



Minutes for KSU Council Meeting

King's Students' Union 2019-2020

Sunday November 3, 2019, 10:00am

Boardroom, A&A Building

Call to order 10:12 am

Voting Members

Nick Harris

Hope Moon

Levi Clarkson

Izzy Ortner

Isabella MacKay

Patsy Ginou

Aideen Reynolds

Lindsey Mace

Sam Sharp

Mason Carter

Tessa Hill

Emma Oliver

Non-Voting Members

Chris Pearse

Regrets

Madeleine Merskey

Recognition of unceded Mi'kmaq territory

1. Adoption of Agenda

Hope: move to add an action item, reading:

5.5 Whereas on Friday November 1st posters with the words "It's Okay to Be White" were put up in various places across Mount Saint Vincent University campus; and

Whereas this is an act of overt white supremacy that follows similar acts at Saint Mary's University and Dalhousie University in recent years; therefore.

BIRT the KSU write a statement denouncing white supremacy on university campuses

BIFRT this statement formally recognizes that white supremacy on university campuses is not an isolated issue and that acts of overt white supremacy have been on the rise not only on university campuses, but in our broader community and across the country.

Seconded by Levi Clarkson.

No questions on the motion.

Motion passes unanimously.

Isabella: move to add "Finance committee recommends approval" to item 5.4, after "Moved by Nick Harris"

Seconded by Nick Harris

Motion passes unanimously.

2. Approval of Minutes from October 20, 2019

Levi: move to amend the minutes to read that councillors (Aideen Reynolds, Lindsey Mace, Sam Sharp, Mason Carter, Tessa Hill, Madeleine Merskey) , are voting members

Seconded by



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Motion passes unanimously.

Levi: move to correct the spelling of Madeleine's name, adding the e before the i

Seconded by Nick Harris

Motion passes unanimously.

Levi: move to change the word "University" to "province" in 4.4 for accuracy

Seconded by Emma

Motion passes unanimously

Levi: move to correct Sexualized Violence Policy Response

Officer to Sexualized Violence Prevention and Response Officer

Seconded by Hope Moon

Motion passes unanimously.

Levi: move to strike the third line of dialogue from 4.5 in order to remove the full name of our SCC from the minutes, and protect the confidentiality of our staff people.

Seconded by Hope Moon

Motion passes unanimously.

3. Oral reports of the councillors

- 3.1. Aideen: Met with SVPRO to talk about sexualized violence response with Katie Merwin and the residence team. Worked with Sam Sharpe, planning events for teaching culture around pronouns, calling in, calling out. Planning to meet with Katie Merwin regarding confidentiality among the residence team and how the residence team works.
- 3.2. Tessa: Out of province for a while, so nothing to report.
- 3.3. Emma: Missed last council due to DSS trip to Noggins Farm. The trip went well. On Friday, held midterm check-in/study snacks for FYP students.
- 3.4. Sam: Did office hours. Working with Aideen, talking about planning an event around calling in/out and pronouns. Wants to collect resources from Dal make more comprehensive and accessible.
- 3.5. Mason: meet with Foundations of Journalism prof to discuss how some students being able to afford newspapers unfairly benefits them. Did office hours and participated in the King's Journalism Instagram takeover.
- 3.6. Lindsey: went to Dal Science Society meeting and talk. Planning to attend a resume event for Science and non-Science students.
- 3.7. Adrianna: has notes from last BOG meeting if anyone wants to see them. Working on ways to discuss what people want the BOG reps to be doing at meetings, ways to be active in between BOG meetings.

4. Reports of the Executive Committee (Attached)

- 4.1. Report of the President
No questions for Levi.
- 4.2. Report of the Student Life Vice President
No questions for Patsy.
- 4.3. Report of the Financial Vice President



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Financial audit and risk committee is coming up, which was not included in the attached report.

No questions for Nick.

4.4. Report of the External Vice President

Anti-O workshop postponed to November 20th

Met with ESG committee regarding the investments of the university. Plans to survey students on what they would like to see from the university. Email evp@ksu.ca to give feedback.

4.5. Report of the Communications Vice President

I am scribing for today!

Questions: Can the council docs be sent to the Watch?

5. Action Items

5.1 BIRT Nova Scotia Public Interest Research Group (NSPIRG) be ratified as a Tier I levied society for the 2019/2020 academic year.

Moved by Patsy Ginou

Seconded by Levi Clarkson

Patsy: NSPIRG has been a longstanding levied society and it would be good to continue this relationship.

No debate on the motion.

Motion passes unanimously

5.2 BIRT the Athletic Volunteer Committee be ratified as a Tier I society for the 2019/2020 academic year.

Moved by Patsy Ginou

Seconded by Levi Clarkson

Patsy: this group has never ratified before. They get both athletics students as well as non-athletics students involved in going to games. It will be a good thing to build a connection between athletics students and the KSU.

No debate on the motion.

Motion passes unanimously

5.3 BIRT _____, _____, and _____ be elected to the University's Presidential Advisory Committee on the Recruitment and Appointment of an Equity Officer.

Moved by Levi Clarkson

Seconded by Nick

Levi: We are hiring an external equity officer. Most committees are only about five people, and there are four students on this one. It is excellent to see so much student representation on a committee.

Isabella: You mentioned four students. Are there the correct number of blanks in the motion?

Levi: Yes, three students and the KSU president.

Nominations:

Dominique Amit, Marlee Sansom, Isabelle Reynolds.

No one opposed to filling three spots with three names.

Item 5.3 now has the names Dominique Amit, Marlee Sansom, and Isabelle Reynolds filling the blanks.

No debate on the motion.

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5.4 BIRT HOST receives \$70.90 in non-contingent funding for their event, Iconography Workshop, on November 8th.

Moved by Nick Harris

Finance committee recommends approval.

Seconded by Adrianna Vanos

Nick: We have already funded them for this event, but HOST miscalculated and could not fund the workshop with the \$195.00 they were granted at the November 6th council meeting. They still needed to buy the critical items necessary for the event, the pigments and paintbrushes, and could not redirect the funding if they decided to cancel the event.

No debate on the motion.

Motion passes unanimously

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Moved by Hope Moon

Seconded by Levi Clarkson

Hope: many of us have already seen actions approaching white supremacist violence. We need to take a clear stance denouncing this and set a precedent on what constitutes appropriate behaviour on campus.

No debate on the motion.

Motion passes unanimously

6. New business

Nick: move to adjourn

Seconded by Patsy Ginou

Adjourned at 10:55 am.