## Tab 1



CUSA Council acknowledges and respects the Algonquin people, on whose traditional territory the Carleton University Students' Association is located.

# AGENDA OF THE ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING (V) OF THE CARLETON UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

29th April 2025 at 6:00 pm, Online

**Prepared by:** 

Governance and Council Operations Committee



## ATTENDANCE RECORD (OUTGOING/RETURNING COUNCIL):

Position	Councillor	Signature
President	Sarah El Fitori	Present
Vice President Finance	Samuel Easby	Present
Vice President Internal	Aiden Rohacek	Present
Vice President Student Issues	Artur Estrela da Silva	Present
Vice President Student Life	Akua Antwi-Adjei	Present
Speaker	Vacant	
Deputy Speaker	Joanna Olagoke-Daniel	Present
Public Affairs (7)	Yafet Bizuneh	
	Clara de Oliveira Borba	Present
	Emma Girvan	Present
	Mujtaba Hussain	
	Aidan Kallioinen	Presnet
	Miles Rowe	
	Vacant	
FASS (8)	Maira Bilgrami	
	Cass McIsaac	Present
	Zam Onwusah	
	Vacant	



Business (3)	Gaurikh Appanah	
	Vacant	
	Joe Sanchez	
Science (6)	Ali Khan	
	Joanna Olagoke-Daniel	Present
	Pelumi Olagunju	Proxy through C. Mclsaac
	Liam Orlowski	
	Dilkusha Sakiba	
	Maheeshan Sivanesan	Proxy through M. Heroux
Engineering and Design (7)	Yahya Al-Khateeb	
	Nathan Bruni	
	Vacant	
	Marc Denault	Proxy through A. Kallioinen
	Jaden Desveaux	Present
	Dana Sayed Ahmed	Proxy through C. de Oliveira Borba
	Aryan Singh	
Special Student (1)	Adam Burke	
BOG	Logan Breen	
	Yafet Bizuneh	
GSA	Jayesh Kundu	
RRRA	Mohammed Akif	Proxy through M. El Fitori
CASG	Alison Kocsis	Present



\*Nonvoting members in *Italics*.

## ATTENDANCE RECORD (INCOMING COUNCIL):

Position	Councillor	Signature
President	Sean Joe-Ezigbo	Present
Vice President Finance	Vacant	
Vice President Internal	Jahnelle Woldegiorgis	
Vice President Student Issues	Aidan Kallioinen	
Vice President Student Life	Cass McIsaac	Present
Speaker	Vacant	
Deputy Speaker	Vacant	
Public Affairs (7)	Yasmine Abdulla	Proxy through M. Heroux
	Nifemi Boamah	Present
	Avery Cole	
	Jaac Doduck	Present
	Elissa Gee	Proxy through A. Kopytskiy
	Maxwell Heroux	Present
	Chloe Tran	Present
FASS (8)	Mohamad Adel El Fitori	Present
	Withchelie Louima	Present
	Gerardo Maldonado- Jimenez	Present
	Cass McIsaac	Present



		Proxy through C.
	Brooke Muzzatti	de Oliveira Borba
	Maya Shaban	de onvena borba
	Cherry Zhang	Present
	Vacant	
Business (3)	Prestyn Colliton	
	Nathan Vinokur	Proxy through C. Mclsaac
	Vacant	
Science (6)	Ramla Ahmed	
	Mariem El Domiaty	
	Reyna Itani	Present
	Godchosen Ojediran	
	Liam Orlowski	Present
	Maheeshan Sivanesan	Proxy through M. Heroux
Engineering and Design (7)	Nathan Bruni	Present
	Jeronimo Cumming	Proxy through A. Thungathurti
	Amy Kopytskiy	Present
	Viveca Matida-Torrico	Present
	Boothaina Sheltami	Proxy through M. El Fitori
	Aryan Singh	
	Amogh Thungathurti	Present
Special Student (1)	Vacant	
BOG	Logan Breen	



	Yafet Bizuneh	
GSA	Jayesh Kundu	
RRRA	Mohammed Akif	
CASG	Alison Kocsis	Present

<sup>\*</sup>Nonvoting members in *Italics*.

#### **AGENDA:**

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of the Agenda
- 3. Approval of Past Minutes
- 4. Executive Reports
- 5. External Reports
- 6. Council Reports
- 7. Announcements and Correspondence
  - a. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest
  - b. Items for Information
- 8. Regular Business
  - a. Unfinished Business
    - i. Motion to Approve the CUSA Operating Budget for the 2025/2026 Fiscal Year (C-104)
    - ii. Motion to Amend the CUSA Bylaws Regarding Rules on Proxies (C-109)
    - iii. Motion to Appoint Two Councillors to the VP Finance/Treasurer Nominating & Selection Committee (C-106)
    - iv. Motion to Dissolve the 2024/2025 CUSA Council (C-105)
  - b. New Business
    - i. Motion to Ratify the Results of the 2025 CUSA Presidential Election (C-117)
    - ii. Motion to Reinstate the Policy Review Committee as a Standing Joint Committee of Council and Board (C-118)



#### 9. Adjournment

#### 1. Call to Order

Before we address the regular business of this meeting, I'd like to acknowledge that we are today gathered on the traditional territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabe, lands never ceded or surrendered in peace to the Crown of Canada. Indigenous peoples living under the modern colonial state of Canada have suffered disproportionate injustice and marginalization. A mere land acknowledgement is not enough to make reconciliation and reparation to the Indigenous peoples of Turtle Island. We must stand in solidarity against colonialism and remember our responsibility to the land and the peoples who have kept it for generations—which means affirming their call for the free and unencumbered return to their ancestral land. It is also fitting, for this body of lawmakers, to remember the spirit and wisdom of Indigenous governance models—from the collaborative bicameralism of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy to the consensus-based government of the Inuit—to deliver to students a better student union.

Meeting called to order at 6:17 p.m.

## 2. Approval of the Agenda (C-115)

**Be it resolved,** that the agenda be approved as presented to Council, notwithstanding s. 18 of the *Council Rules of Order*.

**Moved:** M. El Fltori **Seconded:** S. El Fitori



CARRIED unanimously

## 3. Approval of Past Minutes (C-116)

a. Annual Members' Meeting (IV) (April 19th, 2025)

**Be it resolved**, that the minutes of the April 19th 2025 meeting of Council be approved.

**Moved:** A. Thungathurti **Seconded:** R. Itani

**CARRIED** unanimously

- 4. Executive Reports
- 5. External Reports
- **6. Council Reports**
- 7. Announcements and Correspondence
  - a. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest
  - b. Items for Information
  - c. Notice of Motion

## 8. Regular Business

a. Unfinished Business:

# Motion to Approve the CUSA Operating Budget for the 2025/2026 Fiscal Year (C-104)

**Whereas,** the CUSA 2025/2026 Operating Budget has been created by the Finance Team;

**And whereas,** Council has a responsibility to approve the operating budget each year;

**Be it resolved,** that Council approves of the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2025/2026.

**Moved:** S. El Fitori **Seconded:** C. de Oliveira Borba



**CARRIED** unanimously

# Motion to Amend the CUSA Bylaws Regarding Rules on Proxies (C-109)

**Whereas,** CUSA Councillors or Members (as referred to in the CUSA Bylaws) have been taking advantage of proxy votes during Council business;

**Whereas,** during the March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025, Annual Members Meeting (III), Members of Council had accumulated several proxy votes and it brought into question the integrity of the votes made during that Council meeting;

**Whereas,** the concern of soliciting proxy votes was raised during the March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025, meeting which could be seen as a violation of the Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act, 2010.

**And whereas,** the abuse of proxy voting has weakened the trustworthiness and integrity of CUSA Council.

Be it Resolved, CUSA Council amend Bylaw 6.16 to the following:

## 6.16 Can Members vote by proxy?

If a Member is unavailable to attend or participate in a Members' Meeting, they may appoint another Member to vote for them by proxy. No member shall hold the proxy vote of more than two (2) other Members of Council.

**Moved:** N. Bruni **Seconded:** A. Thungathurti

Motion tabled to the regular May meeting of Council

Motion to Appoint a VP Finance/Treasurer (C-106)



**Whereas**, the VP Finance Hiring Committee has met and selected a candidate to recommend to Council;

**Be it resolved,** that Council appoint Om Maradia as the Vice President Finance/Treasurer for 2025/2026.

Moved: S. El Fitori Seconded: C. McIsaac

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#### Motion to Dissolve the 2024/2025 CUSA Council (C-105)

**Whereas,** the 2024/2025 CUSA Council governance cycle has been concluded;

Be it resolved, that 2024/2025 CUSA Council is dissolved.

**Moved:** J. Desveaux **Seconded:** R. Itani

CARRIED unanimously, 3 abstains

### b. New Business

# Motion to Ratify the Results of the 2025 CUSA Presidential Election (C-117)

*Whereas*, the results of the 2025 CUSA Presidential Election have been verified;

**Be it resolved**, that Council ratifies the results of the 2025 CUSA Presidential Election, with President Sean Joe-Ezigbo taking his seat as CUSA's 2025-2026 President/CEO.

Moved: J. Doduck Seconded: C. McIsaac

CARRIED unanimously



# Motion to Appoint a Councillor to the Clubs Oversight Commission (C-118)

**Whereas,** a position for the Council representative will shortly become vacant on the Clubs Oversight Commission;

And whereas, it is the responsibility of Council to appoint a replacement;

**Be it resolved,** that Council appoint Councillor Nifemi Boamah to the Clubs Oversight Commission.

**Moved:** C. Zhang **Seconded:** A. Kopytskiy

**CARRIED** unanimously

# Motion to Reinstate the Policy Review Committee as a Standing Joint Committee of Council and Board (C-118)

**Whereas**, CUSA maintains a wide array of policies that guide its operations, governance, and advocacy priorities;

**And Whereas**, multiple policies are past due for review, and essential governance updates are necessary to ensure compliance with internal Bylaws, provincial legislation, and evolving student needs;

**And Whereas**, the Summer 2025 term and 2025/2026 governing year present a key window for comprehensive policy renewal;

**And Whereas**, a dedicated committee that includes representation from both Council and the Board will promote consistency, accountability, and collaborative governance;

**And Whereas**, the CUSA *Council Committees Policy* (G-04) allows for the creation of joint committees under a mandate letter signed by both chambers;

**Be it Resolved**, that Council reinstates the Policy Review Committee as a Standing Committee of Council for the 2025/2026 governing year;



**Be it Further Resolved**, that Council recommends the establishment of the Policy Review Committee as a Joint Standing Committee of both Council and the Board of Directors, subject to a joint mandate letter in accordance with Section 24 of the *Council Committees Policy*;

**Be it Further Resolved**, that the composition of the Policy Review Committee shall be as follows:

#### • Voting Members:

- A minimum of four (4) Councillors (including a Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary)
- o The CUSA President
- One (1) to two (2) members of the Board of Directors, as appointed by the Board (recommended ratio: 1 Board member per 3–4 Councillors)

#### • Resource Members (Non-Voting):

- The four Vice-Chairs of the standing Council committees (University Affairs, Student Life, External Affairs, Finance, Fees & Funds)
- o The Vice President Internal

**Be it Further Resolved** that the President be tasked with submitting the <u>attached</u> <u>Mandate Letter and Terms of Reference to the Chair of the Board of Directors</u>, requesting that the Board consider and approve the joint committee at their next scheduled meeting and report back during the next Council meeting.

**Moved:** C. McIsaac **Seconded:** A. Kopytskiy *CARRIED unanimously* 

## 9. Adjournment

a. Motion to Adjourn to a Specific Time (C-119)

**Be it resolved,** that Council adjourns until 6:00 p.m. on May 26th 2025, and that this shall constitute for the purposes of the *Act* and our *Bylaws*, prior notice.



**Moved:** M. El Fitori **Seconded:** C. McIsaac