



Bethune College Council Meeting
 Tuesday, September 27, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. EST
 Room 224/Zoom Meeting
 Chaired by Vincent Vuong
 Minutes by Sarah Pullano

Voting Results: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bSQBw3pjnV4ihkXK7-koC-mYQtL4feBhwpAyNO4nMYw/edit?usp=sharing>

Voting Members

Name	Position	Attendance
Arman Sadr	President	Present
Masood Syed	Executive Vice-President	Present
John-Paul Gagliano Veiga	Vice President Athletics	Present
Hassan Khan	Vice President Athletics	Present
Abisan Buvanendran	Commuter Director	Absent with regrets
Issay Amaha	Commuter Director	Absent with regrets
Pedro Gonzalez	Lassonde Representative	Present
Aydin Sadr	General Member	Present
Farid Musavinejad	General Member	Present
Ernest Gasparyan	General Member	Absent with regrets
Glory Ohikhena	General Member	Absent with regrets
Kyleen Tambot	YFS Director	Present
	SOS Representative	
Paula Wilson	Head of the College	Present (left at 9:04 p.m.)
Clifford Roy Baker	Fellow's Representative	Absent without regrets
Andrew Skelton	Academic Advisor	Absent without regrets

Non-Voting Members

Name	Position	Attendance
Yashna Manek	Vice-President Social	Present
Ethan Chin	Vice-President Social	Present
Sumeyye Camuzcu	Vice-President Finance	Absent with regrets
Yurij Kunyckyj	Vice-President Communications	Absent without regrets
Muhammad Abdulhafiz	Vice-President Communications	Present (left at 9:03 p.m.)
Claire Del Zotto	Outreach Director	Absent with regrets
Remie Taza	Outreach Director	Present (left at 9:13 p.m.)
Jarred Laganas	Orientation Chair	Absent without regrets



Vincent Vuong	Speaker	Present
Sarah Pullano	Secretary	Present
Arghavan Sammak Moghaddam	Chief Returning Officer	Present (left at 9:06 p.m.)
Adam Hadad	Mascot	Present
Emily Fiorini	College Administrative Coordinator	Absent without regrets

This meeting was called to order on Tuesday, September 27, 2022 at 7:38 p.m. EST with Vincent Vuong as Speaker and Sarah Pullano as Secretary.

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: Executive Vice-President
 Seconded by: Lasonde Representative
 Result: Unanimous

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

In the spirit and intent of Truth and Reconciliation, we acknowledge the traditional Indigenous territories on which we live, learn, and play. This territory is part of the Dish with One Spoon Treaty, an agreement between the Anishinaabeg, Haudenosaunee, and allied nations to peacefully share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. This territory is also covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples. By understanding and acknowledging, we wish to pay respect to Turtle Island, Mother Earth, First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples who have been living on this land since time immemorial.

This land was acquired unfairly and as settlers on this land it is part of our collective responsibility to recognize and mitigate the oppression of Indigenous peoples.

For more information on land acknowledgements for your current location, and some helpful maps, visit <https://native-land.ca/>.

3. UPDATES

- a. President
 - Honorarium meeting time



- Hoping we can do this next week; however, we have not gotten the chance to go through the new honorarium breakdown because we have added new positions
- Executive meeting time
 - The most viable executive meeting time would be at the time of council meetings, around 8:00 p.m.
 - Will put up a new poll so we can figure out a time for executive meetings
- Elections timeline
 - Typically we would start elections now but the colleges' timelines are going to be in sync
 - Ideally want to get a post/posters up for first year representatives and Director of Finance
- Bylaw changes
 - Last year the way bylaws worked was that we could change them prior to August
 - Now we can change them any time
- Honorarium breakdown
 - Reference previous breakdowns and other colleges
 - New positions have been added so must be reconsidered
 - Hopefully it can be approved in the following council meeting so we can have it active for the summer
 - Can show us previous year's honorarium, however just referencing previous years may not be sufficient because we have added new positions
- Training from the Centre for Sexual Violence
 - They were targeted towards execs
 - If we are going to have a session, we can open it up to all of our council
 - Will be sending out one more Lettucemeet for the fall for general availability for additional meetings and trainings

b. Executive Vice President

- Council's Frosh Contribution
 - Got in touch with Jarred and some captains
 - We spoke about how Council had to have a presence in Frosh
 - They compiled a list of council members who helped and those who lacked in participation
 - Listing this because Frosh is a part of summer honorarium
 - This takes into consideration excused absences
 - Question: Are we taking into consideration post-Frosh cleanup, and what was the role of captains and the O-Chair in cleanup?
 - The office was left a mess and we were told that was the job of the captains and O-Chair, however a lot of council members took it upon themselves to clean up



- This report was based on presence and participating in Frosh by interacting with froshies, not just being there but helping out
 - If you think you helped out but you were listed, you are welcome to make your case
 - Question: Was it team captains judging the council members on their own team?
 - A captain from each team was asked about council member's participation during Frosh and the information was sent to Jarred for verification
 - If that is being considered for honorarium, then having the captains and O-Chair there for an honorarium meeting would be helpful
 - For the honorarium meeting, both captains from each team can be asked so we can have a more detailed list on how much people participated
 - Thank you to BPAC and BAC execs for their help during Frosh
- c. Vice President Social
- Update 1 - Montreal
 - We are in the process of making sure all risk waivers have been filled out as well as finalizing the rooming list. Additionally, we have received payment confirmation from the hotel, bus charter and night club. All that's left to do is pay for the planetarium tickets and snacks + water for the bus rides.
 - Risk waivers have now all been filled out
 - Room list has to be finalized by October 1st
 - Planetarium can be payed on the day of by cash, credit card, or cheque
 - For the nightclub, we originally bought 75 tickets for entry and a free drink
 - However, this means some people are paying the full price for the ticket but are not getting to attend the nightclub
 - We have the money to purchase 110 tickets since we are currently about \$4000 under budget
 - Extra money was added for contingency so the money to purchase these extra tickets would come out of contingency
 - Originally only 75 people would be getting into the nightclub/getting a drink but if you are not part of that 75 you are getting less but paying the same price for a ticket, we should buy 35 more tickets to make the club for everyone
 - However not everyone might be going so there is potential some might not be used



- If we do not increase the number of tickets, we would decide who gets the 75 based on ticket purchase order
 - Any additional tickets purchased will have to be paid after
 - Related discussion point: Since a portion of our ticket sales go towards the Student Success Initiative - Supporting School Nutrition Program, we wanted to ask/discuss with council regarding how much money should we donate to them.
 - Agreed that part of our ticket sales would go toward that charity
 - This organization is a breakfast program in TDSB schools so it would be benefitting the local community
 - Should be discussed by Outreach since it would be coming out of their budget
 - We are asking to take a percentage from the Montreal trip because we promised a certain amount to the charity, so it makes us look bad if we take their letter and don't give them the amount of money that was promised
 - We have a finance meeting next Tuesday so the Outreach fall budget can be presented here so that the donation can come out of the official Outreach budget
 - Socials is dipping into contingency which they should not do if they do not have to, the extra money should be reallocated to their events instead of spending money out of a Socials budget for an Outreach initiative
 - For example, the giveaways during Frosh came out of the Outreach budget since it is an Outreach initiative
 - However, since tickets are sold and a portion goes to charity it will be counterproductive if Outreach is giving their money to charity, having people contribute through their purchases makes sense
 - In the future, Outreach can help budget the fundraising into the ticket prices
- Update 2 - Fall Event Schedule
 - We have decided all the dates for the fall term events planned, and are in the process of submitting the advertisement requests to BPAC
 - Events + Dates can be found here:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1X_a3oL6gQCixR3jY7P7JCpy2aL4H5FMcuYNhUnmN1Ik/edit?usp=sharing
 - Halloween Haunt is on October 28th, filling out the poster request today
 - Approved to spend \$4000 on this event, it came to \$3971 for 95 tickets
 - Need a signing authority to pay by credit card only
 - Payment needs to be made 2 weeks before the event which is October 14th
 - A description of each event will be added to the document above
- Update 3 – Formal



- We have narrowed down the list of potential formal venues and will discuss each with council soon to help us finalize a decision
- Update 4 – Fall Social Events
 - Haunted house w/ winters (possible funding required)
 - They are doing this on the same night that we are doing Halloween Haunt
 - Maybe we will just repost their story and have that availability for constituents if they don't want to go to Haunt
 - Our name will not be on the event, Winters has told us they will extend the invite for all constituents
 - No financial obligation on our part
 - Question: Will council members be present at Winters?
 - No, they just extended an invite
 - Family feud w/ winters
 - Taking place this Wednesday
 - They are supposed to be sending out team sign up forms where Bethune constituents can form a team and go to the event at their JCR
 - No financial obligation on our part
 - Question: Are we involved with planning or just telling our constituents?
 - We wanted to be involved in the planning process, but we found out the details through a social media post
 - People on council want to be there to support social events but it gets tough to show up to them if they are all worded so we are welcome to come but not involved in the planning process, want to make sure we are not too saturated with events
 - Movie night /w winters (at alumni field)
 - Sometime in October, details still have to be worked out
 - Most likely will be inside but they will have to get back to us
 - Pub night (Location TBD)
 - On our own or maybe tell other colleges their constituents are welcome
 - Looking at on campus or near campus pubs, would provide drink tickets/appetizer subsidies for the first specific amount of people
 - Graduating class memory book
 - Have yet to decide if we want to do it with the incoming year or the outgoing year
 - Have everyone interested sign a guest book and write your name and a small message
 - This book gets kept with the college
 - Could do the first five years of students back-to-back and then the next year's socials can do this with the first years



- Spoke to Founders yesterday and said they wanted to do a collaborative event with all the colleges
 - Possibly a dance

- d. Vice President Athletics
 - BAC Committee
 - Just finished hiring for the whole year
 - Have about 20 general members, 8 senior members and 3 executive members
 - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1B7_jb-AYFPiPqN1JmYr15pISIkaniPS4xowacsmVs8I/edit
 - Council Sports Requirement
 - Council members have to play 2 sports a semester
 - For it to be counted as a league sport you need to go to 50% of the games which is playoff eligible
 - Playoff eligible is 1 less than half
 - Indoor sports start after reading week, will be putting in teams this week and next week as sports are filling up fast
 - Teams are filling up for outdoor sports, so let JP or Hassan know by the end of the week since teams have been created and registration has passed
 - If there are extenuating circumstances reach out
 - Fill out the Google Doc

- e. Outreach Directors
 - Frosh update
 - We did the Frosh prize draw and will be purchasing the prizes this week
 - Hopefully we will have them out by the end of the week, if not then next week for sure
 - Halloween party update
 - In contact with our charity and we were told how many kids will be participating so we will buy the supplies soon
 - Will be asking for volunteers soon

- f. Vice President Communications
 - Updated BPAC Team
 - Will create a document and put the names on Discord
 - We have a Director, Associates, and Executive Volunteers/Senior Volunteers
 - Volunteers are people who want to work on one-off tasks
 - Only the Director and Associates will have access to the council office
 - Merch situation



- In the process of getting merch
- Creating designs ourselves and asking constituents to make designs if they would like to
- Want to work with local artists
- Started messaging suppliers, waiting to finalize logos and designs
 - Will order a couple hoodies and t-shirt samples, see how they look, and if they are good then we can mass order
 - Will be meeting with Sumeyye next Friday to discuss the financial aspects of merch
- Hiring and structure
 - Director works closely with Hafiz and Yuri, next in command
 - Associates help out with all BPAC work
 - Likely going to be hiring 1 more associate and on the lookout for volunteers
- Council intros
 - Had a post up on Instagram but didn't verify that everyone liked their photos so it was taken down
 - Updated the website
 - Waiting until first year representatives and the Director of Finance are hired then do a big post
 - At some point before hiring it will be put in a story highlight
- BPAC space in office
 - We have a table set up in the main office
 - If anyone leaves anything not related to BPAC on there it will be removed
 - The table is for BPAC but also for directors and council
 - If consistently left dirty then other action such as not being allowed to use that space might be taken
- Google drive use update
 - Paid \$200 for a 1TB drive
 - The idea was that the communications team would be the hub using this drive
- Website(s) clarification
 - We have 2 websites – a main website for Bethune college which is bethunedragons.ca
 - There is another website called bethunecouncil.ca
 - That is to make finding critical information easy
 - There are 4 tabs – home (for general information), assets, contact information, and forms
 - Create an account using your personal email and request approval
 - Will put up a council calendar with meeting times and Zoom links
- Frosh content is on the way
 - The photo album is going to be coming soon
- Winters situation (what we are planning on doing)
 - If we are to collaborate, we need that information at least 2 weeks in advance



- If we do not receive that we won't be promoting it
- For any of those who want to talk more about our updates and comments, comms will have meetings on Mondays
 - Biweekly meetings
 - If you are not available, then message Yuriy or Hafiz on Discord

g. Head of the College

- I wanted to address BCC with some thank you's and some comments.
 - Thank you to everyone involved in Frosh week and Academic Orientation Day
- Clubs and Services
 - There have been new applications for clubs, but we had to hold off because SCLD leaves their applications open until the end of September
 - We don't know how many new clubs we are dealing with/how many are coming back until the end of the week
 - Peer tutoring started last week, PASS beginning this week, and the Writing Centre began taking appointments
 - Encourage first- and second-year students to take advantage of these resources
 - Coffee with Profs will take place tomorrow and the topic is prepping for midterms
 - Informal conversations with professors
 - Will do 2 or 3 this term and see how it goes
 - Aspects of writing from the Writing Centre
 - Involves speaking with professors and members of the fellows group
 - Will be doing 2 this term and 2 next term
- Science Student Caucus elections
 - Elections will be opening up Thursday morning
- Call for changes to the Constitution/Bylaws
 - In a council meeting we would bring up proposed changes and bring it up at the AGM at the end of November
 - We should explore the wording around equity, diversity, and inclusion so that as many people from diverse backgrounds can take part in BCC
 - Also asking clubs to have a more formal complaints process
 - Also looking into restructuring the constitution so we can more seamlessly add things by having more organized bylaws

4. MOTIONS



TITLE: BCC007 – Lasonde Rep Budget Motion

MOVER: Lasonde Representative

SECONDER: VP Athletics (JP)

WHEREAS: The Lasonde Representative is to hold events and other facilities for the constituent student bodies; A stated mission of the Council and/or its members is to help consolidate ties between the Lasonde and Bethune student bodies; The budget proposed by the Lasonde Representative is the following;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The budget proposed by the Lasonde Representative be approved and the necessary funds appropriated for the purposes outlined therein;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The Lasonde Representative will see each of the items in the budget proposal to completion, acquisition and distribution, to the best of their ability, unless the council agrees otherwise

RESULTS OF MOVEMENT TO TABLE MOTION: 8/0/0

TITLE: BCC009 – Athletics Budget 2022/2023

MOVER: VP Athletics

SECONDER: President

WHEREAS: The athletic budget is needed to register teams and will be used throughout the term to carry out equipment and operational needs of the committee.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Motion to approve the Bethune athletic committee's budget, found here: https://yuoffice-my.sharepoint.com/:x/r/personal/hassank8_yorku_ca/Documents/BAC%20Budget%202022%202023.xlsx?d=w666882bdb61b4121935cc92448699700&csf=1&web=1&e=HowBGB

RESULTS: 8/0/0

5. OTHER BUSINESS

- N/A

6. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Lasonde Representative

Seconded by: VP Athletics (JP)



7. MINUTES

Note: Minutes are not verbatim.

// BCC007 – Lasonde Rep Budget Motion

Masood – Did you bring up the budget in a finance meeting?

Pedro – I brought it to a finance meeting, but another budget was reviewed at that meeting and Sumeyye had to leave and that same day we also had a BCC meeting. We went to that meeting and then we decided that I hadn't fully clarified anything with Outreach. At that meeting we tabled it to the next meeting, so it was presented at a finance meeting but not reviewed.

Masood – It must be presented and reviewed, talked about and critiqued and when that is done you can make changes as reviewed by the committee. It hasn't been talked about yet at all. We can talk about it and vote on it but just to clarify it has not been talked about in a finance meeting yet in terms of breakdown.

Hassan – Although it was put off was your budget made public to the rest of the finance committee? Wouldn't it be the finance duty to review it even if not within a meeting per se?

Masood – If you wanted it brought up it could have been talked about at a finance meeting without you there. We could have talked about it, but we assumed you wanted to be there to tell us about it so that's why it wasn't brought up. The finance committee does not have access to it, the VP Finance does.

Vincent – We can table it again if you want.

Masood – Tabling it is an option. Is there anything urgent that needs to be talked about regarding the budget? When is your first event?

Pedro – It should be in about a month or 3 weeks.

Masood – There is a finance meeting next week and then we have a council meeting the week after so in those 2 weeks we can get it approved and that should work out. If you can't attend ask Sumeyye to go over the budget in the finance committee meeting.

Pedro – That would give me a week to contact clubs and teams, or we could postpone the event.

Masood – What we could do is once it is talked about in the finance meeting you could start contacting people, just without a financial obligation.

// Lasonde Representative moves to table BCC007.



// Vote on tabling BCC007.

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

// BCC009 – Athletics Budget 2022/2023

// Seconded by President.

Hassan – Are there any questions about the budget?

Ethan – Are the 2 gaming tournaments E-sports?

Hassan – Yes, we could do the tournaments together with socials but if socials want to back away from it that is understandable.

JP – Our budget is increased from last year’s athletics. There are a couple reasons why. Registration for teams has been raised, all team prices have been raised. Each team price was raised between \$5 and \$10. We also expect more teams to be put in because it is a full year. Last year we had 8 soccer teams, and we already have 13 which cost us around \$2500 alone and we haven’t even got to the winter semester. We are hosting more events which is a reason why the budget has raised, for example the gaming tournament and skating day so that is why it has increased. Another reason would be default prices also increased.

Hassan – We don’t plan on defaulting but sometimes defaults are unavoidable. With any sport there is a required number of players for the game to continue, there are certain arbitrary numbers that SIRC determines for the game to continue. If we reach a number of players less than that and if we don’t have enough players showing up, they automatically forfeit which is a default and we have to pay a fee because fields and courts have to be rented out by SIRC, but we are trying to avoid defaults.

JP - For the whole year we put \$1250 in defaults. Default from last year has been raised from \$25 to \$30 per default which is why we are adamant about not defaulting games. We have a lot of General Members so they can fill in for spots. Also, council if you are able to help us out with that since it does come out of our budget.

Masood – For equipment purchase did the price go up from last year or is it the same?

Hassan – It includes broken equipment that needed to be bought or repaired, things like badminton rackets. Tait rents them out, they charge constituents so we want to avoid constituents having to pay for equipment that we can provide for them. Softball for example where we need to make purchases of bats. In the breakdown there was a leftover amount of money, approximately \$554.64 and that is for equipment that is to be determined in the future. Whatever we might need which is a fallback in case we need to purchase other equipment.



JP – It was raised a bit from last year. For example, we have cleats for students to use which are worn out. We want to get new cleats because a lot of people aren't willing to buy their own cleats and it is dangerous. We want to have it as a backup because we want constituents to be safe. Cleats would fall in the leftover \$554.64.

Arman – At the end of the year after all registration fees are paid just be mindful of GL summary fees. Ask them so you know the breakdown for future years. Is it a certain charge per team we put in?

JP – Yes, it is per team we put in. It is \$220 for a soccer team. It is put into the team for the fee already.

Masood – At the end of the year we got a document saying these are the registration fees and there was a separate document called GL which was about \$1000.

Hassan – Can I motion to add a \$1000 increase to our budget if the surcharge is \$1000? It would fall under registration.

Arman – It is worth figuring out how much it is first, what if it is \$3000 or something.

Masood – What if we come back and it is more, then motion it again to increase it by \$3000 so we might as well figure out what it is and motion to increase it altogether.

Arman – It was over \$1000 in my year so it would be more than that.

// Motion to table the amendment to BCC009 indefinitely.

Hassan – I wanted to talk about merch sales. This refers to what we are expecting our sales to be which is \$4000. That is subtracted from our budget but those are just numbers that we are projecting. We are working with BPAC on finding a company for merch. We would subsidize up to 40%.

Yashna – Is the merch for BAC?

JP – It is for constituents. For more expensive items we could subsidize more, and we could increase the price of shirts to make more expensive products cheaper for students.

Hassan – Merch sales of \$4000 is a number we are projecting but if you take away that number (and we would subsidize items up to 40%) the net expense total is \$35,571.76 and that is only because the \$4000 that was projected would cut our budget costs down, but we are taking that out. The total budget expense would be \$35,000 and that is the actual budget.

JP – It would be \$36,000 but we removed 1 of our events. It was reduced by \$1000 because we removed learn a game night so that is \$1000 we are saving.



Masood – For honorarium did you take it out in the new budget?

JP – We revised it, it would be \$1800, not \$2000.

// Meeting paused due to loss of quorum at 9:33 p.m.

// Meeting resumed at 9:36 p.m. due to re-establishment of quorum.

Masood – We are reworking honorarium, and we don't know how much we will be using up, table honorarium for now and we will revisit it later as we did with comms. Should we do the same for athletics?

Arman – Technically speaking because BPAC and BAC aren't part of BCC their honorarium doesn't have to stem there so there is a loophole but regardless we want to rework or have more accountability for the BAC and BPAC honorarium system. We can do that, but the athletics exec is a lot of work so regardless I figured the sum would remain the same and put in a more structure-based system.

Hassan – I want to highlight the changes. Honorarium changed from \$2000 to \$1800. The total is \$35, 871.71.

Arman – To clarify the change on the budget they are setting aside \$5000 for the merch and there is 40% subsidization. It is not that it is \$4000 revenue, that is combined with the comms merch budget which is \$12,000 total. \$4000 revenue is not projected anymore.

// Vote on BCC009.

For: 8

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Meeting Adjourned: 9:42 p.m. EST

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. EST