

Minutes

Student Administrative Council (SAC)

Meeting #9

December 5, 2023

SC 2016

Present: Stephin Sathya, FSU President
 Shade Dias – Director, Chair
 Krystina Chase – Director, Secretary
 Jitendra Singh Rathore – Director
 Shabnoor Abdul Lateef – Director
 Zain Nizamuddin – Director
 Sooraj Sudevan – Director (arrived at 2:15pm)
 Janki Hiteshkumar Gosai – Director (phone)

 John Riddell, Executive Director
 Greta Robertson (Recording Secretary)

Regrets: Ritchie Regidor – Director

The meeting was called to order at 1:22pm.

Shade welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for taking time out of their busy schedules to be here.

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

Approval of Agenda – Meeting #9

9.1 It was:

 MOVED by Jitendra Singh Rathore, SECONDED by Zain Nizamuddin and
 CARRIED to approve the Agenda for Meeting #9.

Mission Moment

Stephin gave a brief statement of how he was able to help a student who messaged him on Instagram and was facing difficulties in school and in their personal life. Stephin was able to help this student and it was a moment to reflect that the FSU is more than just planning events, the FSU exists to advocate for students and help them through their student experience here at Fanshawe College. Stephin reminded everyone that you never know someone's story when you're talking to them, be kind and understanding. It is important to be able to connect students

to the services that are available to them.

Approval of Meeting Minutes & Finance Committee Minutes

9.2 It was:

MOVED by Krystina Chase, SECONDED by Jitendra Singh Rathore and CARRIED to approve the meeting minutes from Meeting #8 and the Finance Committee meeting minutes.

ED/President Performance Review Committee Report

9.3 It was:

MOVED by Krystina Chase, SECONDED by Zain Nizamuddin and CARRIED to approve going In Camera at 1:34pm.

9.4 It was:

MOVED by Krystina Chase, SECONDED by Shabnoor Abdul Lateef and CARRIED to approve going Out of Camera at 1:52pm.

President's Report

Stephin provided a presentation regarding his week in Ottawa at the CASA Advocacy Week conference. This presentation outlined the different asks that CASA made during this week. The following topics were presented in Advo-Week 2023 sessions:

- Canada Student Grants
- Create New Student Mental Health Fund
- Student Housing
- Expand Indigenous Access to PSE
- Expand Tri-Agencies Scholarships
- Permanently Lift Off-Campus Working Hours
- Preserving Educational Fair Dealing

Shade suggested setting up a meeting with Dave Smith, Manager of Retail Services, to discuss textbook costs and access for students.

Stephin finished his report to the Board with the comment that federal advocacy is a long game. It takes a considerably longer time for results than in provincial advocacy.

9.5 It was:

MOVED by Jitendra Singh Rathore, SECONDED by Shabnoor Abdul Lateef and CARRIED to accept the President's report, as presented.

New Business

- a. **Student Fees 2024/2025** – John Riddell reported that the FSU will receive the proposed

tuition package at the next Student Fees meeting.

- b. Referendum – Food Security Ancillary Fee** – John explained the purpose of the referendum is to introduce a fee that will be used towards helping students in need. A portion of this fee would be to support the Sharing Shop, as well as other programs that would support students with food insecurities or in food crisis. After discussion regarding the implementation and promotion of a referendum question, the Board agreed that a referendum question be added to the 2024 election ballot.

9.6 It was:

MOVED by Krystina Chase, SECONDED by Shabnoor Abdul Lateef and CARRIED to approve the addition of a referendum question, worded as follows, on the 2024 election ballot:

“I am in favour of supporting students with a new Fanshawe Student Union Food Security fee of \$2/term, it being noted that Fanshawe College has committed to match the amount levied from students on an annual basis.”

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

Next Meeting

Date TBD upon review of Winter 2024 class schedules.

Adjournment

9.7 It was:

MOVED by Krystina Chase, SECONDED by Zain Nizamuddin and CARRIED to adjourn the meeting @ 3:32pm.