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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 MacDonal (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
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;
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)
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