



Minutes

The fourth meeting of the 2021-22 session of the Students' Representative Council of the UNBSJ Inc. was held October 28, 2021 through Microsoft Teams.

Attendance:	Executive:	Charlotte Fanjoy, President Adam Lambert, VP External Blake Allen, VP Student Life Kirsten Hurley, VP Finance & Operations
	Councilors:	Kathryn Nason, Arts Rep Lauren McKinley, Business Rep Sweta Jayachandran, DMNB Rep Arkk Sahay, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Rep Niomi Monteiro, International Rep Clara Kelly, Nursing/Health Sciences Rep
	Chair:	Emma Higdon
	Absent:	Abby Bernard, Athletic Rep
	Regrets:	Tanya Paterson, Mature Student Rep

Meeting was called to order at 7:21PM

We recognize that the UNB-SRC operates and gathers on unceded and unsundered traditional lands of the Wolastoqiyik.

1.1 Approval of Agenda - Motion: To Approve Agenda. Kelly/Monteiro 10/0/0. Motion Carried.

1.2 Approval of August 22nd Minutes - Motion: To Approve Minutes. Jayachandran/Nason 10/0/0. Motion Carried.

1.3 President Report

- Charlotte indicates there have been multiple meetings regarding the Whitebone Pizzeria; will discuss in detail later
- She was a member of the MacAulay O'Sullivan Awards Committee; award presented to ISS Team
- She & Blake hosted Clubs & Societies Transition Conference on Aug. 24th
- Meets monthly with Dr. Hauf to address students concerns; going forward will be meeting monthly with Sheldon MacLeod, Director of Student Services as well
- Regularly attending the Government of NB Sexual Violence Working Group Meetings under representation as NBSA Vice-Chair
- Renovations of SRC office and conference room now completed; the main door will remain closed due to current COVID situation; open by appointment only
- Student Complaint Portal initiative that began last year will continue this year; will work in partnership with Student Services to hopefully have one simple form

- She has yet to meet with members of the Presidents' Advisory Committee; plan is to meet before/during Reading Week
- Have not received a lot of applications from students for SRC/Senate Committee positions; if interested in sitting on a committee, reach out to her
- Provided a brief overview of NBSA; shared a presentation with council; lobby week will occur last week of November
- Kirsten Hurley hired as new VP Finance & Operations; new Athletic Rep has been selected
- New CSASA on campus - Trish Murray-Zelmer
- New Mental Health & Wellness Program called WeConnect; info sheet shared with council
- Took part in Beckett Residence Grand Opening and National Day of Truth and Reconciliation Event on Sept. 30th at UNB Fredericton
- SRC By-Election nominations open until noon tomorrow; depending on interest, might keep open for another week

1.4 VP External

- Adam worked on 100 Debates for the Environment; J.P. Lewis was moderator
- GOTV Campaign took place; plenty of engagement from students
- Attended a couple meetings with Lorenzo Society regarding Indigenous Films
- Currently working on advocacy document with NBSA
- Met with CASA; Advocacy Week will take place in February
- Meeting with CSASA; sexual violence disclosure posters/cards will be created and include information about CSASA
- Have discussed UNB Sustainability with Matt Bishop; attended sharing economy presentation - Saint John Tool Library - rental of various tools

1.5 VP Finance & Operations

- Kirsten states that 3 SafeRide drivers have been appointed and program began this week; Policy Manual has been updated
- Club Engagement Week took place with a Mocktail Mixer at end of week; another engagement will take place during winter semester
- Green Society to allocate some of their budget to the Clubs & Societies for green initiatives
- Clubs & Societies have been quite active; Student Services provided them with some funding for events
- She indicates the Green Society and Women In Business Society partnered for a pumpkin carving event
- A student is interested in starting a Shinerama Club; they have met with the national Shinerama organization to get club up and running
- Chaired 1st Finance Committee and distributed \$5250 to the 11 active clubs/societies for the fall semester
- Looking at creating a universal liability waiver for events that aren't covered under insurance

1.6 VP Student Life

- Blake states Orientation was a huge success; will use balance of budget for Welcome Back Week
- GooseChase was a resounding success; over 1700 submissions; it will be used throughout the year
- Zen Den set up in study room was very popular; highly requested for it to return
- Met with Events Committee to discuss future ideas; guided painting coming up - more info to follow
- Held the Clubs & Societies Mixer in Whitebone Pizzeria
- Represented the SRC at a Learning Community Session about how to get involved at UNB
- GooseChase event happening this week; digital presence high but low attendance for in person events
- Bingo event tomorrow in Whitebone Pizzeria; costume component in partnership with True Colours
- Conversations taking place with RBC in continuing to partnership with the SRC

1.7 Other Business - Office Computers

- Blake indicates looking to update the executive's computers; current ones are 2011 models
- They will not update any further; cannot see all images of unbsrc.ca; issued started in September
- Looking at four 2021 windows based computers instead of Apple: better compatibility with all programs
- **Motion: To Invest \$3,707.55 Towards New Computers for the SRC Office. Allen/Kelly 10/0/0. Motion Carried.**

1.8 Advocacy & EDI Committees

- Adam advocating for students to join the committees

1.9 Whitebone Pizzeria Update

- Charlotte states the SRC contributed a lot to the space - sound system, audio visual equipment and large S shaped table
- Some issues with utilizing area- students told they can't use space just for studying; event organizers have responsibilities put on them for using the space

- Charlotte has had several conversations with administration - Result: students are now able to study in the space without making a purchase and can now purchase a casual drink with free popcorn from 2-5pm - she's hoping to have that time extended
- She opens the floor up for discussion
- Chair indicates that pizza was doughy but has gotten better; likes the individual sized pizzas they're now offering
- Kathryn states the Psychology Society held an event there; positive experience - pizza & garlic fingers good
- Arkk suggests that they offer pasta as well
- Kirsten states that when the clubs & societies host an event in space, they are responsible for the bar and its contents which she disagrees with
- Charlotte states administration is aware of the responsibility put on them and a resolution will be made with a follow up to the clubs & societies
- Charlotte indicates the area is not just a food outlet; it's an event space as well

2.0 Whitebone Atrium & Clock Tower Lounge Furniture

- Charlotte states council previously identified a budget for furniture; has now received quotes
- She likes atrium layout; not a fan of Clock Tower Lounge one
- She shares the drawing of the atrium area and then opens the floor up for discussion
- Arkk asks if the SRC has a measurement of tables so a comparison can be made of other study room tables
- Kirsten feels that the SRC logo needs to be placed somewhere in space so the student's contributions can be seen
- Kathryn questions whether space is for leisure or a study area- Charlotte indicates it's whatever council envisions it as; Kathryn feels that tables should be bigger and fewer chairs
- Lauren agrees with Kathryn and also states that logo could be placed on window wall
- Adam states perhaps space could be just a leisure area as he feels every space on campus is a study one
- Blake suggests capturing the same feel as seating near Tim Hortons - a space to hang out and say Hi
- Clara agrees with Adam & Blake and suggests that small tables almost force people not to study
- Sweta suggests obtaining more opinions from the general student population; Clara indicates she can share a doc with nursing students and Chair, with the education students
- Charlotte shares quotes and indicates there will be a price adjustment in December
- Clock Tower Lounge drawing shared with council; Charlotte opens up floor again for discussion
- Adam feels there should be consistency with the two areas: same tables/chairs
- Arkk feels layout is too crowded, more tables and less chairs
- Clara agrees with Adam's comment and suggests a mix of furniture - couch, couple chairs and standing tables to allow more open space
- Niomi feels a couch would be a good idea and not too many tables - tables make you feel obligated to study there
- Council agrees not to move forward with a motion tonight on furniture purchases; more research and input to take place

2.1 COVID and Course Regulations

- Charlotte states if a student is missing class due to COVID-19 symptoms, professors are required to accommodate; doctor's note are not required
- Arkk feels that not all profs are aware; Charlotte indicates university handles professor side
- Students can reach out to their faculty chair to resolve any issues; if a challenge, contact Charlotte
- No student should be penalized for missing class
- Possibly put out a form to students to get their feedback
- Blake feels there needs to be better communication with profs on processes
- Adam feels rapid tests should be available to all students; Charlotte states she has had conversation with the university and they're on board but the province dispenses the kits

Meeting Adjourned at 9:07PM.