



Graduate Students' Union Executive Reports to General Council November 2016

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October 17th to November 3rd, 2016

A) Executive Committee and General Council Meetings

- I. I attended and participated in the Executive Committee meeting on Tuesday Oct. 18th
- II. I attended and participated in the Executive Committee meeting on Tuesday Oct. 25th
- III. I attended and participated in the Council meeting on Wednesday Oct. 26th
- IV. I attended and participated in the Executive Committee meeting on Tuesday Nov. 1st

B) Other UTGSU Committee, Levy Group, and Caucus Meeting Highlights

a. Meeting with Dean of SGS

Wednesday October 19th

I met with the Dean of SGS to discuss current issues and concerns. Of note, we are in the process of making the elimination of graduate summer gym fees a concrete reality. Furthermore, we are working towards funding SGS intramurals and increasing funding conditions for departments such as Law, Music, and OISE.

b. Meeting with Vice Provost Students Meeting

Monday October 31st

The Finance and Governance Executive and I met with the Vice Provost Students to discuss the current status of the Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment Prevention Policy. The Vice Provost expressed that the comments and report put together by our Finance and Governance Executive were well received and are in the process of being reviewed. We then further discussed current issues arising on campus.

c. Meeting with CUPE 3902 Wednesday

November 2nd 2016

I met with the Internal Liaising Officer from CUPE3902 to discuss the current concerns of our membership. We reviewed the funding complaint process and discussed its implementation and how we would make this process known to our members.

d. Meeting with Senior Manager at Planning and Budget

November 2nd 2016

The EAL1 and I met with the Senior Manager of Planning and Budget for the Administration to gain a greater understanding of the BIU funding model. We were presented with the operations budget and shown the make-up of the different components of the University's revenue. We hope to use these data to propose viable models to implement post-residency fees for graduate students.

C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights

No meeting took place during the period of this report.

D) Other Meetings, Issues, Significant Events and information Highlights

I. HRS

I performed duties required as Staff Supervisor. These tasks included creating and posting a job description for the Communications and Promotions position.

II. Hiring Committee Tuesday October 18th

The Hiring Committee met to discuss hiring procedures and interview questions. Interviews will be scheduled for the 27-28, with the 31st as an option if candidates are unable to attend the other days.

III. Hiring Committee Oct 27th, 28th

The hiring committee reviewed over 60 applications for the Communications and Promotions 1 year contract position. 4 interviews were held and a successful candidate was selected and hired.