



Council on Student Services
Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, September 22, 2021
4 pm – 6 pm
Zoom meeting

Members: Desmond P., Nadia R., Sheila J., Varsha P., Tina D., Sarah A., Rimsha R., Isaiah M., Kashi C., Justina Y., Lamia A., Franklin P., Yasmin S., Bisma A., Hiba A., Muzna E., Ahmed H., Slava G., Shiny S., Tanya P., Erika L.

Non-Members: Ian C., Tasneem N., Delicia A., Heaven D. (Secretary),

Welcome & Introductions - Desmond Pouyat

Nadia R. welcomes everyone and opens the meeting with a land acknowledgement. She continues to discuss the importance of committee membership. Sarah A. talks about the significance of seconding a motion. Nadia R. introduced Desmond P. he began preliminary remarks, welcomed everyone to CSS. He spoke about budgets and resources available to support OSEW initiatives, programs and services, and CSS's role in providing feedback to the leadership team through partnerships and strategic plans. He expresses his excitement for the upcoming semester and commitment to providing the best in-person and online hybrid services. Desmond P. concluded his remarks by thanking the students for volunteering their time.

Approval of Agenda

Moved: Yasmin S.

Second: Justina Y.

All in favour. Agenda approved.

Approval of Meeting Minutes – March 3rd, 2021

Moved: Shiny S.

Seconded: Bisma A.

All in favour. Item approved.

Overview of CSS

Nadia R. began discussing the purpose of CSS, to support students and contribute to the governing council. She added that this is an excellent opportunity to provide feedback, gain board experience, contribute to the student choice initiative, and get involved on campus, such as developing new positions due to ideas and student input at CSS. Nadia R. continues it is a chance for staff to reflect on the community's current events. She briefly discusses possible themes for CSS for the upcoming academic year. Nadia R. also speaks briefly about the importance of mental health and anti-black racism in our communities and at the University of Toronto.

Nadia R. talks about the importance of student vote and what mandatory services their vote will be affecting.

Nadia R. then proceeds to explain the job of The Chair.

Desmond P. let's everyone know that we don't record meetings.

Election of CSS Chair

Kashi C. nominates Sarah A.

Sarah A. accepts her nomination.

13 accepted, none opposed, no abstention

Sarah A. is nominated as chair of CSS.

Overview of COSS and nomination to COSS

Nadia provides a brief overview of COSS

Isaiah M. nominates Kashi C.

11 accepted, none opposed, 1 abstention

Kashi C. is voted as COSS representative.

Appointment to Advisory Committees

CSS Finance Advisory Committee: Nadia R announces that the finance committee membership is already predetermined. It will consist of all 4 presidents of student unions (SCSU,SCAA, RC, GSA)

Academic Advising & Career Center: Rimsha R. nominates themselves. All in favour.

Athletics & Recreation: Ahmed H. nominates themselves. All in favour.

Health & Wellness Center: Muzna E. and Bisma A. nominates themselves. All in favour. Justina Y. joins as a member.

Department of Student Life: Hiba A. and Yasmin S. nominates themselves. All in favour.

Enhancement Fund Sub-Committee:

Nadia R. states that the VP Campus life is already on the committee. Sarah A. mentions that VP Campus Life no longer wants to sit on this committee. Rimsha R. and Isaiah M. nominates themselves. All in favour.

ByLaws Sub-Committee: Slava G. and Shiny S. nominate themselves. All in favour. Franklin P. joins as a member.

Equity & Community Fund: Nadia R. states that the SCSU VP equity already sits on the committee, but the committee needs an additional CSS member. Kashi C. and Lamia A. nominate themselves. All in favour. Slava G. joins as a member

Adjournment

Moved: Kashi C.

Seconded: Slava G.

All in favour. Meeting adjourned.