

Dalhousie Student Union – Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 31st, 6:00 PM – Council Chambers

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:01 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham	Chair
Julia Guk	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Amina Abawayj	President
Masuma Khan	Vice-President (Academic and External)
Chantale Khoury	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Cory Larsen	Vice-President (Student Life)
Alex Hughes	Vice-President (Internal)
Jeremy Ryan	BOG Representative
Kati George-Jim	BOG Representative
Vacant	Agricultural Representative
Vacant	Architecture and Planning Representative
Ashley Farrell	Arts and Social Science Representative
Vacant	Computer Science Representative
Katie Rumbolt	Dentistry Representative
Yazan Khader	Engineering Representative
Rhys MacDonald	Graduate Studies Representative
Vacant	Health Professions Representative
Vacant	Law Representative
Vacant	Management Representative
Chad LeClair	Medicine Representative
Katie MacLellan	Science Representative
Vacant	Aboriginal Students' Community Representative
Vacant	Black Students' Community Representative
Vacant	International Students' Community Representative
Vacant	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Students' Community Representative
Mary MacDonald	Students with Disabilities Representative
Vacant	Residence Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Katie Douglas Women's Community Representative

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

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MOTION 2017-05-31: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2017-05-31: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-05-31: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add the appointment of the Chair.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-05-31: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-05-31: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add the appointment of the Medicine and Dentistry Councillors.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Farrell

MOTION 2017-05-31: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-05-31: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted with these amendments.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-05-31: A03 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-05-31: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the April 5 meeting be postponed to the next meeting.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-05-31: M01 CARRIED

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4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

The Chair received regrets from Katie Douglas.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Councillors

MOTION 2017-05-31: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Chris Abraham be appointed as Chair of the DSU Council.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2017-05-31: N01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-05-31: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Chad LeClair be appointed as the Medicine Representative of the DSU council.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2017-05-31: N02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-05-31: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Katie Rumbolt be appointed as the Dentistry Representative of the DSU council.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-05-31: N03 CARRIED

B. Committees

i. Grants and Sponsorship Committee

Nominations (council members):

Chad LeClair – nominates himself

Katie MacLellan – nominates herself

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MOTION 2017-05-31: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Chad LeClair and Katie MacLellan be appointed to the Grants and Sponsorship Committee as the two council members.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2017-05-31: N04 CARRIED

Nominations (non-council members):
Savannah Greene – nominated by Khoury
Serena Jackson – nominated by Larsen

MOTION 2017-05-31: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move into camera.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** LeClair

MOTION 2017-05-31: N05 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-05-31: N06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move out of camera.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-05-31: N06 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-05-31: N07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Serena Jackson be appointed to the Grants and Sponsorship Committee as the non-council member.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-05-31: N07 CARRIED

ii. Society Review Committee

Nominations (council members):
Katie MacLellan – nominated by Larsen
Katie Rumbolt – nominates herself

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MOTION 2017-05-31: N08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Katie Rumbolt and Katie MacLellan be appointed to the Society Review Committee as the two council members.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-05-31: N08 CARRIED

Nominations (non-council members):
Savannah Greene – nominated by Khoury

MOTION 2017-05-31: N09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Savannah Greene be appointed to Society Review Committee as the non-council member.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-05-31: N09 CARRIED

iii. Bylaw and Policy Review Committee

Nominations (council members):
Yazan Khader – nominates himself
Jeremy Ryan – nominates himself

MOTION 2017-05-31: N10

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Yazan Khader and Jeremy Ryan be appointed to the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee as the two council members.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-05-31: N10 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

B. Senate Caucus

Khan wanted to talk about the issue of 22 seats that did not go through. She said there was an Ad Hoc committee in Senate that was analyzing who is in Senate and how the 22 seats could work. She said they had ways of analyzing, but they

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said that students could have 11 seats. They suggested that instead of Faculty getting another 5 seats that students could have those extra 5 to have 16 seats for students in total. She wanted to bring this to council to get feedback.

Abawayj said that this discussion hasn't been voted on yet, and that there is an opportunity for council to have discussions before voting and bring those to the SPGC. The Chair of senate, Kevin Hewitt, wanted to be here to talk about the history of senate composition and where we are now but he was unable to make it.

C. BOG

Abawayj said that a lot of the matters were in-camera so she cannot share details. George-Jim said that the last meeting was where they brought the tuition increase up. She also said that there was an offer for a financial planning committee that she wishes to have a seat on over the summer, that looks at sustainable future goals for the students and will keep the council updated. She also discussed her desires to reach students so they know what the Board is. Jeremy said he also has meetings coming up this week and will update council on information from those.

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawayj gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Hughes gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Khoury gave an overview of his written report at the meeting.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

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E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Larsen gave an overview of her written report at the meeting.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

Khader wants to amend the Ethical Investment Policy to make it more clear and specific.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-05-31: A05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** LeClair

MOTION 2017-05-31: A05 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 PM

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CALL TO ORDER at 5:36 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham
Julia Guk
Amina Abawajy
Masuma Khan
Chantal Khoury
Cory Larsen
Alex Hughes
Jeremy Ryant
Kati George-Jim
Vacant
Vacant
Ashley Farrell
Vacant
Katie Rumbolt
Yazan Khader
Rhys Macdonald
Vacant
Vacant
Vacant
Katie MacLellan
Vacant

Chair
Recording Secretary (non-voting)
President
Vice-President (Academic and External)
Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Vice-President (Student Life)
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Students with Disabilities Representative
Residence Representative
Women's Community Representative

Vacant

Vacant

Mary MacDonald
Vacant
Katie Douglas

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Chad LeClair

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

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2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-06-28: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-06-28: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-06-28: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to move Kevin Hewitt's Senate Presentation to after Communications Received.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-06-28: A02 CARRIED Unanimously

MOTION 2017-06-28: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add the Canada Day Motion under Old Business.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-06-28: A02 CARRIED by majority

MOTION 2017-06-28: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add the ByLaw and Policy Review Committee appointment of a non-councillor.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-06-28: A03 CARRIED Unanimously

MOTION 2017-06-28: A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted with these amendments.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-06-28: A04 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-06-28: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the April 5 meeting to be approved.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Rumbolt

MOTION 2017-06-28: M01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-06-28: M02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the May 31 meeting to be approved with amendments to errors in spelling of people's names.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Ryant

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MOTION 2017-06-28: M02 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

The Chair received regrets from Ashley Farrell that she would be attending this meeting late.

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. Kevin Hewitt, Chair, Dalhousie University Senate

Hewitt talked about his efforts to strengthen relationships between Senate and Faculty Councils, as well as his work on campus. He spoke to what they are doing to try to enhance student voice on Senate. He also circulated a presentation to Councillors by email. He acknowledged the work students have done to bring forward student issues to Faculty and Administration. He discussed the issues with having 22 student senators. The current senate has 78. He answered many councillors' questions and encouraged others to contact him if they had any further inquiries.

MOTION 2017-06-28: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the presentation be extended by 5 minutes.

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2017-06-28: N01 CARRIED

6. APPOINTMENTS

A. Elections Review Committee

MOTION 2017-06-28: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Elections Review Committee Motion be amended in terms of composition to remove “a person of colour”, and to add a clause in that “all of the representatives need to identify as a person of colour, indigenous, or black to be eligible for this committee” and to clarify that “it is not mandatory to be the elected representative to council”, and also to remove “The Chair” and have “the chair to be appointed from members of the committee” to bring the number of the committee down to 9 members.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2017-06-28: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Elections Review Committee Motion be amended to change the “member of the Elections Committee 2016” to “member of the Elections Committee 2017”.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2017-06-28: N03 CARRIED

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MOTION 2017-06-28: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Elections Review Committee Motion be amended for the scope of the motion to include research oppressive practices in the Election Process, and to add “a person of colour member at large” and to take out “member of the Elections Committee 2017”.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-06-28: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Elections Review Committee Motion be amended to divide the question so that each point is a separate question – so that each of these is its own question: adding oppressive practices, removing member of the elections committee, and adding a person of colour member at large.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Ryant

MOTION 2017-06-28: N05 FAILED

Yazan Khader abstained from Motion N05.

MOTION 2017-06-28: N03 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-06-28: N04 CARRIED

Jeremy Ryant and Yazan Khader abstained from Motion N04.

MOTION 2017-06-28: N02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-06-28: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council takes a 5 minute recess.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-06-28: N05 CARRIED

i. Black Students’ Representative (on Elections Review Committee)

Nominations:

Michael Davies-Cole → by Kati George-Jim

Michael Davies-Cole is appointed as the Black Students’ Representative on the Elections Review Committee by majority vote.

ii. Women’s Representative (on Elections Review Committee)

Nominations:

Aisha Abawajy → by Kati George-Jim

MOTION 2017-06-28: N06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council moves in-camera.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Ryant

MOTION 2017-06-28: N06 CARRIED

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Yazan Khader abstains from Motion N06.

MOTION 2017-06-28: N08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council moves out of camera.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-06-28: N08 CARRIED

Aisha Abawajy is appointed as the Women’s Representative on the Elections Review Committee by majority vote.

iii. Council Member (on Elections Review Committee)

Nominations:

Masuma Khan → by Alex Hughes

Kati George-Jim → by Amina Abawajy

MOTION 2017-06-28: N09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council moves in-camera.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Ryant

MOTION 2017-06-28: N09 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-06-28: N11

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council moves out of camera.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Ryant

MOTION 2017-06-28: N11 CARRIED

Masuma Khan is appointed as the Council Member on the Elections Review Committee by majority vote.

iv. Non-Council Member (on Elections Review Committee)

Nominations:

Jad Sinno → by Kati George-Jim

Jad Sinno is appointed as the Non-Council Member on the Elections Review Committee by majority vote.

v. Person of Colour Member at Large (on Elections Review Committee)

Nominations:

Kati George-Jim nominates herself.

Chantal Khoury → by Michael Davies-Cole

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MOTION 2017-06-28: N12

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council moves in-camera.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-06-28: N12 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-06-28: N14

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council moves out of camera.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-06-28: N14 CARRIED

Kati George-Jim is appointed as the Person of Colour Member at Large on the Elections Review Committee by majority vote.

vi. **International Member at Large (on Elections Review Committee)**

Nominations:

Amr ElKhashab → by Masuma Khan

Amr ElKhashab is appointed as the International Member at Large on the Elections Review Committee by majority vote.

B. External Action Committee

Nominations (council members):

Ashley Farrell

Kati George-Jim

MOTION 2017-06-28: N15

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ashley Farrell and Kati George-Jim are appointed to the External Action Committee.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-06-28: N15 CARRIED

C. Student Life Committee

Nominations (non-council members):

Diane Farah → nominated by Chantal Khoury

Kaetlin Fenton → nominated by Jeremy Ryant

Mark Veysey → nominated by Cory Larsen

Mariam Ragab → nominated by Cory Larsen

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Diane Farah, Kaetlin Fenton, Mark Veysey and Mariam Ragab are all appointed to the Student Life Committee.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-06-28: N16 CARRIED

D. Budget and Finance Committee

Nominations (council members):
Yazan Khader nominates himself.

MOTION 2017-06-28: N17

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Yazan Khader is appointed to the Budget and Finance Committee.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-06-28: N17 CARRIED

Nominations (non-council members):
Rami Nassif → nominated by Yazan Khader
Mariam Ragab → nominated by Katie MacLellan
Allister Mason nominates himself.
Mark Veysey nominates himself.

MOTION 2017-06-28: A05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council meeting be extended by 30 minutes.

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-06-28: A05 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-06-28: N18

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council moves in-camera to discuss nominations.

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Larsn

MOTION 2017-06-28: N19

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council moves out of camera.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2017-06-28: N19 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-06-28: N20 CARRIED

Rami Nassif is appointed to the Budget and Finance Committee by a council majority vote.

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E. Bylaw and Policy Review Committee

Nominations (non-council members):

Camelia Salem nominates herself.

Qusai Alomari nominates himself.

Josh Caume nominates himself.

MOTION 2017-06-28: N21

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council moves into camera.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-06-28: N21 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-06-28: N22

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council moves out of camera.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-06-28: N23 CARRIED

Camelia Salem is appointed to the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee by majority vote.

8. OLD BUSINESS

MOTION 2017-06-28: P01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Masuma Khan's presentation is postponed to the next meeting.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2017-06-28: P01 CARRIED

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ethical Investment Policy

MOTION 2017-06-28: R01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Yazan Khader's motion is postponed until the next meeting.

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-06-28: R01 CARRIED

B. Halifax Typographical Union Motion

MOTION 2017-06-28: R02

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WHEREAS it is to the benefit of Dalhousie students that they have access to quality information on news, on political and educational news sources that impact their interests as post- secondary students;

This quality source of information has been absent for over 500 days since Halifax Typographical Union members began a strike at the Chronicle Herald, Nova Scotia's primary newspaper. The Chronicle Herald had a dedicated journalist on topics related to post secondary students. A gap is apparent since the strike began. The lack of in - depth, quality journalism is having a negative impact on students at Dalhousie; their ability to make informed decisions is eroded, given this lack of information.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Dalhousie Student Union on behalf of its membership supports the resolution of this labour dispute and requests that the Minister of Labour and Advanced Education for Nova Scotia intervene in this matter to seek a resolution; in a gesture of solidarity with the journalists who are members of the Halifax Typographical Union, the Dalhousie Student Union shall make a donation of \$5,000.00.

Moved: MacDonald **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-06-28: A06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council meeting is extended by 20 minutes, to end at 9:20 pm.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2017-06-28: A06 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-06-28: R03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT motion R02 be amended to take out everything after the semi-colon so that the motion would end after "to seek a resolution".

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-06-28: R03 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-06-28: R04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT motion R02 be postponed to the next meeting.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Ryant

MOTION 2017-06-28: R04 CARRIED

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10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawajy emailed out her written report in the council package.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Hughes emailed out her written report in the council package.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Khoury emailed out her written report in the council package.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan emailed out her written report in the council package.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Larsen emailed out his written report in the council package.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

A. CANADA DAY MOTION

Whereas the Dalhousie Student Union recognizes the struggles of Indigenous students and strives to advocate and support them.

And whereas, the Dalhousie Student Union recognizes the current celebration of Canada day as an act of colonialism.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union will not partake in the promotion and celebration of Canada day on Dalhousie Campus.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union will not have any events celebrating Canada day take place in the Dalhousie Student Union building.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union will not partake in the promotion or celebration of any Canada 150 programming.

B. POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW POLICY

C. CHANGES TO EXECUTIVE PORTFOLIOS

D. SENATE CAUCUS ACCOUNTABILITY

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-06-28: A07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Khan Seconded: Larsen

MOTION 2017-06-28: A07 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 PM

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CALL TO ORDER at 5:36 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham	Chair (non-voting)
Julia Guk	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Amina Abawajy (she/her)	President
Masuma Khan (she/her)	Vice-President (Academic and External)
Chantal Khoury (she/her)	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Cory Larsen (he/him)	Vice-President (Student Life)
Alex Hughes (she/her)	Vice-President (Internal)
Jeremy Ryant (he/him)	BOG Representative
Kati George-Jim (she/her)	BOG Representative
Vacant	Agricultural Representative
Vacant	Architecture and Planning Representative
Ashley Farrell (she/her)	Arts and Social Science Representative
Vacant	Computer Science Representative
Katie Rumbolt (she/her)	Dentistry Representative
Yazan Khader (he/him)	Engineering Representative
Rhys MacDonald (he/him)	Graduate Studies Representative
Vacant	Health Professions Representative
Vacant	Law Representative
Vacant	Management Representative
Chad LeClair (he/him)	Medicine Representative
Katie MacLellan (she/her)	Science Representative
Ali Barnaby	Aboriginal Students' Community Representative
Vacant	Black Students' Community Representative
Vacant	International Students' Community Representative
Vacant	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Students' Community Representative
Mary MacDonald (she/her)	Students with Disabilities Representative
Vacant	Residence Representative
Katie Douglas (she/her)	Women's Community Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Kati George-Jim will be 30 minutes late.

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

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Kamryn– she/her

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-07-19: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-07-19: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-07-19: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Halifax Typographical Union item be removed from the agenda.

Moved: Leclair **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-07-19: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the appointments of the Agriculture and Indigenous Representatives be completed before the other appointments.

Moved: Farrell **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-07-19: A03 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-07-19: A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be accepted as amended.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-07-19: A04 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-07-19: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the June 28, 2017 meeting to be approved.

Moved: LeClair **Seconded:** Larsen

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

Ali Barnaby will be here late, Yazan Khader sent his regrets.

5. PRESENTATIONS

6. APPOINTMENTS

A. Indigenous Rep

MOTION 2017-07-19: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ali Barnaby be appointed to DSU council as the Indigenous Rep.

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Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2017-07-19: N01 CARRIED

B. Agriculture Rep

MOTION 2017-07-19: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kamryn Findlay be appointed to DSU council as the Agriculture Rep.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-07-19: N02 CARRIED

C. Executive Review Committee

Nominations (council members):
Chad LeClair nominates himself.
Katie Douglas nominates herself.

MOTION 2017-07-19: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Chad Leclair and Katie Douglas are appointed.

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-07-19: N03 CARRIED

Nominations (non-council member):
Emma Power

MOTION 2017-07-19: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Emma Power be appointed as the non-council member.

Moved: LeClair **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-07-19: N04 CARRIED

D. Elections Review Committee

i. LGBTQ+ Rep

Nominations are closed, no nominations -will come up at next meeting.

ii. Accessibility Rep

Nominations are closed, no nominations -will come up at next meeting.

iii. Indigenous Rep

Nominations:
Aaron Prosper → nominated by Khan
Allie Barnaby → nominated by Abawajy

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MOTION 2017-07-19: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move in-camera.

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-07-19: N05 CARRIED

Aaron Prosper is appointed as the Indigenous Rep.

MOTION 2017-07-19: N06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the ballots from the vote be destroyed.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** LeClair

MOTION 2017-07-19: N06 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-07-19: N07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council moves out of camera.

Moved: LeClair **Seconded:** Ryant

MOTION 2017-07-19: N07 CARRIED

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

Abawajy talked about the interesting meeting and she talked about the Draft Gift Policy. Florizone gave a presentation about his 4 years. Abawajy said that the Chair of the board was very dismissive to Kati George-Jim and was very patronizing and acted out of frustration in a way that was not very appropriate. She has been talking to the university about this. Kati will be here next meeting to talk about the particulars. Abawajy met with the financial planning committee on June 22nd where they looked at the current ways that funding is being allocated and looking at creating a strategic 3-year vision and hopefully that includes in ways to look at tuition improvements.

Jeremy Ryant said the biggest thing is learning how to work with senior administration in a productive way from a student perspective. He said that he is trying to work with the board and coming to an agreement of what they'd like to see at the next meeting.

Kati George-Jim said she felt silenced and is looking at ways to go about the future meetings and described her experience at the last meeting.

B. Senate Caucus

The Senate Caucus still hasn't met. Orientation is September 6th so they will be appointing senators by the first council meeting in September.

B. Society Review Committee

Alex Hughes said that they have ratified a lot of societies, and are at 157 societies so far.

C. Grants and Sponsorship Committee

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Chad LeClair said that they had a meeting last week and are going through different grants. He says they started to look at applications to make sure they're filled out properly, and will have another meeting soon.

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Amendment to Canada Day Motion

MOTION 2017-07-19: N08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council takes a short recess to fix a technical issue.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-07-19: N08 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-07-19: N09

Whereas the Dalhousie Student Union recognizes the struggles of Indigenous students and strives to advocate and support them.

And whereas, the Dalhousie Student Union recognizes the current celebration of Canada day as an act of colonialism.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union will not partake in the promotion and celebration of Canada day on Dalhousie Campus.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union will not have any events celebrating Canada day take place in the Dalhousie Student Union building.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union will not partake in the promotion or celebration of any Canada 150 programming.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2017-07-19: N10

Whereas the Dalhousie Student Union recognizes the struggles of Indigenous students and strives to advocate and support them.

And whereas, the Dalhousie Student Union recognizes the majority of Canada Day and Canada 150 celebrations do not adequately reflect the historical and ongoing inequitable treatment of indigenous people and the impacts of colonialism on indigenous people.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union will partake in Canada 150 by offering alternative programming that explores marginalized perspectives in consultation with those communities.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-07-19: N11

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the motion be postponed to the next council meeting.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Hughes

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MOTION 2017-07-19: N11 FAILED

MOTION 2017-07-19: N10 CARRIED

Those who voted in favour of Motion N10 were Allie Barnaby, Jeremy Ryant, Chad LeClair, Kate Rumbolt, Katie MacLellan, Cory Larsen, Kamryn Findlay, and Katie Douglas.

Those who voted against this motion were Masuma Khan, Amina Abawajy, Kati George-Jim, Mary MacDonald and Rhys MacDonald.

Those who abstained from the above motion were Alex Hughes and Ashley Farrell.

MOTION 2017-07-19: N09 CARRIED

B. Policy Development and Review Policy:

Meghan gave a rundown about the policy and some proposed changes to be further discussed during the next council meeting.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawajy talked about things she has been up to in the past three weeks.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Hughes talked about things she has been up to in the past three weeks.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Khoury emailed out her written report in the council package.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan talked about things she has been up to in the past three weeks.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Larsen emailed out his written report in the council package.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-07-19: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: MacLellan Seconded: Abawajy

MOTION 2017-07-19: A03 CARRIED

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Meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm

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CALL TO ORDER at 5:33 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham (he/him)	Chair (non-voting)
Julia Guk (she/her)	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Masuma Khan (she/her)	Vice-President (Academic and External)
Cory Larsen (he/him)	Vice-President (Student Life)
Alex Hughes (she/her)	Vice-President (Internal)
Katie Rumbolt (she/her)	Dentistry Representative
Rhys MacDonald (he/him)	Graduate Studies Representative
Kamryn Findlay (she/her)	Agriculture Representative
Chad LeClair (he/him)	Medicine Representative
Katie MacLellan (she/her)	Science Representative
Mary MacDonald (she/her)	Students with Disabilities Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Amina Abawajy, Chantal Khoury, Jeremy Ryant, Ali Barnaby, Katie Douglas.
Ashley Farrell and Yazan Khader will be coming late.

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Kati George-Jim

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-08-23: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-08-23: A01 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from the July 19, 2017 meeting will be approved at the next meeting.

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

Amina Abawajy, Chantal Khoury, Jeremy Ryant, Ali Barnaby, Katie Douglas.
Ashley Farrell and Yazan Khader will be coming late.

5. PRESENTATIONS

6. APPOINTMENTS

A. Elections Review Committee

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i. LGBTQ2+ Rep

Three rounds of nominations were closed, and this will come up again next meeting.

ii. Accessibility Rep

Three rounds of nominations were closed, and this will come up again next meeting.

B. Chief Returning Officer

MOTION 2017-08-23: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alex Li be appointed as the Chief Returning Officer.

Moved: Mary MacDonald **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-08-23: N01 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Senate Caucus

The Dalhousie Faculty Association (DFA) met with Khan to discuss senate seats. She has a meeting with the chair of Senate in September to talk about the proposal, and moving forward, they will likely go forward with the 11 seats and ask that faculty.

B. Society Review Committee

Alex Hughes said that there's around 175 societies now, and around 40 pending that are being reviewed.

C. Grants and Sponsorship Committee

LeClair said that people should really pay attention to their emails and submit their applications on time.

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Transparency Motion

MOTION 2017-08-23: N02

To be added to Union Rules and Procedures Policy, under item 8:

WHEREAS the Dalhousie Student Union council's purpose is to represent and be accountable to the students of Dalhousie University;

And whereas, meaningful representation requires transparent and accessible communication with the constituent students;

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And whereas, motions and materials discussed in Council may elicit responses from our membership and the public that require timely discussion or response;

And whereas, there is currently no efficient mechanism to obtain information from meetings, prior to the approval of the official minutes, to supplement the Council's live stream video of the open session of Council meetings, which Council acknowledges may be time consuming for an interested party;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union will publish the following: up-to-date council motions and documents viewed, discussed, or amended in open session to their website, all within 24 hours of these items being brought to or brought up in council.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-08-23: N02 CARRIED

B. Policy Development and Review Policy

MOTION 2017-08-23: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Policy Development and Review Policy be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-08-23: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Policy Development and Review Policy be postponed to the September 13th, 2017 meeting.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-08-23: N04 CARRIED

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawajy was not present at this meeting.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Hughes talked about things that she has been up at the Conference as well as plans for the next month.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Khoury was not present at this meeting.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan talked about things that she has been up at the Conference as well as plans for the next month.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

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Larsen talked about things that he has been up at the Conference as well as plans for the next month.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

Chris Abraham adjourned the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:04 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham (he/him)	Chair (non-voting)
Julia Guk (she/her)	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Amina Abawajy (she/her)	President
Masuma Khan (she/her)	Vice-President (Academic and External)
Chantal Khoury (she/her)	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Cory Larsen (he/him)	Vice-President (Student Life)
Alex Hughes (she/her)	Vice-President (Internal)
Jeremy Ryant (he/him)	BOG Representative
Kamryn Findlay (she/her)	Agricultural Representative
Ashley Farrell (she/her)	Arts and Social Science Representative
Katie Rumbolt (she/her)	Dentistry Representative
Yazan Khader (he/him)	Engineering Representative
Rhys MacDonald (he/him)	Graduate Studies Representative
Chad LeClair (he/him)	Medicine Representative
Katie MacLellan (she/her)	Science Representative
Ali Barnaby (she/her)	Aboriginal Students' Community Representative
Mary MacDonald (she/her)	Students with Disabilities Representative
Katie Douglas (she/her)	Women's Community Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Kati George-Jim (BOG Representative)

OTHERS PRESENT

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2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-09-13: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Farrell

MOTION 2017-09-13: A01 CARRIED

The appointments to the Senate will be moved before approving the minutes of the previous meeting, and this is carried with no opposition.

3. Senate Appointments

i. Women's Seat

Women's Seat:

Lisa Hackett

Mary Foley

Council holds an in-camera vote and appoints Lisa Hackett to the Senate as the Women's Representative.

ii. Graduate Students' Seat

Grad Student's Seat:

Jad Sinno

MOTION 2017-09-13: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Jad Sinno is appointed to the Senate as the Graduate Student Representative.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-09-13: N01 CARRIED

iii. Ratifications for Indigenous, Science, Arts Seats

Ratifications:

Indigenous Students Representative: Aaron Prosper

Science Representative: Vibhu Bhargava

Arts Representative: Chris Wieczorek

MOTION 2017-09-13: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Aaron Prosper is ratified as the Indigenous Representative to Senate, Vibhu Bhargava as the Science Representative to Senate, and Chris Wieczorek as the Arts Representative to Senate.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2017-09-13: N02 CARRIED

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4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-09-13: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the July 19, 2017 Council meeting be accepted as amended.

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-09-13: M01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-09-13: M02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the August 23, 2017 Council meeting be adopted as amended.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-09-13: M02 CARRIED

5. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

The Chair received notification from Mary MacDonald that she would be late to the meeting.

6. APPOINTMENTS

A. Elections Review Committee

i. LGBTQ2+ Rep

Three rounds of nominations were closed, and this will come up again next meeting.

ii. Accessibility Rep

Nominations:

Nadia Perry

MOTION 2017-09-13: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Nadia Perry be appointed as the Accessibility Representative on the Elections Review Committee.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2017-09-13: N03 CARRIED

B. Student Accessibility Fund Committee

i. Two Councillors

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Nominations:

1. Katie Douglas
2. Mary MacDonald

MOTION 2017-09-13: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Katie Douglas and Mary MacDonald be appointed to the Student Accessibility Fund Committee as councillors.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-09-13: N04 CARRIED

ii. Two Non-Councillors

Nominations:

1. Ashley Barr
2. Catherine Robertson
3. Nadia Perry

MOTION 2017-09-13: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move into camera to vote and appoint two non-councillors to the Student Accessibility Fund Committee.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-09-13: N05 CARRIED

Ashley Barr and Nadia Perry are appointed as the two non-councillors on the Student Accessibility Fund Committee by majority vote.

7. PRESENTATIONS

A. Goals Presentation: The Executive

Each member of the DSU Executive outlined each of their goals for the year in a presentation and answered pertinent questions from council members.

MOTION 2017-09-13: P01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Executive have 10 more minutes for their Goals Presentation.

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2017-09-13: P01 CARRIED

8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

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Abawajy said that the Board has not met since the last Council meeting. She also said that two of the committees of the board have met, but the information from those meetings is confidential.

B. Senate Caucus

Khan said that Senate has recently started up and will have more updates once more student seats have been filled.

C. Society Review

Hughes said that there are 218 societies so far, and reminded council of the Society Expo that is happening on the 20th of September.

D. Grants and Sponsorship

Khoury said that as of May 1st, they have granted multiple types of grants and sponsorships and are thinking of adjusting the policy so that there are dates and deadlines for people to apply as she has to take a few dozen grants from the previous year. She also wishes to create a simpler web form for easy access.

E. Executive Review

MOTION 2017-09-13: R01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council has a 4 minute recess.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-09-13: R01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-09-13: R02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council moves into camera.

Moved: LeClair **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-09-13: R02 CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. Policy Development and Review Policy

MOTION 2017-09-13: B01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Policy Development and Review Policy be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2017-09-13: B01 CARRIED

B. Equity Motion

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MOTION 2017-09-13: B02

Whereas the DSU Equity Policy states: Dalhousie Student Union is committed in all its operations to creating equitable and inclusive environments free from harassment and discrimination. Creating inclusive and positive environments is a collective responsibility of all members of the Dalhousie Student Union.

Whereas the University Club on campus does not have wheelchair accessible entries, accessible bathrooms, and has inaccessible raised portions within;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT MOTION 2016-10-26: B01 be amended to say that DSU executive will strive to obtain funding to make the University Club physically accessible to all members. Further, the DSU executive will provide council with updates on progress in the President's written report at every meeting until this issue is resolved. Until the University Club is accessible, the DSU executive shall instruct that events presented to them; and events hosted by DSU societies shall be held in a more accessible location.

Moved: Mary MacDonald **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2017-09-13: B03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the word “instruct” in MOTION 2017-09-13: B02 be changed to “advise”.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-09-13: B03 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-09-13: B04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the word “advise” in MOTION 2017-09-13: B03 be changed to “advise, and instruct wherever possible.”.

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2017-09-13: B04 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-09-13: B05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the amended MOTION 2017-09-13: B02 (Mary MacDonald Equity Motion) be adopted as amended.

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2017-09-13: B05 CARRIED

11. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawajy circulated her written report in the Council package.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

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Hughes circulated her written report in the Council package.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Khoury circulated her written report in the Council package.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan discussed the work that she has been up to in the past month.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Larsen circulated his written report in the Council package.

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-06-28: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2017-06-28: A02 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

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Wednesday, September 27, 2017 6:00 PM – Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER at 6:09 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham	Chair (non-voting)
Julia Guk	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Amina Abawajy (she/her)	President
Masuma Khan (she/her)	Vice-President (Academic and External)
Chantal Khoury (she/her)	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Cory Larsen (he/him)	Vice-President (Student Life)
Alex Hughes (she/her)	Vice-President (Internal)
Kati George-Jim (she/her)	BOG Representative
Kamryn Findlay (she/her)	Agricultural Representative
Ashley Farrell (she/her)	Arts and Social Science Representative
Kate Rumbolt (she/her)	Dentistry Representative
Yazan Khader (he/him)	Engineering Representative
Rhys MacDonald (he/him)	Graduate Studies Representative
Chad LeClair (he/him)	Medicine Representative
Katie MacLellan (she/her)	Science Representative
Mary MacDonald (she/her)	Students with Disabilities Representative
Katie Douglas (she/her)	Women's Community Representative
Ali Barnaby (she/her)	Indigenous Students Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Jeremy Ryant (BOG Representative)

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-09-27: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-09-27: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-09-27: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add the appointment of the Law Students Representative, the appointment of the Elections Committee, the presentation of the Auditor's Report, the Discipline Motion under New Business, and to change the position of New Business in the agenda to right after Appointments and before Presentations.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Larsen

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MOTION 2017-09-27: A02 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-09-27: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the September 13, 2017 Council be amended to include the Notice of Motion that was previously in camera.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-09-27: M01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-09-27: M02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the September 13, 2017 be accepted as amended.

Moved: Farrell **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2017-09-27: M02 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

The Chair received notification from Mary MacDonald that she would be late to the meeting. He also received regrets from Jeremy Ryant.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Computer Science Temporary Council Representative

MOTION 2017-09-27: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Arazoo Hoseyni be appointed as the temporary Computer Science Representative on Council.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2017-09-27: N01 CARRIED

B. Law Students Representative

MOTION 2017-09-27: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Chelsea Cox be appointed as the Law Students Representative on Council.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-09-27: N02 CARRIED

C. Elections Committee

MOTION 2017-09-27: N03

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Katherine King, Yujie Lang, Marc Joycey, Ogheneruemu Osirim, and Ian Hearn be appointed to the Elections Committee as per Alex Lee's recommendations.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-09-27: N03 CARRIED

D. Elections Review Committee

i. LGBTQ2+ Rep

Three rounds of nominations are closed and this will come up at the next meeting.

MOTION 2017-09-27: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Auditor's Report be moved ahead of New Business.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2017-09-27: A03 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Auditor's Report

Chantal gave a presentation to Council of a draft of the Auditor's Report, and mentioned some highlights that will soon be finalized and presented at the AGM.

MOTION 2017-09-27: A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Reports of Committees be moved ahead of New Business.

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** LeClair

MOTION 2017-09-27: A04 CARRIED

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

Abawajy said that there hasn't been a Board meeting since the last update, but there have been committees that's in her President's report.

George-Jim said that she has been reflecting on the last board meeting in June, and says that she will be releasing a statement within the next month before the next Board meeting to discuss the incident at the June meeting.

B. Senate Caucus

Khan said that Senate met on Monday where all the student seats were filled. She said that students were feeling good about being on Senate, and engaged in the substance of Senate. She said they received good feedback from

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administration about the student voice on Senate, and that they will be sitting at a total of 11 student seats.

C. Society Review

Hughes said that they haven't met since last council because applications have slowed down, but they are meeting on Friday and she will have updates for next time. She said they are roughly at around 240 societies.

D. Grants and Sponsorship

Khoury said that they are continuing meeting biweekly and are meeting again tomorrow morning, and that their meetings are going well.

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Motion for Discipline

MOTION 2017-09-27: N04

Whereas it is the duty of Dalhousie Student Union councillors and Executive Officials to uphold the interests of the Union in good faith and with integrity;

Whereas a public Facebook statement by Masuma Khan, DSU VP Academic and External, fails to uphold the interests of Union members in good faith while exposing the DSU to public disrepute;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a Special Resolution be passed by DSU councillors pursuant to Union Bylaw 4. 8 (b) directing that a recall to by-election take place.

Moved: Mary MacDonald **Seconded:** Rhys MacDonald

MOTION 2017-09-27: N04 FAILED

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawajy circulated her written report in the Council package.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Hughes circulated her written report in the Council package.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Khoury circulated her written report in the Council package.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan circulated her written report in the Council package.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Larsen circulated his written report in the Council package.

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11. NOTICES OF MOTION

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-09-27: A05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-09-27: A05 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm

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Mary MacDonald (she/her)	Students with Disabilities Representative
Katie Douglas (she/her)	Women's Community Representative
Arazoo Hoseyni	Computer Science Representative
Chelsea Cox	Law Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Katie Douglas notified the Chair that she would be late. Chad LeClair (Medicine Representative) and Kamryn Findlay (Agricultural Representative) sent their regrets.

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Ali Barnaby (Indigenous Representative)

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-11-01: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2017-11-01: A01 CARRIED

The agenda is amended to add Appointments and Review of Elections Timeline as by-laws with no opposition.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-11-01: M01

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the September 27, 2017 Council Meeting be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Farrell

MOTION 2017-11-01: M01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-11-01: M02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the September 27, 2017 Council Meeting be amended and accepted to include the Ethical Investment Policy motion.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-11-01: M02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-11-01: M03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the October 11, 2017 Council Meeting be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-11-01: M03 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-11-01: M04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the October 11, 2017 Council Meeting be amended to correct the date in the minutes.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** MacDonald

MOTION 2017-11-01: M04 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

The Chair received notification from Chad LeClair and Kamryn Findlay that they would not be here, and from Katie Douglas that she would be late.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Elections Review Committee

i. LGBTQ2+ Rep

Three rounds of nominations are closed and this will come up at the next meeting.

B. Accessibility Fund Committee

Three rounds of nominations are closed and this will come up at the next meeting.

C. Budget and Finance Committee

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Nominations:

Rhys MacDonald

MOTION 2017-11-01: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Rhys MacDonald be appointed to the Budget and Finance Committee.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2017-11-01: N01 CARRIED

D. Student Life Committee

Nominations:

Chelsea Cox

MOTION 2017-11-01: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Chelsea Cox be appointed to the Student Life Committee.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-11-01: N02 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

Abawajy said that there was a board meeting on October 17th, 2017 where she gave a quick overview of a document that was also presented to Council, as well as updates about the DSU from the BOG representatives. She said that there was a commitment to passing them on to chairs of Committees.

Ryant said that he has been involved in there have been updates in the Banner software, and he met with the VP Finance of the University about buildings and everything about Capital Projects and Finance. Also, he said in their upcoming retreat there will be a commitment to doing a blanket exercise.

B. Senate Caucus

Khan said that Senate met on Monday where the Senate passed that they will be receiving four student seats on Senate. They are waiting for the Board to pass it but she believes this will be done. There will be four more seats by January, which she says is good because they are gaining representation. The Senate Caucus has been trying to making sure that it is structured in a way that is beneficial and has also been focusing on the Sexual Violence Policy.

Abawajy presented to Senate on Monday. She said they have moved towards a different way of reporting not just programming and events of the DSU, but also bringing forward relevant recommendations to governing bodies. They look at

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developing recommendations based on themes and present those to development bodies and she says they were well received on Senate as well.

C. Society Review

Hughes said that they had a meeting last week, and she said that they are well on their way to their goal of 365 societies by the end of the year. She says they are using the Committee to analyze constitutions of societies and help answer questions that societies have.

D. Grants and Sponsorship

Khoury said that they are continuing meeting biweekly and are meeting again tomorrow morning, and that their meetings are going well.

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ethical Investment Policy

MOTION 2017-11-01: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the text of the Ethical Investment Policy, as it stands, be replaced with the circulated text as amended by the bylaw and policy review committee.

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Hoseyni

MOTION 2017-11-01: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT there was not enough notice for the Ethical Investment Policy.

Moved: Rhys MacDonald **Seconded:** Mary MacDonald

MOTION 2017-11-01: N04 FAILED

MOTION 2017-11-01: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the question be called on Khader's Motion (2017-11-01: N03).

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Ryant

MOTION 2017-11-01: N05 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-11-01: N03 CARRIED

B. Statement on Systemic Racism

MOTION 2017-11-01: N06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council take a 5 minute recess.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** George-Jim

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MOTION 2017-11-01: N06 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-11-01: N07

WHEREAS, the DSU wishes to express love and concern for Katie George-Jim and Masuma Khan and all marginalized people on our campus, in a time when our university is failing us and needs to better support students.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU will release the following statement.
[Statement on systemic racism, as circulated]

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the DSU will draft an Issues Policy drawn from this statement and present it to Council for adoption.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2017-11-01: N08

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Motion 2017-11-01: N07 be postponed indefinitely.

Moved: Mary MacDonald **Seconded:** Rhys MacDonald

MOTION 2017-11-01: N08 FAILED

MOTION 2017-11-01: N09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council take a 5 minute recess.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-11-01: N09 CARRIED

Council takes a vote on whether Mary MacDonald's amendment to the motion (as circulated) is germane, and this fails. Mary MacDonald's amendment is deemed not to be germane.

MOTION 2017-11-01: N10

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council moves to call the question on Motion 2017-11-01: N07.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Khan

Yazan Khader abstains.

MOTION 2017-11-01: N10 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-11-01: N07 CARRIED

C. Vacant Council Seat Discussion

MOTION 2017-11-01: N11

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council take a 10 minute recess.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Larsen

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MOTION 2017-11-01: N11 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-11-01: N12

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council postpones this discussion until the next meeting on November 15, 2017.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2017-11-01: N12 CARRIED

D. Spring Elections Timeline

The Elections Committee presented their timeline recommendation and had a discussion with Council about their suggestions.

MOTION 2017-11-01: N13

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the timeline be referred back to the Elections Committee for further consideration and then bring it for more feedback to Council.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Douglas

MOTION 2017-11-01: N13 CARRIED

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

MOTION 2017-11-01: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to remove Business of the Executive from the Agenda.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-11-01: A02 CARRIED

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

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MOTION 2017-11-01: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-11-01: A03 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm

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Mary MacDonald (she/her)	Students with Disabilities Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Kati George-Jim (she/her)	BOG Representative
Arazoo Hoseyni	Computer Science Representative
Chelsea Cox	Law Student Representative
Kamryn Findlay	Agricultural Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-11-15: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Rhys MacDonald

MOTION 2017-11-15: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-11-15: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add the appointment of a councillor to the Budget and Finance Committee.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-11-15: A02 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-11-15: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the November 1, 2017 be accepted as circulated.

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Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-11-15: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

Mary MacDonald let the Chair know that she would be late. Two councilors have notified the Chair that they have to leave the meeting tonight early. Kati George-Jim, Arazoo Hoseyni, Chelsea Cox, and Kamryn Findlay sent their regrets.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Elections Review Committee

i. LGBTQ2+ Rep

Three rounds of nominations are closed and this will come up at the next meeting.

B. Accessibility Fund Committee

Three rounds of nominations are closed and this will come up at the next meeting.

C. Budget and Finance Committee

Nominations:

Ali Barnaby

MOTION 2017-11-15: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ali Barnaby be appointed to the Budget and Finance Committee.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-11-15: N01 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Verity Turpin, Assistant vice-provost, Student Affairs, on Dalhousie's Alcohol Policy

Verity Turpin gave a background of the Alcohol Policy and spoke about the commitment that the University has to reducing alcohol harm. Her presentation was circulated to Councilors. She talked about how the policy changed, where it can be found, and penalties for violating the policy.

MOTION 2017-11-15: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Verity Turpin's presentation be extended by 5 minutes.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2017-11-15: N02 CARRIED

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

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Abawajy said that there has not been a Board meeting since the last Council meeting.

Ryant briefly talked about the Banner system and software and updates that are coming along with that.

B. Senate Caucus

Khan said that the Senate has been working on the Sexual Violence Policy and will be able to release it soon. She also said that the Student Code of Conduct is being revisited, and consultations and adjustments will be made to it. Khan also discussed the Student Self Declaration of Absence that she sent in her report.

C. Society Review

Hughes said that things are moving slow and steady with roughly 297 societies.

D. Grants and Sponsorship

Khoury said that they were able to work together during Reading Break, and given some funding to Trips by Transit as well as the MedBall. She also said they are reviewing the policy that says students have 6 months to pick up their grant funding.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. Vacant Council Seats Discussion

MOTION 2017-11-15: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the passing of the November 23, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes be reconsidered.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-11-15: N03 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-11-15: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the November 23, 2016 Council Meeting be amended (see Abawajy's full motion)

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-11-15: N04 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-11-15: N05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the November 23, 2016 Council Meeting be adopted as amended.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-11-15: N05 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-11-15: N06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Elections Committee be instructed to reach out to societies and groups to get their recommendations.

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Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2017-11-15: N06 CARRIED

B. Spring Elections Timeline

Nominations: February 27 – March 6

Candidate Verification: March 7 – 8

Candidate Info Session: March 9

Campaign Period: March 12-19 (8 calendar days, 6 school days)

Voting Period: March 20-March 25

MOTION 2017-11-15: N07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the discussion be postponed to the December 6, 2017 Council meeting so that the Elections Committee can take Council's recommendations into account.

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2017-11-15: N07 CARRIED

C. Mary MacDonald's Motion

MOTION 2017-11-15: M01

Whereas Dalhousie students past and present have served in various combat missions on behalf of the Canadian government;

Whereas those in uniform past and present include members of multiple marginalized groups;

Whereas the Dalhousie Student Union does not speak on behalf of its members who served in uniform during conflicts; nor on behalf of marginalized group members who did so while engaged in missions overseas;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union shall not exploit for partisan purposes the experiences of certain servicemen and women, living or dead, while negating the experiences of others whose lived experience is deemed irrelevant.

Moved: Mary MacDonald **Seconded:** Rhys MacDonald

MOTION 2017-11-15: M01 FAILED

8. OLD BUSINESS

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawajy circulated her written report via email to Councillors.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Hughes circulated her written report via email to Councillors.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

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Khoury said most of her time has been spent doing budget revisions, and ensuring that there are adequate supplies for the Food Bank and the Market. She said she has been working hard with the Budget and Finance Committee, as well as sustainability and green programs at Dalhousie University.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan circulated her written report via email to Councillors.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Larsen circulated his written report in the Council package.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

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13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-11-15: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Farrell

MOTION 2017-11-15: A03 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm

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Wednesday, December 6, 2017 6:00 PM – Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER at 6:04 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham	Chair
Julia Guk	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Amina Abawajy (she/her)	President
Masuma Khan (she/her)	Vice-President (Academic and External)
Chantal Khoury (she/her)	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Cory Larsen (he/him)	Vice-President (Student Life)
Alex Hughes (she/her)	Vice-President (Internal)
Jeremy Ryant (he/him)	BOG Representative
Kati George-Jim (she/her)	BOG Representative
Chad LeClair (he/him)	Medicine Representative
Kate Rumbolt (she/her)	Dentistry Representative
Katie MacLellan (she/her)	Science Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Mary MacDonald (Students with Disabilities Representative), Yazan Khader (Engineering Representative), Rhys MacDonald (Graduate Studies Representative), Chelsea Cox (Law Students Representative), Ashley Farrell (Arts and Social Science Representative), Ali Barnaby (Indigenous Students Representative), Katie Douglas (Women's Representative)

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2017-12-06: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2017-12-06: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-12-06: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended as per Chris's recommendations.

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Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2017-12-06: A02 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2017-12-06: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the November 15, 2017 be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-12-06: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

The Chair received regrets from Mary MacDonald (Students with Disabilities Representative), Yazan Khader (Engineering Representative), Rhys MacDonald (Graduate Studies Representative), Chelsea Cox (Law Students Representative), Ashley Farrell (Arts and Social Science Representative), Ali Barnaby (Indigenous Students Representative), and Katie Douglas (Women's Representative).

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Elections Review Committee

i. LGBTQ2+ Rep

Three rounds of nominations are closed and this will come up at the next meeting.

B. Accessibility Fund Committee

Three rounds of nominations are closed and this will come up at the next meeting.

C. Recording Secretary

Nominations:
Abir Ayoub

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MOTION 2017-12-06: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Abir Ayoub be appointed as Recording Secretary starting January 10th.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2017-12-06: N01 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Budget Revisions 2017/2018

Khoury gave a presentation to Council about the budget revisions that have been made, and compared them to the budget that was drafted by the last Executive. She told Councilors to email her if she had any questions.

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

Abawajy said that she circulated their package that was sent to all Board members. She said that they have taken a different approach to reporting. For this package, they put forward three recommendations, and Ryant and George-Jim also gave reports. She also said that they passed the Banner program, and passed the increase to student Senate seats. Divest Dal was also granted 10 minutes of speaking time, and as a result of that, there will be more conversations about this at the next board meeting.

Ryant talked about the Budget Consultations and asked Councilors to fill out the survey that Carolyn Waters has emailed to all Dalhousie University students. Abawajy added that there will also be a presentation about this to Councilors in the future.

Abawajy talked about a Committee that was struck to examine various financial plans to stop tuition increases, and that Khoury and Abawajy presented to that Committee.

B. Senate Caucus

Khan said that the Senate met on November 28, 2017. She said that the two big things are the Sexual Violence Policy that came to Senate for discussion, and they have also finalized the four extra student seats on Senate. Their student percentage for representation has gone up by 2%.

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C. Society Review

Hughes said that they have 301 societies and 18 pending, closer to their goal of 365 societies. She said that they dealt with some special society issues and were able to resolve some problems.

D. Grants and Sponsorship

Khoury said that they gave two sponsorships, one for a resilience workshop in 16 Days of Activism.

E. Bylaw and Policy Review

Abawajy said that they have completed a first review of the bylaws and discussed some changes that may be brought to Council soon for further review.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Spring Elections Timeline

Nominations: February 9-18
Candidate Verification: February 20-27
Candidate Info Session: February 25
Campaign Period: February 28 - March 11
Voting Period: March 12 - 24

MOTION 2017-12-06: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Elections Timeline be amended so that voting takes place on the 12th and 13th of March.

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2017-12-06: N02 CARRIED

MOTION 2017-12-06: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this schedule be adopted as the elections timeline.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Ryant

MOTION 2017-12-06: N03 CARRIED

B. Revised Budget

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MOTION 2017-12-06: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the revised budget for the Dalhousie Student Union for fiscal year 2017-2018 is approved.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2017-12-06: N04 CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawajy circulated her written report in the Council package.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Hughes circulated her written report in the Council package.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Khoury circulated her written report in the Council package.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan circulated her written report in the Council package.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Larsen circulated his written report in the Council package.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2017-12-06: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Khan

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MOTION 2017-12-06: A03 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:04 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham	Chair
Abir Ayoub	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Amina Abawajy (she/her)	President
Alex Hughes (she/her)	Vice-President (Internal)
Masuma Khan (she/her)	Vice-President (Academic and External)
Chantal Khoury (she/her)	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Cory Larsen (he/him)	Vice-President (Student Life)
Kati George-Jim (she/her)	BOG Representative
Ali Barnaby (she/her)	Aboriginal Students Representative
Mary Macdonald (she/her)	Students with Disabilities Representative
Ashley Farrel (she/her)	Arts and Social Sciences Representative
Arazoo Hoseyni (she/her)	Computer Science Representative
Kate Rumoldt (she/her)	Dentistry Representative
Chelsea Cox (she/her)	Law Representative
Chad LeClair (he/him)	Medicine Representative
Katie MacLellan (she/her)	Science Representative
Kamryn Findlay (she/her)	Agriculture Campus Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Yazan Khader (Engineering Representative) notified the Chair that he would be late. Rhys Macdonald (Graduate Students Representative) and Jeremy Ryant (BOG Representative) sent their regrets.

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Katie Douglas (Women's Community Representative) attended the meeting at 6:25pm. Mary Macdonald (Students with Disabilities Representative) left the meeting at 6:30pm.

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2018-01-10: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2018-01-10: A01 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from December 6, 2017 was not included in this week package but will be included in the meeting package for the next meeting. The minutes will be approved on January 24, 2018.

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

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The Chair received notification from Yazan Khader that he would be late to the meeting. He also received regrets from Jeremy Ryant and Rhys Macdonald.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Accessibility Fund Committee

The Accessibility Fund Committee provides bursaries based on needs for equipment and services around accessibility on campus. It is a low commitment committee.

Nominations:

Arazoo Hoseyni

MOTION 2018-01-10: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Arazoo Hoseyni be appointed to the Accessibility Fund Committee.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2018-01-10: N01 Failed

Objection to MOTION 2018-01-10: N01

Mary Macdonald objects to the motion

MOTION 2018-01-10: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move into camera to vote on this nomination.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-01-10: N02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-01-10: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move out of camera.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2018-01-10: N03 CARRIED

In a secret ballot vote, during the closed in camera session, Arazoo Hoseyni has been appointed to the Accessibility Fund Committee.

B. Budget and Finance Committee

Council takes a five minute Recess

i. Non-Council Member

Nominations:

Liam Finnegan

MOTION 2018-01-10: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Liam Finnegan be appointed to the Budget and Finance Committee.

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Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Farrell

MOTION 2018-01-10: N04 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board of Governors Caucus

Abawayj said that there has not been a Board meeting in the winter semester, yet.

George-Jim briefly talked about the Academic and Student Affairs meeting, she attended in December. A report distributed in that meeting had new statistics of the Mental Health services being used at Dalhousie University and the type of students using the services. The report results will help the Caucus understand how Mental Health services on campus will be different among different students experience.

The Caucus appointed three new deans for Engineering, Dentistry, and a third dean, George-Jim is not allowed to disclose. These deans are of the same demographic of most of the deans on campus, over 50 white and a man. There was difficult discussions about the hiring policies, however these discussions were helpful for board members as it provides them with a better understanding on how to move towards recognizing the institutional issues that the Caucus are facing. From the meeting, the Caucus created a long list of comments and questions for the Students Affairs department at Dalhousie and the Senate, as these departments are involved in working with the academic and hiring policies.

B. Senate Caucus

Khan said that the Senate haven't meet during the break. The Senate will be meeting about a week's time. Khan is arranging individuals to be on all sub-committees, through their schedule changes this semester. Khan hopes to fully tackle the Senate Structure and ensure that there are senators elected before the current Senate Caucus leaves.

C. Society Review

Hughes said that the committee has not met since the last council meeting. There are 305 societies with several pending. The Society Review will have their meeting in the upcoming weeks.

D. Grants and Sponsorship

Khoury said that the committee will be meeting this coming Friday January 12, 2018.

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

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A. President

Abawajy circulated her written report in the Council package.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Hughes circulated her written report in the Council package.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations) (shorter report)

Khoury circulated her written report in the Council package. Budget and Finance now has a complete committee as the vacant position is filled. Also if anyone is interested in sitting on a food panel with Chartwell to serve their services to students, contact Khoury.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan circulated her written report in the Council package. The commissioners' positions have been posted and are going to be opened until Friday. Khan wants to hire three students.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Larsen circulated his written report in the Council package. The Impact Award nominations are opened and the link to the nomination is in Larsen's report.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Abawajy: Upcoming meeting to have more discrete conversation at the Council table and with the council members, in specific to last semester and reflections to move forward

Farrell: DASS is doing a Drag show on Friday January 26, 2018 from 7pm-12:00pm and it is in the Student Union.

Khan: DSAS would like to present at the next council meeting.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2018-01-10: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2018-01-10: A03 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm

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6:00 PM – Council Chambers

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6:00 PM – Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER at 6:02 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham	Chair
Abir Ayoub	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Amina Abawajy (she/her)	President
Masuma Khan (she/her)	Vice-President (Academic and External)
Chantal Khoury (she/her)	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Alex Hughes (she/her)	Vice-President (Internal)
Jeremy Ryant (he/him)	BOG Representative
Kati George-Jim (she/her)	BOG Representative
Ali Barnaby (she/her)	Aboriginal Students Community
Mary Macdonald (she/her)	Students with Disabilities Community
Ashley Farrell (she/her)	Arts and Social Sciences Representative
Arazoo Hoseyni (she/her)	Computer Science Representative
Kate Rumoldt (she/her)	Dentistry Representative
Yazan Khader (he/him)	Engineering Representative
Rhys Macdonald (he/him)	Graduate Students Representative
Katie MacLellan (she/her)	Science Representative
Kamryn Findlay (she/her)	Agriculture Campus Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Cory Larsen (Vice-President of Student Life), Katie Douglas (Women Students Community Representative), Chelsea Cox (Law Representative) and Chad LeClair (Medicine Representative) sent their regrets.

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Mary Macdonald and Rhys Macdonald left the meeting at 7:28 pm. Jeremy Ryant left the meeting at 7:38 pm and Yazan Khader left the meeting at 7:48 pm.

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2018-01-24: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2018-01-24: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-01-24: A02

The Chair received one amendment to the agenda that is relatively substantive, which requires a vote. A new motion under new businesses stating the following:

Whereas the Budget Advisory Committee December 15, 2017 report, recommended a 3% increase in tuition fees, international differential fees, and auxiliary fees, as well as a 1.8% cut for all faculty budgets;

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Whereas tuition hikes and budget cuts negatively impact the accessibility and quality of education;

Whereas the Dalhousie Faculty Association is currently negotiating a collective agreement with the University in which it demands increased funding for faculties to lower the workload upon faculty, and improve the University's comparability; therefore

Be it resolved (1) that the Dalhousie Student Union oppose any proposed tuition fee hikes and any proposed faculty budget cuts, both for this year and any future year; (to remove) for this year.

Be it further resolved (2) that the DSU support the complete elimination of tuition fees, international differential fees, and auxiliary fees;

Be it further resolved (3) that the Dalhousie Student Union express support for the Dalhousie Faculty Association's demand for adequate faculty funding, lower workload, and improved comparability;

Be it further resolved (4) that the DSU's External Committee work to mobilize Members to oppose any proposed tuition hikes or faculty budget cuts, and to support the Dalhousie Faculty Association's demand for adequate faculty funding, lower workload, and improved comparability.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add this motion (Budget Advisory Committee) under New Business section 8.B.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2018-01-24: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-01-24: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be accepted as amended.

MOTION 2018-01-24: A03 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from the previous meeting (January 10th, 2018) was not submitted on time, but will be submitted for approval for the next council meeting (February 7th, 2018).

MOTION 2018-01-24: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the December 6th, 2017 council meeting be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2018-01-24: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

Cory Larsen (Vice-President of Student Life), Katie Douglas (Women Students Community Representative), Chelsea Cox (Law Representative) and Chad LeClair (Medicine Representative) sent their regrets.

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5. APPOINTMENTS

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Dalhousie Student Advocacy Service

Rosalea Thompson (Executive Director, External) and Nora MacIntosh (Executive Director, Internal), members of the Dalhousie Student Advocacy Service (DSAS), presented a 15-minute presentation about what is DSAS, its mandate, its values, the statistics of DSAS, and the overall strengths and challenges DSAS faces. Intake forms and a year-end report 1991/92 were circulated around council members.

The DSAS Mandate is to help any student with the administrative process of dealing with allocations from the University. Most cases involve academic integrity and office meetings. DSAS also appears before the Senate Disciplinary Committee that involves academic allocations and Student Code of Conduct issues. DSAS represent both complaints and respondents before the Senate Disciplinary Committee.

As language barrier is a major issue for most international students; there is an issue of procedural unfairness within the university. DSAS has taken the responsibility to work with the International Student Center to provide students with translation services, as Dalhousie doesn't provide translation services.

Students perceive DSAS members as lawyers but this is not the case. DSAS members are not able to provide any legal advice for students but can provide important information and they can make referrals. DSAS can only represent students before the University and not any other body.

The Challenges to DSAS:

External: the leading challenges are resources and funding, and time in adequately payment of the DSAS executives. Other challenges include overloaded EDI portfolio, spike in case load (especially for Nora's (the internal executive director) position) and meeting the needs of international students.

Internal: challenges include operating policies (involving the DSU Council and DSAS to create and execute policies), advocates' resources on complex cases, executive transitions and meeting advocates' demands.

MOTION 2018-01-24: P01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to add 5 minutes to the presentation section for questions.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2018-01-24: P01 CARRIED

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

Abawajy said that the Board has not met since the last council meeting.

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Ryant attended a Capital project meeting and a Biomass project meeting. He is excited with the outcome of both meetings, as good results are perceived for both projects.

George-Jim mentioned during their last meeting, they were reflecting on divestment and doing groundwork with students on how the board can actively support and make divestment accessible to students. At the same time how the board can foster relationships with committee members. The ultimate goal is to bring divestment to the table in a more intimate setting for committees.

B. Senate Caucus

Khan said that they didn't have a senate meeting because the faculty attended the administration report meeting, which included an inclusion and diversity training.

SLTC (Senate Learning Teaching Committee) have met last week. The senate has been working on the structure of the senate caucus and making sure there is proper support in place to ensure students are represented on the senate. With the new addition of the four extra seats, they increased their representation by 2%. It is important that they make sure who is sitting on these seats are going through an equity lens as senate diversity doesn't exist.

C. Society Review

Hughes said that they now have 341 societies, which is great as the Society Review committee is close to their goal (365 societies). The society review haven't meet yet since last council meeting. They will be working soon on the Society Caucus's base of allocations for next year.

D. Grants and Sponsorship

Khoury said that the committee met two weeks ago and they are planning to meet again. They have exploited and used 65% of their funds. She encourages the board members to reach to their constituents to apply for Grants and Sponsorship before they close. She will update the board once the committee reaches capacity.

E. Elections Committee

The Chair received a request from the chair of the election committee and chief return officer to submit a report, which was circulated in the Council Package.

Alex, the chief returning officer, first point is that in the past minutes there is a mistake in regards to the election-voting period. It was agreed during December 6, 2017(Council meeting) that voting period will be only 2 days but on the minutes it was mentioned the period is from 12 March to 24 March, which he says is a mistake. Khan asks if the minutes can be amended. The Chair will amend the minutes the minutes of December 6, 2017.

The second point is to have an online platform for election, and therefore an online signature rather than a physical paper form signature. So, Abwajy

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mentioned to Alex, before this council meeting, that in regards to having a physical signature in part of the initial referendum to set a propellant as an online electronic signature, the Election Committee would need a 3rd party position say on this change. However, when the Election Committee voted on this, there was some complications as the election committee should not vote on this change, it is not their decision. Alex wants clarification.

MOTION 2018-01-24: R01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to add a discussion item under New Businesses in regards to the upcoming general election.

MOTION 2018-01-24: R01 Failed

Abawajy wants to clarify her position on signatures. Electronic signatures have not been done before, and they would need paper signatures. The reason for paper signatures is based of the ruling that the Chair has made in the past council meetings and signatures are a fundamental of the bylaws, so it would be a decision for Council and not a decision made by Abawajy or the Election's Committee.

Alex Li mentions that he was under the assumption that the position of online signatures was on the Election Committee and the committee is upset with Alex due to critical dependency. Overall there are some policy issues.

George-Jim answers Alex concerns and mentions that this coming elections still has the same issues in place as previous elections. George-Jim would hope this coming election to not to be void and that it goes through the work of the Election Committee, the CRO and the DRO. As this process will build these campaigns for referenda questions so societies will not face problems of misinterpreting the policy. It is better to follow the policy and ensure the legitimacy of the referenda question so the questions can be brought to the Board of Governors once the election is finished. It is a procedural error when something is misinterpreted from the bylaws as the bylaws override any decision made at a subcommittee level such as the Election committee.

Khan is aware of the benefits of having electronic process. So Khan states two things, first to extend the time for societies so they can make up lost time and societies are ensured their referendum is submitted. Second, if the Election Committee can mention electronic signatures in a report and task Council/DSU to find a solution for this in the future.

Alex wants to add two items to the next meeting Agenda (February 7, 2018).

1. "The ratification of New Councillor(s)" as a standing item on the Council's meeting agenda until all vacancies are filled.
2. "The review and approval of referendum question(s)" as a standing item on the Council's meeting agenda until all referendum questions are processed.

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8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Mary MacDonald's Motion

MOTION 2018-01-24: P01

Whereas Dalhousie Student Union members benefit when the university is guided by strong leadership and judgement;

Whereas the proven leadership skills of President Richard Florizone have been widely acknowledged as exemplary;

Be it resolved that the Dalhousie Student Union congratulates President Richard Florizone on his re-appointment to a second term as president of Dalhousie University and looks forward to working cooperatively with him as he fulfils his leadership objectives

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union congratulates President Richard Florizone on his re-appointment to a second term as president of Dalhousie University

Moved: Mary Macdonald **Seconded:** Rhys Macdonald

MOTION 2018-01-24: P01 Failed

B. Budget Advisory Committee

MOTION 2018-01-24: P02

Whereas the Budget Advisory Committee December 15, 2017 report, recommended a 3% increase in tuition fees, international differential fees, and auxiliary fees, as well as a 1.8% cut for all faculty budgets;

Whereas tuition hikes and budget cuts negatively impact the accessibility and quality of education;

Whereas the Dalhousie Faculty Association is currently negotiating a collective agreement with the University in which it demands increased funding for faculties to lower the workload upon faculty, and improve the University's comparability; therefore

Be it resolved (1) that the Dalhousie Student Union oppose any proposed tuition fee hikes and any proposed faculty budget cuts, both for this year and any future year; (to remove) for this year.

Be it further resolved (2) that the DSU support the complete elimination of tuition fees, international differential fees, and auxiliary fees;

Be it further resolved (3) that the Dalhousie Student Union express support for the Dalhousie Faculty Association's demand for adequate faculty funding, lower workload, and improved comparability;

Be it further resolved (4) that the DSU's External Committee work to mobilize Members to oppose any proposed tuition hikes or faculty budget cuts, and to

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support the Dalhousie Faculty Association's demand for adequate faculty funding, lower workload, and improved comparability.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to introduce this Statement of solidarity with the Dalhousie Faculty Association (DFA) to Council

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2018-01-24: P03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to remove the “Be it further resolved (2): that the DSU support the complete elimination of tuition fees, international differential fees, and auxiliary fees” cause of this motion and to remove the phrase “both for this year and any future year” in the first “Be it resolved (1)” cause.

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2018-01-24: P03 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-01-24: P04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council have a five minute recess

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2018-01-24: P04 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-01-24: P05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to split the original motion **P02** into two separate motions.

The First Motion

Whereas the Dalhousie Faculty Association is currently negotiating a collective agreement with the University in which it demands increased funding for faculties to lower the workload upon faculty, and improve the University's comparability; therefore

Be it further resolved (3) that the Dalhousie Student Union express support for the Dalhousie Faculty Association's demand for adequate faculty funding, lower workload, and improved comparability

The Second Motion

Whereas the Budget Advisory Committee December 15, 2017 report, recommended a 3% increase in tuition fees, international differential fees, and auxiliary fees, as well as a 1.8% cut for all faculty budgets;

Whereas tuition hikes and budget cuts negatively impact the accessibility and quality of education;

Be it resolved (1) that the Dalhousie Student Union oppose any proposed tuition fee hikes and any proposed faculty budget cuts, (to remove) for this year.

Be it further resolved (2) that the DSU's External Committee work to mobilize Members to oppose any proposed tuition hikes or faculty budget cuts, and to

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support the Dalhousie Faculty Association's demand for adequate faculty funding, lower workload, and improved comparability.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2018-01-24: P05 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-01-24: P06

Whereas the Budget Advisory Committee December 15, 2017 report, recommended a 3% increase in tuition fees, international differential fees, and auxiliary fees, as well as a 1.8% cut for all faculty budgets;

Whereas tuition hikes and budget cuts negatively impact the accessibility and quality of education;

Be it resolved (1) that the Dalhousie Student Union oppose any proposed tuition fee hikes and any proposed faculty budget cuts, (to remove) for this year.

Be it further resolved (2) that the DSU's External Committee work to mobilize Members to oppose any proposed tuition hikes or faculty budget cuts, and to support the Dalhousie Faculty Association's demand for adequate faculty funding, lower workload, and improved comparability.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council moves forward with the amended motion

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2018-01-24: P06 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-01-24: P07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the amended motion P06. To add the following phrase to the motion:

Whereas Dalhousie University and the Budget Advisory Committee need more accessible and relevant consultations with student staff and faculty regarding the University Opening Budget.

New Motion

Whereas the Budget Advisory Committee December 15, 2017 report, recommended a 3% increase in tuition fees, international differential fees, and auxiliary fees, as well as a 1.8% cut for all faculty budgets;

Whereas Dalhousie University and the Budget Advisory Committee need more accessible and relevant consultations with student staff and faculty regarding the University Opening Budget.

Whereas tuition hikes and budget cuts negatively impact the accessibility and quality of education;

Be it resolved (1) that the Dalhousie Student Union oppose any proposed tuition fee hikes and any proposed faculty budget cuts, (to remove) for this year.

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Be it further resolved (2) that the DSU’s External Committee work to mobilize Members to oppose any proposed tuition hikes or faculty budget cuts, and to support the Dalhousie Faculty Association’s demand for adequate faculty funding, lower workload, and improved comparability.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2018-01-24: P07 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-01-24: P08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to propose this amended motion

Whereas the Dalhousie Faculty Association is currently negotiating a collective agreement with the University in which it demands increased funding for faculties to lower the workload upon faculty, and improve the University’s comparability; therefore

Be it further resolved (1) that the Dalhousie Student Union express support for the Dalhousie Faculty Association’s demand for adequate faculty funding, lower workload, and improved comparability

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2018-01-24: P08 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-01-24: P02 CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawajy circulated her written report in the Council package.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Hughes circulated her written report in the Council package. Mary Macdonald would like to add a discussion about the Accessibility Fund Committee at the next Council meeting.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Khoury circulated her written report in the Council package.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan circulated her written report in the Council package.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Larsen circulated his written report in the Council package.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

1. Dalhousie Faculty Motion (the original motion presented under the Budget Advisory Committee and the edited points made to that motion)
2. Notice to discipline a Councilor Mary Macdonald: Alex Hughes mover of Motion

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3. The Amendments to the bylaw

The first and second notice of motion will be debated at the next council meeting February 7, 2018 while the third notice of motion will be debated on March 7, 2018.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Signup for Survivor Support Volunteer Training.
2. Racial Justice Symposium is February 9 &10
3. Survivor Support Volunteer Training is February 3 & 4
4. Barnaby is the In-term president of DISC, as Brent stepped down from this position.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2018-01-10: A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-01-10: A04 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:08pm

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:01PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham (he/him)	Chair
Abir Ayoub	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Amina Abawajy (she/her)	President
Masuma Khan (she/her)	Vice-President (Academic and External)
Chantal Khoury (she/her)	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Cory Larsen (he/him)	Vice-President (Student Life)
Alex Hughes (she/her)	Vice-President (Internal)
Jeremy Ryant (he/him)	BOG Representative
Kati George-Jim (she/her)	BOG Representative
Mary Macdonald (she/her)	Students with Disabilities Community
Ashley Farrell (she/her)	Arts and Social Sciences Representative
Katie Douglas (she/her)	Women Students Community
Arazoo Hoseyni (she/her)	Computer Science Representative
Yazan Khader (he/him)	Engineering Representative
Rys Macdonald	Graduate Students Representative
Chelsea Cox (she/her)	Law Representative
Kamryn Findlay (she/her)	Agriculture Campus Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Ali Baranby (Aboriginal Students Community Representative), Katie MacLellan (Science Representative), Kate Rumoldt (Dentistry Representative) and Chad LeClair (Medicine Representative) sent their regrets.

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Mary Macdonald and Rys Macdonald left at 7:10pm. Jeremy Ryant left the meeting at 7:40pm. Katie George-Jim left at 8:09pm.

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2018-02-07: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** Khoury

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MOTION 2018-02-07: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-07: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to appoint the Health Representative in the next meeting (February 21, 2018) therefore to remove this appointment from the agenda.

MOTION 2018-02-07: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-07: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be accepted as amended.

MOTION 2018-02-07: A03 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2018-02-07: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the January 10, 2018 council meeting minutes be approved as circulated.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2018-02-07: M01 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-07: M02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to alter the spelling of Ashley Farell's name, by adding an extra 'L' to her last name.

MOTION 2018-02-07: M02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-07: M03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be accepted as amended.

MOTION 2018-02-07: M03 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

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Ali Baranby (Aboriginal Students Community Representative), Katie MacLellan (Science Representative), Kate Rumoldt (Dentistry Representative) and Chad LeClair (Medicine Representative) sent their regrets.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Block Appointment of Representative

MOTION 2018--02-07: N01

Nominations:

1. Management Representative
 - a. Alexandra Erb
2. International Students Representative
 - a. Nikunj Kachhadiya
3. LGBTQ2+ Representative
 - a. Liam Finnegan

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Alexandra Erb be appointed as the Management Representative, Nikunj Kachhadiya be appointed as the International Students Representative and Liam Finnegan be appointed as the LGBTQ2+ Representative

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2018-02-07: N01 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

Abawajy said that the board will be meeting next week. In their next meeting, the committee will be putting forward a motion related to divestment, on how to have a full conversation about divestment at the board level. The Board Caucus have been working closely with Divest Dal to put together a divestment package.

George-Jim mentioned that the motion is not to vote on divestment. The purpose of the motion is to investigate the potential impacts of divestment on Dalhousie's different community stakeholders from investors, faculty members to students. The motion refers to the investigative work to committee levels. The Board's goal is to have a more in-depth look into what divestment could mean for Dalhousie. George-Jim encourages people to attend the Board meetings as the meetings

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are open to the public and students are welcome to attend. The Board meetings are on Tuesday at 3pm at the Macdonald Library located in the Macdonald Building.

B. Senate Caucus

Khan said that senate has not meet and will meet the coming Monday. The meeting will have Senate Cauc us this coming Sunday to talk about the package and to look at the bylaw changes that is happening to the committee. Senate sub committees will be meeting.

Khan responds to a question from George-Jim on how many seats on Senate that are generally elected. Khan mentions that there are eleven seats in total. Four of the seats are mandated and non-negotiable which are in the Senate policy; the DSU President, DSU VP Academic and External, a graduate student and an agricultural representative represent the four seats. The rest of seats are open as the Caucus is supposed to be composed of all faculty seats. The Caucus needs to ensure that all of their community members' voices are expressed and represented on Senate.

C. Society Review

Hughes said that there is not much to report. So far there are 312 societies. The committee didn't meet as there was not any new application submitted however, they will be planning to meet next week to start working at the Society Space allocation for May.

D. Grants and Sponsorship

Khoury said that the committee didn't find a neutral meeting time in the past week but they will be meeting shortly. Khoury highly encourages folks to reach out to their constituents to apply for grants and sponsorships as the committee are reaching capacity of their budget.

E. Elections Committee

The election committee did not have a report to present.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Motion to Discipline

WHEREAS, Mary MacDonald, Students with Disabilities Community Representative on Council, has breached terms 1 and 2 of the Statement of Office;

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AND WHEREAS, this Councillor has shown and continues to show a pattern of disrespect, as outlined in the attached Statement of Reasons (Appendix A), for the Statement of Office and procedures of Council;

BE IT RESOLVED, Mary MacDonald take the following actions to restore her standing in good faith with the Dalhousie Student Union:

- 1. Submit a letter to Arig Al Shaibah (Vice-Provost, Student Affairs) and Davis (Academic Advisor – accommodations/professional faculties) indicating it was inappropriate to suggest severing Accessibility Services working relationship with the DSU.*
- 2. Submit a letter to Dr. Richard Florizone (President), Dr. Kevin Hewitt (Chair of Senate), and Lawrence Stordy (Chair, Board of Governors) admitting that she breached the Statement of Office and the inappropriateness of her approach in expressing discontent with Council decisions.*
- 3. Submit a written apology to members of the Council.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the above conditions are not met, Council will exert its right to remove this councillor from her position and the Equity and Accessibility Office will reach out to the Student with Disabilities Community in order to recommend an appointment to Council.

MOTION 2018-02-07: P01

Mary Macdonald and Hughes discuss and debate the Motion.

MOTION 2018-02-07: P02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council takes a five-minute recess.

Moved: Mary Macdonald **Seconded:** Douglas

MOTION 2018-02-07: P02 CARRIED

During the five-minute recess, Mary Macdonald submitted a resignation letter at 7:10pm for her position on Council as the Students with Disabilities Community Representative.

Therefore, Council will stop with the consideration of the motion, as Council cannot discipline a non-council member.

B. Dalhousie Faculty Association (DFA) Motion

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Whereas the Budget Advisory Committee December 15, 2017 report, recommended a 3% increase in tuition fees, international differential fees, and auxiliary fees, as well as a 1.8% cut for all faculty budgets;

Whereas tuition hikes and budget cuts negatively impact the accessibility and quality of education;

Whereas the Dalhousie Faculty Association is currently negotiating a collective agreement with the University in which it demands increased funding for faculties to lower the workload upon faculty, and improve the University's comparability; therefore

Be it resolved that the Dalhousie Student Union oppose any proposed tuition fee hikes and any proposed faculty budget cuts, both for this year and any future year;

Be it further resolved that the DSU support the complete elimination of tuition fees, international differential fees, and auxiliary fees;

Be it further resolved that the Dalhousie Student Union express support for the Dalhousie Faculty Association's demand for adequate faculty funding, lower workload, and improved comparability;

Be it further resolved that the DSU's External Committee work to mobilize Members to oppose any proposed tuition hikes or faculty budget cuts, and to support the Dalhousie Faculty Association's demand for adequate faculty funding, lower workload, and improved comparability.

MOTION 2018-02-07: P03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to forward this Dalhousie Faculty Association Motion

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2018-02-07: P03 CARRIED

C. Elections

MOTION 2018-02-07: P04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Election committee wants to put forward some suggestions to Council to look at in particular the referendum question, and to have a conversation at Council to determine when referendum questions should be brought towards Council.

MOTION 2018-02-07: P05

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move into camera to have the conversation mentioned in Motion P04

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2018-02-07: P05 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-07: P06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move out of camera

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2018-02-07: P06 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-07: P07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council puts forward a Motion to outline a referendum process for societies

Whereas, societies must submit documentation as outlined in the bylaws to Council to support referendum questions. Be it resolved that all societies have until February 16, 2018 to provide all documentation related to the referenda in question to the elections committee.

Be it further resolved that all verification of documentation be completed by the elections committee and sent to the chair of Council before February 20, 2018 at 12:00pm.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2018-02-07: P07 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-07: P04 CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawajy circulated her written report in the Council package.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

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Hughes circulated her written report in the Council package.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Khoury circulated her written report in the Council package. The Budget Students committee needs a non-councillor since Liam Finnegan cannot fulfill the position as he is elected as the LGBTQ2+ Council Representative. Khoury advises all council members to reach out to their constituents. Also Khoury advises members to apply for grants and sponsorships.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan circulated her written report in the Council package.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Larsen circulated his written report in the Council package.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

Abawajy mentions that there is Motion from the Bylaw Review Committee for the amendments to the society policy, which will be circulated in the upcoming meeting (February 21, 2018).

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Corey mentions that the nominations for the Impact Awards close on Friday February 16, 2018.
2. The Racial Justice Symposium (RGS) is happening Friday February 9 and Saturday February 10. Khan advises members to share this announcement with their constituents.
3. The Next Council Meeting is February 20, 2018

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2018-02-07: A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

MOTION 2018-02-07: A04 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:05 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham	Chair
Abir Ayoub	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Amina Abawajy (she/her)	President
Chantal Khoury (she/her)	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Cory Larsen (he/him)	Vice-President (Student Life)
Alex Hughes (she/her)	Vice-President (Internal)
Jeremy Ryant (he/him)	BOG Representative
Kati George-Jim (she/her)	BOG Representative
Ali Barnaby (she/her)	Aboriginal Students Community
Arazoo Hoseyni (she/her)	Computer Science Representative
Yazan Khader (he/him)	Engineering Representative
Rhys Macdonald (he/him)	Graduate Students Representative
Katie MacLellan (she/her)	Science Representative
Alexandra Erb (she/her)	Management Representative
Liam Finnegan (he/him)	LGBTQ2+ Representative
Ashley Farrell (she/her)	Arts and Social Sciences Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Masuma Khan (Vice President, Academic and External), Katie Douglas (Women Students Community Representative), Kate Rumoldt (Dentistry Representative) and Chad LeClair (Medicine Representative) sent their regrets.

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Chelsea Cox (Law Representative), Kamryn Findlay (Agriculture Campus Representative), and Nikunj Kachhadiya (International Students Representative) were absent during this meeting.

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2018-02-21: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Hughes

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MOTION 2018-02-21: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add a new motion “Elections Committee” under New Businesses. The second amendment is to add “b. Health Representative” under appointments. The last amendment is to add “Pharmacy, NSPIRG, CKDU and Commerce” under 8.a. Referendum Questions.

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-02-21: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be accepted as amended.

MOTION 2018-02-21: A03 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2018-02-21: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the January 24, 2018 meeting be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Farrell

MOTION 2018-02-21: M01 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: M02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the February 7, 2018 meeting be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** Farrell

MOTION 2018-02-21: M02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: M03

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the February 7, 2018 meeting be amended to alter the spelling of Rhys Macdonald's name, by adding a 'h' to his first name.

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2018-02-21: M03 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: M04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meetings be accepted as amended.

MOTION 2018-02-21: M04 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

Masuma Khan (Vice President, Academic and External), Katie Douglas (Women Students Community Representative), Kate Rumoldt (Dentistry Representative) and Chad LeClair (Medicine Representative) sent their regrets.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Election Appeals Committee

Abawajy informed Council that The Election Appeals committee position was opened in the summer of 2017 and has been formed over the past few weeks. There was an interview process that included executive and staff. The nominees were asked scenario questions to understand their reasoning and logic. These two nominees, Ellen Wang and Angela Danko, were available, interested and answered the interview questions to satisfaction.

The Chair mentioned that there are only two candidates in the time being but there will be a third candidate in the future.

Nominations:

1. Ellen Wang

2. Angela Danko

MOTION 2018-02-21: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ellen Wang and Angela Danko be appointed to the Election Appeals Committee

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Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Ryant

MOTION 2018-02-21: N01 CARRIED

B. Health Representative

Nominations:

1. Caroline Straub

2. Neda Alizedah

MOTION 2018-02-21: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move into camera to discuss the vote of the Health Representative.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2018-02-21: N02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: N03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move out of camera

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2018-02-21: N03 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: N04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Neda Alizedah be appointed as the Health Representative. This was voted by a secret ballot during an in-camera session.

MOTION 2018-02-21: N04 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Elections Committee

The Election Committee circulated their written report in the Council package. The Chair mentions that the report is a free standing document that council members should read and internalize.

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8. NEW BUSINESS

MOTION 2018-02-21: P01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council have a ten-minute recess.

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Finnegan

MOTION 2018-02-21: P01 CARRIED

A. Referendum Questions

- i) Pharmacy
- ii) NSPIRG
- iii) CKDU
- iv) Commerce

MOTION 2018-02-21: P02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move in camera to discuss the consideration of the referendum questions

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2018-02-21: P02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: P03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move out of camera

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2018-02-21: P03 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: P04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to temporarily suspend point 19.4 under the section of Notice of Motion in the Unions Rules and Procedures Policy.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Abawajy

The Chair states that the motion is not debatable and not amendable. The motion requires a 2/3 vote. Since there are 14 council members present, the motion would need 10 people to vote towards it. However, Khader

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and Erb refuse themselves from voting, so the motion would need 8 people to vote towards it.

The rule being suspended is under Notice of Motion “19.4 Business requiring a notice of motion includes, but is not limited to, proposed changes to the Constitution, policies, or levies.”

MOTION 2018-02-21: P04 CARRIED

Macdonald informs the Chair that Motion P04 goes against the bylaw 10.3 Policies Are Binding, “a. Policies are binding on Executive Officers, Union staff, Council, and Members. b. Policies remain in effect until such a time that they are amended or repealed as per these Bylaws”.

Chair states that Bylaw 4.5 Meetings of Council reads “a. All meetings of Council shall be conducted in accordance with Robert’s Rules of Order, except as otherwise provided for in these Bylaws.” This Bylaw means that when bylaws come into contact with Robert’s Rules of Order, the bylaws supersede. 10. 3 Policies are Binding reads “b. Policies remain in effect until such a time that they are amended or repealed as per these Bylaws.”

The Chair rules that Bylaw “4.5 a. All meetings of Council shall be conducted in accordance with Robert’s Rules of Order, except as otherwise provided for in these Bylaws, ” creates a clear case in which Roberts Rules are superseded by the Bylaws. The Bylaws do describe the policies as binding except until they are amended or repealed as per these bylaws. The Chair rules that Motion P04 requires 48 hours of Notice before the meeting, so Motion P04 is invalid as it contravenes with the bylaws.

MOTION 2018-02-21: P04 Failed

Votes on the Referendum Questions cannot occur today because of Union and Rules Procedures section 19.4. Council can have discussion about the questions but can’t approve any referendum questions.

MOTION 2018-02-21: P05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to postpone the referendum questions discussion to February 28, 2018, the next general council meeting.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Hughes

MOTION 2018-02-21: P05 CARRIED

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MOTION 2018-02-21: P06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT for the representatives from the Societies to speak in regards to their referendum questions, their experiences, what they have heard or what has been communicated to them.

MOTION 2018-02-21: P06 CARRIED

B. Society Policy Amendments

MOTION 2018-02-21: P07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to postpone the Policy amendment until the next special council meeting, Wednesday February 28, 2018.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-02-21: P07

C. Elections Committee

MOTION 2018-02-21: P08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Robert's Rules Section 12 is suspended and the elections time line previously passed is amended as follows: Campaign period starts on March 5, 2018 and ends on March 18, 2018. Voting will take place in the days to follow, March 19-20, 2018.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** No one seconded this motion

MOTION 2018-02-21: P08 FAILED

MOTION 2018-02-21: P09

Whereas the potential electoral candidates typically received the elections regulation several days prior to the Candidate Café so as to ideally allow candidates the opportunity to prepare questions and begin creating an acceptable election campaign materials. Whereas this is the last council meeting preceding the Candidate Café and to date there has not been an approved set of regulations for distribution.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the election regulations from the 2017-2018 general election will be used for the 2018-2019 general election.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khoury

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MOTION 2018-02-21: P09 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: P10

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move in camera

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-02-21: P10 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: P11

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move out of camera

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Finnegan

MOTION 2018-02-21: P11 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: P12

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a detailed list addressed to the 2018 CRO and the elections committee detailing immediate tasks, duties, and a timeline within which these are to be done be created by the DSU President and presented to the CRO and the Elections Committee by the Chair.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Barnaby

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT that if the duties are not performed, as judged by Council, the CRO is removed from their position.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-02-21: P12 CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

a. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT* the Pharmacy referendum questions be approved as circulated.

b. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT* the NSPIRG referendum questions be approved as circulated.

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- c. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT* the CKDU referendum questions be approved as circulated.
- d. *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT* the Commerce referendum questions be approved as circulated.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. The next special council meeting is Wednesday February 28, 2018.
- 2. Budget Consultation will happen on March 2 at the Sexton Campus and March 5th on the Studley Campus. Location and time will to be determined. More information will be given through email.
- 3. On the next council meeting, council members will be considering bylaw amendments that were sent around in previous weeks.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2018-02-21: A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

Moved: Finnegan **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2018-02-21: A04 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 pm

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:02PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham	Chair
Abir Ayoub	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Amina Abawajy (she/her)	President
Masuma Khan (she/her)	Vice-President (Academic and External)
Chantal Khoury (she/her)	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Cory Larsen (he/him)	Vice-President (Student Life)
Alex Hughes (she/her)	Vice-President (Internal)
Kati George-Jim (she/her)	BOG Representative
Ali Barnaby (she/her)	Aboriginal Students Community
Ashley Farrell (she/her)	Arts and Social Sciences Representative
Arazoo Hoseyni (she/her)	Computer Science Representative
Yazan Khader (he/him)	Engineering Representative
Rhys Macdonald (he/him)	Graduate Students Representative
Katie MacLellan (she/her)	Science Representative
Liam Finnegan (he/him)	LGBTQ2+ Representative
Neda Alizedah (she/her)	Health Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Jeremy Ryant (BOG Representative), Chelsea Cox (Law Representative), Alexandra Erb (Management Representative), Kamryn Findlay (Agriculture Campus Representative), Kate Rumoldt (Dentistry Representative) and Chad LeClair (Medicine Representative) sent their regrets.

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Katie Douglas (Women Students Community Representative) and Nikunj Kachhadiya (International Students Representative) were absent during the meeting.

Katie Douglas attended the meeting at 6:11pm.

Rhys Macdonald and Neda Alizedah left the meeting at 8:27pm and 9pm respectively.

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2018-02-28: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Finnegan

MOTION 2018-02-28: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended 1.to add a motion under the new business 8.d “Accessibility Fund Discussion” and 2.to remove “Section 5.B Election Committee Appointment” from the agenda.

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MOTION 2018-02-28: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be accepted as amended.

MOTION 2018-02-28: A03 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Chair did not receive the minutes from the previous meeting (February 21, 2017) since the previous meeting was just last week.

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

Jeremy Ryant (BOG Representative), Chelsea Cox (Law Representative), Alexandra Erb (Management Representative), Kamryn Findlay (Agriculture Campus Representative), Kate Rumoldt (Dentistry Representative) and Chad LeClair (Medicine Representative) sent their regrets.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Chief Returning Officer

The Chief Returning Officer (CRO) is the person who is in charge of running the elections for the Dalhousie Student Union.

Nominations:

- i) Cody Coture
- ii) Amr Elkhashab
- iii) Kaitlynnne Lowe
- iv) Juan Rivera
- v) Morgan McAloney

The Chair states that members who are running in the 2018 election are able to vote to the appointment of the CRO.

MOTION 2018-02-28: N01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move into camera to have a brief debate on who is the best candidate for the CRO position.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2018-02-28: N01 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: N02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move out of camera

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2018-02-28: N02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: N03

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kaitlynn Lowe be appointed to the Chief Returning Officer. This was voted by a secret ballot during an in-camera session.

MOTION 2018-02-28: N03 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Elections Committee

The Election Committee has not submitted a report.

Khan has a concern with the structure of the debate, in regards to students not given the opportunity to ask questions during the debate. Khan believes this is creating a barrier to students to talk to their future representatives. She raises a general question on how the Elections Committee is going to fill three hours of a debate, if students are only allowed to submit questions in advanced.

A member of the election committee mentioned that about two and a half weeks ago the committee officially decided to have the questions posted at the debate. At that time, each of the committee's member were designated a certain social media platform to be in charge of. They have done their best to advertise that the committee will be accepting questions prior to the debate on all platforms of social media that were available like Instagram, Snapchat, Facebook, and Twitter. As of right now, they only received one question from the student body after three weeks of advertising. The Elections Committee will be having a Q & A in the next following weeks; the date has not been finalized yet. All students who attend and participate in the Q&A will be able to have their question vetted by the Election Committee Members, making sure the questions are appropriated to be asked at the venue and therefore all candidates will be asked the questions at the debate.

The Elections Committee has advertised for the past two to three weeks, for students to submit their questions at the Q&A sessions. During the sessions, students will submit the question at the door by writing it on a piece of paper, which will be vetted through Elections Committee and submitted to the moderator of the debates. Given there is time for questions, in the three-hour debate, the moderator will also create questions and follow up questions for the candidates during the debate. If students have questions during the debate, they would need to submit the questions through social media, which will then be vetted, submitted and approved by the moderator of the debate. The questions will then be asked to candidates.

At the start of every single debate, the moderator will read a statement describing what the debates are for which is advocating positive change for the DSU. When the committee receives questions, they are not looking for ideas to censor but making sure that language is appropriate, respectful and not offensive on behalf of any candidate or any groups of people that are being represented. The committee is only vetting questions that are insulting and

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disrespectful. They will not vet out questions that are free of speech. There will be no censoring in terms of discussion of ideas or actions in a healthy debate.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Referendum Question

i. Pharmacy

MOTION 2018-02-28: P01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Pharmacy society referendum question is approved as circulated.

Do you support increasing the fee for the Dalhousie Student Pharmacy Society from \$20.50 per semester to \$23.50 per full-time student per semester starting in September 2018 to allow for an increase of \$6 per year in Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns (CAPSI) local funding? This question applies only to students in the College of Pharmacy on the Halifax campus and includes the Fall and Winter semesters.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Douglas

MOTION 2018-02-28: P02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Pharmacy Referendum Question be amended to replace “2017” with “2018”.

Moved: Macdonald **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P01 CARRIED

ii. NSPIRG

MOTION 2018-02-28: P03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the NSPIRG society referendum question is approved as circulated

Whereas Nova Scotia Public Research Interest Group (NSPIRG) has not increased its levy since 2013;

Whereas an increase in levy funding would allow NSPIRG to increase capacity for projects, campaigns, student research, student employment, funding and outreach to diverse groups of students;

Whereas this levy increase will support the sustainability and future growth of NSPIRG;

Do you support increasing the levy for Nova Scotia Public Research Interest Group (NSPIRG) from \$3 per semester to \$4.50 per semester for full-time Dalhousie students? This question applies only to Halifax campuses and registered full-time students.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khan

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MOTION 2018-02-28: P03 CARRIED

iii. CKDU

MOTION 2018-02-28: P04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the CKDU society referendum question is approved as circulated

Whereas CKDU-FM Society has not increased its levy since its inception in 1985;

Whereas CKDU-FM Society is Dalhousie's Campus Radio station committed to providing locally produced, relevant content to the Dalhousie student community;

Whereas an increase in levy funding would allow CKDU to hire year round student coordinators and subsidize the production of student-focused programming and podcasts,

Do you support increasing the levy for CKDU by \$1.00 per semester, increasing CKDU's levy from \$4.50 per semester to \$5.50 per semester for full-time Dalhousie students? This question only applies to Halifax campuses and registered full-time students.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P04 CARRIED

iv. Commerce

MOTION 2018-02-28: P05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Commerce society referendum question is approved as circulated.

Whereas an increase in the levy would allow the Dalhousie Commerce Society to continue to provide valuable resources, events, and opportunities to Bachelor of Commerce students in order to enhance their undergraduate experience;

Do you support increasing the levy for the Dalhousie Commerce Society from \$17.00 per semester for full-time students to \$22.00 per semester for full-time students? This question applies only to the Halifax campuses.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Finnegan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P05 CARRIED

B. Bylaw Amendments

MOTION 2018-02-28: P06

WHEREAS, the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee has proposed amendments to improve DSU operations and accountability, including grammatical corrections and typos;

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU Council adopt the circulated set of Bylaws with amendments until a General Meeting at which the Membership will have the opportunity to discuss and permanently adopt them.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2018-02-28: P07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council takes a five-minute recess.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P07 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to delete 4.5.j *“In the absence of a meeting, Council is able to pass a special resolution by email in accordance with applicable policies.”* in the proposed Bylaws.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Macdonald

MOTION 2018-02-28: P08 FAILED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the definition of Ordinary resolution under 1.1 of the proposed Bylaws **from** *“a resolution requiring a simple majority of more than 50 per cent of those present and entitled to vote”* **to** *“A resolution requiring a simple majority of more than 50 per cent of voting members present and not abstaining.”*

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2018-02-28: P09 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P10

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to add the entirety of section 9.6 Elections Appeals Committee from the current Bylaws to the proposed Bylaws

9.6 Elections Appeals Committee

- a. There shall be an Elections Appeals Committee, which shall include three Members who are not Councillors or Executive Officers, including at least one Member who is in their third year of law school or holds a law degree.*
- b. The members of the Elections Appeals Committee shall, by Ordinary Resolution, select one from among themselves to chair the committee.*
- c. Members of the Elections Appeals Committee shall be appointed by Council no later than September 30.*
- d. No member of the Elections Appeals Committee shall be an Executive Officer, Councillor, member of any Union Committee, or employee of the Union.*

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- e. *No member of the Elections Appeals Committee may contest an election under the jurisdiction of Council.*
- f. *No member of the Elections Appeals Committee may be a Campaign Worker for a candidate or referendum campaign in an election under the jurisdiction of Council.*
- g. *No member of the Elections Appeals Committee shall display any public interest in the campaign of any candidate or referendum campaign team.*
- h. *The Elections Appeals Committee shall, at the request of any candidate in an election or campaign team in an election, review a decision of the Elections Committee to determine if it is in line with the DSU Act, Bylaws, and Policies. Deliberations on questions related to any such request shall be held in camera.*
- i.
- j. *Decisions of the Elections Appeals Committee shall include reasons for any decision rendered.*
- k. *Decisions of the Elections Appeals Committee shall be final and not subject to further appeal.*

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-02-28: P10 FAILED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P11

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend section b. under 9.4 Chief Returning Officer **by re-adding** the phrase from the current bylaws “*except for sitting on the Elections Committee*” **to** “*The Chief Returning Officer shall not be an Executive Officer, Councillor, Committee member, or employee of the Union for the duration of their term*” of the proposed bylaw.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-02-28: P12

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the amendment to **replace** the word “*electing*” with “*chairing*”.

Moved: Barnaby **Seconded:** Douglas

MOTION 2018-02-28: P13

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move into camera as the general public should not be aware of what is to be discussed in the midst of an election season.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2018-02-28: P13 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P14

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move out of camera

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Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-02-28: P14 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P12 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P11 FAILED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P15

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to remove g. ii *“The Election Committee will provide Council with the recommendation of the position of the Chief Returning Officer no later than October 15”* under 9.5 Election Committee in the Bylaw Amendments.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** MacDonald

MOTION 2018-02-28: P15 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P16

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to add in *“v. The Vice-President, Internal shall chair the committee and vote only in the case of a tie”* under 6.6.1.a. Offices Steering Committee in the Bylaw Amendment.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P16 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P17

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to **remove** the phrase in a. under 9.4 Chief Returning Officer *“upon recommendation of the elections committee”* so the new sentences states *“The Council shall, by Ordinary Resolution, appoint a Chief Returning Officer no later than September 30 to assist in administering all Union elections and referenda on behalf of the Elections Committee”* In the proposed Bylaw.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Finnegan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P17 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P18

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend section b.i under 6.6.1 Offices Steering Committee, in the Bylaw Amendments, **from** *“Be responsible for the hiring and oversight of Office Directors”* **to** *“Be responsible for adhering to Office Terms of References, including appropriate hiring procedures, and general oversight of Office Directors.”*

Moved: Khan **Seconded:** Finnegan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P18 FAILED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P19

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to remove g.ii *“Oversee the Chief returning officer”* under section 9.5.Elections Committee in the Bylaw Amendments.

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Finnegan

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MOTION 2018-02-28: P19 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P20

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT these bylaw amendments shall take effect once approved by a Special General Meeting

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2018-02-28: P21

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move into camera to debate Motion P20.

Moved: Barnaby **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P21 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P22

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council move out of camera

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2018-02-28: P22 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P23

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the amended Motion P20 to “Be it further resolved, these bylaw amendments shall take effect after the results of the 2018 elections have been announced”

Moved: Douglas **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-02-28: P24

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to challenge the one-minute time limit the Chair puts on the remarks of Councils

MOTION 2018-02-28: P24 FAILED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P23 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P20 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P25

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the proposed Bylaw by adding under “5.7 Responsibilities of Vice-President Academic” a new clause “n. Be responsible for organizing and promoting the Racial Justice Symposium. If the Vice President, Academic and External does not self-identify as a Black, Indigenous or Person of Color, they must hire a commissioner that self identifies a Black, Indigenous, or person of colour to fulfill said duties.”

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2018-02-28: P26

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the amended Motion P25 to **replace** the word “commissioner” **with** “symposium coordinator”.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** MacLellan

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MOTION 2018-02-28: P26 WITHDRAW AMENDMENT TO AMENDMENT

MOTION 2018-02-28: P27

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the amended Motion P25 to **replace** “they must hire a commissioner that self identifies a Black, Indigenous, or person of colour to fulfill said duties” **with** “they must hire three commissioners, each one of whom self identifies as either Black, Indigenous, or person of colour to fulfill said duties. If such commissioners are to be hired, they must provide reference from their communities of their involvement within their communities.

Moved: Khan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P27 REMOVE AMENDMENT TO AMENDMENT

MOTION 2018-02-28: P28

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the amended Motion P25 to **replace** the word “commissioner” **with** “officer”.

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P28 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P29

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to extend the meeting for 9:45pm

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2018-02-28: P29 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P30

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to have a ten-minute recess

Moved: Barnaby **Seconded:** Khan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P30 FAILED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P31

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the amended Motion P25 to **add** “or they choose to delegate this role” **before** “they must hire a officer”

Moved: MacLellan **Seconded:** Abawajy

MOTION 2018-02-28: P31 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P25 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P06 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P32

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to have a five-minute recess.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-02-28: P32 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P33

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the agenda to place the “Accessibility Fund Committee Discussion” before the “Society Policy Amendment”.

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P33 CARRIED

C. Accessibility Fund Committee Discussion

MOTION 2018-02-28: P34

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Accessibility Fund Committee will have a two-person corium during this semester (Winter 2018).

Moved: Hughes **Seconded:** Hoseyni

MOTION 2018-02-28: P34 CONTRADICTS BYLAW/OUT OF ORDER

MOTION 2018-02-28: P35

Open nominations for the Student Life Committee

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Barnaby

Nomination:

Katie Douglas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Katie Douglas is the new Candidate of the Student Life Committee

MOTION 2018-02-28: P35 CARRIED

Katie Douglas resigns from Accessibility Fund committee.

D. Society Policy Amendments

MOTION 2018-02-28: P36

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Society Policy Amendments are approved as circulated.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Hoseyni

MOTION 2018-02-28: P36 CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

1. *Whereas the Dalhousie Student Union seeks to support students and promote equity* **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the DSU endorse DASSS's Rick Mehta motion, in support of marginalized students at Acadia University.

2. **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Survivor Support Centre mission, vision, mandate and tag lines are adopted as circulated.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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1. In the upcoming weeks, there will be lectures and conferences happening on campus in regards to the 200th anniversary of Dalhousie.
Friday March 9th at 7pm, Senator Murray Sinclair will have a lecture about the 200th anniversary.
2. Budget Consultations will be happening.
First one is on March 1st, 2018 at Sexton Campus from 5:45-6:45pm, outside the Design Commons while the second one is March 5th from 4:30-6:30pm at Studeley Campus in the Council Chambers.
3. On March 19, 2018 DISC is hosting a general election.
4. On Friday March 2, 2018 there will a discussion about improving equity and diversity that is closed to indigenous students from 4:30-7:00pm in the SUB
5. Snowy Discussion Panel is happening on March 1, 2018 in the SUB.
6. Mental Health Awareness Week is happening from March 12-16 2018.
7. Next Council meeting is March 7, 2018.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2018-02-28: A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

MOTION 2018-02-28: A04 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 9:26 pm

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6:00 PM – Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER at 6:03 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham	Chair
Abir Ayoub	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Chantal Khoury (she/her)	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Cory Larsen (he/him)	Vice-President (Student Life)
Alex Hughes (she/her)	Vice-President (Internal)
Kati George-Jim (she/her)	BOG Representative
Arazoo Hoseyni (she/her)	Computer Science Representative
Kate Rumoldt (she/her)	Dentistry Representative
Yazan Khader (he/him)	Engineering Representative
Chelsea Cox (she/her)	Law Representative
Katie MacLellan (she/her)	Science Representative
Kamryn Findlay (she/her)	Agriculture Campus Representative
Ashley Farrell (she/her)	Arts and Social Sciences Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Amina Abawajy (President), Masuma Khan (Vice-President, Academic and External),, Jeremy Ryant (BOG Representative), Ali Barnaby (Aboriginal Students Community Representative), Liam Finnegan (LGBTQ2+ Representative), Katie Douglas (Women Students Community Representative), Rhys Macdonald (Graduate Students Representative), Alexandra Erb (Management Representative) and Neda Alizedah (Health Representative) sent their regrets.

Amina Abawajiy called in via conference call at 6:14pm.

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Nikunj Kachhadiya (International Students Representative) and Chad LeClair (Medicine Representative) were absent during the meeting.

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2018-03-07: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2018-03-07: A01 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2018-03-07: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the February 21, 2017 be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Hoseyni **Seconded:** Larsen

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MOTION 2018-03-07: M01 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

Amina Abawajy (President), Masuma Khan (Vice-President, Academic and External), Jeremy Ryant (BOG Representative), Ali Barnaby (Aboriginal Students Community Representative), Liam Finnegan (LGBTQ2+ Representative), Katie Douglas (Women Students Community Representative), Rhys Macdonald (Graduate Students Representative), Alexandra Erb (Management Representative) and Neda Alizedah (Health Representative) sent their regrets.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Accessibility Fund Committee

Hughes described that in the upcoming 2-3 weeks, the chosen candidate will help the Committee review applications, that the committee received from the winter semester of the accessibility bursaries. The Committee will then decide who gets funding and how much funding. Hughes stressed that if Council members, who would like to nominate themselves to be on the Committee, should be available in the next three weeks for two-hour periods at a time. If council members have very busy schedules, Hughes advises them not to apply.

The Chair closes nomination and the appointment for the Accessibility Fund Committee will come up in the next meeting March 21, 2018.

6. PRESENTATIONS

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Elections Committee

No representatives of the Election Committee were present during this meeting.

B. Board Caucus

George-Jim said that after the Board Caucus meeting in February, they have been following up with many board members. They brought forward a motion to the Board Caucus, however only half of it got approved. The part that got approved was that the Finance and Audit in Investment Committee would look into hiring an external third party Finance investigation into what divestment could mean for the university. George-Jim stated that this is a great first step to have back from the table. The second part that wasn't approved was delegating to the committees of the board to look into how divestment would specifically affect their committee and their communities within them. She believes the Board Caucus is moving in an incredible direction with the relationships that they are building, and students really see themselves in what the Caucus is discussing.

C. Senate Caucus

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Khan was not present during this meeting.

D. Society Review

Hughes said that they have achieved their goal of 365 societies. The 365th society is By-Caucus.

Hughes shared that the Society Committee was presented with a notification that a society has broken Society Policy and a few other policies. The Society Review Committee brought forward a motion to Council advising that Council disciplines the society.

Also Hughes mentioned that during the committee's last meeting they reviewed the society space allocation process and they have a few things they want to edit. The committee is open to feedback and they will have something on the DSU website that will help societies provide the Committee with feedback.

E. Grants and Sponsorship

Khoury mentioned that the last meeting was two weeks ago. The committee awarded several sponsorships to societies' fun galas and events. This year, the committee awarded both a grant and a sponsorship to the Spanish Society as they had a financial hiccup. The grant and sponsorship was for their large event La Velada

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Rick Mehta

MOTION 2018-03-07: P01

The Dalhousie Arts and Social Sciences Society (DASSS) strongly condemns trivialization of Indigenous experiences of genocide at the hands of the Canadian colonial government, stigmatization of transgender people, and promotion of sexist discrimination or stereotypes. DASSS sends our voice in solidarity with Acadia students who are impacted by Acadia University's slow response to public concerns regarding Rick Mehta and hesitancy to address and discipline him for his actions. On behalf of the society, we reaffirm our dedication to upholding the rights of Indigenous and transgender students, as well as all female students, and call for more institutional accountability for the actions of professors of our Nova Scotian higher learning institutions. DASSS wishes to protect the safety of students and their right to not feel targeted within their own classrooms and universities. We call upon all Nova Scotian universities to fulfill their responsibilities to affirm these rights for their own students through transparency and accountability.

DASSS fully supports emphasizes the importance of supporting transgender, non-binary and two-spirit peoples, who are most likely to face hate-based violence due to discrimination and ignorance. As well, we wish to recognize the struggles that women, especially BIPOC women, face in academia due to the perpetuation of harmful stereotypes. We additionally want to remind all university students and staff that Gordon Residential School in Saskatchewan, Canada's last residential school, was closed only 22 years ago in 1996. These tools used

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by the government to commit genocide are not ancient history, but rather the reality for thousands who were taken from their homes and cultures. We believe that as educational institutions, universities have a responsibility to recognize and uphold information which is widely academically considered to be up-to-date and factual regarding these sensitive societal, historical, and cultural issues. Further, we believe that professors within our universities share this same responsibility for academic integrity.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU endorse DASSS's Rick Mehta motion, in support of marginalized students at Acadia University

Moved: Farrell **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2018-03-07: P01 CARRIED

B. Survivor Support Centre

MOTION 2018-03-07: P02

Tag Lines: We Believe the Survivors: Support. Education. Advocacy. --- Survivor Support Centre

Vision Statement: Lives and Relationships free from sexualized violence.

Mission Statement: Our mission is to provide anonymous, confidential, non-judgmental, trauma-informed support to survivors of sexualized violence and to create positive social change at Dalhousie by addressing issues of sexualized violence and rape culture through innovative education strategies and advocacy.

Mandate:

1. Support:

The Survivor Support Centre will be open to Dalhousie students of all genders and experiences of sexualized violence whether recent or historic.

The Survivor Support Centre will help students and members of the Dalhousie community navigate systems specific to this institution and the community as requested.

The Survivor Support Centre aims to empower survivors in their choices.

The Survivor Support Centre will implement and maintain a Sexual Assault & Harassment Phone line, providing confidential, active listening, information and systems navigation for survivors and those affected by sexualized violence.

The Survivor Support Centre engages a peer-to-peer support model.

The Survivor Support Centre aims to build capacity and work in collaboration with existing and valuable services on campus and in the community, rather than in competition with them.

2. Education:

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The Survivor Support Centre aims to provide consistent and sustainable support, training and resources to our volunteers.

The Survivor Support Centre aims to create programming, workshops, resources, campaigns and services and to be a model and a leader for other Student Unions and post-secondary Administrations.

3. Advocacy:

The Survivor Support Centre will advocate for a safer campus lobbying university administration and government on issues of sexualized violence.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Survivor Support Centre mission, vision, mandate and tag lines are adopted as circulated.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2018-03-07: P02 CARRIED

C. A Special General Meeting

MOTION 2018-03-07: P03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a special general meeting be called for March 29, 2018, at 6:00 in order to consider the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee has proposed amendments to improve DSU operations and accountability, including grammatical corrections and typos;

AND WHEREAS these Bylaws were approved, with amendments, by DSU Council on February 28, 2018;

BE IT RESOLVED that the current Union bylaws be repealed and replaced by the draft bylaws as circulated.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2018-03-07: P03 CARRIED

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawajy circulated her written report in the Council package.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Hughes circulated her written report in the Council package.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Khoury circulated her written report in the Council package.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan circulated her written report in the Council package.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

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Larsen circulated his written report in the Council package.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

- a. DSU to support QP3903 and QP2424 in Carlton and York who are on strike for better Constituents.
- b. *WHEREAS, the Society Review Committee has been made aware that Halifax Greek Council, a DSU Ratified Society, has breached the DSU Society Policy, the DSU Equity Policy, as well as the terms of the DSU Meetings and Event Management Contract;*

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. *As advised to Council by the Society Review Committee, Halifax Greek Council's societal booking privileges be revoked, including the ability to book space in the SUB, as well as other rentable DSU assets (popcorn machine, snow cone machine, barbeque) and will not be granted Event ID numbers to book space elsewhere on campus effective immediately, until Winter Semester 2019.*
2. *Halifax Greek Council provide apology letters to the University Club Bartending staff who were experienced verbal harassment at a Halifax Greek Council event, namely: Samantha Farnham, Francis Parker and Leslie Palaheimo, and Julia Charboneau no later than March 31st, 2018.*

c. Bylaw Policy and Review Committee is noticing amendments to the hiring policy and the accommodation policy.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. TEDx is this weekend on Sunday March 11 at 2pm in the McInnes room.
2. Mental Health Awareness week is from March 12-16
3. St. Patrick's Day is at the Grawood from 12-7pm next Saturday.
4. Impact awards and Dal Got Talent are during the following weeks.
5. On March 8 there will be a Budget Summary held on Sexton Campus at Noon in room 311 in the B Building and another on at 5pm in Mona Campbell (in room 1111). A final Budget Summary presentation will be on March 13 at 4pm in the Riverview room at the agricultural campus.
6. March 21 is the next council meeting.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2018-03-07: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

MOTION 2018-03-07: A02 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 pm

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CALL TO ORDER at 6:01 PM

1. ROLL CALL

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Chris Abraham	Chair
Abir Ayoub	Recording Secretary (non-voting)
Amina Abawajy (she/her)	President
Chantal Khoury (she/her)	Vice-President (Finance and Operations)
Cory Larsen (he/him)	Vice-President (Student Life)
Jeremy Ryant (he/him)	BOG Representative
Kati George-Jim (she/her)	BOG Representative
Ali Barnaby (she/her)	Aboriginal Students Community
Katie Douglas (she/her)	Women Students Community
Ashley Farrell (she/her)	Arts and Social Sciences Representative
Arazoo Hoseyni (she/her)	Computer Science Representative
Kate Rumoldt (she/her)	Dentistry Representative
Yazan Khader (he/him)	Engineering Representative
Chelsea Cox (she/her)	Law Representative
Chad LeClair (he/him)	Medicine Representative
Katie MacLellan (she/her)	Science Representative
Kamryn Findlay (she/her)	Agriculture Campus Representative
Alexandra Erb (she/her)	Management Representative
Liam Finnegan (he/him)	LGBTQ2+ Representative

COUNCILLORS ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Masuma Khan (Vice-President, Academic and External), Alex Hughes (Vice-President, Internal), Katie Douglas (Women Students Community Representative), Ashley Farrell (Arts and Social Sciences Representative), Rhys Macdonald (Graduate Students Representative), Chelsea Cox (Law Representative) and Nikunj Kachhadiya (International Students Representative) sent their regrets

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Neda Alizedah (Health Representative) was absent during this meeting.
Amina Abawajy (President) left the meeting at 7:40pm.

OTHERS PRESENT

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2018-03-28: A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Barnaby **Seconded:** Larsen

MOTION 2018-03-28: A01 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-03-28: A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be amended to add a new motion “H. SGM Cancellation” under New Businesses. The second amendment is to move “Hiring Policy” and “Accommodation Policy” to the top of New Businesses.

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MOTION 2018-03-28: A02 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-21: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be accepted as amended.

MOTION 2018-02-21: A03 CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

MOTION 2018-03-28: M01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the February 28th, 2018 Council meeting be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2018-03-28: M01 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-03-28: M02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the March 7th, 2018 Council meeting be accepted as circulated.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** MacLellan

MOTION 2018-03-28: M02 CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

A. Regrets

Masuma Khan (Vice-President, Academic and External), Alex Hughes (Vice-President, Internal), Katie Douglas (Women Students Community Representative), Ashley Farrell (Arts and Social Sciences Representative), Rhys Macdonald (Graduate Students Representative), Chelsea Cox (Law Representative) and Nikunj Kachhadiya (International Students Representative) sent their regrets.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Accessibility Fund Committee

Nominations:

Rhys Macdonald

MOTION 2018-03-28: N01

Postpone to next meeting: Cory, seconded: Ali: Carried

BE IT RESOLVED THAT appointment for the Accessibility Fund Committee be postponed to the next Council Meeting April 4, 2018.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-03-28: N01 CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

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7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Board Caucus

Abawajy said that at their last meeting they approved the motion to have more discussion around divestment. Beyond that meeting, they had many other meetings. She mentioned that Academic Students Affairs committee looks at sexual violence, which is an important step for the committee.

Ryant mentioned that there are exciting things happening however, they cant mention anything yet due to confidentiality.

B. Senate Caucus

Khan was not present at this meeting

C. Society Review

Hughes was not present at this meeting

D. Grants and Sponsorship

Khoury said that they exhausted their funds for this semester, so they will not be accepting requests from societies for this semester. However the committee will start accepting application for the Spring/Summer Semester on May 1st.

8. NEW BUSINES

A. Hiring Policy

MOTION 2018-03-28: P01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Hiring Policy be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Ryant

MOTION 2018-03-28: P01 CARRIED

B. Accommodation Policy

MOTION 2018-03-28: P02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Accommodation Policy be adopted as circulated.

Moved: Abawajy **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2018-03-28: P02 CARRIED

C. Greek Council Motion

***WHEREAS**, the Society Review Committee has been made aware that Halifax Greek Council, a DSU Ratified Society, has breached the DSU Society Policy, the DSU Equity Policy, as well as the terms of the DSU Meetings and Event Management Contract;*

MOTION 2018-03-28: P03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1) As advised to Council by the Society Review Committee, Halifax Greek Council's societal booking privileges be revoked, including the ability to book space in the SUB, as well as other rentable DSU assets (popcorn machine,

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snowcone machine, barbeque) and will not be granted Event ID numbers to book space elsewhere on campus effective immediately, until Winter Semester 2019.

2) Halifax Greek Council provide apology letters to the University Club Bartending staff who were experienced verbal harassment at a Halifax Greek Council event, namely: Samantha Farnham, Francis Parker and Leslie Palaheimo, and Julia Charboneau no later than March 31st, 2018.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2018-02-28: P04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend *the Whereas clause* by removing the phrase “**DSU EQUITY policy**” proceeding the phrase “has breached the DSU Society Policy,”

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2018-02-28: P04 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the BIRT part 1) by adding “**until the end of Winter 2018 semester**” after “to be revoked” and to also amend the last part of part 1) by adding add “**until the end of Winter 2018 semester and be placed on probation until the end of**” before “Winter Semester 2019”

Moved: Ryant **Seconded:** Finnegan

MOTION 2018-02-28: P06

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the amendment P05 to add “**If there is a breach of probation, society privileges will be revoked for a full year**” at the end of part 1).

Moved: Finnegan **Seconded:** No second

MOTION 2018-02-28: P06 No debate since no Second FAILED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P05 FAILED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P07

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the BIRT clause part 1) by adding “**or until they can provide adequate constitutional amendments to Council**” to end of the clause.

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Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Ryant

MOTION 2018-02-28: P07 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-02-28: P08

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the amendment P07 to add “**The Halifax Greek Council shall present to Council a reflection of their time on suspension and how they are working with their members to establish an anti-oppressive environment and practices.**” after “**or until they can provide adequate constitutional amendments to Council**”

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-02-28: P08 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-03-28: P03 CARRIED

D. York and Carlton Motion

WHEREAS, the Dalhousie Student Union’s solidarity with other student organizations and faculty unions helps create and maintain relationships needed to effectively advance student causes provincially and federally;

MOTION 2018-03-28: P09

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union express support for the graduate assistants, teaching assistants, and contract faculty at York University, represented by the Canadian Union of Public Employees’ Local 3903, who are on strike demanding greater job security for contract faculty, more stable funding for graduate students’ research, improved equity and accessibility, better childcare services on campus, and a support fund for survivors of sexual violence on campus;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Dalhousie Student Union express support for the administrative, technical, and library workers at Carleton University, represented by the Canadian Union of Public Employees’ Local 2424, who are on strike demanding continued pension security.

Moved: Khader **Seconded:** Barnaby

MOTION 2018-03-28: P09 CARRIED

E. Justice for Janitors Solidarity Motion

WHEREAS cleaners at Founders Square were terminated and banned for exercising their legal right to file a complaint with the NS Human Rights Commission;

MOTION 2018-03-28: P10

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU stand in solidarity with Justice for Janitors.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** Khader

MOTION 2018-03-28: P10 CARRIED

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F. USSA Solidarity Motion

WHEREAS multiple women have come forward disclosing acts sexualized violence perpetrated by incoming USSA President;

WHEREAS the University of Saskatchewan has responded by effectively shutting student support services;

MOTION 2018-03-28: P11

BE IT RESOLVED that the Dalhousie Student Union stands in solidarity with survivors on the University of Saskatchewan campus and with all survivors on university campuses;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Dalhousie Student Union stands in solidarity with USSA members demanding the re-opening of student support services.

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2018-03-28: P11 CARRIED

G. Barista Solidarity Motion

WHEREAS baristas at Smiling Goat have experienced pay interruptions since December 2017;

WHEREAS they have voted to unionize and join the Employees International Union;

MOTION 2018-03-28: P12

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU stand in solidarity with the unionized baristas at Smiling Goat

Moved: Khoury **Seconded:** George-Jim

MOTION 2018-03-28: P12 CARRIED

H. SGM Cancellation

MOTION 2018-03-28: P13

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the DSU Special General Meeting scheduled for March 29, 2018 be cancelled.

Moved: Larsen **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2018-03-28: P14

BE IT RESOLVED THAT to amend the motion by adding a **BIFRT clause** stating that *“the incoming Executives provide information to Council about their strategies by which to improve attendance, interest, and engagement with Members about the General Meeting.”*

Moved: George-Jim **Seconded:** Khoury

MOTION 2018-03-28: P14 CARRIED

MOTION 2018-03-28: P13 CARRIED

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9. OLD BUSINESS

10. BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE

A. President

Abawajy was absent during this part of the meeting.

B. Vice-President (Internal)

Hughes was absent during the meeting.

C. Vice-President (Financial and Operations)

Khoury did not circulate her written report in the Council package. Her primary focus is to work and to finalize the budget especially with societies on Grants and Sponsorships.

D. Vice-President (Academic and External)

Khan was absent during the meeting.

E. Vice-President (Student Life)

Larsen circulated his written report in the Council package.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1) Code of Conduct and amended Statement of Office: BIRT The Code of Conduct is adopted as circulated. BIFRT The statement of office is amended to the circulated text.
- 2) Consultation Policy: BIRT The Consultation policy is adopted as circulated.
- 3) Amendments to the Committee Policy: BIRT The Committee policy is amended as circulated.
- 4) Judicial Board Policy: BIRT The Judicial Board Policy is adopted as circulated.
- 5) Bylaw 4.6: Full text in the package
- 6) Motion for Issues Policy: Full text in the package
- 7) 2018/2019 Budget: BIRT the Dalhousie Student Union Budget for fiscal year 2018/2019 is adopted as circulated.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Council meeting is April 4, 2019.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2018-03-28: A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council be adjourned.

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MOTION 2018-03-28: A03 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm