



# IGNITE Student Union Annual General Meeting Wednesday, March 28, 2018 North Campus

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## MEMBERS PRESENT

1. Maja Jocson
2. Anthony Molinaro
3. Priya Rajkumar
4. Allisa Lim
5. Kevin Siery
6. Bianca Di Virgilio
7. Mohammad Umair Farooq
8. Zizheng Gao
9. Landon Grant
10. Ankit Joshi
11. Michaela Morris
12. Sherrin Pattimakiel
13. Mozghan Roshanravan
14. Allyson Sander
15. Jordyn Dias-McGown
16. Jeremy Largo-Afonso
17. Stokely Lindo
18. Andrew Jeffrey
19. Victoria Pretty
20. Yinglu Zhang
21. Mohammed Hasan
22. Shahan Alam
23. Oluwapelumi Fambegbe
24. Luisa Jaramillo
25. Rostant Kanick
26. Benjamin Eppel
27. Lauren Mesaros
28. Sharifa Campbell
29. Brendan Persaud
30. Kellyann Cambridge
31. Zanubia Mohammed-Hosein
32. Kaylia Stephenson
33. Juan Manuel Panizo Dickinson
34. Olivia Dooley
35. Mariana Fortun
36. Nicole Sampogna
37. Kimone Smith
38. Joshua Delaflor-Santa
39. Spencer Harrison
40. Devavrat Mehta
41. Kim Braganza
42. Zuher Youssef
43. Gabrielle Harris
44. Ayushi Delvadia
45. Jonathan Zamarripa
46. Jade Moore
47. Myjesty Charley
48. Raveena Maharaj
49. Lorena Villegas Mejia
50. Shiori Yamada
51. Laura Romero Malaver
52. Vashti Ramdyal
53. Alex Nowicki
54. Halle Lechet-Mignott
55. Richard Charles
56. Maheen Nazim
57. Sophie Martin
58. Natalie Quenter
59. Jezreel Cabuena
60. Rohit Sharma
61. Paula Pena Navarro
62. Nicholas Hynes
63. John Kokkoros
64. Melanie Hwang
65. Alena Blanes
66. Rachel Toutant
67. Sara Mohamadi
68. Maya Marcus
69. Carla Silvestrone
70. Graham Budgeon
71. Nicholas Davenport
72. Maria Ana Janina Jocson
73. Jonathan Main
74. Demetre Politis
75. Shayan Shakil
76. Deon Sikat
77. Dilpreet Singh
78. Sara Vani
79. Austin Albin
80. Tashornna Simpson
81. Eric Arsenault Perron



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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson, Nicholas Davenport, called the meeting to order at 11:08 a.m. N. Davenport welcomed all Members present.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion to approve the agenda of the Annual General Meeting as presented.

**Moved by:** T. Gagea

**Seconded by:** G. Budgeon

**CARRIED: YES**

***“Be it resolved that the Members of the IGNITE Student Union approve the Agenda for the Annual General Meeting as presented.”***

**3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting in March 2017 as presented.

**Moved by:** J. Kokkoros

**Seconded by:** S. Shakil

**CARRIED: YES**

***“Be it resolved that the Members of the IGNITE Student Union approve the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting as presented.”***

**4. RATIFY RESULTS OF THE 2018 IGNITE ELECTIONS**

Motion is required for corporate records. Record number of voters 8,489 across all campuses. Be it resolved that the Members of the IGNITE Student Union ratify the following individuals as newly elected/appointed Directors and Executives, until April 30, 2019:

*Parth Amin (Director North)  
Shayan Shakil (Director North)  
Rohit Sharma (Director North)  
Tashornna Simpson (Director North)  
Margarita Bader (Director Lakeshore)  
Nisha Haroon (Director Lakeshore)  
Christian Semerjian (Director Lakeshore)  
Saffiya Lulat (Director Guelph-Humber)  
Kevin Siery (Director Guelph-Humber)*

*Monica Khosla (President)*



*Jeremy Largo-Afonso (Vice President North)*  
*Graham Budgeon (Vice President Lakeshore)*  
*Maheen Nazim (Vice President Guelph-Humber)*

**Moved by:** P. Pena Navarro

**Seconded by:** J. Moore

**CARRIED: YES**

**“Be it resolved that the Members of the IGNITE Student Union ratify the above individuals as newly elected/appointed Directors and Executives, until April 30, 2019.**

## **5. LETTERS PATENT OBJECTS**

An application for IGNITE’s Supplementary Letters Patent was submitted to the government to recognize the organization’s newly, amended objects. Subject to confirmation by Supplementary Letters Patent, the objects of the Corporation be changed to read as follows:

- a) To represent the members of the Corporation (the “Members”), and to advocate and present the views of the Members, to the University of Guelph-Humber, Humber Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning, other associations and government and regulatory agencies;
- b) To provide a forum for the discussion of issues of importance or of interest to the Members;
- c) To organize and perform value-added services for the advancement and benefit of the Members;
- d) To organize cultural, educational and recreational events for the benefit of the Members;
- e) To pursue interests in the civic, commercial and social welfare of the Members;
- f) To engage the Members in such other activities and undertakings consistent with these objects;

and for such other complementary purposes not inconsistent with these objects.

Any two of the directors or officers of the Corporation are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed for and on behalf of the Corporation to send an Application for Supplementary Letters Patent, in duplicate, to the Director appointed under the Ontario Corporations Act and to sign and deliver all documents and to do all things necessary or advisable in connection with the foregoing.

Motion to approve the Letters Patent Objects as presented.

**Moved by:** M. Nazim

**Seconded by:** M. Fortun

**CARRIED: YES**

**“Be it resolved that the Members of the IGNITE Student Union approve the 2018-2019 Operating Budget as presented.”**

## **6. STRATEGIC PLAN NEXT LEVEL UPDATE**



Since September 2017, IGNITE has undergone a new strategic planning initiative to create a new plan. This strategic plan will be the new strategic plan for IGNITE for the next three years. Various surveys, focus groups and outreach to students at large was conducted since September 2017 over a series of attempts to collect feedback and data on their needs, wants and struggles as students. To support students better, Phase One of this strategic plan was conducted through surveys online, focus groups face to face; total 1,080 students. Phase Two consisted of an analysis of data collected and categorized into themes. Phase Three consists of presentation to the AGM for final student feedback.

Three categories include – Student Life: Support you in getting the most value out of your student experience. Specifically, make life on campus more affordable, make campus more comfortable and enjoyable and improve academic experience.

Personal Life: Support your growth as a person. Specifically, help improve your financial security, improve your health and wellness, and expose you to experiences and people that can enrich your life.

Future Life: Prepare you for your life after college/university. Specifically, help you develop your personal and professional skills.

Next board meeting, April 11<sup>th</sup>, current Board of Directors will be approving the final version of the strategic plan to be in place for the organization for the following three years. This strategic plan will be the guidelines for which any future Board of Directors or Executives will follow for organizational objectives.

Concerns of accountability and transition with high turn over of Executives and BoDs.  
Specifics of strategic plan will be developed with new Executives.

## **7. APPROVAL OF 2018-2019 OPERATING BUDGET**

E. Perrone, Executive Director, and T. DeFrancesco, Finance Director, presented the 2018-2019 Operating Budget. Highlights of the presentation included:

- This budget was developed with the feedback students provided us during Next Level consultations as well as extensive internal conversations with our Board, Executive and Staff
- IGNITE revenues come primarily from student fees and so we take this responsibility very serious and emphasis direct investment back in students' quality of life when crafting our budget
- As you can see, we estimate revenues to be \$11 million dollars based on a student body membership of approximately 32,000 full time students
- Our expenditures are broken down into 6 categories
- Under Governance, \$422,000 has been allocated to support the work undertaken by our Board of Directors and Executives in terms of advocacy initiatives, student outreach and the running of our election process.
- Our Administration budget is \$1.9 million and encompasses all staffing, general office and infrastructure costs associated with running a non-profit organization. At 17% of our budget, we operate very efficiently and fall under the 20% benchmark considered acceptable.
- We allocated \$1 million to fund all our clubs, educational and awareness activities as well as our larger signature events such as Frosh/Frost, Halloween party, Real Talks speaker series and year-end Gala



- \$6.7 million is allocated under Services. Our largest investment of funds goes towards supporting student wellness through our Flexible Health and Dental insurance plan. We allocate over \$400,000 in student bursaries as well as \$50,000 in our financial relief program which supports students in financial hardship.
- Our communication budget of \$860,000 covers all the costs associated with communicating to a diverse and dispersed student body across four campuses. Our student communications includes both print and digital as well as ongoing promotional activity.
- Lastly, IGNITE is setting aside approximately \$70,000 to cover the costs associated with upgrading student spaces and furniture (like here in the Student Centre) as well as social spaces for students around all campuses
- This budget represents our commitment to student success and sets us up to achieve the goals of our strategic plan.

Motion to approve the 2018-2019 Operating Budget as presented.

**Moved by:** J. Dias-McGown

**Seconded by:** K. Siery

**CARRIED: YES**

***“Be it resolved that the Members of the IGNITE Student Union approve the 2018-2019 Operating Budget as presented.”***

## **8. MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2018-2019 FINANCIAL AUDITORS**

N. Davenport affirmed the Members that BDO Canada LLP has been the auditing company for Humber ITAL and the IGNITE Student Union for the past ten years.

Motion to approve BDO Canada LLP as the 2018-2019 Financial Auditors.

**Moved by:** A. Sander

**Seconded by:** G. Budgeon

**CARRIED: YES**

***“Be it resolved that the Members of the IGNITE Student Union approve BDO Canada LLP as the 2018-2019 Financial Auditors.”***

## **9. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn the IGNITE Annual General Meeting.

**Moved by:** T. Gagea

**Seconded by:** M. Nazim

**CARRIED: YES**

***“Be it resolved that the Members of the IGNITE Student Union adjourn the Annual General Meeting at 11:40a.m.”***



**Nicholas Davenport**  
Chairperson

**Vanessa Silaphet**  
Recording Secretary