DSU Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date and Time: Monday, April 25, 2022 at 7:30 pm

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**

   The meeting was called to order at 7:36pm by the Council Chair

2. **Roll Call**

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<td>Frey Verth – Vice President, Academic and External</td>
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<td>Jonathon Frontain – Board of Governors Representative 2</td>
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<td>Stephen Abbott – Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative</td>
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<td>Anika Declan – Faculty of Health Professions Representative</td>
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<td>Graham Headley - Faculty of Law Representative</td>
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<td>Micha Davies-Cole - Indigenous Students’ Representative</td>
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<td>Sydney Keyamo - Black Students’ Representative</td>
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<td>Victoria Slipp – Disabled Students Representative</td>
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<td>Tam Pham - LGBTQ Students Representative</td>
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<td>Bianca Morelli – Residence Students Community Representative</td>
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<td>Zuhair Zaidi – Faculty of Engineering Representative</td>
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3. **Approval of the Agenda**

MOTION 2022-04-25-3.1

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

*Moved by Women Students Representative*

*Seconded by Vice President, Academic & External*

*MOTION 2022-04-25-3.1 Passes*

4. **Business Arising Out of the Minutes**

*None*

5. **Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

MOTION 2022-04-25-5.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting on April 11, 2022 be adopted as circulated.

*Moved by Indigenous Students’ Representative*

*Seconded by Black Students’ Representative*

*MOTION 2022-04-25-5.1 Passes*

6. **Communications Received**

*None*

7. **Appointments by Council**

*None*
8. **Presentations**

None

9. **Committee Reports**

None

10. **Old Business**

None

11. **New Business**

None

12. **Executive Reports**

12.1 Report of the President

12.2 Report of the Vice President, Internal

12.3 Report of the Vice President, Finance and Operations

12.4 Report of the Vice President, Academic and External

12.5 Report of the Vice President, Student Life

13. **Notice of Motion**

The following motions will appear on the agenda for the May Council meeting:

13.1 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the proposed amendments to the Bursary Policy circulated to Councillors on Monday, April 25th be approved as presented, and as recommended for approval by the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee.

*Moved by the President*

13.2 **WHEREAS** there were no candidates for the position of Vice-President, Student Life during the Winter 2022 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 the additional duties of Executive Officer but will only be permitted one vote at meetings of Council”; THEREFORE:
BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ is appointed as the interim Vice President, Student Life until the conclusion of the fall 2022 by-election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the interim Vice President, Student Life continue 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

13.3 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council ratify the following appointments to Senate Caucus for the 2022-23 year:

Black Students’ Representative: _____
Disabled Students’ Representative: _____
Women Students’ Representative: _____
Graduate Students’ Representative: _____
Arts and Social Sciences Representative: _____
Continuing Education Representative: _____
Health Professions Representative: _____

Moved by the Vice President, Academic and External; Nominations to be brought forward by the Executive Committee

13.4 BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ are appointed to a Councillor seat on the Budget and Finance Committee for the 2022-23 year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT _____ is appointed to a General Member seat on the Budget and Finance Committee for the 2022-23 year.

Moved by Vice President, Finance & Operations

13.5 BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ are appointed to a Councillor seat on the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee for the 2022-23 year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT _____ is appointed to a General Member seat on the Bylaw and Policy Review Committee for the 2022-23 year.

Moved by the President

13.6 BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ are appointed to a Faculty Representative seat on the Oversight Committee for the 2022-23 year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ are appointed to a Community Representative seat on the Oversight Committee for the 2022-23 year; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ are appointed to a General Member seat on the Oversight Committee for the 2022-23 year.

Moved by the President

13.7 BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____, _____, and _____ are appointed to a General Member seat on the Judicial Board for the 2022-23 year.

Moved by the President

13.8 BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ are appointed to a Councillor seat on the Society Review Committee for the 2022-23 year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT _____ is appointed to a General Member seat on the Society Review Committee for the 2022-23 year.

Moved by Vice President, Internal

13.9 BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ are appointed to a Councillor seat on the Grants and Sponsorship Committee for the 2022-23 year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT _____ is appointed to a General Member seat on the Grants and Sponsorship Committee for the 2022-23 year.

Moved by Vice President, Finance & Operations

13.10 BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ are appointed to a Councillor seat on the Student Accessibility Fund Committee for the 2022-23 year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ are appointed to a General Member seat on the Student Accessibility Fund Committee for the 2022-23 year.

Moved by Vice President, Internal

13.11 BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ is appointed to a General Member seat on the International Student Emergency Bursary Fund Committee for the 2022-23 year.

Moved by Vice President, Finance & Operations

14.  Announcements

None

15.  Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm