The February meeting of the Federation of Students’ Council will be held on Sunday, February 3rd at 12:30 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Student Life Centre.

Agenda Items

Approval of the Agenda

1. Motion: Be it resolved that Council approves the agenda for this meeting.

Consent Agenda

2. Motion: BIRT Students’ Council approves the January 13th meeting minutes of Students’ Council.

3. Councillor Reports
   a. Architecture
   b. Applied Health Science
   c. Arts
   d. Engineering
   e. Environment
   f. Kitchener
   g. Math
   h. Renison
   i. Science
   j. St. Jerome’s

4. Committee Reports
   a. By-Laws, Policies, and Procedures
   b. Budget
   c. Internal Administration
   d. Internal Funding
   e. Education Advisory
   f. President’s Advisory
   g. Election
   h. Election Appeals

Regular Agenda

5. Executive Reports
   a. Vice-President Administration & Finance
   b. Vice-President Education
   c. Vice-President Internal
   d. President

6. Old Business
7. **New Business**
   a. Removal of Councillors
   b. Discussion on Open Council Seats and councillor acclamations
   c. Discussion on Fee Increase - removed
   d. CECA Systems Strategy Presentation (new jobmine) - 1:30
   e. Path Between Lester and Philip
   f. Bylaw and governance improvements. Consultation and preliminary endorsement.
   g. update from the Student Safety Programs Committee
   h. IAC council seat
   i. Glow letter writing proposal
   j. left over council budget
   k. GRT sms fee

8. **General Announcements**

9. **Adjournment**
6. Old Business

a. Board member Election

Whereas Bylaw 8.C states “Vacancies on the Board of Directors, however caused, shall be filled by a voting member of Students’ Council. The method used to select new Directors shall be left to the discretion of Students’ Council.”

BIRT _______ be appointed Board member for the remainder of the 2012-2013 academic year.

7. New Business

a. Removal of Councillors

WHEREAS By-Law VIII subsection J stipulates that if a councillor has been absent and/or more than 30 minutes late for two or more meetings without being excused, shall be deemed to have relinquished his/her seat and the seat shall be vacant, subject to ratification by a simple majority of Students’ Council.

WHEREAS Councillors have been reminded of this rule on a number of basis.

WHEREAS the Councillors that are up for removal have been informed and encouraged to come to the meeting or send a statement to be read on their behalf for their defence.

BIRT Students’ Council ratifies the removal of the following councillors due to attendance, as prescribed in by-law VIII.J.1 and VIII.J.2:

Kristin Flannigan (St. Jerome’s)

b. Discussion on Empty Council Seats and councillor acclamations

c. Discussion on Fee Increase - removed

d. CECA Systems Strategy Presentation (new jobmine) - 1:30

e. Path Between Lester and Philip (moved by President Noble)

Whereas the Federation of Students is committed to the safety of students; and

Whereas a large portion of the student population has a pedestrian commute to school; and

Whereas the large block bounded by Lester Street, Columbia Street West, Phillip Street, and University Avenue presents a barrier for students walking between the Northdale neighborhood and the commercial buildings to the west; and

Whereas the Northdale Land Use and Community Improvement Plan recommends extending pedestrian access between Lester and Phillip.

BIRT Feds encourages the City of Waterloo to create a pedestrian connection between Lester St. and Phillip St that includes appropriate safety measures for both pedestrians and residents.

f. Bylaw and governance improvements. Consultation and preliminary endorsement.

Whereas Students’ Council advised the Board of Directors to refer the proposed bylaws to BP&P for further exploration in October 2012,

Whereas Feds must update our bylaws to correspond to the new Corporations Act by July 1st,
BIRT Students’ Council endorses further exploration of a bylaw revision to be brought forward by the next meeting of Students’ Council.

g. update from the Student Safety Programs Committee

h. IAC council seat
   BIRT ________ be ratified as council member of the internal administration committee for the remainder of the winter 2013 term.

i. Glow letter writing proposal
   BIRT Students’ Council endorses a letter writing campaign, initiated by The Glow Centre for Sexual & Gender Diversity, to advocate against the discriminatory Canadian Blood Services policy than bans men who have sex with men and women who have had sex with a man who has sex with men from donating blood.

j. left over council budget
   Whereas there is approximately $800 of unspent money budgeted for council.
   BIRT Students’ Council approves $_______ of the remaining $800 to be spent towards ________

k. GRT sms fee