



**University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union
Executive Council Reports
December 4th 2018 to January 22nd 2019**

**Christopher Ball
Academics and Funding Commissioner, Divisions 1&2**

A) Executive Committee and General Council Meetings

- I. I attended and participated in the weekly Staff and Executive meeting on November 29th, 2018.
- II. I attended and participated in a Board of Directors/General Council meeting on December 3rd, 2018.
- III. I attended and participated in the Annual General Meeting on December 3rd, 2018.
- IV. I attended and participated in the weekly Staff and Executive meeting on December 6th, 2018.
- V. I attended and participated in the weekly Staff and Executive meeting on December 13th, 2018.
- VI. I attended and participated in the weekly Staff and Executive meeting on January 9th, 2019.

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

- I. No meetings took place during this time.

C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights

- I. No meetings took place during this time.

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

- I. I attended the UTGSU Winter Welcome Social on January 14th, 2019.
- II. I continued to address funding complaints brought forth to the UTGSU by U of T graduate students

**Sophie McGibbon-Gardner
Academics and Funding Commissioner, Divisions 3&4**

A) Executive Committee, General Council, and Annual Meetings

- I. I attended and participated in the General Council meeting on December 3rd, 2018.
- II. I attended and participated in the Annual General meeting on December 3rd, 2018.
- III. I sent regrets the weekly Executive and Staff meeting on December 6th, 2018.
- IV. I attended and participated in the weekly Executive and Staff meeting on December 13th, 2018.
- V. I sent regrets to the weekly Executive and Staff meeting on January 10th, 2019.



- VI. I attended and participated in the weekly Executive and Staff meeting on January 17th, 2019.

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

- I. I attended and participated in a transition meeting regarding Policy and Operations Committee on December 10th, 2018.
- II. I attended and participated in a Graduate Community Development Fund Awards Committee meeting on December 11th, 2018.
- III. I attended and participated in the Building Subcommittee meeting with building management on December 12th, 2018.
- IV. I attended and participated in a Graduate Community Development Fund Awards Committee meeting on December 12th, 2018.
- V. I chaired a Policy and Operations Committee meeting on January 8th, 2019.
- VI. I attended and participated in a Finance Committee meeting on January 9th, 2019.
- VII. I attended and participated in a Graduate Community Development Fund Awards Committee meeting on January 10th, 2019.
- VIII. I attended and participated in a Graduate Community Development Fund Awards Committee meeting on January 17th, 2019.

C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights

- IX. I attended and participated in a meeting with the acting SGS Dean and Governing Council Representatives on December 10th, 2018.

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

- I. I continued to correspond with several students regarding academic and funding issues.
- II. I developed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Finance Commissioner to allow the UTGSU to book rooms at Hart House on course unions' behalf and contacted ULife to create an expedited process for UTGSU Course Unions to become accredited so that in future years they may book on their own.
- III. I attended and participated in the Winter Orientation Social on January 14th, 2019.

Leonardo José Uribe Castaño Civics and Environment Commissioner

A) Executive Committee and General Council Meetings

- I. I attended and participated in the UTGSU General council meeting on November 26th, 2018.
- II. I attended and participated in the Executive and Staff meeting on November 29th, 2018.
- III. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Annual General meeting on December 3rd, 2018.
- IV. I attended and participated in the UTGSU General council meeting on December 3rd, 2018.



- V. I attended and participated in the Executive and Staff meeting on December 6th, 2018.
- VI. I attended and participated in the Executive and Staff meeting on December 13th, 2018.

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

- I. I chaired the UTGSU EJSC meeting on December 10th, 2018.

C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights

- I. I attended and participated in a meeting between the UTGSU Executive and the SGS Dean on November 28th, 2018.
- II. I attended and participated in the Hart House Board of Stewards meeting on December 5th, 2018.

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

- I. I participated in the UTGSU EJSC event "film & dinner" on December 7th, 2018.

Maryssa Barras Executive at Large

A) Executive Committee and General Council Meetings

- I. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Council meeting on December 3rd
- II. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Annual General Meeting on December 3rd
- III. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive meeting on December 13th, 2018
- IV. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive meeting on January 10th

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

- I. A meeting time for the Policy and Operations Committee was organized for January 8th 2019, which I attended.
 - a. I submitted minutes for said meeting January 10th, 2019
- II. I attended the UTGSU winter orientation January 14th
- III. I attended the CFS Ontario General Meeting from January 17-20th as the UTGSU delegate.

C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights

- I. No meetings took place during this time.

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

- I. In conjunction with the Academics 3 & 4 Commissioner, a number of initiatives have been underway for the Policy and Operations Committee.



- II. I would like to highlight the extreme volume of email correspondence I have been dealing with, the new year has brought on a very high volume of inquiries, questions, and requests which I have been keeping up with both as acting Internal commissioner and Executive-at-Large.

Cristina Jaimungal
External Commissioner

A) Executive Committee and General Council Meetings

- I. I attended and participated in the following Executive and Staff meetings:
 - a. November 26 – Council
 - b. December 3 – AGM
 - c. December 3 – Council
 - d. December 6
 - e. December 13
 - f. January 10 – Absent due to illness

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

- I. Canadian Federation of Students (CFS): January 14
 - g. I participated in a debrief meeting via phone with CFS-Ontario.
- II. Race and Ethnicity Caucus (REC): Dec. 13, 2018 Jan. 11, 2019
 - h. I participated in a meeting and attended the end of year social.
- III. Equity and Advocacy Committee (EAC): November 28!
 - i. I attended, chaired and participated in the EAC meeting

C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights

- I. No meetings took place during the course of this report.

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

- I. Anti-Racism Strategy and Action Plan Working Group
 - a. The Academics and Funding Commissioner and I worked on a call out, which was shared in Digest. I have been working on establishing the composition of this working group. Below is a recap of the phases for implementation, which was presented at the UTGSU AGM, for your reference:

Phase 1 | January 2019

Establish a working group

Phase 2 | February 2019

Identify key stakeholders & Research anti-racism strategies and documents

**Phase 3 | March 2019**

Create a draft and circulate to all key stakeholders

Phase 4 | April 2019

Review, revise, and incorporate feedback for final draft

E) Interim Internal Commissioner: January 11

- I. I participated in a debrief meeting via call with the interim Internal Commissioner who is the delegate for the upcoming CFS Annual General Meeting on January 17 to 20, 2019.

F) Faculty of Kinesiology & Physical Education Equity Committee: January 15

- I. I attended and participated in this meeting. I shared announcements on the Graduate Wellness Portal and potential collaborations with other equity-invested stakeholders on campus such as the Centre for Integrative Anti-Racism Studies.

G) Winter Orientation Social: January 14

- I. I attended and participated in the UTGSU winter social.

H) Wellness Portal: On-going

- I. I continue to monitor and work on actions items for the portal in collaboration with the SGS Communications Officer, the UTGSU Communications and Promotions Coordinator, and AF Commissioner (3&4).

I) Anti-Racism and Cultural Diversity Office (ARCDO): On-going

- I. The ARCDO has notified me that that they are currently in transition and will be in touch to follow up on our advisory meeting schedule.

J) Student Meetings: On-going

- I. I continue to address and consult with students who require guidance and direction for mental health resources and advocacy avenues. I have had a significant increase in students asking for peer support and event consultation.

Branden Rizzuto
Finance Commissioner

A) Executive Committee and General Council Meetings

- I. I attended and participated in the UTGSU General Council/Board-of-Directors meeting on Monday, November 26th, 2018



- II. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Monday, December 3rd, 2018
- III. I attended and participated in the UTGSU General Council/Board-of-Director's meeting on Monday, December 3rd, 2018
- IV. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on Thursday, December 6th, 2018
- V. I attended, chaired, and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on Thursday, December 13th, 2018
- VI. I attended, chaired, and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on Thursday, January 9th, 2018
- VII. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Winter Social on Monday, January 14th, 2019

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

- I. I attended, chaired, and participated in the UTGSU Finance Committee meeting on Monday, December 3rd, 2018
- II. I attended, co-chaired, and participated in the Graduate Community Development Fund (GCDF) Awards Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 10th, 2018
- III. I attended, co-chaired, and participated in the Graduate Community Development Fund (GCDF) Awards Committee meeting on Wednesday, December 11th, 2018
- IV. I attended, chaired, and participated in the UTGSU Finance Committee meeting on Wednesday, January 9th, 2019
- V. I organized and attended an award adjudication session for the Graduate Community Development Fund (GCDF) Awards Committee on Thursday, January 10th, 2019

C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights

- I. I attended and participated in the Council on Student Services (COSS) meeting on Friday, November 30th, 2018
- II. I attended and participated in the Hart House Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 4th, 2018
- III. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Meeting with the Office of the Vice-Provost (Students) on Tuesday, December 4th, 2018
- IV. I attended and participated in the Council on Athletics and Recreation (CAR) meeting on Thursday, December 6th, 2018
- V. I attended and participated in the UTGSU meeting with the School of Graduate Studies (SGS) Dean on Monday, December 10th, 2018
- VI. I attended and participated in a meeting with UTGSU course unions and the Office of the Vice-Dean – Graduate Education and Program Reviews (Faculty of Arts and Science) on Thursday, December 13th, 2018
- VII. I attended and participated in the Hart House Finance Committee meeting on Tuesday, January 8th, 2019
- VIII. I attended and participated in the Council on Student Services (COSS) meeting on Friday, January 11th, 2019

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



- I. I continued to adjudicate the supporting documents submitted by successful applicants of the 2018 UTGSU Conference Bursary (Spring Cycle), and subsequently submitted these documents to the UTGSU Finance Committee for final approval
- II. I continued to review award acceptances from successful applicants to the 2018 UTGSU Conference Bursary (Fall Cycle)
- III. I continued to adjudicate supporting documents submitted by successful applicants of the 2018 UTGSU Conference Bursary (Fall Cycle)
- IV. I attended a stake-holders meeting with StudentCare in Montreal from November 28th – November 30th, 2018

Samantha Stead
University Governance Commissioner

A) Executive Committee and General Council Meetings

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- IV. I attended and participated in the weekly Staff and Executive meeting on December 6th, 2018.
- V. I attended and participated in the weekly Staff and Executive meeting on December 13th, 2018.
- VI. I attended and participated in the weekly Staff and Executive meeting on January 9th, 2019.

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

- I. I chaired the REG committee meeting on December 5th, 2018.
- II. I chaired the REG committee meeting on January 8th, 2019.

C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights

- I. I attended a meeting for the Faculty of Arts and Science council on December 12th, 2018.
- II. I attended and participated in the Graduate Education Council on December 11th, 2018.
- III. I attended the Council on Student Services (COSS) meeting on January 11th, 2019.
- IV. I attended the Council on Student Services (COSS) meeting on January 11th, 2019.
- V. I attended and participated in a meeting with the Dean of SGS on January 14th, 2019.

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

- I. Myself and representatives from APUS, UTSU and UTMSU are in the process of organizing consultations on the Sexual Violence policy to be held this February. The



dates are tentatively set for February 6th and 27th at the St. George campus and February 7th at the Mississauga campus. We are waiting to hear back about the Scarborough campus.

- II. I attended the UTGSU Winter Welcome Social on January 14th, 2019.