



The Students' Representative Council
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13th Meeting of the 47th SRC
5:00 pm, Sunday, January 31, 2021
Via Zoom (Online)

Attendance Record

Position	Name	Present	Regrets	Absent
President	Sarah Kohut	X		
Vice President Administration	Matthew Oram	X		
Vice President Education	Megan Cormier	X		
Vice President Student Life	Kyle McNally	X		
Off-Campus Representative	Sydney Shelley	X		
Off-Campus Representative	Kathleen Jones	X		
Off-Campus Representative	Ravtej Singh		X	
Rigby Hall Representative	Jonah Simon	X		
Social Inclusion Representative	Andie Amaya	X		
Sexuality & Gender Diversity Representative	Tyler MaGee	X		
First-Year Representative	Lauren Hayes	X		
Member at Large Representative	Victoria Young	X		
International Student Representative	Alex Nguyen	X		
Indigenous Student Representative	Tiger Levi	X		
Grad Class President	Alaina Mejia	X		

Staff Present: Brianna Hill (Chair), Minahil Fatima (Recording Secretary)

AQ Representatives: Hannah Rudderham

Guests Present: N/A



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Call to Order and Quorum Call

Meeting was called to order by Brianna Hill at 5:07 pm.
Quorum is met with 10 voting members present.

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was presented to council.
It was moved by Kathleen J. to approve agenda.
Seconded by Megan C.
The agenda was approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes from the 12th Meeting

The minutes from last meeting were presented to council.
It was moved by Megan C. to approve minutes.
Seconded by Kyle M.
The minutes were approved.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

No agenda item available.

4. Executive Reports

4.1 President's Report – Sarah Kohut

Hello, everyone. I hope you all had a fantastic weekend. And a good last week as well. So, on Monday, at the start of this week, I attended Megan's Academic and University Affairs Committee meeting, which was good, discussed about some tangible action items moving forward for the year, which was exciting. And then I met with Alex, Hanif and Ally from STUISA and Megan, Matt, and Kyle. I think that's everyone that was on that call to talk about the International Student Financial Aid Fund that we released on Friday, just to work out some logistics. And then I also watched the social work grad that evening, which was good. I kind of wanted to take a peek to see how they're doing things virtually and what it looks like. But they put a lot of effort into it, which was good to see, makes me feel more confident going into May. A good group of us on this call will graduate. So yeah, that's so social work grad was good. Lots of effort put into that. And they really made I think, the most of the situation. So that was good to see. Then on Tuesday, I started my day in a President's Advisory Committee on Experiential Learning meeting, which Megan is also part of that committee. And we talked about a number of things and that was good as well. And on Tuesday, I actually started my day with my check in meeting with Kyle, which is also good. We talked about a number of things, including the AGM which is something that STUSU puts on at the end of the year. For those of you that are returning you will kind of remember from last year, unfortunately didn't happen last year, because that's right when COVID hit is when we were trying to plan it for, but Kyle's got some good things in the works for this year. So that's exciting to hear about. And then I had to cancel my office hour because I attended a Senate Committee on Reconciliation meeting and that was good. We talked about the midwinter ceremonies which that committee will be planning which will happen I think, either in February or March I can't remember. But later on, this semester, and then on Wednesday, I had a NBSA Health and Wellness Committee meeting. So that was our first meeting back in the new



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year. And we've got a policy that we still need to continue editing and then bring it to the board to have it passed. And then we're also going to be doing a campaign as well, this semester, just a social media like graphic informational campaign. So that'll be exciting to put together. Before that meeting actually started one of the other individuals on the call, who's the Vice President, external for UNBSRC, which is the Student Union at UNB St. John was chatting with me about what it's like to be a president and specifically a female president, because she's interested in running next year for a presidency over there at UNB St. John. So, it's really great to get a chance to talk about that stuff, because I am the only female president of the New Brunswick Student Union. And so, I wanted to hear my perspective, in particular on what that experience is like. So, I was so happy that she wanted to chat about that with me. And I was happy to give her some information and kind of give her a bit of confidence, because I think she would do an absolutely fantastic job as president and I really want to see her run. And so that was great. And then later on, the NBSA executive had our weekly meetings, and that was also good. We discussed primarily about the pre budget submission that so the NBSA is involved in the discussion surrounding when the province sets the budget for the following year. So, the that's great that the NBSA always gets a voice at that table to promote student needs there. So, we always submit a pre budget submission to kind of highlight the things that we want to see in the provincial budget. So, we talked mostly about that. And then on Thursday, I attended a one of Matt's Student Advisory Committee meetings in the morning, which was great. And then later on in that day, the exec had our weekly executive meeting, which is also good. And then on Friday, I met with, I think I mentioned this before, but as a result of the, Fredericton, community committee thing that has UNB STU and the Mayor and city councillors and stuff like that, that committee, a subcommittee was created that I'm a part of. So that subcommittee met for the first time on Friday, to talk about stuff that we want to do for the remainder of the year. Specifically, we discussed about like informational things for students like tenants' rights, what a landlord is allowed to do. If you're having issues like, say, your upstairs neighbor is particularly noisy, and you don't know what to do about it. Who do you call like, can you contact your landlord? Can you do you call the police? Can you contact a bylaw officer, stuff like that. So hopefully, we'll be able to put that out by the end of the year because that'll be really exciting. And if not, that'll happen next year. But nonetheless, it's great to see that it's coming together. And then I met with Alex and Kyle to talk about carrying over an initiative from last year and putting them into the AGM. And I'll let both Kyle and Alex kind of elaborate on that in their reports. Because it's more so than less of me. So, give them the spotlight to talk about that. And then I attended Megan's Member Relations Committee meeting with Casa and that was fun. And it's always fun planning stuff with that committee. And then and now we're here. And I also sent out the 'I believe you, campaign emails to all the various professors and people that we want to have be a part of the video. And I talked to Carmen about moving the leftover welcome week kits, which usually what we do with them, we'll have to go through and see what's in them and stuff. But in in normal years, we'll take a peek at what's left and see what we can donate to various organizations in the Fredericton area. Like most times, there's those welcome week t-shirts that are in there and then you got your residents t-shirts too. So, we'll donate those to like homeless shelters in the area or stuff like that, or if there are snacks that don't expire them will donate the snacks as well. Basically, we donate pretty much anything that people will take. Because obviously we don't want that stuff to just sit there and not be used by people. And we want to put it to, to individuals that will make good use of it. So, we will be moving those, the executives will be moving those at some point, whenever I coordinate with the person whose office they're currently in, to go in and take them out. I got the final information about our STUSU sweaters, which you all would have seen in the Facebook group. If you haven't seen my post in there, please go and take a look at it. And as a reminder, if you'd like to place an order for the sweaters, those are due to me by February 7, I think I've got a good chunk of you who have been in contact with me about what you like to order, if anything. Also, if you are choosing not to order a sweater, firstly, that's okay. Secondly, I would appreciate if you could just send me an email saying like, hey, Sarah, I would prefer not to order a sweater this year. And that way I can keep track of, you know, who have I heard from who haven't I heard back from that maybe wants to order something. And who have I heard from that I know for sure doesn't want to get anything. So, I don't have to track you folks down and bother you with emails and messages, making sure that you get sweaters if you want them. So yes, please go and take a look at my Facebook post. And you can let me know, either by email or directly on that Facebook post, I check both frequently. And I've got a big spreadsheet with everyone's orders. And then before we place the order for good, I'll go and email everyone



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and just double check to make sure that the information I have for your orders accurate, and to make sure that everyone gets what they want. And that I think is it for the week, I created and then posted the graphic about the international student COVID-19 Fund, which I'm sure you all saw, we posted that on Friday, and that launched on Friday. So, it's really, really exciting to see it. It's ongoing now. And that's great. I know, I've heard from Kyle, we've got a very, very good chunk of people that have applied so far. So, I'm happy that it's being put to good use, as I knew it would be in it's great that we're able to offer that for students this year. And so yeah, that is all I think for my report.

Jonah: Regarding the mid winter event. That's happening February 11-13th.

Sarah: I have that in my agenda. I just didn't want to scroll through all the pages on the meeting and take up people's time unnecessarily. But yes, thank you, Jonah.

4.2 Vice President of Administration's Report – Matthew Oram

I hope everybody had a good week and a good weekend. For my reports, as you all probably saw, if you follow STUSU's Instagram and Facebook pages. I kind of put on the clubs and societies week. There were lots of videos, it was the same videos as the fall clubs and societies week. And this time, I made an effort to tag all of the clubs, societies, and their Instagram pages on our account. So hopefully, that garnered a lot of student interest and stuff like that, especially for some of the new students who may be at STU or in Fredericton for this semester. Hopefully, that went over. Well, I think it did. And hopefully next year, we'll be able to go back to the actual in person clubs and studies fairs because this was a good alternative. But at the same time, it's not the same as the in-person event. And then I had, as Sarah mentioned, the Student Advisory Committee meeting. So that's still an ongoing thing that we're dealing with, just waiting on some stuff as emails back. So, I'll report back on that actually, in the coming weeks. And also, as Sarah mentioned, we had the international student fund meeting. I'll be on that committee with Kyle and the others, and Tina as well for the remainder of the semester. And then some of you here were at the meeting, we had a Finance Committee meeting on Friday. We approved the funding application, or the Finance Committee did for this meeting, and that's what we'll be reviewing later on the agenda. So, we'll get into that later. And then I also had discussions throughout the week with Tina about budget lines, where we can move money around and different stuff like that, especially for the International Student fund. So those discussions are still ongoing. But just want to report that we had those last week. And then the same as the other execs, I had my office hour and then the SEC meeting where some good discussions were had. And then this week, I'll be setting up a Governance Committee meeting, just to kind of go over some proposed bylaw things that Sarah and I will be looking at in the future months are coming weeks. So, look for that. Those of you who are on that committee, as I'll be sending probably a doodle poll out either tonight, or tomorrow. And that's pretty much it for me.

4.3 Vice President of Education's Report – Megan Cormier

Hello, everyone. It's really nice to see you all. I know, I wasn't here last weekend. So, it's nice to be back on our little camera here. But for me this week, it was a little slower, which was actually kind of nice. But starting with STUSU. Monday morning, I had a very productive Academic and University Affairs Committee. And we kind of put all of our ideas into a into goals, like Sarah said. And finally, we can kind of see them coming together. And I think we're going to be able to do some really amazing things this year. Further Monday, I also had a meeting about our international students' fund, which everyone had mentioned. Tuesday, I met with my Remote Learning Committee for the university. And we've decided now to have meetings every single week because our workload has kind of picked up in preparation for next year. Tuesday, I also met with the Students Experiential Learning Committee as we continue to assess our current environmental or experiential learning opportunities at STU and how we can improve. On Thursday, I had my office hour and I want to mention, usually you'll see on my Instagram, like Stu's Instagram, do stuff that I post my videos a little late, and I just wanted to make sure everyone knows that I'm not starting my office



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hour late, I just happen to start my office hour, and then forget to film my video. So, if you see my videos posted at like 10:30, and I was supposed to actually, like start my office hour at 10. I'm not late, I just forgot to film. And I don't want anyone thinking I'm slacking. Because I literally realized at 10:30 I'm like, Oh my gosh. Usually when we're in person, Sarah is usually there to remind me, but she's not in my house. So, I forget. And then Thursday, ended up canceling the remote learning conversation I usually have with Dr. Robear, just due to some scheduling issues, but we're actually going to stop doing them weekly. I'd rather have them monthly just due to a lack of student participation, we've had the same students come every week. And we feel if we kind of held them monthly, then maybe we'd attract little more students. And we also wouldn't be kind of just sitting on an empty call some weeks if we could, you know, we did it for MLA Mondays as well, just to kind of see if we can get more students attracted to the event. Moving to NBSA. I am right now finishing up my NBSA report that's due to Sara at 6pm. So, I'll be sending that to her ASAP. And then that's all I did for NBSA. Moving to CASA. It's actually been pretty busy for CASA. So, Monday evening, I had a liaison call with my delegate from Kwantlen University Student Association. Wednesday, I had my check in meeting with Brandon. He's the chair of CASA just to make sure that I'm kind of on track with my board action plan and my committee action plan and ensure that I'm going to end up completing everything I'd hoped to. And so far, it's looking pretty good considering it's a COVID year. Wednesday, I emailed the members of the CASA of board to get a committee update to put on our liaison call guide for the month. So that's something I work on every month. And I'll be putting that out hopefully tomorrow, or on the second to ensure they have that for their liaison calls. Friday as Sarah mentioned, I had my Member Relations Committee meeting. Right now, I'm also working on our report on the equity diversity and inclusion initiatives that exist on campuses all over Canada or within our membership to present the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion committee as they have requested, just so we can kind of make resources for our members based on what other members do that can always be very helpful for kind of introducing new ideas on campuses. And then finally, CASA, has been prepping for our closing the gaps campaign, which I believe will go live tomorrow. So, keep your eye out for that as it's probably one of the biggest things we're going to be releasing on social media this year. So, if you see it, please like, and share one of the things. This year we're having a hard time with traction or getting our things seen and shared on social media. And I know social media gets very overwhelming when that's the only platform right now people are actually hanging out on or sharing things on, there's no in person. But if you see it, and you could just send it around, that's greatly appreciated. And that is all for me. Thanks, guys.

Sarah: You have until this meeting ends because I am not sending out the agenda until after this. So, and that'll happen every single Sunday. So, you're good. You get some extra time.

Megan: Thank you. I always forget because Sunday's are like my brain-dead days. And all of a sudden, I'm like, I need to prepare a report like right now. So, thank you.

4.4 Vice President of Student Life's Report – Kyle McNally

Hello, everyone. I hope you all had a great and productive week and weekend. So, this has kind of been what I've been up to since our last SRC meeting. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, just feel free to ask. So, on Monday, I made the graphics for the incentives that are now a part of the online bystander intervention training for the rest of the month. And so basically all students who self enroll and begin the bystander intervention training on Moodle until February 28, will be entered to win a \$25 (?) e-gift card and a \$50 Superstore e-gift card. So please feel free to share those around if you'd like or spread the word to other students. Following the graphic making on Monday, I made the mental health self care this or that, but the graphics that STUSU shared on Bell Let's Talk day on Thursday. And that was great. And on Tuesday, Sara and I had our second meeting, as she mentioned, and we talked a bit about the AGM, which is coming up at the end of the year. On Tuesday, I reached out to a bunch of student services, specifically Kelly from Mental Health, Brett, the Healthy Campus Coordinator, Kath, Student Success Coach, Jungle House Sam, and the Credit Union. All for the Wellness Week, which is going to be happening as I mentioned in my last report at the end of February. February 22 to 26th. And over the next week or so that's



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primarily what I'm going to be busy doing. Just because this hasn't been planned in a virtual format before and takes a lot of corresponding and finding things to do and scheduling everyone in for the week. So that'll be taking up a lot of my time. But on Wednesday, I had my office hour from one to two pm. Following that on Wednesday, the STUSU Mental Health committee had its first meeting of the semester, where Andie talked about her mental health student forum. We drafted some themes for that. And we're probably going to figure out some questions in the coming week. And then I introduced the committee on the wellness week. Got lots of ideas from the committee to do throughout that week. So that was excellent. And I'm looking forward to reviewing those ideas again and seeing what can be incorporated. On Wednesday afternoon, I reached out to Lauren, Victoria, and Andie. For Lauren, it was just to check in about her study session event, for Andie it was to double check the date on her event that she is planning and for Victoria it was to discuss the initiative that we might be planning for wellness week. And further Valeria and I began discussing the Valentine's Day initiative that she's doing for Valentine's Day. On Thursday, I posted the Instagram self care graphic. We had our executive meeting on Thursday evening. And then on Friday, I began working a bit more on the sexual violence prevention surveys that I'm going to be doing with the committee on our Instagram story. And I'm going to be bringing those questions to our committee this week for review. And then those will probably be posted either this week or next week. And then throughout the week I received five community foods mart orders, and an emergency bursary application that is currently under review. And then on Friday, Alex, Sarah, and I met to discuss the international student award, which is, as Sarah said, an initiative that Alex is continuing for the AGM. And that's going to be happening in April sometime to date still to be determined. But basically, this is an award that's given out to an international student who has demonstrated great commitment to make a more inclusive and better place, as well as contributed to the international community on campus. So that's excellent. And I'm really looking forward to continuing this initiative with Alex. Following that on Friday, continue doing some work for the wellness week. And then lastly, on Friday, and over the weekend since we made the international student COVID-19 fund posts. I've received 12 applications, and three of which are being reviewed by the committee right now. And then I've also received about eight or nine emails from students, just with questions about the fund, the application process and where to drop off those applications once they are done. And that is pretty much it for me.

5. Employee Reports

No employee report available.

6. Representative Reports

6.1 Grad Class President (Alaina M.)

I hope you're all doing well. And I had a lot of odds and ends kind of going on this week. On Monday, as well as Sarah did, I also attended virtually on YouTube the social work graduation. So, it was really exciting, really well done. Really nice to hear from a lot of student speakers during that ceremony as well. I've also been answering tons of emails about odds and ends as usual. But one thing I'd like to point out just from one of the emails I exchanged was I spoke to Karen from Morris Photographics, who does all our grad photos. And based on the numbers they had last year; they're estimating that they photographed about 50% of the graduating class this year. So that's a really good number to hear, especially knowing that we were really unsure about how many people were in the area, how many people are actually gonna go with their photos taken. So, it's very good to see. And the biggest thing going on this week for me was the Grad Class Committee meeting. I did get a little bit ahead of myself last week when announcing that we're going to meet on Tuesday, a couple of last-minute emails made it clear that pushing back the meeting time would make it so more people can attend. So, we'll be meeting tomorrow at 1pm instead. But that gave me lots of time to prepare tons materials for that meetings. So, I've been working on that a lot this week. I'm sure some of you saw our survey on Instagram regarding grad class clothing. So now we have a little more insight into like, who actually wants to order clothing, what kind of items they want to see. And what price ranges we're starting to like in



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this day. And so that should be really helpful in kind of narrowing down our selections and being able to offer that to students. Yep. Just looking at that meeting, I made an agenda. There's some PowerPoints. It should be good. I hope we'll get a lot done. And I look forward to updating you for real on it next week.

Sarah: Alaina, where can I find that survey? I missed it the first time around.

Alaina: I can send you the questions. If you'd like to have some input, it was on Instagram. So, it was a fleeting moment. More for an idea of the thing then like concrete like results.

6.2 International Student Representative (Alex N)

Hi, everyone. This week, for my report, on Monday, I had a meeting with the Academic and University Affairs Committee. Like Megan said, we discussed goals for the rest of the term. And later on, I had a meeting with Sarah, Hanif, Matt and Megan to finalize our international student financial aid project. On Tuesday, I met with Carrie and Natalia from the international office. And I introduced the fund and asked Carrie to be a member of the committee that goes through the applications. And then we discussed an international student leadership award. And we decided this year the international office will have their awards separately from Seydona's initiative last year and give the entire award to STUSU. So, we decided to have it under the AGM award, and so that international students would have more opportunities to be recognized for each contribution. And then on Friday, I met with Sarah on adding in the International Student Leadership Award to the AGM awards and changing the name to Seydona Shannon International Student Leadership Award. She would have her full names on it. So yeah, we're gonna put her full name on it. And the descriptions. I talked to her and she's perfectly on board with the descriptions.

6.3 Off-Campus Representative (Sydney S./ Kathleen J./Ravtej S.)

Sydney: Hello friends. I'm sorry that I can't turn on my camera. I'm not really sure why it's not working. But I like to see your beautiful faces. And handsome, I won't be discriminatory here. Everybody's beautiful and handsome. So, for this week, I attended a Finance Committee meeting and we decided on an event for this month, or I guess the month of February. And we're going to do a virtual paint and sip. We did say that STUSU doesn't encourage drinking, especially for those who are underage. But if they are going to have a beverage, drink responsibly, and just then, you know, protect us protect everyone, everybody else. And that will be February 12 at 7pm on zoom. So, if you guys want to let everybody that you know, know about it, that would be awesome. That's it for me.

Kathleen: As well as any of you want to actually attend that, that would be fabulous and great. And we would all love you forever, even though we already do. Other than what Sydney said, I also attended the Finance Committee meeting. And that was fun. It was nice and brief and short and straight to the point, which was lovely and other than that I answered if emails just about random stuff about school and made sure that the Facebook page is still up and running. That's about it.

6.4 Rigby Hall Representative (Jonah S.)

I don't really have much report this week, we didn't have a meeting, and nothing came up. But Friday, I did attend my first midwinter planning meeting, which will be happening Friday until the 11th. And that's a three-day event that's happening and anyone is invited. But we'll have more information regarding the event next Sunday. And that's it.

6.5 First Year Representative (Lauren H.)



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Hi, everyone. So, I started an Instagram for like the class of 2024. Just because I find it's an easier platform for people to get involved on. And we had our study session thing on Tuesday, and it went very well. There wasn't like a whole bunch of people there. But like, pretty much everyone had their cameras on, and most people did participate in the conversation. And I got some feedback about it, and people want to continue it. So, I'm planning on doing it like every other week. So twice a month. And yeah, that's everything.

Sarah: Me again. I just want to say that I was so pleased to hear how much attendance your event got and how well it went over. And that's so exciting because student engagement has been really hard this year. So, I'm really happy to see that that went well, especially for first year students because they're lacking in some stuff to do the first-year student experiences. It's a little bit lacking this year. So, I'm glad to see that they're all interested in that event, and it was well attended. So great job.

6.6 Social Inclusion Representative (Andie A.)

Hi. I hope you had an amazing week. So, on Tuesday, I met with a CIC for the focus group. And we just talked about the challenges of being student leaders and the age of COVID. And we talked about how organizations could support us. And I was told about this indigenous leadership program where Indigenous students, they can take this program, I think it's like only like it's asynchronous online. And at the end of it, you get \$500. So, I kind of I referred them to send emails to our Indigenous Rep and to Jonah to see if they wanted to complete the program and get \$500 for some sort of initiative on campus. And then I met with the Mental Health Committee. We talked about event ideas like Kyle said. We talked about the virtual wellness week and writing prompts for the mental health blog to actually use that. And then on Thursday, I met with (?), the former Social Inclusion Rep of last year, and we discussed an opportunity for her to be a roundtable speaker. She has been very active on campus about black student issues and women's issues. So, I think that she would be an amazing addition. She also has a lot of background in researching anti-racism policy in post-secondary institutions on the east coast. And Fun fact: Mount Allison is the only school that has an anti racism policy. And then on Friday, I met with the Finance Committee and got some questions. And it was approved by the committee and I believe that is all.

6.7 At-Large Representative (Victoria Y.)

Hi everyone, hope you had a great week. so, I've been emailing back and forth with Greener Village, coming up with a virtual sustainable cooking event. The person in charge over there had some very good options, which I've been discussing with Kyle this week as he mentioned, one was more gardening based where the other one was more like cooking based. So, we agreed that the second option was more feasible for students since we can't guarantee that everyone would have the same supplies or same climate for gardening. So, I'm just waiting to hear back from them about a date. I suggested the end of February so that it can be a part of wellness week. But if that doesn't work out, of course, it could also be a great standalone event. So, once we come up with the date, I'll figure out the financials, how to reach students and whether it would be kind of like a pre-register type event. And then I also reached out to MLA David Kuhn this week by email regarding recycling for students who live in apartment buildings in Fredericton. asking whether this is something that like basically asking why apartment buildings are not able to recycle. Does the city control this or is this in the hands of apartment building owners. And so, I'm just waiting to hear back from him, hoping to communicate with the groups involved in this issue in order to try and bring attention to the issue and maybe even discuss a possible solution so that students do have the option to recycle while they're not on campus.

Sarah: I'll segue into the something that I forgot to mention in my report. But that's relevant to this is, if it is in the hands of landlords, then something that kind of subcommittee that I'm a part of that's working on, like tenants' rights for students, stuff like that. We were discussing the possibility of doing like, not like a workshop, but I'm going to use the word workshop for now, for landlords, just to say like, these are the things that you need to do with your tenants. Because how that got started is, we identified an issue of different landlords doing different things. So, if



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that's something that actually happened, then like, as I mentioned, if that's in the hands of landlords, we could incorporate that same thing as well. And say, like, this is how you recycle for your apartments or whatever, whatever. This is how you do it, like you need to do it or stuff like that, and then have that become like part of that whole picture, if that's something we decide to do, and I put an IF on it, because nothing's set in stone yet.

6.8 Sexuality and Gender Diversity Representative (Tyler M.)

Hi, queens! I hope you all had a good week. I'm so sorry for being late to the meeting, I totally forgot that it was five o'clock, and I was a little bit lost in painting. I actually was out of office for the majority of this week. So, I don't have a whole lot to report. But when I did get back in, I was reached out by the Aquinian to do an interview about labeling and orientation and visibility of LGBT people in the media, particularly it was going off of JoJo Siwa, so it was kind of a fun interview to do. I really like that. And then I attended the Finance Committee meeting that was held believe it was Friday. So, it was good to see everybody as well. So, and that's it for this week.

6.9 Indigenous Student Representative (Tiger L.)

Hello. For the past two weeks, I've essentially just been meeting with the Indigenous Student Reconciliation Committee. And we are in the early stages of planning an event that's going to take place over four weeks, one day per week. I don't want to give too many details out until we have a more concrete definition of what this will be. But it will be a more informal type of event. And with giveaways and yeah, I'm excited. Other than that, nothing much.

7. New Business

7.1 Funding Application

Matt: So, Andie, feel free to join in at the end, if you want to do this with some detail's kind of the same as the meeting, we had Friday. If everybody could pull up that funding application on their personal laptops, that'd be great. I'll go over it pretty efficiently and quickly. So, I'll give you a few seconds to do that while I find it myself. Okay, so hopefully everybody has it up now. So, we already previously discussed Andie's event at a prior SRC meeting. But this is basically just the funding breakdown that I asked for the Finance Committee so that it could be approved. So, you'll see that it says clubs and societies funding application, just disregard that. Andie's not clubs and societies but an SRC member. So, in terms of that, I didn't ask for it to all be filled out, because obviously, it's not a club and societies application. But as we mentioned before, it is the event that we discussed previously. And if you go down to the bottom, you can see the cost breakdown there. So, in turn, it was \$850. And then Andie received \$75, from the political science department, and then she included GST, and then the gift for the rest for Crawford was \$50. So, it came to a cost of \$867.50. So, we brought it to the Finance Committee. We spoke about it there. And we approved it as we wanted to see an event happen, obviously, this year. It's difficult for events to happen in person, especially because of COVID, and stuff like that. So, this is a great opportunity for all students. And we discussed that. But the next step after that was to bring it to SRC, because as I mentioned, I think at the beginning of the year, anything over \$500 has to be approved by Council. So, the first step was the Finance Committee, and the second step is here. So yeah, \$167.50, it would either come out of SRC general line, or the conference's line, because we haven't used that yet. And we still have a fairly large surplus there. But yeah, Andie, if you have anything to say, you can add some details, but if not, we can open it up for discussion.

Andie: I just want to add that I did talk to the human rights department about potential funding. No luck there, because I'm not a major, only a minor. So, I wouldn't even qualify for anything. So, I did the best I could to kind of like, get some funds from somewhere else. And then yeah, and I think I mentioned this before that Larissa Crawford, she, because it is going to be an hour and a half event, she would charge more than \$850. But as I said before, she's



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gonna put like, whatever the amount that's left over to pay, she'll put that into her own kind of charity fund that she has for NGOs and student organizations.

Sarah: So just to be clear, Larissa Crawford is a part of the Future Ancestors Services organization like she falls under that umbrella. That group, I guess.

Andie: Yeah, that's her company. She's the President.

Tyler: I mentioned this already in the Finance Committee meeting. So, this is just going to be redundant for those who were there. But for everybody else, one of the concerns that I vocalize in the committee was just making sure that since we are paying for this event, that we do our best to get as many students there as possible. So, I guess its kind of just goes to all of us to do our best to market this as we can. And I know that Andie had mentioned that Larissa has her own marketing stuff, so the materials will be kind of provided for us. But I just thought I'd put it out there for all of us to do our best to push this so that we have as many students come as we can.

Andie: I just want to clarify that yes; Larissa does our promotional materials. She markets, she creates all the marketing, ads, and everything for STUCU to share. Maybe Sarah can help me out with this or not? Can one of you send me the STUSU logo to put on things so I can give that to her?

Sarah: Yes, I can definitely do that. And that's great to hear that she does all her own branding works and stuff, because that's less work for me. So, I always appreciate that. But this is off the topic of the funding application. But whenever it's ready to go, just send it over my way and I'll make sure that it's up on our social media like Facebook, Instagram, everything. And that's a really great point that Tyler raised as well is that like STUSU's account can only reach so many people. But we all have our different networks. We all have our different friend groups on campus and stuff like that. So, it'd be really great to see everyone share this on their own personal social media if they feel comfortable, as well as anything else of the student union's that we post that you would like to share on your own social media.

Kyle: Yeah. I just wanted to make a general comment. Just about the gift part. I love that you are supporting a STUSU student as well. I know Lauren, just started beading during COVID-19. She's actually she's and she graduated with me. So super cool to see.

Andie: So, this event is Larissa Crawford. She is part of the Metis First Nation in Alberta. And she is an anti-racism policy expert. She is a black indigenous woman, and she is disabled. And so, it's just the event is going to be talking about anti-racism policies in post-secondary education, and how that intersects with womanhood, being a mother on campus and being disabled, and being indigenous and black. So, it's a social justice issue. And she's one of the best people I've ever heard talk about anti-racism in Canada.

Sarah: I was gonna say this after, but I'll say it now. This is our first funding application of the year. So, I just wanted to point out that for everyone on this call, if you'd like to get money from the Student Union, this is a process that you would do it in. And as you can see, it's a relatively easy process, you just fill out the application form as Matt said, if it's over \$500, it comes SRC. If it's not, it stays in the Finance Committee. So, if anyone has any questions about that, please reach out to Matt. Matt will walk you through it entirely. Great guy, as you all know, very, very good with our money in our budget and explaining this sort of stuff. But this is the process and how it happens. And so now that you all have had a chance to kind of watch it play out in Council and see what it looks like and stuff. I encourage you all if you'd like money to go forward and to follow the same process. And we have the added benefit this year, money is easier to move around. Because there's less things arguably that we need to pay for this year. So



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that's an added benefit to you all. So yeah, if you have any questions or if you'd like money from the Student Union, please reach out to Matt, and he'll walk you through this process.

Motion has been moved by Vice President Administration upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the funding application of the Social Inclusion Representative for \$875 coming from the conferences line.

Seconded by Kathleen J.

That motion has been approved by all present 9 voting members of council.

Andie: Just want to say thank you to everybody. And big thank you to Matt and Sarah just for helping me along with this process. And yeah, thank you.

8. Questions, Announcements & Notices

Megan: Tomorrow we are having MLA Monday. So, if you're interested, we now do them only monthly so the first Monday of every month so make sure you get there tomorrow. We're doing an ask me anything addition. So, we don't have a topic or anything. But if you have any questions for David Kuhn, the MLA of Fredericton South. He loves to chat, and he will chat about anything, all of your concerns they can be addressed or if you have friends who have issues or concerns, let them know that's happening too. I will be posting the graphic again tomorrow morning. I did post it Friday, but I'll post it again tomorrow morning. And if you see it and you want to share it around, let people know. It'd be great to have a few more students attend. I just want to say that we've always outnumbered UNB students who have attended so that's always a great thing, but we want to show them that we can bring more people and we're engaged in our local politics.

9. Adjournment

Motion for adjournment was moved by Matt O.

Seconded by Megan C.

Motion for adjournment was carried.

Adjournment at 6:08 pm.

Submission:

The minutes were respectfully submitted to the Vice-President of Administration on February 3, 2021.

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