



## Students' Representative Council SRC Meeting Minutes

January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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**Attendance:** Parteek Brar, Yash Patel, Het Shah, Akshay Chauhan, Amera Othman, Kushal Reddy, Dipanshu Grover, Marlene Powell, Preston Ogley, Amanda Nicholson, Yamo Li, Emily MacLennan, Bhreagh Gillis, Nagy Abdou, Una Wang,

**Regrets:** Hardik Patel

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### 1.0) Call to Order/Roll Call

- The meeting was called to order by reading of the statement to acknowledge the Traditional territory that we are sitting on at 4:12 p.m. and attendance was taken.

### 2.0) Approval of Agenda

- Gunny asked SRC to move the motion that he and Nagy didn't have the reports ready as this was the emergency meeting and they will present the report in the next meeting.

MOTION {011119.01} P. Brar/Het Shah

BIMT the committee approve the motion to move Reports of President and Executive Vice President to the next meeting.

All in favour

MOTION CARRIED

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MOTION {011119.02} Het Shah/Yash Patel

BIMT the committee approve the agenda, with the above mentioned amendments, of January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

All in favour

MOTION CARRIED

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### 3.0) Approval of minutes

- Bhreagh G. mentioned that there were some minor changes to be made which were friendly Amendments to which Yash replied that he will change them soon.

MOTION {011119.03} Preston/Kushal Reddy

BIMT the committee approves minutes for month of October.

All in Favour

Yeas – 8

Nays – 0

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### 4.0) Executive Reports

**4.1) President** – Gunny mentioned that acknowledging the territory should be done and he read the short part of it. He even mentioned about holding the talks to offer annual bus pass. He also discussed about referendum for Upass. He went through the other things from report like preparation for new students, Course registration issues, WiFi improvement, Government roundtable and signing MOU. He also put forward to get funding for Max Bell Health Centre. He also mentioned about the Pit operation meetings happening as University is looking to take it over from Students' Union.

Deep asked if the reason behind university seeking to take over the Pit was Diwali after party or something else to which Gunny responded that wasn't the case. It's because they want to keep it open for more hours and other things.

MOTION {113018.03} Amanda / Dipanshu

BIMT the committee approve the President's report.

Yeas- 18

Nays- 0

Abstentions- 1 (P. Brar)

MOTION CARRIED

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**4.2) Executive Vice President** - Nagy discussed about the meetings he attended in the month. He also mentioned about the work he has been doing on research opportunities for students, Plagiarism, sitting on hiring committee for business school, basketball tournament, PIT events, meeting with C.B. Transit and discussion on domestic health insurance usage were discussed.

Amanda asked about research opportunities being only for work or it would be including volunteers as well. Nagy said that it includes both for work as well as volunteers.

MOTION {113018.04} Kuljit / Het

BIMT the committee approve the Vice President's report.

Yeas- 18  
Nays- 0  
Abstentions- 1 (N. Abdou)  
MOTION CARRIED

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- 4.3) VP Promotions** – Emily went through her report which included CBUSU app. She presented it to Student affairs staff and asked committee to go through it. She mentioned about keeping pit open during AUS championship and operating the bar at soccer ground as well. She also mentioned about senate meeting she attended and the portable pit material she has been working on for basketball games at gym.  
Marlene asked whether the free pizza provided during AUS and nationals championship was funded through students union alone and if they can approve the funding to which gunny replied that executives can approve the funding if it's less than 10000\$.  
KULJIT suggested if we could arrange Homecoming event to connect with Alumni and get to know their experience. Marlene said that we don't have to arrange whole separate event and we can include It to the other events held on campus.

MOTION {113018.05} Preston / Amera  
BIMT the committee approve the VP Promotion's report.  
Yeas- 18  
Nays- 0  
Abstentions- 1 (Emily)  
MOTION CARRIED

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- 4.4) VP Finance & Operations** – Bhreagh G. mentioned about the work she has been doing with handling pit and managing finances as well. She also went through the different events like Honours Banquet and discussed about the Audit as well. She also mentioned that audit is of last financial year and finance report of this month will be presented in next meeting.

MOTION {113018.06} Kuljit / Nagy  
BIMT the committee approve the VP Finance's report.  
Yeas- 18  
Nays- 0  
Abstentions- 1 (Bhreagh Gillis)  
MOTION CARRIED

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- 5.0) Correspondence** –  
Hardik mentioned about poster for the Christmas Party for Students Union on 5<sup>th</sup> December.

Gunny asked everyone to sign the Holiday card that we are planning to send to Full time Staff.

Gunny moved the motion to have land recognition every meeting by chair.

MOTION {113018.07} P.Brar / Preston

BIMT the committee approve the land recognition by chair every meeting.

Yeas- 19

Nays- 0

Abstentions- NONE

MOTION CARRIED

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Marlene made a motion to change Aboriginal Student representative to Indigenous Student representative. Bhreagh M. mentioned that it's a Bylaws and it has to be forwarded to Bylaws committee. Gunny said that he would like to forward this motion to Bylaws committee.

MOTION {113018.08} Marlene / Bhreagh M.

BIMT the committee unanimously forward the motion to Bylaws Committee.

Yeas- 19

Nays- 0

Abstentions- NONE

MOTION FORWARDED TO BYLAWS COMMITTEE.

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-Hardik Informed everyone that ratification of Non-Traditional Student Representative is to be done.

Harmit Kaur is appointed as Non-Traditional Student Representative.

MOTION {113018.09} Marlene / Bhreagh M.

BIMT the committee ratify Harmit Kaur and giving her the voting rights.

Yeas- 17

Nays- 0

Abstentions- 1(Harmit Kaur)

#### **6.0) Donation Requests - None**

**7.0) Revision Committees** –Hardik mentioned that there was miscommunication about the number of members in revision committees. He informed that there has to be two SRC members and two Executives in each committees.

**7.1)** By Laws Committee – Hardik called for nominations for Bylaws and Bhreagh and Gunny nominated themselves from Executives and Amera, Deep nominated themselves from SRC.

Bylaws committee members – Parteek Brar , Bhreagh Gillis, Amera, Dipanshu

- 7.2)** AP & P Committee – For this committee, Nagy and Emily nominated themselves from Executives and Het, Akshay nominated themselves from SRC.  
AP & P committee members – Nagy Abdou, Emily MacLennan, Het Shah, Akshay Chauhan
- 7.3)** Elections Committee – For this committee, Parteek and Hardik from Executives and Preston, Harmit, Amara, Akshay, Kushal nominated themselves.  
There was a voting process held and before voting, all the candidates gave short talk on why they want to nominate themselves for this committee.
- For the results Preston and Harmit got elected by getting 11 votes each to represent Elections committee.

-Bhreagh Gillis and Emily Leaves The Room at 5:31 pm.

-After the voting Process, SRC group photo session was conducted.

**8.0) Administrative Changes** – Gunny informed everyone that we don't have a General Manager and an Operations Manager and interim Operations Supervisor will be hired for 4 months.

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**9.0) Pit Update** – Bhreagh G. informed everyone about the events and work being done in operating the Pit.

### **10.0) Member reports**

- **Marlene** - Marlene raised the concerned about the usage of legacy room in library and support for the Indigenous community. She mentioned that gap between International students and Indigenous community through different events, trips and other ways. Bhreagh M. said that university is planning and allocating budget to this and there would be steps taken in near future. She said that there has to be planning for development of Indigenous students and there should be land based education model. Gunny told her that he will try to take appropriate steps to address the issue.

-She even informed Parteek that Unamaki College students feel that they haven't been contacted much after the elections. Nagy said that there has been all the actions which can be taken like job postings, event posters but still they think that communication can be improved.

-She also raised concerns over the speed of vehicles going at near the Unama`ki College and it can cause accidents. She suggested that if we can get stop sign or something to address the issue and Gunny said that he will talk to Security and see if they can address the concern and get some solution to it.

-She asked if Students' Union can be part of `Take back to the Night` and Kuljit added that it is being done by Women's Centre to address the awareness against violence with women.

-She mentioned about doing the Certification course by John Mayich to address the suicides and she was told that she can present this thing to John Mayich.

**Deep** – He asked if there has been hiring done for writing centre or not. Parteek said that they've been taking applications and it would be done by January. He also said that there should be examples given for APA writing style and if it can be including as sessions during the orientation for new student coming in January intake. He also asked about the microwave issue for nursing students. Parteek assured him that talks are being done and he will have update on the issue very soon.

-He also said if we can get the update about funding received from school for WiFi Services and Gunny mentioned that he has it mentioned in his report and half a million dollars funding has been given by school to work towards internet services. Marlene also added to this matter that Unama`ki College as well as some other locations like library have the issues in connecting to the internet to which gunny replied that school is working on improving the internet services throughout the university and it would be done soon probably by start of winter term.

**Preston** – Preston asked if SRC members are allowed to get the copy of Lounge Agreement for the Pit and whether or not we are seeking legal assistance for keeping the right of operating the Pit to Students' Union. Gunny replied that SRC members can get the copy of Lounge Agreement and legal assistance has been taken and he said we are certainly positive that we will be keeping the pit operation right with us.

**Kuljit** – She complained about some areas of B block having leakage due to rain and it being a possible hazardous. He also talked to labour minister and he said that to get 100 million dollars for the maintenance will take a time. He also added that university is expecting the funding and it's same issue happening with all the universities of nova scotia.

-She also asked about heat not working in some of the classes in CE department and Gunny assured her that he will talk to authorities to solve the problem as soon as possible.

### **11.0) Other Business**

- Marlene asked if SRC members can get the T-shirts like Executives and Bhreagh was requested to look upon the budget if it's possible to get it done from the annual budget of Students' Union. She said that she will go through the requests and bring the budget to next meeting.

### **12.0) Next Meeting**

- Unanimously decided upon doing two meetings for months of December and January in the month of January and it was decided to do two meetings on same day with date being finalised as January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

### **13.0) Adjournment**

MOTION {113018.10} P. Brar/ B. Gillis

BIMT the meeting be adjourned.

All in Favour

MOTION CARRIED

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- Meeting is adjourned at 6:10 pm.