MINUTES FOR THE 24th MEETING OF THE 2020-2021 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
THURSDAY APRIL 1ST 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 23rd meeting of the executive committee**

3. **Guests**
   3.1 Joshua Rivedal (the i'Mpossible project)

4. **Reports**
   4.1 Chairperson

5. **New Business**
   5.1 Special Committee on In-person Exams
   5.2 Appointment of Senate student representative
   5.3 Appointment of Board of Governors student representative
   5.4 Special Committee on ISEP revision

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5.5 Special Committee on selection of student representatives
5.6 Podcast Editor

MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm

1. **Adoption of the agenda**

   - Nicole moves to remove point 5.7 (podcast editor) from the agenda

     Motion passed by unanimous consent

   - Amelie moves to add a point of business for club status

     Motion passed by unanimous consent

   - Kevin moves to add a point of business for the Communications Branding Committee

     Motion passed by unanimous consent

   - Nicole moves to adopt the agenda with the proposed amendments

     Motion passed by unanimous consent

2. **Adoption of the minutes for the 23rd meeting of the executive committee**

   - Noah moves to amend the proposed draft to clarify the insurance policy as part of the reports

     Motion passed by unanimous consent

   - Nicole moves to adopt the minutes

     Motion passed by unanimous consent

3. **Guests**
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- Joshua presented a proposal for a speaker event open to the Dawson community to promote suicide prevention resources.

4. Reports

4.1 Chairperson

- The first draft of the constitution is undergoing revision by the union's legal counsel as part of the governance revision project.
- The Winter 2021 General Assembly officers have been selected. Both the Chair and Secretary have prior experience in these roles from the Fall 2020 GA.
- A regular Senate meeting is scheduled for April 6th 2021. The Chairperson's resolution concerning the college's bylaw 3 (expansion of student representation on the senate) will be presented on the agenda as a point of business.
- The Student Council's first meeting of the Winter 2021 mandate held on March 30th was a great success.

- Kevin moved the following resolution:

  Be it resolved that the Dawson Student Union terminate its accounts with the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC).

  Motion passed by unanimous consent

4.2 Deputy Chairperson

- The Dawson Support Staff Union formally announced their strike this week. The Dawson Student Union, Dawson Teacher's Union and Association of Dawson Professionals demonstrated solidarity with the strike effort.
- Members of faculty from the department of Humanities contacted DSU to discuss the recent spike in hate crimes against the Asian community.

- Alexandrah moved the following resolution:

  Be it resolved that the Dawson Student Union formally condemns any form of hate or discrimination against the Asian community and other minority groups at Dawson College.

  Motion passed by unanimous consent

4.3 Treasurer

- Special Project Funding applications are now available to students on the main website.

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- A meeting with an auditing firm is scheduled for next week as the Finance Committee is looking to hire a firm for future audits.

4.4 Director of Sustainability

- Sustainability workshop attendees will receive Lufa Farms gift cards.
- Dawson Dining services to be promoted on Omnivox and the union's social media.

5. New Business

5.1 Special Committee on In-person Exams

- Nicole moves the following resolution:

  Be it resolved that a special committee on in-person exams be formed and composed of the Chairperson, Director of Internal Affairs & Advocacy, Director of External Affairs, Directors of Sustainability and three councillors to be selected by the student council.

  Motion passed by unanimous consent

- Kevin moves the following amendments:

  Be it further resolved that this committee will be tasked with addressing the situation on in-person exams and will be empowered to make decisions on the DSU's position on the matter.

  Be it further resolved that this committee will be chaired by the Chairperson.

  Motion passed by unanimous consent

5.2 Appointment of Senate student representative

- Nicole moves the following resolution:

  Be it resolved that Ahmad Shaker Noori be appointed as Continuing Education student representative for Senate.

  Motion passed by unanimous consent

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5.3 Appointment of Board of Governors student representative

- Nicole moves the following resolution:

  Be it resolved that Nathan McDonald be appointed as technical programs student representative for the Board of Governors.

  Motion passed by unanimous consent

5.4 Special Committee on ISEP revision

- Nicole moves the following resolution:

  Be it resolved that the composition of the special committee on ISEP revisions previously formed be composed of two directors and three councillors to be selected by Student Council.

  Motion passed by unanimous consent

- Kevin moves the following amendment:

  Be it further resolved that this committee will also have a non-voting chair who is the Chairperson.

  Motion passed by unanimous consent

5.5 Special Committee on selection of student representatives

- Nicole moves the following resolution:

  Be it resolved that a special committee on selection of student representatives be formed and composed of Director of Student Life, Director of Internal Affairs & Advocacy, the current student representative for the Dawson Foundation and the Deputy Chairperson. This committee will be chaired by the Deputy Chairperson and will be given the authority to appoint representatives. Such committee proceedings will be minuted and a report will be presented at the end of the committee's mandate.

  Motion passed by unanimous consent

- Kevin moves the following amendments:

  Be it further resolved that this committee will be tasked with appointing representatives for the Dawson Foundation and Dawson Foundation Committee. The positions for student representatives will be offered to student councillors first before being opened to the public;

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Be it further resolved that the committee's first priority in appointments is the Dawson Foundation Committee followed by the Dawson Foundation.

Motion passed by unanimous consent

5.6 Communications and Branding Committee

- Noah moves the following resolution:

Be it resolved that the Executive Committee appoint Oriana Buschszer as the student representative to Dawson's communications and branding committee.

Motion passed by unanimous consent

5.7 Club Status

- Kevin moves to postpone this point to the subsequent regular meeting

Motion passed by unanimous consent

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY APRIL 8th 2021 7:00 PM

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Alexandrah Cardona
Deputy Chairperson

8/04/2021
Date