



Arts Council Meeting

Thursday, Feb 15th, 2018

6:00pm Psychology Anthropology Sociology 2438

Arts Student Union

University of Waterloo

Agenda

Order	Subject	Action
1	Approval of the Agenda Motion: That Council approve the agenda.	Decision
2	Approval of the February 1 st , 2018 Council Minutes in Appendix A Motion: That the Council approve the above minutes.	Decision
3	Tentative Constitutional Amendments Motion: That the Council approve the Constitutional Amendments.	Discussion
4	Assyrian Chaldean Syriac Student Union’s Event Grant Proposal in Appendix B Motion: That the Council approve the grant proposal.	Decision
5	Global Business Brigades UW Scholarship Grant Proposal in Appendix C Motion: That the Council approve the grant proposal.	Decision
6	Items for Report/Announcement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Executive Reports ● Councillor Reports ● Society Reports 	Information
7	Adjournment	Decision

Minutes

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: That council approve the agenda

First: Classics and Medieval Studies

Second: English Society

Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The council approves the aforementioned agenda.

Approval of the Council Minutes

Motion: That the council approve the February 1st, 2018 Council Minutes

First: Political Science Student Association

Second: Classics and Medieval Studies

Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The council approves the aforementioned council minutes.

Constitutional Amendments Discussion

Discussion: The ASU would like to make some minor changes to the Arts Student Union's constitution with the intention of further clarifying the expectations of executive roles. The first and most fundamental amendment we wish to make is to change the name of the Vice-President Executive role to Vice-President Internal. In addition to this, we wish to add a crucial responsibility to the role in writing which would require this executive to hold termly meetings with all societies individually in collaboration with the VP Finance. The main purposes of these meetings would be to discuss termly budgets and game plans (in terms of events and proceedings of the society), as well as to promote better ties between departmental societies and the ASU executive team. This ASU executive team feels that this new formed tie would encourage collaboration as well as affirm the ASU's role as a helping hand to all societies in the faculty.

The other change which the executive team wishes to put forward is to add an amendment the role of the Vice-President Communications. The premise of this amendment is to constitutionally entrench the expectation that if in the event that a VP Communications lacks a background in design, they will acquire a commissioner who is capable of producing marketing materials for all of the ASU's events and endeavours.

Lastly we will also be correcting any grammatical anomalies and capitalization errors.

The executive team wishes to emphasize our desire to be transparent and opens up the floor to any questions or concerns regarding the proposed amendments. After any necessary discussion takes place the motion will be put forward for the approval of the finalized constitutional document which will be voted for or against at the final council meeting of the term.

Questions: N/A

Motion: That the Council approve these finalized amendments to be put forward in a consolidated document for final approval at the final council meeting of the term.

First: Theatre Students Union

Second: Women's Studies Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Grant Proposals

Assyrian Chaldean Syriac Student Union's Event Grant Proposal

Proposal: The student union asks the ASU for money which will fund a banner for their club and food for their Easter Event (\$180 total). They emphasize that they are a new club which only receive the minimal termly funding of \$75 from FEDs which does not allow them to do as much as they would like to. The student union emphasizes their mission of educating UW students about their culture and creating an even more culturally acceptant culture on campus.

Questions: The Council asks the representative if they have spoken with other faculties' societies about funding, to which the representative responds that they have not done so yet.

Discussion: The society discusses giving the student union the funding for their banner (\$70) but wish for them to return with another grant proposal for additional funding when they have contacted other societies.

Motion: That Council approve the above amended proposal outlined in discussion.

First: History Society

Second: Classics and Medieval Studies

Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: Approves a grant of \$70 for the banner.



Global Business Brigades UW Scholarship Grant Proposal

Proposal: The Global Business Brigades are planning to send volunteers to Honduras this year and are holding the Mission Possible Event on March 24th to help fund the volunteer effort. They ask the Council for \$1720 which will be used to provide scholarships for two volunteers to go to Honduras. The representative emphasizes that this is a great way for students to learn about different cultures, and do positive things in the world. The ASU would receive platinum level sponsorship status, if they provided the scholarship grant and the representative approaches the ASU because volunteers have largely consisted of Arts students in the past. Lastly, the Global Business Brigades will provide Arts Students attending Mission Possible with a discounted \$15 entrance fee to attend the event. All profit from the event goes toward funding the local banks in the countries that they're volunteering in as well as the funding of volunteers going to Honduras this year.

Questions: The Council asks if the representative has only reached out to the ASU for funding. They responded that they have reached out to Math Endowment Fund and their scholarships are being restricted to math students. The council asks which proportions of the volunteers were in Arts last year. The representative explains that of 14 volunteers last term, 9 were in Arts.

Discussion: The Council acknowledges that a large grant is being requested and wishes to approve the proposal on the condition that the two scholarships are award to Arts students only.

Motion: That Council approve the above amended proposal.

First: Political Science Student Association Second: Women's Studies Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The Council approves the grant proposal on the condition that the scholarships are award to Arts students.

Society Reports

History Society

-Selling tickets for the Mackinnon Dinner (\$35 for Arts) starting March 10th in Hagey Hall 133.

Classics and Medieval Studies Society

-Had successful ROM trip.
-Had final successful banquet of the term.
-Finalized Lunch and Lectures Event (spoke to professors who will speak at the event, etc.)

Sociology Society

-Recently had Co-op Panel Event, which had better turnout than last time.
-Moving forward with another Prof Mixer at end of March.
-Finalizing swag/merchandise order.

Political Science Student Association

-Mainly been focussing on upcoming journal submissions (which will begin after reading week).
-Recruiting political science representatives for March Break Open House.
-Holding a Prof Panel after the break.
-Movie and pizza night in lounge after the break.

Human Resources Society

-Working with the department for hold a Prof Mixer Event.

English Society

-Hosting Board games and Hot Chocolate tonight.
-Hoping to have a bomber event after the break.

Women's Studies Society

-Bracelet making event with Philosophy Society last week was a success.
-Working on more small events and plans for the fall term.

Theatre Students Union

-Submitting a swag order after the break.
-Drama ball at will be at the end of March.
-Town hall on February 27th, where students can discuss what's going on in the department (positive and negative).

Arts and Business Society

-Had to postpone headshots event to March 1st.

-Town hall event with undetermined date.

Psychology Society

- First general meeting issue of student disconnect in the department was raised so the society wants to hold more social events (i.e. bomber night, swag, board games) to help mingling.
- Meet the Profs event was a success.
- Study Session will happen at the end of the term.
- De-stress event in March.

German Society

- Board game night happened last Thursday.
- Movie night happening after reading week.
- Trying to decide what to for EOT Event.

Speech Communications Society

- Swag has been dropped.
- Prof/Student Mixer after the break.

Society of Fine Arts

- Pop-up Gallery on happening on February 27th in the SLC.
- Upcoming elections.

Le Cercle Français

- Gala was on February 2nd.
- Planning events for the rest of the term.

Economics Society

- Build your own Goodie Bag was a success yesterday.
- Prof Mixer is happening on March 28th.
- Hoping to order Swag this term.
- Upcoming social.

Legal Studies Society

- Just had a successful event with a turnout of 50-60 people.
- Upcoming applications for Swag and order forms for a trip to court.
- Working on LSJU (LS Journal).
- Hoping to hold a mock LSAT.

Accounting and Finance Student Association

- Coin drive was a success (proceeds going to cancer research).
- Planning semiformal event, 100 people have signed up and tickets will be out tomorrow.
- SAF merchandise is expected to drop in the next couple weeks.

Executive Reports

President

- Reminder about Gala (happening at 7:30 THEMUSEUM on March 24th).
- Co-op fee increase was approved but people are pushing for FEDs to complete the Deep Dive investigation in good time.
- De-stress and Refresh happened last week in collaboration with the AUO and it was a success.
- Another event will happen on March 28th in collaboration with the AUO (puppy de-stress event).
- Valentines Week activities were a success!
- Next council will be Winter Conference. It will be semi-formal and held at the University Club at 5:30. 1-2 representatives from each society are welcome.
- Cross-faculty with FEDs is coming up (Bomber Karaoke Night on March 2nd).

VP Executive

N/A

VP Academic

- Ten Departments are looking for chairs so keep an eye out!

VP Communications

- Working on the executive transitioning document.
- Trying to obtain photos for the website this term.
- Requests for societies send their Winter Conference slides by email no later than Tuesday, February 27th at 6PM so that they can be consolidated into one PowerPoint in good time (the order of society reports will be arbitrarily decided).

VP Finance

- Was just able to pick up cheques from the accountant so society representatives are expecting cheques should see VP Finance after Council.
- VP Finance emphasizes that when societies purchase gift cards, they must give names and addresses of recipients on their cheque request forms.
- Allotment estimates will be sent out tonight.
- Reminder that societies are expected to attend 4 out of 5 council meetings in order to receive their allotment for the term.
- Wants to have midterm meeting with each society, to work on transition issues relating to finance (will put a doodle out for availability after the break).
- Emphasizes the purpose of grant proposals (they are especially for small societies who only receive base allotments but still want to do great things) and encourages smaller societies to put forward grant proposals without hesitation.

VP Retail



N/A

VP Social

N/A

First-Year Representatives

-Bubble soccer event coming up after the break.

Motion to Adjourn

First: History Society

Second: Political Science Student
Association

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: Council approves the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Absences

Anthropology Society

Digital Arts and Communications Students Society

Human Sciences Society

Music Society

Peace and Conflict Studies Society

Philosophy Society

Religious Studies Society

Sexuality, Marriage, and Family Studies Society

Spanish Society

Appendix A

February 1st Council Minutes

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: That council approve the agenda.

First: Classics and Medieval Studies Second: Anthropology Society
Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The council approves the aforementioned agenda.

Approval of the Council Minutes

Motion: That the council approve the Jan 18th, 2018 Council Minutes

First: Philosophy Society Second: Anthropology Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The council approves the aforementioned council minutes.

Approval of Winter 2018 Budget

Motion: That the Council approve the budget.

First: Classics and Medieval Studies Second: Legal Studies Society
Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: The council approves the aforementioned budget.

Grant Proposals

Accounting and Finance Student Association Grant Proposal

Proposal: The society requests funding for AFSA Goes for Gold. The society is hoping to use an ASU grant to subsidize the cost for SAF students to participate in these competitions. Most specifically they ask for \$3000 to subsidize the cost SAF participation in 2-3 competitions this term. The costs for students to participate are quite high at \$200 per delegate (whereas last year it was \$100).

Questions: How much of the society's allotment are they using? AFSA is using some of their allotment to cover a portion. How many students are being sent? 12 students per competition.

Discussion: The society wishes to postpone their decision as the requested amount is high and the details of additional funding as well as the way that the ASU's grant would be utilized are not provided. The society also notes that this delayed response will not affect the students' attendance as they have already paid their fees and the grant would be used for reimbursement.

Motion: That council approve the above proposal.

First:

Second:

Vote: Motion Denied

All against

Resolved: The Council requests a more comprehensive breakdown of the budget, as well as that of their external funding.

St. Jerome's Green and Gold Gala Grant Proposal

Proposal: The grant would be used for SJ's Green and Gold Gala. They are asking for \$600 to cover the cost of buses to the event , as the venue has raised its price by \$1000 in order to account for the minimum wage increase.

Discussion: The council has no issue with this proposal.

Motion: That council approve the above proposal.

First: Classics and Medieval Studies

Second: Anthropology Society

Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: That council approve the aforementioned proposal.

Sociology Society Merchandise Grant Proposal

Proposal: The society is ordering pens and notepads with their logo in order to spread awareness about the society. The cost of the merchandise in total will be \$500, the society has secured half of the necessary funding from the Sociology Department and finally they are asking ASU for \$150.

Discussion: The council expresses no discomfort with approving this grant.

Motion: That council approve the above proposal.

First: Women's Studies Society

Second: Philosophy Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: That council approve the aforementioned proposal.

Classics and Medieval Studies ROM Excursion Grant Proposal

Proposal: The society requests a grant of \$847 for busing services in order for the society to take a trip to the Royal Ontario Museum. 30 students have expressed interest and the event is open to all Arts Students and so busing services would allow for more students to attend the event.

Motion: That council approve the above proposal.

First: English Society

Second: Anthropology Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: That council approve the aforementioned proposal.

Economics Society Prof Mixer Grant Proposal

Proposal: The society is planning a mixer for the 15th of February and is requesting for the ASU to fund the space rental cost (at the Graduate House) and snacks; most specifically they are asking for \$500. The society feels that this is a productive use of money as it is a comfortable environment for student-professor interaction. The cost of the room rental is \$60/hour and they are hoping to rent the space for four hours (\$240). The additional cost of food for the event is based on the attendance of 40 students last term.

Questions: How much of the society's allotment has been used for this event? Has the society reached out to their department for financial assistance (as departments often cover the costs for on-campus venues. The society expresses that they want a financial "cushion" for upcoming terms. The VP Finance expresses the Accountant, Gurpreet's sentiment that societies should not be saving their allotments and should be termly allotments as are paid for by students on campus that term. Allotments are meant to be spent on students who fund those allotments. The society expresses their desire to use their allotment for their mentorship program, rebooting their marketing team, etc. They express that they have been in contact with their department and the department is more inclined to provide their services by the means of professors and not so much in a financial sense.

Discussion: The Council agrees that the event is positive for students, but raises concern about the society not utilising their allotment. This of course raises a past concern of creating a precedent where the ASU pre-emptively provides funding for events which have yet to be planned. The Council feels that there is a lack of clarity in the budget breakdown of the proposal, excluding the cost which will be covered by the society. The Council desires more clarity of this kind in the future so that it is easier to track just how much the ASU is funding society events in proportion with the society.

Motion: That council approve the above proposal.

First: Classics and Medieval Studies

Second: Le Cercle Français

Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Conditional based on more clarity in future proposals which outline the entire budget for event which clarify the uses of the grant.

Resolved: That council approve the aforementioned proposal.

Society Reports

Music Society

- Two society executives are graduating, reminding the society of the necessity of elections for the term.
- The VP Finance is drafting a budget.
- The society has yet to have events, but will be doing similar events as usual (i.e. sushi day, trips to the symphony, study sessions).

Legal Studies Society

- Holding a Networking Event next Wednesday, expecting a turnout of 65 people.
- Releasing merchandise soon.

Global Business and Digital Arts Society

- Society has had 3 successful Lunch and Learn events with high turnouts.
- Will soon be releasing a swag order.
- Planning charity bake sale over the course of Valentine's Week where proceeds will go to the Stratford Humane Society.
- Elections starting next week to allow for exhaustive campaigning.

Le Cercle Français

- French Ball is tomorrow.
- Hosting Board Games Nights in the next bit.
- Upcoming Crepe Night.
- Hosting a small trip to a French play.

Accounting and Finance Student Association

- As of now holding Change for Change, ongoing charity event.
- Laser Quest event this Saturday.
- Pop tab collection going on to donate, to make a wheelchair!
- Upcoming Charity Dodgeball Event where entrance fees are donated to charity.
- During reading week an event will happen where AFSA goes downtown to volunteer at the foodbank.
- Holding study sessions next week for AFM students' upcoming midterms.

Women's Studies Society

- Successful Alumni Panel held last week but they are hoping for more student participation in the future.
- Finalizing constitutional amendments.
- Hosting drop-in bracelet making event with Philosophy Society, next week.

German Society

- Hosting a Board Game Night next week.

- DIY Pretzel Event coming up.
- Term will end off with a Schnitzel Dinner.

Philosophy Society

- Upcoming event with Women's Studies.
- Submitting a grant proposal for merchandise in the next month.
- Upcoming Phil Talk Event coming up based on either academic liberty, or harm reduction theory.
- Drafting constitutional amendments in collaboration with the Philosophy Department.

English Society

- Upcoming Bomber Night.
- Upcoming Movie Night.

Classics and Medieval Studies Society

- Held first meeting of the term which was a success.
- Upcoming ROM trip.
- Monthly society banquets ongoing.
- Introducing brown bag lunches initiative where students can confer and discuss their research developments.

Speech Communications Society

- Doing a lot of collaboration with professors, and working on creating new bulletin boards based on SPCOM program Q&A, and professor showcases.
- Starting Ask Me Anything initiative this term where students can talk with professors about current events.
- Planning student-staff mixer for March 1st.
- Planning EOT which they probably request ASU funding for.
- New swag is coming out with the society's new logo.

Society of Fine Arts

- Two movie nights have taken place so far and another will be held on Monday.
- Art Market Event happening in March.
- Pop-Up Gallery Event happening this month, exhibiting alumni artwork.
- Two succulent sales have taken place to fund the EOT art exhibition.

Anthropology Society

- Finalized Pottery and Plants event on the 15th of February.
- Working on the arrangement of an academic event for the term.

Theatre Students Union

- First movie night of the term was a success.
- Swag being release on Monday.

-Termly Drama Ball is coming up, and the society will be requesting a grant for the event.

-A question is raised about the society changing their name (the ASU Exec are required to see if the society is constitutionally bound to follow a sort of name amendment policy).

Arts and Business Society

-Just held Start-Up which was successful, but the society desires higher turnout for the next time.

-Holding Headshot Session next week.

-Brainstorming about social events for March.

Economics Society

-Just finished setting up recruitment mentorship program, based on building connections.

-The next big event coming up is the Prof Mixer.

Executive Reports

President

- The ASU will be working with the AUO on the De-stress and Refresh Event (happening next Thursday) with succulents, popcorn and trail mix bar being provided by the ASU.
- Valentine's Week; we will have a photo booth on 14th, build your own sundae on the 16th, a prize spinner all week, and candy grams.
- Winter conference will be happening on March first and it counts as a Council meeting. It will be more formal, held at the University Club, at 5:30. One or two members from each society are welcome to attend.
- Gala will be held on March 24th at 7PM, cocktail style, at THEMUSEUM in Kitchener.
- Bubble for a Buck happened yesterday and it was a success.

VP Executive

N/A

VP Academic

- Attended UGAG meeting where the department heads are discussing setting up Honours Arts Co-op (hopefully being piloted next year).
- After more Council deliberation, it is unanimously decided that the ASU's position regarding the petition of the Co-op fee increase is that it should be delayed, pending the completion of the deep-dive investigation of CECA.

VP Communications

- Requests that societies submit all grant proposals by no later than 6PM on the Tuesday prior to each council meeting so that they may be put in the agenda, and that the agenda can be released in decent time prior to the upcoming Council meeting.

VP Finance

- Reminds societies that cheque requests require itemized receipts and proof of payment. If this cannot be provided, cheque requests require printed bank statements.

VP Retail

N/A

VP Social

N/A



First-Year Representatives

-Bubble Soccer Event happening for Arts and non-Arts first-years on February 15th from 12-2PM.

Motion to Adjourn

First: Legal Studies Society

Second: Anthropology Society

Vote: Motion Passes

Resolved: Council approves the motion to adjourn the meeting

Absences

Human Resource Management Society

History Society

Human Sciences Society

Political Science Student Association

Psychology Society

Religious Studies Society

Sexuality, Marriage and Family Studies Society

Spanish Society

Digital Arts Communication Society

Peace and Conflicts Studies Society

Appendix B

Assyrian Chaldean Syriac Student Union's Event Grant Proposal

Society/club name: Assyrian Chaldean Syriac Student Union

Reason for subsidy: The Assyrian Chaldean Syriac Student Union is a new club at UW that began in Fall 2017. Our main goals are to raise awareness on social justice issues, educate the UW community on our culture and history, promote a community at UW that embraces and celebrates everyone's cultural background, and to encourage higher education. We would like to hold an event for Etha (Assyrian Easter) with egg colouring, egg "battling," sweets, decorations, a mini replica of the gates of Ishtar, and old Assyrian games. In addition, we believe that our club would benefit greatly from a general banner to be used at clubs and societies days, information booths and events in order to increase awareness for our group. However, with only base club funding we do not have access to enough money to have an event like this that is open to the whole UW community, or advertise for ourselves well on campus with a banner. As a result, we are hoping that the ASU can provide us with some financial support.

Date of event (if applicable):

Location (if applicable):

Number of participants:

Total expenditures:

Eggs - \$10

Egg colouring tools - \$15

Sweets - \$15

Decorations - \$30

Gates of Ishtar replica - \$25

General banner - \$70

Games - \$10

Expected revenues:

Loan or grant: Grant

Proposed subsidy from Arts Student Union: \$175

Proposed terms of loan repayment (if applicable): :

Allotment already received this term: \$75

Appendix C

Global Business Brigades UW Scholarship Grant Proposal

Society/club name: Global Business Brigades UW

Reason for subsidy: Global Brigades is the world's largest student-led health and economic development organization with varied membership that spans North American and European universities. Through Global Brigades, student and professional volunteers empower communities in developing countries around the world with sustainable solutions that improve quality of life, while respecting local culture. Since 2004, more than 60,000 volunteers from over 350 university clubs have traveled to provide health and economic development solutions to more than 1,000,000 beneficiaries in Honduras, Ghana, Panama and Nicaragua. Founded in November 2015, Global Business Brigades at the University of Waterloo is a Global Brigades chapter which provides students the opportunity to tackle inequalities in global economic development by participating in sustainable development projects. We are proud to be the first organization on campus to offer students the opportunity to volunteer abroad to consult businesses and entrepreneurs, work on microfinance projects, and promote financial literacy. Within two years, we've grown into one of the most prominent organizations on campus with over 500+ general members, numerous partnerships with businesses and educational institutions, 2 successful business brigades in August 2016 & 2017, and an upcoming brigade in August 2018. Our mission is to promote entrepreneurship & sustainable solutions, educate people on business fundamentals, and support start-up growth & development. We are a recognized club under FEDS and receive advisory support and mentorship from St. Paul's Greenhouse.

This summer we'll be working with 3 businesses and a community bank in Honduras, providing consulting services, business development support, and business training, to both our clients and the community bank. Founded in November 2015, Global Business Brigades at the University of Waterloo is a Global Brigades chapter which provides students the opportunity to tackle inequalities in global economic development by participating in sustainable development projects. We are proud to be the first organization on campus to offer students the opportunity to volunteer abroad to consult businesses and entrepreneurs, work on microfinance projects, and promote financial literacy. Within two years, we've grown into one of the most prominent organizations on campus with over 500+ general members, numerous partnerships with businesses and educational institutions, 2 successful business brigades in August 2016 & 2017, and an upcoming brigade in August 2018. Our mission is to promote entrepreneurship & sustainable solutions, educate people on business fundamentals, and support start-up growth & development.

To support our cause we will be holding a case competition for UW Students. The case they will be working on will have direct relations to the problems present in developing countries we visit such as Honduras and Panama and the solutions they create could very much be implemented when we visit Honduras this summer. We are asking the ASU to provide us with \$1720 so that 2 individuals in the competition will be given a scholarship to pay for the fees that they would need to pay when they volunteer with us abroad. There are so many individuals here who could benefit the people of Honduras and we would like to provide them with the opportunity to help without having to be held back by the fee.

Date of event (if applicable): Sat, 2018-03-24

Location (if applicable): RCH

Number of participants: 60 people - 48 of them are the actual competitors

Total expenditures:

Total: \$2140

- Food costs: \$260 (pizza around \$160, additional 100 for drinks and refreshments)
- Miscellaneous costs (name tags, folders, printing the cases, certificates): \$60
- Prizes: \$25 gift card for each person in the winning team (\$100), 2 students win the scholarship (\$860 each x 2 = \$1720)
- Rest of the revenue will be given towards our trip fundraising goal

Expected revenues:

Ticket fee: \$15/person within Arts Faculty, \$20 for rest of the students in other faculties

We are looking for sponsors to help us with our other costs such as Walmart or Sobey's for food, and Starbucks for our winners' gift cards, however we have not yet been able to establish a partnership.

Loan or grant: Grant

Proposed subsidy from Arts Student Union: \$1720 which will be used to provide a scholarship for 2 winning students from the competition to go on our volunteer trip to Honduras.

Proposed terms of loan repayment (if applicable):

Allotment already received this term: 0