

NOTICE of MOTION

GCSU Membership Fee changes: GCSU “Union Fee” and GCSU “Building Fund Fee.”

Whereas GCSU Membership Fee changes can be made in accordance with the GCSU Constitution and By-Laws, Article 3 as required to meet contractual obligations, ensure financial stability, and/or enhance and maintain GCSU student service quality (see below GCSU constitution wording).

Whereas adjustments have not been made to the GCSU Building Fund Fee since 1995.

Whereas adjustments have not been made to the GCSU Union Fee since 2011.

Whereas Grenfell Campus has experienced undergraduate student enrollment decreases greatly impacting GCSU Membership Fees.

Whereas GCSU has been greatly impacted by a changing economy, inflation, and cost increases associated with goods, insurances, and labour.

Whereas GCSU must ensure its finance and services stability.

Be it Resolved,

GCSU Full-time “Union Fee” be increased from \$65.00 to \$85.00 per semester.

GCSU Part-time “Union Fee” be increased from \$32.50 to \$85.00 per semester.

GCSU “Building Fund Fee” for full-time and part-time students be increased from \$5.00 per semester to \$25.00 per semester.

Be it Further Resolved that fee increases to both GCSU “Union Fees” and GCSU “Building Fund Fee” be effective and in place for the Spring/Summer semester 2025 onward.

Article 3: Membership and Fees

3 - 1 As required to meet contractual obligations, ensure financial stability, and/or enhance and maintain service quality, Grenfell Campus Student Union has the authority to adjust its Union Fees by 2/3 majority vote of council. Notice shall be given to union members at least fifteen (15) days prior to the vote on any amendment. Once modified, the Union. Fee cannot be modified for a period of twelve (12) calendar months.

3 – 2 Council has the authority to adjust health and dental plan fees based on increases in annual rates not to exceed the annual inflation rate of student health and dental plans.

3 - 3 Membership of the Union is open to and limited to all full-time and part-time student attending Grenfell Campus, Memorial University of Newfoundland who have paid the Union fee.

3 – 4 “Union Fees” are all fees collected from the Union’s full-time and part-time membership for the purpose of student union services, programs, activities, and Canadian Federation of Students National and Provincial memberships. Union Fees are as follows Grenfell Campus Student Union Membership Fee, Canadian Federation of Students National and Provincial Membership Fees, GCSU Building Fund Fee, GCSU Health Plan Fee, and GCSU Dental Plan Fee.

3 - 4.1 Grenfell Campus Student Union Membership Fee: Payable each semester by both full-time and part time students of Grenfell Campus, Memorial University of Newfoundland. These fees fund all activities and operations of the union including, but not limited to clubs and societies, student project funding, student entertainment, and the GCSU Backlot. Fee adjustments may only be enacted as required to meet contractual obligations, ensure financial stability, and/or enhance and maintain the service quality of the Union.

3- 4.2 Student Union fees listed herein shall be exempt from Title I, Article 3 -1 of the GCSU Constitution and By-Laws.

3-4.2.1 Canadian Federation of Students National and Provincial Membership Fees: These fees will be collected on behalf of the Canadian Federation of Students, Canadian Federation of Students-Services, and the Canadian Federation of Students- Newfoundland and Labrador, Inc. from all full-time and part-time students belonging to the Students’ Union and remitted to the Federation each semester.

3-4.2.2 Membership fees for the Canadian Federation of Students, Canadian Federation of Students-Services, and the Canadian Federation of Students-Newfoundland and Labrador, Inc. will be adjusted automatically each academic year by the rate of change in the Canadian Consumer Price Index during the previous calendar year in accordance with the applicable by-laws of the Federation.

3-4.2.3 Membership fees for the Canadian Federation of Students, Canadian Federation of Students-Services, and the Canadian Federation of Students-Newfoundland and Labrador, Inc. may be adjusted according to the by-laws of the Federation.

3 - 4.3 GCSU Building Fund Fee: Payable each semester by both full-time and part-time students of Grenfell Campus, Memorial University of Newfoundland. These fees fund the maintenance, expansion, and development of the student centre and any other future student centre developments and construction. These fees may also be used to maintain and purchase equipment and materials related to the use and operation of the student centre and the services offered within the student centre. Fee adjustment may only be enacted as required to meet contractual obligations, ensure financial stability, and/or enhance and maintain service quality of the current and/or future student centre(s).