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UTMSU BOARD MEETING #7

Your Guide to Robert's Rules of Order

RULES OF ORDER AT A GLANCE

| To Do This: | You Say This: | May You Interrupt the Speaker? | Must You be Seconded? | Is the Motion Debatable? | Is the Motion Amendable? | What Majority is Required? |
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| 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

Gulfara (Gulfy) Bekbolatova
Yongxin (John) Liang
Okikioladuni (Kiki) Ayoola
Ruth Alemayehu
Layana Alnabhan
Jasnoor Sandhu (non-voting)

Division I

Xingyi (Freya) Gao
Rui (Owen) Zhang

Fahad Amir
Aleeza Khan
Daria Balgimbay
Iman Hassan

Division II

Ayesha Arfatun
Chuang Dong (Daniel) Shen
Alpha Li

Division III

Vacant

Staff (non-voting):

Felipe Nagata (Executive Director)
Teresa (Isa) Vo (Assistant to the Board)
Faith Leung (Minute-taker)

Niyati (Kiwi) Bhatt
Amreta Umraw
Jiya Rao
Sandra Risco

Division IV

Vacant

#1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 4:15pm.

#2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & EQUITY STATEMENT - Ruth

#3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION

Moved: G. Bekbolatova

Seconded: L. Alnabhan

Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as amended (with the executive reports).

AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA

MOTION

Moved: G. Bekbolatova

Seconded: R. Alemayehu

VOTE - CARRIED

VOTE - CARRIED

Niyati (Kiwi) Bhatt joined the meeting.

#4. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

MOTION

Moved: G. Bekbolatova

Seconded: L. Alnabhan

Be it resolved that the Executive Reports be approved as presented.

VOTE - CARRIED

John

- HR
 - Hired 3 new photographers - had more events this year
 - Conducted interviews for the Member Services (full-time) position - still at hiring stage
- Services
 - Voting member of QSS (Quality Student Services) for UTM
 - Part of COSS (Council of Student Service) for UofT tri campus

- Listen to and vote on reports from the others (ex. Career Centre, Hart House)
- Job is to report the motions and key mentions from QSS (as a representative of UTM)
- Been working with Armstrong & Shane to bring an East Asian menu to the Blind Duck - still at the beginning of this proposal
- Chinese New Year hot pot event - Feb 8 @ 6-9pm
 - Mandarin speaking event that's been happening since 2016
 - Performances and raffles
 - 40 volunteers, 1 WeChat coordinator, VP Internal associates

Jasnoor

- Artic Week - finished
 - an artistic spin-off of last year's Frost Week
 - Had a bunch of collaborations with ex. Crochet Club, Gujarati Students Association
- Winter Fest
 - Clothing drive
 - Hot chocolate bar
 - Free breakfast
 - Tinsel and treats carnival
 - Holiday market
- Culture Fest - next week
 - A lot of cultural collaborations
- Valentine's Day
 - Bouquet making workshop, bracelet making workshop, etc.
 - Collaboration with the Crochet Club
- Montreal Reading Week Trip
 - Confirming itinerary and hotel logistics
- Block Party

Layana

- December
 - Late night dinner in collaboration with WUSC
 - Puppy yoga
 - Decompression space
 - Gingerbread house in collaboration with the Peer Support Program & Housing Committee
- January
 - Received a lot of academic integrity cases
 - Supported these students with Kiara
 - Had a meeting with the Academic Integrity Unit - to be more able to inform and support students more efficiently
 - Had a Committee on Standing meeting
 - Reviewed and voted on student's petitions
 - Started planning for the Undergraduate Research Symposium
 - Released the Emergency Academic Bursary - to provide financial support to students
 - Ex. exam deferral fee, textbook costs
 - Finalising the academic yearbook
 - Resumed Headshot service
 - Organising with Ruth and Jasnoor on the Afro-Latin Pub Night
 - Promoting and working on Lobby Week
 - Implementation of consent training google form
 - Meeting with department chairs
 - Working on extending CR/NCR
 - Met with SCSU last week
 - Met with Downtown Legal Services
 - With Kiki and Kiara

- To talk about potential ways on how we can support students by bring them on campus so that students can ask them questions about housing & academics
- WUSC
 - Supporting the current student on campus with textbook purchases
 - Planning a fundraiser event in February
 - WUSC volunteers have been outreaching to increase engagement and inform students about WUSC
 - Had a meeting with the WUSC main office
 - with Felipe & the WUSC coordinators
 - To discuss & finalise the 2024/2025 sponsorship

Kiki

- Worked on the Academic Plan Deputation with Gulfy
 - A 5+-year plan on how the university will operate
 - Presented the most prevalent problems for UTM students to the deans, department chairs and external consultations
- Lobby Week - in preparation
 - Collaborating with many clubs and departments in their events to get more responses on our lobby document forms
 - Ex. Gingerbread decorating event
 - Restructuring how lobby week works
- Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) National General Meeting
 - In Toronto
 - November 23rd-28th, 2023
 - Met to discuss problems from respective campuses
 - Discuss what CFS support to each campus union should look like
- Housing Committee
 - Housing guide
 - Research is almost complete
 - Working on physical aspects - online/physical book/both, format, etc.
 - Financial consideration & aids portion
 - Working with UTM Off-Campus Housing Department
 - To acquire sponsorships for the forum (where we'll launch the guide & housing committee grants)
 - Public legal education session & drop-in clinic
 - With Downtown Legal Services
- TAP - Transit Advocating Party
 - Met with MiWay executives to discuss future of transit on this campus
 - Ex. how to improve for the winter semester
 - Scheduled meetings with counsellors, especially those who will be re-running & those who can have an impact on transit on this campus, & news outlets
- BHM - Black History Month

Ruth

- BHM
 - 7 events
 - Collaborations with all Black campus groups & some university departments
 - With have a gala at the end of March with UTSG, UTSC, Trent, TMU
- Black Career Pathways Project
 - Got funding from the Pillar sponsorship last month - \$5000
 - From TD & Manulife
 - Had first event on Tuesday - Black Careers in Law
 - Recording posted on YouTube
 - Had 70+ people in the Presentation Room
 - Had dinner
 - Will have other events for other careers

- Black Alumni Mentorship Program
- Sustainability Week - coming up in March
 - Environmental Justice Case Competition
 - This year's theme: Bridge the Gap
 - allowing students from all disciplines to talk about sustainability
- Implementing a free clothing store for the spring
 - Possibly starting a thrift shop as a new UTMSU service in the sustainability office upstairs
- Bursaries
 - Posted winter bursaries for this semester - open for another week
 - Possibly starting an Emergency Bursary
- Lobby Week
 - With all the other execs
 - Got over 100 responses on the forms, but we need more voices
 - Met with chairs from the Political Science Department and Department of Visual Studies - got good reviews for the lobby documents
- Food Centre
 - Capacity building fund - trying to change some of the Food Centre services by getting more appliances
 - Ex. microwave, stove

Gulfy

- Had a 4-5 hrs meeting with Felipe at the start of the semester, all the execs and full-time staff
 - Discussed goals for the semester, how campaign goals are going, how last semester went
 - Created timelines & divided up tasks
- Had the academic planner presentation this week
 - How university can support students with their jobs - how to help students be more employable
- QSS meeting
 - Voted on a bunch of different services
 - There are some fee increases - those that benefited students (ex. improving Health & Counselling Centre, expanding RAWC hours of operation)
- Get Hired Fair
- Lobby Week
 - Met with professors and really passionate students
 - Getting government officials (who have an overall impact on Mississauga) to help with housing, transit, etc.
 - Brainstormed strategies on how to promote it better for more students to know about this
 - Think Tank - for students to express what they think should be improved on in all aspects related to the university & to also get to know more about Lobby Week
 - Looking into implementing a certificate to showcase students' efforts in their participation that demonstrates their commitment to the university & UTMSU
- Thinking of ways to improve the current spaces we have
- Financial literacy for students
 - Bringing workshops, support, etc.
 - We have the Tax Clinic, but this would help with broader financial literacy
 - Met with people from TD & RBC
- Summarising everything they've done from the summer and the fall semesters to create a summary video/graphic to put on social media - to showcase what's been done as the union/community at UTM

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| #5. | MINUTES PACKAGE |
| | 1. Board of Directors Meeting #5 Minutes - Friday, November 10, 2023 2. Board of Directors Meeting #6 Minutes - Friday, November 17, 2023 |

MOTION Moved: G. Bekbolatova Seconded: A. Khan

Be it resolved that the Minutes Package be approved as presented.

VOTE - CARRIED

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| #6. | LEVY FEES INCREASES |
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OMNIBUS FOR #6a)-g)

MOTION Moved: F. Amir Seconded: D. Balgimbay

VOTE - CARRIED

#6a)-g)

MOTION Moved: G. Bekbolatova Seconded: A. Arfatun

VOTE - CARRIED

- **8 in favour, 0 opposed, 0 abstained**

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| a) | STUDENT SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP FEE (UTMSU FEE) |
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MOTION Moved: G. Bekbolatova Seconded:

Be it resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve a cost of living increase* to the UTMSU full-time student society fee from \$39.76 to the newly adjusted rate, \$41.11 per session, per full-time member.

Be it resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve a cost of living increase* to the UTMSU part-time student society fee from \$1.29 to the newly adjusted rate, \$1.33 per session, per part-time member.

*CPI increase based on the Ontario December 2021 to December 2022 consumer price index determined by Statistics Canada.

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| b) | ACADEMIC SOCIETY FEE |
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MOTION Moved: G. Bekbolatova Seconded:

Be it resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve a cost of living increase* to the UTMSU student society fee designated for Academic Societies from \$1.26 per session, per member, to the newly adjusted rate of \$1.30.

*CPI increase based on the Ontario December 2022 to December 2023 consumer price index determined by Statistics Canada.

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| c) | FOOD BANK FEE |
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MOTION

Moved: G. Bekbolatova

Seconded:

Be it resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve a cost of living increase* to the UTMSU student society fee designated for the Food Bank from \$0.68 per session, per member, to the newly adjusted rate of \$0.70.

*CPI increase based on the Ontario December 2022 to December 2023 consumer price index determined by Statistics Canada.

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| d) | STUDENT REFUGEE PROGRAM FEE (WUSC FEE) |
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MOTION

Moved: G. Bekbolatova

Seconded:

Be it resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve a cost of living increase* to the UTMSU fall/winter full-time student society fee designated for the Student Refugee Program from \$2.20 to the newly adjusted rate, \$2.27 per session, per full-time member.

Be it further resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve a cost of living increase* to the UTMSU summer full-time student society fee designated for the Student Refugee Program from \$0.86 to \$0.89.

Be it further resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve a cost of living increase* to the UTMSU fall/winter part-time student society fee designated for the Student Refugee Program from \$1.36 to the newly adjusted rate, \$1.41 per session, per part-time member.

*CPI increase based on the Ontario December 2022 to December 2023 consumer price index determined by Statistics Canada.

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| e) | ON-CAMPUS FIRST AID RESPONSE FEE (ECSpERT) |
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MOTION

Moved: G. Bekbolatova

Seconded:

Be it resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve a cost of living increase* to the UTMSU student society fee named On-Campus First Aid Emergency Response and allocated to the levy group ECSpeRT from \$0.65 per session, per member, to the newly adjusted rate of \$0.67.

*CPI increase based on the Ontario December 2022 to December 2023 consumer price index determined by Statistics Canada.

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| f) | CANADIAN FEDERATION OF STUDENTS FEE |
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MOTION

Moved: G. Bekbolatova

Seconded:

Be it resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve a cost of living increase* to the UTMSU student society fee designated for the Canadian Federation of Students from \$9.42 per session, per member, to the newly adjusted rate of \$9.74.

*CPI increase based on the Ontario December 2022 to December 2023 consumer price index determined by Statistics Canada.

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| g) | DOWNTOWN LEGAL SERVICES FEE |
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MOTION

Moved: G. Bekbolatova

Seconded:

Be it resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve a cost of living increase* to the UTMSU student society fee designated for the Downtown Legal Services from \$1.26 per session, per member, to the newly adjusted rate of \$1.30.

*CPI increase based on the Ontario December 2022 to December 2023 consumer price index determined by Statistics Canada.

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| h) | MISSISSAUGA U-PASS TRANSIT FEE |
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MOTION

Moved: L. Alnabhan

Seconded: C. D. Shen

Be it resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve an increase to the UTMSU Fall/Winter 2024-2025 student society fee designated for the Mississauga U-Pass Transit Fee from \$157.77 to the newly adjusted rate, \$171.97 per member, per term.

Be it further resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve an increase to the UTMSU summer 2024 student society fee designated for the Mississauga U-Pass Transit Fee from \$192.29 to the newly adjusted rate, to \$209.60 per member.

Be it further resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve an increase to the UTMSU summer 2024 MAM student society fee designated for the Mississauga U-Pass Transit Fee from \$78.89/\$78.88 to the newly adjusted rate, to \$85.98 per MAM student.

VOTE - CARRIED

- 6 in favour, 1 opposed, 5 abstained

Some explanation

- Unlike a)-g), this increase is not necessarily by CPI due to it being a contract with the university & MiWay
- When this was started, for some reason, it was decided that the summer U-Pass was be a little more expensive
 - Starting last year, we tried to make the fees equal across all semesters within the next 5 years (with each consecutive year from last year increasing the fall/winter by a bit and decreasing the summer by a bit) - this is to prevent big increases/decreases within one year
- MAM is a bit cheaper likely because they joined the U-Pass program later

i) UTMSU HEALTH & DENTAL FEE

MOTION

Moved: G. Bekbolatova

Seconded: L. Alnabhan

Be it resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve an increase to the UTMSU student society fee designated for the Accidental Health Plan from \$112.30 to up to \$123.53** per member, per term.

Be it further resolved that the UTMSU Board of Directors approve an increase to the UTMSU student society fee designated for the Dental Plan from \$93.87 to up to \$103.26** per member, per term.

**The final increase may be lower than 10% once the Health and Dental Plan

VOTE - CARRIED

- This increase is also not by CPI but is according to the amount of students who used the plans in the previous year - not predictable increases; will only know in March
- We're only allowed to increase by 10% in the students' invoice though, which is what these numbers are showing (the maximum 10% increase)

#7. UPCOMING - Jasnoor & Ruth

- Culture Fest - January 29th to February 2nd
 - Cultural Clubs Carnival - January 29th @ 12-3pm
 - Indigenous Beading Workshop - January 30th @ 12-3pm
 - Latin Dance Workshop - January 30th @ 4-6pm
 - Global Favs Brunch - January 31st @ 12pm
 - Turkish Movie Night - January 31st @ 3-5pm
 - Food Festival - February 1st @ 12pm
 - Afro-Latin Pub Night - February 1st @ 8pm
 - Chai and Chat - February 2nd @ 12pm
- Valentine's Day events
- Welcome Ceremony - February 2nd
- Buy Black - February 5th
- Mental Health Workshop - February 7th
- Public Legal Education Session with Downtown Legal Services (DLS) - February 8th
- Love, Sex, and Relationships (LSR) - February 13th
- Open Mic Night - February 15th
- Surprise Gala! - March 1st
- Black Alumni Mentorship Launch - March 7th (in the evening)

#8. OTHER BUSINESS

- Winter Semester Board Meetings
 - Will be scheduled on Fridays at the same time, unless it's a holiday/Reading Week/etc.

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| #9. | ADJOURNMENT |
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MOTION

Moved: G. Bekbolatova

Seconded: A. Khan

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 5:30pm.

VOTE

| VALIDATION | | |
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| GULFARA BEKBOLATOVA PRESIDENT | | Friday, January 26, 2024 |
| NAME AND POSITION | SIGNATURE | DATE |