

Annual General Meeting

Monday, April 12, 2021

Via Zoom

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 2:07 p.m. with Kaivalya Dahale as chairperson and Bonnie Williams as secretary.

The Members in attendance were noted and a rollcall was completed.

1.1 It was:

MOVED by Stacyann Stanley, SECONDED by Kavya Kozhiparambil Pradeep Kumar and CARRIED to approve the agenda.

1.2 It was:

MOVED by Stacyann Stanley, SECONDED by Kavya Kozhiparambil Pradeep Kumar and CARRIED to approve the minutes from the Annual General Meeting on April 20th, 2020.

A vote was held. The motion was passed by the Members.

1.3 It was:

MOVED by Stacyann Stanley, SECONDED by Kavya Kozhiparambil Pradeep Kumar and CARRIED to approve the minutes from the Open Members Meeting from December 10th, 2020.

A vote was held. The motion was passed by the Members.

FSU President Report – Katyayini Thakur

Katyayini addressed the Members and applauded them for the resilience that was shown throughout the year. Katyayini expressed gratitude to support the Members as FSU President and extended thanks to the Board of Directors, FSU Executive Team, FSU Management and FSU Staff.

Katyayini noted several ‘Big Wins and Accomplishments’ for the 2020-2021 academic year which included successfully negotiating the LTC Bus Pass for fully-online students at a deeply subsidized rate, negotiating a Tuition Fees Freeze with the College for both Domestic and International Students for the 2021-2022 academic year, and the completion of a Governance Review to include Co-Op Students as FSU Members. Further, the FSU contributed \$440,000 in COVID-19 Bursaries and Financial Support to our students and supported students financially through the Walmart Gift Card Program (1,200 students), Holiday Hamper Program, Adopt-A-Student Program and The Sharing Shop (200 students) as well as numerous sponsorships and donations to the Community.

Katyayini explained enhanced communication efforts and student collection were implemented throughout the year through Koffee with Katy, an open opportunity for students to get their questions answered by the FSU President, Interrobang, FSU Newsletters, Surveys and Online

Learning Focus Groups. Further, the FSU front desk and food services stayed open during the pandemic to offer continue support to the Members, in addition to providing virtual advocacy support and engagement opportunities which included FSU Class Representatives, Clubs, Social Media Ambassadors and numerous job opportunities. In conjunction with the College, the Adobe Creative Cloud Software was obtained as a free download for Members in addition to the pre-existing free version of Microsoft Office, and a virtual scheduling system for the Ombuds was established. Katyayini presented a few photos of Innovation Village and noted the Student Union Building will be unveiled in the Summer of 2023.

Katyayini noted the FSU was able to quickly pivot from an in-person to a fully online/hybrid model of operations and programming without affecting the level of service provided to the Members. Katyayini noted several events and initiatives that were held during the year which included Financial Literacy Month, Money Talks, Tax Tuesdays, Motivational Mondays, #FSU Experience, Donut Cheat, Drag Show and Mental Health and Sexual Health Awareness Events.

Katyayini showed a Year in Review video and thanked the Members for a wonderful year.

New Business

- a. Presentation of the 2019-2020 Audited Financial Statements - The 2019-2019 Audited Financial Statements were presented to the Members. It was explained that the Fanshawe Student Union is a non-for-profit operation which includes all the services the FSU provides including the health plan (domestic only) and bus pass which requires an independent audit to be completed each year. The audit was completed by PricewaterhouseCoopers and the Financial Statements have been approved by the Board. The Financial Statements are posted on the FSU Website and published in the Interrobang as well. It was noted that if any Members would like to further discuss the Financial Statements or have any questions to contact the FSU Office.

- b. Appointment of the Auditors

1.4 It was:

MOVED by Stacyann Stanley, SECONDED by Kavya Kozhiparambil Pradeep Kumar and CARRIED to approve the firm PricewaterhouseCoopers as the engaging auditors until the next Annual General Meeting of the Members.

A vote was held. The motion was passed by the Members.

- c. Election Results

- i. Presentation of the Election Results - The Election Results were presented to the Members. It was noted that a bi-election will be held in the Fall to fill the vacant two positions on the Board of Directors.

- ii. Presentation of the Chief Returning Officer (CRO) Election Report - The Chief Returning Officer (CRO) Election Report was presented to the Members. The report noted that there were no discrepancies found within the reported results and the election process was held in accordance with the FSU Bylaw and Policy. The CRO certifies and validates the results of the March 2021 FSU Election.

1.5 It was:

MOVED by Stacyann Stanley, SECONDED by Kavya Kozhiparambil Pradeep Kumar and CARRIED to accept the 2021 Election Results.

A vote was held and the motion was passed by the Members.

d. SAC Honoraria

1.6 It was:

MOVED by Stacyann Stanley, SECONDED by Kavya Kozhiparambil Pradeep Kumar and CARRIED to approve the 2021-2022 SAC Honoraria as follows:
Maximum Director Honoraria per. semester of \$450.00 and Maximum Chair Honoraria per. semester of \$180.00.

A vote was held and the motion was passed. One Member abstained from the vote.

Other Business from Members:

There was no business brought forward by the Members.

Adjournment:

1.7 It was:

MOVED by Stacyann Stanley, SECONDED by Kavya Kozhiparambil Pradeep Kumar and CARRIED to adjourn the meeting at 2:57 p.m.