

## Opening Plenary Minutes

Semi-Annual General Meeting · Canadian Federation of Students-Ontario  
Thursday, January 18 to Sunday, January 21, 2018 - Toronto, Ontario

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### CALL TO ORDER – Thursday, January 18, 2018

7:11 pm - Chairperson Nour Alideeb called the 2018 Semi-Annual General Meeting to order.

#### 1. ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Local 1	Carleton University Students' Association	Proxy
Local 19	University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union	Present
Local 20	Nipissing University Student Union	Proxy
Local 24	Ryerson Students' Union	Present
Local 25	Ontario College of Art and Design Student Union	Absent
Local 27	Queen's University Society of Graduate and Professional Students	Absent
Local 30	Laurentian University Students' General Association	Present
Local 32	Lakehead University Student Union	Present
Local 39	McMaster University Graduate Students' Association	Absent
Local 41	Student Federation of the University of Ottawa	Absent
Local 47	University of Western Ontario Society of Graduate Students	Absent
Local 48	University of Windsor Graduate Students' Society	Absent
Local 49	University of Windsor Students' Alliance	Present
Local 54	University of Guelph Central Student Association	Present
Local 56	Wilfrid Laurier University Graduate Students' Association	Absent
Local 62	University of Guelph Graduate Students' Association	Absent
Local 68	York Federation of Students	Present
Local 71	Trent Central Student Association	Present
Local 78	Carleton University Graduate Students' Association	Absent
Local 82	Algoma University Students' Union	Present
Local 84	York University Graduate Students' Association	Absent
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Local 88	Association des étudiantes et étudiants francophones de l'Université Laurentienne	Present
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Local 99	Scarborough Campus Students' Union, University of Toronto	Present
Local 102	Brock University Graduate Students' Association	Absent
Local 104	Laurentian Association of Mature and Part-Time Students	Absent
Local 105	Continuing Education Students' Association of Ryerson	Present
Local 106	Organization of Part-Time University Students, University of Windsor	Present
Local 109	University of Toronto at Mississauga Students' Union	Present
Local 110	Laurentian University Graduate Students' Association	Present
Local 111	Laurentian Students' Union – Barrie	Absent
Local 112	Association générale des étudiantes et étudiants du Collège Boréal	Proxy
	L'Association des étudiant-e-s de l'Université de Hearst*	Present

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### 2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROXIES

Alideeb said that the following proxies have been received for this meeting:

- Local 1 to Local 98
- Local 20 to Local 32
- Local 112 to Local 110
- L'Association des étudiant-e-s de l'Université de Hearst to Local 110 (closing plenary)

### 3. RATIFICATION OF PLENARY SPEAKER

#### 2018/01:001 MOTION

Local 97/Local 88

Be it resolved that Anna Goldfinch be ratified as the Speaker for the Opening Plenary of the 2018 Semi-Annual General Meeting; and

Be it further resolved that Anna Goldfinch be ratified as the Speaker for the Closing Plenary of the 2018 Semi-Annual General Meeting.

**CARRIED**

### 4. CHAIRPERSON WELCOMING REMARKS

Alideeb provided some welcoming remarks.

### 5. ADOPTION OF PLENARY AGENDA

#### 2018/01:002 MOTION

Local 88/Local 24

Be it resolved that the 2018 Semi-Annual General Meeting plenary agenda be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

### 6. ADOPTION OF GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

#### 2018/01:003 MOTION

Local 109/Local 99

Be it resolved that the 2018 Semi-Annual General Meeting agenda be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

### 7. ADOPTION OF GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

#### 2018/01:004 MOTION

Local 68/Local 99

Be it resolved that the 2017 Annual General Meeting minutes be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### 8. OVERVIEW OF PROCEDURES

#### a. Rules of Order and Plenary Procedures

Goldfinch reviewed plenary procedures and her role as Speaker. She said that the meeting would follow Robert's Rules of Order.

**b. Support and Anti-Harassment Procedures for the General Meeting**

Anti-Harassment and Support Worker Chrys Saget-Richard made a presentation on the Federation's harassment policy.

**c. Presentation by the Federation's Staff Relations Officer**

Alideeb introduced the staff of the Federation and made a presentation on the collective agreement between the Federation and its employees, members of CUPE 1281.

**9. PREPARATIONS FOR ELECTIONS**

**a. Ratification of Electoral Officer**

**2018/01:005 MOTION**

Local 109/Local 68

Be it resolved that Nicole Picton be appointed as Electoral Officer for the 2018 Semi-Annual General Meeting.

**CARRIED**

**b. Overview of Election Schedule and Procedures**

Electoral Officer Nicole Picton outlined the positions for election and the election procedures for the meeting.

**10. STRIKING OF PLENARY SUB-COMMITTEES**

**a. Striking of Plenary Sub-Committees**

**2018/01:006 MOTION**

Local 71/Local 32

Be it resolved that the following sub-committees be struck:

- Budget Committee;
- Campaigns and Government Relations Committee;
- Organizational and Services Development Committee; and
- Policy Review and Development Committee.

**CARRIED**

**b. Adoption of Committee Agendas**

**2018/01:007 MOTION**

Local 106/Local 88

Be it resolved that the agendas for the plenary sub-committees be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**11. CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS SERVED WITH DUE NOTICE**

**a. Motion Submitted by Member Locals**

The following motions were served by member locals with notice and shall be considered at the meeting.

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**2018/01:008 MOTION**

Local 32/Local 78

Where as transit is an on going issues which students face while attending post secondary institutions; and

Where as the high cost of transit is continuing to impact the lives of students; and

Where as TTC Riders is an advocacy group which works with transit riders for making transit more affordable, modern and accessible; and

Where as they hold annual summit where they provide trainings for interested individuals; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation donate \$250 toward the Transit Summit to assist in organizing the conference, and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to offer similar support and attend the summit in March 2018

**It is recommended that the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee consider this motion.**

**2018/01:009 MOTION TO REFER**

Local 106/Local 88

Be it resolved that motion 2018/01:008 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:008 REFERRED**

**2018/01:010 MOTION**

Local 98/Local 78

Whereas, according to Bylaw II 1. vii. “The students collectively belonging to a member local association have the right to have their interests represented collectively in the Federation through their member local association” and

Whereas the bylaw then states that students “are not members of the Federation”; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation’s outreach and campaigning be limited to its member, i.e. the member local association; and

Be it further resolved that the Federation seek permission, and get approval, by the member local association, should the Federation wish to undertake any outreach and/or campaigning initiatives to the association’s membership.

**It is recommended that the Organizational and Services Development Committee consider this motion.**

**2018/01:011 MOTION TO REFER**

Local 106/Local 88

Be it resolved that motion 2018/01:010 be referred to the Organizational and Services Development Committee.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:010    REFERRED**

**2018/01:012    MOTION**

Local 98/Local 78

Whereas the Ontario Superior Court of Justice stated that voting by paper ballot “seems antiquated and impractical”; and

Whereas paper ballots are ableist in nature; and

Whereas the Federation should strive to be accessible in all of its endeavours, including its voting practices;

Be it resolved that Bylaw I.4.f.i be amended to read:

Voting must be conducted both electronically and/or by paper ballot, left at the discretion of the local student association. A voter may vote either on their personal electronic device or at a polling station. Electronic voting must be administered by a third party chosen by the Chief Returning Officer. Subject to an agreement between the Federation and the local student association, voting may also take place at a general meeting of the local student association or by mail-out ballot.

Be it further resolved that Bylaw I.6.g.i be amended to read:

Voting must be conducted both electronically and/or by paper ballot, left at the discretion of the local student association. A voter may vote either on their personal electronic device or at a polling station. Electronic voting must be administered by a third party chosen by the Chief Returning Officer. Subject to an agreement between the Federation and the local student association, voting may also take place at a general meeting of the local student association or by mail-out ballot.

**It is recommended that the Organizational and Services Development Committee consider this motion.**

**2018/01:013    MOTION TO REFER**

Local 106/Local 88

Be it resolved that motion 2018/01:012 be referred to the Organizational and Services Development Committee.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:012    REFERRED**

**2018/01:014    MOTION**

Local 98/Local 78

Whereas the Federation Issues Policy states broad support for Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability; and

Whereas the Federation prints thousands of binder materials every General Meeting; and

Whereas the Federation should strive to minimize its environmental impact; and

Whereas online platforms are more sustainable, accessible, and convenient; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation print a maximum of 1 binder per member local, unless a binder is requested in a delegate’s registration form; and

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Be it further resolved that the Federation offer all materials digitally for each delegate as standard practice.

**It is recommended that the Organizational and Services Development Committee consider this motion.**

**2018/01:015 MOTION TO REFER**

Local 106/Local 88

Be it resolved that motion 2018/01:014 be referred to the Organizational and Services Development Committee.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:014 REFERRED**

**2018/01:016 MOTION**

Local 105/Local 78

Whereas Work Study is a program that funds on-campus job opportunities for students; and

Whereas eligibility is tied to OSAP in most cases, which in turn often excludes part-time and continuing education students; and

Whereas part-time and continuing education students are some of the most marginalized on our campuses and are in need of accessible, on-campus work opportunities; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation research the Work Study program further, including eligibility requirements and Government funding; and

Be it further resolved that the Federation lobby OSAP and the Ontario government to expand eligibility for the Work Study program.

**It is recommended that the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee consider this motion.**

**2018/01:017 MOTION TO REFER**

Local 106/Local 88

Be it resolved that motion 2018/01:016 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:016 REFERRED**

**2018/01:018 MOTION**

Local 105/Local 78

Whereas anti-choice violence, both graphic and otherwise, has been on the rise across campuses in Ontario; and

Whereas there has recently been moves to ban the graphic and violent imagery outside medical clinics that offer abortion services in Toronto; and

Whereas post-secondary institutions are spaces where students shouldn't have to feel uncomfortable and unsafe while gaining life experience and the education they are paying for; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation investigate legal or legislation routes available to further

the fight in banning these images and outreach on post-secondary education campuses across Ontario; and

Be it further resolved that the Federation include this issue in lobbying Provincial parties ahead of the Spring 2018 election, in hopes of making this an election issue; and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to bring this issue to the attention of MPPs in ridings where campuses are located ahead of the Spring 2018 election.

**It is recommended that the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee consider this motion.**

**2018/01:019 MOTION TO REFER**

Local 106/Local 88

Be it resolved that motion 2018/01:018 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:018 REFERRED**

**2018/01:020 MOTION**

Local 106/Local 78

Whereas the Federation supports “Unionization and collective bargaining as fundamental rights of all workers, full-time or part-time”; and

Whereas the Federation opposes “The reliance on contract or non-unionized workers at post-secondary institutions”; and

Whereas freelance labour in particular can be precarious, contain few benefits, and provide low pay; and

Whereas youth and students are often unable to secure unionized positions within the work they do; and

Whereas the Canadian Freelance Union exists to challenge this and provide services and support to precarious workers and freelancers in particular, therefore

Be it resolved that, the following Operations Policy be adopted by the Federation:

“Freelance Labour”

The Federation will strive to hire unionized freelance labour through the Canadian Freelance Union. Where the Federation needs to or chooses to hire a freelance worker who is not part of the Canadian Freelance Union, the Federation will purchase a membership for that worker.”

**It is recommended that the Organizational and Services Development Committee consider this motion.**

**2018/01:021 MOTION TO REFER**

Local 106/Local 88

Be it resolved that motion 2018/01:020 be referred to the Organizational and Services Development Committee.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:020 REFERRED**

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**2018/01:022 MOTION**

Local 106/Local 78

Whereas Master Student Financial Aid Agreements (MSFAA) exist to codify the arrangements of repayment and other issues between the federal and various provincial governments; and

Whereas the MSFAA for Ontario has a clause that allows grants – including the Ontario Student Grant – to be converted to loans if a student drops out of all classes within three weeks or misses three repayments after ceasing school; and

Whereas there are many possible reasons for why each of the above situations can occur due to the precarious nature of life for students and youth in society currently; therefore

Be it resolved that, the Federation using all avenues of advocacy and lobbying, to remove the conditions or alternatively amend the Master Financial Aid Agreements that threaten to convert grants into loans when students drop out of class or miss student loan payments.

**It is recommended that the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee consider this motion.**

**2018/01:023 MOTION TO REFER**

Local 106/Local 88

Be it resolved that motion 2018/01:022 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:022 REFERRED**

**2018/01:024 MOTION**

Local 106/Local 78

Whereas part time students at the University of Windsor are working to develop the Windsor Community Advocacy Centre (CAC) to build bridges between students and the community, and;

Whereas the Community Advocacy Centre's aim, in addition to providing student support through direct advocacy and solidarity, is to build student connection with labour unions, nonprofit organizations and other groups that might benefit students during, or after their time in post secondary education; and

Whereas the principles of the Community Advocacy Centre are relevant to students at the University of Windsor and the student movement as a whole; therefore

Be it resolved that, the Federation endorse the creation of the Windsor Community Advocacy Centre; and

Be it further resolved that, the Federation support the development of the Community Advocacy Centre with a donation of \$1,000.

**It is recommended that the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee consider this motion.**

**2018/01:025 MOTION TO REFER**

Local 106/Local 88

Be it resolved that motion 2018/01:024 be referred to the Campaigns and Government



Relations Committee.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:024    REFERRED**

**12.    PRESENTATION OF REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Executive Committee presented a report detailing the work of the Federation undertaken since the previous General Meeting.

**13.    OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

**14.    ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Pritchard made some logistical announcements.

**15.    RECESS**

**2018/01:026    MOTION**

Local 97/Local 106

Be it resolved that plenary recess until 10:00 a.m. Sunday, January 12, 2018.

**CARRIED**

8:26 p.m. – The meeting recessed.



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**2. RECEIPT OF REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**2018/01:027 MOTION**

Local 88/Local 104

Be it resolved that the Executive Committee report be accepted.

**CARRIED**

**3. PRESENTATION OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT**

Treasurer Trina James on behalf of the Budget Committee presented its report for consideration by the plenary.

**2018/01:028 MOTION**

Local 105/Local 110

Be it resolved that the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 be approved as presented.

**CARRIED**

**Abstention: Local 98**

**2018/01:029 MOTION**

Local 105/Local 106

Be it resolved that the 2017-2018 budget be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**Abstention: Local 98**

**4. RECEIPT OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT**

**2018/01:030 MOTION**

Local 88/Local 94

Be it resolved that the Budget Committee report be accepted.

**CARRIED**

**Abstention: Local 98**

**5. PRESENTATION OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL AND SERVICES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

National Executive Representative Sami Pritchard on behalf of the Organizational and Services Development Committee presented its report for consideration by the plenary.

**2018/01:010 MOTION**

Local 98/Local 78

Whereas, according to Bylaw II 1. vii. "The students collectively belonging to a member local association have the right to have their interests represented collectively in the Federation through their member local association" and

Whereas the bylaw then states that students "are not members of the Federation"; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation's outreach and campaigning be limited to its member, i.e. the member local association; and

Be it further resolved that the Federation seek permission, and get approval, by the member local association, should the Federation wish to undertake any outreach and/or campaigning initiatives to the association's membership.

**2018/01:031 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 97/Local 88

Be it resolved that the first clause be struck; and

Be it further resolved that the second clause be amended to read:

Be it resolved that the Federation inform and consult with the member local association, should the Federation wish to undertake any outreach and/or campaigning initiatives to the association's membership.

**DEFEATED**

**2018/01:010 DEFEATED**

**Abstention: Local 47**

**2018/01:012 MOTION**

Local 98/Local 78

Whereas the Ontario Superior Court of Justice stated that voting by paper ballot "seems antiquated and impractical"; and

Whereas paper ballots are ableist in nature; and

Whereas the Federation should strive to be accessible in all of its endeavours, including its voting practices;

Be it resolved that Bylaw I.4.f.i be amended to read:

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**2018/01:012 DEFEATED**

**Abstentions: Local 48, Local 49, Local 84 and Local 92**

**2018/01:014 MOTION**

Local 98/Local 78

Whereas the Federation Issues Policy states broad support for Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability; and

Whereas the Federation prints thousands of binder materials every General Meeting; and

Whereas the Federation should strive to minimize its environmental impact; and

Whereas online platforms are more sustainable, accessible, and convenient; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation print a maximum of 1 binder per member local, unless a binder is requested in a delegate's registration form; and

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Be it further resolved that the Federation offer all materials digitally for each delegate as standard practice.

**2018/01:032 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 97/Local 32

Be it resolved that the first clause be amended to read:

Be it resolved that the Federation print one (1) binder per member local, unless a binder is requested in a delegate's registration form;

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:033 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 98/Local 82

Be it resolved that the clause be amended to include:

Be it further resolved that the Federation have an extra ten (10) binders be printed for delegates who choose to have a binder later on.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:014 CARRIED**

**2018/01:020 MOTION**

Local 106/Local 78

Whereas the Federation supports "Unionization and collective bargaining as fundamental rights of all workers, full-time or part-time"; and

Whereas the Federation opposes "The reliance on contract or non-unionized workers at post-secondary institutions"; and

Whereas freelance labour in particular can be precarious, contain few benefits, and provide low pay; and

Whereas youth and students are often unable to secure unionized positions within the work they do; and

Whereas the Canadian Freelance Union exists to challenge this and provide services and support to precarious workers and freelancers in particular, therefore

Be it resolved that, the following Operations Policy be adopted by the Federation:

"Freelance Labour"

The Federation will strive to hire unionized freelance labour through the Canadian Freelance Union. Where the Federation needs to or chooses to hire a freelance worker who is not part of the Canadian Freelance Union, the Federation will purchase a membership for that worker."

**2018/01:034 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 97/Local 104

Be it resolved that the paragraph on "Freelance Labour" be amended to read:

"Where the Federation needs to or chooses to hire a freelance worker who is not part of the Canadian Freelance Union, the Federation will purchase a membership for that worker."

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:035 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 54/Local 32

Be it resolved that the paragraph on “Freelance Labour” be amended to read:

“Where the Federation needs to or chooses to hire a freelance worker who is not part of the Canadian Freelance Union and wishes to be, the Federation will purchase a membership for that worker”

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:036 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 97/Local 88

Be it resolved that the paragraph on “Freelance Labour” be amended to read:

“Where the Federation needs to or chooses to hire a freelance worker who is not part of the Canadian Freelance Union and wishes to be, the Federation will purchase a membership for that worker or other similar union.”

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:020 CARRIED**

**6. RECEIPT OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL AND SERVICES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

**2018/01:037 MOTION**

Local 106/Local 32

Be it resolved that the Organizational and Services Development Committee report be accepted.

**CARRIED**

**7. PRESENTATION OF THE POLICY REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

Researcher Renée Bursey on behalf of the Policy Review and Development Committee presented its report for consideration by the plenary.

**2018/01:038 MOTION**

Local 20/Local 82

Be it resolved that the Policy Review and Development Committee report be accepted.

**CARRIED**

**8. PRESENTATION OF THE CAMPAIGNS AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

Chairperson Nour Alideeb on behalf of the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee presented its report for consideration by the plenary.

**2018/01:008 MOTION**

Local 32/ Local 78

Whereas transit is an on going issue, which students face while attending post secondary institutions; and

Whereas the high cost of transit is continuing to impact the lives of students; and

Whereas TTC Riders is an advocacy group which works with transit riders for making transit more affordable, modern and accessible; and

Whereas they hold an annual summit where they provide trainings for interested

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individuals; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation donate \$250 toward the Transit Summit to assist in organizing the conference, and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to offer similar support and attend the summit in March 2018.

**2018/01:008 CARRIED**

**2018/01:016 MOTION**

Local 105/ Local 78

Whereas Work Study is a program that funds on-campus job opportunities for students; and

Whereas eligibility is tied to OSAP in most cases, which in turn often excludes part-time and continuing education students; and

Whereas part-time and continuing education students are some of the most marginalized on our campuses and are in need of accessible, on-campus work opportunities; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation research the Work Study program further, including eligibility requirements and Government funding; and

Be it further resolved that the Federation lobby OSAP and the Ontario government to expand eligibility for the Work Study program.

**2018/01:039 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 54/Local 82

Be it resolved that the word “Ontario” be struck from the second clause.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:016 CARRIED**

**2018/01:018 MOTION**

Local 105/ Local 78

Whereas anti-choice violence, both graphic and otherwise, has been on the rise across campuses in Ontario; and

Whereas there has recently been moves to ban the graphic and violent imagery outside medical clinics that offer abortion services in Toronto; and

Whereas post-secondary institutions are spaces where students shouldn't have to feel uncomfortable and unsafe while gaining life experience and the education they are paying for; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation investigate legal or legislation routes available to further the fight in banning these images and outreach on post-secondary education campuses across Ontario; and

Be it further resolved that the Federation include this issue in lobbying Provincial parties ahead of the Spring 2018 election, in hopes of making this an election issue; and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to bring this issue to the attention of MPPs in ridings where campuses are located ahead of the Spring 2018 election.

**2018/01:040 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 71/Local 109

Be it resolved that the second clause be amended to read:



Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to write letters to the attention of MPPs in ridings where campuses are located ahead of the Spring 2018 election.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:041 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 71/Local 109

Be it resolved that the first clause be amended to read:

Be it further resolved that the Federation draft a letter and share it with member locals as a template for the above clause.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:018 CARRIED**

**2018/01:022 MOTION**

Local 106/ Local 78

Whereas Master Student Financial Aid Agreements (MSFAA) exist to codify the arrangements of repayment and other issues between the federal and various provincial governments; and

Whereas the MSFAA for Ontario has a clause that allows grants – including the Ontario Student Grant – to be converted to loans if a student drops out of all classes within three weeks or misses three repayments after ceasing school; and

Whereas there are many possible reasons for why each of the above situations can occur due to the precarious nature of life for students and youth in society currently; therefore

Be it resolved that, the Federation using all avenues of advocacy and lobbying, to remove the conditions or alternatively amend the Master Financial Aid Agreements that threaten to convert grants into loans when students drop out of class or miss student loan payments.

**2018/01:022 CARRIED**

**2018/01:024 MOTION**

Local 106/ Local 78

Whereas part time students at the University of Windsor are working to develop the Windsor Community Advocacy Centre (CAC) to build bridges between students and the community, and;

Whereas the Community Advocacy Centre's aim, in addition to providing student support through direct advocacy and solidarity, is to build student connection with labour unions, non-profit organizations and other groups that might benefit students during, or after their time in post secondary education; and

Whereas the principles of the Community Advocacy Centre are relevant to students at the University of Windsor and the student movement as a whole; therefore

Be it resolved that, the Federation endorse the creation of the Windsor Community Advocacy Centre; and

Be it further resolved that, the Federation support the development of the Community Advocacy Centre with a donation of \$1,000.

**2018/01:042 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 32/Local 71

Be it resolved that the last clause be amended to read:

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Be it further resolved that, the Federation support the development of the Community Advocacy Centre with a donation of \$255.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:043 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 106/Local 109

Be it resolved that an clause be added at the end to read:

Be it further resolved that, a report be provided to the Federation after one year.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:044 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 99/Local 71

Be it resolved that the last clause be amended to read:

Be it further resolved that, the Federation support the development of the Community Advocacy Centre with a grant of \$255 for the purposes of incorporation.

**2018/01:045 MOTION**

Local 97/ Local 78

Amended to remove the first clause:

Be it resolved that, the Federation endorse the creation of the Windsor Community Advocacy Centre; and

**DEFEATED**

**2018/01:024 DEFEATED**

**In Favour: Local 1, Local 19, Local 25, Local 27, Local 47, Local 48, Local 68, Local 71, Local 78, Local 82, Local 98, Local 99, Local 104, Local 106 and Local 109**

**Against: Local 24, Local 41, Local 54, Local 88, Local 92, Local 97, Local 105, Local 110, Local 112 and L'Association des étudiant-e-s de l'Université de Hearst**

**Abstentions: Local 20, Local 32, Local 49 and Local 84**

**2018/01:046 MOTION**

Local 54/Local 41

Be it resolved that the campaigns guide be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**9. RECEIPT OF THE CAMPAIGNS AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

**2018/01:047 MOTION**

Local 24/Local 97

Be it resolved that the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee report be accepted.

**CARRIED**

**10. PRESENTATION OF THE ELECTORAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

**2018/01:048 MOTION**

Local 105/Local 109

Be it resolved that Richie Pyne be ratified for the position of Part-Time and Continuing Education Caucus Chairperson for the 2017-2018 term.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:049 MOTION**

Local 105/Local 109

Be it resolved that Theresa Rost be ratified for the position of Mature Students Constituency Group Commissioner for the 2017-2018 term.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:050 MOTION**

Local 105/Local 109

Be it resolved that Mary Asekome be ratified for the position of Treasurer for the 2018-2019 term.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:051 MOTION**

Local 105/Local 109

Be it resolved that Sami Pritchard be ratified for the position of National Executive representative for the 2018-2019 term.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:052 MOTION**

Local 105/Local 109

Be it resolved that Nour Alideeb be ratified for the position of Chairperson for the 2018-2019 term.

**CARRIED**

**11. OTHER BUSINESS**

**2018/01:053 MOTION**

Local 49/Local 71

Whereas January 29, 2018 marks one year of the Quebec City Shooting; and

Whereas on January 29, 2017, an armed person, carried out an act of terrorism at the Centre Culturel Islamique de Quebec where Muslims were congregated for night prayers;

Whereas six innocent men were killed in cold blood and several were injured at the Centre Islamique de Quebec (CCIQ);

Whereas Ibrahima Barry, Azzedine Soufiane, Aboubaker Thabti, Abdelkrim Hassane, Mamdou Tanou Barry, and Khaled Belkacemi were killed in this hateful act of terror; and

Whereas Aymen Derbali, who was shot in the act remains paralyzed; and

Whereas countless family and community members continue to live with trauma from the horrific attack; and

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Whereas reports indicate that acts of hate towards Muslims in Canada increased at an alarming rate in the days immediately after the shooting, and continue to increase till this day; and

Whereas members of the Federation were personally affected by this act of terror; and

Whereas this horrendous event is substantial evidence to further develop and enhance the Federation's Anti-Islamophobia campaign; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation designates January 29 as a Day of Remembrance and Action on Islamophobia aligning with the mandate of the National Council of Canadian Muslims (NCCM), which has already made this same request of all levels of government; and

Be it further resolved that the Federation releases an official document condemning the actions of January 29, 2017 and commemorating those lives lost and directly impacted on that day; and

Be it further resolved that the Federation encourage all member locals to participate in commemorating the lives lost on that day annually by holding vigils as part of the Federation's Anti-Islamophobia campaign; and

Be it further resolved that the Federation participates in calling upon the various levels of government to designate January 29 as a National Day of Remembrance and Action on Islamophobia.

**2018/01:054 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 99/Local 104

Be it resolved that third clause be amended to read:

Be it further resolved that the Federation encourage, assist and provide relevant resources to all member locals to participate in commemorating the lives lost on that day annually by holding vigils as part of the Federation's Anti-Islamophobia campaign; and

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:055 MOTION TO AMEND**

Local 71/Local 104

Be it resolved that third clause be amended to read:

Be it further resolved that the Federation encourage all member locals to participate in commemorating the lives lost on that day annually by holding vigils as part of the Federation's Anti-Islamophobia campaign by assisting and providing relevant resources to all member locals prior to the day of action on January 29, 2018 and develop new resources for subsequent years.

**CARRIED**

**2018/01:053 CARRIED**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

**2018/01:056 MOTION**

Local 71/Local 24

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting adjourned at 3:07pm.