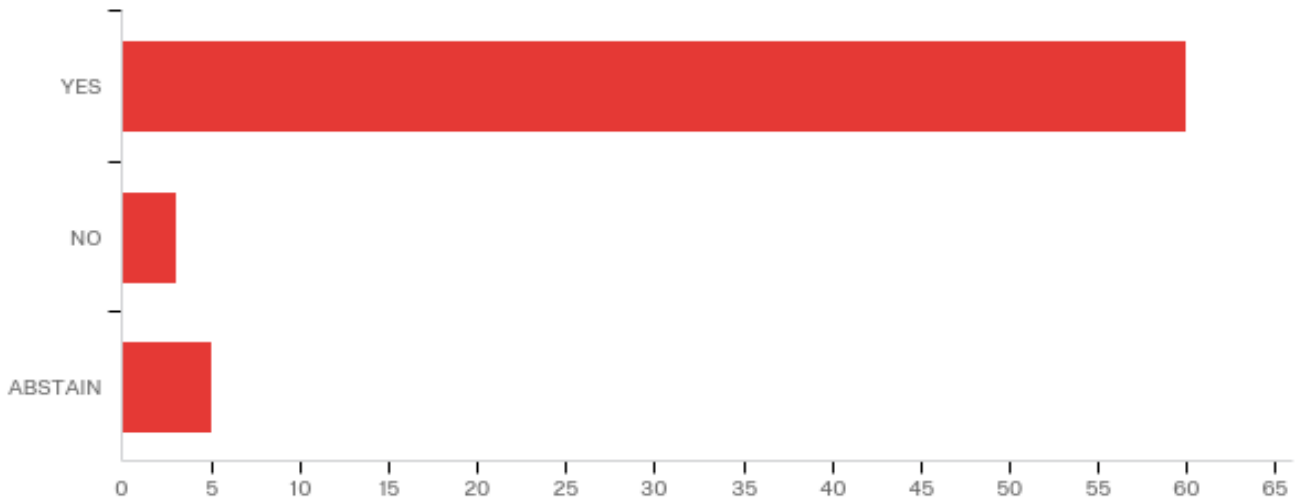


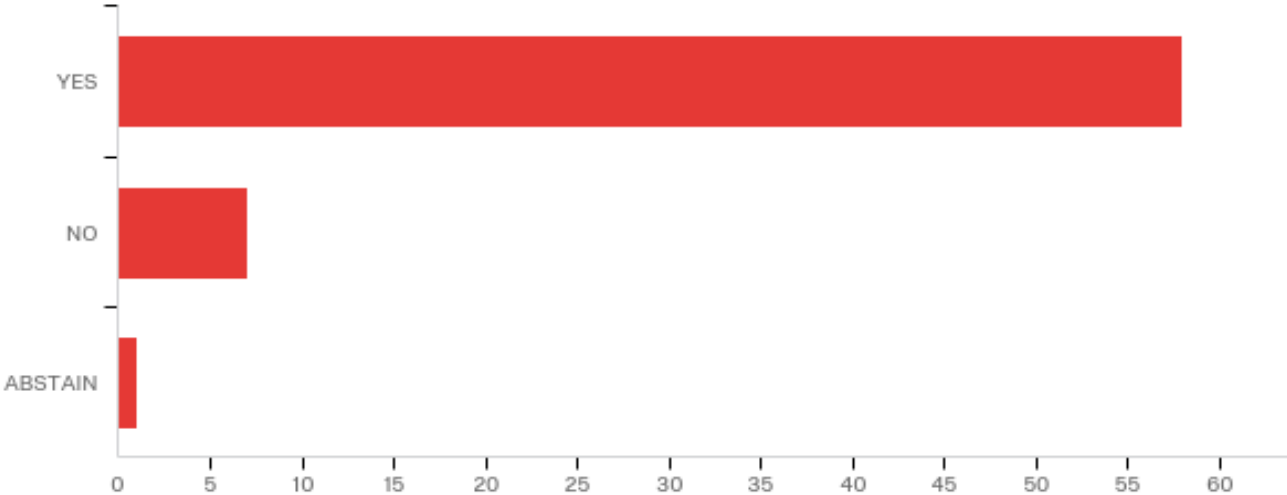
Bylaws - REFERENDUM QUESTIONS This year, the Constitutional Changes Committee performed an annual review of the TGSA Bylaws and Policies. Here is a list of the most notable changes. The new Bylaws and Policies are available to view here. The changes are highlighted with red text. The new emergency bursary form is available to view here. The new Conference and Group Support Bursary form is available to view here. The Board of Directors has taken a "yes" position on accepting the new Bylaws and Policies.
Referendum Question: Do you accept these new Bylaws and Policies?



#	Answer	%	Count
1	YES	88.24%	60
2	NO	4.41%	3
3	ABSTAIN	7.35%	5
	Total	100%	68

OGSA Fee - The Ontario Graduate Student Alliance (OGSA) is Ontario's only graduate student focused lobbying affiliation. The vision of the OGSA is to advocate and support graduate students residing in Ontario to have access to an enriching, affordable, and quality graduate student experience. The Trent Graduate Students' Association (TGSA) has worked closely with the OGSA since 2013, when the organization was originally formed. The OGSA has since gained a respected platform at Queen's Park (the Legislative Assembly of Ontario) and has established itself as the Ontario Government's primary source for information regarding graduate student priorities and concerns. The organization has made strides in the last three years, such as securing the inclusion of graduate student eligibility for the Ontario Tuition Grant (applications opening Spring 2017), as well as the submission of four advocacy proposals to the Ontario Government on the topics of student funding.

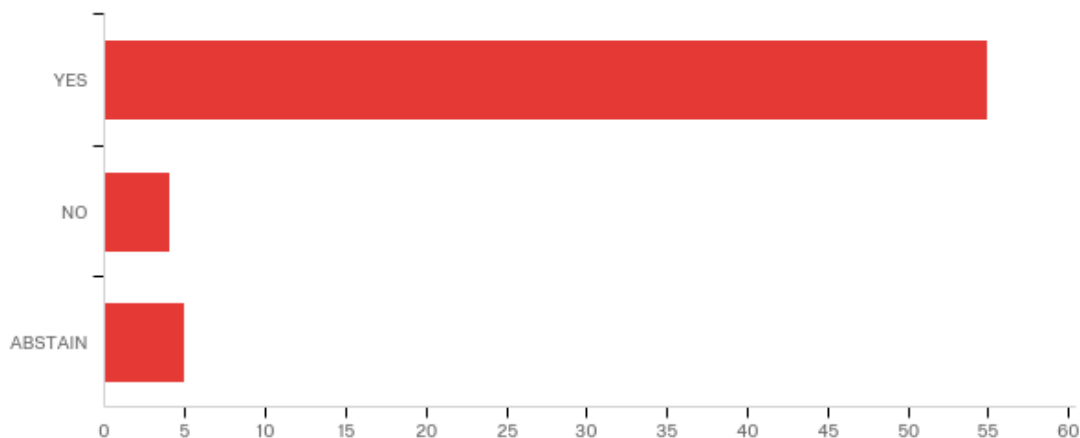
Referendum Question: Do you support a nominal increase of \$0.37 per student to the TGSA's current \$2.00 membership fee in the Ontario Graduate Student Alliance, to be assessed in the Fall semester each year, to bring the TGSA in line with other member schools, and to better support the TGSA's internal and external advocacy and lobbying efforts?



#	Answer	%	Count
1	YES	87.88%	58
2	NO	10.61%	7
3	ABSTAIN	1.52%	1
	Total	100%	66

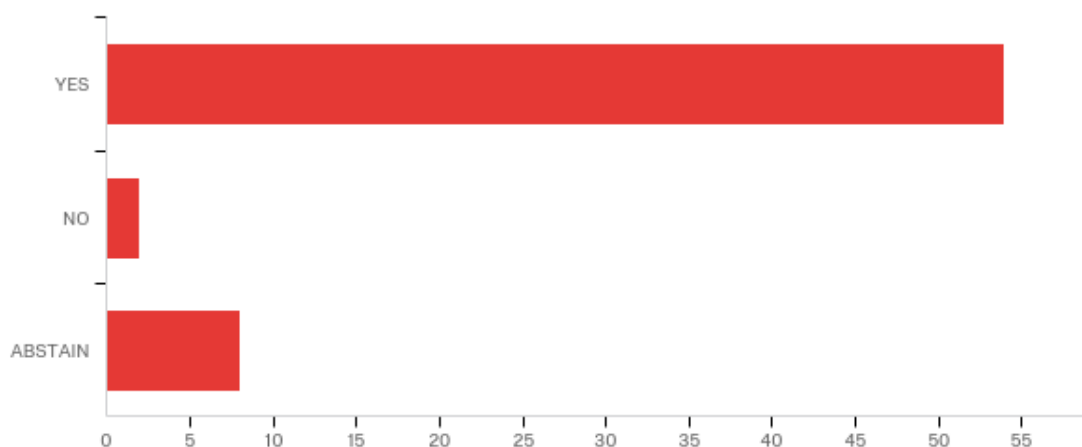
ELECTIONS: TGSA Executives The TGSA Executive is the collective body of Executive Officers democratically elected at Spring General Assembly meetings by all Trent University Graduate students, a.k.a. the Voting Body, to act on behalf of Trent Graduate students in conducting the business of the TGSA. To learn more about the responsibilities of each executive officer, [click here](#).

Nominee for President: Alison Fraser BIO: Coming out of an MA at Queen’s University, Alison became involved in student politics with the goal of achieving a better voice for graduate students. She represented the Art History department on the Society of Graduate and Professional Students and was the Equity Officer for PSAC 901, the TA and TF union at Queen’s University. She has served two terms as VP Internal Affairs on the TGSA executive. She is passionate about fostering an environment at Trent in which graduate students can do their work and feel a sense of pride in their university. She is very familiar with Trent policies and procedures and the policies and procedures of the TGSA. Do you endorse Alison Fraser for the position of President of the TGSA?



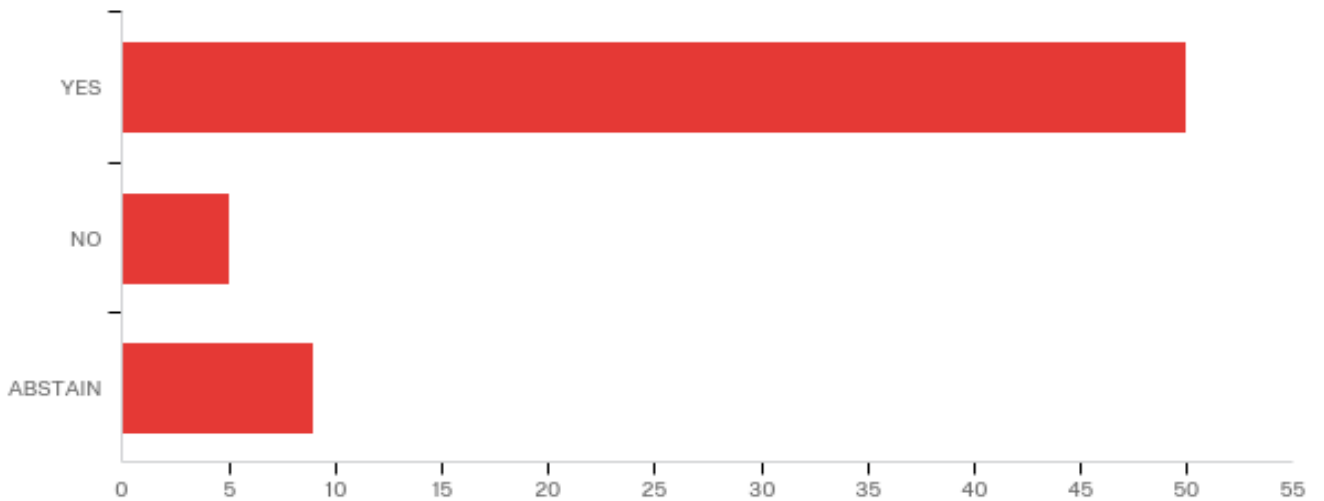
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1	YES	85.94%	55
2	NO	6.25%	4
3	ABSTAIN	7.81%	5
	Total	100%	64

Nominee for VP Finance: Alena Kalinina BIO: My name is Alena and I am soon to enter the 2nd year of my graduate psychology degree. I have attended Trent for my undergraduate degree as well, that is where I have found myself passionate for sciences that involved exploring the mind of humans and other animals. Before that I permanently lived in Russia, but traveled a lot to know how different everyone around the world was. Sophisticated behavior is an amazing attribute of organisms. I am, therefore, planning on continuing to pursue this fascinating elucidation of fundamental bases of central nervous system workings in pathological and healthy environments. Currently I am discovering the mechanisms underlying genetic and gross activational deficits in memory-related structures in an epileptic rodent brain. This research would not be possible without Trent University and I hope to continue its excellent traditions along the way. Do you endorse Alena Kalinina for the position of VP Finance of the TGSA?



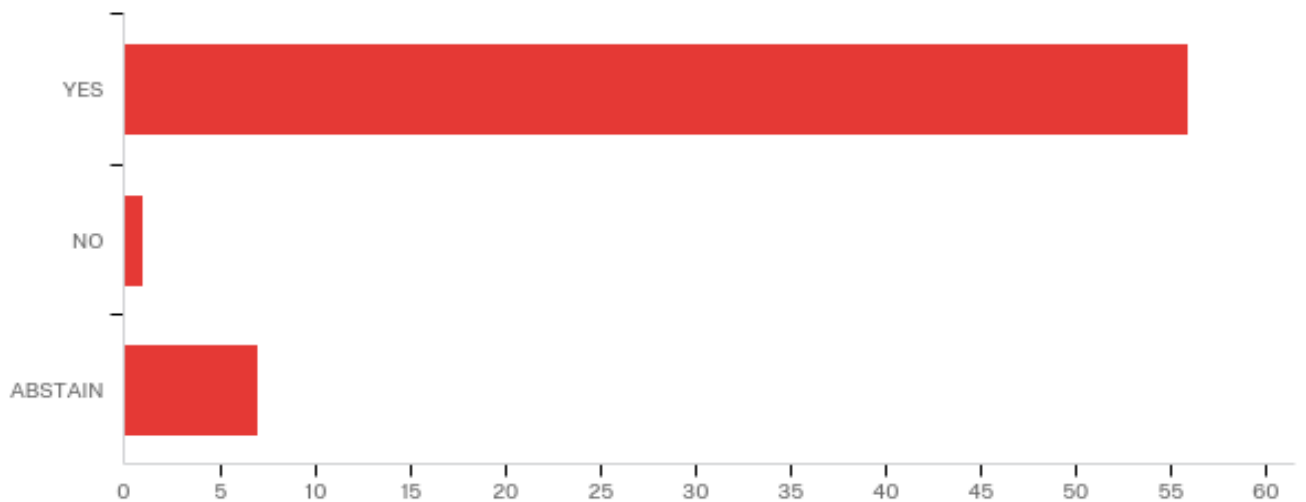
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1	YES	84.38%	54
2	NO	3.13%	2
3	ABSTAIN	12.50%	8
	Total	100%	64

Nominee for VP Communications: Ibraheem Oladipupo Alimi Do you endorse Ibraheem Oladipupo Alimi for the position of VP Communications of the TGSA?



#	Answer	%	Count
1	YES	78.13%	50
2	NO	7.81%	5
3	ABSTAIN	14.06%	9
	Total	100%	64

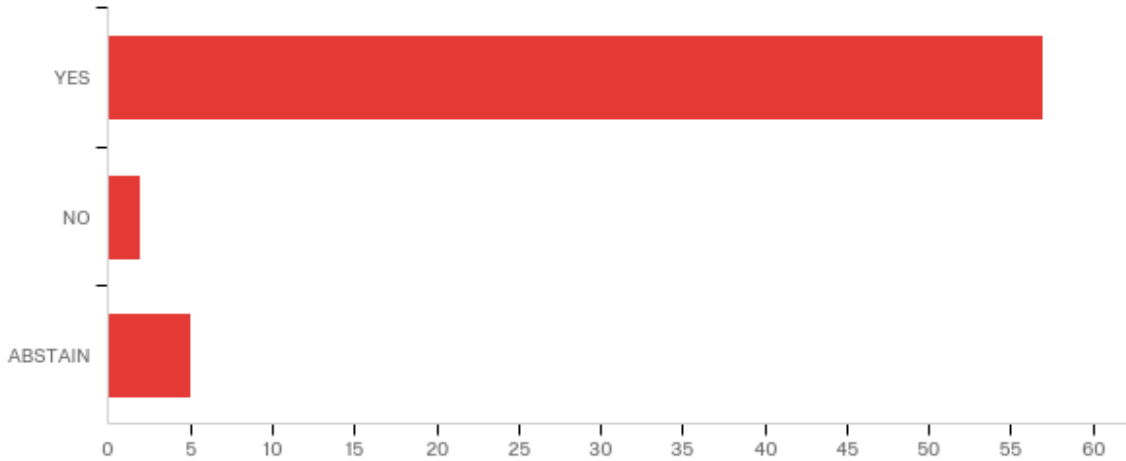
Nominee for Senator: Graeme S. Bishop BIO: I've witnessed some of the struggle that the TGSA has experienced recently with participation/relevance etc, and I think it would be good to be involved with the association, if possible. The senate is many things, but overall it's a critical unit within the administration and community at Trent: one of the only sites of real discourse. I'd do my best to represent, be informed and be useful if I was elected to the available position. About myself- from northeastern Ontario, Ba degree in Ancient History and Classics, working now on a Critical Topography and Poetics of the 'Anthropocene'. I'm a Canadian MEAP national award alum, and I've been involved with elected representative bodies during my UG and earlier, serving as treasurer then president for the Classics student club, student trustee for the District ON N.E. school board (I'm getting old). Academic interest in the early history of 'Canada', industrialization, geology, science policy, governmental development and stewardship of land and resources etc. Recently quit my job working in underground hard rock mine up north. I spend a lot of time in the bush and on the rivers. Now a Peterborough resident. Do you endorse Graeme S. Bishop for the position of Senator of the TGSA?



#	Answer	%	Count
1	YES	87.50%	56
2	NO	1.56%	1
3	ABSTAIN	10.94%	7
	Total	100%	64

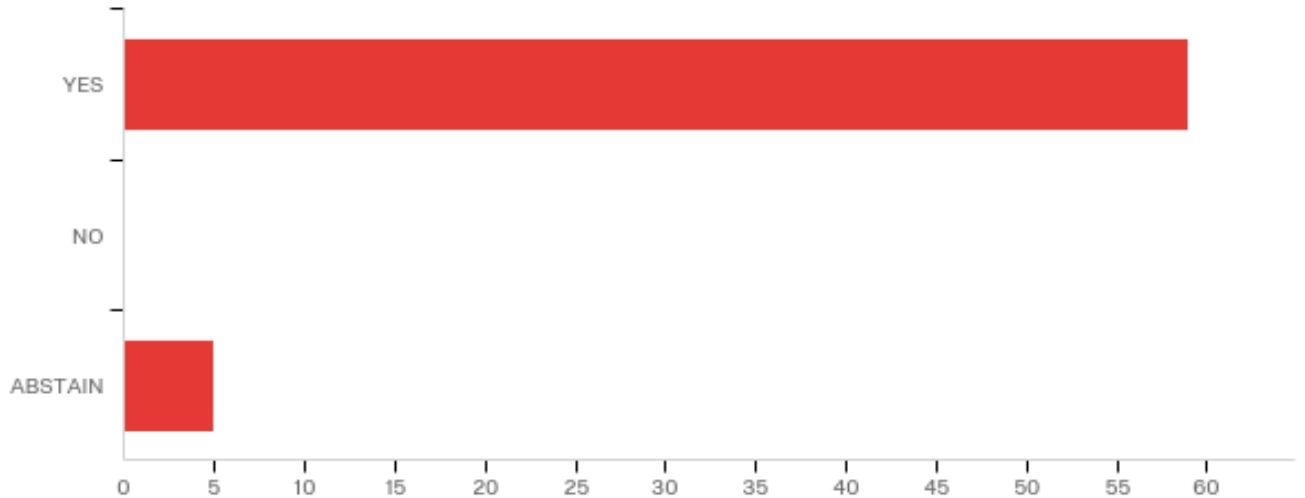
ELECTIONS: Commissioners Commissioners are elected by all Trent University Graduate students, a.k.a. the Voting Body, at Spring General Assembly meetings. To learn more about the responsibilities of each commissioner, click [here](#) and scroll down.

Nominee for Equity Commissioner: Jessica Hinton BIO: Aaniin. I’m urban Anishinaabe-kwe, with family from Temagami First Nation. I hold a BA in Archaeology from Trent, and an MA in Anthropology from McMaster. I am beginning my second year in the Indigenous Studies PhD program here at Trent, where I will be speaking with Indigenous individuals and communities about archaeology’s failure to accurately represent their histories and cultures, the consequences of these misrepresentations, and solutions to the problem. I was the Indigenous Studies PhD representative on the GSA for the 2016-2017 academic year and admittedly felt powerless to ensure that marginalized voices – Indigenous, Latinx, Black, Asian, LGBTQI+, and every intersecting identity in between – were not erased on campus. I believe I would be a passionate yet humble Equity Commissioner for the GSA, committed to fighting for just policies, events, and spaces at Trent, after thorough consultation with members of equity-seeking groups who know their own needs better than I do. Miigwech. Do you endorse Jessica Hinton for the position of Equity Commissioner of the TGSA?



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1	YES	89.06%	57
2	NO	3.13%	2
3	ABSTAIN	7.81%	5
	Total	100%	64

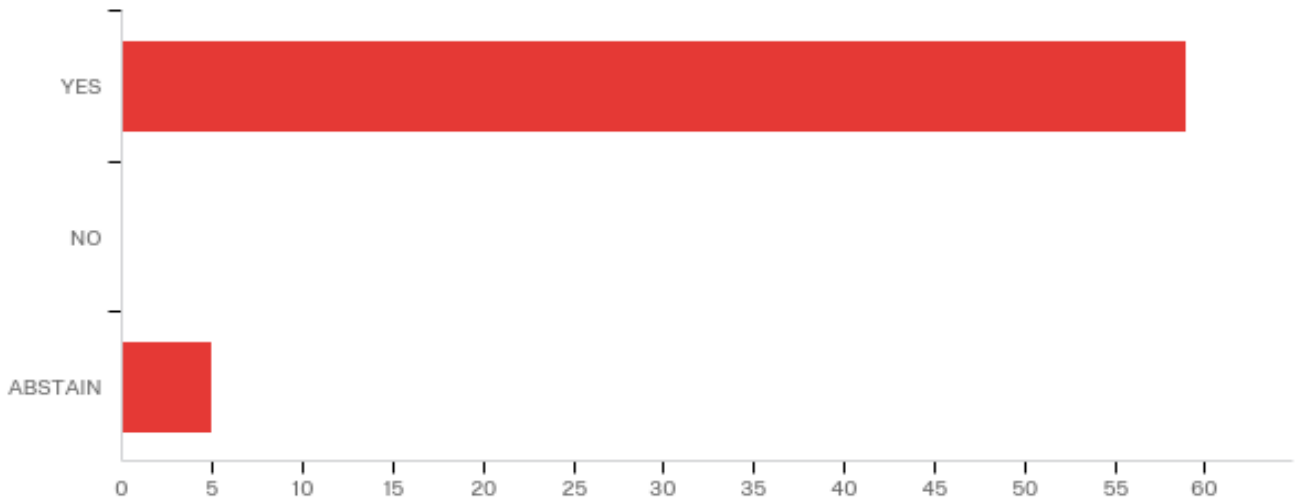
Nominee for Health Benefits Commissioner: Kevin Scotland BIO: I am a Trent University Alumni, class of 2005. I obtained my Master’s of Chemistry from the University of Guelph in 2009. Upon my graduation from U of G, I worked in a small fabrication firm for two years; then worked as a contract professor at Durham College for 5 years. My duties and responsibilities in these two positions have developed my organizational, negotiation and management skills. It has given me the ability to understand and adapt to complex situations quickly and effectively and, most importantly, given me a passion for advocacy. On a personal note, I started life off at Trent as an international student and since then obtain my Permanent Residency. As such I understand the complexities of being both an international and domestic student. I believe that my experiences have gifted me a unique perspective; a perspective that would serve me well as your PhD student representative for the Material Science program. Do you endorse Kevin Scotland for the position of Health Benefits Commissioner of the TGSA?



#	Answer	%	Count
1	YES	92.19%	59
2	NO	0.00%	0
3	ABSTAIN	7.81%	5
	Total	100%	64

Nominee for OGSA Commissioner: Katherine Rosa BIO: Katie will be entering her second year of the MA in Sustainability Studies program next year, and has an academic background in wildlife biology and ecosystem management. She has always felt passionate about democratic governance and the importance of reliable lines of communication between the public and those holding power, and for this reason she would like to be Trent's representative on the Ontario Graduate Student Alliance for the 2017-18 academic year. The OGSA is an important Ontario-wide body that advocates for all graduate students and lobbies our government for solutions to the issues that we face. As your OGSA Commissioner, I will be a strong voice for Trent graduate students in Ontario, I will learn from representatives from other schools to suggest improvements to our Trent University experience, and most importantly, I will listen to what you

have to say. Do you endorse Katherine Rosa for the position of OGSA Commissioner of the TGSA?

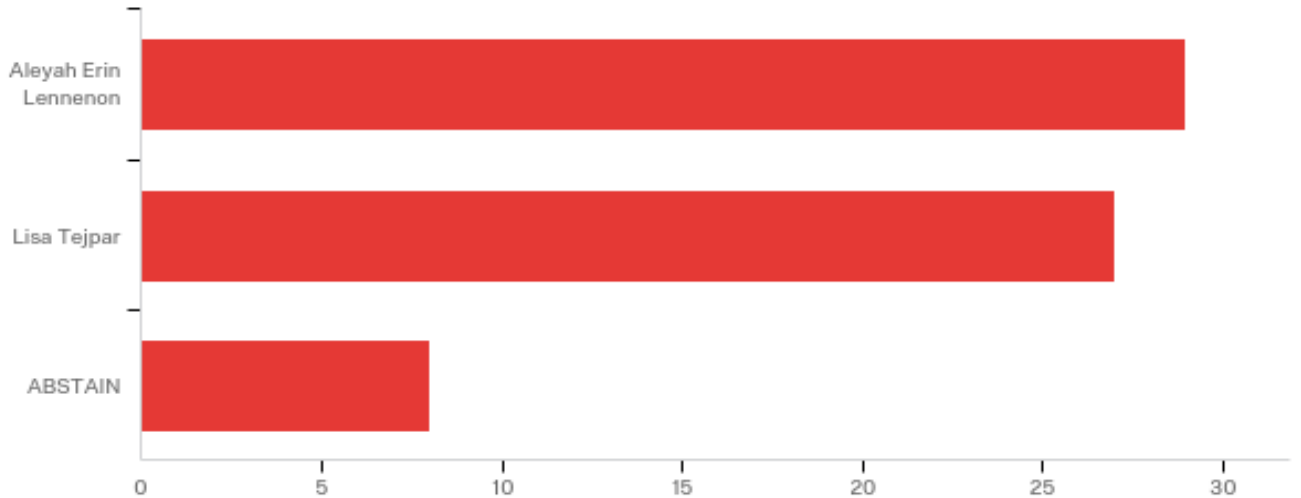


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1	YES	92.19%	59
2	NO	0.00%	0
3	ABSTAIN	7.81%	5
	Total	100%	64

Nominee for Environmental Commissioner: Aleyah Erin Lennenon (nominated by Elizabeth Aslin) BIO: Greetings Trent Graduate Students! I have long nurtured a love for our natural environment and have dedicated both my professional and academic career to increasing my knowledge and skills in helping others to deepen their relationship to nature. For the last 10 years, I have served as a Wilderness Canoe Guide and Outdoor Educator, facilitating diverse groups in many of Ontario's protected areas. My honours undergraduate degree focussed on Protected Areas Management and Indigenous Studies, where I deepened my understanding of and respect for developing strong, meaningful partnerships with Indigenous communities in co-management of natural and urban areas, a fundamental key to sustainability

issues, human rights, and reconciliation. I also am a certified Ontario Teacher with a specialization in Environmental Science. As such, I have a wealth of experience developing innovative programs to engage communities and students in awareness of and reverence for our environment. I am currently completing my masters degree in Sustainability Studies, where I am examining issues of water protection through the lens of Indigenous-settler relationship renewal. As your Environmental Commissioner, I will apply all of my diverse skills in communication, marketing, community outreach and event planning to foster greater awareness and engagement with sustainability issues in our community. I will leverage my considerable networks to connect the amazing community initiatives going on both on and off campus in order to further a sustainable environmental vision of which we can all be proud. Thank you for your vote!

Nominee for Environmental Commissioner: Lisa Tejpar BIO: In my life I have been fortunate enough to live in areas closely knitted with nature, which has given me a love for our environment and a drive to protect it. I was able to explore various leadership roles while attending Bishop's University, which allowed me to build communication, public speaking, problem solving and organization skills, and gave me experience in being a representative. Currently, my master's thesis is examining whether fostering a mindful appreciation of our environment can impact well-being and pro-environmental attitudes and behaviours. If I have the opportunity to fulfill this responsibility, I intend to utilize what I have learned from this research, help promote the trails on Trent's campus, organize fun, engaging and sustainable events, spread awareness of the importance of conservation, implement students' ideas, and provide opportunities for individuals to learn what they can do to help keep Trent green. Each person can make a difference, and it is my intention to help this incredible notion be realized. Please indicate who you endorse for the position of Environmental Commissioner of the TGSA.

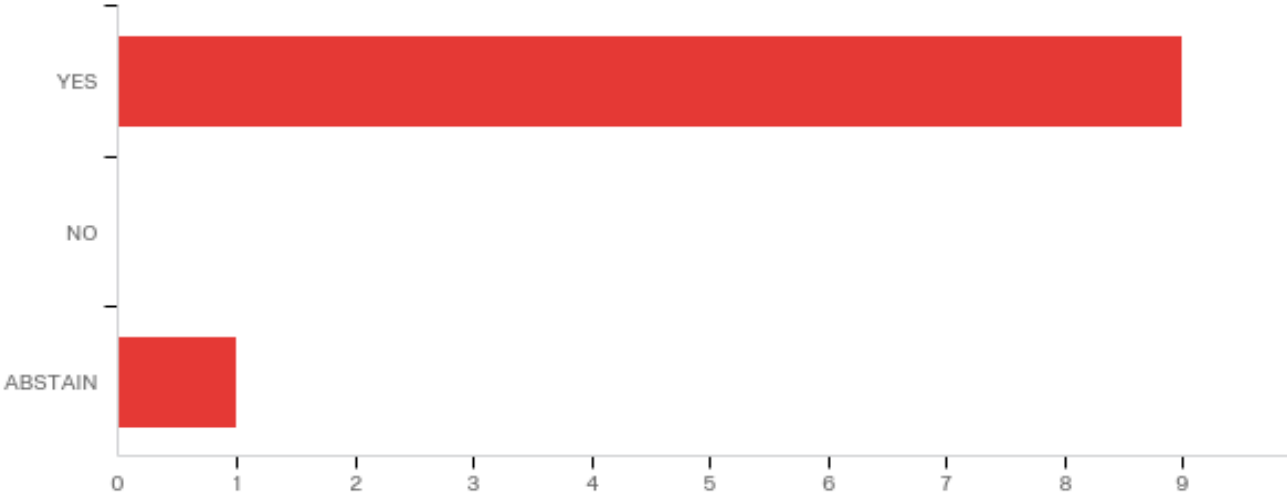


#	Answer	%	Count
1	Aleyah Erin Lennenon	45.31%	29
2	Lisa Tejpar	42.19%	27
3	ABSTAIN	12.50%	8
	Total	100%	64

ELECTIONS: International Student Representative Commissioner The International Student Representative Commissioner shall be elected at Spring General Assembly meetings. Only Trent University Graduate International Students may vote for the International Student Representative Commissioner.

Nominee for International Student Representative Commissioner: Aminah Hardy BIO: My name is Aminah Hardy, and I am running for International Student Representative Commissioner to assist my fellow students in matters that are unique to our experience as international Trent students. This would include ensuring that international students are properly represented in interactions with the Board; informing international students about opportunities available to them, such as scholarships and bursaries; and assisting students with accessing benefits available to them, such as UHIP and the supplemental benefit plans. Being a non-traditional student and a member

of the workforce for many years has given me a unique perspective on interacting with people from first-year students to senior faculty, and I would enjoy bringing my years of experience to serve the students of Trent. I chose Canada because of its commitment to diversity, inclusivity, and social justice, and would seek to establish those same principles in my work as Commissioner. Do you endorse Aminah Hardy for the position of International Student Representative Commissioner of the TGSA?

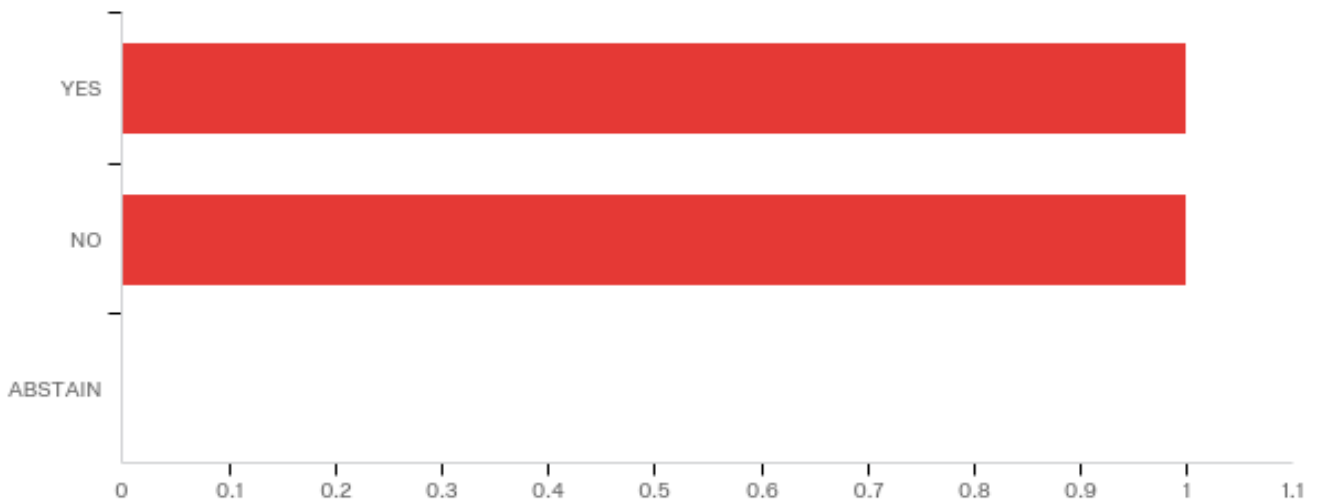


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2	NO	0.00%	0
3	ABSTAIN	10.00%	1
	Total	100%	10

Program Representatives Program Representatives shall be elected by the members of their programs in departmental elections run by departmental societies or with help from the VP Senate. Only Trent University Graduate students of individual departments may vote for their department representatives. The Program Representative elections have been included as a part of the TGSA's general elections. Please note that the Program Representative nominations and elections come from each department, and

nominees are elected by each department. The TGSA does not have any control or influence over Program Representative nominations and elections.

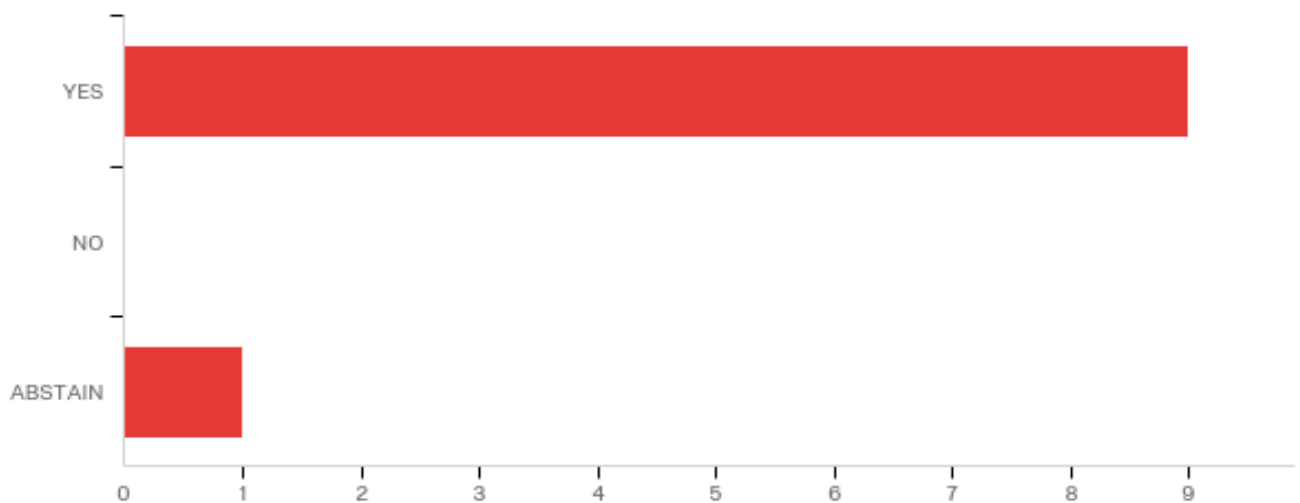
Nominee for M.A. Anthropology Representative: Talis Talving-Loza (nominated by Jessica Hinton) **BIO:** On behalf of Jessica Hinton: "I, Jessica Hinton, would like to nominate Talis Talving-Loza for the position of MA Anthropology representative on the TGSA for the 2017-2018 academic year. Talis is an Indigenous student with family from Veracruz, México, who will be working with Dr Gyles Iannone on projects in Myanmar or Belize next spring. He holds a BA in North American Archaeology (minor in Anthropology) from Wilfrid Laurier University, and has worked in the field of Cultural Resource Management (CRM) archaeology across Ontario for a total of five field seasons. In the CRM world, he has often unofficially served as a liaison between Indigenous site monitors and settler archaeologists, in highly politically charged environments. This has allowed him to develop his teamwork and negotiation skills, as well as hone his ability to maintain composure. He is interested in contributing more than his research while attending Trent." Do you endorse Talis Talving-Loza for the position of M.A. Anthropology Program Representative?



#	Answer	%	Count
1	YES	50.00%	1

2	NO	50.00%	1
3	ABSTAIN	0.00%	0
	Total	100%	2

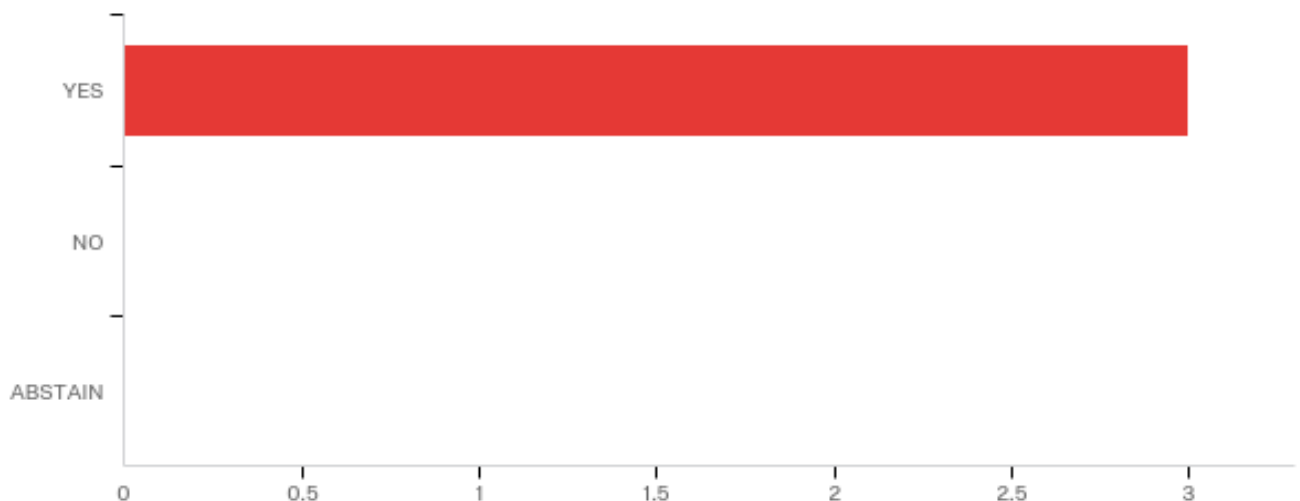
Nominee for Ph.D. Cultural Studies Representative: Dorothea Hines (nominated by Joshua Noiseux) BIO: Dorothea Hines holds a B.A. from the University of Toronto, where she specialized in fine art, art history, and performance art. Combining theory and practice, she completed an M.A. in Theory, Culture and Politics at Trent with an emphasis on performative writing, live performance, and documentation. She is currently continuing her research (and practice) in Trent’s Cultural Studies Ph.D. program. For the past year she has been highly engaged in the CUST community, sitting on the Program Committee representing first year students, as well as participating in the Director Search subcommittee. She looks forward to bringing her energy and commitment to the role of Cultural Studies Program Rep. Do you endorse Dorothea Hines for the position of Ph.D. Cultural Studies Program Representative?



#	Answer	%	Count
1	YES	90.00%	9
2	NO	0.00%	0

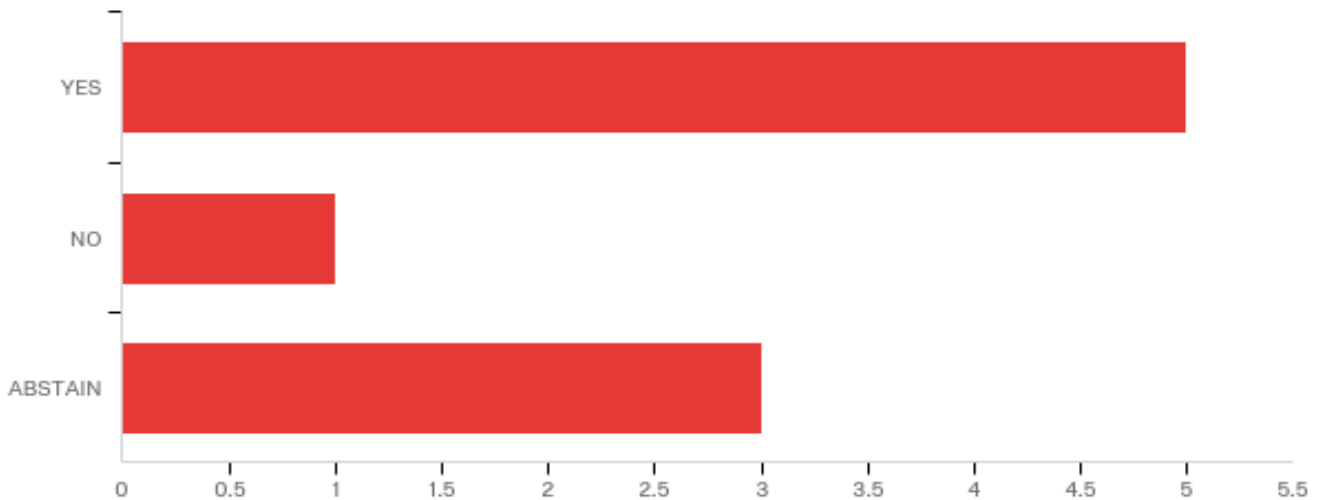
3	ABSTAIN	10.00%	1
	Total	100%	10

Nominee for Ph.D. Indigenous Studies Representative: Gabriel Maracle BIO: I hold a M.A. in Religion and Public Life from Carleton University, and am in the process of completing the M.A. in Canadian and Indigenous Studies here at Trent. I will be a first-year PhD student in the Indigenous Studies Program come September. My work has focused on the experience of Indigenous people in the city, the history of the Mohawk Warrior Society, and the effects the Sixties Scoop has on Indigenous communities. I am interested in promoting social justice on campus, and unpacking and understanding how political action, Indigenous rights, and self-governance intersect. Do you endorse Gabriel Maracle for the position of Ph.D. Indigenous Studies Program Representative?



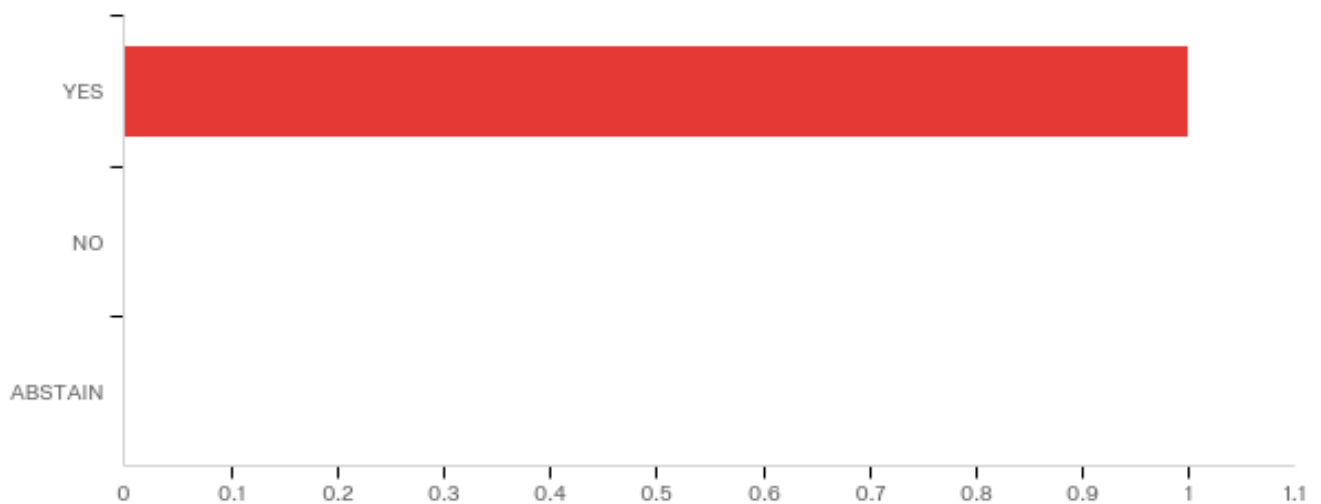
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1	YES	100.00%	3
2	NO	0.00%	0
3	ABSTAIN	0.00%	0
	Total	100%	3

Nominee for M.Sc. Psychology Representative: Grishma Dahal BIO: I would like to submit my interest in becoming the Psychology Graduate Student representative for this incoming year, as I believe that I could be a great fit for this role. I have various experiences, including being on the executive board of World Vision, being the executive leader of the Nepalese Women’s forum and having worked alongside various diplomats and very diverse groups of people and personalities. I am a self-motivated hard working individual who has an outgoing personality. I work very well on my own but I also thrive as part of a team and I am able to collaborate very well with others. I am a strong speaker and I believe that I would be able to voice the opinions and concerns of my peers to the appropriate persons if I was given the platform to do so. Overall, I believe that the experiences that I have accumulated thus far have primed me for such a role and it would be an honor to represent my fellow classmates and peers. Do you endorse Grishma Dahal for the position of M.Sc. Psychology Program Representative?



#	Answer	%	Count
1	YES	55.56%	5
2	NO	11.11%	1
3	ABSTAIN	33.33%	3

Nominee for M.A. Theory, Culture and Politics Representative: Lee Campbell
(nominated by Isaac Jiang) BIO: Lee Campbell began his two-year M.A. in Theory, Culture and Politics in fall 2016. In addition to his studies, he has taken an active interest in the future of the TCP program and its place in the University. He has provided support to the program by designing posters for cultural events that reflect the values of the community. He has been a valued member of the TCP program, quickly establishing good working relationships with students and staff, and would be committed to representing their interests and contributing to the overall effectiveness of the TGSA. Lee also brings to the table three years professional experience working in student-focused university communications. Do you endorse Lee Campbell for the position of M.A. Theory, Culture and Politics Program Representative?



#	Answer	%	Count
1	YES	100.00%	1
2	NO	0.00%	0
3	ABSTAIN	0.00%	0
	Total	100%	1