

ARTS & SCIENCE STUDENTS’ UNION

SECOND COUNCIL MEETING 2025/26

Minutes

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Ramsay Wright Rm 110

Attendance:

I. Ismail (ASCU), N. Sokoloff (USAS), D. Hui (ASA), A. Anaig (ASA), M. Szpigel (AU), H. Toor (AU), M Wong (BUSS), A. Sarma (BUSS), P. Gupta (BCBSA), J. Duraisingh (BCBSA), M. Wong (BMSSA), K. Wu (BMSSA), J. Pham (BPSU), C. Stipleman (CANSSU), C. Han (CSBSU), M. Mundhra (CSBSU), O. Leng (CSU), P. Wong (CSU), K. Pandurangadu (CINSSU), J. Nguyen (CINSSU), L. Lomax (CLASSU), E. Vodarek-Berman (CLASSU), M. Mastrouk (CASA), A. Arora (CASA), C. Sa (CSSU), A. Gautam (CSSU), R. Aiyama (CASSU), E. Palaypay (CESSU), C. Gilhuly (CESSU), J. Katakawa (CRIMSA), MJ. Kotikela (DTSU), A. Yoo (DTSU), A. Perez (SUDS), J. Arandia (UESA), A. Ghazarian (UESA), J. He (EASSU), J-Y. He (EASSU), E. Moossavi (EEBU), M. Tada Morozowski (EEBU), M. Gupa (ESA), A. Seymi (ESA), E. Ward (ESU), N. Lalla (ESU), H. Haghgoo (ENSU), T. Reyes (ENSU), G. Bridi (ES&LSA), E. Ozols (ESSU), S. Rahim (ESSU), I. Goheen (ESSA), T. Nguyen (FCU), I. Yang (FCU), M. Sukhbaatar (TUGS), J. Yin (TUGS), V. Streibel-May (GSSU), J. Apolinario (HSA), I. Gaitan (HSA), M. Kashif Nisar (HASA), K. Wong (HASA), M. Nasiri (HBSU), F. Kabir (HBSU), E. Moo-Penn (IMMSA), H. Law (IRHRSA), F. Alimohamed (IRS), J. Bhat (IRS), O. Ruffolo (LMPSU), A. Vorobey (SLUGS), O. Mok (SLUGS), V. Ng (LCTSU), A. Grzyb-Reed (MCSSU), Z. Soliman (MCSSU), I. Hamid (MU), R. Grewal (MU), M. Chen (MGYSU), E. Buyukbabani (MGYSU), F. Sevim (NMCSU), R. Mukherjee (NAUS), A. Badkul (NSSA), X. Zhao (NSSA), S. Villeneuve (NSSA), C. Ciju (PCJS), W. Lee (PCJS), J. Pingol (PCSU), S. Yu (PCSU), J. Wu (PTSA),A. Mohile (PTSA), M. Kamran (PCU), A. Owens (PCU), A. Teixeira (PhySU), D. Hagyard (PhySU), A. Bhandari (UPSA), F. Amancio de Carvalho (UPSA), G. Perez (APSS), R. Furtado (APSS), J. Park (PSA), T. Yang (PSA), B. Chan-Long (PHSU), A. Zarbakhsh (PHSU), J. Wang (UPPSA), O. Chik (UPPSA), M. Crabtree (RUSA), J. Kaur (SDSSU), L. Okazaki (SDSSU), J. Taylor (USSU), M. Zhang (SSU), W. Yang (SSU), K. Chan (URSSU), P. Gorn (URSSU), D. Tessaro (ASSU Executive), Z. Nettey (ASSU Treasurer), G. Nowlan (Chair), J. Seto (Secretary)

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:18 pm.

1) Land Acknowledgement Statement

G. Nowlan acknowledged the land that we were meeting on.

2) Approval of the Agenda

MOVED (Reyes/Wong): “That the agenda be accepted as presented.”

*CARRIED

3) Approval of the Previous Minutes

MOVED (Apolinario /Gautam): “That the minutes of September 26, 2025 be accepted as presented.”

*CARRIED

4) Executive Report

D. Tessaro reported that the URC Selections Committee applications had been extended to October 12th and Abstract applications will come up next month.

5) Course Union Budgets

G. Nowlan presented the CU budgets to Council.

Course Union Grant Requests for the Fall Term: (requested amount) **granted amount**

- 1) African Studies Course Union – (\$1850) **\$1850**
- 2) Undergraduate Society of American Studies – (\$2000) **\$2000**
- 3) Astronomy Union – (\$2121) **\$2121** *-location of pub night*

- 4) Biochemistry Undergraduate Student Society – (\$2550) **\$2550** *-need to add a non-alcoholic social -study sessions and mentorship events are not Academic*
- 5) Bioinformatics & Computational Biology Students' Association – (\$1655) **\$1705**
- 6) Book & Media Studies Student Association – (\$1560) **\$1560** *-change date of Dec social – too late*
- 7) Buddhism & Psychology Student Union – (\$1350) **\$1350** *-details of academic event -change date of Buddhism Education event – no weekends*
- 8) Canadian Studies Student Union – (\$900) **\$900**
- 9) Cell & System Biology Student Union – (\$2357.50) **\$2357.50**
- 10) Chemistry Students' Union – (\$2650) **\$2650** *-location of pub night -Meet Your Profs is not Academic -must add an Academic event*
- 11) Cinema Studies Students' Union – (\$1960) **\$1960** *-what is being discussed at the two Breaktime events to make them GMs*
- 12) Classics Students' Union – (\$1930) **\$1430** *-submit SPF request for Library Management*
- 13) Cognitive Science & AI Students' Association – (\$2475) **\$2475**
- 14) Contemporary Asian Studies Student Union – (\$2033.42) **\$2033.42**
- 15) Creativity and Society Student Association – (\$1526.85) **\$1526.85**
- 16) Criminology Students' Association – (\$2600) **\$2600** *- details of academic events*
- 17) Diaspora & Transnational Studies Union – (\$2000) **\$2000** *-details of round table -new date for GM during Reading Week*
- 18) Society of Undergraduate Drama Students – (\$688.44) **\$688.44**
- 19) Undergraduate Earth Science Association – (\$1930) **\$1930**
- 20) East Asian Studies Students' Union – (\$2425) **\$2425** *-details of academic event and social*
- 21) Ecology & Evolutionary Biology Union – (\$1795.50) **\$1795.50** *-details about academic events*
- 22) English Students' Union – (\$1950) **\$1950**
- 23) Environmental Student Union – (\$2015) **\$2015** *-no events during Reading Week*
- 24) Ethics, Society & Law Students' Association – (\$2231.88) **\$2231.88**
- 25) Equity Studies Student Union – (\$2150) **\$2150**
- 26) European Studies Students' Association – (\$1880) **\$1880** *-details about academic event*
- 27) French Course Union – (\$1275) **\$1275**
- 28) Toronto Undergraduate Geography Society – (\$1915) **\$1915**
- 29) History Students' Association – (\$2275) **\$2275** *-details about academic events*
- 30) History of Art Students' Association – (\$2550) **\$2550** *-location of pub night -need new date for December social*
- 31) Human Biology Students' Union – (\$2300) **\$2300** *-need new dates for December socials*
- 32) Immunology Students' Association – (\$1750) **\$1750** *-need a proper academic event*
- 33) Industrial Relations & Human Resources Students' Association – (\$826.03) **\$826.03** *-need an academic event*
- 34) International Relations Society – (\$1700) **\$1700**
- 35) Laboratory Medicine & Pathobiology Students' Union – (\$2000) **\$2000** *-karaoke night must happen by Dec 2nd*
- 36) Society of Linguistics Undergraduate Students – (\$1950) **\$2000** *-location of pub night -details about academic event*
- 37) Material Culture and Semiotics Student Union – (\$3200) **\$3200**
- 38) Mathematics Union – (\$1460) **\$1460**
- 39) Molecular Genetics & Microbiology Student Union – (\$1898.03) **\$1898.03**
- 40) Near & Middle Eastern Studies Students' Union – (\$1725) **\$1725**
- 41) Neuroscience Association for Undergraduate Students – (\$2000) **\$2000**
- 42) Nutritional Sciences Student Association – (\$3162.50) **\$3062.50** *-max social for yr is \$2000*
- 43) Peace, Conflict & Justice Society – (\$1944.56) **\$1844.56** *-max academic event funding is \$200*
- 44) Pharmaceutical Chemistry Student Union – (\$3319) **\$3224** *-max social funding for the year is \$2000 -must hold December social by Dec 2nd*
- 45) Pharmacology & Toxicology Students' Association – (\$1840.36) **\$1840.36**
- 46) Philosophy Course Union – (\$2000) **\$2000**
- 47) Physics Student Union – (\$2323.84) **\$2323.84** *-Meet the Profs are considered social events*
- 48) Undergraduate Physiology Students' Association – (\$2153.79) **\$2153.79** *-details about academic -Lunch with Profs are considered social events*
- 49) Association of Political Science Students – (\$1999.50) **\$1999** *-details about academic panel*

- 50) Psychology Students Association – (\$1973.24) **\$1973.24** *-must hold December social by Dec 2nd*
- 51) Public Health Students’ Union – (\$3536.39) **\$3536.39**
-what are the funds being used for – re: Fall Social Fair
- 52) Undergraduate Public Policy Students’ Association – (\$2525) **\$2525**
- 53) Religion Undergraduate Student Association – (\$1700) **\$1700**
- 54) Undergraduate Sociology Students’ Union – (\$1950) **\$1900** *-details about academic event*
- max academic event funding is \$200
- 55) Statistical Sciences Union – (\$1995) **\$1995**
- 56) Urban Studies Students Union – (\$1570.38) **\$1570.38**
- 57) Women & Gender Studies Student Union – (\$2225) **\$2225**

MOVED (Nettey/Tessaro): “That each Course Union budget be approved as presented.”

*CARRIED

MOVED (Nettey/Johnson): “That the ASSU Executive issue funds to the Course Unions in accordance with the wishes and requirements set by Council.”

*CARRIED

6) Other Business

J. Seto announced that the next Council Meeting would be on November 13th at 5 pm.

7) Course Union Matters

There was a question about when the Exam Repository was being updated. G. Nowlan said that the Faculty and the Library are working on it and that it would housed in T-Space.

A council member reported that there were IT issues with the LSM Portal, but they have not heard back if it has been resolved. J. Seto will email LSM to find out what is going on.

Course Unions were reminded to go directly to Student Life (21 Sussex Ave) to update their contacts on the SOP if it still hasn’t been done.

8) Question Period

none

9) Lucky Draw

J. Seto drew names and gave out t-shirts and tote bags.

10) Adjournment

MOVED (Vodarek-Berman / Wong): “To adjourn.”

*CARRIED

Secretary to the Executive