



**Board of Directors  
Meeting Minutes**

October 21, 2015

**I. Call to order:**

- Ian Hall called to order the regular meeting of the NUSU Board of Directors at 9:31 PM on October 21, 2015 in the NUSU Boardroom.
- Ian Hall conducted a roll call. The following persons were present: Ian Hall, Madison Byblow, Andrew Deugo, Jordan Andrews, Ruth Alvarez-Cortez, Dave Ratcliffe, Kieran Donnelly, Jordan Dempster, Shayla Garrick, and Brittaney Kent.

**II. Agenda Adopted:**

- Agenda for the Board of Directors meeting was adopted. An amendment was made to item 3; the election of a vice-chair. Motioned by Ian Hall, seconded by Madison Byblow.

**III. Minutes Adopted:**

- Ian Hall read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved following the NUSU AGM and posted on the NUSU website for students to access.

**IV. Vice-Chair Election:**

- The nomination period was opened; nomination for Andrew Deugo by Jordan and Shayla. Nomination for Madison Byblow by Kieran and Brittaney
- The voting period was opened; Voting resulted in a total of 7 votes for Madison and 2 votes for Andrew. Madison was voted in as the vice-chair.

**V. Confidentiality & Ethics:**

- Overview of directors; decision making bodies, executive directors, ratifying bylaws, lawsuits, budget, NPO (all student unions).



- Conflict of interest; biases, business that conflict with one's own duty on the Board of Directors.
- Confidentiality: broad rules; H.R.
- Bylaw Compliance.
  
- Laws of Canada and Ontario.
- Passing out/signing of confidentiality packages.

#### **VI. Interim Policy Documents:**

- a) Creation of new policies to make the governance and running of day to day operations easier (no voting).

#### **VII. Interim Committee Creations:**

- 4 new committees proposed; those that report to the board and those that report to the executive:
  - Health and Safety (Legal Requirement).
  - Technology and Infrastructure: Assets, POS Systems, questions/problems should they arise.
  - Plant and Property: Land Sales and deals, building project, major capital assets (including the Tahoe and vehicles). Furthermore, Plant and Property has sub-committee; the Building Project Working Group which will handle the day to day, proposals, etc... Will report to the Plant & Property committee. Proposed to chair Plant and Property by Ian Hall and Jordan Andrews, as well as including Simon Blakely, Warren Lindsay, Dave Trench, architect for the building project. All current directors have elected to sit on this committee.
  - Audit and Finance: For the purpose of budgeting. Need to get it off the ground ASAP and budget for the future. Chaired by Andrews and Hall. Suggested that financial targets be established (i.e., reduce deficit, review



financial status and review the books). Non-voting members to include Mira Holt and Simon Blakely. Directors Dave Ratcliffe, Brittaney Kent and Jordan Dempster elect to sit on this committee.

### **VIII.Executive Committee Update: Hall**

- NUSU is in a good spot and headed in the right direction, the day to day operations are running smoothly.
- The Wall Bar & Grillhouse is the premier operation and top bar destination in North Bay.
- Frosh Week was a success.
- 64 students registered to vote in the Federal election through NUSU activities; thus the election campaign was well attended.
- NUSU is in a good position financially, compared to the University.
- Shine Gala is scheduled for November 14<sup>th</sup> and is headed by Madison Byblow.
- Clubs revamped: Jordan Andrews.
- New Admin Hires: Ian Hall
- NUSU Crew: Andrew Deugo
- Muskoka Food Bank: Ruth Alvarez-Cortez
- Good working relationship with NU Admin and the NUFA.
- Rotation of directors to help address student complaints/concerns in regards to each directors jurisdiction.
- Executive report weekly: Hall.

### **IX.Pending By-Elections: Hall**



- By-elections to be held to fill the vacant Director positions; there are currently 5 open position. The election process needs to be radified to the preferential ballot system. Voting will be conducted through blackboard.

- CRO and DRO elections were held in preparation for Director by-elections. Jordan Andrews was nominated for the position of CRO by Jordan Dempster and Madison Byblow; Jordan Andrews was acclaimed as CRO.

- Andrew Deugo was nominated for the position of DRO by Jordan Dempster and Brittany Kent. Dave Ratcliffe was also nominated for the position of CRO by Brittany Kent and Madison Byblow. A voting period was opened with the following results: 7 votes total for David, and 2 votes for Andrew. David Ratcliffe was voted as DRO.

#### **X. Other Business: Byblow**

- Directors-At-Large; constituencies to be represented on campus.

- An email will be sent out to the current directors, with examples of some of the constituencies that need to be represented.

- CFS AGM: National Level. The conference will take place in Ottawa from November 21-25; the hotel is in Gattineau (includes pre-meeting). Voting occurred to decide which Director to send as a proxy in place of Madison Byblow. David Ratcliffe has been voted as the NUSU representative.

#### **XI. Reminders**

- Ian Hall will email the list of constituencies to the Board of Directors on Friday night, as well as the Confidentiality package, which needs to be adopted.

- Ian Hall will also arrange the Director emails which will be released to the Directors at the time that confidentiality agreements are signed.

#### **XII.- Ian Hall adjourned the meeting at 11:33pm.**

Minutes submitted by: David Ratcliffe

Minutes approved by: