

## Minutes

The fifth meeting of the 2021-22 session of the Students' Representative Council of the UNBSJ Inc. was held December 19, 2021 at the Whitebone Pizzeria.

Attendance: Executive: Charlotte Fanjoy, President

Adam Lambert, VP External Blake Allen, VP Student Life

Kirsten Hurley, VP Finance & Operations

Councilors: Kathryn Nason, Arts Rep

Abby Bernard, Athletic Rep(Virtual) Lauren McKinley, Business Rep Ali Sherazi, DMNB Rep(Virtual) Niomi Monteiro, International Rep

Tanya Paterson, Mature Student Rep(Left meeting at 4:40pm)

Clara Kelly, Nursing/Health Sciences Rep

Madison Worth, SASE Rep

Chair: Emma Higdon

Absent: Arkk Sahay, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Rep

Katie Herrington, LGBTQ+ Rep

Guest: Matthew MacLennan, DMNB Rep(Virtual)

Meeting was called to order at 2:37PM

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

- 1.1 Approval of Agenda Motion: To Approve Amended Agenda. Charlotte requested a change in order of items under Other Business-move councilor check-in/update to first. McKinley/Kelly 12/0/0. Motion Carried.
- 1.2 Approval of October 28th Minutes Motion: To Approve Minutes. Monteiro/Nason 12/0/0. Motion Carried.
- 1.3 President Report
  - Charlotte welcomes the newest councilors
  - Monthly meetings with Dr. Hauf have been going well; now meeting monthly with Sheldon MacLeod as well
  - She attended the PRUDE Diversity Champion Awards Gala; Dr. Hauf was the keynote speaker
  - Part of NBSA Advocacy week; met with government officials and university administration
  - Working on getting a permanent land acknowledgement on the campus and awaiting quote from an indigenous artist for campus trail signage

# 1.4 VP External

- Adam states EDI Committee met a couple times to discuss goals for the year
- He participated in NBSA Advocacy Week; met with UNB administration and MLA's
- The SRC gave roses to the Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> Committee; live streamed event

- Sexual Violent Poster going through UNB's branding process; should be available Jan/Feb
- Working on SRC Bulletin which comes out monthly

## 1.5 VP Student Life

- Blake has met with Heather in Student Services regarding Winter Orientation Jan 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>; many events could be digital due to COVID
- Thank You Thursdays in person giveaways have been successful; will continue next semester as Treat Yourself Tuesdays
- Creativity Week was a huge success, good turnout
- Will be starting a GooseChase Committee; if anyone interested, reach out to him
- Have created a Special Events Coordinator position; job will be posted

## 1.6 VP Finance & Operations

- Kirsten states SafeRide is running well; priority will be searching for another driver next semester, so all shifts are filled
- She has received great feedback on the support the SRC is providing to Clubs & Societies; have collaborated with some on events and more to come
- Some notable events; E-night, WIB Market & Nursing Gala
- Looking at doing a gala or recognition event at end of year for clubs & societies
- Reviewed Draft Financial Statements with auditor; will go into details later and open up floor to discuss ways to reduce cash

# 1.7 Other Business - Councilor Check In/Update

- Charlotte opens up floor to express any issues councilors have or heard of
- Niomi & Madison question why some faculties have dinners/galas and others don't: most are done through clubs/societies
- Clara says students having difficulty in accessing writing center; emailed Sheldon at Students Services; he said they're working on something; Charlotte said she'll look into further
- Madison has heard positive feedback from students about Thank You Thursdays and looking forward to Last Class Bash
- Charlotte states hoping to have SRC Awards ceremony again this year
- Matthew indicates DMNB was selected to host Atlantic Medical Student Conference
- Tanya questions whether there was another option for writing exams other than gym; talked to people who
  felt it is extremely stressful; would like to advocate having exams in classrooms where material was taught
- One councilor notes belongings had to be left in hallway, no water allowed and chairs not 6 feet apart
- Concerns brought up about no accommodations for unwell students; Charlotte discussed with administration and told professors are allowed to require attendance but supposed to accommodate if unwell and a sick note is not required
- Discussion on how to submit concerns with university; Charlotte working with university on a portal
- Talks about transferring credits between both campuses; Charlotte working with UNBSU on this; would have to draft a policy and present to university

## 1.8 2021 Draft Financial Statements

- Kirsten presents the 2021 Draft Financial Statements to council
- Discusses the cash surplus and reserve fund
- Indicates on Schedule of SRC Revenue & Expenses that revenue lower for 2021 as no paid events
- Goes into detail about Reserve Fund an internally restricted fund set by council a few years back; created to ensure stability of the organization; years ago in poor financial position but now SRC has built that back up but going in the other direction; need to spend down some money; cash will be reduced with upcoming Atrium and Clock Tower purchases
- She notes the SRC Commitments Health & Social Innovation Centre and the SRC Student Bursary

# Motion: To Approve 2021 Draft Financial Statements. Hurley/Worth 12/0/0. Motion Carried.

- Council discusses asset purchase options; perhaps furniture in the residence or quad area; investing more in clubs & societies
- Matthew talks about perhaps creating an endowment fund for clubs & societies
- Kirsten says to email her with any ideas

#### 1.9 Atrium Furniture

- Charlotte shares new layout with council; shows sample table to them
- New quote is \$21,638.85 for couch, tables & stools
- She opens floor up for discussion; Adam concerned about price Charlotte indicates within budget and furniture chosen has to be a specific material due to fire marshal; councilors like the bistro style tables & design of furniture; Tanya questions the stability of stools; someone asks if there will be outlets in the area

Motion: To Approve \$21.638.85 for Atrium Furniture Project. Fanjov/Lambert 12/0/0. Motion Carried.

#### 2.0 Clock Tower Lounge

- Charlotte shares the previous furniture layouts; felt not appropriate for area
- She states the exec team discussed space and came up with idea of an arcade area
- Want to create a relaxing space for students; a fun spot on campus
- Some councilors question noise in area; Matthew's concern is maintenance/damage of machines
- Blake states there are four plugs in area; the exec chose 3 of the games Simpsons, Ms Pac-Man Galaga & NBA Jam; council chooses Ridge Racer as 4<sup>th</sup> one

Motion: To Approve \$3,840.80 for Ms Pac-Man Galaga, NBA Jam, Simpsons Arcade & Ridge Racer. Allen/Kelly 12/0/0. Motion Carried.

- Charlotte indicates had conversation with Facilities Management to ensure project is doable; they agreed to do some painting and re-tiling of the area
- She states University as a whole is excited about this creative initiative

## 2.1 Mature Student Councilor Position

- Charlotte states Tanya has been absent from previous council meetings; she refers council to and reads aloud By-Law #17, section (c)
- Tanya indicates she's embarrassed in missing meetings; a busy Mom of 4; UNB is important to her; strong advocate for Mature Students; would love to stay on the SRC; passionate about the work the SRC is doing on campus
- Tanya leaves meeting at 4:40pm

Motion: To Move Meeting In Camera. Fanjoy/Monteiro 11/0/0. Motion Carried. Discussion ends.

Motion: To Move Out Of Camera. Fanjoy/Kelly 11/0/0. Motion Carried.

Motion: To Keep Tanya Paterson As Mature Student Councilor. Fanjoy/Worth 6/5/0. Motion Carried.

#### 2.2 Orientation Chair

- Charlotte motions to move in camera
- She states that due to length of meeting Agenda Item #7 End of Semester Wrap Up, will be sent via email

Motion: To Move Meeting In Camera. Fanjoy/Kelly 11/0/0. Motion Carried. Discussion ends.

Motion: To Move Out Of Camera. Fanjoy/Monteiro 11/0/0. Motion Carried.

Motion: To Adjourn Meeting at 5:30PM. Kelly/McKinley 11/0/0. Motion Carried.