

**Arts  
and  
Science  
Undergraduate  
Society —  
Assembly**

Meeting 5 Minutes

*Assembly is called to order at 7:05 PM EST*

## MOTION #1 - Approval of Agenda

**Moved by:** Caitlin Sankaran-Wee

**Seconded by:** Yara Hussein

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

## MOTION #2 - Approval of the Minutes

**Moved by:** Caitlin Sankaran-Wee

**Seconded by:** Yara Hussein

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

# SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

**Speaker:** Speech

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## EXECUTIVE REPORTS

### PRESIDENT REPORT

Presented by **Yara Hussein**, President

**Yara:** Hi everyone! Last assembly for the calendar year. Most of the report is in the report. Orientation hired the chair team (4) they are hiring orientation coordinators. By the end of the semester everyone will be hired. Chairs will be ratified at the end of assembly. Advocacy - bachelor of fine arts program - faculty board on november 18th. Status focused advocacy centralized around the student voices and fine arts students are heard. Continuing meetings with associate deans and faculty members are accurate. Theme is focused on assessing 2nd - 4th years experiences. Overall, event approval, updates from the AMS to come. Council is working with a committee for winter approval - and planning for events to be accessible for all volunteers. Form and process not final but as of now council is working on winter events. Direct reports - DASR - financial accessibility and food security - collecting data and informing advocacy. Professional Development - student mentee for any artsci students. Encourage anyone to sign up for alumni in your field. Intern council - Engaged and passionate group. Working hard with direct reports. Recently I did a safety night light walk at the city park. Working with the city council on those initiatives. Thank you for your commitment

### VICE PRESIDENT OF SOCIETY AFFAIRS REPORT

Presented by **Emma Farrell**, Vice President of Society Affairs

**Emma:** Recognize some of council and volunteers. CO week - Elizabeth had a successful week and lots of engagement. Walk through by the sustainability director - retrofitting for the house. Equity week - incredibly organized and lots of engagement. Caitlin hosted governance mixer. Council was able to give back through GTD Holiday social and asus celebrated asus 132. Merch boothing. Wellness exam snacks. Asus gives back continues this week. Tale this time to thank everyone for the hard work and organizing these assemblies. Happy holidays and goodluck on exams.

# VICE PRESIDENT OF OPERATIONS REPORT

Presented by **Aloka Wijesundara**, Vice President of Operations

**Aloka:** Congrats to all the grant recipients. updates

Fall individual and group grants have been decided. Through chaired in committees

- Brief recap in agenda
- Ratify funding later
- High number of applicant
- Potentially increase number of grants into policy
- Head gael Georgia - starting to create the budget
- Donations to come in January to charity
- First year intern - helping with financial aid resources
- Nate has been doing food credits
- End of the exam period will receive honoraria, reimbursement has been busy processing reimbursement for the end of the year
- Accounting director will be working towards each of the budgets to have a better understanding of where we stand for the budget in the new year.
- Updates can be found in the report of the agenda.

## OTHER REPORTS

### **Equity Commissioner Layla:**

- Committee planning events and fundraising
- Equity weeks - successful!! 5 events in the week and additional event
- Raised funds for safe injection site - will be matching donations
- Engagement - Many people want to collab
- Changes for the queen's community
- Button making machine
- Incredibly successful art sale friday. Another to come next semester
- Marginalized communities were able to sell their arts
- Fundraising for the artists
- Grants - advisory board is approving grants - blown through funds, helped 35 students from asus, clubs and sibling societies.
- Still going through applicants and reopening grants for next semester.

### **PHEKSA VP Natalie:**

- Completed hiring orientation committee.
- Excited for o'week
- Kin semi formal is friday. Fun event.
- Committees finalized who they will allocate grants
- Clothing drive - still want to push to get more donations.
- Starting Alumni penpal initiatives. Good amount of outreach

### **Year-Representative Alice:**

- Frankie and Alice hosted a booth to connect with the class of 2025 to spread the word.
- Was successful
- Got lots of people
- Ideas to implement
- Working on initiatives for the class and move on
- Increase communication between them and class of 2025 (ie surveys and other booths)

### **Social Sciences Academic Representative Anisha:**

- Curriculum committee meeting tomorrow

### **Natural and Physical Sciences Representative Colleen:**

- Haven't had too much going on
- Curriculum meeting tomorrow
- Planning a networking event next semester

→ In the process of working out what it looks like

## STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

NONE

## QUESTION PERIOD

NONE

## OLD BUSINESS

NONE

## NEW BUSINESS

NONE

## MOTION 3

**Moved by:** VP Aloka

**Seconded by:** VP Emma

- Professional development is has a student grant \$1000
- Once committee has granted, members will vote on the motion
- Unused funds will be used next semester
- 500 - international development
- Quid in person internship
- Working with travel for impact
- Working with safari companies. Using the money
- Fit with devs education. Need to fundraise 2500 because it is an unpaid internship

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*



## MOTION 4, APPENDIX B

**Moved by:** VP Aloka

**Seconded by:** VP Emma

- More than once recipients are on the list.
- Student initiative grant is awarded to a student or non asus committee that has an impact on the queens committee
- 300 - queens arab student association
- Started the association. Social and cultural
- Connect the arab students
- Provide a space
- Come together to celebrate the culture.
- Funding to help plan the first event
- Still working on the hiring.
- Funds will go to the event to bring students together to celebrate food, culture and music

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

- Queens black academic society
- Self identifying black student
- Socio cultural
- Create safe space for black students and to connect student
- Funding toward a conference
- Professional development opportunity and create your brand online. And how to use the internet for career development. Funding speakers.

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

- 150 to queens biotechnology
- Research lab project

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

- 150
  - new club.
  - Created a new club
  - Culturally diverse women who found it hard to find a place of intersectionality combined us together, ground to relate on.
  - Makeup and skincare,
  - Difficult to take care of yourself and take care of your mental and physical self.
  - More comfortable space for minorities. Not seen within other clubs
  - Learn to love yourself.
  - Sunday is the first event. Will be coming out of their own pockets. So funding will help.
  - Will give back to women shelters.to give hygienic products back to the community.
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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

- 100 - society for conservation biology
  - Natalie - co-pres of scb
  - Events throughout the year to maintain the garden
  - Signage indicates the species
  - Signs are becoming worn out - looking to replace the signs
  - Need funding to keep the garden running
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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

## MOTION 5, APPENDIX C

**Moved by:** VP Aloka

**Seconded by:** Academics Commissioner Alicia

- DSC grant fall semester
- \$1000 for internal committee
- 100 to biochem formal
- Successful sweater sale. Collected \$400
- Need funding for venue fees
- Keep tickets at a low coast so its more accessible for everyone
- 100 devs dsc alumni conference
- First in person years

- Development in practice
- Local and holistic development
- Need funding for venue cost and speaker gifts
- 100 fine arts formal
- Grant money for semi formal in union gallery
- Facing threat to student submission
- Money will give an opportunity for the
- 170 physics equipment repair
- Fix the computer cluster
- Lounge is in a state of despair - unwelcoming and not a good space to be in.
- Want to build the community and space to study
- Going based on student opinions and recommendation
- New chairs, power bars and a garbage can
- Dsc working to get the cluster cleaned
- 100 enviro studies
- Host a case study
- Faculty showed interest in passing down for future years
- Amazing contribution
- Money go towards gifts for the participants
- And materials that are required
- Speaker gifts
- 125 health studies reusable
- PPE
- New DSC
- First year ever functioned in a non covid year
- Ppe is very small and not many classes
- Want to have events to because it is Hard to build a community
- Film and media
- community engagement
- funding for events
- Help students enjoy the department and environment
- Food
- Year end social event
- Catering
- Help build school spirit in department
- 100 to art history dsc - alumni event
- Semi formal or formal
- Merch sales
- Decentralized community. Show that there is a community. Make a name for the department

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

## MOTION 6, APPENDIX D

**Moved by:** VP Aloka

**Seconded by:** VP Emma

- Group grants process
- Asus committee grants
- \$1000
- Receive more funding than what is in the budget
- \$250
- Cancer triad
- Focuses on volunteering creating opportunities for student
- Impact of pandemic
- Cant establish volunteering service
- Focusing on awareness and fundraising for students
- Grant will benefit them
- \$250
- Autism partnership
- Volunteering program
- One on one
- Puppy pals - service dogs . crafts and games for autistic kids.
- Increase awareness for autism on campus. Grant to continue service into the next semester
- \$500
- Good time diner
- Free takeout meal service run by service
- Money will go to good times diner more accessible
- Buy halal and vegetarian, compostable containers for environmental sustainability.

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

## MOTION 7

**Moved by:** VP Aloka

**Seconded by:** VP Emma

- Largest grant
- Given twice a year
- 1500 for allocation
- 3 recipient
- \$500 PHEKSA
- Adapted games.genuine opportunity connect persons with disability with queens students. Provide and raise awareness. Resonates with the student body and community. Team would like the thank ASUS with the grant. Makes this day possible. Want to make it free for accessibility reasons
- \$650 COMPSA
- Funds would go towards Orientation. Paying for costs - website domain. Paying for materials and equipment. Making orientation more financially accessible.
- \$350 PHEKSA
- Kin games tea,
- Nationwide conference in winnipeg
- Universities do competitions . largest event and most expensive.
- Team needs to fund.
- Grant and team more accessible for kin students to represent program and the university

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

## MOTION 8, APPENDIX F

**Moved by:** VP Aloka

**Seconded by:** Academics Commissioner Alicia

- DSC budget updates
- Lines that dsc were over or under spending
- Final budget review
- Did not want to limit the dsc spendings
- Given \$100 to make amendments

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

## MOTION 9, APPENDIX F

**Moved by:** President Yara

**Seconded by:** Governance Officer Caitlin

- Policy update
- Highlighting overall job description of the president

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

## MOTION 10, APPENDIX G

**Moved by:** President Yara

**Seconded by:** Governance Officer Caitlin

- Orientation chair
- Re naming
- Who sits on hiring committees
- Incoming head gael wants an increase in coordinators. needs to be reflected in policy.
- Hiring period may be updating policy again in the new year.
- Open more room for coordinator and open more room for 40.
- Open a new portfolio for accessibility
- More effort in more orientation positions. still need to figure out the details.

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

## MOTION 11

**Moved by:** President Yara

**Seconded by:** VP Aloka

- Financial policy manual
- Applicants
- Hiring cycles
- If enacted, will only apply for winter 2023 cycle
- Transportation to the site
- Dedicated for larger base programs
- Minimum amount need for larger research projects
- Multiple application - distinction to allow and benefit the most people possible

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*

## MOTION 12

**Moved by:** President Yara

**Seconded by:** VP Emma

- Asus assembly ratifies orientation chairs
- Assembly will open up questions.
- 2 round cycle of interviews
- Passionate team
- Excited for their leadership to come to life
- Questions
- If you could make an icecream sandwich with bread and no cookies
- Double toasted bagel
- Plain bagel
- Mint chocolate chip in a plain bagel
- If you were a mythical creature what would you be?
- One collective mermaid
- If you were a band - what would your name be?
- Crash
- Chairs and headgael - design for their tuxedo. What would be your design?
- White background
- Yellow
- Cats
- Care Bears
- Giraffes
- Anything to match the yellow
- If you were a spice, what would you be?
- Paprika
- Chili
- Basil
- Garlic powder

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**Questions:** N/A

**Vote:** *Motion carries*



## SPEAKER'S LAST WORD

**Speaker:** Thank you for your engagement this evening, see you all next year.

## MOTION 13: ADJOURNMENT

**Moved by:** President Yara

**Seconded by:** VP Emma

**Vote:** *Motion carries*