

Dalhousie Student Union – Council Meeting

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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

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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