

# York Federation of Students - Meeting Minutes

York Federation of Students (YFS) – Local 68 Canadian Federation of Students  
Thursday Friday 29th, 2024 @ 4:30pm

## **BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Ashley D'Souza

**President**

Rehaan Lachporia

**Vice President Operations**

Gemner Sandoval Fuentes

**Vice President Campaigns & Advocacy**

Olivia Ferguson

**Vice President Equity**

Shiniah Mark

**Vice President Campus Life**

## **COLLEGE DIRECTORS**

Madeleine Kubi

**Glendon College Director**

Nusayba Sheikh

**McLaughlin College Director**

Heli Vyas

**New College Director**

Aiden Corrado

**Stong College Director**

Beyoncé Wallace

**Vanier College Director**

Mackenzie Hall

**Winters College Director**

## **FACULTY DIRECTORS**

Gabriella King

**AMPD Director**

Alice Alexander

**Education Director**

Melina Ghasem-Asad

**Environmental Studies Director**

Kosy Oraka

**Lassonde School of Engineering Director**

Nebiyou Timotewos

**LAPS Director**

## **OTHER REPRESENTATIVES**

Sébastien Lalonde

**Executive Director**

Rawan Habib

**Speaker**

Jessie Whyte

**Secretary**

## **REGRETS**

Emma Bhatti

**Calumet College Director**

Seerat Choudary

**Bethune College Director**

Nyachang Reath

**Founders College Director**

Dina Rawach

**Health Director**

Arathie Premananthan

**Schulich Director**

Ahem Dhaliwal

**Science Director**

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

## 2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

## 3. ROLL CALL

## 4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

### MOTION 2024-02-29: A01

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda be accepted as presented.

**Moved:** Sandoval Fuentes

**Seconded:** Hall

**Result:** Carries

## 5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

### A. MOTION 2024-02-29: M01

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of December 8th, 2023 Board of Directors meeting be accepted as presented in **APPENDIX A**.

**Moved:** Ghasem-Asad

**Seconded:** Sheikh

**Result:** Carries

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

### A. GENERAL ELECTION 2024 CRO REPORT

#### MOTION 2024-02-29: N01

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the report of the Chief Returning Officer (CRO) for the 2024 YFS General Elections be ratified as presented in **APPENDIX B**.

**Moved:** Corrado

**Seconded:** Hall

**Result:** Carries

### B. MOTION TO SUPPORT CUPE 3903 STRIKE

#### MOTION 2024-02-29: N02

**WHEREAS** CUPE 3903 is a union representing over 3,700 members representing contract faculty, teaching assistants, graduate assistants, and research

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assistants on York University;

**WHEREAS** the current collective agreement between CUPE 3903 and the their employer, York University, expired as of August 31st, 2023, with members having to work without contract since then; and

**WHEREAS** the current cost of living is at an all time high, with many community members facing food insecurity and housing precarity; and

**WHEREAS** Bill 124 was passed in 2019 by the Ford government, capping the year-to-year wage increase to a maximum of 1% for public sector workers and since repealed by the Ontario Government, deeming it to be unlawful; and

**WHEREAS** CUPE 3903 is bargaining to provide its members with livable wages and retroactive payments after the repealment of Bill 124, among other items; and

**WHEREAS** the union has overwhelmingly voted to reject the employer's final offer, and subsequently voted to strike; and

**WHEREAS** the York Federation of Students have historically stood in solidarity with all unions on campus; and

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the York Federation of Students (YFS) stand in solidarity with CUPE 3903 as they demand for fair wages from the employer; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the YFS continue to provide students with updated information and fight misinformation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the YFS advocate for the employer to return to the bargaining table with a fair contract that meets the basic necessities of the union's demands.

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**Moved:** D'Souza

**Seconded:** Lachporia

**Result:** Carries

## 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 8. MOTION TO ADJOURN

**MOTION 2024-02-29: A02**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the meeting of the Board be adjourned.

**Moved:** Hall

**Seconded:** Ghasem-Asad

**Result:** Carries