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# **UTMSU BOARD MEETING**

## **#8**

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# Your Guide to Robert's Rules of Order

## **RULES OF ORDER AT A GLANCE**

<b>To Do This:</b>	<b>You Say This:</b>	<b>May You Interrupt the Speaker?</b>	<b>Must You be Seconded?</b>	<b>Is the Motion Debatable?</b>	<b>Is the Motion Amendable?</b>	<b>What Majority is Required?</b>
Object to incorrect procedure being used	Point of order	Yes	No	No	No	No vote taken, chair rules
Seek clarification from the previous speaker	Point of information	Yes, if urgent	No	No	No	No vote taken, chair rules
Object to something which prevents your continued participation (eg. excessive noise)	Point of personal privilege.	Yes	No	No	No	No vote taken, chair rules
Object to a motion being considered	I object to consideration of this motion.	Yes	No	No	No	2/3 Majority
Consider something out of its scheduled order	I move the agenda be amended in order to deal with the following item...	No	Yes	No	No	2/3 Majority
Overturn the ruling of the chair	I challenge the chair on...	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Majority
Change a motion	I move that the motion be amended to read...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Have a motion studied more before voting on it	I move that the motion be referred to...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Postpone further discussion on a motion until later in the meeting	I move that the motion be tabled until...	No	Yes	Only to time	Yes	Majority
Postpone consideration of a motion until a future meeting	I move that the motion be postponed until...	No	Yes	Only to time	Yes	Majority
Raise a matter previously tabled	I move that motion...be lifted from the table.	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Reconsider a motion already voted on earlier in the meeting	I move that motion...be reconsidered.	Yes	Yes	Yes (if original motion was)	No	Majority
End debate on a motion	I call the question.	No	Yes	No	No	2/3 Majority
Ask that everyone's vote on a particular motion be recorded in the minutes	I call for a roll call vote.	No	No	No	No	No vote required, chair rules
Recess the meeting	I move that the meeting recess until...	No	Yes	Only to time	No	Majority
End the meeting	I move that the meeting adjourn.	No	Yes	No	No	Majority

## **Agenda**

Board Meeting #8 of the University of Toronto at Mississauga Students' Union  
Friday November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 • Room 100 – Student Centre, UTM

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### **Attendance**

#### Executives

Mitra Yakubi (present)  
Fahad Dayala (present)  
Anushka Sokhi (present)  
Lily Pan (present)  
Noha Farawi (present)  
Tarwah Afrah (non-voting)  
(present)

#### Executive Director:

Mary Asekome (non-voting)  
(present)

#### Division I

Crystal Cheng (present)  
Ayesha Dayala (present)

#### Division II

Liza Nasir (present)  
Sameer Naderi (present)  
Alvin Jeffrey Stanislaus  
(present)  
Lai Wei (not-present)  
Aditya Chopra (not-present)  
Xiaodan (Silvia) Zhou  
(present)  
Yiming (Micheal) Chen  
(present)

Laiba Khan (not-present)  
Aysha Qureshi (present)  
Shehrabano Ali (not-present)  
Taarika Salariya (not-present)

#### Division III

Vacant

#### Division IV

Vacant

<b>#1.</b>	<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>
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*Meeting called to order at 4:28pm.*

<b>#2.</b>	<b>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</b>
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### **MOTION**

Moved: A.  
Stanislaus

Seconded S. Naderi

Be it resolved that the agenda be approved as presented.

### **VOTE**

**ALL IN FAVOUR  
MOTION PASSES**

<b>#3.</b>	<b>EXECUTIVE REPORTS</b>
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F. Dayala: .. First of all, I'll start off with an annual general meeting where a lot of us are present. We had that meeting on the 16th of November through zoom. It was a pretty good meeting we got to discuss a lot of things which we've been working on a lot of things which the UTMSU has worked on over the past year and a half. We also presented the financial statements for the last year, which were approved by the membership at the AGM which basically showed our financial position in the past year, we also had the CFS NGM, which is the Canadian Federation of Students national general meeting, where all the student unions across Canada were present. That was a great meeting as well, we got to know a lot of information about what the CFS has been doing on a national level over the past year. Apart from that coming more catered towards UTMSU. Over the past month we did close down our in person activity, except for the blind duck pub, which is still open for takeout only

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considering that there are still a lot of students on campus, especially in residence as well. So just to cater to that students, we have kept the blind duck pub open for takeout only. Apart from that in terms of services, students can still come and pick up their U-passes. Or if they want. If they want to get a new U-pass in case you lost it or something like that, we do have that option as well. But we're also mailing out new U-passes to students who cannot come in person. And we have like a whole process for that they can email [upass@utmc.ca](mailto:upass@utmc.ca) and fill out relevant info, for them to get you past made. Apart from that I personally have been working a lot on the campus groups portal, which folks might not know, is a new platform we're working on for campus groups, the clubs and societies in specific on campus through which we can streamline the processes for the relocation packages. Any statements that have been submitted, any documentation, financial statements, etc, for the clubs and societies that have to submit can be submitted through that platform, it would be a great thing because it would streamline the communication we have with them. So that is in the works. We've been. We've met with a couple of organizations. In fact, this past week, we met with another organization. And we will continue conversations with them. So over the next week or so we will probably be finalizing that as well. Apart from that we're hiring for our new staff position for a mental health peer support program, we have been hiring a part time coordinator in order to overload that program. So the job application was due today. In the next week or so we will be continuing the hiring process which includes interviews and finalizing the candidate. Apart from that I have been also involved in a lot of mental health meetings. In a lot of Uoft wide mental health meetings where a lot of student leaders from different student unions are interested, different student departments come together and discuss the lack of resources when it comes to mental health that you have at Campus. So I was part of those meetings as well, where we discussed the current issues we face and how to improve them in order to provide better mental health resources to your students.

A. Sokhi: So as for the past month, it's been pretty busy. academia wise we've had it Academy advocacy week. This was just an event week over know your academies campaign. We had sessions with our academy coordinators, who led sessions about academic integrity. We collaborated with AIU, which is the academic integrity unit at the dean's office. We also had sessions with IEC which event National Education Center as well as downtown leader services where students have the option to learn about their legal rights and legal services that are available to them. And it was a pretty successful week. These sessions were recorded and posted on our website just for folks who have access, who couldn't attend the sessions, when they were being held live. Fahad also mentioned that we had our AGM. So that was a great place where we bought to communicate with our members and talk about what we've been up to, and what we're going to be working on moving forward. The UTMSU executive also attended the CFSNGM, w All of the all of the UTMSU executive has also attended the UFC wide mental health meetings, which was a great place to kind of hear all of the UFT students' concerns. We also think it was a great place for us to hear what students want and to understand how we can incorporate that in our peer mental health support program.

L. Pan: I've also been attending various meetings as mentioned above. This includes the Food Services Advisory Committee, so the administrators and the hospitality people, they gave us some updates regarding some of the issues that were brought up to them. And some of the questions were collected from the commission that we had last month. And, in addition, they also gave us some updates about the contracts with chartwells, as well as what's going to go forward. And so if you want to hear more about those, you can feel free to message me later on. And they said this week. As far as I went to the cost meeting yesterday. We're just a Tri-campus space for different campus groups to like, basically, like a QSS, but at the campus level. We had her house student life and the KPE doing a presentation.

N. Farawi: Things I've been doing is working on the Divest Now campaign. And we don't we don't know what it is, it's a campaign, the ones to get us to divest from their investments, that that was very confusing, like, basically removing their investments from the fossil fuel industries. So as most of you may know, fossil fuels are probably the main cause of climate change on earth. And we need to be working to divest from the fossil fuel source. Right now we're supporting UTERN, which is the University of Toronto environmental Resource Network. They're sending a divestment letter to the

Governing Council. And we're gonna see how that goes. But they're going to summit next month. And good news, actually, Lakehead University just this morning, announced that they're divesting from fossil fuels. So that was great news. They've been trying since 2013. Other than that, trans Remembrance Day was last week, last Friday, November 20. We had a UFT wide, central image, they went great, I think for the first time that they did a tri-campus thing, because in the virtual world, it's possible. Other than that, we have the seminar series that have been monthly. This one happened two days ago on Wednesday. It was on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against women. We had speaker Carol Bilson speaking on ending violence against women went great. We had a huge turnout, like from Admin as well. So that was an interesting thing to see. Other than that Lily mentioned Hart House and the strategic plan. I also sit on the board of series there, which is basically their board of directors for Hart House. So I'm the UTMSU representative. Each student union has a representative there. Yeah, I presented that at UTMSU one on one presentation and let them know all the awesome work we did.

T. Afrah: We wrapped up Halloween in the very last week of October since the last board meeting, going forth. We also want the campus life team to also have the opportunity to collaborate with the presidential team on education for all Town Halls, which is on Monday and I'm going to divulge into that since it is her project. Other than that, we also had the ability or the opportunity to collaborate with our first campus group ASA for a holiday hamper. But since we are now in lockdown, we're just trying to figure out how to go about the holiday hamper, which is kind of like a gift back event and trying to figure out how we can give back to humans without really interacting with humans. That's the ongoing conversations where I'll let you folks know how that goes as time progresses. Also, the campus life team is also figuring out how frosh is going to look. So very early to January, we hosted an event for students who are now joining school or just kind of like a welcome back for students who have been in school. I'm celebrating 2021 and hopefully goodbye for 2020 and he looks at any ideas of how you want to see across the earth. I'm also open to that you can let me know other than that, we also have a social that we've been planning with Fahad for the Board of Directors and other folks and I think that that's about it.

M. Yakubi: I'm working on continuing to work on the mental peer support program. And I know some of you have heard me say this for the past six months, it's just a slow progress. When it comes to mental health, it's really important that you do the work diligently, you take your time with it, which is why we've had weekly readings and check-ins with the folks at Stella's place. The project has been continuing well. So we are going to be actually launching the project for like a pilot in the winter semester, which means we're going to be doing some students collect more feedback, so that when it's time for us to completely have the project both in person virtual, we know exactly what to do and like what works and what doesn't work, it's just going to have to be like an ongoing conversation and ongoing feedback to improve the program and bring it to where it needs to be. And it's going really well in the sense that folks as fellows have a lot of trust and believe in the project that's happening. And do we and the project are so good, that a lot of student unions across UofT actually want to implement and to me asked how have they so that they can also adapt to it on our campus. That's a big win for us. Even though programs in its early stages were kind of paving the way for the rest of the unions to do this kind of work for their membership. And a mental health kind of tie in with the student mental health like meetings that we had the UTMSU executives and some staff members and some students did attend emergency meetings where we discussed the mental health crisis at UofT and what next steps look like. It's important for us that there's a crisis, whether that's because of the policies, whether that's because of the lack of resources support, we just need to do the institution itself needs to do better. And we're ensuring that the UTMSU was there in the face front, fighting for these changes. So whatever lobby is going to happen, we're going to be there to ensure that our feedback is always there on the table. And that UTM student representatives are always there to talk about some of the issues that are relevant to our campus. So it's like, yes, there is some intersectionality, when it comes to the issue of tri-campus. But we also want to make sure that your voices are heard in those discussions. So the execs and the staff are going to be part of those working groups and like the coalition overall, to make sure that we're doing sustainable work, not









**ALL IN FAVOUR  
MOTION PASSES**

**d) Policy & Procedures Committee**

**MOTION** Moved: Ayesha Dayala Seconded Alvin S.

Be it resolved that:

**Ayesha Dayala** from Division I,  
**Alvin S** from Division II,

be appointed by the UTMSU Board of Directors to the Policy & Procedures Committee

**VOTE  
ALL IN FAVOUR  
MOTION PASSES**

**e) Organizational Development & Services Committee**

**MOTION** Moved: Lily P Seconded Alvin S.

Be it resolved that:

**Crystal Cheng** from Division I,  
**(VACANT)** from Division II,

be appointed by the UTMSU Board of Directors to the Organizational Development & Services Committee.

**VOTE  
ALL IN FAVOUR  
MOTION PASSES**

**f) Green Grants Committee**

**MOTION** Moved: Ayesha Q. Seconded C. Cheng

Be it resolved that:

**Ayesha Dayala** from Division I,  
**Ayesha Q.** from Division II,

be appointed by the UTMSU Board of Directors to the Green Grants Committee.

**VOTE  
ALL IN FAVOUR  
MOTION PASSES**

**g) Bursary Committee**

**MOTION** Moved: Wei L Seconded Ayesha Q



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**#6. STRIKING OF OPEN COMMITTEES**

**a) WUSC Committee**

**MOTION** Moved: Crystal C. Seconded Lily P.

Be it resolved that the WUSC Committee be stricken as an open committee by the UTMSU Board of Directors

**VOTE  
 ALL IN FAVOUR  
 MOTION PASSES**

**#8. OTHER BUSINESS**

M. Yakubi: The UTMSu execs are currently working on programming for next semester and are also talking about what ways in which the UTMSU can support its members. We are currently working on implementing new programs such as some grants that can be granted to students.

**#9. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** Moved: Alvin S. Seconded: Crystal C.

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 6:24pm

**VOTE  
 ALL IN FAVOUR  
 MOTION PASSES**

<b>VALIDATION</b>		
<b>MITRA YAKUBI                  PRESIDENT</b>	<i>Mitra Yakubi</i>	NOVEMBER 27, 2020
<b>NAME AND POSITION</b>	<b>SIGNATURE</b>	<b>DATE</b>