

## Minutes

The third meeting of the 2018-19 session of the Students' Representative Council of the UNBSJ Inc. was held January 16, 2019 in the Hume Council Chamber.

Attendance: Executive: Samuel Palmer, President

Austin Maillet, VP Finance Mackenzie Keir, VP Social Caitlin Grogan, VP External

Councilors: Laura Palmer, Business Rep

Eric Comeau, DMNB Rep

Allison Woodman, Disability/Accessibility Rep

Adanna Ogunka, International Rep Connor DeMerchant, LGBTQ+ Rep Alexander Allison, Member at Large Rep Ashley Cook, Nursing/Health Sciences Rep

Hannah Ranni, Residence Rep

Cassie Hall, SASE Rep

Chair: Logan Johnson

Regrets: Jenna DeGooyer, Athletic Rep

## Meeting was called to order at 5:04PM

- 1.1 Approval of Agenda Austin motions to amend agenda for the addition of choosing a Safe Ride vehicle. Motion: To Amend Agenda. Maillet/Grogan 13/0/0. Motion Carried. Sam then motions to amend agenda with addition of discussion on UNB's Strategic Plan. Motion: To Amend Agenda. Palmer/L. Palmer 13/0/0. Motion Carried.
- 1.2 Approval of November 29, 2018 Minutes Motion: To Approve Minutes. Hall/Ranni 13/0/0. Motion Carried.
- 1.3 VP Social Mackenzie states Winter Formal was held Nov. 23 in the Baird Dining Hall and approximately two hundred students attended. During the last week of classes in December, the executive dressed up as elves and took the Jolly Trolley around campus. Two Years Eve was held Jan. 11. Grand re-opening of bar took place yesterday with a great turnout. Many alumni stopped by as well. Mental Health Week will be January 28<sup>th</sup> and she and Caitlin will work together on organizing events.
- 1.4 VP External Caitlin states she was absent from last meeting as she was attending CASA's Advocacy Week in Ottawa. She and the delegates from other student unions met with MPs and Senators. She also got to meet with the Canadian Centre for Substance Abuse to talk about alcohol and substance abuse on campus. She had a meeting with the Native Women's Association and also met with the Mental Health Commission of Canada. She will be consulting and working with them to create a national standard for post-secondary mental health. Students Lets Act campaign will be launched across the country and on campus at the end of January in conjunction with Mental Health Week. In December, she helped organize the therapy cats and dogs on campus and the

- Violent Against Women Memorial event. Yesterday she met with the new Minister of Post-Secondary Education in Fredericton. She presented her research on student financial aid, as part of the NBSA. She states he was very receptive and wants to meet again in the future. In two weeks she'll attend the NBSA's Advocacy Week in Fredericton. If anyone is interested in going, they are to reach out to her.
- 1.5 President Report Sam states he had the opportunity to meet with the final presidential candidates for UNB. Announcement of the final nominee will be presented on Jan. 21 during joint Board of Governors/Senate meeting. He took part in the Strategic Planning Intercept Conversations throughout campus today. Booths located in a few locations. Looking for feedback from the students and faculty on how UNB could improve, what they'd like to see in the future and what they think UNB is good at. He and Austin have been on the search for a potential new Safe Ride vehicle. In closing, he states that Dr. Michel Rod has been appointed as new Dean of Business effective July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 1.6 Safe Ride Purchase Austin states he and Sam went to Hyundai. Kia and Chevrolet dealerships. Chev wasn't very responsive so came down to other two. Choices are 2018 Hyundai Tucson AWD and 2019 Kia Sportage FWD. Austin indicates they are very similar. Kia \$33,727.22 with interest rate of 0.99% and Hyundai \$32,185.45 with rate of 0.00%. With \$10,000 down payment Kia monthly payment is \$377.66 and Hyundai \$369.76 Both have offered free winter tires. Kia offered \$500 in a maintenance credit and Hyundai, \$300.00. Both interested in event sponsorship. Austin states Kia came forth with interest and Hyundai was approached. Many councilors felt that AWD vehicle is a better choice. Adanna questions why not purchase another van. Austin states they are too expensive. He also states as indicated at last meeting, he chose these vehicles due to the JD Power Reliability Rating. Austin indicates Hyundai will place their logo on vehicle. He has reached out to Alumni and VP's office for sponsorship but has yet to hear back. Motion: To Purchase 2018 Hyundai Tucson. Maillet/Grogan 13/0/0. Motion Carried. Austin discusses disposition of van. Van was towed from dealership back to campus. He indicates it will go to junkyard and feels it won't be worth much. Motion: To Dispose of Van to Junkyard. Maillet/Keir 13/0/0. Motion Carried. Austin states he'll have to start the hiring process again and hopes to have program running in a couple weeks.
- 1.7 UNB Strategic Plan Sam states, as mentioned in his president report, that booths were set up on campus looking for input from students and faculty. He opens floor up for discussion. A few councilors had concerns that students can only major in some programs and one states that a science student can't be granted a minor. Another indicates that you can only do a concentration in finance on campus. Also, Criminal Justice minor needs to be addressed as one course that is required is only offered every four years. Happy to see that the UCard can now be used at Tims and cafeteria. Discussion about a daycare on campus, another on more study space. Talk of promoting accessibility more on campus. Extend hours in Commons and cafeteria. Provide more recreational sports and increase residence parking. Have a Mental Health Response Team and provide 24hr counseling service on residence. Sam appreciates everyone's input and will present concerns at the next strategic plan meeting.
- 1.8 Meeting Adjourned, Motion: To Adjourn, Maillet/L. Palmer 13/0/0.