

VANIER COLLEGE COUNCIL

Date: Monday, October 7th 2024 | Time: 5:00 pm | Room# VC 120

1.0 WELCOME

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at: 5:04 pm

Moved by: Juaria

Seconded by: Gemner Sandoval Fuentes

In Favour: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

1.2 ROLL CALL

COUNCIL MEMBERS

VOTING MEMBERS		EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS	
Excellva Addow	President	Vandria Hepburn	Speaker
*Vacant	Chief of Administration (Interim)	Vandria Hepburn	Chief Returning Officer
*Vacant	VP Academic & External Affairs	Eric Kennedy	Office of the Head
Moyosola Fajemirokun	VP Finance		
Gemner Sandoval Fuentes	VP Media & Promotions		
*Vacant	Orientation Chair		
*Vacant	VP Social/Cultural (Interim)		
*Vacant	Director of Finance		
*Vacant	Director of Media and Promotions (Interim)		

*Vacant	Director of Outreach	
Amira Moses	Director of Social/Cultural	
*Vacant	Chair of Athletics (Interim)	
*Vacant	Vice-Chair Athletics	
*Vacant	Commuter Representative (Interim)	
*Vacant	Resident Representative	
*Vacant	First Year Representatives	
*Vacant	First Year Representatives	
Juaría Mohamed	YFS Representative	

LATE REPORTS SUBMITTED:

REGRETS SUBMITTED:

ABSENT:

1.3 ACCEPT TODAY'S AGENDA

Moved by: Juaría Mohamed

Seconded by: Gemner Sandoval Fuentes

In Favour: 5 Against: 0 Abstention: 0

1.4 ACCEPT MEETING MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 23rd 2024

Moved by: Gemner Sandoval Fuentes

Seconded by: Amira Moses

In Favour: 5 Against: 0 Abstention: 0

1.4.1 ACCEPT MEETING MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 30th 2024

Moved by: Amira Moses

Seconded by: Moyosola Fajemirokun

In Favour: 5 Against: 0 Abstention: 0

2.0 SPEAKER'S REMARKS

- Vandria Hepburn reminded members to ensure they send something for agenda items whether it is an update for an upcoming event or a reminder to members regarding their position, etc.
- Vandria also mentioned the direction of meetings when questions are asked, raise one finger if there is a direct question and two fingers if it is a general question.

3.0 OLD BUSINESS

4.0 NEW BUSINESS

4.1 President

4.1.1 Montreal scheduling (outreach)

- Excellva Addow stated that she reached out to various colleges in an effort to promote the Montreal trip and is following up
- Excellva also encouraged members to reach out to everyone to sell as many tickets as possible.
- Vandria Hepburn suggested going directly to the offices of the colleges to ask for assistance in postering for the trip and a discussion started on various ways to outreach, eg. tabling.

4.1.2 Montreal package

4.1.3 Athletics

- Excellva Addow encouraged members to join the group chat assigned to the teams they are a part of. She also asked for assistance with certain sports because there is a lack of participation from players.

4.1.4 Second Reading Constitution

- Excellva Addow stated the changes made to the constitution and directed members to the website before a motion is made to accept the changes.

4.1.5 First reading scheduling

- Excellva Addow stated that we need to have a next reading for our constitution mainly to separate by-laws and discuss topics such as voting etc.

4.1.6 Elections

- Excellva Addow reiterated the constitution which reads if one candidate is running for a role alone, they are automatically acclaimed, however, she stated that she disagrees and opened the floor to questions and or comments from members.
- Juaria Mohamed suggested ratifying the acclaimed members before getting the position. She said this option would be best in the case that the acclaimed candidate is not the best fit for the position. Excellva explained ratification and how the election ran in the previous year and noted the suggestion.

- Gemner Sandoval Fuentes mentioned that other colleges incorporate ratification of election results and questioned if we take that route, would the candidates be ratified as individuals before the results. Excellva replied that if we decided to do the acclaimed version of the elections then that would be the best route.
- Gemner also stated that he does not think that candidates who are acclaimed should automatically be accepted because unfortunately, Vanier does not have the community or the knowledge to allow candidates with no institutional knowledge of the position to hold a seat. He stated that a “No” vote option should always be available as it is best for the community. Excellva said that if a candidate is acclaimed it is still up to the discretion of the council and it should be mentioned at the second reading of our constitution.
- Excellva then opened the floor for a vote on whether our current candidates should be acclaimed or not. It was a unanimous vote that candidates should not be automatically acclaimed. Amira Moses commented that having a regular election season with voting allows more members to learn about the Vanier community.

4.1.7 Honorarium

- Excellva Addow reminded members of the upcoming meeting.
- Amira Moses raised a question on how the process of honorarium will go. Excellva then explained the process and reminded members to fill out the forms that the speaker would send.

4.1.8 Retreat

4.1.9 1x1

- Excellva Addow stated that it is our responsibility as well as we are expected to adhere to deadlines, and she reminded members to schedule their 1x1.

4.1.10 October Overview

- Excellva Addow mentioned previous plans that is scheduled for the month as well as events scheduled by the Social/Cultural team. She also encouraged members to wear pink on Wednesdays during the month.
- Vandria Hepburn also reminded the members of reading month and the associated plans.

4.2 C.R.O *Addition*

4.2.1 Election Season

- Vandria Hepburn reminded members of the upcoming debate and mentioned the details of it.

4.3 VP Media and Promotions *Addition*

4.3.1 Thrift & Drift Event

- Gemner Sandoval Fuentes reminded members of the upcoming outreach event for the month and encouraged us to bring items to donate. He stated that the plan is to wash all the clothes that were donated and to those who are available, he

needs assistance sorting them out and the clothes that are not sold will be donated. Gemner also mentioned that the organization that we will be donating to is Oasis and we are still looking for an additional non-profit organization. He also requested models to present the clothes to encourage sales.

- Moyosola Fajemirokun suggested purchasing something for the said organization instead of presenting a monetary donation. Juaria Mohamed added that that decision should be made once we decide which organization we are donating to as we can then assess their needs and move accordingly. Gemner stated that he will look into all of the avenues.

5. Motions/Additions/Resolutions

5.1. Motion of second reading of the constitution

- Juaria Mohamed motions to accept the amended constitution.

Moved by: Moyosola Fajemirokun

Seconded by: Amira Moses

In Favour: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

5.2. Motion to accept resignation of council member

- Vanier College motions to accept the resignation of Dua Siddiqui as Orientation Chair for the 2024 year

Moved by: Gemner Sandoval Fuentes

Seconded by: Amira Moses

In Favour: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

5.3. Motion to accept resignation of council member

- Vanier College motions to accept the resignation of Leah Nicholas as Orientation Chair for the 2024 year

Moved by: Moyosola Fajemirokun

Seconded by: Amira Moses

In Favour: 5 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

6. Adjournment

- Adjourn meeting @ 5:55 pm

Moved by: Juaria Mohamed

Seconded by: Amira Moses

In Favour: 5 Against: 0 Abstention: 0

Reports

Excellva Addow – President

- Finalized montreal bus service
- Tracked montreal ticket sales
- Reached out to clubs in montreal to finalize pricing
- Finalized hotel information
- Reached out to other college presidents and clubs to promote montreal
- Attended debate for elections
- Had 1x1 with Speaker
- Had 1x1 with Director of Socials
- Had 1x1 with YFS Representative
- Created and sent out emails about montreal trip
- Created teams for basketball and volleyball
- Continued auditing needs
- Adjusted entries for quickbooks

Amira Moses- Director of Social Cultural Affairs

- Attended weekly meeting
- Emailed mtl clubs
- 1x1 meeting with president

Juaría Mohamed – YFS Representative

- **Did not submit a report**

Vandria Hepburn – Speaker

- Recorded and completed minutes for previous meeting
- Recorded and completed minutes for October 7th meeting
- Chaired October 7th meeting
- Promoted and outreached with other colleges for upcoming events (thrift & mtr)
- Printed flyers for upcoming events
- Created promotional videos (TikTok's) for events and elections
- Had 1x1 meeting with president
- Worked my office hours (Monday 10-1)
- Reached out to organizations to aid outreach for thrift event

Moyosola Fajemirokun – VP Finance

- Outreached for MTL

Gemner Sandoval Fuentes (late report)

- **Did not submit a report**