



Trent Durham Student Association

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Meeting: BOARD MEETING			
Date: September 26 2020		Time: 4:30PM	
Place: Zoom			
Members in attendance			
Rayna Porter President	Nathan Barnett VPUA	Meagan Atfield VPCL	Hema Tikaram Chair
Kharington Petgrave Student Engagement	Jewel Sisson Community Outreach	Phuong Nguyen Finance	Jeff Ross Policy
Luke Horton Academics	Morgan Namek HR	Shannon Fielder TGSA Representative	Name title
Regrets from			
Caelain Cox-Smith Health and Wellness			
Absent			
Jessie Assaf Inclusion			

1.	Call to order – 4:41PM
2.	Land Acknowledgement Presented by Tikaram
3.	Chair Remarks
4.	Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes Motioned by Horton, Seconded by Ross - Passed unanimously
5.	Review of Action Items Reviewed document in board folder
6.	Call for New Business - Porter add item “Office Support”
7.	Approval of Agenda - Motioned by Nguyen, seconded by Sisson - Passed unanimous
8.	Declaration of Conflict of Interest - Porter for Non-profit leadership certificate - Atfield for Office support
9.	Executive and Board Updates - ORD selected members, figuring out scheduling for members - Finance looking at how often they need to meet, which exec sits on it

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community Outreach no members yet, looking at being connecting resource - SEC have some member interest, lost at what membership should look like around, Atfield to connect on Monday - HR Committee also lost, typically focused on hiring or disciplinary concern, so more ad hoc/less focused gathering members right now, still need terms of reference - Academics got members sorted, email sent for first meeting and figuring out first meeting
10.	<p>Camera Stance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Talked to students about profs asking students/forcing students to turn on cameras in synchronous class - inconsistency around what profs are being told in turns of turning on cameras (some being told not to, some having heard nothing) - Changing last sentence to not being negative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wording around giving students the choice to use cameras - Presentations being forced to not just have audio, want stance to cover this as well <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Editing to include submitted assignments - Devil's advocate of doing presentations that then we get into academic freedoms and mandating presentations/assignments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Should just focus on online classes - POI: presentations, synchronous vs. pre-recorded <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - synchronous should be covered, pre-recorded probably not - Teaching to a blank screen difficult, however doesn't outweigh privacy - Should be focused on not making cameras mandatory - Editing to ensure language is focused on making cameras non-mandatory, not accusatory <p>Motion to amend the removal of the line around students not having to identify</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motioned by Porter, seconded by Barnett. - Passed unanimously. <p>Motion to amend the edits provided.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motion by Porter, seconded by Barnett - Passed unanimously. <p>Nguyen exits at 5:46PM</p> <p>Motion to pass with amendments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motioned by Barnett, seconded by Porter. - Passed unanimously. <p>Action item: Barnett to check with recording for wording on compassion line for professors</p> <p>Nguyen returns at 5:48PM</p>
11.	<p>Non-Profit Leadership Certificate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - have trouble with consistency for planning for TDSA future, have not had strategic mandate for years - Intent for bonus/transition to do consistency, falling flat though - Particular course is \$3200, getting it for ~\$500 due to grants - Has limitations, outlined in proposals - Haven't had any non-profit background for years - Able to make TDSA compliant with non-profit act

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 6 week course, night course (so wouldn't be paid out for sitting in course) - Salaried anyways, saving on average \$250/role <p>Motion: The TDSA Board approves the professional development course of the TDSA President as presented in the report.</p> <p>Sisson called the question. Seconded by Namek.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passed unanimously, one abstention (Porter) <p>Sisson motions to non-profit leadership certificate. Seconded by Namek.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passed unanimously, one abstention (Porter).
12.	<p>Office Support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Been keeping track of hours anyways - Looking at what work needs to be done admin wise and/or the work of hiring an admin - Hiring bookkeeping service, which will helpfully cut down on both admin work for execs and audit cost - Still want admin in office, leaning towards part-time <p>Nguyen exits at 6:04PM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Non-profit certificate to help outline what the hiring of administrative support/executive director looks like to lead next year's exec team - Thought about hiring student to run rack and shelf, doesn't need to be execs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Due to COVID though, may not be able to bring students physically in <p>Nguyen returns at 6:05PM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Looking at expanding VPCL to 30 hours/week <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For semester, reassessing in winter - 5 hours a week for rack and shelf - Transit bursary not being accessed, have money existing for projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Perhaps moving that money to tech bursary Trent has - Trent has not spent all this money, no sense of adding ours as well - May not be advertising it well, students not aware <p>Nguyen exits at 6:15PM</p> <p>Nguyen returns at 6:16PM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Qualifications not listed, students self-select out of this - Qualifications are also not black/white, financial aid does in-depth <p>Fielder exits at 6:23PM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Liking part time bookkeeper, part time admin, upping VPCL hours instead of student, recognizing COVID and not bringing students in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Can also have part time bookkeeper doing finance presentations - Save money on audit as to not call numerous time asking questions (costs money to call) - Admin not for this year, long term plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Options for student employee or VPCL - Would prefer student, but COVID - VPCL can take on 5 hours, already doing this work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Don't have to do any training <p>Namek exits at 6:29PM</p>
13.	<p>Adjourned - 6:30PM</p> <p>Motioned by Sisson, seconded by Nguyen</p>



	Passed unanimously.
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