

# ULSU GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

## MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 27, 2022 | 6:00 PM MST

MEETING #3 | 2022-2023

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**VOTING MEMBERS:** PRESIDENT - **KAIRVEE BHATT** | VP OPERATIONS & FINANCE - **CORAL SKIBA** | VP STUDENT AFFAIRS - **JUANITA DEVOS** | VP ACADEMIC - **GAGE DESTEUR** | VP EXTERNAL - **SAMANTHA SCOTT** | ARTSCI REP – **ELISHA WONG** | ARTSCI REP – **JESSICA MARTIN** | ARTSCI REP – **JUSTIN MA** | ARTSCI REP – **JONAH PICKLE** | ARTSCI REP – **MICHAELA CRUMP** | ARTSCI REP – **KARO DORO** | FINE ARTS REP – **ALEXANDRA DODD** | HEALTH SCI REP – **ANNIE EBENMELU** | EDUCATION REP – **RACHELE PRESTON** | DHILLON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS REP – **LUCAS CHOI** | DHILLON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS REP – **ROBERTO BELLO** | CALGARY CAMPUS REP – **VACANT** | INDIGENOUS REP – **NATHAN CROW** | INTERNATIONAL REP – **MALEEKA THOMAS** | RESIDENCE REP – **TIANNA READ** | FIRST-YEAR REP – **VACANT**

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS:** GENERAL MANAGER - **CHERI POKARNEY** | OPERATIONS COORDINATOR - **TRACY MERRIFIELD** | COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR - **MAX BARTLETT**

**(ACTING) CHAIR:** KAIRVEE BHATT - [su.president@uleth.ca](mailto:su.president@uleth.ca) | **SCRIBE:** BECCA PARKKARI - [su.execadmin@uleth.ca](mailto:su.execadmin@uleth.ca)

**ATTENDANCE:** Kairvee Bhatt, Coral Skiba, Gage Desteur, Samantha Scott, Elisha Wong, Jessica Martin, Justin Ma, Karo Doro, Alexandra Dodd, Rachele Preston, Lucas Choi, Roberto Bello, Maleeka Thomas, Cheri Pokarney, Tracy Merrifield, Max Bartlett, Becca Parkkari

**ABSENT:** Juanita Devos, Jonah Pickle, Michaela Crump, Annie Ebenmelu, Nathan Crow, Tianna Read,

**GUESTS:** Ameera Olaniran, Dylan Merritt, Michelle Helstein

## 1. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT - Kairvee

*Oki, and welcome to the third meeting of the ULSU General Assembly. Our University's Blackfoot name is Iniskim, meaning Sacred Buffalo Stone. The University is located in traditional Blackfoot Confederacy territory. We honour the Blackfoot people and their traditional ways of knowing in caring for this land, as well as all Indigenous peoples who have helped shape and continue to strengthen our university community.*

## 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

### 2.1 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Motion [22996]** MSC: R. Preston/ M. Thomas

**Carried**

BIMT the General Assembly approves the agenda of September 27, 2022.

## 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

### 3.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion [22997]** MSC: M. Thomas/G. Desteur

**Carried**

BIMT the General Assembly approve the minutes from August 31, 2022.

## 4. CHAIR REMARKS – Kairvee

- Oki, and hello folks. Thank you for being here tonight. We have some guests joining us this evening. Ameera and Dylan are running for first-year representative in our by-election and Michelle Helstein is here to give us a presentation on the Navitas Internationalization strategy.

## **5. PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL**

### **5.1 FALL 2022 BY-ELECTION** – *Cheri*

- There are two candidates for the position of First-Year Student Representative. Ameera Olaniran and Dylan Merrit. They each provided a speech to council about why they are running for this position and their platform goals if elected. The General Assembly had the opportunity to ask questions of the candidates. The voting members of the council then voted to elect one First-Year Student Representative to be ratified as a member of the 2022-23 General Assembly at the next meeting.
- Dylan Merritt will be the ULSU's First-Year Student Representative for the 2022-23 Academic Year.

### **5.2 NAVITAS** – *Michelle Helstein*

- A motion has been brought to GFC regarding a pathways program to increase internationalization at the UofL. The full package of information will be available as of tomorrow for public information. Within that package you will find information from the past two years of consultation and discussion across campus regarding a partnership with this private college. This is a highly politicised topic on our campus, so it is important to consider the information thoroughly and seek facts and evidence from other Canadian Post-Secondary institutions who have partnered with Navitas. With internationalization being a key component of various strategic plans within the University and Provincial Government this partnership could offer benefits of increasing internationalization in areas where the UofL does not have resources or outreach opportunity. This would be a free partnership for the UofL, we would receive a royalty on tuition for students within the Navitas Pathways Program until they have officially transferred into the University of Lethbridge. Feedback and input from student leaders, faculty, and staff has been considered and compiled to create a proposed partnership that is specific to our needs and concerns as an institution. This would not replace international student entry into the University, it is a program for students who require upgrading or additional support to meet the requirements of the University. This program is specific to international students to set them up for success in living and learning in a new country. Michelle will send the information package to Kairvee for circulation around the General Assembly. If students are looking for more information the package will be available via GFC Agenda Materials for the scheduled October General Faculties Council meeting.

## **6. REPORTS**

- Verbal reports have been forgone in favour of moving on to actionable items. Please email a copy of your report to Becca ([su.execadmin@uleth.ca](mailto:su.execadmin@uleth.ca)) for inclusion in the minutes.

#### **6.1 VP OPERATIONS & FINANCE – Coral**

#### **6.2 VP STUDENT AFFAIRS – Juanita**

- It has been a busy week. Clubs have been taking up a large portion of my time with ratification requests and meetings to discuss ratification and creation of new clubs.
- Reaching out to various resources on campus to expand personal knowledge in order to direct clubs and individuals to the appropriate resources.
- Met with Toby Clark. She is excited to support the events we will be doing on campus.
- Met with Nosh Safety to discuss the first aid training that clubs would like to complete.
- Connections Café was very well received. There is interest in doing it more frequently. It was a great way to connect with students and hear them individually. And it was a great success for our team.
- Attended the CKXU Annual General Meeting.
- Keeping up with emails.
- Prepared for and attended various meetings.

#### **6.3 VP ACADEMIC – Gage**

- Had a meeting with a student regarding Undergrad Research awards. Discussion of accommodations.
- Met with Erasmus and Michelle to discuss Navitas. Thank you to the EC for attending that meeting with Maleeka as well.
- Student consultations have begun for the University's Sexual Violence policy review. The next one is tomorrow at 2 pm.
- Attended the Ikaisskini opening ceremony.
- Academic Quality Assurance Committee met to review the Drama department report.
- Worked in the Zoo for dirty bingo.
- Working with the Mental Health Working Group for Mental Health Week. It will be next week.
- Connections Café was a resounding success.
- Attended the smudge and Talking Circle at Ikaisskini gathering centre.
- Attended the admission standards committee meeting.

#### **6.4 VP EXTERNAL – Samantha**

- It has been a busy couple of weeks. Will update you on the past two weeks as I was unable to attend our last meeting.
- I have had a few recurring meetings for various aspects of CAUS.
  - Working with Chris on Get Out the Vote campaign promotion. We are kicking the campaign off on October 6 with the Pubs and Politics event with CASA.
  - There is a chance of an election being called in the fall. There would be a 28-day prep period if that occurs, so we are looking to be as prepared as possible before then.
  - Committee meetings for OPEC and policy review.
  - Board meeting.
  - Bi-weekly institutional check-ins.
- Gave a presentation at the career fair.
- Attended the Arts and Science Council meeting.
- David Eggen, MLA and NDP Critic of Advanced Education held a round table to discuss priorities in post-secondary education. Affordability and accessibility came up as predominant concerns. There was also a press release immediately following the event that I was involved in. That can be found on Instagram (CAUS and personal).
- Attended a GFC Library committee meeting.

## **6.5 PRESIDENT – *Kairvee***

- Senate Orientation.
- Club ratification meetings.
- CASA meetings to organize campus visits with other institutions.
- Student meetings.
- Meeting regarding Navitas with Michelle and Erasmus. It was the final consultation with students prior to being brought to GFC.
- Had a breakfast meeting with the folks from President's Executive.
- Presented at the career fair.
- Attended the CAUS board meeting.
- Spoke at the Iikaiskini opening ceremony.
- Had a meeting with campus security.
- GFC convocation committee meeting.
- Board member orientation.
- Conversation with Nathan regarding his initiatives as Indigenous student's representative.
- CASA board meeting in preparation for the e-plenary at the advocacy week conference.
  - Shared CASA financial updates as Treasurer.
- Future Leaders round table with David Eggen.

- Follow-up Navitas meeting with Michelle.
- Attended a variety of events that were put on throughout the week to honour Orange Shirt Day and the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

**6.6 ART AND SCIENCE REP** – *Elisha, Jessica, Justin, Jonah, Michaela, or Karo*

**6.7 FINE ARTS REP** - *Alexandra*

**6.8 HEALTH SCIENCE REP** - *Annie*

**6.9 EDUCATION REP** – *Rachele*

**6.10 DHILLON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS REP** – *Lucas or Roberto*

**6.11 CALGARY CAMPUS REP** - *Vacant*

**6.12 INDIGENOUS REP** – *Nathan*

- Meeting with Kairvee to discuss my initiatives for the 2022/2023 term
- Meeting with Samantha Scott regarding CAUS and potential announcement from the Minister of Advanced Education
  - “The Minister of Education will be on our campus to make an announcement regarding funding towards indigenization of our campuses- predominantly through Indigenous centres such as Iikaiskini.”
- MNP Information session speech and recruitment
- Social Media updates
- Meeting with Jodie Flamand-Tailfeathers, Iikaiskini Indigenous Student advisor, regarding the grand opening ceremony
- Meeting with Jodie Flamand-Tailfeathers, Iikaiskini Indigenous Student advisor, regarding Truth & Reconciliation week events
- Iikaiskini Gathering Centre grand opening
- Meeting with Indigenous students to discuss the re-introduction and ratification of the FNMI club
- Meeting with Indigenous student regarding student services and supports available
- CANDO Youth Connect September session
- Representation around campus

**6.13 INTERNATIONAL REP** – *Maleeka*

**6.14 FIRST YEAR REP** - *Vacant*

## **7. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

- Items for information have been forgone in favour of moving to actionable items. All individuals presenting an item can send a written copy of your presentation to Becca ([su.execadmin@uleth.ca](mailto:su.execadmin@uleth.ca)) for inclusion in the minutes.

**7.1 CLUB RATIFICATIONS** - *Juanita*

**7.2 CASA CAMPUS VISIT** - *Kairvee*

- 7.3 ULSU ALUMNI NETWORK** - *Kairvee*
- 7.4 INDIGENOUS STUDENTS' COUNCIL** - *Kairvee*
- 7.5 GA BONDING ACTIVITY** - *Kairvee*
- 7.6 VOLUNTEER CORE** - *Kairvee*
- 7.7 LET THERE BE LIGHT NIGHT INTEREST** - *Kairvee*
- 7.8 GENERAL ASSEMBLY CHAIR** - *Cheri*

**8. ITEMS FOR ACTION: CLUBS, GROUPS, AND INDIVIDUALS**

*No clubs/individual business at this time*

**9. ITEMS FOR ACTION: ULSU BUSINESS**

**9.1 EXECUTIVE ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE** - *Maleeka*

<p><b>Motion [22998]</b> MSC: R. Preston/ R. Bello          BIMT the General Assembly strike-up the Executive Accountability Committee for the 2022-23 academic year.</p>	<b>Carried</b>
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- The Executive Accountability Committe is seeking to be struck up and calling for members.
- This committee is meant to ensure that the Executive Council members are held accountable for their actions and their roles. We are responsible for providing a forum for people to provide feedback relating to the Executive Council.
- The first meeting will be held on October 7 at 5 pm. Maleeka and Karo will be co-chairing this committee. Please reach out to Maleeka if you have interest in sitting on this committee.

**9.2 EQUITY, DIVERSITY, INCLUSION & ACCESSABILITY AD HOC COMMITTEE** - *Maleeka*

<p><b>Motion [22999]</b> MSC: G. Desteur/ K. Doro          BIMT the General Assembly strike-up the Ad Hoc Committee on Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Accessibility for the 2022-23 academic year.</p>	<b>Carried</b>
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- Equity Diversity Inclusion and Accessibility are large issues on our campus. There is a common issue of tokenism, and it is important to have an equitable place to have our voices heard. Students should feel comfortable coming to our campus regardless of where they are coming from. This committee will review ULSU policy through an EDI lens, provide training opportunities for our students, staff, and student groups, and provide students a space/forum for feedback and input regarding issues affecting them on campus. We are looking to have this as a

standing committee in the future and hoping to have a taskforce of students at large to ensure changes are made during the 2022-23 academic year. Listening to the diverse questions, concerns, feedback, and ideas and implementing them on campus. We are hoping to have our first meeting in the beginning of October. I would also like to look into supporting an EDI award that recognizes and supports the students who are doing work in this area and a bursary to support students who belong to equity seeking groups. If you have interest in joining this committee, please contact Maleeka.

### **9.3 LEGISLATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE - Coral**

<b>Motion [23000]</b> MSC: R. Preston/ G. Desteur BIMT the General Assembly strike-up the Legislative Review Committee for the 2022-23 academic year.	<b>Carried</b>
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- This committee looks at the bylaws, policies and procedures of the organization and makes recommendations for change.
- Once members have been finalized, we will look to schedule the first meeting. If you are interested in sitting on this committee or have questions or input regarding the operations manual, please contact Coral.

### **9.4 STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE - Kairvee**

<b>Motion [23001]</b> MSC: R. Preston/ M. Thomas BIMT the General Assembly strike-up the Strategic Planning Committee for the 2022-23 academic year.	<b>Carried</b>
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- I would like for this committee to engage the student body while considering a two- or five-year strategic plan for the organization. This committee is pretty self-explanatory. Please reach out if you would like more information or if you would like to sit on this committee.

### **9.5 GA BONDING COMMITTEE - Kairvee**

<b>Motion [23002]</b> MSC: R. Preston/ S. Scott BIMT the General Assembly strike-up the GA Bonding Committee for the 2022-23 academic year.	<b>Carried</b>
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- The goal of this committee is to plan and organize bonding opportunities for our council. These events are a great way for the council members to get to know one another and discuss things in an informal setting.

- We are looking to go bowling to kick off our bonding events. We will send out a doodle poll for availability to get that scheduled.
  - Other idea is to go golfing at a driving range. Please reach out if you have any strong feelings about the first event.
- Reach out to Kairvee if you are interested in sitting on this committee.

**9.6 STUDENT FEE REVIEW COMMITTEE - Kairvee**

<b>Motion [23003]</b> MSC: M. Thomas/J. Ma	<b>Carried</b>
BIMT the General Assembly strike-up the Student Fee Review Committee for the 2022-23 academic year.	

- Each year, this university committee meets to discuss the fees that students will be assessed in the next calendar year. Mandated 10 seats between the GSA and ULSU. After speaking with Lauren, we have decided on a 7/3 split, leaving the SU with 7 seats. The GSA have struggled with representation in Fine Arts and practicum programs such as health science and education and would like for diversity in representation to be made up on the ULSU side.
- Proposed roster for the Student Fee Review Committee.
  - Samantha - Fine Arts and Art Sci
  - Kairvee – Board of Governors member, President, and DSB student
  - Rachele – Education and on-campus Residence experience
  - Annie – Health Science
  - Maleeka – International Students
  - Coral – VP Op-Fi and DSB student
  - Gage – VP Academic and DSB student

**9.7 ADVOCACY ADVISORY COMMITTEE - Samantha**

<b>Motion [23004]</b> MSC: R. Preston/ M. Thomas	<b>Carried</b>
BIMT the General Assembly strike-up the Advocacy Advisory Committee for the 2022-23 academic year.	

- The goal of this committee is to ensure there is diverse student perspectives in consultation with our advocacy goals. They would also assist the VP External with the Get out the vote campaign. Interested in hosting open townhalls and increasing general student engagement to ensure that student voices have the platform to be heard.
- If you are interested in sitting on this committee, please reach out to Samantha.

**9.8 STUDENT ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE - Juanita**



**Motion [23005]** MSC: C. Skiba/ G. Desteur

**Carried**

BIMT the General Assembly strike-up the Student Engagement Committee for the 2022-23 academic year.

- The purpose of this committee is to engage students on campus with the ULSU, our events, and our services. This committee can decide to throw events, work on social media campaigns, and has flexibility in terms of events and initiatives within the realm of student engagement.
- Please contact Juanita if you are interested in joining this committee.

### **9.9 ACADEMIC COORDINATOR POSITION - Gage**

**Motion [23006]** MSC: J. Ma/ R. Preston

**Carried**

BIMT the General Assembly approve the part-time student position of Academic Coordinator to assist the Vice President Academic in duties relating to academic advocacy and event organization.

Opposed: Maleeka

Abstain: Samantha, Coral

- Gage is interested in hiring a part time student position to assist in the planning of academic events such as the speaker series, to maintain and manage relationships with the external services we offer, and to assist in the coordination of advocacy efforts.
- Sam: How many hours would this person work and what would the pay look like?
  - This would match our other student positions in terms of their hours and pay. They will work for 20 hours/ month with a \$300/month honorarium. A budget would be presented in the future for approval.
- Maleeka: How long would this person be hired for?
  - Until the end of the academic term.
- Kairvee: How will you ensure that the work is evenly distributed throughout the year with the academic calendar being so cyclical.
  - The person in this position would not be involved in student meetings or one on one advocacy which are the cyclical items. Their work will likely be consistent and entail event coordination, advocacy coordination and management of external resources.
- Rachele: Can a GA member apply for this position, would that be a conflict of interest?
  - All GA members and staff are bound by our code of conduct and confidentiality agreement, so there would not be an issue of conflict there.
- Justin: How can they effectively advocate as an unelected official?

- The person in this position would be planning academic events and managing academic or mental health services. They may also be tasked with the logistics of coordinating advocacy efforts; they would not be an advocate or representative on behalf of the ULSU or students.
- Cheri: In the past there were commissioner positions for each EC member. This is similar to that. They are meant to be a support to the EC position and there is precedence for a position of this kind.
- Maleeka: Would this position be redundant with the access to GA members' support. How can we ensure confidentiality, limit access to student information?
  - Planning a good academic speaker series requires someone who is dedicated and passionate about it. The GA have other responsibilities that they must fit within their small window of hours each month. This gives another student an opportunity to be involved with the SU and academic events on campus who is passionate about this work specifically.
  - The ULSU always ensures confidentiality is upheld. We ensure proper documentation during the onboarding of all employees. This position would be subject to the same confidentiality agreement we signed and would be held to the standards within our code of conduct.
- A point of privilege was made by Lucas Choi. As this is a virtual meeting and he does not have access to a power source his laptop may die, and he will be dropped from the council meeting.
  - Point of privilege accepted with no action required.

**9.10 CASA ADVOCACY WEEK CONFERENCE - Kairvee**

[Item 9.10 - CASA Advocacy Week](#)

<b>Motion [23007]</b> MSC: K. Doro/ M. Thomas	<b>Carried</b>
BIMT the General Assembly approve the maximum expenditure of \$2,750.00 for Sam and Kairvee to travel to the CASA Advocacy Week conference occurring November 21 - 25, 2022. Monies to come from Travel and Conference.	

- Kairvee and Samantha would like to travel to Ottawa for CASA's annual Advocacy week conference. Kairvee holds a position on the board as treasurer and will be representing both CASA and the ULSU. CASA also works with the Quebec Student Union to ensure there is comprehensive federal representation. During this week delegates will be meeting with various Members of Parliament about the priorities that were approved at our last conference and ratified at our recent e-plenary.
- Justin: Is there an agenda for the conference?
  - We will begin with a plenary meeting of CASA membership to prepare delegates for the week. Etiquette and speaking points will be covered at

this point. Then we will be in many meetings with different MPs for the remainder of the week advocating for the identified points in our collective action plan. Currently waiting on schedule confirmation for various ministers but hope to receive a conference agenda soon.

## **9.11 NOON HOUR CONCERT SERIES - Cheri**

### [Item 9.11 - Noon Hour Concert Series](#)

<b>Motion [23008] MSC:</b>	<b>Carried</b>
BIMT the General Assembly approve the maximum expenditure of \$2,630.00 for a noon hour concert series in collaboration with CKXU throughout the Fall 2022 semester. Monies to come from Council Events.	

- Collaborating with CKXU, we would be paying for artists and signage, the equipment and set up is covered by CKXU. Noon-hour concerts at Fresh Fest were well received. A great way to collaborate with our levy group. Great way to have faculty and students perform on campus. Great way to spotlight their talents.
- Maleeka: It didn't really pull crowds/ spark interest during Fresh Fest.
  - It's a great way to collaborate with various people and feature our Fine Arts Students.
- Maleeka: Have it at the zoo?
  - May not want to come to the zoo, non drinking.
- Maleeka: In the middle of class times.
  - Because this is Juanita's intative it may be best to table this and ask these questions to her.
- Justin: What is the promotion plan? What is the projected turn out? Looking at the demographics there is concern that there won't be interest. Events that don't succeed actually hurt our reputation.
  - Not a number in mind. Would like to have signage to draw attention and place them in high traffic areas. We would promote through social media and posters as well.
- Dylan: Consideration for changing the frequency and time? Later in the day when students want to relax and listen to music.
  - Friday being a tough day as a commuter school.
  - Can't speak to Juanita's vision but can say we are open to feedback.
- Rachele: Implementing this in association with the Connections café?
  - Perhaps we need more discussion on this.
- S.Scott/R. Preston Friendly amendment.
- Pending further approval and consultation from the General assembly.
  - R. Preston/ G. Desteur Carried

Call to question:

**9.12 SAVIO JOSEPH - Cheri**

[Item 9.12 - Savio Joseph](#)

**Motion [23009] MSC:**

**Failed**

BIMT the General Assembly approve the maximum expenditure of \$10,164.00 to bring Savio Joseph in for a Mentalism/Magic Show. Monies to come from Special funding.

- \$34,000 Academic speaker
- BIMT the GA approve \$10,164.00 to bring Savio Joseph in for a Mentalism/Magic Show. Monies to come from the Academic Speaker Series.
  - R. Preston/ C. Skiba
- This would be an overstep of Gage's Academic Speaker series and the planning for this.
- Gage: Would caution against using our academic speaker funding for this. I think this should be specific to benefiting students academically. Booking speakers is very expensive and unfortunately there is not room within the Academic speaker series budget to pursue this path of funding with the goals I have as VP Academic.
- Part of her hope is to open this to the community. Sell tickets to the community and offer students free tickets. Potential concern of engagement.
- Rachele: This is a very entertainment-based event. I don't think this money should be spent here and I don't think it would look good for us to spend this money here.

Opposed: Gage, Maleeka, Karo, Justin, Roberto, Elisha, Rachele, Samantha, Coral

**9.13 CONFERENCE BUDGET PROPOSAL - Karo**

[Item 9.13 - Letter of Intent](#)

[Item 9.13 - Travel Budget](#)

**Motion [23010] MSC: M. Thomas/G. Desteur**

**Carried**

BIMT the General Assembly approve the maximum expenditure of \$400.00 for Karo to travel to New York City for the Unite 2030 inaugural summit. Monies to come from Travel and Conference.

- This was a budget for September. United Nations. Presented on \_\_\_\_\_. World Leaders to citizens. Gender Equality Track. Working for the next 6 months with the UN. Beneficial connections. Great opportunities.
- Justin: Speak to what you learnt, and how it applies to your position on the SU.
  - Spent the first 5 days forming the presentation.

- Activism is synonymous in every part of my life. Focusing on gender equality.
- Working to ensure the underrepresentation is rectified on our campus.
- Gaining perspective internationally about women's experiences. At the next meeting I will share thoughts on how improvements of representation can be improved.

#### **9.14 BYLAW AMENDMENTS** - *Cheri*

*MSC: R. Preston/ E. Wong - Carried*

- Every year the president is tasked with finding a GA chair. In our policy it states the Chair should not have an affiliation with the University. I've found that people involved in the University community often have the most relevant knowledge and context to be beneficial and efficient chairs for the GA.
- This year looking at Michael Gale. Involved with the Uni. Spoke with the legal representation who advised us on these changes. It behoves the ULSU to have a chair with knowledge and experience in the University and with the ULSU.
- Will vote on this twice. Required two readings for changes to the bylaw.
- The bylaw as it stands is a bit odd, because we often have chairs who are alumni members. It is beneficial to have that institutional knowledge and context.
- Justin: Appeal to Chesterton's Fence. Why was this originally put into the bylaw?
  - Cannot remember. It was added over 10 years ago. It may no longer be applicable. We used to have a different relationship with the university.
  - The bylaws currently in place may no longer be relevant to our organization as it stands. This came directly from legal counsel to ensure we are making an informed decision.
- Another reading at the next meeting.

#### **9.15 Mental Health Week** – *Gage*

G. Desteur/ C. Skiba - carried

- \$4,500 from mh budget to supply mhw. A rough outline of the budget has been included.
- Justin: Do you think this money would be spent better promotion mental health throughout the week?
  - We have budgeted \$5,000 for both weeks (fall, spring)
  - \$8,000 CNC insurance will be giving us will be spent on ongoing mental health promotion.
- Kairvee: Striking this committee in a general assembly meeting is necessary.

- Kairvee: Airpod pro's may not be a positive prize/incentive as seen with other student unions. Concern of spending mental health funds on something such as airpods.
  - We have done prizes such as this in the past to incentivize students.
- Justin: Is there an agenda for Mental Health Week?
  - Rough agenda. Finalized tomorrow and sent to max. Distributed to the GA from then.

## 10. IN-CAMERA

*No in-camera business at this time.*

## 11. OTHER BUSINESS

- GA Orientation – CASA participation
- By-weekly meetings
- Sam: Oct 6 is the UCP leadership announcement. Pubs and Politics. Any questions or discussion you want to have around politics in a safe space. Exercise your democratic responsibility to vote.
- Send schedules to Becca ASAP to schedule remaining Fall GA meetings.

## 12. NEXT MEETING

*The next meeting of the ULSU General Assembly will be determined at a later date. Please send your Fall class schedules and general availability to [su.execadmin@uleth.ca](mailto:su.execadmin@uleth.ca) as soon as possible.*

## 13. ADJOURNMENT

### 13.1 ADJOURNMENT

Motion [22XXX] MSC: R. Preston/E. Wong

BIMT the General Assembly adjourns the meeting of September 27, 2022.

**Carried**