

Minutes for KSU (Council of Students)

King's Students' Union 2016-2017 October 30, 2016 10:00 am Boardroom

Voting Members Present:

Julia-Simone Rutgers – Communications VP Brennan McCracken – VP Student Life Zoë Brimacombe – VP Finance Aiden McNally – KSU President Gina Grattan – VP External Curran McConnell – Board of Governors Rep Liam Compton – Board of Governors Rep Drew Guyan – Arts Student Rep Riel Tetreault – First Year Rep Lucia Helder – Residence Rep Frances Grace Fyfe – Science Rep Lianne Xiao – Journalism Rep Jacob Baker-Kretzmar – Member at Large

Non-voting Members Present:

Maggie Dingwell – Scribe Charlotte Sullivan – Chair Jonathan Brown Gilbert – Orientation Week Coordinator Charlotte Cowan – Vaudeville Rep Courtney Edwards – Vaudeville Rep Hannah Daley – Watch Online Editor

Call to order at 10:06AM

The chair recognized that the meeting is taking place on unceded traditional Mi'kmaq territory.

1. Adoption of Agenda

The agenda is adopted

2. Approval of Minutes from October 16th, 2016

The minutes are adopted

3. Approval of Minutes from October 18th, 2016

The minutes are adopted.

4. Oral Reports and Goals of Councillors (15 minutes)

Lianne Xiao said she has organized a newsletter with plans to release it after reading week. She has been in contact with the Journalism Society and the Watch.

Jacob Baker-Kretzmar said he has been writing the live blog at council. He said he has met with Aiden twice and together they decided to reduce meetings to the week before council. He said he went to a finance committee meeting and a BRC meeting.

Frances Grace Fyfe said she has been working on the Day of Action. On Monday she will be attending the first Dal Science Society meeting after which she will send out her first newsletter. She is going to create shareables for the Day of Action. She said that after reading week she would like arrange a meet and greet that will involve slime for Science Students.

Drew Guyan said she is working on a newsletter. She said it will be sent out after the DASS meeting. She said she has tried to contact people from the arts societies, but has not heard back yet.

Curren McConnell said he has been working with Liam Compton to draft some form of communication. He said he cannot tell us until the next council meeting and until they have more things planned.

Lucia Helder said he has met with other first year representatives and they are planning a Cue Cards and Cocoa so FYP students can study for midterms before the Day of Action. She said she was planning on having a 'What Do You Want?' meeting to see if students have any ideas for improvements for residence or events they want to see.

Riel Tetreault said he has also been working on the Day of Action and has been planning the Cue Cards and Cocoa event along with Lucia Helder.

5. Reports of the Executive Committee (attached) 5.1: Report of the President

Riel Tetreault asked how often the Alex Fountain Lecture is. Aiden McNally replied that they are yearly events but that the timing of them often changes depending on when the speaker is available.

5.2: Report of the Student Life Vice President

5.3: Report of the Financial Vice President

Riel Tetreault asked what scab labour was. Zoë Brimacombe said that it is when a place employees nonunionized workers to cross the picket line when their own employees are out of work.

5.4: Report of the External Vice President

5.5: Report of the Communications Vice President

6. Report of the Orientation Week Coordinators

Jacob Baker-Kretzmar asked if the O-Week Van ran for limited hours this year. Jonathan Brown Gilbert said he was not sure if the hours were reduced. Aiden McNally said the van was only advertised to be running from 4PM until 1AM, but they always had it in case of emergency.

Aiden McNally said she thought the O-Week document was very comprehensive and thought it was going to be very helpful for the coming years.

Jonathan Brown Gilbert said this year was a lot of system building. He said there was a folder with documents, and lists of numbers and resources on the google drive to be transferable and help future O-Week coordinators.

7. Action Items

Funding Requests

7.1 BIRT The King's Foreign Film Society receive \$33 in contingent funding to purchase bread and cheese for a screening of Day for Night on November 1st. Moved by Zoë Brimacombe Finance Committee recommends approval

Zoë Brimacombe said this is a routine funding request and explained the meeting.

The motion is adopted.

7.2 BIRT the King's Wordsmiths receive \$25 to purchase a gift card to the King's Bookstore as a prize for a 6 Word Story Competition that ends November 21st. Moved by Zoë Brimacombe Finance Committee recommends approval

Zoë Brimacombe explained what the Wordsmiths were. She explained that the stories written will also be published in their journal.

Aiden McNally asked if the six word story was exactly what she thought it was. Zoë said yes it was.

Julia-Simone Rutgers said that six word stories were adorable and that this funding request was adorable and that she supported it.

The motion is adopted.

7.3 BIRT the Dal/King's Fashion Show Design Society receive \$1000 in non-contingent funding to help cover the costs of putting on their Vaudeville Fashion Show Fundraiser on March 5th. Moved by Zoë Brimacombe Finance Committee recommends amendment

Zoë Brimacombe would like to give a couple of notes. There are several King's students involved and normally 30-50 King's students attend the event.

Charlotte Cowan and Courtney Edwards are co-presidents of the society. Charlotte Cowan brought a list of B00 numbers of the roughly 20 King's students who are involved in the show for designers and models this year, not yet make-up. She said they have had King's students ask about getting involved backstage at the show.

Courtney Edwards has been trying to reach out to the King's community. She said they have made FYP announcements and reached out to societies on campus. They have written to TWAK and are involved with the King's photography society.

Aiden McNally asked about the charity. Courtney Edwards said that the charity this year is Lang House. She said they want to support a different charity every year, depending on the choice of the executive. Courtney Edwards explained that Lang House is a local charity in Halifax. It is a drop in centre for youth living with mental health issues. She explained that 100% of the ticket proceeds go straight to the charity.

Courtney Edwards said they sell tickets for \$10 and the first 50 tickets are \$5. She said they host Facebook and other social media contests to win free tickets in order to make it as accessible as possible.

Zoë Brimacombe asked to give a background on the budget. She said they are asking for \$3,500 in total with \$1000 of the money coming from King's. Last year \$1,000 was approved and \$500 was approved the year before. Zoë would like to suggest an amendment.

Jacob Baker-Kretzmar asked about the price of the tickets and attendance. Charlotte Cowan said that last year they estimated 300 students would attend. Courtney Edwards said they give away a lot of free tickets for their show so that they can reimburse people for their work. Jacob asked how much they were planning on being able to give to charity. Courtney said around \$1,500-\$2,000.

Aiden McNally prefaced her question with approval of their outreach with King's students. She asked about renting the McInnes room. Charlotte Cowan said that they could rent the room for free, which lowered the cost compared to finding a stage off campus. She explained that on campus made it more accessible.

Jacob Baker-Kretzmar asked how they were going to get all their funding and where the funding would come from. Courtney Edwards explained that they refused to take money out of the donations and so the executives often pay out of pocket.

Brennan McCracken asked if their funding from the DSU and DalAfter Dark had already been approved. Courtney Edwards said no, and that since their event had to be moved to a Sunday DalAfter Dark may not be able to fund them.

Gina Grattan asked Zoë Brimacombe about society funding budget in general at this point. Zoë Brimacombe said the KSU had \$15,093 at the start of the year, and now only had \$11,339.43 for the rest of the year.

Aiden McNally asked about the funding from the DSU. Courtney Edwards said they were looking for a sponsorship from the DSU and they will find out sometime at the end of January.

Aiden McNally would like to speak in favour of this motion in the full amount. Her concerns had been answered and she appreciated the thought of access for students.

The motion is adopted.

Julia-Simone Rutgers motioned to recess for nine minutes at 11:09AM

Session recommenced at 11:17 AM

7.4 BIRT the Early Modern Studies Society receive \$160 in non-contingent funding to purchase wine and cheese for the launch of their journal Babel on November 2nd. Moved by Zoë Brimacombe

Finance Committee recommends approval

Zoë Brimacombe said that this funding request was tabled at the last meeting as it had not included an alcohol funding and approval form and lacked an in depth budget. The EMSS has excess funds in their bank account and they currently have enough to put \$45 into this funding request and around \$180 for a different funding request, with around \$125 left in their bank account.

Drew Guyan asked if they said how many people will attend their launch. Zoë Brimacombe said they specified how many people will be there around 60.

Aiden McNally asked if this would be last year's Bable edition. Jacob Baker-Kretzmar nodded yes.

This motion is adopted.

7.5 BIRT EMSS receive \$500 in non-contingent funding to print 75 copies of the journal *Babel*. Moved by Zoë Brimacombe Finance Committee recommends approval

Zoë Brimacombe explained that the journals will be printed at around \$6.66 each.

Gina Grattan asked if it would be beneficial to change the funding to contingent funding. Jacob Baker-Kretzmar said it would not as the bill would be too large for a society executive to pay out of pocket. Zoë Brimacombe said that in the past the KSU has paid an invoice for a society.

The motion is adopted.

<u>7.6 BIRT the Contemporary Studies Society receive \$284.14 in contingent funding to purchase drink</u> <u>tickets, snacks, and prizes for a Trivia Showdown being co-hosted with EMSS on November 22nd in the</u> <u>Wardroom.</u>

Moved by Zoë Brimacombe Finance Committee recommends approval

Zoë Brimacombe explained that the EMSS and CSS will be hosting three rounds of trivia with drink tickets.

Jacob Baker-Kretzmar said he was a co-president for the CSS and explained the event. He said the funding request was contingent because of the funds left in their bank account. They plan to drain their bank accounts to put money towards food and drinks.

Aiden McNally asked about the max total this event would cost. Zoë Brimacombe said the total is broken down for both societies combined into \$945 for the event split between the societies.

The motion is adopted. Jacob Baker-Kretzmar abstained.

7.7 BIRT EMSS receive \$292.50 in contingent funding to purchase drink tickets, snacks, and prizes for a Trivia Showdown being co-hosted with CSP Society on November 22nd in the Wardroom. Moved by Zoë Brimacombe Finance Committee recommends amendment

Zoë Brimacombe explained the difference in funding requests between societies is a bank balance difference. She would like to amend this budget to be strike out 292.50 and replace with 192.50. Gina Seconds it.

Aiden McNally asked if we were certain that the amount in the bank is not allocated for an event that hasn't happened yet. Zoë Brimacombe said yes.

Jacob Baker-Kretzmar said that the EMSS society had planned on making t-shirts. Zoë Brimacombe said the response she got was that the money was for events later in the year and that the society can apply for individual funding for those events.

Curran McConnell asked about whether the amendment had been run by the EMSS. Zoë said no. Curren asked if this amendment would cause a problem. Jacob said he wrote the funding request with the EMSS and that the amendment makes sense.

Aiden McNally said she was not speaking in favour of the amendment.

Julia-Simone Rutgers said that the next council meeting was before the event so they could apply for additional funding if needed.

Zoë Brimacombe said Aiden McNally had a good point but that she was still in favour of the amendment.

The amendment is adopted.

The motion now reads "<u>7.7 BIRT EMSS receive \$192.50 in contingent funding to purchase drink tickets,</u> snacks, and prizes for a Trivia Showdown being co-hosted with CSP Society on November 22nd in the Wardroom."

Julia-Simone Rutgers asked about how they were going to police drink tickets with underaged students. Jacob Baker-Kretzmar said there would be non-alcoholic options but that he would work with the EMSS to find a way to make sure drink tickets were only used one per registered, of-age student.

The motion is adopted. Jacob Baker-Kretzmar abstained.

7.8 BIRT the Arts Abstract receive \$99.75 in contingent funding to pay for film and developing for Shots on a String, running throughout the year in the wardroom. Moved by Zoë Brimacombe Finance Committee recommends approval

Zoë Brimacombe explained the funding request was for five rolls of film for the camera needed for Shots on a String.

Jacob Baker-Kretzmar said this is the 4th year of Shots on a String and that it has been successful. The camera will be placed near the garbage area.

Brennan McCracken would like to speak in favour because it is an inventive use of society funding.

The motion is adopted. Jacob Baker-Kretzmar abstained.

Honoraria

7.9 BIRT that Sam Cotton receive the second half of his honorarium as Orientation Week coordinator for
2016.
Moved by Aidan McNally

Aiden McNally said that the next three honoraria votes are for the O-Week coordinators. Aiden is in favour of all three of these motions. She said that everything they needed to complete to get their honoraria is finished.

Aiden said she was thrilled with how O-Week went.

Aiden said Sam Cotton had great energy and was a joy to work with. He put in a lot of hours this summer and during O-Week itself.

Brennan McCracken would like to note the amount of honoria. 1,500 is total, this is voting on 750 for their second half. He is so in favour of this motion.

Aiden McNally would like to note that the numbers are slightly different because of distribution of work. These numbers were written into their contracts.

Brennan McCracken asked if there was a reason the amount is not in the motion. Aiden said there was not.

Zoë Brimacombe would like to note the amount budgeted is not varying. She said it was the amount each recipient would get that changed.

The motion is adopted.

7.10 BIRT that Jonathan Brown Gilbert receive the second half of his honorarium as Orientation week coordinator for 2016. Moved by Aidan McNally

Aiden McNally said Jonathan Brown Gilbert took communications lead and had AV experience. It was a pleasure working with him.

The motion is adopted.

7.11 BIRT that Verity Thomson receive the second half of her honorarium as Orientation Week coordinator for 2016. Moved by Aidan McNally

Aiden McNally would like to say this was a whole team project and Verity Thomson was very dedicated throughout the week.

The motion is adopted.

8. New Business

Julia-Simone Rutgers said next council would be November 20th in the Boardroom.

Jacob Baker-Kretzmar moved to adjourn.

The motion is adopted.

Adjournment 11:50AM.