

**Executive Board Meeting 23-17**  
**Monday, November 13, 2023 @ 10:30am**  
**Hybrid - MSU Main Boardroom, MUSC 201 & MS Teams**

**Called to Order 10:34am**

**Present** Ahmad, Arora, El-Kadi, Otchere, Popovic, Suganthan, Wang, Yang

**Late** Samuels

**Absent**

**Others Present** V. Scott (Recording Secretary), M. Wooder (MCD), Veronica Larrazabal Zea (AVP (Services))

**1. Adopt Agenda**

**Moved** by El-Kadi, **seconded** by Otchere to adopt the agenda, as presented.

**In Favour: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 1**  
**Motion Passes**

**Samuels arrived at 10:36am**

**2. Adopt Minutes**

**Moved** by El-Kadi, **seconded** by Otchere to adopt the minutes from Executive Board meetings 23-16 – November 6, 2023, as circulated.

**In Favour: 8 Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 1**  
**Motion Passes**

**3. FCC Report – report circulated**

- El-Kadi presented the report.

**Questions**

- Wooder stated that this wasn't specific to the report, but some Food Banks in Ontario have specifically banned international students. He wanted to take the opportunity to point out how much use of Food Banks have gone up, to the point where communities cannot keep up.
- Scott suggested the possibility of going to departments on Campus and asking for donations if usage will be going up due to international students not being able to go anywhere else for help.

**4. Sponsorship & Donations Committee Recommendations**

**Moved** by Otchere, **seconded** by El-Kadi that the Executive Board approve the following

recommendations from the Sponsorship & Donations Committee:

- \$500 Sponsorship to McMaster Hindu Students' Diwali Formal
- \$100 Donation to Wang's Tax Clinic
  
- Otchere went over the memo with the Board.
- El-Kadi thanked the Sponsorship & Donations Committee for their recommendations.
- Wang stated that the tax clinic helped over 150 students, most being at McMaster.

### **Vote on Motion**

**In Favour: 8 Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 1  
Motion Passes**

### **5. Information and Questions**

- Scott announced that the November SRA by-election is now happening, there are seats on Nursing, Science, and Engineering that are open. Nominations close this Friday.
- Wooder updated the Board on the HSR strike. He stated that at present it looks like it will continue for a while. Wooder stated that the front desk and the social media coordinator know the correct information to answer students' questions. He added that he wasn't sure what the impact would be academically, and that was something they should turn their attention to in the next week or so.
- Otchere stated that the statement for the Middle East conflict was passed by the SRA. They stated that the donation given out will be split evenly between the organizations listed in the statement.
- El-Kadi updated everyone about SWHAT and the HSR strike. They stated that currently SWHAT is using Uber to get walkers home after their late shifts for the short-term. El-Kadi stated that they are looking for longer term solutions. They added that if anything changes they will keep the Board in the loop.

### **6. Adjournment and Time of Next Meeting**

**Time of Next Meeting:**

**November 20, 2023  
10:30am EST  
MSU Boardroom, MUSC 201**

**Moved** by Otchere, **seconded** by El-Kadi that the Executive Board meeting be adjourned.

**In Favour: 8 Opposed: 1 Abstentions: 0  
Motion Passes**

**Adjourned at 10:53am**

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