



The MSA Board of Directors
Monthly Meeting Minutes
(2025-2026)



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Wednesday, May 21, 2025

The incoming 2025-2026 MSA Board of Directors had their first official meeting of the year! They put their training to the test and had a fantastic first meeting.

Here are a few highlights from the meeting this month:

- The Board approved their committee standings to ensure full student representation on The MSA, at Mohawk College, and on CASA committees
- The Board heard from MSA staff about summer plans and looks forward to consulting further on the upcoming strategic plan

The Board is also excited to extend an invitation to students [like you] to come join the next meeting in June.



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Wednesday, June 18, 2025

- The Board approved the 25-26 Annual Governance Plan
- The Board approved the updated Terms of Reference for both Governance Committee and Advocacy Committee
- The Board approved The MSA co-hosting a student affairs conference with Niagara and Seneca student associations
- The Board approved the creation of a Conference and Advocacy Initiative Participation Plan to ensure strategic alignment with organizational outcomes
- The Board was briefed on new renovations to The MSA Student Centre, including student created artwork and a mural by local Indigenous artist Kyle Joedicke
- The Board was briefed on the upcoming communication plan to ensure wider visibility of Board initiatives and advocacy efforts
- The Board was briefed on the potential impacts of Bill 33 and are considering that as they take the next month to determine their advocacy priorities for the year



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Wednesday, July 16, 2025

- The Board approved an updated Finance Committee terms of reference
- The Board approved the terms of reference for the Strategic Plan Steering Committee
- Director of External Affairs, Madison Filax-Orr, was appointed to sit with Pedro Nemezio on the MSA's Strategic Plan Steering Committee
- The Board approved a sponsorship of \$6000 towards supporting the Mohawk College President's Golf Tournament
- The Board approved the advocacy focused workplans of the President, Director of External Affairs and Director of College Affairs



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Wednesday, August 20, 2025

- The Board of Directors approved their Advocacy Priorities for the 2025-2026 academic year, with a focus on three main pillars of advocacy which are Affordability, Accessibility and Equity. From there, they will put efforts towards understanding the cost-of-living challenges of students, experiential learning, and international student policies and supports. This explorative advocacy will better inform Mohawk College policies, as well as government policies to best support the student experience
- The Board approved the 2024-2025 Audited Financial Statements of the MSA. The MSA had a clean audit and is positioned in a financially sound and stable position moving into the new fiscal year
- The Board approved a \$2500 award towards the Alumni of Distinction, which recognizes outstanding Mohawk College alumni for their work in the community and beyond
- The Board approved an amendment to the Board Chair's contract to better support our Board of Directors governance needs

