

**McMaster Association of Part-Time Students
Board of Directors Meeting – Minutes
Thursday April 30, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.
Room 230, McMaster University Student Centre**

PRESENT Grace Bisutti, Jeanette Button, Elaine Marion, Eric Siu, Violet Wakeman-Ajandi, Ian Walker, Candace Waterkamp, Allan Wong,

BY PROXY Min-Ju Evans, Rose O’Conor, Kate Pratas

ABSENT None

STAFF Sam Minniti (Executive Director), Terri Jones (Office Administrator)

GUESTS None

CONSTITUTION OF THE MEETING

A quorum of directors being present, Minniti called the meeting to order.

Since the existing chair of the Board of Directors, Allan Wong, was standing for re-election as MAPS President, Minniti suggested that he chair the meeting so as to avoid any conflict of interest. The Board unanimously consented.

ATTACHMENTS TO THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE MINUTES

- Minutes – April 2, 2008
- Minutes – June 14, 2008
- Minutes – September 23, 2008
- Minutes – October 21, 2008
- Minutes – November 18, 2008
- Minutes – January 27, 2009
- Minutes – February 24, 2009

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion: Moved by Wong, seconded by Walker to adopt the agenda.
Carried Unanimously.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (April 2, 2008, June 14, 2008, September 23, 2008, October 21, 2008, November 18, 2008, January 27, 2009, and February 24, 2009)

Motion: Moved by Waterkamp, seconded by Wong to adopt the minutes from the previous meetings: April 2, 2008, June 14, 2008, September 23, 2008, October 21, 2008, November 18, 2008, January 27, 2009, and February 24, 2009.
Carried Unanimously.

3. ELECTION OF THE 2009-2010 MAPS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

a) President

Motion: Moved by Waterkamp, seconded by Siu to open nominations for the position of President.
Carried Unanimously.

Wakeman-Ajandi nominated Marion, Marion accepted.
Wong nominated himself and accepted.

Motion: Moved by Waterkamp, seconded by Siu to close nominations for the position of President.
Carried Unanimously.

Motion: Moved by Walker, seconded by Waterkamp to move into closed session.
Carried Unanimously.

Motion: Moved by Walker, seconded by Waterkamp to return to open session.
Carried Unanimously.

Both Marion and Wong highlighted their experience and vision for the position of President. A secret ballot vote was held, and Marion was elected as President. Marion thanked the Board for electing her as President and indicated that she looked forward to serving the organization in the capacity of President.

b) Vice-President (Internal)

Motion: Moved by Wong, seconded by Siu to open nominations for the position of Vice-President (Internal).
Carried Unanimously.

Minniti shared with the Board that he had a written statement from Min-Ju Evans accepting nomination for the position of Vice-President (Internal) as well as any of MAPS' Standing Committees and McMaster Universities committees and boards should someone nominate her since she was unable to attend the meeting.

Siu nominated Evans, Evans accepted in absentia by virtue of her written statement.

There were no other nominations.

Minniti informed the Board that no formal election would be required since Evans was the only candidate; however, a ratification vote would be necessary.

Motion: Moved by Waterkamp, seconded by Wong to close nominations for the position of Vice-President (Internal) and ratify Min-Ju Evans as Vice-President (Internal) for 2009-2010.
Carried Unanimously.

c) Vice-President (External)

Motion: Moved by Marion, seconded by Wong to open nominations for the position of Vice-President (External).
Carried Unanimously.

Marion nominated Waterkamp, Waterkamp accepted.

There were no other nominations.

Motion: Moved by Marion, seconded by Wong to close nominations for the position of Vice-President (External) and ratify Candace Waterkamp (External) for 2009-2010.
Carried Unanimously.

Waterkamp thanked the Board for her re-election as Vice-President (External) and briefly shared her goal to continue MAPS' advocacy agenda through exploring the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA).

d) Treasurer

Motion: Moved by Walker, seconded by Wong to open nominations for the position of Treasurer.
Carried Unanimously.

Marion nominated Button, Button accepted.

There were no other nominations.

Motion: Moved by Marion, seconded by Waterkamp to ratify Jeanette Button as Treasurer for 2009-2010.
Carried Unanimously.

Button thanked the Board for her election as Treasurer, and indicated that she looked forward to working with Minniti on the financial affairs of MAPS.

e) Executive Councillor

Motion: Moved by Walker, seconded by Waterkamp to open nominations for the position of Executive Councillor.
Carried Unanimously.

Button nominated Walker, Walker accepted.
There were no other nominations.

Motion: Moved by Button, seconded by Wong to ratify Ian Walker as the Executive Councillor for 2009-2010.
Carried Unanimously.

4. ELECTION TO MAPS STANDING COMMITTEES

Minniti highlighted the various standing committees of MAPS, their respective life cycles, responsibilities, and general time commitments. Minniti suggested it might be more efficient if the Board were to entertain nominations to all standing committees, and then ratify members in an omnibus fashion.

a) Internal Committee

Marion nominated O'Connor, Minniti indicated that he would follow-up with O'Connor to see if she would stand for election to the Internal Committee.

Walker nominated Pratas, Minniti indicated he would follow-up with Pratas to see if she would stand for election to the Internal Committee.

There were no other nominations.

b) External Committee

Marion nominated O'Connor, Minniti indicated that he would follow-up with O'Connor to see if she would stand for election to the External Committee.

Walker nominated Pratas, Minniti indicated he would follow-up with Pratas to see if she would stand for election to the External Committee.

There were no other nominations.

c) Finance Committee

Marion nominated O'Connor, Minniti indicated that he would follow-up with O'Connor to see if she would stand for election to the External Committee.

Walker nominated Pratas, Minniti indicated he would follow-up with Pratas to see if she would stand for election to the External Committee.

There were no other nominations.

d) Award Committee

Waterkamp nominated Siu, Siu accepted.

Marion nominated O'Connor, Minniti indicated that he would follow-up with O'Connor to see if she would stand for election to the Award Committee.

Walker nominated Pratas, Minniti indicated he would follow-up with Pratas to see if she would stand for election to the Award Committee.

There were no other nominations.

e) Nomination Committee

Siu nominated Walker, Walker accepted.

Walker nominated Siu, Siu accepted.

There were no other nominations.

f) *The Link* Committee

Wong nominated Walker, Walker accepted.

Marion nominated Pratas, Minniti indicated he would follow-up with Pratas to see if she would stand for election to *The Link* Committee.

There were no other nominations.

Motion: Moved by Wong, seconded by Waterkamp to ratify in an omnibus fashion all individuals nominated to serve on the various MAPS Standing Committees.
Carried Unanimously.

5. ELECTION TO MCMASTER UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES & BOARDS

Minniti highlighted the various McMaster University committees and boards, their respective life cycles, responsibilities, and general time commitments. Minniti suggested it might be more efficient if the Board were to entertain nominations to all McMaster University committees and boards, and then ratify members in an omnibus fashion.

a) President's Advisory Committee on Building an Inclusive Community (PACBIC)

Siu nominated Button, Button accepted.
There were no other nominations.

b) President's Advisory Committee on Community Relations (PACCR)

Waterkamp nominated Wakeman-Ajandi, Wakeman-Ajandi accepted.
There were no other nominations.

c) President's Advisory Committee on Transportation & Parking (PACTP)

Marion nominated O'Connor, Minniti indicated that he would follow-up with O'Connor to see if she would stand for election to PACTP.
Walker nominated Pratas, Minniti indicated he would follow-up with Pratas to see if she would stand for election to PACTP.
There were no other nominations.

d) Student Code of Conduct

Siu nominated Waterkamp, Waterkamp accepted.
There were no other nominations.

e) Senate Committee on Student Affairs

Marion nominated Waterkamp, Waterkamp accepted.
Walker nominated Wong, Wong accepted.
There were no other nominations.

f) Titles Bookstore Advisory Board

Walker nominated Bisutti, Bisutti accepted.
Waterkamp nominated Walker, Walker accepted.
There were no other nominations.

g) Central Joint Health & Safety Committee

Walker nominated Wong, Wong accepted.
There were no other nominations.

h) Valedictorian Selection Committee

Walker nominated Bisutti, Bisutti accepted.
Button nominated Siu, Siu accepted.
Wong nominated Walker, Walker accepted.
Siu nominated Button, Button accepted.

Motion: Moved by Waterkamp, seconded by Marion to ratify in an omnibus fashion all individuals nominated to serve on the various McMaster University Committees & Board.
Carried Unanimously.

6. UNFINISHED / OTHER BUSINESS

Motion: Moved by Waterkamp, seconded by Siu to move into closed session.
Carried Unanimously.

Motion: Moved by Siu, seconded by Wong to return to open session.
Carried Unanimously.

There was no unfinished or other business.

7. TIME OF NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

Minniti indicated that the next Board of Directors meeting would take place in conjunction with the Annual Spring Retreat. Minniti informed the Board that he would e-mail everyone to solicit their availability and that the meeting would more than likely take place during a Saturday in June. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Motion: Button moved Waterkamp, seconded by Wong to adjourn.
Carried Unanimously.