**Dalhousie Science Society Council Meeting**

28 October 2019, 7:00PM - Council Chambers Dalhousie Student Union Building

Chair: Arlene Jiang

The Dalhousie Science Society acknowledges that Dalhousie University and

the Dalhousie Student Union Building are located on traditional, unceded and

unsurrendered Mi’kma’ki territory. The Dalhousie Science Society seeks to

honour the relational treaty process in its programming, events, and

meetings.

1. **Roll Call;**

Roll call accepted

Appointments to the social committee

Amendment to the agenda

1. **Acceptance of the agenda;**

Accepted the agenda

1. **Acceptance of the minutes;**

Minutes accepted

1. **Presentations**
   1. Alcohol Licensing Issues,

The Previous DSU meeting was live streamed where they discussed the alcohol suspension

This is posted on the Dal gazette Facebook page

DSU Rep

Legend- bullet points is information from the presentation, while anything with \* was asked and answered at the meeting

All the information in the presentation is public knowledge

What the problem is:

* DSU underwent restructuring over the summer
  + Removed positions of
    - Director of Licensed Operations
    - General Manager
    - DSU communications and outreach coordinator
  + Created new positions of Director of Operations
    - Director of Research and Outreach
* In July: University removed liquor license designate position from the DSU and made it a position outside of the DSU
  + This change was recommended by University Alcohol Advisory Committee
  + Means that the DSU could not be involved in approving events that would have alcohol, since the liquor licence designate position was no longer part of the DSU

\*Unidentified university employee, which was not a general manager even though that's not currently a position because that position was removed when restructuring.

\*Some speculation that the university didn’t want to acknowledge that the new position as new liquor designate (Bakhmala has retracted this statement because she is unsure of its validity)

* DSU staff were apparently being asked by the alcohol advisory committee to perform tasks that violated the alcohol policies, so DSU told the board of governors that they would no longer follow anything beyond what the alcohol policies and procedures already have outlined
  + Consequence: university suspended alcohol services at all campus locations IN HALIFAX that are run by the DSU
* What it means for societies for now:
  + Can’t sell or serve any alcohol on Dalhousie’s Halifax campuses (Studley, Carleton, Sexton)
  + No bar service provided by DSU for catered & on-campus events
  + T-Room, Grawood will not be allowed to serve alcohol
  + Alcohol suspension does not affect the University Club (has its own license) or some special events at the Dalhousie Art Centre, since they are not under the DSU
* What is currently being done + when to expect changes:
  + Meetings are occurring btwn DSU and Dal Administration
  + DSU Exec met with Ivan and some others on Thursday October 24th, no updates yet
  + An ad hoc committee, which is expected to make a report no later than December 4th
  + This committee will be investigating the DSU and the university to determine who violated certain rules and what needs to be done to resolve the situation
  + Update from the chair of the ad hoc committee:
    - There should be a public call for members released tomorrow (or soon)

\*We would like more transparency for what the transactions were between the DSU and the Alcohol board? A: They said they can't release all of the emails that they have received from the board because of a confidentiality agreement at the bottom of the email. They are currently trying to figure out a way they can release that information.

\*Discussion extension- 5 min

\* Liam-Couple instances the gallery kept storming out

\*Fran-Does the DSU acknowledge their role in the actions that have transpired? A: I can not answer this because it is unclear.

Meeting adjourned - everything tabled- due to power outage

1. **Amendments to the Constitution;**
2. **Appointments;**
   1. DSS Committees
      1. Constitution Committee
3. **New Business;** 
   1. Letter Regarding DSU / Alcohol Policy
   2. Peer Mentorship Update/ Brainstorm
4. **Business of the Executive;**
   1. President’s report
   2. Vice President’s report
   3. Director of Finance’s report
   4. Director of Communication’s report
   5. Director of Student Life’s report
   6. Director of Marketing’s report
   7. Chairperson's Report
5. **Reports from the D-Societies and Standing Committees;**
   1. Finance & Grants
   2. Environmental Affairs
   3. Curriculum Committee
   4. First Year Rep
   5. DISP Rep
   6. Professional Development Rep
   7. DABS
   8. DAMS
   9. DAPS
   10. DBSS
   11. DOUGS
   12. DUESA
   13. DUMASS
   14. DUPS
   15. DUUCS
   16. Dawson
   17. EPSS
   18. SIMS
   19. MSSDU
   20. UNS
   21. King’s Rep
   22. DSU Rep
   23. Senate Rep
6. **Announcements and Question Period;**
7. **Notices of Motion;**
8. **Adjournment**