

# Council on Student Services Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 4 pm – 6 pm IC318 In-Person meeting

**Members**: Neel J., Nadia R., Sheila J., Yumna A., Amrith D., Thai D., Alyssia F., Hanabi G., Michelle H., Greg H., Diala I., Victoria M., Mathooshan M., Afshana M., Varsha P., Michael S.

Non-Members: Heaven D. (Secretary), Lee B., Ian C., Carmine E., Pratik G., Marg L., Larry W.

### Welcome

Michael S. welcomed everyone back. Yumna A. opened the meeting with the land acknowledgment and continued with the equity statement.

## **Approval of Agenda**

Moved: Thai D. Second: Amrith D.

All in favour. Motion accepted.

### Approval of Meeting Minutes – November 16, 2022

Moved: Yumna A. Seconded: Thai D.

All in favour. Meeting Minutes approved.

# **Dean's Remarks**

Neel J. discussed the numbers from different departments as well as the Inclusive Excellence Strategy. Neel J. continued by discussing the OSEW Priorities which included the priorities in the Academic Advising & Career Centre, AccessAbility Services among others. He spoke on Actioning Student Recommendations and discusses how successful involvement in the Black community has been incredible through the IMANI program. He discussed the progress on the new residence building as well as IC2 building. He introduced the budget process and discusses how the CSS Vote on Fee changes.

# Pre-Budget Operations Plan Presentation - Health and Wellness

Ian C. briefly explained how student fee increases or decreases based on CPI (Consumer Price Index) and UTI (University of Toronto Pricing Index).

Michael S. asked if everyone knows what is being discussed and the definitions of CPI and UTI.

lan C. discussed how the calculation works for UTI and presented the proposed student service fees from the different departments to the voting members. Ian elaborated the impact of voting down or voting up the fee changes may have.

Sheila J. discussed the Health Promotion Initiatives and Programs and the role of Health Promotion Coordinator, which will be a full-time and permanent position. She provided a brief overview of the the Outreach Teams: Health & Wellness Centre Ambassador & Health & Wellness Centre Representative. She discussed the different lifestyle teams such as the Nutritional Health, PITRS, Sexual Health and Mental Health team. She shared a story about how the building connections is very beneficial and positively impacts students.

She discussed that the Health Promotion Team supports very strong collaboration between Ontario Shores and UTSC which is integral in the success of the pop-up Vaccination clinics with Toronto Public Health. She discussed that they are prioritizing health promotion and would like to add a role which would be the Health Promotion Coordinator Role which would include the Mental Health Trainings and aims to educate students on mental health literacy. The CSS vote would decide if this role can be brought to fruition.

Victoria M. asked who could be in the position.

Sheila J. responded that someone has been hired temporarily but they will hire someone who is experienced and meets their values.

Neel J. added that this will bring student engagement, support the community of students as well as the public and the role will allow to make a big impact. Sheila J. discusses that UTSC had the best turnout in the vaccine clinics among universities collaborating with Toronto Public Health as she had heard from them. A complete package of the proposed budget will be sent to all voting members after the meeting, Neel encouraged everyone to take the time and review the package and approach the committee leads should questions arise.

### **Adjournment**

Moved: Thai D. Seconded: Amrith D.

All in favour. Meeting adjourned.