



College of New Caledonia

Students' Union

August 19th, 2025

MINUTES

Meeting - College of New Caledonia Students' Union

CALL TO ORDER – 10:08 AM

Executive Committee Members present:

Holden Deley	Trades Industry and Technology Representative
Akashdeep Singh	Business and Management Representative
Varun Kumar	Pride Students' Representative
Kerry Thomas	Upgrading and Access Representative
Geetanjali	Women Students' Representative
Lindsay Orlandi	Health Sciences Representative
Calder Azak	Indigenous Representative

Executive Committee Members absent:

Merrill Ringwood	Quesnel Campus Representative
Arth Vaghela	University Studies Students' Representative

Confluence Editor Member present:

Kartik Manchanda	Confluence Editor
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Students' Union Staff present:

Jasvir Singh	Organizer
Damon Robinson	Membership Outreach Coordinator
Navjot Singh	Executive Director

Students' Union Staff absent:

Carman Hill	Quesnel Campus Coordinator
Leila Abubakar-Depenau	Executive Director
Kartik Verma	Office and Services Coordinator

GREETINGS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LHEIDLI T'ENNEH

2.0 ADOPTIONS

2.1 ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT AGENDA

08/05/2025

MOTION- 1

Thomas/Azak

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted.

2.2 ADOPTION OF MINUTES TO PREVIOUS MEETINGS

08/05/2025 MOTION- 2

Geetanjali/Kumar

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the August 5th, 2025, Executive Meeting Minutes be approved, amended to include appropriate attendance as Leila Abubakar-Depenau was incorrectly listed as present.

3.0 STANDING BUSINESS

NO MOTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

4.0 NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Motion to approve \$100 for a CNCSU Club Night on September 5th

08/19/2025 MOTION- 4

Thomas/Warring – Kumar and Geetanjali abstain.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$100 be approved for the September 5th, 2025 CNCSU Club Night.

Jasvir talks about the opportunity to collaborate with a local nightclub. Jasvir said the budget was to only cover the ticket printing which cost around \$50.

4.2 Motion to approve \$900 for cupcakes for CNC orientation on September 2nd

08/19/2025 MOTION- 5

Thomas/Kumar – Unanimous

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$900 has been approved to purchase cupcakes for the CNC Orientation and September 2nd, 2025

The CNCSU has made semesterly commitments to supporting CNC orientation through food contributions. This year, the Union has ordered 800 cupcakes, a dollar each. With delivery costs the estimated total price could be closer to \$900. Geetanjali asks if there are delivery costs and recommends that we check previous payments to see if there is a need for delivery costs.

4.3 Motion to approve \$700 for CNCSU Karaoke Night on September 13th

08/19/2025 MOTION- 6

Kumar/Thomas - Unanimous

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$700 has been approved to host the CNCSU Karaoke Night on September 13th, 2025

Karaoke night has been an event that consistently runs around orientation weeks, the plan is to test the success and longevity of the event as the previous Karaoke Night had low attendance. If the turnout is low, then the Union will have to look at different event options moving forward. \$200 is planned for food, \$200 is planned for equipment rentals and the remaining \$300 is for other expenses.

4.4 Motion to approve \$200 for cookies and icing for the consent pop up fair on September 16th

08/19/2025 MOTION- 7

Geetanjali/Azak - Unanimous

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$200 has been approved to purchase cookies and icing for the Consent Popup Fair on September 16th, 2025

The Union plans to collaborate with CNC during the September 16th Consent Popup fair by hosting tables for a Cookies and Consent activity. The budget is meant to cover the costs of cookies as well as icing/decorations.

4.5 Motion to approve \$1,500 for pizza and soda on CNC SU Day on September 3rd

08/19/2025 MOTION- 8

Warring/Kumar - Unanimous

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$1500 has been approved to purchase pizza and soda on CNC SU Day, September 3rd 2025

The Union is planning on hosting CNC SU Day the day following orientation. Most of the team is scheduled to be in the Gathering Place. The \$1500 is meant primarily for food costs as the CNC SU orders pizza and soda for students. Jasvir was successfully able to get a discount that has lowered to the total cost by a considerable amount.

4.6 Motion to approve \$250 for Foodsafe level 1 for 4 of our representatives

08/19/2025 MOTION- 9

Thomas/Kumar - Unanimous

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$250 be approved to pay for Foodsafe Level 1 for 4 of our representatives.

The Union is planning on covering the cost of Foodsafe Level 1 for Kerry, Calder, Akash, Arth to ensure they are able to participate in Union events that have food as part of the event.

4.7 Motion to approve \$250 for a Movie Night in October

08/19/2025 MOTION- 10

Orlandi/Azak

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$250 be approved for a scheduled Movie Night in October.

Lindsay reports that she is planning a movie night for late September or early October with October 2nd being a tentative date. Lindsay plans to spend her budget conservatively with \$250 including a buffer. The plan is to have the movie night in the CNC Lecture Theatre. Kerry states that with Truth and Reconciliation Week that there are plans in the Lecture Theatre. Lindsay states that she can move it to be a week later to accommodate.

4.8 Motion to amend the Agenda to appoint the electoral committee.

08/19/2025 MOTION- 11

Deley/Azak

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Holden Deley, Lindsay Orlandi, Akashdeep Warring, Damon Robinson and Navjot Brar be appointed as members of the Electoral Committee.

The CNCSU Bylaws state that the makeup of the Electoral Committee is 3 Members of the Union, 1 staff member. Since the bylaws state that the makeup must include members not be seeking reelection, this committee will be called into question come March for the Spring Elections.

5.0 REPORTS

5.1 Regional Development

5.1.1 Quesnel Campus

5.2 Indigenous Students' Collective

Azak reports that he is working with the Aboriginal Resource Centre on TRC Week. Azak has reported that there is one submission currently for the Orange Shirt Day. Azak mentions that Darlene from the ARC has requested a total amount remaining of the previous years Orange Shirt Budget.

5.3 Women Students' Committee

Geetanjali reports that she has met with community partners such as the Northern Women's Centre and Foundry. She is planning collaboration events with these partners. Geetanjali is talking about a collaborative event and promotion outreach effort with Positive Living North, with the organization coming to campus. Geetanjali is planning a women-to-women group in September.

5.4 Pride Students' Committee

Kumar starts by clarifying his position on abstaining from Motion 3, expressing concerns regarding safety around that type of event. Kumar goes over his upcoming event schedule that he is planning. Kumar is reporting that there are potential leadership changes in the Pride Club and Accessibility Club due to varying issues. J Singh asks more about these concerns, and Kumar clarified his position by referring to previous instances. Kumar also reported his work with International Education regarding payment plan issues, reporting that the situation has been resolved.

5.5 Program Representatives

5.5.1 Business and Management

Warring has provided his report. Warring talked about his concern regarding a Marketing course and the seats available for the lab components. Damon reported that he will look into it further and get back to Warring.

5.5.2 Health Sciences

Lindsay has provided her report. Lindsay talks about her busy orientation schedule, and if more classroom talks are coming. Damon reports that most instructors are coming back to campus this week or next week, so more classroom talks are to be scheduled.

5.5.3 University Studies

5.5.4 Upgrading and Access

Thomas provides his report. Thomas reports that he is working on supporting the Aboriginal Resources Centre and the DRIC committee on TRC Week in late September. Thomas also has been fielding multiple classroom talks that are being scheduled throughout September

5.5.5 Trades and Technology

Thomas provides his report. Thomas states that the month has been fairly inactive, with all the planning going towards Fall orientation and events.

5.6 Office and Services Coordinator Report

5.7 Membership Outreach Coordinator Report

5.7.1 Volunteers

5.7.2 Outreach

Robinson reports that classroom talks are becoming finalized for September. Robinson gives his plan on increasing club recruitment and leadership activities in collaboration with Geetanjali.

5.8 Organizer

J Singh gives his report on the world that he has been doing. J Singh states that he has been assisting students in advocacy concerns regarding the Registrar and timelines. J Singh reminds the board that he needs support at planned events and details the importance of Representative participation. J Singh also talks about the planned meeting with the CNC Executive in early September.

5.9 Executive Director Report

Brar reports that he will be performance reviews for all CNCSU Staff starting this week, with documents already provided to staff and scheduled performance meetings to be booked soon.

5.10 Confluence

Verma gives his report, with the next Magazine coming out on August 27th, 2025. Verma also mentioned that the Editorial Committee has selected Greeshma Jose, Kevin Dharmani and Evanglika Charan as the winners of the \$200 Confluence Bursary for this year.

5.11 Staff Relations/ Discussions

Kumar gives his report. Kumar talks about how we can change our communication avenues to give everyone a better idea of attendance from Staff and Representatives. Kumar gives the request that the Union has a more active approach to feedback and communication so there is more clarity as the Fall semester will be busy.

5.12 Executive Committee Decorum/ Discussions

J Singh reminds the board of the decorum that has been agreed to, and how attendance and timeliness will become more and more important going into September.

5.13 College Governance Boards

5.13.1 Board of Governors

Notice of election will be sent in the first week of September, Singh J, shared.

5.13.2 Education Council

5.14 BCFS Provincial Executive

Azak reports that the BCFS is scheduling a training session for a new campaign that is to be revealed in September.

5.15 CNCSU Internal Committees

5.15.1 Events Committee

The events committee has met, with the scheduled events being listed in Slack. Kumar reminds the board that October is still tentative with schedules to be confirmed.

5.15.2 Campaigns Committee

5.15.3 Services Committee

5.15.4 Finance Committee

5.15.5 Policies Committee

Robinson reports that policies 2.0 – 2.6 have reached their final drafts, and are going to be sent to Abubakar-Depenau and Brar for final review before it is brought to a future Executive Committee meeting.

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 process progress rate, not the actual content)

5.16.6 Hiring Panels

6.0 OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

A meeting with the CNC executive is scheduled for September 18th. Invitations have been sent, and attendance is required.

6.2 Scheduling the next Executive Meeting: September 2025.

6.3 ADJOURNMENT (ORDER OF THE DAY)

08/05/2025

MOTION- 12

Kumar/Azak

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting adjourned on August 5th, 2025, at 12:10 PM