



Agenda for KSU Council Meeting
King's Students' Union 2017-2018
Sunday, December 2, 2018, 10:00am
Boardroom, A&A Building

Voting Members

Lianne Xiao
Paige Narvie
Cedric Blais
Hope Moon
Nick Harris
Lara van de Venter
Emily Smiciklas
Patsy Ginou
Isabelle Reynolds
Izzy Ortner
Julie-Simone Rutgers
Marie Dolcetti-Koros
Chris Pearse
Michael Greenlaw

Non-Voting Members

Zoe Brimacombe
Angela Capobianco
Watch Magazine

Regrets

Call to order

Recognition of unceded Mi'kmaq territory

1. Adoption of Agenda

Adoption Passes

2. Statement from External VP

Marie thanks Isabelle for her statement, and Marie feels that an apology is due from herself as well. She wasn't the only one to approve it.

3. Approval of Minutes from November 18, 2018

Approval passes.

4. Reports of the Executive Committee (Attached)

4.1. Report of the President

No questions for Lianne.

4.2. Report of the Student Life Vice President

No questions for Michael.

4.3. Report of the Financial Vice President

No questions for Marie.

4.4. Report of the External Vice President

No questions for Isabelle.

4.5. Report of the Communications Vice President

No questions for Izzy.

5. Oral Report of Councillors

Nick – He has spoken about several student about Christmas brunch and also held office hours.

Hope – Attended her first Science Society meeting and was in contact with Cedric to help HOST become more known in the community. Had a couple conversations about the statement.

Cedric – Completely forgot to go to the Academic Committee Meeting and will be catching up at the next meeting. Since the release of the statement on Thursday, Cedric has been consulting multiple people and has a couple topics that came out that.

JS – Attended the BRC meeting and have been engaging in a couple conversations about the statement.

Emily – Intended to make the Sexualized Violence Panel but couldn't make it.

Patsy – Also was a part of academic committee meeting and also attended the sexualized violence panel. Also helped organize the fight the fees trivia.

Paige – The DSS recently held Maritime Night and held bi-weekly trivia nights. Also got brunch tickets for Day Student. Talking to Tim about subsidizing the hostel for day students.

6. Action Items

6.1 BIRT Zoe Brimacombe receive \$425, the first half of the Chair's honourarium.

Moved by Lianne Xiao

Zoe moves to defer her position as chair for this motion. Motion to confer chairing duties in Marie.

Moved by Lianne and seconded by

No questions or amendments. Motion passes.

Marie moves to confer chairing duties back to Zoe, moved by Lianne and seconded by Isabelle.

6.2 BIRT Gina Grattan receive \$425, the first half of the Chief Returning Officer honourarium.

Moved by Lianne Xiao

Seconded by Isabelle.

Motion passes.

6.3 BIRT Angela Capobianco receive \$300, the first half of the Scribe's honourarium.

Moved by Lianne Xiao

Seconded by Emily.

Motion passes.

6.4 BIRT CUBE Coordinator Ellen Zagar be paid a \$200 honorarium for coordinating the KSU's intramural program for the first semester.

Moved by Michael Greenlaw

Seconded by Cedric.

Motion passes.

6.5 BIRT CUBE Coordinator Mal Thomas be paid a \$200 honorarium for coordinating the KSU's intramural program for the first semester.

Moved by Michael Greenlaw

Seconded by Isabelle.

Motion passes.

6.6 BIRT the King's Students' Union write an open letter to our MP Andy Filmore stating our support for the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, and opposing the back to work legislation passed on November 26, 2018.

Moved by Isabelle Reynolds

Seconded by Paige.

No questions for Isabelle.

Motion passes.

6.7 BIRT the King's Students' Union release a statement acknowledging the presence of, and the systemic masking of, sexualized violence on King's campus, and acknowledging that inaction obscures the existence of sexualized violence and protects abusers, which allows for continued abuse and perpetuates rape culture on campus; and

Moved by Isabelle Reynolds

BIFRT the King's Students' Union demand that the University administration acknowledge that a Sexualized Violence Policy is the beginning, and not the end, of combatting the culture of sexualized violence that exists systemically on King's campus; and

Moved by Isabelle Reynolds

BIFRT the King's Students' Union Executive through the role of the External Vice-President be tasked by the King's Students' Union Council with creating a campaign specifically related to the reality of sexualized violence on King's campus.

Moved by Isabelle Reynolds

Seconded by Michael.

Isabelle is reading a where as clause that states:

Recently, there was an incident of aggravated sexualized violence on campus, specifically related to the Union owned Wardroom. The incident involved the drugging of someone's drink, and the coercion of that person into a washroom near the Wardroom. It is unacceptable to not acknowledge the reality of institutionalized sexualized violence on campus. The student has requested that I bring the following motion to council.

JS wants to know if the student involved will be included in solving this problem. Lianne assures that this statement will be posted to the council page.

Motion passes.

6.8 BIRT the King's Jewish Book Club receive 82.50 in contingent funding to host a Wardy

Motion passes.

6.9 Whereas the King's Students' Union posted a statement on November 29th, 2019 calling for the renaming of the "Christmas Brunch," and;

Whereas the intent of the statement was to call on the University of King's College and the University of King's College Chapel to host more religiously inclusive events, and;

Whereas the King's Students' Union failed to consult communities that would be directly affected, specifically Jewish students, before publishing the letter, and;

Whereas the King's Students' Union deleted the statement posted online, following harm directly perpetuated against Jewish students, and;

Whereas the Jewish community has already been organizing against anti-Semitism, occurring independently of the King's Students' Union, and;

BIRT the King's Students' Union retract the original statement, and;

BIFRT the King's Students' Union support the independent organizing of the Jewish community, and of any other religious minorities existing on campus.

Moved by Lianne Xiao

Seconded by Isabelle.

Floor opened to debate. Cedric has a statement concerning the general motion. He thanks the students who did come to council in response to this statement and he wants to thank students, particularly Jewish students who gracefully answered questions and took upon the emotional labour to resolve this motion. He wants to thank and apologize to them for their emotional labour.

He sees this as a lesson on humility for the Union and Council, particularly where students were already involved in these conversations before the Union got involved. He addresses that the majority or even the totality of council are not Jewish, and this motion is a retraction, to do otherwise would be an intrusion into the religious and political lives of students on campus.

He acknowledges that there is a power imbalance, since students like himself are able to vote, but the students affected are unable to vote.

He reads an anonymous statement from a student on campus:

I think the KSU needs to accept that part of the reason that they made this mistake is because they are not part of this conversation. I do not want the Union to be making demands of the University because of this incident, because the demands are not the Union's to make. Let Jewish students speak for themselves, let Muslim students speak for themselves, let other students belonging to religious minorities speak for themselves. But please don't have the KSU instruct us on how to proceed and feel when they are the ones who have caused this problem in the first place.

Motion passes.

7. New Business

No new business for council.

8. Motion to Adjourn.

Council adjourns at 10:53.