

NBSA Board Meeting Minutes July 09th, 2021

The third meeting of the 2021-2022 session of the Board of Directors of the New Brunswick Student Alliance was held July 09, 2021 via Zoom.

1.0 Call to Order

Observer:

Absent:

Charlie Burke, the NBSA Board Chair, called the meeting of the NBSA Board of Directors to Order at 1:12pm on July 09th, 2021.

1.1 Roll Call					
Executive	:	Charlie Burke, Chair			
		Charlotte Fanjoy, Vice Chair			
Board of [Directors:	Tea Fazio (UNBSU)			
		Hannah Ehler (MASU)			
		Sydona Chandon (STUSU)			
		Adam Lambert (UNBSRC)			
		Kordell Walsh (UNBSU)			
		Tyler MaGee (STUSU)			
Staff:		Bibi Wasiimah Joomun, Executive Director, NBSA			
Regrets:		-			

N/A



2.0 Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by UNBSU to amend agenda to add section 8.3 "Horizon Health Discussion", section 8.4 "Committee Applications", and section 8.5 "NBSA Board Documents/Transparency" under New Business of the Agenda

Seconded by MASU

Motion Passed Unanimously

3.0 Approval of the Minutes

It was moved by UNBSRC to approve the June 25th , 2021 Meeting Minutes

Seconded by MASU

Motion Passed Unanimously

4.0 Reports

4.1 Chair Update (Charlie)

- Executive team attended the GNB Sexual violence round table- defined objectives of the committee - to provide recommendations for a 3 year action plan. At least one representative from each PSE institution as well as government officials. We did mention the importance of consultation throughout this process with LGBTQ+ and Indigenous community
- NBCC contact information The executive committee will be reaching out to discuss the observer status
- Discussion of conference: looking at dates, will be talking about this later in the meeting
- Faster together information similar to 19tozero, both 19tozero and CASA committed to Faster Together campaign - tabled to new business
- New section of reminders/action items to the agenda good to have action items in one section of the minutes
- Land acknowledgement in every NBSA Board Meeting. Charlie does the land acknowledgment. This will be added to the agenda moving forward.

4.2 Home Office Update (Wasiimah)

- Maritime Student Congress Encourages everyone to attend
- Consultation with community groups discussion of provincial campaign for sexual violence
- Doing an audit of the NBSA with the accountant, also discussing the bookkeeping
- Wasiimah met with future NB opportunities of experiential learning in the province, more staff on board at PETL and there will be campus visits in



the future.

Working on AtlanticOER and waiting to hear back to start that again.

4.3 Director Updates

MASU:

- Hiring process for students to review syllabus to make them more user friendly and student focused
- Community Map, encourages everyone to check it out and might be a possibility for other SUs to do in their community.

STUSU:

 The executive team met with administration in terms of policy ask (counter the costs campaign), admin said they would try to improve on at least 70% of those asks. Waiting on written feedback to move forward.

UNB-SRC:

- No big updates
- Pride Month Pride Photo challenge and Pride Playlist. Encourages everyone to take a listen to the playlist

UNBSU

- Advocacy survey for the councillors will update the NBSA once some trends are identified
- Hunt down training for EDI for UNBSU executive team looking for resources
- Training for sexual violence New Brunsick. Encourages all students to get their SU's to get there staff

Charlotte (UNBSRC) comments that the UNBSRC is working on getting the executive team, councillors, and volunteers trained on EDI before interacting with incoming students. The UNBSRC has been in close contact with Sula Levesque from the Human Rights Office - Charlotte encourages UNBSU to check in with them.

Téa (UNBSU) comments UNBSU has been in contact with Sula and the Human Rights Office in the past and states to take the training like a grain of salt due to feedback from equity seeking members that didn't appreciate the content that was being provided. Make sure you are aware and open to feedback from students who take it.

Wasiimah (ED) asks if there is anything specific you are looking for in this training? Wasiimah volunteers for a group based in Toronto called Marginalized Majority, it is oriented to the LGBTQA+ community and they have workshops on pronouns and are really inclusive when it comes to board meetings, having queer and people of colour. They do charge a fee which is



something to be mindful of. Wasiimah will send the package out to the board to check out and if everyone is interested the NBSA will look into it. Also Black Lives Matter Fredericton does training which might be a good place to look into. There is also a talk on July 22nd on internal governance and EDI - Wasiimah encourage board members to attend.

- **Kordell (UNBSU) adds** Deep into hiring for CRO, Chair, and Secretary
 - Kordell has been taking on the roll of VP Finance and Operations while they are out of the office

5.0 Priority Updates

- 5.1 Sustainability - Kordell Walsh (lead)
 - No updates, Kordell has been busy, but they will be meeting next week
- 5.2 Accessible and Quality Education - Adam Lambert (lead)
 - No updates
- 5.3 Affordable Education - Sydona Chandon (lead)
 - Sydona will be sending out doodle poll after this meeting
- 5.4 **Health and Wellness - Hannah Ehler (lead)**
 - Mental Health will be a policy priority (consultation)
 - Pushing for policy and bringing some asks to the government
 - Campaign regarding healthy living healthy habits
- Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Tyler MaGee (lead) 5.5
 - No updates
 - Meeting scheduled for next week

6.0 Internal Priority Updates - Wasiimah (lead)

- Contact info for NBCC observer status
- LFEECUM will get back to us observer status
- Finance committee will be meeting within the next week
- Conversations are starting for consultations.
- August will be an introductory campaign of the NBSA

7.0 Old Business

7.1 **Approval of May 16th Meeting Minutes**

TABLED



8.0 New Business

8.1 Policy & Planning Conference

- Come to this conference with data for policy
- Approval of doing our conference in person
- Discussion and identified the timeline: August 19, 20, 21
- Look into each SU conference budget line and reach out with any concerns
- Send locations to Wasiimah if Wasiimah doesn't hear from anyone, we will book the location used last year

8.2 19toZero

- Rachel infographics, live session on why vaccinations are important
- More information to go off of before making a decision to commit to a campaign.
- Pros and cons list between 19toZero and Faster Together
- TABLED

8.3 Horizon Health Discussion

- Received feedback yesterday Hannah and three others will be meeting to discuss next steps
- Nursing Shortages this can happen anywhere, and seems to have politics involved
- Hannah asks for feedback no one provides thoughts, Wasiimah asks to schedule a meeting to chat privately.

8.4 Committee Applications

- Get students at large involved this year. Unified application on the NBSA website.
 General application to see all the different committees, and can be put through all campuses
- EDI, will be exempt from the application process as they would like to appoint students to that committee
- Limits to the application process, like how many students per institution, "interview" each student before they are appointed to the committee
- All committees will be odd numbers to ensure that if it comes down to a vote.
- Leave the "appointing" to the committee to decide.
- Base the application of experience and what the student plans to bring to the committee.
- Brief application, if there is a lot of interest, the committee can go into further detail in follow up.
- Creating the application process will be handled by the executive committee

8.5 NBSA Board Documents/ Transparency

- Institutional memory has always been an issue each year we work on this.
- When it comes to NBSA documents, the home office keeps documents and it'll be on a request basis.
- Wasiimah is creating a folder for everyone to access documents/meeting minutes.



9.0 Reminders/Action Items

9.1 Reminder - Maritime Student Congress

- Let Wasiimah know if you can't see the facebook group
- Charlie encourages everyone to attend
- Have a strong New Brunswick presence at the MSC

9.2 Reminder - Attendance

- Send your regrets ahead of time so they aren't marked as an unexcused absence
- If you are a committee head and experiencing unexcused absences, reach out to Charlie or Charlotte, so they are aware and it can be recorded.

Téa (UNBSU) comments about the Fredericton Chamber of Commerce - asks about the MOU **Wasiimah (NBSA ED) comments** That has been paid last week, but the MOU will be sent out after this meeting for all board members to review. If Wasiimah doesn't receive any feedback, it is assumed that everything looks okay.

Who	What	When
Board Members	Look into Airbnb's for the in person conference in August	By July 23rd Board Meeting
Home SU's	Look into internal conference budget	By July 23rd Board Meeting
Board Members	Any issues with the dates of the conference or sharing a bed, reach out to Wasiimah	ASAP
Wasiimah (NBSA ED)	Created shared NBSA Folder for board members to access	After this meeting
Wasiimah (NBSA ED)	Send board members the MOU with Fredricton Chambers of Commerce	After this meeting

9.0 Adjournment

It was moved by STUSU to adjourn the NBSA Board Meeting of July 09th, 2021 at 2:26pm.

Seconded by UNB-SRC

Motion Passed Unanimously