

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
2020/2021**

Date: Nov 4, 2020

Term: SS20

Chair Member: Chavannay Bennet

Attendees:

<i>Title</i>		<i>AUSU Members</i>	<i>Authorized Proxy</i>
President	★	Yahaya Alphonse	
VP Campus Affairs	★	Japhet John	
VP Student Life	★	Cieanna Walcott	
VP Indigenous		Vacant	
International Student Councilor		Vacant	
Queer* Councilor	★	Rebecca Gwynn	
Residence Councilor		Elvis Boakye	
Athletics & Varsity Councilor		Vacant	
Women's Councilor		Vacant	
Diversity & Equity Councilor		Vacant	
Mature/PT Councilor		Vacant	
International Student Councilor	★	Balpinder Kaur	
Brampton Rep		Vacant	
Timmins Rep		Vacant	
Recording Secretary – NV		Dipeeka Luitel	
Ombudsperson – NV		Tyler Murphy	
Chair – NV	★	Chavannay Bennet	
Finance Coordinator – NV		Vacant	
Office Coordinator – NV	★	Janette Wallace	
People's Garden Coordinator – NV	★	Johnathan Lalonde	
Food Pantry Coordinator – NV		Alyson Macleod	
WUSC Coordinator – NV		Vacant	
Communications Officer – NV	★	Chardon Kozak	
Equity Officer – NV		Ali Pearson	

Meeting called to order at:	1:09pm	Confirmation of Quorum:	5	# of members present:	9
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Approval of Last Meeting Minutes	Moved by: Yahaya Seconded by: Cianna			
Vote Count	In Favor: 5	Opposed: 0	Abstain: 0	

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Voting Items:

Agenda Item(s):	Prioritize other AUSU capital projects		
Speaker(s):	Janette, Yahaya		
Motion:	Be it resolved on this day the AUSUS Board of Directors have identified and prioritized a commitment to the following capital/student space improvements for the SSM campus which will include: SASA Lounge, Speakeasy phase 1, AUSU Office, Globe, and People’s Garden Expansion.		
Discussion:	<p>J – Previous 2018-2019 board had requested loan for up to \$1million for SSM campus for renovations. The Brampton campus renovations will be funded by the city of Brampton. The purpose of the renovations is to create safe, inclusive student spaces on campus. First renovation was that for the SASA lounge which had a funding of \$50k. Second project will be Speakeasy for approximately \$1.4million plus additional cost and fees. The AUSU Capital Infrastructure Project has estimated updated costs of renovation for \$1.7million by the company ‘S&T’. In the capital fund there is \$1.4M which replenishes at 200k/year and we can use to pay off the loan, so to be safe and not run out money we should ask for \$2M loan. Community First is looking for a lean on the loan and Algoma University is willing to take collateral on the loan.</p> <p>Y – The capital fund replenishes further with increased enrollment which Algoma is striving for, so this appears to be the best approach to take at the moment.</p> <p>Be it resolved on this day the AUSUS Board of Directors have identified and prioritized a commitment to the following capital/student space improvements for the SSM campus which will include: SASA Lounge, Speakeasy phase 1, AUSU Office, Globe, and People’s Garden Expansion.</p> <p>Mover – Yahaya; Seconder – Japhet Motion passes</p>		
Vote Count:	In Favor: 5	Opposed: 0	Abstain: 0

Agenda Item(s):	Securing \$2M loan		
Speaker(s):	Janette		
Motion:	Motion to secure a 2mil loan to finance the construction projects that were identified in the above motion		
Discussion:	<p>J –The architect costs are above the \$1.4mil for the Speakeasy, which is a fee of 19%. Will work with Algoma to pay for the costs of the \$1.7M but the \$2M loan request is to ensure that if Algoma proceeds with the computer lab construction then AUSU will not be without an office.</p> <p>Motion to secure a 2mil loan to finance the construction projects that were identified in the above motion</p> <p>Mover – Cieanna; Seconder – Yahaya Motion passes</p>		

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Agenda Item(s):	Speakeasy Financial Commitment-Letter of Intent			
Speaker(s):	Janette			
Motion:	Motion to commit to the financial expenditure cap of 1.7 mil as quoted by the tendered contractor S & T to complete the stated construction & professional work as provided in the supporting documentations			
Discussion:	<p>J – as mentioned in the discussions above Motion to commit to the financial expenditure cap of 1.7 mil as quoted by the tendered contractor S & T to complete the stated construction & professional work as provided in the supporting documentations</p> <p>Mover – Cieanna; Seconder – Yahaya Motion passes</p>			
Vote Count:	In Favor: 5	Opposed: 0	Abstain: 0	

Adjournment of Agenda		Motion to adjourn the meeting at: 1:49		
		Moved By: Yahaya Seconded By: Japhet		
Vote Count:	In Favor: 5	Opposed: 0	Abstain: 0	