The first meeting of the year 2017/2018 Student Council of the University of Prince Edward Island Student Union was held September 10, 2017. Minutes for the meeting were took by Shikha Choollun. The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm by Zak Jarvis, Chair of Council.

PRESENT: Hammad Ahmed

Taya Nabuurs

Megan Rix

Will McGuigan

Erin Macneill

Grace Wedlake

Michael Ferguson

Brendan Curran

Ammar Khayyat

Pragya Chowdhury

Kali Ross

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Zak Jarvis

Shikha Choollun

Sweta Daboo

# 1-1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm.

2-1 SWEARING-IN OF COUNCILLORS

3-1 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS

## 4-1 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved with no amendments.

# 5-1 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017)

6-1 REPORTS

6-2 PRESIDENT

President's Report 2017

Hi everyone,

I would like to start by thanking you all and your constituencies for voting for me.

Below are the main initiatives I worked on over the summer. I did not go into much detail but if anyone of you is interested in knowing about anything in more depth please let me know. A lot of what I did included relationship building with different departments, and making sure I didn't mess up.

#### MAY

The beginning of May was dedicated to familiarizing myself with the Student Union and the different roles and duties.

We then received a leadership training workshop from someone from Antigonish who also trains the executives and staff members at the St.FX Students' Union. This was a good learning for all of us as we learned about our individual strengths and weaknesses. It also formed the foundation for our relationships in the office. I will strongly encourage this workshop be given to the executives that will be elected in the Spring elections.

I was then heavily involved in Convocation as I attended the morning and afternoon sessions. I was also the presenter of the honorary degree, followed by being the emcee of the senior class awards. After Convocation, I attended the annual Alumni mixer as a guest. This is where I had the opportunity to meet all my predecessors.

In May, the VPAX and I also met with a representative from the Mawi-omi center regarding the George Coles bursary and how indigenous students were not able to utilize this resource. This matter was then resolved at the end of the summer.

I attended a few meetings over the summer working on the tobacco-free campus policy and the policy's implementation.

After attending a few Senate and Board of Governor's meetings, we decided to have a myUPEI survey to determine how the new system was working out for students. The feedback was then taken to the university's administration to improve myUPEI.

Towards the end of May, Taya and I travelled to Ottawa to attend CASA's 2017 Foundations Conference. Below is a brief summary of the conference (I am available to go into more details is required):

JUNE

As June started, I got the chance to work on my one of my projects for the year. This project would be to increase the number of gender neutral washrooms on campus. I worked with the university officials to have them in the library and Main building.

In regards with the tobacco-free policy on campus, I worked with university officials to come up with cessation options for students.

The hiring process of hiring a new Chair began and we hired the current Chair based on his knowledge and experience working with council.

This month gave me the opportunity to work on elections for the year as we now have a new system to work with. I got in touch with university officials to discuss our needs for election seasons.

A new committee was created to discuss the details of the Health Center to be on campus as well as accommodating all the needs for students. This was an important matter that I dealt with a lot in June.

This June, the UPEI SU sponsored a hole at the Annual Panther Golf Classic. We also provided refreshments for this event.

I also met with the Dean of Nursing several times to discuss the needs for students in terms of the mental health initiative and accommodating any needs for students in the new Health Center plan.

The executives went through Occupational Health & Safety Training conducted by the university.

As a leader in the community, I was invited as a guest reader to read at the First Nations Communities Read by the PEI Public Library.

JULY

In July, a lot of my time was allocated to getting access to more feminine hygiene products on campus. I was able to secure tampons which we should be receiving soon.

We were invited to meet with the Alumni at a social to get to know them. I also attended a board meeting with the Alumni, during which I presented them with a report regarding what was happening around campus.

I met with the newly elected GSA president to start the year on a high note. Heard and accommodated the needs of the association. I spoke to the president and invited her to replace me on the Graduate Council of CASA so that our graduate student voices can better be heard on a federal level. Also, this will give the GSA a better feel about CASA and its importance on our campus.

During this month, I worked with the athletics department over different initiatives. In addition, I was also working on ways to improve our working relationships and complement each other. This relationship building has resulted in the logos of both departments appearing on both UPEISU posters and UPEI Panthers' posters.

In regards to increasing the number of gender neutral washrooms, we worked on more details in July and came up with a plan to work with students and receive feedback before actually implementing something new.

I went to Alberta with the VPAX to attend CASA's Policy and Strategy Conference. This is an overview of what was discussed during the conference:

CASA's Policy and Strategy conference is the organization's direction-setting conference. Hosted by the Athabasca University Students' Union (AUSU), student leaders from CASA's 21 member associations came together to select priority areas for the year and to develop projects for the year. The goal of the conference is to place CASA's membership firmly in control of the direction and focus of the organization for the year ahead.

- 1. CSU's Membership Approved:
- · CASA has approved Policy Themes for the year: At Policy and Strategy, CASA's members approved five theme areas as priorities for the next year:
  - I. Health and Wellness
  - II. Indigenous Students
  - III. Educational Materials
  - IV. International Students
    - V. Financial Barriers to PSE
- 2. CASA's committees developed their work plans:
- 3. CASA's Board Action Plan was approved
- 4. CASA's Audit YE2017 was approved: CASA's YE2017 audited financial statements were presented to the membership and approved during plenary

#### **AUGUST**

In August, I met with the current president and previous president of SAVS to discuss how we can improve our relationship with the AVC student body as well as how we can accommodate the upcoming Veterinary Med. Rep. without overwhelming them. We also hosted the AVC orientation day BBQ.

I made another trip out of the province, this time to Nova Scotia, with the VPAX to attend the StudentsNS Annual General Meeting. We decided to attend this conference this time to learn and understand better how provincial advocacy works. During this conference, we underwent training in advocacy and media communications. For next year, I encourage the executives to attend their Foundations Conference if they (executives) are not going on a road trip.

The other executives and I met with MLA Brad Trivers from the PC party and James Aylward also from the PC party as they are both running to lead the party. It is extremely important for us to maintain and develop a good relationship with them.

Just before school started, we also met with Minister Sonny Gallant to talk about our upcoming priorities for the school year. We also discussed with Minister Gallant about how often we would be meeting him to maintain an open channel of communication.

I sat on the Hiring Board for Mickey's Place. We hired roughly 60 new staff for The Wave, Mickey's Place, The Cadre and office staff. Later towards the end, we held a training session for all the new incoming staff.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

September arrived and I became busy with NSO. This year, the executives and the Director of Communication were heavily involved with New Student Orientation. This was needed in order to attract more students to SU for the future.

The wave now has a new menu and the executives are trying very hard to push it through as much as possible.

To sum everything up, I took the summer months to accomplish a number of things: drafting agendas for the executive committee, attending senate, attending senate committees, Board of Governors, Board of Governors sub committees and other committees that required my attendance.

I was also communicating back and forth with any outside parties who were trying to get in touch with the UPEISU in regards to collaboration. I was also meeting the UPEI President on a weekly basis in addition to other departments that I met on a monthly or as per needed basis to ensure and maintain a good relationship and collaboration for the future.

I also trained new employees during the new staff orientation along with my other executives. In terms of council, I met with the Chair a number of times to discuss how to help council groom.

Looking forward to a great year with everyone working for the students. Again if you have any questions, comments, clarification or concerns feel free to reach out to me.

Kind regards,

Hammad

6-3 VP ACADEMIC AND EXTERNAL (BY Taya Nabuurs)

**UPEI Sexual Violence Prevention & Response Task Force** 

- As one of my first focuses upon assuming office as VPAX, I began
  investigating the University's current procedures and policies
  regarding sexual violence on campus and advocating for the creation
  and implementation of a sexual assault policy for UPEI.
- After meeting with University administration, I was notified that a draft policy was in the works. I therefore adjusted my focus to advocating for a thorough review and consultation process regarding this policy.
   After much deliberation and discussion with VP Finance of UPEI, Jackie
   Podger, she agreed to co-chair a UPEI Sexual Violence Prevention &
   Response Task Force.
- The UPEI Sexual Violence Prevention & Response Task Force is a working group tasked with investigating the issue of sexual violence on campus, reviewing drafts of a stand-alone sexual assault policy for UPEI, and providing recommendations in regards to education and prevention programming for UPEI.
- Per the agreed mandate, the Task Force will be involved in such activities/initiatives as:
- o Conducting consultation initiatives (ie. surveys and in-person consultation workshops) in order to ascertain a better understanding of the campus climate regarding sexual violence and allow for campus feedback regarding the stand-alone sexual assault policy.
- Reviewing and implementing a stand-alone sexual assault policy at UPEI.
- o Proposing a long-term education and prevention strategy to accompany the implementation of a stand-alone sexual assault policy at UPEI.
- Meetings/Consultation: a number of relevant stakeholders and

community experts were consulted throughout the process of creating this Task Force and discussing the implementation of a policy. A few examples include:

- O University Administration (VP Finance, President, VP Academic & Research)
- o Dr. Gulrose Jiwani (Dean of Nursing)
- O Treena Smith (Student Affairs)
- Zak Court (SAVE Program)
- o PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women
- o PEI Victim Services
- o PEI Rape & Sexual Assault Centre
- Tracy Carmichael (CUPE Rep)
- Leo Cheverie (Robertson Library Archives)
- Shannon Fenelon (Residence Services)
- Jenna Burke & Dawne Knockwood (Mawi'omi Centre)
- The draft policy has been circulated to the members for review and the first meeting of the Task Force will take place on Friday,
   September 8th.

#### Our Turn

- The work of a student-led group at Carleton University came to my attention mid-summer. This group is working to create a national framework for combatting sexual violence on university campuses.
- The Exec Committee decided to sign on to the initiatives of Our Turn and create an Our Turn UPEI Chapter, which will be a group committed to initiating a student-led response to sexual violence on our campus, using the work of Our Turn as a guiding framework.
- The Our Turn Action Plan is set for official release the first week of October. UPEI will be releasing some of its work prior to this official nationwide release, primarily due to the personal timelines of our

university in regards to the implementation of a new stand-alone sexual assault policy.

**External Policy Development** 

- Summer policy development was focused on three of the four areas slated for policy development: mental health, indigenous and equity-seeking groups, and lifelong learning and skills development.

  These policy statements will be provided for Council review and discussion.
- The sexual assault policy development has been approached in forms other than an official policy statement, as it became known after it was slated for policy development that the University was already working on a stand-alone sexual assault policy. Rather than focusing my efforts on a redundant policy statement, I redirected my attention to tackling this issue in other capacities with the creation of the UPEI Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Task Force and the Our Turn UPEI Chapter.

# CASA

- Conferences:
- o Foundations: In May, President Hammad and I participated in the CASA Foundations Conference, wherein we participated in numerous workshops and gained a greater understanding of CASA and its functions. Along with other CASA members, we also began discussions and deliberation of different key issue areas in post-secondary.
- o Policy & Strategy: In July, President Hammad and I travelled to Banff to participate in the CASA Policy & Strategy Conference (hosted by Athabasca University). This conference was primarily focused on establishing CASA's priorities for the upcoming year, as well as participating in committee work and developing work

plans for the year within those committees.

• Committee Work:

o I was elected to the Federal Policy Committee at the Foundations conference and subsequently as Vice-Chair of the committee at its first meeting. As such, I act as a "right hand" to the chair and assume the duties of the chair in cases of her absence.

 My first semester will consist primarily of conducting reviews of some of CASA's current policies.

■ Policy A30.4: Eliminating Parental Contributions to the CSLP Needs Assessment (working with Conner Peta of the University of Lethbridge)

- A literature review, annotated bibliography, and discussion document has been completed.
- A committee briefing document is currently in the works.
- $\blacksquare$  Q10: Integration of Federal and Provincial Student Loan

**Programs** 

6-4 VP STUDENT LIFE

Hey Council,

I hope everyone had a good first day of classes and are super excited about the first council meeting of the year. It has been a wild and fun summer for me. I have had such a good experience with this job over the summer and I am anxious to see what we are all going to come up with this year. For those of who who sat on council before, welcome back! For those of who are new, welcome to council!

# May:

May was slow, to be honest. I have no idea how to program, plan a wet/dry, or what bands or DJs I would even want to contact. I did my research in the only way I knew that I could.. Reading pretty much all of Kaylee and Nathan's past emails to figure out how the heck they did their job. Instead of focusing on programs and campaigns at this point. I decided to start with working on clubs since I've been very familiar with that. I started to update all club contacts and try to get all of that organized. I also started updated Opportunity Matchmaker and what would be the best way to implement it in the fall. Early on

in May, we had Frank from LSI Experience come in and he taught us how to be a good leader. Basically, the leadership training showed good attributes and bad attributes of a good leader and we took a test to figure out what kind of qualities we had. It was terrifying and I really don't think any of us were satisfied with our results, it was definitely an eye opener. The LSI was in 3 parts: Effective, passive, and aggressive leadership styles. Luckily, my effective was very high... but so was my passive. I needed work on being more assertive and not caring as much what people think of me because it was getting in the way of the job that I wanted to do. I think I've made great progress with being assertive, the other executives can vouch for me on that! The rest of May was spent trying to get organized and used to the role. Other projects I did was getting used to the committees that are assigned to me such as scholarships & awards and health and safety committee. I also made a summer project plan for myself and figuring out what tasks need to get done from May - September. I also did that while I was highly excited about hiring the clubs and campaigns coordinator. I made a list for whoever the new coordinator would be so he/she would be ready when they get here.

#### June:

JUNE WAS SO MUCH FUN. June is when the show really starts. You start to see all the posts about COCA (Canadian Organization of Campus Activities) and you get excited about it. I was super excited since I was going with the Director of Communications, Fallon Mawhinney and you know - she seemed cool. Before I go on about COCA, I will mention that right before, we hired our new Clubs & Campaigns Coordinator, Holly Coombs. She did amazing in her interview. She had a lot of experience organizing fundraisers in high school and she did show knowledge about our past campaigns and clubs which made her a very good candidate for the job. She was also super sweet and enthusiastic which definitely helped. She would start once I was back from COCA, yay COCA! COCA was the most fun and amazing experience I have ever had in my life. It was a great chance to meet other students around the country, especially the east coast because EAST COAST IS THE MOST! We all got along really well which made it really easy for us all of collaborate and block book together. At the conference, we got to go to so many information sessions about event programming, clubs management, and social media. The sessions were mind-blowing. I don't think I stopped taking notes the whole time. We also got to see many showcases whether that was mainstage, comedy, variety, or singer/songwriter. There were many acts that I enjoyed, particularly Scratch & Bang. Everyone on the east coast actually came together to do a block booking just to get them and we booked them right at COCA. I also loved the organization, it was so much fun but I did see some issues with the conference that I would have liked to be fixed. How do you fix an organization that needs work? Join the board! I ran for the board at the end of COCA and won!! (My LSI also said that I was competitive). I become one of two Eastern Directors on the COCA Board, alongside Nick Carpenter from STFX. The week was SO MUCH FUN and mind blowing and I went back wanting to book so many artists or acts such as, Wayne Hoffman, Wes Barker, Pat Maloney, and I made some really great friends and connections. When I got back, there was a lot of catching up to do and getting settled. I tried to collect all the information that I learned from COCA. Things really started to move from there. Holly was having to be trained and she picked up on how to do things quickly and her and I worked at Garage together previously so our relationship grew really quick and we get along really well which definitely helps when we have to work together. We also had the honor of attending the Panther Golf Classic and serve Killer Kool-Aid to alumni. That was a lot of fun for all of us. An alumni actually let me hit the ball for him. I was a bit rusty and ended up hitting a tree but he was impressed by my swing, so I wasn't too embarrassed. I quickly started to calculate all of my thoughts and I had the first semester schedule done. I wanted to do a live music night in October and I emailed ColinResponse who was from COCA and he was so eager to play for us but unfortunately, his price was way too expensive and with production and lighting, we didn't have enough to book him. Luckily, I got an email from Pat Maloney that day and he wanted to do our Stress Less Night with Tiz McNamara. Everything started to come together. I booked DJ Hot Dan for Back 2 School Pub, Production was getting figured out for Scratch & Bang. I also sat down with Will to discuss how much money I should be spending on each event which was AMAZING. We created "Megan's Money Board" which Will got rid of a few weeks ago. I was devastated. We had our exec retreat which gave us a chance to go through all of the policies, by-laws, and bond as an executive. I think it was a really great way to get to know each other.

## July:

The first thing I did in July was discuss with Holly what campaigns we were going to do. I went to executive committee to get Consent Week, Financial Literacy Day, Environmental Day, and Diversity Week approved. It did and we started planning for consent week. This was the month that all the small details were beginning to get done. It was great to see everything be put together. I signed the Hot Dan and Scratch & Bang contracts early on which definitely helped with the planning. I dealt with club issues as they came up, made meetings about Consent Week, began editing and writing the new clubs handbook. All of my ideas were coming together for this month. There was not very many meetings for me to go to at this time, there was a lot of cracking down exactly how things were going to go and ensuring that they would go that way. At the end of the month, I got to go to Fredericton to have a meeting with the COCA board. We discussed the strategic plan for the organization, where to have venues in Fredericton, and planning next year's conference. During the discussion of what the direction of the organization should be, I put a huge emphasis on advocacy. COCA offers many resources to schools such as event planning, clubs management, and social media however, it does lack in teaching people about campaigns. I think it would be a huge selling point for the organization.

# August:

This month was working on more little details while back to school was quickly approaching. I booked a hotel for Scratch & Bang, had a meeting with Athletics about Panther Pride and have been working on that for quite a while, Hammad and I had a meeting with AVC. I took last year's handbook and wrote down everything I liked and disliked about it and re-invented it. It looks amazing and we took out a lot of boring details and added pictures which makes it eye-catching for students. I had a few meetings with clubs and met with the graphic designer John about the expectations we have and showed him some cool posters and tickets that have been done in previous years. All the minor details was done this month like swag for consent week and getting everything ready for Back 2 School pub.

#### September:

We did NSO which in my opinion, we really put a good taste in student's mouths. They seemed to really enjoy our company and they were interested in what we had to say. We also got 135 signatures for consent week during NSO which was AMAZING. We had Back 2 School Pub which was epic, I think. I did stick around that day for sound check and everything and Scratch & Bang was so easy to work with. I can't wait to see how the finances went for that but I have a feeling that we did really well on this event.

## 6-5 VP FINANCE

Hello Council My name is Will McGuigan and I am your Vice President Finance and Administration at the UPEI SU. I look forward to working with each and every one of you this school year as we work together to better the SU and the students at UPEI. Going forward I will be transparent, accountable and clear with my reports. I hope to make things as easy as possible to understand but if you don't always understand and have questions, I encourage you to please ask me during council, after council, or send me an email. Most of my reports will be related to the finance of the SU and I really want you to understand where the money is going and why. This is a brief summary of the things that I have been up to since starting my position this year at the Student Union.

## May

The last week of April was our training week with the previous executives and going through what they completed last year and previous year. Going into April my primary focus was learning as much information as I could about our business and different departments as possible, organizing my files and email in a manner that was user friendly for myself and I spent a majority of my time reviewing documents from years past. I also had meetings with the Cadre and Yearbook to discuss what they would like to see in their areas this year and what I would like to see, I will talk about this latter on in my report.. We did the Graduation BBQ for the grad week. I did a lot of work for the yearbook getting it ready for graduation, email all the students who bought one, and marketing it before we send our order out. I also had meeting with the university about the wave project, which I will talk about latter on during council with Hammad. In final I did research on other university SU and looked at what they are doing for the HR practices to learn some ideas for our schools and I completed our bank rec for the month. Also trying to improve our brand image we have started giving tours to outreach with our students.

#### June

Worked on interviews for opening positions within the SU, chair and clubs. I worked on funding this month because one of the issues that arose this summer was who is applying for funding and who is able to apply for clubs funding. Between me and Megan we decided that only applications from the club

executives would be accepted, that's why clubs need to have their information up to date to receive funding. Me and Taya attended a meeting down town with the coalition of women in government, they had a panel that was very helpful for myself and for our HR policy's and for my committees. This month I started organizing myself for Campus Trust and learning about our trust and the trust in general. I attended the AGM during June, with Candice and Melissa in Toronto. This conference is key because as a trust member we own and operate the Campus Trust with 13 other school across Canada. During the conference I was voted onto the new gov committee and joined Communications committee I also became the chair of communications. At the conference there where some issues brought up by members that we need to review of gov structure. The trust is standing in a good place where we are starting to grow and other school want to join us. However some schools feel we need to review the current structure before we grow. This committee has sent out a survey to members and we will get the results back in September, at this point we will see what the members would like to see from the trust. I was also appointed chair of the communications committee, this committee reviews the Campus Trust marketing and ways we can market to our students, and new schools. Candice was elected chair for staff on the board and Melissa joined the finance committee and structure committee. I worked with Megan and we started outlining her event budget for the year and how she was going to spend her money for each event. I worked with the Cadre on the renovations to the Cadre office; we had a meeting with Alumni to talk about getting funding for the office. After this meeting I spent a large amount of my time looking for quotes and supplies for the renovations to submit to alumni as part of our proposal.

July:

This month I started organizing Finance Day with Holly; Finance day will be taking place on Sept 19th in the business building. This year we decided to make this event a one day event, unlike other years which was a weeklong event. Our reasoning for this was a lack of attendance from students but we still feel that this is something that needs to be talked about, and we need to inform our students about their finances. Myself and the other students that are part of the campus trust decided to meet regularly to discuss the campus trust so that it is reflecting the students and that the students voices are being heard. I started working with Megan to get her campaigns budgets ready. I started organizing our staff orientation event for the new staff that will be coming in. I spent some time working with Owen to ensure that the SU would have a place during NSO and spent time helping him organize NSO. I attended an Indigenous students event hosted by Jenna Burke to attract indigenous students to UPEI.

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This month was a lot of brain storming for the school year. Majority of my work was getting ready for Sept, NSO, New staff training, and just making sure I did not forget anything. I had a meeting with Cathy Rose about the renovations that are happening around campus and how they will be affecting students. Started working on interviews for opening positions. Cadre renovations got approved this month. Also, something that we started doing this summer was building a better relationship with the university, so now the VP Finance of UPEI and I have been meeting month. Finally, me and Melissa worked together to ensure that Mickeys Place is ready for the fall.

#### 6-6 SENATE

Good evening everyone,

Senate has not met since our last meeting in April of last year's school year, where we approved of last year's graduates. Our next meeting is being held on September 18th.

Thanks

Erin

## 6-7 BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The UPEI Board Retreat was held on May 26th, where we discussed our views on the future of the University over the next 10 years. There were also a number of presentations from different people from across Campus including the Dean of Nursing and our CIO (Chief Information Officer).

Over the summer a few e-votes were held. Most notably, we voted on the approval of the re-surfacing (paving) of a number of lots at the university, and approved a long term plan for the renewal of the remaining lots and roadways. This is something that has been needed for a significant time and I am glad that it finally happened through hard work by the University's VP Admin and Finance.

The 2017-2018 UPEI Board Development and Orientation session will be held on Tuesday September 12th 8:15-1am. I will be providing an update and follow up from this meeting at our next Student Union meeting.

For those that don't know, I also sit on the Property and Assets Committee as part of my position on the UPEI Board.

I also now sit on the Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Task Force, and look forward to positive change being made and implemented on campus to ensure a safe environment for all students, faculty and staff members. As Taya already mentioned, the University Admin was already working on a draft policy and I am happy to be able to say that this task force was created in collaboration with the Student Union and the University Administration. Having the University and Student Union work together to review this new policy is a positive move, because it will help ensure the new policy creates a positive change across the entire campus community.

Hope everybody's new semester is off to a great start. If anybody has any questions or even concerns you would like brought forth to the UPEI Board of Governors you can contact me at board@upeisu.ca or find me around campus.

Cheers,

Michael.

#### 7-1 PRESENTATION OF EXECUTIVE MANDATE

### **8-1 EXECUTIVE MANDATE**

Last summer, they worked on getting more gender neutral washrooms. They came up with the approval of having at least one in the library and the main building. More will be discussed about the approval on the next AGM meeting.

To improve relationships with the student body, the president had a meeting with GSA president, AVC previous and new president and the international student advisor to discuss about how to accommodate them in our priorities.

Also, creation of the strategic plan will be discussed on the next committee after consulting the student body and also mentioned about New Initiatives and Future Directions Committee.

#### 8-2 Mandate

## Update by Taya Nabuurs

International students' policy papers cover all issues affecting international students and also help in making follow up to make things more efficient and hoping to start making at least one policy paper this year. In terms of the timeline, the project was moved to the second semester. Final draft will be out by February 19<sup>th</sup> and the publication and distribution will be around March 5<sup>th</sup>.

Membership Engagement Strategy

Internal Strategic Action Plan outline ideas for improving our engagement with UPEI SU members.

Councillors will be appointed to act as liaisons between UPEI SU Council and different campus

community groups which are represented by particular council representatives and councillors will be

expected to have a report on activities going on twice a year.

8-3 STUDENT LIFE EXECUTIVE MANDATE (Megan)

-Name change as requested by students from "Sex Week" to "Love and Sex Week".

-More consultation of students of the events they want to have on campus.

-More awareness campaigns.

-Adding more theme days such as Love and Sex Week and Diversity Week.

-Involvement in clubs and society of more first year students (during NSO).

-Bringing different persons each time for events and creating more diverse shows.

-Improving relationship with COCA and using their resources.

8-4 VP FINANCE EXECUTIVE MANDATE (Will)

-Review of executives, full time staff and communications person.

-Increase awareness of the Cadre and its services and encourage students to get involved in our paper.

-Increase sales of the Yearbook.

-Campus Trust

Joined the committee of communications to ensure voice of students is being heard.

-Mickey's place marketing with Government local

APPROVAL OF MANDATES

**Motion:** Erin: to approve president's executive mandate

Motion: Michael: to approve VP Student Life mandate

Motion: Erin: to approve VP Finance mandate

Motion: Carried

9-1 EXTERNAL POLICY UPDATE (Taya)

Councillor said she had a meeting to discuss about experiential learning, student financial aid, mental health and the Career Connect Program.

They also talked about Provincial Legislation for Sexual Violence.

Priorities voted were:

1. Health and wellness

2. Indigenous students

3. Educational materials

4. International students

5. Financial barriers

In terms of academic policy priority, developing disciplinary academic collaboration primarily for the AVC, developing online registration for graduate students and for the English academic preparation.

Motion: Taya: to approve the recommendations for the policy statement on mental health.

Motion: Carried

Draft policy for indigenous students

Councillor wanted to ensure ASKS are coming from indigenous students and also had meeting in the Naomi Center. Also mentioned, the main barrier preventing involvement of indigenous students in the campus was funding.

Motion: Taya: to approve to indigenize the UPEI Campus and moving towards reconciliation.

Motion: Carried

Motion: Megan: to move Clubs and Society Ratifications to number 10

Motion: Carried

10-1 CLUBS & SOCIETY RATIFICATIONS

Need a motion to approve the women and business society.

Motion: Megan: to approve the ratification of women and business society

Motion: Carried

**Motion:** Megan: to approve the ratification of UPEI Iranian Society

**Motion: Carried** 

# 11-1 EXECUTIVE EVALUATION (Will)

Councillor Will explained that this is a way to evaluate how we are doing in our council meeting and discuss among executives to give reports.

# 12-1 ELECTION SCHEDULE (Hammad)

Fall election is coming up. Domination periods start from the  $13^{th}$  to  $22^{nd}$  September. Voting will take place on  $3^{rd}$  and  $4^{th}$  October 2017.

Positions available are:

**Grad Senate Rep** 

Arts Rep

**Education Rep** 

**Business Rep** 

First Year Rep

**AVC** Rep

Veterinary Medicine Rep

International Student Rep

# 13-1 FEDP UPDATE (Megan)

Student Union offered training programs during the summer for members of club who wanted to be executives in the future in order to help them understand the roles of executives and prepare them for that. The program was put on last year but is now suspended because we did not have any first year that wanted to be involved in it and we are planning to offer this program to IRO next year.

# 14-1 WAVE UPDATE (Will and Hammad)

Motion: Michael: to move the item temporary committee appointments to the next Agenda

Motion: Carried

15-1 AGM DATE (Hammad)

Next AGM meeting will be on 18<sup>th</sup> October at 4.30pm.

**Motion:** Megan: To hold the AGM meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> October at 4.30pm

Motion: Carried

16-1 COUNCIL BY LAW (Will)

Motion: Taya: to extend the meeting by 30 minutes.

Amendment: reason is to be more specific because of important points.

Motion: Carried

17-1 CLUBS & CAMPAIGNS COMMITTEE BY LAW (Megan)

Change to Clubs & Campaigns Committee

-VP Student Life (Co-Chair)

-VP of Grad Week (Co-Chair)

**Associate Director of Communications** 

Club Executive(s)

1 Student at-large

Clubs & Campaigns Committee

The responsibilities of the Clubs Committee are as follows:

Review club benefits and events

Allow the ratified clubs on campus to have input and share ideas and concerns

Come up with new and unique ways to put on campaigns

Recruit volunteers for campaigns

Decide the direction of clubs and campaigns in the future of the organization

The Clubs Committee will meet monthly or as needed.

# 18-1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEE BY- LAW (Megan)

In summer, the executive committee voted to have the director of communications sit on our executive committee and with the school year approaching we have to ask council permission to do it.

## 19-1 NEW BUSINESS

No new business was declared.

## **20-1 ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Michael: to adjourn the meeting

Motion: Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 9.08pm.

Signatures



