



Executive Meeting Minutes

Date: March 21, 2024

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

Regrets:

Absent:

Chair: Kalani

Secretary: Karina

Kalani calls the meeting to order at 11:20 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 all outstanding minutes, Alexandra seconds, unanimous.

Motion passed

Signatures:

Reports

Chris

- Meetings: Senate Executive meeting, Board of Governors, Ombudsperson, Dean, VP Provost, Faculty (re BOG)
- Contacted CFS Ottawa (re contract)
- HR and CFO (re hiring)

Alexandra

- CRO training and support
- Meetings: Dean, Curriculum Committee, Senate, Dean student hiring committee, OSE
- Email and Online office hours

Prabnoor

- N/A

Mohammed

- N/A

Owen

- N/A

Roll call voting

- We have had trouble getting enough votes/engagement for some items
- Owen asks for roll-call votes for all items during this meeting
- Kalani will ask for votes and call on individuals if they have not specified their vote

Lawyer invoice

- \$6,601 in lawyer fees incurred in February- 1 in-person meeting, back-and-forth emailing with lawyer
- Chris motions to allocate \$6,601 towards paying our lawyer fees, Owen seconds, unanimous, motion passed

Reports for Executive meetings

- Reports are required for Council meetings, but optional for Executive meetings

- Alexandra wants to ensure Exec reports can continue in order to maintain consistency and a record of what is being done by Executives
- Kalani can indicate in future emails that they can be sent but aren't required

Omnibus- purchases for next Council meeting

- Owen motions to fund \$30 for an ongoing supply of plates and \$200 for pizza for the next Council meeting , and that he makes these purchases, Alexandra seconds, unanimous, motion passed
- Chris bought \$45 of drinks for the last Council meeting, these will be used for the upcoming meeting

Funding for Fashion/Jewelry show

- Not enough information, will discuss next meeting after reviewing budget

Publicizing working meeting minutes

- Alexandra wants Working meeting minutes made public to students- many things we do are only recorded in these minutes, not known to students
- Discussed other possible formats such as a report, or publishing specific items on website
- We shouldn't edit minutes- they are assumed to be a record of the meeting as it happened
- Alexandra will see which minutes could be published without editing, bring to next meeting

Feed NS Donation

- We received a \$6,000 donation from Feed NS- can use this towards gift card purchases by former RC
- Tabled till next week

Resource Coordinator announcement

- Alexandra motions to announce to students that the position of Resource Coordinator is vacant due to restructuring (include name of former RC) and that the website is updated in accordance (with exact wording decided when the email is created), Owen seconds, unanimous, motion passed

GreenShield booklets

- Will look into this further, can discuss next meeting after we have more details
- Tabled till next week

Office supplies

- Owen motions that each Executive can purchase up to \$25 of office supplies per week, with larger purchases voted on in Executive meetings, Prabnoor seconds, unanimous, motion passed

Posting demands for Dean, information about Committees

- Alexandra motions that the Demands for the Dean will be posted on the website under their own label (will be done by Alexandra); that all active SUNSCAD committees will be posted on the SUNSCAD website in an appropriate place (Alexandra); and that the Instagram posts about SUNSCAD committees be done by Prabnoor, Owen seconds, unanimous, motion passed

Port Dance Committee

- Port Dance Committee was struck during last Council meeting, Owen contacted Kat and they are interested in Chairing
- Need to send resources to students in Chair positions about their roles and information about running committees

Announcements

- CRO Temporary Agreement
- Self Service, Academic Issues with Courses and Degrees
- Port Dance
- Next Working/Executive meetings on Thursday, March 28th from 10 am-12 pm

Owen motions to adjourn the meeting, unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm