

<b>Students Nova Scotia</b>	<b>Board of Directors</b> Meeting Minutes
<b>Meeting Name:</b>	Board Meeting
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	March 7th, 2024
<b>Meeting Time:</b>	12:00 PM ADT
<b>Venue:</b>	Zoom
<b>City:</b>	n/a
<b>Attendees</b>	
<b>Primary Delegates</b>	ASU: Benjamin Morris (absent) CBUSU: Gideon Osaro Otoibhi StFXSU: Sophia Fabiano SMUSA: Anubhav Gupta
<b>Secondary Delegates</b>	ASU: Sam Taylor CBUSU: Sahilpreet Singh Chatha StFXSU: Julianna Drake SMUSA: Shiray Tan
<b>Other</b>	Chair: Matt Doyle Vice-Chair: Sadie McAlear Executive Director: Georgia Saleski Dalhousie University Students' Union: Mariam Knakriah

# Meeting Minutes

## Students Nova Scotia Board Meeting

Thursday, March 7th, 2024

12:00 PM - 12:30 PM p.m. ADT

Via Zoom (Click [here](#))

### PROCEDURAL ITEMS

#### Roll Call

- Acadia Students' Union
- Cape Breton University Students' Union
- St. Francis Xavier University Students' Union
- Saint Mary's University Students' Association

Quorum: y/n

Others in attendance:

- Executive Director: Georgia Saleski
- Chair: Matthew Doyle
- Vice Chair: Sadie McAlear
- Dalhousie University Students Union

Call to Order : 12:09pm AST

Approval of the Agenda Vote: Passed Moved: STFXSU Seconded: SMUSA

### DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL

#### 1) Approval of Minutes

a) Overview:

b) **Approval Items:** Be it resolved that the Board approve the minutes of February 25th

c) **Reference Items:** February 25th Minutes

d) **Vote:** Passed Moved: SMUSA Seconded: STFXSU

## 2) Fee Structure Revisions

a) **Overview:** Governance Committee Chair

b) **Discussion Items:**

The Governance Chair discussed the fee structure proposal and spoke to the process that happened to be presenting the final fee structure proposal that has been passed by the Governance Committee. The Executive Director then spoke to how this will be affecting each school.

c) **Reference Items:** Fee Structure Proposal

The Chair recommended the Board move in-camera to discuss further about the changes to the policy.

**BIRT** the StudentsNS Board moves in camera.

**Vote:** Passed Moved: CBUSU Seconded: STFXSU.

**BIRT** The StudentsNS Board moves out of in-camera.

**Vote:** Passed Moved: STFXSU Seconded: SMUSA

**Motion:** **BIRT** the StudentsNS Board approve the proposed fee structure revisions pending an update to the relevant governing policies.

d) **Vote:** Moved: STFXSU Seconded: ASU

## REPORTS

### 1) Reports of the Officers

a) Chair

ED and Policy staff attended provincial budget lockup and StudentsNS released a statement following the budget announcement.

b) Vice Chair

The Vice-Chair is balancing a lot with graduation coming up and attending weekly executive team meetings.

### 2) Campus Reports

a) Acadia Student's Union

The ASU's by-election will be taking place in March.

b) Cape Breton University Students' Union



Biggest issues continue to remain as international student housing issues and transit conversations are ongoing.

c) St. Francis Xavier University Student's Union

Trying to wrap up annual plan goals. Will have a full incoming team hired and ratified and are beginning transition. Working on academic integrity policy and food security conversations are ongoing as well.

d) Saint. Mary's University Students' Association

SMUSA is working on some internal advocacy for continued affordability and support for students on campus. The new SMUSA President has been elected and is currently hiring their new team.

e) Dalhousie

Elections are ongoing and will have a new team soon. VP Finance will be hired and not elected anymore. New supports for students will be opening up on campus as they continue their advocacy pursuits.

### 3) Committee Reports

a) Governance Committee

Respectful workplace policy will be next for the Governance Committee since the Fee Structure Policy has passed.

b) Membership Committee

Has not met in a while but the Chair has been working with the ED on next steps for the Student Mental health Campaign.

c) Policy Committee

Sent initial draft on student housing policy to Policy Staff. The Chair would like the rest of the policy committee to fill out the meeting poll for time they can meet.

### 4) Staff Reports

a) Policy and Research Analyst

b) Executive Director



Working on a campaign role out with a newly hired campaign officer. Will be starting conversations with folx to identify how we can engage each individual campus. The ED is also working on preparation for the March 30/31st Transition Conference in Halifax.

## OTHER BUSINESS

### ADJOURNMENT:

Vote: Passed Moved: STFXSU Seconded: SMUSA