

Federation of Students' Student's Council Minutes

SLC MPR, UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

Speaker: COUNCILLOR O'SULLIVAN *Secretary:* COUNCILLOR POTTER

ATTENDANCE

The following members were present:

- Altaf, Subhan*
- Brieva, Antonio
- Clubine, Andrew
- Eyre, Alexander
- Easton, Benjamin
- George, Rebecca
- Jowhari, Nickta*
- Knight, Jill
- Mohan, Andrew
- O'Sullivan, Elizabeth
- Potter, Tristan
- Schwan, Brian
- Simpson, Abigail
- Small, Jason
- Velling, Seneca
- Ye-Mowe, Stephanie

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The following members were absent:

- Clarke, Antonio
- Goomer, Kanishk
- Mills, Cameron*
- Mistry, Harsh
- Terzian, Hagop
- Tran, Tomson
- Xu, Wenyu

* excused

PRELIMINARIES

CALL TO ORDER

Councillor O'Sullivan called the meeting to order at 12:36 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Be it resolved that Board approve the agenda as presented.
Councillor O'Sullivan and Vice President Clubine.

Motion carries unanimously.

CONSENT

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Be it resolved that Council approve the minutes from October 22, 2017.

Be it resolved that Council table the minutes from October until the next meeting.
Councillor Potter and Vice President Schwan.

Motion carries unanimously.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

Please see the attached written reports for the full reports from the Executive to Student's Council.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The President reported that approximately 225 people came to the General Meeting, and that the Task Force for GM Engagement was created; the Board has appointed their members, Council will appoint members this meeting.

The committee pannel on student mental health that was meant to happen after the General Meeting happened, but the General Meeting ended early so in-person attendance was lower than expected about 30 to 60 people throughout. However, Facebook live recorded almost 2000 people watching, and those people stayed for almost the entire stream. The University President also attended, and stayed for most of the panel. The President noted that there was a good followup discussion from the panel, including emails from students who agreed and/or disagreed with some of the points that were made on the panel.

Thirdly, President Brieva and Vice President Clubine went to Ottawa from November 6th to the 10th, and attended about 15 meetings throughout the week. A brief overview of the advocacy that occurred is included in the written report.

A councillor asked what may have caused the higher attendance at the GM, the President replied that it was one reason was likely the timing of the meeting being earlier in the day. It was also hypothesized that social media sharing also contributed to the turnout, as councillors actively recruited people to come vote. The Vice President,

Operations and Finance mentioned that they streamlined the process to sign people in, so there was also less of a line and the meeting could start on-time.

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT, STUDENT LIFE

The Vice President, Student Life reported that the Committee of Society President's was meeting every 3 to 4 weeks, and was almost having a problem of over-engagement as President's brought additional Vice President's. Some of the biggest things that societies needed was IT support, events support, and greater collaboration between societies.

The Vice President, Student Life has also been having one-on-one meetings with societies to make sure Feds is addressing their needs.

Student mental health continues to be a priority, as the Vice President, Student Life does research on how to implement Wrap up week to best meet students needs. They are meeting with athletics and counselling to make sure the week is effective.

Volunteer appreciation reached capacity this year, and the Vice President, Student Life is conducting an evaluation to make sure the appreciation event meets student needs.

There is continued work on centralizing the advocacy that services are doing. Particularly, the Vice President, Student Life is meeting with the advocacy directors of The Women's Centre and MATES to help them expand their contact lists and expand their work at the university level.

Feds is also running trial sessions on how to run an effective meeting, as well as conflict management session to better train student leaders on campus.

Finally, the Vice President, Student Life is holding more satellite campus office hours.

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT, EDUCATION

The Vice President, Education reported that the co-op fee review is currently paused. There were some questions from Engineering due to A vs B Engineering Societies and how to handle consulting. Andrew will inform council and the Vice President Education/Academic of each society, and will provide resources to have broad consultation; however, it will be up to societies and councillors to figure out what that looks like in their faculty.

There were 10 policy papers at Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance including:

- system vision,
- accountability,
- open education,
- open licensing, and
- Indigenous students.

They are currently being edited and will be posted on Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance's website.

Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance also launched a publication, "In It Together", a 10 to 12 page report built in collaboration with primary stakeholders in the post-secondary education sector. This is the first time these groups have come together

on a project. The publication will be predominantly about mental health. When it launched, it was said to have had the largest turnout for a 7:30 AM reception, which was followed by a day of very well recieved lobbying. The government seems to be aware that they should be handling mental health as a structural issue and not just a funding one.

They have also created a new group for advocacy, which so far seems to have high impact. They are currently working on a new OSG-style (moving tax credits into up-front grants) federal funding structure. This is currently not appealing in terms of political movement, but everyone has suggested this would be good moving forward; the Vice President, Education hopes for some greater progress in the next few years.

A review of policies 70, 71, and 72 is currently ongoing. These are the policies that outline what happens when things go wrong for students. This review will likely bleed into next spring, but the committee is doing really well. They have decided to start from a blank slate.

Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance is moving into open educational resources, along with the campus bookstore. These are basically open resources, especially textbooks, that will be a great resource for students. The only cost will be if students want hard-copy versions of the resource. Faculty can edit, write, modify the content to fit the context. Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance will be running a (mostly a social media) campaign in January, which Feds will be mirroring, but Feds would like to also do a letter-writing campaign towards faculty. If councillors would like to get involved they should contact the Vice President, Education.

A councillor asked if there was a place or report to find what had been passed at Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance. The Vice President, Education directed councillors to check the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance website, as all of the policies would be posted by the end of the month.

Finally, the Vice President, Education informed Council that there was an Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance survey out right now, which might be extended since other school's ethics boards took a while to approve it. This survey is done every two years to gauge student's experiences on campus.

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT, OPERATIONS AND FINANCE

The secretary complimented the Vice President, Operations and Finance's mustache.

Based on feedback from student groups, particularly societies and employers doing catering in the Bomber, they have implemented a new catering menu that is more varied, and less fried.

Bottled water is being phased out by 500ml and 1L boxed water options, presented in non-prominent locations.

SLC Campus Bubble will need to close as window beams are removed due to construction.

Community Kitchen is doing well, and seems to have good uptake from student groups cooking and baking for their events.

The student legal survey will not be going out in November as previously communicated. There was a strategic decision to move it to the beginning of January. The survey is done and ready to launch.

A part-time job fair is planned for the beginning of January, and they are planning to do quick interviews and field questions about the open positions for students (professional development opportunities, responsibilities, etc). This was done in response to a questionnaire from the last open house. 80% of respondents wanted to know more about Feds part time jobs. They are also planning to have virtual options, and are considering integrating other part-time options on campus.

A student asked if there would be an information campaign prior to the legal survey, so students were aware what they were being surveyed on. The Vice President, Education responded that there will be some brief information shared with the survey, and there will be some social media information shared.

REGULAR

TASK FORCE APPOINTMENTS

Be it resolved that council appoints _____ and _____ to the two council seats on the Taskforce on General Meeting Engagement.

President Brieva and Vice President Schwan.

The taskforce will be looking into the structure and engagement at general meetings. Timeline will likely be a bi-weekly meeting, for an hour to an hour and a half.

Councillor Ayre nominates Councillor Velling. Councillor Small nominates himself. Councillor Ayre nominates himself. Vice President Clubine nonminimates Councillor Easton.

There will be an election. Each candidate gave a brief overview of their goals and why they should be appointed to this committee.

Councillors voted, two nominees per ballot. The vote was counted. Councillor Velling and Councillor Easton were appointed to the blanks. The motion now reads:

Be it resolved that council appoints Councillor Velling and Councillor Easton to the two council seats on the Taskforce on General Meeting Engagement.

Motion carries unanimously.

ELECTION DATES

Be it resolved that Council set the nomination period for Feds' elections to start November 20 and end January 15;

Be it further resolved that Council set the campaign period to begin January 22, and end February 7 at 10PM.

President Brieva and Councillor Velling.

Motion carries unanimously.

DESTRUCTION OF BALLETS

Be it resolved that Council destroys the ballots from the previous election on the General Meeting Task Force.

Vice President Schwan and Councillor Small.

Motion carries unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

MISINFORMATION ON FEDS WEBSITE

A councillor inquired about potential mis-information in the Feds reporting on the online voting motion of the General Meeting.

INFORMATION REPORTING REGARDING UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENTS

A councillor shared that someone in Science had recieved almost 1000 complaints with coop from students, and was wondering how these complaints should be shared. The councillor also sugested that Feds create a “complaints form” on the website so that students can submit complaints against the university.

The Vice President, Education replied complaints could be forward to themselves or Franco, that there was a focus in the coop department on the fee review, and that there is currently a reorganization of the department that defines CECA under the Provost instead of as an arms-length body. They are hoping that having a seperate departments under the Provost will be a structure that works better for students.

Councillors expressed support for more centralized reporting within Feds.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES LOGGING HOURS

SciSoc requested Science Councillors to ask Feds Student Councillors, Executives, and Directors to log their hours.

Coucillors expressed that self-reporting is often inaccurate. Executive reporting is under the purview of board.

Councillors generally feel pretty neutral on the idea of self-reporting their own hours.

OUSA BLOG

The Vice President, Education invited councillors to check out the topics posted on the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance blog, and invited Councillors to write for the blog.

JANUARY MEETING DATE

Be it resolved that Council meet on January 14, 2017 at the regular time.
Councillor Small and Vice President Schwan.

Motion carries unanimously.

STUDENT FUNDING INFORMATION

Councillors would like to see more communication and outreach for the various sources of funding that students have available to hold events and improve student life.

Also councillors would like to see an investigation towards speeding up the process for a group to get money, and more awareness so that Feds clubs aren't always reaching out to external sources like Faculty Endowment Funds.

The Vice President, Student Life responded that they are currently discussing how to best advertise and market the Internal Funding Committee (IFC) and relevant funds.

Currently IFC meets bi-weekly, and proposals almost always came in on an off week.

Most proposals came with less than 2 weeks notice, which is very difficult for students to work with as a time-frame.

In terms of the Student Life Endowment Fund, funding events doesn't come out of that fund, and it has historically been almost exclusively for investing in student lounges.

A councillor also asked if it would make sense for Faculty Endowment Funds to sit together as a committee. Councillors agreed this would be great, but would be up to those organisations.

Councillors also expressed wanting to see more information on Faculty Funds on the website.

CANCELATION OF DECEMBER MEETING

Be it resolved that Council cancel its December 3rd meeting.

Councillor O'Sullivan and Councillor Velling.

Councillors expressed that Council could vote on the Indigenous Student Policy over email if Feds needed to get that through early.

A straw poll was held on whether to have an online vote.

Motion carries .

Councillor Small, Councillor Ayre, Councillor Ye-Mowe are noted against.

ADJOURNMENT

Be it resolved that Council adjourn until the next meeting.

With no new business the meeting was called to adjourn at 2:03PM.

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Student's Council
 {{ November 19, 2017 }}
 SLC 1120/1121 (The Multi-purpose Room)

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| Chair | O'Sullivan, Elizabeth |
| Secretary | Potter Tristan |
| Attendees | Altaf, Subham Ayre, Alexander Brieve, Antonio Clarke, Antonio Clubine, Andrew Easton, Benjamin George, Rebecca Goomer, Kanishk Jowhari, Nickta Knight, Jill Mistry, Harsh Mohan, Andrew O'Sullivan, Elizabeth Potter, Tristan Schwan, Brian Shibli, Aisha Simpson, Abigail Small, Jason Terzian, Hagop Tran, Tomson Velling, Seneca Xu, Wenyu Ye-Mowe, Stephanie |
| Expected Absences | Mills, Cameron |

Order of Business

In an effort to be more clear around the process being followed for the meeting, this agenda was constructed with notes from previous and current officers of Council.

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Preliminaries

Adding items to the agenda requires a two-thirds vote, although new items of business can still be raised without needing that vote once the entire agenda is complete.

Call to Order

Be it resolved that the Speaker calls the meeting to order at 12:30 PM.

Approval of the Agenda

Be it resolved that Council approve the agenda as presented.

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of a meeting are the official record of what happened at that meeting, and contain the authoritative versions of the actions taken at the meeting. If there are significant reservations about the minutes, the approval may be dispensed with, and the minutes will be returned at the subsequent meeting for approval.

Approval of the Minutes

Be it resolved that Council approve the minutes of the October 22nd 2017 meeting as presented.

Reports

Motions arising directly out of a report, including to adopt recommendations in the report, may be considered immediately after the report without having to wait until later in the meeting. No action is required to receive a report. If Council decides to adopt or accept a report, then it is endorsing the entire report and not just the recommendations.

Executive Reports

Each executive will highlight key aspects of their written reports in an oral report that lasts no longer than 2 minutes, to be followed immediately by a question period lasting no longer than 10 minutes per executive.

1. President
2. Vice President, Internal
3. Vice President, Operations and Finance
4. Vice President, Education

Report from the Officers of Council

To be delivered orally. Any questions relating to the report or any other matter may be asked following the oral report.

Special Orders

A special order is an item of business that will take precedence over all other business at the designated time for the special order. As it suspends the normal rule that each item must be disposed of before another can be brought up, setting or removing a special order requires a two-thirds majority vote unless originally included in the agenda.

Business Arising from the Minutes

Business arising from the minutes is business carried on to a meeting from the previous meeting.

General Orders

A general order is an item of business that is ordered to be taken up at a meeting. Time limits to discussions

indicate the point at which the Speaker will end the discussion unless Council directs otherwise.

Be it Resolved Council appoints _____ and _____ to the two council seats on the Task Force looking into the structure and engagement at general meetings. – Antonio Brieva

Be it Resolved Council approves nomination period for Feds' elections start November 20 and end January 15; Campaign period to begin January 22 and end February 7 (at 10 pm); and voting period will start from February 5 (at 10 am) till February 7 (at 10 pm). – Antonio Brieva

New Business

Any Councillor may raise any item of concern during new business. Generally, long discussions without a specific motion before Council should be avoided, and are technically against the rules of procedure. If a Councillor has any questions about the procedure, form, or content, they should ask the Speaker.

Adjournment

Adjournment scheduled at 3:30 pm.

Acknowledgments

Some recognition of effort is required for the past and current officers of Student's Council, as their hard work has led to vast improvements to the efficiency and efficacy of this body, including in the improvements made in the construction of this agenda and the attached minutes. The following members in particular have devoted an extraordinary amount of time and effort to the cause of amplifying discussions on student issues and improving the clarity of debate:

- Alexander Wray (Speaker, 2016-2017), for his efforts to run concise and productive meetings.
- Andrew Clubine (Speaker, 2014-2015), for his efforts in introducing transparent procedure to the operations of Council.
- Sacha Forstner (Secretary, 2016-2017), for his efforts in bringing the operations and decisions of Council to the at-large student population.



Antonio Brieva President Report

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Annual General Meeting (AGM)

-The general meeting was an overall success. We met and sustained quorum throughout the entire meeting, which allowed us to get through all the items of business on the agenda.

-The task force proposal passed at the AGM – looking into engagement and structure of AGMs/GMs – is of particular interest to council. There is a motion in front of Council looking to appoint two Councilors to the task force – which will be looking into the role Council plays or should play when we are holistically reviewing how we conduct and execute AGMs/GMs from a governance perspective. In addition, the task force evaluate how to implement electronic ballots as it reviews engagement at AGMs/GMs.

Q&A Panel on Student Mental Health

-This term, the AGM was themed around student mental health on campus. As a result, we collaborated with campus wellness to organize a Q&A Panel on student mental health. The purpose of the Q&A panel was to disseminate information about the work the PAC-SMH, and its supporting panels, are doing to address mental health at UW; and provide a forum to ask questions and have tough conversations around what we've done, what we're doing, and what we all can do to address student mental health on campus.

-The physical turnout was not what we wanted, despite our best efforts to communicate and promote it to the broader campus community. Although we only had 30-60 people in attendance at any given time, the conversation was fruitful, honest, and engaging. It was invaluable to have the Associate Provost, Students and President Hamdullahpur sit and listen to the nature of the conversation.

-Our online audience numbers were much better than our in-person attendance. We had close to 2,000 students tune into the Facebook Live stream. Received great feedback from students in the week or two after.

Federal Advocacy: UCRU Advocacy week in Ottawa

-The VP Education and I spent the week of November 6-10 in Ottawa advocating to federal stakeholders. Other executives joined us from our federal advocacy coalition, which I am the Chair of this year. Overall, we scheduled and executed 50 meetings throughout the week.

-Here is a brief summary of our federal advocacy priorities this year:

Indigenous students: The Federal government should consult indigenous student groups as they review the PSSSP program; and create a pool of grant funding to support reconciliation and indigenization initiatives on campuses.

International students: The federal government should count international students' co-op terms as eligible work experience when applying to permanent residence (PR).

Canadian Student Loans Program: The federal government should repurpose 1.5 billion worth of tax credits to upfront grants in the form of student financial aid.

Undergraduate Research: Increase the number of undergraduate research opportunities under SSHRC and CIHR using the USRA model under NSERC; and track & release data on annual basis pertaining to undergraduate research in the sector.

-We are in the process of mapping out what our follow-up looks like post-advocacy week.

PAC-SMH: Student Experience Panel

- We have one more month to finish our work as a panel and as a committee.
- The three working groups have been busy conducting their work: the research-working group is preparing a literature review on some best practices across the sector (from the student experience lens); the survey-working group built, administered, and promoted a survey to students. As of early last week, the survey had close to 1,500 responses; and finally, the interview-working group is conducting interviews on students that represent different demographics on campus.
- The work of these three working groups will be compiled and sent in a 15-page report to the PAC-SMH committee before the Christmas break.

1.0 Executive-Related Activities

1.1 Committees:

President's Advisory Committee

Synopsis: Hasn't met this term

Policies and Procedures Committee

Synopsis: Met on September 12. The Committee went through all expiring policies one last time and only have 2 outstanding policies. The committee has begun working through the Students' Council procedure updates. The timeline for procedure completion is the end of Fall term.

2.0 University-Related Activities

2.1 Committees:

University Student Relations Committee

Responsibilities: Be a forum for communication between undergraduate students and senior University officers with responsibility for student relations, and address matters of concern relating to University-student relations and/or student life.

Synopsis: The September meeting for this committee was cancelled because the proposed agenda wasn't urgent. October will be the next time this committee meets.

Orientation Advisors Committee:

Responsibilities: to plan and oversee orientation week at the administrative level.

Synopsis: This team ran an excellent orientation week and really became a strong team despite the increased turnover for the committee members.

Orientation Steering Committee:

Responsibilities: to be the highest decision making body on orientation.

Synopsis: This committee will be conducting a retreat with all of the Orientation Advisors to debrief orientation week from an administrative perspective.

3.0 External Activities

3.1 Overlap – Long Range Plan: We have received the final draft from overlap and will be adapting it to submit to the General Meeting on October 22 at 3pm.

3.2 Governance Review (Brad Kelly): The communication policy will be passed and a General Meeting Committee of Board was formed. The committee has met once and compiled a plan for tackling general meeting inefficiencies.

4.0 Meetings with Decision-makers**4.1 University-level:**

Kelly McManus: Director of Community Relations

Met with her to strategize on community partnership opportunities. Discussed a strong focus on increasing traffic from past events: ie. Random Acts of Kindness and CanBuild. Also I will be following up with her on the potential for a Sustainability Initiative with the community. Community Grants – matching method, open to creativity.

Dennis Huber, VP Admin & Finance

We worked with his department to implement some changes to the quest fees bill statement and the finance website of the university to increase readability and understandability for students.

4.5 Other:

- Vibrant Student Experience mini Town Hall – September 16th
- October 22nd General Meeting
- International Students Festival in Toronto – sending Campus Life
- Ontario Universities Fair – September 20th
- Peer Support Group – MATES
- We tripled our Instagram followers during orientation week ☺



Jill Knight Vice President Internal Report

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Societies:

- Our COPs meeting in October was a full house
 - o Topics of this meeting included faculty locker management, fall term event, IT needs and sharing of other best practices
- Our final COPs meeting of the term is happening Tuesday, November 21st
 - o Topics for this upcoming agenda will be society space, winter event on behalf of societies, planning our winter meetings (hopefully 4 again and potentially a remote meeting), and more
- The SRC and myself have continued to have one on one's with presidents that have interest in completing one – the same goes for attending executive meetings with societies (note: one on one's have also been extended to the Affiliated Colleges who attend COPs)
- Started the meetings with societies faculty representative on clarification about the roles of Feds and faculty
 - o Outcomes from these meetings are to support societies from both ends to help them succeed further

Wellness:

- Athletics, Campus Wellness and Feds will be meeting November 23rd.
 - o From this meeting we will be talking about strategies that we all have, how to better our partnerships with each other and other campus groups, the concept of Wrap Up Week (is this supporting students, are students engaging with the week, etc.)
- I attended the Centre for Innovation in Campus Mental Health with our Special Events Coordinator and Societies Relations Commissioner

Overall Updates October/November:

- **IAC** has been continuing to meet weekly
- **IFC** has been set up to meet on a bi-weekly timeframe – or when there are proposals
 - o Standardize meeting agenda and templates are being created for IFC and IAC to be rolled out in January
- **Wrap Up Week** happened from November 13-17th with activities such as therapy dogs, paint night and a first time partnership with athletics throughout the entire week.
 - o Next report will have a feedback update and numbers about these events
- **Volunteer Appreciation** was November 13th- free food and a swag item was given to volunteers who attended
 - o More than 200 students came to the event on Monday
- I am continuing to meet with MATES and Women's Centre advocacy directors to further their goals
- I have been reaching out to satellite campus society presidents to plan some Wrap Up week events on their campus
 - o The same practice will continue for Welcome Week Winter 2018
- I am a part of the **16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence** (below is a preview of what is going on over the next 16 days – please check the UWaterloo website for current update on events)
 - o **November 23:** Walking With Our Sisters <http://walkingwithoursisters.ca/> art installation at the Six Nations
 - Bus will be leaving WAEC at 4:30pm. Registration link will be setup on 16 days page.
 - o **November 24 – December 11:** Red Ribbon Bridge installation

- **November 27:** Campus maps begin around campus (will be in EV2, HH Hub and SMF for the whole 16 days)
- **November 30:** Faceless Dolls at WAEC
- **December 1 – 5:** ACCKWA Red Scarf project Installed at WAEC
 - Campus map at WAEC
- **December 5:** Gendered Violence Solidarity March – still being organized
- **December 7:** Wikipedia edit-a-thon focused on improving/creating pages for Women in STEM
- **Custom training** has been requested to be run in January for service coordinators, society presidents and other volunteers who are interested in “how to run an effective meeting” and “conflict management” by the Student Leadership Program
 - Note: this is optional training to improve professional development skills and leadership skills

If you have any comments, concerns, complaints or compliments about campus life (or anything about the university and Feds) feel free to reach out!

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Brian Schwan

VP Operations & Finance

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Executive Report

- 1) Month Summary
- 2) Current Projects /Initiatives

Month Summary

The Bombshelter:

Bomber has developed a new catering menu that student groups will use to order from. This new menu has greater options along with more diverse offerings that are not only deep fried food. We will continue to work with groups on a one on one basis to meet their unique needs but this will allow for a greater selection for groups.

International News:

Bottled water will be phased out by Jan 1st and the store will be carrying both 500ml and 1L bottle options.

Campus Bubble/Bento:

We are currently working on an alternative plan to relocate campus bubble when it will need to close either in the summer or in the fall term due to construction for the SLC/PAC expansion. Feds wants to continue offering sushi and bubble tea for our community and is looking at various options and areas of where these units are able to temporarily move to.

Feds Used Books:

Nothing new to report.

Current Projects/Initiatives

2.A Makers Kitchen

The community kitchen has launched this term and we have seen a decent amount of bookings come through with student groups wanting to prepare food in the space. We expect an influx in bookings next term as more student groups become aware of this offering.

We additionally have launched a catering menu that brings food to students groups. This has been a much used service this term. From wedge sandwiches to breakfast buffet's to dinner options we have been able and will continue to fill a void on campus for affordable food service options.

2.B Legal Survey

As an executive team we have decided that this will go out in January to ensure students are not distracted by other important items such as last two weeks of class which has a lot of assignments due and we discussed having a survey out over the exam period was not a great way to allow students to respond. This survey will be going out within the first week of the term and will stay open for 2ish weeks. I will be reaching out to each councillor group and societies to also push this survey to allow for a high respondent rate.

2.C Job Fair

We are developing a Feds PT job fair for students to be able to learn more about all the part-time job opportunities available on a termly basis. This will allow for students to see what positions are out there as well as an on the spot job screening.

STUDENTS COUNCIL REPORT: VP EDUCATION, ANDREW CLUBINE**November 2017****Co-op Fee Review**

The Student Advisory Panel has been selected and kicked-off. Hannah Beckett, CAC, hosted an introductory session and will be chairing the panel moving forward. A follow up meeting with the steering committee is scheduled for next week.

OUSA

OUSA General Assembly took place at WLU on Oct. 27-29. Three policy papers were passed: Indigenous Students, System Vision and Accountability. The press releases and full reports can be found at ousa.ca. Additionally, the General Assembly approved an interim (one year) policy paper on Open Educational Resources, a topic which is of high interest to Steering Committee and to the sector at large.

On November 2nd, in my role as OUSA President, I co-hosted a reception at Queen's Park to launch a report called *In It Together: Taking Action On Student Mental Health*. This is a joint publication between OUSA, the College Student Alliance, Colleges Ontario and the Council of Ontario Universities. It was received very well by elected members from government and opposition parties, and by other stakeholders in the sector.

The last week of November, OUSA will be holding an advocacy week at Queen's Park, focusing on asks about student mental health, tuition and university funding, and open education resources.

UCRU

An update on our federal partnership with UCRU is covered in the President's report. However, it is worth noting that we still consider this group to be our most effective option for lobbying at a federal level. Our rebranding was well-received by partners in Ottawa, we continue to gain recognition and our asks were met with positive responses all around.

Fall Break

The Fall break group has not met since my last update. Once a proposal is developed, it will be shared with Council and Society VPs Academic/Education.

EAC and GAAC

These committees have officially been joined into the Education Advisory Council. Procedures and Policies will be updated to reflect that.

Policy 70, 71, 72 Review

The university has begun a review of the policies governing petitions, grievances, appeals and student discipline. I am representing Feds on the committee, with support from Maya Venters, AAC.

Open Education Resources

We will be running a campaign with other OUSA and CSA student associations on open educational resources in January. It will be a #textbookbroke campaign, similar to those done in BC and Alberta. In addition to this, we are planning a letter-writing campaign to encourage UW faculty to consider adopting open textbooks from the eCampusOntario library in the courses.