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VUSAC MEETING MINUTES

November 17th, 2017 at 3PM in the Goldring Student Center

In Attendance

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Guests

UTSU VICTORIA COLLEGE DIRECTOR: Jayde Jones
Bergita Petro
Katie Marsland
Emilia de Fabritiis
Ali Kehl

Regrets

SUSTAINABILITY: Jared Connoy

CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER: Stephanie Xu

COUNCILLOR: Vibhuti Kacholia

Krista Steeves

Land Recognition: Haleema (1 minute)

I would like to acknowledge this sacred land on which the University of Toronto operates. It has been a site of human activity for 15,000 years. This land is the territory of the Huron-Wendat and Petun First Nations, the Seneca, and most recently, the Mississaugas of the Credit River. The territory was the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and the Confederacy of the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. Today, the meeting place of Toronto is still the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work in the community, on this territory.

Motion: Katie moves to approve the minutes from the VUSAC Meeting on November 1st, 2017 as it stands. Haleema seconds. Motion passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

Additions to the Agenda (maximum 3 minutes per addition)

- [no additions]

Motion: Haleema moves to approve the agenda as it stands. Alexa seconds. Motion passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

Pressing Items:

- Housekeeping - Sayeh (1.5 minutes)

[Summary] Hello everyone, I just want to go over some quick housekeeping matters. I think a couple people have tutorials from 3-4 on Fridays, so I've had a request to push back VUSAC meetings. If I were to push them back to start around four or five would that be okay? [room nods] Also, I've realized I actually have the power to grant speaking rights so we don't have to keep motioning to grant them.

- Motion to Approve the co-chairs of Winterfest; Leora Nash and Helen Zhang (2 minutes) - Stephanie

Motion: Stephaine moves to approve the co-chairs of Winterfest, being Leora Nash and Helen Zhang for the 2017-2018 school year. Gabe seconds. Motion passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

Discussion Items:

- Discussion about the Goldring Centre (15 minutes) - Katie

[Summary] Hi everyone! Next weekend I will be attending BOR Strategy day, which is one of the governing bodies of Victoria College. I am giving them a tour of the Goldring center, which will be focusing on what we use it for, how it can be approved. I want to hear your input on this. I have the time to physically highlight things and bring them around and show them the building. Some questions to consider are: What parts of Goldring do you use the most? What is the most valuable part of Goldring? What would you want to change? How does the Goldring contribute to your life at Vic? I just want to hear anything and everything from anyone.

Devon: So what kind of changes do you expect they will do? Not like Structural changes?

Katie: It's not even like, that they *will* make changes. But if there is something in Goldring that you would love to see or you think we should have, we can let them know. They want to know our opinions because we are the ones who use this space and they are the ones who give money to this space, so they are trying to connect those two.

Shailee: Are they only interested in hearing from VUSAC or can we open it up to the rest of Vic?

Katie: We can open it up! I was going to email levies and people who have offices in the building, and we can open it up to whoever we like really, I just wanted to start here because we use the space quite a bit. I don't have too long to spend with these people, but I do want to tell them what is most reflective of the Vic community.

Shailee: And one more thing, sorry, I don't know if this is something they can do, but adding some kind of water fountain on this level? They are only upstairs and downstairs.

Steph: I think a green wall would look so nice, it would be such a common space.

Katie: What do people use the most? Are there any resources in Goldring that are important to you? Lockers, or?

Shailee: The Cat's Eye is one of the most valuable spaces, across the U of T campus. Everyone wants the Cat's Eye! It is a very important space to students.

Nick: Perhaps putting a water fountain in the Cat's Eye? That is a frequent thing I have heard.

Devon: The Cat's Eye and the Wymilwood Lounge, are areas that are popular but they are kind of in the back and hard to find. Is there a way we direct traffic to these areas?

Jayde: So small, but could the commuter dons get a real sign?

Shailee: Something worth bringing up to the committee is all of the work and concern around washroom infrastructure that was discussed at caucus.

Katie: Right, I also wanted to really highlight the importance of student societies having their own office spaces, and how the hallway with all the different levies is great way for students to connect and help each other out. I use the copper room to study and the music room at Vic. If there is anything people want to talk about in regards to the commuter lounge, because I don't use that space...

Emilia: One thing we have been working on is getting artwork posted in the commuter lounge. It has been difficult because we can't drill things in the wall; but we are in the process of getting artwork put up there.

Katie: Also, I have heard there is technically an exercise room down there that is essentially fake news. Would people like me to mention that?

Zahavah: The issue with the exercise room is that we actually can't have anything in there that we can't move out for grad photos. We have run into this before.

Nick: I know for a fact that you can sign out that key from Marg Ad., so I'm not sure...what. I mean, you can ask for the key and they can give it to you. We can use it! It is not like an attic.

Cameron: I think that we should still use the space if it is available to us, even if not for exercise. Anything is better than an empty room.

Bergita: I just wanted to clarify that there was some exercise there previously, but it was such a small space and a challenging one to work with that there have been ideas passed around about it being a temporary project room. To accommodate student groups.

Jayde: Yes, I have heard the idea passed around of it being converted into a prayer space. I don't know how feasible that is, but perhaps it would be beneficial to extend this discussion to other groups, clubs and levies, so that this discussion isn't confined to just us in this room, so we get more student opinions and have wider consultations.

Shailee: I really like the idea of a prayer space. I was also going to say, that another option for the space--although, a prayer space makes more sense--is maybe setting it up as a meeting room for clubs and levies. Since we have a lot of groups of people but not so much meeting space available.

Katie: Anything about the kitchens?

Jayde: Can I ask a question? I don't use the commuter lounge, but everytime I go in there I'm aware of how dimly lit it is. And it kind of...it makes me sad. Which is why I don't spend time there. I don't know if they can change it or even if other people have this experience but...I know people nap down there because it's so dark.

Gabe: I think it's pretty bright.

Jayde: Fair.

Gabe: I mean, I wonder how people can nap there because it is so light.

Sayeh: Any more comments about the kitchens or the dimly/not so dimly lit commuter lounge?

Katie: If you think of anything else you'd like me to say, or you want to know the details of what I will be saying, please reach out to me. I will pass more information along later.

- VUSAC Support for YouDecide Campaign (20 minutes) – Jayde

[Summary] Hi! I am going to try to keep this quick, because we discussed a lot of the details in the last meeting and at caucus. I sent you all a brief by email over reading week, and if you didn't have time to go over the brief there is an information package on both ends of the table. Is anyone in the room, unfamiliar to the extent that they would want a mini recap? I realize that just put you on the spot. Essentially, today this discussion period is an opportunity for you to speak to each other. But, so far the presentation at this point has been pretty neutral in the campaign. But I think it is worth noting student's actual opinions on the matter. So, for VUSAC elections 15% is quorum. Which is the number we generally take as being enough students paying attention that we can know we're engaging with real student opinions. Which feels like a low number, but that is a lot of students. I'm using the 2016-2017 enrollment numbers here, but: there were 405 people that voted in VUSAC's spring elections, which is like 12.3% of the population. And there were as many as 27% of the people or 110 who abstained. In terms of the UTSU elections, where Hambo and I were elected into our positions, there were 579 people or 17.5% of the population (which is above quorum). To my knowledge, VUSAC elections haven't reach quorum in that last two years. So, 438 of those 579 votes were cast by Vic students for candidates who were campaigning on anti-CFS, the Canadian Federation of Students, status. So 75% of people who voted were in favour of leaving the CFS, which by extension, means they are in favour of holding a referendum on whether or not to leave. Obviously, these stats are from last year so things might have changed, but given the ability of us to directly go out and poll students this is a strong indication of support. And without having to take a stance on whether you are anti or not, I think it is important to take into the consideration that many students have that opinion. For people who were not around for the last election it was a pivotal issue of the election, and has been a campus-wide issue in general, not surprisingly it drove a lot of attention. And

it is important to know what student's opinions are on it. And that is all I want to say! I will now open the floor for discussion. Does anyone have questions for me?

Zoe: Yes Jayde, I think you make a great point because when I engage people in the discussion, they are interested and always want to getting involved in hearing more information. We are not being partisan, just engaging people in the broader discussion because it is important that we acknowledge that people do want to talk about this and learn more about the cause.

Zahavah: I want us to discuss, in terms of the materialization of this motion, the third section of the motion, which permits a copy of the petition to be on the front desk during office hours. I would want us as a council to clarify what this looks like to us. To me, it looks like having the petition at the front desk with a piece of paper on it saying 'here is the info; sign if you want.' What I personally don't want it to look like, is us talking to every single person and advocating for the petition. Having the petition out, versus having us actually be motivating, are different things and I would like to clarify as a council what that looks like for us.

Jayde: es, so I just want to respond to the language of the motion that says the petition is available for signing versus actively soliciting signatures, because I would agree with you Zahavah that it would be a bit much, and also you don't want to make people uncomfortable, because it is an office space. But one thing about just having the petitions presence there is, I think it is important to be realistic of who uses the VUSAC space. And even though there has been a great increase, even just visually, of students from outside of VUSAC proper using the space. It is still the same 250 students in out of the office doors who are already engaged in life at Vic. I am fairly certain that those students, are again, students who normally vote in these kind of things. Meaning, I don't get the sense that having a petition passively being there will be an issue for anyone. But I want to fully stand on the idea that our intention of the wording of the motion is not to have active participation but just an available presence.

Cameron: I agree with both of you. I think that we should be prepared to discuss the YouDecide campaign, but we shouldn't be approaching students necessarily upfront, proclaiming the campaign.

Devon: I will just share, well, because there is a bit of hesitation, in Jayde's UTSU report the numbers of the people at caucus 40 signatures The numbers of the people at caucus, which were around forty--

Jayde: Do you mind if I? We received about 40 signatures, from a group where there were somewhere between 50 and 60 people present.

Devon: So a vast majority of the attendees of caucus signed the petition. This should at least facilitate a space for Vic students to be heard.

Katie: If we do end up passing this motion and having the petition on the desk, I think it is important to make sure we as a council find a way to discuss this with people as a neutral campaign. Because this is a hard conversation to have neutrally, I would find it hard to, because since my first year I have heard people discussing the CFS negatively. This discussion certainly has some basis, but this is a neutral campaign. So we need to discuss how we will talk about it, and how we approach it, to ensure it is not reflective of our own opinions of it.

Jayde: Yes, and to that end, I'll bring up something I had planned on discussing after the vote, but it actually makes more sense to talk about it now! I have a working document of—not best practices, per se—but, “oh my gosh, someone has asked me a question about the campaign” and you don't know how to respond neutrally, this document helps with that. If VUSAC is interested in having this document on hand...I can share it because you're completely right, it is difficult when the dominant narrative on campus, or from people invested in the issue, is one-way. If this document will support VUSAC in their effort to be more neutral, I am happy to pass it along.

Sayeh: Anyone else for comments? Then we will motion:

Motion: Zahavah moves the following: “be it resolved that VUSAC become an official partner of the YouDecide campaign; be it further resolved that VUSAC release an official statement endorsing You Decide at its earliest convenience; be it further resolved that VUSAC commit to supporting the campaign throughout the year, in whatever capacity they deem in the best interests of the VCU; be it further resolved that VUSAC have the petition available for signing at its front desk during regular office hours.” Devon seconds. Motion Passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

Jayde: Thank you!

- Constitutional Amendments (10 minutes) – Zahavah

[Summary] I'd like to start with a thank to Jayde and Hambo for all of their work for bringing this matter (YouDecide) to us, so we had a lot of time to discuss it. And for being such amazing UTSU representatives.

[applause]

Okay, so we have a brand new item on the agenda...constitutional amendments. I know you are probably tired of hearing about it at this point. But, I don't want to put anything to a vote until I feel like we have discussed it to a point where nobody feels like there is anything else to consider. I would like to focus today on discussing two issues: One, being the councillor structure, and two, being in-camera meetings. I had a meeting with James and Cameron where we discussed a lot of details, particularly about the in-camera sections. So I will be constructing a new draft of that, but essentially what we concluded was that the issue was in the wording; as it needs to be flexible enough to be used and strict enough that it won't be abused. So the way we are leaning towards fixing this issue is, in order to hold accountability when it is used, is having a statement released afterwards, not releasing what was discussed, but describing that “An in-camera meeting was called in our November 17th meeting at ____ time, the reason it was called was (cite the constitutional section as to why it was sited).” Basically none of the matters discussed would be released. I know it is not the strictest following of Robert's rules, but, frankly we don't follow the strictest form of Robert's rules anyway, and to me that is a comfortable interpretation of it. I am more comfortable with that than a closed meeting where it is not as confidential, because there is a certain level of confidentiality needed in order for the meeting to be helpful. On the councillors side of things, we are still discussing the idea of increasing the number of first year councillors; I initially put forward the number of four, but we had a few ideas passed around such as the number three, or the idea of having two separate councillor positions (First year and Upper year), which is nice because then in the election process you can tailor your questions to each group separately. My concern is there is that there have been years were six, or seven, out of eight councillors have been first years and, with a set number of three or four, in these cases we would actually be limiting the number of first year involvement. All of these ideas are open for discussion.

Artimes: Could I ask for clarification on what the upper year councillors position will look like with the adjustment to first year councillor numbers in opposition to now?

Zahavah: There would be no change in the position; the position would stay the same. But with the idea that first year councillors would be voted for separately in the elections. The year distinction would only really be evident in elections. In an open forum election first years have a disadvantage of not knowing as much about Vic. So the questions to upper year candidates and first year candidates can be catered to the specific groups.

Artimes: I really like that concept.

Jayde: To me personally, I think it is worth investigating how elections are run currently, because to my knowledge the way they are run now is one election is run and if two councillor positions happen to be filled by first years then that's that. But if what you do instead is you run an election for the purpose of electing just first year councillors with only the first year candidates, and then put the rest of the years back into the pool and re-run the election to fill the remaining spots, it could actually change the number of first year representation while keeping the current structure.

My second, sort of issue, is that I don't know what increasing the number of first year councillors positions on council will actually do to increase first year involvement at Vic, which is what I'm hearing as the goal. I don't actually see a correlation between first year councillors and first year engagement...and if that's the case, maybe it isn't worth making a constitutional change to the election process or first year councillor numbers. My final note, is if you do decide to split the groups into first and upper year categories, perhaps it would be beneficial to split the groups into third and fourth year, and first and second year. Because of the number of concerns second years raise about first year being very scary, and then making second year kind of your first year of involvement...if that makes sense.

With respect to in-camera meetings, first of all, it is great that everyone met and talked about these details, because this iteration looks great and I appreciate the work. Although reflecting back on concerns people have raised at past meetings – that they see confidential discussions as necessary when council members don't feel comfortable -, I don't want to be the girl from the taco commercial, but “why not both?” For one, having this really awesome sounding policy for in-camera meetings but also having the ability to move into closed session; when the confidentiality isn't really the issue, but the comfort of the council members is. If those concerns are still in the room, why not both?

Katie: The next time we discuss this, we could look at how other colleges do this. So maybe, if we could just compare to a few different colleges systems and even other universities to get an idea...

Steph: I like the idea of looking at how other colleges do this. I also think that having a first and second year position and a third and fourth year councillors position is a good idea. But if their roles are still the same, how much would people in third and fourth year want to take on that role? We discussed last meeting how the position is typically viewed as one in which you grow forward from...would the questioning be different in second year versus first year?

Zahavah: I personally would not put forward an amendment with a third and fourth year, first and second position division because the problem we are looking at is between first and second years. In terms of engagement, I think that first years feel much more comfortable running for a first year position; than they would running for a position where they could be a second year on it. It is a less intimidating process.

Devon: Yes, that was exactly what I wanted to say, in expressing a concern that the division of councillor years would create a bigger divide between first and second. Barriers of entry; for example the number of people you are competing with. If a first year feels like they are competing with a lot of upper years with lots of friends it would be intimidating, and might be viewed as a popularity contest. My preferred model would be one with more available first year positions.

Motion: Cameron moves to extend discussion time on for five minutes. Zahavah seconds. Motion Passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

James: I am in support of the idea of splitting the two councillor positions up. I think you can just formalize the system that a lot of people already vote in, into the constitution.

Jayde: Engagement--I'm wondering if anyone in the group can talk about how having more first years on council concretely translates into getting more first years engagement at Vic in general? Because I don't actually see a confirmed connection; and if this is just a speculation, I also don't know that constitutional amendments should be made off of speculations. Increasing first year involvement is a broad issue that has been discussed by many councils, and maybe it's worth looking back to past councils and seeing if engagement was less of an issue in years when there were more first years or not? Because, for me, it shouldn't be about increasing first year access to VUSAC specifically, but it should be about increasing first year engagement at Vic generally. My thing is that if you're going to amend the constitution it should be based on actually seeing that changes happen so the governing document can be sustainable.

Cameron: First, I want to address the point about how it can engage first year involvement; and, while this isn't really scientific or anything, a lot of the times when you know someone on VUSAC, you are more likely to be more engaged. Just by broader access, that will increase engagement on its own. Another idea I wanted to bring up was, if we increase the size of council by two people and then the two positions for first year councillors, and then change one of the other councillor positions to first year as well, you now have a council with five first year positions and five councillors either reserved for upper years, or not necessarily for upper years. But we would have to increase the role of councillors as well.

Ally: I know this year Vibhuti and I have been inviting all of our friends on FB to these events. That being said, including more first year councillors can practically reach more people.

Shailee: I was going to pretty much say what Ally said, which is first years run in circles with first years. And a lot of the stuff that VUSAC accomplishes does travel through word of mouth. Speaking more broadly to what Ally said, I think that having more first years on VUSAC would be beneficial because these are often the students in VicOne, in first year classes, on Res....they

just know more first years. I try and reach out to as many people as possible, but I'm not around first years. Also, another point on how to increase first year engagement: we can also think about how we structure our commissions; and in this way generally increase first year participation. One of the ways Apefa and I selected equity commission this year was that we prioritized first and second years.

Motion: Zahavah moves to extend discussion time on for three minutes. Devon seconds. Motion Passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

Devon: Another angle is that by increasing first years participation on council we would be increasing upper year participation in the future. And personally, one of the reasons I decided to run was because I knew someone last year, who was in first year, and I saw that they could do it and it encouraged me.

Zahavah: I don't have numbers on this, but engagement decreases as the years goes on. You are more likely to have involved fourth years if they were involved first years. If we want to have involved upper years in our future we need to have involved first years.

- Board of Regents Update (5 minutes) – Katie (for George Wilson)

[Summary] There have not been any major updates since I spoke at caucus before reading week, so I will instead focus on laying out what we will be working on for the next few months. Next Saturday, on November 25th, we will be holding our annual Board strategy day. This day long session is our yearly event for macro level planning our vision for the University. The Property Committee met last week over reading week, and analyzed possible plans for the redevelopment of Northrop Frye Hall. No plan has been finalized yet, but the three options on the table are a complete teardown, a renovation, and a renovation and expansion. We, the student representative, feel we haven't contributed as much as we'd have liked to growing our visibility at Vic. In second semester we are planning to serve as guests at a VOCA pancake event, and are continuing to find ways we can improve our visibility to the VCU.

- Reflecting on anonymous form at caucus (10 minutes) - Shailee

[Summary] At caucus, the equity commission thought about ways that we can get people to contribute to caucus without having to put people in the position to having to come to caucus and out themselves...you know, it is just generally comfortable to have to speak out a caucus and raise a concern that affects you. So we instituted an anonymous form. The responses to it were only accessed by myself, Katie, Zahavah and Apefa. And I have to be honest; I didn't know it would get responses. I was happy when we did, but because I wasn't prepared for the fact that people would use it. And this resulted in me, unfortunately, putting Vic Pride in an uncomfortable position. Where, if I was on the other side I don't know that I could of responded. I had a meeting with Vic Pride to discuss what happened. And before I hear your ideas, I want to pass on what Vic Pride said. So, we were all in agreement that the anonymous form is inherently a good thing and should be used in future caucasus. Their biggest idea is that the form is open longer and be passed out to clubs and levies 24 hours in advance in order to allow clubs and levies time to reflect on the questions; and be more prepared. One concern I had with this is it kind of gives them time to

formulate a response that isn't substantial. And one of the benefits of a form like this is that it does hold people accountable. Something else to pass on quickly, is that a lot of clubs and students expressed that they support Vic Pride but they just wanted to share that clubs and levies haven't personally reached out for support. This is perhaps something to pass along through your channels to clubs and levies that this is something they can consider doing. Now, I want to hear your thoughts on the form.

James: I think that the form is a great idea. I also think that sending some kind of warning would be great. Maybe not the exact question...I think there is some kind of unfair advantage. But sending some kind of warning to the clubs and levies addressed in the form would be beneficial, because when the representatives from Vic Pride went up they had no clue; and it was really uncomfortable to watch.

Shailee: Something I discussed with Vic Pride was the idea of the unfair advantage. As we know, not all clubs and levies always show up but if they are addressed in the form it would be beneficial, I agree, to let them know someone has a question for them. I don't think sending the question is fair, but maybe the subject matter?

Steph: I think that is a good idea. I know members of Vic Pride weren't even the presidents or executive of Vic Pride, and one of them had just got hired. If they were just there to represent the club...it's important that they come prepared knowing what's to come. Even talking about the subject line would be important for the clubs.

Devon: So we're discussing the idea of the unfair advantage; but I don't think caucus is about being a competition. But caucus isn't an unfair advantage. It's more important to have a good and informative answer. I don't think that by supplying clubs and levies with the question in advance it wouldn't take away from what caucus is supposed to be. Second point, what happened at caucus was uncomfortable. And the anonymity of the form opens up the floor to be more hateful...An alternate idea: maybe taking the question and rephrasing it to make it a polite and answerable question.

Kaite: It was a weird moment, and kind of uncomfortable. But the form is an important tool and we have to learn how to do it in a better way--since it was our first time--I am happy to have it in a platform. I agree with Devon, maybe editing them a bit to make it easier to answer. I'm not sure how I feel about emailing them in advance, because it is a public forum. Being put on the spot is the only way students can hold elected councils accountable. I know it's not enjoyable to be put on the spot, but that's a part of the job. We are not detracting from the ability of making people uncomfortable, but the question was presented from a student that was unhappy with the way the levy was performing with the fee that they had paid. And that clearly wasn't a question they felt they could ask in person, without outing themselves. But I don't want to discourage people from asking those hard questions either, because often times they are valid, and this is the exact forum in which they are supposed to ask those hard questions.

Motion: Shailee moves to extend discussion time on for five minutes. Haleema seconds. Motion Passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

[synchronized wrapper opening]

Cameron: There will be issues addressed beforehand; I think it would be good to let them know they have a question so that the executive members can be present.

Blanaid: I agree with sending out the theme or subject matter of the question. In terms of editing the questions, I don't like the idea of VUSAC editing someone's question. I don't like the idea of editing it, unless it is obviously offensive...

Zahavah: I have a bit of a different opinion, but I think it is all rooted in the same common goal. I would be comfortable with saying "there are questions for you" without the subject matter, because I know that preparing an answer isn't bad. But this is the time to be accountable. Levies do spend the mass of student fees and it is important that you are accountable in the moment. I think editing the questions can be important, even just reorganizing the order. There is a risk of people being harsher than they would normally be because it is anonymous-it should be able to be presented in a manner that doesn't target others.

Jayde: I want to caution, obviously you have to be clear and up-front about the fact that you'll be editing questions, when you decide to edit a question. I also think council should discuss how much of a right they have to editing questions and where the boundary of tone policing is crossed. I also want to pick up on a point Devon mentioned, because it seems like there's been a bit of push back in the room, and that is that maybe it's worth rethinking the purpose of caucus. I don't see value in us pigeonholing the qualities needed by student representatives in order to succeed or hold the role down so that only a very specific kind of a person can access them – when it comes to the structure and purpose of caucus, there is room to do some re-imagining.

Motion: Zahavah moves to extend discussion time on for five minutes. Shailee seconds. Motion Passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

Devon: I want to clarify what I said earlier, I think last minute questions are totally okay, but I don't see a benefit of withholding information about what's being asked--it wouldn't serve the people answering the questions. If it is an honest question, that is good, but there might also be the case where a question only serves to create drama at caucus. I don't think we should close the form 24 hours in advance before the event because we have to accommodate students who have real concerns.

Graham: With the VicPride! situation, the person who asked that question was very much seeking concrete solutions - I don't think putting VicPride! on the spot gave them the answers they were looking for. Perhaps, it's the case that giving the question beforehand is more beneficial to getting a solid answer. I guess it's a question that we have to ask ourselves about caucus: Do we want an on-the-spot reaction or a beneficial answer? On the question of editing, I feel like if you edit the question down you run the risk of losing the passion and feeling behind the question. Using the VicPride! question as an example, I think the question's weight was dependent on the language the individual used and the examples they provided.

Zoe: I don't think the question was hateful, I think it was harsh. Maybe including a box where they can check off if we can submit the question to the club or levy addressed ahead of time? We should be very careful about editing; because I personally wouldn't re-submit a question that was heavily edited down.

Artimes: This is our first time trying this and I think this is a really good idea. I don't agree with editing questions. Letting clubs and levies know ahead of time that they should send representatives able to answer questions concerning events, seems fair enough to me. This is a public event, you have been elected into a position of responsibility and you should come ready.

Alexa: Letting people know in the invite that they should have representatives that are well informed is a great idea. This gives everyone an opportunity to be prepared for caucus. In terms of editing...if it is too harsh we might edit it, although we would have to be cautious when wording it. If it is not appropriate we will edit it too, so they don't give hate comments.

Katie: To clarify: I did require levies to send a head or executive. Because of timing it didn't really work out but, the message was sent out.

Shailee: For my closing comments...I think there needs to be a clear guideline in the form about how the question will be presented at caucus. We might edit the question for clarity or to be more concise. This will be trial and error process.

- OPIRG referendum and VUSAC stance/possible action (15 minutes) - Shailee

[Summary] OPIRG stands for the Ontario Public Interest Research Group. You may have seen information shared about OPIRG in the past few days, because basically what is happening is there is going to be a referendum held in the early part of next week, that decides if this group is going keep their levy funding. I am going to talk and give you some background.

Zahavah: Point of privilege: are they a levy at U of T?

Shailee: Yes, they are a U of T levy under the UTSU. But they get their levy funding from full-time undergrad students.

There is a network of OPIRGs across Ontario; to my knowledge most are situated on university campuses. They do a lot of skill-building workshops, events, training, panels, screenings, focused on social justice and human rights. Year after year the people a part of OPIRGs volunteer group decide what issues are focused on; has its pros and cons, but always in student interest. In past years, they have done a lot on campus. The U of T chapter OPIRG receives 50 cents from each full-time undergraduate student, which means you are giving them 2-4 dollars over the course of your schooling. Before I get into this, I have already taken a stance on this and I will not shy away on my opinion, but I want to note that you don't have to feel the same way that I do about this referendum. So, 250 students signed a petition for a referendum to defund OPIRG. Other chapters of OPIRG have been defunded the past few years; one was defunded at Queen's...one at Waterloo (maybe). At least two university OPIRG chapters in the past few years have been defunded. OPIRG advocates for many left-leaning causes, and concerning the current political climate here at U of T, I find it personally terrifying that this referendum is being put forward. OPIRG is an entirely volunteer based system. An important note is that the 50 cent levy fee can be opted out of. I know that is not saying much because a lot of students don't care, but it is possible.. The group that wants to refund OPIRG remains unidentified. A lot of their (far right groups) action happens

underground, and their signatures were collected over O-week. What's nice is that there are a lot of students that want to help OPIRG get their funding, and I met with a student a part of the Vote No campaign. In terms of some numbers: because they receive 50 cents for their levy fee, we actually pay the lowest amount just because of our size in proportion to the amount of students. In 2016, their total revenue overall was \$147,000, of which 93% of their levy comes from U of T students. 7.5% of students who pay the fee have to vote in the referendum, which is roughly 900 students, and 450 have to vote no. It is hard to tell how many people are against the referendum, because a lot of that action is underground. My biggest concern, is if this group gets defunded it kind of opens the floodgates and potentially encourages people to put forward referendums to defund programming for other social justice groups on campus. Very recently, the UTSU changed their amount of signatures needed to put forward a referendum from 5000 to 250. Something we should consider talking about. I want to stress that the work OPIRG does is good and beneficial to U of T; they also only two staff at U of T! I wanted to bring this forward, because I think that VUSAC can share information about this vote (doesn't have to take a super political stance on this). But there are ways we can share information--like through neutral infographics--that encourage student engagement. I just wanted to hear your thoughts, because this is a significant thing and I think we, as a council can help. In the very least, you should all be aware it is happening.

Sayeh: The floor is now open for discussion.

Jayde: To start, thank you Shailee for bringing up OPIRG - I agree with everything you said, in my personal position. To ease some measure of concern, by my understanding the students who initiated the referendum are not the same students that come to mind when you think about the terrible far right action that has been happening on campus, but I definitely think it's scary when you think of all the underground organizing they have done and we shouldn't take this lately. On a different note, I would encourage VUSAC to get political. One of the most compelling things about why the referendum's Yes campaign is silly is because if you don't want to pay the fee you don't have to...at the least, you should share that the information with Vic.

Katie: I would agree with sharing the infographics. In regards to getting political we should discuss this more because this is the first I've heard of it. It is hard to take a hard stance on a political issue, that I just heard about for 15 minutes. If we want to have an email vote, or discuss further. I don't think a lot of people at the table knew about priorly. At the same time, it is Vic people's money.

Zoe: I did know about this a while back, and it is important to recognize that OPIRG is very important to certain departments at U of T. A lot of people at Vic are in those departments, and might not be aware of their contributions. From a political stance, I know where I stand.

Devon: Dates?

Shailee: This upcoming Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. The way the student from the No campaign made it sound...he discouraged us from taking an outright political stance, because they just want the information to be shared.

Devon: I would be comfortable getting political. But seeing as someone from the campaign doesn't want that, I understand why.

Motion: Shailee moves to extend discussion time on for five minutes. Zahavah seconds. Motion Passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

James: I think that on the topic of us, as a council, taking a stance...looking at OPIRG's website right now...I think if VUSAC took a stance on this that would cause a lot of issues with certain people. OPIRG is a great organization for research, but taking a political stance might not be the best idea for us.

Katie: What if we shared the infographics along with an email containing more information?

Shailee: I have emails I can share, but those would have a bias. I will ask the student from the no campaign if they know of any neutral sites I can share.

Cameron: Yes: to providing information from the No stance.

Jayde: I just wanted to clarify that when I encouraged VUSAC to get political, I meant in future issues. Because I agree that it is way too quick to take an official, organizational political stance on this issue, but for future it would be very impactful.

Shailee: Yes, VUSAC should share information? (The neutral infographics)

Sayeh: (Straw poll)

Shailee: There appears to be a general consensus.

- General UTSU Director Update (7 minutes) –Jayde

[Summary] AGM stuff: 93 people were there in person and 355 by proxy. Food drive: I will put up posters for the food drive right after this meeting, if anyone lives in residence and would be willing to put them up in their building that would be awesome. This morning, I talked with Victoria College Equity Collective about Disability Justice Week about their participation. Thank you for engaging in the process with YouDecide! I would now ask council to think about how they'd like to engage with the campaign so we can start on next steps, whatever they might look like.

The UTSU is hiring! We have part time paid and volunteer positions. We're hiring 6 Outreach Associates (\$12/hour), tabling, talking to people – that kind of thing'; apply by November 19th. We're hiring a General Equity Director to represent trans students and lead the Trans Students' Sub-Commission for the remainder of the year; apply by November 24th. We're also hiring two engineering directors; applications are due November 24th. And, finally, we're hiring a Student Commons Management committee, so if you're interested in the development of what will hopefully be an entirely student-governed space, apply by November 19th.

Events! We have a Global Dialogue series going on right now, with the last two events on the 20th and 22nd. We have an event addressing voluntourism on the 23rd, free vegan breakfast at the Multi-Faith Centre on the 24th.

Another thing: the mandatory leave policy's approval by the University Affairs Board has been postponed until Jan. 30th due to student organizing, if you don't know what I'm talking about let's talk afterwards! I have already connected some Vic students to working groups addressing the policy, but if you are interested or know of others, reach out. Also: the UTSU was recently at Federal advocacy week with 15 other Canadian research institutions and your executives had the chance to meet with over 50

MPs and bureaucrats. Very last thing: I put out my first official update – including a super embarrassing video and a more formal brief – so if you're interested in what work I've been doing, check that out.

- Printer and alternative solutions when it breaks down (8 minutes) – Nick

[Summary] So, a levy contacted me over the week, with a complaint about the printer because it hasn't been amazing lately. One levy head was very concerned with it. I was wondering if there can be a newer, more efficient system put in place for when printing is inaccessible. Is it possible to notify levies on the status of the printer when it breaks? What would VUSAC suggest for clubs and lives when the printer is broken?

Haleema: I was here when the printer was broken last time and I directed people to the ASSU. I thought that was the best solution at the time.

Zahavah: It's important to remember that our printer is leased. We could look at getting a new lease, but that would be a lot of money and the printer isn't really broken enough to justify that. We do update when the printer is broken on the FB page. I hate to say it, but knowing that the printer is temperamental, you should think about printing large amounts more than one day in advance.

Graham: I want to make a point that while the printer has given us a lot of difficulties, it does do a lot of work for VUSAC. When the technician was here I was spending some time with him, and he had been here earlier when there was a problem with leaking toner. He couldn't believe how much had been printed between the two dates that he had been here. We do pay quite a lot of money for the printer; and while it is easy to criticize when it is broken it does work most of the time.

Artime: Also, one thing to note is that you are not supposed to use glossy paper with the printer, and I know a lot of groups still use it. That's why it is breaking. Just use the machine properly.

Jade: Just for everyone: after the printer is fixed can someone let me know so I can post in the group that it is fixed?

Shailee: I think that forty pages is a large allowance for students to print. Most people come in for the odd poster, essays and stuff like that. It's okay if people want to print readings, but maybe we can be stricter on how much people can print. Maybe cutting down the max number of pages? We should also communicate to clubs and levies about the glossy paper rule. One idea might be for clubs and levies to have an account or allowance at Vic Express; but then we can't control it.

Bergita, do you know any details about that?

Bergita: Yes. There is a fee, but they are always open from 9-5pm.

Shailee: So if we wanted to talk to Vic Express about giving our clubs and levies a lower fee for printing, that might take away some of the burden of our very hardworking printer; a possible solution.

Cynthia: I think the Part time Students Association does 5 cents and 50 pages.

Jayde: I believe it is technically only supposed to be used by part time students.

Steph: UTSU has 3 cents printing...although there are no pennies anymore so must be hard...

- “Walk with Her” Event (2 minutes)– Haleema

[Summary] Her Voice is a club at Vic and we are hosting a walk on the 22nd, which is next Wednesday, and the walk is to raise awareness and advocate for victims of domestic abuse. It will take place at 11am in Queen's Park, and before that there will be a pancake breakfast at 9:30am, in the Cat's Eye. There will also be a speaker, from the Women's Shelter associated with Vic, which is Woman's Habitat. And I know VUSAC members are required to attend three events per semester, and I would just really encourage you all to be there, because it is a really great initiative to be a part of.

LEVY UPDATES

Cat's Eye - Ali Kehl

- Tech Director Update (1 minute)

[Summary] Hello, my name is Ali. I am the senior co-manager of the Cat's Eye. You probably don't even care--not that you don't care!--but this isn't too important. But I want to be transparent. Our tech director resigned. So we hired a new tech director and a new Cat's Eye co-manager today. We were going to ratify a budget, but now it looks like we will have to ratify a new tech director's budget; since they are just starting now. Just wanted to tell you that. There isn't anything you have to say back. I'm here anyways. Thanks for my minute.

STAFF MEMBER UPDATES

Finance Chair - Graham A

- Ratification of Werewolf Club's Term 1 Budget (2 minutes)

[Summary] There was some confusion about the Werewolf Club's budget, because they had meetings and they bought snacks but had no ratified budget. And they spent ninety dollars, and we now have to ratify them.

Motion: Ally moves to ratify the Werewolf Club's Term 1 Budget for the 2017 school term. Stephanie seconds. Motion passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

- Finance Update
 - End of First Term Budget (5 minutes)

[Summary] The budget steering committee has been meeting this week. We have made a lot of cuts. We are scheduling the next budget meeting now; I will be sending an email to everyone who sent a budget request outlining the changes the steering committee has made. There was a lot of money that was requested and, unfortunately, we don't have that much money. There is still more cutting to go. We will be making discussions that will have a material impact on clubs. I was uncomfortable about restricting club budgeting recognized by VUSAC. I will be sending out all this information today, or tomorrow, so everyone can think about possible changes and cuts to be made.

Katie: Next week is the Sex and Gender conference, which is over at 5pm. Maybe a 5-7pm meeting would work.

Blanaid: The Bob is on Friday, at 8pm. But we have rehearsal throughout the day.

Graham: I will change the day then. The general idea to remember is that the meeting is coming soon, and information about your budget will be coming today or tomorrow. I will try and make it an efficient meeting.

Sunday the 19th was the end of the first term budget and today is the cut off for requisition. I am going to be very strict on reimbursement, in order to not impend on second term budgets. At this point, first term budgets are cut off officially in order to keep everyone as funded as possible. Please contact me if there are any line items you want to push forward if you have not already done so.

Chief Returning Officer - Stephanie X

- [No update]

Communications Director - Jade K

- General Update

[Summary] Some people haven't filled in the contact information sheet that I pinned in the Facebook group. Some people also need their headshots taken for the website--please come find me after or let me know when you're available if that is the case for you. Also, over the weekend I will be changing the names of everyone's emails to make it less confusing; so you might be logged out.

- Update on VUSAC Sweaters

[Summary] I just posted the possible designs and created a poll so everyone can vote on their favourite. *[collective oooos]* You don't have to do that right now though...

COMMISSION UPDATES

Academic & Professional Development - Zoe R

- [No update]

Arts and Culture - Blanaid M

- General Update (6 minutes)

[Summary] We had our first open mic night, and I was really happy with the quality of the talent and attendance. I'd like to personally thank Alexa; she was my right-hand woman. And thank you to Devon for the poetry. We also had the poetry class at Gardiner, which was sold out-- huge shoutout to Gabe and Emilia! Third thing, the Bob is next week on Friday and Saturday. I will be posting soon to ask for councillors to come and help me out. Cynthia and Haleema will be helping out at the door.

Artimes: Could you clarify for the minutes what the Bob is?

Blanaid: For sure! The Bob is Canada's largest student run comedy sketch show! This year it includes 35 sketches, and will take place in the Isabel Bader theatre at 8pm next Friday and Saturday.

Devon: I play a wizard in one of them!

Commuter Commissioner - Gabriel C and Emilia F

- Updates on upcoming holiday events (5 minutes)

[Summary] Hello everyone! We just wanted to go over what VOCA is doing for the holiday season. But before we do that--the pottery excursion was very fun! Okay, so Gabe and I and the rest of our VOCA team are in the process of planning Home for the Holidays. It will take place on December 1st, and is essentially a free dinner event...a festive gathering!

Gabe: On the same day there will be an open mic night with the equity commission, happening before home for the holidays. So we encourage you to enjoy some music and then enjoy some holiday cheer.

Emilia: We are looking for as many people on VUSAC to attend, or at least promote the event by sharing the information on social media. People will pick up tickets--but the event is free. We are still debating whether the tickets should be only available online or in physical copy...We will communicate that information this weekend. Also: festive dinner is coming up and will be split up to take place on Wednesday the 29th and Thursday the 30th; the commuter festive dinner is on the 30th at 5:45pm. When we find out more information we will let you know!

Gabe: We were thinking of, since the event will be free, perhaps your pay would be donating something to the UTSU food drive. We are trying to decide if that should be done when people pick up their ticket or at the door of the event. We will get back to you when we decide!

Equity Commissioner - Shailee K

- Upcoming Equity Commission events and initiatives (5 minutes)

[Summary] The Equity Commission is doing a clothing drive for the entirety of December (1st-20th). We are arranging for cardboard boxes to be put in every residence common room and in the VUSAC office. If you think of any other hubs where boxes can be placed--sorry, and in the Cat's Eye--let me know! The way it will work is as people are packing up to go home they might want to donate things they don't need. Hopefully, the box will encourage them to donate their extra clothing. When the boxes fill up the residence dons will dump it into a big box in the laundry room, and return the box to the common room to be filled again. At this point in time, there is not 100% firm decision on where the clothes will go-- we are still deciding. I am personally in favour of Sprott House--which is run by the YMCA and is housing for homeless LGBTQ youth in distress or who can't be at home. I'm in favour of this organization because they are essentially the same age-range as people living in residence. If you have any ideas of other charities you are interested, please reach out! Also, on November 20th we are hosting another Doc and Talk in the Cat's Eye at 6pm. It will be a screening on Indignity; which should be impactful since it is around American Thanksgiving.

- Equity update (5 minutes)

[Summary] We applied for a \$1,200 grant from the Vic Performing Arts Endowment fund, and we got \$3,000! With this money we are planning on putting on an arts showcase focused on art made by students that are women of colour and trans people of colour. This will be a high profile event in second semester; likely in February. Equity Commission member Georgia is in charge of event as it was her idea. We will not be doing art/paint battle because of this. For those who don't know, in the past the equity commission hosted an art/paint battle event where people could sign up to speed paint. The proceeds for this event always went to Sprott House--which is another reason why I want the clothing drive to be donated to that organization, to keep our ties with them--but we will not orchestrate that event this year, I do not think,

because of the art show. As well, there was no equity meeting this week because of equity training. Although, the next month is going to be very busy so until the end of the semester equity meetings will be weekly.

- Equity training for clubs and levies (2 minutes)

[Summary] I've held two sessions of equity training for clubs and levies so far. The first one had an attendance of about eight people. The second one had an attendance of twenty-five. For this reason the two sessions were pretty different, in terms of how people engaged. The last session is tomorrow with the projected attendance of over thirty people. I added a new session to even out numbers, but everyone wanted to attend tomorrow's session, so the second is not available anymore. There are obviously some exceptions of clubs and levies that didn't sign up, but at this point the attendance all around is pretty impressive.

Ali: We hired new people today, obviously I wasn't able to tell you this before, but would they be able to come? Could under the table raps come? I don't want to overstep you guys because I haven't ratified them, but just since you're giving us the opportunity?

Shailee: This won't be the last opportunity for clubs and levies to get equity training, from the commission. I will try to host a session in January, for everyone who couldn't make it to this one. So, if you are comfortable with holding off on equity training for your tech director for a few weeks until the next one?

Ali: Oh, yes, for sure. I just wanted to make sure they still had the opportunity.

Shailee: Also, for people who can't make any of the equity training sessions I hold, I will be connecting everyone to other equity training across campus.

I forgot to mention earlier, but in terms of where we are at with Food Services: they are still concerned with liability. We are still pushing that the extra food be donated to Second Harvest, and I will keep following up with them, but they basically want proof that the food will be controlled from point A to point B. On this note, a quick update from Jared (who is not present tonight): he is working on infographics about food waste to be placed above the conveyor belt in Burwash. They are pretty much approved, he is just working on a few editing details. The plan is to have them up starting at the beginning of second semester! He was also working on getting more vegan options, because there were a lot of vegetarian options, but not a lot of vegan. In terms of where we are at with Ned's...Emilia, would you like to speak to this?

Emilia: So, as discussed in last meeting our current initiative with Ned's is that we want them to sell their food at 50% off on Fridays for what doesn't get sold at the end of the night. They just need to get stickers that say "50% off," which takes time and money. They also need to put expiration dates on the products, which takes time. But they are likely going to go forward with it.

Shailee: Finally, the last initiative for this semester with the equity commission is that we are creating working groups to create a better event booking policy for Vic. This will then be presented to Events Victoria and the Bader coordinator, as well as the Dean's office, given that a lot of events here recently haven't really been... great! Reach out if you want to be involved in the process.

Scarlet & Gold - Stephanie S

- [No update]

Sustainability Commissioner - Jared Connoy

- N/A

JUDICIARY UPDATES

VPSO - Nickolas Shyshkin

- N/A

VP Internal - Artimes G

- [no update]

VP External - Katie C

- Merchandise Update (5 minutes)

[Summary] Hello everyone! I am sad to announce that the merch line was delayed because of production problems with the crest on the hat. I also now have to charge tax on the merch because of--stop smiling at me Graham, so happy about tax-- The first round including three out of five of the items will be ready for the projected date. I think I still want to open the pop up shop with the three out of five of the items to get stuff out. Once I have the full items, I will open another pop up shop in January. As of now, I am hoping to set up shop on December 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th--I will figure out a schedule and inform you all about it in the near future--but it is actually happening! I promise. That's all I have.

President - Zahavah K

- General update (3 minutes)

[Summary] Two things: first of all, Northrop Frye. Discussions about what to do with the old building are happening. Alexa, Artimes and I are in discussion, about that and will be meeting on Nov. 27th with the planners. If you have any ideas that you want to see, like, put in a pool! They won't do that. But, let us know if you want ideas. Also, I posted a form to my personal FB, and I want to post it to VUSAC, which is a question form that the SGRT put out about the mandatory leave of absence policy. You might of seen it, you might of not. The members of the SGRT sit on something called PUSAG. We have that opportunity of those meetings, we are collecting student concerns to bring to those meetings; so that those concerns are brought to the top--not the top, the vice top--on another note, Winterfest! U of T winterfest, if you want to be involved in U of T wide winterfest, I posted a form or you can talk to me about it. Also, the Sex and Gender conference is going to be next Friday and it is looking to be a very great, very interesting event. I think there will be a lot of great and productive conversation.

Motion: Zahavah moves to extend discussion time on for three minutes. Shailee seconds. Motion Passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None

I am also looking at our club system. One of the great things of VUSAC is that we have so many clubs. And I mean, we have *so* many clubs! A lot of other colleges have 4-8 clubs, including levies, and we have 11 levies and like 30 clubs. It is amazing and great, but we have had about 20 hours of budget steering

meetings this week; and that is just what I've had. We need to start looking at how much we can afford. And something to consider, is something Vic used to do and doesn't anymore, is separating Vic clubs and associated clubs. The idea right now, is that if you are ratified you are entitled to a budget; and those two ideas don't necessarily go hand-in-hand. So, the idea is that Vic clubs receive access to space and can apply for a budget. Associated clubs are associated with other colleges, Ulife, and they can be associated if they adhere to the Vic community and use our space, but they don't necessarily get a budget. We are running out of money and need to prioritize Vic clubs, especially when we are their only source of funding. I also want to do shoutouts to every single one of you, so this is a group shoutout, some highlights:

Shoutout to Graham. We--I don't know how to do my math. He has been working so hard with emails and all the hours--It has been hard having to email everyone. Blanaid, has had so many events she is trucking along. Artimes, for the retreat. Shailee and Apefa for literally everything. The councillors, doing so great! So many great ideas. Shoutout to all of you!

[applause]

EX-OFFICIO UPDATES

Bergita Petro

- Update (3 minutes)

[Summary] As soon as I walked into the room, I really miss these meetings! This is such a welcoming environment. I love the name cards, the decorations, and the atmosphere that all of you create. Also, I am impressed with the amount of programming and work across the board--thank you for all of your hard work. I encourage you to register to the Sex And Gender conference has already been discussed, but please attend! Next week, there will be a Fireside chat for graduate students about graduate studies. It is a wine and cheese event, and there will be an actual fireplace, in the senior common room. You are welcome to attend that. Ira Wells will be there as well! Another event coming up next week is the leadership panel, in the Cat's Eye, in connection with Zoe, they will discuss how they use their leadership experience. Other things, Festive Dinner tickets are available. They are free! There is a session called Healthy Habits, which is about building resistance at this busy time of year. The session is in the copper room, next Wednesday, at 8:30pm. Hearing a lot about the budget, I would encourage you to apply to the Webster if you are planning an event that remotely athletic. I do have a final note, which I would like to pass on to Zoe:

Zoe: We are excited to announce that we now have a grad banquet chair: Samantha King. She is the senior Commuter Don this year and is super enthusiastic, engaged and friendly. I am so glad that she applied! The grad community will be struck pretty soon.

Motion: Devon moves to adjourn meeting. Katie seconds. Motion passes.

- Favour: ALL
- Abstained: None
- Opposed: None