

**7 May 2021  
6:00pm  
Google Hangout**

**ATTENDANCE**

| NAME                     | PROXY | PRESENT |
|--------------------------|-------|---------|
| Samantha Gardner         |       | Y       |
| Nolan Orvold             |       | N       |
| Julia Catherine Villosio |       | Y       |
| Devshri Lala             |       | Y       |
| Simran Dhillon           |       | Y       |
| Andrew Batycki           |       | Y       |
| Akanksha Yeola           |       | Y       |
| Emily Kimani             |       | Y       |
| Talia Dixon              |       | Y       |
| Courtney Graham          |       | N/A     |
| Thomas Banks             |       | N/A     |

**MINUTES (FC 2021-00)**

**2021-00/1**

**INTRODUCTION**

**2021-00/1a**

**Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm.

**2021-00/1b**

**Approval of Agenda**

**2021-00/1c**

**Approval of Minutes**

**2021-00/1d**

**Chair's Business**

**2021-00/2**

**QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**2021-00/3**

**COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**2021-00/3a**

**Selection of Chair**

YEOLA nominated GARDNER: declined.

DIXON nominated KIMANI: accepted.

KIMANI is declared chair of Finance Committee for the 2021 Session of Council.

**2021-00/3b**

**VILLOSO/DIXON MOVED** to approve Finance Committee Standing Orders  
CARRIED

**2021-00/3c**

**Committee Work plan**

KIMANI: Identified that key areas of work for the Committee will be strengthening SU financial oversight, creating memoranda of understanding with organisations possessing SU delegated authority, exploring ways for the SU to recover from economic losses resulting from COVID, and identifying new options for student granting. Invited the Committee to propose other objectives.

YEOLA: Proposed that the Committee work on offering grants specific to international students.

VILLOSO: Agreed with Kimani that the Committee should look to find more money for student grants.

BATYCKI: Agreed with Kimani that the Committee needs to ensure financial oversight is sufficient.

DHILLON: Inquired as to whether there was action, in past, to deliver on executive's commitment to increase scholarships.

KIMANI: Responded that she will get back to Dhillon on this question.

GARDNER: Noted that she is interested in working on the creation of the MOU's.

YEOLA: Inquired as to whether the SU provides student bursaries.

CLERK: Responded in the affirmative. Clarified that the SU provides students with the Access Fund, details of which are online and in Standing Orders.

LALA: Noted that she wants to work on advocating for changes with the allocation of funds within the University, increasing transparency around the use of student fee money, diversifying scholarships, and improving student mental health.

KIMANI: Advised that the Committee review the Finance Mandate in the Standing Orders in advance of next meeting. Determined to send a When2Meet to schedule the regular Committee meeting time.

2021-00/4

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

2021-00/4

[Finance Standing Orders](#)

2021-00/5

**ADJOURNMENT**

KIMANI: Adjourned the meeting at 6:22pm.

**SUMMARY OF MOTIONS**

| <b>MOTION</b>   | <b>VOTES</b> |
|---|--------------|
| <b>VILLOSO/DIXON MOVED</b> to approve Finance Committee Standing Orders | CARRIED      |