DSU Council Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date and Time: March 25, 2021 – 7:00pm

Location: Virtual Meeting on Microsoft 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

Meeting called to order at 7:05PM.

2. Roll Call

Present:

Madeleine Stinson – President
Hanna Stewart - Vice President, Internal
Isa Wright - Vice President, Finance and Operations
Erica Seelemann – Vice President, Academic and External
Jad Ghiz - Vice President, Student Life
Fatima Beydoun - Board of Governors Representative 1
Aparna Mohan - Board of Governors Representative 2
Robert Larsen - Faculty of Agriculture Representative
Zachariah Scinocca - Faculty of Dentistry Representative
Simon Burns - Faculty of Engineering Representative
Shane Isler - Faculty of Law Representative
Cameron Penny - Faculty of Medicine Representative
Brij Vaghani - Faculty of Computer Science Representative
Oluchi Duru - Faculty of Science Representative
Claudia Castillo-Prentt - Black Students’ Representative
Nik Isaac-Pictou - Indigenous Students’ Representative
Claudia Castillo-Prentt - Black Students’ Representative

Absent with regrets:
Aaron Sophocleous - Faculty of Management Representative
Isabella Paes de Mello de Camargo - International Students’ Representative
Drew Guyan - LGBTQ+ Students’ Representative
Hariprashanth Deivasigamani - Faculty of Graduate Studies Representative
Ken Jacquard - Students with Disabilities Representative

Absent without regrets:
Kathrine Guevara - Women Students Representative
Hassaan Asif - Students Living in Residence Representative

Vacant:
Faculty of Architecture Representative
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative
Faculty of Health Professions Representative

3. Approval of the Agenda
MOTION 2021-03-25-3.1

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

Moved by: Vice President, Academic and External; seconded by: Board of Governors Representative 1

Motion passes

4. Business Arising Out of the Minutes

None.

5. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

MOTION 2021-03-25-5.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting on March 11, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

Moved by: Vice President, Academic and External; seconded by: Vice President, Finance and Operations

Motion passes

6. Communications Received

Regrets from the International Students Representative
Regrets from the Faculty of Management Representative
Regrets from the Students with Disabilities Representative
Regrets from the LGBTQ+ Students Representative
Regrets from the Faculty of Graduate Studies Representative

7. Appointments by Council

None.

8. Presentations

None.
9. Committee Reports

None.

10. Old Business

None.

11. New Business

**MOTION 2021-03-25-11.1**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2021-22 budget be adopted as presented, and as recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee.

*Moved by the Vice President, Finance and Operations; seconded by: Vice President, Academic and External*

*Document attached.*

Motion passes

12. Executive Reports

12.1 Report of the President

Ascension signed a lease for the next 6 months and will be paying rent equal to half the value of the previous lease agreement until October 1st. They have the option to renew for another 2 years at market-value rent. This is the current lease agreement.

12.2 Report of the Vice President, Internal

Nothing to add.

12.3 Report of the Vice President, Finance and Operations

Nothing to add.

12.4 Report of the Vice President, Academic and External

Nothing to add.

12.5 Report of the Vice President, Student Life

Nothing to add.

13. Notice of Motion
None.

14. Announcements

If you’re a faculty representative, please complete your faculty consultation by April 11th.

15. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:21PM.