



Council on Student Services
Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday November 8th, 2017
5:00 p.m.–7:00 pm in room SL232

Members: Desmond P., Liza A., Laura B., Varsha P., Sana S., Christina A., Nana F., Annie S., Rowshyra C., Nicole B., Makta Y., Andrew D., Aaheli M., Devyani P., Mouly R., Deena H., Michelle V., Nadia R.

Non-MembAnnie S.

Seconded:Makta Y.

2. Approval of Minutes

Moved: Aaheli M.

Seconded: Andrew D.

3. Advisory Committee Report Back

Health & Wellness (Aaheli M.): At the first meeting, they discussed services, goals of the meetings.

Academic Advising & Career Centre (Varsha P.): Discussed terms of reference, roles and expectations. Will discuss budget and programming at the next meeting.

Department of Student Life (Makda Y.): Discussed programs, budget, expectations, and study abroad.

Athletics (Laura B.): Was a small group with alumni at the meeting. They discussed the new equity position.

Finance (Annie S.): Went through the structure of the fee schedule.

4. Presentations from Portfolios of Student Affairs & Services

AccessAbilityServices

Varsha presented on behalf of Tina D. and discussed the relationship between AccessAbilityServices and AA&CC, with a look at building metrics in the future. Varsha highlighted the services (incl. embedding), programming, and growth in registered students, before explaining the budget, specifically the AccessAbilityEnhancement Fund (AEF).

Devyani asked whether there was designated study space for registered students, and whether it could be made possible. Varsha replied she was unsure but mentioned dedicated exam space and space constraints around creating dedicated study spaces. A student raised the issue around calling it disability since students with a disability may not see themselves as "disabled," and may make them feel like something is wrong. Asked to reconsider wordage. Sana S. questioned the consistency between volunteer notetakers' notes. Suggested paying notetakers may make quality better, or provide more training. Varsha replied they will look at the quality of notes, but mentioned there is an orientation for notetakers.

Department of Student Life

Nadia R. discussed increasing DSLs visual presence (e.g. video/social media) before highlighting programs, CCR, and going abroad. She discussed the departments goals and future plans regarding staffing and roles, concluding with participation numbers and priorities.

