



The Students' Representative Council
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4th Meeting of the 47th SRC
6:00 pm, Sunday, October 18, 2020
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	
Social Inclusion Representative	Andie Amaya	X		
Sexuality & Gender Diversity Representative	Tyler MaGee	X		
Member at Large Representative	Victoria Young	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 6:10 pm.
Quorum is met with 8 voting members present.

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was presented to council.
It was moved by Sydney S. to approve agenda.
Seconded by Tyler M.
The agenda was approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes from the 3rd Meeting

The minutes from last meeting were presented to council.
It was moved by Sarah K. to approve minutes.
Seconded by Andie A.
The minutes were approved.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Discussion on the Safer Spaces Workshop

Tyler: Hello! So, just to bring everybody up to speed, all of the modules have been completed for the Safer Spaces Workshop. Currently, they are in their, I would call it the like third or fourth draft. Cassidy Wilson and I are meeting tomorrow to go through them together to finish all of the little nuances and stuff, and my hope is to have them sent out to all of you by hopefully, I would say Tuesday evening. Wednesday morning at the latest and if possible because I know everybody is really busy. If you could like just at your leisure, peruse through them and just, you know, make some notes, and see what it is that which you don't like, all that other stuff. And get back to me 'cause next Sunday's meeting I'd like us to evolve like be able to have a discussion on the modules themselves and see how they're going. So again, I'm meeting with Cassidy tomorrow and I'm hoping to have them out by Tuesday evening to all of you. So that's where we are right now. It's super exciting! So, I guess table it.

Motion has been moved by Sexuality and Gender Diversity Representative to table agenda item 3.1 until the next SRC meeting.

Seconded by Megan C.

That motion has been approved by all present 8 voting members of council.

4. Executive Reports

4.1 President's Report – Sarah Kohut

Hello everyone! I hope everyone had an excellent and restful Thanksgiving long weekend. I hope you ate lots of food and took a break from your busy schedules and your studies. So, as I mentioned to Brianna at the start of the meeting, but Rigby did have their House Committee elections and we have a new member joining SRC as the Rigby Hall Representative, so that's very exciting and again, as I mentioned, they won't be joining this meeting, of course, but they're gonna join next meeting alongside all of the new folks that will be elected in our fall by-election. Voting will be on Wednesday, the 21st. Yeah, so next Sunday's meeting we will have some new faces around the table which



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is very exciting. I believe we will only have two vacant positions following this election so we will have quite a number of people joining us which is very exciting. So, I guess I'm going all the way back. Starting on October 5th, which is following our last meeting and then up until today. So, I had an NBSA Exec meeting as per usual. I met with Dr. Fenwick, so she could just give me the rundown of what STU's plan was for their announcement of the winter semester before it got sent out to everyone, which I always appreciate. She did that as well during the summer with the fall semester announcement. I appreciate her keeping me in the loop with stuff like that. It's very nice to have the administration on our side, I guess and value the student union in that way. I handed out little treat bags for STU's 110th birthday. If you were in JDH, you would have gotten one from me. I know Alaina got one. I can't remember if I handed one out to anyone else, but we also handed them out to faculty as well. Myself and Emily, who is a recent STU grad and works for the Alumni office, we went around and handed those out. It was quite the workout. I was very warm afterwards. Going up and down every flight of stairs in every building. Yes, on Tuesday the 6th the nomination period we gave for the election. So, I printed off some nomination forms, and put those in the help desk. And I also created the Microsoft Forum as well for the election for Virtual nominations. For those that couldn't get a paper nomination form. The Welcoming Committee had our final meeting to kind of debrief on welcome week, talk about some outstanding next steps, and just chat about how it went. Then on Wednesday, the executive attended lunch the Wabanaki like we do every Wednesday. Those lunches are open to anyone. I think I mentioned this before, but if anyone's around on campus on Wednesdays at 12, please feel free to pop up to the Wabanaki. It's in JDH, they love having new visitors there. They always cook great food. And there's always dessert, which is amazing and it's just a good time all around. On Thursday I submitted the Board of Governors report on behalf of the students' union. I only held my office hour virtually, and not in the help desk because I wrote the LSAT that afternoon and then that evening, the executive team had our exec meeting, the one that I did not almost sleep through. I was present and on time for that one. It was the next one that I almost slept through. It was great as per usual. And then on Friday morning I met with Ryan Sullivan. We had our bi-weekly meeting. It was nice to chat with him. He talked a little bit about some upcoming in-person programming that they want to do like in-person events and stuff for students, because the University didn't realize how many students are actually in Fredericton still and once they realized that they're kind of like, whoa, maybe we should change our target demographic to plan some in person events so I talked to him about that. I also expressed some concerns I've been hearing from students about UNB students using JDH and taking up all the seats and all the tables. Ryan had no idea that was happening, but he was appreciative that I shared those concerns. And they're gonna work on, I don't know making sure that STU students get to use our own buildings and our own study spaces. I had a Financial Aid Committee meeting with the NBSA, it was very brief because one of the members, was not able to attend, so we kind of needed all of our members to go over everything that we wanted to, and then I did an interview with the Daily Gleaner about not being able to travel home for Thanksgiving. It was not that exciting of an interview, but somehow still made it to the front page of the Gleaner, which means that they did not have much to report on that week. And now the article is on my fridge. So, shout out to the Daily Gleaner for that one and then I renewed our Simply Voting subscription, which is the platform that we use to conduct all of our STUSU elections. I typed up the NBSA minutes like I do following every board meeting. Megan and I sent out a call for student representation on the Admissions and Academic Standing Committee, so this did not go out with all of the other Senate committees that we needed student representation for because the chair of this committee wanted a student that had residents like training or resident like background, so Carmen Law sent out an email on my behalf to all the former RA's, current RA's and then we got all those that were interested back and then we chose a student to fill that student position. I emailed Kathy Hitchcock to set up monthly meetings with myself and Dr. Fenwick. This is something that we chatted about in our meeting on Monday that will now be doing going forward, just same premise as my meetings with Ryan Sullivan. Just to check in and stay up to date with what the University is doing and for Dr. Fenwick to stay up to date with what the Student Union is doing. This is something that was done on an informal basis in previous years where the STUSU President would just kind of pop into her office and stop and chat. Obviously, I can't do that this year, so we set up a formal virtual meeting. Then Monday was the Thanksgiving Long weekend. So, obviously I didn't do anything on Monday. And then on Tuesday, the nomination period ended for the election. I attended a first year experience program review meeting alongside Kyle where we just discussed how the program was going so far any possible recommendations and kind



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of troubleshooted with the rest of the folks in attendance on how to maximize the program going forward. We had an NBSA board meeting which is always great, and I filled in for someone at the help desk and then on Wednesday, the entire executive participated in kind of an office Covid training. We had to complete it in order to get access to our offices down in the Student Union Building. But great news after 5 long months we were finally able to make use of those offices and get in there and use them, which is very exciting. So, I know Matt and I have been doing that so far. Megan will be headed to the office soon and same with Kyle. I briefly attended a Postsecondary Relations Meeting. Unfortunately, I had class, which conflicted with that meeting, but I was able to attend for half hour a bit, which is great. I also went to lunch with the Wabanaki like usual, which is also amazing as per usual. And then the evening I attended the candidates meeting. For all the candidates running in the fall by-election, that Hanif and Matt put on, which was great. So, kudos to them. And then on Thursday, Megan and I went to Senate and Laura went to Senate at in the morning, which the push back date for Winter Semester was approved. So, Winter Semester will be starting later. The first day of classes will be on January 11th in order to account for people that want to self isolate and all that. So that was great to see that got passed. And then I met with Ori who is a STU grad. Some of you might know her. Just to talk about a possible collaboration with the Fredericton Co-op, which she's working for right now. And then Megan and I also participated in a UNB Retail Review Committee, so we went over the document that they put together two years ago and unfortunately Megan and I had to leave early because we had a conflicting meeting. We had the university's Experiential Learning Committee meeting which conflicted with that one, so we also attended that which was also good, and then in the evening I had a meeting with Carmen to discuss some outstanding welcoming kits and what will be done with those and for her to just give me a little bit of an update on what's going on with that. Then on Saturday morning I attended the Board of Governors meeting, presented the student report. I think it's the first time that most of the Board of Governors have seen my face, which was nice, and it was nice to see others faces and kind of chat with some of them 'cause it's a lot more difficult this year being virtual and not being able to actually talk to them in person, I am creating a graphic for Tyler right now. I redid and reposted the executive's office hour graphic following Megan switching her office hour and I also will be creating a graphic for the NBSA's Advocacy Month, I guess if you will for November to put up on our social media soon and that is all from me.

Tyler: Thank you! I'm gonna pull it up. I wrote it down and then my phone locked up. How does, so like everybody knows I'm a little confused on it to, like how is the Wabanaki Center doing their lunch with Covid?

Sarah: It's basically like the same as you would kind of picture how restaurants are functioning like mask on when you get up mask on when you can't maintain distancing from other people, and then you can take your mask off when you eat. I don't know if that answers your question to the full extent.

Tyler: Yeah, yeah, that's good. I was just so that everybody knew 'cause I didn't even know.

4.2 Vice President of Administration's Report – Matthew Oram

Hope everybody had a good couple weeks. Definitely been busy myself and for everyone I'm assuming, but for my report, I updated the minutes to the website. I believe there's two separate spots on the STUSU's website where you can see minutes and where they're posted. So, if you go to the website and click on one of the sidebars and I believe, its documents and meeting minutes, they should be updated there. I will have to go to the bottom of the page as well and manually update in there as well. I don't think they attach, but just so everybody knows, those are up there now. Also, I've been working on the Student Advisory Community Training that will be taking place tomorrow. It's the third year in a row that the Student Advisory Committee will be working. I don't know how different its gonna be this year. Usually, the Committee functions as a way for issues to be resolved between students and teachers/higher ups at the school. Just to kind of mediate the process and put them in the right direction. Obviously, this will have to be done virtually this year, so we'll see how that works out. Hopefully well. Hopefully, students aren't under a lot of issues, but if they do, the Committee will be there for that to be resolved. So, Brock



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will be doing a presentation there tomorrow on student services and policies etc. And then I'll be doing a brief presentation for individuals, basically just outlining the STUSU, what we do, the services we offer and also just kind of the process of being a part of the committee. As Sarah mentioned, we've been working on the by-election. Hanif, Sarah and I. It's going well so far. I think it's definitely different. All the virtual stuff. There aren't any posters around the school from what I've seen, maybe there is somewhere, but not like past years. So yeah, voting will be coming up this week, excited to have new members on the SRC, and also for the kind of retreat that we probably will be doing sometime down the road. Campus Trust Opt-out period ended on Friday. Thank God that's been, not an issue this year, but it's been definitely a problem for a lot of people opting out and stuff like that. I think usually when students are on campus, they would just go to Financial Services and then they would figure it out for them, but this year, seeing as a lot of students are away and stuff like that, a lot of students had trouble opting out so. Oh, if you did miss the opt out or somebody asks you about it, there are exceptions that can be made. I don't mind answering emails. Usually it's a pretty simple fix, but yeah, hopefully that's kind of it for the period of Campus Trust Opting out. But as mentioned, exceptions can be made. And what else? Tina and I set up a letter for Venezuela 180 so that they get to open a bank account for their society. Usually the process is the bank needs proof that they are members of the STUSU, as a member of the club society. So, we did that. I think they were successful in getting a bank account. Global Brigades reached out to me about a zoom account. We approved them for that. The funds haven't been transferred yet, but they will be at some point this week and then also STUISA upgraded their zoom account to obviously a better version, so that was only \$30.00. So that will be transferred to them this week as well. Sarah mentioned the office training that we had. Good to be back in the office, hard to do work at home. I'm assuming a lot of other people in that situation too. But hopefully that helps a little bit. Graphics for the Finance and Governance Committee this week. So, for those of you who signed up, we will get the ball rolling here soon and be meeting at least once a week, 2 times if we need to and then also the budget update is being worked on right now. That'll be done this week. The same as everything else. It's a little more difficult this year because Tina and I can't work in person together with Ledgers and stuff like that, but we're working on it, so that should be updated and presented to you by next meeting, and that's pretty much it for Me.

Sarah: I just want to say a big shoutout to Matt. Great job Matt! Campus Trust takes a lot of work, especially troubleshooting with lots of students and troubleshooting with Campus Trust themselves. So, kudos to you. Great job and I'm happy that it's over with on your behalf.

Matt: Thank you, I appreciate that.

4.3 Vice President of Education's Report – Megan Cormier

Hi everyone! So, starting off with what I've done for the STUSU in the past two weeks. Last week I submitted my Student Senate Report that was presented at our Senate meeting Thursday as Sarah had mentioned. I spoke with UNBSU and David Kuhn's team to see how we could improve the attendance at the Monday meetings with students. So, Not last Monday, but the Monday before we had the first one with UNB students and no students ended up attending but two adults from the community did, so we saw that our marketing didn't hit where we wanted it to, so we've decided to combine the meetings that both UNB and STU student meet with David Kuhn if they wanted every Monday at noon. I posted a graphic for that this week and will be promoting it every Monday morning as well, just to remind students who are interested. So, if you do see those posts, if you could share them around, we want to make sure that if students are interested, they really do get the opportunity to reach out to David Kuhn and have those conversations. September 15th as Sarah mentioned, we attended a Retail Review Committee meeting which was cut a little short because pretty much at the exact same time we had our Presidents ad-hoc Committee on Remote Learning, which was a really informative meeting. Our executive team, as everyone had mentioned, you're going to see a lot of overlap, but we did our training to get back into the offices and I have not gone into the office quite yet just because I'm still settling into my new apartment. I have to figure that out, but next week I'm very excited to get in and get comfortable in my office. Sarah and I did the draw for the winner of the World Mental



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Health Day, which was Emily Green. So, if you saw that story, that was pretty exciting. We had two executive meetings as we do every single week. We have one per week, but two because we obviously skipped a week with our meetings. I continue to have my office hours in JDH and like Sarah mentioned she posted a graphic 'cause I've shifted mine to Fridays so I could open up that hour so we could go to the Wabanaki Luncheons. I also just completed my graphics for my committees. So, like Matt said, I'll also be posting those this week. And if you are someone who signed up to be on my committee, I will have those dates coming up soon and moving now to what I've done for the NBSA in the past two weeks. I completed my consultations on a policy I'd written. And it was approved by the board. So that's really exciting because it's been probably a month of consultation and back and forth. But now that it's finally approved, we can get that posted to the website along with the other ones we had approved. I met with three NBSA committees, so I sit on the Systemic Racism and Indigenization Committee, the Student Financial Aid Committee and the Committee on Sustainability and I met with them last week and I'll be meeting with them again hopefully this week or the week after and we had, like Sarah said, our board meeting Tuesday. For CASA, I completed my CASA Liaison Board calls for the month. So, I meet with four schools from around Canada and just asked them how they're doing and give them little updates. And I wrote reports for that. I emailed each board member to remind them to submit their reports to me this Saturday, and unfortunately I got less than half of the reports that I needed to write the general report, so I will be pushing that to our next board meeting, whereas I was supposed to actually write it for this Tuesday. I had a checking call with Bryn, Chair of CASA just to go over kind of what I've been up to and if I need any help with anything and just kind of go over what my goals were for this year and make sure I'm on track and finally, for CASA, I sent an email out to some of the members of my Member Relation Committee just to see where they're at on their work plans. Because our committee at the start set out goals we'd like to achieve and then assigned leaders. So just ensuring that the leaders are working on it or if they're not and if there's something I can help them with. That is it for me. Thanks guys!

Sarah: I'm doing it again, but the executive is doing great things. Also, big shoutout to Megan. I think Megan had three or four policies go through the NBSA and get passed. Takes a lot of work to write a policy and to write a good policy at that and she wrote three or four, I don't remember how many great policies so shoutout to Megan. I think she wrote the vast majority of the NBSA's policies for this year. So great work, Policy Queen!

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

Hello! Everybody! I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving weekend. So, this is what I have been up to since our last SRC meeting which was on October 4th. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, just feel free to let me know or ask away. So, earlier last week the Emergency Bursary Committee met and approved an application for a student and we also received another application earlier this week which we are currently reviewing. On Wednesday, October 7th, Thursday, October 8th and Friday, October 9th, I went and picked up the last round of donations for the STUSU giveaway that is likely going to be able to happen each month for the semester. It's truly amazing to see how many local businesses have contributed during these times, as they may be facing like a shortage of customers or whatever so I'm definitely going to be sending all businesses that have contributed like a thank you card on STUSU's behalf, and I'm happy to announce that it looks like we're gonna have enough for three to four decent sized giveaways this semester for students, which means a lot to me, because since COVID-19 is prohibiting a lot of bigger events that would typically happen in person it's nice to be able to give some students some concrete things. I met with Brock to discuss a partnership that has just recently been formed between STUSU and Student Services on meditations and I'm going to be meeting with Kelly Humber Kelly earlier this week to discuss that. Myself and the exec attended the Wabanaki student lunches. I met with Megan Coston, the Co-chair of the STU Sexual Assault Prevention Committee to discuss our first meeting with the committee as well as decide when we're gonna be meeting for the first time, which is gonna be Monday, October 19th from 7 to 8pm. I met with Valeria to discuss trick or eat and how we can best work together this year, discuss ways that I can support her in her role to ensure that she has an enjoyable year despite what we have to work with. We also decided that we're going to be meeting biweekly for the year. I picked up 27 community foods mart bag orders at Saint Mary's Anglican church and brought



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those to campus last week. The executive had our weekly meetings. I have made and posted 3 graphics as you guys have most likely all seen for the committees on Sexual Assault Prevention, the Mental Health and the Activities and Events Committee. I held my weekly in-person and virtual office hour last Tuesday. I met with Dr. Zelazny and Valeria last Wednesday to talk about trick or treat, but mainly the STU Food Bank and Wabanaki's Covid-19 protocols they have in place. I dropped the STU agenda off to the government in New Brunswick as they wanted a copy of this year. The executives and I drafted a bingo card for World Mental Health Day, we drew the prize for that. I have been discussing with Stacy Smith who is a woman that I met with this summer surrounding a Covid-19 postsecondary education support network for students. So, basically this is something that STUSU is going to be promoting and encouraging students to use this year. In brief, it's basically a network that will allow students to connect with one another and share their thoughts, blog and basically, just reach out to other students. If you have any further questions on this, just let me know. The Tri Campus Sexual Assault Prevention Committee met on the 7th. However, I had a synchronous class at that time, so I had to reach out to just to get informed on what I missed for that meeting. I was reached out to by Johnny Ellis who's the Atlantic Regional Rep for Post Secondary Education Partnership Alcohol Harms, which is also known as PEPA about a harm reduction Student Conference that is coming up on November 13th. Covered a help desk shift. I made a Naloxone Kit graphic and posted that on Saturday for students to register for. So far, the interest is really, really good. It's looking like it's gonna be a very well attended event. I made a doodle poll for the Sexual Violence Prevention Committee for members to pick time slots that work best for them this year. I received several emails from students who are interested in getting involved with the committees, which is exciting. The executive had our virtual training with Tina about the Covid-19 protocols for the SUB. As Sarah mentioned. She and I attended the first-year experience program review. I reached out to several students who forgot to pick up their community foods mart bags earlier this week as they were starting to go bad in the help desk. I made a Facebook page and a cover page graphic for the STUSU Mental Health Committee. And Lastly, the Activities and Events Committee is going to be meeting this coming Wednesday, October 21st and yeah, that is pretty much it.

Sarah: Big shoutout to Kyle. The giveaway went over very well and doing VPSL related stuff is extra difficult this year with Covid-19 and all the changes that have happened, but Kyle managed to find a unique way to still engage students. We had 40 something people repost the bingo graphic, including, I think most of you on this call. So, thank you for that and there's still more giveaways to come so shout out to Kyle for building those connections with Fredericton businesses and coming up with something outside of the box to do this year that still gets high student engagement.

Andie: So, I was wondering where I can sign up for the Naloxone Kit training?

Kyle: Yes, so you can just send me an email and I'll sign you up for that. Basically, everyone's been just sending emails. And then I'm gonna send the zoom link information out a few days before the event.

5. Employee Reports

No employee report available.

6. Representative Reports

6.1 Grad Class Representative (Alaina M.)

Alright, I hope everyone had a nice week following that long weekend. I know it can be hard to get back on track, but I hope we're all there now. Turning to the grad class side of things. We're working on tying up some loose ends, but we are making progress in collaboration with Ministry of staff. The schools coming to a decision regarding what options we can offer or not in the Fredericton area as far as renting graduation caps, robe, stoles. All that good stuff.



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A final decision regarding all of that will be coming later this week. I appreciate everyone who's reached out again with more student concerns in this area and I'm excited to finalize all of those choices. Additionally, once a decision is made on the rental of all of the grad class clothing of the graduation caps and robes. All of that. We're then going to be able to or rather, I will be able to speak with Morris Photography and will be looking at what the photography side of things are for out of province students and that kind of encompasses what kind of photos would be able to be in the grad class composite. And if a virtual yearbook would have value this year? In other exciting news, the application for Grad Class Committee members closed this past Friday, and after reviewing a great set of applications, I'll be sending out emails to confirm all of our members tomorrow. At that point, we'll be working on setting a first meeting date, hopefully to happen in the next couple of weeks.

6.2 Social Inclusion Representative (Andie A.)

I hope you all had a really good long weekend and stuffed your faces in Turkey or tofurkey for all the veggies. So, on October 6th, I met with the Gender and Sexuality Rep to discuss a template for a disability language project that I kind of want to do. And I also met with the Co-President of the Mental Health Society. Just to talk about an event that I want to put up, which I'm so excited because I finally got the name and the idea of what I want to do. And then on October 17th I received an email finally from Larissa Crawford and so I scheduled a time to meet with her in November about her coming in or doing a presentation about a keynote speech about indigenous issues, which I think is really relevant right now. So, for the mental health event where I think I'm going to be teaming up with the Mental Health Committee, with Kyle and I came up with the idea of 'my brain is beautiful'. So basically, an online forum. So that way it's accessible to everybody and people just kind of put in like why your brain is beautiful. Or you know what makes your mental health, illness or whatever beautiful. So, the forum, I'm thinking of doing it either anonymously or people can put their name if they want to do that and I think it will be like a really engaging thing. And also, I had a student approach me about not receiving her resident's deposit back so I contacted Kyle for more information and I'm going to be sending him some information that he may need to get in contact with Rez life and that's about it.

Sarah: I just wanted to say those seem like some really cool initiatives, Andie, and I'm really excited to see what comes out of that, and those sound really great.

6.3 At-Large Representative (Victoria Y.)

Hey guys! Not really any updates this week. I'm just still trying to learn more about the role and thinking of what projects I can take on this year.

Sarah: I just wanted to say Victoria, I know this was something that was done in the past two years, but if you wanted to meet with myself or the entirety of the executive or just I don't know one of the executive members to kind of talk about the scope of your role and kind of brainstorm some stuff, we would be more than happy to do that. I know, like I said, that's been done definitely last year and the year before. So, that's something for sure that we could do and also kind of give examples of what At-Large representatives have done in the past.

Victoria: Thank you!

6.4 Sexuality and Gender Diversity Representative (Tyler M.)

Hello again Queens! So, hope everybody had a great Thanksgiving. You know lots of food! Big dinners! We've had nothing but leftovers for the past like 4 days which I mean has been great. So, what did I do? Two weeks ago, I was in meetings with UNB and NBCC talking about Pride History Month going through different events that we have been



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running, kind of debriefing on a few of the ones that have already happened like UNB has put on a few people in pride and pride initiatives that they've gone forward so we were just catching based on that one. I've been working on setting up the panel on intersectionality which is happening on the 28th. We have four confirmed panelists, all from different background so it's going to be very diverse. We have faculty members from different campuses. We have students from different campuses. We have international students like it's going to be a very good mix and I'm excited to see how it will go. So that was on the 28th. It will be from I believe 5:30 to 6:00. No 5:30 to 7:30. That's what it is, so the links will be sent out in the very near future. I actually just got them sent to myself and we're going to be passing them out to the heads of NBCC and UNB as well as us so that way we can disseminate it out to the Tri-Campus all at the same time. And then students will be able to RSVP to a slot as zoom has limited number of seats. So, to give equal opportunity to everybody on the Tri Campus, we will be sending them all out at the same time. Coming up this week, just so students know on the Wednesday the 21st Cassidy is giving a talk on I believe it is with the CESASES is they're putting on. It's a talk about like relationships and Pride and then on the 22nd there is another talk that's going on it's called Wellness and Pride. Those links will be made available to STU as well as UNB and NBCC students as well. So, lookout for those. I believe there are Facebook events that are out there, so I'll share them to my Facebook page and last everybody else does that too, if you see them. I have another meeting coming up tomorrow. Actually, I have two meetings coming tomorrow one with Cassidy and one with the Vice President Advocacy at UNB to just finalize some of the events that we have going on this week and next. Yeah, I think it.

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

Sydney: Hi everybody, I hope you have had a wonderful last few weeks. So, Kathleen and I have been a little bit busy these last few weeks. I'm just grabbing my phone to look at my notes. Because I have a really bad memory, and this would go terribly if I didn't have them. So, we moved our coffee house to online just because we felt it would be safest for all students. Just so then we aren't having people in the same building, just with the rise in Covid cases in our province and people going home for Thanksgiving. We just didn't want to have anybody bring that to campus so people will be sending videos to her over Messenger, and then we'll create a beautiful video slideshow for our coffee house. So, if you know anybody who's interested, please let me know. We're doing a Halloween, which is like our Halloween themed spirit week. Well, I'm getting really excited for that, so on Monday this will be happening. Not this week, but the following week. Monday we'll have Mean Monday. Tuesday Show us your Jack-o lanterns. Hopefully, people have made them already. If not, get on it guys 'cause I want to see some. Wednesday will have Black and Orange Day. Thursday will have Throwback Thursday; Friday will have Freaky Friday and Saturday it'll be Halloween so we want to see some costumes so hopefully some people will participate in that. We're looking into maybe doing a little prize for those who participate. Maybe a \$25 gift card or something. And Lastly, I talked to a student who is graduating, and they just expressed concern about grad photo. So, I sent a message to Alaina and Kyle and Sarah just then maybe we can all collaborate and find out a solution for this student. But that's pretty much it for us these last two weeks.

Andie: So, I think that's such a great idea. The Halloween. How do you participate in that? Like, do you tag off-campus or?

Sydney: It's gonna be virtual and so we will have a hashtag "OC Halloween". And then we can see participants that way if they put it on their story or on their I guess Instagram page; they can tag us and use the hashtag.

7. New Business

No new report available under this agenda item.

8. Questions, Announcements & Notices



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Kyle: Hey there! I was looking for all of your feedback on trick or treat and whether or not you think it should happen this year. So, typically as normal, as many of you know, students form their own groups or they go in groups and they go door to door to pick up non-perishable food items and then they come back to JDH and then they get split up between. Well, last year it wasn't split up, but typically in the past it's been split up between STU Food Bank and then like Greener Village, which is the Food Bank in Fredericton. I'm wondering, since trick or treat is able to happen in Fredericton, do you guys think the trick or treat should happen as normal this year? Despite Covid-19 and a rise in Covid cases in the province? I guess I'm just looking for very brief answers on that. If you think it should happen or not?

Sydney: Hi Kyle, just to answer your question, I just think it's something really awesome that the STU community does, especially for each other and I think as long as like proper safety measures are taken and those who are doing it are wearing a mask. I think it should definitely happen. I think it's an awesome thing that we do.

Tyler: Hello, I guess my one thing is I think it might be a smart idea if students who wanted to participate signed a waiver because we can't control what students do outside of the campus environment and with Covid and the increase rising in cases. I think it's important that we have something like that too. That way students are assuming the risk. So, if they just choose to take off their masks or something, we can't police the entire city. Or if they aren't following regulations. And of course, we're going door to door, so there's no guarantees. I think having something like that so that students are made aware of potential risks and then assuming among themselves, I think that's crucial for an event.

Andie: So, I think that would be like a great idea and I would definitely want to do that, because I also want to dress up. My one thing is, you know how in stores when you return something they have, like a quarantine period of two days. So, I think that we should also do that with the canned goods or disinfect them before we do anything with them.

Kyle: Yeah, just to just to go off of that, the STU Food Bank actually already does quarantine their food. So, when they get any donations or anything, they make sure to quarantine it for a week before it goes back onto the shelves. So yes, yes, absolutely.

Sydney: I just had a question. I've never done it, so I'm not really sure how it works. But how big are the groups going to be? Because I don't want to see a bunch of students going out with huge groups, you know, just so it doesn't look bad on us or them.

Kyle: Yeah, so typically it is up to you. I mean, last year anyways, when I was involved. Students just formed their own groups based on how many people they wanted. So, that's another thing. I guess that we could do this year is maybe, what do you guys think? Maybe put a limit on the amount of people who can be in a group?

Sarah: We had an eight-person cap on the groups last year, so usually the groups are capped. It just is dependent on like there's no set number, it's just really dependent on whatever the VPSL and the Activities Coordinator at the time decides to do.

Alaina: I guess I just have a general question for you. I don't really know any children in this province, so I'm not really familiar with what like this Halloween plan is looking like. But more than anything I just want to be really cognizant of our community members and knowing that they might not all be comfortable with just university students showing up at their door in the ways that they have in the past. And in that same breath, I'd really like just to make sure we look at virtual options and see what kind of other fund raising could happen online that would encompass our community and aim to reach our goal.



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Andie: So, kind of going off what Alaina said 'cause that's actually like a really good point. Would there be a way that we could maybe have this get out to I don't know like the media or something so we have people like houses signing up for it and we have I don't know a person who like goes and picks it up or something like I don't know.

Kyle: Yeah, those are very good points from both of you. And certainly, going off of what you were saying Andie. I think that that could be something that I could look into. Maybe just contact the city of Fredericton and see what possibilities there are and what could be done to notify as many houses as possible but yeah, overall thank you guys so much for all of this feedback. Super helpful.

Sarah: I just wanted to give a little update about the retreat. Just 'cause we did talk about it beforehand and I don't want you folks to think that the Executive forgot about it. We're gonna wait until next week when all the newbies join us to kind of talk about the retreat and what's gonna happen and look at setting a date for that.

9. Adjournment

Motion for adjournment was moved by Sydney S.

Seconded by Megan C.

Motion for adjournment was carried.

Adjournment at 7:05 pm.

Submission:

The minutes were respectfully submitted to the Vice-President of Administration on October 21st, 2020.

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