Council Minutes —April 3rd, 2022

Prepared by: Deputy Chair of Council – Rebecca Cano

Students’ Union Representative Council Meeting

April 3rd, 2022, 3:00pm ADT

StFX Students’ Union Council Chambers

Call to Order

Naomi: Meeting called to order at time 3:04 pm ADT.

Roll Call

Equity Student Representative – Tiffany Bondoc

Arts Student Representative – Margaret-Anne Gillis (online)

Board of Governors Student Representative – Dhruv Patel

Science Student Representative – Mackenzie LeVernois

First-Year Representative – Josh Kroker

Business Student Representative – Hunter Park

Board of Governors Student Representative – Anna Hancin

International Student Representative – Derin Derici

Indigenous Student Representative – Molly Burke (online)

President – Jack Irvin

Vice President Activities and Events – Kyra Tessier (online)

Vice President Academic – Meredith Cudmore-Keating

Vice President Finance and Operations – Brendan Roberts (online)

Vice President Residence Affairs – Sophia Fabiano (online)

Vice President External Affairs – Ben Fairhurst

Student’s Union General Manager – Sean Ryan

Deputy Chair of Council – Rebecca Cano

**Absent With Regret**

Indigenous Student Representative – Sierra Julian

Education Student Representative – Tianna Williams

Students of African Descent Representative – Atik Gailo

Faculty Advisor – Brandon Malloy

Mi’kmaq Land Acknowledgement

Naomi: I would like to begin by acknowledging that we are in Mi’kma’ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi’kmaq People. This territory is covered by the “Treaties of Peace and Friendship” which Mi’kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) peoples first signed with the British Crown in 1725. The treaties did not deal with the surrender of lands and resources but in fact, recognized Mi’kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) titles and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

Opening Remarks of the Chair

Naomi: I call this meeting to order at 3:02 pm. Let's do this thing I guess.

Approval of the Agenda

Josh: I motion to approve the agenda.

Dhruv: I second.

*No Discussion.*

Meredith: I motion to endorse the Student Experience and Strategic Plan.

Dhruv: Are we adding it now and then voting a the end?

Naomi: Yes.

*Motion passes Unanimously.*

Dhruv: I call to question.

*Motion Passes Unanimously.*

Approval of the Minutes of March 27th Council

Dhruv: Motion to approve the minutes.

Anna: I second.

*No Discussion.*

Anna: I call to question.

*Motion Passes Unanimously.*

Constituency Reports

Please see the April 3rd Council Package for any Constituency Reports. Below is any discussion regarding Constituency Reports.

Executive Reports

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General Manager Report

**Students’ Union General Manager – Sean Ryan**

* We have new banking connections
* Lots of hiring committees
* Couple more interviews to give, decisions will be made soon
* Big Ol’ Banquet tomorrow
* Maybe the Livestream awards section?
* Thanks to everyone for their amazing contributions this year!
* Without student leaders like you, the Students’ Union would be nothing.

Special Reports to Council

**Presentation of Thesis Project Results by Rebecca Cano**

*Discussion:*

Highlights of student suggestions/concerns:

* Continuity needs to increase
* Waitlist decrease or communication about the waitlist is important
* No one knows about the resources advertisement needs to increase
* Website needs work
* In town, it may be longer original wait times, but between therapy sessions, it's every one or two weeks which is better for continuity,
* No one ever answers the phones at the Health and Counselling Centre
* The webpage is VERY hard to navigate and needs a revamp webpage.

**Presentation of Final Strategic Plan and Residence Renewal Draft by Elizabeth Yeo**

*Main Discussion Points:*

* Council is not comfortable endorsing a Strategic Plan that includes the Residence Renewela plan as consultation is still ongoing. So, an updated Strategic Plan without the Residence Renewal plan in it will be sent to councillors, and an online vote for endorsement will be conducted.

**Presentation of SU 2022-2023 Budget by Brendan Roberts**

*No Discussion*

New Business

Naomi: We will move into the Ratification of Anna Payson as Society Coordinator.

Mackenzie: I motion to ratify Anna Payson as Society Coordinator.

Josh: I second.

*Discussion:*Mackenzie: She had a great interview, had great ideas on how societies can be improves

Josh: She was excited about a post-pandemic campus! She is publicizing societies very well.

Anna: I call to question.

*Motion passes unanimously.*

Naomi: We will move into the approval of the 2022-2023 SU Budget.

MacKenzie: I motion to approve the 2022-2023 budget.

Anna: Second

*No Discussion*

Anna: I call to question

*Motion Passes Unanimously.*

*Two proxy votes in favour of Atik and Tianna.*

Naomi: We will move on to looking at the amended agenda.

Mackenzie: I motion with the intent of tabling the motion in endorsing the strategic plan.

Josh: I second.

*No Discussion.*

Anna: I call to question.

*Motion passes unanimously.*

Closing Remarks

Naomi: We are done! Thank you all for amazing councils.

Adjournment

Mackenzie: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:56 pm ADT.

Josh: I second.

*Motion passes unanimously.*

Naomi: Meeting Adjourned.