

PRESENT	ABSENT
<p>Soleil Chahine, Chairperson Oliver Jacob, Deputy Chairperson</p> <p>Samantha Sproule, President 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</p>	<p>Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic</p> <p>Anna Kiefte, Faculty Representative Vacant, Board of Governors</p>

ALSO PRESENT
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1. Call to Order

The Chairperson called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 5:01 pm and welcomed those present.

2. Roll Call

The Chairperson called the roll, with all SRC Members being present, except Brianna Jarvin (VP Academic) and Anna Kieft (Faculty Representative).

3. Approval of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)

Resolution No. 024-17

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

Be It Resolved That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Students' Representative Council dated Tuesday, January 24th, 2017 be adopted as amended, with the addition of Items 5b (Update on the NSTU Labour Negotiations and the University's Position) and 11a (Coffee Logo Selection Feedback).

Resolution CARRIED

4. Approval of the Minutes

Resolution No. 025-17

Moved by: Ryan Myers, Equity Officer

Seconded by: Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Students' Representative Council listed under Item 4(a) on the Agenda, be adopted (Tuesday, January 24th, 2017).

Resolution CARRIED

5. Roundtable Correspondence and Communication

a) Housing Symposium (Sam Sproule, President and Sam Nielsen, VP Communications)

Sam Sproule, President and Sam Nielsen, VP Communications, presented an overview of their experience from the Town of Wolfville's Housing Symposium that was held in Fountain Commons on Thursday, January 19th, 2017. They shared some of the themes that were discussed which included:

- Regulations surrounding lodging houses (residences with multiple units) and their enforcement
- Social integration of Wolfville's permanent and temporary (student) residents and how we can work to support and strengthen this engagement.

- Ensuring consistency and care when using all-encompassing terms like “student”.

b) Teacher’s Union Update (Sam Sproule, President)

Samantha Sproule, President, informed Council that the tentative deal between the Nova Scotia Teachers’ Union (NSTU) and the Province of Nova Scotia has resumed its work-to-rule campaign after it had decided that the government was working in bad faith. The work-to-rule campaign still prevents student teachers from completing the practicum experience that they require. Acadia University, along with four other universities that have student teaching programs, have filed a lawsuit against the Nova Scotia Teachers’ Union (NSTU) for violating the Education Act in this respect. After extensive communication between the NSTU and Acadia University, the discussions have not resulted in progress on accepting practicum students back into classrooms and this has precipitated the lawsuit.

6. Question Period

Molly Murphy, Board of Governors Representative, asked whether the NSTU made the conscious decision to include practicum students in the work-to-rule job action.

Susan Mesheau, Administration Representative, shared that the University has reached out to the NSTU and our Education students several times over the past months about their contravention of the Education Act, with no foreseeable resolution.

Ryan Myers, Equity Officer, asked if the Acadia Students’ Union should take a stance on this issue.

Samantha Sproule, President, responded that Council could pass a motion of support but that Council should have time to think about the issue and review it in the future.

Julie Bernier, Councillor, asked if Education students are still getting credit since it was not their fault that they were not in placement.

Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications, responded that even though students are not getting the valuable in-class experience, they are still receiving credit towards graduation.

7. Discussion Period

a) University Budget Committee: Tuition Rates (Sam Sproule, President)

Samantha Sproule, President, presented an overview of the Acadia University Budget Committee Presentation on Tuition Rates, attached as Appendix A and forming a part of these minutes, and responded to questions. She shared that the University had its funding cut in 2007/2008 when the Province of Nova Scotia restructured its funding formulas. Acadia University has tried to find ways to bridge the funding gap and the university is now looking for student input on the matter.

8. New Business

a) Repeal and Re-Introduction of the Constitutional Changes Motions (Sam Sproule, President)

Resolution No. 026-17

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Sean Porter, Councillor

That Council repeal Resolutions 044-16 concerning the renaming of positions in the Article Two: Section 1(a) of the A.S.U. Constitution.

Further That these amendments come into force and effect on May 1st, 2017, with the introduction of the new term of Council.

Resolution CARRIED

b) ASU Buzzfeed Style Videos: Program Proposal (Sean Porter, Councillor and Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor)

Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor, presented an overview his project proposal on ASU Buzzfeed Style Videos, attached as Appendix B and forming a part of these minutes, and responded to questions.

Council provided the following comments and suggestions on this program proposal;

- Keep the videos educational with small amounts of humour.
- Judge the individual topics carefully so that a serious topic is not made comical (i.e. consent).
- Ensure that the videos are reviewed by a series of individuals so that the content is deemed appropriate by those who have knowledge and experience with mental and sexual health (i.e. President, VP Communications, ASU Sexual Health Worker)

Resolution No. 027-17

Moved by: Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor

Seconded by: Sean Porter, Councillor

That Council accept Councillor Brandon Giacchetta's program proposal for the "ASU Buzzfeed Style Video" event as presented.

Resolution CARRIED

9. Notice of Motion

None

10. Announcements

Eileen Haskett, Graduate Studies Adviser, shared that the Acadia Research Conference is coming up this spring. She invited people to submit and present their research projects and/or to attend themselves to learn about what the amazing projects that their fellow students are doing.

Ted Higa, VP Programming, shared that there is a Venus Envy event being held on Thursday, February 2nd, 2017 between 5:30 pm and 7:00 pm in Fountain Commons.

Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications, shared that there will be a huge announcement concerning the 50th anniversary of the Acadia Students' Union coming soon.

Ted Higa, VP Programming, and Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications, shared that SRC members should continue to sign up for polling stations on Election Days and follow the regulations set out in the A.S.U. Constitution.

Samantha Sproule, President, shared that SRC members should speak with their constituents about tuition rates and report back to her or Council by the next meeting date.

11. Closed Session

a) **Coffee Logo Selection Feedback (Sam Sproule, President)**

Samantha Sproule, President, requested that Council debate the selection options from the coffee logo contest of the ASU Sustainability Officer.

Resolution No. 028-17 (5:37 pm)

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Samantha Nielsen, VP Communications

That Council move into Closed Session to discuss one (1) matter regarding the selection of an award recipient (identifiable individuals); pursuant to Article II, subsection 3 (a) of the A.S.U. Constitution (ASU Coffee Logo Contest - Selection).

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 029-17 (5:50 pm)

Moved by: Sean Porter, Councillor

Seconded by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

That Council resume to Open Session.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 030-17

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

That Council directs Samantha Sproule, President, to speak with Grace Hamilton-Burge, ASU Sustainability Officer, regarding the discussions of Council held during the Closed Session Meeting.

Resolution CARRIED

12. Adjournment

Resolution No. 031-17

Moved by: Andrew Grant, VP Finance

Seconded by: Brandon Giachetta, Councilor

That the Regular Meeting of Council dated Tuesday, January 24th, 2017 be adjourned at 5:52 pm.

Resolution CARRIED

Budget Advisory Committee

Budget 2017-2018

January 26, 2017

Abridged Version

Mary MacVicar
Financial Services



Key Assumptions - Revenue

The key assumptions for revenue are the following :

- Tuition
 - Enrolment - Base
 - Rate - % increase
- Open Acadia
 - Enrolment and courses offered
 - Rate - % increase
- Provincial Grant - 1% increase
- Residence
 - Occupancy
 - Rate - % increase
 - Meal Plan commission
- Other revenue – general increase

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Tuition – Enrolment - Base

The current projections using December 1 are noted. Based on historical trends and a target enrolment for the incoming class size, the projected enrolment for the next year is estimated.

Level	Actual Values as of December 1st						
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
1	936	1,046	1,080	1,100	1,039	965	1,138
2	710	759	845	853	874	806	720
3	567	631	703	761	742	747	752
4	445	471	508	594	615	587	588
5	277	282	219	189	195	178	199
Total	2,935	3,189	3,355	3,497	3,465	3,283	3,397



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Tuition – Enrolment and Tuition

Discussion :

- Overall enrolment level for 2017/2018
- Domestic and international enrolment




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Tuition – Tuition Rate Comparison

		2015-2016	2016-2017	Increase	Increase above 3%
Acadia	Arts	7,713	7,944	3%	0%
	Science	7,713	7,944	3%	0%
	Education	8,015	8,255	3%	0%
	Engineering	7,713	7,944	3%	0%
CBU	Arts	6,571	6,960	6%	3%
	Science	6,571	6,960	6%	3%
	Education	7,828	8,300	6%	3%
	Engineering	6,571	6,960	6%	3%
DAL	Arts	6,990	7,200	3%	0%
	Science	7,932	8,169	3%	0%
	Engineering	6,365	8,430	32%	29%
MSVU	Arts	6,436	6,845	6%	3%
	Science	6,787	7,135	5%	2%
	Education	6,787	7,205	6%	3%
STFX	Arts	7,195	7,626	6%	3%
	Science	7,195	7,626	6%	3%
	Education	7,195	7,626	6%	3%
	Engineering	7,195	7,626	6%	3%
SMU	Arts	6,470	6,860	6%	3%
	Science	6,470	7,040	9%	6%
	Engineering	6,470	7,040	9%	6%
	Commerce	6,470	7,200	11%	8%
MTA	Arts	7,465	7,765	4%	1%
	Science	7,465	7,765	4%	1%
Bishop's	Arts	7,031	7,228	3%	0%
	Science	7,031	7,228	3%	0%

Other universities within the province did implement market adjustments across all programs or within specific programs for the 2016-2017 academic year.



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Tuition – Tuition Rate Comparison

		2015-2016	2016-2017	Increase	Increase above 3%	Projected Increase 2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
Acadia	Arts	7,713	7,944	3%	0%	8,182	8,427	8,680
	Science	7,713	7,944	3%	0%	8,182	8,427	8,680
	Education	8,015	8,255	3%	0%	8,502	8,757	9,019
	Engineering	7,713	7,944	3%	0%	8,182	8,427	8,680
CBU	Arts	6,571	6,960	6%	3%	7,372	7,808	8,043
	Science	6,571	6,960	6%	3%	7,372	7,808	8,043
	Education	7,828	8,300	6%	3%	8,800	9,331	9,611
	Engineering	6,571	6,960	6%	3%	7,372	7,808	8,043
DAL	Arts	6,990	7,200	3%	0%	7,416	7,639	7,868
	Science	7,932	8,169	3%	0%	8,413	8,664	8,924
	Engineering	6,365	8,430	32%	29%	8,682	8,941	9,210
MSVU	Arts	6,436	6,845	6%	3%	7,280	7,743	7,975
	Science	6,787	7,135	5%	2%	7,501	7,885	8,122
	Education	6,787	7,205	6%	3%	7,649	8,120	8,363
STFX	Arts	7,195	7,626	6%	3%	8,083	8,567	8,824
	Science	7,195	7,626	6%	3%	8,083	8,567	8,824
	Education	7,195	7,626	6%	3%	8,083	8,567	8,824
	Engineering	7,195	7,626	6%	3%	8,083	8,567	8,824
SMU	Arts	6,470	6,860	6%	3%	7,274	7,712	7,943
	Science	6,470	7,040	9%	6%	7,660	8,335	8,585
	Engineering	6,470	7,040	9%	6%	7,660	8,335	8,585
	Commerce	6,470	7,200	11%	8%	7,834	8,525	8,780
MTA	Arts	7,465	7,765	4%	1%	8,077	8,402	8,654
	Science	7,465	7,765	4%	1%	8,077	8,402	8,654
Bishop's	Arts	7,031	7,228	3%	0%	7,430	7,639	7,868
	Science	7,031	7,228	3%	0%	7,430	7,639	7,868

If universities follow the past year's increase for the next two, this table illustrates the projected tuition rates.

The highlighted rates have been adjusted for the one-time significant increases.

2019-2020 have a 3% increase applied to all.



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Tuition – Tuition Rate Increases

Discussion :

- Tuition rate increase
 - Domestic
 - International



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Tuition – Tuition Rate Comparison

		2015-2016	2016-2017	Increase		Projected Increase			3%	3% +3%	3% +3%	3%
				Increase	above 3%	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	
Acadia	Arts	7,713	7,944	3%	0%	8,182	8,427	8,680	8,421	8,926	9,194	
	Science	7,713	7,944	3%	0%	8,182	8,427	8,680	8,421	8,926	9,194	
	Education	8,015	8,255	3%	0%	8,502	8,757	9,019	8,750	9,275	9,554	
	Engineering	7,713	7,944	3%	0%	8,182	8,427	8,680	8,421	8,926	9,194	
CBU	Arts	6,571	6,960	6%	3%							
	Science	6,571	6,960	6%	3%							
	Education	7,828	8,300	6%	3%							
	Engineering	6,571	6,960	6%	3%							
DAL	Arts	6,990	7,200	3%	0%	7,416	7,639	7,868	7,416	7,639	7,868	
	Science	7,932	8,169	3%	0%	8,413	8,664	8,924	8,413	8,664	8,924	
	Engineering	6,365	8,430	32%	29%	8,682	8,941	9,210	8,682	8,941	9,210	
MSVU	Arts	6,436	6,845	6%	3%	7,280	7,743	7,975	7,280	7,743	7,975	
	Science	6,787	7,135	5%	2%	7,501	7,885	8,122	7,501	7,885	8,122	
	Education	6,787	7,205	6%	3%	7,649	8,120	8,363	7,649	8,120	8,363	
STFX	Arts	7,195	7,626	6%	3%	8,083	8,567	8,824	8,083	8,567	8,824	
	Science	7,195	7,626	6%	3%	8,083	8,567	8,824	8,083	8,567	8,824	
	Education	7,195	7,626	6%	3%	8,083	8,567	8,824	8,083	8,567	8,824	
	Engineering	7,195	7,626	6%	3%	8,083	8,567	8,824	8,083	8,567	8,824	
SMU	Arts	6,470	6,860	6%	3%	7,274	7,712	7,943	7,274	7,712	7,943	
	Science	6,470	7,040	9%	6%	7,660	8,335	8,585	7,660	8,335	8,585	
	Engineering	6,470	7,040	9%	6%	7,660	8,335	8,585	7,660	8,335	8,585	
	Commerce	6,470	7,200	11%	8%	7,834	8,525	8,780	7,834	8,525	8,780	
MTA	Arts	7,465	7,765	4%	1%	8,077	8,402	8,654	8,077	8,402	8,654	
	Science	7,465	7,765	4%	1%	8,077	8,402	8,654	8,077	8,402	8,654	
Bishop's	Arts	7,031	7,228	3%	0%	7,430	7,639	7,868	7,430	7,639	7,868	
	Science	7,031	7,228	3%	0%	7,430	7,639	7,868	7,430	7,639	7,868	

If Acadia was to implement a market adjustment for next two years of 3%, the projected tuition rates would increase by \$239 and \$499.

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Tuition – Tuition Rate Increases

Discussion :

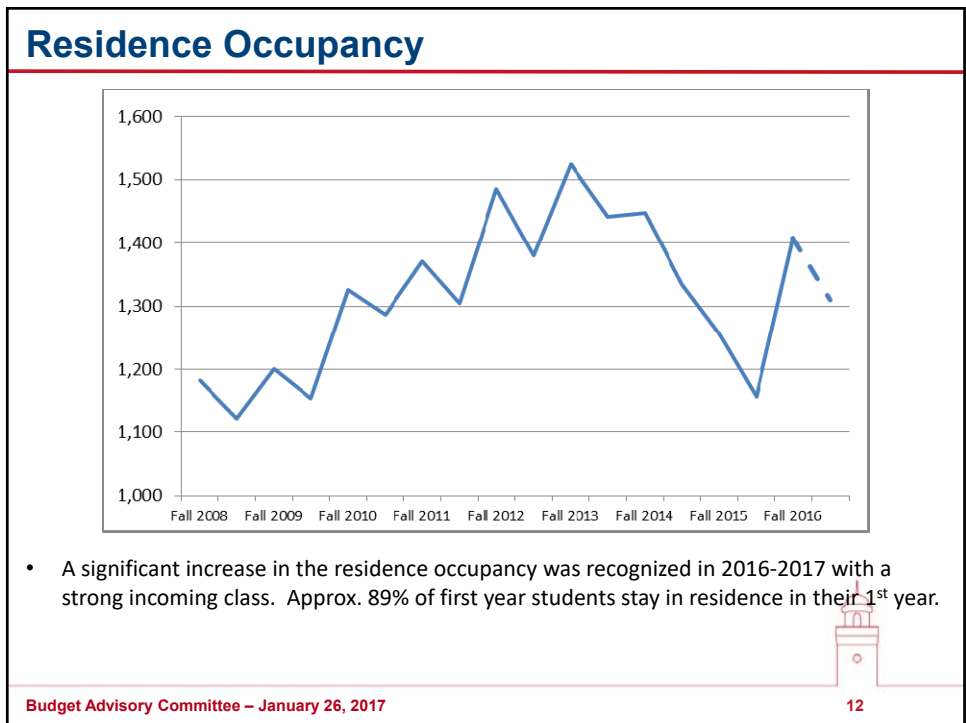
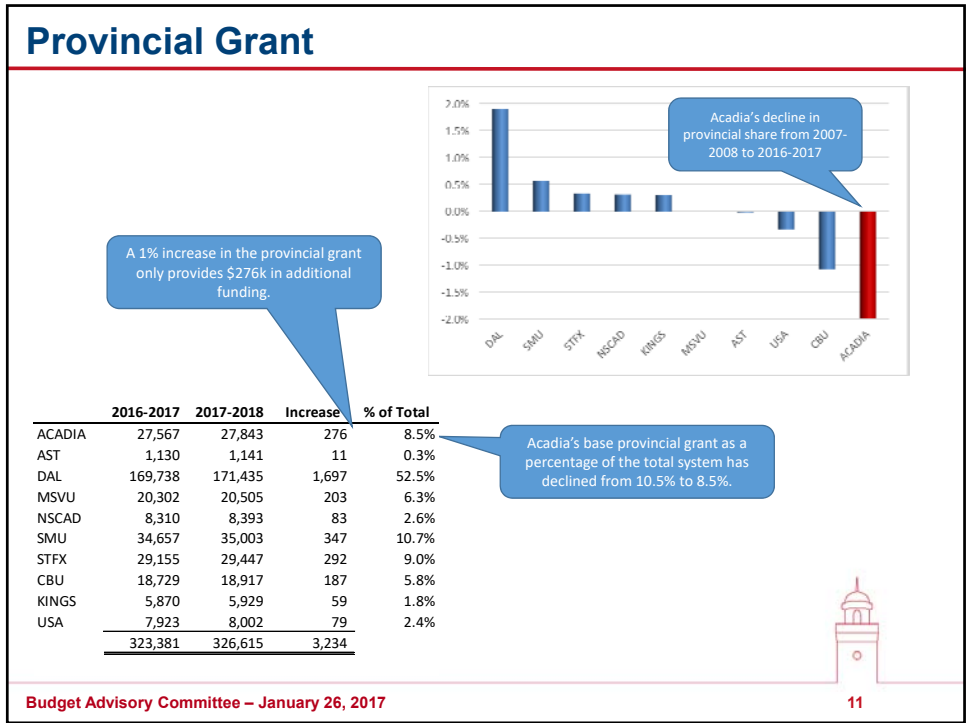
- Tuition rate increase plus market adjustment
 - All programs or program specific



Provincial Grant

- Current MOU is based on enrolment data from 2003-2006 with transition funding to those universities who recognized a potential decrease in funding from lower enrolments
- From 2007-2008 to 2010-2011, Acadia's portion of the provincial grant reduced from 10.5% to 8.5%
- Since 2010-2011, the entire system has received % increases or % decreases on the previous year's grant amount
 - 2011-2012 4% decrease
 - 2012-2013 3.35% decrease
 - 2013-2014 2.88% decrease
 - 2014-2015 1% increase
 - 2015-2016 1% increase
 - 2016-2017 1% increase
- Based on the current MOU with the Province, universities will receive a 1% increase for 2017-2018. A review of the funding formula has been planned for 2018.





Residence Room Rates

- A review of current residence rates and meal plan offering by university was updated to provide Acadia's positioning within the market.

	Double Room		Single		Deluxe		Other		
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	
Acadia University	5,730	4,810	7,510	5,560	7,510	6,295	7,850	7,075	Single in Suite
Cape Breton University	4,120	4,120	5,790	5,790	6,900	6,190	5,930	5,930	Private Room - Apartment
Dalhousie University	7,015	6,325	7,880	7,190	8,515	8,515	7,385	7,385	Super Single
Mount Saint Vincent University	4,747	4,747	6,298	5,512	6,603	6,603	5,743	5,512	Single in Townhouses
Saint Mary's University	5,355	5,355	6,630	6,630	7,040	7,040	7,040	5,560	Apartments
St. Francis Xavier University	5,705	5,210	6,845	6,245	8,235	7,865	7,245	6,365	Apartments
Mount Allison University	5,024	5,024	5,889	5,889	7,282	6,587	6,217	6,217	Super Single
Bishops University	4,280	3,696	5,200	4,480					
			7 day plus	Other					
	5 days	7 day							
Acadia University	4,254	4,369	4,598	4,774	7 day Max				
Cape Breton University	4,530	4,695							
Dalhousie University	3,455	3,555	3,775						
Mount Saint Vincent University	3,460	3,583	3,873						
Saint Mary's University	3,630	3,955	4,355						
St. Francis Xavier University	4,910	5,249	5,185	5,449					
Mount Allison University		4,622							
Bishops University		4,384	4,600	4,528	7 day plus guest passes				

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Residence Room Rates

- The following chart provides a comparison to the other NS universities as well as our Maple League universities with a basic single and a basic double with a 7 day meal plan.
- Based on this, Acadia is well positioned and uses this positioning in its recruitment efforts.

	Single and Meal Plan	Double and Meal Plan
Acadia University	\$ 9,929	\$ 9,179
Cape Breton University	10,485	8,815
Dalhousie University	10,745	9,880
Mount Saint Vincent University	9,095	8,330
Saint Mary's University	10,585	9,310
St. Francis Xavier University	11,494	10,459
Mount Allison University	10,511	9,646
Bishops University	8,864	8,080
Average	\$ 10,214	\$ 9,212

- Typical increases to residence rates have averaged 3% for the last few years.

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Residence Rates

Discussion :

- Current rates as compared to other universities
- Rate increase



Other revenue

- Management is currently reviewing potential revenue increases from :
 - Miscellaneous student fees – based on enrolment changes
 - Parking revenue
 - Event management revenue and net income
 - Miscellaneous revenue from
 - Sale of property
 - Rental of property
 - Other

Discussion :

- Other potential revenue opportunities



Acadia Students' Union SRC Program/Project Report

Completed SRC Program/Project Reports should be submitted as a PDF to the Councillor Coordinator or to the Chairperson. All advertising materials, receipts, donation requests should be attached. The document should be named "SRC Program/Project Report-FirstName LastName".

PART 1 – Pre-program/project proposal (to be filled out for council)

Program/Project Details:	
Program/Project Name:	ASU Buzzfeed Style Videos
Program/Project Location:	Facebook and other social media platforms
Date & Time of Event:	Starting on February 1 st , ongoing until March 29 th
Name of SRC Member(s) involved:	Sean Porter, Brandon Giacchetta
Publicizing tools (ie: social media, posters, word of	Social media, word of mouth.

Description: Outline the details of the program, how it will benefit students, the materials that will be used, the estimated costs, and funding sources.

One part of the multifaceted framework that the ASU wants to create as part of the Sexual Violence Strategy, made possible through the Break the Silence Grant, is to improve individual sexual health and eliminate individual harms around sex and sexuality. In order to achieve this goal, the idea of Buzzfeed style educational videos around topics of sex, sexuality, sexual health, and gender was developed (by Sam S., Sam N., and Frankie). Videos will be released bi-weekly.

The only costs for this event, if applicable, would be \$100 for a videographer.

PART 2 – Post-program/project reflection (to be filled out after program/project)

Summary: Describe success, obstacles, and challenges. Would you repeat this event? What changes would make it more successful? What wouldn't you do again?

Logistics (to be filled out after program/project):

Number of Students who attended (including SRC Members): _____

Names of SRC Members who attended: _____

Program total cost: _____

Cash value donated: _____

Items donated: _____

Where donations came from (if applicable): _____

Contact information of companies/people who in some way assisted the event:

1.