

AUSU Board of Directors Minutes

Date: 05-May-2023

Term: SF23

AUSU Chair Member: Isaac Withers

| BOARD | | | |
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| Title | | AUSU Members | Authorized Proxy |
| President (PRES) | P | Isaac Withers | |
| VP Brampton Advocacy (BAV) | P | Jeet Patel | |
| VP Brampton Programming (BIP) | P | Yug Modi | |
| VP SSM Advocacy (SAV) | P | Minion Paul | |
| VP SSM Programming (SIP) | P | Andrea Ryall | |
| Timmins Campus Life Coordinator (TCLC) | P | Wayne Thompson | |
| International Rep (INT) | P | Adanko Mukhtar | |
| SASA Rep (SASA) | | Joanne Perrault | |
| Varsity Rep (VAR) | | Qeila Mbonihankuye | |
| Residence Rep | P | Tim Van | |

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| (RESI) | | Weerden | |
| WUSC Rep (WUSC) | P | Evan Nooman | |
| Mature & Part Time Rep (MATP) | | Kuldeep | |
| Queer & Trans Rep (QUTR) | | Mahima Choudhary | |
| Women's Affairs Rep (WOM) | P | Trishala Kulpesh Parmar | |
| Accessibility Rep (ACC) | P | Parth Rajdev | |
| Faculty of Cross Cultural Studies Rep (FCCS) | P | Sandra Kurian | |
| Faculty of School of Business Rep (FBUS) | P | Nidhi Patel | |
| Faculty of Science Rep (FSCI) | P | Anamika Krishna | |
| Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Rep (FHSS) | | Shawna Mornix | |

| STAFF | |
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| General Manager (GM) | Kerrie De Poli |

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| Discussion Item(s): | Welcoming New Team, and overview of AUSU. |
| Discussion: | PRES: Welcomes new Board, shares some hopes for the future. |

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| Discussion Item(s): | Discussion of AUSU Emails |
| Discussion: | PRES: Notes that the new AUSU Emails will be ready as soon as AU IT is able to get them operational. |

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| Voting Item(s): | Consideration of "Fringe North" sponsorship | |
| Motion: | To begin discussing possible support of the Fringe North Festival with their Board, to be reviewed at the next meeting. | |
| Mover: | INT - P. Rajdev | Seconder: SIP - Andrea Ryall |
| Discussion: | <p>CONFLICT OF INTEREST declared: TCLC - Wayne Thompson</p> <p>Review of letter by President.</p> <p>PRES: acknowledges that this is a great community event, discussion opens.</p> <p>GM: wonders if we should spend money outside our student community</p> <p>WOM: notes that this is a good event, with an opportunity for student volunteers, and our music and arts students. Possibility for co-curricular credits.</p> <p>RESI: Perhaps an opportunity for for brand recognition in the community, logo placement at lower levels and intro to grand opening</p> <p>ACC: Notes that it would be a good opportunity for students to perform.</p> | |

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| <p>PRES: Notes the possibility of hosting an event at the Speakeasy, allowing students to volunteer and brand recognition.</p> <p>SIP: Could we ask Fringe to highlight AU students if we donate, noting a good opportunity for recognition.</p> <p>SCI: Could we consider having a community event</p> <p>GM: Clarifies that if we hosted an event it would be a “Fringe” event</p> <p>ACC: A “pre-Fringe” session?</p> <p>WUSC: not in favour of buying a block of tickets, in case they are not interested in that specific event, perhaps use that money to boost our sponsorship package.</p> | | | |
| Vote Count: | In Favour: 12 | Opposed: | Abstain: 2 |

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| Voting Item(s): | Consideration of AUSU Activity Conduct Guidelines | | |
| Motion: | To adopt the “Guidelines for Issues Arising at AUSU Activities” as written, with the addition of an appeal procedure, policy attached, effective immediately. | | |
| Mover: | TCLC | Secunder: | SIP |
| Discussion: | PRES: Overview | | |

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| | <p>ACC: Asks whether an AUSU Board Member at the event can act on their own. PRES clarifies that the term “activity lead” addresses anyone who is acting for AUSU at the event</p> <p>TCLC: speaks to issues at Speakeasy</p> <p>RESI: asks about how this impacts our relationship with SL</p> <p>General discussion about AUSU’s relationship with Student Life and supporting a ban if we have a ban.</p> <p>RESI: asks for addition of appeal structure if a student has an explanation</p> <p>WOM: mentions having female security so all students feel comfortable and perhaps that the GM can speak to management at venues</p> | | |
| Vote Count: | In Favour: 13 | Opposed: | Abstain: |

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| Discussion Item(s): | Hoodies for 2023/24 AUSU Team | | |
| Motion: | | | |
| Mover: | | Seconded: | |
| Discussion: | STAFF is directed to provide the Board with hoodie options via google form. | | |
| Vote Count: | In Favour: | Opposed: | Abstain: |

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| Voting Item(s): | Motion to extend meeting to 12:15 | | |
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| Mover: | TCLC | Seconded: | BIP |
| Discussion: | | | |
| Vote Count: | In Favour: 13 | Opposed: | Abstain: |

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| Voting Item(s): | AUSU's CFS Ontario Executive Representative | | |
| Motion: | To appoint PRES to CFS Exec Committee | | |
| Mover: | TCLC | Seconder: | BIP |
| Discussion: | <p>PRES notes that he would like to stand as CFS representative</p> <p>General discussion, other members express interest.</p> <p>General discussion of procedural processes that need to be changed if we vote outside the President</p> <p>RESI: Moves that PRES sit, and encourages those who object to vote against it.</p> <p>PRES and BIP declare CONFLICT OF INTEREST</p> | | |
| Vote Count: | In Favour: 8 | Opposed: | Abstain: 2 |

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| Agenda Item(s): | Motion to Adjourn at 12:33. | | |
| Motion: | Motion to Adjourn | | |
| Mover: | RESI | Seconder: | SIP |
| Discussion: | | | |
| Vote Count: | In Favour: 10 | Opposed: | Abstain: |

Draft: Guidelines for Issues Arising at AUSU Activities - NOT AN OFFICIAL POLICY, only for direction.

Definitions:

Activity - refers to any event, campaign, or other AUSU related service.

These guidelines are meant to provide a basic understanding of what to do if a person or persons behave in an inappropriate manner at AUSU activities, including, as a result of intoxication. There is room for interpretation and the Executive or the Board may decide upon alternative methods on a case by case basis.

1. At any point, a person may be removed from an AUSU Activity at the discretion of the Activity Lead, and/or any members of the Executive Board, and/or the GM.

a. Any removals shall be reported to the GM immediately, (by call or text).

This report can be short, but must include whether anyone is or has been physically harmed, or there is property damage, and whether the situation is ongoing.

An example of a good report is:

“Someone was yelling and had to be kicked out, No one was harmed, no action is needed.”

Or:

“There was a fight and we had to remove people. There were major injuries and the ambulance has been called.”

b. This first, immediate, report must be followed by a more detailed written report after the conclusion of the activity, submitted by email, including all known information, such as names, student emails, what occurred, What time it occurred, etc.

2. A person may be suspended from future AUSU activities temporarily or permanently, based on the severity of the transgression. A number of transgressions are listed below, along with recommended timelines for suspension, and other actions to be taken.

Level 1: Banned from events permanently. Report to AU as a Code of Conduct Violation.

Very serious infractions, such as physical violence, hate speech, bigoted behaviour, sexual violence.

Level 2: Suspended from events for a semester, Consider reporting as a Code of Conduct Violation.

Serious infractions: Threats or threatening behaviour, repeat offenses, etc.

Level 3: Removal from the event where disturbance took place.

Disturbances: Obnoxious behaviour, yelling, etc.

3. All penalties should be administered on a case by case basis by the Executive Board. Any single Executive or the GM may suspend a person from all activities until the next meeting of the Executive Board in order to prevent further harm

until the Executive are able to discuss the situation.