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DSU Council Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date and Time: Thursday, January 26 2023 at 7:00 PM

Location: Council Chambers (Student Union Building)

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

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION 2023-1-26 3.1

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

4. Business Arising Out of the Minutes

5. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

MOTION 2023-1-26-5.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Council meeting on January 12th 2023 be adopted as circulated.

6. Communications Received

7. Appointments by Council

MOTION 2022-09-13-7.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ and _____ be appointed to the Elections Committee for the 2022-23 academic year

Nominations to be brought forward by Oversight Committee

8. Presentations

8.1. Dalhousie Presidential Search Consultation

Presented by Laura Godsoe, Director of Executive Recruitment & Employment Equity at Dalhousie

9. Committee Reports

10. Old Business

11. New Business

MOTION 2023-1-26-11.1

Be it resolved that the DSU Council approves the CKDU's following referenda question:

“Whereas income rates for CKDU-FM employees do not meet current living wage estimates in Nova Scotia; and

Whereas CKDU-FM student levy rate have not risen to match the federal rate of inflation in over 30 years; and

Whereas voting 'no' to this levy increase would result in a difficulty for CKDU-FM – Halifax's only campus-community radio station – to provide events, broadcast services, and community outreach to DSU Members; THEREFORE:

Do you support a student fee levy increase if \$2.00 per semester for full-time students and \$0.50 per semester for part-time students, to be adjusted annually to match the federal rate of inflation and to be payable by DSU Members beginning in 2023?"

Be it further resolved that this referenda question be posed to the members during the 2023 General Election pending the confirmation of a valid petition that includes the names, student numbers, and signatures no less than 5 per cent of all Members whom the Levy would affect.

Motion 2023-1-26-11.2

Be it resolved that the DSU Council approves the Dalhousie Outdoor Society's referenda question: "Whereas Dalhousie students continue to be in need of support in connecting to the outdoors; and

Whereas the Dalhousie Outdoors Society provides such support and resources to Dalhousie students, in addition to providing Dalhousie students with access to recreational services on and off campus; and

Whereas a levy fee increase will serve to promote increased frequency, scale, and quality of outdoor trips, increased camping/ outdoor gear quantity and variety available to students to borrow free of charge, increased likelihood of novel projects, and to enhance and promote the overall wellbeing of the Dalhousie student body; therefore:

Do you support increasing the levy fee for the Dalhousie Outdoors Society from \$0.50 per semester to \$1 per semester for full-time students and \$0.25 to \$0.50 for part-time students?"

Be it further resolved that this referenda question be posed to the members during the 2023 General Election pending the confirmation of a valid petition that includes the names, student numbers, and signatures no less than 5 per cent of all Members whom the Levy would affect.

Motion 2023-1-26-11.3

Be it resolved that the DSU Council approves the Dalhousie Agricultural Student's Association referenda question:

"1. Increase the levy to \$80.00 from \$77.47 for full time students and \$40.00 from \$38.19 for part-time students.

2. Annual increase of DASA fee of no more than 3% per year for the next three years”

Be it further resolved that this referenda question be posed to the members during the 2023 General Election pending the confirmation of a valid petition that includes the names, student numbers, and signatures no less than 5 per cent of all Members whom the Levy would affect.

Motion 2023-1-26-11.4

Be it resolved that the DSU Council approves the Loaded Ladle’s following referenda question:

“Whereas Dalhousie students continue to experience food insecurity on campus, with limited resources and support; and

Whereas the Loaded Ladle provides such support on average of 200+ Dalhousie students daily; and

Whereas a levy fee increase will allow the Loaded Ladle to procure high quality local produce at large volumes, pay livable wages, and expand services on Sexton and Carleton campus;

Therefore: Do you support increasing the Loaded Ladle levy from \$4.50 per semester to \$6.00 per semester for full-time students and from \$2.50 to \$4.00 for part time students payable by DSU members beginning Fall 2023?

Be it further resolved that this referenda question be posed to the members during the 2023 General Election pending the confirmation of a valid petition that includes the names, student numbers, and signatures no less than 5 per cent of all Members whom the Levy would affect.

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

14. Announcements

15. Adjournment