

**Lady Eaton College Cabinet
Minutes
January 17th 2021
6:00 PM**



Present: Maya Thomas, Sonia Sanders, Abhishak Nigam, Kyle Reyes, Luke Whale, Ashley Beaudro, Twyla Sorenson, Aimee-Marie Anctil, Kyla Bruce, Claudia Taylor, Marissa Pucci, Ruchi Vaz, Jenna Bolzon, Bella LaFlamme, Olivia Kowalczyk

Regrets:

Absent: Julia VanDerhorst

1. Call to Order

Meeting is called to order at 6:05 pm Sunday January 17th 2021.

2. Speakers Remarks Twyla Sorenson

Land acknowledgement

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion: To approve of the agenda for the January 17th 2021 Lady Eaton College Cabinet meeting.

Motioned by: Luke Whale

Seconded by: Marissa Pucci

Discussion: Move the PM report to after position reports. Approved.

Motion unanimous, motion carries

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion: To approve of the minutes for the December 6th 2020 Lady Eaton College Cabinet meeting.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Seconded by: Abhishek Nigam

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

5. Presentations

6. Position Reports

a. Deputy Prime Minister Report **Sonia Sanders**

- i. Events planning: Winter College Weekend - Additional information discussed by Marissa under position reports. Some future events include a Fundraising/Charity event by Kyle (athletics), Sonia & Olivia are planning a game night(s) including virtual bingo, jackbox games, and among us. Position check ins are soon!

b. TCSA Commissioner Report **Luke Whale**

- i. TCSA meeting earlier today: Staffing pay approved with no drastic changes. The budget has been finished and finalized, to be announced next meeting. Spring elections are happening soon. Director reports - president and exec meeting with Maryam Monsef regarding student funding, school, accessibility, affordability, etc. Directors report from Jocelyn regarding the Trent lands report. SAGM February 7th at 4pm. It is approximately 1 hour long and students are needed for quota! More info soon.
- ii. Equity report - TCSA in the past 10 years had 25% representation of POC in roles, Cabinets have 19% through TCSA roles (those sitting on TCSA board), Exec members have 28% (these are current numbers). Survey to students and staff regarding representation and how to better their representation will be provided. TCSA offered to do a review of POC involvement in cabinets. Do we want them to do a formal look in /report? What can we benefit from this report?

Discussion:

- This would be to point out trends for cabinet as a whole, not to criticize. This would be good opportunity to look into all positions, not just those involved with the TCSA. Might help us find a way to improve our representation of POC on cabinet. TCSA has the budget to aid in this, this could give us an idea on how to move forward to include more representation. Go to TACSU, TISA and look into it. However, we already have an idea of our general numbers for representation, so these resources may be better used elsewhere. From now on, it may be smart to keep an active record regarding our representation to be able to look back in a few years. We could focus our efforts on outreach and increasing our diversity for events and collaborations.

Concerns:

- How will they look back and check diversity? A formal investigation possibly involving pulling records.

Recommendation moving forward is during election season, reach out to organizations and groups at Trent that represent students and encourage them to run in the election

c. Orientation Subcommittee Report **Abhishek Nigam**

- i. Orientation Reports - Confirmed new positions, there are no longer 2 facilitators, only 1 for each college, 3 official senior leaders to help the facilitators of each college and aid in hiring. Applications will go until January 18th. There were 2 sessions of winter orientation for time zones (80 showed up, 110 registered - different from last year, online participation not as expected). Mostly online events are planned for future orientation but some in person with hopes we can run them. Academic events being planned for the summer in person for accessibility. Feedback soon of winter orientation. Events submissions late January early February for o-week to get a head start as things may have to be changed last minute.
- ii. Trent athletics: more e-sports for recreational and competitive. For future online gaming and e-sport events for cabinets, trent athletics is willing to collaborate.

Discussion:

- Q: Decrease in facilitators? A: There used to be a lot of overlap in positions and one facilitator with three people to help may make more sense for facilitators. Now three tiers of leadership. One paid position, three volunteer positions to help.

d. Off Campus Affairs **Marissa Pucci**

- i. Winter college weekend - friday feb 5 - 7th. Events: friday toad trivia, among us, jackbox, escape room, sat bookmark craft, virtual lipsync, again toad trivia. sunday sock stress ball, movie night, virtual bingo. Volunteers and help is greatly appreciated. Reach out to marissa email

7. Prime Minister Report **Maya Thomas**

- a. Cabinets have a surplus and what will we spend it on? Formal cancelled and no in person events. Leftover funding and this funding is student money, so it is a good idea to spend it in a way to benefit students. Ideas: mixed events with other colleges and groups on an online platform. No scholarships, cannot give student funds to charities. College office is buying a pool table but are asking for contributions given the surplus of our fundings. Buying brand new customized with LEC colours. \$4000 total, cabinet contributions a possible \$1 or 2 thousand. As well, college office events around valentines day, a murder mystery escape room (love in the first degree, sherlock escapes. Online trailer available.). 100 people in the escape room, \$55 per person, cabinet may be able to contribute from

formal funding to fund this event (again \$1-2 thousand contribution for this event). Opinions?

Discussion:

- Q: Is a formal still possible? A: With the second lockdown and vaccines slowly becoming more widely available to the public, the likelihood of a large event it highly unlikely. The murder mystery may be able to be advertised as a formal event.
- We can afford in the budget to spend the \$4000 for both the pool table and the murder mystery and it would be a good idea to use student money wisely.
- Q: Is there a limit to the amount we can push to next year? A: No limit, but it is frowned upon to carry over large amounts of money, so it is wise to use the student money.
- Q: Can we increase the contribution to the pool table at the end of the year? A: The college office will pay now and we can reimburse as much as we feel necessary.

Motion: To budget \$2000 for the pool table and \$2000 for the murder mystery event, a total of \$4000.

Motioned by: Luke Whale

Seconded by: Maya Thomas

Motion carries

- b. Any other ideas for the surplus, please email mayathomas@trentu.ca.

8. Closed Session

9. Correspondence

10. Questions from the Public

11. Any Other Business

- a. Senate meeting will be reported on in the next meeting by Sonia and/or Abhishek.

12. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn this meeting at 6:46pm Sunday January 17th 2021.

Motioned by: Marissa Pucci

Seconded by: Kyle Reyes

Motion unanimous, motion carries