

**McMaster Association of Part-Time Students
Board of Directors Meeting – Minutes
Thursday October 14, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.
57 West 1st Street, Hamilton, Ontario**

PRESENT Min-Ju Evans, Jeanette Button, Elaine Marion (Chair), Rose O'Connor, Kate Pratas, Nathan Shaw, Violet Wakeman-Ajandi, Ian Walker, Candace Waterkamp

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

CONSTITUTION OF THE MEETING

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

ATTACHMENTS TO THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE MINUTES

- Executive Director's Report

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion: Moved by Waterkamp, seconded by Pratas to adopt the agenda.
Carried Unanimously.

2. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Minniti presented his written report (a copy annexed to the master copy of the minutes). Of particular note for the minutes from the Executive Director's report, Minniti highlighted that after two years of lobbying Dr. Peter Smith, Associate Vice-President (Academic) and Chair of the University Student Fees Committee (USFC), that MAPS was finally granted a seat (for a part-time undergraduate student representative) on the USFC.

Marion congratulated Minniti for his persistence in achieving this goal for MAPS.

Wakeman-Ajandi highlighted the section in Minniti's report that dealt with a recent meeting between her, Minniti, and representatives from the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance (OUSA), a post-secondary education lobby group. She added that she and Minniti shared with the OUSA representatives the nuances of part-time students while learning about the life cycle of OUSA and their various policies. Wakeman-Ajandi concluded by indicating that she and Minniti were looking forward to attending the OUSA Fall General Assembly to be held at Brock University on the weekend of Friday November 5 to Sunday November 7.

3. MAPS/CCE ACADEMIC AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

Minniti recommended that the value of MAPS/CCE Awards of Academic Excellence (established in 2004 to recognize students in their graduating year who have achieved the highest grade point average in each CCE program) be changed from \$125 to \$150.

Walker inquired as to the impetus of the change.

Minniti noted that the value of the award had been unchanged since the inception of the awards in 2004 and given the recent MAPS membership fee increase, it is only fair to be mindful of increasing financial allocations to CCE, similar to the increase in the MAPS 2010 budget for the CCE graduation ceremony.

Motion: Moved by Pratas, seconded by Walker to increase the value of the MAPS/CCE Academic Awards of Excellence from \$125 to \$150 effective for the next round of awards presented at the 2010 CCE graduation ceremony.
Carried Unanimously.

4. UNFINISHED / OTHER BUSINESS

There was no unfinished or other business.

5. TIME OF NEXT MEETING / ADJOURNMENT

Minniti indicated that the next meeting of the MAPS Board of Directors would take place on Thursday November 11, 2011. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Motion: Moved by Waterkamp, seconded by Walker to adjourn.
Carried Unanimously.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

During the years 2008 through 2012, the taking of minutes, recording of decisions of the Board, and other normal meeting procedures do not appear to have been followed or in accordance with best practices. However, various documents that appear to be unapproved minutes were found.

In August 2013, the Board of Directors (which was elected in February 2013 as part of a complete Board changeover) instructed that these unapproved minutes be made publicly available in order to advance the current Board's commitment to transparency and improved governance. However, these minutes may not be fully representative of the deliberations or subsequent actions of prior Boards, and the current Board is unable to determine their accuracy as none of the current members were present during these past meetings.

These minutes should thus be read with the following caveats:

1. Unless otherwise indicated, no record exists of these minutes being appropriately reviewed or approved. The minutes' contents are thus provided "as is" for information purposes only.
2. These minutes may accordingly not provide a full or accurate record of prior board decisions. These minutes should thus not be relied upon as authoritative or conclusive.
3. As none of the 2013 members were present, these minutes have not and will not be approved by the 2013 Board. The 2013 Board does not automatically agree with or accept any decisions or discussions that may be in these minutes.
4. For reference, as of 2013, minutes are now reviewed and approved by the Board at a subsequent meeting, and signed by the presiding officer and corporate secretary.