



Trent Durham Student Association

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Meeting: BOARD MEETING			
Date: January 27th, 2023.		Time: 12:00pm	
Place: Zoom			
Members in attendance			
Phuong Nguyen President	Viviana Pinheiro VP of Campus Life	Anthony Coulter VP of University Affairs	Naya McRae-Ntawiha Chair of the Board
Marcus Nieva	Victoria Osso	Andrew Rose	Samantha Martin
Cuc Thu Doan	Riley Ambrose (12:08pm)		
Members absent with regrets			
Ehima Osazuwa Executive Director (Non-Voting)	Ganga Rajesh		
Members absent without regrets			
Ashish Mishra			

1.	Call to order – 12:05pm
2.	Land Acknowledgement - Presented by the chair McRae Ntawiha
3.	Roll Call
4.	Chair Remarks - Next meeting is February 17th at 12pm

5.	<p>Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - December board meeting <p>Motioned by Coulter, seconded by Rose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passes unanimously
6.	<p>Review of Action Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - None
7.	<p>Call for New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - - None
8.	<p>Approval of Agenda</p> <p>Amendment of agenda to add:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Addition of CASA referendum ● Timeline for upcoming elections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motioned by Pinheiro, seconded by Doan - Passes Unanimously <p>Approval of Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motioned by Coulter, seconded by Rose - Passes Unanimously
9.	<p>Declaration of Conflict of Interest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - None
10	<p>Executive Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The executives went over their updates. They spoke about what they have been up to for the month of January with the focus being on OUSA policy paper, referendum, Semi Formal, Get involved week, clubs (We are at 15), strategic plan, Transitioning, and Election season
11	<p>Board Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nieva spoke about meeting with the academics committee - Nieva is getting the ball rolling with the TDSA Cares committee. - Ntawiha offered Nieva help with the TDSA Cares committee. - Ambrose spoke about the discussions happening at the accessibility committee. - Ambrose would be looking to reach out to the ORD committee members in order to schedule a meeting tim
12.	<p>CASA Presentation</p>

	<p><i>Mackenzey Metcalfe and Sana Banu from CASA presented to the TDSA Board of Directors on CASA, what they do, how they can benefit the TDSA, and much more.</i></p> <p><i>Questions proceeded after.</i></p> <p>Nieva: Does CASA work with local organizations? CASA (Mackenzey): We are a small organization and don't have the ability to fully interact with the local organizations. Instead what we do is train the student executives on ways to interact and utilize resources in their region. Nguyen: What we are doing today is to decide on whether we shall take CASA to referendum. We usually do this in conjunction with our election process. Our by-laws state that we have to go to a referendum each time we want to join an external organization. Nieva: I think it is safe to say that the majority of the student body is not familiar with CASA. Will there be an effort from the TDSA to make students aware of what CASA is? Ntawiha: I think that is a great question, one that we can discuss when we get to when we get to the referendum discussion item</p>
13	<p>Referendum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coulter went over the referendum timeline and process. He highlighted that passing the referendum is not a vote on CASA but more sending it to the student body to decide on whether they should join CASA. - <p>Nieva: Will this be made available to the rest of the student body? Nguyen: Uninformed votes are not very helpful to us. There will be a campaigning period just like we have with the election cycle. People are allowed to run campaigns on both sides. Nguyen: The plan is that we shall take the money out of the operating budget of the TDSA, no new fees shall be added to students</p> <p>Be it resolved that: The TDSA Board of Directors approves the CASA referendum questions as written to run in the Winter 2023 election cycle.</p> <p>Motioned by Coulter, seconded by Nieva</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passes unanimously
14	<p>Election Timeline</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nguyen went over the election timelines and the various components to it. She also provided a thorough explanation of what each component consists of. <p>Be it resolved that: The TDSA Board of Directors approves the timeline for election as proposed, which finishes on March 18th, 2023.</p> <p>Motioned by Nguyen, seconded by Nieva</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passes unanimously
15	<p>Hiring Committee - CEO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nguyen provided the context for this position. This person used to be an executive, but we have changed that to be a student staff. We need someone on the hiring committee who is not interested in the upcoming elections. <p><i>Nieva left at 1:03pm</i></p> <p>Rose: Just to clarify the person has to be not running for any position? Nguyen: Yes.</p> <p><i>Nguyen nominates Pinheiro</i></p> <p>Be it resolved that: The TDSA Board of Directors approves Naya (Chair), Phuong (President), and Viviana (VPCL) to be the hiring committee for the Chief Electoral Officer position.</p> <p>Motioned by Martin, seconded by Rose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passes unanimously
16	<p>AGM Date</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nguyen went over the importance of the AGM. We have to do one as we are legally obliged to do it, and also because we want to be transparent to students - All board members committed to attending this event. <p>Doan: Is it going to be online? Nguyen: Going to be hybrid.</p> <p>Be it resolved that: The TDSA Board of Directors approves March 28th, 2023 as the date for the Winter General Meeting.</p> <p>Motioned by Martin, seconded by Pinheiro</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passes unanimously
17	<p>Finance Committee Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Doan went over the roles and responsibilities of the finance committee. She then proceeded to nominate herself to be the chair. <p>Be it resolved that: The TDSA Board of Directors approves Thu Doan as chair of the finance committee.</p>

	Motioned by Nguyen, seconded by Pinheiro - Passes unanimously
18	Sustainability and Energy Plan Steering Committee - Nguyen went over the description of the committee. They are looking for Trent Durham volunteers to join the committee. - Rose nominated himself Be it resolved that: The TDSA Board of Directors approves Andrew Rose as the board representative on the sustainability and energy planning steering committee - - Motioned by Martin, seconded by Ambrose - Passes unanimously
19	Adjournment at 1:14PM