

PRESENT	ABSENT
<p>Soleil Chahine, Chairperson Oliver Jacob, Deputy Chairperson</p> <p>Samantha Sproule, President Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic Andrew Grant, VP Finance Ted Higa, VP Programming Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications</p> <p>Carter Bobbie, Councillor Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor Calum McCracken, Councillor Emily Cross, Councillor Julie Bernier, Councillor Sean Porter, Councillor Jessica Elliott, Councillor</p> <p>Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator Lucas Coxhead, Science Senator Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator Eileen Haskett, Graduate Studies Adviser</p> <p>Ryan Myers, Equity Officer</p> <p>Molly Murphy, Board of Governors Rep</p>	<p>Susan Mesheau, Administration Anna Kieffe, Faculty Representative Vacant, Board of Governors</p>

ALSO PRESENT
<p>Grace Hamilton-Burge, ASU Sustainability Officer Christine Moreau, Governance Committee Member Lydia Jones, Constituent Ronald St. Croix, Constituent</p>

1. Call to Order

The Chairperson called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 5:33 pm and welcomed those present.

2. Roll Call

The Chairperson called the roll, with all SRC Members being present, except Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications (arrived late – see below), Susan Mesheau, Administration Representative, and Anna Kiefe, Faculty Representative.

3. Approval of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)

Resolution No. 037-16

Moved by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

Seconded by: Julie Bernier, Councillor

Be It Resolved That the agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Students' Representative Council dated Tuesday, December 6th, 2016 be adopted as amended, with the addition of Items 5(b) Update on Provincial Labour Relations with the Nova Scotia Teachers' Union, 7(a) Bishop University Speaker Marie Henein, and 8(b) Amendment to Councillor Bernier's Program (Change of Date).

Resolution CARRIED as amended

4. Approval of the Minutes

Resolution No. 038-16

Moved by: Julie Bernier, Councillor

Seconded by: Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Students' Representative Council listed under Item 4(a) on the Agenda, be adopted (Tuesday, November 29th, 2016).

Resolution CARRIED

5. Roundtable Correspondence and Communication

a) Program Update (Sean Porter and Carter Bobbie)

Sean Porter, Councillor, and Carter Bobbie, Councillor, provided an update on the Mock LSAT/MCAT program that happened in November/December 2016. Despite extensive advertising and promotion through posters and social media, the turnout was far less than expected. Results will be transmitted to participating students in the coming weeks. It is recommended to SRC to continue to hold this program next year, even though the turnout was lower than expected.

b) Update on Provincial Labour Relations with the Nova Scotia Teachers' Union (Senewa Sena)

Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator, advised the SRC on the current state of the provincial labour negotiations between the Province of Nova Scotia and the Nova Scotia Teachers' Union. The work-to-rule restrictions, put in place by the Union, has now been expanded to prohibit teachers from taking education students who wish to complete their practicum in the near future. The Union is not requesting a salary increase for its members but, rather, they would like the Province to implement measures that would reduce class sizes, thus facilitating the employment of a larger number of individual teaching staff members.

6. Question Period

None

7. Discussion Period**a) Bishop University Speaker Marie Henein (Ryan Myers)**

Ryan Myers, Equity Officer, brought forward information for discussion regarding the upcoming presentation by Marie Henein at Bishop's University. Ms. Henein is a high-profile criminal defense attorney who is widely known for representing Jian Ghomeshi in the Ontario Court of Justice, leading to his eventual acquittal on all charges of sexual assault for which he was charged. As a member of the Maple League of Universities, Acadia University is affiliated with its partner university in this and many other endeavours. However, after discussions with other student union partners at St. Francis Xavier University and Mount Allison University.

Eileen Haskett, Graduates Studies Senator, shared that she has closely followed the legal proceedings against Mr. Ghomeshi as it has unfolded over the past few years. She stated that, in her opinion, Ms. Henein simply did her job effectively in advocating in favour of the defendant and that the simple fact that many people consider the verdict to be wrong should not be basis for denying her the right to present to students.

Jessica Elliott, Councillor, pointed out that the presentation itself may serve as a trigger for students who are sensitive to the circumstances surrounding the case. She agreed with Ryan Myers, Equity Officer, that it would be beneficial to look into options to support these individuals during and following the presentation.

Molly Murphy, Board of Governor's Representative, shared that it is also important for university students to be exposed to a wide range of perspectives so that they can form an informed opinion on the issues that are important to them personally and as a collective.

Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic, asked Ryan Myers, Equity Officer, if this issue was also being debated and voted upon at the Student Unions at St. Francis Xavier University and Mount Allison University or whether we are expected to be the driving force amongst the Student Unions of the Maple League.

Ryan Myers, Equity Officer, responded that Mount Allison University has not had an opportunity to discuss the issue but hopes to look at it in the New Year. The President of St. Francis Xavier University has said that their Student Union will not be taking a position on the issue but would be interested to hear back from Acadia regarding the current discussion. He suggested that the Union did not need to take a stance on the issue at the current meeting but that, if it was the will of SRC to take a stance, it could be brought forward in January for debate.

Grace Hamilton-Burge, ASU Sustainability Officer, added that this speaker is one of the only speakers who have not released the topic of their presentation and she has also refused to accept questions from the audience after her presentation which raises flags for some interested parties. She suggested to contact Alice Cowan, who sits on the organizing committee for the event that Ms. Henein is scheduled to speak at.

Christine Moreau, Governance Committee Member, mentioned that given the number of sexual assault cases that have gone to Court in recent years, this may be an important topic/issue for a Councillor to plan an event around.

8. New Business

a) **Constitutional and By-Law Amendments (Samantha Sproule)**

Pursuant to the amendment procedure listed in Article V of the A.S.U. Constitution (Amendments), the Governance Committee has prepared a series of amendment proposals for review by Council. These amendment proposals can pass with a supermajority of Council [or two-thirds (2/3)].

Resolution No. 038-16

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

That the Governance Committee's Constitutional and By-Law Amendment proposals be received as information and that the recommendations outlined be brought forward individually for Council's consideration.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 039-16

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator

That Council move Sections III (Executive Board) and IV (Review Board) to By-Law Two (2): Students' Representative Council Committees.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 040-16

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications

That Council move to voting by secret ballot for consideration of Resolution No. 041-16 below.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 041-16

Moved by: Ted Higa, VP Programming

Seconded by: Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor

That Council approve the reallocation of programming and communications to a new VP position (VP Events and Promotions).

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 042-16

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

That Council approve the reallocation of Internal Organizations, House Councils, Clubs and Residence Life under a new VP position (VP Student Life).

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 043-16

Moved by: Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications

Seconded by: Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic

That Council approve the remaining reallocation of responsibilities between VP's.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 044-16

Moved by: Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic

Seconded by: Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator

That Council approve the renaming of the VP positions throughout the Constitution, its By-Laws and Operating Procedures;

- i. VP Events and Promotions
- ii. VP Student Life
- iii. VP Academic and External
- iv. VP Finance and Operations

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 045-16

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications

That Council designate the VP Finance and Operations as a non-voting member of the Students' Representative Council.

Resolution DEFEATED and LOST

Resolution No. 046-16

Moved by: Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications

Seconded by: Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor

That Council add a Representative for Internal Organizations (to be selected among the internal Organizations) as a non-voting member of the Students' Representative Council.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 047-16

Moved by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

Seconded by: Samantha Sproule, President

That Council extend the time of adjournment to 7:45 pm.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 048-16

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor

That Council designate one (1) General Councillor position as First Year Officer.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 049-16

Moved by: Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications

Seconded by: Samantha Sproule, President

That Council designate one (1) General Councillor position as Community Relations Officer.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 050-16

Moved by: Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications

Seconded by: Samantha Sproule, President

That Council designate one (1) General Councillor position as Sustainability Officer and remove the position from Internal Organizations.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 051-16

Moved by: Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic

Seconded by: Samantha Sproule, President

That Council add a Student Senator for the Faculty of Theology as a voting member of the Students' Representative Council.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 052-16

Moved by: Lucas Coxhead, Science Senator

Seconded by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

That Council add office hour and program/project requirements to the Student Senator and Board of Governors Representative positions.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 053-16

Moved by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

Seconded by: Andrew Grant, VP Finance

That Council reorganize the Standing Committee structure to match the VP positions.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 054-16

Moved by: Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications

Seconded by: Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator

That Council add a representative for Internal Organizations to the Financial Affairs Committee.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 055-16

Moved by: Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor

Seconded by: Carter Bobbie, Councillor

That Council create a Governance Committee with its specific terms of reference, composition and responsibilities as outlined in the proposal.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 056-16

Moved by: Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications

Seconded by: Samantha Sproule, President

That Council create an Environmental Sustainability Committee with its specific terms of reference, composition and responsibilities as outlined in the proposal.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 057-16

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Carter Bobbie, Councillor

That Council create a Student Funding Committee with its specific terms of reference, composition and responsibilities as outlined in the proposal.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 058-16

Moved by: Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor

Seconded by: Ryan Myers, Equity Officer

That Council appoint specific people to select committees as outlined in the proposal.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 059-16

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator

That Council move the election of all representatives (except the First-Year Officer) to the spring General Election.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 060-16

Moved by: Ryan Myers, Equity Officer

Seconded by: Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator

That Council make amendments to Union Elections to mirror other post-secondary institutions in terms of campaign material around polling locations.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 061-16

Moved by: Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator

Seconded by: Sean Porter, Councillor

That Council move the Remuneration, Resignation and Impeachment articles to By-Law Four.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 062-16

Moved by: Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic

Seconded by: Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor

That Council approve the addition of a Hiring Committee to facilitate the selection of the VP Finance and Operations, Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson and Chief Returning Officer with its own specific terms of reference, composition and responsibilities as outlined in the proposal.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 063-16

Moved by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

Seconded by: Lucas Coxhead, Science Senator

That Council approve grammatical and structural changes throughout the Constitution, its Bylaws and Operating Procedures, including the numbering of articles and sub-sections.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 064-16

Moved by: Carter Bobbie, Councillor

Seconded by: Samantha Sproule, President

That Council authorize the Governance Committee to make such changes as may be necessary from time to time, including grammatical changes.

Resolution No. 065-16

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Ryan Myers, Equity Officer

That Council amend Resolution 062-16 to read “That Council authorize the Governance Committee to make minor grammatical and structure changes throughout the A.S.U. Constitution, its By-Laws and Operating Procedures.”

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 066-16

Moved by: Carter Bobbie, Councillor

Seconded by: Samantha Sproule, President

That Council authorize the Governance Committee to make minor grammatical and structure changes throughout the A.S.U. Constitution, its By-Laws and Operating Procedures.

Resolution CARRIED as amended

b) Amendment to Councillor Bernier’s Program Proposal – Change of Date (Julie Bernier)

In Councillor Bernier’s absence, Soleil Chahine, Chairperson, provided an overview of the proposed amendment.

Resolution No. 067-16

Moved by: Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications

Seconded by: Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor

That Council amend Councillor Bernier’s program proposal to reflect a change of date to Tuesday, December 13th, 2016.

Resolution CARRIED

9. Notice of Motion

None

10. Announcements

Brandon Giachetta, Councillor, thanked members of SRC for participating in his Acadia Mannequin Challenge event, which was held prior to the commencement of the meeting. The video that was taken should be posted in the next couple of days.

Ryan Myers, Equity Officer, shared that he attended a workshop with Samantha Sproule, President, on sexual violence that included many members of university staff and faculty. Moving forward, the A.S.U. will be crafting a policy with regard to sexual violence and any suggestions, comments or concerns should be provided to Ryan Myers, Equity Officer, or Samantha Sproule, President.

Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic, shared that she has been working with the Reservations Office to create a map of study spaces that includes their hours for students who wish to find a space to prepare for their examinations. There will also be a survey for students to complete regarding the types and locations of study spaces that students are interested in having for the next round of examinations in April. She also reminded SRC members to take care of themselves during the stressful examination season and to have a fantastic holiday break.

11. Closed Session**a) 2016 Fall Semester Honoraria**

Soleil Chahine, Chairperson, explained that Council will be considering the 2016 Fall Semester Honoraria (attached as Appendix A) in Closed Session as there may be discussion about identifiable individuals. As no motions can be entertained in Closed Session, the Review Board report must be brought forward before going into Closed Session and the decision of Council ratified by motion upon closing the Closed Session meeting.

Resolution No. 068-16

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

That the Review Board's Fall Semester Honoraria report dated Sunday, November 27th, 2016 be received as information and that the recommendations outlined be brought forward for Council's consideration.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 069-16 (7:29 pm)

Moved by: Ryan Myers, Equity Officer
Seconded by: Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic

That Council move into Closed Session to discuss one (1) matter regarding remuneration of identifiable individuals; pursuant to Article II, subsection 3 (a) of the A.S.U. Constitution (2017 Fall Semester Honoraria).

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 070-16 (7:30 pm)

Moved by: Ryan Myers, Equity Officer
Seconded by: Sean Porter, Councillor

That Council resume to Open Session.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 071-16

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President
Seconded by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

That Council adopt the 2017 Fall Semester Honoraria figures presented in the Review Board report dated Sunday, November 27th, 2016.

Further that Council authorizes the Chairperson to amend the 2017 Fall Semester Honoraria figures to disperse any withheld amounts, following the fulfillment of constitutional duties as specified by the Review Board (Completion of Program/Project Requirements).

Resolution CARRIED

12. Adjournment

Resolution No. 072-16

Moved by: Sean Porter, Councillor
Seconded by: Ryan Myers, Equity Officer

That the Regular Meeting of Council dated Tuesday, December 6th, 2016 be adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Resolution CARRIED

Executive Board					
Position	Name	Student Number	Full Honorarium	Suggested	Approved
President	Samantha Sproule	████████	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	Y
VP Programming	Ted Higa	████████	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	Y
VP Communications	Samantha Nielsen	████████	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	Y
VP Finance	Andrew Grant	████████	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	Y
VP Academic	Brianna Jarvin	████████	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	Y
Office of the Chair					
Position	Name	Student Number	Full Honorarium	Suggested	Approved
Chairperson	Soleil Chahine	████████	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	Y
Deputy Chairperson	Oliver Jacob	████████	\$ 429.00	\$ 429.00	Y
Chief Returning Officer	Jessica Fahey	████████	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	Y
SRC					
Position	Name	Student Number	Full Honorarium	Suggested	Approved
Councillor	Jessica Elliot	████████	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	Y
Councillor	Julie Bernier	████████	\$ 350.00	\$ 175.00	Y
Councillor	Sean Porter	████████	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	Y
Councillor	Carter Bobbie	████████	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	Y
Councillor	Calum McCracken	████████	\$ 350.00	\$ 175.00	Y
Councillor	Brandon Giacchetta	████████	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	Y
Councillor	Emily (Josie) Cross	████████	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	Y

Equity Officer	Ryan Myers	██████	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	Y
Arts Senator	Colin Mitchell	██████	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	Y
Science Senator	Lucas Coxhead	██████	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	Y
Professional Studies Senator	Senewa Sena	██████	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	Y
BoG Representative	Molly Murphy	██████	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	Y
Internal Organization Coordinators					
Position	Name	Student Number	Full Honorarium	Suggested	Approved
Acadia Pride	Max Janes	██████	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	Y
Mental Health Society	Rachel Sparling	██████	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	Y
Sustainability Officer	Grace Hamilton-Burge	██████	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	Y
Center for Global Exchange	Xiaodan Chen	██████	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	Y
Women's Center	Tessa Janes	██████	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	Y
Graduate Student Association	Eileen Haskett	██████	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	Y
Axe Radio	Jeremy Bolzon	██████	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	Y
Charity Coordinator	Lucas Coxhead	██████	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	Y
Community Outreach	Keelan O'Malley	██████	\$ 375.00	\$ 375.00	Y
Yearbook	Alyssa Stewart	██████	Withheld	Withheld	Y
Other					
Position	Name	Student Number	Full Honorarium	Suggested	Approved
Former Deputy Chairperson	Fallis Thompson	██████	\$ 71.00	\$ 71.00	Y

Position	Name	Pay Allotment	Honoraria
Senior Editors			
Editor-in-Chief (EIC)	Andrew Haskett	████	\$230.00
Copy and Online Manager	Kody Crowell	████	\$230.00
Managing Editor	Hannah Hutchinson	████	\$230.00
Business/Ad Manager	Noah Tomkins	████	\$130.00
Business/Ad Manager	Colleen Wile	████	\$80.00
Production Manager	Adam Langille	████	\$170.00
Section Editors			
Opinions Editor	Emma Hughes	████	\$130.00
Arts Editor	Sid Kondapuram	████	\$60.00
Features Editor	Katrina Kwan	████	\$100.00
Creative Editor	Kelsey Crosby	████	\$130.00
News Editor	Ally Smith	████	\$100.00
Science Editor	Hope Latta	████	\$100.00
Sports Editor	Hayley Pheonix	████	\$100.00
Webmaster	Kody Crowell	████	\$0.00
Photography Manager	Anjuli Ripley	████	\$100.00
Photographers			
Photographer	Anthony Chu	████	\$30.00
Photographer	Colin Mitchell	████	\$40.00
Photographer	Janani Chandranouli	████	\$40.00

NOTE : Student Numbers and Pay Allotment information has been redacted to reflect the A.S.U.'s commitment to confidentiality with respect to its Officers, Representatives and Internal Organization members.