

AGENDA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING #1
17.10.2019
4:14 P.M., MEDIUM OFFICE

1. Call to order

Present: Ali Taha as EIC, Michael Giudice, Ethan Bryant, Simran Kaul, Yousuf Farhan, Colin McFarlane (non-voting member)
Meeting called ot order at 5:14 p.m.

2. Adoption of agenda

EIC moves to adopt the agenda. Michael seconds. Motion carries.

3. Welcome to the board: information session about roles/responsibilities

EIC discussed board's responsibilities and told them to acquaint themselves with the constitution: the board approves all financial decisions and do not concern themselves with editorial/journalistic matters. Any impeachment concerns will be discussed with the board.

EIC discussed the important dates for the Board, including the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

EIC states that only in cases of extreme sensitivity will the Board vote on editorial content. If the Board notices any slander, they can bring it up to the EIC in a meeting.

The EIC discussed the Student Choice Initiative and said they are bracing for an impact on their financials. At the moment they do not know how much they will receive, but last year they received \$64,000 for the year from the student levy collected from UTM student fees.

The yearly expenses mostly cover printing (approx. \$900) and student payrolls for the editorial team, WSIB payments and CRA payments.

4. Potential purchases

The EIC is looking into buying a new computer for the bookkeeper, Maria. Maria has said that the computer sometimes doesn't turn on, and she spends hours trying to complete her work. EIC is also looking into hiring a Satire Editor, and over the summer *The Medium* hired an Illustrator.

5. Other business

EIC said he was looking into a fee referendum to increase *The Medium's* levy. Still preliminary.

6. Appointment of Chair

Michael nominated himself to be Chair of the Board. EIC moved to appoint Michael for chair of the Board. Motion carried.

7. Adjournment

Simran moved to adjourn the meeting. Simar seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.