

# MINUTES FOR THE 23<sup>rd</sup> MEETING OF THE 2020-2021 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THURSDAY MARCH 25<sup>TH</sup> 2021 7:00 PM (ZOOM CONFERENCE)

# Present:

Kevin Contant-Holowatyj (Chairperson) Alexandrah Cardona (Deputy Chairperson) Noah Lemaire (Treasurer) Danahe Orduna Martinez (Director of Mobilization & Communications) Leana Ramirez (Director of Internal Affairs & Advocacy) Valeria Sygal (Director of External Affairs) Nicole Vega Rivas (Director of Student Life) Amelie Chornet (Director of Clubs & Services) Sarah Bensemana (Director of Sustainability)

# Visitors:

# **Regrets:**

The Chairperson presided over the meeting. The Deputy Chairperson recorded the minutes.

# AGENDA

- 1. Adoption of the agenda
- 2. Adoption of the minutes for the 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the executive committee
- 3. Reports
  - 3.1 Chairperson3.2 Treasurer3.3 Director of Sustainability

# 4. New Business

- 4.1 Sustainability Committee Representative Appointment
- 4.2 Special Project Funding
- **4.3 Collective Agreement Negotiations**



#### MINUTES

## Meeting called to order at 7:09 pm

#### 1. Adoption of the agenda

• Alexandrah moves to add point 4.3 to the agenda

Motion passed by unanimous consent

• Danahe moves to adopt the agenda with the proposed amendments

Motion passed by unanimous consent

- 2. Adoption of the minutes for the 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the executive committee
  - Nicole moves to adopt the minutes

Motion passed by unanimous consent

#### 3. Reports

### 3.1 Chairperson

- Human Resources committee: Considering the possibility of hiring a temporary staff member to manage the union's website and other digital projects during the remainder of the current mandate.
- Governance Revision committee: The draft for the proposed constitution will be revised by the union's legal counsel next week.
- A meeting with the chairs of the college's ISEP committee will be held this month to discuss proposed revisions.
- The next meeting with Student Care regarding the implementation of student health insurance will be held on March 26<sup>th.</sup>
- The Coordinator of Student Services will chair a new steering committee for consultation of student fees for the Dawson College Foundation
- The web design firm that is tasked with building the union's new website will provide a training to executives on April 2<sup>nd.</sup>
- The first Student Council meeting of the Winter 2021 mandate will be held on March 30<sup>th.</sup>

## 3.2 Treasurer

- The union's insurance policy has been implemented and is finalized.
- A new form has been posted on the main website for student groups who require reimbursements
- The Special Project Funding eligibility criteria has been changed in order to support a wider variety of student groups and fund more student-run projects.
- The Google Services license has been transferred to non-profit status, therefore allowing the treasury to reduce expenses for these services.

- The second sustainability workshop will be held on March 31<sup>st</sup> and promoted via social media. Attendees will enter a raffle for Lufa Farms gift cards.
- Dawson College Sustainability committee: the department is looking to promote environmentally friendly methods of transport for the Fall 2021 semester to reduce congestion on public transportation systems and considering offering classes outdoors in the Peace Gardens.
- Dawson Dining services will resume via form of grocery store gift cards
- In the process of organizing financial details for the carbon neutral certification initiative.

# 3.3 Director of Student Life

- The Councillor for Indigenous Students proposed that the union promote expansion of the First People's Centre.
- Noah moves to amend the composition of the Indigenous Action committee formed at the 14<sup>th</sup> meeting to include two directors and unlimited seats for Indigenous students.

# 3.5 Director of External Affairs

- End of year events planning: possibility of offering food trucks or other outdoor activities on campus that allow for social distancing.
- An Intercollegiate fundraising event for runners will take place.

## 3.6 Director of Clubs & Services

- Newly inaugurated clubs KDrop and Dawson Freedom Alliance are respecting the parameters of the interim club accreditation and will likely be promoted to permanent status by the end of the semester.
- Updating the club's list for the upcoming year and to prepare space allocation at the college.

## 4. New Business

## 4.1 Sustainability Committee Representative Appointment

• Noah moves the following resolution:

Be it resolved that the Executive Committee appoints Linden Mackenzie as student representative for the Dawson Sustainability Committee.

Motion passed by unanimous consent

## 4.2 Special Project Funding

• Noah moves that all previous policies concerning the special funding funding be repealed and that new regulations be drafted by the Treasurer (subject to ratification by the board) and that projects will not be approved or receive funding without board approval

Motion passed by unanimous consent



- 4.3 Collective Agreement Negotiations
- Directors discussed this point and no action was taken

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY APRIL 1st 2021 7:00 PM

Alexandrah Cardona

Deputy Chairperson

1/04/2021 Date