

REPORT OF THE STUDENT SOCIETIES SUMMIT

Governing Council

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UNIVERSITY OF
TORONTO

University of Toronto Act, 1947

Sec. 34 (1)

“The Board may make provision for enabling the students of the University... to appoint a **representative committee** of themselves to be chosen in such manner as shall be approved by the Board, which shall be the recognized official medium of communication on behalf of such students between them and the Board.”

Representative Student Committees

University of Toronto Students' Union (UTSU)

Scarborough Campus Students' Union (SCSU)

University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union (UTGSU)

Association of Part-Time Undergraduate Students (APUS)

Governing Council Policy for Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees

Student Society

“...an organization on whose behalf the University collects a compulsory non-academic incidental fee, in which membership is automatic and determined by registration and status in a particular division or program...”

Governing Council Policy for Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees

- University collects fees from students on societies' behalf.
- Societies must operate in an “open, accessible and democratic fashion”.
- Provost has the authority to withhold fees.

Student Organizations

Student Societies		Campus Groups and Other Organizations
Representative Student Committees	Divisional and Faculty Student Societies	Recognized Campus Groups, Clubs, etc.
SAC (UTSU) SCSU UTGSU APUS	Over 40 including, for example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arts and Science Student Union (ASSU) • Medical Society 	Over 800 recognized campus groups alone. Examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ironsports Club • UTM Drama Club • UTSC Investment Society
Membership is automatic with registration in an academic division. Compulsory fees collected.		Voluntary membership. No compulsory Fees.

Student Societies Summit

Mandate:

- To resolve disputes between UTSU and divisional/collegiate societies represented by UTSU.
- If resolution is not possible, a policy review may be considered.

Next Steps

- Analyze the Report and recommendations.
- Present a formal Administrative Response to governors in the Fall.