NBSA WELCOMES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Fredericton, NB - The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the hiring of Sydona S. Chandon as its new Executive Director of the New Brunswick Student Alliance (NBSA). Sydona began her term on May 1st, 2022.

"As a past student leader, it has been an aspiration of mine to continue action driven advocacy along with a board of passionate like-minded individuals," said Sydona. "I am looking forward to increasing student engagement with the organization, while continuing to ensure accessibility and affordability of education for all post-secondary students."

Chandon is originally from Westmoreland, Jamaica and is a graduate from St. Thomas University, Fredericton, where she has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminology and Communications & Public Policy, with a minor in Business Studies. During her time at St. Thomas, Chandon was heavily involved with the St. Thomas University Students' Union (STUSU) as the International Student Representative, and Vice President Education in her 2nd, and 4th year respectively. She was also the third founder and Vice President of the Black Student Association. Throughout her 4 years at STU she was also very involved with the International Association and took on several roles which involved fundraising. Her involvement with the NBSA began when she was the Vice President of Education for the St. Thomas University Students Union and sat on the board as a director for the 2021-2022 term.

"Sydona's vast experience in post-secondary education paired with her passion and drive for student issues will ensure a very successful future for the NBSA and for students in New Brunswick," said Charlie Burke, Chair of the NBSA Board of Directors. "While Sydona was on the board she was so rooted and eager to ensure action on many of our policies. She has contributed to so many changes thus far. Having just recently graduated, I am confident in her ability to relate to students. The NBSA is in good hands," added Charlotte Fanjoy, Vice-Chair of the NBSA Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors would like to thank Bibi Wasiimah Joomun for her tremendous work and high-level commitment to the organization and wish her the best in her future endeavors. The 2022-2023 Board of Directors, alongside the new Executive Director, are looking forward to continuing the work of the NBSA towards an accessible, affordable, and inclusive post-secondary education for students in the province.