

AMS Assembly Minutes

Sunday, April 2nd, 2017

Wallace Hall, John Deutch University Centre

Minutes are tentative until approved by Assembly

The meeting was convened at 20:32 EDT.

1. Motion #1: That the Incoming AMS Assembly approve the Agenda for April 2nd 2017

YEA: Unanimous

NAY: NONE

Abstentions: NONE

Motion Carries

2. Speakers Business

Acting Speaker Martinez: Read the land recognition statement. Informed the Assembly that he is the acting speaker until elections of the speaker. Opened the floor for AMS Assembly Speaker Nominations

Secretary Sengupta: Point of information, the elected speaker should be prepared to sit for Assembly Scribe Interviews later in the week.

Representative Cook: Nominates Member-at-Large Alexander Prescott; seconded by Representative Lunetta.

Alexander Prescott moves to the front of the room to field questions.

President Palmeri: Asked why the Member-at-Large accepted the

Member-at-Large Prescott: Spoke on how the speaker must maintain good discourse within assembly. He is fascinated and thrilled that Bourinot's rules of order ultimately govern AMS Assembly, and would like to see them enacted more often.

Acting Speaker Martinez: Are there any further questions? Any further questions? Seeing none, I ask that Member-at-Large Prescott leave the room such that assembly may take a vote.

Member-at-Large Prescott leaves the room.

Acting Speaker Martinez: Opens debate on the motion to elect Alexander Prescott as AMS Assembly Speaker. Asks twice if there is any debate on the motion. Seeing none, the speaker moves to a vote:

That the Incoming AMS Assembly elect Alexander Prescott as the AMS Assembly Speaker for 2017-2018

YEA: ALL

NAY: NONE

Abstentions: NONE

Motion Carries

Alexander Prescott enters the room and assumes the chair. Acting Speaker Martinez relieves the speakership and is now referred to as Member-at-Large Martinez. Alexander Prescott shall now be referred to simply as "Speaker"

3. JBP Report

Speaker: I recognize President Li to deliver the report on behalf of Team JBP.

President Li: Thanks assembly for coming out on a Sunday night. Encourages all that they're looking forward to a great year to come, and that team JBP is excited to meet and work with all members of assembly. Finishes by mentioning to please indicate on attendance whether or not they will be in Kingston over the summer.

4. Statements by Students

None.

5. Question Period

No questions.

6. Business Arising from the Minutes:

As there were no minutes to approve, there is no business from the minutes.

7. New Business

Speaker: We will move directly to motion 2. Secretary Sengupta, as the mover of the motion, may open debate.

Secretary Sengupta: We are moving to strike the nominating committee, that appoints members to all standing committees of assembly. No nominations are needed at this time.

Speaker: Asks twice if there is any debate on the motion. Seeing none, Assembly proceeds to a vote “That the Incoming AMS Assembly strike the nominating committee.”

YEA: ALL

NAY: NONE

Abstentions: NONE

Motion Carries

Speaker: We now move directly to motion #3, Secretary Sengupta again may open debate on the motion.

Secretary Sengupta: At this point, we accept the nominations of 5 voting members of assembly to sit on the nominating committee. It is preferred that all members of this committee are in Kingston during the summer, however, this is not mandatory.

The following five members were nominated and seconded:

Vice-President Jeans

President Wong

President Palmeri

President Lagundzija

Vice-President Negus

Speaker: Moved that “The Incoming AMS Assembly appoint the above members to sit on the AMS Nominating Committee”.

YEA: ALL

NAY: NONE

Abstentions: NONE

Motion Carries

Speaker: We will now move to motion 4. Outgoing Commissioner Kurcin, as the mover of the motion, may open.

Commissioner Kurcin: These budgets are for the 2017 Orientation weeks for NEWTS, ORT, and FYNIRS. Happy to take any questions.

Chairperson Blair: Notes that the budgets are for the 2016-2017 year, asks the commissioner if this is an omission or if the numbers are indeed there.

Commissioner Kurcin: Clarifies that this budget is indeed for the 2017 Orientation week.

President Palmeri: Clarifies on a point of order that this budget is for the 2017 Orientation Week.

President Dowling: Also clarifies that this budget is for the 2016-2017 school year, which then applies to the 2017 fall orientation week.

Speaker: Asks twice if there is any further debate on the motion. Seeing none, the motion is called to a vote: **“That the Incoming AMS Assembly approve the 2017 FYNIRS, NEWTS, and ORT budgets as outlined in Appendix I Feel So Good”**

YEA: ALL

NAY: NONE

Abstentions: NONE

Motion Carries.

8. Discussion Period

Speaker: With only one topic in discussion period, I move to Secretary Sengupta to open debate on the topic.

Secretary Sengupta: States that all voting members of assembly must be on one standing committee, and that committee is in addition to the nominating committee. Clarifies that he will send out an application form at some point in May, with a full detail of the various standing committees. Notes two errors to the appendix as included: Committees number 4 and 9 no longer exist.

Speaker: Moves to President Dowling.

President Dowling: Notes a change to the composition of the Sustainability action committee.

Vice-President Lockridge: Notes that the special committee on external alignment will not meet next year, as it meets only two in every three years.

9. Adjournment

Speaker: The chair looks favourably upon a motion to adjourn

Moved by President Palmeri, seconded by Vice-President Jeans.

Meeting is Adjourned at 21:00.