

# DSU Council Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date and Time: Thursday, November 23, 2023 - 6:30 PM

Location: Council Chambers

## 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 6:40 pm by the Council Chair.

## 2. Roll Call

PRESENT
Mariam Knakriah – President
Thomais (Tammy) Maniou – Vice-President, Internal
Henry Amin – Vice-President, Finance & Operations
Omotayo Bankole - Vice-President, Academic and External

Ana Patton - Vice-President, Student Life

Ryan Dee - Board of Governors Representative 2

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

Victoria Slipp - Faculty of Science Representative

Sydney Forbes - Faculty of Medicine Representative

Eni Oguntona – Faculty of Law Representative

Rowan Keith Menezes - Faculty of Graduate Studies Representative

Anand Lo - International Students' Community Representative

Carmen Minnis - Women's Students Representative

**ABSENT WITH REGRETS**

Eshan Arora – Board of Governor Representative 1

Kailey Simon - Indigenous Students' Community Representative

Robert Kuhne - Faculty of Engineering Representative

**ABSENT WITHOUT REGRETS**

Lia Gurevich Kogan - Faculty of Management Representative

Austin Haw - Faculty of Architecture Representative

Alfonso Abraham - Residence Students' Community Representative

**VACANT POSITIONS**

2SLGBTQIA+ Students Community Representative

Disabled Student's Community Representative

Faculty of Dentistry Representative

Faculty of Agriculture Representative

Faculty of Computer Science Representative
Faculty of Health Representative
<b>NON-VOTING MEMBERS</b>

**\*Quorum was met\***

Motion is moved to amend the agenda to include the personnel names and positions of the Senate sub-committees.

*Moved by Vice President Academic and External*

*Seconded by Vice President Student Life*

**MOTION Passes**

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

MOTION 2023-11-23-3.1

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

*Moved by the Vice President Academic and External*

*Seconded by the Vice-President, Student Life*

**MOTION 2023-11-23-3.1 Passes**

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

MOTION 2023-11-23-4.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting on November 9, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

*Moved by the Vice President, Internal*

*Seconded by the Vice-President, Student Life*

**MOTION 2023-11-23-4.1 Passes**

*Documents attached.*

### **5. Communications Received**

None

Motion is moved to Omnibus MOTION 2023-11-23-6.1 to MOTION 2023-11-23-6.7.

*Moved by the Vice President Internal*

*Seconded by the Faculty of Science Representative*

**MOTION Passes**

## **6. Appointments by Council**

MOTION 2023-11-23-6.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **\_Anand Lo\_** is appointed to the International Student Representative seat on the International Student Emergency Bursary Committee for the year 2023-24.

*Moved by the Vice President, Finance and Operations*

*Seconded by the Faculty of Science Representative*

**MOTION 2023-11-23-6.1 Passes**

*Link attached.*

MOTION 2023-11-23-6.2

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **\_ Anand Lo \_\_, \_Carmen Minnis \_\_** is appointed to the Councillor seat Student Life Committee for the year 2023-24.

*Moved by Vice-President, Student Life*

*Seconded by the Faculty of Science Representative*

**MOTION 2023-11-23-6.2 Passes**

MOTION 2023-11-23-6.3

BE IT RESOLVED THAT **\_\_Carmen Minnis\_\_** is appointed to a Community Representative seat on the Office Steering Committee for the year 2023-24.

*Moved by the Vice-President Student Life*

*Seconded by the Faculty of Science Representative*

**MOTION 2023-11-23-6.3 Passes**

MOTION 2023-11-23-6.4

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \_\_**Rowan Keith Menezes**\_\_ is appointed to the Councillor seat on the Society Review Committee for the year 2023-24.

*Moved by the Vice-President, Internal*

*Seconded by the Faculty of Science Representative*

**MOTION 2023-11-23-6.4 Passes**

MOTION 2023-11-23-6.5

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \_\_**Abhiroop Yerramilli**\_\_ be appointed as the DSU Chief Returning Officer for the year 2023-2024.

Document attached.

*Moved by the Chair of Council*

*Seconded by the Faculty of Science Representative*

**MOTION 2023-11-23-6.5 Passes**

MOTION 2023-11-23-6.6

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \_\_**Pratik Wani**\_\_ is appointed to the General Member seat on the Elections Committee for the year 2023-24.

*Moved by the Vice President, Internal*

*Seconded by the Faculty of Science Representative*

**MOTION 2023-11-23-6.6 Passes**

*Link attached*

MOTION 2023-11-23-6.7

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

Women Students' Representative **Carmen Minnis**

Graduate Students' Representative **Rowan Keith Menezes**

*Moved by the Vice President, Academic and External*

*Seconded by the Faculty of Science Representative*

**MOTION 2023-11-23-6.7 Passes**

MOTION 2023-11-23-6.8

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

E-learning Advisory Committee: **Divjot Kaur**

SAPRC Academic Programs Sub-Committee: **Eshan Arora**

Senate Academic Programs and Research Committee (SAPRC): **Aditya Patel**

Senate Honorary Degrees Committee: **Aditya Patel**

Senate Learning and Teaching Committee (SLTC): **Eshan Arora and Rudransh Goyal**

Senate Nominating Committee: **Aditya Patel**

Senate Planning and Governance Committee: **Om Pandya**

*Moved by the Vice President Academic and External*

*Seconded by the Vice President Internal*

*MOTION 2023-11-23-6.8 **Passes***

## **7. Committee Report**

7.1 Oversight Committee Report

Presented by the Chair of the Oversight Committee

Document Attached

## **8. Executive reports**

8.1 Report of the President

8.2 Report of the Vice-President, Internal

8.3 Report of the Vice-President, Finance & Operations

8.4 Report of the Vice-President, Academic & External

8.5 Report of the Vice-President, Student Life

## **9. Notice of Motion**

The following motion will appear on the agenda for the Council meeting on December 7, 2023.

9.1 Motion to approve amendments to the Financial Policy, Reserve Fund Policy and Executive Policy

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the amendments to the Financial Policy, Reserve Fund Policy and Executive Policy be adopted as circulated.

*File attached*

Moved by the Vice President, Finance and Operations

## 10. Announcements

10.1 Winter Council Meeting Dates (Fridays):

Winter Council Dates
January 12, 2024 – 6:30 pm
January 26, 2024 – 6:30 pm
February 9, 2024 – 6:30 pm
February 23, 2024 – 6:30 pm
March 8, 2024 – 6:30 pm
March 22, 2024 – 6:30 pm
April 5, 2024 – 6:30 pm
April 19, 2024 – 6:30 pm

\*Location will be specified once confirmed

10.2 **DSUxDUES** – DSU Meet n’ Greet + Trivia Night @ T-room, on November 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM

10.3 The next meet of the DSU Council will be held on Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the Council Chambers (SUB).

## 12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8.01 PM by the Council Chair.