



Brock University Students' Administrative Council

Meeting: 3

Date: September 14, 2016, 7:00pm

Speaker: Istafa Sufi

Deputy Speaker: Jeremy Steinhausen

Recording Secretary: Raagave Maheswaran

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Adjournment

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Call to Order

2.0

Approval of the Agenda

BIRT BUSAC approves the agenda for the September 14th, 2016 meeting.
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Verrier, Berryman

<i>Passes by general consent</i>

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Adoption of the Minutes (Meeting 2)

BIRT BUSAC approves the minutes from Meeting 2, 2016-2017.
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Sehgal, Campbell

<i>Passes by general consent</i>

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Open Question Period

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Notes from Speaker

Welcome back everyone, I hope you all had a great summer. A reminder that as you are coming into our meetings, please sign the attendance sheet. O-Week was a success! Thank you to everyone who helped out with that. If you did help out and you haven't messaged us yet, let us

know so we can put it down for your five involvements that you are required to do this year. Welcome to those we couldn't meet with over the summer, including Ms. Dawood who will be covering for Mustafa.

Total Voting Members = 27

Quorum:

- 50% + 1 = 15
- 2/3rds = 18

6.0

Councillors

BIRT BUSAC grants a leave of absence for the Fall semester to the following members: Wasim Demachkie and Nweke Tonyclinton.

Hollard, Banava

<i>Passes by general consent</i>

7.0

Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance (OUSA)

Executive Director of OUSA, Mr. Zachary Rose, gives a presentation about OUSA.

*Motion to Extend Presentation 10 minutes
Verrier, Berryman
General Consent Given*

Calder: Has organizing any student protests or direct student action been a priority of yours?

Rose: No, it's never been something that our members have expressed interest in. The main interest has always been in the policy section and research. We do the campaigns every now and then, through setting something up on campus. But not on the level of protest.

8.0

BrockTV – Referendum (Berryman)

Berryman: I'm going to add a little context as to why we are running this referendum. Last year, we ran the BUSAC referendum a year in advance, just to get a feel for the students and hopefully to pass. But unfortunately we failed that referendum last year which was good for our referendum this year. We lost by 14% or 346 votes. Since losing that referendum, we've been working really hard to increase exposure on campus and had a lot more marketing initiatives. We provide a lot of live-streaming services to our athletic games, campus events, and here at BUSAC. We create content that aims to entertain and educate students on campus including BrockTV news. So I will be the camping manager for "Yes" side, and will be taking a leave of absence from BUSAC once I get started.

BIRT BUSAC tasks the Referendum Petitions and Polls Oversight Committee to meet with Yes side of the BrockTV referendum to draft a question and memorandum of understanding for the October election.

Berryman, Campbell

-In favor: 27 -Against: 0 -Abstain: 1, Berryman

9.0

BUSU AGM Dates Approval

Verrier: What day is it?

Speaker: Thursday.

Verrier: Do we have a time for that?

Rossetto (Clubs and Governance Manager): We have Sean O Sullivan theatre from 3pm – 5pm.

BIRT BUSAC approves the Annual General Meeting dates as presented for the 2016-2017 year.

Hollard, Haidon

<i>Passes by general consent</i>

10.0

Election – Clubs Policy Committee (1 Member)

Fuller: “Member” is anyone including senate?

Speaker: Yes, any voting or nonvoting members.

Danaher: I would like to run for this position because I have a lot of experience with working with Residence Action Council last year. So I understand the need for clubs since I was running it, I was one of the executives for Residence Action Council. I want to try to get more involved in clubs and understand them more. So I think this would be a good opportunity.

Gate: First and foremost, I would like to run for this as a learning experience for myself. There are a lot about clubs that I would love to learn about, and for me that is just a part of this whole process. Furthermore, I have a lot of passion for the clubs at Brock, I am involved in a few. There are some changes I want to see. I am capable of being completely unbiased and open-minded. I am passionate about this. I appreciate if you give me a shot. Thank you.

Fuller: I have never been in the Clubs Policy Committee before during my two years at BUSAC and I think it would be a cool experience. Especially being a senator this year, I think there are really cool perspectives that I can get from clubs and students to bring to the senate and see if any changes can be made. For example, Model UN is a club that wants to be considered more of an academic club. They are supported more by their faculty which go through senate. I think I bring a lot of good experience. I’ve seen clubs present up here for two years now. I would like see them out before BUSAC this time.

Banava: I would like to ask the nominees if they have any background with handling money and if they can elaborate on that.

Fuller: I was on Board of Directors for two years. A lot of financial understanding is needed for that role.

Gate: I own my own landscaping company therefore I have to account for many things. I’m part of a fraternity at Brock. The fraternity has many different events that deal with the exchange of funds. I have been on the Advisory Board for the fraternity and made decisions for the it.

Danaher: I don’t really have a lot of background with money. But I am always willing to learn. I am a fast learner and I am always paying attention to detail. I think that will be a really good asset to this team.

BIRT BUSAC elects Danaher to the Clubs Policy Committee for the 2016-2017 year.

11.0

Election – External Affairs (3 Members)

Calder: How often does the committee meet?

Wood (VPEA): It would likely be monthly unless we are leading into a high season for BUSU or CASA. So maybe around the GAs you might be meeting weekly/biweekly.

Banava: I am extremely excited for this committee. I was on the External Affairs Committee last year and I had the opportunity to be a delegate at the GA in Waterloo. As a Political Science major I know I have the background to be an asset to Julia and help her right into the policy papers. Even though I am not in the committee this year, I still volunteered at the Vendor Fair with the Advocacy booth. This is my second year in BUSAC. Thank you.

Campbell: I am a third year BUSAC councilor, fifth year Political Science student, and lifelong Brock resident. I'm a very strong policy mindset. I am a Political Science student; I know a lot of the issues. I have longtime helped with Advocacy. Being a part of the Ontario Young Liberals, I had the opportunity to write policies, successfully defend them, and have them passed. Policy writing is something I am interested in. I also went to the OUSA assembly last spring and gave my input on student disabilities. I am interested and knowledgeable of federal, provincial, and municipal issues. I believe that I know the process of government and how different issues can be solved. I am the type of dedicated person that can really bring a lot of ideas on how the government can better treat students. I am really passionate about the committee and was on it last year. I would really like the opportunity to do it again. Thank you.

Hibma: I am another Political Science major. Last year I worked with our former VPEA on the Get Out to Vote Advocacy campaign. So I have experience with working and delegating with students, to get them interested in the topics that are really important to us. And to work with provincial and federal government, whether that is dealing with BUSA or CASA. Since I have a bit of background with how CASA operates, I believe I can offer a new opinion on how we should delegate them in the future. On top of that I am fairly flexible with schedules. I am the Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors so I can offer great insight for what Julia is doing because she doesn't have a seat on the board this time. Thank you very much.

Sunderaeson: I have been actively involved politically fighting for social justice issues such as women's issues, the LGBT community, and First Nations. Especially with what's been happening on Brock campus this year, I think it is important to address the issue of sexual assault and harassment. With this being my last year at Brock, one of my goals that I want to do is strengthening our sexual assault and harassment policy to make Brock not just a safe place for us, but for future generations. At the end of the day I want to make sure Brock is a safe school and make sure our reputation is back to where it was at the beginning. It would also be awesome to work with my fellow feminist, Julia. I hope you all vote for me.

Calder: I am also a Political Science student. My experience in dealing with the external setting is twofold. I have experience as a campaign manager. The big focus that we wanted to apply was

showing up on campuses and getting students engaged about politics and show students how they can move and leverage government to get any change they want. I also have experience writing policy. I had co-op for the past five months and part of that job was drafting policy and going through that gritty process. My focus in this position is on student activism, in a grassroots approach to getting change in the government. I take inspiration from the Quebec student protest that happened a few years ago, it was successful. That is really done by getting on the streets and getting active. I would like to promote that because I think it is a void in the internal voice at Brock.

Stark: I am a Sport Management undergrad. I am sitting on the Sport Management council and currently in charge of external affairs. I am looking to further my knowledge on this program and being involved in BUSAC as well. Thank you.

BIRT BUSAC elects Campbell, Saunderaeson, and Calder to the External Affairs Committee for the 2016-2017 year.
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Election – Referendum Implementation & Levy Review

BIRT BUSAC elects Gate to the Referendum Implementation & Levy Review Committee for the 2016-2017 year.

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Election – Ethic Review Committee (1 Member)

BIRT BUSAC elects Sehgal to the Ethic Review Committee for the 2016-2017 year.
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Report – General Manager

General Manager, Mr. Green, presents report.

Verrier: I am interested in the ZipCar, can you explain what is happening with it?

Green (General Manager): Last year we found out in February that our then partner, Student Car Share, had gone out of business unexpectedly. We went through the RFP process and our options were ZipCar, Community Car Share, and CAA. We ended up going with ZipCar, they were the biggest provider. The two ZipCar vehicles are in the same spots as where Student Car Share was. We already had over 100 former student members of Student Care Share get free

ZipCar membership. You can sign up for ZipCar on brock/busu.ca. The current vehicles are a Prius Hybrid and a Honda Civic. You can request a different type of vehicle and swap it out. We are looking to have another spot near the Marilyn Walker Complex.

Verrier: So the plan is to have three cars?

Green (General Manager): We requested two cars. It's all based on the utilization rate. Once utilization gets to a certain threshold, ZipCar will let us know if the business model can support a third vehicle for Brock. They will bring on more vehicles as needed based on usage. We signed a three-year contract with ZipCar. They have been phenomenal to work with.

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Report – VP Student Services

VPSS, Mr. Nasser, presents report.

Nasser (VPSS): *(Report update)* The Big Ticket Concert and fireworks did not go through. Due to weather conditions we had to have an acoustic show inside. We are looking to refund the concert tickets including VIB members and those who bought tickets at the door.

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Report – VP External Affairs

VPEA, Ms. Wood, presents report.

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Report – VP Finance & Administration

VPFA, Ms. Hejazi, presents report.

Hejazi (VPFA): *(Report update)* Library hours will be extended from Sunday – Thursday. The current closing time, 11pm, will be extended to 2pm. The program will start the week after Reading Week and will go on until final exams of first semester. The program will resume after the Reading Week in the second semester and continue until final exams.

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Report - President

President, Mr. Foster presents report.

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Closed Question Period

Information and Reminders

Nasser (VPSS): Homecoming is this weekend. Please join us for the free breakfast on Saturday. On Friday evening there will be a tailgate party. Games start around 11am. Isaacs will be open. There will be games and food trucks.

Berryman: Thank you to everyone shared our first episode of BrockTV news, 3.8 thousand people watched it. Episode three is coming out on Monday on Facebook. I would appreciate it if you can share it as well.

Campbell: Thank you to everyone who spoke on the Thorold Transit issue.

Speaker: I need the Governance and Internal Affairs to pick someone from your committees to sit on the Referendum Petitions and Polls Oversight Committee. There is a seat available from both the Governance and Internal Affairs committee. So you can start working on the BrockTV referendum or any other referendum. Brock Fair Trade Week is coming so make sure you get involved. Come talk to all the vendors and everything else that is going on.

Meeting adjourned: 8:38 p.m.