

Students' Union of St. Thomas University, Inc.

6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the 46<sup>th</sup> SRC 7:00pm, Monday, October 21, 2018 MMH, Room 201

#### **Attendance Record**

Position	Name	Present	Regrets	Absent
President	Husoni Raymond	Х		
Vice President Administration	Matthew Oram	X		
Vice President Education	Ailish Mackenzie-Foley	Х		
Vice President Student Life	Sarah Kohut	Х		
Harrington Hall Representative	Tyler Dupuis*	Х		
Vanier Hall Representative	Manvi Walter	X		
Holy Cross House Representative	Darian Trevors	Х		
Rigby Hall Representative	Dillon Caldwell-Bezanson	Х		
Off-Campus Representative	Sydney Shelley	Х		
Off-Campus Representative	Nathaniel Box	X		
Off-Campus Representative	Megan Cormier			Х
Off-Campus Representative	Kathleen Jones	X		
Social Inclusion Representative	Dorcas Tshimenga	Х		
Sexuality & Gender Diversity Representative	Tyler MaGee	X		
Indigenous Representative	Leanne Hudson	X		
Member at Large Representative	Megan Gibson	X		
Member at Large Representative	Graci Young	Х		
International Student Representative	Sydona Chandon	X		
Grad Class President	Brianne Durant	Х		
First Year Residence Representative	Julia Evans	Х		

**Staff Present:** Brianna Hill (Chair), and Madi Geldart (Recording Secretary).

**AQ Representatives:** Diana Chavez **Guests Present:** Jessica Brown



\* Tyler D left at 7:47pm.

#### Call to Order and Quorum Call

Meeting was called to order by Brianna Hill at 7:09pm. Quorum is met with 17 voting members present.

#### 1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was presented to council.
It was moved by Tyler D. to approve agenda as presented.
Seconded by Sydney.
The agenda was approved as amended.

#### 2. Approval of the Minutes from the 4th Meeting

The minutes from last meeting were presented to council. It was moved Dillon to approve minutes as presented. Seconded by Darian.

The minutes were approved as amended.

#### 3. Business Arising from the Minutes

No business arsing from the minutes.

#### 4. Executive Reports

#### 4.1 President's Report - Husoni Raymond

Hello everyone, welcome back. It's been two weeks since our last meeting and I'm happy to see that we finally have a full counsel here. So, moving into my report. Since the last time we met, I had a meeting with the mayor's working group on post-secondary relations. So, that group basically comprises off representatives from the UNBSU – UNB student union – people from the city, the chief firefighter, and the chief of police, and just various community stakeholders. The major thing arising from that meeting was discussing how to prevent fires, particularly on Graham street during frosh week. Because the fire department has made a lot of complaints about people burning couches and lighting bins on fire. So, I spoke about the importance of focusing efforts on preventative measures. So, education rather than punishing students who are probably just trying to have a good time and had a bit too much to drink. So, we're going to be discussing at the next meeting some more preventative strategies on how to prevent fires, especially during frosh week and at the end of the fall reading week.

I had lunch at the Wabanaki Centre for the past two weeks. I cooked last week, curried chicken, and I got a lot of good feedback. Diana showed up and she ate it and she said it was very flavorful, and I'm quoting her directly. Take that Tyler. I had two SEC meetings, so student executive council meetings, which were very productive. They normally last about two hours. I had my office hours at the JDH Help Desk. I think one person showed up one of the weeks, but it's better to be there and no one shows up then not having an office hour and people wanting to meet with you. I also visited the Community Kitchen. They also have free lunches on Thursdays. I'm just looking for all the free lunch opportunities and they had this really



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good shrimp dish, so I will be going back again. And that's every Thursday at 12PM in the Community Kitchen, which is the same area as the Campus Food Bank.

I had two volunteer hours at the Room 203, which is the Sexuality and Gender Diversity Center to support LGBT students on our campus. I worked with Erickson for the fall bi-election. So, I was in the OC lounge introducing the candidates and also some logistics of the elections, such as setting up the online voting. I had a meeting with PSAC, which is the representative all our worker's union. Just an introductory meeting, and also began discussions about our negotiations that are going to be coming up this year. I attended a goodbye party for Jessica Hughes, who is our previous Experiential Learning manager, but she left to move to Sackville. I don't remember her new position, but we wish her all the best, and she has contributed a lot to developing Experiential Learning programs here at STU. And the new Experiential Learning manager is now Clara Santa Cruz, and they'll be hiring a new Internship Coordinator, and I believe Clara will do an amazing job in that role.

I had a Senate Committee on Indigenous Reconciliation meeting and we welcome our new student representatives, who are Leanne and Justice, and it was a very productive meeting and I got a really cute...well it's not, yeah, it's cute, but it's a representation of missing and murdered Indigenous women and it's made of sweet grass and it smells so good. I went to class after and I couldn't stop sniffing it in front of everyone, and I burned it in my room after and it smells amazing. Other my agenda is that I attended a NBSA executive meeting. So, we mainly discussed planning for Advocacy Week coming up. I attended the Senate meeting where I heard the student report, and something arising from the Senate meeting was that the Human Rights Department or the, formerly known as the human rights program, got promoted or approved to become a department now, which is the only Human Rights Department I believe in Atlantic Canada. Don't quote me on that, I'm not sure, or Canada at large, which is a really big thing. I attended a BOG dinner, so Board of Governor's dinner on Friday evening. And then I attended the Board of Governors meeting on Saturday from 8 – 11:30.

I've been in contact with Brian from Costal Graphics to discuss the ordering of our SRC sweaters, which you've noticed I posted in the group about that. I volunteered at the Clothesline Project today for a half an hour. I met with Cindy, who is our Director of Communications, to discuss the newsletter that will be going out on Wednesday. I had a NBSA board call later on this evening from 4:30PM to around 5:30PM, and I took minutes and I also presented the minutes from the last meeting, and I believe that is it. I also participated in the Block out Homophobia event that we had running from Wednesday to Friday of last week. So, helping set up one of the days and volunteering where I could. And I believe that is it for my report for this week.

Tyler M: I'm sorry I ever doubted your cooking and thank you so much for helping out at the event.

Husoni: Apology accepted and you're welcome.

#### 4.2 Vice-President of Administration's Report – Matthew Oram

Hi everyone. I hope you all had a good Thanksgiving. It's good to see all you again, including the new faces. In terms of the last two weeks, I had a Campus Trust Finance Committee meeting where I reviewed the invoices for the Trust. That went well, it was only about 30 minutes, so it didn't take that long. Also, the NBSA reached out to me and also a student about Clubs and Societies contact list, so I gave that to them. I also had a Student Advisory Committee training two Fridays ago. That went well, from the four employees from the university that presented. Also, I had a Governance Committee meeting where we passed the Investment Club constitution, so that will – I don't know if you'll see them on campus, or not – but that is a new club that has been ratified. I've also been working on the budget



update that you will see you later on in one of the further agenda items. We had two SEC meetings, as Husoni mentioned, I had two office hours, and I was at the Get Out the Vote table a few times, so that's it for me.

#### 4.3 Vice President of Education's Report - Ailish MacKenzie-Foley

Howdy y'all, that's my greeting. So, I started planning International Education Week with Theresa and Carrie in the International Office. So, we already have all the events planned pretty much. We have a follow up meeting this Wednesday, just to kind of work out the kinks and get some advertising starting, and that'll be in November. So, I also have a meeting coming up tomorrow with Cindy about the graphics for that. So, we're really, really excited for International Education Week, its going to be a lot of fun. I had my office hours and my SEC meetings with the four of them...the three of them, there's four of us. I had my Academic and University Affairs Committee meeting, where we went through the Advocacy policy and just kind of talked about what the University Affairs Community is and does. So, that committee meets once a month, so hopefully I'll be setting something up so we can meet next month and go over some more like internal accuracy stuff that I've been working on. I'll get into the Advocacy Policy a little later on.

I'm the lead for at the NBSA sustainability committee. So, we're working on affordable housing right now, so hopefully we'll be sending out a survey sometime soon. Hopefully in the new year, just to kind of see the quality, affordability, and accessibility of housing that you've lived in while being a student. So, very excited for that as well. Myself and Husoni met with Annie from CASA over the phone just to talk about Get Out the Vote and our pledging and I think we ended up with 677 pledges and our goal was 500, which is amazing, so go us. I still don't know if we got first place yet or not. We were supposed to find out tonight, but we still haven't gotten an email. So, we're in first place for the whole times, so I'll be really upset if we don't get first place. We still did a really, really good job, so, I'm super proud of the student body, the volunteers, everyone cause it's a long campaign, so it's hard to stay committed. So really, really proud of, of that. A lot of pledge tables, but that'll be ending today, which isn't insane. Come to the elections viewing party after council today. It'll be in those OC lounge and there's pizza.

I also met with the Equity Diversity and Inclusion Committee on the NBSA. So, we're also working on doing things on all of the campuses surrounding that. I attended the Block Out Homophobia event then Sarah's Mental Health Day event with the sticky notes. There was Senate this week, but I couldn't go because I had class, but I hopefully I'll be able to go next one. Cause it just conflicts, so it's kind of awkward, so I can go to it. Then STUSU retreat's weekend and she'll talk about that. And that's my stuff.

#### 4.4 Vice-President of Student Life's Report – Sarah Kohut:

Hi, I've ran out of creative things to say. So, since we haven't met in two weeks, there's going to be some stuff I'm talking about from like two weeks ago, or actually only one thing. Two weeks ago, like Ailish mentioned, the Mental Health Committee put on our World Mental Health Day initiative, which was that – I don't know if you saw it in JDH, big whiteboard with the sticky notes on it saying what does mental health mean to you? – And it went over super well and I'm really proud of everyone on that committee because that event was put together very last minute, and it went very, very well.

Last week, last Tuesday I had a Campus Events Committee meeting, that went over decently well. We've got some fun stuff in the works. I also had a Mental Health Committee meeting last Wednesday. Didn't really talk about much because we were just wrapping up that event and it's a busy time for everyone, so we're future planning for initiatives that will come in November. Also, on Wednesday I was at the Block of Homophobia table – the banner looks lovely. Good job Tyler. It looks great. Last Thursday I had a Sexual Assault Prevention Committee meeting. We were planning the Clothesline Project, which is happening



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right now. I'll get into that a little bit later. Also, on Thursday I had a meeting with Kyle and Michael Pallotto, he works with Campus Ministry to plan Trick or Eat, which I will also talk a little bit about. I also, last Friday, met with Kyle to chat more about the retreat that will be happening this weekend. And then today I sat at the table for the Clothesline Project. So, if you guys haven't seen all the white shirts hanging up outside of JDH, that's the Clothesline Project. It's a visual representation of sexual assault and sexual violence, that it does occur on campus, and that there are survivors of sexual assault around us, and that it's also a visual representation of support for survivors. It's going over super well. I'm so pleased with the amount of shirts that we have there. All the volunteers that have sat at the table have been fantastic. And if you guys haven't gotten a chance to go and write a message on a shirt, I really encourage you to do so. It's a really, really powerful campaign. You can do that tomorrow in JD H from 10AM until 3PM, and then the campaign itself will be going on until Friday at 4PM. So really encourage you to go and write a shirt, or just read the shirts that are up there because the messages on them are really important.

And then coming up this week, I have another Campus Events Committee meeting tomorrow and then this weekend is the retreat. Woo! It's going to be super fun and I'm really excited for it. I've sent everyone in this room and email about the retreat. I've heard from most of you. If you guys don't have access to your emails, please just send me a Facebook message either confirming whether or not you're coming to the retreat – this is more so for our new faces here – or if you have any more questions about it. Basically, the retreat we go to like a cottage, it's about two and a half hours away. It's this weekend, so we will be leaving Friday evening/afternoon, and then coming back to campus Sunday morning. So, we stay at the cottage, we talk a lot about STU, we get to know each other as counselors, we get to brainstorm ideas off of each other, of what we want to see the year look like. It's a lot of fun. Kyle and I have some really fun events plan for us as well. So yeah, just get back to me ASAP pronto, like, hopefully tomorrow, end of day if you haven't already. Because I'm looking at securing drives and knowing how many people we have coming, but yeah, get back to me. If you don't have access to your email, send me a Facebook message.

And then a little bit about Trick or Eat. I'll talk about it more as it comes closer, but Trick or Eat to something that goes on every year. It happens on Halloween night, so whoever wants to participate comes to JDH, it's starting at 5:30PM this year on Thursday, October 31st, which is Halloween, and then we'd go around the Fredericton area and basically a trick or treat, but for non-perishable food items for the food bank. Low key, if you do it, you also get a lot of free candy, even though you're not supposed to. Like, you're not trick or treating for candy, but they just give you anyways. It's going to be a super fun thing, and then this year we also are introducing sort of a new spin on it where we're going to be doing it in teams. You're also more than welcome to register alone, but we also are given the option to do it in teams of up to eight, and then whichever team collects the most amount of food wins a Cellar gift card. So, if you want to go have fun on Halloween night, come to Trick or Eat. Your night is paid for - Cellar gift card – if you mind. It would be also awesome if we had an SRC team, just putting that out there. Also, if you don't want to register as a team, or get your friends to come and do it, you can register alone. That's no problem at all. I will be putting up an event for it tomorrow. If you all could share it in your respective groups, residence groups, OC, whichever you're part of on your personal pages, that'd be incredible because we really want to get the most amount of people there as possible. Yes, that was a lot of talking. I'm sorry. There's a lot of events going on, but that's it for me.

Sydney: You missed my shout out.

Sarah: What?

Sydney: You missed my shout out for the shirt.



Sarah: Oh, so I promised Sydney that I would give her a shout out at the SRC because I saw her write a shirt. I think, Tyler, did you end up writing one? Bri, I think you did one as well. Anyone else? Anyone else that I maybe missed? There're your shout outs, baby. I love it! I love the interaction! Everyone else go write a shirt. I'll shout you out at the next meeting.

#### 5. Employee Updates

No employee report available.

#### 6. Representative Reports

#### 6.1 Harrington Hall (Tyler D.)

Hello, my good democratic friends. Happy Federal Election. So, first we have definitely a few different things we're working on this week. So, I mentioned last week that we had a wing rep brought on the idea of including more sustainability projects within the house, so I've been personally working with him for that over the past few weeks. So, we're making arrangements with Aramark to see what we can do with reducing plastic waste, even perhaps reducing food waste. Just in general to see what we can do with sustainability. So that's really nice. I'll definitely keep you all updated on that as it evolves because it's really something I'm really looking forward to this year.

Other than that, it was recommended by Res Life this year that we also amend our constitution which is exciting because our constitution has not been changed since 2009. So, I she definitely needs a little work, but nothing is off the table for the constitution. So, as a House Committee, we'll be forming a Constitutional Review Committee where it will be taking open suggestions for how we can make House Committee better. Personally, I propose no more Tyler's, but that one did not happen. So, other than that, on November 3<sup>rd</sup> we also have candy kabobs. So, the meeting after November 3<sup>rd</sup>, I will be 10 pounds heavier, but I will be having fun in the lounge, so come say hello.

Other than that, you I love you guys because I'm skipping out on the first Harrington party to be with you all this weekend. So, I love you all from the bottom of my heart. Other than that, we decided to switch things around this year. Usually around this year, we do an office theme party, but we decided to spice things up and go with Halloween. So, we will be decorating the house for all you, ghastly ghouls out there, so come and see the decorations. If you get the chance, say thank you to Madeline Berry if you see her because she is working extremely hard for this party, and just in general decorating the house. So, that's really fun.

Also, one last thing, we might have lost intramurals last week, but we won in my heart, but I suppose congratulations off campus for winning intramurals last week. And one last thing, I'm also – in general for accessibility reasons – Harrington decided to throw just a quick little election viewing in one of the first floor lounges. We'll also have that going on today, just for accessibility reasons, so that's also exciting.

Kathleen: Thank you Tyler, felt the love. Not to be mean, but I really hope OC wins tonight again over Harrington, just so we have bragging rights.

Tyler: We'll see who has bragging rights. I wouldn't be too sure, honey.

Sidney: You know we're going to win.



Sarah: I want to say that I really appreciate you being with us this weekend. That made my night, and I will assure you we will have good fun. You will be living at every tree. You're going to say Harrington who? Kidding I love Harrington, I'm alumni.

Sydney: Like, we're going to be saying "Harrington who" after we win tonight.

#### 6.2 Vanier Hall (Manvi)

Hello everyone, I'm the new representative for Vanier Hall, so this is my first meeting. We had our first meeting with every representative of our House Committee, and we're working on our house clothing. We have a new colour, so we're up and running. Our Vice-President Internal is working on that. We're having a Halloween week where our House Committee and the RA team go hand and hand on alternative days where we have activities planned. Anyone is welcome to join in. We have movie nights, we have pumpkin carving, and a lot of new games planned out, so we'd love to see you there. We've already decorated the lounges, and we're still in the process of doing that, and that's about it.

#### 6.3 Holy Cross House (Darian)

Hey everyone. So, Holy Cross had their first House Committee meeting, so exciting. We basically just read the Constitution and planned future events, we're planning on our service auction, which is basically our house, the committee will service off like, last year I did game night. The house would bid on them and it would go to our house charity, which we might be changing. I'm not too sure. We're also planning a coffee house at the end of the semester. Also, my favourite thing, Holy Cross does this thing for Christmas. It's called Thunder friends and its like a Secret Santal, and it's so cute. We have to give three gifts and two are homemade and one is under ten dollars, and we have to try to give everyone elses gift without being caught. Unfortunately, last year I get caught, but whatever. We have a few wing bondings going to happen soon hopefully. I'll have more details on it next meeting. That's all for me.

Diana: Can you repeat your second point? I'm a little bit deaf...on the charity thing you mentioned.

Darian: Like the service auction? Or just our house charity?

Diana: Yeah, like, your whole point.

Darian: We might be changing our house charity. We don't know to what yet, it might stay the same, but it was ALS for a long time. So, because it's a new brand new House Committee, we may be changing it to a different charity of what we are interested in. It might stay the same, but we're still going to be discussing that next week.

#### 6.4 Rigby Hall (Dillon)

Hello, good evening everybody. So, on Saturday the 26th we will have our Rigby first year bonding. We're going to have pumpkin carving and other activities, like, a movie. So, we finally have all our Floor Reps elected, but now we have to elect a new Sports Rep...that's fun. We know that our first charity is going to be about the environment, but we need to find a charity, so if you guys have any local charities in mind, hit me up. Also, we're planning a party, and we're thinking of themes and stuff like that, and I think we have come to the conclusion that its going to be black out neon, and we don't have a date yet, but yeah.

#### 6.5 Off-Campus – (Sydney/Kathleen/Megan C./Nathaniel)

Kathleen: Hi everyone. Hope you guys had an awesome thanksgiving and a good long weekend. What I've mostly been working on the last couple weeks is getting a Facebook page for the off campus intramurals, getting those facilitated, getting a team together, which has proven to be difficult, having people contact me to sign up, but I think that I will get that rectified within the next couple weeks. I've also



made a Facebook page for our off campus committee. We had our first meeting and we only had about five people, including all three of the campus because Nathaniel wasn't elected at that point in time, and yeah Sydney, do you want to elaborate?

Sydney: Yeah, hi everybody, so I sat at the Health Committee table last week. It went really well, there was lots of people that came to write sticky notes. We also had our first committee meeting, as Katherine said. Shout out to Sarah for coming, thank you. It wouldn't have been as entertaining without all three of us. So, we just discussed our events in detail, like the movie night. Our movie night is coming up next Tuesday. Please please come, invite your friends. It doesn't matter if you're off campus or not. We want everybody there. We'll be watching Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> and Paranormal Activity. If you'd like to help us set up beforehand, we're setting up 5:30 PM and we're taking down at 11:30 PM, so more hands make less work and earlier bedtimes. So that would be awesome. So, this week I got in touch with Nathaniel. He's our new OC Rep. It's going to be super great to have him on our representative committee.

Kathleen: We're really excited to work with him. I kinda explained to him that we're also figuring out what we're doing. So, don't feel alarmed if you know you know what you're doing. Yeah, that's all from me, I don't know if you have anything?

Nathaniel: Hi guys, my name's Nathaniel. I just got elected this year. My first year being at STU. I spent my first year at the Royal Military College in Kingston, Ontario. New to all this, but I'm really looking forward to doing what I can on the student council. Thanks.

Kathleen: I forgot to mention, I was super honored to be the first hand on the banner. I made sure it was one that I cut out personally, and I said that you are in loved, so everybody is loved, and I was honored to be the first one. Thank you, Tyler.

Tyler M: It was an honor to have your handprint put on first.

#### 6.6 Social Inclusion Representative – (Dorcas)

Hey, or should I say good evening, so for the report, it'll be short and sweet. So, as Sydona mentioned, we had our first meeting for the Black Student Association – thanks to all the students that showed up – and the we just went through the agenda for the socials that we might have here, some events, mostly focused on Black History Month. We also presented the body for that event, and also have a lot of Allyship events during the year, so you're all welcome to attend. I did help for the Get Out the Vote pledge table a few times in the past two weeks, and I had a meeting with a student in regards of what I've spoken of before, for the drug safety, and I might meet with Sarah later, just to give you guys an update on that. Also, I filled out one of those little hands for the Block Out Homophobia event thanks to Tyler. That's about it.

#### 6.7 Sexuality & Gender Diversity Representative – (Tyler M.)

Hi everybody, I hope you all had a great couple of weeks, and as everyone has pointed out, Happy Election Day. I hope all of you exercise your democratic right and you voted, so I'm super excited to see the results and everything that happens. So, this month is LGBTQIA2S+ History Month and filming for the History Month video was on the 15<sup>th</sup> and it went really well. I was super happy with how it turned out. Everyone was very well spoken, and the weather was in our favour, which was awesome. I'd like to extend a big thank you to the Communications Department for collaborating on this project and to the students who agreed to be in the video. It wouldn't have been possible without the commitment of all of them, and it's a project that I'm super proud of, and that we all should be super proud of because it celebrates the efforts of everyone involved in the LGBTQ+ rights movement, but also acknowledges the



work ahead and it's coming directly from students on this campus. So, it was really cool to see. The video is set to be released on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, so look out for that.

Block Out Homophobia was an event we ran the 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>. There was a banner that had homophobia written on it and STU students were able to write a message of support on a handprint in the pride colors, and we taped it over the banner to block the homophobia from campus. At the end of the event, there were over one hundred and twenty five hands placed on the banner, so we ran out of hands. People kept coming looking to put them up, but we had run out, so that was amazing to see, and I think that we should all be really proud of ourselves because it shows just how inclusive of a space this campus is, and on as a personal note for myself as a queer student, seeing that banner filled out and knowing we have this level of acceptance on this campus is really heartwarming. So, thank you to all volunteers who helped put this together and all the people that participated because you guys really made this event possible, so that was awesome.

I'm pleased to announce the arrival of the brand new society on campus. It's called STU Sexuality and Gender Advocacy, and it focuses primarily on being a safe space for queer and allied students, while also educating the community on various issues simultaneously. It's been a big undertaking, and myself and the other students who will make up the executive team worked really hard to do this together, and I'm super pleased to announce that we have this safe space coming to campus. We're still looking at a start date, but we have an interview with the Aquinian tomorrow at noon, so we'll have everything hashed out and just look for that. Hopefully that will answer all of your questions. So, they also have a Facebook page just called Sexuality and Gender Advocacy – STU, so I recommend everybody goes and follows that, so you can keep up to date with everything they're doing. Just a final note, due to the filming last week, I cancelled my office hours, but this week I'll be running them again at the regular time, so it's 11:30-12:30 on Wednesdays in ECH G10, so that's everything from me. Hope you all have a great week.

#### 6.8 Indigenous Representative (Leanne)

Hi everyone, my name's Leanne Hudson. I'm a first year student and newly elected. This is my first meeting, so I'm a little...I don't know what I'm doing, but I'll get there. I'd just like to talk about this coming weekend, I'll be heading to Ottawa to attend a CASA conference which is based on a national discussion of Indigenous student experiences in post secondary. I'm super excited because as a first year student, this is a great opportunity, but also, I'm really interested to hear about other universities perspectives compared to St. Thomas, and I'll report back after this weekend.

Ailish: Everyone at CASA is super welcoming, so I have no doubt you'll have an awesome time.

Leanne: Awesome, thank you.

#### 6.9 At-Large Representative (Graci/Megan G.)

Megan: Hello everyone, happy Election Day. Hope you're all excited. So, thank you to Sarah who sent the email to Brock about doing some drug safety education stuff. It's something we want to start working on, so we want to meet with Brock to discuss sometime soon. I helped at the Get Out the Vote table a few times this week.

Graci: I'm just going to touch on some of the things that were mentioned at the Women's Centre meeting at the Student Union Building. So, they hired their immersive student. They now have the Menstruation Station. So, they have the heating pads and hot water bottles at the Centre now, so that's really cool. If you're ever interested in using one of them, you can just pop by and use it at your own leisure. That's pretty awesome. They were talking about the STU History Society looking to pair with the Women's Center for Women's History Month. There's a town hall meeting on Wednesday from 7 to 10. About Clinic



554, but the Center has already printed out cards that are ready to send, so you can stop by and just sign your name on a card and they'll send them for you, if that's something that you're interested in. Then also this Sunday on October 27<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM at the Renaissance College, there's a guest lecture by Gloria Reyes, who's a lawyer from Guatemala. She represented thirty six women who suffer from sexual violence during the internal armed conflict and genocide against the Mayan people, so that'd be super super awesome to get some people to show up there. That's all I have to say. Happy Election Day.

Diana: Graci, did you mention that they hired someone? I couldn't hear your first point.

Graci: Yes, they hired a hired a work study student, so she's a student at the Renaissance College, but she works 10 hours a week for the Women's Centre.

Sarah: I could be wrong, but I think they hire a work study student annually, so it's usually someone from, I think, UNB or maybe STU can apply as well.

Diana: Thank you to you both.

#### 6.10 International Student Representative (Sydona)

Hello wonderful people, last week we hosted our first Black Student Association meeting and presented the agenda for Black History Month. Additionally, this week we will be having the STU's Winter Warm up, where we will have winter clothes on showcase for those who need extra winter gear, so feel free to donate any gear that you have, and that's about it.

Tyler D: If we do have donations, where do you want us to forward it?

Sydona: I believe you bring it on Thursday to JDH, but I'll get back to you on that.

#### **6.11 First Year Residence Representative (Julia)**

Hi everyone, I just want to quickly introduce myself. My name is Julia Evans, and I'm first year residence liaison. I'm not sure if it's a new position but I'm really looking forward to serving as the connection between people living in residence and STUSU, and planning activities and events for everyone to ease this transition into res life and being first year of university student. I've just been elected, so there's nothing really big going on. However, one concern that has been brought up to me is the fact that in Welcome Week our presentation regarding sexual education was cancelled, so there's been students that, just regarding consent and what not, feel concerned that for first year students in residence that it's a big issue and that they should have that education, so hopefully I'm going to start to inquire about that.

Sarah: I'm sorry I'm talking so much this meeting, but first of all, lovely to meet you. Second off, a thing that happens twice a year is we do the Bystander training, which is facilitated by Sexual Violence New Brunswick, so I definitely agree that the consent thing should happen 100%, but also in addition to that its open to the entire student body. I'm working on having it happen in November, if not December, and then there will be another one in second semester in February. So, if there's students who are looking to get more knowledge regarding that, I would highly encourage them to attend the training.

#### 6.12 Grad Class Representative (Bri)

Hello friends, happy election day. Last week I had a meeting with the Academic Affairs Committee as well as the Sexual Assault Prevention Committee, and today volunteered at the table for two hours which was awesome. Yesterday, we had a small but mighty Grad Class apple picking event. I have some notes maybe to put forward in the transition binder for the next Grad Class President. We also received the proofs for the Grad Class clothing from Coastal Graphics, and we decided unanimously as a committee



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that the designs that were presented to us were not exactly what the committee envisioned. Quite frankly, we were a little bit disappointed because they were reused designs from previous years and like recycled stuff, so I took it upon myself and created a new logo, so we're just waiting to see if Brian approves it, and then as soon as we get that logo put onto the clothing, we will be getting that campaign up and running. So, that's exciting. I can't wait to get a Grad Class sweater.

The next grade class event we're kind of looking forward to, in terms of planning and everything we're thinking about doing a Christmas party at the Cellar. So basically, the Cellar doesn't open until 4:30PM on like Saturdays and stuff, so I spoke to Ben – the manager at the Cellar in case not everybody knows him – about booking it out in the morning, like afternoonish, before it opens. Have a little party and then people can stay and do whatever they want at the Cellar afterwards. We're thinking about like either November 23<sup>rd</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup>, that kind of area. It will be further discussed and expanded upon in our next committee meeting.

I also looked into moving forward with the mystery bus pub crawl tour, the Grad Class tradition that hasn't been done in a few years. The Trius company is booked for the weekend that we're expecting, which kind of sucks and the Optimum Ride has not gotten back for me, so if anybody knows any shuttle bus companies other than those two, that'd be awesome. If we're unable to proceed with a mystery bus, we may look into doing like a pub crawl. I would love the help from the exec members, in terms of figuring out what the policy on pub crawls now is because I knew a few years back there was discussion on potentially banning pub crawls, so I don't actually know where that ended up aside from the fact that residences can't have them, so that'd be awesome.

The Alumni Association Society opened up the applications for the Reverend Thomas J Daily Memorial scholarship, as well as the T Ring application. So, the scholarship is open to third and fourth year students and it's five hundred dollars based off of a student who demonstrates academic excellence, extracurriculars, and financial need. The T Ring is opened up to a fourth year student graduating. For both of those applications they're due January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at noon. It can be submitted by email to the <a href="mailto:alumni@stu.ca">alumni@stu.ca</a> email. You need to include your name, I.D, email, phone number, and mailing address on the cover sheet, and you can submit them both at the same time, so that's awesome if you want to get a T Ring, but maybe not have the money for it, and also just a reminder that Grad application forms are due November 1st, 2019. So, you need to get those in ASAP if you're graduating. That's all.

#### 7. New Business

#### 7.1 2019 Advocacy Document

Ailish: Hello, again, everyone. So, as per my mandate, the Vice President Education has to present an Advocacy document every year to council. So basically, it's this document that outlines the internal and external advocacy that we'll be doing for the year, and policies that we endorse all the time. So, if you received the email, it should have been attached there, and highlighted in green was everything that I added. I didn't take out anything, so there's no red marks, but basically...has everyone seen it? Most people? Yes. Perfect.

So, I could go through the changes that I made and why really quickly. I didn't make too many, but just some that I thought were important, but again, I'll go really quickly. So, in part two, as point three – I put in because of the recent cuts to student financial aid – I included debt relief programs in there because it was just a need-based offering grants to start with, but now that debt relief is lacking in this province, I thought it was important to put that in there. With the Experiential Learning section, I added that we also



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support the provincial Experiential Learning Steering Committee which I currently sit on and the NBSA works with, along with all of the schools as well.

For student consultation, I added accessible meetings. It used to just be that public meetings be held, so I made sure to include accessible, so everyone can get to them – Also, feel free to stop me at any point if you have any questions cause I'm just going on a ramble – And university policies, I added Section 22, which says that we support the maintenance of the harassment policy. We had the maintenance of the stand alone policy on sexual violence and on the non-academic misconduct policy, but I thought it'd be important that we had the harassment policy in there as well.

With the New Brunswick student loans, I put our priorities in for this year. Usually there's a little description of what we have. The NBSA had asked that I waited to put the descriptions there until after Advocacy Week when we present to the MLAs around New Brunswick. Just so we could publicly do that and then tell the everyone what we're asking for, so I just put little bullet points that basically are the summary of what our priorities are for the year, and then afterwards I'll fully amend it to put in little descriptions.

Then for CASA, so I put in a of them, we don't do that many, but we haven't decided what were our top five for the year, so those are all the potential ones. Every student's union got to rank which ones they think are most to least important – or not important, but for this year. Sorry, I cannot talk today – so I'll also be amending that one when they officially send out the priorities for the year, and there's only gonna be five instead of, like, 10, and that was my quick run through of everything I put down.

Darian: I didn't get that email.

Ailish: Oh, you didn't get it? It should be with the agenda, so did you get the agenda?

Darian: Yeah, I didn't notice it was there.

VPEd Ailish moved a motion that be it resolved that the 2019/2020 Advocacy Document be approved by council.

Seconded by Tyler M.

Motion approved by council with 16 voting members.

#### 7.2 Budget Update

Matt: I'm gonna try to make this quick as well. I'm just gonna pass out the budget updates to all of you to review really quickly - as quick as possible. So basically, this is just kind of the first update we did and there's not really much that needs to be explained, other than the Welcome Week thing, but I'll get to that after I just go through it really quickly.

So, the first section you see Facilities and Administration, you can see what was spent and what's remaining. There's still a lot remaining, and this is basically just office stuff and legal fees for like the biamendment change we did, that was viewed by the lawyer. Under the Communications and the Annual General Meeting, that's still all there because obviously it's only the start of the year, and we still haven't used that yet. Executive salaries and employee salaries, that's what has been spent, and if you actually want to see the range of the employee salaries that is on the back on the last page. For Conferences and Elections, that's what has been spent. A little deficit for the elections, but that can be moved from a different line, it was only \$7.26. In terms of student life, it should be highlighted in all of your papers for the Welcome Week. So basically, we budgeted \$6,500 for Welcome Week, and in terms of the money that we



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actually received from people paying for Welcome Week kits and stuff like that, we do have \$11,410.25 left. So basically, what will happen is there still receipts and stuff coming in from different things that were bought during Welcome Week, so that will obviously change, but as for now, that is what we have. In terms of CASA and NBSA that was the fees, and you can see what they are right there. We budgeted before and the total operating budget, what we have left, can also be seen right there. So, if anybody has any questions, just let me know, but that's pretty much where our budget is at right now.

Husoni: I'd just like to highlight that traditionally we have been going in deficits in our Welcome Week budgets in previous years, so this is the first time in a long time we've ended in a surplus, but that number is not definitive because as Matt mentioned, we still have some expenditures coming in from the Welcome Week line. So, that amount will be going down, but I suspect that we will still be ending in a bit of a surplus that can be used to supplement some other line in the future.

#### 8. Questions, Announcements & Notices

Husoni: Just a quick addition to my report, I mentioned that I went to the BOG meeting, but I also complied a BOG report along with the rest of the executive, to present at the meeting, and I worked on my presentation for the SRC retreat, and I also worked on the funding for the MSB that Leanne will be attending, so writing the letter and also booking the accommodations and flights and stuff.

Ailish: You still have 23 minutes to go and vote if you haven't done so already. Tell your friends. Tell your family. Closest one is the Wu Centre, as we mentioned, but yeah, just wanted to put that out there one more time.

Husoni: The basketball game this weekend was so good. Oh my gosh, I was on my seat, and they won all three for the men's basketball team, and I'd like to encourage you all to attend the games of the sports teams this year when you can.

#### 9. Adjournment

Motion for adjournment was moved by Sydona. Seconded by Megan G. Motion for adjournment was carried. Adjournment at 8:08 pm.

#### **Submission:**

The minutes were respectfully submitted to the Vice-President of Administration on October 24, 2019.

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