



Minutes

The eighth meeting of the 2022-23 session of the Students' Representative Council of the UNBSJ Inc. was held February 18, 2023 in the Hume Council Chamber.

Attendance:	Executive:	Devin Debly, President Chris Tait, VP Finance & Operations Bertha Debly, VP Student Life Faseeh Khalil, VP External
	Councilors:	Jillian Smith, Arts Rep Adam Lambert, Athletic Rep Emily Smith, Business Rep(Arrives at 6PM) Sarah Mahmood, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Rep Dylan Baxter, Member at Large Rep(Teams - Left at 6:10PM) Gurshaan Randhawa, Residence Rep(Teams - Left at 6PM) Madison Worth, SASE Rep
	Chair:	Emma Higdon
	Absent:	DMNB Rep
	Guests:	Wasiimah Joomun, Member Relations Officer - CASA

Meeting was called to order at 4:38PM

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 Agenda. Amended by Faseeh to add Policy Committee. **D. Debly/Worth 10/0/0. Motion Carried.**

1.2 Approval of February 3rd Minutes - Motion: To Approve Minutes. **D. Debly/Lambert 10/0/0. Motion Carried.**

1.3 CASA Presentation

- Wasiimah states that CASA represents 400,000 + students across the country; currently 23 members & 7 board members
 - Member driven structure; fee based on amount of students/cost per FTE
 - Non-profit organization; have a three year strategy plan, operating procedures and By-Laws
 - Pillars are Membership/Advocacy/Policy & Research/Public Relations/Governance
 - Members usually appoint two delegates - President & VP External - primary & secondary
 - Represent students at a national level
 - CASA has 8 Committees
1. Policy & Research Papers - Each year put out a paper about issues affecting students
 2. Lobby Meetings - Meet with Members of Parliament
 3. Parliamentary - Chair presents policy recommendations to government

4. UEQ(Union Etudiante de Quebec) Partnership - School system very different/work closely together
5. National Indigenous Advocacy - Students meet once a year; bring forward their own policies to CASA
6. Campaigns - Election year have Get Out the Vote Campaign/Mental Health in the past/Half your Degree forthcoming
7. Record of Success - CASA advocated for International student working hours/discussed issues with government on backlog of international students coming to the country and also how hard it was with inflation around their working hours
8. Definition of Disability - Government expanded that definition under Canada Student Financial Assistance Program
 - She discusses a year at CASA - when conferences take place/board retreat/AGM
 - Top 4 advocacy priorities voted by membership: Student Financial Aid/Student Mental Health/Sustainability & Housing/Decolonization
 - In closing, she says what does this mean for UNBSRC? - represent students at a national level/get to attend CASA conferences and take on leadership roles/participate in committees/advanced stakeholder relations/access to workshop training
 - She opens the floor up for questions; Faseeh asks if there is an issue and the Policy Committee comes up with a policy/papers are they presented to CASA or is a particular procedure in place?
 - Wasiimah indicates that prior to Foundations Conference that work is done and then those ideas shared at the conference
 - Faseeh states that his term is almost over; she suggests to write any issues down and pass it on to the next executive coming in
 - Council thanks Wasiimah for her time

1.4 VP Finance & Operations

- Chris states that SafeRide has been working efficiently
- Draft budget completed and sent to UNB last week; working on final one
- Business Administration Society is now a ratified club again; the Global Society submitted a constitution as well however needs to be revised
- SRC merchandise arrived
- Continuing to work on the By-Laws

1.5 President Report

- Welcoming Faseeh with a good transition
- Devin states still working on the Bus Pass Initiative
- Mohak Anand has been hired as the CRO; he worked on election material with Angel & Mohak
- A new conference table coming soon
- He and Angel launched SRC Smart Bags on Tuesday; bags will be handed out in about a week and a half
- A few interviews for the Marketing position have taken place; more next week and hopefully by Friday someone will be in position

1.6 VP Student Life

- Bertha states did a giveaway of 5 bookbags
- Chocolates passed out; great hit
- Sex Week a success; GooseChase running until tonight and winner to be announced on Tuesday
- 150 Sea Dogs tickets given away
- Collaborated with Chartwells for a Super Bowl watch party
- She's currently working on DIY Night; event partnership with WIB and Green Society happening Friday
- Preparing for Year End Awards and a big year end event

1.7 VP External

- Faseeh states he's working on the policy framework
- Worked with Devin on the Marketing interviews and on Bus Pass Initiative
- Working on revamping the Menstrual Equity Policy
- He helped Angel with Sex Week; part of CRO interviews
- Will be contacting SU's Rose Grant and discuss with her on how we can improve our own policy framework
- He feels position is lacking in policies; CASA Handbook has been a help

1.8 Wellness Coordinator

- Devin states he worked with Angel on Affordability Week
- Employment Days held in front of cafeteria; huge success
- Sex Week a success; large attendance for bingo evening
- He's proud of Angel and the work she's done; so glad that she's on the team

1.9 Councilor Updates

- Sarah states had first EDI meeting this past week; EDI Week will take place next week - four events planned

- Madison has been working on a mentorship program for science students; 17 people have been matched

2.0 SRC Awards

- Bertha states awards going to be a bit different this year; each councilor come up with an award related to their position and a list of 3-5 nominees by the end of February
- Voting will be done on Instagram
- An email will be sent out to councilors with details
- Will be an award this year for an SRC member; council asked to send Bertha a name

2.1 Sweetgrass Room

Motion: To Move Meeting in Camera. Tait/D. Debly 10/0/0. Motion Carried.

Discussion Ends.

Motion: To Move Out of Camera. Tait/Lambert 10/0/0. Motion Carried.

Motion: To Limit the Expenditures with Due Diligence for the Sweetgrass Room. Tait/Worth 10/0/0. Motion Carried.

Motion: To Amend Agenda to Add Election Concerns. Tait/Khalil 10/0/0. Motion Carried.

Motion: To Move Meeting in Camera. Tait/Worth 10/0/0. Motion Carried.

Discussion Ends.

Motion: To Move Meeting out of Camera. Tait/Worth 10/0/0. Motion Carried.

Motion: To Start the Impeachment Process for a Student Talked About in Camera. Tait/Khalil 9/0/1. Motion Carried.

2.2 Policy Committee

- Faseeh states looking to create a Policy & Research Committee
- He will chair; Devin would like to co-chair
- Will have a few students on committee as well
- If any councilor would like to be part of reach out to him

2.3 By-Laws

- Devin states this is the third step of the By-Law process; at stage where council says are these changes good or not and if any concerns to speak up
- After this meeting By-Law changes will go to lawyer for review and then come back to council one last time with final By-Law document

- **Page 1, By-Law #2** - Added DMNB Program and change ratification to by the Board of Governors

Motion: To Amend By-Law #2. D. Debly/Worth 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 1, By-Law #4** - Added DMNB Students

Motion: To Amend By-Law #4. D. Debly/Lambert 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 2, By-Law #7** - Removed "*after the first day of November*"

Motion: To Amend By-Law #7. D. Debly/E. Smith 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 2, By-Law #10** - Decided to eliminate By-Law #10 and modify By-Law #26

Motion: To Remove By-Law #10 and Modify & Add By-Law #26 (a). D. Debly/E. Smith 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 3, By-Law #12** - Committee recommended to remove; no location on campus that can accommodate 25% members.

Motion: To Delete By-Law #12. D. Debly/Lambert. 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 4, By-Law #16(b)** - Not altered as the definition of a member in good standing was defined as a member who has paid their student fees

- **Page 5, By-Law #23** - Committee recommended adding a new By-Law which allows there to be disciplinary action in breach of By-Law 23.

Motion: To Add New By-Law(#24). D. Debly/Tait 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 6, By-Law #29** - Committee decided not to change

- **Page 6, By-Law #30** - Committee decided not to change

- Chris states had thought about increasing summer hours but didn't due to financial concerns/budget

- **Page 7, By-Law #33** - Changed the elected position to Vice President Student Life and Vice President External to hired

Motion: To Amend By-Law #33. Tait/Lambert 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 3, By-Law 14 (b) & (d)** - Needed to be updated as By-Law #33 changed

Motion: To Amend By-Law 14 (b) and (d). D. Debly/J. Smith 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 12, By-Law #53** - Needed to change wording due to By-Law #33

Motion: To Amend By-Law #53. D. Debly/E. Smith 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 7, By-Law #35** - Did not change due to financial concerns/budget

- **Page 8, By-Law #36** - Updated responsibilities

Motion: To Amend By-Law #36. D. Debly/J. Smith 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 8, By-Law #37** - Updated responsibilities

Motion: To Amend By-Law #37. D. Debly/Worth 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 9, By-Law #39** - Updated responsibilities

Motion: To Amend By-Law #39. D Debly/Lambert 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 12, 51 (a)** - Changed to read any purchase over 5K

- **Page 12, 51 (b)** - Will notify student council of any purchases/expenditures over \$2500 not including pre-determined purchase or expenditures

- **Page 12, 51 (c)** - Will notify the executive team of purchases or expenditures over \$1,500 outside the general operating budget

Motion: To Amend By-Law's 51 (a) & (b) and add (c). D. Debly/Khalil. 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 12, By-Law #54** - Switched External to Student Life/included outgoing President and removed Student Services

Motion: To Amend By-Law #54. D. Debly/Khalil 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 15, By-Law #70** - Added Wellness & Marketing & Communications Coordinator Positions and notation that there shall be no less than 2 executive members present during hiring

Motion: To Amend By-Law #70. D. Debly/E. Smith 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 16, By-Law #71** - Updated responsibilities

Motion: To Amend By-Law #71. D. Debly/E. Smith 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- Added new Marketing & Communications Coordinator position

Motion: To Add New By-Law. D. Debly/Khalil 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- Added new Wellness Coordinator position

Motion: To Add New By-Law. D. Debly/J. Smith 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

- **Page 17, By-Law #74** - Changed wording slightly

Motion: To Amend By-Law #74. D. Debly/Worth. 9/0/0. Motion Carried.

Motion: To Adjourn Meeting at 7:26PM. D. Debly/Tait 9/0/0. Motion Carried.