



Minutes for Meeting 12 (Council)

King's Students' Union 2017-2018

Sunday, March 4, 2018, 10:00am

Boardroom, A&A Building

Voting members present:

President – Brennan McCracken
Financial Vice President – Zoë Brimacombe
Student Life Vice President - Lianne Xiao
External Vice President – Marie Dolcetti Koros
First Year Representative – Izzy Orner
Journalism Representative – Kaila Jefferd-Moore
Residence Representative – Heather Velthuis
Day Student Representative – Cédric Blais
Member at Large – Chris Pearse
Science Representative – Aeriana Narbonne

Non-voting members:

Chair – Charlotte Sullivan
Scribe – Michael Greenlaw
Watch – Hannah Daley
Member – Isabelle Reynolds
Member – Lilian Barrachough
Member – Mahbabur Rahman
Member – Brianna Dunn
Member – Riel Bjerke-Clarke

Regrets:

Arts Representative – Adrianna Vanos
Communications Vice President – Cassie Hayward
Board of Governors Representative – Julia-Simone Rutgers
Board of Governors Representative – Daniel Whitten

Voting members absent:

Arts Representative – Adrianna Vanos

Meeting was called to order at 10:13 P.M.

The Chair recognized that the meeting took place on unceded, traditional Mi'kmaq territory.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Brennan McCracken amended that action item 5.5 read “Whereas the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) is a non-profit organization that runs the Student Refugee Program, allowing the University of King’s College Local Committee to sponsor young refugees from around the world to do their post-secondary education at King’s...”

Seconded by Zoë Brimacombe

Amendment passed

Agenda was adopted

2. Approval of Minutes from February 26, 2018

Minutes were approved.



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3. Oral Reports and Goals of Councillors

Chris said that he has done outreach for pads are rad workshop, the photo campaign to reduce tuition fees, feedback for the chaplain and dean.

Aerianna said that he tabled with Chris for the pads are rad

Cedric said that he has sat on the Canadian search committee for a new dean. He said that the DSS ran successful candy gram event, brought 30 students to Sugarmoon farms, and that he was very pleased.

Kaila said that she has done outreach to reduce tuition fees, she will be attending the academic committee meeting and fighting for reducing fees for Journalism students and access to Adobe products. There will be a J-school round table on March 13th at 4:00 in classroom three for fee reduction.

Izzy said that she has a quote for fyp t-shirt, outreach for the new Chaplain, helped with black history month in Wardy, and poetry reading.

Cedric asked for the quote

Izzy Ortner said the quote will be "I would love to bathe in this thought" – Daniel Brandes

4. Reports of the Executive Committee and Election Results (Attached)

4.1. Report of the President

Zoë Brimacombe thanked Brennan McCracken for all of his work.

Marie Dolcetti Koros thanked Brennan McCracken for an amazing time in office.

4.2. Report of the Student Life Vice President

4.3. Report of the Financial Vice President

Marie Dolcetti Koros said that she loves Zoë Brimacombe and thanked her for all of her work, and that she puts everything into her job. Marie said that she is in awe of the amount of work that Zoë does.

Brennan McCracken thanked Zoë Brimacombe for all her work.

Zoë Brimacombe said that she is sad to leave but happy to leave on a great year.

4.4. Report of the External Vice President

Marie Dolcetti Koros added that the roundtable discussions can sometimes be frustrating, but the people who were there did a fantastic job.

Zoë Brimacombe said that she is proud of Marie.



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4.5. Results of the 2018 Executive and BOG Elections

Brennan McCracken said to email cro@ksu.ca if anyone had questions.

5. Action Items

- 5.1. BIRT the King's Feminist Collective receive \$111.52 in contingent funding to purchase drinks and snacks for a Self-Care Night on March 7, 2018. (Tabled from February 26, 2018 Meeting)
Moved by Zoe Brimacombe
Finance Committee recommends approval

Zoë Brimacombe said that this motion was tabled at the last meeting because the King's Feminist Collective changed the date of the event, and because Finance Committee wasn't sure about the funding request. Zoë said that she got in touch and had a meeting with them and they thought the request seemed high for the amount of students they were anticipating. The KFC said that the students number was a rough estimate, also, they wanted to have healthy foods; not chips. Since the initial funding request, more people have come forward to make food and they don't feel although they need that much funding. There was an agreement made that they won't spend all of this funding, just a reimbursement for what they do spend, and that the full amount will not be spent.

Motion passed.

- 5.2. BIRT the King's Feminist Collective receive \$94 in contingent funding to purchase craft supplies for a Self-Care Night on March 7, 2018. (Tabled from February 26, 2018 Meeting)
Moved by Zoe Brimacombe
Finance Committee recommends amendment

Zoë Brimacombe said that this motion was tabled at the last meeting for the same reasoning as action item 5.1, but this request is for the art supplies. Finance Committee had questions; Zoë was able to figure out that a lot of things outlined in the budget could be borrowed by the KSU office, reduce and reuse!

Zoë Brimacombe amended the funding request read "\$56.50"
Seconded by Brennan McCracken

Amendment passed

Motion passed

- 5.3. BIRT the following referendum question appear on a ballot to be posed to the general members of the King's Students' Union on March 19-20, 2018:
"Whereas the levy for the Nova Scotia Public Research Interest Group (NSPIRG) has not increased since it was instituted in 2012; and
Whereas an increase in levy funding would allow NSPIRG to increase capacity for projects, campaigns, student research, student employment, funding and outreach to diverse groups of students; and
Whereas this levy increase will support the sustainability and future growth of NSPIRG;
Do you support increasing the Nova Scotia Public Research Interest Group (NSPIRG) levy by



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\$1.50 per semester for full-time students to a total of \$4.50 per semester?

Yes

No”

Moved by Lily Barraclough

Lily Barraclough said that NSPIRG does community student grants for social and environmental justice action projects. They are looking to increase levy because of minimum wage, to provide part-time employment for students, and to increase the student research grant available in order to budget to fund student research on campus.

Brennan McCracken said that council is not voting on the levy increase, just the question being posted.

Motion passed.

- 5.4. BIRT the following referendum question appear on a ballot to be posed to the general members of the King's Students' Union on March 19-20, 2018:

“Whereas the King's Galley is a student owned and operated cafe dedicated to providing affordable products and supporting the local food economy; and

Whereas a levy of \$6.00 per full-time student per semester and \$6.00 per part-time student per semester would allow the King's Galley to expand their menu to offer more locally produced options at affordable prices;

Do you support increasing the King's Galley levy by \$2.00 per semester for full-time and part-time students to a total of \$6.00 per semester?

Yes

No”

Moved by Brianna Dunn

Brianna Dunn said that the Galley is a student run café beside the Wardroom who provide local and affordable food options and in order to keep this mandate students pay a levy. With this increased levy, they will be able to do an expansion of menu options, accommodate for dietary restrictions, and have longer operating hours.

Motion passed.

- 5.5. BIRT the following referendum question appear on a ballot to be posed to the general members of the King's Students' Union on March 19-20, 2018:

“Whereas the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) is a non-profit organization that runs the Student Refugee Program, allowing the University of King's College Local Committee to sponsor young refugees from around the world to do their post-secondary education at King's;

Do you support increasing the WUSC King's Local Committee levy by \$2.50 for full-time and part-time students to a total of \$7.50 per semester?

Yes

No”

Moved by Ava Coulter



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Riel Bjerke-Clarke said explained that WUSC is an international non-profit organisation that focuses on a variety of international development goals. There are over 80 local institutions across Canada that participate in the programme. The total projected cost for sponsorship for the 2017-18 school year was \$28,236.00.

Motion passed.

- 5.6. BIRT the following referendum question appear on a ballot to be posed to the general members of the King's Students' Union on March 19-20, 2018:

“Whereas the Loaded Ladle is a non-profit cooperative dedicated to providing affordable, diverse, fresh, and nutritious food to as many people as possible; and

Whereas a levy of \$4.50 per full time student per semester and \$2.25 per part time student per semester would allow the Loaded Ladle to continue to serve full meals 4 days per week with an increase in the amount of meals provided; as well as provide education, programming and skill-sharing workshops dedicated to food justice issues;

Do you support the creation of a levy at King's for the Loaded Ladle consisting of \$4.50 per full time student per semester and \$2.25 per part time student per semester?

Yes

No”

Moved by Kate Ashwood

Brennan McCracken said that the question does a good job about outlining what they do, and that they do not currently have a levy so this motion would be to introduce a levy.

Cédric Blais asked if they were able to run services on King's campus.

Zoë Brimacombe said that given the Loaded Ladle isn't levied at Kings, a lot of students use their services over at Dal.

Motion passed.

- 5.7. BIRT the Dal/King's Swing Society be ratified as a Tier 1 society for the 2017-2018 academic year.

Moved by Lianne Xiao

Lianne Xiao said that she is excited to see another society ratifying. The Dal/King's Swing Society provides affordable dances, safe space, no experience needed, dance workshops here at Kings.

Motion passed.

- 5.8. BIRT the King's Dance Collective receive \$140 in contingent funding to pay a photographer honorarium and purchase snacks for their dance show on March 16 and 17, 2018 and rehearsals leading up to it.

Moved by Zoe Brimacombe

Finance committee recommends approval



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Zoë Brimacombe said that the King's Dance Collective is holding dance show on March 14 and 15. They will be hiring a photographer and buying snacks, they have done similar requests in the previous year.

Motion passed.

- 5.9. BIRT the Blue Devils Supporter Society receive \$300 in contingent funding to cover the costs of travelling to Truro to attend the women's rugby game from March 9-11, 2018.

Moved by Zoe Brimacombe

Finance committee recommends approval

Zoë Brimacombe said that the Blue Devils Supporting Society is requesting funding for gas and hotel coverage. They are hoping to have about 5 people attend, support the team, live tweet, spread the love for the game. The rugby team has done a lot of fundraising to go to this tournament and the athletics department does not have enough money to cover this.

Motion passed.

- 5.10. BIRT _____, _____, and _____ be elected to the 2018 Orientation Week Coordinator Search Committee.

Moved by Brennan McCracken

Brennan said that the committee will be responsible for finding the coordinators. The incoming SLVP and President also sit on this committee.

Lianne Xiao nominated Ruth Ballard. She said that Ruth was a second year student, a prior Orientation Week leader, passionate about making an inclusive orientation week experience, and wants to be involved. (2nd year student, was an o-week leader, is passionate about making O-week an inclusive experience, and wants to be involved)

Chris Pearse said that Ruth would bring a ton of energy and knowledge.

Lianne Xiao nominated Gill Gawron. She said that Gill was a second year student, another previous orientation week leader, fun and enthusiastic, and has experience organising events. (2nd year, was an o-week leader, is fun and enthusiastic, has organized _____ events)

Brennan McCracken nominated Ellen Zagar. Ellen was an orientation week leader last year, she believes in the importance of orientation week, and wants to help.

Lianne Xiao said that Ellen DJ'd all of move in day in 2017.

Brennan McCracken nominated Nika Lennox but said that she was happy to withdraw her name.

Blanks were filled with Ruth Ballard, Gill Gawron, and Ellen Zagar.

Motion passed.

- 5.11. BIRT _____, _____, and _____ be elected to the 2018 CUBE Coordinator Search Committee.

Moved by Lianne Xiao

Lianne Xiao said that the search committee will recommend candidates to be the next CUBE



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Coordinators.

Lianne Xiao nominated Maya Palacio. She said that Maya wants to get more involved, loves sports, breathes sports, and that she is bossy and confident.

Brennan McCracken nominated Simon Gillis. He said that Simon has been a CUBE coordinator in the past, has a good sense of hiring the team, and wanted to thank everyone for their consideration.

Lianne Xiao nominated Brendan Petrasek. She said that Brendan was in his first year, would love to sit on the committee, works and announces for King's sports, and wants to see enthusiastic individuals running CUBE.

Izzy Ortner said that he is full of life and enthusiastic.

Blanks were filled with the names.

Motion passed.

Omnibus Motion 5.12-5.14

5.12. BIRT _____, _____, and _____ be elected to the 2018 Chief Returning Officer Search Committee.

Moved by Brennan McCracken

5.13. BIRT _____, _____, and _____ be elected to the 2018 Scribe Search Committee.

Moved by Brennan McCracken

5.14. BIRT _____, _____, and _____ be elected to the 2018 Chair Search Committee.

Moved by Brennan McCracken

Brennan McCracken moved to omnibus and table motions 5.12-5.14.

Seconded by Zoë Brimacombe

Brennan McCracken said that this allows time for people to be hired and interviewed in time to do their jobs.

Motion passed.

6. New Business

Brennan McCracken said that he is moving a motion on Cassie Hayward's behalf, Michael Greenlaw asked to move on from his position as Scribe and wants to get involved in his new role as Student Life Vice President. The executive will advertising for an interim scribe.

BIRT Michael Greenlaw be payed a \$300 Honorarium for his job as Scribe for the 2017/18 Winter semester.

Moved by Cassie Hayward

Seconded by Lianne Xiao

Motion passed.

7. Next Meeting – March 18, 2018, 10am



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Zoë Brimacombe asked who will be the new scribe.

Brennan McCracken said that he will be doing some advertising, provide them with an honorarium per meeting, and that a new person will be in place in time for the next meeting. .

8. Adjournment

Moved by Lianne Xiao

Seconded by Brennan McCracken.

Council adjourned at 11:10

Reporting Period: February 8, 2018 – February 28, 2018

1. Internal – Union Affairs

1.1. KSU Executive / BoG rep changeover

- I continue to work with staff to plan changeover workshops and processes for the incoming executive members and Board of Governors representatives! All incoming executive members and Board reps have received a schedule of workshops that teach skills necessary to work for the students' union.
- The changeover process will include workshops on reaching your members, doing media, the history of the Wardroom and the Galley, Union finances, and more! We will also be receiving workshops from the Canadian Federation of Students – Nova Scotia and the South House Sexual and Gender Resource Centre.

1.2. Galley Board of Directors

- The Galley Board of Directors met on February 13. The Board received a report from the Hospitality Coordinator that included staff updates, an updated list of suppliers, and new products. The Board also reviewed the Galley's budget for the 2017/2018 fiscal year.
- The Board discussed and reviewed the updated Galley Space Agreement. With the Board's consensus, I signed an updated space agreement between the King's Galley and the University.

1.3. "Dear Bill" outreach

- On February 28, a number of councillors and volunteers spoke to students in the Wardroom about the immediate need to reduce tuition fees. While the University President continues to suggest that King's conduct an external review of the impact of tuition fees, students know that no review is necessary: we cannot continue to bear increases to tuition and fees. I created materials to support the outreach.

1.4. Graduation Week updates

- Planning for graduation week is underway. On February 14, there was cake for grads in the Wardroom. Students received information about grad week and filled out surveys about grad events for a chance to win three Galley grilled cheeses.
- Nominations are currently open for the positions of Valedictorian, Honorary Grad Class President, and Grad Class Gift. Nominations have been advertised via posters, social media, the KSU website, and an e-newsletter for Grads. Nominations will close on March 7, 2018 at 11:59pm, sample speeches night will be in the Wardroom at 8:30pm on March 15, and voting will take place online between March 15-22, 2018.

2. External – University

2.1. Nick Hatt Farewell Reception

- On February 12, I attended the farewell reception for outgoing Dean of Students Nick Hatt. I gave a short speech on behalf of students to thank Nick for his years of tireless and generous work to support students at King's. It was an honour to celebrate and wish Nick well with so many people, particularly students.

2.2. Town Hall on College Finances

- On February 8, I attended the Town Hall on College Finances.

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Brennan McCracken
KSU Council
March 4, 2018

2.3. Enrolment Management Committee

- February 9, I attended a meeting of the Enrolment Management Committee. I reminded committee members that the high up-front cost of an education at King's remains a central barrier to accessing education, particularly for students who come from marginalized backgrounds.

3. External – Other

No updates for the reporting period.

4. Upcoming Dates

4.1. Board of Governors Executive Committee

- The Board of Governors Executive Committee will be meet on March 8. I will be working with the incoming President and incoming/outgoing Board of Governors representatives to prepare reports for this meeting and the upcoming meeting of the Board of Governors on March 23.

4.2. Changeover

- Executive members and Board of Governors representatives will officially take over their positions on March 15. It has been an absolute pleasure working with this council and this executive, and I can't wait to see what Lianne, Michael, Marie, Isabelle, Izzy, JS and Chris accomplish in the upcoming year.

Report of the Student Life Vice-President
Lianne Xiao
KSU Council
March 4, 2018

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1. Internal – Union Affairs

1.1. Hidden Figures Screening

- On February 12, the Racialized Students’ Collective held a screening of Hidden Figures.

1.2. Celebration of Non-Assimilation

- Between February 26 and February 28, the Racialized Students’ Collective held a series of events to celebrate Black History Month, titled “Celebration of Non-Assimilation.” We held a dance party in the Wardroom, a movie screening of Moonlight, and a literature and poetry night. These events were all successful and provided a safe space for discussion. Thank you to those of you who made these events as successful as they were!

2. External – University

2.1. Chaplain Advisory Committee

- On February 9, I attended a meeting of the Chaplain Advisory Search Committee. The committee has finished consulting with respective constituents. On February 16, External Vice-President Marie Dolcetti-Koros attended a meeting of Chaplain Advisory in my place.

2.2. Dean Advisory Search Committee

- On February 13 and 27, I attended a meeting of the Dean Advisory Search Committee. The committee has finished consulting with respective constituencies on campus including the dons, academic department heads, and students.

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1. Internal – Union Affairs

1.1. Councillor Potluck

- On February 11, councillors gathered for an informal potluck at my apartment.

1.2. Galley Board of Directors

- On February 13, I attended a meeting of the Galley Board of Directors. The board received the report of the Hospitalities Coordinator, reviewed the 2017/18 budget and year-to-date statements, and discussed revisions to the Galley space agreement.

1.3. Elections and Changeover

- I began training incoming FVP Marie Dolcetti Koros on the duties of the position. Marie has joined me at meetings of Budget Advisory Committee, KSU Finance Committee, and the university's Finance, Audit, and Risk Committee. We will continue to work together to ensure that Marie's transition into this position is as smooth as possible.

1.4. General Liability Insurance

- As of February 14, the KSU's general liability insurance policy has been renewed. Following discussions with university administrators and the executive committee, we have opted to increase our coverage to \$2M from \$1M. This change will ensure that we continue to be able to partner with off-campus groups to host panels and events on King's campus.

2. External – University

2.1. Town Hall on College Finances

- On February 8, I attended both sessions of the university's Town Hall on College Finances. The President and Bursar presented enrolment projections, options under consideration to address Kings' growing deficit, and potential themes for future major gifts campaigns.

2.2. Finance, Audit, and Risk Committee

- I was unable to attend a meeting of Finance, Audit, and Risk Committee on February 12. I have since reviewed the minutes from the meeting, and no major decisions were made, although long term financial planning and the King's endowment were discussed.

2.3. Budget Advisory Committee

- On February 14, I attended a meeting of Budget Advisory Committee. The committee received requests for budget increases from the Foundation Year Program and the Advancement office. At this meeting I presented "Making The Right Choices: Student Recommendations for The 2018/19 King's Budget" to the committees, a document that was developed through discussions with students, councillors, and executives over the course of this year.
- On February 28, I attended a meeting of Budget Advisory Committee with incoming FVP Marie Dolcetti Koros. The committee received updates from the President on work being done in various areas of the college to minimize the deficit, discussed a proposed budget increase for the chapel music program, and reviewed a report from the Registrar on student recruitment and conversion.

3. External – Other

No updates for the reporting period.

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1. Internal – Union Affairs

1.1. Union Hired Positions

- I continue to meet with our UHP to support Racialized Students and UHP for Mental Health Research.

1.2. Changeover

- I am beginning the changeover process into the position of FVP and preparing the incoming EVP.

2. External – University

2.1. Nick Hatt Farewell Reception

- On February 12, I attended the Farwell Reception for Dean of Students, Nick Hatt.

2.2. Chaplain Search Committee

- On February 16, I attended the Chaplain Search Committee meeting in place of SLVP, Lianne Xiao.

3. External – Other

3.1. Student Government Roundtable

- On February 22, Maya Palacio and I attended a student government roundtable meeting with the Department of Labour and Advanced Education and students from across the province. We discussed barriers faced by international students in Canada and in Nova Scotia.

3.2. Fees and Workshop Outreach

- On February 27, we did outreach in the Wardroom with the support of the Canadian Federation of Students- Nova Scotia Chairperson, Aidan McNally. We discussed tuition fees at King's and students took photos calling on University President, Bill Lahey to reduce tuition fees. We also talked about the DYI Reusable Pad Workshop.

4. Upcoming Dates

4.1. Fight the (Journalism) Fees! Organizing meeting

- We will be having an organizing meeting on Monday March 12, from 4-5pm in Classroom 3, discuss Journalism fees at King's – open to all students! I encourage you all to attend.

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**Official Results of the 2018 KSU Spring Elections
held on February 14, 2018 and February 15, 2018
Submitted by Chief Returning Officer Gina Grattan**

Board of Governors Representatives
Julia-Simone Rutgers 191 votes, 38.5%
Chris Pearse 191 votes, 38.5%
Aeriana Narbonne 97 votes, 19.6%
Re-open Nominations 10 votes, 2%
VOID 7 votes, 1.4%

Communications Vice President
Izzy Ortner 266 votes, 88.4%
Re-open Nominations 29 votes, 9.6%
VOID 6 votes, 2%

External Vice President
Isabelle Reynolds 280 votes, 93.6%
Re-open Nominations 13 votes, 4.3%
VOID 6 votes, 2%

Financial Vice President
Marie Dolcetti-Koros 241 votes, 80%
Re-open Nominations 52 votes, 17.4%
VOID 6 votes, 2%

Student Life Vice President
Michael Greenlaw 281 votes, 91.5%
Re-open Nominations 23 votes, 7.5%
VOID 3 votes, 1%

President
Lianne Xiao 156 votes, 52.7%
James P. Wise 86 votes, 29%
Re-open Nominations 51 votes, 17.2%
VOID 3 votes, 1%