



# trent central student association

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The second meeting of the Summer Committee of the Trent Central Student Association occurred on 11 August 2009 at 2.00pm in the Association Office at Trent University, Peterborough.

- Present:** Brian Kombani (President)  
John Paul Nyereka (Vice President Student Issues)  
Sako Khederlarian (Vice President Membership Services)  
Rohan Rajpal (Vice President Finance and Corporate Secretary)  
Charlotte Doyle (Queer Students Commissioner)  
Scott Brown (Champlain College Commissioner)  
Tracy Milne, *ex officio* (Operations Manager and Benefits Plan Administrator)
- Regrets:** Veronica Armstrong (Lady Eaton College Commissioner)  
Brea Hutchison (Gender Issues Commissioner)

## 1) Chair Remarks

### TCSA: 11.08.09-01

**Motion:** Be It Resolved That Rohan Rajpal be acting chair for this meeting.  
*Moved by: John Paul Nyereka; Seconded by: Sako Khederlarian*  
**Carried.**

## 2) Approval of Meeting Agenda

### TCSA: 11.08.09-02

**Motion:** Be It Resolved That the meeting agenda be accepted.  
*Moved by: John Paul Nyereka; Seconded by: Sako Khederlarian*  
**Carried.**

## 3) Approval of Health 101 magazine

### TCSA: 11.08.09-03

**Motion:** Be it resolved that TCSA subscribe to Health 101 for a period of 1 year trial for a cost of \$5000.  
*Moved by: Brian Kombani; Seconded by: John Paul*

Manager Milne explains that such an initiative to better the health of students and educate them has never been done. She explains how the magazine is easy to use and is organized on the internet. There will be an editorial team at Trent and the magazine will be circulated to all students. Milne is in favour of it. She wishes to try it for one year

to see the results and feedback. She says that while \$5000 is a substantial cost, this will greatly contribute in creating awareness about good health.

Commissioner Brown asks if there are enough funds available in the benefits budget and how this will affect the budget.

Milne responds that we do have funds available and traditionally, no money has been allocated to health promotion. Vice President Nyereka asks when the first article would be released and President Kombani asks if it would be on our website. Milne explains that the main promotion would be email, posters and website.

Commissioner Brown asks if this is about general health or specific. Tracy responds that this encompasses all health issues.

**Carried.**

#### 4) ISW Gifts Expenditure

**TCSA: 11.08.09-04**

**Motion:** Be it resolved that \$5000 be approved for purchase of tote bags for ISW from Reaction

*Moved by: Brian Kombani; Seconded by: Sako Khederlarian*

Kombani explains that 60% will be girl bags and 40% will be designed for boys. He says that there will be different colors. Brian explains that the logo on the bags may have different colors or the same color and different colors cost more.

Commissioner Doyle asks if having different colors on the logo is necessary. Sako replies that it's important to have nice looking bags that will appeal to students and bags that students will want to keep. Doyle asks why we need different bags for different sexes.

Kombani explains that it is to create a diversity and variety in bags. Vice President Khederlarian asks, what if a woman wants a guy bag. Kombani replies that they will be free to have them. Nyereka wants to allow students to pick what's attractive and Brian wants distribution more random than selective. Doyle expresses concerns with gender bags.

Vice President Rajpal says they should have 1 colour logo to save money. Kombani suggests we could sell extra bags in the office later and Rohan thinks after giving bags for free, they won't sell.

**Carried.**

#### 5) Sue Johanson in Peterborough

**TCSA: 11.08.09-05**

**Motion:** Be it resolved that the TCSA contribute \$2500 + GST to bring Sue Johanson to Showplace in September

*Moved by: Sako Khederlarian; Seconded by: Scott Brown*

Khederlarian says that the event will be on Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>. He says that Fleming has agreed to give \$2500 towards the event. He says that as many sponsors as possible would be approached. He says that the event would be free.

Brown suggests that it would be a good idea to form a committee to plan out the event.

Nyereka says the problem with forming a committee is that if people don't respond to emails etc, the work gets slowed down. Khederlarian suggests that the Membership committee could be a part of it.

**Carried.**

**6) Website Updates****TCSA: 11.08.09-06**

**Motion:** Be it resolved that all website updates be accepted

*Moved by: John Paul Nyerka; Seconded by: Charlotte Doyle*

Rajpal explained of the expense incurred on updating the website. He mentions how outdated our website had become and that we had a fixed cost of almost \$1000 to update that outdated website. The executive decided to invest \$850 more in creating a new website. Rohan said that since that cost was not an expense and is an investment in a capital asset, the cost can be divided over a period of 4 years and the TCSA can be expensed the amortization. Rajpal said that at a later stage the board may wish to invest in creating an online store to sell consignment books and other merchandise on the internet, the cost of which would be \$500 to design.

**Carried.**

**7) Allocation of Funds for TCSA merchandise****TCSA: 11.08.09-07**

**Motion:** Be it resolved that \$5000 expenditure be accepted for the purchase of TCSA merchandise after the list of merchandise is presented to the summer committee.

*Moved by: Brian Kombani; Seconded by: John Paul Nyerka*

Kombani presents the art work he had ordered and explains that he wishes to use this artwork on postcards, laptop skins, t-shirts etc. He says that this will be the first batch of artwork and will be sold in the TCSA office, on the internet as well as through the college

offices. Nyereka suggests that Kombani contact the college offices to take recommendation on the art. Doyle asks how much the artist was paid and who paid the artist. Kombani replies that the artist was paid \$750 first instalment and \$750 after the work was complete. Nyereka inquires if the cost of paying the artist is separate from the \$5000 merchandise order Kombani wants and Kombani replies in the affirmative.

**Carried. 4 In favour. 1 against.**

## 8) Contract renewal for Cash N Go

**TCSA: 11.08.09-08**

**Motion:** Be it resolved that a new contract be accepted with cash n go  
*Moved by: Executive Committee*

Rajpal says that such a contract cannot be approved by the summer committee as it exceeds the length of the executives' term and that according to our policy is not permitted. Kombani suggests that the motion should be taken to the board for an online vote.

**Failed.**

## 9) Water Fountains

**TCSA: 11.08.09-09**

**Motion:** Be it resolved that a cost of up to \$5000 be approved for water fountains  
*Moved by: John Paul Nyereka; Seconded by Brian Kombani*

Nyereka explained that the first water fountain had been installed and the administration had paid for it. Nyereka explained the model he had in mind to be ordered and explained how it would be touch free to protect the user from possible flu etc and how it would be handicap accessible. Nyereka said that the total cost of the project is expected to be around \$13,225 which would encompass \$5125 for the fountains and \$7500 for the installation. Nyereka motions to approve \$5000 in the case that the administration doesn't approve that funding. He wants to install the fountains before students arrive. Rajpal suggests that the TCSA should wait and try an exhaust every outside means of funding before thinking about using their own funds. Kombani argues that its better to approve the amount now so as to not delay the project as the summer committee will not be meeting again. Rajpal explains that the association is not in good financial shape and that we simply cannot afford such a vast sum of money without outside support. Doyle supports the idea of exhausting all other means before approaching the summer committee or the board. Nyereka agrees to work hard to secure outside funding to make sure the TCSA doesn't have to pay. Sako says that the

TCSA must be ready to put up some funds, as little as they may be to convince the administration that this is a serious initiative.

**Failed.**

**10) Band for ISW**

**TCSA: 11.08.09-10**

**Motion:** Be it resolved that an amount of \$5000 be approved for a band for Introfest.

*Moved by: Sako Khederlarian; Seconded by: Scott*

Brown asks how much it cost last year. Rohan replies \$3500. Khederlarian says that the band is quite popular and will get a lot of students out. Rajpal says that the budgeted amount for Introfest is \$8500 and this band is well within the budget. Khederlarian says that introfest should stay well within budget with this band.

**Carried.**

**11) Any Other Business**

Rajpal gives the summer committee an explanation on the ongoing work on the first budget. He says that he is looking to distribute the budget in the first board meeting

**12) Motion to Adjourn**

**TCSA: 11.08.09-11**

**Motion:** Be It Resolved That this meeting of the summer committee be adjourned.

*Moved by: John Paul Nyereka; Seconded by: Rohan Rajpal*

**Carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rohan Rajpal  
Vice President Finance and Interim Secretary