



PRESENT	ABSENT
<p>Oliver Jacob, Chairperson</p> <p>Grace Hamilton-Burge, President Liam Schreiter, VP Finance & Operations</p> <p>Emily Elliott, Councillor Mackenzie Jarvin, Councillor</p> <p>Katie Winters, Arts Senator Regan Haley, Professional Studies 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>Paige Krentz, Internal Organization Rep</p>	<p>Vacant, Deputy Chairperson</p> <p>Samantha Nixon, VP Academic & External Emily Murray, VP Student Life Malcolm Anderson, VP Events & Promotions</p> <p>Alyssa Hall, Councillor Samantha Stegen, Councillor</p> <p>Anderson Fuller, Science Senator 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 Sebastian Farkas, Student Life Associate Director</p>

1. Call to Order

The Chairperson called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 6:05 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

The Chairperson called the roll, with all SRC Members being present, except Samantha Nixon (VP Academic & External), Emily Murray (VP Student Life), Malcolm Anderson (VP Events & Promotions), Alyssa Hall (Councillor), Samantha Stegen (Councillor), Anderson Fuller (Science Senator), Jackson Dunn (Theology Senator), and Anna Kiefte (Faculty Representative).

3. Approval of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)

Resolution No. 242-17

Moved by: Christopher Saulnier, Community Relations Officer

Seconded by: Dena Williams, Equity Officer

Be It Resolved That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Students' Representative Council dated Thursday, November 16th, 2017 be adopted, with the removal of Item (13) (c).

Resolution CARRIED as amended

4. Declarations of Conflict of Interest(s)

None

5. Question Period

None

6. Approval of the Minutes

Resolution No. 243-17

Moved by: George Philp, Sustainability Officer

Seconded by: Dena Williams, Equity Officer

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Students' Representative Council listed under Item 6(a) on the Agenda, be adopted (Tuesday, November 7th, 2017) as presented.

Resolution CARRIED

7. Presentations/Delegations

- a. **Axe Person of the Week** (Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative)

Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative, put forward Jeremy Ayotte as the Axe Person of the Week.

Resolution No. 244-17

Moved by: Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative

Seconded by: Dahlia Chahine, First Year Officer

That Council recognize Jeremy Ayotte as Axe Person of the Week.

Resolution CARRIED

8. Matters Tabled/Deferred/Unfinished Business

- a. **Goal Documents**

- a. **Theology Senator**

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, shared that the Theology Senator had submitted his goal document but was unable to come to present it to Council. As it appears to be incomplete, Council suggested that the Chairperson confirm with the correct wording for Item No. (3) and bring it back to the next Regular Meeting of Council.

Resolution No. 245-17

Moved by: Grace Hamilton-Burge, President

Seconded by: Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative

That Council table the Theology Senator's Fall Semester goal document to the next Regular Meeting of Council.

Resolution CARRIED

9. Reports to Council

- b. **Report to Council No. 2017-11-16-01 from the Chairperson regarding the Creation of an Accessibility Advisory Committee**

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, provided an overview of his report on the creation of an Accessibility Advisory Committee, attached as Appendix A and forming a part of these minutes, and responded to questions.

Resolution 246-17

Moved by: Grace Hamilton-Burge, President

Seconded by: Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations

That Council accept Report No. 2017-11-16-01 as information and that the recommendations contained within be brought forward for Council's consideration.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 247-17

Moved by: Grace Hamilton-Burge, President

Seconded by: Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative

That Council strike an Accessibility Advisory Committee with the terms of reference attached as Schedule A of this resolution.

Further That this resolution come into full force and effect immediately upon its passing thereof.

Resolution CARRIED as amended

c. Report to Council No. 2017-11-16-02 from the Chairperson regarding the Creation of an Alumni Engagement Committee

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, provided an overview of his report on the creation of an Alumni Engagement Committee, attached as Appendix B and forming a part of these minutes, and responded to questions.

Resolution 248-17

Moved by: Christopher Saulnier, Community Relations Officer

Seconded by: Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative

That Council accept Report No. 2017-11-16-02 as information and that the recommendations contained within be brought forward for Council's consideration.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 249-17

Moved by: Regan Haley, Professional Studies Senator

Seconded by: Christopher Saulnier, Community Relations Officer

That Council strike an Alumni Engagement Committee with the terms of reference attached as Schedule A of this resolution.

Further That this resolution come into full force and effect immediately upon its passing thereof.

Resolution CARRIED

10. Committee Reports and Minutes

None

11. Notice of Motions

None

12. Correspondence and Petitions

None

13. New Business

a. Repeal and Replace By-Law No. Three (Union Elections) (Oliver Jacob, Chairperson)

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, explained that Governance Committee has proposed changes to By-Law No. Three (Union Elections) and that these are being brought to Council for review. They have sat before Council for the requisite one (1) week notice period and were shared on the Acadia Students' Union website and social media.

After extensive conversations between Members of Council, it was recommended that the proposed changes be referred back to Governance Committee for further review.

Resolution No. 250-17

Moved by: George Philp, Sustainability Officer

Seconded by: Regan Haley, Professional Studies Senator

That Council refer the proposed changes to By-Law Three (Union Elections) to Governance Committee for further review, with specific emphasis on campaign financing (the elimination of the Executive Board reimbursements and the possibility of an introduction of non-Executive subsidization), campaign rules and regulations (campaigning in restricted areas, maintaining a professional attitude) and election days (restriction of active campaigning on voting days).

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 251-17

Moved by: Grace Hamilton-Burge, President

Seconded by: Dahlia Chahine, First Year Officer

That Council table the proposed By-Law Four (Referenda and Plebiscites Act) to the next Regular Meeting of Council.

Resolution CARRIED

b. Collective Bargaining Update (Grace Hamilton-Burge, President)

Grace Hamilton-Burge, President, provided an update on the current round of Collective Bargaining here at Acadia University between the Board of Governors (the employers) and the Acadia University Faculty Association (the employees), and responded to

questions. She also shared that she would like Council to provide some form of support in Collective Bargaining, possibly through a working group.

c. **Project Proposal** (Regan Haley, Professional Studies Senator)

Regan Haley, Professional Studies Senator, provided an overview of her program proposal for the Fall Semester, attached as Appendix C and forming a part of these minutes, and responded to questions.

Resolution No. 252-17

Moved by: Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative

Seconded by: Dahlia Chahine, First Year Officer

That Council adopt the Professional Studies Senator's program proposal as presented.

Resolution CARRIED

14. Announcements

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, reminded Council that the SRC clothing order would be submitted around mid-November and that those who wish to purchase a sweater should complete the spreadsheet in the Facebook group.

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, reminded Council that the ASU Christmas Party will be taking place on Sunday, November 26th, 2017 and that they should RSVP to him as soon as possible with any dietary restrictions that they may have.

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, asked Members of Council to complete the income tax forms before November 15th, 2017 so that the disbursement of honoraria could be completed in December 2017.

Oliver Jacob, Chairperson, encouraged Members of Council to volunteer at the ASU Christmas Craft Expo as it is a fun experience. Interested person may contact Ian Morrison, ASU General Manager, for more information.

Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations, shared that he will be presenting his Financial Update for September and October 2017 at the next Regular Meeting of Council.

15. Resolutions

None

16. Closed Session

None

17. Confirmatory Resolution

Resolution No. 253-17

Moved by: Dena Williams, Equity Officer

Seconded by: Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations

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 16th day of November, 2017 at 6:00 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. 254-17

Moved by: Grace Hamilton-Burge, President

Seconded by: Katie Winters, Arts Senator

That the Regular Meeting of Council dated Thursday, November 16th, 2017 be adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Resolution CARRIED / LOST



Acadia Students' Union
Students' Representative Council
Report to Council

Subject: Creation of an Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC)	Author: Oliver Jacob
Report Number: 2017-11-16-01	Title: Chairperson
	Date: November 16 th , 2017

Recommendations:

That Council strike an Accessibility Advisory Committee with the terms of reference attached as Schedule A of this resolution.

Further That this resolution come into full force and effect immediately upon its passing thereof.

Background

The Province of Nova Scotia introduced and enacted Bill 59 (*Accessibility Act*) with its official commencement taking effect on September 18, 2017. This piece of legislation sets the ambitious goal of making Nova Scotia accessible by 2030 and makes Nova Scotia the third province to enact such legislation, behind Ontario (2005) and Manitoba (2013). As part of this *Act*, public organizations (including post-secondary institutions and non-profit organizations) must adhere to minimum accessibility standards as will be set out by regulation in the coming months/years. Once these standards are in place, such organizations must also establish an Accessibility Advisory Committee to provide advice and expertise on issues pertaining to accessibility within the organization.

Discussion:

As an item on my Fall Semester goal document, the creation of an Accessibility Advisory Committee is of particular interest to me as I have seen how successful these committees can be at delivering the policy and procedural benefits that organizations seek in terms of legislative compliance and increasing accessibility for our clients (the student body, staff, faculty and community members as the case may be). The Town of Arnprior established its Arnprior Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAAC) in 2013 in accordance with the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)*. The committee provides advice and recommendations to Council regarding accessibility issues within the Corporation and the potential solutions that would break down any barriers to effective and inclusion service.

After a review of the provincial legislation in Nova Scotia, I have ensured that Schedule A (Draft Terms of Reference) conforms to the letter and spirit of the legislation as written. As a result, the provisions regarding having at least 50% of members having a disability has been added as it is mandatory under the legislation.

The membership of the committee would be the Chairperson (as Chair), President (as Vice-Chair), one (1) additional Executive Member, one (1) additional Non-Executive Member, and up to four (4) regular Union members. The General Manager and Building and Events Services Manager would sit ex-officio (non-voting) on the committee as staff. At least 50% of the committee membership would have to have some form of disability. Additional non-voting members may be appointed by the committee as it sees fit as it reaches out to other stakeholders and community groups that relate to its mission.

Options

- a. Strike the Accessibility Advisory Committee with the draft Terms of Reference
- b. Alter the draft Terms of Reference attached in any way
- c. Reject the Creation of an Accessibility Advisory Committee

Policy Considerations:

None

Financial Considerations:

None

Meeting Dates:

None

Consultation:

Town of Arnprior

Documents:

Schedule A – Draft Terms of Reference

**Report and Process Certified By
Chairperson:**

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Schedule A
Draft Terms of Reference

(1) Mandate

- (a) The Committee will serve to promote and facilitate a barrier-free Union, by advising Council and assisting in the removal and prevention of barriers faced by persons with disabilities within the Acadia Students' Union

(2) Goals

- (a) To be able to provide an opportunity for persons with disabilities to raise issues and concerns.
- (b) To participate in the creation and ongoing review of the Acadia Students' Union Accessibility Plan, and annual status reports as required.
- (c) To participate in the review and update of the Acadia Students' Union policies dealing with accessibility for persons with disabilities, as required.
- (d) To provide feedback to Council on the implementation, status, and effectiveness of the Acadia Students' Union's Accessibility Plan.
- (e) To review and monitor existing and proposed Acadia Students' Union policies, practices and procedures, to ensure accessibility for persons with disabilities.
- (f) To review, access and make recommendations to Council on barriers for persons with disabilities on all owned, leased, or operated facilities of the Acadia Students' Union
- (g) Raise public awareness on issues affecting persons with disabilities.
- (h) To make the Acadia Students' Union a "barrier-free" and accessible community.
- (i) To consult with on-campus and off-campus groups and resources including, but not limited to, Accessibility and Learning Services, Physical Plant, and Facilities Management.
- (j) To remain compliant with and perform all other functions required by the Accessibility Act and any regulations enacted under its authority.

(3) Composition

- (a) The Accessibility Advisory Committee shall be comprised of the following voting members;
 - I. Chairperson (as Chair)
 - II. President (as Vice-Chair)
 - III. One additional Executive Member, as appointed by Council

- IV. One additional Non-Executive Member, as appointed by Council
- V. Up to four (4) Regular Union Members, selected by Council as outlined in the *Procedural Policy* as amended.

(b) The Accessibility Advisory Committee shall include the following individuals as non-voting members;

- I. General Manager
- II. Building and Event Services Manager
- III. Any other person as the committee may deem helpful in the exercise of its duties

(c) At least 50 % of the **voting** membership of the Accessibility Advisory Committee shall have a disability **as self-identified**.

(d) Quorum for meetings of the Accessibility Advisory Committee shall be at least 50% of voting members.

(4) Frequency of Meetings

(a) The Committee shall meet at least monthly and may conduct audits of buildings and policies outside of these meetings.

(5) Term of Appointment

(a) All members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee shall be appointed to a term coinciding with the current term of Council, ending on April 31st, 2018.

(6) Mandatory Review

(a) The Chairperson shall review the Accessibility Advisory Committee and make a recommendation to Council regarding its continuance by the last meeting of the current term of Council.



Acadia Students' Union
Students' Representative Council
Report to Council

Subject: Creation of an Alumni Engagement Committee (AEC) Report Number: 2017-11-16-02	Author: Oliver Jacob Title: Chairperson
	Date: November 16 th , 2017

Recommendations:

That Council strike an Alumni Engagement Committee with the terms of reference attached as Schedule A of this resolution.

Further That this resolution come into full force and effect immediately upon its passing thereof.

Background

Council passed the Alumni Mentorship Network proposal, as amended, at its October 31st, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council and directed the Chairperson to create a draft Terms of Reference for an Alumni Engagement Committee.

Discussion:

Attached as Schedule A of this report, the draft Terms of Reference for the Alumni Engagement Committee provide the legislative authority and description of the committee and its mandate. Overall the committee is charged with the maintenance of the Alumni Mentorship Network, but the Committee can also work on fostering positive relationships between alumni and current students as it sees fit.

Options

- a. Strike the Alumni Engagement Committee with the draft Terms of Reference
- b. Alter the draft Terms of Reference attached in any way
- c. Reject the Creation of an Alumni Engagement Committee

Policy Considerations:

None

Financial Considerations:

None

Meeting Dates:

None

Consultation:

None

Documents:

Schedule A – Draft Terms of Reference

**Report and Process Certified By
Chairperson:**

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Schedule A
Draft Terms of Reference

(1) Mandate

- (a) The Alumni Engagement Committee will promote and facilitate the relationship between alumni and current students of Acadia University through the ongoing maintenance of the Alumni Mentorship Network, a project that seeks to connect current students and recent graduates with mentors in their field to provide professional advice and guidance.

(2) Goals

- (a) To promote a relationship between alumni and current students of Acadia University.
- (b) To facilitate the Alumni Mentorship Network program including, but not limited to, the review of applications from mentors/mentees, the assignment of mentees to an appropriate mentor, and the creation of a formalized application process.
- (c) To conduct an annual review of the Alumni Mentorship Network to solve any issues and ensure that the program remains beneficial to the Acadia community.
- (d) To fulfill any additional tasks as assigned by Council from time to time.

(3) Composition

- (a) The Alumni Engagement Committee shall be comprised of the following voting members;
 - I. Student Board of Governors Representative
 - II. Community Relations Officer
 - III. One additional Member of Council, as appointed by Council
 - IV. Two (2) Regular Union Members, selected by Council as outlined in the *Procedural Policy* as amended.
 - V. Building and Events Services Manager
- (b) The Alumni Engagement Committee may appoint any person as the committee may deem helpful in the exercise of its duties as a non-voting member.
- (c) The Alumni Engagement Committee shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair at its first meeting.
- (d) Quorum for meetings of the Alumni Engagement Committee shall be at least 50% of voting members.

(4) Frequency of Meetings

- (a) The Committee shall meet bi-weekly or as needed.

(5) Term of Appointment

- (a) All members of the Alumni Engagement Committee shall be appointed to a term coinciding with the current term of Council, ending on April 31st, 2018.

(6) Mandatory Review

- (a) The Chairperson shall review the Alumni Engagement Committee and make a recommendation to Council regarding its continuance by the last meeting of the current term of Council.



Acadia Students' Union SRC Program/Project Proposal

Completed SRC Program/Project Proposals should be submitted as a Microsoft Word document to the Chairperson at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the Council meeting at which you would like to discuss it. The document should be named " Date - SRC Program/Project Proposal- FirstName LastName". Any requests for funding should be outlined in the application (i.e. SRC budget line, Wellness Fund, Student Activities Fund, other source(s)).

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

Program/Project Details:	
Program/Project Name:	Speaker Series with Jenny Kierstead
Program/Project Location:	Fountain Commons
Date & Time of Event:	TBD
Name of SRC Member(s) involved:	Regan Haley
Publicizing tools (i.e. social media, posters, word of mouth, etc.)	Mainly social media and word of mouth; however, I will likely create and hang some posters as well!

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

This project was originally created to be hosted for the first semester of school; however, due to Jenny’s availability we have had to move the speaker series to next semester. Jenny Kierstead is a former Acadia grad and the founder of the national award-winning Breathing Space Yoga Studios as well as yoga in schools. She received the women of excellence award in 2009 and the RBC Women of Influence Award in 2013, both for her yoga in schools initiative. Jenny graduated from Physical Education before receiving her Bachelor of Education both here at Acadia University. She taught physical education in Vancouver, as well as designed and implemented a yoga grade 11 course in the Nova Scotia Department of Education, which was the first yoga program ever implemented in Canadian public schools. Jenny also designed a yoga for autism program, a yoga for special needs program, and the Girl on Fire empowerment program. I have asked Jenny to touch on her experience with a Bachelor of Education and her time as a physical education teacher, her entrepreneurship, as well as her programs and the implementation of these programs.

Jenny’s presentation has the ability to be beneficial for all programs within the faculty of professional studies and I will be tailoring my publicizing to address each program. She will be touching on education, physical activity, entrepreneurship, and the community she has

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created through the implementation of her programs and because of this, I believe her knowledge can benefit all 4 of the programs within professional studies.

There is no date set as of right now, as she was unable to get to Acadia this semester. We are currently emailing back and forth to book a date and time for next semester and I will update this proposal accordingly.

In terms of cost, there will be cost for the Fountain Commons space, as well as travel and potential accommodations for Jenny and a charge for having her speak. I am also interested in providing some snacks for the guests and for purchasing a small gift for Jenny for coming to speak to us. As I am unsure of the date just yet, I have not contacted Fountain Commons or Chartwells as I cannot promise a set time; however, when I know the date and time I will have more information on cost, and will, once again, update my proposal accordingly. I would like to apply for funding through the Wellness Fund, and will also be requesting funds through the Acadia Kinesiology Society.

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?



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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.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.