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DSU Council Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date and Time: August 14, 2023, - 5:00 PM

Location: Virtually (MS Teams)

Land Acknowledgement

The Dalhousie Student Union acknowledges that Dalhousie University and the Dalhousie Student Union Building are located on traditional, unceded and unsurrendered Mi'kma'ki territory. The Dalhousie Student Union seeks to honour the relational treaty process in its programming, events, and meetings.

Equity Statement

Student union solidarity is based on the principle that all members should be able to participate equally in their union, recognizing that students have diverse experiences of privilege and marginalization. As members of the students' union, mutual respect, cooperation and understanding are our goals. We should neither condone nor tolerate behaviour that undermines the dignity of any individual or creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment.

It is our collective responsibility to create an inclusive space for discussion and dialogue. Any form or forms of discrimination and/or harassment will not be tolerated, nor will hate speech rooted in, but not limited to, sexist, racist, classist, ableist, homophobic or transphobic sentiments and/or remarks. We all have an obligation to ensure that an open and inclusive space, free of hate is established. If you violate this understanding, you will be asked to leave.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm by the Council chair.

2. Roll Call

DDECENT
PRESENT

Mariam Knakriah – President

Thomais (Tammy) Maniou – Vice-President, Internal

Henry Amin – Vice-President, Finance & Operations

Omotayo Bankole - Vice-President, Academic and External

Eshan Arora – Board of Governor Representative 1

Austin Haw - Faculty of Architecture Representative

Eni Oguntona – Faculty of Law Representative

Lia Gurevich Kogan - Faculty of Management Representative

Omotayo Bankole - Black Students Community Representative

ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Ryan Dee - Board of Governors Representative 2

Nick d'Entremont - Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative

Sydney Forbes - Faculty of Medicine Representative

Victoria Slipp - Faculty of Science Representative

Kailey Simon - Indigenous Students' Community Representative

ABSENT WITHOUT REGRETS

Alfonso Abraham - Residence Students' Community Representative

VACANT POSITIONS

Vice-President, Student Life

International Students' Community Representative

2SLGBTQIA+ Students Community Representative

Faculty of Graduate Studies Representative

Disabled Student's Community Representative

Faculty of Dentistry Representative

Faculty of Engineering Representative

Faculty of Agriculture Representative

Faculty of Computer Science Representative

Faculty of Health Representative

NON-VOTING MEMBERS

Kriti Maini – Chair Oversight Community

3. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION 2023-08-14-3.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the present meeting be adopted as presented.

Moved by the President

Seconded by the Faculty of Law Representative

MOTION 2023-08-14-3.1 Passes

4. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting

MOTION 2023-08-14-4.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting on July 31, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

Moved by the Faculty of Law Representative

Seconded by the Board of Governors Representative 1

MOTION 2023-08-14-4.1 Passes.

Document attached.

5. Communications Received

None

6. Business arising out of the minutes

MOTION 2023-08-14-6.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council ratify the following appointments to senate Caucus for the 2023-24 year.

^{*}Quorum was met*

Architecture Representative_ James Smith

Arts and Social Sciences Representative_ Pratik Wani

Engineering Representative_Rudransh Goyal

Law Representative _Eni Oguntona

Management Representative _Calantha D'souza

Medical Representative_Sydney Forbes

Science Representative _Joyce Li

2LGBTQIA+ Students Representative _RJ Roggeveen

Moved by the Vice President, Academic and External

Seconded by the Faculty of Architecture and Planning

MOTION 2023-08-14-6.1 Passes

Document attached.

7. Appointments by Council

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.1

WHEREAS According to the bylaw 4.8 viii. Breach of confidentiality resulting in removal from office; the Vice President, Student Life position is vacant;

WHEREAS section 4.6.c. of the DSU Bylaws states that "Should a vacancy arise in the office of a Councillor on or before October 31 of the year in which that person was elected, a by-election shall be held to fill such vacancy. In the case of a vacancy in the office of an Executive Officer, Council will appoint a Councillor to fulfill the duties of the position on an interim basis until a by-election is called, provided that while the Councillor holds the office of an Executive Officer on an interim basis while still retaining their original position as Councillor, they will fulfill both the original duties of Councillor and the additional duties of Executive Officer but will only be permitted one vote at meetings of Council"; THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **_Lia Gurevich Kogan** _ is appointed as the Interim Vice President, Student Life until the conclusion of the fall 2023 by-election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the interim Vice President, Student Life continues to fulfill their councillor duties in addition to their executive duties but only be permitted one vote at meetings of Council for the duration of their interim appointment, in accordance with DSU Bylaws.

Moved by the President

Seconded by the Vice President Internal

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.1

Document Attached.

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.2
BE IT RESOLVED THAT and are appointed to Community Representative seats on the Oversight Committee for the year 2023-24.
Moved by the President
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.3
BE IT RESOLVED THATOmotayo Bankole and _Eshan Arora_are appointed to the Councillor seat on the Society Review Committee for the 2023-24 year.
Moved by Vice President, Internal
Seconded by Vice President Student Life
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.3 Passes
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.4
BE IT RESOLVED THAT and are appointed to Community Representative seats on the Office Steering Committee for the year 2023-24.
Moved by Vice President, Internal
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.5
BE IT RESOLVED THAT is appointed to Councillor seats on the Student Accessibility Fund Committee for the year 2023-24.
Moved by Vice President, Internal
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.6
BE IT RESOLVED THATEshan Arora_and are appointed to a Councillor seat on the Psychoeducational Assessment ad-hoc Bursary Committee for the year 2023-24.
Moved by Vice President, Internal
Seconded by the President
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.6 Passes
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.7
BE IT RESOLVED THAT _Eshan Arora is appointed to a Councillor seat on the Grants and Sponsorship Committee for the 2023-24 year;
Moved by Vice President, Finance and Operations

Seconded by Vice President Student Life

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.7 **Passes**

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.8		
BE IT RESOLVED THAT, and are appointed to Councillor seats on the External Committee for the 2023-24 year;		
Moved by the Vice President, Academic and External		
Link Attached		
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.9		
BE IT RESOLVED THAT _Sahil Chanda _ be appointed as the DSU Chief Returning Officer for the year 2023-2024.		
Moved by the Vice President Finance and Operations		
Seconded Vice President Student Life		
CRO Hiring Report attached.		
Recommended for adoption by the CRO Hiring Committee		
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.10		
BE IT RESOLVED THATLiam Bennet_, _Vinayak Maheshwari, _Abhiroop Yerramilli_, _Gevonna Samuel_ andJunior Dewan Rafi are appointed to a General Member seat on the Elections Committee for the 2023-24 year.		
Moved by President		
Seconded Vice President Finance and Operations		
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.10 Passes		
Document Attached		
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.11		
BE IT RESOLVED THATSamuel Eisner_, _Danielle Mourad_ andNoah Archibald_ are appointed to a General Member seat on the Judicial Board for the 2023-24 year.		
Moved by the President		
Seconded by the Vice-President Internal		
MOTION 2023-08-14-7.11 Passes		
Document Attached		

8. New Business

None

9. Executive reports

- 9.1 Report of the President
- 9.2 Report of the Vice President, Internal
- 9.3 Report of the Vice President, Finance and Operations
- 9.4 Report of the Vice-President, Academic and External

10. Announcements

- 10.1 The next meeting of Council will be held in September, hopefully in-person, depending on council availability.
- 10.2 Councillors must fill out the Fall availability forms by Tuesday, August $15^{\rm th}$ at 2pm.

12. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Moved Vice-President Finance and Operations

Seconded by the President

Motion Passes

The meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.