



The Students' Representative Council Le Conseil Représentatif des Étudiants

Students' Union of St. Thomas University, Inc.

7th Meeting of the 46th SRC
7:00pm, Monday, October 28, 2018
MMH, Room 201

Attendance Record

Position	Name	Present	Regrets	Absent
President	Husoni Raymond	X		
Vice President Administration	Matthew Oram	X		
Vice President Education	Ailish Mackenzie-Foley	X		
Vice President Student Life	Sarah Kohut	X		
Harrington Hall Representative	Tyler Dupuis	X		
Vanier Hall Representative	Manvi Walter			X
Holy Cross House Representative	Darian Trevors	X		
Rigby Hall Representative	Dillon Caldwell-Bezanson	X		
Off-Campus Representative	Sydney Shelley	X		
Off-Campus Representative	Nathaniel Box	X		
Off-Campus Representative	Megan Cormier		X	
Off-Campus Representative	Kathleen Jones	X		
Social Inclusion Representative	Dorcas Tshimenga	X		
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		X	
International Student Representative	Sydonia Chandon	X		
Grad Class President	Brianne Durant		X	
First Year Residence Representative	Julia Evans	X		

Staff Present: Brianna Hill (Chair) and Madi Geldart (Recording Secretary)
AQ Representatives: Diana Chavez
Guests Present: Jessica Brown

Call to Order and Quorum Call



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Meeting was called to order by Brianna Hill at 7:09 pm.

Quorum is met with 14 voting members present.

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was presented to council.

It was moved by Darian to approve agenda as presented.

Seconded by Kathleen.

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 Husoni to approve minutes as presented.

Seconded by Tyler M.

The minutes were approved as amended.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

No business arising from the minutes.

4. Executive Reports

4.1 President's Report – Husoni Raymond

Hi everyone, welcome back. I saw most of you yesterday, so good to see you again. So, since last meeting, I had a meeting with Dr. Fenwick. We decided to establish monthly meetings. Dr. Fenwick is the Vice President Academic Research of the university, so we are meeting on a monthly basis just to discuss what the Student Union is doing and anything new that's happening on the university side, just to facilitate better communication between the Union and the university administration. I had a Campus Trust Utilization meeting with Matt, and I'm sure he can talk more about that in his report. We had a SEC (Student Executive Council) meeting last Wednesday. I had my Help Desk office hour on Thursday from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

I met with Mark Walma, who is the Associate Vice President Student Services UNB, and I reached out to him over the summer. This is my second meeting with him. I met with him over the summer to discuss the UNB Alcohol Policy because the Student Union was not consulted on it, or anyone on STU campus, but it does affect our students because we're one of the major users of both the Cellar and the S-Club, so I reached out to him with those concerns, hoping that I would get a seat on the UNB Alcohol Policy Review Committee, and I sent him a lengthy email with my argument as to why I should get a seat, but unfortunately, they did not give me a seat. However, they did agree to consult with the Student Union when the next draft is completed, so he mentioned to me within our last meeting that once they finished that draft, he'll be sending it to me and then we'll have a meeting with myself, the president of the UNBSU, Craig Fernandez, and him, and we'll go over the policy and see if there are any recommended changes to the policy. I won't disclose any specifics of the policy as yet because it's still within the draft stages, but let's see how that goes, but also Craig Fernandez sits on this committee, and we have a really good relationship with the UNBSU. So, if I have any concerns relating to that, I'm sure that I could express them to Craig, and he'll bring it forward to the committee. I think their major concern is having someone outside of their university body sitting on a



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university committee, which I personally don't think that affects the autonomy of the university, but I think that was the consensus of the committee.

I was at the 203 for my volunteer hours last week, Thursday from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. After that I had a meeting with Cindy, and I met with her today actually, to go over the newsletter for Wednesday. So, what's gonna be included in the newsletter, and any posters that we need to get done within the next few weeks, and if any of you folks need posters, just let me know. For any events you're putting on and I can put it in the social media calendar and ask Cindy to do some graphics on those. We also shot the first video, which I'm hoping to do videos on a monthly basis for an update from the president, as I mentioned at the SRC retreat, but not just sitting in an office talking to the camera. It's supposed to be more fun. So, we've made an attempt at it today, so I'm looking forward to seeing how that comes out. Hopefully it's not too cringy so we can actually post it, but I'm excited that we actually got it done. It's gonna be short, so it won't cover like every single thing that the Student Union as a whole has been doing, but just mainly the highlights, like, GOTV, the Not Fair At All campaign, and the Don't Cut Our Future campaign, et cetera.

As you all know, I was at the SRC retreat this weekend, which was really fun, in Alma. Thanks again, Sarah, for organizing that. I been reviewing some applications for the Associate Vice President Academic. So, the university's hiring a new Associate Vice President Academic and I was asked to sit on the hiring committee, and we will be meeting on Wednesdays. So, I've been reviewing the applications and wow – professors' resumes are so long, and they write very long cover letters, so that has been taking a lot of time to review and read all the applications and recommendation letters. I made the SRC plaque cards, so all the new members, you now have your plaque cards, and I placed the order for the quarter zips, so those should be in the latest within three weeks.

With regards to the NBSA, I met with Yana. I had a one on one meeting with Yana to discuss how we can enhance student engagement, especially during Advocacy Week. So, we came up with some really cool ideas, so I'm looking forward to actually implementing those once we bring those to the board and then we can share them with council. We also had a NBSA board meeting today where the international student policy was approved by the board for Advocacy Week, so that's really exciting, and two other policies were brought before the board, but they were tabled for approval until the next board meeting. That is all for me.

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

Hi everybody. Good to see those of you all again. I hope everybody that went to the retreat had a great time. It was lots of fun. So, I'll try and go on order leading up to their treat for the last week. I received a notice from the two social work people that we approved for \$500 each to go to Romania. I believe for unforeseen circumstances, they are not able to go, I guess. So, that money will be going back into the academic assistance line. They never picked up their checks, so that shouldn't be a problem at all. It was kinda unfortunate to see cause they were excited about going, but they just said for unforeseen circumstances they weren't able to go. So, that'll be going back into that line.

I also received a few academic assistance funding's for Moot Court and the Pre-Law Society, so I'll have to meet with the Finance Committee, those of you on it, this week. Hopefully before the end of the week to review that. Also, I changed the email passwords for the Theatre Society. They didn't know they had an email I guess, but that is resolved. Also, the Vanier email account was reset, so, hopefully that's working well. We approved the Investment Club, so they're a new group on campus. I don't know if I'd mentioned that last meeting. Also, Sydney passed along the new revised French Society constitution, so hopefully it would be getting revised sometime this week as well. Also, for those of you that don't know, I believe we will be



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changing rooms for the SRC next week cause there's more seats in other rooms, so I dealt with that through Ellen at Room Bookings.

And as Husoni mentioned, we had our utilization meeting with Owen from Campus Trust, and Paul, and me and Husoni. Basically, at that meeting we'd just discuss Campus Trust and just kind of where the plans are at right now, in terms of health and dental plans. So, that's basically all have to say about that. Did you want me to go into more detail with that?

Husoni: Sure, yeah.

Matt: So basically, in terms of that, our dental plan, as I mentioned at the retreat is one of the best in the country, but as of right now, in terms of Campus Trust, our plan, from recent changes is not in the best position. There's a lot of different numbers that can be contributed to that, but just based on changes that the university made, it's not in the best position, but hopefully we can make changes this year that help that. So yeah, that's pretty much it.

Husoni: Just to clarify that, so two years ago our plan ended in a severe deficit. We have a really good plan, one of the best coverages in the country, and with that comes high claims. So, a lot of students are actually utilizing a plan, which is really good, but that also means that we have to pay out a lot more money. We did have a reserve fund for the Campus Trust, but because of the increasing usage of the plans, where over the past few years we've been paying out more money to students than we've actually been receiving in premiums. But that was okay because we had a good enough surplus to cover that, but that surplus has been depleted. We did make some changes last year to prevent that from happening again. However, the predicted enrollment in the plan changed really last minute because the university did not remove the people who did not pay any fees from their database, and then last minute they were like, "well, we didn't get any money from any of these students." So, that really skewed the prediction. We were hoping to end in a small surplus, but then because of the large number of people who last minute opted out, or we didn't receive funding from, we ended in a deficit instead, but then we still had enough surplus to cover that deficit. However, moving forward we have a very limited surplus, so our plan is good for this year, and we will be making more changes again to try to not end in deficits anymore, so our plan is not ending or anything, but it is concerning and we are working on ensuring that it improves in the future.

Diana: It's just a quick question. With the theater group, do you mean Theater St. Thomas or STEEDS?

Matt: Yeah.

Diana: Which one?

Matt: I didn't understand the question...it was TST (Theater St. Thomas).

Diana: Thank you.

Tyler M: You had said that we were changing rooms, I was wondering what room we were moving to?

Matt: Just the same one as there is over there. As long as the layouts good enough. Yeah.

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



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Long time no see to everyone who was at the retreat this weekend, and hello to everyone who was not able to make it to the retreat. So, the retreat was this weekend, we had a great time bonding, being out in the middle of nowhere in a creepy yet beautiful house, so thank you, Sarah, for planning it. It was awesome. I had a great time. After that, I had an NBSA board call today, like Husoni mentioned, to discuss their Advocacy Week policies and whatnot, and we will be having our regularly scheduled one again next Monday as well.

I had another meeting for International Education Week, just to kind of go over the logistics, make sure everything's running smoothly, so that was good. I also had another meeting with Cindy for the graphics for International Education Week. So, she's finishing this up and then there'll be out, and we got STU onboard to promote it on their social medias as well, and Dawn Russell will be making a speech at the changing of flags which is awesome. I had my regularly scheduled Help Desk and SEC meeting last Wednesday, and another one again next Wednesday. Every Wednesday.

I have a meeting with my CASA liaison, who was a member relations board director, Garret Kohler, this week to discuss the priorities that the CASA board council members have chosen this year, so I will get back to all of you on what we decided to go with, and we'll be wrapping up the Get Out the Vote with volunteer appreciation at the Cellar sometime this week or next week to just appreciate our volunteers and coordinators for all the hard work that they put in. That's it.

Diana: Do you know if STU got number one in most pledges?

Ailish: So, we were number one the whole time, and then all of the sudden Mount A came out of nowhere in the last two days, and they got like they got an interesting amount of votes, is how we'll put it. I don't know if it was fair, but, nevertheless. So, no, we didn't get number one. Am I sad about it? Yes. Did we do a great job? Also, yes.

Husoni: We were second though.

Ailish: In the country, so we beat Alberta, we beat UPEI, we beat X. So, number two is still winning.

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

Hi, my report is not going to be super long because I spent most of last week spending all my time planning for the retreat, but last Tuesday I had a Campus Events Committee meeting, that went super well. We discussed more about some fun things we got planned. Last Wednesday, I met with Anna Sirois from Global Brigades and Michael from the Campus Ministry to discuss a bottle fundraiser that Global Brigades is looking at having, and Anna just wanted to get feedback from Michael and myself on how, just basing it off of how Trick or Eat runs, and just to see like what systems have worked in the past in terms of going door to door to houses in the neighborhood in Fredericton, et cetera, et cetera. On Thursday, I had a couple visitors at my office hour, always exciting, and then this weekend the retreat of course. That was tons of fun. I had a great time being there. It was a great time organizing it, and I hope everyone had fun and enjoyed themselves, and for those that were not able to make it, we missed you. I also got asked to be on a STU Merchandise Committee today, which will be exciting. If you have any feedback on any cool STU swag you want to see...holla at me, I guess. We love some STU clout and whatnot.

Then coming up this week, we have Trick or Eat, which will be on Thursday. So, I've said this a thousand times, but I really want people to come and participate. Please get a team together, come alone, it doesn't matter to me. Show up, collect some non-perishable food items, it's a really good time. I also have candy that I'm going to give out at the end of it to all the people that came, in addition to the candy that you're



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inevitably going to get by just Trick or Eating. Yeah, and you're gonna want a Cellar gift card, so why the heck not? There's literally no reason why you shouldn't. All the reasons are positive, so please come and yeah, that's it for me. Real quick this week.

Ailish: I just want to say again, to put more promo on Trick or Eat, it's not only fulfilling for your heart to do something good for the community, but so fulfilling for your stomach because every year that we do it, we literally go, "oh, you don't want to give this candy," and they're like, "take it. Just take it." So, you literally come home with a huge bag of candy and non-perishable food items. Fulfilling in all the ways possible, and a Cellar gift card this year! Perfect.

Sarah: To piggyback on that, and I also forgot to say something in my report, but to piggyback on that, I was talking to a fourth year student in one of my classes today, and I was like, "hey, you should come to Trick or Eat. Cellar gift card," and then he was like, "oh, I missed Trick or Eat last year. I love Trick or Eat. In my first year, my friend and I did it, and we went to some nice old lady's house and she invited us in for dinner and tea. So, it's a good time, I'm telling you, and you don't even have to dress up. If you want to dress up, do it, but you don't even have to. Last year I wore all black and devil ears and people said, I like your costume. Its really bare minimum here and you get a lot of reward.

What I forgot to say in my report was that we have so much food leftover from the retreat, so my car is parked outside of MMH. After today's meeting, anyone that wants to come take a look at what's in there. I got tons of loaves of bread, there's chips and stuff, there's jam, peanut butter, random stuff, open to everyone. Even if you didn't go to the retreat, come take a peek. If you want to take anything home, be my guest. Its a free for all. I have a huge case of 7UP. If anyone likes 7UP, there's like 32 cans. So, yeah, please come take food. If it doesn't get taken, it's going to the food bank, so yeah, please come and take food. Diana that applies to you too. That is all now.

5. Employee Updates

No employee report available.

6. Representative Reports

6.1 Harrington Hall (Tyler D.)

Hello everyone, I'll keep it really short and sweet for this week. We had our Harrington Halloween party. So, I was not there to see all the ghastly ghouls and goblins, but I heard wonderful things about people all dressed up in their Halloween costumes. Unfortunately, though the party did start with a decent amount of people, the numbers definitely weren't comparable to previous Harrington socials in past years. So, our House Committee is currently looking at any way we can really improve and make it safe while also keeping it social and make it comfortable for everyone who consume and don't consume liquor. We ended up also taking notes, so we do have a few concerns that we will be bringing up to Res Life, which I'll definitely keep you all updated on that, as that progresses, but in just in general, I'm looking for more solutions on how we can keep the parties safe and all that.

We also won intramurals against NBCC, so it may not be OC, but at this point I'll take what I can get. So, yay Harrington. Other than that, I went to the STUSU retreat, had a blast, talked to some ghosts, talked beautiful student policy, in general is a really good weekend, and I want to genuinely thank Sarah from the bottom of my heart. It was a wonderful weekend, and anyone else who was involved in the planning because it was a wonderful weekend. Thank you.



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Tyler M: I'm concerned with the apparent ease that you talk to ghosts.

Tyler D: Sometimes it just be.

Tyler M: I feel that.

6.2 Vanier Hall (Manvi)

No business to report.

6.3 Holy Cross House (Darian)

Hello everyone, so House Committee did not meet yet this week cause everyone was busy on Sunday, so we're changing the date with House Committee. But, I'll say what I'm going to do this week. I am going out tomorrow and I want to get some candy for my house and I'm going to make Halloween cards and tape it all to everyone's doors and just say Happy Halloween to everyone in res. So, that's what I'm doing this week, and that's my report.

Leanne: Thank you in advance.

Darian: No problem.

6.4 Rigby Hall (Dillon)

Good evening, so our First Year event went really well. We had a lot of people showing up, so that was a really good success. I got some input from Sam Arthurs on, like, some events that they had last year, and we had a bit more than the usual, so that's looking pretty good. We actually have our full House Committee now. Hopefully that does not change again, and we're designing our new logo for Rigby. That's everything.

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

Sydney: Okay, apparently, I'm going first. Hi everybody, what an eventful last 48, 72, whatever the math is hours. It was good seeing you guys all at the retreat, so much fun. Thank you, Sarah. I just want to throw a little shout out there; We have our movie night tomorrow from 6PM to 11PM. Common out. Again, this has been in, like, five reports, but it's okay. Honestly, Kathleen is a little bit more prepared than I am, I believe, so I'm going to pass it over to her.

Kathleen: I don't know where she gets that I'm more prepared, however, I guess the most I would be able to talk about would be our off campus Intramurals. So far, we are doing well. We did lose to NBCC the other night and that was quite an eventful night because NBC is pretty intense. We are playing them again this evening, so we're hoping for the best. I'm also working on booking the Off Campus Lounge for our potential coffee house, which will be November 27th from 7PM until 9PM. We're still working on all the logistics of that, just because we're really focused on our movie night, which is tomorrow, like Sydney said, please come. That's about it. I think Nathaniel has some stuff he'd like to say.

Nathaniel: Yes. Good evening everyone. So, aside from the spooky movie night and everything, I have been bouncing an idea around the other Off Campus Representatives of introducing an off campus email newsletter either on a monthly, or less than that, basis. Stuff to be included would be information regarding our Facebook and Instagram pages, just so that off-campus people know that we have activities going on more often than they would think. Additionally, it would be a general outlook over the large events that we have planned for the following period of time, whatever that may be. As well as possible email representatives, so that we could ensure a better communication. My big question would be to the executive, if something like that would be feasible in doing?



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Husoni: Yup. That can be done. So, if you come up with a format and what information you want to be included, then we can send it out in our...like, we do a weekly newsletter, that we can either send out something separately, or include that type of information within our weekly newsletter. So, if every week you want to include something different, just let me know and we'll get it included.

Nathaniel: Yes, ideally, we would just be sending it to the off campus students, if that would be workable, but other than that, definitely we can make a format, and get this going. Thank you.

Sydney: Hi, again. I forgot to mention that I am meeting with Brett from STU Mental Health on Thursday at 1PM to discuss future events with us and them partnered together. So, that's really exciting. Look out for that.

6.6 Social Inclusion Representative (Dorcas)

Good evening everyone. This week wasn't too busy for me. I met with a student just to talk about the Black Student Union, and how that's going to take place on campus and a little bit about Black History Month, which is supposed to take place tomorrow. I also attended the retreat. Thank you – I know it's been said a bunch of times, but thanks, Sarah, for really making it amazing. I also discussed with Sarah, Graci, and Megan in regards of the drug safety meeting that we're going to have sometime this week, and also to talk about our formal meeting that we're going to have with Brock, and that's about it, thank you.

6.7 Sexuality & Gender Diversity Representative (Tyler M.)

Hey Queens, I hope you all had a good weekend. Even though I was unable to attend the retreat, I was with you in spirit and I'm happy to hear that you all had an amazing time. Last week was a catch up on schoolwork week for me because I had been putting that off and realized that I needed to be a student again. So, there were only a couple of things that I did, so, the, the LGBTQA2S+ History Month video was released last Thursday on all STU and STUSU social media platforms. So, a big thank you to everyone who had a hand in making that possible. It's been extremely well received, and the last time I checked it had over 2,000 views on STUs Facebook alone, so that's amazing. The head executive for STU SAGA, Steven Greer and I had an interview with the Aquinian last Thursday to answer questions about the new society and its mandate, as well as group members, et cetera. So, that was really productive and look out for that soon. I had my volunteer hours at the 203 Center in the SUB on Friday, as well as the Help Desk on Friday. That's all from me.

Sydney: I just want to say great job on the video.

Tyler M: Thank you. It's a lot to hear. I'm glad it's so well received.

Tyler D: I just want to say at the retreat I sensed a lot of spirits, but yours was one of them. So, even though you weren't there physically, you were there spiritually in all of our hearts.

Tyler M: Thank you, Tyler. That was really sweet of you to say.

6.8 Indigenous Representative (Leanne)

Hi everyone, I'm sad that I couldn't attend the retreat. It sounded great. This week, I did attend the Indigenous Artist Expression event, honouring missing and murdered Indigenous woman. The almost three hour event, showcased Indigenous talent while connecting to the Red Shawl Campaign that UNB has been pretty passionate about this year. I also attended a presentation by Clifford Paul that was held at UNB. He discussed the idea of two eyed seeing, and how that relates to moose management and the Mi'gma'gi, and then afterwards I had the opportunity to speak with him about two eyed seeing specifically on university



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campuses, and more specifically, how we can start that ball rolling even more at STU. I attended the Wabanaki lunch, as usual, and enjoyed some delicious tacos. I was interviewed for the Aquinian regarding my new position and answered some follow up questions while I was in Ottawa. I started planning a wing event for my residence which has taken more time than I thought it would, and lastly this weekend I attended the CASA conference that was held in Ottawa that I mentioned in our last meeting. We discussed a variety of issues and obstacles that postsecondary students face. We analyzed policy, but then we related it specifically to Indigenous students, and how we can further that policy development to address some of the issues specific to Indigenous students. Once I find out where that's going, I'll update you guys. Right now, as far as I know, that information is just going to be relayed to the members of CASA at the following conference.

Sarah: Unrelated to what Leanne said, but I'm feeling overwhelmed with love and appreciation. Thank you, guys. It was easy to plan a great retreat when I have such great counselors to plan for.

Ailish: I'm glad to hear you had a great time at CASA, and I will definitely report back to you on everything that we hear at the next conference coming up next month.

Husoni: I am also glad to hear you had a good time with CASA, and I heard wonderful things about you and how you represented the STUSU, so awesome, thank you.

Leanne: Thank you.

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

Hi everyone, I hope you're all having a nice week. I was also at the retreat this weekend, which was a lot of fun, and thank you, Sarah and the rest of the team for organizing that. As we previously mentioned, Graci and I are working towards doing some students safety initiatives this year, and we're planning a meeting with Brock, Sarah, and Dorcas about supplying all the residences with drug kits this year, as well as doing a training session for RAs and students on how to use them. We're also hoping to hold another self defense course this year because that was really successful last year. Also, Graci wasn't able to be here, but she sent me a little update she wanted to share. She also said that she had a great time at the retreat, and thank you to everyone, especially Sarah for helping to plan that. She also wanted to mention that she's going to reach out to the first aid training organizations here in Fredericton to try to get the ball rolling on those events. Hopefully, sometime this week getting that started, and she helps in that everyone has a great week.

6.10 International Student Representative (Sydona)

Hi everyone. I want to thank you guys for celebrating my birthday with me, and ensuring I had an awesome time on the retreat, and thank you, Sarah, for my delicious cake. For my report, during the week I wrote down my agenda for the year, which was expressed at the retreat. I also set up a meeting with Cindy, the Director of Communications to discuss the graphics for International Education Week. Additionally, I spoke with Carrie via email about the international events within November. She informed me that there will be a group session on homesickness tomorrow evening at 4:30PM. So, feel free to spread the word further. That's it.

6.11 First Year Residence Representative (Julia)

Hi everyone, so first and foremost, I want to just say that I'm really happy to hear such good feedback with the retreat this weekend. I was super disappointed that I couldn't make it, I was actually spending my weekend fundraising for Global Brigades, and we were doing leaf raking this weekend, so I had some fun doing that. This week I've really been trying to connect with first years and House Committees to get to know everyone, but also just to inform everyone how to contact me and my role, et cetera. I am currently in the process of communicating with the First Year Reps on each House Committee in hopes of meeting all of



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them. I feel like it will really facilitate the connections between the residences and ensure that the events are being planned and that concerns are being heard from all residents. I hope to arrange a meeting before Reading Week with them, so we still have time to plan an event for first years based on that feedback from the meeting. And like I said, I really hope this will facilitate the connections between all the residences, so I can represent everyone's interests.

I also mentioned at the last meeting that there've been some first years that have voiced concern regarding the consent presentation being canceled. Sarah mentioned that there'll be bystander training happening within the next couple months, so I'm really happy to hear that. Because I find that the events of such nature can be really difficult to recruit for and encourage their time, I really hope that we can find ways to entice everyone to come. With my goal, especially to engage first year students as much as possible. So, I'm 100% on board to help out with this event, and I know I've had a few discussions with Dillan, from Rigby Hall and Tyler, Sexual and Gender Diversity Rep, so, this issue is very relevant and important to everybody, and it has also been brought forth in a couple House Committee meetings as well. So, I'm hoping that bystander training is an avenue where we can actually integrate some issues with consent and safe sex into, rather than posting two separate presentations. I feel like they could really coincide together.

Sarah: Hi. Just an update on the bystander training, I'm having a meeting next week with Sexual Violence New Brunswick to set that up for the training for first semester and second semester. So, I can get back to you sooner rather than later with a potential date that it might be on and other details.

6.12 Grad Class Representative (Bri)

No business to report.

7. New Business

7.1 Advocacy Week

Hello everyone. So, Advocacy Week is coming up and we have an advocacy training also coming up, and the deadline to register for that is this Wednesday. So, if any of you would like to participate in Advocacy Week, check out our social media and the link is there, so click on that and sign up. We'd be happy to have you, and also spread the word in your respective groups. So, if you have a Facebook group with your constituents please share the Advocacy Week poster and anything else the STUSU shares. Please do share it within all your groups, so we can get the messaging out there. Thank you.

Ailish: I'm just adding on to what Husoni said about Advocacy Week. It's all going to be a really, really cool experience. You're basically lobbying the provincial government with the NBSA on student issues. So, if you're passionate about making a difference, meeting local MLAs, you should really, really consider this, and if you have any questions, feel free to ask myself or Husoni about them. But go sign up, get the training. Let's do Advocacy Week. It's a pretty graphic, go check it out.

Tyler D: I just want to triple echo what they said. I did Advocacy Week last year. I was super nervous about it, but after doing it I was really, really happy I did it. If you want a wonderful experience and you're debating doing it, even if you're a counselor or a first year or a second year, do it. Like, it's a wonderful experience and you get to hang out with cool people.

Julia: Hi, can someone just elaborate a bit more about what it is cause I want to share with my fellow first years, I just didn't know exactly how to explain it to everyone. So, I'm just wondering if someone could elaborate.



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Husoni: So basically, our provincial advocacy partner, the NBSA – or New Brunswick Student Alliance, which is comprised of all, almost all the student unions in New Brunswick. So, we have our Student Union, Mount Allison Student Union, UNBSU, which is UNB Fredericton, and UNB SRC, which is UNB Saint John. We come together to form the NBSA, and we put on an Advocacy Week every year to move the student agenda forward. So, we developed policy asks and then we meet with governmental officials, people within the business community, people within civil servants, within PETL (Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour), and talk about what are the top issues to students and how the government can help reduce those barriers to make education accessible and affordable in New Brunswick. Also, I noticed everyone who always share stuff about the STUSU in the respective groups on Facebook, and I always try to love react, and I just want you to know that I really appreciate it, and I'm really proud of you for doing that.

Sarah: Share Trick or Eat. Thank you.

8. Questions, Announcements & Notices

No questions, announcements, or notices.

9. Adjournment

Motion for adjournment was moved by Sarah.

Seconded by Ailish.

Motion for adjournment was carried.

Adjournment at 7:51 pm.

Submission:

The minutes were respectfully submitted to the Vice-President of Administration on October 31, 2019.

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