

Minutes of the Meeting of the Student Union of Confederation College Inc. Board of Directors – October 5, 2022

Call to Order

Vignesh Viswanathan called the meeting to order at 7:07pm on October 5, 2022.

Board Members Present

Ronnie Kasana, President (virtual)

Hyunjoon Kim, Vice President (virtual)

Robin Gathercole, Director of Athletics & Campus Recreation

Amay Patil, Senator of Business, Hospitality and Media Arts

Andrei Rosario, Director of Social Events

Maricor Ballaret, Director of Wellness & Diversity (8:09pm)

Kuol Ayuen, Senator of Engineering, Technology & Trades

Gailynne Fiddler, OASA Representative

Julian Estrella, Senator of Health, Negahneewin and Community Services

Kaitlyn O'Gay, Senator of Aviation

Vignesh Viswanathan, Chief Justice (e.o.)

Kiran Ramesh, Past President (e.o)

Catherine Hilgers, Support Staff Representative (e.o.)

Kendall Williams, Executive Director

Alyssa Veneruzzo, Administrator, Accounting and Payroll (Recorder)

Regrets

Don Duclos, Admin. Staff Representative (e.o.)

Welcome

Vignesh welcomed everyone to the meeting, and also our two new Board members. Kaitlyn O'Gay, Senator of Aviation and Julian Estrella, Director of Health, Negahneewin and Community Services. Furthermore, an official welcome to Gailynne, OASA representative, as she could not attend the last meeting. Everyone introduced their roles and positions on the board.

Adoption of the Agenda

To discussion items, Kendall added ancillary fees and Robin added Splashtop/Laptop issues. For items for decisions, Alyssa noted changes to the wording on the items. Changed to Confederation College Business Club *recertification* and Confederation College Dungeons and Dragon *certification*.

“On a motion made by Robin and seconded by Hyunjoon that the agenda be adopted.

9/0/0 MOTION CARRIED

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting September 13, 2022

Amended the spelling of Kuol's last name and Maricor was in person, not online.

“On a motion made by Robin and seconded by Kaitlyn that the September 13, 2022 minutes be approved with the noted changes.

9/0/0 MOTION CARRIED

Declaration of Possible Conflicts of Interest

Andrei declared a conflict of interest as the President of the Confederation College Business Club needing recertification.

8/0/1 MOTION CARRIED

Sustainability Eco-Boss Presentation – Curtis Rapley

Curtis did not show up for the meeting. Kendall to follow up with Robin Gould from Facilities.

Items for Discussion

Foosball Table (McIntyre)

Robin noted there have been many complaints by the students at the McIntyre building, with regards to the condition of their foosball table. Robin had done some research on pricing and is looking for approval to purchase a table for McIntyre. The info has been provided to the Executive committee to review and see if funding for the item is available, as it was not included in the 2022-23 budget. Kaitlyn also addressed a concern, that the Aviation Centre did not have any form of gaming entertainment either and would it be possible for that building to have a foosball table or some form of game as well. The executive committee will review next week and bring to the board for cost approvals.

Retreat feedback

Overall, everyone enjoyed the retreat weekend. They all noted Jim Lees was a great facilitator and also enjoyed getting to know everyone on a more personal level. They also enjoyed the structured activities presented by Thomas. Kiran had mentioned that the last retreat he attended, there were more games, dancing and entertainment in the evening. The SUCCI administrative staff will also review the weekend activities and brainstorm for ideas and suggestions for future retreats.

Ancillary Fees

Kendall presented the agreement between Confederation College and SUCCI with regards to how the procedures work for student ancillary fees. Any increase to a student fees must be reviewed and approved by the SUCCI board, before it can proceed to the college's board of governors. Fees for fall of the following year, are usually approved quite early in the semester (October), so that there is ample time to get posted for the New Year. Don Duclos, will attend our October 19th meeting to discuss these fees. In the coming weeks, the Executive Committee will review and make suggestions on these fees, and final approval to come before the board.

Splashtop/Laptop

Robin and Hyunjoon discussed a concern for some student's still needing access to use Splashtop to access important programs related to the studies of their class. (Splashtop is a program that allows any student user, access to college computers remotely) Students were given access during the Pandemic to Splashtop (due to classroom restrictions), but now the college has chosen not to renew more licenses. Many students are concerned, as they cannot access the same program capabilities, they were accustomed to using. As suggested by others,

Ronnie and Kendall will bring this issue up to IT, VPA or Academic Council and see if there can be an exception made for limited licenses for this year, so that students who had previous access can continue using this software. Robin also addressed a concern for students not able to come on campus due to illness or COVID restrictions. Alyssa noted that if any student is ill or unable to complete assignments due to illness, that they should contact their program coordinator and student success to discuss an option for an accommodations plan.

Items for Decision

Confederation College Business Club - recertification

“On a motion made by Ronnie and seconded by Hyunjoon that the Confederation College Business Club be recertified and approved.

8/0/1 MOTION CARRIED

Confederation College Dungeons and Dragons Club – certify

There was some discussion on the name of the club “Hellfire Dungeons and Dragons Club, so board suggested not using Hellfire in any social or printed matter.

“On a motion made by Andrei and seconded by Hyunjoon that the Confederation College Dungeons and Dragons Club be approved.

7/0/2 MOTION CARRIED

New Business

Gailynne updated everyone on the upcoming elections for OASA. Some candidates have put up posters amongst the college and a debate for candidates is set to happen next week in the SUCCI lounge. Gailynne also let us know that voting is open to all students. Kaitlyn also mentioned she could put up posters in the Aviation building. In other news, she is hoping to create a Retreat style event for their OASA board members as well. Kendall noted to reach out to Darcy McWhirter to discuss the budget piece as funds are set aside for their board.

Julian brought up a need for some students interested in creating a dance group and having access to the Wellness Centre spaces. There is a room available in the Wellness Centre that can be booked. Alyssa will look into whom you can contact to book that space. Another suggestion is that if there is a need for many people wanting to create a dance club that they can always apply to be certified as a SUCCI sanctioned Club. They can speak with Ashley or Thomas in SUCCI for more info.

Next Board Meeting – October 19, 2022

Adjournment

“On a motion made by Maricor and seconded by Robin that the board meeting be adjourned at 8:40 pm”

MOTION CARRIED

10/0/0