

# The regular weekly meeting of the Dawson Student Union was held on Thursday the 19th of November 2020 at 20:00 by videoconference. The Chairperson presided over the meeting. The Deputy Chairperson recorded the minutes.

**Present:** Kevin Contant-Holowatyj, Alexandrah Cardona, Noah Lemaire, Nicole Vega Rivas, Leana Ramirez, Sarah Bensemana, Valeria Sygal, Danahe Orduna Martinez, Amelie Chornet

Absent : None

Guests : None

# <u>Agenda</u>

# 1. Adoption of the agenda

# 2. Adoption of the minutes

### 3. Executive Reports

- 3.1 Chairperson
- **3.2** Director of Internal Affairs & Advocacy
- **3.3** Director of Mobilization & Communications
- **3.4** Director of Sustainability

# 4. Old Business

4.1 Final exams

# 5. New Business

- **5.1** Inter-association meeting
- 5.2 Holiday activities
- 5.3 TEDxDawson
- **5.4** Visa gift card giveaway

# <u>Minutes</u>

# Meeting called to order at 20h05

# 1. Adoption of the agenda

• Sarah moves to add point 3.4

Motion passed by unanimous consent



• Kevin moves to add point 4 and 4.1

Motion passed by unanimous consent

• Kevin moves to add point 5.3 and 5.4

Motion passed by unanimous consent

• Leana moves to adopt the agenda with the proposed modifications

Motion passed by unanimous consent

### 2. Adoption of the minutes

• Leana moves to adopt the minutes

Motion passed by unanimous consent

### 3. Executive Reports

- a. Chairperson
  - Meeting with Deans regarding in-person final exams; the college's decision is based on faculty concerns for academic integrity; Dawson refuses to survey students on the matter
  - Chairperson signed a contract with a Google partner firm to organize Workspace (G suite)
  - Meeting regarding the GNL statement and how to move forward on the position
  - Survey for executives' honorariums have been sent via email
  - Senate held a special meeting for the appointment of the new Director General and a regular meeting covering reports from the registrar's office (Fall 2020 admissions report), the Academic Dean outlined the socio-political pressures the Quebec government is placing on Dawson and regular program revisions were presented by faculty (to be adopted by the Board of Governors)
  - Protocol Agreement negotiations begin with Student Services on Monday November 23<sup>rd</sup>
- b. Director of Internal Affairs & Advocacy
  - Review of past Internal Affairs reports
  - Organizing a committee to revise and implement the Safer Space Policy
- c. Director of Mobilization & Communications
  - A Google form will become available for all directors to submit requests for social media posts
  - In the process of contacting local businesses for giveaway opportunities
- d. Director of Sustainability



- Meeting with Dawson's sustainability department representative
- Opportunity to buy back bonds using the sustainability budget in order for the DSU to become certified carbon neutral
- Planning for post-pandemic "back to school" student transportation (environmentally friendly alternatives such as carpooling)
- The GNL statement has been posted on the main website, social media and will be sent to the Minister of Natural Resources
- Sarah moves that the Dawson Student Union take the necessary steps to create a plan in order to buy back bonds for carbon neutral certification

Motion passed by unanimous consent

### 4. Old Business

**4.1** Final in-person exams

• Kevin moves to create an advisory committee (including Danahe, Noah, Leana and Valeria) regarding public relations to prepare upcoming press releases

Motion passed by unanimous consent

#### 5. New Business

**5.1** Inter-association meeting

• Valeria moves to reject the invitation for the inter-association meeting

Motion passed by unanimous consent

- 5.2 Holiday activities
  - Danahe moves to create a committee (including Nicole, Leana, Amelie and Valeria) to organize holiday festivities

Motion passed by unanimous consent

- 5.3 TEDxDawson
  - Kevin moves that Nicole begin the organization of a TEDxDawson event for the Winter 2021 semester

Motion passed by unanimous consent

- **5.4** Visa gift card giveaway
  - Kevin moves that the DSU offer visa gift cards as prizes for upcoming event giveaways

Motion passed by unanimous consent

Kevin moves to adjourn the meeting



Motion passed by unanimous consent

Meeting adjourned at 21h45

Next meeting: November 26<sup>th</sup> 2020 at 20h00

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Deputy Chairperson

26/11/2020

Date