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1.1. Call to Order

CSA Board Chair Cameron Oleson called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

1.2. Land Acknowledgement

Given by Aidan Paskinov

We acknowledge that the University of Guelph resides on the ancestral lands of the Attawandaron people and the treaty lands and territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. We recognize the significance of the Dish with One Spoon Covenant to this land and offer our respect to our Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee and Métis neighbours as we strive to strengthen our relationships with them.

Today, this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples and acknowledging them reminds us of our important connection to this land where we learn and work.

We do this land acknowledgment at the CSA at the start of all our Board meetings and many of our other meetings as well. We do it not just as a checking of the box but as a constant reminder that we are on unceded, stolen land and we have to constantly work towards reconciliation with our Nation's neighbours.

1.3. Welcome and Introductory Comments

1.3.1. CSA President: Overview of the CSA

Jack Fisher: Hi, welcome everybody. My name is Jack Fisher, I am the President of the CSA. I use he and him pronouns. I'm sure a lot of you in the crowd know that the CSA is a student association or student union at the University of Guelph. We purport to be your voice on campus. In a lot of ways, that's true and behind the curtains. We sit on a lot of committees across the Board and represent student voices, we love being able to do some outreach and talk to you folks when we can. It's not always super-easy. If you ever have an opinion with something on campus, feel free to stop by the CSA anytime. On top of that, the CSA, I've used this analogy before, we're the asterisk of the University; that's also our logo. We provide services, events and activities that the University can't quite manage to do. We're completely student-funded, run by students, for students, because it's what we need as a group. If you're looking at the CSA as a hierarchy, it's a whole student body at the top of the chain. That's why we're having this meeting today. It is this representation of the student community, the undergraduate community at the University of Guelph. This Annual General Meeting is the top of our membership. This is the most important

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thing we do all year and it gives us direction for the future. We're going to have a chance later to hear from those amazing services that we do offer, so stick around for that. If you have any other questions, talk to us later. But if you don't, thank you so much for showing up. Welcome to the AGM. I hope you stay to get through some very important business that's been sitting on the back burner for the past two years now. So welcome.

1.3.2. CSA Chair: AGM Welcome / How to Participate in the AGM

Chair: Welcome, everyone. If you turn to the second page of your AGM package, you will see that there is a diagram of Peter Clark Hall and you can see that there are two participant lines. As we go through tonight, if you wish to speak to anything that is being discussed, please move to one of the two microphones at which point, wait to be recognized by myself as Chair and you will be allowed to speak at that time. After that page, you can see a few more things about the general rules of the AGM. The CSA uses Robert's Rules of Order, supplemented by CSA Rules of Order. The general outlines of how to participate are here in the manual but I'll also give you a brief overview.

Firstly, the Call to Order which we'd just done earlier, commences the meeting. We need quorum in order to continue this meeting tonight and actually vote on business. Please if you do need to leave for any reason, please sign out but I encourage everyone to please stay until we are done with all of our business tonight. That way we can finally approve it. There are important bylaw changes that need to be approved tonight.

We give preference to first-time speakers and we'll do our best with the speakers list. First time speakers are individuals who have not spoken to a specific item on the agenda. If you take a look, for example, if we were discussing 1.7.1.1. that would be one individual item and it would be first-time speakers for only that item. That resets at the beginning of each item.

Additionally, in order for something to be approved at the Board level, we need a mover and seconder to discuss. The mover proposes something to be discussed. The seconder agrees to have it discussed, at which point, we can actually host a proper discussion on the item, concluded with a vote.

When there is a motion before us, we can amend the motion with a secondary motion. In addition, we can amend an amendment but you cannot amend an amendment to an amendment. It can only go to a secondary amendment. An amendment is anything from a removal of wording or even a whole section of a motion, an addition of new wording or potentially even removing and replacing

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something. At anytime, if there is something that you feel would benefit from being amended, you can propose that.

Some other types of motions are on page 4 and 5 of your package. They include to amend which I discussed previously, to divide which is to take a motion that has two or more parts and to separate the parts for discussion, and to postpone which is to hold the discussion of a motion to a later time.

To Call the Question may be an important one tonight. During a debate, it is possible to call the question, at which point it would be a vote to end debate on a particular item. It requires two-thirds of the assembly in order to approve such a motion. But if it is approved, we will move immediately to voting on the item and there is no further discussion. It should not be used to prevent others from speaking. It should be used when the debate has been exhausted and you feel that there is no benefit to continuing the debate, as all points have been heard.

In addition, if there is a motion that needs to be amended for some reason after it has passed, it can be reconsidered. And finally, we can recess or adjourn. A recess is to take a break and return after a set period of time. To adjourn is to end the meeting tonight. Typically, that adjournment will be at the very end of the meeting. Unfortunately, we will also have to adjourn if we lose quorum.

The last piece I have is individual incidental motions. These empowerment tools are available for each of you as an individual.

First is a *Point of Order* so if you feel that we are not proceeding in accordance with Robert's Rules, you can raise a Point of Order by raising your hand, at which point, I as Chair, will recognize you and you can state your Point of Order.

The next is a Point of Information and this is a request for information and it should be pertinent to the item that is being discussed. Let's take for example that someone is discussing an event that will be happening but forgets to mention the date. You can use a Point of Information to request that the speaker provide the date because it is pertinent to the discussion.

Finally, there is the *Point of Personal Privilege*. The purpose of this is to increase the accessibility of the meeting to an individual. We have a roaming microphone tonight and if any individual is unable to make it to one of the standing mics, you can raise a Point of Personal Privilege to request that one of the roaming mics be brought to yourself. If a speaker is not speaking clearly enough or loud enough for you to hear in the audience, you can use a Point of Personal Privilege to request that they speak more loudly or more clearly.

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1.4. Approval of the Agenda

1.4.1. Motion to Approve the Agenda

MOTION: To approve the agenda for the CSA Annual General Meeting on February 27, 2019, as printed and distributed.

Moved: Jayden Wlasichuk Seconded: Margarita Wilson

Jamie Gibson: I would like to propose an amendment to the agenda. I can bring this up to the front if that's easy, but I'm going to read it first.

MOTION TO AMEND:

WHEREAS the Central Student Association is founded upon the values of student democracy and student participation and our Annual General Meeting aims to embody such ideals;

WHEREAS the proposals represented in the submitted motions are a top priority;

MOTION: To move Business Items (1.11) directly after Approval of the Minutes (1.5).

Moved: Jamie Gibson Seconded: Blakeney Smith

Chair: According to the bylaws, we would not be able to move 1.11 before 1.6, before the approval of the auditor's report. Unfortunately, I will have to say your motion to amend is out of order. However, if you would like to change your motion to after 1.6, it would be in order.

Jamie Gibson: Would you like to reread it with that correction or can that be implied?

Chair: That's fine as you've previously read it. It will just simply be changed to after 1.6. rather than 1.5.

Jayden Wlasichuk: I would actually make an amendment to it to be after 1.7, very quick pieces of business that we can just vote and get them out of the way. In recent years, we have seen quorum lost and I would hate to see quorum lost before so much business that can just be voted on and passed by the students that are in the room. There won't be a lot of discussion on these pieces, just based on their content. I think it would be fair to just vote on them and then continue with the meeting but actually have that certain piece 1.11, be talked about before the rest of the meeting.

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Nick Kowaleski: Point of Order: I actually believe, according to our bylaws, we're not allowed to rearrange the sections of the agenda but only the items within the section for Annual General Meeting. That's Bylaw 1, Section 9.1.13.

Chair: Would you please read that bylaw for the sake of the audience?

Nick Kowaleski: "The order of this agenda is set by this bylaw. However, the order of items within a particular agenda item can be reordered by a vote at a members' meeting."

Chair: I will rule the amendment out of order.

Jamie Gibson: Point of Information: Are we able to change bylaws now?

Chair: No.

Vote on Motion to Approve the Agenda Motion carried

- 1.5. Approval of Previous AGM Minutes
- 1.5.1. Motion to Approve AGM Minutes-February 1, 2017

MOTION: To approve the minutes from the CSA Annual General Meeting held on February 1, 2017.

Moved: Jayden Wlasichuk Seconded: Claudia Idzik

Vote on Motion Motion carried

- 1.5.2. AGM Minutes February 1, 2017
- 1.5.3. Questions and Business Arising from the Minutes
- 1.6. Approval of Auditor's Reports
- 1.6.1. Audit Report Presentation: 2016-2017 and 2017-2018

Motion: To extend speaking rights for our Business Manager.

Moved: Aidan Paskinov Seconded: Jayden Wlasichuk

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Vote on Motion Motion carried

Lee Anne Clarke, CSA Business Manager, presented the Auditor's Reports.

Kyle Rodrigues: I have a question. It says it's a qualified opinion and it states that they couldn't determine a few things – 'limited to the amounts recorded in the University of Guelph CSA'. What was the issue?

Lee Anne Clarke: It's actually not an issue the way one might think of it as an issue. Let me give you an example. Dustin, our Bike Centre Coordinator, brings us revenue from donations or parts that are given to the Bike Centre. They can't verify that what's collected comes into our office and is recorded. We can't verify when there are other fundraising things. We can't verify a number of cash transactions – that the cash is received for some things. We actually record all those revenues but there's no way for any of us to know it's actually there. I believe it is but that's why they put the qualifying thing in there.

Kyle Rodrigues: So that's the difference between unqualified and qualified?

Lee Anne Clarke: Yes, that's the common language in all audits and statements and letters.

1.6.2. Motion to Approve the Audit Reports

MOTION: To approve the Audit Reports for 2016-2017 and for 2017-2018, as presented at the CSA Annual General Meeting on February 27, 2019.

Moved: Jayden Wlasichuk Seconded: Matteo Raso

Vote on Motion Motion carried

1.6.3. Motion to Appoint BDO Canada LLP as Auditor for the year ended April 30, 2019

MOTION: To appoint BDO Canada LLP as Auditor for the CSA for the year ending April 30, 2019.

Moved: Nick Kowaleski **Seconded:** Kristine Keon

Vote on Motion Motion carried

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1.7. Confirmation of Amendments to CSA Bylaws

MOTION: To move as omnibus 1.7.1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, all to be voted on together, at once.

Moved: Jayden Wlasichuk **Seconded**: Horeen Hassan

Chair: The motion for omnibus would mean that all of those items just listed will be discussed as a single motion and would be approved as a single vote, rather than discussed individually and each approved with an individual vote.

Vote on Motion Motion carried

1.7.1. Bylaw 1 – Organizational

- 1.7.1.1. Section 1.3: Definition (February 8, 2017)
- 1.7.1.2. Section 3.8.2: At Large Director (March 20, 2017)
- 1.7.1.3. Various Sections (March 29, 2017)
- 1.7.1.4. Section 4.1.4: CSA Rules of Order (September 27, 2017)
- 1.7.1.5. Section 3.8: CRO and PTM (March 28, 2018)
- 1.7.1.6. Section 3.7: Director Vacancy (October 3, 2018)
- 1.7.1.7. Section 3.10: Speaking Rights (October 24, 2018)
- 1.7.1.8. Section12: Bylaw Amendments (January 16, 2019)

Moved: Javden Wlasichuk **Seconded:** Asa Coleman

Vote on Omnibus Motion Motion carried

1.7.2. Bylaw 2 – Electoral

MOTION: To move as omnibus 1.7.2.1, 2, 3 and 4, to be voted on together.

Moved: Jayden Wlasichuk **Seconded:** Horeen Hassan

Vote on Motion Motion carried

MOTION TO AMEND:

That Motion 1.7.2.1., Amendments to Bylaw 2, be amended as follows:

- Delete the first bullet re Section 12 Campaigning
- In the second bullet, add Section 5.0 (excluding 5.1)

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Moved: Aidan Paskinov Seconded: Jayden Wlasichuk

Aidan Paskinov: Can I pass my motivation to a staff member? The PTM.

PTM: This was a motion from February 8, 2017. We would have caught it a year ago if we had an AGM but we caught it this year. There was some duplication. You see Section 12 is listed. But it is also listed a second time in the body of the second bullet and so that first bullet is not needed. Then, in the second bullet, we go 3, 4, 6 and we'd like to include 5 as something to be maintained in the policy. That is the amendment, to make the motion from 2017 as complete as possible.

Vote on Motion to Amend Motion carried

- 1.7.2.1. Various Sections (February 8, 2017)
- 1.7.2.2. Section 2.2.4& 2.2.5. By-Election (March 20, 2017)
- 1.7.2.3. Various Sections: Title Changes (March 29, 2017)
- 1.7.2.4. Various Sections (March 28, 2018)

Vote on Omnibus Motion (as Amended) Motion carried

1.7.3. Bylaw 3 – Financial

1.7.3.1. Various Sections: Title Changes (March 29, 2017)

MOTION: To confirm the following amendments to **Bylaw 3 - Financial**, as approved by the CSA Board of Directors on March 29, 2017:

- i) Replace the former commissioner title with "President":
 - Section 1.3, Section 5.1, Section 5.1.4, Section 5.1.5, Section 5.1.6, Section 7.2, and Section 7.3
- ii) Replace the former commissioner titles with "President and Vice President Student Experience":
 - Section 1.1 and Section 1.2

Moved: Jayden Wlasichuk Seconded: Aidan Paskinov

Vote on Motion Motion carried

1.7.4. **Bylaw 4 – CSA Policy**

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1.7.4.1. Section 2: Policy Amendments (January 16, 2019)

MOTION: To confirm the following amendments to **Bylaw 4, Policy of the CSA**, as approved by the Board of Directors on January 16, 2019:

- To require "one Board meeting notice" and a "two-thirds majority vote" in the following bylaw sections:
 - Section 2.1. to establish a new CSA policy
 - Section 2.2. to amend a CSA policy
 - Section 2.3. to suspend a CSA policy
 - Section 2.4. to rescind a CSA policy
- To use consistent wording of "rescinded" rather than "retracted" in Section 2.5.

Moved: Horeen Hassan Seconded: Matteo Raso

Vote on Motion Motion carried

1.8 Summary of 2018-2019 Amendments to CSA Rules of Order

1.8.1. Confirm as Separate Document

MOTION: To confirm the following changes in the **CSA Rules of Order**, as approved by the CSA Board of Directors on September 27, 2017:

- Removal of the CSA Rules of Order as Appendix A from the CSA Policy Manual;
- Separation of the CSA Rules of Order from the CSA Bylaws and CSA Policy Manual / Appendices;
- Inclusion of a new Section 1: Quorum in the CSA Rules of Order as recommended by the Policy & Bylaw Review Committee and as approved by the Board of Directors on September 27, 2017; and
- Naming the resulting document as "CSA Rules of Order".

Moved: Jack Fischer Seconded: Horeen Hassan

Jack Fisher: The CSA Rules of Order used to be in our bylaws. But they're not necessarily laws, just the way we manage our meetings. In 2018-2019, we pulled it into a separate document which is found in the same place online with the policies and bylaws of the CSA. It is an addition to the Robert's Rules of Order that we use. We are a unique organization with our own rules of order.

Vote on Motion Motion carried

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1.9. Summary of 2018-2019 Amendments to CSA Policy Manual

1.9.1. Confirm Revised List of Appendices

<u>MOTION</u>: To confirm the following changes to the **CSA Policy Manual** as approved by the CSA Board of Directors on September 26, 2018:

that the CSA Policy Manual consist of the following appendices:

Appendix A – CSA Internal Policy

Appendix B – CSA Services Policy

Appendix C – CSA Human Resources Policy

Appendix D – Bullring Human Resources Policy

Appendix E – Issues and Organizational Policy

Appendix F – Clubs Handbook

Appendix G – CSA Electoral

Appendix H – Second Floor Student Space Acceptable Use Policy

 that Appendix G – CSA Electoral combine the former Appendix K (CSA Electoral) and the former Appendix I (Elections Appeals Board).

Moved: Jack Fisher Seconded: Jayden Wlasichuk

PTM: This is basically the Policy Manual of the CSA. Previously, we had a number of additional appendices. The Board has reduced that number, asking the membership to confirm this change. The list of appendices is on the board in front of you. For instance, the Electoral policy was combined from several other policies. It is much more efficient this way so we're asking the membership to confirm that the Policy Manual will now include those appendices A-H.

Vote on Motion Motion carried

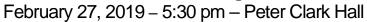
1.10. Report of the Organization

1.10.1. Executive Updates

CSA President – Jack Fisher

Welcome everybody again. Thank you for being here. Thanks for getting through that business with us. That was sitting on the back burner for a long time and we're moving into the future, 2020 is coming around.

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In my written report in the package, you can find a summary of what I wanted to talk about. I'm just going to highlight some of that because in my role as President, it is my job to generally oversee the organization as a whole. A lot of the initiatives that have been taken on and followed through with, have actually been the initiatives of other people with my support but not necessarily my initiative personally.

As Lee Anne mentioned earlier, we had a chance to finish the renovation of the clubs hallway with renovation of CUPE 3913 space into a clubs lounge. We worked with the Bullring on a floor, which sounds so mundane but very important because it was falling apart. We've also had a chance to work with an HR professional and we have a lot of the HR policies at the CSA to bring us to the 21st century of business and organization and support staff employees. Hopefully, it just adds that grease to the wheels that make the whole thing run. We've done work with the Board and getting everyone into a place where hopefully moving into next year, CSA is going to be running in a way that it hasn't been running for a long time with intercommunications and hopefully, that will benefit the student body as a whole.

If you have any questions about what I did right or want some more details on something I haven't said, I have more information and my door is always open.

VP Student Experience – Aidan Paskinov

Hi folks! Overall, my position has three main focuses with student space, events run by the CSA and supervising a number of services.

First, I just want to thank our full-time staff who you've probably seen around the event by now. We have Earl who is our Policy and Transition Manager, Lee Anne Clarke our Business Manager, Victoria who is on Graphics, Laura who is right in front now. She's our Front Office Manager and John is our Programmer who runs a bunch of events, all our noon-hour concerts. They are essential to what the CSA does and we wouldn't have had as good as year without them and they're fantastic people. They love talking to students so if you get a chance, feel free to chat.

Overall, events this year, we've tried to really step up the quality and quantity of the events CSA runs, at least in my portfolio specifically. We really put a lot of time and effort into O Week; that's what I spent most of my summer doing and we thought it was a huge hit. We saw increases in interaction and student engagement.

We transitioned well into the Fall, we had Gryphons Got Talent, we started Sexy Bingo with a bang which has been my focus this year and they've been a big hit.

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Then we had some exam stress busters, that's where the student space came in. We had both wings of PCH rented for the last few days of exams during the Fall semester. Here we had drop-in study space for students and we're doing that again in April for the whole first week. So if you like, you can come on down.

Services-wise, I supervise three of the main CSA services including clubs. We have two clubs coordinators – Roy and Lindsay – both of whom are great and have been excellent dealing with our 100-plus student clubs this year. Like Jack mentioned, we're really working on the kinks of the hallway, because it's so new. If you get a chance to walk down, it looks great and our clubs lounge is phenomenal.

Next service is SafeWalk. This year, we've really put a lot of effort into revamping it because it's seen a bit of a decline and volunteer numbers are back up which is amazing. Thank you to Tyler this year, Mary who was our Volunteer Coordinator in the fall and Bailey who is our SafeWalk Central Coordinator. They've done great work, really exploring new initiatives as well as making SafeWalk's presence on campus a lot more emphasized.

Lastly, we have our Bike Centre. They're a bit off the beaten track on campus because it's not in the UC. But you should definitely go by if you get a chance. Stop by and get some tea with Dustin. They're great people and the Bike Centre is a really cool opportunity that blends the community and Guelph and brings us together. If you're ever curious about learning about bikes, you can stop by there.

Lastly, I sit on a whole bunch of committees this year. I've really been trying to get feedback because on a lot of these committees, I'm the only student rep. on them. I love hearing student voices, whether you've had poor or good interaction with Athletics, Student Wellness Services, OUTline, Student Experience, any of those services. Feel free to send me an email, stop by and chat. I've love to hear about it because then we'd provide direct feedback.

VP Academic – Natalie Clarke

Jack Fisher: Natalie has provided a report so if you want to know what she's doing, you can check that out. She has worked really hard on a policy to make sure that assignments and tests don't happen in the days just leading up to reading week and reading break. It hasn't fully been approved yet but she's put the long and hard work into making that happen.

Additionally, in September, Natalie organized a Student Memorial Tree Dedication. It's an event that a lot of you may not know about for students that passed away in the last year. She's done an incredible job doing that. Everything else should be there and she will be back at the end of the month.

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If you have any textbook concerns, she's your person to receive that email.

VP External – Kayla Weiler

Hi folks! My name is Kayla Weiler. I use she/her pronouns. My report can be found on page 82. I actually just snuck into our meeting tonight from Toronto. I was away at CFS Lobby week, which I will be talking about.

I would like to first and foremost welcome all of you undergrads to our Annual General Meeting. Whether it's your first time here or you're a seasoned pro at Robert's Rules, this is your meeting and you are the ones who can make the most out of it. We're your student association and it's been a pleasure to work for you folks as the VP External Affairs. This is actually my second time as the role of VP External Affairs and it's been nothing but great working with undergraduate students with great ideas of how to fight for free education, challenge oppression on campus and work to make lives of students more affordable. I often say to people that students are the busiest people in Ontario and we're the underdogs on campus. We're often ignored by our administration and by our government and that's why we're here to fight for your rights and to fight for you as students on our campus and in our communities and our province and in Canada.

I just want to note that I do a lot of work when it comes to off-campus as well as social and environmental justice and how to better advocate for students from the student perspective. Another aspect of my job is I am also the representative of the Canadian Federation of Students. We are Local 54. It is our connection to the national and provincial student movement. Once again, thank you for coming to the AGM tonight and I hope this is a really good Wednesday.

I have three important things I want to highlight. Under number 1 for government updates, the Provincial election on June 7 saw the election of Doug Ford as Premier of Ontario and a new PC majority at Queen's Park. Many ministries of the government have been changed and many programs have been cancelled. We've also seen the introduction of the "free speech" policy for our campuses, and major cuts to OSAP and the new Student Choice Initiative, which is an attack on students and will greatly affect the CSA. We at the CSA have talked about this at Board Meetings, ensuring future students access to education.

Under point 4, through the Canadian Federation of Students, the largest and oldest student organization in Canada, we have free workshops on student issues and support from Federation staff. These meetings provide us with training and information on how to better help students on campus. As well, it is great to share ideas and get feedback from other students across Ontario or Canada. The meetings are also subsidized or free for CSA to attend! Earlier today and

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throughout the year, the CFS lobbies MPPs about the OSAP changes and keeps alive the idea of free education and the removal of tuition barriers.

The last point I wanted to mention is my immense pleasure at the OPIRG Action Group. They presented their request for the Board of Governors to divest from fossil fuels, gradually over a five year period, in 2017. Unfortunately, it was a no with divestment but in time, we will win.

Just to close off my Executive update, collectively as students, we are able to make changes in our communities and unify as a student body to advocate for what we believe in. Students are stronger together than they are alone. The CSA is run by students; for students, and we love student input and want to elevate the voices of the students. This is your union. This is your voice.

MOTION: To receive the following Executive Updates as information:

- President Jack Fisher
- VP Student Experience Aidan Paskinov
- VP Academic Natalie Clarke
- VP External Kayla Weiler

Moved: Margarita Wilson Seconded: Jamie Gibson

Vote on Motion Motion carried

1.10.2. CSA Services Updates

Bike Centre

Dustin Brown: Hi everyone! A full description of our service is on page 84.

It's been a great privilege to work with the CSA since September. It's a really well-run organization. I'm glad to be here and assist people keep their bikes on the road and to undergo sales and repair and maintenance of their bicycles. We're pretty much in business as usual right now. There aren't really any changes to our service. But I just want to take this opportunity to say that three weeks from today, on March 20, is the first day of spring. Very excited about that. Also, spring is super important to the Bike Centre for obvious reasons. We're going to have two subsets of people. We're going to have people who are already cyclists that have had bicycles in their backyards or sheds for months. They're going to start bringing them in. They're going to notice rust, they're going to notice the gears don't shift, they're going to notice some brakes that don't work and we want them to come to us. We're going to have a lot of people swarming the place and we're excited to have the place full again. The other subset of people don't have bikes

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yet. On that same day, March 20, we're going to have our Annual Bicycle Auction in the UC Courtyard. We expect numbers at 40 bicycles for the silent auction and we're always excited to make sure that bikes get into the hands of those who need them and that it is an active transportation option.

There is one change to our service that is of note. We've changed our Women Trans and Femme night which has existed since 2010. We're moving on from that title. This would be conducted and run exactly the same. We're just changing the name because its acronym is WTF and that's not cool. We're moving to Rainbow Bikes Workshop, RBW. I would like to thank GQE and GRCED for their collaboration and promotion on that change. That's all I have to say.

The Bullring

Jack Fisher: The comprehensive report is on page 85 of your package. Most details are written down. There are some really cool new events this year. The first-time event in a really long time, band night, was sold out, 138 tickets. Also, the end of last semester, going into this semester, the Bullring introduced a debit machine so now you can use your cards at the Bullring, which is really positive for a lot of users.

Also in January, through a subset of the Guelph Students for Environmental Change, the Bullring introduced Mug Mondays where they collected reusable mugs and gave them to people on Mondays instead of disposable cups. They've had a really successful run so far. Those cups are also available other days of the week if you want them. Some of these have been initiatives by students, others by Bullring staff but all have been pretty great. If you have more questions, there's more information in your packages and see us afterwards.

Clubs

Aidan Paskinov: Roy Rebelo couldn't be here tonight unfortunately, so as Clubs Supervisor, I will speak to it. In Roy's summary, you can see some of the major things with clubs this year. One, the implementation of the hallway in its final form has happened and it's been a huge success. We've seen clubs using it constantly and it's very difficult to book space if you're not a club because they're used so much. It's great to see. In terms of lockers, we did have an issue this year with some of them being vandalized unfortunately, but we did quickly rectify that by putting up a security gate. That operates in the same scheduled hours as the clubs hallway and the rooms within them. That's been fixed and we haven't had any more issues. The comfort room in the clubs hallway, we've confirmed the usage of that. That's more set in stone. Winter accreditation, that's been something only the CSA was doing for our clubs. Other clubs on campus didn't have to do that, so we decided to rectify that. We've shortened the process greatly in the winter and while there have been some hiccups initiating that, we

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think it will smooth out in the years to come, which is great. Summer accreditation is coming up as Roy points out. The clubs staff has their own office; previously they shared with SafeWalk so they're really happy with that and they love the space. You can come by and see the door they decorated. Roy and Lindsay have been an asset this year and they've done some great work. The CSA every year accredits more than 100 student clubs that all exist on the 2nd floor hallway, upstairs above the UC Courtyard. A lot of those are interest-based clubs that students themselves have decided to run and the CSA gives them the resources and facilitation, which is great to see. We constantly see new clubs springing up because Guelph students are just that engaged.

Elections

Michael Joyce: Good evening everyone. My name is Michael Joyce. I use he/him pronouns. I am the Assistant Returning Officer of the CSA Elections Office. I will keep this brief because some of this is now outdated, thanks to a snow day.

The CSA Elections Office administers the election process for all positions on the Board of Directors of the CSA. This year, the Elections Office has conducted two by-elections that filled almost all the vacant seats on the Board of Directors. This ensured that students from all the colleges had equal representation on the decision made by the Board. The Elections Office has also been working on a plan to increase reach-out to the student body to promote elections.

On Monday of this week, the campaign period for the election began. Tomorrow at 2 pm in the UC Courtyard, we will be having our Executive Forum which is a chance for you to hear the platforms and ask some questions to your prospective CSA Executive for the next school year. The election period itself will be March 4, 5 and 6, and you'll be able to vote online by your GryphMail.

FoodBank

Kayla Weiler: I'm the Executive Supervisor of the FoodBank. The FoodBank is a resource on campus to combat hunger and poverty on campus and challenge food insecurity in the greater Guelph community. The Guelph Student FoodBank is available to both undergraduate and graduate students and it's an emergency food and anti-poverty resource centre. We also have referrals on food security and anti-poverty services and groups. Currently, the FoodBank has 250 registered visitors and then 250 additional people. Dependents are often children or spouses that also come for the good work that the FoodBank is doing. We've also noted the trend that a lot of our visitors are also international students. Fun fact or an unfun fact: international students pay significantly more tuition than we do for the same classes, assignments and professors. So we see a lot of

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international students who are visiting our FoodBank, which is great that we have a FoodBank on campus to provide nutritional but also culturally appropriate for our visitors. We've been seeing a rise in dependents at the FoodBank on our campus with the fact that tuition is increasing for both domestic and international students and has been over the past couple of years. We have an average of 4,000 items per month that we have been distributing to our visitors. If there's anybody that wants to get involved in the FoodBank, you could volunteer and we accept volunteer positions throughout the year and we will keep you posted about volunteering at the FoodBank.

Meal Exchange

Kelsey Dal Pai: Hello! My name is Kelsey and I'm the Meal Exchange Coordinator this year. Meal Exchange is a national student-run charity that aims to address issues of hunger in local communities. The Guelph chapter is run by the CSA and essentially, there are three coordinators that plan programming throughout the year to help fight hunger on and off campus. Just a run-through of three main events that we have for this year: the first is Trick or Eat during Halloween night, October 31. Thank you for all those who participated. Thanks to your help, we raised 19,550 pounds of food, which was donated to the Guelph FoodBank and that helped a lot of families, especially before the holiday season. Another event that we run is called Share a Meal. Essentially, we table in the University Centre and people can donate their cash or meal card dollars towards helping local foodbanks including our CSA FoodBank. That was supposed to be run on February 25 but we had a snow day so I'll keep you updated on when that happens. Our last big program is Hunger Awareness Week and that will happen on March 18, that whole week. This year, we are collaborating with Sustainability Week so that's going to be just a great week of fun. Keep that in mind, the week of March 18 and you will see advertising very soon.

SafeWalk

Tyler Poirier: Hello everybody! My name is Tyler Poirier. I am the Volunteer and Public Relations Coordinator for SafeWalk, starting this semester. I won't bore you guys with the statistics that can be seen on page 9 of your pamphlet. But some of the changes that have come this semester are we have expanded our social media presence so we are regularly posting on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. This will provide students with a better idea of when SafeWalk is running, our hours, any events we may be having. An example of this would be the Cannon paint that will probably be happening sometime in mid-March in which students will be able to check us out and ask our volunteers questions that they have about the program. Other things to look forward to include, fingers crossed, the golf cart to open up more. We want a diverse clientele and we want to make our program the best we can on campus and provide a real safe, warm

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feeling for all, both new and returning Gryphons every single year. We also want to focus on O-Week to make sure those new Gryphons get a nice warm welcome. You can see other statistics on your page here. If you have any questions or concerns about any part of our program, you can always check us out at our SafeWalk Office, Room 245, right beside the CSA main office.

SHAC (Student Help and Advocacy Centre)

Bella Harris: Hello folks! My name is Bella Harris and I am the Education and Events Coordinator for the Student Help and Advocacy Centre – SHAC for short. I use she and her pronouns.

[Reading from report] SHAC is a legal information and referral centre. We help students with a variety of issues including tenancy, academic appeals, financial concerns and many other legal issues. We run events dedicated to advocating, educating and supporting human rights. We also provide free legal advice to students by having lawyers available to students on Tuesdays from 1:30 to 3:30 pm and on Wednesdays from 7 pm to 8 pm.

As SHAC Supervisor, Kendra supervises coordinators, allocates budget, and has the final say in most things SHAC. Kelly, the Advocacy Coordinator, provides legal information to students and does casework on academic appeals tenancy, and a wide variety of other legal issues. As Legal Coordinator, Maggy provides legal information to students and does casework on tenancy, finance, and a wide variety of other legal issues. For Education and Events, I (Bella) work with campus community organizations to create and run events. And as Volunteer Coordinator, Sara recruits, trains, supports, and guides volunteers.

Some SHAC fun facts: 9.4K people reached on Facebook for our Trans Day of Remembrance Vigil with 346 responses and over 100 folks attended. Over 100 students have received help in our office so far this year and over 90 of those are since the beginning of this semester.

MOTION: To receive the following CSA Services Updates as information:

- Bike Centre
- The Bullring
- Clubs
- Elections
- FoodBank
- Meal Exchange
- SafeWalk
- SHAC

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Moved: Margarita Wilson Seconded: Jayden Wlasichuk

Vote on Motion Motion carried

The Chair indicated that quorum was lost at 6:52 pm.
The meeting resumed when quorum was re-gained at 6:54 pm.

1.11. Business

1.11.1. Submitted Motions

Textbook Accessibility - Sophia Suzuki

WHEREAS the Co-op Bookstore, which sells textbooks at a relatively discounted price, resides in the basement of Johnston Hall and is not accessible to students with physical disabilities;

WHEREAS the Campus Bookstore, which sells textbook codes and other resources unavailable at the Co-op Bookstore, resides in the basement of the MacNaughton Building, where elevator use is restricted to staff members only;

WHEREAS the Central Student Association (CSA) declares that students with disabilities have the right: to access fully subsidized resources and equipment to ensure full access to the University and all its amenities; to an education through non-ableist instruction, textbooks, resources, and materials; and to academic resources available in alternative formats (as per the CSA Policy Manual, Appendix E - Issues and Organizational Policy, Section 4.7); and

WHEREAS the CSA already provides services which allow for the campus to become more accessible including, but not limited to SafeWalk;

MOTION: That the CSA provide cost-free delivery of textbooks from the Co-op Bookstore and the University Bookstore to students with physical disabilities;

Be It Resolved that the CSA temporarily employs individuals (akin to Bus Pass distributors) for the first week of class to deliver textbooks to students with physical disabilities;

Be It Further Resolved that the CSA begins providing this service by the Fall 2019 semester at the latest.

Moved: Sophia Suzuki Seconded: Horeen Hassan

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Sophia Suzuki: Hi I'm Sophia. I put forward this motion because of a few reasons. I'll just explain the situation on campus right now that I felt required this service to be implemented. There are currently two stores that sell textbooks on campus. There's Campus Bookstore in the MacNaughton Building and Co-Op Bookstore in Johnston Hall. Both these bookstores in the basement are only accessibly by stairs. The Campus Bookstore actually has an elevator that is only used to transport their merchandise so it's not open for public use. This means that any student who is unable or uncomfortable using stairs cannot access these crucial services that provide materials at the start of the semester. As a mandated solution, the Student Accessibility Service or SAS that I'm a part of as a Peer Helper, sends their volunteers to accompany the students to the store to retrieve the textbooks for them. There are a number of problems with this solution, although it's great that we have this mandated solution.

Firstly, the volunteers or Peer Helpers are unpaid, which means there are issues of liability with handling these students' money. Although we'd like to think that our volunteers are trustworthy and great people and that students won't accuse us of any theft, there's still this element of discomfort in handling their money, since they are not paid. Secondly, while the volunteers are getting their textbooks, the students are often left waiting outside Johnston Hall or at the stairs of the Campus Bookstore in a position that highlights their disability which can be frustrating and degrading for the students. Thirdly, since this isn't an official service run by the SAS and carries a lot of liability issues like I mentioned, we can't officially advertise it as part of our guiding programs. This is only something we do if students actually approach SAS advisors or Peer Helpers with this problem of accessing the bookstores which means that a lot students don't think of coming to SAS, so they find a solution on their own.

The motion submitted to this CSA AGM today aims to address these highlighted issues on campus firstly and implementing a delivery program that addresses some of the issues outlined before. Although the easier and obvious and more cost-cut solution would be to just redesign the Campus Bookstore to make it accessible to all students, the University is yet to include the Bookstore in their Accessibility plan published on their website. They are only required by law to review these items every five years which means that they won't be making these changes any time soon. By hiring temporary training students to run a textbook purchasing program at the beginning of the semester, individuals running the program would be able to purchase the textbooks for students who can't access the bookstores and deliver it to them on an easily accessible location on campus. The motion proposes that the service is implemented by Fall 2019 and is put forward with the belief that all students have the right to access subsidized resources and equipment and access the University and all its amenities to an education, through non-ablest textbook, resources and materials.

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MOTION: To refer to this to the Executive Committee with a report back to the Board members by March 27.

Moved: Aidan Paskinov Seconded: Jayden Wlasichuk

Aidan Paskinov: The Executive has spoken to Sophia about this. We're all in favour of providing this service or remedying this issue however we can, because she brought it to us, it wasn't something we considered. This is exactly what we feel our jobs are. We've spoken to Sophia and rather than discussing this whole thing at length and probably having to go through multiple amendments, to make this more fitted to how the CSA would be able to operate it, it would be best if it could be referred to the Executive Committee where we will also be consulting with Sophia where we can then directly solve the issue, hopefully with both the University Bookstore and the Campus Bookstore where we can directly interact with those folks and create a solution.

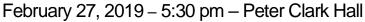
Point of Information: If this motion is approved and the amendment is moved, does membership have any guarantee that this service will be implemented by the date outlined in the motion.

Chair: It's not an amendment, it's a motion to refer the Textbook Accessibility Motion to the Executive. The final motion that is derived from the Executive will still be subject to approval and will still need to be voted on by the Board of Directors.

Kayla Weiler: I would also like to speak in favour of referring the motion to the Executive Committee, not because I am on the Executive Committee but I think that we will probably take the route of creating a working group so that members who are considered about the service and would actually be potential users could have their input and their say to make sure that this service avoids ablest actions of nature. I just wrote down a couple of jot notes here. We will talk about the costing, liability of handling students' money, and issues of bodily harm of carrying heavy textbooks up and down stairs. The nuance is accessing residence since there are students who have accessibility needs that live on residence and as well as work with SAS about more information about how to access this information, etc. Maybe there's a way that we could get the University to approve this program. These are just a couple of the off-hand things that I've been thinking in my head when reviewing. I think this a great motion; we just need a bit more time to figure out the nuances when it comes to certain aspects to it. Thanks for submitting the motion.

Jamie Gibson: The proposition to put this towards the Executive Committee comes partially from some newfound dynamics in place right now in the CSA and all organizations on campus. We're going to have to talk about this at some point

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but right now, the CSA and all organizations on campus are confined with a precarity for funding. At the time this motion was first drafted and submitted to the CSA, it would have been more feasible to work something out under the umbrella of the CSA itself and show directly by the CSA and with our brand on it and everything. But things change very drastically under a very short period of time. There are campus partners, there's the Co-Op Bookstore and other places where the funds and the ability to implement something commonly could be carried out. If the Executive Committee feels as though they can faithfully put their best shot to advocate for something like that, that is fine with me. I had an amendment I was going to write but if we vote for the Executive Committee, it doesn't really matter. One of the things I wanted to ask about is that if you were going to lobby the Co-Op Bookstore to create something like this, would the Executive Committee or whoever is in charge of it try and make it so that this Coop Bookstore thing would also be streamlined through Campus Bookstore, such that delivery and retrieval of books, not just the Co-Op stuff but also the Campus Bookstore stuff, so there's a lot of material that you can only get one place and not the other, and for students with disabilities, we really have to cut it in half.

Jack Fisher: Yes, to all of that.

Kristine Keon: As a former employee of the Bookstore on campus, I think they would be very open to something like this. I know that students can order online or if they can bring it to the ground floor where they can accept it, that would be fine.

Vote on Motion Motion carried

Fall Reading Week – Jamie Gibson

WHEREAS the Central Student Association (CSA) advocates for the livelihoods and wellbeing of all undergraduate students at the University of Guelph;

WHEREAS mental health services through the University and other public institutions continue to be insufficient to meet students' needs:

WHEREAS the pressures of everyday life, between the cancellations to the minimum wage increase and increasing rent and utilities;

WHEREAS numerous universities and colleges in Ontario have implemented a reading week in the fall semester; and

WHEREAS it is imperative that the CSA demands, at a very minimum, accountability measures to be imposed upon University administration;

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MOTION: That the CSA re-establishes its efforts to advocate for a Fall Reading Week and exert pressure onto University administration;

Be It Resolved that, in the event of a second consultative poll between administration and the student population, the CSA demands that the University administration makes public the results of the poll.

Moved: Jamie Gibson Seconded: Gabrielle McPolin

Jamie Gibson: Most of what I wanted to say is in the Whereas clauses, so I won't read them but I want to explain what this motion is generally speaking. As a Board Member, the thing that I hear most often, beyond anything is students are struggling with mental health and we do have a lot of resources on campus and they could be improved but they are there and we are glad of having that rather than nothing. But the thing that most students talk about is mental health and why in the very first semester of the year, especially if you're a first-year student, we don't have a Reading Week whereas tons of other campuses do. I'm not sure how many people in this room remember or not, but last year the administration was consulting students and trying to figure out what they could do in terms of getting a Fall Reading week for us. I'm sure many people in the room may remember going through and doing that poll and everything, saying I like this option, I like this option and boom, nothing. I don't want to sound like a backhand towards Natalie, right now she's our VP Academic. She has been doing some work with our Fall Reading Week. But the thing that I found very strange is that there were some rumblings that a lot of students actually voted against having a Fall Reading Week at all which is very interesting to me. But I haven't seen the poll results and I don't think they are publicly available as I tried to find them.

Zoey Ross: Point of Information: A few years ago, at another AGM, the vote for CSA supporting a Reading Week did come up. Has the member of Board tried to access that information and has it been accessed by the Board?

Jack Fisher: If there is, it absolutely has gone to the Board. I know also that the survey in question isn't the one from the year you're speaking of, it's a different one. I know for a fact the survey was completed but I don't know if the results were made public.

Sarah Oatley: Point of Information: I actually contacted Brenda Whiteside about this because I had the same question. The details were not fully public but it is through a very long and arduous Google search and many backdoors within the University of Guelph website, that they are available from the meeting minutes from the Board of Directors. However, it is not very easy to find.

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Jamie Gibson: In the event that people at the AGM right now are not sufficient with whatever that result was, which is at this moment only available through the minutes of an obscure meeting somewhere, we do want to try to formally reestablish our efforts to lobby for a Fall Reading Week. The other part I motion is that if another poll were to be taken that the results would be fully public and very well promoted, unlike the last round. I think we're all in the dark. We're told mental health, how about Fall Reading Week? Here's our thoughts and we're left in limbo. I think that's unreasonable.

Kayla Weiler: I would like to speak in favour of this motion. It's really great to have folks in this room to reconfirm that this is something that students want the CSA to dedicate time and effort to. Last year, I was part of the conversation with administration about the Fall Reading Week and it was confusing and dilatory, partially on behalf of administration and communication with Senate. The conversation that happened last year was not based off what the students wanted but rather what the University was trying to do for students. For a fact, University of Guelph is one of the only universities in Ontario that does not have a Fall Reading Week. There are many schools that have dramatically benefited from having a Fall Reading Week and part of the short-fall or downfall from the survey that occurred last year put up by the University administration is that the VP Academic for last year's term actually created a list of questions that we voted upon at the CSA Board Meeting and those questions were given to the University administration and completely ignored. Those questions that were produced by the University for the survey were based off no consultation with the CSA or other students. We provided our own questions that we developed as a CSA Board by a strong poll vote so I speak in favour of continuing the conversation about the Fall Reading Week on this campus.

Aidan Paskinov: Echoing some similar points to the VP External, I was on the Board of Directors last year and the CSA Board did identify a lot of flaws with that poll that Member Gibson is referring to, but still went forward and the results were tainted because the survey was not super well done. I would encourage folks to vote in favour of this motion and continue campaigning for at least a poll to go out that would very clearly identify what the majority of students feel like. The other part is I would caution against specifically advocating for a Fall Reading week without knowing because there is mixed opinion about it gathering from students on campus. But we can definitely get better student consultation about how to move forward.

Jayden Wlasichuk: To clarify, in the Be It Resolved clause, my understanding is that this motion is basically saying, in the case that the University decides to do another poll in the future that we're just asking them to make our results public

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but this isn't asking them to do a poll again. Just want to clarify that that is the correct understanding of this motion.

Chair: Speaking from what is purely written, it does say, in the event of a second consultation poll. I can't speak to the motivation of the mover but as it is worded, it is in the event of and not a demand for.

Jamie Gibson: It would be good to know what students' opinions are but the first thing that I motioned for was to re-establish our efforts for a Fall Reading Week.

Patrick MacCarthy: In light of what Member Paskinov was saying about whether we should advocate for a Fall Reading Week before we know whether or not students want a Fall Reading Week, I think the spirit of the motion is really great. But I would move to amend the clause that the CSA re-establishes its efforts to advocate for increased conversation around Fall Reading Week to that extent that we are not presupposing what the will of the students is but we're putting the pressure on the University to make sure the voice of the students is heard.

MOTION TO AMEND: That the CSA re-establishes efforts to advocate for an increased conversation around the Fall Reading Week and exert pressure onto the University Administration to discern the will of the students around a reading week.

Moved: Patrick MacCarthy Seconded: Mattee Rase

Patrick MacCarthy: The spirit of the motion is really great but this amendment will allow us to have greater consultation with the students. The goal of the student association is to advocate for students and because the poll was super obscure, we actually don't know what students want. So let's put the pressure on the University to figure out what the student body wants. Once we know what the students wants, we can push the University to achieve that result.

Nick Kowaleski: I would like to speak against this amendment. Although it might sound good at first glance, I'd say it would be much more efficient to use the fact that we have 100 students in this room. Everyone here that's in statistics, they know that's a fine sample size to use. If the vote is more than 60% then that's very indicative that the student body or a large enough degree wants this and we should perhaps do that and use the perception of the vote of who's in favour and use that as our determination of how we should move forward rather than giving the Executive a vague mandate here and not concrete action.

Jamie Gibson: I would like to speak against this motion because why did we buy all this pizza and round up a bunch of people and lose quorum and get quorum and do all this stuff except for that the fact that this is democracy. This is direct democracy which as many students, no less than 100 can be involved and the

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will of the people in this room is pretty much the will of the people who are most invested in the student union. I mean there are people who couldn't be here because they had a midterm, of course. But I think the fact of the matter is we have to have a concrete mandate for the CSA going forward and that people in this room at this exact moment want to fight for a Reading Week and that is good enough for any democratically controlled institution.

Patrick MacCarthy: Just to speak in favour of this motion again, I think that direct democracy is really important and we have students here and putting forward a motion to advocate for more direct democracy is important. There are 20,000 undergraduates on this campus. I don't think 100 people is really an adequate sample size. In addition, we might not necessarily be the most representative of the student body. There are a lot of people who aren't here who would probably like to have a say in this and for us to say "well, we showed up one night so we get to decide what all students want" I think is a little preposterous. It's important that we push the University to consult with as many students as possible because instead of rushing forward with a motion that isn't representative of the student body, we should take our due process and make sure students actually want what we're advocating for.

Margarita Wilson: I'm also in favour of this motion because if we do our diligence to make sure the University figures out what students want through a well-constructed survey question that we have a way of influencing the decision. That is direct democracy, direct to their phones, into their computers and it reaches a wider population sample. It may take more time obviously, but in the end, it creates a more exact and more accurate representation of what is needed.

Bella Harris: To be in favour of increased discussion of a Fall Reading Week, I think would be the ideal goal for this AGM from the CSA's point of view. One hundred people is a good amount of people but for more to benefit the most from a Reading Week are those who experience physical, mental disabilities, mental health issues and those who are full-time students and people who just generally aren't available to things that are considered more. Anything outside classes is considered extra-curricular. To get that consultation is really important. While I am in favour myself for a Fall Reading Week, I can't say that everybody is. In summary, I am in favour of the CSA pushing for increased consultation of undergraduate students and pushing it on the University as much as they can.

The Chair indicated that quorum was lost at 7:25 pm. Due to loss of quorum, the meeting was adjourned.

Discussion continued informally, with no motions considered.

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Matteo Raso: We as the CSA have the capacity to do an online poll that extends to the student body. It might be better that we do the poll instead of asking the University to do a poll and potentially getting refused.

Tyler Poirier: In favour of the amendment to the motion. I do not think that using this sample is representative of the University because it's not a random sample of 100 people and that's a requirement to make any decision on a population. I don't think it's appropriate to just simply base the vote from 100 people only for this initiative. I think it is best to consult with more people through a survey that is well-formulated and thorough.

Aidan Paskinov: As mentioned, all three of the Executive present are in favour of the idea of talking to the University or submitting a poll ourselves as Member Raso just mentioned, that would definitely be a good idea. Regardless of quorum, we'll definitely still try to make this happen because we know students are curious about it and it is going to be on the table for a few years and so we want a clear starting point.

Jamie Gibson: Point of Information: Is it within the capacity of the CSA to try and launch a poll in the upcoming election or is that since past in terms of possibility?

Jack Fisher: We could at the moment use our Election email. We could use our own ListServ email with a poll out to the students.

Jamie Gibson: Could it coincide with the election?

Aidan Paskinov: However, we would anticipate that an email entitled "Fall Reading Week Poll" would get a lot of responses.

1.11.2. CSA Campaign Presentation / Forum

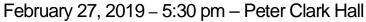
Kayla Weiler, VP External

MOTION: To receive the CSA Campaign Presentation / Forum as presented at the CSA Annual General Meeting on February 27, 2019.

1.11.3. Open Forum

Jayden Wlasichuk: I have been a student of the University of Guelph for four years so I've seen four very different CSA Executives, under two different structures and this is my third AGM that we had quorum for. This Executive has done marvellous things in your roles. You have carried on strong throughout the entire year. We're almost at the beginning of March and you're still going strong.

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You're still smiling. You're still having a good time. You're putting a lot of work, effort, blood, sweat and tears to make sure that you are doing your jobs for us students who are holding you accountable. I just want to say thank you to all of you for doing your jobs so well from the summer to Orientation Week, through the Fall semester Bus Pass Distribution, all of the advocacy. You're the first CSA Executive I've seen have to deal with such a dramatic government change in terms of the provincial government. I want to commend Kayla as well as thank the rest of the Executive for standing behind Kayla and amplifying her voice, providing opportunities for students to have our voices heard as well as the wonderful events that you've planned and for doing things like getting buses together to take students to Queen's Park. A group of my friends and I went together and we were able to participate in our first ever protest. Thank you so much for creating a safe environment for students to have our voices heard. Your work doesn't go unnoticed and it is appreciated. Thank you.

Aidan Paskinov: Thank you, Member Wlasichuk.

1.12. Adjournment

1.12.1. Motion to Adjourn

MOTION: To adjourn the CSA Annual General Meeting on February 27, 2019.

Jack Fisher, President Cameron Oleson, Chair Earl Evans, Policy & Transition Manager Thibeca Kengatharan, Scribe