



# New College Council Meeting February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 2:00PM - 3:00PM EST via Zoom

#### **Chaired by Nicholas Kriss**

#### Call to Order:

I would like to call this meeting to order on Thursday, February 18th, 2021 at 2:07 PM

#### Council Members:

**Voting Members:** Shenali Don, Kyle Fernandes, Kevin Chan, Mohammed Obaid, Nabiha Tariq, Maritza Mohammed, Elena Oganyan, Casey Medina, Rachel Trinh, Vansh Chopra, Tracy Hoang, Matthew Mohammed

Non-Voting Members: Farzana Jalal, Victoria Hanna, Josh Raghurai, Kyra Bendastos, Krista Lopiccolo,

Brandon D'amico, Elsie Benko, Alexus Marticorena, Blake Donovan, Nicholas McFarlene,

Absent: Negar Fathi, Filomena Pestana

Announcement of Proxies: Matthew Mohammed will be Alex Hennaoui, Sean Lee, and William

Goncalves.

Maritza Mohammed will be Jeff Beh, Negar Fathi, Amreen Shezan, Aira Andrea, and Kyle Louis

#### Speaker Remarks:

- If you wish to obtain the floor, quietly raise your hand or leave a message in the zoom chat
- To avoid constant circling of a topic at hand, I will end the discussion so we move forward to a solution or table the topic.
- Please refrain from making any side remarks, murmurs, sighs, chuckles or anything of that nature. We aim to be as professional as possible and want to get business dealt with so such behaviour must be avoided. If need be, one warning will be given, and anything after that you will be asked to leave the meeting
- Please remain seated with your camera on throughout the entire meeting unless it is an emergency.

#### Adoption of the Agenda

Motion Date: Thursday, February 18, 2021

Motion: Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented.

Moved By: Tracy Hoang

Seconded By: Maritza Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0





#### **Minutes from Previous Meeting**

Motion Date: Thursday, February 18, 2021

Motion: Be it resolved that the minutes from the previous meeting be adopted as presented.

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed Seconded By: Blake Donovan This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

# **Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes**

None

## Financial Updates

- Executives:
  - o None
- Athletics:
  - o None
- Social:
  - o None

## **Department Updates**

#### **President's Update**

- AGM
  - Maritza Mohammed
    - "Welcome everybody to our AGM meeting, just to go over a few house rules, all

council members and constituents have a vote in this meeting. Anyone in this meeting minus the speaker has a vote. You will be voting through a poll which will pop up on your screen. In favor means you want the motion to pass, opposed means you want the motion to fail and abstain means you're neutral and you don't want it to happen either way. For a motion to pass we need 51% of votes. If





you need to leave the meeting, message the speaker in the chat before hand and announce a proxy. For proxies have it be someone that will be here the entire time. Don't leave the meeting until the speaker has announced your proxy and said you left. As for the motions a lot of them will be formalities and errors to be corrected whereas others will require more discussion."

# **VP Finance Update**

None

**VP Operations Update** 

None

**Social Update** 

None

**Athletics Update** 

None

**Promotions Update** 

None

**Academics Update** 

None

**Orientation Chair Update** 

None

**College Head Update** 

None

#### Motions

1. Be it resolved that New College Council amends the Constitution on February 18, 2021.

**Motivation:** We must do this for the meeting.

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed Seconded By: Kyle Fernandes This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 22





**Opposed:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

- 1. Be it resolved that New College Council amends Article 13 to add section L "Any motions passed in the AGM will be effective for the following council year, starting May 1st". Motivation:
  - Maritza Mohammed
    - o "This has always been a council standard that whatever is passed in the AGM isn't effective until the next council year, it has just never been said in writing. This is what most colleges do. All in all whatever we pass in this meeting, we can add it to our constitution if it passes however, it's not effective until the next council year with all the new members."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 22 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

1. Be it resolved New College Council amends Article 9.3 line e from "The President must have previously served a full term from May 1 to April 30 on Council of any previous year prior to the term of President." to "The President must have previously served a full term from May 1 to April 30 on Council as any VP position of any previous year prior to the term of President".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "In the past, it's always been the council members must have one full year on council, from May 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup> to run for President, however we are changing to it only VP positions such as VP Operations, VP Finance, VP Social, VP Athletics, VP Promotions and VP Academics because even if you have that one year as a director or a representative, you don't get as much experience as you would if you were VP seeing as they have more responsibilities, you deal with budget and you run a department. A lot of other colleges have this practice so I wanted to add this in so that they can be more prepared.





Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 22 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

- 1. Be it resolved New College Council amends Article 9.8.b and adds the following, "VP Operations covers the President's position for no more than 10 business days (requires no motion from Council) until appointment.".

  Motivation:
  - Maritza Mohammed
    - Operations duties, it says if the President position is vacant. In the constitution in the VP Operations duties, it says if the President position is vacant or they need to take time off, the VP Operations covers for them. This year we though we had to motion for it, last year it was confusing as well, so we are just making it that if there ever is a President vacancy, the VP Operations covers for them automatically no matter what for 10 business days until they can find someone else to be appointed. This requires no motion or emergency meeting because it needs to be automatic seeing as they are only covering.

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 2

1. Be it resolved New College Council amends "Article 9.10 Appointment of Speaker" to "Article 9.9 Appointment of Speaker".

**Motivation:** It's a spelling error, it's supposed to be 9.9 and it is written as 9.10.

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 22





**Opposed:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

1. Be it resolved New College Council adds section 10 "Appointment of President" to article 9.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This section talks about what happens when we have a vacant council member of any position, how we appoint a speaker but there's no section about how you appoint a President, which is a little bit different because you can't really hire a President. We are just adding something that states what happens if the President position is vacant for whatever reason anytime during the year and by adding this section, we are just making a standard for it."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 19 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 3

- 1. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 9.10 and adds the following:
  "In the case that the position of President is vacant for any reason, the following shall be considered:
- a. Executive's must find a suitable replacement that meets the requirements found in 9.3. During the following council meetings, appointments must take place with ½ votes to pass.
- b. If a current Council member wants to take the position as President, they must resign from their current position before getting appointed which corresponds to 10.1.F.
- c. If Executives are unable to fill the positions, VP Operations will hold the position until Fall by Elections or until the end of the term."

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "As we said in the previous motion this is what will be added to the section. The first point "Executive's must find a suitable replacement that meets the requirements found in 9.3." 9.3 states that you're a New College Constituent, you're in good academic standing





and stuff like that. A meeting will take place after that, like what we did this year and it needs to pass with 2/3 votes in favour for that person to be appointed. If it's a current council member that wants the position, in the constitution, which is referring to 10.1.F, no council member can hold 2 positions, they can only hold one so if any other person holding a position wants to take the President's position they must resign for their previous position. If we are unable to find anyone to fill the President's position, VP Operations will hold the position until further notice. Sometimes we lose a President at the beginning of the year, sometimes it's towards the end of the year so depending on the time, if it's after by-law elections, they will hold that position for the rest of the year. If it's before the elections, they must hold it until they decide to run or they find someone suitable."

#### Kevin Chan

o "How do the other colleges do appointments?"

#### Maritza Mohammed

o "The other colleges do it in a similar manner. When it comes to the President's position, as far as I know it has never really happened. There has never been a President kicked off right at the beginning of the year. Usually if it's towards the end, I think Stong dealt with it, and they had their VP Operations cover for the President for the rest of the year. This is not really a usual thing that happens, but it has happened two years in a row for us so I'm adding this just in case."

#### Shenali Don

o "The VP Operations has a choice to do it or not right?"

#### Maritza Mohammed

o "Again, that's where things get a little tricky. Take this year for example, if I had decided not to go for this position, the execs were having a hard time trying to replace the position in general so if that was the case VP Operations would have to cover the position until fall by-elections when it comes to in the future VP Operations."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 16





Opposed: 1
Abstain: 5

1. Be it resolved New College Council amends section 9.5, line k from "Each council member shall submit one New beat article per" to "Each council member shall submit one New beat article per term".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This is just a formality error, it stays "per" and doesn't finish the sentence so it's unclear, but it should be one per semester whether it's one for fall and one in winter or one in fall and one in the summer, too have two in total. Adding this just makes it clearer in the constitution."
- Nicholas McFarlene
  - o "Just to confirm I'd be one for the fall and one for the winter so two in total."
- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "That's the standard because some council members start in the summer so if they do one in the summer, they just need to do one more in the fall or winter."
- Kyle Fernandes
  - o "Are we amending the word to "once per term", because I believe that it could still lead to confusion. It could mean once per council term. When the speaker was announcing it, I got a little excited because I though it was once per my VP Social Term so it could lead to confusion and misinterpretation."
- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "That's a standard, execs next year will just have to explain everything like we did so that it's clear. If you want, we can make a friendly amendment to add "per school term". If we do that, we will need to vote to change the motion and vote again for the motion to pass."
- 2. Be it resolved New College Council amends the  $8^{th}$  motion, adding "per school term" as opposed to "per term".

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Tracy Hoang

This motion has been: Passed





In favour: 21 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 1

3. Be it resolved New College Council amends section 9.5, line k from "Each council member shall submit one New beat article per" to "Each council member shall submit one New beat article per school term".

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Tracy Hoang

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 21 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 1

11. Be it resolved New College Council amends Presidents Honoraria from \$2700.00 to \$3500.00 with a tentative increase to \$4000.00 which will be determined by 2021/2022 Executives should the Executives team agree on increasing The President's Honoraria, then President's honoraria will be \$4000.00.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - "Just to be clear this isn't for my honoraria this year, it will be for whoever is President next year and so on. The reason why I wanted to raise the honoraria was because while talking to other Presidents, their honoraria was a lot higher. The bigger colleges make sense for them to have a higher honorarium because they have more constituents, therefore they get a higher levy. However, there's colleges that are smaller than us that are getting a higher honorarium since 2014-1015. When looking at McLaughlin and Founders, their colleges are smaller than us but their Presidents make about 4000 5000 dollars. The reason why we're only doing President is because the VP's, directors and representatives have a similar honorarium to other colleges. The President was the only one that was a lot higher compared to ours. We are voting to make it \$3500 now, and we're also voting for an extra \$500 to be added to the President's honoraria. The extra \$500 is solely based on if the next year's execs believe that the President should get an \$500 increase."





- Kyle Fernandes
  - o "Just to confirm it isn't coming out of anyone else's honoraria."
- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "Looking at the total percentage in honoraria, we're already a little bit higher but all the money doesn't go to everybody anyways. We wouldn't be taking any money from the other council members and reallocating it to the President. We are just adding more money from regular funding."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 18 Opposed: 1 Abstain: 3

12. Be it resolved New College Council amends Article 11.6 and changes Honoraria total from \$15600.00 to \$16400.00 with a tentative increase of \$16900.00 which will be determined by 2021/2022 Executives should the Executives team agree on increasing The President's Honoraria, then Honoraria total will be \$16900.00.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "Since the last motion passed, this one should pass as well to satisfy the previous motion."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 18 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 4

- 13. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 14.7.2 and replaces "ten" with eleven. Motivation:
  - Maritza Mohammed





"This is from the elections section of the constitution where it sates how many positions are running and fall and how many positions are running for spring. This one relates to spring, usually we have 10 positions but this year, the VP Operations and I decided to have Commuter Representative be elected in spring as well because it's one position that would be better suited to be elected in spring seeing as they get the summer to hire lounge monitors, they get the summer to be trained. In an in-person year right after frosh, the lounge is always a mess for a few weeks and it's hard to put that in place because we don't have a Commuter Representative, even though it's councils' job to ensure that as well, we're always busy. Therefore, I think it would be better to have Commuter Representative to be elected in spring rather than fall to have another council member that is prepared."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 22 Opposed: 1 Abstain: 0

# 14. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 14.7.2 and adds line xi "Commuter Representative". Motivation:

- o "The motivation for the previous one applies for this one as well, now since we added 11, we're adding this to make the constitution more official."
- Kevin Chan
  - o "Would this be for the next spring election, or the one that will happen this year?"
- Maritza Mohammed

• Maritza Mohammed

o "Since this change affects next years council, it will be in effect for the upcoming election."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed





In favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

# 15. Be it resolved New College Council removes line ii "commuter representative" from article 14.8.1.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This sections from fall elections and states who runs for fall elections, so we are just removing commuter representative since it's now in spring."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

16. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 12.r from "Meetings may be held by conference calls via telephone/Skype provided all members are able to hear each other at the same time and the quorum requirement is satisfied;" to "Meetings may be held by conference calls via telephone/Zoom provided all members are able to hear each other at the same time and the quorum requirement is satisfied;".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "In the constitution it says that if we have anything online it should be done over skype however we've been using zoom all year, we will probably be doing zoom in the future, so this is just more of a formality to change it to make it official."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 22 Opposed: 0





Abstain: 1

17. Be it resolved New College Council amends section 9.1 and replace generals members with Social representatives (2) and athletic representatives (2).

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "Earlier in the summer, we voted to change general members with social representatives and athletic representatives on the by-laws, now we're just making it official in the constitution as well."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 21 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 2

18. Be it resolved New College Council adds section O, under article 9.5 " Must attend council retreat both in summer and fall terms".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This year we didn't get to do it due to COVID-19, but in a regular council year, we always do a council retreat in the summer and fall as well to have bonding time. In the past years that I've been on council, I was told that it was a council requirement and that you don't get your honoraria unless you go to these retreats but it's no where in the constitution. Instead of it not being there, we decided to add it in."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 21 Opposed: 0





Abstain: 2

# 19. Be it resolved New College Council amends section 9.5 and adds line p "Shall be responsible for the distribution of information on the New College List-Serve; and". Motivation:

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "We are removing this from the VP Promotions position and add it to the general duties because the VP Promotions position has outdated lines as well, it's never been a practice for the VP Promotions to send the List-Serve. If it's a social matter, the VP Social or Director Social sends it. If it's an athletics matter, the VP Athletics sends it, or the director athletics sends it. We will just be making this a standard practice for all council members. If you don't have to send it, because not all positions need to send one, you would just put on your honoraria report that you never had to use it."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 21 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 2

- 20. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.A and adds line "Shall be responsible for maintaining the council website (<a href="newcollegeeagles.com">newcollegeeagles.com</a>); and after line viii. Motivation:
  - Maritza Mohammed
    - o "This section deals with the President's duties for the year, we've decided to add it to that position because even though the VP Promotions is in charge of designing, the website deals with a lot of tickets, finances, selling merchandise which all happens on there. VP Promotions don't need access and don't usually get access to those things. It's a lot of information that the executives only need. It'll be the President's job to run and ensure that the website is updated. However, if they need help with design or anything else, that's when the Promotions team will come in."





Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

21. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.A and adds line "Shall determine if Council will produce Merchandise for the year along with who designs it; and". Motivation:

# Maritza Mohammed

o "Every year, council wants to do merchandise but it's not in our constitution that it needs to get done so the VP Operations, VP Social and I were talking about hiring a merchandise position. However, every year is different, our finances are good this year, they should be good next year but in future years it may not, so we will leave it up to the President if merchandise should happen. If need be, they'll hire someone that wants to join council, that has all the regular duties of a council member, but it will be depending on the year and how the year goes.

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 23 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

22. Be it resolved New College Council removes line xix "Shall submit to the incoming President a list of Speaker candidates for the next term; and" from article 11.2.A.

# **Motivation:**

# • Maritza Mohammed

o "I think that this one is pointless because although I can recommend someone to be a Speaker for next year, I have no idea who's going to apply. For example, the year before





this one, the President gave a list of Speakers but everyone on that list didn't apply for any position and our current speaker wasn't on that list because no one knew he had interest in the first place. I believe that this is just a waste of a point because it's not needed."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 21 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 2

23. Be it resolved New College Council amends line xi from article 11.2.A from

"Shall act as the Council's liaison to the College Presidents' Association (CPA) and the New College Office of the Head bi-weekly meetings" to.

"Shall act as the Council's liaison to the College Presidents' Association (CPA) and the New College Office of the Head bi-weekly meetings and be a representative for LA&PS President's Association".

#### **Motivation:**

• Maritza Mohammed

o "SCLD used to pay and hire the President's full time for the summer. This year it turned into LAPS, they stopped that because they ran out of funding and the LAPS faculties, so New College, Founders, Vanier and McLaughlin and SCOLAPS offered a similar position to them. That requires us to go to LA&PS President's Association meetings so we are just adding it in as a council requirement."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 20 Opposed: 1 Abstain: 2

24. Be it resolved New College Council amends line xv from Article 11.2.B

"Shall assist in creating one (1) action plan during each session (summer, fall, winter) of all members of Council; and" to





"Shall assist in creating one (1) action plan during the first session (summer, fall, winter) of all members of Council; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This is just a structure change, in the past we've always had our action plans. However, before this year, even if you started in the summer, you would fill out an action plan and fall you would fill out that action plan again even though you already did it in the summer. It seems redundant because your goals are similar, you can always just fill out one and it should be fine. For the people that start in fall, they would fill it out then. To fill that in, in later motions, we talk about performance appraisals, the fall and winter check-ins will replace that to make sure you're meeting your goals. I don't think it's needed to fill it two action plans throughout the year."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 21 Opposed: 1 Abstain: 1

25. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.B adding line "Shall conduct performance appraisals at the end of the fall and summer sessions alongside the president; and" after line xv.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This is adding a point to the VP Operations duties, it will be a standard where at the end of summer we do check-ins and make sure you all are ready for the rest of the year. As well to give feedback or advice if needed. Furthermore, at the end of fall or beginning or winter we just check in to make sure that you're ready for the rest of the council year and if you need any help, we provide that support."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 22





**Opposed:** 0 **Abstain:** 1

Exit Vanch Chopra, Kyle Fernandes will be his proxy.

26. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.D line ii from "Shall coordinate advertising for all Council operations and events including the responsibility for the printing of posters and tickets for all Council operations and events; and" to

"Shall coordinate advertising for all Council operations and events; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "VP Promotions whether in person or online has never printed tickets we don't do hardcopy tickets or posters, it's all done online. Either way if the event planer wants a poster printed, it's up to them to produce the poster. In past honoraria meetings they just overlooked it so we will just remove it keep the constitution up to date."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 2

27. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.D line iii from "Shall overlook all duties of the Director Promotions and the general members of council; and" to "Shall overlook all duties of the Director Promotions; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "We removed general members and made it social representatives and athletic representatives, therefore the promotions department doesn't have general members and they don't supervise the social representatives or athletic representatives. Their job is just to advise the Director of Promotions."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed





In favour: 21 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 1

28. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.D and removes line v "Shall be familiar with WordPress and be responsible for the maintenance and appearance of the Council Web Site; and".

### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This just another point that is outdated, in the past two honoraria meetings, we just said it was something we didn't have to do. WordPress isn't really a thing anymore and the Council Web Site mentioned is referring to part of the York U LAPS page. We don't run that it's the New College's head office that updates that."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 21 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 1

- 29. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.D and removes line viii "Shall be responsible for the distribution of information on the New College List-Serve; and". Motivation:
  - Maritza Mohammed
    - o "Earlier we voted to make that a general duty for council members. As I explained earlier, VP Promotions has never had to do that. Whoever's event it is they send that to the List-Serve. Again, we are removing that from their honoraria because that is something that they don't do."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 21





**Opposed:** 0 **Abstain:** 1

30. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.F and removes line v "Shall send bi-weekly sports updates out to the listserv and the classroom reporter program with the Head of the College's Office; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This one is from the VP Athletics list of duties, this is again something that we haven't done in the past three years that I've been here. It's never been a requirement in that time so during past honoraria meetings, we just pass it because it's outdated. This is just a formality to get rid of it."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 2

31. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.F and adds line "Shall work with Director Promotions to promote upcoming athletic events on New College's social media platforms; and "after line xiii.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "In the talk of making a merchandise position and what needs to happen with promotions. We've noticed that VP Promotions is the main person that makes the posters and it is enough workload for one person, but we still thought that the Director Promotion position should still be there. Instead of them helping with everyone's posters, they'll solely help with athletics posters and any type of promotion. With athletics, promo is kind of on and off, it's either the athletic representative will make it themselves, sometimes promo will do it. This just kind of sets it in stone saying that the Director Promotions will be in charge of that."





Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 21 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 1

32. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.F line xviii from

"Shall overlook the duties of the director of athletics and the general members of council; and" to

"Shall overlook the duties of the director of athletics and the athletic representatives (2); and".

#### **Motivation:**

• Maritza Mohammed

o "Earlier in the summer, we made the change to social and athletic representatives, so the general members position no longer exists. We are just making it official in the VP Athletics position that they are supervising the director of athletics and the two athletic representatives."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 2

33. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.G and removes line vii "Shall assist with the co-ordination of fundraising endeavors; and".

#### **Motivation:**

• Maritza Mohammed

o "This one is under the VP Academics position, as you know from the start of the year, I was trying to implement an outreach position. It's been on and off because being online made it hard to test out those events so when it comes to putting in an outreach position, I decided to put a pause on that and if next year we do go in-person at some point, we can





also test it out and actually have a trial run. When it comes to VP Academics in general, that point overall whether outreach is there or not is has never been something that they we're in charge of. On top of that if we do have an outreach position, all fundraising or anything for charities would all go to the outreach position."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 21 Opposed: 1 Abstain: 1

34. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.G line ix from

"Shall organize a Clubs Fair during welcome week; and" to

"Shall organize a Clubs Fair during orientation week; and".

#### **Motivation:**

• Maritza Mohammed

o "This one has always been a council thing where clubs fair happens during frosh week. If y'all have ever been a froshie or a leader, you'll know that the Clubs breakfast is what we would normally do as the Clubs Fair. VP Social and director social plan it, in my year when I was VP Social, I didn't have to plan a Clubs fair. This year the social department didn't have to either. We are just making it official by changing it from welcome week to orientation week."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 19 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 1

Exit Kyra Bendastos at 3:30PM, Shenali Don will be her proxy. Exit Krista Lopiccolo at 3:30PM, Kevin Chan will be her proxy.

35. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.G and removes line xix ""Shall overlook the duties of the general members".





#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "We got rid of general members and replaced them with social and athletic representatives. Academics doesn't need general members and they don't supervise athletic or social representatives, so we are removing that from the constitution."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

Seconded By: Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 20 Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0

36. Be it resolved New College Council amends Article 11.2.E and removes "and" from line iii.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This is just a formality error, there was two and's, so we are removing one."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

Seconded By: Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 19 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

37. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.E and adds "(SAYU)" to line xviii.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This is just another formality error. We are just adding what the acronym is, this is under the VP Social list of duties."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed





In favour: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

38. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.H and removes line iii "Shall present to Council a portfolio of events and records with respect to social orientation; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This one is under the director social position, again in the past three years, it's never been something that they had to show, it's mainly been the VP Social that talks to the executives and keeps the council up to date. We are just removing it because it's not needed."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

39. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.H and removes line viii "Shall assist in planning one (1) night of Frost Week; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "In a later motion, we will make O-Chairs plan frost week only and not have the social department plan it at all. This is because usually frost week gets in the way of planning Formal, which takes a few months to plan, and other events. This is just to free up more time for the VP Social and since the O-Chair's have already planned orientation week in September, they can do this as well."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

Seconded By: Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed





In favour: 19 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 1

40. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.I and removes line vi "Shall ensure the Head of the College's Office has an up to date list of all active teams to give to their classroom reporters; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This is in the Director Athletics position and it's something that they didn't have to do in a few years so we're just removing it."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 17 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 3

41. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.J line i from "Shall be available on a daily basis as soon as they are ratified after the by- elections; and" to "Shall be available on a daily basis during the summer session; and.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This one is the commuter representative's position, since we voted earlier on them being elected in the spring elections, from that, they don't start after the fall by-elections, they start as soon as the summer session starts. We are just making it the same as every other council member that starts in the summer."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 20





**Opposed:** 0 **Abstain:** 0

42. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.J line iii from

"Shall be responsible for taking and uploading pictures at all New College Council events unless a valid excuse is presented; and" to

"Shall be responsible for taking and uploading pictures at all New College Council sports and must cover one game per sport (also includes rage events); and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "Like I said earlier, we are making the Director Promotions position mainly promo for athletics. With that being said, they are going to be taking photos, one per sport for both semesters and we always do photos for rage events so that will be their position, as well as making posters or videos when needed."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 18 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 2

43. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.J line v from

"Shall assist the Vice President Promotions in the appearance and maintenance of all Council social media; and" to

"Shall assist the Vice President Promotions and Vice President Athletics in the appearance and maintenance of all Council social media; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This one is for Director Promotions and instead of them being supervised by VP Promotions, it'll be VP Promotions and VP Athletics. Since Athletics will be the ones requesting the posters and VP Promotions will just be making sure that they are completing their job."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed





In favour: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

44. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.K line i from "Shall be available on a daily basis as soon as they are ratified after the by- elections; and" to "Shall be available on a daily basis during the summer session; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "They will not be elected in fall, they will be elected in the spring so we're just moving it to make it a standard for all council members."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 19 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

45. Be it resolved New College Council amends line ii of article 11.2.K from

"Shall ensure that Council events and activities are held in such a manner as to promote the involvement of New College students who do not live on campus and as such to represent the best interests of commuting students in general; and" to "Shall ensure that Council matters are representing the best interests of commuting

"Shall ensure that Council matters are representing the best interests of commuting students and promoting the involvement of all off campus constituents; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This one is under the commuter representative's position. The first line and the one that's in the constitution now explains that they have the power to say to the VP Social that they are not planning events for off campus students but in general they should be just making sure that the lounge is clean and that there's space for commuter student. Events aren't their main job."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed





In favour: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

46. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.K and removes line v "Shall be responsible, along with the Vice-President Promotions, for the distribution of information on the New Council Listserv and/or any other methods of communicating with the off-campus student body; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This one is under commuter representative and it isn't their job. It's all council members job to make sure that the listserv is being used and any other websites are already allocated to other member so it's not necessary for that to be in the position."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

47. Be it resolved New College Council amends line vii of article 11.2.K from "Shall ensure that all Council events and activities are properly advertised to the commuting students of New College, to ensure they are properly informed of all such events and activities; and" to "Shall ensure that the lounge bulletin board is up to date on council matters; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "We have bulletin boards in the lounge and it's going to be the commuter representative's job to update it. Starting last year, I put up photos so they can be in charge of printing them out and updating the photos. As well, Newsbeat always put their articles up there for each month so it can be their job to make sure that that's up."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed





In favour: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

48. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 11.2.M line vi from "Shall work with the Vice President Promotions and Commuter Representative to encourage joint Residence/Commuter events; and: to "Shall work with Pond Residence Life Coordinator and Vice President Social to plan one joint event; and".

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This one relates to the Pond Representative, VP Promotion doesn't give the go-ahead to plan events and spend money from their budget, that is VP Social. As well, in the past few years, it's been the Pond Representative that coordinates with the RLC to discuss about planning an event along with the VP Social rather than the VP Promotions. We are just updating this to make it accurate."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 20 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

**Bylaws** 

49. Be it resolved that New College Council amends article 1.7 and adds "The position can be filled by two people that apply together, or one person who applies individually;" following line 1 in the bylaws.

#### **Motivation:**

• Maritza Mohammed





o "This one is the Orientation Chair section on list of duties, in the past we've always required two O-Chairs. However, in years before that partnership has never always been the strongest thing. From a hiring standpoint, VP Operations and the President can't always tell if two people will be able to work together. For future years, if you want to be O-Chair you're able to do either you apply by yourself and you do the position by yourself or you apply together, and you do the position together. If they apply alone and show interest in working with someone else, that will be up to the executives but usually if you're applying alone, you do it alone. When it comes to other colleges, some have the option of two O-Chairs or one O-Chair, some do it how we are making the change. I think this change will be a lot better for the future because this avoids any miscommunications, disagreements and things of that nature."

#### Josh Raghurai

o "When I was applying for O-Chair, I did not know that any of my friends were applying as well at the time. Doing this alone would've been hard because it's a lot of work for one person. By adding something that allows O-Chairs to find partners would be more beneficial than stating that if you apply as a single O-Chair you're only going to be a single O-Chair. Before I was O-Chair, I thought it would be fun and easy since I like Frosh but at the end, I realized that it was a lot of work and O-Chairs should have partners."

#### • Victoria Hanna

o "If after people send in applications, I think they should know who else is applying and have the opportunity to talk to those people. I think that this would be a nice addition."

#### Maritza Mohammed

o "With this change it's also going to change the application so if you do apply in pairs, then you are planning to work together. If you apply solo, then you state either that you want to work alone or with someone else. Usually during the hiring process we do two rounds, the first is we look at all the applicants and then we will do a second round of interviews for those that we feel are good candidates. Before that second round we can share the list of people that are eligible. If they want to talk and feel as though they are a good pair, in the second round of interviews, we can ask if they think that they work well with these people or not. In terms of the workload, I understand that it is a lot but there's





other colleges that have managed to do it with one person. When it comes to the size of the college, we are in between, there are smaller colleges like McLaughlin, that have it open to one O-Chair or two. There's bigger colleges like Stong and Bethune, where Stong just has one O-Chair and Bethune does the option of two or one so it just depends on who the person is, the type of leader they are and if they prefer working with someone or alone."

Exit Casey Medina at 3:56PM, Rachel Trinh will be the proxy Exit Elena Oganyan at 3:56PM, Rachel Trinh will be the proxy

- Shenali Don
  - o "By reading the motion, I feel as though it insinuates that if you apply alone, you are doing it alone. I feel like we should reword it to say if you apply alone, you can still be partnered with someone."
- Josh Raghurai
  - o "Maybe even having a box on the O-Chair application form saying "yes, I'm willing to work with someone" or "I would prefer to do this solo". I also do believe that O-Chair should have a partner due to the amount of work."
- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "We can always do a friendly amendment to make it clear that they can apply solo but indicate if they want to work with a partner or not. We can also vote to table the motion until our next council meeting."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Tabled

In favour: 15 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 3

Exit Mohammed Obaid at 3:59PM, Matthew Mohammed will be his proxy

50. Be it resolved that New College Council amends article 1.7 and adds "To be eligible, all candidates must not hold a full time job throughout the summer unless the President and VP Operations decide otherwise" following point 3 in the bylaws.





#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This one was going to relate to the previous one, since we tabled the last one, we can table this one. If someone is working as O-Chair by themselves, having a full-time position and O-Chair duties would be too much for them and they won't be able to get the job done."
- Nicholas McFarlene
  - o "Is this only for the O-Chair position or is this for all positions."
- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This is only for the O-Chair position and would go under the O-Chair's list of duties in the by-laws."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Tabled

In favour: 17 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

51. Be it resolved that New College Council amends article 1.17 and adds "including a Promotions Team for the week" to the bylaws.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This is adding this to the Orientation's list of duties, even though VP Promotion and Director Promotions are always elected sometimes more help is needed. In the past, in my first year, Adam Chan wasn't on council, but he took pictures and made the videos so adding people like that as leaders but also as the promotion team specifically would be the Orientation Chair's job to make sure that people take photos, to make the video and stuff like that. During the week it's a lot, I know Adam was stressed to do everything so adding a promo team and making sure it is in place is always better."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed





In favour: 17 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

52. Be it resolved that New College Council amends article 1.7 line 23 from

"To plan with the assistance of the Vice-President Social and Director Social the annual Frost Week" to

"To plan with the assistance of the Vice-President Social and Director Social the annual Frost Week during Winter Term in the bylaws.

#### **Motivation:**

• Maritza Mohammed

o "Same thing, as we motioned earlier, we motioned to remove that director social only plans one frost week event, so we will just make it so that Orientation Chairs plan Frost Week because it adds more to their plate since they aren't doing much during the year but it also takes a lot off of the social departments plate."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 16 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 1

53. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 2 and removes point b Elections Committee in the bylaws.

#### **Motivation:**

• Maritza Mohammed

o "With the past few elections, the elections committee has seemed to make elections harder for the CRO and just harder in general. We went over what happened to me last year but also just what happened in the second by-elections. We voted to amend the constitution and make it so that no council members are on the elections committee, it's the college head office, RLC, 2 random people and a chair that has experience on council, but they have no vote when we tried that in fall elections, it was a mess. The person that





represented the college head dropped out of the committee half way, so we only had 3 people and it was very hard for the CRO. On top of that we got 2 dons' but they didn't understand how council worked and how elections work. When it comes to removing it, a lot of other colleges do not have an elections committee, they just have the CRO and the ERO, who works with SCLD."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 14 Opposed: 1 Abstain: 2

54. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 3.11 and adds "(up to 3 people)" in the bylaws.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "This refers to the awards section specifically the awards for formal, the add up to 3 people is for the hall of fame so the people that are graduating and contributed a lot to the New College Community. It's maximum 3 people."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 17 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

55. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 3.12 and adds "Socialite: Someone who engages in social events at a high degree" in the bylaws.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "Last year for formal, I got plaques that we can update every single year, one of them was socialite so I just wanted to add it to the by-laws to make it official."
- Kyle Fernandes





o "By saying this would I be giving out plaques at this year's formal?"

• Maritza Mohammed

o "Since we are online, we don't have to but there are 4 plaques that need to be engraved.

Those plaques don't go out to people they are just hung in the office."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 17 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

56. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 3.13 and adds "Club of The Year: VP Academics determines which club has engaged within the New College community at the highest degree" in the bylaws.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "Same thing as the socialite award, there's a plaque for this award as well, so we are just adding it in to make it official."

**Moved By:** Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 15 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 2

57. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 3.14 and add "President: President of New College Council that term" in the bylaws.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "Same thing, this isn't an awards, it's just a plaque that's there for formal every year we engrave who was President that year."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed





In favour: 14 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 3

58. Be it resolved New College Council amends 3 section 2 and adds line 4 "Council members are not allowed to receive awards with the exception of the President Award and Hall of Fame Award." in the bylaws.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "Every year, it's always been a standard that council members don't receive awards unless it's for the Hall of Fame and the President Award, that is now in the by-laws. Hall of Fame is usually someone apart of council that does a lot for the college. Those things are the only exceptions other than that all the awards are meant for the constituents."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 13 Opposed: 1 Abstain: 3

59. Be it resolved New College Council amends the bylaws and adds section "10 CRO" to article 1 in the bylaws.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "We removed the elections committee, but all the duties of the elections committee are going to go to the CRO. In the by-laws, there's no actual list of duties for the CRO so we're just adding a section."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 16





Opposed: 0
Abstain: 1

60. Be it resolved that section 6.12.2 of the NCC bylaws "In case of disqualification, the candidate will not be eligible to run for the following election or by-election without a written note to the elections committee at least 72 hours prior to the start of the nomination period stating why they should be considered eligible to run. The election committee must vote on a decision to allow the candidate to participate and inform the candidate at least 24 hours prior to the start of the nomination period." is removed

#### **Motivation:**

Maritza Mohammed

o "We will table this motion."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

Seconded By: Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Tabled

In favour: 17 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

- 61. Be it resolved New College Council amends article 10 CRO and adds "Shall organize New College Council's Elections during their term;
  - 1. The Council shall govern all elections of New College Council;
  - 2. CRO can consult with the ERO, President of NCC, or VP Operations when needed;
  - 3. The CRO shall maintain a best practice manual in order to ensure consistency and transparency to the election process;
  - 4. The CRO shall ensure that no one person shall run for more than one position on the Council during the same term; and shall oversee logistics of elections;
  - 5. Recommend election dates to the Council; and Elections shall be comprised of a nomination period, a campaign period, and a voting period;
  - 6. CRO may not seek office and must remain neutral during the election process;
  - 7. The Fall Election shall take place at the beginning of the academic year, no later than the last day of the month of October;
  - 8. The Spring Election shall take place at the end of the academic year, no later than the last day of the month of March;
- a. During Fall Election, two (2) positions shall be up for election; First Year Representative and Pond Road Residence Representative. Four (4) positions shall be up for hire; Athletic Representatives (2) and Social Representatives (2).
- b. During the Spring Election, eleven (11) positions shall be up for election; President, Vice-President Operations, Vice-President Finance, Vice-President Promotions, Vice-President Social,





Vice-President Athletics, and Vice-President of Academics, Director Athletics, Director Social, Director Promotions, and Commuter Representative.

2. Shall ensure that any positions, which have been appointed due to impeachment or resignation, shall be up for election during the next available election." in the bylaws.

#### **Motivation:**

- Maritza Mohammed
  - o "These are all the duties that the elections committee had to do, and they are readjusted for the CRO to do them. The only new thing that was added was that they consult with the ERO, President or VP Operations. If the President or VP Operations is running in the elections, then they solely go to the ERO but besides that everything else is the same."

Moved By: Maritza Mohammed

**Seconded By:** Matthew Mohammed

This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 17 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Adjournment

Motion Date: Friday, February 12, 2021

Motion: Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 4:28PM

Moved By: Kyle Fernandes
Seconded By: Shenali Don
This motion has been: Passed

In favour: 17 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0