

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 Sean Porter, Councillor Julie Bernier, Councillor Jessica Elliott, Councillor</p> <p>Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator Lucas Coxhead, Science Senator Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator</p> <p>Ryan Myers, Equity Officer</p> <p>Molly Murphy, Board of Governors Rep</p>	<p>Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic Eileen Haskett, Graduate Studies Adviser</p> <p>Susan Mesheau, Administration Anna Kieffe, Faculty Representative Vacant, Board of Governors</p>

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1. Call to Order

The Chairperson called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 5:03 pm and welcomed those present.

1) Roll Call

The Chairperson called the roll, with all SRC Members being present, except Brianna Jarvin (VP Academic), Eileen Haskett (Graduate Studies Adviser), Susan Mesheau (Administration Representative), and Anne Kieffe (Faculty Representative).

Please note that Councillor Emily “Josie” Cross has resigned effective Sunday, March 5th, 2017.

2) Approval of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)

Resolution No. 035-17

Moved by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

Seconded by: Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator

Be It Resolved That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Students’ Representative Council dated Tuesday, March 7th, 2017 be adopted.

Resolution CARRIED

3) Approval of the Minutes

Resolution No. 036-17

Moved by: Ryan Myers, Equity Officer

Seconded by: Sean Porter, Councillor

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Students’ Representative Council listed under Item 4(a) on the Agenda, be adopted (Thursday, February 28th, 2017).

Resolution CARRIED

4) Roundtable Correspondence and Communication

a. NSTU Strike (Jocelyn Graham, President of the Education Society)

Jocelyn Graham, President of the Education Society, provided an overview of the current status of the Nova Scotia Teachers’ Union (NSTU) strike activity. She shared that the Province has legislated a contract onto teachers and that the work-to-rule activity has subsided for the most part. Teachers have begun to take student teachers again; however, there appears to be less interest among high school teachers in recent weeks after Acadia University had commenced legal action against the NSTU. As a result, some students have had to take placements in middle school instead, which has been detrimental to their professional development.

b. Senate Committee Update (Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator)

Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator, shared what he has been involved with on his Senate Committees. Over the past weekend, he received some scholarship applications to identify the recipients of Acadia's highest scholarships. On the Timetable Committee, a motion to establish a rotating timetable has been defeated and a separate motion to enforce a policy ensuring that professors use early morning and late afternoon timeslots was passed and forwarded to Senate. The curriculum Policy Committee completed its policy on opening and closing programs and has forwarded it to Senate as a whole for review and approval at their next meeting.

c. Alcohol Harms Conference (Sam Sproule, President)

Samantha Sproule, President, shared that she attended the Alcohol Harms Conference last week with Grace Hamilton-Burge, the incoming President. At the conference, it was discussed that universities have different levels of administration support for alcohol harms programming and that certain universities are at different stages of acceptance of the program. It was suggested that it is beneficial for Alcohol Harms programming to be run by a passionate student or on-campus group, with a focus on Keeping It Social. She also shared a shot glass that has been used elsewhere that measures by the ounce of alcohol.

d. SNS Update (Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic)

On behalf of Brianna Jarvin, VP Academic, Samantha Sproule, President, informed Council that the results of the Cape Breton University Students' Union are being formally appealed to the CBUSU Election Appeals Board. Therefore, the referendum where CBUSU students voted to leave Students Nova Scotia (SNS) may be held to be invalid.

e. January and February Financial Update (Andrew Grant, VP Finance)

Andrew Grant, VP Finance, provided an overview of the January and February 2017 financial update, attached as Appendix A and forming a part of these minutes.

f. Executive Board Update (Sam Sproule, President)

Samantha Sproule, President, shared that the Executive Board has been discussing the changeover retreat, the CASA AGM conference, Cheaton Cup fentanyl antidote ordering, Presidential Search Committee updates, House Councils and an overview of the 2017/2018 budget.

g. Hiring of House Council Executives Update (Ted Higa, VP Programming)

Ted Higa, VP Programming, shared that he will be bringing forward a proposal to move towards the hiring of House Council Executives, along with House Council restructuring in the coming days and weeks. His proposal will go to Governance Committee later this week and will be brought back to Council if a decision is made at the Committee.

**Eileen Haskett, Graduate Studies
Adviser arrived at 5:28pm.**

5) Question Period

Grace Hamilton-Burge, incoming President, asked if there would be an interview process established for the Hiring of House Council Executives.

Ted Higa, VP Programming, responded that there will be indeed an interview process included within his soon-to-be finalized proposal to Governance Committee.

Julie Bernier, Councillor, asked if the hiring of House Council Executives will pose a problem for residences that are primarily occupied by first-year students.

Ted Higa, VP Programming, responded that it is possible for there to be some issues in the first year after introduction but that it is not anticipated that these will be significant enough to refrain from passing these measures.

6) Discussion Period

a) Cheaton Cup Initiative Idea (Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator)

Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator, shared that she would like to see a group of sober students who are available to help those in need of support (i.e. intoxicated students) at Cheaton Cup and its activities. These students could provide water to attendees and walk them home on-campus or to a safe area as necessary. It would be nice to provide some form of honoraria to these students in recognition of their contribution to the student body.

Carter Bobbie, Councillor, asked whether there would be training for these individuals so that they know what they can and cannot handle themselves.

Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator, shared that this training would explain the services and support available and provide all of the information necessary for these students to be effective aids for their fellow students.

Andrew Grant, VP Finance, asked what the plan was for funding the honoraria for the sober students.

Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator, responded that she would apply to the Wellness Fund to cover such expenses, estimated at \$50 per person up to \$500 for all ten students.

Ted Higa, VP Programming, shared that colourful apparel should be considered as this would be easily identifiable by students in need of support. Additionally, he shared that it is important to get information out to students as soon as possible about this opportunity as well.

Grace Hamilton-Burge, incoming President, shared that the ASU could be liable if it were to provide funding to these individuals who could then attend on- and off-campus events as part of Cheaton Cup festivities.

Samantha Nixon, incoming VP Academic and External, shared that it could be a good idea to look into forming a separate group outside of the ASU to facilitate such initiatives in the future, similar to programs at other Canadian universities.

Jessica Elliott, Councillor, shared that it could be useful to look at providing honoraria in the form of SUB gift cards.

Carter Bobbie, Councillor, asked if the student volunteer would be committing themselves to the entire day of festivities or simply shifts.

Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator, responded that it would be the entire day and that payment would be made accordingly.

7) **New Business**

a) **Chief Returning Officer Hiring Committee Vacancy (Sam Sproule, President)**

Samantha Sproule, President, explained that there is a vacancy on the Chief Returning Officer Hiring Committee that must be filled as interviews are scheduled for Friday afternoon.

Resolution No. 037-17

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Brandon Giacchetta, Councillor

That the Council hereby appoint Andrew Grant to the 2017/2018 Chief Returning Officer (CRO) Hiring Committee effective immediately.

Resolution CARRIED

b) **Review Board Vacancy (Sam Sproule, President)**

Samantha Sproule, President, explained that there is a vacancy on the Review Board that must be filled.

Resolution No. 038-17

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Ted Higa, VP Programming

That the Council hereby appoint Jessica Elliott to the Review Board effective immediately.

Resolution CARRIED

c) **Communications and Promotions Committee Vacancy (Sam Sproule, President)**

Samantha Sproule, President, explained that there is a vacancy on the Communications and Promotions Committee that must be filled.

Resolution No. 039-17

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

That Council hereby appoint Brandon Giacchetta to the Communications and Promotions Committee effective immediately.

Resolution CARRIED

8) Notice of Motion

a) **2017/2018 Draft Budget (Andrew Grant, VP Finance)**

Andrew Grant, VP Finance, informed Council that he intends to bring forward the 2017/2018 draft budget at the next Regular Meeting of Council for Council's approval. The draft budget has been circulated to members of Council for review and comment in the meantime.

9) Announcements

Samantha Sproule, President, shared the following events and opportunities in the coming days;

- a. Today at 7:00pm, the former Prime Minister of Tunisia will be speaking in Fountain Commons.
- b. Tomorrow (Wednesday) at 6:00pm, the Movies for Mental Health event will be happening in the KCIC Auditorium.
- c. The CASA AGM conference will be occurring next week with more information to follow.
- d. The Credit Card information session for Members of Council will hopefully be held later this week, likely on Friday, with more information to follow.

Molly Murphy, Board of Governors Representative, and Grace Hamilton-Burge, incoming President, shared that there is a protest on Thursday in Kentville, NS against the judicial decision in the sexual assault case of a Halifax cab driver.

Ted Higa, VP Programming, commended Members of Council on their hard work so far and reminded them that it is important to continue to do office hours in these last two months.

Tessa Jane, Constituent, shared that the Sex Toy Bingo will be occurring on Thursday.

Soleil Chahine, Chairperson, shared that she will be ordering SRC clothing on Friday and that final options will be distributed to Council.

10) Closed Session

Resolution No. 040-17

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Sean Porter, Councillor

That Council move into Closed Session to discuss two (2) matters of concern (Hiring of SRC Officials).

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 041-17

Moved by: Senewa Sena, Professional Studies Senator

Seconded by: Molly Murphy, Board of Governors Representative

That Council move into Open Session.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 042-17

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Ryan Myers, Equity Officer

That Council hereby ratify Oliver Jacob as Chairperson for the 2017/2018 term of Council, with formal appointment effective May 1st, 2017.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 043-17

Moved by: Samantha Sproule, President

Seconded by: Eileen Haskett, Graduate Studies Adviser

That Council hereby ratify Jonah van Driesum as Deputy Chairperson for the 2017/2018 term of Council, with formal appointment effective May 1st, 2017.

Resolution CARRIED

11) Adjournment

Resolution No. 044-17

Moved by: Colin Mitchell, Arts Senator

Seconded by: Andrew Grant, VP Finance

That the Regular Meeting of Council dated Tuesday, February 7th, 2017 be adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Resolution CARRIED

Finance Update: January and February 2017

Presented by Andrew Grant, VP Finance, March 7 2017

Info Desk and Union Market

- ▶ Revenue January: 13,855 (Retail sales, Bus Ticket Revenue, Building Revenue)
- ▶ Expenses January: 19,200 (Labour, Contract expense, Supplies)
- ▶ Net: (5,345)

Axe

- ▶ Revenue January: 32,190 (Axe and outside bar sales)
- ▶ Expenses January: 24,680 (Labour, Contract expense, Liquor)
- ▶ Net: 7,150

Cajun's

- ▶ Revenue January: 10,700 (Retail and Custom order sales)
- ▶ Expenses January: 15,760 (Labour, Contract expense, Cost of Sales)
- ▶ Net: (5,060)

Perkin's

- ▶ Revenue January: 10,525 (Retail sales and billings)
- ▶ Expenses January: 10,705 (Labour, Cost of Food, Supplies)
- ▶ Net: (180)

Axehandle

- ▶ Revenue January: 4,570 (Retail sales)
- ▶ Expenses January: 6,690 (Labour, Cost of Food, Supplies)
- ▶ Net: (2,120)

Miscellaneous Revenues

- ▶ Ticket Sales January: 1,750
- ▶ Winter Carnival January: 4,175
- ▶ Craft Expo January: 46,110

Miscellaneous Expenses

- ▶ Salaries and Wages: 20,280
- ▶ Ath expenses: 1,375
- ▶ Health Plan: 60,015
- ▶ Events, Activities, and Entertainment: 5,920
- ▶ Craft Fair: 4,680

Net Income (Loss)

- ▶ For January: (54,175)
- ▶ Year to Date (January 31, 2017): 453,875

Info Desk and Union Market

- ▶ Revenue for February: 12,625 (Bus Tickets, Building Revenue)
- ▶ Expenses for February: 11,760 (Salaries & Wages)
- ▶ Net: 865

Axe

- ▶ Revenue for February: 27,785 (Liquor Sales, Outside Bar, Miscellaneous)
- ▶ Expenses for February: 13,705 (Liquor Purchases, Labour, Contract)
- ▶ Net: 14,080

Cajun's

- ▶ Revenue for February: 12,895 (Retail and Custom Order Sales)
- ▶ Expenses for February: 10,320 (Labour, Contract, Cost of Sales)
- ▶ Net: 2,575

Perkin's

- ▶ Revenue for February: 9,325 (Retail Sales and Sales Billings)
- ▶ Expenses for February: 8,965 (Labour, Cost of Sales)
- ▶ Net: 360

Axehandle

- ▶ Revenue for February: 3,585 (Retail Sales)
- ▶ Expenses for February: 2,990 (Labour and Cost of Sales)
- ▶ Net: 595

Miscellaneous Revenue

- ▶ Student Union Fees: 184,735
- ▶ Vending and Contract: 2,105
- ▶ Yearbook Contributions: 21,500
- ▶ Health Plan Contribution: 79,000
- ▶ Ticket Sales: 1,040

Miscellaneous Expenses

- ▶ Salaries and Wages: 11,515
- ▶ SRC/Leadership Awards/Election: 2,765
- ▶ Health Plan Premiums: 59,515
- ▶ Events, Activities, and Entertainment: 1,630
- ▶ Craft Fair: 19,685

