



## Minutes

The tenth meeting of the 2022-23 session of the Students' Representative Council of the UNBSJ Inc. was held March 25, 2023 in the Hume Council Chamber.

Attendance:	Executive:	Faseeh Khalil, VP External/Acting President(Teams) Chris Tait, VP Finance & Operations
	Councilors:	Jillian Smith, Arts Rep Adam Lambert, Athletic Rep Laura Harkness, DMNB Rep(Teams) Sarah Mahmood, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Rep(Teams) Madison Worth, SASE Rep
	Chair:	Emma Higdon
	Absent:	Bertha Debly, VP Student Life Emily Smith, Business Rep Dylan Baxter, Member at Large Rep Gurshaan Randhawa, Residence Rep
	Guests:	Angel Cote, Wellness Coordinator Safe Abujayyab

**Meeting was called to order at 5:08PM**

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

**1.1 Approval of Agenda - Motion: To Approve Amended Agenda. Chris states need to add Social Budget Line Deficit-Tropical Party. Tait/Lambert 7/0/0. Motion Carried.**

**1.2 Approval of February 28th Minutes - Motion: To Approve Minutes. Tait/Lambert 7/0/0. Motion Carried.**

### **1.3 VP Finance & Operations**

- Chris states SafeRide working well; some excess in budget line so plans on giving out some bus passes
- Still working on the budget for next year
- Yard Games happening this week for Clubs & Societies; working with Angel on that
- Will reallocate funding for Clubs & Societies and send emails out
- Working on the By-Laws; lawyers came back with some changes that need to get passed by council
- He attended his first NBSA meeting and was appointed to the Finance Committee; He and Faseeh plan on attending the AGM in April

### **1.4 VP Student Life**

- In Bertha's absence the Chair speaks on her behalf
- St. Patrick's Day Breakfast went well
- Planning the SRC Awards to take place Apr. 5th in the GHLT

- She attended CASA Conference this week with Faseeh

### 1.5 Acting President Report

- Faseeh indicates that Ramadan preparations are underway; prayer room has been completed
- He attended CASA AGM in Halifax as primary delegate
- Assisted the rest of team with Last Class Bash and SRC Awards
- Working on transition with Madison & Walter; meetings next week
- Will schedule interviews for hired positions

### 1.6 Wellness Coordinator

- Angel states Smart Bag Program still going well; in the 40 bag range
- She & Chris met with Fundy Resiliency; willing to partner with SRC for the program
- Received a food donation from Sam at Chartwells this week
- She met with the Aquatic Centre who's willing to partner with the SRC and provide free transportation for students
- Two 7-day aquatic passes for students will be given to us
- Last Class Bash will be held at Crave on April 6<sup>th</sup> from 10pm-2am; free transportation for residence students and free drinks

### 1.7 By-Laws

- Chris states lawyer reviewed proposed By-Law changes
- Lawyer recommends for new By-Law which allows there to be disciplinary action in breach of current By-Law #23, to define formal inquiry or point to a governance document; Chris will define formal inquiry
- Also recommended rewriting old By-Law #51 (a), (b) & (c); will now read as follows:
  - (a) Any purchase/expenditures over \$5,000 shall be submitted to the Student Council for approval
  - (b) Student Council shall be notified of the plan for any purchases/expenditures over \$2,500, not including predetermined purchases/expenditures. Upon notification, the Student Council reserves the right to decline the purchase/expenditure within 3 business days, failing which, the purchase/expenditure is deemed approved.
  - (c) Student Council shall be notified of the plan for any purchases/expenditures over \$1,500, outside of the general operating budget. Upon notification, the Student Council reserves the right to decline the purchase/expenditure within 3 business days, failing which, the purchase/expenditure is deemed approved.

**Motion: To Approve By-Laws #2,#4,#7,#10,#12,#16,#22,#23,#24, #29,#30,#33,#14,#37,#53,#35,#36,#39,#51,#54,#70,#71,#72,#73 & #74. Tait/Lambert 7/0/0. Motion Carried.**

### 1.8 Last Class Bash

- Chris states bash will be held at Crave; feels event is really needed
- Social budget running dry; will run a deficit due to event

**Motion: To Approve up to \$3,000 for the Tropical Party Event. Tait/Worth 7/0/0. Motion Carried.**

### 1.9 Saint John Transit Bus Pass Initiative

- Faseeh has had multiple meetings with partners from GSA and the Director of Saint John Transit
- Initial demand was having a discounted monthly Bus Pass for students on an opt in & opt out basis
- Director from Saint John Transit said was not feasible; presented an alternate model that he had implemented for Dalhousie students which is noted on their website
- Dal pricing: Summer 2022 - \$82.55:Fall/Winter 2022/23 - \$167.70:Winter 2023 only - \$83.85
- Their service is mandatory for all students registered from Fall to April with Summer being an opt in/out basis
- Initiative presented to Dr. Hauf; her concern came through the mandatory condition for all students; she has sent proposal to the President & Technical Analysis team of UNB to assess
- Adam feels way too many students are not going to use it
- Madison feels a survey would be useful to see who is using the service; feels it'd be more expensive for the majority of students

**Motion: To Support the Saint John Bus Pass Initiative. Khalil/Mahmood 3/2/2. Motion Carried.**

**Motion: To Adjourn Meeting at 6:03PM. Tait/Worth 7/0/0. Motion Carried.**