

#### **City of Barrie**

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# Minutes - Final Town and Gown Committee

Wednesday, July 31, 2019

10:00 AM

Sir Robert Barrie Room

## For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on October 2, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Councillor, C. Riepma at 10:02 a.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 6 - Councillor C. Riepma

R. Calvano - Georgian College

J. Chevrier

R. Meier - East End Household Association

J. Morozuk

T. Zubyck - Georgian College

Absent: 2 - R. Cardwell - East End Household Association

B. Muscat - Georgian College

#### STAFF:

Acting Deputy City Clerk, T. McArthur Supervisor of Enforcement Services, J. Forgrave Traffic Technologist, J. McDonald.

The Town and Gown Committee met and reports as follows:

### PREPARATION FOR 2019 STUDENT ORIENTATION SESSION AT GEORGIAN COLLEGE

The Committee discussed the final preparations for Georgian College's 2019 Student Orientation Session to be held on September 3rd, 2019.

R. Calvano, Director of Campus Safety and Security at Georgian College advised that the College is currently preparing for orientation for the

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international students, new students and returning students. He noted that safety handbooks and pamphlets will be available, as well as an informative presentation to assist the students with the transition to College life and in the community.

The Committee identified areas of concern for students attending Georgian College and in living in the community that included safety and security, being uninformed of City By-laws and policies, and the need for accurate information on the services available to the students within the College and the City.

The Committee provided suggestions for the orientation to assist the students in enjoying the experiences of College life as well as involve the community to achieve positive impacts for the students and the community. Their suggestions included a variety of information booths and informative presentation to encourage and provide accurate information from service partners and organizations such as the Barrie Police Service, Barrie Fire and Emergency Services, City of Barrie Departments including Environmental Services, Enforcement Services, Barrie Transit, and Roads Parks and Fleet, and the Barrie East End Household Association. The Committee noted that the orientation is a good opportunity to involve the residents, mitigate complaints and concerns, and to build positive relationships with the students and the community as a whole.

R. Calvano advised that the College will be welcoming approximately 1200 new international students this year, which is in addition to the 1000 from last year. He noted that at the end of August the College will be holding a separate orientation for international students.

The meeting adjourned at 11:12 p.m.

**CHAIRMAN** 

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