MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting # 5

October 14, 2020 – 6:00 pm

Microsoft Teams

Attendance for October 14, 2020, Board of Directors Meeting #5:

Board of Directors			
At-Large (Elected) Representatives		**Present / Regrets**	**Arrived / Departed**
Areej Amer	College of Arts Student Union		
Bella Harris	College of Arts Student Union	Present	
Katy Oada	College of Biological Science Student Council	Present	
Maya Persram	College of Biological Science Student Council	Present	
Laura Wilson	College of Social and Applied Human Sciences Student Alliance	Present	
Jessica Krawitz	College of Social and Applied Human Sciences Student Alliance	Present	
Haley Bilokraly	Gordon S. Lang School of Business and Economics	Present	
Jas Rubab Singh	Gordon S. Lang School of Business and Economics		
VACANT	Ontario Veterinary College Central Veterinary Student Association		
Member College Government Representatives (Appointed)		**Present / Regrets**	**Arrived / Departed**
Manseerat Uppal	College of Arts Student Union	Present	
Kristine Sondergaard	College of Biological Science Student Council	Present	
Olivia Parker	College of Engineering and Physical Sciences Student Council	Present	
Bailey Hussey	College of Social and Applied Human Sciences Student Alliance	Present	
Tori Wakeford	Gordon S. Lang School of Business and Economics Student Association	Present	
Kendra Cornelissen	Ontario Agricultural College Student Federation	Present	
VACANT	Ontario Veterinary College Central Veterinary Student Association		
Student Organization Representatives (Appointed)		**Present / Regrets**	**Arrived / Departed**
Jena-Lee Ashley	Aboriginal Student Association	Present	
VACANT	Guelph Black Students Association		
Alan Negrin	Guelph Queer Equality		

Jaskiran Sethi	Guelph Resource Centre for Gender Empowerment and Diversity		
Lori-Ann Grossett	International Student Organization	Present	
Anum Anjum	Interhall Council		
VACANT	Guelph Campus Co-op		
VACANT	Ontario Public Interest Research Group (OPIRG)		
Sooraj Modi	Student Senate Caucus	Present	
Michael Pacheco	Board of Governors		
Executive (Ex-officio, non-voting)		**Present / Regrets**	
Tyler Poirier	President	Present	
Sara Kuwatly	Vice President Student Experience	Present	
Sean Mitchell	Vice President Academic		
Horeen Hassan	Vice President External	Present	

Staff	**Position**
Cameron Olesen	Chair
Pete Wobschall	Policy & Transition Manager
Sarah Dias	Scribe

Summary of Signification Resolutions:

5.3.1. CSA By-Election Results – Ratification of Newly Elected Reps

MOTION:

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b) That, based on the **By-Election Results – Fall 2020**, the following newly elected Executive be ratified:

Sean Mitchell	Vice President Academic

c) That, based on the **By-Election Results – Fall 2020**, the following newly at-large elected **College Government representatives** be ratified as Members of the 2019-2020 CSA Board of Directors, effective immediately:

Haley Bilokraly	Gordon S. Lang School of Business and Economics
Jas Rubab Singh	Gordon S. Lang School of Business and Economics

Motion is carried.

5.6. Executive Committee Minutes

MOTION: That the Executive Committee Minutes be received as information for the following meeting(s):

5.6.1. Meeting # 17 - September 14, 2020
5.6.2. Meeting # 18 - September 24, 2020
5.6.3. Meeting # 19 - September 28, 2020
5.6.4. Meeting # 20 - October 5, 2020

Motion is carried.

5.7. Executive Updates

MOTION: That the following Executive Updates be received as information:

5.7.1. President
5.7.2. VP Student Experience
5.7.3. VP Academic
5.7.4. VP External

Motion is carried.

MOTION: To Strike Hiring Committee for the position of CRO

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WHEREAS CSA policy requires a Hiring Committee to include a minimum of one CSA Director, one CSA Executive Member, and one CSA staff member.

RESOLVED:

a) That the CSA strike a Hiring Committee for the position of CRO to include the President and the Policy & Transition Manager (PTM); and

b) That the following CSA Director(s) be appointed to the Hiring Committee for the position of CRO:

Bella Harris
Jessica Krawitz
Haley Bilokraly

Motion is carried.

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Agenda #5 – October 14, 2020:

5.0. Call to Order

5.1. Land Acknowledgement

Alan Negrin

5.2. Adoption of the Agenda

5.2.1. Approve the Agenda

5.2.2. Declarations of Conflicts

5.3. Ratifications and De-Ratifications

5.3.1. CSA By-Election Results – Ratification of Newly Elected Reps

5.4. Comments from the Chair

5.4.1. Introductions and Pronouns

5.5. Approval of Past Board Minutes

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5.7.4. VP External

5. 8. Director Reports

5. 9. CSA Services Update and Report

5.10. Committee Updates and Reports

5.10.1. Appoint Hiring Committee – CRO

5.11. Business

5.11.1. CSA By-Election Results – Fall 2020

5.12. New Business

5.12.1.

5.13. Announcements

5.14. *In Camera* Session

5.15. Adjournment

Meeting # 5 – October 14, 2020:

5.0. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

5.1. Land Acknowledgement

Take this time to acknowledge and sit with the understanding that we are on territories that were taken from Indigenous peoples and utilized for our own benefits, and that we all benefit in one way or another from that action. Currently I am and many of us are on lands of the Attawandron people. I want to acknowledge that this land was taken care of by more then them, there was the Métis people and many more, so wherever folks are right now please take time to consider the land you are on, how you are impacted and how it is impacted by you. Try to show thanks to that land and the people who have taken care of it for so many years before us.

Bella Harris
College of Arts Student Union

5.2. Adoption of the Agenda

5.2.1. Approve the Agenda

MOTION: That the agenda for the CSA Board of Directors Meeting on **October 14, 2020**, be approved as printed and distributed.

Moved: Sara Kuwatly, CSA VP Student Experience
Seconded: Maya Persram

MOTION TO AMEND: That the agenda for the CSA Board of Directors Meeting on **October 14, 2020**, be approved with the following revision(s):

- To reorder the agenda, so that item 5.11.1. CSA By-Election Results – Fall 2020 immediately precedes item 5.3.1. CSA By-Election Results – Ratification of Newly Elected Reps.

Moved: Tyler Poirier, CSA President
Seconded: Bella Harris

Motion as Amended is carried.

Amended Motion to Approve Agenda is carried.

5.2.2. Declarations of Conflicts

No conflicts were declared.

5.11.1. CSA By-Election Results – Fall 2020

Pete Wobschall, Policy & Transition Manager: I will share with you the unofficial results report. So, it was a challenging year because of Covid, we were concerned with the number of people we were going to get to vote. So, we did have to adjust to online and one of the things we did was amend the bylaw of the 10% to meet quorum. The total student population at time of election was around 21,363, some emails did bounce back, we assume those are students who left the University, which meant we had 21,333 total ballots towards quorum. Quorum is 10% of undergraduate population, which is 2,133, we actually had 1,957 ballots submitted which is 9.7% which is very close to 10% Quorum, which is surprising and quite impressive. This leaves us hopeful for Winter Semester election. Sean Mitchell was only one who ran for Academic Candidates, he got 79% of the votes, so he won the election of VPA. I have been very impressed with my interactions with Sean. In terms of Elections for directors, we did have two for the Lang School of Business At-Large Representatives, the total number of ballots sent at time of election was 3,881, quorum was 288 but don't forget the quorum bylaw was amended. We did have 323 ballots submitted which was 8.3% of undergraduate student population, which is again very close to the 10% quorum. We had two candidates who were both successful, Hayley and Jas. Hayley had 53% of vote and Jas with 37% of the vote. Quick summary of details, on first day of voting we got 1,097 votes which is up from last year, which is a good number during COVID. Tuesday it went down, Wednesday we did some outreach, which bumped up the voting, so we had 1,957 votes altogether. The president, the ARO, Assistant Returning Officer, and myself will be meeting to debrief on the election and we will create a report for it with recommendations for future elections, and we will provide a report to new CRO who will be hired soon. Patrick McCarthy who was our CRO resigned effective Friday October 2nd, it was on good terms he just had several other commitments, so he made the respectable decision to step away from the CSA because he knows it requires a lot of attention. Jewel Lindemann, is our ARO and she stepped up and did a wonderful job, we very proud of her.

MOTION: To receive the CSA-By-Election Results for Fall 2020 as Information.

Moved: Sara Kuwatly, CSA VP Student Experience
Seconded: Tyler Poirier, CSA President

Motion is carried.

5.3. Ratifications and De-Ratifications

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Moved: Tyler Poirier, CSA President
Seconded: Maya Persram

Motion is carried.

5.4. Comments from the Chair

Thank you all for being here. Want to give reminders for meeting, just because digital meetings are new for everyone. If you want to be added to speakers list, please type it in the chat "speakers list". If you want to volunteer please type "volunteer" in the chat. Anything posted in chat should be related to meetings, keep side chatter out of the chat. If you have a point of information, point of personal privilege, point of parliamentary procedure, or point of order please raise your hand. Raise your hand if you are having issues accessing the vote, I will keep saying that because I want to ensure you can all use

your voice, it may be slower but I do that so it is a fair voting process, regardless of your internet.

5.4.1. Introductions and Pronouns

All members introduced themselves, shared their pronouns and roles on the board.

5.5. Approval of Past Board Minutes

No past board meeting minutes to approve at this time.

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Moved: Sara Kuwatly, CSA VP Student Experience
Seconded: Bella Harris

Motion is carried.

5.7. Executive Updates

5.7.1. President

I have a lot of information in the board package, so please read that. Our CRO position is now open. I encourage you to share that information through your networks. The CSA petitions, delegations and representations, so the first fall deadline is quickly approaching, no applicants yet, but it is fun for students and organizations to encourage strong student experience and making sure money isn't something limiting their initiatives. Outside of that, I'll leave my report to do the rest of the talking. I thank you all for being here tonight.

5.7.2. VP Student Experience

Hello friends. Most of my report is feedback from O-week Events, overall th feedback is really great, there are some suggestions to make online events better. I'm working on Sexy Bingo for next week. Moving forward Sexy Bingo will be more student focused in terms of hosting.

CSA will be participating in SHINE week, which is a mental health awareness week, we will be having lots of fun events.

5.7.3. VP Academic

The VP Academic is not present, no report is given.

5.7.4. VP External

My updates are in my report, but I want to highlight the Foodbank is finally open. On the first day we gave out nearly 1,000 items up to around 80 visitors. The Education for all Campaign had an online forum on the 18th on September, so lots of concerns have been brough up, I did make an Instagram question so did give feedback. I want to be able to continuously bring up issues as they arise. If you have any concerns or testimonies, please do reach out to me. There is a new campaign called Future Majority that wants to get youth involved in political process for upcoming election to basically demand a green and just recovery post Covid-19 pandemic. They are looking for volunteers, if you are interested reach out to me and I can get you in touch with someone who can get you involved with the campaign. I am currently in the process of gathering different entities together to form a student and workers coalition, there are entities on campus that are not communicating with one another. Another update is the Suppliers code of ethical conduct advisory and policy committee is looking to expand mandate, I have a working group to review current policies and procedures. And that is it, feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

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Moved: Sara Kuwatly, CSA Student Experience
Seconded: Lori-Ann Grossett

Motion is carried.

5. 8. Director Reports

Bailey Hussey: Yesterday I attended a UC meeting and became ratified as a UC Board alternative representative.

Jena-Lee Ashley: I also got ratified to the UC Board, and I guess we are just waiting to be put on sub committees so I am looking forward to that.

Kristine Sondergaard: I also got ratified on the UC Board and am looking forward to get our committee placements.

Lori-Ann Grossett: I also got ratified on UC Board.

Maya Persram: Just got ratified on UC Board, am waiting for committee placements.

Sooraj Modi: I was ratified as an alternate member of the UC Board.

5. 9. CSA Services Update and Report

No updates or reports for tonight.

5.10. Committee Updates and Reports

5.10.1. Appoint Hiring Committee – CRO

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Haley Bilokraly

Moved: Sara Kuwalty, CSA VP Student Experience
Seconded: Tyler Poirier, CSA President

Motion is carried.

5.12. New Business

No new business for tonight.

5.13. Announcements

Bailey Hussey: We had our third board meeting which went well.

Bella Harris: I want to remind everyone to take a look at your constituency, especially if you are in an organization that has a bit more power or reach, to see who is sitting around the table and making those decisions. If there is anyone missing, your first instinct not to be let's get one of this person or that person, but think why isn't this person there already? Look at your policies, look at your events, your promotions and whose voices appear, and kind of evaluate from there.

Pete: We did have our directors training part two last week, I will be following up for those unable to make it. To new board members I will be following up with a signed agreement form.

Tyler Poirier, CSA President: I have been working really hard to make our operations run smoothly despite Covid. We did have our Covid safely plan for main office approved which has been in affect as of this week.

Horeen Hassan, CSA VP External: If anyone is interested in campaigns please reach out to me, I would love to work with you folks in the education for all campaign.

Sara Kuwatly, CSA VP Student Experience: I got elected to be the vice chair of the UC board which is exciting. I will be doing a lot of promo for our events. Please come to our events and share our events with your friends.

Haley Bilokraly: Thank you for this opportunity, I am excited to work with everyone.

Jena-Lee Ashely: Next week is Indigenous Awareness Week, we have a couple of events. I will be teaching people how to make dream catchers on Wednesday, it filled up super fast which is exciting. You can check on GryphLife to participate in any other events they are being hosted by the Indigenous Student Centre.

Kendra Cornelissen: OAC is trying to manage events virtually. We definitely miss pub though.

Kristine Sondergaard: We are ordering merch soon, which is super exciting. I am launching a business on November 1st which I am very excited about.

Maya Persram: I hope everyone had a great break last weekend and enjoyed their time.

Katy Oada: I want to wish everyone luck on their midterms.

Tori Wakeford: We just welcomed our new Dean, so the whole LANG Community is excited for the new updates.

5.14. *In Camera* Session

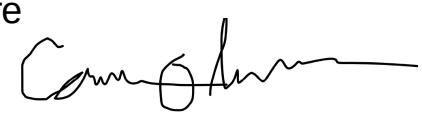
No In Camera Session.

5.15. Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn the CSA Board of Directors Meeting of **October 14, 2020** at 7:02

Moved: Sara Kuwatly, CSA VP Student Experience
Seconded: Lori-Ann Grossett

Motion is carried.

Approved by the Board of Directors	September 30, 2020
Cameron Olesen, Board Chair	
Signature 	Date November 5, 2020
Pete Wobschall, Policy and Transition Manager	
Signature	Date

	November 2, 2020