

Council on Student Services Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, October 19, 2009 at 5:00p.m. in SL-232

Members Present: A. Khaja, J. Kapageridis, S. Abdus-Samad, J. Law, O. Hassan, Z.

Syed, M. Thambiaiah, R Sen, R Patel, T. Nowers, C. Cole, A. Love, T. Doyle, H. Calder, M. Verbrugghe, S. Platt, L. Arnason

(Chair), J. Crasta (Secretary)

Non-Members Present: J. Ying, O. Mohamud

1. Welcome

Ms. L Arnason welcomed everyone to first CSS meeting for 2009-10. She explained that as per the By-Laws, she would be chairing this meeting until the chair was elected later on during the meeting. She invited all of the members present briefly to introduce themselves and their position at UTSC.

2. Approval of Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda.

MOVED: J. Kapageridas SECONDED: A. Love

CARRIED

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes – March 30, 2009

There were no changes to the minutes.

Motion to approve the minutes of March 30, 2009

MOVED: T. Nowers SECONDED: T. Doyle

CARRIED

4. Overview of CSS

Mr. T. Nowers reviewed the history and background of CSS. He emphasized that the Council provides a great opportunity to solicit feedback and input from students about student services as well as issues pertaining to campus life at UTSC. Due to representation from various departments and areas on campus, the Council has a unique opportunity to work together to address various issues. Through a PowerPoint presentation, Mr.Nowers outlined the purpose of CSS and its role in Governance at UTSC, the student services funded by CSS, a comparison of the Student Services Fee for the 2008-09 and 2009-10 years, the CSS website, the CSS Advisory Committees, the Organizational Chart for Student Affairs & Services and the overall mandate.

Mr. T. Nowers reviewed the binders given to all of the members. He requested that each person familiarize themselves with the contents of the binder, especially the Constitution and the By-Laws.

5. Election of the CSS Chair

Ms. Arnason encouraged all of the members to review the CSS By-Laws, which outlines the responsibilities of the Chair. The floor was opened for nominations.

Mr. Z. Syed nominated Mr. S. Abdus-Samad. Mr. C. Curt nominated Ms. A. Khaja. Both nominations were accepted.

Ms. Arnason asked the nominees to say a few words about why they were interested in the position.

Mr. Abdus-Samad explained that he was actively involved on campus. He also mentioned that he was very involved in the SCSU and hoped to guide the council effectively and meet student needs.

Ms Khaja noted that she had two years experience with the student union and was currently the VP Academics for the SCSU and a member of the UTSC College Council. Through her service commitments, she had gained a rich and varied experience in various aspects of student life, leadership and governance, which would enable her to serve effectively as the Chair of CSS.

Election of Ms. Khaja as chair of CSS for 2009-10 through secret ballot.

6. Appointment to Advisory Committees

Ms. Khaja requested that student representatives volunteer for one of the various CSS Sub-Committees and Advisory Committees. The chair of each advisory committee briefly outlined committee responsibilities. The following members were voted to the various committees through secret ballots.

Academic Advising & Career Centre Advisory Committee:

- Ms. A. Khaja
- Ms. J. Law

Health & Wellness Advisory Committee:

• Mr. S. Abus-Samad

Physical Education & Athletics Advisory Committee:

• Mr. Z Syed

Finance Sub-Committee:

- Mr. J. Kapageridis
- Mr. Z. Syed

- Ms. R. Sen
- Mr. N. Nabavi
- Ms. S. Abdus-Samad

Student Life Sub-Committee:

- Mr. O. Hassan
- Mr. R. Sen

Enhancement Fund Sub-Committee:

- Mr. O. Hassan
- Ms. J. Law
- Mr. M. Thambiaiah

Bylaws Sub-Committee:

- Mr. J. Kapageridis
- Mr. S. Abdus-Samad

7. Other business

Mr. Syed informed the members that Rex's Den (formerly known as Bluff's) was scheduled to have its grand opening the next day, and invited those present to attend. He thanked CSS for its continued financial support to Rex's Den, and expressed his belief that with new staff and revised business plan, the restaurant would be very successful.

8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

• MOVED: L. Arnason SECONDED: S. Abdus-Samad

CARRIED

MEETING ADJOURNED.