

**Lady Eaton College Cabinet
Minutes
March 28th 2021
6:00 PM**



Present: Maya Thomas, Sonia Sanders, Abhishek 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, Julia VanDerhorst

Public Present: Deondre Thompson, Mady Rodrigues-Raby, Jehan Mahboob

Regrets:

Absent:

1. Call to Order

Meeting is called to order at 6:12 pm Sunday March 28th 2021.

2. Speakers Remarks Twyla Sorenson

Land acknowledgement

Designated Back-up Speaker(s): Maya Thomas, Sonia Sanders

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion: To approve of the agenda for the March 28th 2021 Lady Eaton College Cabinet meeting.

Motioned by: Maya Thomas

Seconded by: Marissa Pucci

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion: To approve of the minutes for the March 14th 2021 Lady Eaton College Cabinet meeting.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Seconded by: Kyle Reyes

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

5. Presentations

Motion: Motion to give Twyla speaking rights for the remainder of the meeting.

Motioned by: Maya Thomas

Seconded by: Sonia Sanders

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

a. Grad Reception from College Office **Twyla Sorenson**

- i. Shipping out care packages to graduating students. \$500-1000 to help cover shipping costs.

Comments: Total shipping costs? \$1200 is the high end of the estimate.

Suggested paying half of shipping costs, and addition of a letter from cabinet. Package itself is paid for by the college office, approx \$600-700 for products for up to 200 packages. Budget line: Could be taken from the formal line.

Motion: Motion to cover \$500 of the shipping funds and include a letter from cabinet in the graduation care packages, taken from the formal budget line.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Seconded by: Marissa Pucci

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

b. Cabinet Voted Awards **Twyla Sorenson**

- i. Voting on Cabinet awards that the public can vote on through google forms.

6. Prime Minister Report Maya Thomas

- a. Board of governors meeting: School is planning on addressing issues from this year, improving transparency & relaying information to students effectively. Advertising on social media and reaching out to student groups to relay information. Mental health: Possible survey coming. Plans to create a second orientation week for those who missed out this year, plan to have some in person this upcoming year but thinking about keeping some online options.
- b. Committee meeting with bipoc students (and multiple on campus groups), bipoc safe space on campus to be created in the clubs and groups space in the Student Center. This is a centralized space that is available to all students. Space open and inclusive to all students but it is an open and welcoming space for bipoc students.

Asking cabinet to contribute \$500 to furnish and create a welcoming space (possibly commissioning students to create artwork for the space).

Comments: What exactly the space is for? Now the space is a board room, wanting to make it a space to gather and study, so renovating and redecorating to make it a casual space. Where? Second floor next to TCSEA office. When? Plan is to renovate over the summer. Would it be known to students that cabinet funded this space? It was brought up that maybe a plaque would be placed but mentioned that might look performative, but it is an option. Are we as a cabinet able to have input as to where the money goes, can we help choose what goes? Yes, they want students to have a say in what goes in the room.

\$500 minimum or give more with surplus? Comments: \$500 for now, and if there is additional funds needed for a specific use, we could donate more. In the fall, the new cabinet can vote on giving more if needed.

Motion: Motion to give \$500 to support the bipoc space being created in the student center, taken out of the cabinet events line.

Motioned by: Maya Thomas

Seconded by: Abhishek Nigam

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

- c. College office renovating the JCR. Cabinet has a say in what goes in there, traditionally co funded by cabinet. Previously discussed giving a set amount and letting them use that, or letting cabinet in the fall decide how much to give/reimburse. Should we decide now?

Comments: Do we have to give it now or can we give in the fall? It will be a partnership, we will have a say, and we can either reimburse them next fall or give now. Later may be a good idea to give financial freedom for now, and have a clear number later to be able to know how much we will contribute.

Question: Would we have a set limit going in and say that we have to pay back for reimbursement? What we say may limit what they go for.

Summer cabinet may be able to make decisions during the summer as needed, and cabinet in the fall may be able to make a final decision. Max spending estimate around \$2000, so cabinet's opinion is important.

Motion: Motion to table the decision on JCR contributions to the next cabinet.

Motioned by: Maya Thomas

Seconded by: Luke Whale

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

7. Position Reports

a. Deputy Prime Minister Report Sonia Sanders

- i. Events planning: Kyle and Kyla advertising step challenge Thursday, share and educate about the trails on campus and around Peterborough. Bella planning an instagram q&a, dates tbd.
- ii. Housing advisory: resident agreement in Peterborough and Durham, released EDIA, equity statement that housing does not tolerate racism etc.
- iii. CASSC (colleges and student services committee) leaders gave updates about elections. Budget from athletics updated.
- iv. Constitution changes

Motion: Motion to give Ashley speaking rights.

Motioned by: Maya Thomas

Seconded by: Luke Whale

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

Motion: Motion to correct all grammar and formatting errors found in the document.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Seconded by: Maya Thomas

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

Motion: Motion to pass down the master copy of the constitution from speaker to speaker each year.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Seconded by: Kyla Bruce

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

Motion: Motion to change online voting policy to include online platforms apart from email.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Seconded by: Maya Thomas

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

Motion: Motion to change the advertising committee mandate to include an as need basis.

Motioned by: Maya Thomas

Seconded by: Sonia Sanders

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

Motion: Motion to change events planning mandate to include a line saying run by DPM.

Motioned by: Maya Thomas

Seconded by: Bella Laflamme

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

Motion: Motion to add a line about office hours in the case that campus is not open.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Seconded by: Maya Thomas

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

Motino: Motion to reword section VII d.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Seconded by: Ruchi Vaz

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

Motion: Motion to accept the change of Don on Cabinet to Senior Don.

Motioned by: Maya Thomas

Seconded by: Abhishek Nigam

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

Motion: Motion to clarify section V.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Seconded by: Abhishek Nigam

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

v. Policy handbook

Motion: Motion for a 5 minute recess return at 7:20 pm.

Motioned by: Luke Whale

Seconded by: Sonia Sanders

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

Straw poll for umbrella motioning all changes to the policy handbook. Majority in favour.

Motion: Motion to umbrella all proposed changes discussed.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Secoded by: Bella Laflamme

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

Motion: Motion to approve all changes of grammar and spelling.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Secoded by: Marissa Pucci

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

Motion: Motion to approve all edits and changes and have it posted to the website as soon as possible.

Motioned by: Sonia Sanders

Secoded by: Ruchi Vaz

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

b. TCSA Commissioner Report **Luke Whale**

- i. Final TCSA Meeting: Board of exec preparing for transition. Any roles not filled by new members will be filled by existing board members. Amendment is allowed to be brought up in future elections (next election is fall), and this can be discussed. Not decided yet.
- ii. Election Results Report - 2021 spring elections report. Beyond reaching out to cabinets, TCSA reached out to 26 groups to help promote election. Despite promotion, only 921 undergrad students voted, roughly 9% of students. Referendum question was to change how health insurance was qualified, proposing to allow students with SAS to get onto health benefits with 0.5 credits for TCSA members. Approved in election, but has failed as 50% of students did not vote in favor. Students with less than 0.5 credits will not be automatically enrolled into a health plan. Voting turnout compared to previous years is very low turnout, but that specific data can be found if required.

Motion: Motion to give the public present speaking rights.

Motioned by: Maya Thomas

Seconded by: Marissa Pucci

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

Important to be promoted in the future to be able to have a large turnout and be able to approve referendums. Future recommendation when it comes to important voting / referendums advertise as such and ensure students know that there is this important vote. Possible separate email as it can be hard to find. Separate voting system would be complex and go through the constitution of TCSA (never done before).

Election results: Jocelyn/Environment and Sustainability Commissioner, Teshia/Mature and Transfer Student Commissioner, Meg/Part-Time Students Commissioner, Stevie/Queer Student Commissioner, Alyssa/Disabilities Commissioner, Chanel/Women Students Commissioner, Zoe/VP Campaigns and Equity, Carter/VP Health and Wellness, Wendy/TCSA President.

- iii. Transit: Updated info on transit as requested from last meeting, city was gathering general feedback on transit system (from city members). TCSA in regards to students, claimed to have gathered feedback in the fall and students can now participate in the city's survey. New association and Tracey (full time TCSA staff) will begin and continue negotiations with the city for new transit plans. Members will have more info when available.

c. Senate/Orientation Week Report **Abhishek Nigam**

- i. Elections: nomination period March 14th-28th has ended, ballots out at midnight tonight until 4pm Wednesday March 31st, candidates will be informed within 24hrs.
- ii. Senate: Composition of senate itself - admin thinking of amending senate makeup, instead of going through cabinet, but academic boards (from each academic board like forensics and biology, etc), overall not a good idea as students know if they need to get in touch with senate, they can go through cabinet. Possible hybrid model, no big changes until later. More seats added is possible. Nothing final.

8. Closed Session

Motion: Motion to move into closed session at 7:59 pm.

Motioned by: Ruchi Vaz

Seconded by: Aimee Anctil

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

Motion: Motion to exit closed session at 8:12 pm.

Motioned by: Marissa Pucci

Seconded by: Maya Thomas

Discussion: N/A

Motion carries

9. Correspondence

10. Questions from the Public

11. Any Other Business

- a. Transition reports, send Sonia (soniasanders@trentu.ca) an email/message about your position on cabinet and events to be given to the next minister in your role, due end of exam period.

Motion: Motion to amend previous motion to have the \$500 and letter come out of formal budget line.

Motioned by: Ruchi Vaz

Seconded by: Marissa Pucci

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

12. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn this meeting at 8:18 pm Sunday March 28th 2021.

Motioned by: Marissa Pucci

Seconded by: Maya Thomas

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries