**ResSoc General Assembly Minutes**

Date: November 20th, 2022

Assembly Commenced: 8:08 PM ET

Assembly Adjourned: 8:31 PM ET

Victoria Hall A Wing Conference Room (Vic A011)

Minutes are tentative until approved by the Assembly.

**Attendees**: Intern Ban, Intern Lou, Intern Sukhbaatar, President Yeung, RF Cao, RF Sankaran-Wee, RF Wu, RF Alam, RF Lobo, Officer Wong, Officer Sin, Officer MacKinnon, VP Wang, RF Beckner-Stetson, RF Cheng, RF Maxwell, VP White, RF Schuck, RF Raheem, RF Sewell

**Absent**: RF Waseem, RF Hodgins, Intern Nazari

1. **MOTION ONE: Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by: RF Sankaran-Wee

Seconded by: RF Cao

In favour: 17 people

Opposed: 0 people

Abstentions: 0 people

Result: Motion carried

1. **MOTION TWO: Approval of the Meetings notes from the October 30th General Assembly**

Moved by: RF Beckner-Stetson

Seconded by: RF Schuck

In favour: 16 people

Opposed: 1 person

Abstentions: 0 people

Result: Motion Carried

1. **Chairperson’s Business**

VP Wang: Nothing for this meeting, we will move straight into executive reports.

1. **Reports by the Executive**
2. **President’s Report**

President Yeung: The focus group for Albert is complete and we have a proposal for the next meeting on Monday. The bylaws have been updated, the baking initiative with Anna this upcoming Saturday is in Ban Righ, and mass procurements for Leggett and Waldron, as well as tamper dye and the period project.

1. **VPSO Report**

VP Wang: Most of the procurement for Leggett and Waldron and Victoria is done with the exception of fixing the tables which is in motion and I have already contacted the RFs about that. We will not be moving forwards with the arcade game on west, it will be changed into storage equipment for sports equipment. We have concluded floor rep hiring for the fall semester because not a lot of students are applying anymore, so we will do another round for the winter. If you have very few floor reps, I would consider other community engagement initiatives, I have an email planned for the RFs that I will send out I’m just waiting on the latest batch of floor reps to confirm whether or not they are accepting the position as well as sending out the agreement form.

1. **VPRO Report**

VP White: The RFs are finishing up events, most are going to meet the quota. The sTAR program is still successful, at least 10 people are being nominated per week, and the first batch of performance reviews for RFs was sent on the 14th.

1. **CFO Report**

Officer MacKinnon: The academic and laundry bursaries have gone out as of now, the laundry bursary will be coming out at the end of the month, student games equipment underway, and Chris from the vendor we are using came in to do the assessment. RFs, we will do a run this Thursday and then I’ll have a schedule up as well with future dates so you know.

1. **HRO Report**

Officer Wong: The major thing is revising HR policy, so that will come to GA in January.

1. **PMO Report**

Intern Sukhbaatar: Juliana and I have been working on getting the Holiday surprise with the HR team and making posters, and we are also working on a DIY wellness bag event happening on November 25 in Victoria Hall lobby.

1. **Committee Reports**
2. **CAEC**

President Yeung: The Bylaws have been updated, there are over 50 pages in the document. Bylaws 1-4 have been updated.

1. **Sustainability Committee**

VP Wang: We are still in the logistics phase for our events, we will probably be focusing on the book drive first and then proceed with the other ones.

1. **Residence Experience Committee (REC)**

VP White: This month we met once and we also did a virtual meeting once to discuss boothing for this month but that didn’t work out so we are looking at boothing for the topic next month to get feedback from students.

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1. **Finance Committee**

Officer MacKinnon: The expense breakdowns will be worked on by me and the two RFs.

1. **Hiring Committee**

Officer Wong: We are a bit behind due to personal reasons, but we will bring a revised hiring policy to GA in January, and we will have a revised charter by end of term, and we have reviewed materials for Unconscious bias and equitable hiring practices, which we are looking to implement through ResSoc.

1. **EDII Committee**

Officer Sin: We have formulated the questions we want for EDI survey, we are currently putting the survey together and we are hoping that we will be ready for January.

1. **Reports by Members**

#### Ore Maxwell – Albert St. Residence

#### RF Maxwell: For next Saturday the 26th I will be hosting a Holiday Treat on Albert street, so its gingerbread cookie decorating, candy cane handouts, and holiday music and décor. I have had 1 new floor rep and another person interested so that will be good for engagement and then I’m looking to start planning my events for next semester.

#### Teagan Schuck – Brant House

RF Schuck: I Finished my third event of semester, the Brant Bakeoff, all the different floors had teamed up and created something, and it was judged by the dons. I am facilitating prizes for the winning team, and I will host one more event in December, an exam study, which I will work on with the dons.

#### Caitlin Sankaran-Wee – Chown Hall

RF Sankaran-Wee: I’m looking forward to hosting my third event – deck the Chown halls, and good luck to everyone on their events!

#### Zian Raheem – Gordon-Brockington House

RF Raheem: Since last GA I’ve been planning 2 events. I have one this Thursday, study night at Gord-Brock hall on the ground floor, and my second one will be with RF Cassandra, a gingerbread house making event.

#### Retaj Alam – Jean Royce Hall

RF Alam: We will be having a Karaoke night this Saturday if anyone wants to drop by.

*Allen Wu – Leggett Hall*

RF Wu: Since last GA I concluded the giveaway and winners were contacted. The Leggett semi-formal will be tabled for next semester for health reasons. My next event will probably be a DIY stress ball event.

*Nathan Beckner-Stetson – Leonard Hall*

RF Beckner-Stetson: Since last GA we have had the Leonard bowl, it was successful, and there was lots of fun and enjoyment. I am looking forward to wrapping up the last couple things for term, I may do a Winter booth in lobby with music, a photo booth, and tinsel and lights to decorate the common room.

#### Ben Hodgins – McNeill House

RF Hodgins: Absent.

#### Grace Cao – Morris Hall

RF Cao: Since last GA I’ve been working on logistical things for my events and the book drive for the sustainability committee. I am also hosting a Netflix binge-a-thon this Thursday, so that’s my next event and I’ve been planning another event for December.

#### Cassandra Lobo – Smith House

### RF Lobo:

I am really excited to collaborate with RF Raheem for the holiday event.

#### Katie Sewell – Victoria Hall

RF Sewell: I Finished my 3rd event of the semester, and now I am working with the house council for ideas on next semesters events.

#### Ryan Cheng – Waldron Tower

RF Cheng: I’ve wrapped up my second event and I have just been approved for my third event which is happy Wallydays.

#### Meena Waseem – Watts Hall

RF Waseem: Absent.

1. **Motions**

**MOTION THREE: Motion to approve bylaw 1-4 (Appendix A)**

President Yeung: We have taken the time to review bylaws 1-4. #1 is executives in society, so the top 6 positions and the scopes of roles and expectations. One of the biggest changes was we had a marketing coordinator and a programs coordinator, and this bylaw says it’s been pushed together as part of the first round of revisions. #2 is about code of conduct, ResSoc as a corporation in general and its obligations and mandates. #3 was about the house council. #4 was the operations and regulations of house council. So there are changes, for example house president to residence facilitator which ironically is the next motion.

Officer Wong: I had a question about the chief compliance officer.

President Yeung: Yeah, we weren’t quite sure either and this is way beyond most of the team right now, but we thought just incase it needed to be done moving forward we kept it. This bylaw gets approved twice, so it still could be changed.

Moved by: RF Sankaran-Wee

Seconded by: RF Beckner-Stetson

In favour:17 people

Opposed: 0 people

Abstentions: 0 people

Result: Motion Carried

**MOTION FOUR: Motion to rename the Residence Facilitator role as House President effective next year.**

President Yeung: There was a lot of conversation amongst CAEC on what it means to be either role. In history, House President was more focused on events, and Residence Facilitator was more focused on conduct. We figured if we are moving forwarding in this scope to change facilitating to house president. This will help students understand what the role of your job is. It doesn’t affect emails or anything. Any questions?

VP Wang: This is to be implemented for next year, but this means that this upcoming wave of promotion is going to be house president?

President Yeung: I believe so, yes.

RF Beckner-Stetson: I think that name is a lot more self-explanatory. House president is a central figure for an entire building. This is a good place to start the conversations with students.

Moved by: VP White

Seconded by: RF Alam

In favour: 15 people

Opposed: 0 people

Abstentions: 2 people

Result: Motion Carried

**MOTION FIVE: Motion to Approve the Constitution (Appendix B).**

President Yeung: This is the second approval of the constitution. I don’t think anything has been majorly changed. I think the last time CAEC revised it, it was grammatical error, otherwise it’s exactly the same.

Moved by: RF Beckner-Stetson

Seconded by: VP White

In favour: 17 people

Opposed: 0 people

Abstentions: 0 people

RF Beckner-Stetson: Just to clarify this is the second round of approvals, and the third round is at house council right?

President Yeung: I need to review the constitution. We can have a discussion at CAEC.

VP Wang: Any other motions that haven’t been submitted that someone would like to raise now?

Officer Sin: Maybe we can talk about the storage equipment happening in Jean Royce?

1. **Question Period & Discussion**

**Storage Equipment in Jean Royce**

President Yeung: We have noticed that students play hockey or volleyball, so we noticed ppl store their equipment in the laundry in the basement and it just lies around. It’s challenging for the custodians, so what we are thinking of is implementing industrial shelves that allows students to store their equipment vertically. This mitigates a lot of thing and makes sure it’s clean and easy to walk by. I will work with RF Alam to get feedback from the students. Then the second wave would just be identifying spaces in Jean Royce that have these shelves. We will look at our budget and see if it’s workable with our partners at Reslife. It may not be feasible for students this year but it is worthwhile for the future.

RF Beckner-Stetson: Have you talked to facilities to see if they have anything like that?

President Yeung: Yes, they are part of our stakeholders.

Officer Sin: I think a good space would be the ResSoc office, I don’t think the basement would work.

President Yeung: We can havea discussion about it.

VP Wang: I think the purpose is meant to be for students to put stuff there. I don’t think ResSoc is actually watching it. If it’s in the office itself, the students would need keys to get in.

Officer Sin: its because West has two offices.

President Yeung: We can have a discussion. The first step is students being on board. We need feedback and approval of interest before considering.

Officer Sin: This is residence-wide right?

President Yeung: Jean Royce. We will start there and then maybe implement on Main.

RF Beckner-Stetson: Any updates on speakers and cameras that we talked about last GA?

President Yeung: The speakers have been purchased and are currently in the office, there are two types, of speakers, Bluetooth ones for RFs who want to sign them out for events, also there are speakers designated for phones and actual cameras so we can have Tiktok and Reel, so we can launch the project for gender neutral washrooms.

RF Beckner-Stetson: Follow-up question, will one of the speakers be compatible with microphones and do we have plans to get microphones?

President Yeung: Yes! Speakers and microphones, and the speakers you can hold on to to project your voice.

RF Beckner-Stetson: What is the process for RFs to get access?

President Yeung: Next semester there will be a sign in out process. Please come to office hours next semester.

VP Wang: Maybe in the pre-event form there can be a section where RFs can state if they want a speaker. The sheet that President Yeung was talking about will exist for RFs so that they can fill it out and the speakers are not double booked.

1. **MOTION FIVE: Motion to Adjourn**

Moved by: President Yeung

Seconded by: RF Beckner-Stetson

In favour: 17 people

Opposed: 0 people

Abstentions: 0 people

Result: Motion Carried

Assembly adjourns.