

DPS Board Meeting Agenda – Oct 13th, 2020 via Zoom

1) Attendance

- a) Present: Boris S., Kate E., Melina N., Simon T, Asa K, Florence L.
- b) We have quorum.

2) Federal and Provincial business registries. We need to send a list including the names and addresses of all our directors.

3) Boris (Manager's & Office report).

- a) What are the news? (Computer & Office).
- b) SSMU has advised us to work remotely.
- c) Boris has bought a computer in accordance with the motion passed two weeks ago.
- d) We still do not have internet in our office.

4) Reports from editors Daily & Le Délit?

- a) The Daily has elected a new editor. It has now 12 staff members.
- b) Le Délit gave us a report regarding an ad put on Facebook. The analytics seem to be positive. Staff members are to take part in a workshop on matters related to inclusivity.

5) Special AGM Planning.

- a) AGM – **Virtual AGM meeting Oct 21st @ 5:30 PM**, via Zoom, by invite ONLY. DPS member is required to register on-line before the AGM. A link will be shared ASAP.
- b) At the meeting, we will ratify the election of all the board members and also ratify the bylaws that were amended in Spring. A Pdf of the new bylaws was sent to all Board members via e-mail.
- c) To reach quorum, we need to have 25 members of the DPS present
Members include any fee-paying student undergraduate or graduate student at McGill
 - We also need to approve the audited financial statements and appoint the auditors for the next fiscal year by October 30 2020.

Marinos from RSM Richter, will be present at the AGM, to go over “The DPS financial statements, and answer any questions posed by the DPS membership. The F.S must be published by each newspaper and then sent to McGill University, as part of our M.O.A

- d) All the editors of each publication have pledged to be present.
- e) The AGM has been shared on social medias.

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- f) In accordance with our bylaws, we are electing a presiding officer, a recording secretary and at least two (2) ballot counters.
- BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors appoints Simon Tardif to the position of Presiding Officer for the next Special Meeting of Members (Oct 21th).
Moved by: Florence (vote passed unanimously).
 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors appoints Katherine Ellis to the position of Recording Secretary for the next Special Meeting of Members (Oct 21th).
Moved by: Asa (vote passed unanimously)
 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors appoints Asa Kohn and Florence Lavoie to the position of Ballot Counters for the next Special Meeting of Members (Oct 21th).
Moved by: Kate (vote passed unanimously)
- 6) **LISTSERV. We followed Asa's suggestion.**
- a) Problems with Sendinblue (10 000 emails).
 - b) We have tried to use this tool in the past.
 - c) Mathieu's solution.
 - d) Asa has asked Simon to get in touch with Mathieu in order to better understand our problems with McGill's LISTSERV.
- 7) **Financial aid packages.** Financial aid packages (6) Applications Oct 19th – 26th 2020. An email including a form to complete will be sent to Kate and Méline. Please share this form with your all members of your staff.
- 8) **Signing officers. We have to officially nominate our signing officers.**
- a) BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors appoints Simon Tardif to the position of signing officer.
Moved by: Asa (vote passed unanimously)
 - b) BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors appoints Boris Shedov to the position of signing officer.
Moved by: Asa (vote passed unanimously)
- 9) **Threat of legal action:** Declan McCool. **Updates**
- a) No updates have been shared with the Board.
- 10) **Motion to Adjourn Meeting.**
Moved by: Méline (vote passed unanimously).
- 11) **Date and time of next Board Meeting.**
- a) We will be having our next Board Meeting the 3rd of November 2020 at 3 PM.