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## DSU Council Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date and Time: Monday, July 10, 2023, - 5:00 PM

Location: Virtually (MS Teams)

### Land Acknowledgement

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

### Equity Statement

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

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

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 pm by the Council chair.

### 2. Roll Call

PRESENT
Mariam Knakriah – President
Thomais (Tammy) Maniou – Vice-President, Internal
Henry Amin – Vice-President, Finance & Operations

Eshan Arora - Board of Governors Representative 1
Ryan Dee - Board of Governors Representative 2
Lia Gurevich Kogan - Faculty of Management Representative
Austin Haw - Faculty of Architecture Representative
Eni Oguntona – Faculty of Law Representative
Nick d’Entremont - Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative
Sydney Forbes - Faculty of Medicine Representative
Kailey Simon - Indigenous Students’ Community Representative
Omotayo Bankole - Black Students Community Representative
Alfonso Abraham - Residence Students’ Community Representative
<b>ABSENT WITH REGRETS</b>
<b>ABSENT WITHOUT REGRETS</b>
Victoria Slipp - Faculty of Science Representative
<b>VACANT POSITIONS</b>
Vice-President, Academic and External
International Students’ Community Representative
2SLGBTQIA+ Students Community Representative
Faculty of Graduate Studies Representative
Disabled Student’s Community Representative
Faculty of Dentistry Representative
Faculty of Engineering Representative
Faculty of Agriculture Representative
Faculty of Computer Science Representative

Faculty of Health Representative
<b>NON-VOTING MEMBERS</b>
<p>Mitchell Archibald – Not-for-Profit Consultant</p> <p>Aananya Paatil – Policy &amp; Governance Coordinator</p> <p>Emilia Cordova – DSU Vice-President, Student Life (Voting privileges suspended)</p> <p>Will Russell – DSU Legal Counsel</p> <p>Carla Britten – Dalhousie Ombudsperson</p>

**\*Quorum was met\***

### **3. Approval of the Agenda**

MOTION 2023-07-10-3.1

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

*Moved by the Vice President Finance and Operations*

*Seconded by the President*

**MOTION 2023-07-10-3.1 Passes**

### **4. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

MOTION 2023-07-10-4.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting on June 16, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

*Document attached*

*Moved by the Faculty of Law Representative*

*Seconded by the President*

**MOTION 2023-07-10-4.1 Passes**

*Motion is moved to amend the previous minutes to report an absence with regrets from the Faculty of Medicine Representative and Board of Governors Representative 2.*

### **5. Communications Received**

None

## 6. Appointments by Council

MOTION 2023-07-10-6.1

WHEREAS the candidate was disqualified for the position of Vice-President, Academic and External during the Winter 2023 DSU General Election, and the position is therefore currently vacant; and

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 additional duties of Executive Officer but will only be permitted one vote at meetings of Council”;

THEREFORE: BE IT RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_**OMOTAYO BANKOLE**\_\_\_ is appointed as the interim Vice President, Academic and External until the conclusion of the fall 2023 by-election.

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

*Moved by the President*

*Seconded by the Vice President Finance and Operations*

**MOTION 2023-07-10-6.1 Passes**

Document attached.

Motion is moved to omnibus MOTION 2023-07-10-6.2 to MOTION 2023-07-10-6.8.

*Moved by the President*

*Seconded by the Vice President Finance and Operations*

**Motion Passes**

Due to technical issues, council moves to vote only on MOTION 2023-07-10-6.4, and table MOTION 2023-07-10-6.2, MOTION 2023-07-10-6.3, MOTION 2023-07-10-6.5, MOTION 2023-07-10-6.6, MOTION 2023-07-10-6.7, and MOTION 2023-07-10-6.8 to the next council meeting.

*Moved by Board of Governors Representative 2*

*Seconded by the President*

**Motion Passes**

MOTION 2023-07-10-6.2

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are appointed to a Councillor seat on the Budget and Finance Committee for the 2023-24 year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ is appointed to General Member seat on the Budget and Finance Committee for the year 2023-24.

Moved by Vice President, Finance & Operations

*Motion **tabled to next meeting.***

MOTION 2023-07-10-6.3

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are appointed to a Councillor seat on the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee for the 2023-24 year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ is appointed to a General Member seat on the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee for the year 2023-24.

Moved by the President

*Motion **tabled to next meeting.***

MOTION 2023-07-10-6.4

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **\_\_Eni Oguntona\_\_** and **\_\_Victoria Slipp\_\_** are appointed to a Faculty Representative seat on the Oversight Committee for the 2023-24 year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are appointed to a General Member seat on the Oversight Committee for the 2023-24 year.

*Moved by the President*

*Seconded by Vice President, Internal*

*MOTION 2023-07-10-6.4 **Passes***

MOTION 2023-07-10-6.5

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are appointed to a Councillor seat on the Society Review Committee for the 2023-24 year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ is appointed to a General Member seat on the Society Review Committee for the 2023-24 year.

Moved by Vice President, Internal

*Motion **tabled to next meeting.***

MOTION 2023-07-10-6.6

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_ is appointed to a General Member seat on the Grants and Sponsorship Committee for the 2023-24 year.

Moved by Vice President Finance and Operations

*Motion **tabled to next meeting.***

MOTION 2023-07-10-6.7

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are appointed to a Councillor seat on the Student Accessibility Fund Committee for the 2023-24 year

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ is appointed to a General Member seat on the Student Accessibility Fund Committee for the 2023-24 year.

Moved by Vice President, Internal

*Motion **tabled to next meeting.***

MOTION 2023-07-10-6.8

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ is appointed to a General Member seat on the International Student Emergency Bursary Committee for 2023-24 year.

Moved by Vice President, Finance & Operations

*Motion **tabled to next meeting.***

Motion is moved for a 10-minute recess.

*Moved by the Resident Students' Community Representative*

*Seconded by the President*

*Motion **Passes***

Motion is moved to allow Mitch Archibald and Will Russell be present for the In-Camera session.

*Moved by the Faculty of Law Representative*

*Seconded by President*

*Motion **Passes***

Motion to move in-camera.

*Moved by the Faculty of Medicine Representative*

*Seconded by the Vice-President Finance and Operations*

*Motion Passes*

## **8. In-camera Session**

MOTION 2023-07-10-8.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT council enact the agreed upon disciplinary measures, up to and including removal office, against the Vice President Student Life, Emilia Cordova, for by-law violations relating to confidentiality and fiduciary duty.

Motion is moved to amend motion 8.1 to include the decision on disciplinary action.

*Moved by Board of Governors Representative 1*

*Seconded by the Faculty of Law Representative*

*Motion Passes*

THEREFORE;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the agreed-upon disciplinary measures are as follows:

- Termination, effective immediately.

The statement of reasons is as follows:

- Breach of confidentiality as outlined in by-law 4.8(a)(viii),
- Breach of Fiduciary duty as outlined in by-law 4.8 (a)(i),
- Unwillingness to take accountability, and
- Poor judgement

*Moved by the President*

*Seconded by the Faculty of Law Representative*

*MOTION 2023-07-10-8.1 Passes*

Document attached.

Motion to move out of camera.

*Moved by the Vice President, Finance and Operations*

*Seconded by the President*

*Motion Passes*

## **9. Executive reports**

10.1 Report of the President

10.2 Report of the Vice President, Internal

10.3 Report of the Vice President, Finance and Operations

Motion is moved to table Executive reports to the next Council meeting.

*Moved by the Faculty of Medicine Representative*

*Seconded by the President*

*Motion **Passes***

**10. Notices of Motion**

None

**12. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

*Moved by the Faculty of Arts and Social Science Representative*

*Seconded by the Board of Governors Representative 1*

*Motion **Passes***

The meeting adjourned at 9:32 pm.