



Executive Meeting Minutes

Date: April 4, 2024

Present: Alexandra, Owen, Chris, Mohammed, Prabnoor, Kalani, Karina

Regrets:

Absent:

Chair: Kalani

Secretary: Karina

Kalani calls the meeting to order at 11:05 am

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 motions to approve the agenda, unanimous. Motion passed

Minutes: Owen motions to approve last week's minutes, unanimous. Motion passed

Signatures:

Exec Member

Resource Coordinator

Reports

Chris

- N/A

Alexandra

- N/A

Prabnoor

- N/A

Mohammed

- N/A

Owen

- N/A

Funding for Port Dance

- Owen motions that we approve the funding of the NSCAD Port Dance in the amount of \$1156.37 in accordance with the form that Kat Macdonald submitted to us (with \$453.77 of that funding designated specifically for the purchase of alcohol), and with the conditions that proper licenses for serving alcohol are confirmed, and that permission to use the facilities after 5 PM has been granted, Alexandra seconds, Chris votes in favor, Mohammed and Prabnoor abstain, majority, motion passed

Pigeon Press Funding

- Pigeon Press is currently unable to access funding they received from Mindful Campus due to trouble with banking, could we fund them during this period?
- Discussed SUNSCAD managing their financials to solve banking problem, ordering bulk supplies to lower costs
- Ellen said the supply cost is \$75/week (for two sessions)
- Could get mugs through the Ceramics department to avoid single-use cups (but glazes would need to be confirmed food-safe)
- No vote occurred- details still need to be solidified

Removal of Orientation-day painting from Student Lounge

- Discussed possible solutions for the painting- change its location, archive and keep the frame to reuse, paint over the same canvas for future events
- Could try doing smaller pieces that can be presented like a mosaic in the future
- Owen motions to disassemble and archive the orientation day painting that is currently sitting in the student lounge, Chris seconds, Alexandra votes in favor, Mohammed and Prabnoor abstain, majority approval, motion passed

GreenShield information

- Owen met with GreenShield ~1 week ago regarding our plan- there is some coverage students may not be aware of
- Gender affirming care is covered, some students had been asking
- Some basic legal services coverage- they can give advice, read up to 6 pages of legal documents (could be relevant to housing crisis)
- Could we make an Instagram post about some of the less-known coverages in the plan?
- Chris printed out some copies of the GreenShield booklet to be made available

Announcements

- Owen will be sending general emails to students regarding next Council meetings, AGM, within the next few days
- Next Working/Executive meetings on Thursday, April 11th from 10 am-12 pm

Owen motions to adjourn the meeting, unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm