

**Attendance
(present in bold)**

Executive Members:

- **Madison Hoenig**, President
- **Nkemakolam Ogbonna**, VP Administration
- **Prashansa Atreay**, VP Student Life
- Ariel Ho, VP Finance (*absent*)

- **Danielle Serra**, Mid Year
- **Zahra Babrawala**, Grad Year (*via proxy*)
- Grad Year
- Mayu Adachi, Off Campus
- Manuela Zapata, Off Campus

Commissioners:

- **John Leung**, Athletics
- Diana Subron, Athletics
- **Sharon Ma**, Education and Philanthropy
- Equity
- **Conroy Gomes**, Social
- Social (3)

Non Voting Members:

- Alexia Anand, Advertising Coordinator
- **Erica Ly**, Bookkeeper
- Stephanie Nguyen, CRO
- Nina Jabbari, DRO
- **Emerson Gu**, Photographer
- Karel Peters, Social Media Coordinator
- **Sharon Ma**, UTSU Director
- Chengye Yang, UTSU Director
- Manuela Zapata, UTSU Director
- NCRC

Representatives:

- International Foundation Program
- First Year (2)
- Nicole Ng, Mid Year

Minutes

1. Call to Order

The meeting is called to order at 12:18.

2. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Read by: Nkemakolam Ogbonna.

3. Approval of Agenda

MOTION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA

SECONDED BY: MA

Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried

4. Appointment of Speaker

MOTION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA

SECONDED BY: MA

Be it resolved that Adrian Huntelar be appointed as Speaker for 2018-2019 term.

- Ogbonna states that the candidate in question, Adrian Huntelar, is a qualified candidate for Speaker of the NCSC due to his past experience in student politics.
- Huntelar states that he is excited to be ratified as Speaker, and that he will try to be fair and allow everyone to speak.

Motion carried

5. Approval of the Meeting Minutes

MOTION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA

SECONDED BY: GOMES

Be it resolved that the July 10th meeting minutes be approved as presented.

Motion carried

6. Ratification of Appointed Members

MOTION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA

SECONDED BY: MA

Be it resolved that all appointed positions be approved for the 2018-2019 term.

- Ma asks if this will be omnibus.
- Ogbonna states that this will not be omnibus.
- Ogbonna states that they are appointing Erica Ly as Bookkeeper, Emerson Gu as photographer, Balpreet Gill and Hannah Turcotte as Clerks, Stephanie Nguyen as Chief Returning Officer, Nina Jabbari as Deputy Returning Officer, Karel Peters as Social Media Coordinator, Alexia Anand as Advertising Coordinator, and Daphne Zhuang as Web Designer.
- Ogbonna states that everyone selected by the executive team has had relevant experience and that they are passionate about their positions and had excellent applications.
- Honig states that this year there were many competitive applications for appointed members, and thanks the appointed members.

Motion carried

7. Approval of Article XVIII and Article XIX Ammendemant

MOTION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA

SECONDED BY: MA

Be it resolved that "The Speaker/Clerk shall serve without any salary or honorarium" in Article XVIII and

Article XIX be amended to "The Speaker/Clerk shall server with honorarium."

- Huntelar motions to withdraw as Speaker for the duration of items 7 and 8.
 - SECONDED BY: MA

- Huntelar states that it is not appropriate to chair discussion about his own honorarium, and will pass the role of Speaker to the default position, the President.
- Ogbonna states that in the constitution, it is written that the Clerks and Speaker are not allowed to receive money for their work, and that this should be changed because they are
- Ma states that this incentivizes involvement in student council and that this recognizes them for their hard work and that while they do not have a vote.
- Ogbonna states that it is not fair to exploit student talent when they do not have a vote.
- Honig states that appointed positions fulfill a skill that is different from being a representative, and that NCSC has a duty to support students and compensate them for their work.
- Ma states that the idea of paying appointed positions was Cheryl Quan's, the Equity Commissioner for the 2017-2018 school year.

Motion carried

8. Approval of Stipends

MOTION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA SECONDED BY: MA

Be it resolved that both the Speaker (1) and Clerks (2) be awarded \$50 per attended meeting.

- Ogbonna states that the Speaker and Clerk will be paid \$50 per meeting, to account for the time spent during meetings and for the work they do. Ogbonna adds that this is effect from this meeting (inclusive).

Motion carried

MOTION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA SECONDED BY: MA

Be it resolved that the following positions be awarded \$250 per semester upon completion of their contracts:

Advertising Coordinator (1)

Social Media Coordinator (1)

Web Designer (1)

Chief Returning Officer (1)

Deputy Returning Officer (1)

Bookkeeper (1)

Photographer (1)

- Ogbonna states that the payment is semester basis and that the contracts are in the process of being written up. Ogbonna states that the members would have been paid for their work outside of council.
- Leung states that the honorariums will be received at the end of semesters.
- Ogbonna states that the members should feel free to ask questions.

Motion carried

9. MLOAP Policy / Bonnie Meeting

DISCUSSION

MOVED BY: HONIG

SECONDED BY: MA

- Honig states that the MLOAP is being implemented now and that it is important as a council to figure how we can support the students, and those who are unaware of it.
- A meeting with Bonnie, the New College Principal, was called.
- We can convene a forum (fora) around mental health so students can understand the situation especially because many may not even read it through.
- As of now we will be getting full time embedded advisors (accessibility advisor and a learning strategist who will be here twice a week).
- Health and wellness has a scale of 1-5 and our counselor will work with cases that are 1-2 on the scale and are housed at New College.
- Ogonna states that this is because these are the people who are put on the waiting list for the longest. We do not know how the scale works/is classified.
- Honig states that we have other programs at New College as well that can be helpful such as Drive, Let's Talk (being re-evaluated), Mindful Meditation and Study Fest. There are also Safe Talks and Training that community members obtain. Honig works with the Mentorship program which can also play a role. The Dons have Safe Talks and Training as well.
- Honig states that the New College administration is willing to pay for the forum and that NCSC was advised to get Ontario Human Rights involved as well; however NCSC has reached out to Vice-Provost Students previously and they have decided to not engage. NCSC has voiced to the administration that it is their job that the New College voice be heard. Yet Bonnie did not attend the Governing Council meeting. NCSC appreciates the conversation but more needs to be done.
- Ma clarifies that we only have one seat on NCC.
- Ogonna states that it is important that we have the student body be represented effectively, including racial representation.
- Leung states that there are initiatives for mental health but most of them are for when you are in the midst of a crisis, nothing very preventative. Leung also states that all students might not feel comfortable talking to the counselor because of their identity (ie. gender) and that the counselor to student ratio is approximately 1:7000.
- Ma states that it is nice that mental health is being looked into and there is a conversation going on; however it is not good enough because a 1:7000 ratio and one counselor representing 3 student groups is not effective. As of now the help is not very accessible and we can imagine long waits for an appointment.
- Honig states that students will be sent to there through health and wellness not by New College (NC is hosting). This process will apparently be easier because it is being streamlined. The counselor will be here on a contractual position which means if they are not doing an effective job they will rehire a new counselor. Since NC is hosting we predict that NC students will use it the most. (Between KP and architecture). We are in a

unique position where we can look at it from a critical perspective and weave preventative measures into our own programming which will allow more face-time with students.

- Gu proposes a statistical analysis of the students to find out who is in more risk which will allow us to optimize the counselor to student ratio.
- Honig responds we might not have access to the required information; however we should assume everyone may need the help and be prepared at all times, overcompensate.

Discussion closed

10. NCSC Calendar/Meeting Calendar

DISCUSSION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA

SECONDED BY: GOMES

- Ogonna states that she has made a calendar which will make it easier to keep track of availability and events.
- Ogonna goes through the calendar.
- Summer:
 - Execs are meeting every Saturday at 11 am and it is open for all to come.
 - Next plenary meeting is August 19.
- School year:
 - September: there is orientation week, Gomes' BBQ on the Thursday, and a start on elections because there have been issues with voter turnout previously. A full week of campaigning, then all the candidates present on the Thursday, followed by a week of online voting and in-person voting, and a grievance meeting and the results on the following Saturday.
- Ateary proposes a chart to be sent out with all the important dates and meetings so people can disclose their availability.
 - October: election results on October 6 and then training begins October 7. There will also a plenary meeting on October 7 for the ratification of the new members. There will be another plenary meeting on October 14 which will be drop in. Halloween Haunt will be October 26, and there will be another meeting on the 28.
 - November: annual general meeting to talk to the student body will take place on November 1 in Wilson Lounge. There will be a social event before exams. There will also be another meeting on the 25th.
 - December: no meeting in December.
 - January: school starts on the 7th. There will be a plenary meeting and a semi annual general meeting (SHGM) and also go over the budget.
 - February: there will be a plenary meeting. There is reading week.
 - March: there will be a plenary meeting. The same format from fall will be followed for the spring elections. The final plenary meeting where we ratify the new members will be held before April.
 - May: May 1st turn over to next council.

- Council members should include their flights/trips and other reasons for absence on the calendar.
- All council members will have access to this calendar.
- Ma states that it will be easier for the CRO if it ended the same night as the forum or the candidates were moved to Friday, that way everyone can rip off their own posters. Ma also states that the March elections are very early and people will still be in the February mindset.

Discussion closed

12. Other Business

a) Executive Keys

- Ogonna states that every year execs get their own pair of keys however this establishes a hierarchy so to prevent this an idea is we have spare keys.
- Ma asks if the fob opens the outside doors, because that was an issue in the psat and Ogonna states that they do not open the outside doors after hours and that the front desk wants them by 10 or 10:30.
- Atreay states that we won't have the office in two months, Leung agrees.
- Serra asks to clarify if we need to be out of the office by 10:30. Ogonna replies that the keys need to be returned to the front desk on time however no one checks the office to see if it is empty.

b) Room Discussion

- Ogonna states we will not be having an office because it is being renovated.
 - The options for temporary office space are 500U which is in the basement, 2007D in Wetmore or a table in Wilson Lounge. 2002 is also being used. NCSC does not have the best relationship with student groups and we do not want to take their spaces. We do not know if we will be allowed to use 2007D.
- Honig states that by taking 500U we will be blocking off spaces for student groups and tabling in Wilson Lounge is not ideal because we can be kicked out easily and will not be able to do locker sales. NCSC also needs a space for storage. If NCSC tables in Wilson we would require a caretaker to unlock our storage for us, however, a caretaker cannot come to simply open a lock for us everyday (more like once a month). Tabling would mean doing the bare minimum. Honig also states that 2007 has lots of programming.
- Atreay states that she is against using 500U because that is the one space the student group can use everyday and we already do not have a good relation with them; therefore, Atreay states she prefers using 2007D.
- Leung asks if ORSL will allow us to use the cubicles and Honig explains that the cubicles are all full.
- Atreay states that after talking with Todd, they are willing to share the space with NCSC if doing office hours.
- However 2007D may not be possible.
- Gomes states that the new location should be accessible.

- Ogonna summarises that our next step should be to figure out if 2007D is feasible and then move on from there.
- Honig adds that we should move fast.

c) Orientation Updates

- Honig states that the OPC (orientation planning committee) is working hard and NCSC will be involved with orientation this year.
 - There were issues in financing. We gave more money this year than previously. We will be present throughout the week selling lockers and apparel.
 - Atreay is working with marketing team to get tattoos and stickers. We realise that the goliath's symbolism is a bit scary so we are revamping the image. We are also looking into NC laptop stickers to put in the orientation kits.
 - NCSC is organising waffle breakfast on the Wednesday so we will need all the help we can get. Initially the waffles were going to cost \$16 per waffle but the orientation team is looking into different caterers. The members need to be present to give out waffles and talk to the students. Council members who are also leaders or marshalls will be working with NCSC for the waffle breakfast, this will showcase that you can do both (be on the orientation team and on council). We will be pushing elections and attending new college events.
 - We will have snacks and water spritzers for the parade.
 - Gomes is heading the BBQ on Thursday which is open to all NC students, The mentors will also be there. This will take a lot of planning.
- Weekly meetings are being held.
- Honig's mother and sister are generously helping with the decorations.
- Members helping with orientation can also come to the retreat which will be held at Centre Island and NCSC will be buying the snacks.
- Gomes states that they are open to ideas for decorations, activities and a playlist for the BBQ.

d) Upcoming Social

- Ogonna states that we are going to Snakes and Lattes and that we can buy snacks but no alcoholic beverages.

e) Training Dates

- Ogonna states that we went over dates during the calendar discussion.
- Training is safetalk and suicidal awareness. A third party will be training us. The training will be concentrated in the first two weeks of school.
- Honig states that council members should disclose if they have CPR training and CPR training can be financially covered for those who would like to be certified.

f) Commissioners Update

- Atreay states that they have met with the commissioners and are developing a program which will allow students to join the commissioners to plan events. This will be open to everyone and will have general roles and more specifics ones as well. This will allow for students to be a part of student council without being on student council. This is also CCR credited.
- Ma states that she went to CCR training.

- Ogonna states that the new CCRs have been written and the previous ones have been validated.

g) Launching pilot project for health initiative

- Honig states that sanitary pads will be available in New College washrooms and it is absurd that this has not happened sooner. She also states that in order for the care taking staff to refill the dispensers it has to be in their contract; however, we have a close relationship with the caretaking staff and they will be doing it without it being in their contract. Honig states that they talked with Josh Granden VP student affairs and he said that other people (beyond NC) were on board as well.
- Honig displays a graphic for the pilot project that was sent to her. The graphic has issues such as it seems like a diva cup but the dispensers will not offer diva cups. They said we can add the NC logo on it however NCSC did all the work and U of T did not help.
- Ogonna states we need a new poster. We should have our own marketing. Ogonna also states that we should have the dispensers in all washrooms not just women washrooms. We can also have a link to every location on the website so it is easy to find.
- Atreay states the we should create our own designs and that we are not limited to what they sent us.
- Honig states that she is worried that they might use this graphic on their website. This logo should go.
- Ma states that she agrees and that we should not use this flyer, it has an unneeded logo and we can add where they should go to learn more about it on the new flyer.
- Gu states that the name of the product should be clarified so it is clear which product we are promoting.
- Honig states that Health and Wellness wants a slogan for the pilot; however, we do not want a slogan because we do not want it to become a campaign or for it to become gendered, this should not be a PR move it is simply something that is being done. We should create our own flyer and show them how it should be.
- Need to talk to marketing.

13. Adjournment

MOTION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA SECONDED BY: Ma

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried

The meeting is adjourned at 1:44pm.