

MINUTES

North Island Students' Union
Local 15 British Columbia Federation of Students
Board of Directors Meeting, May 17, 2022

Attendance: Anderton, Craft, Dysserinck, Esperanza, Lennox, McColm, Michaud, Wilson

CALL TO ORDER -

Acknowledgment of Traditional Territory

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1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Board will adopt the agenda.

22/05/17: N01 MOTION

(Michaud/Esperanza) - CARRIED

Be it resolved, that the agenda be adopted, as presented.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The Board will adopt minutes from previous meeting

22/05/17: N02 MOTION

(Michaud/Anderton) - CARRIED

Be it resolved, that minutes from the April 12, 2022 meeting be accepted as presented.

3. NEW BUSINESS

Whereas, as per bylaw VII 2. f. the Board will adopt a term schedule for monthly meetings;

22/05/17: N03 MOTION

(Dysserinck/Michaud) - CARRIED

Be it resolved, the Board will meet typically each four weeks, Tuesdays at 5 pm for the remainder of the calendar year, seeing meetings as follows;

June 14

July 12

August 9

August 30

September 27

October 25

November 22

December 6

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Whereas, as per bylaw XII 1. the Board will select the Chairperson & Co-Chairperson for the term;

22/05/17: N04 MOTION

(Michaud/Esperanza) - CARRIED

Be it resolved, Nicholas McCann-Anderton be appointed Chairperson

Whereas, the authorized signers of the Union need to see usual term updates, therefore;

22/05/17: N05 MOTION

(Dyссерinck/Esperanza) - CARRIED

Be it resolved, the following are authorized signers of North Island Students' Union Society:

Vincent Michaud, Internal Relations Director

Mercedes Dyссерinck, Communications

Director Rebecca Lennox, Organiser -

Advocacy Carissa Wilson, Executive Director

Whereas NISU staff member Warren has moved on from her role as Organiser - Services, and whereas NISU must fill that staff position to manage the business of the Union. Therefore, be it resolved a Labour Committee be struck including but not limited to; Internal Relations Director, the Executive Director and a minimum of one other Director, and that said committee are tasked with hiring a replacement for the role of Organiser - Services.

22/05/17: N06 MOTION

(Michaud/Dyссерinck) - CARRIED

Be it resolved, Director Michaud, Executive Director Wilson and Director Esperanza form the Labour Committee and report to this Board its work.

Whereas, food security for all members of North Island Students' Union continues to be an area of concern. Whereas, inflation rates are at 30 year highs and the cost of food is rising exponentially. Further, the work of hosting food banks on campuses is challenged by a lack of space and organisational time to manage assets in a fair manner. Further, community food banks are well supported organisations, doing the work to ease food insecurity in each of the communities served by the Union, accessing community funds and able to bulk purchase as needed. Food banks are staffed and are trained to provide services equitably. Therefore

22/05/17: N07 MOTION

(McColm/Anderton) - Tabled until next meeting

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Be it resolved, the Union continue to provide \$50 per month donation to each of the food banks in the communities served; Courtenay, Campbell River, Port Alberni & Port Hardy, up to and including May 2023.

Whereas, to provide food on campus in an economical, approachable way, the Union has been providing apples & granola bars in Union offices, Libraries and sometimes Student Services,

22/05/17: N08 MOTION

(Michaud/Anderton) - CARRIED

Be it resolved, \$50 per month, for each campus be available to provide quick, nutritious fruit and granola bars.

Whereas, campus coffee services are limited to the hours available of each campus cafeteria, including no cafeteria in Port Alberni. Further, the Union currently owns coffee makers to provide coffee & tea during Union meetings. Providing coffee, ad hoc, while offices are open is a way to draw members to the Union, helping to increase membership awareness.

22/05/17: N09 MOTION

(Michaud/McColm) - CARRIED

Be it resolved, up to \$50 per month be made available for each campus to provide coffee services, while offices are open, or in the case of Port Alberni, while the Library is open.

Whereas, Services Director, Kiana Winter was recently in a motor vehicle accident, which is impairing her ability to participate,

22/05/17: N10 MOTION

(Michaud/Dyssernick) - CARRIED

Be it resolved, the Board approves a leave of absence for Director Winter, as per bylaw VII section 4.

Whereas, North Island College is one year into a two year trial period of shorter semesters,

22/05/17: N11 MOTION

(Dysserinck/McColm) - CARRIED

Be it resolved, the Board approves Director Michaud working with Union staff to survey the membership about the impacts & benefits of shorter semesters, using the tool Constant Contact.

4. REPORTS

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4.1 Reports from Staff

- Organiser - Advocacy, Rebecca Lennox
- Executive Director, Carissa Wilson

5. OTHER BUSINESS

6. ADJOURNMENT

The Board will adjourn the meeting at the close of business

YY/MM/DD: N12 MOTION

(Anderton/Dysserinck) - CARRIED

Be it resolved, the meeting be adjourned at 6:00PM

Next Committee of the Whole meeting, May 31

Next Board of Directors meeting, June 14

AGENDA

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Board of Directors Meeting, June 14, 2022

Attendance: Mc-Cann-Anderton, McColm, Esperanza, Dysserinct, Michaud, Lennox, Wilson. Observer Craft.

CALL TO ORDER -

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1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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22/06/14:N01 MOTION

(Esperanza/Michaud) - Carries

Be it resolved, that the agenda be adopted, as presented.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The Board will adopt minutes from previous meeting

22/06/14:N02 MOTION

(Esperanza/Michaud) -

Be it resolved, that minutes from the May 17, 2022 meeting be accepted as presented.

3. NEW BUSINESS

Whereas, the Socialist Club has submitted a club package, as per the Clubs Policy 2019 and is seeking ratification, therefore;

22/06/14:N03 MOTION

(Dysserinct/Esperanza) - Carried

Be it resolved, the Socialist Club be ratified.

Whereas, as per the Health and Dental operations of the Union sees annual distribution of funds from the health and dental account to the general operations account. These funds are intended to offset the costs of administration of the plan, contributing to wages of Union staff who are tasked with the administration and adjudication of the plan. Further, this year, the administration costs will see increase due to training a new Organiser - Services in the role. Therefore;

22/06/14:N04 MOTION

(Esperanza/Dysserinct) - Carried

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Be it resolved, the 2022 - 2023 health and dental administration distribution be \$60,000.

Whereas, as per promotion of the extended health and dental plan sees no membership awareness materials, therefore;

22/06/14:N05 MOTION

(Michaud/Esperanza) - Carries

Be it resolved, the Board approve up to \$3,000 for membership development materials specific to the health and dental plan.

Whereas, North Island Students' Union offers services to its members through events, and whereas Union branded materials help improve recognition of the Union and the work it does. Currently, the Union has one unbranded tent per campus, however they are nearing end of useable life. Further, the Union has no branded table cloths for tabling at events. Therefore, procuring three new branded tents and five branded table cloths will improve Union visibility and functionality. Therefore;

22/06/14:N06 MOTION

(McColm/Esperanza) - Carries

Be it resolved, the Board approve up to \$5,000 for membership awareness materials; tents and tables cloths for each campus.

Whereas, the Federation has made available the Fairware membership development materials catalogue, to provide membership awareness items for the upcoming terms. Further, the Union currently is out of stock on all swag items; therefore

22/06/14:N07 MOTION

(McColm/Dysserinck) - Carries

Be it resolved, the Union make available, up to \$8,000 for membership development materials with minimal plastic items and a focus on stationary fundamentals.

Whereas, the Union sees a need in the college community to create a lending library of event resources, such as but not limited to; board game library, Nintendo Switch with games library, propane fire pits with 2 tanks, and yard games, therefore;

22/06/14:N08 MOTION

(Dysserinck/Michaud) - Carries

Be it resolved, the Union make up to \$5,000 available to create an event resources lending library. Further, staff be directed to build a Microsoft Form to facilitate the lending and tracking of the resource library.

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Whereas, the Labour Committee will report to the Board

22/06/14:N09 MOTION

(Michaud/Dysserinck) - Carries

Be it resolved, the meeting move in camera at 5:42

Meeting moves out of camera at 5:51

Whereas, the Board accepts the report of the Labour Committee, therefore;

22/06/14:N10 MOTION

(Michaud/Esperanza) - Carries

Be it resolved, the Union employ Rowyn Craft in the position of Executive Assistant, until June 30.

22/06/14:N11 MOTION

(Dysserinck/Esperanza) - Carries

Be it resolved, the Union employ Joanne Livingstone in the position of Organiser - Services, the position begins July 5 and includes a 90 business day probation period, ending November 10, 2022.

22/06/14:N12 MOTION

(Esperanza/McColm) - Carries

Be it resolved, the Union create a Memorandum of Understanding with Executive Director Wilson to facilitate a wage while training incoming Organiser - Services to reflect the increased work load of the Executive Director.

Whereas, the British Columbia Federation of Students has provided notice of the 82nd Semi-Annual General meeting

22/06/14:N13 MOTION

(Esperanza/Michaud) -

Be it resolved, Executive Director Wilson, Organiser Livingstone, Director Esperanza attend as delegates to the 82nd Semi-Annual General meeting of the BC Federation of Students, July 14, 15 & 16 in Richmond, BC.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Reports from Staff

- Organiser - Advocacy, Rebecca Lennox
- Executive Director, Carissa Wilson

5. OTHER BUSINESS

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6. ADJOURNMENT

The Board will adjourn the meeting at the close of business

22/06/14:N14 MOTION

(Dysserinck/Michaud) - Carried

Be it resolved, the meeting be adjourned at 6:13

Next meeting of the Board, July 12

Next Committee of the Whole meeting, July 26

AGENDA

North Island Students' Union
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Board of Directors Meeting, **July 12, 2022**

Attendance: McColm, Wilson, Lennox, Probert, Dysserick, Michaud, Anderton

CALL TO ORDER - 5:03

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2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

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22/07/12: N02 MOTION

(Dysserick/Michaud) - Carries

Be it resolved, that minutes from the June 14, 2022 meeting be accepted as presented.

3. NEW BUSINESS

Whereas, the Union continues to struggle for space on the K'ómoks Valley campus. Further, the Union has placed the largest membership development materials order on record, including a large handbook order. Whereas, the institutional provided storage room is currently at capacity, with ongoing work such as no-cost access to menstrual products. Further, the Union is currently building a resource lending library, including propane fire pit with tanks, yard games and more. Further, the college is unable to increase the Union's storage space, therefore;

22/07/12: N03 MOTION

(Michaud/McColm) - Carries

Be it resolved, North Island Students' Union purchase a 20' shipping container and add shelving to create a functional storage environment.

Whereas, the Board will receive annual update of extended health and dental plan, therefore;

22/07/12:N04 MOTION

(Michaud/ Dysserick) - Carries

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Be it resolved, the meeting move in camera at 5:13 PM

Meeting moves out of camera at 5:24 PM

Whereas, the British Columbia Federation of Students, in their role of Health Care Consortium has provided renewal notice for the extended health and dental plan 2022 - 2023 benefit years. Therefore;

22/07/12: N05 MOTION

(Dyссерinck/ Michaud) - Carries

Be it resolved, the extended health and dental plan renewal is accepted as presented and endorsed.

Whereas, the extended health & dental plan was added to the work of the Union in 2015 after a successful referendum with 97% support. The principles of the plan speak to value, accessibility, affordability, transparency and democracy. The current plan application sees a definition of full time as 9 or more credits, or 6 months or longer trades/vocational training. Students served by the Department of Accessible Learning Services (DALs) are eligible to opt in to the plan with 6 or more credits, following the Canadian Student Funding full time guidelines. The process to opt into the plan places barriers in front of members who historically already face barriers when accessing education. The process has several steps to ensure validity of enrolment which include; self declaration to the Union, a form to DALs staff, approval from Union staff, communication to the college for the fee to be applied, payment to the college and then plan can be initiated. This fails to apply a Universal Design to accessing services of the Union. Further, the current average age of North Island College students is 26. Students most often have employment, and family & social obligations, many students report 6 credits being full time for their situations. Further, other Locals in the Federations Health Care Consortium have recently reviewed full time definitions in relation to plan application, and have, after successful referendum, moved to defining full time at 6 or more credits, for consideration of health and dental coverage, therefore;

22/07/12: N06 MOTION

(Michaud/Dyссерinck) - Carries

Be it resolved, the Union prepare to offer a referendum, with notice to members provided September 6, 2022, seeking the opinion of a review of full time definition, in relation to the application of the extended health and dental plan. Be it further resolved, in recognition of the National Day for Truth & Reconciliation, fall opt out deadline be moved from September 30 to October 1.

Whereas, Services Director Kiana Winter has been on a leave of absence and further Director Winter has provided notice of resignation, therefore;

22/07/12: N07 MOTION

(Dyссерinck/Michaud) - Carries

AGENDA

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Be it resolved, that the Board of Directors accepts Director Winter's resignation, effective immediately.

4. REPORTS

4.1 Reports from Staff

- Organiser - Advocacy, Rebecca Lennox
- Organiser - Services, Joanne Probert
- Executive Director, Carissa Wilson

5. OTHER BUSINESS

6. ADJOURNMENT

The Board will adjourn the meeting at the close of business

22/07/12: N08 MOTION

(Michaud/Dysserinck) -

Be it resolved, the meeting be adjourned at 5:49 PM

Next Committee of the Whole meeting, July 26, 2022.

Next meeting of the Board, August 9, 2022.