



## Council Meeting Minutes

Date: April 26, 2025

Present: Jewell, Owen, Clem, Miranda, Ziggy, Aadil, Kalani, Karina

Regrets: Julien, Beah (gave proxy to Chelsea), Aaron (gave proxy to Chelsea)

Absent: Chelsea, Shay

Chair: Kalani

Secretary: Karina

Kalani calls the meeting to order at 4:16 pm

Kalani begins the meeting by acknowledging we are in Mi'kma'ki, the territory of the Mi'kmaq. As Treaty people, we are committed to reconciliation. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) peoples first signed with the British Crown in 1725. As a union of students operating within a colonizing university, we must fulfill our responsibility to fight collectively and collaboratively for such outcomes as free and universal education, which are themselves aspects of the project of decolonization, as well as other outcomes which are in the interest of First Nations students at NSCAD. We recognize that Nova Scotia is the home to over 50 African Nova Scotian communities, whose culture, heritage and histories have been, and remain a key part of this province for more than 400 years.

Agenda: Owen moves to approve the agenda, unanimous. Motion passed

Minutes: Owen moves to approve last meeting's minutes, unanimous. Motion passed

Owen moves to approve the 2025 AGM minutes, unanimous. Motion passed

Signatures:

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## **Reports**

### **Owen**

- Chaired SUNSCAD Organizing Committee
- Chaired Hiring Committee
- Attended Exec meetings
- Attended local protests, and invited participation from other SUNSCAD members
- Assisted in organizing of student support for Labour for Palestine May Day event
- Attended NSCAD Senate
- Held call with Lawyer, Andrea
- Attended meeting with OSE and Clem
- Met with Ziggy to discuss matters relevant to the SUNSCAD president position
- Met with Maren, incoming Dalhousie Student Union president, discussed coalition building
- Attended CFS National Committee for the Federal Election Campaign
- Attended SUNSCAD Annual General Meeting, delivered reports, assisted with setup
- Sent mass emails to all SUNSCAD members
- Met with the headhunter for NSCAD's Presidential Search, discussed student interests
- Attended Faculty Forum
- Attended CFS Nova Scotia Provincial Executive Meeting (was ratified as Treasurer of CFS-NS, starting May 1)
- Called with Greenshield admin, signed new plan contract
- Attended National call of Student Union presidents and student organizers on the question of national strategy and coalition building
- Hosted an orientation meeting for new Councillors and Execs

### **Chelsea**

- N/A

### **Jewell**

- N/A

### **Ziggy**

- N/A

### **Aadil**

- N/A

**Beah**

- N/A

**Miranda**

- N/A

**Aaron**

- N/A

**Julien**

- N/A

**Shay**

- N/A

**Clem**

- N/A

**Things we want to see happen**

- Asking admin for more information about why OSE student assistants were let go
- OSE changing to self funding? pursuing grants for funding

**Increasing SUNSCAD Council membership**

- Making sure number of Council reps increases or stays the same
- Reach out to people who are interested to get them involved

**Work to wrap up before incoming council takes over**

- Execs- meet with person who is your replacement to share institutional knowledge

**Offering continuing contract to Vos**

- Owen moves to offer a continuing contract to Vos, as SUNSCAD Material Designer, unanimous, motion passed

**Location for next SUNSCAD meeting**

- Miranda moves that Owen Skeen, current President of SUNSCAD, be mandated to figure out the space for the May 3rd meeting, 5 in favor, 1 abstention, unanimous, motion passed

**Announcements**

- Next Council Meeting on Saturday, May 3, from 4-6 pm

Owen moves to adjourn the meeting, unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 4:35 pm