Students' Representative Council - Meeting Minutes
September 24, 2026
KCIC Seminar Room

In the Acadia Students' Union, we acknowledge that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq. We recognize that we are all treaty people and have commitments to each other and the land in which we live, learn, work, and play upon. As a Students' Union, we commit ourselves to continuous learning about how we can engage in meaningful action towards truth, reconciliation, and justice.

**Present**
President, Emma Boles (voting) P
Vice-President Events and Promotions, Danika Pitre (voting) P
Vice-President Academic and External Affairs, Lily Rich (voting) P
Vice-President Student Life, Sam Richard (voting) P
Vice-President Finance and Operations, Treyvon Nicolls (voting) P
Arts Senator, Elizabeth Bettenson (voting) P
Science Senator, Celine Hoyeck (voting) P
Professional Studies Senator, (vacant) (voting)
Theology Senator, Remmi Boisjoli (voting) P
Graduate Studies Senator, (vacant) (voting)
Councilor-at-large, (vacant) (voting)
Diversity and Inclusion Representative, (vacant) (voting)
Community Relations Representative, (voting)
Sustainability Representative, (Vacant) (voting)
First-year Representative, (Vacant) (voting)

**Absences**

**Regrets**

**Resources**
Chair of Council, Gretchen Archibald (non-voting) P
Vice-Chair of Council, Diya Diya (non-voting) P
Deputy Chief Returning Officer, (vacant) (non-voting)
Chief Returning Officer, Hailey Burns (non-voting) P

**Agenda**

1. **Call to Order**

   Meeting was called to order at 7:34PM ADT.

2. **Roll Call**

3. **Adoption of Agenda and Previous Minutes**

   **BIRT** the agenda be approved as presented.
   Moved by Emma
   Seconded by Sam
   Motion approved

   **BIRT** the agenda be amended to include the Election timeline as presented.
   Moved by Emma
   Seconded by Sam
   Motion approved

4. **Presentations**

5. **Standing Items**
   a) Committee Chairs
   - VPAE

Lily gave a report on her goals for the year and a summer update. Talked about CASA, what it is and how it helped students also with which projects are ongoing with them.
Elizabeth asked a question regarding the 'AI policy position' within the report, this is just a typo.

- VPSL

Talked about his goals for the year. He shared $8000 funding secured from residence life. Average 49 clubs were used to join during the last 5 years but this time/ year we had 56 clubs.

- VPEP

Main project was this summer orientation week. Goal was to make jam oacked schedule. We had multiple events this year, soccer, lawn party, coffee crawl etc. Last step is to send out survey to students. Currently

working on a homecoming concert post sent out. Social media development project created a brand kit for social media.

- VPFO

Over the summer, the main goal was getting sponsorship for ASU. Sponsor dominos, icecream(), working on alumni because we can get $10,000 from alumni. 60TH Birthday is coming up for ASU. Promoting financial literacy is one of the other goals, right now we are hiring directors so onc that we can get our financial literacy event out. Redesigning funding application process making process smooth from both ends. Funding applications will be reviewed every first Monday. Financial transparency is another goal we are going to show how students fee is being used. Next month we are doing cyber security awareness.

b) President

One of the things about changing reading weekdays is that she sent out a reading week survey. We just had a timetable meeting committee. We are going to keep working on this send out another survey 2027 academic year, Orientation was a big success. Talked about other goals she has for this academic year. Increase student engagement with CASA. We will have some material distributed next week. SRC Council training was successful. We have signed an official contract to replace all our cardio equipment.

c) Chair of Council

Very large agenda tonight so we will limit that time for each discussion topic.

6. **Unfinished Business**

7. **New Business**

**For Discussion**

a) Canada Student Financial Assistance Program

By Emma: We worked with CASA. We need some volunteers to run this program- Remmi agreed to volunteer.

What does table mean asked by Celeine: You just need to stand somewhere with a table and information and chat with students about it

b) Academic Timetable

By Sam: we should include art senate or science senate on timetable committee. In review which is currently going on. We are potentially looking to make a committee. By Remmi: can you

explain what the timetable committee is. Explained by sam. By Emma: we have already two students we do not need extra senator on the committee don't want to waste capacity on it where it can be utilized somewhere else. By Arts Senator: Student senate have not been able to served on that committe since exec was doing it which was great but we are lacking insights from people it could be beneficial to get more since we can get wider perscpectives. By Lily: we should not make decision now there are conversation about changing representation talk to ana but also check in with., By Remmi: Alot of people are not on Res. Difficult classes once a week, but some of people will go against that time table since If I would be toc hoose I will go against 10pm ending. By Celine: Gave her opinion. By Sam: Food Security initiative is the Part. Overall, 2 is plenty for the timetable committee. By Emma: if we two are having a conversation, we will still be talking about broad labs, classes etc. Arts Senate: i understand not adding more people but it is valuable to add people like remmi who commuter or Celine is. By Emma: Any decision items which impacts students it has to come to Council meetings for voting. If you are onm any committee.

c) Ath Publishing Board Member

By Sam: Operational Athenaeum, he talked about this project 20 signed up and 1 person showed up to their event. By ASU chair: could that be post-election issue or right now?. By sam: as soon as possible. Arts Senate: Can you explain more? By Sam: He is reading Article 7 from the publishing board. a

**BIRT** Remmi be appointed as SRC representative on the Ath Publishing Board
Moved by Sam
Seconded by Emma
Motion Approved

**For Decision**

a) Implementing Consent Calendar Items into SRC meetings

Arts senate: Talked about what consent calendar is first. Sam: would this is updatimg in Bylaws and terms of council meeting. ASU chair: it is more of verbally. By emma: takked about capacities there. By lily: Agree to make moving meetings faster but ability to talk about issues as we are experiencing that.. By Arts Senate: agree on how volatile the time is right now.

**BIRT** this decision be tabled
Moved by Emma
Seconded by Remmi
Motion approved – Elizabeth opposed

b) Nominating Committee

**BIRT** Remmi and Sam sit on Nominating Committee
Moved by Emma
Seconded by Danika
Motion Approved- Trey Opposed
Sam and Remmi Abstain

Remmi Left room at 8:49

c) Exec Board to act as FAC

**BIRT** Exec Board act as the FAC until end of November
Moved by Emma
Seconded by Elizabeth
Motion Approved – Sam opposes, Remmi Abstains (absent)

d) Board of Governors Student Life Committee

**BIRT** Aiden Fennimore be appointed as voting member on Board of Governors Student Life Committee
Moved by Emma
Seconded by Celine
Motion approved
By Emma: we have had who served on this committee: Aiden falimore 4th year now part of

tennis club.

Remmi came back at 8:52

e) Rugby/Lacrosse Ratification

By Sam: explained about it first. Read out notes and concerns.

**BIRT** All pending clubs be ratified
Moved by Danika
Seconded by Sam
Motion approved – Emma, Trey, Elizabeth abstained

f) IO Budgets

Tabled and brought to FAC

g) Election Timeline Approval

**By Hailey mentioned Nominations open and closing dates for elections all candidates meeting date. Debate date. Emma asked for time for debate night. By Hailey: Before 9pm By Trey: Deadline for nominations? October 7 by hailey october 19 campaigning starts**

Lily left the room at 9:07
Lily came back at 9:08

**BIRT the proposed election timeline be approved as presented**
Moved by Elizabeth
Seconded by Trey
Motion approved

**Emma left room at 9:16**

**BIRT the Fall Terms of Reference be approved with proposed amendments**
Moved by Danika
Seconded by Remmi
Motion approved - Sam opposed

**Emma came back at 9:18**

8. **In-Camera**

**BIRT that council move in camera**
Moved by Trey
Seconded by Danika
Motion approved

**BIRT the Conflict of Interest Policy Exception be granted**
Moved by Emma
Seconded by Danika
Motion does not pass

**BIRT council be extended to 9:40**
Moved by Emma
Seconded by Sam
Motion approved – Elizabeth not in room

**BIRT council move out of camera**
Moved by Emma
Seconded by Sam
Motion approved – Elizabeth

9. **Adjournment and Next Meeting Date**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 PM ADT.

Next Meeting Scheduled for: October 8th, 2026