

OSGOODE

STUDENT CAUCUS

**Student Caucus of Faculty Council 2025-2026
Notice of Meeting & Agenda**

[Zoom Link](#)

Wednesday, January 28th, 2026
12:35 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Attending: Alex Wilson (Chair), Sebastien Scialdone (Director of Communications), Phoenix Kutra, Nathan Wong (Vice-chair), Daniel Villegas, Jasmit Mander, Blaise Matlock, Ebun Akomolafe, Jessica Perl, Emily-Rose Njonde, Andie Habert, Tristan Bholá, Arimie Min (L&L President), Katherine Hutchinson (L&L VP Internal), Sleiman Oweis, Samantha Brown (L&L 1L Rep), Ryan Whiston (Chair of Student Senate Caucus)

Excused:

Missing In Action:

Agenda (Anticipated Length 60m):

Attendance, Quorum Check, and Call to Order (2m)

1) Chair's Remarks & Items

- Constitutional Reform Updates (3m)
[Chair]
 - **Recent meeting with the constitutional reform committee**
 - **Some outstanding concerns to be addressed:**
 - AGM Responsibilities to go to Vice Chair?
 - [General Response]: Yes
 - Transition Meeting for old and new reps?
 - [Phoenix]: Structured, codified transitions
 - [Andie]: Could be added to whatever materials that have to be consented to when you run for the position?
 - [General Response]: General approval, specific date should be set in the constitution for when this joint meeting will happen.
 - [Chair]: This would work well with the current dates lined up for the upcoming elections. Elections set to take place early March, so results can be in time for each of Student Caucus and L&L to have a full dedicated transition meeting.

- Have Osgoode Student Senators sit ex-officio on Student Caucus?
 - [General Response]: Yes
 - [Ryan]: Currently, senators have varying levels of involvement, sometimes negatively impacting consultation and strategizing.
 - [Nathan]: Would be good for keeping an open line of communication with Senators.
- Faculty Council Student Voting Seats: Have Student Senators be non-voting members of Faculty Council unless less than the maximum voting members are present?
 - [General Response]: Yes
- Election Materials to be consolidated into the elections handbook, remove all election rules from the constitutions. Have the CEO be required to ratify changes with L&L /Student Caucus as a check?
 - [Blaise]: Are we still pursuing election reform? Potentially open up the door for club endorsements.
 - [Sam; Kat]: Would have to be formalized to avoid the potential risks of unfettered club endorsements.
 - [Nathan]: Avoid negative sentiment, club fighting, popularity confidence.
 - [Chair]: We can change the election rules once the rules are consolidated into the elections handbook. We should form a subcommittee if we want to review election procedures specifically.
 - [General Response]: General approval of the language.
- Clarify attendance requirements with proper rules to take discretion off the shoulders of the Chair; give language for future Chairs to lean on?
 - [General Response]: Concern with implications of having equity reasons for non-attendance be shared with Caucus general.
 - [Sebastian]: Should have something at the start of the year where each member picks an initiative or title, including, possibly Ombudsman.
 - [Chair]: Agree with this proposal, requests Sebastian to discuss this further in the chat.
- Have a practice where Student government gives all documents / transition manuals to a Faculty Member to hold them, so that they can continuously maintain Student Government access?
 - [General Response]: Distaste; would prefer documents to be saved on a hard drive; logistical nightmare
 - [Chair]: Admits defeat.

- Waitlist Removal (5m)
 - [Chair]
 - Need someone to follow up with student services re: waitlists for course selection.
 - Interested:
 - Emily-Rose
 - Katherine Hutchinson
- Club Reg Task Force (5m)
 - [Chair]
 - Thank you to the Club Registry Task Force for helping with this: Shruti, Eburn, Phoenix, Elad.
 - [Phoenix]
 - York changed club registration requirements. Clubs that fail to register will not be able to book space outside of L&L spaces
 - Met with club executives
 - Two meetings next week
 - [Eburn]
 - Clubs were previously automatically registered by York. This changed this year. Deadline flew under the radar.
 - Clubs now required to be registered with York's Student Community Life board
 - L&L used to be able to send a list of the clubs to have them ratified. However, now all clubs must produce a list of extra documentation.
 - [Phoenix]
 - Would propose to put it to the students in referendum form to get a mandate to not comply with the York procedures
 - [Eburn]
 - To Ryan: any tips?
 - [Ryan]
 - "Limited knowledge"
 - Directed to the York office
 - [Chair]
 - Request for help from those interested in charting a path forward:
 - Sleiman
 - Kat
 - Jasmit
 - Sebastien
- Immigration Class Readings (5m)
 - [Chair]
 - Thank you Daniel for volunteering to do this.
- Osgoode Budget Update (3m)
 - [Chair]
 - Will update via email later, in the interest of time
 - Osgoode is the only faculty still in the black.

2) Vice-Chair's Remarks & Items

- Eburn & Nathan - LSO Licensing Assessment Process Survey (15 minutes)
 - <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/KayWfAHfu6>
 - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pmDtXio9qriw4B4YDBju2fIDf3qImLDg1KwCe4lEvlE/edit?tab=t.o>

[Vice-Chair]

- Phrasing of general questions request for feedback
- 1. Neutral tone vs. alternative phrasing question, one or both?
 - [General Response]: Include both questions.
 - [Daniel]: Should give an overview of the structure of the current exam (i.e. that it is two, multiple choice exams) to allow people to make a more informed decision about what
- 2. Option for manually typed response included.
- 3. Include blurb in the survey that generally explains LSO's report.
- 4. Ideally would like to have the survey out today.

[Chair]

- Should include some questions about what surveyors actually do like about the proposal.

[Eburn]

- Will collect all thoughts from the survey, draft a synthesis report during reading week, will then give Caucus a chance to read the draft, then two weeks after revisions, and will then send out the final report some time later.

3) Director of Communication's Remarks & Items

- Election Update (3m)

[Director]

- Elections will be coming up likely at the end of March. Now would be a good time to consider what roles you may want to fill next year and whether you wish to run for any positions.
- Executives, now would be a good time to start thinking about your transition documents.

[Katherine]

- Will be suggesting to L&L and will be engaging on a campaign to drum up interest in student government. Social media campaign. Will request from L&L and Caucus reps to give a little story, blurb, etc. to be posted along with interesting visuals.

4) Legal & Lit Updates & Items

- CDO Career Fair (5m)

[President]

- CDO Holding a Career fair with tabling, workshops, advice, Blitz interviews

- o March 9th
- o Looking for helpers:
 - Jasmit
 - Nathan

5) OISA Updates & Items

- N / a

6) Year Updates & Items

- **3L Updates**

- o Sexual Violence Working Group Updates (5m)

[Blaise]

- o The SV Working Group will be rescheduling the SV Workshop
- o Based on Berger's recommendations: To incorporate the CHREI SV Training into the curriculum, it would be better for enforcement and durability to organize a plenary session, like the Criminal Law 1L Plenaries, to begin a convention to hold this event every year
- o Aiming to have the event take place at a convenient time re: schedules to avoid no-showers and low uptake (e.g. if the event was to take place on a separate date and separate time from class = risk of low uptake)
- o Will try to consult with Dean Farrow about procedural tasks

[Chair]

- o Thoughts on reaching out to Farrow directly rather than going through Berger?

[Eburn]

- o Should give Berger a heads up about doing so, to avoid animosity.

[Sebastian]

- o Can help draft an email

[Blaise]

- o Hesitant to usurp Berger because he was very helpful in the initiative. Should preserve his freedom to draft his own email and hesitant to pressure him on time.

- **2L Updates**

- o N / a

- **1L Updates**

- o 1L Experience Review (5m)

[Sebastian]

- o Professor Berger is interested in facilitating Student Caucus collecting information about 1L's experiences.
- o Would align with curriculum review in the works.
- o There is an Anthony involved. Unsure as to the identity of this individual.

[Andie]

- o Negative feedback for ILS incoming.

7) Final Action Items

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