



*UNIVERSITY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND STUDENT UNION
MINUTES-TENTH MEETING
STUDENT COUNCIL
February 24th, 2013*

The tenth meeting of the Student Council of the University of Prince Edward Island Student Union was held February 24, 2013. Minutes were taken by Sarah Marie Lavers. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Chair of Council, Alex Heighinton.

PRESENT:

Kate VanGerven
Danielle MacDonald
Jon Millington
Anastasia Smallwood
Bob Deziel
Justin Lank
Lucas MacArthur
Sara Reeves
Nicole Lane

Emiley MacKinnon
Sylvie Morin
Shelby Russell
Matthew Rice
Amanda Johnston
Oliver Bork
Donald Buchanan
Mark Scott
Kylie Ford

Laura Wisener
Edmond Yang
Logan MacKinnon
David MacLean

ABSENT:

Matt McInnis
Michelle MacDougald
Sarah Herbert

Heather Wotton
Amy Doyle

ALSO PRESENT:

Alex Heighinton
Sarah Marie Lavers
Daniel MacDonald

Chelsea Merry
Katie O'Blenis
Jessie Champion (CRO)

Alex Johnston (Guest)



1-1 CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.

2-1 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Agenda was approved with modifications.

3-1 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Minutes were approved with modifications.

REPORTS

4-1 PRESIDENT

Hello to everyone here tonight, my report is actually quite short so I'll try to skim over it as opposed to reading it out loud.

A. Act as the Chief Executive Officer and official spokesperson of the UPEI SU;

I appeared on Compass Monday night regarding the storm closure that day, but have not been required to speak on behalf of the UPEI Student Union in any other situations. However, I did speak on behalf of the student body in a meeting with:

- Jackie Podger (VP Administration & Finance)
- Greg Clayton (Director, Facilities Management)
- Glenda Clements-Smith (Director, Integrated Communications)
- Nicole Phillips (Manager, Communications)
- Roger _____ (Shipping & Receiving)
- two representatives of the AVC

This meeting was regarding the storm closure procedures and I raised a couple of concerns that we would like to see addressed. The first concern was the decision to close vs. to delay in the case of a storm. I supported a revised procedure presented by Nicole Phillips which advocated for a delay should there be any – and I mean *any* - hesitation to close completely.

The other concern I raised was around the Student Centre. In my three years on the executive team, I have seen this decision vary depending on whose working and what they think is “protocol” so I requested that the revised procedure for storm closure include a section referring to the Student Centre being left unlocked for the entirety of that day in case any students are stuck on campus. Jackie Podger fully agreed, as did everyone around the table and I am confident that this will be something that is written and referred to, not just agreed upon verbally year after year.

Since our last meeting, I've heard there are still concerns from our Bachelor of Education students so I've asked to meet with Andrea Avery who is the President of the B.Ed Society. I also asked if she knew our Education Rep - Robyn Christensen and offered to connect them if not.

Further to that, I requested that Facilities Management unlock and ensure that the wheelchair accessible doors to the Student Centre are working even in the case of a storm.

B. Call meetings of the Executive;

We continue to meet every Monday morning at 11:30

C. Draft and propose a schedule of Council Meeting dates and General Meeting dates at the last Council meeting of the academic year;

This will occur shortly through the Policy Working Group.

I did want to mention that it may be worthwhile to look at reverting our election timelines back to February/March. It may be because so many senior administrators and directors are relatively new, but we seem to have confused them. Many staff, many faculty, and even some students are under the impression that candidates begin their terms as soon as they're elected. This makes life a little more confusing and to be honest, I worry that it means the last two and a half months of an executive's term is spent with one foot out the door. There are still plenty of things to accomplish before May 1st, and I want to make sure things still get done in years to come. This will be brought to Policy when we set dates but I wanted to mention it tonight in hopes that it would spark some feedback.

D. Serve as a member of the UPEI Senate;

The senate representatives will have a report for you this evening.

E. Serve as a member of the UPEI Board of Governors;

As I've mentioned before, I sit on the full Board of Governors as well as two different committees: Finance & Audit, and Executive.

The Finance & Audit committee met at the end of January to discuss the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) project among other things. One recommendation that came out of that meeting was the hiring of a new senior management position. The position would be Chief Information Officer, and they would be responsible for not only implementing the new ERP system, but also leading the University through a larger technology overhaul.

As the President of the Student Union, but also as a Board member, I see huge value in a position like this for three important reasons. Our legacy systems are becoming more costly and difficult to maintain, the university is headed towards more online courses and full programs, and the Student Union may finally see the Co-Curricular Record (or a more advanced concept with the same spirit) happen at UPEI. In difficult budgetary times, it would be really simple to say "no, we're not doing anything new because we can't afford it" but there needs to be a focus on investing in the projects that are going to move us forward. I believe this is a smart investment, as does the Board of Governors.

F. Act as liaison between the UPEI SU and groups outside the University;

Heckbert's Studio is back on campus this week, and they have expressed interest in offering a few more days of appointments on campus. This is great for us because every student that books an appointment provides

the Student Union Grad Week Committee with a \$5 kickback directly from Heckbert's. This is definitely a relationship we have cultivated and hope to continue.

Having Heckbert's in the Student Union boardroom was fantastic. They enjoyed themselves, we enjoyed having them here and the best part was the huge amount of students we saw each day!

Danielle and I also attended a pre-budget consultation meeting on Wednesday of this past week. It was a very successful and informative meeting and a practice we should continue in the future.

The Alumni event I have referred to a few times throughout the year is finally happening! Between us, Student Affairs, and the Alumni Office we've pulled together a March 13th event featuring 6 different UPEI alumni. It will take place at The Wave leading up to Wednesday night trivia and it will be fantastic.

H. Be enrolled in no more than nine (9) semester hours per Academic Semester during their Presidential term;
Yup!

I. Act as liaison and ensure that adequate communication is maintained with the UPEI Administration;

Alaa and I continue to meet formally at least once a month, however we communicate most often by text, phone call, or e-mail. This seems to work for both of us and our conversations have begun to turn to a more detailed look at what this year's budget will mean for students. I will keep you updated as these conversations continue.

J. Pursue new initiatives to improve and expand the services of the UPEI SU;

Nothing new to report at this time.

K. Set strategic direction and objectives for the organization;

The executive have not yet met, but will meet, to discuss actions around the one year plan for now and into the transition phase for incoming executive.

We've also discussed the input survey Chelsea and her committee did, and she'll be presenting our plan of action later this evening.

L. Provide leadership and guidance to Council and staff;

Once again, I would like to acknowledge the hard work of our Chief Returning Officer and our Deputy Returning Officer. They work extremely well day-to-day with little to no supervision or guidance and I always know that the required tasks will be completed on time, and completed to the best of their ability.

Hiring boards will be occurring next week for VP Finance and VP Communications, and hiring boards for all other positions will begin in March.

Since the last meeting, our elections have wrapped up without too much trouble. I've encouraged Jessie and will encourage Vicki to apply for the CRO and DCRO positions for the upcoming academic year.

M. Attend CASA conferences as required, and;

Danielle and I will be attending the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations Annual General Meeting next month.

N. Perform other duties as required.

“Kandidate Karaoke” was a success.

Chelsea, Kendra and I cleaned the storage room in the back hallway of the Student Centre. Ten years of junk was hauled away in a 6x6x12 dumpster, a handful of items were donated to Habitat for Humanity, and the goodies will be featured in an upcoming Thursday night “Games Night” at The Wave with Chris and Spencer.

4-2 EXECUTIVE VP

Good evening council! I hope you all had a great break and were able to get some rest and catch up on your school work. Things have been very busy in the office with election season catch up from snow days. Before I get into my full report, I wanted to give council a quick update on the rink plan we had been pursuing. After consultation with UPEI’s VP Finance, Jackie Podger and our new Athletics’ Director, Billy Schurman, we successfully made all the arrangements to make the rink happen. Considering that we have very little winter left, we have made all the arrangements to ensure that the rink will happen next winter! We are very excited that the university was on board. We all acknowledged that we needed to make campus community a priority.

Because the rink wasn’t something we could bring to reality this winter, both Jackie and Billy asked me to come back to you all and ask for ideas for the next 1.5 months that could create campus community before the year is over. We are looking for something outside our buildings and includes lots of campus! Please message me or see me after council if you want in on this conversation!

From the National Advocacy Committee I sit on with CASA, we will be working to coordinate a Local Advocacy Week March 11th-15th! Member schools from all over Canada will be participating and Kate and I will be working to arrange the appropriate plans. We invite council to be a part of this and will update you with more specific details as the event gets closer!

Senate met February 8th and meets again March 8th. You can see a full report from our Senate reps in the minutes.

We are in consultation with National Bank to set up our second lunch conference. Details on that to come.

We continue to work to on changes to the buddy program.

Kate and I will be in Vancouver for CASA’s Annual General Meeting March 17-22.

Thank you.

4-3 VP ACTIVITIES

Hello Council!

Here is my report for this meeting, following my job description:

1) Act as a liaison to all Sub-Organizations on campus

Society things that I've been involved with since our last meeting include making preparations for Nowruz (the Iranian New Year), the Chinese Spring Festival (which unfortunately had to be postponed until next Saturday due to weather), a movie showing with the CCSA, booking tables for the Aboriginal Society, communicating environmental initiatives to the Environmental Society, meeting about Pink Shirt Day (an anti-bullying campaign which I think the Rainbow Alliance will be getting involved with), meeting with University officials about holding a Rainbow Alliance lock-in, and starting to organize an improv night at The Wave with the theatre Society.

I have a new society to be ratified, which we will go over later in the meeting, and am currently talking to a few more about ratifying, which will hopefully be happening soon.

2) Act as chair of the Events Planning Committee

The events planning committee has been replaced by the VP Activities' Executive Committee, which has been meeting regularly in addition to being out in full force helping out with Frost Week.

3) Coordinate & facilitate all UPEISU concerts, events, and activities

Frost Week happened last week, and was a super fun time, if not a financial success. I'll be giving a more in-depth report on the highs and lows later on during the meeting, and would ask that you save any questions that you might have until then.

Candidate Karaoke was on Thursday, and was a blast. We had roughly half of the candidates in attendance, and everyone enjoyed themselves immensely. There was a small miscommunication which led to there being extra entertainment there, and I'll be sure to communicate better with the Wave's management in the future to ensure that that doesn't happen again.

4) Maintain communication between the UPEISU and Campus Organizations and Services

I've been talking with numerous people all across campus as part of my other duties mentioned in this report.

5) Oversee the operations of all UPEI SU Promotional Activities

This duty has been moved over to the VP Communication, but I meet with her and the promotions coordinator often to ensure that we're all on the same page.

6) Perform other duties as required

I've continued meeting with people from Student Affairs about the mental health initiative that the university is hoping to launch. It's coming along nicely, and you can expect to see it rolling out in March.

Grad Week Committee will begin to meet to plan Grad Week starting next week. I haven't been able to get any information from the University about the finances available to the committee yet, but we'll start making headway regardless.

4-4 VP FINANCE

The Vice President Finance shall:

Be appointed upon the recommendation of Hiring Board:

- I've reapplied and been rehired for my job conditional on council approval.

Attend Executive Meetings as a voting member:

- I've attended both Executive Meetings since our last Council Meeting.

Ensure that the financial records of the UPEI SU are properly kept:

- I have been working on the budget for the budget committee. I also flew to Toronto to be a voting member
- on the board of trustees for our insurance trust fund. At the meeting we kept everything status quo with the exception of agreeing to try and grow the fund's membership and the steps necessary to do that.

Be responsible for keeping the Executive Committee informed of all issues which pertain to the finances of the UPEI SU:

- I've done this. I've also started working on the list of data that I would like to see collected from the businesses. It will be ready before the end of the school year.

Present financial reports as required by Council and to the members of the UPEI SU:

- I will be presenting the completed proposal for combining the wave and smoothie kiosk at the March 24th council meeting. I will also be doing a presentation on potential binding incentives for the wave staff at the March 10th council meeting. Finally, when the budget is drafted, I will be presenting it, and a report on current salary structures to council.

Receive and present to Council any requests for funding or donations as decided by the Executive:

- There was one request for funding that came to me from the international student's society that I had to delay. They were getting T.D. bank to come in and do sessions and we already have an agreement with the National Bank. Once our agreement with the National Bank is over or T.D. doesn't work out, the funding will be reconsidered. . I also received two additional requests for funding to be approved by council. The IVHQ volunteer abroad people sent me a request for \$619: \$370 for program costs and \$249 for registration fees. I recommend that we approve \$250 dollars for them. The student business case team sent me a request for \$1,000. I also recommend \$250 for them.

Oversee the operations of the UPEI SU Student Newspaper:

- The Cadre is doing very well. They have just released what, in my humble opinion, is the best video ever. They are also looking at upgrading the website and are about to go into talks with the budget committee for next year's funding. The Cadre for the remainder of this year is going to focus on its new format and working out the glitches that come along with that. At a later date they may look into partnering with a radio station or starting a podcast.
Sidebar:
- Directors Insurance is director's liability insurance. That means that if any of the Executive is sued; the organization's insurance covers it, not each executive individually.

4-5 VP COMMUNICATIONS

Hellooooo Council,

I've basically been living, breathing, and being awake at all hours for Frost Week this last week, so forgive me if my report looks slightly scarce.

The Vice President Communications shall:

- A. Be appointed upon the recommendation of Hiring Board;
- B. Attend Council meetings as a non-voting member;
 - Here I am!
- C. Attend Executive meetings as a voting member;
- D. Assume responsibility for all communications-related matters of the UPEISU; however, the President is the Chief Spokesperson of the student union;
 - With elections going on, the website and Facebook have been being updated regularly with new information as it comes.
 - An update email went out on January 28th and I am currently compiling information for a new one to go out on Tuesday.
 - There are February event calendars up for both The Wave, and SU/Student Affairs. Kendra and I put them together amidst all of the Frost Week chaos.
 - An SU election update video is being made and I'm hoping it will have already been put up on YouTube by the time this council meeting is taking place.
- E. Be responsible for the UPEISU website and all social media outlets;
 - As I said, the website has been being updated frequently with election information. Kate had given me a list of things to touch up on the website, so I did that throughout last week.
 - Our Facebook was very active throughout Frost Week which is awesome.
 - Twitter: The SU has gained 24 followers since our last meeting so we're still steadily climbing! We've also had 37 retweets since our last meeting.

- Jon and I went through some different Twitter Analytics and one program, Tweroid, was particularly helpful. It shows when your followers are the most active so you can best judge when to put out your tweets, so I've been trying to schedule tweets within those timeframes to maximize our account's potential.

F. Be responsible for producing media releases, internal communications, and general information reports about the student union's activities. When appropriate, information will be distributed on campus and to local, provincial, and national media;

- No media releases since our last meeting.

G. Be responsible for maintaining a comprehensive calendar of events offered by the UPEISU;

- As mentioned, there are new calendars up for both The Wave and our SU/ Student Affairs calendar. Nicole sends me the info for the Wave, and KylahHennessey from SA sends me their information.

H. Provide a channel for, and solicit student input into all of the UPEISU's services: Nexus Yearbook, Cadre, The Wave, Entertainment, Mickey's Place, etc.;

- This is an ongoing thing for me. Although other than Facebooking and Tweeting, not much has happened on this front for the last week due to Frost Week.

I. Assume responsibility for the UPEISU's brand, its image, and its visibility on and off campus;

- Again, this is an ongoing thing that just kind of happens all the time.

J. Maintain contact with the University of Prince Edward Island's Communications/ Media Relations Department, and with external media groups;

- This is constant, I haven't had any specific meetings in the last 2 weeks, but many emails have been exchanged with different departments around campus.

K. Oversee the operations of the UPEI Nexus Yearbook;

- For the most part, the yearbook, like the Cadre, does their own work, I'm just here if they need anything!

L. Be responsible for community relations within Charlottetown, and;

- Weekly radio ads go out for the Wave, and they have been going out consistently the last two weeks as well.

M. Perform other duties as required;

- I helped blow up 802 balloons last week.
- I lived here more than I lived at home during Frost Week.
- I filmed a frozen t-shirt competition and judged a packing peanut sculpture contest (video to come).
- I got pied in the face (and hair).
- Hosted the UPEI Variety show with Jon and had the privilege of introducing former lip sync star, Travis Gordon.
- I dominated a round of Family Feud at the Wave
- I spent my Saturday day here blowing up more balloons, glittering everything and

decorating my little heart out.

- Announced the winner of the CBMF tickets on stage Saturday night.

4-6 SENATE

President's Report:

- The president just recently got back from Egypt and Turkey where he was strengthening relationships and making partnership.
- While he was in Egypt he and the Premier of Egypt met with 20 young people age 6-12. They were fluent in English.
- The premier read aloud one page of Anne of Green Gables and asked if there were any questions, expecting one...half an hour later the children were still asking questions about it.

Two of the questions were:

- “Who is the actress that played Anne in the movie?” –None of them knew, but the boy who asked did
- What are the qualities that someone has to have to become a premier?
- The schools want to use the 2+2 model and they want Turkish students to come to UPEI for a 4 year nursing degree then go back
- When the student population of UPEI goes down it will help to have these relationships so those international students can come to UPEI during that time
- Alaa plans to make it possible to have a four year engineering degree here at UPEI (\$29 million) where the students can work with professors from every faculty (nowhere else in Canada does this)
- We need help from the government and fundraisers- It is going to happen, hopefully by next Sept
- One of our Alumni gave back by building an idea model for the School of Engineering (Alaa passed around the pictures). It was 4 floors and made of glass
- Dalton would be the new administration building
- The Vet College was supposed to receive \$1.3 million from NFLD- they will not get this money and now NB is unsure of what they will do for the AVC so the Premiers of all 4 of the Atlantic Provinces are meeting in April to discuss AVC plans
- This is difficult times in terms of budget

Motion Re-opened for Discussion

Moved: to approve that the President of the UPEI Faculty Association be invited to attend Senate in a nonvoting-capacity

- Question by Lisa: Should we amend the motion?
- Should the President be able to “Serve” instead of attend; or at least have a voice but not a vote
- Answer: Have to make sure that it is legal; the problem is the University Act (want to make sure we are following it)
- Clarification of the role should be put in the minutes
- The chair of the senate cannot change the position it has to be reviewed first
- He can invite the President of the UPEI Faculty Association to attend, but has to follow the University Act

- Don said they need to take baby steps while everyone is wondering why there is a hold up on this decision because in the Collective Agreement it says she can serve on the committee but Don claims it does not say when we have to do this (no timeline)
- Everyone is confused about the definition of the word “Serve”- We need a dictionary folks!
- Susan wants to know what the timeline is and wants the motion and language to be clarified before she votes on the motion
- Don withdraws the motion and will give proper notification today for the next meeting about looking at the definition of serve and the motion described in the Collective Agreement
- The President of the Faculty Association expresses her displeasure about how it has been three months since the Collective Act has been signed and it will again be another month until it is resolved

- Nominating Committee Report

- Patrice Drake will take the position of maternity leave replacement in the Nursing Faculty
- Hailey Lamb will be the grad student rep for service on this committee
- They are not sure why the committee structure has changed- cannot find it in the minutes from 2007 so they want to propose a new structure for the committee (1 Dean and 5 Faculty Members-Associate or Full Professors)
- Discussion said that there should be a member or dean of each faculty on the committee; therefore the committee needs to be larger (Christian and Miles) and wants to ensure equity of the schools and members
- Another option could be a dean of one school and then 5 different faculty members or to rotate the deans every year or elect them first
- Does there need to be a dean or not? (Informal vote) - No, as long as there is full professors (old) - Christian (used to be a dean on the committee)
- Majority of the senate said they would like to have both associate and full professors on the committee (Change the Motion)

- Academic Planning and Curriculum Committee Report

- Curriculum Report

- Faculty of Education (clarification of the wording of course descriptions)
- Arts—Dept. of Economics (Clarification and update of core requirements)

6. Other Business

- Progress involving the Convocation date next year- bring it up next meeting

4-6 BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The Deans and Directors have been engaged in budget talks. The president talked about different difficulties that will be faced when completing the operating budget for next year.

Avc Agreement

The president talked about the agreement the government has with the Atlantic Provinces for funding the AVC. This agreement ended in 2011 and discussions are taken place. How much will each province contribute and how many seats will they province have.

Recruitment

The presidents discussed the importance of recruitment especially when dealing with budget issues. The president and premier were in turkey and Egypt and they discussed their trip.

Future Direction

The president talked about the transparency and importance of UPEI strategic Action Plan. Athletics Bill Schurman was announced as UPEI's new Director of Athletics and Recreation in early January. As of February 4 he will be working full time to further UPEI Athletics and Recreations.

4-7 OMBUDSMAN

Nothing to report.

4-8 GSR

Nothing to report.

4-9 FACULTIES/GROUPS

4-9-1 ARTS

Two students in my faculty have approached me about the hours on weekends at the library. They felt that the library isn't open late enough on Saturday nights and should have extended hours for the mid-term exam period.

4-9-2 BUSINESS

-In the 2013 Inter-Collegiate Business Competition (ICBC, international) at Queen's University, Parker Baglole & Ryan Cassidy placed 1st in the Ethics Event - January 2013.

-Four Business students are going to the finals in the Network of International Business Schools (NIBS) in Belgium in March '13 – Alex Whalen, Isaac Townshend, John Williams, and Mary Whitrow.

-Sean Michael Hennessey, Professor at the UPEI School of Business has been charged with tax evasion and failing to report over \$45,000 of personal income.

Business Society:

-Feb 8th, business pub-crawl- "Tap that ass 2.0 "

-Annual Business Society Luncheon will be held March 8th, keynote speaker will be John Peller: President and CEO of Andrew Peller Limited. In the past this was a great opportunity for business students to sit down with firms from PEI for a luncheon; over 60 students were in attendance last year.

4-9-3 SCIENCE

- Engineering society hockey game will be March 7th starting at 5:30, contact Evan Ostridge if you are interested in participating.

- Physics won the Duffy Cup bowling challenge

- Biology Department Chair Election committee is voting on February 28th to elect Marva Sweeney-Nixon as chair. It is a Yes/No vote, and Lucas MacArthur is sitting on the committee.

- Pre-Vets are doing a tour of a farm on March 2nd. Contact Chris White or Ben Fitch for more details.

- Many students are frustrated with the school closure delay on Monday, I know that Kate has addressed this issue but it has been asked by us to bring it up to council so we thought we would include it in this report.

- Biology Society Vs. Physics Society Duffy Cup Challenge resumes with a bowling night February 8th 9-11pm at The Murphy's Centre downtown

- Engineers PEI hockey game against the students has been scheduled for 5:30 on March 7th at the MacLauchlan Arena, open to ALL engineering students

-Engineering clothing will be sold in Dalton 310 Friday from 10:30-2:30, prices are based on society and non-society members. Contact Becca Connolly if interested.

-Dodge ball Tournament was a huge success on the 26th.

- Computer Science is having a Mine craft party on February 10th, details on Facebook or contact Jamie Lockhart.

4-9-4 NURSING

Nothing to report.

4-9-5 AVC

Recently, a decision made by the AVC dean has been brought to light. It is believed that cuts being made right now will mean the loss of services in the VTH in the area of Wildlife and Exotic animal treatment. Therefore, the wildlife team will be eliminated, a cut that will take away opportunities for student volunteers to gain knowledge and experience in the area of wildlife treatment. Also lost with this cut to services, is the local zoo/exotic rotation previously offered to 4th year AVC students. Along with this, the department is also forced to cut its internship program. The wildlife team volunteer program has drawn praise from many students who are now expressing their dissatisfaction with the recent decision. The Wildlife rotation had been one of the more sought-after rotations offered at the school, the loss of which, and forces students to organize external rotations at other teaching hospitals / zoos. Travel, accommodations and other associated costs are out of pocket for students, and external zoo/exotics rotations are traditionally very competitive. SAVS and class representatives have been meeting all week with the dean and associate dean with mixed results.

4-9-6 INTERNATIONAL

Nothing to report.

4-9-7 ACCESSIBILITY

-Accessibility committee is meeting, is there anything council would like me to bring up?

-Facilities Management Is in contact with students with mobility problems over any snow removal problems (or so I've been told).

-I may have covered this all ready but Cathy Rose is the new Accessibility Services Coordinator

-New Webster-academic-services web site is up and actually has the right location and staff on it.

4-9-8 RESIDENCE

- Friday, February 15 there was another residence skiing trip made to Brookevale? About 40-45 people attended and overall it was another success!

- Approximately one hour before our previous meeting, Bernadine Hall, as well as Andrew Hall had their first meeting about setting up a "Residence Executive" so that they could organize fun events and parties. There was apparently a good number of people showed up and expressed interest!

- As of the week following our last meeting, the Residence Life Coordinator, JeanThompson sent out emails to tell students about applying for jobs as residence life advisors for the 2013-2014 school year. There were two meetings last week on Tuesday night and Thursday night. There will be another coming Wednesday.

-For last Sunday, Super bowl Sunday, in coordination with residence executive, a Super bowl party was held in the cafeteria with a Madden 13 tournament played until Kick-off.

-On Thursday, February 7th, a residence curling night was planned and residence students went down to the Charlottetown Curling Club from 8:00-10:00 PM and curled for \$5.00 a person. According to RLA Jeremy MacAulay they “had a lot of fun. 12 people showed up, had some new curlers introduced to the sport and had some veterans who really enjoyed their time.” I could not attend as I had a lab from 7:00-8:30 PM.

4-9-10 EDUCATION

Nothing to report.

4-9-11 FIRST YEAR

Overall, first years seem to enjoy university. They loved the snow day on Monday February 4th though i did receive a couple complaints about how telling everyone was delayed. A lot of students who live a little bit away from the school had already drove in and were in their classes before they were told that UPEI closed 5 minutes before class. I myself was one of those people. Students didn't like that UPEI made them choose between a costly education and the safety of themselves. I have received complaints about the Global Issues course from a few students. But from what I gather from the other councillors that's normal. One girl though who was raised very Christian found it offensive when one of the prof's compared Jesus to Hitler. She understands that the course is about critical thinking but she doesn't like that it's offensive to sit through the class for her. I can't comment on that course though because I haven't taken it yet. Throughout the year I have received complaints about big class sizes for science students to which I informed them they will slim down next year. To attain this information I made my contact information readily available on Facebook putting it on different groups. I also ask friends of mine about their thoughts on their classes. I have friends in many different faculties so it's easy to get information from all the different first years.

4-10 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

4-10-1 PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE

We met on Jan. 29th for a brief meeting. We found out that there is no actual number of mature students, or a way it out. We had a quick debrief and will continue to work on information to report on for the next meeting.

4-10-2 EXECUTIVE VP'S COMMITTEE

EVPEC is currently assisting the Exec VP in gathering data on first-year textbooks at UPEI. The committee also assisted the EVP and the President in their pre-budget consultation submission, presented to the Minister of Finance this past Wednesday.

4-10-3 VP COMMUNICATION'S COMMITTEE

On Sunday, January 27th, the Communications Committee met for an hour and a half to make signs for frost week. In addition to the meeting, we were busy helping Chelsea and Kendra with putting up posters, blowing up balloons, and putting up the Calendar in the Student Centre!

4-10-4 VP FINANCE'S COMMITTEE

Nothing to report.

4-10-5 VP ACTIVITIES' COMMITTEE

Frost week was a good time. Lots of participation for our events, the dance had a few attendance issues but we are working on what we can do to make it better :) Planning has also begun for beach blast!

5-1 LAPTOPS AND CELLPHONES

5-2 QUESTION PERIOD

5-3 CRO REPORT & HIRING BOARD & CHANGES TO SU MANAGEMENT

Motion: Vangerven/Millington; To give Jessie Speaking rights.

Motion: *Carried*

Motion: Millington/Deziel; To move into camera.

Motion: *Carried*

Motion: Lane/Russell; To move out of camera.

Motion: *Carried*

Motion: Deziel/MacInnis; To approve election results as presented in camera.

*Note: 12 people who were not in the room abstain.

Motion: *Carried*

Motion: MacDonald/Deziel; To destroy all election materials.

*Note: Jon Millington abstains.

Motion: *Carried*

Motion: Buchanan/Wisener; To reduce Joshua's fines from \$100 to \$50.

*Note: 12 people who were not in the room abstain and David MacLean abstained.

Motion: *Carried*

Motion: Buchanan/Scott; To approve Kelsey Marr's appeal of \$35 worth of fines.

*Note: 12 people who were not in the room abstain.

Motion: *Carried*

Motion: VanGerven/Deziel; To approve the hiring results for (***) as presented in camera.

*Note Emiley MacKinnon abstained.

Motion: *Carried*

5-4 IMPEACHMENT

Shelby had concerns that the residence student's voices weren't heard and there were no reports submitted to council when important things were going on during Logan's time in the position.

Logan: Takes responsibility for not submitting reports but does feel like he has represented students and talked to them. He stated that his reasoning for missing most of his meetings were due to working another job which he needed. His mother was also sick for another meeting and that is why he missed the 3rd meeting. He has no problem attending meetings because he doesn't have the job which was on Sunday nights anymore.

Katie wondered if the impeachment was due to attendance or due to representation in council and Shelby replied saying that it was a representation more than attendance.

Lucas wanted to know if he was on an executive committee and Logan said he isn't.

Oliver asked Shelby if the RLAs told students to approach Logan with issues and Shelby said no it should be the Res rep's job to communicate with the RLAs and let them know that he are available.

Chelsea: What is the reason you haven't submitted reports? Logan: Bad memory and that he had been busy with school and work.

Danielle: What do you (Logan) plan on doing differently and what are your goals? Logan: Going to Jean and Kelton to inquire about issues that have been brought to them and to go around to students to see what can be done better next year for res students.

Katie noted that if Logan has a bad memory that it might discourage students to approach him with concerns. Logan said he has been working on keeping notes and being more organized.

Secret ballot results:

Impeach: 8

Not impeach: 12

Abstain: 5

5-5 EXECUTIVE SUMMER WORKING HOURS

Motion: VanGerven/; WHEREAS the UPEI Student Union One Year Plan outlines specific responsibilities and expected outcomes of the Executive Vice-President, and;

WHEREAS the UPEI Student Union Council has recognized that provincial lobbying is a service area in need of improvement, and;

WHEREAS sustained lobbying efforts are a necessary part of effective advocacy, and;

WHEREAS full-time summer hours allow the Executive Vice-President to be physically and mentally present, and prepared, to lobby effectively;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Executive Vice-President works a trial period of 35 hours a week, for 17 weeks in the summer of 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Executive Vice-President produces a full report of their summer work activity, all documents prepared, and recommendations to council at the first council meeting of the 2013-2014 academic year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Executive Vice-President is only able to work if the salary does not mean an increase to student fees.

Discussion:

Jon: If the purpose of the lobbying document is to outline what students need in terms of lobbying an executive would be better off creating it. If the purpose if the document was to outline specific dates and strategic move the SU can make then an outside a consultant would have more experience and better knowledge in creating a lobbying document for the SU.

Nicole: How long would the document be relevant for if we went to an outside consultant and do you think the exec VP has the knowledge to create such document. Do you think it is financially liable for us to create another fulltime summer position?

Travis: Do we need all this tome in the summer to create this lobby document? The one year plan states that we will be working on such a document and that we need to improve on. We need to increase committment to ensure that we continue going in the right direction.

Lobby document should be updated each year and not static document.

Motion: *Carried*

*Note:

Against: Laura Wisener, Justin Lank, Mark Scott

Abstain: Travis Gordon, Shelby Russell, Donald Buchanan and Nicole Lane.

5-6 AGM DATE

Motion: VanGerven/MacDonald; To hold the UPEI Student Union Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, March 6th at 4:30 in MacDougall Hall, Room 242 (if available) or another sizeable lecture theatre outside of the Student Centre.

Amendment: VanGerven/Deziel; To change the date to Tuesday, March 12th, 2013.

Amendment: *Carried*

Motion: *Carried*

5-7 SOCIETY RATIFICATION

Motion: Millington/Deziel; To officially ratify the following societies: The Deeper Life Campus Fellowship.

Motion: *Carried*

6-1 ELECTION BY-LAWS: INFRACTIONS AND APPEALS

6-2 ANIMAL OF THE WEEK

Little brown bat.

6-3 REQUESTS FOR FUNDING

Motion: VanGerven/Scott; To give the decision to the VP Finance Executive Committee to approve requests for funding.

Motion: *Carried*

6-4 CAMPAIGNING WHILE VOTING

Motion: Deziel/Millington; For Policy Committee Working Group to address or examine campaigning during election day.

Motion: *Carried*

6-5 MEETING OF ACCESS STUDENT

7-1 ADJOURNMENT

Rice/Reeves: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion: *Carried*

The meeting was adjourned at 11:04 pm.

President's Signature: _____

Chair of Council's Signature: _____

