



UNIVERSITY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND STUDENT UNION
MINUTES- MEETING
STUDENT COUNCIL
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2016

The fifth meeting of the Student Council of the University of Prince Edward Island Student Union was held Sunday, October 30, 2016. Lauren McKearney took minutes for the meeting. Hossein Mivehchi, Chair of Council, called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

PRESENT:

Nathan Hood
Kaylee Jabbour
Hammad Ahmed
Justin Clory
Matthew Coleman
Damilola Emmanuel
Michael Ferugson
Charlee Fry
Zak Jarvis
Erin MacNeill
Nicole Mann

William McGuigan
Mudhafar Mudheher
Sarah Outram
Amy Rix
Megan Rix
Julia Ross
Kali Ross
Robyn Soulsby
Daniel Wartman
Stephen Wilfeard

ABSENT:

Babafela Babalola Awosile
Joel Hansen

John Rix

ALSO PRESENT:

Hossein Mivehchi
Lauren McKearney

Clayton Smith
Connor Mayhew

1-1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

2-1 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: Jarvis/Ferguson: to approve the agenda for Saturday, October 30, 2016.

Motion: Carried

3-1 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion: Jabbour/Hood: to approve the meeting minutes for Saturday, October 15, 2016.

Motion: Carried
Abstain: Ferguson

4-1 REPORTS

4-2 PRESIDENT

Hi Council,

Here are some highlights from the past two weeks:

- Attended the School Closure Debrief session. It was a good venue for campus stakeholders to share their concerns and suggestions for school closures. When UPEI had been alerted to the message, it reacted calmly as the threat in the message was deemed not credible. However, because of the circumstances across the province and the good health of students, it decided to close the campus. One interesting piece of information that came out of the meeting: the threat that was sent to the RCMP was not actually faxed by the perpetrator; instead, it was emailed somewhere that would fax it to the RCMP.
- Attended the Professor Emeritus Senate Committee.
- Attended a CASA Graduate Council Meeting, where we finalized our edits in time for CASA's Advocacy Week which will be taking place in 2 weeks.
- Attended a meeting with Kaylee between the Panther Pantry and the UPEI administration. We successfully negotiated for the use and renovation of the kitchen space in Main Building, and will be contributing some funding toward the project.
- I attended Y-Day with John. The day was to gather youth perspectives regarding what the government could do to improve life for youth on PEI.
- We concluded our by-election on Wednesday. The unofficially successful candidates are Justin Clory (Arts Representative), Will McGuigan (Business Representative), and Erin McNeill (Senate Representative).
- Met with Treena Smith from Student Affairs about securing a block of counselling time for AVC students.
- We hosted our AGM, which included the presence of CBC.
- Attended a Policy Committee meeting, at which we discussed the potential change to the election process for the Accessibility Representative position. We will be bringing this back to Council for a brief discussion.
- Hosted an AVC Advisory Committee Meeting. We are looking at two potential events in November and January.
- With respect to labour negotiations, some possible good news: there was a meeting Friday regarding the Pension Plan proposal. From what I understand, faculty were voting Friday and will be voting tomorrow to accept or reject the plan.
- The deadlines for the Mental Health Initiatives Fund and the Inspiring Innovation Fund have been approved. The latter was adjudicated at the

last NIFD meeting, and the former will be adjudicated some time this week or next.

- I'll be presenting on Council Retreat feedback a little later in the Council Meeting.

If you have any questions, let me know.

Respectfully submitted,
Nathan

4-3 VP ACADEMIC AND EXTERNAL

Lobby Document

-Done and ready to be printed, I can share a copy with any councilors who like a copy

Committees

- Advocacy Team met to discuss speakers for the panel discussion, planning lobby meetings
- CASA Board met once.
- AxComm met discuss work plan, projects for the year

Meeting w/ Department

- Met with Allison Ramsay from Innovation PEI to discuss Atlantic Career Week
- Meeting w/ Andrew Simmonds
- Will be hosting an advocacy presentation to EWB

Bulk of the work over the last two weeks was dumped into preparing the Multi-Year Funding Submission

4-4 VP STUDENT LIFE

Good Evening Council,

Here is a brief summary of the past two weeks, if you have any questions or would like further explanation of anything on this list, don't hesitate to ask!

- Stress Less Week
- Volunteer Fair
- COCA Conference Call
- Health & Safety Steering Committee meeting
- Live & On Tap with Pat Maloney and Tian Wigmore
- Meeting with UPEI administration, Panther Pantry got approved to use the kitchen in the faculty lounge
- UPEI Student Union AGM
- Halloween Pub
- Future Executive Development Program met twice

Just a note, the next clubs cup is planned for this upcoming Tuesday!

4-5 VP FINANCE

Good Evening Councilors,

A lot of work since Council Retreat has been preparing for the first funding committee meeting and responding to several students and clubs with funding questions. We saw a large fluctuation in funding applications for the period and the funding committee met today to determine funding for clubs for November and for students for November and December. Overall the first meeting was very successful and things moved very smoothly for the first meeting. We have determined a bi-weekly scheduled meeting time for regular meetings moving forward.

I did some work within my role with the Campus Trust that you all came to learn about at Council Retreat. I am now the chair of the negotiations committee and will be negotiating our consulting and administration agreement with PBAS in order to ensure that we get students the best rates possible while not driving PBAS away.

This week the UPEI SU also had our Annual General Meeting. We saw a decent number of students come out and overall I was pleased with how the evening progressed. I spent some time during the week looking over my executive mandate as well as create the presentation on financial reporting for the AGM.

This week I also worked on putting together the \$2,000 expenditure report which I will attach to this post. If you have any questions about what certain items are please feel free to contact me.

These past two weeks went by so fast because of mid-terms and everything going on around the Student Union. If you have any questions about anything in this report, please don't hesitate to contact me.

4-6 SENATE

Nothing to report. The Senate's next meeting will be on Friday, November 4, 2016.

4-7 BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Nothing to report.

5-1 CRO'S REPORT

Motion: Outram/Hood: to grant Megan McNeill, the Chief Returning Officer, speaking rights.

Motion: Carried

By-Election Results:

Arts Representative

Yes - Justin Clory	108
No - Justin Clory	17
Abstain from voting	16

Business Representative

Yes - William McGuigan	71
No - William McGuigan	19
Abstain from voting	11

Senate

Sam Ferguson	149
Erin MacNeill	262
Abstain from voting	63

Motion: Hood/Ahmed: to approve the 2016 By-Election Results.

Motion: Carried

6-1 SWEARING-IN OF COUNCILLORS

Justin Clory (Arts Representative), Erin MacNeill (Senate Representative), William McGuigan (Business Representative), and Julia Ross (Education Representative) were sworn in as UPEISU Councillors.

7-1 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS

Each of the new UPEISU Councillors notified the UPEISU Council of any possible conflicts, including work or societies, which could lead to biased opinions when debating and deciding on issues relating to those areas.

Arts Representative, Justin Clory: Member of the UPEISU Advocacy Team and Vice President of the Political Science Society.

Senate Representative, Erin MacNeill: Treasurer of Jack.org and works for the Alumni Association.

Business Representative, William McGuigan: No conflicts to declare.

Education Representative, Julia Ross: Holds a supervisor position at the Wave and is an executive member of the Education Society.

8-1 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The new UPEISU Council members were allowed to make their selection for which Student Union Committee they would like to sit on for their term on council. Every councillor must select at least one committee to sit on.

Committees Include:

- New Initiative & Future Directions Committee
- External & Academic Affairs Committee
- Funding Committee
- Advocacy Committee
- UPEISU Policy Committee
- Wave Management Committee

Councillor McGuigan was nominated for Policy Committee.

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Councillor McGuigan was acclaimed to Policy Committee.

Councillor Clory was acclaimed to Policy Committee.

Councillor Ross was nominated for Budget Committee.

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9-1 COUNCIL RETREAT FEEDBACK

President Hood did an overview on the results of the Council Retreat survey sent out to the UPEISU Council on October 18, 2016.

Question 1: "I found the Welcome and Wake-up Icebreakers session to be useful." A majority of councillors answered that this was very enjoyable.

Question 2: "I found the Mission, Vision, and Values presentation to be." A majority of councillors answered that the presentation was very useful.

Question 3: "Following the Mission, Vision, and Values presentation, I felt I understood the purpose of the Student Union and its values." A majority of councillors answered that they did understand the purpose of the Student Union and its values.

Question 4: "I found the Governance at the Student Union presentation to be." A majority of councillors answered that this presentation was moderately useful.

Question 5: "Following the governance presentation, I felt I understood the governing documents, responsibilities of councillors, Council, the executive."

A majority of councillors answer that they did understand the governing documents, responsibilities of councillors, Council, and the executive after the governance presentation.

Question 6: "I found the Campus Trust presentation to be." A majority of councillors answered that the Campus Trust presentation was very useful.

Question 7: I found the Daily Operations and Financial Statements presentation to be:. Most councillors answered that the Daily Operations and Financial Statements presentation was very useful.

Question 8: "I found the SWOT Analysis and Discussion to be." A majority of councillors answered that the SWOT Analysis and Discussion was very useful.

Question 9: "I found the Return to Robert's Rules to be." A majority of councillors answered that the Return to Robert's Rules was moderately useful.

Question 10: "I found the Council Meeting to be." A majority of councillors answered that the Council Meeting was moderately organized.

Question 11: "I found the Councillor Transition Program session to be." Most councillors answered that the Councillor Transition Program session was moderately useful.

Question 12: "I found the accommodation to be." There was variance on the answers to question twelve. Many councillors indicated that they were neutral on the question or thought the accommodations were moderately bad.

Question 13: "I found the food at Brothers 2 to be." A majority of councillors answered that the food at Brothers 2 was very good.

Question 14: "Overall, I found Council Retreat to be." A majority of councillors found Council Retreat to be very beneficial.

10-1 CHANGING NEXT COUNCIL MEETING DATE

Motion: Hood/Jarvis: to move the next council meeting from November 13, 2016 to November 20, 2016.

Motion: Carried
Abstain: Hood

10-1 NEW BUSINESS

Motion: Jarvis/Wartman: for Policy Committee to review Article 9 in the UPEISU Constitution and report back to council on what this article means.

Motion: Carried

Motion: Jabbour/Wartman: to ratify the Panther Pantry as a UPEISU society.

Motion: Carried

Abstain: M. Rix

Reminder to all councillors to please submit your reports on the councillor site!

President Hood contacted Cathy Rose, the Accessibility Services Coordinator at UPEI, for her thoughts on who should be eligible to run for the council position, Accessibility Representative. Cathy Rose suggested that we continue with the practice we have been using, which includes candidates for Accessibility Representative must be registered with Accessibility Services, and any full-time student may vote for the representative. Rose mentioned that we should be aware that having people disclose that they are registered with accessibility services may be discriminative because this information is undisclosed to the public. President Hood, with this comment in mind, suggested that instead of requiring students “must be” registered with Accessibility Service, they “should be” registered in order to run for the position.

Happy (Early) Birthday Councillor Wilfeard!

11-1 ADJOURNMENT

Motion: J.Ross/Jaris: to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Carried

Abstain: Wilfeard
Jarvis

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Signatures

President

Chair of Council