



PRESENT	ABSENT
<p>Oliver Jacob, Chairperson Aodhan Murphy, Deputy Chairperson</p> <p>Grace Hamilton-Burge, President Samantha Nixon, VP Academic & External Liam Schreiter, VP Finance & Operations Emily Murray, VP Student Life Malcolm Anderson, VP Events & Promotions</p> <p>Alyssa Hall, Councillor Mackenzie Jarvin, Councillor Samantha Stegen, Councillor</p> <p>Katie Winters, Arts Senator Regan Haley, Professional Studies Senator Anderson Fuller, Science Senator Jeremy Locke, Graduates Studies Senator</p> <p>George Philp, Sustainability Officer Dena Williams, Equity Officer Christopher Saulnier, Community Relations Officer Dahlia Chahine, First Year Officer</p> <p>Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Rep</p> <p>Ally Smith, Internal Organization Rep</p>	<p>Emily Elliott, Councillor</p> <p>Jackson Dunn, Theology Senator</p> <p>Anna Kieft, Faculty Representative</p> <p>Vacant, Administration Representative Vacant, Board of Governors Rep</p>

ALSO PRESENT
<p>Harrison Paul, Chief Returning Officer Ellie Valle, Presidential Affairs Associate Director</p>

1. Call to Order

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 5:04 PM and welcomed those present. The Chairperson opened the meeting with the following declaration, "I would like to begin by acknowledging that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People."

2. Roll Call

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, called the roll, with all SRC Members being present, except Emily Elliott (Councillor), Regan Haley (Professional Studies Senator), Jackson Dunn (Theology Senator), and Anna Kiefte (Faculty Representative)

3. Approval of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)

Resolution No. 006-18

Moved by: Dena Williams, Equity Officer

Seconded by: Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External

Be It Resolved That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Students' Representative Council dated Tuesday, January 9th, 2018 be adopted.

Resolution CARRIED

4. Declarations of Conflict of Interest(s)

None

5. Question Period

None

6. Approval of the Minutes

Resolution No. 007-18

Moved by: Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative

Seconded by: Dena Williams, Equity Officer

That the Minutes of the Regular and Special Meetings of the Students' Representative Council listed under Item 6 on the Agenda be adopted as presented (Tuesday, December 5th, 2017 and Wednesday, January 3rd, 2018).

Resolution CARRIED

7. Presentations/Delegations

None

8. Matters Tabled/Deferred/Unfinished Business

None

9. Reports to Council

None

10. Committee Reports and Minutes

a. Executive Board (Grace Hamilton-Burge, President)

Grace Hamilton-Burge, President, shared that the Executive Board had met on Tuesdays through the Fall Semester and will continue to meet on Thursdays in the Winter Semester. As a committee, their meetings have been geared toward operational procedures. She also shared that the executive had recently gone on their Winter Retreat, during which they discussed priorities for the semester and the legacy they hope to leave during the remainder of their terms.

Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative, asked what priorities had been set.

Grace Hamilton-Burge, President, shared that each individual member of the Executive Board had goals specific to their portfolios. Additionally, as a team, the Executive Board hoped to ensure a smooth transition to the incoming team following the 2018 General Election, including effective Welcome Week planning, accessibility, alcohol harms prevention, and security.

Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External, offered to bring a document outline such executive goals to Council.

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, shared that Winter Semester goal documents will be required for members of the Executive Board and more information on timelines for completion will be provided following this meeting. He further shared that these should contain the priorities and major goals of the Executive as they move into the final stretch of their terms.

b. Review Board (Oliver Jacob, Chairperson)

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, shared that the Review Board met to consider election complaints, Summer and Fall Semester honoraria, and the Kings Transit U-Pass proposal.

c. Presidential Affairs Committee (Grace Hamilton-Burge, President)

Grace Hamilton-Burge, President, shared that while no meeting was held during the fall semester, the committee has not been utilized in previous years. Without a specific mandate, she shared that it is a struggle to identify how the committee can be effectively

used. She added that the committee will meet at least once in the spring to discuss its potential role moving forward and she will reach out to past presidents to see if there were any suggestions that they could provide.

d. Events and Promotions Committee (Malcolm Anderson, VP Events and Promotions)

Malcolm Anderson, VP Events and Promotions, shared that the scope of the committee involved brainstorming future events and issues that might arise. He outlined the Frost Week schedule, including the Denim Dance, SuperSUB, and Kraft Dinner Day. He touched on the need for additional volunteers for SuperSUB on Saturday, January 13th, 2018, which was reiterated by Emily Murray, VP Student Life.

e. Academic Affairs Committee (Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External)

Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External, thanked committee members, especially Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative, for their work and dedication in planning the Propylaeum Cup, a debate tournament that is scheduled for late February and early March 2018. She also shared that the committee's primary focus in the Winter Semester will be finalizing the student handbook.

f. Financial Affairs Committee (Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations)

Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations, shared that the committee had met once in the fall semester to discuss executive pay. He stated that the focus moving forward will be on the budget, and that a regular time for bi-weekly meetings will soon be determined.

g. Student Life Committee (Emily Murray, VP Student Life)

Emily Murray, VP Student Life, shared that the Student Life Committee had held bi-weekly meetings in the Fall Semester, and focused on reviewing the Operating Procedures regarding House Councils, Internal Organizations and Clubs. She added that meetings will be continue to be held on Sunday afternoons.

h. The Athenaeum Publishing Board (Mackenzie Jarvin, Councillor)

Mackenzie Jarvin, Councillor, shared that the Board had not met in the Fall Semester, but she had reached out, with no response as of yet.

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, noted that he will contact the Athenaeum as the Athenaeum Publishing Board should hold three meetings per semester.

Emily Murray, VP Student Life, mentioned she would reach out as well.

i. House Presidents Committee (Emily Murray, VP Student Life)

Emily Murray, VP Student Life, shared that the House Presidents Committee had held weekly meetings during the Fall Semester to discuss in-house affairs including clothing, and events.

j. Campus Representation Committee (Dena Williams, Equity Officer)

Dena Williams, Equity Officer, shared that while the committee only met once during the Fall Semester, there was a great deal of one-on-one meetings between her and the Internal Organizations that make up the committee. She added that the focus is primarily on supporting the Internal Organizations and ensuring that there is good communication and information sharing between them and to the broader student body.

k. Governance Committee (Oliver Jacob, Chairperson)

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, shared that the Governance Committee had met several times over the fall semester to review By-Law Three (Union Elections Act), and By-Law Four (Referendum and Plebiscite Act). In addition, the committee provided a recommendation on co-op student voting. Meetings in the Winter Semester will focus on House Councils remuneration, Operating Procedure changes, and any other topics that are forwarded by Council or identified by committee members.

l. Student Funding Committee (Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations)

Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations, shared that the committee had met bi-weekly during the Fall Semester. He explained that their work is divided between the Wellness Fund and the Student Activities Fund. In the Wellness Fund, he noted that they began with \$140,000.00 in reserve, and has thus far received \$81,000.00 from the student fees. He expects that another \$20,000.00 or so will be received in student fees before the end of the fiscal year. He added that the committee is waiting on accessibility funding from the federal government.

**Regan Haley, Professional Studies Senator,
took her seat at the table at 5:45 PM**

In the Student Activities Fund, around \$13,000.00 has been spent out of a total budget of \$19,000.00 for the fiscal year. Finally, he shared that the Wellness Fund and Student Activities Fund should be in good shape by the end of the fiscal year, but that it will be important to continue to look for more ways to increase funding for the Student Activities Fund moving forward.

m. Environmental Sustainability Committee (George Philp, Sustainability Officer)

George Philp, Sustainability Officer, shared that as a new ASU standing committee, it has met once per month during the Fall Semester, and that it has been a great way to

connect about the issue of environmental sustainability on campus. The committee was greatly involved with the planning and coordination of Sustainability Week, created and facilitated training for each residence's Eco-Rep, and had a plan for the Energy East pipeline before the project was cancelled. In the following semester, he shared that the committee would focus on plastic bags in the Union, including moves to reduce or eliminate their use.

11. Notice of Motions

None

12. Correspondence and Petitions

None

13. New Business

None

14. Announcements

Harrison Paul, Chief Returning Officer, reminded Council that the General Election nomination period had opened on Monday, January 8th, 2018 and will close on Monday, January 29th, 2018 at 4:00 PM. Application forms must be submitted to the Union Market prior to the deadline. He encouraged anyone interested in running to contact him if they have any questions, comments or concerns about the 2018 General Election or the rules that govern ASU elections.

Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External, shared her interest in striking an ad-hoc committee for policy research. She encouraged any interested Council members to provide feedback to her whenever possible and she shared that she will work with Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, to bring forward a draft Terms of Reference to Council for review in the near future.

Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative, shared that information on the Propylaeum Cup, a campus-wide interdisciplinary debate tournament, would be coming to Council in the near future. He explained that each society would nominate two individuals each, noted that he had received a number of confirmations to date, and asked Council to refer interested students.

Emily Murray, VP Student Life, encouraged him to use Club Axe-travaganza to recruit.

George Philp, Sustainability Officer, asked how the debate would be weighted in order to ensure fairness.

Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative, stated he would provide more information on the tournament to the SRC in the Facebook group.

Grace Hamilton-Burge, President, shared that she would like to recognize Sarah Phillips-Smith as Axe Person of the Week as she was extremely dedicated to improving accessibility on campus through her work with Accessibility and Learning Services.

Resolution No. 008-18

Moved by: Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External

Seconded by: Malcolm Anderson, VP Events and Promotions

That Council recognize Sarah Phillips-Smith as Axe Person of the Week.

Resolution CARRIED

Emily Murray, VP Student Life, shared that the selection of the Student Organization of the Month will be done at the end of January.

George Philp, Sustainability Officer, announced the name of the food room project will be the "Food Cupboard". He shared that a Food Room Coordinator has been hired, a grant from Chartwells has been received and more information on volunteering in the Food Room will be forthcoming.

Katie Winters, Arts Senator, shared that the Acadia Career Extravaganza will be held on Tuesday, February 6th, 2018 between 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM in Fountain Commons.

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, requested that Members of Council send in their office hours for the Winter Semester as they will need to be posted on the Union's website. He also shared that temporary office hours could be used for the first couple of weeks as Members of Council settle into their class schedules.

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, announced that given the results of the Doodle Poll, it was his recommendation that the same time for Regular Meetings of Council should continue in the Winter Semester. With the verbal approval of Council, the next Regular Meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, January 16th, 2018 at 5:00 PM and he will bring forward a Report to Council to select the final Council Meeting Schedule until the end of the current Term of Council.

Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External, told Council that herself and Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, were working to bring Scott Brison, MP for Kings-Hants, to Acadia for a Town Hall event. She encouraged all members to come out, and noted that more information was to follow.

15. Resolutions

None

16. Closed Session

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, shared that Council will consider two items in Closed Session concerning appointments to ASU Advisory Committees (Accessibility

Advisory Committee, Community Engagement Advisory Committee, Alumni Engagement Committee) as well as an update on the current progress of negotiations regarding the ASU Lease.

Resolution No. 009-18

Moved by: Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations
Seconded by: Dahlia Chahine, First Year Officer

That Council move into closed session to discuss three (3) matters about identifiable individuals (Advisory Committee Appointments) and one (1) matter about contract negotiations (ASU Lease Update).

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 010-18

Moved by: Malcolm Anderson, VP Events and Promotions
Seconded by: Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations

That Council move into Open Session.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 011-18

Moved by: Grace Hamilton-Burge, President
Seconded by: George Philp, Sustainability Officer

That Council refer all applications for the Accessibility Advisory Committee to the Hiring Committee for further review, in consultation with Accessibility and Learning Services.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 012-18

Moved by: Malcolm Anderson, VP Events and Promotions
Seconded by: Alyssa Hall, Councillor

That Council hereby appoint Emily Murray, VP Student Life, to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the remainder of the current term of Council, ending on April 30th, 2018.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 013-18

Moved by: Emily Murray, VP Student Life
Seconded by: Regan Haley, Professional Studies Senator

That Council hereby appoint Alyssa Hall, Councillor, to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for the remainder of the current term of Council, ending on April 30th, 2018.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 014-18

Moved by: Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External

Seconded by: Emily Murray, VP Student Life

That Council hereby appoint Mary (Allison) Smith to the Community Engagement Advisory Committee for the remainder of the current term of Council, ending on April 30th, 2018.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 015-18

Moved by: George Philp, Sustainability Officer

Seconded by: Dena Williams, Equity Officer

That Council hereby appoint Samantha Stegen, Councillor, to the Community Engagement Advisory Committee for the remainder of the current term of Council, ending on April 30th, 2018.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 016-18

Moved by: Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative

Seconded by: Christopher Saulnier, Community Relations Officer

That Council hereby appoint Cali-Rose Keating to the Alumni Engagement Committee for the remainder of the current term of Council, ending on April 30th, 2018.

Resolution CARRIED

17. Confirmatory Resolution

Resolution No. 017-18

Moved by: Malcolm Anderson, VP Events and Promotions

Seconded by: Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative

Whereas Subsection 4(b) of the A.S.U. Constitution, as amended, provides that the powers of the Acadia Students' Union are to be exercised by the Students' Representative Council; and

Whereas it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Students' Representative Council at this meeting be confirmed and adopted by resolution;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Students' Representative Council of the Acadia Students' Union enacts as follows:

1. **That** the action of the Council at its meeting held on the 9th day of January, 2018 at 5:00 PM in respect to the recommendation contained in any reports and in respect to each motion, resolution and other action passed and taken by the Council at its said meeting is hereby adopted and confirmed;

2. **That** the Chairperson and the proper officers of the Union are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action or to obtain approvals where required and to execute all documents as may be necessary in that behalf.

Resolution CARRIED

18. Adjournment

Resolution No. 018-18

Moved by: Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative

Seconded by: Malcolm Anderson, VP Events and Promotions

That the Regular Meeting of Council dated Tuesday, January 9th, 2018 be adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Resolution CARRIED