



The MSA Board of Directors

Monthly Meeting Minutes

(2024 – 2025)



The MSA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 26, 2025

- The Board approved The MSA Operating Budget for the 2025-2026 year and has also approved using \$500,000 from reserves to offset any financial deficits that may come due to reduced enrollment for September 2025
- The Board approved The MSA Health & Dental Plan fee for the 2025-2026 year and is also subsidizing a portion of the fee cost for students, ensuring it is still affordable access to health care.
- The Board reviewed the survey results that were conducted over our student elections to ensure they will continue advocating on your behalf regarding issues that matter most to you.



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- Thea Laidman, Associate Vice President International, spoke about the impacts of IRCC changes on the international student climate at Mohawk College, including enrolment, PGWP, and language requirements.
- The 2024-2025 Board of Directors approved part of the 2025-2026 remuneration for new Directors effective May 1, 2025
- The 2024-2025 Board of Directors is getting ready for transition and wrapping up their work plans to pass the torch to the newly elected Board.



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Wednesday, January 26, 2025

The Board of Directors had VP Students in attendance to provide more insight into the college layoffs and for The MSA to share their perspective on how this will impact students now and in the upcoming months. More discussion will be happening over the next few months along with consultation sessions for students with The MSA. If you would like to share how the college layoffs have impacted you or peers, please email: msa.advocacy@mohawkcollege.ca to book a meeting session.

The Board also endorsed Mohawk College's Ancillary Fees for the 2025-2026 Academic Year. The MSA Board of Directors thanks the college for being collaborative in their fee setting process and appreciates the opportunity to lend the student perspective and voice.



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Wednesday, December 18, 2024

- The Board received the proposed 2025-2026 Mohawk College Ancillary Fees and are currently reviewing the projected financials prior to endorsements.
- The Board approved a new governance structure which will be ready in time for the elections. The new structure supports enhanced advocacy efforts and student leadership opportunities.
- The Board accepted the resignation of Rebecca Nurse. As the resignation is more than halfway through the term of office, the Board has decided not to fill the vacancy and will assume the responsibilities of the vacancy amongst other Board members.
- The Board is currently on retreat preparing for Elections and transitioning out of their roles and welcome new leaders starting May 1!



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Wednesday, November 27, 2024

- The Board appointed Pouya Tayyari to the role of Secretary
- The Board approved the 2025-2026 MSA Ancillary fees.
- The Board discussed the upcoming winter retreat and the 2025 MSA Elections



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Wednesday, October 25, 2024

The MSA Board of Directors is committed to listening to Mohawk College students and championing their voices in the spaces and places that matter most. During their meeting this month, the Board discussed:

- IRCC policy changes
- The potential for a college wide faculty and support staff strike
- Collaborations with Mohawk College
- Potential impacts on students



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Wednesday, September 25, 2024

- The Board completed By-Law changes to be sent to the membership for final approvals. These changes are integral to how the MSA governs itself and how it aligns with the Ontario Non-Profit Corporates Act (ONCA).
- The Board approved to become full members of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA), a national student advocacy group that works with student unions and student associations from all over Canada. The membership between The MSA and CASA will ensure that Mohawk College student perspectives are represented and advocated to the Federal Government.

