



**University of Toronto Graduate Student's Union  
Monthly Council Report  
February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Danielle Karakas  
Academics and Funding Commissioner Div 3/4**

A) Executive Committee, General Council, and Annual Meetings

- I. Had brief meeting with Finance Administrator regarding housing panel meeting logistics on February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
- II. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- III. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on Jan. 31st.
- IV. I attended and participated in UTGSU Council meeting on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
- V. I attended and participated in the executive council preparatory meeting on January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

B) Other UTGSU Committee, Levy Group, and Caucus Meeting Highlights

- I. I attended the Graduate Education Council meeting on February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Items discussed:
  - a. The Impact Fund
  - b. Scholarships for Black and Indigenous students
  - c. The Healthy Labs Initiative
  - d. COVID-19 tuition waiver

C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights

- I. I attended the SGS monthly meeting on February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Items discussed:
  - a. COVID-19 tuition waiver and refined distribution of funds
  - b. BGSEB update
  - c. OISE TA-ship opportunities

D) Other Meetings, Issues, Significant Events and Information Highlights

- I. Forwarded Emergency Food Bank Propposal to Dean Barker and SGS office.
- II. I attended the Student Housing Panel planning meeting on February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022.



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- III. Created promotional blurb and forwarded to Communications Administrator regarding the upcoming tenants rights housing panel.
- IV. Followed up with Emergency Food Bank for SGS proposal.
- V. Confirmed housing panel date as March 3<sup>rd</sup> with panelists
- VI. Drafted housing panel questions confirmed questions with Civics and Internal commissioners.
- VII. Requested speaker bios and headshots for Know Your Rights panel
- VIII. Held meeting with Grad Minds and Emergency Food Bank on January 21, 2022.
- IX. Had meeting with Civics and Environment Commissioner regarding housing panel campaign on January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022.



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**Justin Patrick  
External Commissioner**

**A) Executive Committee, General Council, and Annual Meetings**

- I. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting from 9:30-11:30, Thursday, January 20, 2022.
- II. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors planning meeting from 9:30 to about 10:30, Monday, January 24, 2022.
- III. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors meeting from 17:30-19:30, Tuesday, January 25, 2022.
- IV. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors meeting debrief from 20:00 to about 20:30, Tuesday, January 25, 2022.
- V. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting from 9:30-11:30, Thursday, January 31, 2022.
- VI. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting from 9:30-11:30, Thursday, February 7, 2022.

**B) Other UTGSU Committee, Levy Group, and Caucus Meeting Highlights**

- I. I corresponded with Equity and Advocacy Committee members regarding upcoming committee activities.
- II. I facilitated a committee drop-in session from 16:00-18:00, Wednesday, January 26, 2022.
- III. I onboarded new committee members.
- IV. I attended, chaired, and participated in an Equity and Advocacy Committee meeting from 20:00-21:00, Monday, January 31, 2022.
- V. I attended and participated in a meeting with a new member of the Equity and Advocacy Committee to discuss campaigns and answer questions about the committee from 9:00-9:30, Wednesday, February 9, 2022.

**C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights**

- I. I attended and participated in a meeting with graduate students with Downtown Legal Services regarding housing advocacy from 12:10-13:10, Thursday, January 20, 2022.



- II. I attended and participated in a CFS Lobby Week training from 13:00-14:00, Friday, January 21, 2022.
- III. I attended and participated in a University of Toronto Council on Student Services meeting from 13:30-14:30, Monday, January 24, 2022.
- IV. I attended and participated in the first event in the Canadian Students for Sensible Drug Policy Toronto speakers series, entitled, "Imagining a Police-Free UofT" from 18:00-19:30, Monday, January 24, 2022.
- V. I attended and participated in a meeting about a potential podcast being organized by the Canadian Association for Graduate Studies from 15:15-16:15, Tuesday, January 25, 2022.
- VI. I attended and participated in a meeting with personnel from the University of Toronto Office of the Vice Provost of Student Services from 10:00-11:00, Thursday, January 27, 2022.
- VII. I attended and participated in a meeting with Canadian Students for Sensible Drug Policy Toronto regarding the partnership the UTGSU recently established with the organization from 12:10-13:10, Thursday, January 27, 2022.
- VIII. I attended and participated in a UTEAU meeting from 17:00-18:30, Thursday, January 27, 2022.
- IX. I attended and participated in a meeting with University of Toronto Student Life from 15:00-16:00, Friday, January 28, 2022.
- X. I attended and participated in a meeting with potential partner organization Global Participe from 7:00-8:00, Monday, January 31, 2022.
- XI. I attended a UTEAU Phone Zap planning meeting from 15:00-16:00, Monday, January 31, 2022 regarding a student and labour response to the university's return to campus plan.
- XII. I attended and participated in a policy drafting meeting with the Executive Director from 13:00-15:00, Tuesday, February 1, 2022.
- XIII. I attended and participated in a CFS Lobby Week training from 13:00-15:00, Wednesday, February 2, 2022.
- XIV. I attended and participated in a meeting with potential partner organization Crisis Resolving Center Tanzania from 9:00-10:00, Thursday, February 3, 2022.
- XV. I attended and participated in a meeting with potential partner organization Parliamentary Network Africa from 11:00-12:00, Thursday, February 3, 2022.
- XVI. I attended and participated in a policy drafting meeting with the Executive Director from 14:30-17:00, Thursday, February 3, 2022.
- XVII. I attended a UTEAU Phone Zap planning meeting from 13:00-13:10, Friday, February 4, 2022 regarding a student and labour response to the university's return to campus plan.
- XVIII. I attended and participated in a meeting with MPP Jessica Biel from 13:00-14:00, Monday, February 7, 2022 to discuss potential support for UTGSU campaigns.
- XIX. I attended and participated in a meeting with UTSU Vice-President, Public and University Affairs Omar Gharbiyeh from 13:20-14:20, Monday, February 7, 2022 to express a need for more UTSU collaboration in campaigns.



- XX. I attended and participated in a Cops Off Campus Campaign meeting from 19:00-20:00, Monday, February 7, 2022.
- XXI. I attended and participated in a Council on Student Services Meeting from 13:00-14:30, Tuesday, February 8, 2022. I moved a motion to table votes on fee increases for Student Life, which passed.
- XXII. I attended and participated in a policy drafting meeting with the Executive Director from 14:30 to about 17:00, Tuesday, February 8, 2022.
- XXIII. I attended and participated in a meeting with UTSU Vice-President, Public and University Affairs Omar Gharbiyeh from 12:10-13:10, Wednesday, February 9, 2022 to discuss ways the Council on Student Services could be leveraged to initiate a research project in conjunction with Student Life on ways the university can reduce reliance on student fees.
- XXIV. I attended and participated in a policy drafting meeting with the Executive Director and Internal Commissioner from 13:00 to about 14:00, Wednesday, February 9, 2022.
- XXV. I attended and participated in a meeting with David Newman from Student Life from 15:00-16:00, Wednesday, February 9, 2022 to discuss the idea for a research project on ways to reduce university reliance on student fees that had been developed with the UTSU earlier that day. David expressed that Student Life would be interested in supporting and actively contributing to this project.
- XXVI. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Black History Month Trivia Night from 17:00-19:30, Thursday, February 10, 2022.
- XXVII. I attended and participated in a meeting with the UTGSU executive director and employees from University Planning to discuss new office space options for the UTGSU from 11:00-12:00, Friday, February 11, 2022.
- XXVIII. I attended and participated in a CFS-Ontario Lobby Week training from 13:00-16:00, Friday, February 11, 2022.
- XXIX. I attended and participated in a meeting with representatives from APUS, the UTSU, and UTMSU to discuss the idea for a research project about ways the university can reduce reliance on student fees in collaboration with Student Life. The other student unions expressed interest in this proposed project.

#### D) Other Meetings, Issues, Significant Events and Information Highlights

- I. I created a post on the Civicus online platform inviting organizations to partner with the UTGSU.
- II. I liaised with Civicus organizations that expressed interest in partnering with the UTGSU.
- III. I contributed to the UTEAU Phone Zap text for the planned campaign in response to the University of Toronto's return to campus plans.
- IV. I emailed the UTGSU Communications and Engagement Strategist to request a meeting regarding developing a partners webpage on the UTGSU website and a partners mailing list on Thursday, January 27, 2022.
- V. I worked on a draft of co-curricular record designations for UTGSU positions.



- VI. I worked on a draft UTGSU Board of Directors motion to provide additional supports to course unions.
- VII. I held virtual office hours from 16:00-18:00, Wednesday, February 2, 2022.
- VIII. I liaised with Civicus organizations that expressed interest in partnering with the UTGSU.
- IX. I contributed to the UTEAU Phone Zap text for the planned campaign in response to the University of Toronto's return to campus plans.
- X. I worked on a draft UTGSU Board of Directors motion to provide additional supports to course unions and general updates to the UTGSU Policies.
- XI. I responded to student concerns regarding the disrespectful distribution of Hell Money to Grad House students celebrating the Lunar New Year. I facilitated the drafting of a joint letter calling out the university and outlining demands students have been calling for to remedy the situation and prevent similar mistakes by the university in the future. This letter has been shared with other student and campus organizations, many of whom have signed on in solidarity. I liaised with multiple student press outlets on campus regarding what happened and the UTGSU's letter.
- XII. I held virtual office hours from 16:00-18:00, Wednesday, February 9, 2022.
- XIII. I liaised with Civicus organizations that expressed interest in partnering with the UTGSU.
- XIV. I contributed to the UTEAU Phone Zap text for the planned campaign in response to the University of Toronto's return to campus plans.
- XV. I worked on updates to the UTGSU Policies for presentation at a future Board of Directors meeting.
- XVI. I sent the joint letter in response to the disrespectful distribution of Hell Money to Grad House students celebrating the Lunar New Year.
- XVII. I liaised with a journalist from the *Toronto Star* regarding the joint letter in response to the disrespectful distribution of Hell Money to Grad House students celebrating the Lunar New Year.
- XVIII. I liaised with UTMSU Vice-President External Maëlis Barre regarding voting against fee increases presented at the Council on Student Services meeting.



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**Dhanela Sivaparan  
Academics & Funding Commissioner Div 1 & 2**

**A) Executive Committee, General Council, and Annual Meetings**

- I. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting January 20, 2022.
- II. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors planning meeting January 24, 2022.
- III. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors meeting January 25, 2022.
- IV. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors meeting debrief January 25, 2022.
- V. I chaired and attended the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting January 31, 2022.
- VI. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting February 7, 2022.

**B) Other UTGSU Committee, Levy Group, and Caucus Meeting Highlights**

- I. I corresponded with WTPC members regarding upcoming committee activities Feb and March.
- II. I supported onboarding of new committee members WTPC Feb 3, 2022.
- III. I facilitated a committee Session Feb 9, 2022 & recruited two new committee members.
- IV. I attended, chaired, and participated in the new WTPC meeting January 28, 2022.
- V. I discussed Feb and March campaigns with the new members

**C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights**

- I. I attended and participated in a meeting with Student Life for Career Workshop ideas Feb 12, 2022
- II. I was not able to attend Council on Student Services Meeting Tuesday, February 8, 2022 due to power outage.
- III. I attended and participated in a meeting with personnel from the University of Toronto Office of the Vice Provost of Student Services January 27, 2022.
- IV. I attended and participated in a UTEAU meeting from 17:00-18:30, Thursday, January 27, 2022.
- V. I attended and participated in a meeting with University of Toronto Student Life January 28, 2022.
- VI. I attended and participated in a policy drafting meeting with the Executive Director from 14:30 to about 17:00, Tuesday, February 8, 2022.
- VII. I attended and participated in a meeting with SGS staff Feb 15, 2022 regarding communications, work study opportunities, TCard access & distribution on campus



#### D) Other Meetings, Issues, Significant Events and Information Highlights

- I. I responded to communications and emails regarding advocacy and representation for student appeals in divisions ½
- II. I set up one on one meetings with grad students to meet up to hear concerns and redirect them to resources and supports on campus.
- III. I responded to grad student inquires about campus reopening and study spaces
- IV. I replied to emails and set up one on one meetings with grad students for advocacy matters related to appeals/ grad units Feb 3-4, 2022
- V. I worked on my executive report Feb 6, 2022
- VI. I followed up on meetings with UofT admins across departments to meet up to improve student experiences.
- VII. Contacted organizers of Indigenous (elder/knowledge keeper) events in Toronto Feb 5, 2022.
- VIII. I liaised with students regarding advocacy and appeals matters related to grad units and tuition waivers
- IX. I voted on motions via email in relation to staff and Zoom tech access items Feb 16, 2022
- X. I held virtual office hours Feb 3, 2022
- XI. I held virtual office hours Feb 10, 2022
- XII. I reviewed and sent comments to the joint letter drafted my External Commissioner in response to the distribution of Hell Money to Grad House students celebrating the Lunar New Year.
- XIII. I responded to SGS staff personnel about increasing TA and GA opportunities for Graduate Students at OISE.





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**June Li  
Finance Commissioner**

**A) Executive Committee, General Council, and Annual Meetings**

- I. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on Jan. 20th.
- II. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive Council Prep Meeting on Jan 24th
- III. I attended and participated in the monthly Council Meeting on Jan. 25th
- IV. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive-Council Debrief Meeting on Jan 25th
- V. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on Jan. 31st. I attended and chaired the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting at Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>.
- VI. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on Jan. 13th<sup>th</sup>.
- VII. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on Feb. 7th.

**B) Other UTGSU Committee, Levy Group, and Caucus Meeting Highlights**

- I. Chaired and participated in Finance Committee Jan 27th
- II. Met with Executive Director and Governance Commissioner (VP of Finance) for bi-weekly meeting to discuss new funding initiatives on Feb. 3<sup>r</sup>

**C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights**

- I. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Annual General Meeting preparation meeting with the UTGSU Executive and the Executive Director from 17:00-18:00, Monday, December 6, 2021.
- II. I attended and participated in UTGSU/SGS Meeting on Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>

**D) Other Meetings, Issues, Significant Events and Information Highlights**

- I. Prepared Finance Committee Agenda Package
- II. Designed and prepared promo for the BFI Fac of Music survey which has been launched
- III. Monitored and responded to emails from BGSEB, GCDF, and SCB accounts
- IV. Responded to students inquires and donations requests
- V. Tested and sent over answers for the UTGSU course union online orientation



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- VI. Launched the Academic Engagement Grant
- VII. Corresponded and set up meetings with UTSU and YUGSA VPs of Finances to understand how they administer their emergency student grants in preparation to launch UTGSU's
- VIII. Responded to students' inquiries and donations requests
- IX. Had a meeting with UTSU chief operating assistant to go over how they administer their emergency grants on Friday, Jan 11th
- X. Received feedback from BFI survey at Faculty of Music and updated the questions
- XI. Had meeting with UTSU VP of operations on Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> to gain insight into their emergency grant application and distribution strategy



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**An-Noûra Compaoré  
Civics and Environment Commissioner**

**A) Executive Committee, General Council, and Annual Meetings**

- I. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting from 9:30-11:30, Thursday, January 20, 2022.
- II. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors planning meeting from 9:30 to about 10:30, Monday, January 24, 2022.
- III. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors meeting from 17:30-19:30, Tuesday, January 25, 2022.
- IV. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors meeting debrief from 20:00 to about 20:30, Tuesday, January 25, 2022.
- V. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting from 9:30-11:30, Thursday, January 31, 2022.
- VI. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting from 9:30-11:30, Thursday, February 7, 2022.
- VII. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting from 9:30-11:30, Thursday, February 14, 2022

**B) Other UTGSU Committee, Levy Group, and Caucus Meeting Highlights**

- I. I shared promotion material with the UTGSU Communications & Engagement Strategist that was sent out to members in the January 20, 2022 UTGSU Digest email newsletter to encourage students to register for the Hart House Changemaker Series event.

**C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights**

- I. I attended and participated in a University of Toronto Board of Stewards meeting from 17:30- 18:30, Thursday, January 13, 2022.
- II. I attended and participated in a University of Toronto Community Liaison Committee meeting from 18:30-20:00, Thursday, January 13, 2022.
- III. I corresponded with Student Initiative Fund Committee members regarding upcoming committee activities.
- IV. I scored and provided feedback on each Student Initiative Fund application.
  - V. I corresponded with the Student Initiative Fund about my upcoming availability.
  - VI. I attended and participated to the Board of Steward meeting on Friday 03 February from 17:30



to 19:30

- VII. I chaired and participated in the UTGSU Black History Month Trivia Night from 17:00-19:30, Thursday, February 10, 2022

#### D) Other Meetings, Issues, Significant Events and Information Highlights

- I. I liaised with the Academic and Funding Commissioner 3 and 4 about an upcoming partnership for the tenants' rights event.
- II. I had a meeting with the Academic Funding Commissioner 3 & 4 to discuss the Tenant's Housing Rights upcoming event on Friday 28 January from 14:43 to 14:51
- III. I communicated with the Governance Commissioner and Communication Engagement Strategist about potential Black History Month event ideas.
- IV. I met with the Governance Commissioner and Communication Engagement Strategist about the Black History Month event on Friday 28 January from 17:25 to 18:00.
- V. I created an event outline and questions draft for the Tenant's Housing Rights upcoming event.
- VI. I created a game night draft for the upcoming Black History Month event on February 11, 2022.
- VII. I began a Kahoots game rough draft.
- VIII. I communicated with the Academic Funding Commissioner 3 & 4 to ask for advice on how to create a Trivia game similar to hers.
- IX. I signed the January 20, 2022 meeting minutes highlights
- X. I corresponded with the Communication and Engagement Strategist about the upcoming Black History Month event advertisements and agenda.
- XI. I created the Black History Month Trivia questions. I am working on the Kahoots questions.
- XII. I will begin writing the Black History Month events' agenda.
- XIII. I researched and created the Black History Month Game night outline.
- XIV. I researched the history and created the Kahoots game Black History Month Game night.
- XV. I researched Canadian Black history and created the trivia game Black History Month Game night.
- XVI. I attended and participated in the Black History Month preparation meeting on Wednesday 9 February from 16:00 to 17:00.
- XVII. I attended and participated in the Black History Month debrief meeting on Thursday 10 February from 19:30 to 20:00.
- XVIII. I attended and participated in the CRO Committee first round of interviews on Friday 11 February from 15:30 to 17:00.
- XIX. I attended and participated in the CRO Committee first round of interviews debrief on Friday 11 February from 17:00 to 17:15.
- XX. I emailed all the winners of the Black History Month Games Night asking to send their student ID for verification in order for them to receive their PC Optimum gift cards.



- XXI. I coordinated with the Finance Administrator to transfer the PC Optimum gift cards to the Black History Month Games Night winners on February 14, 2022.
- XXII. I wrote and finalized the Know Your Rights Panel questions on February 14, 2022.
- XXIII. I coordinated with the Academics and Funding Commissioner concerning the planning, questions, and Zoom webinar for the Know Your Rights Panel.
- XXIV. I contacted the Internal Commissioner asking to revise the Know Your Rights Panel questions.
- XXV. I coordinated with the Communications and Engagement Strategist about the Know Your Rights Panel advertisements
- XXVI. I contacted the Finance Administrator about the upcoming Zoom Webinar subscriptions and purchase.
- XXVII. I attended the and participated in the second CRO hiring committee interviews on February 16, 2022 from 15:30 to 17:00.
- XXVIII. I attended and participated in the Student Family Housing Panel on February 16, 2022 from 18:00 to 19:00.
- XXIX. I attended and participated in the CRO hiring committee interview debrief to evaluate the interviewees and pick the appropriate candidate on February 17, 2022 from 16:00 to 17:30.
- XXX. I co-wrote the CRO hiring committee report describing our timeline and chosen candidate on February 17, 2022.
- XXXI. I emailed the Internal Commissioner the CRO hiring committee report and the successful candidate's job acceptance.
- XXXII. I wrote the acceptance email for the successful CRO candidate and got in contact with her.
- XXXIII. I wrote an email to the other unsuccessful interviewed candidates announcing that the position has been filled on February 17, 2022.
- XXXIV. I wrote an email to the candidates the CRO committee did not interview announcing that the position has been filled on February 17, 2022.
- XXXV. I wrote the Civics and Environment Commissioner Council Report.



**University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union  
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**Sarah Alam  
Internal Commissioner**

**A) Executive Committee, General Council, and Annual Meetings**

- I. I organized, attended, and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting from 9:30-11:30, Thursday, January 20, 2022.
- II. I organized, attended, and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors planning meeting from 9:30 to about 10:30, Monday, January 24, 2022.
- III. I organized, attended, and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors meeting from 17:30-19:30, Tuesday, January 25, 2022.
- IV. I organized, attended, and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors meeting debrief from 20:00 to about 20:30, Tuesday, January 25, 2022.
- V. I organized, attended, and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting from 9:30-11:30, Thursday, January 31, 2022.
- VI. I organized, attended, and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting from 9:30-11:30, Thursday, February 7, 2022.
- VII. I organized, attended, and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting from 9:30-11:30, Thursday, February 14, 2022.

**B) Other UTGSU Committee, Levy Group, and Caucus Meeting Highlights**

- I. I attended and participated in all meeting discussions regarding the formation of ROM Caucus.

**C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights**

- I. I attended and participated in a CFS Lobby Week training from 13:00-14:00, Friday, January 21, 2022.
- VIII. I attended and participated in a meeting with personnel from the University of Toronto Office of the Vice Provost of Student Services from 10:00-11:00, Thursday, January 27, 2022.
- IX. I attended and participated in a CFS Lobby Week training from 13:00-15:00, Wednesday, February 2, 2022.



- X. I attended and participated in a meeting with OISA Asian Students Association regarding grad house incident from 12:00 – 13:00, Monday, February 7, 2022
- XI. I attended and participated in a meeting with MPP Jessica Bell from 13:00-14:00, Monday, February 7, 2022, to discuss potential support for UTGSU campaigns.
- XII. I favored a motion to table votes on fee increases for Student Life, which passed.
- XIII. I attended and participated in a policy drafting meeting with the Executive Director and External Commissioner from 13:00 to about 14:00, Wednesday, February 9, 2022.
- XIV. I attended and participated in a meeting with Grad Minds concerning conflict coaching from 13:00 to 14:00, Thursday, February 10, 2022
- XV. I organized, attended, and participated in a meeting with Student Family Housing tenants' association and the office of MPP Jessica Biel from 18:00 – 19:00 on February 16, 2022.

#### D) Other Meetings, Issues, Significant Events, and Information Highlights

- I. I had a meeting with the Executive Director for Board of Directors meeting package on February 08, 2022
- II. I drafted and circulated the first mailout for Board of Directors meeting on February 08, 2022
- III. I sent regular correspondence to executives for the reporting period to submit their weekly executive reports and agenda items.
- IV. I communicated with members queries regarding EAL position
- V. I worked on all draft motions for the Board of Directors meeting package
- VI. I drafted and circulated the second mailout for the Board of Directors meeting package
- VII. I had a call with legal counsel regarding UTGSU bylaws and policies on February 14, 2022
- VIII. I responded to student concerns regarding the disrespectful distribution of Hell Money to Grad House students celebrating the Lunar New Year. I reviewed the drafting of a joint letter by the External Commissioner calling out the university and outlining demands students requested. I favored the motion to support the statement from UTGSU.
- IX. I worked with the Executive Director and External Commissioner on updates to the UTGSU Policies for presentation at a future Board of Directors meeting.
- X. I reached out to the resident's community from SFH for a potential townhall with MPP Jessica Bell, as a follow up I organized a planning meeting with SFH tenants' association and MPP Jessica Bell's office
- XI. I responded to queries and concerns from REC Caucus regarding the updates to the UTGSU Policies shared with the Board of Directors via e-mail.
- XII. I reached out members who expressed interest in the EAL position, seeking their expression of interest for the upcoming Board of Directors meeting.
- XIII. I received the CRO nomination from the committee, communicated with the proposed CRO with meeting details.



- XIV. I communicated with all EAL potential candidates who submitted their expression of interest meeting details of the upcoming Board of Directors meeting.
- XV. I communicated with the executive team for their executive reports
- XVI. I compiled all executive reports for circulation with the Board of Directors
  
- XVII. I received a document prepared by Mr. Adam Hill maligning the Chair, I also received communication by the executives to Mr. Hill informing him of the executive decision not to include this document in the Board of Directors meeting package.
- XVIII. On February 14<sup>th</sup>, I received concerns from general members about a YouTube video published by a current Board of Director (Mr. Adam Hill) and screenshots of his social media posts with the video image showing Mr. Hill, fire and UTGSU. The video ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tyk\\_jYtUU5o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tyk_jYtUU5o)) serves as another targeted attempt making several critical claims about the UTGSU and individuals employed by or whose services were rendered by the UTGSU.
- XIX. I continued to respond to queries regarding membership, listservs, updates, and other student concerns.





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**Lwanga Musisi  
University Governance Commissioner**

**A) Executive Committee, General Council, and Annual Meetings**

- I. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on January 20th, 2022.
- II. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors planning meeting on January 24th, 2022.
- III. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors meeting on January 25th, 2022.
- IV. I attended and participated in a UTGSU Board of Directors meeting debrief on the evening of January 25th, 2022.
- V. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on January 31st, 2022.
- VI. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Executive and Staff Meeting on February 7th, 2022.
- VIII. I sent my regrets to the UTGSU Executive committee for our meeting on February 14th, 2022

**B) Other UTGSU Committee, Levy Group, and Caucus Meeting Highlights**

- I. As vice-chair FinCom, I attended and participated in a UTGSU Finance committee meeting on January 27th, 2022.
- II. As vice chair, Finance Committee and Chair BGSEB Committee, I facilitated and participated in a BGSEB Meeting on Feb 3rd, 2022
- III. As vice chair, Finance Committee and Chair BGSEB Committee, I facilitated and participated in a BGSEB Meeting on Feb 10th, 2022

**C) University of Toronto Governing Body and Other Meeting Highlights**

- I. I attended the UAB Meeting on January 27th, 2022
- II. I attended and participated in the UTGSU-OVPS Meeting on January 27th, 2022
- III. I reviewed the agenda and non-confidential material for the Governing Council Executive Committee meeting (held in closed session) on February 7th, 2022

**D) Other Meetings, Issues, Significant Events and Information Highlights**



- I. I met with the UTGSU Finance Admin on January 28th, 2022 with regards to awards adjudication and union finances
- II. I had a meeting with Civics and Environment Commissioner and Communication Coordinator re: the Black History Month event(s) on January 28th, 2022
- III. I drafted a statement on behalf of the UTGSU Executive with regards to ongoing harassment
- IV. I met with the Civics and Environment Commissioner as well as our Communications coordinator with regards to UTGSU Black History Month preparations
- V. I met with our ED with regards to campaign strategy
- VI. I met with a student who has specific concerns around the Leave of Absence policy and tuition. I plan on raising their case to admin
- VII. I continue to respond to various students concerns
- VIII. I met with the UTGSU Finance Admin with regards to awards adjudication and union finances on Feb 1st, 2022
- IX. I had a meeting with the Finance Commissioner and ED regarding Finance check-ins
- X. I edited a statement on behalf of the UTGSU Executive with regards to the Lunar Year celebration hate messages
- XI. I met with our ED with regards to UTGSU BHM planning and brainstorming
- XII. I met with a student who has specific concerns around the Leave of Absence policy and tuition. I plan on raising their case to admin
- XIII. I continued to respond to various students concerns with regards to advocacy
- XIV. I attended and participated in a Cops Off Campus Campaign meeting on Monday, February 7th, 2022.
- XV. I met with our Communications Coordinator and Civics and Environment commissioner with regards to UTGSU BHM planning and brainstorming on February 9th, 2022.
- XVI. I attended and participated in the Black History Month preparation meeting on February 9th, 2022
- XVII. I sent in my regrets to meeting with MPP Jessica Bell
- XVIII. I had a meeting with the Finance Commissioner and ED regarding Finance check-ins
- XIX. I attended and participated in the UTGSU Black History Month Trivia Night on February 10th, 2022.
- XX. I met with a student who has specific concerns around the Leave of Absence policy and tuition. Together we drafted an email to send to admin to call for a potential investigation.
- XXI. I continue to respond to various students concerns with regards to advocacy
- XXII. I attended and participated in the Black History Month debrief meeting on February 10th, 2022