



Minutes

The third meeting of the 2022-23 session of the Students' Representative Council of the UNBSJ Inc. was held October 23, 2022 in the Whitebone Pizzeria.

Attendance:	Executive:	Devin Debly, President Ridhima Dixit, VP External Bertha Debly, VP Student Life Chris Tait, VP Finance & Operations
	Councilors:	Adam Lambert, Athletic Rep Emily Smith, Business Rep Sarah Mahmood, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Rep(Left @ 8:15) Hayden Hovey, Indigenous Student Rep(Teams) Faseeh Khalil, International Rep Sarah Scallen, LGBTQ+ Rep Dylan Baxter, Member at Large Rep Gurshaan Randhawa, Residence Rep
	Chair:	Emma Higdon
	Regrets:	Jillian Smith, Arts Rep DMNB Rep Madison Worth, SASE Rep
	Guests:	Dr. Petra Hauf, VP UNB Saint John Dr. Kathy Wilson, VP Academic UNB Fredericton Suman Dep Nath, CRO Estee Gerrits, Marketing & Communications Coordinator

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm

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 Agenda. D. Debly/Tait 12/0/0. Motion Carried.

1.2 Approval of October 7th Minutes - Motion: To Approve Minutes. D. Debly/Tait 12/0/0. Motion Carried.

1.3 Council Updates

- Adam states Think Pink t-shirts have been ordered
- Sarah working on a Trivia Night
- Dylan has reached out to some businesses for student discounts or benefits
- Emily had discussions with Business Dean about tutoring
- Faseeh introduces Gurshaan - Residence Rep

1.4 Provost Presentation - Dr. Hauf & Dr. Wilson

- Dr. Wilson introduces herself to council; wants to bring everyone up to speed on Provost transition
- She states central goal is to provide students with a cohesive experience that is exceptional for them
- Dr. Hauf indicates been working on this project since last year; new structure was approved by the Board of Governors
- Both have met regularly with the leaders of Student Services on both campuses about the beginnings of integration across both campuses
- President has met and informed those units that are academic or academic support reporting directly to his office and what it means to them
- Dr. Wilson shares a slide of the Current Leadership Model of Senior Administration; change in the portfolios of VP Academic(Fredericton) and VP Saint John
- One UNB but two campuses each with their own unique cultural contexts
- Provost has been presented at Town Halls and Senate; shares the proposed future structure - at least 2 Vice Provosts
- One academic leader; need that for UNB's robust strategic plan
- Dr. Hauf states transition has to be in a measured way - integrating campus specific units so they become an institutional unit
- Dr. Wilson indicates search for the Provost is probably a year long process; hire a search firm and work with consultants on what definition is of job description
- A website was launched on Oct. 6th/Town Hall was held for Faculty & Staff on Oct. 11th/October-November will be meetings with units/Drop-In Coffee & Conversation November-December
- She encourages council to get word out to students; they can send their feedback or questions about the Provost to engage@unb.ca
- Chris & Faseeh asks about hiring process; Dr. Hauf indicates both internal and external people can apply
- Faseeh ask if the Provost will affect the SRC's role; Dr. Hauf states still connected to Student Services
- The Provost will sit in Saint John; the two Senates and Committees are staying in place
- Faseeh says they are differences in services between the two locations and asks how well can the Provost balance them out; Dr. Hauf states there will be people supporting the Provost - more people educated and working for the campuses
- Hayden states "We can claim that it is one campus but unless you are going to accommodate transportation for staff and students between campuses at no additional costs, they're still two campuses"
- Dr. Hauf indicates there are different ways to connect besides physical; talks of utilizing technology better
- Emily asks how the SRC can contribute to the Provost; Dr. Wilson indicates to talk in an informed way to other students & people in general - spread the word
- Devin asks if a student will be on the Search Committee - Yes
- He asks what some tangible changes for the average student are - Flexibility/transfer credits
- In closing, he asks which campus will it better assist - Both, in different ways
- Council thanks them for presenting

1.5 President Report

- Devin states that VPFO Chris Tait and Marketing & Communications Coordinator Estee Gerrits were hired
- Has been working with a lot of councilors on their projects
- Working on policies for NBSA Advocacy Week
- Will be heading to Ottawa on Nov. 20th to attend CASA's Advocacy Week
- He's been reviewing By-Laws and policy changes
- Estee speaks up and says if council needs anything posted to reach out to her; she then leaves meeting

1.6 VP Finance & Operations

- Chris introduces himself; started position on Monday
- Getting everything in order for SafeRide; program to start tomorrow
- Discusses budget; indicates that Orientation was over and still awaiting an invoice from the NBSA
- Has been trying to catch up to speed on what the former VPFO already submitted & completed and what still needs to be done
- Fall & Orientation Levies have been received; will reach out to Financial Services to request any remaining balance

1.7 VP External

- Ridhima worked on getting a survey out about menstrual products on campus; received just over 100 responses
- Created a policy regarding menstrual products that she'll present later
- Met with Chartwells about getting produce bags on campus

- She's working on a Winter Warm Up Clothing Drive for students
- Discussing Naloxone training on campus with Avenue B

1.8 VP Student Life

- Arcade area decorated for Halloween
- Working on Sustainability Week events
- More planning done for the Holiday Ball
- Area 506 event happening this Saturday; SafeRide will be operating during the event

1.9 Other Business

- Devin asks for any more councilor updates
- Faseeh states he's been working on getting gym hours extended
- He indicates that some students have reached out to him asking if the SRC could provide bus passes; willing to pay more for them - Devin will follow up at next meeting
- Emily is in the process of getting sponsors to host a Business Ball; plans on partnering with the WIB Society

2.0 Whitebone Pizzeria Pool Table

- Faseeh states that he and Devin met with Chartwells
- 3 purchase options presented; last one being the same as what is used at Dooly's
- Also obtained pricing for dollies to move table
- Faseeh feels it'll be a great way to get student engagement
- Devin indicates that Chartwells will manage the balls & cue sticks; there will be a sign out sheet
- Emily states that it gets excessively loud in the room; Devin said can have a conversation with UNB/Chartwells
- Hayden asks about getting student ID cards scannable; SRC doesn't have the ability to do that
- Devin indicates Option 1 is \$4,414.85; Option 2 \$5,345.19(excluding installation) and Option 3 from Palason.com(Dooly's brand) is \$4,869.10 with additional accessory kit of \$349.99

Motion: To Approve \$5,319.00 for Ascot Black 8' Pool Table, Accessories & Dollies. D. Debly/Lambert 10/1/0.

Motion Carried.

2.1 Meeting Time

- Council discusses what day and time is best for everyone
- Majority agrees with Fridays from 4-6pm

2.2 Menstrual Products Policy

- Ridhima states Menstrual Survey went well
- 67% of students have had difficulty accessing products on campus
- The Sir James Dunn Residence communal bathrooms do not carry menstrual products; only way to access is through RA's or Residence Life Coordinator
- There is limited access on campus being the Campus Store and Resource Centre
- 96% of respondents agree menstrual product dispensers that are regularly stocked would elevate period poverty from campus
- Recommendations to UNB - free regularly stocked menstrual product dispensers in at least 50% of the necessary bathrooms on campus/Invest in free menstrual products & dispensers in all communal bathrooms at all 3 residence buildings
- SRC is not investing in this; is an ask to UNB

Motion: To Pass Policy UW1: Menstrual Equity at UNBSJ. Dixit/Smith 11/0/0. Motion Carried.

2.3 Committees

- Devin places 6 Committee sign-up sheets on table for councilors

2.4 Slack

- Devin indicates everyone has been added to Slack group chat
- Will use it for communicating with council
- Hayden states will not use Slack as it's terrible

In closing, Devin follows up regarding Wellness Coordinator. He indicates that anyone can apply for position however non councilors will have a better favor in the hiring process. He feels that it wouldn't really work if a councilor was doing both positions; wouldn't have time to do both.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:20PM.