



**Student Representative Assembly Meeting 22K
Sunday, November 27, 2022 at 5:00pm (EST)
Council Chambers, GH 111**

Called to Order at 5:10pm

Call of the Roll

Present: Abdallah, Ashraf, Arora, Bek, Black, Burton, Caputo, Chowdhry, Chui, Dawdy, Garfield, German, Hannan, Hu, Larrazabal Zea, Middaugh Cifuentes, Mothe, Sivackumar, Suganthan, Tadrous, Vinu, Wang
Absent Excused: Singh (Conference), Wong (Conference)
Absent: Ahmad, Bizjak, Lee, Lum, Mannat, Pittari, Raza, Yeom
Late: Hassan
Others Present: Angelina Borone, Sana Gupta (Incite), Tirath Kaur (Incite), Gillan Hodge (Incite), Abdullah Masudi (FYC Rep), Mark Fahmy (Student)
Chair: Piper Plavins

Territory Recognition

- The SRA would like to recognize today that we are situated on traditional Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe territories through the 'Dish with One Spoon Wampum Treaty'.

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by German, **seconded** by Chui that the Assembly adopt the agenda, as presented.

Amendment

Moved by Dawdy, **seconded** by Chui to amend the agenda to move Business Item #1 to be directly after Delegation from the Floor Item #2.

- Dawdy noted they wanted to allow the Assembly to discuss the presentation while it was fresh in their minds.

Vote on Amendment

**In Favour: 21 Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 0
Motion Passes**

Vote to Adopt

Moved by German, **seconded** by Chui that the Assembly adopt the agenda, as amended.

**In Favour: 21 Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 0
Motion Passes**

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by German, **seconded** by Caputo that the Assembly adopt the minutes of SRA meeting 221 – October 30, 2022 as circulated.

- German said the minutes looked good.

Vote to Adopt

**In Favour: 21 Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 0
Motion Passes**

Announcements from the Chair

- The Chair welcomed everyone to meeting 22K and said that there were a lot of new faces joining. They asked for non-SRA members to please sign the Observer's List at the back of the room. The Chair reminded that SRA graphics for this meeting will be due Tuesday. They announced it was the last meeting of the semester.

Delegation from the Floor

Set Parameters

Moved by Chui, **seconded** Arora by to set parameters for Delegation #1 to be 50 minutes for both presentation and questions.

- Chui noted the presenter was here to talk about privacy and that it was an important workshop that everyone should be paying attention to.

Vote on Parameters

**In Favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion Passes**

1. McMaster University Privacy Office – Trudi Wright presented (presentation circulated)

- Wright summarized the presentation.

Set Parameters

Moved by German, **seconded** by Chui to set parameters for Delegation #2 to be 10 minutes for presentation and 10 minutes for questions.

- German noted they wanted to keep it consistent with the other Bylaw 9 group presentations.

Vote on Parameters

**In Favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion Passes**

2. Incite – Tirath Kaur presented (presentation circulated)

- Kaur summarized the presentation.

Questions

- Arora stated that prior to the pandemic, Incite had more than two magazines. Arora asked why the quantity has decreased and if they planned on increasing. Kaur informed that they used to have three magazines but in 2019, they went down to two. They explained that three issues per year is a lot of work – it takes about two months for the layout process, two months for submission intake and 1.5 months to go to Underground. They said it was around a four-month process for each magazine. They said that doing

three takes a lot of time and therefore the number was reduced. They added that if next year's Executive team gets better, they would consider increasing it back to three.

- Chui asked if they would be providing a reimbursement to students this year. Kaur answered they spoke with Dawdy who explained they are not able to reimburse students. Kaur ceded their time to Dawdy. Dawdy explained that all Bylaw 9 groups can prevent their fee to be collected each year, but believed this had to be done within the first week or two of September. They clarified that the Incite fee was still collected for the current year. Dawdy added that Incite was going to look at not collecting a fee for future years – meaning not collecting a fee for September 2023. Dawdy added that remittance is not an easy process and usually the University won't allow a remittance unless there is a very good, specific reason.

Business

1. Committee of the Whole – Incite

Moved by Dawdy, **seconded** by Chui that the Assembly move into Committee of the Whole to discuss the Incite presentation.

- Dawdy wanted to be consistent with all other groups and reminded that this was for the Assembly to discuss the presentation.

Vote on Motion

In Favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion Passes

Moved by Dawdy, **seconded** by German that the Assembly move out of Committee of the Whole and to Rise and Report.

- Dawdy said that the discussion has come to an end and wanted to move on.

Vote on Motion

In Favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion Passes

Rise and Report

- Dawdy reported that Assembly members, by way of straw poll, were unanimously in favour of the recommendations provided, pending integrating a few changes. Dawdy added that they will circulate a memo in the new year on all Bylaw 9 groups, including a conclusive document on what was discussed.

Report Period

1. First Year Council – report circulated

- Abdullah Masudi presented the report.

2. Kinesiology Caucus – report circulated

- Bek summarized the report.

3. Nursing Caucus – report circulated

- Vinu summarized report.

4. Science Caucus – Suganthan presented

- Suganthan summarized the report.

5. Social Sciences Caucus – report circulated

- Burton summarized the report.

6. Municipal Affairs Committee – report circulated

7. University Affairs Committee – Caputo presented

- Caputo summarized the report.

8. Executive Board - German presented

- German summarized the report.

Questions

- Arora asked if the Spark Coordinators would have access to the MSU Committee Room just for this year only. German answered that the motion put in place was for the 2022-2023 year only. German added that access was specifically for the Spark Sessions Coordinators, recognizing they do not have space on campus.

9. Vice-President (Administration) – report circulated

- German summarized the report.

Information Period

- Chui informed the Assembly that the Ontario Undergraduate Student Survey (OUSS) is currently underway and encouraged Assembly members to take part and share the survey.
- Chui informed the Assembly that the HSR survey is now open, and posts would begin early this week, including a mass email to the student body to participate. Chui added that the survey closes on December 22nd. They added that the first 500 participants will receive an MSU tote bag and commended the AVP (Services), AVP (University Affairs), and AVP (Provincial & Federal Affairs) for their help with the survey.
- Chui informed the Assembly that the Holiday Market was taking place this week. They commended Campus Events for making their vision come to life. Chui informed that local Hamilton vendors were recruited to sell goods, recognizing that students are busy and may not have the ability to shop. SSC and International Student Services have put together International Foods for people to try.
- Chui reminded the Assembly of the SRA Special Projects Fund. They added that the amount allocated was \$6,500 this year, and that it was free for Assembly members to apply to for any passion projects within their caucus. Chui added that Dawdy will be circulating the application form next week.
- German informed the Assembly that PTM hiring opens on December 16th and that roles would be posted on the MSU employment page.
- German informed the Assembly that during the labour dispute/strike, MSU Services are still operating, however some executives and volunteers do not want to cross the picket line and therefore, one service has modified operations to be hybrid but will return to regular operations soon.

Question Period

- No questions were asked.

Business

2. HSR Referendum

Moved by Chui, **seconded** by German that the Assembly call a referendum to send the HSR fee structure for the 2023-2024, 2024-2025, 2025-2026 HSR bus pass coinciding with the 2023 Presidential Election, as circulated.

- Chui reviewed their memo with the Assembly.
- German noted Chui and McGowan put a lot of time into this to negotiate for students. They added that research has been done regarding other institutions and echoed the fact that McMaster charges one of the lowest bus pass fees relative to other institutions.

Vote on Motion

In Favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion Passes

3. Caucus Year Plans

Moved by Chui, **seconded** by Abdallah that the Assembly approve the following Caucus year plans, as circulated:

- Arts & Science
- Kinesiology
- Nursing

Amendment

Moved by German, **seconded** by Abdallah to amend the motion to read: "**Moved** by Chui, **seconded** by Abdallah that the Assembly approve the Nursing year plan as circulated, and postpone the approval of the Arts & Science and Kinesiology year plans to SRA 22L."

- German informed that the Arts & Science and Kinesiology year plans were not ready yet.

Vote on Amendment

In Favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion Passes

Back to Motion

Moved by Chui, **seconded** by Abdallah that the Assembly approve the Nursing year plan as circulated, and postpone the approval of the Arts & Science and Kinesiology year plans to SRA 22L.

- Chui informed that every caucus was responsible for submitting a year plan and wanted to listen to the Nursing caucus year plan.
- Vinu went over the Nursing caucus year plan.
- Chui informed that last year's SRA Arts & Science member pushed for menstrual product accessibility and encouraged Vinu to reach out to them.

Vote on Motion

In Favour: 22 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion Passes

4. Close one (1) SRA seat on Finance Committee

Moved by Dawdy, **seconded** by German that the Assembly close one (1) SRA seat on the Finance Committee.

- Dawdy noted this was done at the last meeting and that they had one more seat to fill.

Nominations

- Tadrous
- Hu
- Vinu

Vote on Motion

In Favour: 22 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion Passes

Set Parameters

Moved by German, **seconded** by Chui that for parameters for the Finance Committee election to be one minute opening statements, 2.5 minutes of pooled questions per candidate, and one minute for closing statements.

- German said they felt this timing was fair.

Vote on Parameters

In Favour: 22 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion Passes

- The Candidates spoke during the allotted time.
- The Assembly voted by secret ballot.

Candidate	Vote
Hu	3
Tadrous	10
Vinu	9
Spoiled	1
Abstained	0

- Tadrous won the SRA seat on the Finance Committee.

Time of Next Meeting

January 15, 2023
5:00pm (EST)
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Call of the Roll

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Adjournment

Moved by German, **seconded** by Caputo that the meeting be adjourned.

In Favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstained: 0
Motion Passes

Adjourned at 7:43pm.

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