



## Executive Meeting Minutes

Date: November 14, 2024

Present: Aadil, Chelsea, Owen, Kalani

Regrets: Karina

Absent: Jewell

Chair: Kalani

Secretary: Karina

Kalani calls the meeting to order at 10:45 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 moves to approve the agenda, unanimous. Motion passed

Minutes: N/A

Signatures:

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### **Contracts for employees**

- Owen moves that we solicit the services of Andrea MacNevin, our attorney, to draft contracts for each of our independent contractor positions at SUNSCAD for the next term, and that we make the final decision on who will be offered the contract again for the next term at the next Executive meeting, unanimous, motion passed

**10:59 am- Owen moves to go in camera, unanimous, motion passed**

**11:11 am- Out of camera**

### **Union dues**

- Owen moves that the lawsuit that our lawyer has been preparing regarding the immediate release of union dues by NSCAD University to SUNSCAD be continued for preparation, and be scheduled for delivery at end-of-day Monday, November 18th, and that our attorney sends to NSCAD University a letter on Friday, November 15th, outlining this lawsuit, and requesting NSCAD University meets the demands of the lawsuit, prior to end-of-day Monday, in order for us to withdraw our suit, unanimous, motion passed

### **Hiring a bookkeeper**

- Chelsea moves that we mandate Chelsea Stilwell, VP Finance, to look into options for bookkeepers to hire on a short-term contract, and report back to the Executive next week, unanimous, motion passed

**Chelsea moves to amend the agenda to add a motion about a card for Dr. Shannon, unanimous, motion passed**

### **Card for Dr. Shannon**

- Chelsea moves that the SUNSCAD Executive sends a card to Dr. Peggy Shannon thanking her for her time and work at NSCAD
- Owen moves to amend the motion to state that the letter be signed by all the members of Exec and Council who would like to sign it, unanimous, amendment passed
- Chelsea moves to amend the amendment to state that the letter be signed by all members of Exec and Council to the best of our abilities, unanimous, amendment passed

- Chelsea moves that we send a card to Dr. Peggy Shannon thanking her for all of her time and work at NSCAD, signed by Councilors and Executives as is possible, unanimous, motion passed

**Chelsea moves to amend the agenda to include a motion about letting Jim (our accountant) go, conditional upon finding a bookkeeper contractor, unanimous, motion passed**

**Terminate accountant contract**

- Chelsea moves to let Jim (our accountant) go, conditional upon finding a bookkeeper contractor
- Owen moves to amend the motion to terminate the contract of Jim Maisonneuve, the temporary accountant hired by SUNSCAD through Robert Half, unanimous, amendment passed
- Chelsea moves to terminate the contract of Jim Maisonneuve, the temporary accountant hired by SUNSCAD through Robert Half, conditional upon finding a bookkeeper contractor, unanimous, motion passed

**Announcements**

- N/A

Chelsea moves to adjourn the meeting, unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 11:26 am