

SA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Minutes

DATE: Thursday May 28th, 2020 TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: Zoom Meeting



STUDENT ASSOCIATION OF ST. LAWRENCE COLLEGE (KINGSTON CAMPUS)
YOUR STUDENT GOVERNMENT AT WORK

Attendance

SA Board of Directors

Board Chair:	Natalya Newman
Board Secretary:	Brett Whaley
Board Treasurer:	Tyler Payne-Renaud
Director:	Gil Joma
Director:	Lindsay Evans
Board Scribe:	Karman Wong

SA Staff

Executive Director:	Beth Insley
President Interim:	Elle McFeeters
Mgr. of Accounting & Admin:	Brian Foley
Mgr. of Student Engagement:	Terry McGinn & Leighton Davison
Office Coordinator:	Aly McCaughen

Guests

Mgr of Athletics & Student Engagement:	Kevin Biggs
Special Honorarium Recipient:	Saige Clark
Special Honorarium Recipient:	Julie Woods
Special Honorarium Recipient:	Ebehitale Okojie
Special Honorarium Recipient:	Maria Eduarda Lopes
Elected Board Member:	Henry Dollar
Elected Board Member:	Benjamin Prager
Elected Board Member:	Melissa Morton
Elected Board Member:	Ameleah Planetta

Henry Lio

4 students who entered as guests without full names or emails

1. Call to Order and Welcome	6:07 PM
Quorum Call	
2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest	6:10 PM
N/A	
3. Motion to Approve Agenda	6:12 PM

- Motioned by: Natalya Newman
- Votes: 16 yes*/17 total
- *Yes votes include Chair and President votes

4. Motion to Approve Minutes of Last Meeting

6:14 PM

- Motioned by: Natalya Newman
- Votes: 15 yes/17 total
- Leighton has not returned yet

5. Motion to Approve Special Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2019

6:17 PM

- Motioned by: Natalya Newman
- Votes: 14 yes/18 total
- Leighton has returned

President's Report

6:20 PM

- Elle McFeeters has been the Interim President since September 2019, switching from being the Manager of Student Engagement
- Delegated old tasks of funding requests and club liaison to two other managers (Terry and Leighton)
- Oversaw and participated in many events, activities
- Responsibilities include ensuring the ends of organization are being met, operations are conducted in a way that is in the best interest of the student membership
- President acts as student representative for all councils and committees
 - o Ensures development and implementation of projects that support student life on and off campus
 - Fee Protocol, Academic Council Committee, Healthy Campus, Convocation planning committee, Engagement Team
 - Events such as Fall Fest had inflatable activities and petting zoo
- Host on SA's Voice Podcast alongside two other students from AMC where they have student entrepreneurs as guests, mayor of Kingston, and more
- Improve Food Pantry service, reviewing Muis Lounge
- Wants students to know what the student association does and why they are there
 - o Can be projected through social media, podcast, and blog
- Can continue to ask questions via email and make virtual meeting request

Executive Director Report

6:23 pm

- Hired over 15 student employees to support operations
- SA spaces were busy and full of life (Games room, quiet study room in Muis Lounge, Group work in Davies)
- Copy centre ran at full capacity, helping staff and students with needs
- Board rooms were fully booked, and many enjoyed the new board meeting rooms across from St. Larry's Pub
- Pub hired over 20 student staff
- Dedicated student team sat on various College committees and supported members throughout the year in academic appeals, funding requests, club management, food pantry access
- Board of directors worked with operational staff as a guide through everything
- Team is very excited and has a student first attitude
- Dedicated to student engagement, academic support, holistic college experiences and being heard by members

- Although end of the semester did not go as planned, staff worked hard to work from home and deliver programs remotely

Board of Directors Report

6:24 pm

- Strong bond from the beginning and formed friendships through committee work and meetings
- Altered President position to hired position to ensure the best fit for the membership
- Updated CERO policy to make sure elections for new board members was a smooth process
- Extraordinary Learning Fund: groups of students can request funding for different types of experiences that would benefit them, such as the nursing students' Tanzania trip
 - o Due to COVID19, these projects were unfulfilled but can be revisited next year

Bylaw Amendments

6:26 PM

Be it resolved that the membership of the SASLCK Board of Directors approve removing bylaw 2.2.4 President Eligibility X. "Must not have the Status of Bankrupt".

- Motioned by Natalya
- 12 yes, 1 no/18 total

Be it resolved that the membership of the SASLCK Board of Directors approve amending bylaw 2.3.1 Board of Directors Vii "The President & Executive Director will be hired for a one-year term with an option of a second year based on board evaluation up to a maximum of a two (2) year term. The Executive Director will be hired for a five-year term". to read "The Executive Director will be hired for a five-year term (Pending performance evaluation)."

- Motioned by Natalya Newman
- 14 yes/18 total

Be it resolved that the membership of the SASLCK Board of Directors approve amending bylaw 3.2 Decision Making, 3.2.1 Voting; "Voting on all matters shall be conducted in the manner of one vote per member of the board". to read "Voting on all matters shall be conducted in the manner of one vote per (elected) member of the board."

- Motioned by Natalya Newman
- 16 yes/18 total

Be it resolved that the membership of the SASLCK Board of Directors approve amending bylaw 4.1.1 Sanctions "If a candidate running for board of directors or president position has violated election rules they may not hold any position on the board for one academic year." to read "If a candidate running for board of directors position has violated election rules they may not hold any position on the board for one academic year".

- Question: Clarify what was changed
- Answer: President is now a hired position, no longer an elected position
- Motioned by Natalya Newman
- 15 yes/18 total

Be it resolved that the membership of the SASLCK Board of Directors approve amending bylaw 4.2 Terms of Office “The term of office for elected Board Members shall be one fiscal year. Any board member can serve on the board for a maximum of four (4) cumulated years. Board members cannot take any hired corporation office position within two (2) years of being a board member.” to read “i. The term of office for elected Board Members shall be one fiscal year. Any board member can serve on the board for a maximum of four (4) cumulated years. And ii Board members cannot take any hired corporation office position within two (2) years of being a board member”.

- Motioned by Natalya Newman
- 14 yes, 1 no/18 total

Be it resolved that the membership of the SASLCK Board of Directors approve amending bylaw 4.9 Qualification of Director iii “Must be nominated by ten (10) duly authorized electors;” to read “Must be nominated by fifty (50) duly authorized electors;”.

- People that are under the by-laws can be eligible
- Question: Isn't 50 a lot? Why are we changing it to 50?
- Answer: Many students were able to get 50, allows them to see that they are respected from many people from the college, and allows people to broadcast who they are
- Motioned by: Natalya Newman
- Results: 16 yes/18 total

City Transit

6:39 PM

- We do have a lot of ridership through this contract, all students pay for this fee and it is given at a highly discounted rate
- Very successful and long standing contract
- Smaller amount of students on campus, they are really unsure about what the Fall service will look like because they believe there is a limited access
- We have the option to exit this contract, and can be reviewed and resumed in the future
- Made a commitment for students who rely on the bus pass to get to campus and around the city to lock in a good rate that is affordable and accessible

Be it resolved that the membership of the SASLCK Board of Directors approve executing the June 1st 2020 exit clause in the City of Kingston, Kingston Transportation Universal Bus Pass contract, resulting in the end of contract for the September 1st 2020 to August 31st 2021 contract year, with the intention to resume the contract when Kingston Transportation service and delivery standards have normalized.

- Motioned by: Natalya Newman
- Results: 17 yes/18 total

Part Time Board Member

6:43 PM

Be it resolved that the membership of the SASLCK Board of Directors approve executing Bylaw 4.9 (i) to allow Brett Whaley to hold the position with the Board of Directors for the 2020-2021 school year. Director Brett Whaley will pay the Student Association fee and provide proof of payment to the Board of Directors based on Bylaw 2.1.

Question: What was the by-law previously on this subject?

Answer: Must have paid tuition fees and be eligible as a full time student by the first day of the semester. They may be eligible to a Board of Director if they have completed the first semester as a full time student. Nothing is being changed, but approving the fact that he is staying on the board as Brett Whaley is now a part time student due to other employment.

- Motioned by: Natalya Newman
- Results: 17 yes/20 total

Two more students came on at this time

Board Members 2020-2021

6:52 PM

Be it resolved that the membership of the SASLCK Board of Directors approves extending the term of office for directors Tyler Payne-Renaud and Jose Gilberto Joma Pena for the 2020-2021 term as per bylaw 4.2.1.

- Motioned by: Natalya Newman
- Results: 17 yes/20 total

Be it resolved that the membership of the SASLCK Board of Directors approve the following four students (Benjamin Prager, Melissa Morton, Henry Dollar and Ameleah Planetta) to the Board of Directors of the Student Association of St. Lawrence College-Kingston, period which begins May 28th, 2020, until March 31st, 2021 or until the next AGM.

- Motioned by: Natalya Newman
- Results: 17 yes/20 total

Honorarium Recipients

6:54 PM

Saige Clark – Academic Performance

Ebehitale Okojie – Academic Performance

Julie Woods – Community Involvement

Maria Lopes – Community Involvement

Open Floor

6:55 PM

Beth thanks to outgoing board members, it was a very challenging year at the board level and she appreciates and recognizes the hard work everyone has put in. The amount of development was phenomenal. Elle was able to form strong connections and networked with the appropriate people.

Motion to Adjourn

7:00 PM

- Motioned by: Natalya Newman
- Results: 17 yes/20 total