



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

ALSO PRESENT
<p><b>Ellie Valle</b>, Presidential Affairs Associate Director</p> <p><b>Oliver Jacob</b>, Constituent  <b>Harrison Paul</b>, Constituent  <b>Makenzie Branch</b>, Constituent</p>

**1. Call to Order**

Aodhan Murphy, Acting Chairperson, called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 5:07PM and welcomed those present. The Acting 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**

Aodhan Murphy, Acting Chairperson, called the roll, with all SRC Members being present, except Mackenzie Jarvin (Councillor), Anderson Fuller (Science Senator), Jackson Dunn (Theology Senator), Colin Mitchell (Student Board of Governors Representative) and Anna Kiefte (Faculty Representative).

**3. Approval of Agenda (Additions/Deletions)**

Resolution No. 080-18

Moved by: George Philp, Sustainability Officer  
Seconded by: Alyssa Hall, Councillor

**Be It Resolved That** the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Students' Representative Council dated Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adopted.

Resolution AMENDED

Resolution No. 081-18

Moved by: Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations  
Seconded by: Alyssa Hall, Councillor

**That** Council amend Resolution No. 080-18, to amend the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Students' Representative Council dated Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018, to strike Item 13(b).

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 082-18

Moved by: George Philp, Sustainability Officer  
Seconded by: Alyssa Hall, Councillor

**Be It Resolved That** the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Students' Representative Council dated Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adopted, as amended.

Resolution CARRIED as amended

**4. Declarations of Conflict of Interest(s)**

None

## 5. Question Period

Oliver Jacob, Regular Union Member, produced a statement to Council. He presented an example of a poster violation having been deemed invalid and simultaneously that Aodhan Murphy, Acting Chief Returning Officer, had requested the candidate move said material. He provided further information that the ruling, and other similar rulings, had been upheld by the Election Committee, whom he described as “seemingly activist”. He also cited concerns that the elections results might only reflect the failure of Election Officials to enforce the regulations in By-Law 3 (Union Elections Act). He concluded with the following question to Council: “Given that Election Officials are seemingly not enforcing the election rules in By-Law 3 (Union Elections Act), what rules are actually governing this election and how can candidates and voters have trust in a system that does not even enforce some of its simplest rules?”

Aodhan Murphy, Acting Chairperson, informed Council that in his position as Acting Chairperson, he could not speak to the issue unless Council appointed a temporary presiding officer, where he could step into his role as Acting Chief Returning Officer.

Aodhan Murphy, Acting Chairperson, recommended that if Council wished, he could speak to the issue in the 2018 General Election Update, Item 13(d), and that any members speak to the matter.

**George Philp, Sustainability Officer  
Declared a conflict**

Grace Hamilton-Burge, President, began by sharing that Council had considered By-Law Three (Union Elections Act) and its issues with the ASU lawyer at the Special Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018. She noted that Council had made a decision that no member shall have an advantage as a candidate, and that the duty of Council, as well as the Elections Committee, is to ensure fair processes in the Union Election.

Grace Hamilton-Burge, President, added that she has not had to vote on the Elections Committee as each decision has been unanimous. Speaking to the issue of building regulations, she clarified that the committee had decided that knowledge thereof came from a place of privilege for Members of Council, as regulations are inaccessible, and were not even followed by Acadia Students' Union promotional material.

Grace Hamilton-Burge, President, explained that the Elections Committee had directed Aodhan Murphy, Acting Chief Returning Officer, to provide “known regulations” to candidates to fill this need. She concluded that she was looking forward to making amendments to By-Law 3 (Union Elections Act) following the conclusion of the 2018 General Election.

## 6. Approval of the Minutes

Resolution No. 083-18

Moved by: Alyssa Hall, Councillor

Seconded by: Katie Winters, Arts Senator

**That** the Minutes of the Regular and Special Meetings of the Students' Representative Council listed under Item 6 on the Agenda, be adopted (Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 and Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018).

Resolution AMENDED

Resolution No. 084-18

Moved by: George Philp, Sustainability Officer

Seconded by: Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations

**That** Council amend the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council, dated Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018, to list Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative, as absent, and to correct Resolution No. 066-18 to list Dena Williams, Equity Officer, as the mover.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 085-18

Moved by: Alyssa Hall, Councillor

Seconded by: Katie Winters, Arts Senator

**That** the Minutes of the Regular and Special Meetings of the Students' Representative Council listed under Item 6 on the Agenda, be adopted (Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 and Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018), as amended.

Resolution CARRIED as amended

**7. Presentations/Delegations**

None

**8. Matters Tabled/Deferred/Unfinished Business**

**a. Proposed Changes to Operating Procedure No. Four (Universal House Council Constitution) (Emily Murray, VP Student Life)**

Emily Murray, VP Student Life, explained that the matter had been tabled at the last Regular Meeting of Council to allow for further consultation with House Presidents and Executive Vice Presidents and Senior Residence Assistants (both outgoing and incoming).

Emily Murray, VP Student Life, provided an overview of the Proposed Changes to Operating Procedure No. Four (Universal House Council Constitution), with particular focus on changes upon recent consultations.

Grace Hamilton-Burge, President, asked if all members of the House Executive Board will be required to attend training week, and if there was any feedback that was provided in recent consultations that Council could not provide for.

Emily Murray, VP Student Life, confirmed that all members of the House Executive Board will be required to attend, and added that the overarching concern was providing additional opportunity to get involved in the fall which was fulfilled.

Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations, noted that extending the option to House Executive Board members for SUB gift cards rather than payroll deposits would ease the administrative cost in payroll.

Emily Murray, VP Student Life, noted that as it was not binding in the Operating Procedure, that the option could be extended.

Resolution No. 086-18

Moved by: Malcolm Anderson, VP Events and Promotions

Seconded by: George Philp, Sustainability Officer

**That** Council receive the proposed changes to Operating Procedure No. Four (4) (Universal House Council Constitution) as information and that they be brought forward for Council's consideration.

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 087-18

Moved by: Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations

Seconded by: Katie Winters, Arts Senator

**That** Council amend Operating Procedure No. Four (4) (Universal House Council Constitution) to adopt the proposed changes to Article XI (Honoraria) with the following enactment dates.

- Removal of Section One (1) of Article XI (Honoraria) – February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- Removal of Section Two (2) of Article XI (Honoraria) – February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- Removal of Section Three (3) of Article XI (Honoraria) – February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- Addition of Section Four (4) of Article XI (Honoraria) – May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018
- Amendment of Section Six (6) of Article XI (Honoraria) – May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018
- Addition of Section Seven (7) of Article XI (Honoraria) – February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Further That** Council place a sunset clause on Section Seven (7) of Article XI (Honoraria) to drop out of the Operating Procedure on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2018 at the beginning of the new term of Council.

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

Resolution CARRIED

Resolution No. 088-18

Moved by: George Philp, Sustainability Officer

Seconded by: Dahlia Chahine, First Year Officer

**That** Council amend Operating Procedure No. Four (4) (Universal House Council Constitution) to adopt the remainder of the proposed changes.

**Further That** this resolution come into full force and effect on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2018 at the beginning of the new term of Council.

Resolution CARRIED

**9. Reports to Council**

None

**10. Committee Reports and Minutes**

None

**11. Notice of Motions**

None

**12. Correspondence and Petitions**

None

**13. New Business**

**a. SUB Renewal Proposal** (Grace Hamilton-Burge, President)

Grace Hamilton-Burge, President, explained that she would like to table the Item, for further time for consultations with administration.

Resolution No. 089-18

Moved by: Grace Hamilton-Burge, President

Seconded by: Liam Schreiter VP Finance and Operations

**That** Council table Item 13(a) to the next Regular Meeting of Council.

Resolution CARRIED

**b. Appointment to the Policy and Research Advisory Committee** (Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External)

Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External, expressed that she wished to appoint members of Council to the Appointment to the Policy and Research Advisory Committee.

Resolution No. 090-18

Moved by: Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External

Seconded by: Alyssa Hall, Councillor

**That** Council hereby appoint the following individuals to the Policy and Research Advisory Committee for the remainder of the current term of Council ending on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018;

Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations  
Mackenzie Jarvin, Councillor  
Samantha Stegen, Councillor

Resolution CARRIED

**c. 2018 General Election Update** (Aodhan Murphy, Acting Chief Returning Officer)

Resolution No. 091-18

Moved by: Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations

Seconded by: Grace Hamilton-Burge, President

**That** Council hereby appoint Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations, as temporary presiding officer.

Resolution CARRIED

**Aodhan Murphy, Acting Chairperson,  
Declared a conflict and entered his seat as Acting Chief Returning Officer**

Aodhan Murphy, Acting Chief Returning Officer, recognized that while things have been hectic, polls opened today and everything was going well. He added that candidates will be meeting in the Michener Lounge tomorrow, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at 4:15PM, to be disclosed of the results and that students will be notified shortly thereafter.

Harrison Paul, Regular Union Member, asked if he was aware that some poll clerks were directing students who to vote for.

Aodhan Murphy, Acting Chief Returning Officer, stated he was not made aware of any such allegation, and had not received any complaints against Elections Officials. He added that such an offence is very serious, poll clerks were notified that such conduct is strictly prohibited, and complaints should be issued immediately so an investigation can proceed.

**Aodhan Murphy, Acting Chief Returning Officer,  
Re-entered the seat of the Chairperson**

Oliver Jacob, Regular Union Member, stated that the Acting Chairperson had missed a couple of motions relating to the proposed changes to Operating Procedure No. Four (4) (Universal House Council Constitution) and advised that the motions could be considered

following the disposal of all pending business, although there may need to be changes made in the future.

Resolution No. 092-18

Moved by: Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations

Seconded by: Dahlia Chahine, First Year Officer

**That** Council amend Operating Procedure No. Four (4) (Universal House Council Constitution) to adopt the proposed changes to Article VI (Hiring of Executive Board).

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

Resolution No. 093-18

Moved by: Grace Hamilton-Burge, President

Seconded by: George Philp, Sustainability Officer

**That** Council hereby appoint the Members of Council to act as members of the hiring committee for House Councils in accordance with Article VI (Hiring of Executive Board) of Operating Procedure No. Four (4) (Universal House Council Constitution);

Dahlia Chahine, First Year Officer

Katie Winters, Arts Senator

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

Resolution CARRIED

**14. Announcements**

Grace Hamilton-Burge, President, shared that herself, Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External, and Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations, met with the Nova Scotia Minister of Labour and Advanced Education earlier in the day. She noted they discussed skills programs, financial needs of students, and mental health. She added the provincial government had accepted two of the recommendations of Students Nova Scotia (SNS) in September on the extension of student loan forgiveness from four to five years, and an increase of weekly allowance, but more was needed.

Katie Winters, Arts Senator, promoted a Nova Scotia Heritage Day public talk by Andrea Hill in the KCIC behind held on Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Emily Murray, VP Student Life, encouraged members of Council to attend Sex Fest events, hosted by the Acadia Women's Centre, being held following the Winter Break.

Alyssa Hall, Councillor, shared that the first Acadia Asks video was receiving a lot of views, and encouraged members of Council to continue sharing them as they are released.



George Philp, Sustainability Officer, announced that the Acadia Food Cupboard is officially open and that students came in to use the service earlier in the day. He added that the launch will be held on Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018, on the main floor of the Students' Union Building from 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM.

Samantha Nixon, VP Academic and External, praised the work of Colin Mitchell, Student Board of Governors Representative, on the Propylaeum Cup, debate tournament. She encouraged members of Council to ask students to represent their department.

Regan Haley, Professional Studies Senator, shared that she had found an individual that she would like to nominate for the Axe Person of the Week.

Resolution No. 094-18

Moved by: Regan Haley, Professional Studies Senator

Seconded by: Alyssa Hall, Councillor

**That** Council recognize Andrew Nutt as Axe Person of the Week.

Resolution CARRIED

Jeremy Locke, Graduate Studies Senator, announced that the Student Research and Innovation Conference was being held on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 and Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018. He asked if it can be shared among the Professional Studies and Arts Faculties to reach more students.

Katie Winters, Arts Senator, shared that Dr. Peter Ricketts had updated Senate on the success of the debate team that had travelled to Bishop's University to compete in the Maple league debate tournament.

Regan Haley, Professional Studies Senator, encouraged Members of Council to share her speaker's series event that will be happening on Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**15. Resolutions**

None

**16. Closed Session**

None

**17. Confirmatory Resolution**

Resolution No. 095-18

Moved by: Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations

Seconded by: Malcolm Anderson, VP Events 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 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. 096-18

Moved by: Malcolm Anderson, VP Events and Promotions

Seconded by: Liam Schreiter, VP Finance and Operations

**That** the Regular Meeting of Council dated Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 be adjourned at 6:06 PM.

Resolution CARRIED