



# College of New Caledonia

## Students' Union

January 15, 2026

### MINUTES

#### Meeting - College of New Caledonia Students' Union (1-725)

##### Executive Committee Members present:

Holden Deley	Trades Industry and Technology Representative
Varun Kumar	Pride Students' Representative
Kerry Thomas	Upgrading and Access Representative
Calder Azak	Indigenous Representative
Vibha Bhatia	Women Students' Representative
Merrill Ringwood	Quesnel Campus Representative
Akashdeep Singh	Business and Management Representative

##### Executive Committee Members absent:

Lindsay Orlandi	Health Sciences Representative
Arth Vaghela	University Studies Students' Representative

##### Confluence Editor Member present:

Aszha Ela Badiola	Confluence Editor
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##### Students' Union Staff present:

Damon Robinson	Membership Outreach Coordinator
Kartik Verma	Office and Services Coordinator
Jasvir Singh	Organizer
Carman Hill	Quesnel Campus Coordinator

##### Students' Union Staff absent:

Navjot Brar	Executive Director
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#### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER- 1:27 pm

##### 1.1 GREETINGS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LHEIDLI T'ENNEH

I would like to acknowledge the First Peoples of the territory and value the contributions they have made to the community of Prince George. We are grateful for being able to do our work on the unceded Traditional Territories of the Lheidli T'enneh Nation.

#### 2.0 ADOPTIONS

## **2.1 ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT AGENDA**

**01/15/2026            MOTION- 1**

Thomas/ Kumar

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted.

## **2.2 ADOPTION OF MINUTES TO PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**01/15/2026            MOTION- 2**

Thomas/ Bhatia

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Executive Meeting Minutes be ratified.

## **3.0 STANDING BUSINESS**

### **3.1 NO MOTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

## **4.0 NEW BUSINESS**

### **4.1 Motion to approve \$150 for women-to-women on January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**01/15/2026            MOTION- 3**

Bhatia/Thomas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$150 for women-to-women on January 23<sup>rd</sup> has been approved.

Women to Women is scheduled adding a yoga session led by instructor Melony, followed by tea and muffins, on 23 January 2026.

### **4.2 Motion to approve \$100 for open mic event on January 28<sup>th</sup>**

**01/15/2026            MOTION- 4**

Bhatia/Kumar

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$100 for the open mic event on January 28<sup>th</sup> has been approved.

Kumar mentioned that the date is tentative and is in discussion with Brar regarding timing and logistics for the event. The plan is to reschedule this event to February 2026, considering pre-event preparations. Robinson noted that the dynamics of this event will differ from our usual events, requiring full team support on campus. Snacks will be ordered from McDonald's, along with some beverages.

**4.3 Motion to grant Isabella Georgoulas speaking rights for the duration of motion 6.**

**01/15/2026 MOTION- 5**

Bhatia/ Thomas

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Isabella Georgoulas' speaking rights for the duration of motion 6 have been approved.

Robinson mentioned that the speaking rights are limited to motion number 6, with Georgoulas sharing some plans for upcoming events.

**4.4 Motion to ratify the Fine Arts Club and approve the \$200 startup grant and \$500 matching grant.**

**01/15/2026 MOTION- 6**

Bhatia/ Kumar

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Fine Arts Club approves the \$200 startup grant and \$500 matching grant.

Robinson reviewed the club's requirements and confirmed that the club is eligible for ratification and grants. However, Robinson clarified that approval of the club does not include approval of its bylaws.

Georgoulas shared information about the Intermarry event, including planning details:

- Fine Arts Club activities will include student tables, local tables, an art gallery, and an optional door prize.

The Student Union is asked to support by setting up a sex education table, providing pizza and pops for attendees, and having a photo booth along with a craft table for Valentine cards.

There are more motions coming, as the team is still working on plans. Currently, this motion is for the Fine Arts Club ratification is being presented, Robinson added.

Georgoulas hopes to invite high school students interested in fine arts from 11:00 to 1:00, offering pizza and pops, while other parts of the event will be for community members. The goal is to include career and art classes in the event.

Bhatia also shared that the tables are booked for the event taking place on February 13, 2026.

**5.0 REPORTS**

## **5.1 Regional Development**

### 5.1.1 Quesnel Campus

The Ping-Pong event has been rescheduled for later due to students' unavailability for exams. Ringwood shared that due to classes and personal commitments, future availability in the Union may be limited.

## **5.2 Indigenous Students' Committee**

Please refer to the Slack for the report shared.

## **5.3 Women Students' Committee**

Meeting with the Education Council, a women-to-women event, and Georgoulas for future planning. Thomas and Bhatia will be doing some classroom talks this month.

## **5.4 Pride Students' Committee**

EDIB will be starting a speaker series soon. Samantha has reached out to CNC about collaborating for movie night, and we are still waiting for any future details. A review of Unity Lounge policies from Robinson has been requested. Kumar is preparing for the Director at Large position and working closely with Robinson and Brar. The emails will be sent to all the locals with the update.

This month's Board of Government meeting was cancelled. We are planning to organize a Threads of Culture event this year, possibly collaborating with CNC, Kumar added.

## **5.5 Program Representatives**

### 5.5.1 Business and Management

### 5.5.2 Health Sciences

### 5.5.3 University Studies

### 5.5.4 Upgrading and Access

Thomas has had a couple of classroom talks over the past two weeks. There will be a club meeting tomorrow, which will include ARC to introduce a presentation about traditional medicines and an app where people can see all Indigenous events. Robinson mentioned on digital banners that an agreement has been reached to provide the banners, and we will need to work with the team to accommodate and manage the supply responsibility properly.

### 5.5.5 Trades, Industry, and Technology

## **5.6 Office and Services Coordinator Report**

## **5.7 Membership Outreach Coordinator Report**

5.7.1 Volunteers

5.7.2 Outreach

## **5.8 Organizer Report**

## **5.9 Executive Director Report**

## **5.10 Confluence Editor Report**

## **5.11 Staff Relations & Discussions**

5.11.1 Staff availability and time away

## **5.12 Executive Committee Decorum & Discussions**

## **5.13 College Governance Boards Report**

5.13.1 Board of Governors

5.13.2 Education Council

## **5.14 BCFS Provincial Executive Report**

5.14.1 Vancouver consult meeting

## **5.15 CNCSU Internal Committees**

5.15.1 Events Committee

5.15.2 Campaigns Committee

5.15.3 Services Committee

5.15.4 Finance Committee

5.15.5 Policies Committee

5.15.6 Hiring Committee

## **5.16 Student College Committees**

5.16.1 Curriculum Committee

5.16.2 SEM Success and Retention

5.16.3 Convocation Committee

5.16.4 Orientation Committee

5.16.5 Complaint Resolution Committee (only share progress, not the actual content)

5.16.6 Hiring Panels

## **6.0 OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**6.1 Scheduling for the next executive meeting: February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026.**

**6.2 ADJOURNMENT (ORDER OF THE DAY)**

**01/15/2026            MOTION- 7**

Thomas/ Bhatia

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting adjourned on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 2:01 PM