SUNSCAD COUNCIL MEETING – JUNE 7, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
3. PEOPLE'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
4. ROLL CALL
5. AGENDA
    a. *READING OF*
    b. *ADOPTION OF*
6. MINUTES
7. DISCUSSION
    a. *HANDBOOK*
    b. *TIMELINE*
    c. *HIRING COMMITTEE*
    d. *CFS SGM*
8. OLD BUSINESS
9. NEW BUSINESS
10. ANNOUNCEMENTS
11. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING
12. ADJOURNMENT

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:03pm.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to recognize that NSCAD is an institution built on the unceded and unsurrendered 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 (Wool-los-two-wig) peoples first signed with the British Crown in 1725. As a union of students operating within a colonizing university, we must fulfil 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.

3. PEOPLE'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We recognize that Nova Scotia is the home of over 50 African Nova Scotian communities, whose culture, heritage, and histories have been here for over 400 years, and will continue to persist into our shared futures.

4. ROLL CALL

President – Aaron

VP Finance – Clare

VP External – Rebecca

VP Internal – Yulia

VP Academic – Kate

Accessibility - Clem

Photography Rep – Tovah

5. AGENDA

5a. READING OF THE AGENDA

On the agenda for this meeting was:

Approval of the Agenda
Approval of last meetings minutes

Discussion
Old Business
New Business
Announcements
Time and Date of Next Meeting
Adjournment

The topics of the handbook, the timeline, the hiring committee, and the CFS SGM were added to the agenda for the discussion portion of the meeting.

5b. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved with no objections and no additions to New Business at this time.

6. MINUTES

The last meeting did not have minutes to approve.

7. DISCUSSION

7a. HANDBOOK

The writing for the handbook is being worked on. There is an open invitation from Aaron to collaborate and help with the handbook production in regard to writing and cover design and other items.

7b. TIMELINE

The timeline for the year was discussed, going over the meetings to be held in the following Fall and Winter semester. There will be town halls and SGM's in both semesters to inform and then discuss the upcoming planned student strike.

7c. HIRING COMMITTEE

The hiring committee briefly discussed the dates and following action for hiring the next round of contracted positions at SUNSCAD. NSPIRG is contributing to the hiring committee and asked for a space to work in the office, Aaron is replying/replied that there can be made a common space outside of the SUNSCAD office rooms for NSPIRG since the offices are at capacity.
A deadline for the hiring call for the next contracted positions at SUNSCAD has been set for Thursday June 11th. Kate has picked up the role of making posters for the positions.

7d. CFS SGM

Aaron has stated that the motion for a strike policy does not need to be finished by the next SGM, but it should be worked on.
Further, Aaron brought up the possibility for making a motion for requesting funding from the

CFS for the creation and distribution of a provincial zine press (name pending) and the voting of other universities on their involvement. As discussed, the zine press would connect universities student unions to the writing and illustrating/art making for a zine press that would be distributed around other unions. Funding would be acquired from the CFS through the motion, and distribution would ideally be handled or funded through the CFS as well. Questions about printing, space and committee were brought up. There was a brief inquiry into whether the CFS office spaces would be available to use. Clare brought up a digital aspect to universities too far away to effectively collaborate and distributed to, which would require the creation and maintenance of a website.
Kate brought up a meeting to "sit down and work on" the strike motion and zine press issues which is tentatively set for the 28th of June.
The SUNSCAD Zine Press meeting still requires scheduling.
There is limited space for members to join the SUNSCAD Zine Press which pushed a motion into the New Business section of the meeting.

8. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss from the May 3rd Council Meeting.

9. NEW BUSINESS

The motion to remove Yulia from the zine press committee and appoint Tovah passes unanimously. This motion was based on the availability of members of the Zine Press Committee over the summer semester, freeing room on the limited committee space so that those who are available more often are able to join the committee.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kate Armstrong announces: Happy Pride Month!

11. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next council meeting will be on June 21st, 2026, at 3:00pm.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:50pm.