



Council Meeting Minutes

Date: November 8, 2024

Present: Jewell, Chelsea, Beah, Aadil, Kalani

Regrets: Miranda, Owen (both gave proxy to Chelsea), Karina

Absent:

Chair: Kalani

Secretary: Karina

Kalani calls the meeting to order at 5:16 pm

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: Beah moves to approve the agenda, unanimous. Motion passed

Minutes: N/A

Signatures:

Exec Member

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Reports

Chelsea

Council Report:

- Met with OOB about Winter Orientation
- Attended Exec meetings
- Attended Dal legal aid meetings re Bylaws and Food Bank policy
- Participated on calls with Memorial University of Newfoundland student union
- Met with Jude Gerrard, Shawn Tracey, Jana Macalik
- Participated in question day for elections

Jewell

Council Report:

- Contacted student advisor to help advertise clubs and collectives
- Added Instagram to website
- Updated minutes on website
- Ran Instagram, posted about active clubs/committees
- Attended Exec, Council meetings
- Met with Jude Gerrard, Shawn Tracey, Jana Macalik
- Attended Orientation meeting

Aadil

Council Report:

- Attended Orientation meeting
- Met with Jude Gerrard, Shawn Tracey, Jana Macalik

Beah

Council Report:

- Held knitting circle

Owen

- N/A

Miranda

- N/A

Publicizing senate committees

- Jewell and Chelsea can work on compiling vacant senate committee seats to post on Instagram and to include in the next general email to students

Food Bank

- Next general email to students should include a call for Food Bank volunteers, other Food Bank information
- Jewell can design letters to print on vinyl and use for labeling Food Bank panels
- No vote occurred

FOIPOP's

- Chelsea moves to table this item, unanimous, motion tabled

Winter market discussion

- NSCAD Winter market will be on December 7th from 11 am- 5 pm
- No vote occurred

NSCAD Discord

5:48 pm: Chelsea leaves the meeting

5:52 pm: Chelsea returns

- Chelsea moves that we put out a call for a moderator for the discord channel, and if we don't find a suitable moderator by the end of December 2024, that we shut it down, unanimous, motion passed

5:57 pm: Chelsea moves to take a 5 minute recess

6:02 pm: Meeting resumes

- Jamie overheard the conversation in the Learning Commons and offered to moderate the discord

Orientation

- Jewell reached out to Ellen about having Pigeon Press provide breakfast, will reach out to Glitter Bean if she doesn't hear back soon
- No vote occurred

Approve VP Finance overtime

- Beah moves to approve VP finance's pay for an additional 20.5 hours of work (\$369) during the period of October 18-31, 2024
- Chelsea declares a conflict of interest, leaves the room
- Aadil moves to amend the motion to recognize 20 hours for this timesheet plus the per diem, and to carry forward the remaining 20.5 hours to following timesheets, unanimous, amendment passed
- Beah moves to recognize 20 hours for this timesheet, plus the per diem, and to carry forward the remaining 20.5 hours to following timesheets, unanimous, motion passed
- Chelsea returns

E-motions

- 10/16: Chelsea moves for Chelsea to email our attorney Andrea MacNevin seeking legal counsel on the topic of payroll and honoraria, majority, motion passed

Announcements

- Next Council Meeting on Friday, November 22nd, from 5-7 pm

Jewell moves to adjourn the meeting, unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm