

Minutes of the Meeting of the Student Union of Confederation College Inc. Board of Directors – November 2nd 2022

Call to Order

Lynne Savela called the meeting to order at 7:08pm on November 2nd, 2022.

Board Members Present

Ronnie Kasana, President

Hyunjoon Kim, Vice President

Maricor Ballaret, Director of Wellness & Diversity

Amay Patil, Senator of Business, Hospitality and Media Arts

Andrei Rosario, Director of Social Events

Kuol Ayuen, Senator of Engineering, Technology & Trades (arrived at 7:45)

Kaitlyn O'Gay, Senator of Aviation

Julian Estrella, Senator of Health, Negahneewin and Community Services

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

Kendall Williams, Executive Director (Recorder)

Lynne Savela, Guest (Chair)

Robin Gould, Director of Facilities, Guest

Regrets

Gailynne Fiddler, OASA Representative

Vignesh Viswanathan, Chief Justice (e.o.)

Kiran Ramesh, Past President (e.o.)

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

Robin Gathercole, Director of Athletics & Campus Recreation **Voted on items for decision by proxy*

Adoption of the Agenda

Change the date from October 5th to October 19th, and under items for discussion add Provincial Advocacy Organization.

"On a motion made by Joon and seconded by Julian that the agenda be adopted.

7/0/0 MOTION CARRIED

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting – none

Note to the attendees that Kendall was the meeting recorder, and to correct the spelling of Kuol's last name

"On a motion made by Maricor and seconded by Julian that the October 19th, 2022 minutes be approved with the noted changes.

7/0/0 MOTION CARRIED

Declaration of Possible Conflicts of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

Items for Discussion

Sustainability

Robin Gould, Director of Facility Services, gave a presentation on the Sustainable Development Goals, and the work that Confederation College is doing. Confederation College is the second college to sign the SDG accord and has put sustainability into the Strategic Plan. As part of the SDG, Confederation College did an audit to see where they stand in the 17 areas and from that set target goals for 2022-2023; the goals are around no poverty, gender equality, climate action, and life on land. SUCCI plays a key role in helping to accomplish these goals, and Robin is looking for suggestions on what we can do. The board had a good discussion about various initiatives and actions SUCCI could do, and Kendall will have a follow-up with Robin to see how we move these forward.

OCAA Recap

Kendall gave an update on the OCAA cross-country running championships that took place on Oct 29th. The event was a great success with colleges from across Ontario in attendance. Some of the feedback from the athletes is that it was one of the most challenging courses they had run. Confederation College's team of runners did a great job representing our school, and one of the athletes qualified for nationals in Medicine Hat later this month. A big thank you to all the board members who attended and volunteered their time to help make the event a success.

Audit Process Overview

Kendall took a moment to explain the process for reviewing the audit. Right now, our auditor is preparing our draft audit, they will then present this at the next board meeting for the board to review and ask questions. At the following board meeting, the board will be asked to approve the audited financial statements. Lynne provided a bit of history and explained that SUCCI has always come back with a clean audit from our auditors.

SUCCI Office Hours

Joon reminded everyone of the importance of office hours, and the expectations of the board members. As board members, they are required to have a minimum of 4 office hours a week, and that other board members and staff count on them to be in the office at the times they set. If board members' schedules are no longer working, they need to go to SUCCI and change their office hours. Joon also encouraged all board members to check their emails daily and reply to SUCCI emails in a timely fashion.

Provincial Advocacy Organization

Ronnie checked in with everyone to make sure they were all feeling comfortable with the information given on the Provincial Advocacy Organization and answer any further questions and provide clarification for board members prior to a decision being made. Lynne gave some historical information on her years of experience working with student advocacy groups, and the work they have done.

Items for Decision

Provincial Advocacy Organization

“On a motion made by Ronnie and seconded by Andrei to keep continuing with the newly formed PAO after the end of April 2023 to represent and advocate strongly on behalf of our student's needs and priorities.

8/0/0 MOTION CARRIED

Ancillary Fees

“On a motion made by Ronnie and seconded by Maricor that SUCCI approves the increase of \$2 to the Information Technology fee for the year 2023-24.

9/0/0 MOTION CARRIED

“On a motion made by Ronnie and seconded by Amay that SUCCI approves the increase of \$3 to the wellness center membership fees for the year 2023-24.

9/0/0 MOTION CARRIED

“On a motion made by Ronnie and seconded by Andrei that SUCCI approves the increase of \$8 in Athletics and Recreation fees for the year 2023-24.

9/0/0 MOTION CARRIED

“On a motion made by Ronnie and seconded by Julian that SUCCI approves the increase of \$10 to the Domestic Student Health plan fee for the year 2023-24.

8/0/1 MOTION CARRIED

“On a motion made by Ronnie and seconded by Julian that SUCCI approves the increase of \$14 in UPass fees for the year 2023-24.

9/0/0 MOTION CARRIED

OASA Update

An OASA representative was unable to attend the meeting. Ronnie gave an update that he will not be attending the OASA board meetings as a representative of SUCCI and will be working on some potential upcoming student events.

Next Board Meeting – November 16th at 7:00 pm

Adjournment

Lynne Savela adjourned the meeting at 8:45 pm