

Students' Representative Council - Meeting Minutes September 10th, 2024 Beveridge Forum

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, Sam Taylor (voting) (Interim) P Vice-President Student Life, Sterling Shannon (voting) P Vice-President Academic and External Affairs, Sam Taylor (voting) P Vice-President Events and Promotions, Zahide Çam (voting) P Vice-President Finance and Operations, Archit Singh (voting) P Arts Senator, Genna Beed (voting) P Professional Studies Senator, Sophia Carpenter (voting) P Councilor-at-large, Treyvon Nicolls (voting) P Councilor-at-large, Emma Boles (voting) P Diversity and Inclusion Representative, Danielle Dullay (voting) P Sustainability Representative, Carmen Peng (voting) P

Absences

Science Senator, Julia Shirokov (voting) A

Resources

Chair of Council, Ben McCulley (non-voting) P

Agenda

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

3. Adoption of Agenda and Previous Meeting Minutes



BIRT the agenda be approved as presented.

Moved by Genna Seconded by Sterling Motion Approved

BIRT the agenda be amended to include "VP Events and Promotion, VP Student Life, VP Finance's Request to increase Courseload" under "For Decision".

Moved by Sam Seconded by Zahide Motion Approved

BIRT the April 24th Meeting Minutes be approved as presented.

Moved by Stirling Seconded by Archit Motion Approved

4. Introductions and Oaths of Office

All members of council who were present introduced themselves. Oaths will be done at the next meeting as some members were absent.

5. Standing Items

a) Committee Chairs

No committee chairs presented as committees have not begun meetings yet.

b) President

Sam gave an update on Exec board activities. Sam then gave an update on the new University Protest Policy and the New Axe Bar Manager.

c) Chair of Council

The Chair's update consisted of informing council that there was currently no deputy chair, CRO or DCRO but hiring is currently underway. The Chair then took questions from Council.



6. Unfinished Business

7. New Business

For Discussion

a) Strategic Plan Draft Review

Sam gave an update on the status of the Strategic Plan Draft. Sam outlined the different priorities of this strategic plan and how it will develop from here.

For Decision

a) Committee Appointments

BIRT the Students' Representative Council approve the following committee appointments;

Archit Singh and Treyvon Nicolls as executive and non-executive members of the Nominating Committee,

Genna Beed and Danielle Dulay as voting members of the Sustainability Committee,

Julia Shirokov and Cyenna Link as non-executive members of the Governance Committee,

Emma Boles and Julia Shirokov as non-executive members of the Student Life Committee,

Carmen Peng as a non-executive member of the Academic Affairs Committee,

Sterling Shannon as voting member of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee,

Archit Singh, Sam Taylor, Genna Beed and Julia Shirokov as Executive and non-Executive members of the Elections Committee,

Julia Shirokov, Emma Boles and Treyvon Nicolls as a non-executive member of the Events and Promotions Committee,

Zahide Çam as the executive member and Sophia Carpenter and Cyenna Link as non-executive members of the Review Board Committee,



and Genna Beed, Emma Boles and Treyvon Nicolls as a non-executive members of the Financial Affairs Committee.

Moved by Treyvon Nicolls Seconded by Emma Boles Motion Approved

Council went through each committee, explaining what that committee does and what positions need to be filled. Members then indicated which committees they wished to be one with no conflicts arising.

b) Council Meeting Schedule

BIRT the Students' Representative Council agree to a regular biweekly meeting time of 7-8:30pm Tuesday Nights.

Moved by Archit Singh Seconded by Zahide Çam Motion Approved

c) VP Events and Promotion, VP Student Life, VP Finance's Request to increase Courseload

No concerns about these requests were heard by council.

BIRT the Students' Representative Council approve the VP Events and Promotion's request to increase their course load from 4 to 6 classes for the 2024 Fall Term.

Moved by Sterling Shannon Seconded by Emma Boles Motion Approved

Zahide Abstained

BIRT the Students' Representative Council approve the VP Student Life's request to increase their course load from 4 to 6 classes for the 2024 Fall Term.

Moved by Cyenna Link Seconded by Treyvon Nicolls Motion Approved



Stirling Abstained

BIRT the Students' Representative Council approve the VP Finance's request to increase their course load from 4 to 5 classes for the 2024 Fall Term.

Moved by Sophia Carpenter Seconded by Emma Boles Motion Approved

Archit Abstained

Sam gave a brief description of what in-Camera mean and spoke about when that might be needed.

Before adjourning, Archit asked about an upcoming protest that had been mentioned earlier in the meeting. Genna gave context to what the protest/ is about. Zahide brought up the universities protest policy and brought up their concerns about the language of this policy. Sam informed council that they had not been asked for input on this policy but that they would be meeting with the University President in the near future. Zahide also asked about the Palestine Student organization.

8. In-Camera Session

9. Adjournment and Next Meeting Date

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 9:11 PM ADT.

Next Meeting Scheduled for: September 24th at 7pm.