



Trent Durham Student Association

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Meeting: BOARD MEETING			
Date: September 28th, 2021.		Time: 8am	
Place: Zoom			
Members in attendance			
Phuong Nguyen President	Nathan R.G. Barnett VP of University Affairs	Viviana Pinheiro VP of Campus Life	Jeffrey Ross Chair of the Board
Riley Ambrose	Lalbegim Boronieva		
Naya McRae Ntawiha	Carwyn Holland		
Members absent with regrets			
Parastoo Sadeghein	Nicholos Nauth		
Members absent without regrets			
Jessie Assaf	Felicia Seucharan		

1.	Call to order – 8:10am
2.	Land Acknowledgement - Presented by Ross
3.	Roll Call
4.	Chair Remarks - Ross thanks everyone for attending an 8am meeting.
5.	Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes - August emergency board meeting Motioned by Ambrose , seconded by Nguyen - Passes unanimously - August board meeting

	<p>Motioned by Ambrose , seconded by Pinheiro</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passes unanimously
6.	<p>Review of Action Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barnett provided an update on the Trans Non Medical grant. It has been used quite a few times in last month
7.	<p>Call for New Business</p>
8.	<p>Approval of Agenda</p> <p>Motioned by Barnett , seconded by Nguyen Passes unanimously</p>
9.	<p>Declaration of Conflict of Interest</p> <p>Execs have COI on Executive transition documents</p>
10.	<p>Executive Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of exec updates (Attached in board drives) <p>The three executives gave an update of what they have been working on over the past month in August.</p> <p>Nguyen also provided a plan on what the TDSA is doing for September 30th with respect to the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.</p> <p>Barnett provided an update to the Board about delegates for OUSA General Assembly. He also provided an update on the latest OUSA Campaign.</p> <p>No questions asked</p>
11.	<p>Board Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ntawiha provided an update about TDSA cares
12.	<p>Executive Transition Documents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barnett provided an overview of the process of creating the Executive Transition documents. ● The Executives left the room for this discussion <p>Ambrose: Why doesn't the president executive not have a position specific document? Nguyen: There is no particular reason, it was just the style I thought worked better.</p> <p>Ambrose: Is there a specific reason why the senate and sub committees is under your document and not the president? Barnett: It has traditionally been under the VPUA's portfolio/document?</p>
13.	<p>Trent University COVID-19 Protocol Check in</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ambrose wanted an update from the student executives on COVID-19 protocols and how it is being implemented now that students are back on campus. - Nguyen provided an update on that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Some students have expressed concerns about being unsafe while in classes. They cite the lack of physical distancing in classes and how this is a problem especially if they are immunocompromised. - Students can reach out to security if they see individuals who aren't following covid protocols. - Barnett provided an update on testing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Right side of the atrium has been blocked off for Covid-19 testing. Testing centre is operating two days a week. - He has also asked about more testing days in order to give more people the chance to get tested. - He has also had discussion with Jen about making sure classes are always happening in the bigger rooms if they are available - Holland has a concern about the University strategy of keeping students safe. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maybe having security at the door - Classes are overcrowded - no distancing in his estimation - Ambrose agreed with Holland. - Ambrose: Is there anything the TDSA can do? Can we advocate for things to help with this? - Barnett: Unfortunately that is a government mandate about the need for no distancing. - Nguyen: We have tried, we have asked for more remote options but the University has said no. It has been the professors who have been deciding to move classes to remote. - Holland: Thank you. But, Trent needs to consider a hybrid format for all sessions with full capacity attendance. - Nguyen: Yeah, we've tried. - Ambrose: Given the severity of Covid, if it comes down to it - is there any action we can take to make the University do something more? - Barnett: Comes down to one of two avenues: The government changing their mandate or if there was public/student uproar. - Ambrose: What are current things that the TDSA is doing? Or what more can we do? - Barnett: Making testing centre more accessible, media pressure, more hybrid classes. We are looking at the winter semester and what we can do to make sure things go smoothly then
14	<p>Adjournment at 9:02am -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motioned by Barnett , seconded by Ambrose - Motion passes unanimously