

# Nexus Meeting Agenda

Nov 20, 2023

**Present:** Celina Lessard - President, Keith Johnson - Vice President, Sam Ryder - Secretary  
Treasurer

**Absent with Regrets:**

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**Guests:** Greg Pratt

1. Call to order 12:34PM

2. Agenda additions

N/A

3. Approve previous meeting minutes

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Unanimous approval.

4. Cheque Approvals and E-transfer amount approvals

Oct 26/23 International Web Express October Issues \$1,741.96

This charge is higher than usual because one of the issues printed included a coloured CCSS elections insert.

Oct 26/23 Camosun College September G/L \$12,185.11

Nov 20/23 International Web Express November Issues \$1,402.34

This charge reflects changes in the paper and newsprint used in Nexus' print issues, and a decrease in issues printed from 1,000 copies to 750. This will be the set rate going forward.

Nov 20/23 Camosun College October G/L \$8,186.22

Unanimous approval.

5. Secretary Treasurer Bank Access

Greg will email Nexus' bank to begin the process of giving Sam access to Nexus' banking information and signing authority on bank transactions.

6. Post-Referendum CCSS Discussions

Keith joined the meeting.

Michele and Greg have agreed on a contract regarding a \$20,000 payment (made in two \$10,000 payments once per fiscal year) to Nexus Newspaper from the CCSS as payment for a series of sponsored articles, which is awaiting CCSS approval. Greg will email the contract to

Nexus board members for review.

Greg plans on implementing further changes over the course of the next fiscal year (April 1st, 2024 to March 31st, 2024) to lower operations costs. These changes include:

1. No longer employing a staff writer.
2. Decreasing student editor hours from 28 hours per issue to 20 hours per issue.
3. Campaigning for a referendum during the October 2024 elections period.

7. NeXmas: The 2023 Nexus Christmas Party

Camosun College has approved the deal between Nexus and Aramark. The Nexus Christmas party will proceed as planned.

8. Christmas Bonuses

Greg advocated that Christmas bonuses be distributed to staff (which includes the managing editor, the student editor, and the staff writer), as it would be good for morale. However, he acknowledged Nexus' current financial situation may make it inadvisable. After this, he left the meeting.

The current numbers on file for Christmas bonuses were determined in 2019, and it's advised that they only be adjusted for inflation. Whether Christmas bonuses are paid or not will have very little impact on Nexus' overall finances this fiscal year.

The board collectively agreed that Christmas bonuses were important for morale, and adjusted the numbers on file for inflation to the best of their ability.

Adjusted for inflation, this year's Christmas bonuses will be paid at \$1,164 to the managing editor, \$465 to the student editor, and \$175 to the Staff writer. This was unanimously approved.

9. New Board Member Plan Follow-up

Celina will follow up with students that have voiced an interest in available board positions over email.

10. Adjourn 1:10PM