

BOARD OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

Sunday January 23 – 6:00 pm
 via TEAMS

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Position	P/A	Attendance
Enzo Evangelisti	President	P-Electronic	6-0
Sufia Langevin	VP, Academic Affairs	P-Electronic	4-2
Amie Godward	VP, Student Life	P-Electronic	5-0
Joel Cook	VP, External Affairs	P-Electronic	6-0
Ryan Maxwell	Director of Finance	P-Electronic	6-0
Georgia LaPierre	Director of Communications	P-Electronic	6-0
Raya Droppo	Director of Events	P-Electronic	5-0
Charles-Xavier Doyon Barrieau	General Councillor	P-Electronic	4-2
Gabriel Casavant	General Councillor	Absent	4-2
Olivia Woods	First Year Rep	P-Electronic	6-0
Edna Amoah	On-Campus Rep	P-Electronic	5-1
Ariane Horrall	Environmental Sustainability Rep	P-Electronic	6-0
Wishah Mahmood	Equity Rep	Absent	2-4
Lessica Tchiloemba	Ethnic Diversity Rep	P-Electronic	5-1
Chloe Kendall	Health & Wellness Rep	P-Electronic	6-0
Cassey Perley	Indigenous Students Rep	P-Electronic	5-1
Varun Sagar Kuppili	International Students Rep	P-Electronic	5-1
Sydney Marteniuk	Business Senator	P-Electronic	5-0
Genny Leclair	Education Senator	P-Electronic	6-0
Doan Duy Vo	Graduate Student Senator	P-Electronic	6-0
Mauladad Bashar Doost	Humanities Senator	P-Electronic	5-1
Branden Bonham	Natural Sciences Senator	P-Electronic	6-0
Victoria Perak	Social Sciences Senator	P-Electronic	6-0
Annika Bradley	Chair	P-Electronic	5-0
Erin Mallory	General Manager - Administration	P-Electronic	6-0
Karen Dymond	Recording Secretary	P-Electronic	6-0

*As per Specific Bylaw 13.10.ii, electronic participation is noted in the minutes.



B I S H O P ' S U N I V E R S I T Y

STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

BOX 3, 2600 COLLEGE STREET, SHERBROOKE QUE., J1M 1Z7

1.0 Opening

1.1 Welcome & Confirmation of Quorum

Annika called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm and opened with a land acknowledgement. Due to current COVID restrictions, the meeting was held online via TEAMS. Annika asked members to use the "raise hand" function for indicating they wish to speak, as well as for voting. Quorum was confirmed with 15 members present at the beginning of the meeting.

1.2 Approval of the agenda

MOTION: Moved by Victoria, seconded by Ryan, to approve the agenda as presented. CARRIED (15-0-0).

1.3 Approval of previous minutes – November 28, 2021

MOTION: Moved by Victoria, seconded by Branden, to approve the minutes as corrected. CARRIED (16-0-0).

2.0 Filling vacancies on BSR

None to be filled.

3.0 Departmental Updates

Written reports were distributed in advance to all BSR members and are attached to the minutes.

3.1 President (Enzo)

3.2 Vice-President of Academic Affairs (Sufia)

3.3 Vice-President of Student Life (Amie)

3.4 Vice-President External Affairs (Joel)

3.5 Director of Finance (Ryan)

3.6 Director of Communications and Marketing (Georgia)

3.7 Director of Events (Raya) – Asked the BSR members to provide her with any feedback they receive as to why students did not attend Winter O-Week (low participation).

4.0 Reports from Standing Committees / Recurring items

4.1 Club motions – Nothing to report.

4.2 Gaiter Grants Committee

Ryan reported that the GGC has one recommendation to bring to the BSR. A request for \$2520 was received from the Figure Skating club. The GGC recommends granting up to \$1180, which would cover up to 10 ice times.

MOTION: Moved by Ryan, seconded by Enzo, to approve the grant of up to \$1180 to the figure skating club. CARRIED (17-0-0).

Two other groups, Enactus and the Volleyball club, had requested funds but will return to the GGC after they have more information. Ryan offered support to them in developing their proposals.

4.3 Appointments Committee – nothing to report.

4.4 Green Levy Committee – Nothing to report.

4.5 Residence Student Life Committee – Nothing to report.

4.6 Mental Health Committee – Nothing to report.

4.7 EDI Committee – Nothing to report.

4.8 Elections Update – Karen reviewed the calendar for both Executive and General Elections. She announced that Renee Rosteius has been hired as DRO and a Campaign Guide is being developed.

5.0 Reports from Ad-Hoc Committees

5.1 Finance Committee – nothing to report

5.2 Sexual Culture Committee

Georgia reported that the first committee meeting was held on Wed Jan – 3 sub committees, Sex education, SRC policies for prevention and response, and mindful masculinity and male engagement. The committee approved budget for funding \$3500 towards night caps for The Gait. Developed a new idea drop box for members to submit ideas so that meetings can run more efficiently than last semester. Will be meeting with CCLISAR, the company conducting the external review for the Board of Governors ad-hoc committee on the prevention of sexual violence.

5.3 Committee to Review & Assess SAAS Support – nothing to report

5.4 External Funding Opportunities for SRC Extra Sports Groups – haven't met yet. Enzo invited members who volunteered to be on the committee to email him with their schedule for this week so that a meeting can be set.

6.0 Question Period

Olivia provided feedback to Raya regarding low attendance for O-Week.

Genny asked questions about communication regarding the blocking of Moodle if training isn't completed.

Georgia said she would be posting about it again next week, and that the university will be lenient this semester until people are used to it. Almost 50% of students have already completed it.

7.0 Unfinished Business

7.1 Update on SRC Sexual Assault Response and Prevention Action Plan – Enzo reported that the BSR is on track. The first group participating in the Sexual Culture training and others will be completing it soon. Working to secure \$3500 in funding for nightcaps for The Gait. Enzo reported that he met with Georgia and Scotia regarding policy development and created an SRC Policies for Prevention and Response sub-committee to work on this. Policies for Safer Spaces and Sexual Misconduct will be developed by the sub-committee to bring to the BSR for approval. The Subcommittee meets every Wednesday from 1 – 2 pm, and anyone from the BSR is welcome to join the subcommittee.

8.0 New Business

8.1 Office Conduct Policy – Enzo gave notice of motion for approval at the next BSR meeting on February 6. He shared that one policy per meeting will be brought forward for updating.

8.2 Studentcare AMF Action Plan Committee – Joel explained that the AMF, the financial regulatory body of Quebec, has asked that Studentcare allow for students to opt out part way through the year, which would affect premiums, could be dangerous to our insurance plan. The AMF has also said that student associations do not have the right to collect fees from their students, which is an infringement on our student association rights. The QSU as well as Studentcare are forming a committees to create an action plan for responding. I will sit on committee with QSU. Erin added that the AMF is dealing with the insurers, not Studentcare, who is the broker. It is Desjardin and Blue Cross, information comes back to Studentcare. Working group is student driven. Studentcare is in an awkward position. Student Associations are feeling very strongly that insurance is what should be able to be offered. They will come back to student unions with a letter for each to send to AMF to cease and desist. If denied, likely legal action, which will not be taken by that group on our behalf unless we agree to it.

8.3 SRC Executive Council Restructuring – Enzo announced he is presenting a proposal for restructuring today, will use the next two weeks to meet one on one and in groups, and return to discussion at the next BSR meeting.

MOTION: Moved by Enzo, seconded by Joel, to enter closed session. CARRIED (18-0-0).

MOTION: Moved by Joel, seconded by Ryan, to move out of closed session. CARRIED (18-0-0).

8.4 SRC Stance on in-person classes

Enzo and Amie presented a draft stance on the return to in-person classes for discussion and approval of the BSR. The proposed stance is “Supporting students as they navigate the return to in-person while advocating for flexibility and accommodations for those who are struggling or who cannot do so.”

Discussion regarding the stance and the specific wording was held. Sufia reported that McGill and Concordia reached out to her asking if we are going to lobby the government for online options. Joel reported that the QSU is lobbying for in person with accommodations, TASSE is advocating for the same.

MOTION: Moved by Enzo, seconded by Gennie, to approve the stance “Supporting students as they navigate the return to in-person while advocating for flexibility and accommodations for those who are struggling or who cannot come to campus. Students should first reach out to their professors for accommodations regarding navigating the return to in person classes. If you have any issues, please contact (insert email).”

MOTION TO AMEND: Moved by Enzo, seconded by Olivia to add the word “appropriate” in front of the word “accommodation”. CARRIED (16-0-0).

ORIGINAL MOTION CARRIED (16-0-0).

To approve the stance “Supporting students as they navigate the return to in-person while advocating for flexibility and appropriate accommodations for those who are struggling or who cannot come to campus. Students should first reach out to their professors for accommodations regarding navigating the return to in person classes. If you have any issues, please contact (insert email).”

Senators will develop a document outlining appropriate accommodations and circulate it to the BSR.

9.0 **Any other business / Announcements / Toot Your Own Horn**

Enzo encouraged BSR to think about people who did positive and encouraging things during the pandemic and consider nominating them for Gaiter Good News.

Enzo invited people to reach out to him to give feedback on the proposed restructuring of the Executive Team. He will be contacting people but encouraged all to share their feedback with him.

Amie requested volunteers to assist with the upcoming blood drive.

Ryan thanked Enzo for filling in at the last minute for the GGC meeting so that projects could still be approved.

Annika reminded members that the next meeting is Sunday, February 6, 2022 at 6 pm.

10.0 **Adjournment**



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MOTION: Motioned by Joel, seconded by Branden, to adjourn the meeting. CARRIED (16-0-0).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm.