Minutes of the Fourteenth SARDP 2023-2024 Council Meeting

January 29th, 2024 Council Chambers @ 5:30pm

Present:

Akua P. Appiah – Councillor Monique Auring- Councillor

Erin Bast - President

Amanda Brouwer - Vice President Academic

Brianne Campbell - Councillor

Jalynn Chilibeck - Vice President External

Zuleyma Lozano Medina - Councillor

Devyn Shannon - Councillor Ryan Henri - Councillor

Emmanuel Mustapha – Councillor Elizabeth Sweiger – Executive Director Anne-Marie Watson - Chairperson

14.0 Call to Order

14.1 Approval of Agenda

23-24-95-C

Vice President Brouwer, Councillor Shannon

MOTION: Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

14.2 Land Acknowledgment

14.3 Approval of Meeting Minutes

14.3.1 Approval of 2023-2024 Council Meeting Minutes #13

23-24-96-C

Councillor Auring, Vice President Chilibeck

MOTION: Motion to approve the Minutes of the 13th 2023-2024 Council Meeting

CARRIED

14.3.2 Approval of 2023-2024 Executive Council Meeting Minutes #21 and #22

23-24-97-C

Vice President Brouwer, Councillor Shannon

MOTION: Motion to approve the Minutes 2023-2024 Executive Council Meeting

#21 and #22 CARRIED

14.4 Discussion

14.4.1 December Finances – Executive Director Sweiger

23-24-98-C

Councillor Shannon, Councillor Campbell

MOTION: Motion to accept the December 2023 Financial Statements

CARRIED

14.4.2 General Election – Secretary Young

14.5 Old Business

14.5.1 Council Job Description

23-24-99-C

President Bast, Vice President Brouwer

MOTION: Motion to accommodate a Member of the 2023 – 2024 Council by not enforcing all of the duties as outlined in Bylaw 6.6. Accommodations include attending events, Council committee commitments, and meeting attendance. CARRIED

14.5.2 Proposed change to Bylaw and policy vote

1. Article 7 of Association Bylaw

Councillors Campbell and Shannon, Vice Presidents Brouwer and Chilibeck, and President Bast recused themselves from discussion. They left the room at 5:51pm and returned at 6:29.

23-24-100-C

Councillor Shannon, Councillor Bauron-Cantillo

MOTION: Motion to approve the proposed changes to Article 7 of Association Bylaws effective immediately.

DEFEATED

Abstained: Councillors Campbell and Shannon, Vice Presidents Brouwer and Chilibeck, and President Bast.

2. Bylaw Amendment Review Committee Terms of Reference

23-24-101-C

Vice President Chilibeck, Vice President Brouwer

MOTION: Motion to approve the proposed changes to the Bylaw Amendment Review Committee Terms of Reference, effective immediately. CARRIED

3. Council Vacancy policy

23-24-102-C

Councillor Mustapha, Councillor Shannon

MOTION: Motion to approve the proposed change to the Council Vacancy Policy, effective May 1st, 2024.

CARRIED

14.6 New Business

- 14.6.1 Proposed change to Association Bylaw and policy: Second reading
 - 1. Bylaw Amendment Article 5: Elections
 - 2. Bylaw Amendment Article 7: Executive Council
 - 3. Policy Addition: Council Orientation and Training

14.7 Executive Council, Council Committee and Other Reports

14.7.1 Executive Council Reports

- President E. Bast
- Vice President Academic A. Brouwer
- Vice President External J. Chilibeck
- Executive Director E. Sweiger

14.7.2 Committee Reports

- BARC No Report
- EDII Committee Written Report
- Mental Health Committee No Report

23-24-103-C

Councillor Auring, Councillor Mustapha

MOTION: Motion to accept the Reports as presented.

CARRIED

14.8 In-Camera Session

23-24-104-C

Councillor Auring, Councillor Mustapha

MOTION: Motion to go into In-camera at 7:04pm

CARRIED

23-24-105-C

Councillor Mustapha, Councillor Shannon

MOTION: Motion to Come out of In-Camera at 7:18pm

CARRIED

14.9 Any Other Business

Councillor Henri proposed the following: An idea for supplementary written information reports was proposed for consideration of the members of Council. The intent of the written reports was said to be the addition of information on pros, cons, options, and other perspectives in an objective way for the discussion and decision making of the Council regarding major decisions or issues. It was proposed that the reports would be generated voluntarily by members of the Council (including Exec Team when capacity exists) who feel that the issue under consideration would benefit from sharing a more formal, objective, evidence-based report to ensure Council members have the most complete possible information picture required for carrying out their responsibility for informed decision making. The reports would be intended only to help educate and inform for the use of Council members, and not to present a preconceived position that Council must feel obliged to follow. While writing these reports would obviously demonstrate participation in Council matters, it is equally obvious that not every decision facing Council would require written reports, and the availability of council members for creation of the reports would also vary.

Councillor Shannon notified Council that the games Society is looking for volunteers to help at the Entertainment Academia and Student Societies Conference on March 2nd.

14.10 Information

If you would like to discuss any of these items, you must make a motion to move them to the Discussion Agenda.

14.10.1 AMICCUS-C Report

14.10.2 February Calendar of Events

14.11 Adjournment

23-24-106-C

Councillor Mustapha, Councillor Auring MOTION: Motion to adjourn at 7:26

CARRIED

President Bast

Chairperson Watson

Executive Director Sweiger

E. Sweiger

Secretary Young