Students' Council Regular Meeting Agenda

12:30 PM, December 6, 2015
SLC MPR

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Adding items to the agenda requires a two-thirds vote, although new items of business can still be raised without needing that vote once the entire agenda is complete.

1. **Motion:** “BIRT Council approves the agenda for this meeting.”

CONSENT AGENDA
Per Council Procedure 9, items on the consent agenda will be considered in gross, without debate or amendment. Items will be moved from the consent agenda to the regular agenda upon the request of any member. The purpose of the consent agenda is not to suppress debate but to allow Council to quickly consider and approve uncontroversial items.

2. **Motion:** “BIRT Council adopt the consent agenda for the December 6, 2015 Regular Meeting.”

   a. “BIRT Council receive the attached Councillor Reports.”
      i. [James Koo (AHS)]
      ii. Marium Kirmani (AHS) - *report not submitted*
      iii. Dayna Nelson (Arts) - *report not submitted*
      iv. Hannah Beckett (Arts) - *report not submitted*
      v. Natasha Crasto (Arts)
      vi. Qasim Aaron (Arts) - *report not submitted*
      vii. Amy Yang (Engineering) - *report not submitted*
      viii. Chanakya Ramdev (Engineering) - *report not submitted*
      ix. Julian Wang (Engineering) - *report not submitted*
      x. [Noah Bezaire (Engineering)]
      xi. Rhea Phillip (Engineering) - *report not submitted*
      xii. Nicole Yang (Environment) - *report not submitted*
      xiii. Shalaka Jadhav (Environment) - *report not submitted*
      xiv. Patrick Melanson (Math) - *report not submitted*
      xv. [Tristan Potter (Math)]
      xvi. Deanna Darby Barton (Math) - *report not submitted*
      xvii. Alice Zhou (Math) - *report not submitted*
      xviii. Fatema Boxwala (Math) - *report not submitted*
      xix. [Hayley Hopkins (Renison)]
         Additional *report* on ancillary fees
      xx. Emily Ha (Science)
      xxi. [Niru Gidla (Science)]
      xxii. Tenzing Kuyee (Science) - *report not submitted*
      xxiii. [Abigail Joza (St Jeromes)]
      xxiv. Guile Domingo (Stratford) - *report not submitted*
b. “BIRT Council receive the attached Committee Reports.”
i. Brand Audit Committee
ii. Budget Committee
iii. Campus Life Advisory Committee
iv. Co-op Students Council
v. Education Advisory Committee
vi. Elections and Referenda Committee
vii. Elections and Referenda Appeals Committee
viii. Entrepreneurship Committee
ix. Government Affairs Advisory Committee
x. **Internal Administration Committee**
xi. Internal Funding Committee
xii. Policies and Procedures Committee
xiii. President’s Advisory Committee
xiv. **Commercial Service Advisory Committee**

c. “BIRT Council accept the resignation of Councillor Kush Thaker (Engineering).”

**REPORTS**

*Reports are submitted to Council by various officers and committees of Feds and of Council. Motions arising directly out of a report, including to adopt recommendations in the report, may be considered immediately after the report without having to wait until later in the meeting. No action is required to receive a report. If Council decides to adopt or accept a report, then it is endorsing the entire report and not just the recommendations.*

3. Executive Reports

*Each Executive will highlight key aspects of their written reports in an oral report that lasts no longer than 2 minutes, to be followed immediately by a Question Period lasting no longer than 10 minutes. Each Executive’s Oral Report and Question Period shall be done separately from the others.*

a. President
b. **VP Internal**
c. **VP Operations and Finance**
d. **VP Education**

4. Speaker’s Report

*To be delivered orally. Any questions relating to the report may be asked following the oral report, and other questions for the Speaker can be reserved for the Officers of Council Question Period. Any motions that may arise from the business of the report can be made following the report.*

a. Attendance warnings
   i. Councillor Domingo (3 absences: all unexcused)
   ii. Councillor Beckett (4 absences: 3 excused, 1 unexcused)
   iii. Councillor Jadhav (3 absences: 1 excused, 2 unexcused)

b. Comments on Councillor Reports
5. Representatives and Officers of Council Question Period
    Representatives includes all voting and non-voting members of Council, excluding the Executive, and the Question Period shall last no longer than 10 minutes.

6. Standing Committees and Special Committees of Council Question Period
    Shall last no longer than 10 minutes. The Chair of each Committee will be called upon for all questions first, and the question can then be delegated to another committee member.

SPECIAL ORDERS
A special order is an item of business that will take precedence over all other business at the designated time for the special order. As it suspends the normal rule that each item must be disposed of before another can be brought up, setting or removing a special order requires a two-thirds vote unless originally included in the agenda.

7. Guest Presentation: Catherine Fife, MPP Kitchener-Waterloo (2:00PM)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS
Unfinished business is business carried on to a meeting from the previous meeting. A general order is an item of business that is ordered to be taken up at a meeting. The most important thing that the agenda does is set general orders and their relative ordering. Time limits to discussions indicate the point at which the Speaker will end the discussion unless Council directs otherwise.

I. ELECTIONS

8. Motion: (Elections and Referenda Review Taskforce)
   “BIRT Council strike current Procedure 6: Election and Referenda Procedures and approve the revised Procedure 6: Elections and Referenda Procedures.”
   *See supplementary document outlining summary of changes to Procedure 6

9. Motion: (President Lolas)
   “BIRT Council set the dates of the 2016 Feds General Election to be:
   
   ● All-candidates meeting for Elections: Monday, January 18, 2016
   ● Campaigning period: Thursday, January 28, 2016 – Monday, February 8, 2016
   ● Polling period: Tuesday, February 9 2016, – Thursday, February 11, 2016”

10. Elections:
    a. Elections and Referenda Committee
       i. At-large nominations: Reba Nauth, Doug Turner
       b. Elections and Referenda Appeals Committee

II. REFERENDUM

11. Motion: (President Lolas)
    “WHEREAS The Federation of Students has received a petition to call a referendum
from members, in compliance with the Bylaws of the corporation (Section IV); BIRT Council calls a referendum question:

“Do you think the University of Waterloo should sever ties with the following institutions due to their complicity in violations of the human rights of Palestinians: University of Haifa, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Technion - Israel Institute of Technology, Tel Aviv University, and the Weizmann Institute of Science?”

BIFRT that the dates for the referendum be as follows:

- All-candidates meeting for referendum: Monday, January 4, 2016

III. COUNCIL POLICIES

12. **Motion:** (VPED Hamade) “BIRT Council adopt Policy #: Political Non-Partisanship.”

13. **Motion:** (VPIN Yasin) “BIRT Council adopt Policy #: Satellite Campuses.”

14. **Motion:** (VPIN Yasin)
   “BIRT Students’ Council approves Feds Bike Centre as a student-run service to begin operation in January 2016;
   BIFRT Feds Bike Centre be added into Council Procedure 25, using the mission from the proposal;
   BIFRT Council tasks the Policy and Procedures Committee with ensuring that all council procedures are updated to reflect the addition of the new Bike Centre Service.”

IV. DISCUSSIONS AND UPDATES

15. **Update:** (President Lolas) SLC-PAC Expansion

16. **Update:** (VPED Hamade & Municipal Affairs Commissioner) Student Housing

17. **Discussion:** (Councillor Koo) Campus Parking after Business Hours

NEW BUSINESS

Any Councillor may raise any item of concern during New Business. Generally, long discussions without a specific motion before Council should be avoided, and are technically against the rules of procedure. If a Councillor has any questions about the procedure, form, or content, they should ask the Speaker.

ADJOURNMENT

Scheduled for 6:00PM