

**McMaster Association of Part-Time Students
Board of Directors Meeting – Minutes
Tuesday, April 30, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.
MAPS Office, McMaster University**

PRESENT Andrew Smith (chair), Jeannie An (recording secretary), Jackie Arlen, John Liauba

REGRETS Alamin Berhanu, Emily Cerantola, Michelle Macfarlane

GUEST Rylan Kinnon (OUSA Executive Director)

CONSTITUTION OF THE MEETING

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

ATTACHMENTS TO THE MINUTES

- Presentation by the Executive Director of the Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance

1. PRESENTATION BY OUSA

Rylan Kinnon, executive director of the Ontario University of Student Alliance (OUSA), provided an overview of OUSA and MAPS' membership with the organization (a copy of his presentation is appended to the master copy of the minutes).

McMaster is the only university with two student organizations (MSU and MAPS) that are members of OUSA. The other member associations are Brock University Student Union, Trent, Waterloo Federation of Students, Wilfrid Laurier Students Union, Queen's Alma Mater Society, and Western Students' Council. There a number of universities across Ontario. OUSA is a provincial level membership-driven advocacy organization working on behalf of the interests of the undergraduate degree students at its member student organizations.

Kinnon outlined the mission, structure and operations of OUSA and the benefits of being a member of OUSA. Each member association is represented on OUSA's Steering Committee. Kinnon encouraged MAPS to send one or two delegates to the OUSA Transition Conference (Wednesday-Thursday, May 15-16).

Smith is available to attend on May 15 and the board will be canvassed to determine if a member is available to attend on May 16. MAPS will pay the delegate registration cost and will reimburse delegates for travel expenses.

2. NEXT MEETING / ADJOURNMENT

Members informally discussed next steps and developed a "to do" list for the next meeting.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 21, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

These minutes were duly approved by the Board at its meeting on August 10, 2013.



Andrew Smith, President



David Moore, Secretary