

New College Council

Atkinson Building 109, New College, 4700 Keele St., Toronto ON M3J 1P3

AGENDA – March 4th 2020

Call to Order: I would like to call this meeting to order this at May 4, 2020 at 2:20PM.

Council Members:

NAME	POSITION	ATTENDANCE (P= PRESENT, A= ABSENT)
	President	
Matthew Mohammed	VP Operations	P
Mohammed Obaid	VP Finance	P
Kyle Fernandes	VP Social	P
Casey Ann	VP Athletics	P
Kevin Chan	VP Academics	P
	VP Promotions	
Racheal Don (Shenali)	Director Social	P

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Elena Oganyan	Director Athletics	P
	Director Promotions	
	Chief Returning Officer	
	Orientation Chair	
	College Head	
	Pond Residence Rep.	
Nikkita Marticorena (Alexus)	YFS Director	P
	Secretary	
	Speaker	
	New Beat Editor	
	RLC	
	First Year Rep	
	Commuter Rep	

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	General Member #1	
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1. Announcement of Proxies

Speakers Remarks

- If you wish to obtain the floor, quietly raise your hand.
- 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 behavior 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 throughout the entire meeting unless it is an emergency.

2. College Head Remarks

None

3. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion Date: May 4, 2020

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

Motivation: Formality

Moved by: Matthew Mohammed

Seconded by: Kyle Fernandes

This motion has been: passed

In favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0

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4. Minutes from Previous meetings

Motion Date: May 4, 2020

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

Moved by: Matthew Mohammed

Seconded by: Kyle Fernandes

Motivation: Formality

This motion has been: passed

In favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

None

6. Inquiries and communications

Matthew Mohammed

- **Unbanning maritza from running in future elections**
 - **Matthew Mohammed:** In the last council meeting for the previous council they had they're honoraria meeting and a lot of members were mad so they left the meeting which left only 5 voting members in the meeting to vote. As well 3 out of the 5 people voting were apart of the elections committee and had a say in her disqualification. Personally I felt it was unfair because they kicked her out of the election and after she was kicked out then they added the rule that she will not be allowed to run in the next council election which was clearly a biased opinion. Also we currently have no president and this leads to other communication since I think she should could be president for the summer until we can have elections in the fall. So to do that we don't necessarily have to unban her but we have to un-pass the by law so she is able to be on council.
 - Kevin Chan: What was the reason that she got banned?
 - Matthew Mohammed: She contacted Will about her nomination package when she handed it in cause she wasn't able to get enough signatures so she called Will and asked if it was okay. And he also allowed some of you to do this as well but as long as she got the persons consent she would be able to write down their names for her nominations. So she did get their consent and wrote down their names and then said she can't use that for all of that and they pretty much disqualified her because of the package. I know one other person here did that, I won't say who, but it was unfair to give the exception for one person and not everyone even though they clearly said you could do this.
- **Discussing the possibility of appointing a president in the summer**

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- Matthew Mohammed: I feel that presidency is a lot of work during the summer and obviously I want to do it but if my summer job does start I will be working 10 hour days and I don't think I'll have time to do all the work. So that means if we don't appoint one the ball might be dropped and I feel like appointing one as soon as possible is the best situation because last year we had a president change mid summer and it really slowed down council and caused other problems down the road. So appointing someone who's only job is to be President instead of having conflict of interest and all the extra work they have to do.
- Kevin Chan: How would appoint a President? And if Maritza doesn't get unbanned, how would we hire a President?
- Matthew Mohammed: By appointing we put a motion in a meeting to appoint this person for interim president for the summer and in the motivation we say why they are qualified. So for example if we pick someone who has been on council before, we explain what they have done in the past, they planned events, they did this, they did that.
- **Sending an email to each council member and must be answered within 48h after the meeting**
 - Matthew Mohammed: So I'm pretty much sending a document to everyone to get their contact information for the college head's office to have. So fill it out and you will have 48 hours to do so and it won't take longer than 3 minutes
- **Expectations and rules**
 - Matthew Mohammed: So a lot of you are first time council members and some of you have been on council in some way in the past. So I'm just going over some brief expectations... Communication is a big thing we had a lot of members in the past not communicate which has led to problems. If you have a problem with someone's opinion feel free to voice in the right manner. In most meetings we follow Roberts Rules which is a set of rules that I will be sending out what that is later in the week. Just some basic stuff about it, we talk about the position not the person. If we are debating about the topic and it continues circling then the speaker can end the discussion and do not make topics personal just stay on the topics. Remember you are representing New College when you are on campus and I have looked at past complaints and if you say anything inappropriate people will report it and look bad on council and York. If you have any questions feel free to come to me or the VP Finance and we can help you resolve anything. As well your jobs may seem like a lot at the beginning but if you do your job over the summer this year will be a lot smoother. Last year we had a lot of issues within council so I want to avoid that this year and be unbiased unlike what happened last year. If I say something and you disagree, feel free to call me out, I won't take anything personally. We all have a vote, we all have any opinion, we have been elected so we all have a say.
- **Hiring the same auditors**
 - Mohammed Obaid: For the past 5 years New College has worked with the same auditors and we were thinking of hiring them again for this year. They are very friendly, they know how our system works, and they have been recommended by previous councils.
- **Asking about the emails and passwords**

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- Mohammed Obaid: I just wanted to check that everyone had their transition meeting got their email that's provide from our council, and the passwords for it. If they have not please let me know.
- **Also communicating lounge access**
 - Mohammed Obaid: VP's get 24 hour access, directors get 9AM-10PM Monday to Friday along with general members and so on. So could you please send the back and front of your YU Card to the VP Ops email by this week so when school starts you can have your access.
- **News beat editor ratification?**
 - Mohammed Obaid: myself and the VP Operations got notified from the college head's office that we have hired a New Beat Editor for this term.
 - Kevin Chan: Do you want me to talk about my meeting with the college office last week or what do you want me to say?
 - Mohammed Obaid: Just let us know who the New Beat Editor is and their pronouns so we can ratify them when they are available.
 - Kevin Chan: So last Thursday we hired a New Beat Editor for this term. Her name is Nagar Sadi, and pronouns are she/her, as that's what the college head's office passed on to me. So she has accepted the position and is starting training tomorrow with our previous New Beat Editor.

Enters Casey Ann Medina at 2:34PM

- Mohammed Obaid: Do you have access to your athletics email account and have you had your transition meeting?
- Casey Ann Medina: No
- Matthew Mohammed: She is getting it from the previous director of athletics
- Mohammed Obaid: can you call me after the meeting?
- Casey Ann Medina: Sure, but Daniel sent me a text but then he never followed up was he suppose to email me or text me?
- Mohammed Obaid: He was just suppose to contact you but we will figure it out
- Matthew Mohammed: You are getting your meeting from someone else who mainly did the position and it was approved by Daniel and we'll let you know and find a time that works this week

7. Financial updates:

8. Reports from Council Members

- Matthew Mohammed: You all haven't started your duties just yet so we will skip it for today but for the future just know you should say at least 3 points about what you have done

POSITION	POINTS
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9. Reports from Standing Committees

None

10. Reports from AD HOC Committees

None

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11. Old Business

None

12. New Business

Motion Date: May 4th

Motion: Be it resolved that New College appoints Mohammed Obaid to be speaker for this meeting

Moved by: Matthew Mohammed

Seconded by: Kyle Fernandes

Motivation: We need a speaker for this meeting, interviews for the position starts next week

This motion has been: passed

In favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Date: May 4th

Motion: Be it resolved that New College appoints Matthew Mohammed to be speaker for this meeting

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Motivation: We need a speaker for this meeting, interviews for the position starts next week and current speaker Mohammed Obaid would like to say a few things

This motion has been: passed

In favor: 6

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Date: May 4th

Motion: Be it resolved that New College spends no more than \$500 on quickbooks

Moved by: Mohammed Obaid

Seconded by: Casey Ann Medina

Motivation: Mohammed Obaid: Use this tool for finance books and it saves time and money and helps with the audit and can be kept as a history for future councils. Its been added last

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year and it was so helpful and more advanced and keeps us as a council up to date with all our financial status

Kevin Chan: Just for reference how much was it last year?

Mohammed Obaid: Last year they brought the price down from \$22 per month to \$8 per month it was a 70% offer. not fully sure if that accurate

Matthew Mohammed: When you pay the one time fee for the year it is cheaper and there is a card on file which makes it easier.

This motion has been: passed

In favor: 7

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Date: May 4th

Motion: Be it resolved that New College spends no more than \$20 to renew our domain

Moved by: Mohammed Obaid

Seconded by: Kyle Fernandes

Motivation: We need our domain for all google accounts which contains drives which contain all of our important files and those costs around \$20 and it keeps us connected through drives and has one place to have all of our info and contacts

This motion has been: passed

In favor: 7

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Date: May 4th

Motion: Be it resolved that New College allows the 2019-20 exec team to stay on as signing authorities until June 1st

Moved by: Mohammed Obaid

Seconded by: Kevin Chan

Motivation: They cannot go to the bank to transfer their signing authority over to this year's exec team because banks aren't always open so we are extending their authority a month at a time until we can make the transfer.

This motion has been: passed

In favor: 7

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0

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Motion: Be it resolved that New College makes Matthew Mohammed interim president until one is either appointed, hired or elected

Moved by: Mohammed Obaid

Seconded by: Casey Ann Medina

Motivation: We need President in the meantime since it's a big job and we need someone to be available to do that

This motion has been: passed

In favor: 7

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0

13. Adjournment

Motion Date: May 4th

Motion: Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 2:42PM

Moved by: Kyle Fernandes

Seconded by: Mohammed Obaid

Motivation: to end the meeting

This motion has been: passed

In favor: 7

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 0