

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
2022/2023**



Date: Sept 26, 2022

Term: 2022-23

AUSU Chair Member: Tim van Weerden

Attendees:

Title		AUSU Members	Authorized Proxy
President	x	Tim van Weerden	
VP Campus Affairs	x	Isaac Withers	
VP Student Life	x	Muhammad Raza Qayyum	
Indigenous Rep		Nina Trudeau	
Queer* Rep		Vacant	
Women's Affairs	x	Faisat Akinola	
Diversity Rep		Vacant	
Mature/PT Rep	x	Wayne Thompson	
Brampton Campus Coordinator	x	Kanishika Nijhawan	
Timmins Campus Coordinator		Vacant	
Residence Rep		Kennedy Uwaechi	
International Student Rep	x	Valay Patel	
Varsity & Athletics Rep		Vacant	
Recording Secretary - NV		Vacant	
Ombudsperson - NV		Vacant	
Chair – NV		Vacant	
Communications Officer – NV		Yves Tambwe	
Chief Returning Officer - NV		Vacant	
Executive Director - NV	x	Kerrie De Poli	
Finance Coordinator - NV	x	Daniyar Almenbayev	
Food Pantry coordinator - NV		Shamar Holford	
People's Garden coordinator - NV		Vacant	
WUSC Liaison - NV		Vacant	
Equity Center Coordinator - NV		Marissa Ditoro	
Chief Returning Officer - NV		VACANT	

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Meeting called to order at:	4:11	6	Confirmation of Quorum: /10	# of members present:
Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:		Moved by: Seconded by:		
Vote Count:		In Favor:	Opposed:	Abstain:

Opening Remarks

Speaker(s):	President
Discussion:	GM will be taking minutes. Moving forward we will be catching up outstanding minutes and will have them taken as part of the process.

Voting Items:

Agenda Item(s):	Complaints & Success officer contract			
Speaker(s):	President			
Motion:	Motion to approve the contract of Teresa Placha as the Complaints and Success Officer as written.			
Discussion:	<p>President welcomes C&S Officer candidate, Teresa Placha. Teresa shares a warm greeting and her enthusiasm to join AUSU.</p> <p>President provides overview of contract.</p> <p>INT'L Rep clarifies the issues that students can approach C&S Officer over a wide range of issues including cases they are currently aware of. VPCA addresses this and encourages that any systemic issues that are identified can be brought to him as a potential campaign.</p> <p>President further clarifies that C&S Officer will serve a wide range of the needs of our students, that VPCA had stepped in to the role to provide temporary support until the position was filled, and that the role has been vacant for approximately six months. Call for vote, passed.</p>			
Vote Count: 6	In Favor: 6	Opposed: 0	Abstain: 0	

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Agenda Item(s):	AUSU Brand Colour		
Speaker(s):	President		
Motion:	TABLED - To adopt the AUSU blue as the official color of the organization and to distance from the AUSU red color as of Sept 26, 2022.		
Discussion:	<p>PRES discusses the goal of distinguishing ourselves visually from AU so students are aware of our services. Until this time, we shared a red. This will also make promotions easier to identify as AUSU promotions.</p> <p>Staff has been directed to select three secondary colours for Board consideration and creation of a brand standard, not currently in place. Additionally, fonts will be chosen. This will achieve a unified look across social media, merchandise, and all marketing pieces, including current and future logos.</p> <p>BRAM expresses concern regarding financial commitment around changing colours. PRES explains that current merchandise in the old palette will be used up, and that we will transition to the new palette when making posts or ordering items, and that no specific costs related to this will be incurred.</p> <p>General discussion.</p> <p>Staff offers that alternate colour is a project in the works, and it is reasonable to present options for Board consideration at the next Board meeting.</p> <p>President later poses the question, do we want to tease the coming rebranding and asks for Board comment. No further discussion.</p>		
Vote Count: n/a	In Favor: TABLED	Opposed: TABLED	Abstain: n/a

Agenda Item(s):	Discussion Item: AGM date proposed for November 30, 2022 and referendum proposed for November 16, 2022.
Speaker(s):	President
Motion:	
Discussion	To be included as a discussion item at the next Board Meeting.

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	<p>VPSL suggests that all refer to past restructuring documents before the next conversation. President will provide documents to all in a succinct email.</p> <p>General discussion around restructuring ideas.</p> <p>VPSL overviews 2 referendums under consideration for the AGM. 1. Transit 2. Food Pantry</p> <p>The concept of “referendum” is explained for all.</p>		
Vote Count:	In Favor: n/a	Opposed:	Abstain:

Agenda Item(s):	Discussion item: vacant Board roles		
Speaker(s):			
Discussion	<p>Mat/PT Rep questions filling outstanding Board roles. President outlines the active, current, search for CRO and Secretary and that AUSU will seek to fill the other roles.</p> <p>General discussion around Board recruitment.</p>		
Motion:			
Vote Count: n'a	In Favor: n/a	Opposed: n/a	Abstain: n/a

Adjournment of Agenda		<p>Motion to adjourn the meeting at: 5:00pm</p> <p>Moved By: VPCA</p> <p>Seconded by: INT'L Rep</p>	
Vote Count: 7	In Favor: 7	Opposed:0	Abstain: 0