:

First and foremost, I’d like to begin by saying that we acknowledge that we are standing on unseeded Algonquin, Anishinabek territory. I would also like to apologize for not attending today. Hello, I’m Hassan Hamed. I am currently going into second year as a Political Science student. As a person that likes to take action, I feel as if politics is the place to do it. With that being said, I would like to join the Student Initiative Fund Committee because I believe that for the Carleton community to thrive, students that needs grants to experience new opportunities should have financial support. With financial assistance, comes more success, and seeing a positive change on campus is what I aim for. Vote for me!

Motion passes.
Council members vote on paper ballots.
Election results:
Ehi Ebehirmen is elected for the student at large.

18. Adjournment

MOVED: Osman Elmi
SECONDED: Farook Al-Muflehi

Motion Passes. Meeting Adjourned at 8:50pm