6th Meeting of the 48th SRC

5:00 pm, Saturday, October 30, 2021

Via Zoom (Online)

**Attendance Record**

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| Position | Name | Present | Regrets | Absent |
| President | Tyler MaGee | X |  |  |
| Vice President Administration | Alex Nguyen | X |  |  |
| Vice President Education | Sydona Chandon | X |  |  |
| Vice President Student Life | Victoria Young | X |  |  |
| Off-Campus Representative | Carol Alvarez | X |  |  |
| Off-Campus Representative | Gregory Robinson |  |  | X |
| Off-Campus Representative | Lindsey Graham |  |  | X |
| Social Inclusion Representative | Manvi Walter |  |  | X |
| Indigenous Representative | Stevie DeMerchant |  |  | X |
| International Student Representative | Sony | X |  |  |
| Member at Large Representative | Julia Evans | X |  |  |
| Grad Class President | Tory Desroche | X |  |  |

**Staff Present:** Kryssonia Wedderburn (Chair), Minahil Fatima (Recording Secretary)

**AQ Representatives:** N/A

**Guests Present:** N/A

**Call to Order and Quorum Call**

Meeting was called to order by Kryssonia Wedderburn at 5:06 pm.

Quorum is met with 7 voting members present.

## **Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was presented to council.

It was moved by Alex N to approve agenda.

Seconded by Victoria Y.

The agenda was approved.

## **Approval of the Minutes from the 5th Meeting**

The minutes from last meeting were presented to council.

It was moved by Alex N. to approve minutes.

Seconded by Victoria Y.

The minutes were approved.

## **Executive Reports**

**3.1 President’s Report – Tyler MaGee**

Hello, everybody. We've made it to the end of the retreat. I hope that everybody enjoyed it. So, for my report this week, I'm just going to go through my little list of stuff that we did. Syd and I are kind of working on a bit of a special project right now. And I won't go into detail of what it is. But we were working on a special project on Monday. Following that, we had a related meeting that we had to do on Tuesday. And then Wednesday, I actually didn't do much. Thursday was my heavy day. So, Thursday, I had a CASA EDI committee meeting at 12. Followed by an experiential learning meeting at 1:30. The experiential learning committee, we basically were talking about a new the competencies framework that I mentioned last week. So, we got some very good feedback on that one. And the committee, we're having the debate right now actually, I bring this up too, because I'm curious about what everybody's thought processes on this. So, one of the things that they're debating in that committee right now, is whether or not leadership should be included as a competency. So, what a competency is like a skill that you can check off and saying you have achieved. So right now, the debate is whether or not that should be included as a skill. Or if the other skills that are there if leadership itself was an accumulation of skills. So rather than have it be its own standalone thing, a bit should be an accumulation of stuff. So, I wouldn't mind having your opinions on that, too. So maybe after the meeting, if you do have any thoughts on that you'd like to send me an email or text or something like that with your thoughts on it, that would be awesome. It's a bit of a tricky thing to figure out. So anyway, any thoughts that you have on that would be really appreciated. And then Thursday, we also had our executive meeting, where we basically planned out the retreat that you've just gone through, which was awesome. And then on Friday, we had our monthly meeting with the Vice President Academic Research, Dr. Kim Fenwick. So, we just basically touched base on what we were going through this month and ensuring that there's clear and concise communication avenues between our offices. So that was a very productive meeting. And I also had my weekly standing meeting with Jeffrey Carlton, where, again, we just talked about the activities of the week and different raised different things that we should be aware of that are coming forward. So that was kind of my week. But yeah, that's it for me. Thank you.

**3.2 Vice-President of Administration’s Report – Alex Nguyen**

For my report this week, on Monday, our finance committee approved funding application from Gerontology society. And on Tuesday, I had my office hours at JDH. On Wednesday, Tina, our general manager, and I worked on the budget update, which we're going to dive into more detail later on. On Thursday, I attended the SEC meeting with our executives and also answered some student inquiries on campus Trust. On Friday, the finance committee further approved two more funding applications for clubs and societies. And I also attended the meeting with Dr. Fenwick with the executive team. And that will be it for my report.

**3.3 Vice President of Education’s Report – Sydona Chandon**

Hi, everyone, I'll just go right into my report. So, on Monday, I received an application for another student on the Sustainability Committee, which I approved. On Tuesday, I reviewed some emails and was informed that the next David Kuhn MLA Monday will be on November 8, from 4pm to 5pm. I noticed that this is also reading week, and we'll be reaching out to see if they noticed that conflict with the dates. On Thursday, I had a meeting with the experiential learning committee, which Tyler went a bit in depth on, as they discuss competencies and other plans that they're currently working on. We also discussed the fact that we only received funding for experiential learning for another year. And we will be bringing this forward in our advocacy week with the NBSA to lobby for a longer extension of funding. I also had a set meeting on that day, which we, which all the executives planned on the retreat. On Friday, I had quite a number of meetings, I had a meeting with upper administration to check in on how the semesters going, following a meeting with the national advocacy committee on CASA, then a meeting to plan International Education Week, which was quite productive. We're currently looking on having this week, the week of the 15th, which is the week after reading week. So that's about it. Thank you.

**3.4 Vice President of Student Life’s Report – Victoria Young**

Hey, everyone, hope you all had an excellent week. So, I'll just dive right in and go through my report in chronological order. So, on Monday, I did a little bit of work for trick or eat. So, I had some email communication with Vivian as well as Rinaldo, our Director of Communications and Valeria, our activities and events coordinator, just to go over some maps for the event as well as doing a graphic and some media outreach for it, as well as just planning and support and getting more people involved. And then I emailed with Brennan from UNBSU about ticket sales for a ballroom event, and how maybe we would be getting some money off of that and how it would like logistically work. It's sounding very positive so far. And then I posted a graphic about rapid testing for the Safe Ride grocery run on Tuesday. So, on Tuesday, we did sort of like a trial of allowing drives to pick up rapid test kits at the exhibition grounds during Safe Ride grocery run, which is from one to five on Tuesdays, like the discount day at Sobeys. So, it was just a trial. So, I'm just waiting to hear from UNBSU about how that went. But to me, it sounds like a really great idea. And I was really happy to be able to collaborate with them on that initiative. Then on Tuesday, I met with our lovely at large rep Julia about some icebreakers for the retreat. Then I responded to an EB application that Tyler and Tina and I were discussing and had different opinions on but eventually came to a decision on, so I dealt with that. Then I had some email communication with Mayday about our quarter zips for our council. So, the order should be coming out for that soon. So, keep your eye out for that, really exciting as well. And then on Wednesday, I of course held my office hours, and was able to help out a few students. And we were supposed to have our first mental health committee meeting. However, there is just some technical issues because as we all know, there's a little bit of like glitches and power outages going on towards the end of the week, which was kind of weird. So that's going to be rescheduled for Monday. And then I posted a graphic about trick or eat which is tomorrow at six o'clock. So please come join me at six o'clock in the in JDH for that. So, I posted a graphic on that. And then I also responded to an email from Brandon at UNBSU about retrofitting for one of the Safe Ride vans. So, over the summer, we decided to install a wheelchair ramp in one of our Safe Ride vans, and it was ready to be picked up. It had to be taken to Moncton for that. So, it was ready to be picked up. And they were just wondering how much STUSU was wanting to contribute to that accessibility project. So, we responded and gave the amount that we're wanting to contribute to that. Then on Thursday, of course, I had the exec meeting with the rest of my lovely executives. And I made a graphic for the schedule for the retreat and sent that out to everyone here. And then I also had a little bit of discussion with Enactus, about a student led business fair, which is really exciting. So that's definitely in the works. And we set up a meeting. And then on Friday, I had the meeting with Kim Fenwick and my other executives, as they mentioned as well. And then I also reached out to the Royal Canadian Legion, the Fredericton branch on Friday, just about possibly getting the poppy campaign on campus next week by maybe having like a veteran here, taking donations for poppies or just simply having a poppy donation box on campus next week. And then of course, today we had the retreat. So, it's been an exciting week. That's about it for me.

## **Employee Updates**

No employee report available.

## **Representative Reports**

**5.1 Off-Campus Representatives (Carol A./Gregory R./ Lindsey G.)**

Carol: So, on Monday Tuesday we posted a photo of STU so students could like share what activities they want to see off campus. So, we had a response like they want to see painting, something artistic and then we are going to meet to see which activities we can host. And that's it.

**5.2 International Student Representative (Sony)**

I'm going through a report in chronological order. So, on Monday, I contacted the VPSL Victoria to be added to the activities and events committee. I said I cannot participate in trick or eat tomorrow, but I look forward to upcoming events. On Wednesday, I had a meeting with Carrie. We touched base and we discussed ideas for my speech during International Education Week. We also discussed action items in preparing the International Leadership Awards. I also received the references from Carrie for the awards. We also decided to change the frequency of this award from monthly to semi annually. And on Friday, I was in the meeting with International Education Week planning committee with Sydona. We decided on the events, and we allocated tasks among STUSU, STUISA and International Office. And throughout the week, I cast votes for funding applications from pre-Law, French and Gerontology societies. And that was it.

**5.3 Grad Class President (Tory D.)**

I just got ready to give out candy in JDH yesterday, we did that from 12 to 2 and I met with Bernie Hogan, the guy who sells the T-rings, so I met with him just to see if there's anything I could do to help him. I had a STU Alumni Association meeting this morning right before the retreat started. So that was mostly what I did this week.

**5.4 Member at Large Representative (Julia E.)**

Hello, everybody. Nice to see you guys again after today. Basically, I don't have too much to report. I know Victoria already mentioned this. But Victoria took the time to meet with me and we just brainstormed to discuss some team bonding and icebreaker activities for today. So, I hope everyone enjoyed that. And then I know we went more in depth about this up in retreat today. But hopefully next week, I'll have some more to update you guys on but my plan for like the remote learning roundtable but aside from that, that's about everything. So, stay tuned, and I'm looking forward to getting that project underway.

## **6. New Business**

**6.1. Budget Update**

Alex: So, these are like operations so it's no expenses so you can see we have some thing in our former SRC or the for the applications that we recently approved for reconciliation from committee. And there are three lines that we have been used for quite a bit. So emergency bursary line, we have been approving quite a handful of emergency bursary applications and that is under Victoria and Tyler’s. For the Welcome Week line, we have surplus coming in at 10,516. Pretty standard that we usually get back, those are working with money fees that the schools sent back. For the STUgenda line, we are still waiting for the invoices, as well as sponsorship money. And for the clubs and societies, there have been funding applications approved. Next is the NBSA membership, we pay the fees every semester. And that's pretty much it.

**7. Questions, Announcements & Notices**

Tyler: Yeah, so just one little announcement, just to touch base and let everybody know about the Women's Center. So as everybody knows, we had a call out for people who were interested and I actually didn't receive many, the only person I received from was Manvi, our social inclusion rep. But unfortunately, they have not been in attendance to the meetings to be able to have a form of vote or give their ideas as to why they would like to do this. And, unfortunately, I am waiting right now to have a meeting with them, just to see and touch base as to where they are and where they're at, and everything. So, because we can't go without representation at the Women's Center, and it does fall under the jurisdiction of the VPSL. I think that it's probably a good idea that Victoria takes on take on this role as we don't have anybody to fill it. So that's just a little announcement. I guess. If anyone has any questions, comments, and concerns on that, I'd be happy to answer them here. But I think that for representation’s sake, this is the way that we'll go forward.

## **8. Adjournment**

Motion for adjournment was moved by Tyler M.

Seconded by ­­Victoria Y.

Motion for adjournment was carried.

Adjournment at 5:30 pm.

**Submission:**

The minutes were respectfully submitted to the Vice-President of Administration on November 2, 2021.

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