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UTMSU ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024-25

Your Guide to Robert's Rules of Order

RULES OF ORDER AT A GLANCE

To Do This:	You Say This:	May You Interrupt the Speaker?	Must You be Seconded?	Is the Motion Debatable?	Is the Motion Amendable?	What Majority is Required?
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

#7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION Moved: Joelle Salsa Seconded:

Be it resolved that the minutes from the 2023-24 Annual General Meeting be approved as presented in Appendix A.

VOTE

#8. RECEIPT OF THE 2023-2024 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – UTMSU & BLIND DUCK – APPENDIX B & C

MOTION Moved: Ronny Chen Seconded:

Be it resolved that the audited financial statements of the Erindale College Students' Union (Operating as the UTMSU) and the Blind Duck for the fiscal year ending April 30th, 2024 be approved as presented on Appendix C & D

VOTE

#9. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS FOR 2024-2025

MOTION Moved: Ronny Chen Seconded:

Be it resolved that Yale PGC be appointed as the external auditors for the Erindale College Students' Union (operating as the UTMSU) for the fiscal year ending April 30th, 2025.

VOTE

#10. AMENDMENT TO BYLAW III - MEETINGS - APPENDIX D

MOTION Moved: Joelle Salsa Seconded:

Be it resolved that the Amendments proposed to Bylaw III - Meetings be approved as presented on Appendix D

VOTE

#11. REPORT ON MOTION TO INCREASE CLUBS FUNDING

#12. MOTIONS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS

Motions submitted by members will be listed here.

a)	Creation of the Committee to Indigenous Justice and Collaboration (CIJC)
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MOTION

Moved:

Seconded:

Whereas the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRCC) has 94 Calls to Action. Specifically, number 80 called for the creation of a statutory holiday by the federal government and requested that there be “public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools” through this;

Whereas many major educational institutions across the country observe this nationally created statutory holiday on September 30th. These institutions include, but are certainly not limited to, *University of British Columbia, University of Manitoba, University of Alberta, University of Saskatchewan, and Queen’s University*;

Whereas the *University of Toronto* has committed to following up on the TRCC’s Calls to Action in the report: “*Answering the Call Wecheehetowin: Final Report of the Steering Committee for the University of Toronto Response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada*” (notably, however, not including action item number 80 in the TRCC’s report);

Whereas the effects of residential schools on the Indigenous peoples of Canada can often be both a barrier to education and a source of intergenerational trauma for current students at the *University of Toronto*;

Be it resolved that the UTMSU strike an Open Committee called “Committee to Indigenous Justice and Collaboration (CIJC)” where all UTMSU members are able to join;

Be it further resolved that the purpose and definitions of the committee are to seek collaboration across the Tri-Campus with UTSU and SCSU and to focus on advocating for the recognition of all 94 calls to action, with a special consideration to call to action number 80 in the TRCC’s 94 Calls to Action;

Be it further resolved that there be no prejudice to any non-Indigenous member wanting to be on, or who is already involved in, the Committee;

Be it further resolved that the future of the committee to be continued after the 2025-2026 academic year if and only if the following is true, else it be dissolved, such that: The committee successfully connects with the UTSU and SCSU, and/or the committee receives an official response from a governing body or committee at either the *UTM* or *University of Toronto* governance levels on the call to action number 80. Be it further resolved that the UTMSU publish a release stating its explicit support for the continued work of *UTM* and the *University of Toronto* towards the 94 calls to action alongside a new call to action for the recognition of September 30th as a statutory holiday for the Tri-Campus.

VOTE

b)	Investigation of Social and Financial benefits of a makerspace at UTM
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MOTION

Moved:

Seconded:

Whereas a makerspace (also known as a hackerspace) is a multifaceted space that promotes hands-on learning, sustainability and fostering a community;

Whereas the community spaces that don't require the purchasing of a good or service to lounge are rare occurrences on and around *UTM*;

Whereas makerspaces often contain tools used to support sustainability through mending and repairing such as sewing machines, 3D printers and/or soldering equipment;

Whereas a makerspace could provide the UTMSU with additional potential to generate income and sustain further independence from the *University of Toronto*;

Whereas makerspaces exist at many post-secondary universities, with a prominent example being the *University of Toronto Scarborough*, which currently has one;

Be it resolved that the UTMSU will investigate the viability of the following pertaining to the creation of a makerspace over the next year.

- a. The value in seeking private and/or public partnerships to fund the creation of the makerspace
- b. Potential collaborations with the *University of Toronto* in finding an on-campus location
- c. Surveying students for types of equipment and services available through the makerspace (such as 3D printers, sewing machines, power-tool library, etc.)
- d. Creating a four-year financial plan draft starting in the 2025/2026 academic school year for the makerspace including
 - i. Financing of equipment
 - ii. Ongoing costs of upkeep and materials
 - iii. Potential sources of revenue for the *Union*

Be it further resolved that the UTMSU publish this as a report alongside the creation of an abstract outlining the benefits and drawbacks of a makerspace.

VOTE

c)	The University of Toronto Land Acknowledgment
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MOTION

Moved:

Seconded:

Whereas the current University of Toronto land acknowledgment uses language that inadvertently validate colonial actions of "so-called Canada" by expressing gratitude for the land without acknowledging the ongoing violence and colonization that Indigenous communities face;

Whereas Land acknowledgments should honour Indigenous peoples by openly recognizing the history and impacts of colonization, including genocide, forced displacement, cultural erasure, and other forms of

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Annual General Meeting 2024-25 of the University of Toronto at Mississauga Students' Union
Thursday, November 28th, 2024 • UTMSU, Student Centre, Room 100

VALIDATION		
JOELLE SALSA PRESIDENT		Wednesday, November 28, 2024
NAME AND POSITION	SIGNATURE	DATE