

**BOARD OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES  
 MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

Monday, February 13, 2023 – 11:30 am  
 The Gait, Bishop's University, Sherbrooke, Quebec

**ATTENDANCE:**

Name	Position	P/R/A*	Attendance
Camilla Rizzi	President	P	12-1
Victoria Perak	VP, Academic Affairs	P	13-0
Olivia Woods	VP, Student Life	P	10-0
Lucas Chabane	VP, External Affairs	P	11-2
Brandon Leblanc	Director of Finance	P	11-0
Hannah MacQueen	Director of Events	P	11-2
	General Councilor		
Tessa Bradshaw	General Councilor	P	10-0
Alex Mador	First Year Rep	P	10-0
Keven Poulin	On-Campus Rep	P	6-0
Diane Drak Alsibai	Environmental Sustainability Rep	P	13-0
Alka Kumari	Equity Rep	P	2-0
Gabrielle Ferriera	Ethnic Diversity Rep	P	10-1
Sophia Stacey	Health & Wellness Rep	P	12-0
Drew Henkel	Indigenous Students Rep	P	5-0
Ajay Singh Thakur	International Students Rep	Absent	8-4
Nick Veenstra	Business Senator	P	9-3
Joshua Prentice	Education Senator	Absent	2-1
Sandra Aneke	Graduate Student Senator	P	6-1
Sonoma Brawley	Humanities Senator	P	7-0
Gaby Loupiac	Natural Sciences Senator	P	10-2
Tiffany Farouse	Social Sciences Senator	P	12-0
Mikael Worku	Chair	P	9-0
Erin Mallory	General Manager	P	12-1
Karen Dymond	Secretary General	P	12-1

\*P=Present, R=sent their regrets, A=Absent

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

Observers / Guests: Ehsan Khashi, Colin Ahern, Isabelle Callan

## 1.0 Opening

### 1.1 Welcome & Confirmation of Quorum

The chair called the meeting to order at 11:46 am and confirmed quorum with 17 voting members in attendance.

### 1.2 Land Acknowledgement

Sophia offered a Land Acknowledgement.

### 1.3 Approval of the agenda

**MOTION:** Moved by Olivia seconded by Gaby, to amend the agenda to move 4.1.1 to immediately after 2.0 as there are guests present. CARRIED (15-0-2).

**MOTION:** Moved by Victoria, seconded by Camilla, to approve the agenda as presented. CARRIED (15-0-2).

### 1.4 Approval of previous minutes – January 30, 2023

As there were no errors or omissions in the minutes of the regular meeting held January 30, 2023, the chair declared that the minutes stand approved.

## 2.0 Filling vacancies on BSR

### 2.1 General Councillor

Ehsan Khashi presented him self as a candidate for General Councillor. The members asked questions of the candidate.

**MOTION:** Moved by Victoria, seconded by Olivia, to move into Closed Session. CARRIED (16-0-1).

**MOTION:** Moved by Olivia, seconded by Lucas, to ratify Ehsan Khashi as General Councillor for the term ending April 30, 2023. FAILED (3-10-4).

The position of General Councillor will once again be posted, with candidates appearing at the next BSR on February 20.

**MOTION:** Moved by Lucas, seconded by Camilla, to move back into Open Session. CARRIED (17-0-0).

## 3.0 Departmental Updates

3.1 President (Camilla) – No written report received. Camilla highlighted her work on the SRC Extra Manual, Board of Governors meeting, and elections recruitment.

3.2 Vice-President of Academic Affairs (Victoria) – Written report circulated in advance. Victoria reminded everyone that tomorrow is the deadline for the teaching awards.

3.3 Vice-President of Student Life (Olivia) – Written report circulated in advance. Olivia highlighted meeting with clubs and that a few clubs will be presented for ratification at the next BSR.

3.4 Vice-President External Affairs (Lucas) - Written report circulated in advance. Lucas reported that he attended caucus last weekend and is working on transition documents.

3.5 Director of Finance (Brandon) - Written report circulated in advance. Brandon reported on WinterFest, a process to get Champlain students access to The Gait, and financial sustainability work.

- 3.6 Director of Events (Hannah) - Written report circulated in advance. She provided a report on the success of WinterFest, with over 1600 tickets sold.
- 3.7 Elections Update (Karen) – Written report circulated in advance. Karen announced the slate of candidates, social media, election requirements, and information sessions for the General Election.

#### 4.0 Reports from Standing Committees / Recurring items

##### 4.1 Club Motions

- 4.1.1 Wit and Whimsey: Poetry and the Arts at BU  
Colin Ahern and Isabelle Callan spoke on behalf of the group. The club is focused on performance and the opportunity for students to present their work publicly.

**MOTION:** Moved by Olivia, seconded by Lucas, to ratify the Wit and Whimsey: Poetry and Arts at BU. CARRIED (17-0-0).

- 4.2 Gaiter Grants Committee – Proposals will be brought to the next BSR.
- 4.3 Appointments Committee – Camilla reported on new appointments.
- 4.4 Green Levy Committee – Nothing to report.
- 4.5 Residence Student Life Committee -Nothing to report.
- 4.6 Mental Health Committee – Sophia provided an update. Pet support days, including Zoo Therapy, will be held Fri Mar 10 – 11 am – 2 pm and Wed Apr 12 – 11 am – 2 pm.
- 4.7 EDI Committee – Gabi reported that the committee is meeting this week.

#### 5.0 Reports from Ad-Hoc Committees

- 5.1 Finance Committee – Nothing to report.
- 5.2 Sexual Culture Committee – Olivia reported that Sexapalooza is happening this week and that there is a vigil for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women tomorrow night.
- 5.3 External Funding Opportunities for SRC Extra Sports Groups – Nothing to report.
- 5.4 SafeDrive Committee – Nothing to report.
- 5.5 Survive The Gait Committee – Nothing to report.

#### 6.0 Question Period

None asked.

#### 7.0 Unfinished Business

##### 7.1 SRC Extra Manual

Camilla and Olivia presented the SRC Extra Manual, which will replace the former Clubs Manual. The hazing policy has been updated. It is a working document and there is more to be done but that the manual overall has been updated. Wishah, Camilla, Olivia, and Erin worked extensively this project. Questions were asked by the members.

**MOTION:** Moved by Camilla, seconded by Olivia, to adopt the SRC Extra Manual as presented. CARRIED (16-0-1).

#### 8.0 New Business

##### 8.1 Student Fees Presentation (Brandon)

Brandon presented a proposal to assist with the sustainability of the SRC, including a 7% increase to the following fees:

- Activity fee from \$68.23 to \$73.00
- Quad Yearbook Fee from \$6.48 to \$6.93

- Refugee Sponsorship \$5.00 to \$5.35
- Orientation Fee from \$89.63 to \$95.90
- Winter Orientation Fee from \$26.68 to \$28.55
- Student Fees SRC Spring/Summer from \$21.20 to \$22.68
- Student Fees Fall/Winter (8 credits or less) from \$34.24 to \$36.64

**MOTION:** Moved by Victoria, seconded by Camilla, to approve the plan to increase student fees by 7%, as included in the presentation. CARRIED (16-0-1).

**MOTION:** Moved by Camilla, seconded by Gaby, to increase the honorarium for BSR members to \$600 for the 2023-24 term, with \$300 paid at the end of both Fall and Winter semesters. CARRIED (15-0-2).

#### 8.2 BU Campus Dining Policy – Opportunity for input from BSR (Keven)

Keven explained that the Campus Dining Committee has reviewed the BU Campus Dining Policy. He circulated the draft policy in advance and provided opportunity for the BSR to review it and provide feedback. It was clarified that bake sales are no longer able to be held due to government regulations.

**MOTION:** Moved by Victoria, seconded by Lucas, to remove Mickey as chair, and replace with Camilla for item 8.3. CARRIED (17-0-0).

Camilla took over as chair for the remainder of the meeting.

#### 8.3 Model UN Funding Request

Diane presented on behalf of Model UN, requesting a donation of \$1500 from the SRC for their class trip to the Model UN simulation event in New York City. 12 students pay tuition for the class plus \$400 to attend. There is \$4800 left to be covered and have raised \$750 to date. The request from the SRC covers conference fees. The politics department sometimes contributes to the cost.

**MOTION:** Moved by Lucas, seconded by Olivia, to grant Model UN their funding request of \$1500. CARRIED (13-0-3).

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

Victoria recognized Hannah for her excellent work to make WinterFest so successful, as well as to Erin, Jody, the Gait Managers, Gait Staff, volunteers from BSR, and campus security.

Erin shared Stine's congratulations to the SRC on their excellent events for WinterFest.

Camilla reminded everyone of tomorrow night's Vigil for MMIWG2S+, the Have a Heart campaign and encouraged BSR members to read the stories accompanying the red dresses displayed around campus.

Diane shared that donations are being collected for Syria and Turkey in response to the earthquake.

Olivia asked Representatives who have not yet met with her to book a meeting with her.

Lucas congratulated Will, new Social Media Manager, for his work.

10.0 **Date of Next Meeting** – Monday, February 20 at 11:30 am in McGreer 100. All remaining meetings this semester will be held in McGreer 100.

#### 11.0 Adjournment

**MOTION:** Moved by Victoria, seconded by Lucas, to adjourn the meeting. CARRIED (17-0-0).



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The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 pm.