



Student Union of NSCAD
D250, 5163 Duke Street
Halifax, NS B3J 3J6

June, 11, 2021

Executive Meeting Minutes

Present: Laura, Nicole, Liz, Hannah, Rebecca, Augusta

Absent:

Regrets:

Chair: Rebecca

Secretary: Augusta

Call to order at 4:38PM.

Laura motions to approve the agenda. Hannah seconds.

Rebecca begins the meeting by recognizing we are situated on unceded and unsurrendered Mi'kmaq territory, which is covered under the Peace and Friendship Treaties since 1725. It is our responsibility to understand our relationship with the land as stewards, arrivants, and settlers.

Signatures:

President

Resource Coordinator

Present

Laura Lima Nishida, She/Her // President // president@sunscad.org

Nicole Maggio, She/Her // VP Academic // academic@sunscad.org

Elizabeth Graham, Anything // VP External // external@sunscad.org

Hannah Craig, She/Her // VP Internal // internal@sunscad.org

Rebecca Delle Monache, She/ Her // Chairperson // Chairperson@sunscad.org

Augusta LeBlanc, She/ Her // Secretary // Secretary@sunscad.org

AGENDA

- Motion to approve June 4 executive meeting minutes
- Motion to award Jacey Byrne \$75 for foodbank training
- Motion to grant Nicole Maggio an increase in maximum hours from 10-15 hours / week
- Update on SUNSCAD bursary
- Update on CFSNS MOU meeting from June 4
- Meeting update with Christina Warren
- Kayr Meeting update
- Foodbank updates
- Presidential Search Committee update
- Motion to separate the VP Equity and Diversity into 2 positions
- Discussion on when we should start advertising for council positions
- Recaps

Motion to approve June 4 executive meeting minutes

- Laura motions to approve the June 4 executive meeting minutes. Hannah seconds. No oppositions.

Motion to award Jacey Byrne \$75 for food bank training

- Laura motions to approve bursary from SUNSCAD honorarium budget to Jacey Byrne for June 6 foodbank training. Nicole seconds. No opposition.

Motion to grant Nicole Maggio an increase in maximum hours from 10-15 hours/week

- **Laura motions to grant Nicole Maggio an increase in maximum hours under the resolution 1, 6a + 6b bi-laws from 10 to 15 hours/week. Hannah seconds. No opposition.**

Update on SUNSCAD bursary

- Laura
 - Regarding the student issues to organize forms being created to request emergency funding.
 - Asks Hannah to advertise on the SUNSCAD website and instagram for the bursary closer to fall.
 - Also asks to put the advertisements in weekly dispatch.
- Nicole
 - Asked if the 4 thousand budget all SUNSCAD has for the year, or will it be replenished?
- Laura
 - The 4 thousand is all we are going to get for the year.

Update on CFSNS MOU Meeting June 4

- Liz
 - Felt that the people hosting the CFSNS MOU meeting were not giving students the time of day, and felt that they were reluctant to answer questions.
 - The presentation felt useless since they sent out the same presentation beforehand and were presenting already known information.
- Laura
 - Agrees.

Meeting update with Christina Warren

- Laura
 - Talked about international student issues.
 - Was in touch with an indigenous student from Mount Saint Vincent University to help establish a better smudging policy.
 - Offered to schedule weekly or biweekly meetings with the student.

Kayr meeting update

- Laura
 - Kayr proposed a communications platform which was made for students by students.
 - Kayr can act like other social media in that it has chat rooms, polls, and quizzes.
 - Was hesitant on accepting their proposal at the time because of the price issues.
 - Kayr was offering a charge of \$2-8 / student.
 - Kayr offers security for students since they need a NSCAD account to log in.
 - Asks Hannah to send notes from the Kayr meeting to her [Laura].

Foodbank update

- Liz
 - Will ask Chris and Augusta to go to the foodbank to clean it out sometime next week.
 - After the foodbank is cleaned out, she will aim to re-open.
 - Possibly open again on the 22 or 29th of June.
 - Will discuss training times with Chris and Augusta.
 - Will sort out details later in the week.
- Hannah
 - Will confirm foodbank times with Liz and put info in weekly dispatch and newsletter.

Presidential Search Committee meeting update

- Nicole
 - Will follow up by tomorrow (June 12) for the council's role in the hiring process.
 - We [the council] are allowed up to 12 students to work (including the council).
 - Whoever commits needs to sign a non disclosure agreement.
 - The hiring process will take about 4 days per candidate.
 - Whoever is there for the 1st round of interviews NEEDS to be there for the second round.
 - The first interview will take place on Tuesday, August 17 (not confirmed ATM)
- Hannah
 - Will send out a communication notice with this information once dates are confirmed.
 - Asks if the council needs to be present?
 - Asks if it will be first come first served?

- Liz
 - Clarifies that the council will be meeting the students beforehand.
 - If there aren't enough applicants, members of the council will fill in.
 - Suggests that the applicants send in a short cover letter with application reasons (500 characters max)
- Laura
 - Agrees to meet with students
 - Will create a form with pre-prepared questions for the applicants.
 - Suggests to create the questions as a group [the council].
- Hannah
 - Proposes to send out an email chain to give more details to students.
 - Questions if a first come first serve is more appropriate than a google form.
 - The google form can be seen as a way of filtering out applicants.
- Nicole
 - Clarifies that the group of 12 includes council members. 4 councils and 8 students.
 - The council needs to choose someone to be the moderator for the meeting.

Discussion to separate the VP Equity and Diversity into 2 positions

- Nicole
 - States that Jacey suggested to separate VP Equity and Diversity into 2 roles.

Discussion on how/when to advertise for council positions

- Nicole
 - Asks when we [the council] should start advertising for open council positions?
 - The sooner we advertise, the sooner students can start thinking about their application.
 - Advertising will open up opportunities for students.
- Hannah
 - Can start posting information for positions on instagram and in the newsletter.
- Laura
 - Suggests to wait till the end of July or mid August to start advertising.
 - Note that if we advertise too soon, students will dismiss it and forget.
- Liz (off topic)
 - When should we advertise for clubs?
- Laura
 - We should also wait till closer to mid August to advertise for clubs.

Motion to Go in Camera

- **Laura motions to go in camera. Nicole seconds.**
- **Goes into camera at 5:24 PM.**
- **Laura motions to leave camera. Hannah seconds.**
- **Leaves camera at 6:01 PM.**

Recaps

- Liz
 - Will get ready for the foodbank opening.
 - Will organize dates for training with Chris and Augusta.
 - Keep up to date with emails.
- Hannah
 - Will update emergency funds information on SUNSCAD website.
 - Will advertise the discord server on instagram.
 - Send out weekly dispatch.
 - Get the foodbank update from Liz.
 - Get Presidential Search Committee update from Nicole.
 - Get in touch with Chris.
- Laura
 - Meet with the Alumni representative.
 - Get in touch with the indigenous student from Mount Saint Vincent University.
 - Will keep up with meetings and notes.
- Nicole
 - Attend the Presidential Search Committee meeting.
 - Follow up on student concern regarding \$100 for leave of absence.
 - Arrange a meeting with Karin Cope.

Laura motions to adjourn the meeting. Nicole seconds.

Meeting adjourns at 6:10 PM