

## Motion A

Whereas the DSS has leftover funds from Personal and Conference grants which are to be repurposed to a bursary fund for undergraduate science students in the next fiscal year.

And whereas the comparison of financial need between applicants would create an inequitable process, the bursaries shall be allotted as a lottery system.

And whereas, the distribution of the funds into an appropriate number of bursaries should be decided by the Finance and Grants committee.

And whereas, the oversight of the program should fall to the Vice-President of Finance to manage the application form and randomly select recipients.

**Be it resolved that** the administration of the program is the responsibility of the Vice President of Finance by adding Article 6.5.j to read:

j. Supervise administration of bi-annual DSS Bursaries

**Be it further resolved that** the funds be taken from excess personal and conference grant funds by adding Article 10.2.f to read:

f. Excess funds from personal and conference grants in the previous fiscal year will be split into two bursary cycles in the middle of each semester. Bursaries will be allotted as a lottery system.

**Be it further resolved that** the Finance and Grants Committee determine the distribution of the bursary funds by adding article 10.4.c.v to read:

v. Determine the number and amount of bursaries based on excess personal and conference grant funds in the previous fiscal year.

## Motion B

Whereas the running of the STEM Outreach podcast, Voices of STEM, is to be managed by a SURGE intern who will still maintain a position on the STEM Outreach podcast.

**Be it resolved that** the SURGE podcast intern be added to the composition of the STEM Outreach committee by adding article 8.11.b.ii, reading: 'The SURGE Podcast Intern'

## Motion C

Whereas the management of the Peer Mentorship program should be run by a committee in lieu of just the Professional Development Rep.

And whereas having a Peer Mentorship Committee will help facilitate the transition of the Professional Development position.

And whereas council has expressed interest in having in-person events added to the program.

**Be it resolved that** Article 8.12.a-c be created to outline the new committee and read:

### 8.12 The Peer Mentorship Committee

- a. The Peer Mentorship Committee shall be chaired by the Professional Development Rep
- b. The voting member of the Peer Mentorship Committee shall be:
  - i. The Professional Development Rep
  - ii. At least one (1) other councilor
- c. The Peer Mentorship Committee shall:
  - i. Meet at least once per month
  - ii. Assist the Professional Development Rep in matching mentors and mentees for the DSS Peer Mentorship program
  - iii. Plan social or informative events for members of the program to improve engagement

**Be it also resolved that** Article 8.a.xi is added to the list of standing committees to read: 'Peer Mentorship Committee'

## Motion D

Whereas the duties of the Course Rep Coordinator are better split between two individuals.

And whereas, it is unnecessary for the Course Rep Coordinator to attend DSS Council meetings.

**Be it resolved that** article 5.3.h be amended to read:

- h. The Course Rep Coordinators (2) shall:
  - i. Organize the course representative program with the support of the Associate Dean (Students & Programs; Academic Process)
    - 1. This program aims to improve communication between students and instructors by providing an anonymous channel through which students can relay concerns

- ii. Not be required to attend Council meetings but submit a monthly report to the President

## Motion E

Whereas the Equity Rep, Professional Development Rep, and Course Rep Coordinators are not included in the General Meetings Election Procedures.

Whereas the Equity Rep, Professional Development Rep and Course Rep Coordinators do not have an election period defined in the constitution.

**Be it resolved that** Article 7.4.a is amended to add the Equity Rep and Professional Development and now read:

- a. The Executive, First-Year Rep, Environmental Affairs Rep, Senate Rep, Equity Rep, Professional Development Rep, Course Rep Coordinators (2), and the Committee Chairs must be nominated from and elected by the Membership at a General Meeting.

**Be it further resolved that** Article 9.2.a.i is amended to include the Professional Development and Equity Rep and now read:

- a. The agenda for the Winter General Meeting must include:
  - i. Election of Executive positions, Senate Rep, Professional Development Rep, Equity Rep, Course Rep Coordinators, and DSU Rep.

## Motion E

Whereas DASSS is included as a definition in the constitution yet does not subsequently appear in the constitution.

**Be it resolved that** article 1.h reading DASSS – the Dalhousie Arts and a Social Sciences Society be removed

## Motion F

Whereas the Environmental Affairs Rep constitutionally must run the @dss\_environment Instagram, the First Year Rep should also have the maintenance of the @dalfirstyearsience account listed in their responsibilities.

**Be it resolved that** article 5.3.d.iv be added to read:

- iv. Responsible for overseeing and running the Dalfirstyearsience instagram account.

## Motion G

Whereas the quorum for an executive meeting is currently  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the executive but there are 7 members of the executive team.

And whereas for clarity, the quorum for executive meetings should be given in fractions of 7.

**Be it resolved that** article 9.4.e is amended to read:

e. Quorum for Executive meetings shall be (5/7) of the Executive of the Society

## Motion I

Whereas the Actuarial Science Society has not been active since May 2018 and has not ratified with the DSU.

**Be it resolved that** the Actuarial Science Society is removed from the list of constituent societies by removing article 4.b.xv reading **Actuarial Science Society**

## Motion J

Whereas in its first year as a constituent society, the Dalhousie Integrated Science Society (DISS) has failed to attend any regular council or F&G meetings and is therefore considered inactive.

**Be it resolved that** the Dalhousie Integrated Science Society is removed from the list of constituent societies by removing article 4.b.xvi reading **Dalhousie Integrated Science Society**