

**UNIVERSITY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
STUDENT UNION
MINUTES - THIRTEENTH MEETING
STUDENT COUNCIL
28th March 2010**

The thirteenth meeting of the Student Council of the University of Prince Edward Island Student Union was held on Sunday March 28th 2010, Minutes were taken by Anum Nazir. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair of Council, Jillian Stewart.

PRESENT:

Timothy Cullen	Natalie Doyle	Bob Deziel
Jarrold Faria	Rob Livingstone	Brianne Hibl
Shawn Younis	Emily McKenna	Amanda Smith
Sarah MacDonald	Jonathan Millington	Mikhala Brinklow
Danaïet Teame	Jeff MacDougald	Sophia Oppon
Jeff MacDougald	Danielle MacDonald	Brittany Banks
Danaïet Teame	Scott Murray	Billy MacDonald
Kate VanGerven	Josh Coles	Patrick Callbeck
David Maclean		

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT:

Jillian Stewart (Chair of Council)	Zee Giunta (VP Finance)	Anum Nazir (Deputy Chair)
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1-1 CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2-1 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Agenda was approved as corrected

Motion: Banks/MacDonald, S: Agenda was approved with changes to point 6. Education Week was changed to CUP

Motion: *Carried*

3-1 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Minutes were approved.

REPORTS

4.1 PRESIDENT

President's Report to the UPEISU Council

1.1 Sunday, March 28, 2010

I don't have much to report since our last meeting and as this will likely be a longer meeting, I'll keep my comments short.

There were meetings of both Senate and the Board of Governors last week that I will leave reporting on to the reps from each of the respective bodies.

As everyone is well aware, we also had the spring general election last week and I would like to congratulate all the candidates on a hard fought contest. I wish the very best of luck to next year's executive and Council.

I have already started working with Rob on the transition process and I am hopeful that he will be completely comfortable when it comes time for him to take office on May 1st.

I have really enjoyed working with you all, and to those of you who are graduating, thank you very much for your involvement with Council not only this year but, in some instances, over a number of years. I hope that everyone around this table is able to look back on this experience as a positive one.

4.2 EXECUTIVE VP

4.3 VP ACTIVITIES

4.4 VP FINANCE

4.5 SENATE

Wade acknowledged how well Student Union did in the elections with a 42% voter turnout. The curriculum report was presented with many changes to courses. These changes were mainly housekeeping for example; changing pre requisites, course descriptions, adding and dropping of courses.

The Nominating Committee Report was given. They talked about the elections for URC, the candidates have been chosen.

4.6 BOARD OF GOVERNORS

4.7 OMBUDSMAN

4.8 GSA

Had executive meeting and discussed graduate student fees.

4.9 FACULTIES/GROUPS

4.9.1 ARTS

4.9.2 BUSINESS

Business Society elections are being held this week, we're very pleased since there are multiple people running for most of the positions.

Last decathlon event will be on Thursday. We'd like to thank council again for the money to buy our awesome trophy.

4.9.3 SCIENCE

Biology Society elections will be held in September

Chemistry Society- Elected the new executive of the Chemistry Society for the next year

President- Josh Gallaw

Co-Vice President: Robyn Christensen and Gayan Tennekone

Secretary- Nicole MacPhee

Treasurer: Stephanie Bowtle

All Faculties:-

Honors and Majors; Students are busy writing their thesis and preparing for final presentations of their research this year.

4.9.4 OMBUDSMAN

4.9.5 AVC

4.9.6 NURSING

4.9.7 ACCESSIBILITY

4.9.8 RESIDENCE

Not Present

March 28th

1.1_ Residence Report

This weekend various RLA's coordinated some great activities :

9pm Friday, bowling

1pm Saturday, the roommate game (Cafeteria)

6pm Saturday, Trivia in the caf with DOC and treats

8pm Saturday, Miss Marion (Cafeteria)

5pm Sunday, RES BANQUET (Cafeteria)

4.9.9 INTERNATIONAL

4.9.10 EDUCATION

Nothing to Report

4.9.11 FIRST YEAR REP

Nothing to Report

5- COUNCILLOR REINSTATEMENT

Motion: Cullen/ Millington: To grant Jarrod Faria speaking rights

Motion: *Carried*

Jarrold appealed his impeachment due to senate non attendance and council voted to reinstate him

20 Reinstated

1 Impeach

3 Abstain

6- CRO's REPORT

One member, one vote concern looks like it could change. We're staying on board until next year.

Spring General Election Report of the Chief Returning Officer Summary

Turnout for the spring election of 2010 was higher than expected. Twenty-one individuals ran for ten positions on council. A total of \$340 in fines were handed out for various poster and electronic infractions to the by-laws. There were no other notable infractions under the by-laws.

Special recognition should be given to Tim Cullen, President for assisting with election organization, and Jill Stewart, Chair for the same.

Results

Below are listed the election results. Winners are denoted by bold.

President

Ryan Bulger

71

Patrick Greco

400

Robert Livingstone
468
Amanda MacKinnon
376
Abstain
90

Executive Vice-President

Megan Jennings
382
Kyle Murnaghan
476
Luke Poirier
464

Executive Vice-President

Abstain
77

Vice-President Activities

Jonathan Millington
452
Logan O'Brien
505
Emilee Sorrey
326
Abstain
101

Senate Representative

Brittany Banks
806 (y) 308 (n) 160 (a)
Robbie Saada
979 (y) 152 (n) 158 (a)

Graduate Student Senate Representative

Bob Deziel
11
Sara Jones
10
Abstain
4

Councillors

Jeff MacDougald (Science)
368 (y) 63 (n) 41 (a)
Samuel Rayner (Business)
201 (y) 44 (n) 27 (a)
Josh Coles (Arts)
352 (y) 45 (n) 47 (a)
Hannah Waxer (Nursing)
074 (y) 02 (n) 01 (a)
Sheldon Campbell (AVC)
039 (y) 01 (n) 01 (a)

Statistics

Overall Turnout

41.83% (1493/3569)

President

39.37% (1405/3569)

Executive Vice-President

39.20% (1399/3569)

Vice-President Activities

38.78% (1384/3569)

Senate Rep 1

36.45% (1301/3569)

Senate Rep 2

36.12% (1289/3569)

Grad. Senate Rep.

10.92% (25/229)

Councillor - Arts

40.88% (444/1086)

Councillor - Business

37.73% (272/721)

Councillor - Nursing

31.17% (77/247)

Councillor - Science

44.24 (472/1067)

Councillor - AVC

16.94% (41/242)

Recommendations:

Below are recommendations that I believe would enhance the election process for the future. I highly recommend council adopt these suggestions.

- Polling station reform: It is my belief that polling stations are useless in the electoral environment. Over the course of the election students had to give up valuable time to sit at a polling station. The number of people who voted at a polling station is negligible. It was also extremely difficult to obtain enough volunteers to staff the original number of polling stations, forcing us to cut down to one polling station in the Student Centre. It is my belief that the student body has enough access to computers over those two days that they can vote via their student log in on their own.
- Greater focus on advertising for voting: More signage around the campus computer labs encouraging people to vote could easily replace the polling stations entirely and most likely see better results in terms of turn out.
- Residences: During the election period I was contacted by Jonathan Oliver from ancillary services with a complaint about candidates campaigning in the residences.

While there is nothing at all in the by-laws that prohibit such things, Mr. Oliver wished to bring to the council his desire to ban any form of campaigning from the residences.

Millinton/Calbeck- To move into camera

Motion: Hibl/ D MacDonald

Carried

To approve election results

7- HONORARIUM REPORT

Tim Cullen

Jarrold

Zee

8- HIRING BOARD RESULTS

Motion: Murnghan/Millinton

Carried

To approve hiring board results

Murnahan/Coles-Motion to move out of camera

7- BUDGET 2010/2011 PRESENTATION

Motion: Younis/Cullen To grant Heather Love speaking rights

VP Finance presented the budget for the UPEI SU

Motion: Cullen/ Deziel

Carried

Motion: Cullen/D Macdonald

To approve budget presented 2010/2011 Year

Carried

8- APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Motion: Cullen/Murnaghan

To approve council meeting dates for the 2010/2011 year

Carried

9- APPROVAL OF ELECTION DATES

Motion: Cullen/Macdougald

To approve election dates for the fall general election 2010

Motion: Cullen/Jennings

To approve election dates for the spring election dates

Carried

10- COUNCILLOR SWEAR INS

11-NEW BUSINESS

Sweaters

12-ADJOURNMENT

Motion:- Hibl/Coles

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