



University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union
Board of Directors (General Council) Meeting Highlights
Wednesday, 26 October 2016

Meeting Comes to Order at 6:17 p.m.

MOTION B-114-16: BIRT the Chair Nominating Committee appoints Evan Rosevear as General Council Chair. Move by Brie Berry-Crossfield (Finance & University Governance Commissioner), Seconded by Suzanne Narain (Civics and Environment Commissioner). MOTION B-114-16 CARRIES Unanimously.

MOTION B-115-16: BIRT the General Council of the Union / Board of Directors adopts the agenda as amended. Moved by Alexandra Bauer (Medieval Studies), seconded by Adam Cowan (Spanish & Portuguese). MOTION B-115-16 CARRIES unanimously.

MOTION B-116-16: BIRT the General Council of the Union / Board of Directors extends speaking rights to guests. Moved by Branden Rizzuto (Academics and Funding Commissioner, Divisions 1&2), seconded by Cristina Jaimungal (External Commissioner). MOTION B-116-16 CARRIES unanimously.

MOTION B-117-16: BIRT the General Council approves the 27 September 2016 minutes as presented. Moved by Jacklyn Koyama (Psychology), seconded by Victoria Fischer (HAPSAT). MOTION B-117-16 CARRIES unanimously.

Executive MOTION E-05-16: BIRT the General Council / Board of Directors of the Union appoints Branden Rizzuto (Academics and Funding Commissioner, Divisions 1&2) as the vice-chair of the Finance Committee starting immediately and ending on 30 April 2017. Moved by Brie Berry-Crossfield (Finance & University Governance Commissioner). MOTION E-05-16 CARRIES unanimously.

Executive MOTION E-06-16: BIRT that Lucy Bartlett (Occupational Science and Therapy) is appointed as Division 4 Representative, and Conor Zeer-Wanklyn (Chemistry) is appointed as Division 3 Representative to the UTGSU Finance Committee starting immediately and ending on 30 April 2017. Moved by Brie Berry-Crossfield (Finance & University Governance Commissioner). MOTION E-06-16 CARRIES unanimously.

Executive MOTION E-07-16: BIRT Lina Pulido (Public Policy & Governance) is appointed as Division 2 Representative and Rami Saab (Biomedical Engineering) is appointed as Division 3 Representative to the Defense Committee starting immediately and ending on 30 April 2017. Moved by Brie Berry-Crossfield (Finance & University Governance Commissioner). MOTION E-07-16 CARRIES unanimously.

Executive MOTION E-08-16: BIRT the General Council / Board of Directors of the Union close the Legal Defense Fund; and BIFRT the balance of \$1160.00 be reallocated to the unrestricted surplus funds. Moved by Brie Berry-Crossfield (Finance & University Governance Commissioner). MOTION E-08-16 CARRIES Unanimously.

MOTION B-118-16: BIRT the General Council of the Union / Board of Directors receives all reports. Moved by Lynne Alexandrova (OISE) seconded by Bennett Axtell (Computer Science). MOTION B-118-16 CARRIES unanimously.

MOTION B-119-16: BIRT the General Council of the Union / Board of Directors receives the report of the Finance Committee. Moved by Jade Nauman (Drama) seconded by Eriks Bredovskis (History). MOTION B-119-16 CARRIES unanimously.

MOTION B-120-16: BIRT the UTGSU General Council adopts the Financial Statement for the 2015 - 2016 fiscal year, cognisant of the fact that it is still in draft form and as amended by the oral presentation. Moved by Rachel Mazzara (Classics), seconded by Eriks Bredovskis (History). MOTION B-120-16 CARRIES unanimously.

Executive MOTION E-09-16: BIRT the UTGSU General Council / Board of Directors adopts the proposed budget for the 2016 - 2017 fiscal year. Moved by Branden Rizzuto (Academics and Funding Commissioner, Divisions 1&2). MOTION E-09-16 CARRIES unanimously.

MOTION B-121-16: BIRT the UTGSU contributes \$2000 from the Donations budget line to the Chippewas of Thames First Nations legal fund. Moved by Charlie White (Environmental Studies), seconded by Eriks Bredovskis (History). MOTION B-121-16 CARRIES Unanimously.

Executive Motion E-10-16: BIRT the Staff Supervisor Honorarium be \$600 a month beginning 1 May 2016 until 30 April 2017. MOTION E-10-16 CARRIES unanimously. Abstention by Andrea Constantinof (Academics and Funding Commissioner Division 3&4) noted.

MOTION B-122-16: BIRT the General Council of the Union / Board of Directors appoints Elizabeth Eng (Internal Commissioner), Jade Nauman (Drama) and

Ondrej Halgas (Biochemistry) to the Chief Returning Officer Hiring Committee. Moved by Elizabeth Eng (Internal Commissioner), seconded by Branden Rizzuto (Academics and Funding Commissioner, Divisions 1&2). MOTION B-122-16 CARRIES unanimously. Abstention by Jade Nauman (Drama) and Ondrej Halgas (Biochemistry) noted.

MOTION B-123-16: BIRT Sarah Cooper (Global Affairs) is elected as UTGSU Executive-at-Large for approximately seven (7) months starting immediately and ending on the day after the Executive Visioning meeting in late May as per Bylaw 7.3.2; and BIFRT all ballots used in this election be destroyed. Moved by Andrea Constantino (Academics and Funding Commissioner, Divisions 3&4), seconded by Suzanne Narain (Civics and Environment Commissioner). MOTION B-123-16 CARRIES unanimously. Abstention by Sarah Wheeler (Executive-At-Large) noted.

MOTION B-124-16: BIRT the UTGSU General Council / Board of Directors adopts the Legislative Program, as presented, for the 2016 - 2017 academic year, with a dispensation for the Equity and Advocacy Committee to report at the subsequent meeting. Moved by Lynne Alexandrova (OISE), seconded by Eriks Bredovskis (History). MOTION B-124-16 CARRIES unanimously.

MOTION B-125-16: BIRT the Board of Directors of the Union receives the report of the Policy and Operations Committee for the Ad-hoc Committee policy. Moved by Eriks Bredovskis (History), seconded by Jacklyn Koyama (Psychology). MOTION B-125-16 CARRIES unanimously.

MOTION B-126-16: BIRT the General Council / Board of Directors strikes the Graduate Student Census Ad-hoc Committee effective immediately and tasked with implementing a university-wide graduate students' census; BIFRT the results be formulated into a report to be published online and presented at the 2017 UTGSU AGM; BIFRT the Graduate Student Census Ad-hoc Committee be composed of five members; one chair (voting member) and one UTGSU Member from each of the four UTGSU divisions; BIFRT Branden Rizzuto be appointed as chair of the Graduate Student Census Ad-hoc Committee effective immediately until 31 August 2017; and BIFRT the Graduate Student Census Ad-hoc Committee be allocated a budget of \$2000 from the unallocated surplus fund for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Moved by Branden Rizzuto (Academics and Funding Commissioner, Divisions 1&2), seconded by Alexandra Bauer (Medieval Studies). MOTION B-126-16 CARRIES unanimously. Abstention by Branden Rizzuto noted.

Committee Volunteers:

Division 1: Anna Cwikla (Religious Studies)

Division 2: Madeleine Hicks (Geography and Planning)
Division 3: Boone Tensuda (Aerospace)
Division 4: Susmita Sarkar (Physiology)

MOTION B-127-16: BIRT the General Council appoints the individuals above as divisional representatives to the Graduate Student Census Ad-hoc Committee effective immediately until 31 August 2017. Moved by Charles Dalrymple-Fraser (Philosophy), seconded by Sarah Wheeler (Executive-At-Large). MOTION #B-127-16 CARRIES unanimously. Abstention by Anna Cwikla (Religious Studies) noted.

MOTION B-128-16: BIRT General Council recommends that the Policy and Operations Committee add Funding Complaint Process to the official job descriptions of the Academic and Funding Commissioners, as found in the Bylaw and Policy documents. Moved by Andrea Constantinof (Academics and Funding Commissioner, Divisions 3&4), seconded by Sarah Wheeler (Executive-At-Large). MOTION B-128-16 CARRIES unanimously.

MOTION B-129-16: BIRT the General Council meeting be adjourned at 8:32 p.m. Moved by Simon A Linge Johnsen (Earth Sciences), seconded by Marina Dumont-Gauthier (Art). MOTION B-129-16 CARRIES unanimously. Abstention by Lynne Alexandrova (OISE) noted.

Adjournment – 8:32 p.m.