

DSU Council Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date and Time: Monday, August 14, 2023 – 5:00 pm

Location: Virtually (MS Teams)

Land Acknowledgement

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

Equity Statement

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

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

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION 2023-08-14-3.1

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

4. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

MOTION 2023-08-14-4.1

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

Document attached

5. Communications Received

6. Business arising out of the minutes

MOTION 2023-08-14-6.1

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

Architecture Representative ___

Arts and Social Sciences Representative ___

Engineering Representative___

Law Representative ___

Management Representative ___

Medical Representative___

Science Representative ___

2LGBTQIA+ Students Representative___

Moved by the Vice President, Academic and External

Document attached

7. Appointments by Council

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.1

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

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

BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ is appointed as the Interim Vice President, Student Life until the conclusion of the fall 2023 by-election.

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

Moved by the President

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MOTION 2023-08-14-7.2

BE IT RESOLVED THAT ____ and ____ are appointed to Community Representative seats on the Oversight Committee for the year 2023-24.

Moved by the President

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.3

BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ are appointed to the Councillor seat on the Society Review Committee for the 2023-24 year.

Moved by Vice President, Internal

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.4

BE IT RESOLVED THAT ____ and ____ are appointed to Community Representative seats on the Office Steering Committee for the year 2023-24.

Moved by Vice President, Internal

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.5

BE IT RESOLVED THAT ____ is appointed to Councillor seats on the Student Accessibility Fund Committee for the year 2023-24.

Moved by Vice President, Internal

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.6

BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ are appointed to a Councillor seat on the Psychoeducational Assessment ad-hoc Bursary Committee for the year 2023-24.

Moved by Vice President, Internal

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.7

BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ is appointed to a Councillor seat on the Grants and Sponsorship Committee for the 2023-24 year;

Moved by Vice President, Finance and Operations

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.8

BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____, _____ and _____ are appointed to Councillor seats on the External Committee for the 2023-24 year;

Moved by the Vice President, Academic and External

Link Attached

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.9

BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ be appointed as the DSU Chief Returning Officer for the year 2023-2024.

CRO Hiring Report attached

Recommended for adoption by the CRO Hiring Committee

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.10

BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____, _____, _____, _____ and _____ are appointed to a General Member seat on the Elections Committee for the 2023-24 year.

Moved by President

Document Attached

MOTION 2023-08-14-7.11

BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____, _____ and _____ are appointed to a General Member seat on the Judicial Board for the 2023-24 year.

Moved by the President

Document Attached

8. New Business

9. Executive Reports

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

10. Announcements

10.1 The next meeting of the Council will be held in September, hopefully in-person, depending on council availability.

10.2 Councilors must fill out the Fall availability forms by Tuesday, August 15th at 2pm.

11. Adjournment