



9th Plenary Meeting of 2018/2019
Sunday, January 13, 2019 | 11:45 am
40 Willcocks St, 2002

ATTENDANCE

Executive Members

Madison Hönig, President
Nkemakolam Ogbonna, VP Administration
Prashansa Atreay, VP Student Life (Call-in)
Ariel Ho, VP Finance

Representatives

Genevieve Gottschalk, First Year Representative
Lucy Zuo, First Year Representative
Keven Qiao, IFP Representative
Nicole Ng, Mid Year Representative
Danielle Serra, Mid Year Representative
Zahra Babrawala, Grad Year Representative
Nasa Ekeanyanwu, Grad Year Representative
Mayu Adachi, Off Campus Representative
Manuela Zapata, Off Campus Representative (Proxy)

Commissioners

John Leung, Athletics Commissioner
Diana Subron, Athletics Commissioner
Sharon Ma, Education and Philanthropy
Mohammed Ali, Equity Commissioner
Reinald De Leon, Social Commissioner
Conroy Gomes, Social Commissioner
Sarim Irfan, Social Commissioner
Sharon Tung, Social Commissioner

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
Arjun Singh, UTSU Director
Manuela Zapata, UTSU Director (Proxy)
Daphne Zhuang, Web Designer
Todd Le Blanc, ORSL

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

The meeting is called to order at 12:14 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Be it resolved that the January 13 plenary meeting agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION

MOVED BY: Honig

SECONDED BY: SINGH

Motion to Strike "Item 3 - Minutes from November 25th meeting"

Madison says that Item 3 needs to be removed as the minutes weren't sent out yet

Nkem says that the Nov 25 minutes will be posted by the end of the day.

Carried

MOTION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA

SECONDED BY: LEUNG

Carried

3. Executive Reports

Be it resolved that the following executive reports be approved as presented.

MOTION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA

SECONDED BY: IRFAN

i. President

Looking to launch pilot of Health first Initiative at New College with UTSU, USAC, and WCSA on the St. George campus.

Looking to determine locations where pilot project is available; looking to have most of campus covered and buildings used by students. Some buildings may be exempt (e.g. libraries), working towards including all locations.

President and members interested will be attending meetings regarding the progress of this project.

Pilot will run until products are used up. Will use data to support planning (e.g. budget).

Winterfest: New College was unable to participate in the campus-wide event. New College helped Woodsworth with their sundae event by offering help and our amenities (e.g. popcorn machine). Inability to run Winterfest was due to lack of communication.

Constitution and by-law committees will try to fill in gaps in constitution and establish Mental Health Commission.

Emerson asks why NCSC didnt participate in Winterfest. Madison says it was due to lack o communication, and defers to the Social Commissioners to explain further.

Construction project in 45 Willcocks has started but due to discrepancies in cost assessment (over-bidding and was not approved for greater budget), the building won't be ready in time for Orientation 2019.

Looking to have student lounge spaces, office, and main floor to be ready. The atrium won't be ready until next Summer.

Madison's use of the extra money from the Capital Levy to ensure that the atrium would be ready in time for Orientation 2019.

Construction for expansion of 500U (student centre downstairs) will start soon for more meeting space for student groups to use.

Madison wants to do a full assessment of our levies. Council chose not to renew levies which saved students money this year. We need to determine what levies we want to collect from students. Looking for levies to renovate Wilson Lounge.

Madison will continue lobbying for the Health First Initiative.

Arjun asked how much money will be included in levies. Will discuss later.

ii. Vice President Administration

Goals for the semester: creating new scholarships for marginalized groups on campus which will be feasible to do. Nkem will be meeting with APUS to discuss their bursaries, will be holding meetings to discuss money allocation, and admin.

Looking to create board in which students can meet with admin and principal of New College.

Tabling themes in Wilson Lounge, will be determining themes over the next week.

Will create how-to guides for NCSC administrative work, looking for feedback from students about what they want to be clarified. Will distribute guides throughout Orientation 2019.

Mental Health Forum, working with mental health commission, will be held sometime in February.

Looking to have follow-up sessions after the forum to connect students with counselors and resources on campus.

For students that don't live on residence, the only way to access resources is to reach out to the police, according to principal. Looking for alternative options with student groups (e.g. LGBTout).

Will be posting Facebook event pages for our monthly plenary meeting to make our meetings more transparent to students.

iii. Vice President Finance

Hired members have received their first semester stipends.

Submitted audit and passed.

At the end of January, we'll receive our cheque from last year's audit.

Karel asked when hired positions will receive Winter stipends. Madison says stipends will be received before June.

iv. Vice President Student Life

Plans to change full application for student groups to a trial period, looking for interested council members.

New apparel will be arriving at the end of the week and looking for people to assist in Apparel Committee.

Looking for commissions to meet.

Those interested in running for VP Student Life should ask Prashanza about her work this semester.

Carried

4. Health First Initiative

DISCUSSION

MOVED BY: HÖNIG

SECONDED BY: ZUO

Madison presented the project.

Goal of the project is to collect data from pilot to be used for cost estimate and supply information to make the project campus-wide. Data will be presented formally to New College Council. Making project available to as many students as possible and in as many buildings as possible. The greatest goal is to provide students with products they need.

Five plastic dispensers are now in our possession (we purchased 3), they will be placed in all washrooms and will be restocked and data will be collected daily. Looking to inform students of the project and where to find the dispensers.

Information (from Q and A) about the dispensers: do not contain supply counters, the pilot will likely run for 2-3 months (as supplies last).

Genevieve asked if the dispensers will be prone to theft and other tampering. Madison says the basic model doesn't prevent students from taking many supplies.

Arjun asked if we can customize the dispensers (e.g. covering the glass to hide the supplies). Madison says the dispenser is difficult to cover up and this is a common concern but hasn't been a problem in the past with other free things that council has offered. Will look into this. Nkem says this is an issue we should bring up to the provost to purchase more secure dispensers.

Sharon Tung suggested ordering custom sticker with sayings that remind students to (e.g. "take what they need"). Madison says we can include signs on the dispenser. USAC is also looking into creating stickers for the dispenser.

Nkem says that a name should be included for any inquires. Madison says she'll leave her name and email on the dispenser for inquiry and feedback.

Arjun suggests planning for contingencies of the pilot (e.g. having the dispenser being tampered with)

Danielle seconds Nkem's idea about putting our logo on the dispenser to better inform students of the council's activity. Madison suggests asking for feedback on our Facebook page.

Genevieve asks if the same amount of supplies will be stocked in every washroom. Madison says she wants to fill the dispensers equally.

Sharon Ma asks if the products will be the same size. Madison says currently, they are the same size but will try to order different options. Madison is also looking into sustainable alternatives. Some dispensers also have compartmentalized slots for better organization.

Madison presented a Tracking Sheet. Steps: NCSC member checks to see if there is restocking required and enters information about the supply remaining. NCSC member takes supplies from storage to refill dispenser. This should be done by 3 pm and there will be a reminder on the NCSC iPad. There will be a male volunteer for the men's washroom. Volunteers should try to keep the dispenser full most of the time. Lucy asked if the dispensers will be restocked on the washroom. Lucy and Arjun volunteered to restock during the weekends. Tallies of supplies will automatically recalculate in the Tracking Sheet.

Nkem says no specific people will be assigned to restock washrooms. NCSC members should regularly restock during Office Hours. iPad reminders will help those tabling to restock.

Supplies will be sent out during the week.

Emerson asked whether total numbers of products will be counted together or separately (e.g. per washroom) for Tracking Sheet and forms to generate more data. Madison says she'll discuss this with Emerson.

Nicole clarified whether the 3 dispensers will be placed in the 3 washrooms. Madison says yes.

DISCUSSION CLOSED

5. Capital Levy

Motion to allocate \$5000 out of the Capital Levy to purchasing Office Supplies for the 500U renovation.

MOTION

MOVED BY: HÖNIG

SECONDED BY: ALI

Honig: Back in 2007/2008, council moved to collect a levy for the plaza project (approximately \$39 000). All this money should be spent on renovations and changes to the college. Now that the plaza project has been done, there is still a remaining sum and we would have to decide what to do. I would like to propose two things.

First thing, I would like to propose an extra \$5000 to fixing the chairs. The students from BSA brought up that some of the chairs are broken. A good office chair is about \$100 and if they are getting 30 chairs, that is about \$3000. I also wanted to buy an accessible chair for the office and additional funds can be used for things such as office supplies.

Ariel asked if this money is from the previous year's levy/budget and if NCSC can decide to use this money. Madison says that NCSC can decide how to spend this money.

Prashansa asked if this information should be sent out to students in a newsletter for them to give feedback. Madison says the money won't be used for anything substantially large but we can receive input from students.

Nkem asked to clarify if Ron, who handles the money and its allocation, or if NCSC is approving to allocate money for this project. Madison says we should get new chairs for a new office and that NCIF funded the initial project, the other funds were used, and this is the remaining money.

Ariel asked if this money remaining has to be spent. Madison says yes, this money has to be spent otherwise it won't be used for anything. Madison says that students already voted in a referendum about

this money to be used for the Plaza Project and now we should decide how to spend. The money isn't enough to reduce fees for students (approximately \$20 000).

Mohammed asked what NCIF is. Madison says NCIF is the New College Innovation Fund. Two chairs in the group are responsible for different funds that support student groups, grants, etc (?). (e.g. NCIF funded council locks for lockers).

Nkem suggests to motion to spend \$5000 for the 500U renovations but to receive input from student groups before spending the money. Madison suggests to allocate the money for office items, specifically. Since the atrium won't be renovated, the rest of the money should be used to make it more commuter friendly.

Mohammed asked if the renovations will be in the possession of and be handled by NCSC (e.g. loaning the items to the students). Madison says this will be concerned by next year's council and will require approval from the college.

Nkem clarified that we will ask for input from student groups about what office supplies they want.

Sharon Ma motions to calling the question

Question is called

Carried

Ariel abstains

Ariel has motioned to amend the \$5000 to \$3000 for the purchase of office supplies (not chairs).

MOVED BY: ARIEL

SECONDED BY: ALI

Lucy asked what will happen to the remaining \$5000. Madison says it will remain unused and next year's council will decide how to spend it. Madison says ... discuss how to use it now

Arjun asked about the options we were considering. Madison says the estimates were based on costs of office chairs that were in the NCSC office.

Sharon Ma asked if the funds are collecting interest. Madison says the college isn't allowed to do that (it's illegal!).

Nkem said that total costs would be higher than \$100 (e.g. fees, delivery) and suggests to keep the remaining levy to be used at \$5000 to support the New College student space. This also gives us flexibility in spending.

Lucy seconds Nkem's point. Next year's council will have to discuss the same issues about the remaining money (\$2000).

Reinald asks if this issue is urgent and if we need to decide how to spend it now. Madison says that we should make decisions about this item before more items arise within the next few months.

Nasa asked if the remaining money can be used for a refrigerator for downstairs.

Failed

Madison has motioned to amend the allocation of “office supplies” rather than of “chairs”

Carried

Sharon Tung abstained

Original Motion Carried

Abstention - Ariel

6. Wilson Lounge Renovations

DISCUSSION

MOVED BY: HÖNIG

SECONDED BY: OGBONNA

Wilson lounge can be improved with respect to accessibility. Refurbishing of the floor and reflective coating on the windows has been done (to reduce heating costs). A few years ago, NCSC used their funds to replace furniture that’s currently in the lounge. Charging stations are broken and plugs are not normal plugs (lower frequency).

With renovation, the lounge can be improved for students to use.

Themed NCSC tabling. NCSC can offer a suggestion box for students to leave ideas and opinions about tabling. Madison is looking to run this by at the general meeting and at a forum (?), to receive input from students and admin across New College.

Madison wants to have a referendum for New College Students about renovating Wilson Lounge.

Karel asked why the submissions for renovations should be anonymous. Commuter dons have asked for suggestions from students using sticky notes on a board, which attracts more students. Karel asked whether Wetmore will be renovated. Madison says Wetmore is for intimate discussions and Wilson is about large lectures and holding discussions. Madison says Wilson needs more immediate attention. Karel asked why tunnel is called “Wilson Lodge” and wants to clarify if it’s Wilson lounge or lodge. Nkem says that front desk used to be a “porter’s lodge.”

Reinald asked if the anonymous box will be placed with an approximate budget about how much will be used for Wilson renovations. Madison says we first need to know how much construction will cost and what will be constructed; there isn’t enough information about the costs and will be discussed with Ron. Will discuss how much fees will be, what students want. Reinald asked when the general meeting will be.

Madison says it was scheduled for January but may be too early and should be in February before the Spring Elections.

Lucy asked about making the stairs that lead to the cafeteria more accessible is feasible. Madison says Ron is considering accessibility but it isn't as much as a concern. Todd says that the incline of the stairs prevents the amount of space that can be renovated.

Sarim asked if council can create a list about what renovations will be made to present to the constituents. Madison says we first have to decide what to renovate.

Sharon Ma says that Wilson was supposed to be renovated a period of time ago. Madison says that renovation didn't happen.

Arjun asked if the furniture is being replaced... Madison says the atrium won't be renovated and the old furniture will return to the space.

Alexia asked how to access the storage room in spite of construction. Madison says it can be accessed through WI 1017 classroom or the library door.

Conroy Gomes enters at 1:42 pm

DISCUSSION CLOSED

7. Social Commission Updates

DISCUSSION

MOVED BY: DE LEON

SECONDED BY: Tung

Winterfest: Social Commission received email from Madison about the events and did not meet during the winter break and thus, didn't reply to her email and weren't able to plan any events. Madison asked what the best way to reach out to the commission is. Reinald says the commission will meet and discuss the email. Conroy says to CC social commissioners using their personal emails in the email to the social commission. Sharon says to message her on Facebook. Madison says most of the communication within council should remain through the council email.

Conroy and Reinald presented slideshow to recap and update social commission activities.

BBQ, Halloween Haunt, crafts and chill events in the Fall semester. The BBQ and HH had good turnout despite the bus service. From feedback surveys, students suggested earlier bus times for HH. Crafts and chill event was postponed several times and this lead to late promotion (only one day) and the commission is looking to plan another "Painting with Bob Ross" event.

In January, the commission will be having a skate night and movie night. The budget for this event is \$3000 and the venue will be at the varsity centre but the venue is booked in January which is making

planning difficult. Thus, the event will be held at harbourfront in late January or early February. Approximate cost will be \$800-1200 (under budget) for approximately 150 students.

Nkem suggests meeting organizers of Harbourfront to get more immediate answers.

Harbourfront (Natrell skating rink) is scenic and easily accessible for students.

John suggests rollerblading.

Movie night will be held in January if the skating night is held in February.

In February, there will be a talent show/spirit week. Sarim says that talent show will likely take place in March. This event will be a talent show and/or an open mic as it was successful during Orientation. Nkem says that there is overlap with different commissions and their events. Sharon says they'll look into collaborating.

Mohammed says equity commissioner would like to collaborate with the talent show/open mic.

Sharon Ma says woodsworth's valentine's event would be open to collaborate.

Sharon Tung suggests incorporating spirit week with the commissions of NCSC. For example, each event could be hosted by a different group from NCSC.

Madison asked if Spirit Squad is going to be involved in spirit week.

Mohammed asked what New 2.0 is. Sharon says this is a week of events that NCSC plans (e.g. Carnival New 2.0 had crafts, movies) somewhat similar to orientation within the college.

Sharon says Spirit Squad is not that active in NCSC events and there is work to be done in the constitution to include the Spirit Squad. Madison says it change the exclusivity of Spirit Squad.

Lucy asked what Spirit Squad is. Sharon says this is group that emerged to counter the bureaucratic structure of students that planned a lot of events. Spirit Squad was meant to plan events for the college and promote student life.

In summary, the social commission is looking to collaborate with the rest of council for Spirit Week.

In March, the social commission is looking to plan a "pub night" outing and ninja tournament. The "pub night" will include attendees that are underage.

Karel asked that anyone on council come to Karel and Alexia with confirmed dates to prevent delaying advertisement of events and as early as possible.

Nkem suggested planning tentative RAF dates to hand in forms before the deadline by setting reminders to hand in RAFs. She also suggested trivia nights and that commissions should hold separate events to ensure a stream of events throughout the semester. This also ensures a variety of events.

Genevieve suggests a video gaming tournament event.

There will be social commission meetings 2 weeks prior to events to better plan dates and promote events.

Nkem suggests using whentomeet to schedule social commissioner meetings.

Prashansa enters at 2:13 pm

Sharon Tung exits at 2:27

DISCUSSION CLOSED

Madison motions to recess for 15 minutes.

MOVED BY: HONIG

SECONDED BY: IRFAN

Carried

Nkem motions to amend recess to 10 minutes

MOVED BY: NKEM

SECONDED BY: DIANA

Carried

8. Other Business

a) Mental Health Forum

Looking to host mental health forum, piloted by the mental health commission. Will work closely with Sharon, have been meeting with Principal, VP, and admin to discuss how students can access mental health services on campus. Trying to create a platform to better connect students with resources.

No strict dates have been set but speakers will be contacted. Will discuss who to invite to speak.

Mental Health Commission meeting will be a big event this semester.

Conroy asked when the next mental health forum. Sharon says this is being planned. Conroy asked for a recap about why the mental health forum didn't occur last semester and how it can be executed this semester. Madison says that there are little resources to support mental health and it is a large problem on campus. A forum is intended to be held to discuss policies on campus but upon review, this initial idea was too large and rather than only talking about policy, the forum should help students connect to mental health resources. The meeting with the principal discussed what issues are prevalent on campus. This two-part forum (panel of speakers and follow-up) will help ensure students receive the information and assistance they need. Planning the forum wasn't possible in the Fall semester because of interference with construction, tabling, and the lack of connections needed for it.

Prashansa hasn't attended these meetings and asked for minutes from the meeting from anyone on council who attended. Administration could be doing more in terms of mental health and without NCSC.

DISCUSSION CLOSED.

b) Update and General Information about Spring Elections

Nguyen gives a brief update about upcoming spring elections. Nina and Stephanie are in the process of planning out all the rules and considering last semester's feedback. Right now, the election period is a

month long. To increase turn out, they will lengthen the nomination time and voting period. They are also going to be working alongside the dons to see if they can increase turnout. The CRO and DRO think that we would be able to reach more students by expanding to residence advertising. Nominations are due mar 1. Campaigning takes place for 2 weeks and the forum night is on the Friday evening. Online voting will be 9 days and in person voting will be 5 days.

At the end of march, on the 26 we will have our grievance and election review meetings. Nina had the idea of having "I voted" stickers and that would help promote the elections. I know that from the last meeting, we had discussed how to better inform students. We were thinking of having a science fair set up where NCSC would be available for questions. We also would like to be present at events that we have to plug elections. The idea right now for penalties is a point system that covers as many contingencies as possible. We would like to do this as soon as possible so that we have it ready for the March elections.

Karel: 2 points. 1, I don't know if a friday night is the best option for a forum night just because it is busy.

Stephanie states that they will look into that. Nina has class thursday evening but they will think about it.

Karel states that because we are tabling, online voting is still an option but we should also stress in person voting. We can get people to do it right away if they are there. If we tell people to vote online we don't know if they actually will. We should stress online that they should also vote in person so we can plug in person voting.

Madison asks if they are thinking of making a formalized polling station.

Stephanie states that there is no on campus protocol as to how to do in person tabling so they were thinking of just having a table by the window with a trifold board.

Conroy states that he thinks NCSC should definitely stress that this in person voting is confidential. He also states that he thinks that it is problematic to have residential floor campaigning.

Stephanie states that Dirk said that he would help in getting students to come to the fair. She also says she sees how residential campaigning could be exclusive. She asks what people think about having the campaign material out during voting.

Prashansa states that she was wondering if NCSC could do the thing where when you log on to Quercus there is a notification bar. Governing council did this and it was great tool that they utilized.

Stephanie states that her and Nina have decided to have a general message for candidates to send through personal messages that reads, "this is a reminder to vote in the NCSC elections" with a link to the online voting site and the dates for in-person voting. They know that when you message people to vote, people probably know that you are running so it is still a bit biased.

Adrian motions for First Year rep Genevieve to speak.

Genevieve rescinds her time.

Todd states that he will put elections information in the monthly newsletter and will tell the commuter dons to spread the info. In addition to this, we can also utilize the commuter don house meetings. Todd also wanted to know if there are plans for referenda this year.

Madison says that will be referenda this spring election. Referenda are any changes to the constitution need to be voted in majority by students (eg. collecting levies, creating new positions, etc.) Referenda was actually passed before but there was no description with it.

Todd brings the last point Madison just mentioned about constitutional reviews. VP Finance had raised requirements for the VP finance role and how would this information be conveyed to the CRO and DRO.

Madison states that there is some discussion on having the VP Finance position be an appointed positions. This is still in discussion.

Karel says that advertising has talked about this unofficially with Nina. They were talking about NCSC promotion of the candidates.

Steph states instead of promoting individual people, we can have an infographic with all the people running for each position. I think that would look neat and would be better than promoting individual students.

Conroy agrees with this as well. This is the best way to go about it seeing as some students are not going to have campaign material out.

Karel thinks that maybe we can dedicate a day during the campaign day running for each position. That or making it mandatory in the application they have to fill out for advertising can then post.

Ariel says she likes the idea of giving them a sentence to message their friends. She likes the idea of doing the campaign the material for them. It is super important to advertise that we are actually having an election instead of for the candidates. She also asks what would happen if referenda passed to make VP finance

Nkem states that NCSC would have to run it in the spring election to be in effect the term afterwards, if it is passed.

Ariel asks this would be appointed in the summer.

Nkem says that that topic of discussion is for the constitution review committee

Sharon says to do the referenda and that NCSC can ask that it is encouraged that you have finance related background to run.

Arjun says that in regards to Sharon's statements, we can't impose that because it would require constitutional changes.

Genevieve asks if there any type of training for VP finance?

John states that there is a transition document that is made that is given. Depending on the person, the document could be really long or not.

Ariel states that the bookkeeper position is the training position.

Nkem suggests to move discussion about whether this position will be appointed to the constitutional review meeting.

Genevieve asks if the CRO and DRO able to make campaigning materials more available? Candidates do spend quite a large amount of money.

Stephanie says that every year, we do offer at \$10 reimbursement and we could talk about maybe increasing the reimbursement and sharing the campaigning materials. We edited the rules to make them easier to read so that candidates understand.

Genevieve suggests talking to the dons and making a mandatory NCSC voting house meeting.

Ariel reminds everyone that elections do have reimbursements but libraries on campus do not have receipts and we need receipts to give reimbursements to.

Conroy suggest compiling a list of places to go to.

Prashansa states that when NCSC started sharing the individual posters, she didn't think it was the best course of action. It was cluttering and thought that people should be reminded to vote instead. Suggested that NCSC make infographics and also have a public facebook page and NCSC can get all the New College affiliated pages to help share. Sharing campaign posters is extra work that shouldn't be NCSC's responsibility and that it is cluttering the feed.

Karel says NCSC should promote the elections more so.

Madison agrees with Prashansa's plans about advertising. States that NCSC should focus on advertising for the people voting.

Karel clarifies that the livestream was backlit which is why it it was so grainy.

Madison suggests having NCSC present as well as ng a revamped voting station . States that campaigning is really hard work but the big focus should make the forum more well attended. Maybe NCSC can do IGTV or some type of live streaming and that is the most informative light. Also states that if NCSC puts too many requirements on the positions that it will become a huge barrier and that our spring elections is supposed to be our main elections.

Stephanie asks what council thinks of having the election information and updates in a Facebook event or group. Last semester, NCSC used an event for the elections and at the last NCSC meeting, there was the idea was to have one facebook group that is used every year

John states that if the group was used every year then it may just end up being one of those groups where people spam.

Mohammed rescinds his time.

Karel states that she is very opposed to the event. Reusing the group could be helpful because that way one can keep the membership and grow on that and not have to work every year to redoing it. NCSC can archive the group during the time that isn't election.

Conroy rescinds his time.

Mohammad asks about archiving and how transitioning would occur.

Karel explains the page would be made through the FB page so as long as they have the NCSC login information, they can go.

Sharon thinks reusing the group is a good idea but says she is not sure if one would want to delete the old posts are not. She agrees with the idea in first semester but it is a lot of work and states that it is the candidate's job. When she was CRO, she made a candidate's card and printed it out. It was stationed at the polling booths had good feedback from people.

Ariel asks what event page everyone is referring to.

Stephanie clarifies that during the duration of elections, the event page was the time of the voting period.

Ariel states that she liked the event idea because she got reminders every day and throughout the voting period and she got notifications. However, she is also in support of reusing the group.

Genevieve asks if it is overkill to do both an event and page.

Stephanie states that she thinks it is neater to have all the information on one spot. If NCSC updates in 2 places, it gets a bit overwhelming.

Prashansa says that the forum night and other election events would have event pages.

Karel echoes what Stephanie stated, said that people didn't pay attention for the forum night event. If you only have an event for one thing and not a prolonged event it works better. If it is something like winterfest where there is actually a different event per day then it is effective but if it is something like elections where nothing is happening most of the days, it is ineffective.

Adrian explains that there are 4 people left on the speakers list and that NCSC will have a straw poll. A straw poll is an informal vote.

Madison states that she thinks NCSC are getting a bit fixated on just advertising on facebook.

Karel will be focusing on instagram stories because we have a lot of traffic there. When people say going or interested for a 2 week period event, it is not effective.

Sarim asks how big our twitter base is.

Karel says she is working on getting it up and running. NCSC has 800 people now but it is people who are not here anymore. Advertising is going to have to go up to people and get them to follow the people.

Adrian asks for council go back to the strawpoll on the method of advertising for elections.

Stephanie says the results are 2 for the event page, 14 for group, 9 for both and that her and the DRO will take that into consideration.

Adrian asks to get back to the speaking list. Nkem?

Nkem rescinds her time.

Conroy suggests that NCSC can consider getting materials printed for everyone and perhaps having a cap.

Stephanie explains that there is currently a cap of 20 dollars.

Madison says that the monetary cap is a bit hard to monitor, for example if someone makes homemade posters with materials they already have.

Conroy says posting a specific question on a topic could be a useful way for candidates to write what their stance is.

Madison says that the Window takes care of that.

Lucy says if candidates are not on social media, they should be able to send in things so that NCSC posts onto our page. Also asks about campaigning on personal profiles and council's thoughts on that.

Stephanie says that personal campaigning is really hard to control what constitutes as violations of the rules, and it is mainly on the onus of other people reporting it. For example, if one misses a snapchat that was sent, there is no evidence. If people can self promote on these platforms she does see concerns arising.

Lucy affirms that she does like having questions and having people answer them. Stephanie agrees and states that it will be done.

Prashansa suggests having a video project or some time of big lead up like Orientation has been doing. Eg. Social commissioners could talk about their commission. She also agrees what Lucy said about having NCSC post since some people do not have those social media campaigns and what Conroy said.

Stephanie states that her and Nina had discussed having a series of our platforms where an exec or commissioner have a few posts.

John suggests doing an instagram takeover.

c) Upcoming Events

i) Colouring and Cocoa

Lucy states that her and Genevieve have this idea to kick off the year. To kick off this year, they will be having a hot chocolate event where people can come out and relax and do crafts.

Genevieve adds on and states that they can have different craft demonstrations eg. Knitting. She then asks for additional ideas and states that the event will be happening on January 29.

Mohammad suggests a tea bar.

Lucy says that tea is a little harder and Genevieve states that there will be dairy free options though.

Diana wanted to suggest making satchel craft.

Reinald asks what time the event would be. Genevieve says it will be in the evening.

Sarim reminds the first years to not forget to look into the crafts box.

Madison want an we make sure everyone have options? If you need help finding vegan marshmallows and that type of stuff, let me know. We should speak to the UTSU about using purtalators.

Adrian asks if there are any other discussion points.

Conroy suggests having a poll for dairy free options.

Chengye states that having something on the event page that encourages people to bring their own mug.

Madison: I just wanted to ask the visual identity team what the timeline was with the website and new logo.

Emerson says that he has already figured out the headshots, and that Daphne let him know about the technical issue. The issue was that the capacity of the website does not allow for more files to be uploaded.

Karel gives an update stating that in the first semester, her and Alexia figured out the set colours so whenever a poster is made, those colours are used. The advertising team received good submissions for the apparel contest and Karel will reach out to the creators of the cool logos for permission to use their logo. By the end of the semester, there will be a new NCSC logo.

Alexia inquired about the possibility of having new stickers by the end of the semester.

Madison states that there'll be a new logo, new stickers, and new banners. Due to the office renovation, it'll probably be good for 30 years, thus, we could create a time capsule to revisit.

Prashansa lets council know that Stephanie posted a feedback form. The executives want to want to receive positive and negative feedback. Fill it out asap!

9. Adjournment

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION

MOVED BY: OGBONNA

SECONDED BY: Ariel

Carried

The meeting is adjourned at 4:03 pm.