

**Lady Eaton College Cabinet
Minutes
April 2nd, 2023
12:00 PM**



Present: Deondrae Thompson, Dante Pio, Beth Wallace, Karilin Wilson, Noah Edwards, Camryn Moerchen, Maria Buckle, Dee Carter, Aditi Midha*, Nicholas Bhola, Eden Cain, Victoria Vanslyke, and Ishita Gurav*.

Public Present: Kyra Myderwyk, Logan Petersiel, Ethan Kirkpatrick*, Amber Welby, Prati (Orientation Week Facilitator).

Regrets:

Absent: Dyllan Scott, Sarah Fluney, Maddy McKay, Alisha Gopinath, and Isabel Michaelson.

(Denotes electronic participation)*

1. Call to Order

Meeting is called to order at 12:13pm on Sunday, April 2nd 2023.

2. Speakers Remarks Maria Buckle

Land acknowledgement: *We respectfully acknowledge that we are on treaty and traditional territory of the Mississauga Anishinabeg. We offer our gratitude to First Nations for their care for, and teachings about, our earth and relations. May we honour those teachings.*

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion: That the agenda for the April 2nd 2023 Lady Eaton College Cabinet meeting be approved.

Motioned by: Dee Carter

Seconded by: Dante Pio

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion: That the minutes for the March 19th 2023 Lady Eaton College Cabinet meeting be approved.

Motioned by: Karilin Wilson

Seconded by: Noah Edwards

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

5. Presentations

a. 2023 Spring General Elections - Chief Electoral Officer Deondrae Thompson

I. Summary of Election Results

- Dyllan Scott was voted in as the 2023-2024 Minister of Off-Campus Affairs.
- Ishita Gurav was voted in as the 2023-2024 Minister of Health Issues.
- Logan Petersiel was voted in as the 2023-2024 TCSA Commissioner.
- Alisha Gopinath was voted in as the 2023-2024 Minister of Sustainability.
- Ethan Kirkpatrick was voted in as the 2023-2024 Minister of Athletics.
- Nicholas Bhola was voted in as the 2023-2024 Minister of Intercollegiate Affairs.
- Dee Carter was voted in as the 2023-2024 Minister of Communications and Publicity.
- Eden Cain was voted in as the 2023-2024 Senior Minister of Social Affairs.
- Kyra Myderwyk as your 2023-2024 Junior Minister of Social Affairs.
- Beth Wallace was voted in as the 2023-2024 Senator.
- Dante Pio was voted in as the 2023-2024 Deputy Prime Minister.
- Noah Edwards was voted in as the 2023-2024 Prime Minister.

Motion: That Cabinet ratifies the results of the 2023 Spring General Elections as presented by the Chief Electoral Officer.

Motioned by: Nicholas Bhola

Seconded by: Dee Carter

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

b. Cabinet Office Renovation Proposal - Eden Cain

I. Renovating the Cabinet Office Presentation

- Eden thinks that the office is a lovely place that we use so often, but she would like to improve it. Eden has some propositions to organize some stuff within the office before the next school year.
- Eden suggests that we focus on a green, white, and gold colour palette.

- Most importantly, a new desk space would be nice. Eden suggests a slightly skinnier and longer desk so that more people can work. She proceeded to show some visual examples.
- More lighting to help the atmosphere and vibes and also so we don't have to rely on overhead lighting.
- Coffee station idea. Thrifting some mugs, stocking some coffee and tea.
- Organizing the office with a system so that everyone knows where stuff is. As well, possibly a calendar that shows everyone's office hours and cabinet events.
- The approximate cost would be \$2,000, not including paint. Deondrae noted that we have some paint in the cabinet storage.
- Kari suggests another desk space between the two chairs. Eden says she has been looking at a lot of different ideas.
- Noah raises concern about where we will get the money from. Dee says that are multiple ways to work around budget costs. Deondrae says the budget will come from the leftover money from the renovations line and the surplus from the cabinet events line.
- Summer will be the perfect time to work on it since no one will be in the office.

Motion: Cabinet approves up to \$3000 towards Cabinet Office renovations from the surplus Events and Renovations budget lines.

Motioned by: Noah Edwards

Seconded by: Karilin Wilson

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

c. JCR Future Renovation Proposal - Deondrae Thompson

I. Proposal of 3-in-1 Game Table for the JCR

- We were able to get 3 lovely couches for the JCR.
- Deondrae will be asking facilities to disassemble the air hockey table and possibly replace it with another pool table.
- Deondrae then proceeded to show a three-in-one game table (Air hockey, table tennis, and pool). It's approximately \$1,336.31 American while on sale, so probably about \$2,000 Canadian when not on sale.
- Dante asks if we have any updates on the Ceilie and if they want their pool table back. Deondrae answers that it's been circling around but nothing has been said yet. Dante expresses his concern on the possibility of having three pool tables on West Bank. Deondrae says that a lot of people go to the Ceilie to play pool, and having a pool table in the JCR has brought a lot of attention to

cabinet and the cabinet office. Dante also expresses his concern about pool sticks and materials being broken. Deondrae says next year we should collaborate with the college office to have the students sign a general contract for the pool supplies. Dante was worried about the lack of repercussions for people breaking stuff, but the contract would resolve his concerns.

- Noah compliments the table that Deondrae has shown and also asks if there is anything else someone would like to see in that space. Dee says that having a variety table like that would be great for first-year students so that they would be more encouraged to use the JCR as a common room.

Motion: Cabinet approves up to \$4,000 for future JCR renovations as decided by the future Summer Committee.

Motioned by: Deondrae Thompson

Seconded by: Dee Carter

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

6. Minister Reports / Committee Reports

a. Housing Advisory Committee Report.....Camryn Moerchen

I. Summary of March 21st Meeting

- Updates to Trent Student Housing Policy for the 2023-2024 year
 - Professionals from other universities were consulted to determine how to update some of these policies.
 - Building Policy was restated to align it more with the Residence Agreement.
 - Guest Policy: Changed to align with other institutions. Definition of "Social Gathering" is now included, as well as prohibiting social gatherings which occur when two or more conditions are met:
 - i. Alcohol consumption
 - ii. Unreasonable noise
 - iii. Guest(s)
 - Health and Safety Policy framed in a more supportive way to allow students to come forward after overconsuming substances.
 - Room Entry Policy: "Residents are prohibited from entering each other's rooms unless the resident who resides in the room is present and consenting to host the guest, or the student provides written authorization from their

Trentu.ca account to a member of Campus Security or the Professional Staff Team”.

- Smudging Policy: A new policy that allows residents to smudge in their resident rooms.
- Housing Surveys
 - Used to understand the demographics of the students staying in residence (year, averages, etc.).
 - Used to use the information to better improve the current housing system and to get a sense of what the students are interested in.
 - There is a separate survey for Undergraduate Students and Graduate Students.

b. Senior Senator ReportNoah Edwards

I. 507th Senate Meeting Report

- Public Agenda Link [Accessible Senate Agenda \(trentu.ca\)](#)
- Full report to be posted onto Teams. Highlights will be provided at the meeting.
- Noah will remain a voting member of Senate until the May 16th meeting as this is the term of Senate. Incoming Senator is expected to attend the April and May meetings alongside Noah for transition.
- Reading Week Policy may be presented at that next Senate Meeting. Noah will share the agenda on the Teams, so if anyone has any concerns let Noah know before the meeting.
- There is a big slide show for the budget on the Board of Governor’s agenda. It is linked on Teams.
 - Domestic tuition rates frozen at 2019/2020 rates. However, ancillary fees will still be going up.
 - Enrollment growth will be growing faster than the faculty growth.
 - The government has frozen a lot of the grants for universities.

II. Food Services Sustainability and Fair Trade Working Group Meeting Report

c. Minister of Social Affairs Report.....Dante Pio

I. Inter-Collegiate Meeting

- East vs West Committee
 - Dante and Deondrae attended it. There is now going to be an inter-collegiate meeting where the East vs West event will be discussed.

- Each college will have a chair, recommended to have experience with hockey.
- Either a Minister of Athletics or Minister of Off-Campus Affairs will sit on it.
- Amount to contribute to East vs West
 - Baseline that each cabinet contributes will now be \$750.
- Constitution
 - They went through the constitution at the meeting. Deondrae will be putting it on the Teams. All cabinets work together on the constitution.
- TCSA
 - TCSA used to help with East vs West, but in the past, they tried to take control of it. Deondrae brought up that they could possibly work with them again in the future since it seems like they're going in a different direction.
- Honorarium for Prime Minister/President and Deputy Prime Minister
 - Was declined since it might create a negative vibe and some cabinets don't have a requirement of one year on cabinet to become a Prime Minister/Deputy Prime Minister.

d. Prime Minister ReportDeondrae Thompson

I. Sweaters Update

- The sweaters are going to take a while. The company we are getting them from is in a sweater shortage. Sweaters will be shipped to you once they're ready. Everyone is alright with waiting. They should be done in about 3 weeks.

II. Cabinet Email + Door Codes

- For all of the new cabinet members, or those who don't have it, send Deondrae the four-digit door code you want for the office.
- Office Hours will be optional this coming week. We will still be allowed to loan out pool equipment during the exam season if we'd like to.

III. Renovations for Champlain Dining Hall

- Currently the dining hall has many leaks.
- They are not able to renovate it because of how many events are occurring in the dining hall.
- They will start renovations in 2 years because they will be booked out for 2 years. It is a good source of money for Champlain.

IV. CAASC

- The orientation fee is planned on being increased by 6.9% to help properly run orientation for the next academic year.
- Increase would be about \$102. Projected to intake about 2968 students.
- Kari asks if there is any discussion about orientation food issues. Deondrae says that he mentioned it to Bryan directly.

Motion: That Cabinet supports the CASSC Notice of Motion to increase Orientation fee by 6.9%.

Motioned by: Deondrae Thompson

Seconded by: Victoria VanSlyke

Discussion: Dante Pio declares a conflict of interest as he is an Orientation Facilitator and did not vote on or discuss the item.

Motion unanimous, one abstention.

7. Correspondence

a. Summer Sponsorship Proposal from Zwena Gray

I. Email from Zwena

- Received an email a couple of weeks ago for a summer sponsorship proposal.
- The proposal showed their past events and a cost breakdown.
- They are asking for \$3,500.
- Deondrae states that she is getting the Student Excellent Awards from the TCSA.
- All of the students were very satisfied with the past event she held.
- We have to do this now instead of the summer committee so that we can approve of an amount above \$500.

Motion: That Cabinet approves donating a minimum of \$2000 or up to \$3500 to Zwena depending on the budget.

Motioned by: Noah Edwards

Seconded by: Dante Pio

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries.

b. Traill College Cabinet - 3% Levy Fee Increase Instead of 6.9% (CPI)

I. Background Information (From Noah)

- Current non-refundable levy fee > total \$15.77.
- College Cabinet levy fees are grouped (so as to not make billing difficult and a College be more or less expensive) so Traill cannot make an individual request, all Cabinets would have to agree.

- “As per a successful 2011 referendum question, all levy fees are indexed to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) as published by Statistics Canada.”
- 6.9% increase (automatic) > increase of \$1.09 to total \$16.86
- 3% increase > increase of \$0.47 to total \$16.24
- Difference of \$0.62 total for students between 6.9% vs 3% increase. However, if all levy groups did this, the impact would be much larger, and this is unlikely.
- For total budget > 2022-2023 we budgeted to receive \$30,000 from levy fees.
 - 6.9% increase > \$32,070
 - 3% increase > \$30,900
 - Difference of \$1,170
- Deondrae states that this would have to be all cabinets agreeing, which he doesn't see happening. There are some cabinets that might need that 6.9%.
- However, we can put in writing which increase we support. Dante says that we should probably see what the other cabinets are thinking of first.
- Cabinet is okay with the 6.9% increase.

8. Questions from the Public

9. Any Other Business

a. Co-Curricular Record

- I. You can add your position on cabinet to your Co-Curricular record! Add it by using the student experience portal.

10. Closed Session

Motion: To enter closed session at 1:32pm to discuss inter-collegiate affairs.

Motioned by: Dee Carter

Seconded by: Victoria VanSlyke

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

Motion: To exit out of closed session at 1:34 pm.

Motioned by: Eden Cain

Seconded by: Karilin Wilson

Discussion: N/A

Motion unanimous, motion carries

11. Adjournment

Motion: That this meeting adjourn at 1:35pm on April 2nd 2023.

Motioned by: Noah Edwards
Seconded by: Dee Carter
Discussion: N/A
Motion unanimous, motion carries