

Agenda ISSA Meeting – August 27, 2025

Present: Zia, Emily, Stephen, Summer, Ellen, Taylor, Natalie, Veronica, & Teaghan

Regrets: Amelia

1. Regular Business
 - a. Approve August 12th meeting minutes, motioned by Emily, seconded by Emily
2. Update from Chairs
 - a. Academic Chair
 - i. Associations display has been rescheduled to Sept. 17th, same time, same place, if there is still a lockout it will still occur
 - ii. Room and food are being rebooked
 - b. Non-Academic Chair
 - i. Stickers are in, preparing materials to bag for the welcome packages
 - ii. At 1.30 tomorrow afternoon packing the packages
 - iii. Booking the taproom Thursday September 11th 7-9 for a student mixer
 - iv. Graphic made for the mixer for posters and SIMSA
 - v. Considering beginning of year clothing swap
 - c. EDIA & Community Chair
 - d. Finance
 - i. Budget done for this upcoming year
 - ii. Looking into EDIAD consultant payment
 - e. Digital Publications
 - i. Website up!
 - ii. Getting minutes for website
 - iii. Posters for common room
 - f. Communications
 - i. Email buddies sent out
 - ii. SIMSA email list updated with incoming students
 - g. Chair
 - i. Meeting the dean with other student leaders next week
 - ii. Considering IWB beginning, and booking the room in advance (consider in the next meeting)
3. Other business
 - a. Strike update—Emily
 - i. Lockout and retaliatory strike have begun
 - ii. Today's update is that the union were asked to go to binding arbitration
 - iii. Lack of preparation time means that it may be delayed longer too
 - b. Janet update—Ellen

- i. Filling up welcome packages tomorrow (Aug. 28) at 1.30
 - c. O-week organization and planning
 - i. Unions and libraries lunch and learn possibility
 - 1. Representatives from DFA, HPL, NS archives
 - ii. We should message returning students to come hang out in the common room
 - iii. Rallies on Friday at noon, usually at the Killam, meet 11.30-11.45 minutes before and walk over together
 - iv. 11.30-2.30 Wednesday potentially holding another drop-in in the common room, crafternoon, only post and have the event if the lockout/strike are still holding
 - v. Art of MI Teams sub-group
 - d. Book club
 - i. Waiting on the Teams—communications
 - e. Next meeting
 - i. Thursday September 4 at 7pm
- 4. Motion to adjourn by Emily, Taylor seconds