



**Student Representative Assembly Meeting 17N  
Sunday, February 4, 2018 at 5:00pm  
Council Chambers, GH111**

**Called to Order at 5:01pm**

**CALL OF THE ROLL**

**Present:** Anas, Anbalagan, Arbess, Chestney, Deshpande, Fama, Florean, Ibe, Lao, Lee, McGill, Nwamadi, Obaidullah, Ochocinski, Ráez-Villanueva, Patel, Risi, Sabra Salim, Sabrin Salim, Senthillmohan, Shin, Sooriyakumaran, Stott, Szeliga, Webb, Yun

**Absent Excused:**

**Absent** Aoki, Hackett, McNally, Risi, Vlatkovic, Zhang

**Late** D'Souza, Gardner

**Others Present:** E. Ferguson (Recording Secretary)

**Chair** Helen Zeng

**TERRITORY RECOGNITION**

- The SRA would like to recognize today that we are situated on traditional Haudenosaunee and Anishnaabe territories through the 'Dish with One Spoon Wampum Treaty'.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Moved** by Stott, **seconded** by Lao that the Assembly adopt the agenda, as presented.

**Amendment**

**Moved** by Ibe, **seconded** by Stott to add "Student Activity Building Updates" to Delegation from the Floor item #1.

- Ibe stated that he had circulated a document and wanted to discuss it more in depth.
- Sabra Salim stated that she did not think they had enough time to go over and review the document.
- Ibe stated that it was just for information and no decisions had to be made.

**Vote on Amendment**

**In Favour: 16 Opposed: 5 Abstentions: 1**  
**Opposed: Obaidullah, Sabra Salim, Anas, Sabrin Salim, Patel**  
**Abstained: Fama**  
**Motion Passes**

**Vote to Adopt Agenda**

**Moved** by Stott, **seconded** by Lao that the Assembly adopt the agenda, as amended.

**Passes Unanimously**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Moved** by Lao, **seconded** by Aoki that the Assembly adopt the minutes from SRA meeting 17L – January 7, 2018 and 17M – January 21, 2018 as circulated.

**Passes Unanimously**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR**

- The Chair asked for Observers in the back to sign the Observer's List for the minutes. The Chair reminded the Assembly to be punctual with agenda items in order to be respectful of the rest of the Assembly.

### **DELEGATIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

#### **Parameters**

**Moved** by Stott, **seconded** by Deshpande to set parameters to be 15 minutes for presentation, 15 minutes for questions.

#### **Passes Unanimously**

#### **1. Student Activity Building Updates – Ibe presented (attached)**

- Ibe went over the presentation with the Assembly.

#### **Questions**

- Arnold asked if he could elaborate what was considered 'nap-friendly' furniture. Ibe responded that MUSC would be getting a napping room on the third floor through SLEF funding so they felt they didn't need the exact concept in the new building. Nap-friendly furniture would be flat surfaces in a quiet area.
- Arbess asked if the new building would incorporate desks with outlets and sufficient lighting for study space. Ibe stated that they had not gone directly into what furniture would be placed in the building, but they did request the architects to pay attention to the wireless and outlets.
- McGill asked what would happen if the target LEED rating isn't met. Ibe thanked McGill for flagging it and he said he would bring that back for discussion.
- Lee asked if they were able to see the full LEED scorecard. Ibe stated he would try and get it for him.
- Anas asked if varsity athletes would be getting a separate gym. Ibe explained they had not spoken specifically about varsity athletes. He explained they moved away from the high performance gym space because it would not be accessible to a large amount of students.
- Florean asked what the timeline for the MUSC nap room was. Ibe responded that the project was in the hands of MUSC Administration.
- Yun asked if the current Pulse space would be affected by construction. Ibe responded yes, but the goal of construction was to minimize the amount of disturbance.
- Florean asked if they looked into wheelchair accessibility and accessible gym equipment. Ibe responded that the building was put through the accessibility audit with the correct representatives of the university. He stated that there would be accessible equipment coming to the Pulse in the future.

### **REPORT PERIOD**

#### **1. First Year Council – Justin Lee presented**

- J. Lee summarized the report.

#### **Questions**

- D'Souza asked if any collaboration was doing with Campus Events for the Life's a Beach event. J. Lee ceded their time to Hazra Chowdhury. Chowdhury stated it was in collaboration with Campus Events.
- D'Souza asked what the engagement level was with the survey. J. Lee ceded their time to Hazra Chowdhury. Chowdhury stated that she would email Pauline to get an update.

**2. Nursing Caucus – Nwamadi presented**

- Nwamadi summarized the report.

**Questions**

- Ibe asked McNally to explain which caucus member was working on which project. McNally stated that Ochocinski was working on the free breakdown. He explained that they had all be attending events and attending DCS Exec meetings.

**3. Science Caucus – Sabra Salim presented**

- Sabra Salim summarized the report.

**Questions**

- Webb clarified if Sabra Salim intended to say CISSA space of Indigenous Studies Program space. Sabra Salim clarified she intended to say Indigenous Studies Program space.
- Anbalagan asked if they had been receiving support from the MSS for advocacy. Sabra Salim explained that they had been meeting frequently with the MSS during second semester.

**4. Social Science Caucus – Patel presented**

- Patel summarized the report.

**5. Municipal Affairs Committee – Stephanie Bertolo presented**

- Bertolo summarized the report.

**6. University Affairs Committee – Lee presented**

- Lee summarized the report.

**Questions**

- Florean asked if he could expand on library funding. Lee stated that the new Provost recognized that a lack of funding goes towards libraries. He stated that he would continue to fund extended hours in Innis but also agreed to put more funding into Thode.
- Florean asked if the funding would be for the pilot program. Lee responded that it would be for Winter 2018 and Fall 2018 and then it would be evaluated.
- Anas asked if the librarians would continue to collect data on how many students utilize the library. Lee responded that librarians will always continue doing headcounts.

**7. Executive Board – Ibe presented**

- Ibe summarized the report.

**8. President – Ibe presented**

- Ibe summarized the report.

**Questions**

- Ráez-Villanueva asked what the next steps were for the green boxes and why it was so difficult to get going. Ibe explained that there was no space to dry the cleaned green boxes. He explained that Paradise

Catering was looking to renovate their entire space, which could fix that issue. Ibe explained that it was not an option at that time to integrate the green box fee into the first year fee.

- Florean asked how he planned to getting the word out about the Presidents' Townhall event with Dr. Patrick Deane. Ibe reported that he was messaging students directly and there was a whole package of promotional materials going out.
- Webb asked how Ibe came up with the Women's Issues Committee and how he reached out to people to sit on it. Ibe explained that he wanted to ensure that the groups on campus doing similar work were able to come together to share interests and resources. He explained that the groups found value in getting together.

## 9. Health Services Review – Lee presented

### Questions

- Florean asked if the review would be added to the wellness policy. Lee responded that it was already included in the policy but traditionally it was reported on at the SRA level as well.

**Moved** by Anbalagan, **seconded** by Deshpande to add "Elections Seat Allocation" to Report Period #10.

**Passes Unanimously**

## 10. Elections Seat Allocation – report attached

### INFORMATION PERIOD

- Deshpande advised that OUSA Spring General Assembly applications were open until February 7, 2018.
- Sabra Salim asked that any Assembly member interested in McMaster Energy Week to reach out to her.
- Webb asked that the Assembly share Faculty executive hiring with constituents.
- D'Souza reported that the Grind café was doing a soft launch. He explained that a full marketing push and opening would be happening after reading week.
- Patel asked the Assembly to please share SRA Generals nominations with their constituents.

### QUESTION PERIOD

- Florean asked D'Souza if the hours of the Grind would be changing. She asked if there was any way to extend the hours it was open. D'Souza responded that the hours would be 9am-5pm during the soft launch. They would be looking into the value in keeping it open later depending on sales and uptake. He noted that students could still study in the space with the food service closed, as long as TwelvEighty was open.
- Florean asked D'Souza if any other dietary restrictions were planning on being included. D'Souza stated that alternative milks would be coming during the full launch. He explained he was waiting to see all the feedback from the soft launch.
- Patel asked a member of the Board if the OPIRG ad hoc committee was going to continue given the results of the referendum. D'Souza stated that they were working on how to best structure conversations with OPIRG moving forward.
- McGill asked D'Souza if there would be composting at the Grind. D'Souza responded that he would have to double check.
- Patel asked D'Souza if the new OPIRG fee would be increasing by CPI. D'Souza responded that he would be speaking to the Elections team to confirm that.

## **BUSINESS**

### **1. Open SRA seats on Standing Committees**

**Moved** by Patel, **seconded** by Stott that the Assembly open SRA seats on the following committees:

- Municipal Affairs Committee (1)
- Services Committee (1)

**Passes Unanimously**

### **2. Close SRA seats on Standing Committees**

**Moved** by Patel, **seconded** by Webb that the Assembly close SRA seats on the following committees:

- Municipal Affairs Committee (2)
- Services Committee (1)

#### **Nominations – Municipal Affairs Committee**

- Deshpande nominated Shin – declined
- Deshpande nominated Ráez-Villanueva – declined
- Deshpande nominated Arbess – accepted
- Deshpande nominated Hackett – accepted

#### **Nominations – Services Committee**

- Gardner nominated Shin – accepted

#### **Vote to Close**

**Passes Unanimously**

- Arbess and Hackett won the SRA seats on Municipal Affairs Committee by acclamation.
- Shin won the SRA seat on Services Committee by acclamation.

### **3. Open SRA seats on Executive Board**

**Moved** by Anas, **seconded** by Stott that the Assembly open one (1) SRA seat on Executive Board.

**Passes Unanimously**

### **4. Close SRA seats on Executive Board**

**Moved** by Webb, **seconded** by Anas that the Assembly close one (1) SRA seat on Executive Board.

#### **Nominations**

- Patel nominated Hackett – accepted
- Arnold nominated Webb – accepted

#### **Vote to Close**

**Passes Unanimously**

#### **Set Parameters**

**Moved** by Anbalagan, **seconded** by Deshpande to set parameters for the election at one minute for opening statements, and two minute for questions per candidate, pooled.

### Vote on Parameters

**Passes Unanimously**

- The candidate spoke within the allotted time.
- The Assembly voted by secret ballot.

Candidate	Vote
Hackett	6
<b>Webb</b>	<b>21</b>
Spoiled	0
Abstained	0

### TIME OF NEXT MEETING

**Sunday, February 25, 2018  
5:00pm  
Council Chambers, GH 111**

### CALL OF THE ROLL

**Present:**

Anas, Anbalagan, Arbess, Chestney, D'Souza, Deshpande, Fama, Florean, Gardner, Lao, Lee, McGill, Nwamadi, Obaidullah, Ochocinski, Ráez-Villanueva, Patel, Risi, Sabra Salim, Sabrin Salim, Senthillmohan, Shin, Sooriyakumaran, Stott, Szeliga, Webb, Yun

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**Late**

**Others Present:**

E. Ferguson (Recording Secretary)

**Chair**

Helen Zeng

### ADJOURNMENT

**Moved** by Anas, **seconded** by Fama that the meeting be adjourned.

**Passes Unanimously**

**Adjourned at 6:48 pm**

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