



## Minutes

The fifth meeting of the 2020-21 session of the Students' Representative Council of the UNBSJ Inc. was held October 28, 2020 through Microsoft Teams.

Attendance:	Executive:	Patrick Hickey, President Charlotte Fanjoy, VP External Josh Northrup, VP Finance & Operations Kirsten Hurley, VP Student Life
	Councilors:	Emma Higdon, Arts Rep Hanna Grossman, Athletic Rep Maria Cummings, Business Rep Kathleen MacMillan, DMNB Rep Ria Sabitry, International Rep Christina McLean, Mature Student Rep Austin Kendall, Residence Rep Kaleigh Wadden, SASE Rep
	Chair:	Ryan Walsh
	Absent:	Clara Kelly, Nursing/Health Sciences Rep

**Meeting was called to order at 8:30PM**

**1.1 Approval of Agenda - Motion: To Approve Agenda. Northrup/Higdon 12/0/0. Motion Carried.**

**1.2 Approval of August 13, 2020 Minutes - Motion: To Approve Minutes. Wadden/Higdon 12/0/0. Motion Carried.**

### **1.3 President Report**

- Patrick welcomes new council members and announces Charlotte has been officially elected as VP External
- He states that construction on the new bar is well underway; hoping to be completed by end of semester
- New residence building should open in January; new endowment fund has been created
- Operational plan has been approved for SRC Resource Centre; tentative date to open is Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Approximately 30 students now sitting on UNB and SRC committees
- Fall By-Election took place - one new councilor and an executive member elected
- Will attend the UG Scholarship Committee to discuss reducing credit hours from 4 to 3 per semester
- Study spaces on campus now posted on the SRC website

### **1.4 VP Student Life**

- Kirsten states that O Week was a success with \$6000 in sponsorships; Shinerama bottle drive raised \$2514
- Social media basket giveaways held during Thanksgiving
- Partnered with residence and Conference Services for a Friendsgiving dinner held in the dining hall, 80 free meals handed out
- Currently in the middle of Halloweek; events taking place both virtually and in person
- Working on creating a Safe Ride lounge for the drivers
- Acquiring sponsors for local getaway giveaway during Reading Week
- Looking to order SRC branded face masks for council members and staff

### **1.5 VP External**

- Charlotte states that she and Patrick successfully ran a GOTV campaign
- Worked on the NBSA Open Educational Resource campaign; held an event on campus
- Sex Week will take place after Reading Week
- November is CASA & NBSA advocacy month

- Attended Student Technology Fee meeting; committee looking for suggestions of an alternative approach to fee this year

#### **1.6 VP Finance & Operations**

- Josh indicates Safe Ride has been running since September and abiding by Public Health regulations
- Will order some decals for vehicle to promote mandatory masks and replace any on vehicle now that are in poor condition
- Currently 15 active Clubs & Societies on campus; most are hosting events virtually
- A virtual Clubs Week was held earlier this month; SRC website has been updated with the active clubs
- The Finance Committee met and allocated almost 50% of funds

#### **1.7 Other Business - Residence Council Update**

- Austin is the only member of Residence Council; result of COVID and a reduction of the Residence Council Fee
- He's hoping to avoid conflicts in the future with residence & SRC events; wants to collaborate more
- Residence will be bringing counselling services on site
- New residence will be used for isolation before winter semester; almost to full capacity

#### **1.8 Virtual Semester Course Issues**

- **Motion: To Move Meeting In-Camera. Northrup/Grossman 12/0/0. Motion Carried.** Discussion ends.
- **Motion: To Move Out of Camera. Northrup/Higdon 12/0/0. Motion Carried.**

#### **1.9 Budget Revision**

- Josh states due to COVID there was discussion of modifying the current budget
- After consultation with accountants and discussion with the exec and Lorna, budget will remain the same
- He indicates will need to be diligent in spending as revenue will be lower

#### **2.0 Closure of Saint John Bookstore**

- Patrick states closure occurred due to finances
- Bookstore might re-open in the future; perhaps in proposed new building
- Students can purchase and have items shipped from Fredericton
- Student Resource Centre will be stocked with school supplies

#### **2.1 Student Survey**

- Patrick states this was discussed earlier while in-camera

#### **2.2 Student Technology Fee**

- Charlotte met with the committee; they're looking for suggestions on how students want their technology fee used
- Patrick states that funding from the fee has been approved for the SRC's study rooms
- Charlotte encouraging everyone to send her any ideas they have

#### **2.3 DMNB Student Fees**

- Kathleen indicates Patrick answered their questions by email

**Motion: To Adjourn. Hickey/Wadden 12/0/0. Motion Carried.**