

Minutes of the November Meeting of the UTSSA 30th November 2020.

Attendance:

- Aidan O'Rourke (President)
- Erin Dalton (General Secretary)
- Camille Smith (Assistant General Secretary)
- Ellie Woodward (Education Officer)
- Sabrine Yassine (Welfare Officer)
- Luna Manandhar (International Officer)
- Abdul Kandil (General Councillor)
- Eshna Gupta (Womens' Officer)
- Jared Turkington (General Councillor)
- Jeylan Riza (General Councillor)
- Juneyt Cihan (University Council Representative-Undergraduate)
- Lina Min (General Councillor)
- Melodie Grafton (General Councillor)
- Zebadiah Cruickshank (Indigenous Officer)
- Nick Allison (General Councillor)
- Peter Mumford (Postgraduate Officer)
- Roweena Ow (General Councillor)
- Ruby Smith (General Councillor)
- Ursula Aczel (General Councillor)
- Will Simmons (General Councillor)
- Christina Markovska (UTSSA Staff)
- Damien Nguyen (Observer)
- Miles Carter (Observer)
- Phillip Binns (Returning Officer)
- Hawa Mohammad (General Councillor)

Agenda:

1. Opening of Meeting
 - 1.1. Acknowledgement of Country
 - 1.2. Attendance, Apologies and Proxies
 - 1.3. Declarations of Interest
 - 1.4. Introduction to Council/President's Welcome
2. Appointment of the Returning Officer
 - 2.1. Tabling of the Election Report (Attached)
 - 2.2. Confirmation of October Meeting Minutes
 - 2.2.1. October SRC Meeting Minutes (Attached)
 - 2.2.2. Executive Meeting Minutes (Attached)
 - 2.3. Election of Phillip Binns as Returning Officer
3. Election of Internal Association Positions
 - 3.1. Cultural Diversity Officer
 - 3.2. Accessibility Officer

- 3.3. Queer Students' Officer
- 3.4. Environment Officer
- 3.5. Director of Student Publications
- 4. General Business
 - 4.1. Draft Standing Orders (Attached)
 - 4.2. Policy Booklet (Attached)
 - 4.3. Election Regulations Benchmarking (Attached)
- 5. Close of Meeting

Minutes:

1. Opening of Meeting

Meeting opened 7:10pm

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

Delivered by Aidan.

1.2 Apologies and Proxies

2 apologies, Nour and Charlie, Nour proxies to Sabrine, who accepts, Charlie proxies to Mehmet, who accepts.

1.3 Declarations of Interest

None declared.

1.4 President's Welcome

Delivered by Aidan.

2. Appointment of the Returning Officer

2.1 Tabling of election report:

Election report tabled by Aidan.

2.2 October Meeting Minutes

Minutes for the October SRC meeting and the Executive Meetings on the 11th and 27th of November tabled.

Motion to accept minutes of both meetings.

Moved: Juneyt

Seconded: Sabrine

Motion carried unanimously.

2.3 Election of Phillip Binns as Returning Officer for RepsElect

Motion: That Phillip Binns be the Returning Officer and chair for RepsElect.

Moved: Camille

Seconded: Luna

Motion carried unanimously

3. Election of Internal Association Positions

Chair passes from Aidan to Phillip.

5 positions to fill, 4 Office Bearers, 1 Director of Student Publications

3.1 Nominations Opened for Cultural Diversity Officer

Melodie Grafton nominates

No other nominations, Melodie elected unopposed.

3.2 Nominations Opened for Accessibility Officer

No nominations received. Position will remain vacant until a nomination is received

3.3 Nominations Opened for Queer Students Officer

No nominations received. Position will remain vacant until a nomination is received

3.4 Nominations for Environment Officer

Roweena Ow nominates.

No other nominations, Roweena elected unopposed.

3.5 Nominations for DSP

No nominations received. Position will remain vacant until a nomination is received

Phillip returns the chair to Aidan at 7:26pm

4. General Business:

4.1 Draft Standing Orders

Aidan explains what standing orders are, and that feedback is welcome on the draft circulated.

Erin explains that if amendments are sought, they can be sent to the general secretary for inclusion on notice

4.2 Policy Booklet

Aidan explains the necessity of a policy booklet.

Mehmet requests that it be available as a google drive throughout the next term

4.3 Election Benchmarking

Aidan: Largely we did well, important to consider comparisons with other model universities.

5. Close of Meeting

Meeting Closed 7:29pm