



Oct 27th, 2025

Fleming SAC Annual General Meeting

The Steele Centre Pub, Sutherland Campus

Peterborough 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

MINUTES

Present: Guru Sai Charan Pitla (Board Chair), Joel Willett (General Manager), Madison Fitzpatrick (Director), Pedro Zapata (Director), Bipasha Basil (Director), Smit Ghanshyam Bhai Virani (Director)

Guests Present: Dan Robertson – Senior Accountant - Doane Grant Thornton

Students:

Arshpreet Kaur	Eric Daley	Karamjeet Kaur
Divyansh	Joshua Earle	Niratjit Kaur
Sapandeep Kaur	Naisaa Mansur Goawala	Kanizfatema Khangar
Emmanuella Kadilobari Akere	Varun Kumar Godithi	Favour Ogbor
Amani Al Ibrahim	Ann Shilpa Joy	Meer hardikkumar Patel
Mohammad Aldayoub	Balwinder Kaur	Michelle Penney
Mayank Rameshbhai Chaudhary	Bhavleen Kaur	Janveet Singh
Damien Collins	Gurnaaz Kaur	Karanvir Singh Sohi
Naina Vadhera	Ogheneovo Christian Vincent	Drake Grant

Total = 31 Students (Including BOD)

Item	Topic
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1	Call to Order – Board Chair
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The Chair Charan Pitla called the Annual General Meeting to order at 10:04 AM.

1.1 Land Acknowledgement

The Board Chair presented the Land Acknowledgement and recognized the traditional territory of Mississauga's.

1.2 Roll Call/Quorum – Board Chair

The Board Chair recognized that there was quorum to proceed with all members Present.

1.3 Regrets – Board Chair

The Board Chair acknowledged that there were no regrets submitted.

2 Opening Remarks – Board Chair

2.1 Welcome Statement

The Board Chair has made the opening remarks with a welcome statement to the Board and the Membership.

2.2 Meeting Rules and Expectations

The Board Chair has reviewed and set the meeting rules and expectations with the Board and the Membership.

2.3 Introduction of Board of Directors

The Board Chair has introduced the Board of Directors to the Membership.

3 Guest – Board Chair

3.1. Doane Grant Thorton LLP

- The Board Chair introduced Dan Robertson to the Board and Membership.
- Dan has made his Welcome Statement addressing the Board and the Fleming SAC members.

4 Adoption of Agenda (M) – Board Chair

Motion#1: Approval of Agenda

Motioned by: Bipasha Basil **Seconded by:** Madison Fitzpatrick

THAT agenda be approved as presented.

Discussion: No changes added to agenda

In favour: 31

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Result: Motion Passed.

5 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

The Board Chair recognized that there was no identified conflict of Interest at the time.

6 Previous AGM Minutes (M) – Board Chair

Motion#2: Approval of AGM Minutes – Oct 30, 2024

Motioned by: Pedro Zapata **Seconded by:** Smit Virani

THAT The AGM minutes be approved as presented

In Favour: 31

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Result: Motion Passed.

7 Financial Statement

7.1 2024-2025 Financial Statement – Doane Grant Thorton

Dan provided an overview of Fleming SAC's operations and financial position, including the main sources of revenue and expenses. The student transit program represents the largest portion of both revenue and expenses.

He also reviewed the 5% decrease in the financial position, capital assets such as the Steele Centre and administration offices, liabilities, fund balances, and working capital.

Overall, Fleming SAC remains in a good financial position compared to the previous year.

7.2 Appointment of Auditors 2025-2026 (M) – Board Chair

Motion#3: Approval to Appoint Auditor for 2025-2026.

Motioned by: Smit Virani **Seconded by:** Bipasha Basil

THAT Grant Thornton LLP remains Fleming Student Administrative Council's Auditor for the 2025-2026 year.

In Favour: 31

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Result: Motion Passed.

8 Advocacy (Presentation) – Board Chair

The Board Chair has discussed Advocacy Updates to Membership.

8.1 Transportation

The Chair provided an overview of the student transportation program and how it supports students.

An update was also provided on the parking project. Approximately \$550,000 was invested to improve the student parking experience, including installation of Security Camera's, Digital Signage's, Kiosk's and new mobile purchasing options.

8.2 Food Bank

The Chair provided an overview of the Food Bank and its role in supporting students experiencing financial difficulties.

Food Bank usage has decreased due to lower student enrollment, and the potential impact on the service for the upcoming academic year was discussed.

8.3 Domestic Health Plan

The Chair provided an overview of the current Student Health Plan and the steps taken to better understand students' needs.

A student survey was conducted to identify gaps in health plan coverage. Based on student feedback, improvements were made, including online access to healthcare practitioners.

The Chair also provided an update on the rebranding of We Speak Student to Alumo.

8.4 Internal Advocacy

The Chair highlighted SAC's work over the past year in supporting its goal of advocating for and supporting all students. This included participating in community neighbourhood walks, supporting Residence Move-In Days, educating students about available resources and services, and organizing initiatives to support student needs, such as a raffle providing a student with a free fridge.

The Chair discussed the transportation program and concerns about students having to travel long distances to access transit. SAC advocated for students by working toward a closer transit stop, making transportation more convenient and accessible for students.

The Chair discussed the classroom visits conducted to gather student feedback and better understand their needs. The feedback helps SAC advocate for improvements in areas such as placements, financial support, housing, parking, and the overall academic experience.

The Chair discussed the importance of Orientation and SAC's active involvement in welcoming new students. Orientation provides an opportunity to connect with students, build relationships, and introduce SAC's supports and services for the academic year.

The Chair discussed the support available to students who are having difficulty finding placements. SAC continues to advocate for more placement partners and opportunities to make the placement process easier and improve the overall student experience.

The Chair discussed concerns about long wait times for appointments at the Health Centre. In response, the Chair advocated for a new position to help address the issue and improve students' access to health services.

The Chair discussed concerns about the limited availability of food services on weekends for students attending Saturday and Sunday classes. SAC raised the issue with management, which led to a pilot

project offering food services on Saturdays. However, due to low usage and financial sustainability concerns, the service was not continued on a regular basis.

The Chair discussed SAC's advocacy efforts during the full-time support staff strike. A student survey was conducted to understand how the strike was affecting students. Based on the feedback, the Chair met with the College President to raise key concerns, including the decision to move classes online immediately. The survey helped SAC understand student concerns and advocate for solutions that better reflected students' needs and experiences.

The Chair provided an overview of the student clubs available to all students. Clubs introduced last year had a total of 108 members, helping students connect and build a stronger sense of community on campus. The Chair also discussed an upcoming opportunity for students to sell their handmade or personally created products at campus booths for a \$20 fee.

8.5 Provincial Advocacy (CSA)

The Chair provided an overview of the College Student Alliance (CSA) and its role in advocating for students and addressing common student concerns.

CSA's key priorities for the year include work-integrated learning, international students, tuition and financial aid, mental health, and student housing.

The Chair also highlighted future advocacy efforts focused on paid student placements (Work Integrated Learning).

8.6 Relationships -College, Schools, External

The Chair provided an overview of Bill 33 and the advocacy work being done to better understand its potential impact on students.

This included an open letter and coalition letter to Premier Doug Ford, as well as previous meetings with Colleges Ontario and MPP Peggy Sattler to raise concerns about admissions, student fees, and meaningful student consultation.

The Chair also discussed an upcoming Bill 33 advocacy event to gather student feedback, along with a student petition that will allow students to share their concerns and opinions.

9 Q&A

Q1: Inclusivity for French Canadian students?

A1: counselor working for international students, this is an area that has the opportunity to be addressed if brought up.

Q2: What do you do if you want to start your own club?

A2: Have 3 executives to start, connect with Maddie (Programming & Engagement Coordinator), resources to join a club/create a club are available on flemingsac.ca website.

Q3: Inclusive programs for people of colour?

A3: Black history month is celebrated at the College. Offered to connect with EDI manager to increase the opportunities for inclusion for people of colour.

Q4: What are the resources for helping students with placements and getting paid?

A4: So far there has been a survey to understand students' perspective. Working towards getting a standard stipend for students to have some financial support during their placement. Coordinating with CSA and addressing this issue to Provincial Government as it is the top priority.

Q5: Inclusivity for those with disabilities?

A5: There is a committee for those with disabilities. Discuss with accessibility manager to increase inclusivity for those with disability and find an opportunity.

Q6: Connecting with students in Tech regarding the large loss of staff?

A6: Discussed the college and the cuts that have occurred and future conversations about the funding for all programs.

Q7: Request to increase the hours of operation for the library.

A7: Conversations are being held with management to address the hours of the library.

10 Adjournment (M) – Board Chair

Motion#4: Adjournment

Motioned by: Pedro Zapata **Seconded by:** Madison Fitzpatrick

THAT the Annual General Meeting of the Fleming SAC be adjourned for October 27th, 2025, at 12:00 PM.

In Favour: 31

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Result: Motion Passed.

Board Consent for accuracy of minutes is signed off with the affixed signatures of the Board Chair and Board Secretary as is below.

Board Chair

Board Secretary