**11th Meeting of the 49th SRC**

**Date: December 11th, 2022**

**Location: Virtual via Zoom**

1. **Call to Order**

Ahmik Burneo, the Chair of the SRC called the meeting to order on December 11th, at 3:05pm.

1. **Land Acknowledgement**

St. Thomas University Students’ Union recognizes and respectfully acknowledges that it carries out its work on the traditional unceded territories of the Wolastoqiyik, and Mi’kmaq peoples. This territory is covered by the “Treaties of Peace and Friendship” which these nations first signed with the British Crown in 1726. The treaties did not deal with the surrender of territories, but in fact recognized Mi’kmaq and Wolastoqiyik titles and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations. STUSU members and staff pay respect to the elders, past and present, and descendants of this land.

1. **Roll call**

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| Position | Name | Present | Regrets | Absent |
| President | Alex Nguyen |  |  |  |
| Vice President Administration | Minahil Fatima |  |  |  |
| Vice President Education | Julia Evans |  |  |  |
| Vice President Student Life | Anahi Alvarez |  | · |  |
| Indigenous Representative | Stevie DeMerchant |  |  |  |
| International Student Representative | Khanh Hoang |  |  |  |
| At Large Representatives (2) | Lauren Hayes  Chloe York |  |  |  |
| Off campus Representatives | - |  |  |  |
| Sexuality & Gender Diversity Representative | - |  |  |  |
| First Year Representative | - |  |  |  |
| Harrington Representative | - |  |  |  |
| Vanier Representative | - |  |  |  |
| Holy Cross Representative | - |  |  |  |
| Social Inclusion Representative | - |  |  |  |
| Grad Class President | Madison LeBlanc |  |  |  |

Quorum has been met with 5/8 SRC members.

1. **Review of the Minutes.**

**[4.1.] BIRT the Board approve the minutes of the 10th Meeting of the SRC as presented.**

**Moved by:** VP Administration

**Seconded by:** At-Large Representative York

**Motion:** Carries

1. **Review of Agenda**

**{5.1] BIRT the Board add agenda item 10.1. General schedule updates under New Business (President).**

**Moved by:** President

**Seconded by: VP Admin**

**Motion:** Carries

**[5.2] BIRT the Board adopt the agenda as presented.**

**Moved by:** VP Admin

**Seconded by:** VP Education

**Motion:** Carries

1. **Unfinished Business.**

No unfinished business.

1. **Executive Reports.**

*Executives provided verbal report followed by a written one.*

**7.1. President report - Alex Nguyen**

**Meetings**

Monthly Meeting w/ Dr. Fenwick & Karen Preston - Registrar

* I attended a monthly meeting w/ Dr. Fenwick and Karen to give them updates on STUSU and discuss how University can support our students.

Board of Governors Meeting

* I presented a student report to the Board of Governors.

**Miscellaneous**

* Office Hours @JDH from 10-12PM
* Attended the presidential candidates’ public presentations on Tuesday and Wednesday.

**7.2. Vice President Administration report - Minahil Fatima**

**Meetings**

* I had my usual weekly office hour on Monday at JDH.
* Attended the presidential candidate's presentation.

**Projects & Initiatives**

**Campus Trust**

* No updates for campus trust, as things were quiet this week.

**Clubs & Societies**

* No updates for clubs & societies.

**Miscellaneous**

* Uploaded the minutes to the website.
* Worked on scheduling the next meeting by creating a doodle poll.

**7.3. Vice President Education report - Julia Evans**

Meetings

**CASA: Advocacy Week**

* I attended a final advocacy meeting to finalize CASA Advocacy Week. Alongside other members, I met with MP Lindsay Mathyssen, NDP Critic for Gender Equality. I spoke on the issue of mental health on campuses and advocated for government investments in on-campus mental health counsellors.

**SEC Meeting**

* We had our weekly executive meeting.

**Presidential Search Committee**

* I am the student representative on the Presidential Search Committee. This week, the two final candidates were on campus for a public session and a final round of interviews. I attended both of the public sessions, and the interviews. I had to complete feedback files and look forward to continuing deliberations with the Committee this upcoming week.

**NAC Committee**

* The CASA National Advocacy Committee is in planning mode for the National Advocacy Campaign. The theme is surrounding the modernization of student financial aid in 2022. I have my final meeting before the Holiday this week and look forward working on this initiative on campus and beyond.

Miscellaneous

**Office Hour**

* I will be having my Office Hour every Tuesday from 1-2pm in the JDH Help Desk.

**7.4. Vice President Student Life report - Anahi Alvarez**

No report available.

1. **Employee Updates.**

**Activities Coordinator:** Last week I worked overtime to prepare for the winter formal. We did not have enough volunteers to work the booth at all times, and I ended up working more shifts than I expected. I also sent all the emails regarding tickets as well. It was 150 tickets sent last time, which was a lot of work that added up.

**VP Admin:** If you could specify how many hours exactly, that would be beneficial.

**Activities Coordinator:** This would have been around 11.5 hours for the last week of overtime and around the same for this week. I had the hours breakdown for last week sent to Tina and the VP Admin.

**VP Admin:** If you could send an email for your hours for this week that would be wonderful.

**President:** Thank you for all your work with winter formal, and it was phenomenal. Everything was on time and organized, and we were fortunate that you and Anahi worked so hard.

**Activities Coordinator:** Without the volunteers and everyone's help, this event would not have been able to happen. Thanks again everyone.

1. **Representative Reports**
   1. **Indigenous Representative report**

* The Students Reconciliation meeting during the Wabanaki lunch on Wednesday, and we are now up to $1500 on what has been raised so far this semester. On Friday, I had a meeting with NIYAC were we discussed recent policies. On Wednesdays, I also work part-time at the John Howard Society and Justin Young discussed the Coldest Night of the Year, which is a local annual fundraising event. He was wondering if this is something that we would be interested in assisting with.

**President:** We could support this project or collab as best as we can. If you need graphics or any assistance, please let me know.

**Recording Secretary:** I know many people in the social work program who would be interested in helping with this event.

**Indigenous Representative:** This is something that we could organize and look into more.

* 1. **At Large Representative report**
* Lauren and I discussed our plans for our event, which will be happening in the new year. Winter formal was an enormous success according to the students that we heard from, and I am glad that I was able to attend.

1. **New Business.**

**10.1. - General Schedule Updates (President)**

* Presented an overview of the general schedule with a debrief from first semester and the current tentative dates for events next semester.

1. **Questions, Announcements & Notices**

**VP Admin:** During this week, I will be sending out an email regarding schedules. Please update your availability. Please do not use social media to contact me if you require anything. Use email

**President**: I just wanted to thank everyone for their hard work for this year, and I hope everyone has an amazing break.

1. **Adjournment.**

**[12.1.] BIRT** the meeting of the SRC adjourned at 3:36pm

**Moved by:** VP Admin

**Seconded by:** VP Education

**Motion:** Carries

**Submission:**

The minutes were respectfully submitted to the Vice-President of Administration on December 14th, 2022.

**Grace Steeves**

Recording Secretary

STUSU Student Representative Council