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# **UTMSU BOARD MEETING #10**

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# Your Guide to Robert's Rules of Order

## **RULES OF ORDER AT A GLANCE**

<b>To Do This:</b>	<b>You Say This:</b>	<b>May You Interrupt the Speaker?</b>	<b>Must You be Seconded?</b>	<b>Is the Motion Debatable?</b>	<b>Is the Motion Amendable?</b>	<b>What Majority is Required?</b>
Object to incorrect procedure being used	Point of order	Yes	No	No	No	No vote taken, chair rules
Seek clarification from the previous speaker	Point of information	Yes, if urgent	No	No	No	No vote taken, chair rules
Object to something which prevents your continued participation (eg. excessive noise)	Point of personal privilege.	Yes	No	No	No	No vote taken, chair rules
Object to a motion being considered	I object to consideration of this motion.	Yes	No	No	No	2/3 Majority
Consider something out of its scheduled order	I move the agenda be amended in order to deal with the following item....	No	Yes	No	No	2/3 Majority
Overturn the ruling of the chair	I challenge the chair on...	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Majority
Change a motion	I move that the motion be amended to read...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Have a motion studied more before voting on it	I move that the motion be referred to....	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Postpone further discussion on a motion until later in the meeting	I move that the motion be tabled until ...	No	Yes	Only to time	Yes	Majority
Postpone consideration of a motion until a future meeting	I move that the motion be postponed until...	No	Yes	Only to time	Yes	Majority
Raise a matter previously tabled	I move that motion...be lifted from the table.	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Reconsider a motion already voted on earlier in the meeting	I move that motion...be reconsidered.	Yes	Yes	Yes (if original motion was)	No	Majority
End debate on a motion	I call the question.	No	Yes	No	No	2/3 Majority
Ask that everyone's vote on a particular motion be recorded in the minutes	I call for a roll call vote.	No	No	No	No	No vote required, chair rules
Recess the meeting	I move that the meeting recess until ...	No	Yes	Only to time	No	Majority
End the meeting	I move that the meeting adjourn.	No	Yes	No	No	Majority

**Attendance**

Executives

Maelis Barre  
Wenhan Lou  
Alistair Kirk  
Suraqa Noor  
Reagan Roopnarine  
Fatima Yakubi (non-voting)

Executive Director:

Felipe Nagata (non-voting)

Division I

~~Arnav Nagzirkar~~  
Thammathorn (Tham)  
Paweewan

Division II

Cyrus Joshua Mena  
Niguel Walker  
Zinah Atsleman  
Annie Bhaskar  
~~Mohammad Safwan Zahid~~  
~~Xiyu (Charlotte) Wang~~

~~Robert Le~~ (proxy to  
Cyrus)  
~~Fatima Abbas~~  
Yunqi (Eddy) Zhang

Division III

*Vacant*

Division IV

Chidalu Edechi

Varsity

Al-Aref

**#1. CALL TO ORDER**

*Meeting called to order at 3:10pm.*

**#2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & EQUITY STATEMENT - Alistair**

**#3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**MOTION**

Moved: M. Barre

Seconded: T. Paweewan

Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.

**VOTE**

**MOTION PASSED**

**Amendment to add the Earthquake Relief motion and the Referendum Charter motion to the agenda**

**MOTION**

Moved: M. Barre

Seconded: S. Noor

**VOTE**

**MOTION PASSED**

<b>#4.</b>	<b>EXECUTIVE REPORT</b>
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**MOTION**

Moved: W. Lou

Seconded: A. Kirk

Be it resolved that the verbal executive report be approved as presented.

**VOTE**

**MOTION PASSED**

Suraga

- Lobby Week
  - A lot students came & were able to meet a lot of UTM administrators
  - Brought up our demands & got some responses - can be found on the UTMSU Instagram page in the recap post
  - Was a success
- WUSC
  - Had 2 fundraisers
    - Done with Peace by Chocolate, a small business run by a Syrian family
    - Was able to support the business and WUSC
  - Had a WUSC open committee meeting for this month
- Had an ASAC meeting
  - Passed fall audits
  - Awards prep for campus groups
    - Also discussed it with the Dean's office
  - Elections training for campus groups
- Planning for the Undergraduate Research Symposium
  - In process of finalising the judges
  - In collaboration with the Dean's office
  - Prize for the first 3 places: \$1000
- Academic offences
  - Working with a lot of Dean's designate meetings & petitions

Reagan

- Currently restocking Food Centre
  - In high demand recently
  - Back to collaborating with the course ITA235
    - Students volunteer & get course credit
    - They just received their training this morning
- Black History Month
  - Final event is tonight
    - a closed space for Black-identifying students
    - A dinner/games night
    - Catering ethnic food from Black businesses
- Bursaries season
  - Will be going through a lot of bursaries with the Bursaries Committee & be getting them out to students
- Sustainability Week
  - It's coming soon
  - Working on town hall - still a work in progress
    - There'll be a repurposed fashion show at Davis

Fatima

- Frost Week
  - Went from the end of January to the beginning of February
  - Had 7 events:
    - Sip & paint
    - Drive-in movie
    - Yoga event
    - Mental health conversation
      - Collaborated with Health Awareness Week
  - Opportunities to meet campus groups & meet other students
- Worked on the Montreal reading week trip
  - Only a few tickets left
  - Going on the Wednesday of reading week
  - Itinerary was sent out
- Chaired a Commission Meeting
  - Got a lot of feedback from students for the upcoming events
- Valentine's Day events happened
  - One in collaboration with SEC (Sexual Education Centre)
    - Conversation about safer relationships, spaces, boundaries, etc.
  - Another in collaboration with UTMSU
    - Personalised gift making for their significant other or for themselves
- Had a Clubs Committee Meeting
  - Passed budget lines for the collaborations for the Black History Month events
  - Relay for Life event
    - Run by CASO - they asked collaboration funding for this event
    - March 3rd
- Worked on Campus group elections & training
  - Worked with Suraqa & Hana

Berry

- Hired CRO & DRO for elections
- Poll clerk applications are currently open
  - There are a lot of applicants so far
- Have been in touch with several sponsors to come for tabling
  - Currently at the negotiations stage
  - Goal is to get the negotiation binding by the end of next week
- Commission Meetings on Feb 7 - chaired the Service Commission
  - Received a lot of advice from students
    - Ex. getting more grocery discount from the InfoBooth for students
    - Ex. More coffee machines at the Blind Duck

Alistair

- Voting at the Council of Student Services (COSS)
  - Successfully voted against the passing of increasing fees in the Student Life Operating plan and in the Sports & Recreation Creating plan
  - COSS serves all 3 campuses, voting on proposed budgets for provided services
- Attended the UTM Campus Affairs Committee meeting
  - Pass budgets the board approved at the last board meeting
  - Was successful
- Have been working on the International Students Handbook
  - Worked with Maëlis and Felipe

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- 2nd version has been submitted
  - After the 2nd version has been edited, the final version of the handbook will be done
  - Goal is to release it in March
  - International Students Forum
    - 2nd one will be taking place on Feb 27
      - Based on tax filing, tax benefit and tax credit
      - It'll be virtual
      - Collaborating with the CRA
  - Have been prepping for the CFS Lobby Week
    - Will be taking place from Feb 27 - Mar 2
    - Lobby documents have been released

### Maëlis

- Lobby Week
  - Focused on the Food Security campaign (Fairness for International Students) & the Free Education campaign (Education for All)
    - Worked with Suraqa
  - Will be following up on administration for the commitments they made during the meetings
  - All information has been put up on social media for students to access
- Elections
  - Hired the CRO
  - EARC reviewing the Election Procedure Code
- All the executives had a mid-year check-in to review their campaign points that students elected them on
- UPASS
  - Still having weekly meetings with Metrolinx, UTM administration & MiWay to figure out logistics & answer student questions
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- Supporting Syrian & Turkish students
  - Have been working with the Syrian & Turkish student associations (SSA & TSA) & other Syrian & Turkish students
  - Worked with them on releasing a statement
  - Supported them on their donation drive & fundraisers, which were at the Student Centre the whole week
    - Helped them find space for hosting the events
  - Provided logistical help
  - Planning to have a donation (later agenda item)
  - Will be training some executives from SSA & TSA to know how to provide peer support
    - Because peer support volunteers don't have the lived experience that Syrian/Turkish students are experiencing
- Chaired the Campaigns and Advocacy Commission meeting
  - Was a productive meeting
- Levy group meeting
  - Supporting them on their structure, such as ensuring that students can make the most out of these groups, helping them make better events, etc.
- Worked on the International Students Handbook with Alistair

**#5. AMENDMENT TO THE ELECTION PROCEDURE CODE (EPC)**

**MOTION** Moved: W. Lou Seconded: T. Paweewan

Be it resolved that the amendments to the Election Procedure Code outlined in Appendix A be approved as presented.

**VOTE**

**MOTION PASSED**

- The edits were approved by the EARC before
- This will be an approval for the final version of the EPC
- If have questions, can ask Felipe or Maëlis

**#6. REFERENDUM APPROVAL - HOUSE CANADA**

**MOTION** Moved: W. Lou Seconded: C. J. Mena

Be it resolved that HOUSE Canada referendum be approved by the board with the following question.

HOUSE Canada: Do you, as an UTMSU member, agree to a \$5.00 per session fee (full-time) or \$2.50 per session fee (part-time); adjusted annually to increase or decrease in accordance with the Toronto Consumer Price Index?

**VOTE**

**MOTION PASSED**

- The question is being approved, not the answer to this question
- The UTMSU help with the logistics and the structure of the referendum, not the actual referendum

**#7. REFERENDUM APPROVAL - UTM REGENESIS**

**MOTION** Moved: W. Lou Seconded: T. Paweewan

Be it resolved that UTM Regenesis referendum be approved by the board with the following question.

Regenesis UTM: Do you agree to a levy of \$5.00 per session for full-time students and \$2.50 per session for part-time students; adjusted annually in accordance with the Ontario Consumer Price Index?

**VOTE**

**MOTION PASSED**

**#8. UPCOMING**

- UTMSU Spring Election - February 27th, 2023
  - Nomination period - 27th - 13th
    - Get package from CRO
    - Get signatures from students - to be nominated to run as a candidate
    - CRO
  - Campaign period - 6th-13th
  - Voting period - 14th-16th
    - Reading week for MAM - Felipe will come up with a system for the MAM students
  - Positions available - all the same (except for VP Campus Life)
    - If you want to run, you have to take a leave of absence from any UTMSU work during the whole election period
  - If you have questions, you can ask CROs

**#9. OTHER BUSINESS**

9.1 Earthquake Relief

**MOTION**

Moved: M. Barre

Seconded: W. Lou

Be it resolved that the UTMSU donate \$1000 to an organisation working on earthquake relief in Turkey and Syria.

- Will give \$500 to each
- Will be giving the donations to the student associations because they have been in touch with organisations that will bring the donations to the people who need it - after we donate to the associations, the associations will be donating to those organisations

**VOTE**

**MOTION PASSED**

9.2 Referendum Charter

**MOTION**

Moved: M. Barre

Seconded: Y. Zhang

Be it resolved the amendments to the charter of referendum be approved as presented.

**VOTE**

**MOTION PASSED**

Changes

- Date of approval
- Table of content page numbers
- Notice
  - Changed to a mass announcement instead of 100 physical notices
  - Added that any information requested by the EARC or BOD must be added to the notice/mass announcement
- Petitions
  - Changed ROSI to ACORN
  - Deleted DOB
  - Changed “Elections and Referenda Committee” to “EARC”
  - Added an extra week
    - A request from the CRO since 3 weeks is too little time to receive and verify the petitions
  - Added virtual petitions (as opposed to only physical paper petitions)
  - Added that board members can take part in reviewing petitions but cannot take part in voting
- The Question
  - Deleted a section because it was a repeat from what was already said under “Petitions”
  - Clarified that only undergraduates and MAM students are part of this, not graduate students
- Campaigning
  - The Election Procedure Code (EPC) is more detailed than what was previously written on the Referendum Charter, so it was changed to referring to the EPC
  - Changed “parties” from “committees”
    - Because there are so many committees
  - The previous postering policy doesn't exist anymore, so it was removed
    - Postering policies will be according to the EPC and the University postering policies
  - Added “in-person” to h.
  - Changed EARC to CRO in i. to ensure there was a separate party from EARC dealing with the demerit points
    - Since EARC was mentioned in the previous version, it was added that appeals can be made to EARC
- Demerit Points
  - Took away financial penalties
  - Added “Wall of Transparency” to show demerit points
- Union Referenda
  - Changed “University of Toronto Recognized Groups” to “UTMSU Recognized Campus Groups”

<b>#10.</b>	<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>
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**MOTION**

Moved: M. Barre

Seconded: S. Noor

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 4:07pm.

**VOTE**

**MOTION PASSED**

<b>VALIDATION</b>		
<b>MAELIS BARRE PRESIDENT</b>		<b>Friday, February 17, 2023</b>
<b>NAME AND POSITION</b>	<b>SIGNATURE</b>	<b>DATE</b>