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MOTION PASSES FOR A NAME CHANGE IN THE OFFICE OF CAMPUS LIFE

SACKVILLE, NB — On Monday, July 27th, 2015, the office of Vice President Campus Life was renamed the office of Vice President Student Life. Former Vice President Campus Life (now Vice President Student Life), Ryan LeBreton, brought a name change report to council on Monday, June 1st 2015. LeBreton tabled the motion until the next meeting of council, which was set by the Students' Administrative Council's (SAC) Chairperson, Andrew Johnson, for July 27th 2015.

The reason for the name change was primarily due to SAC's decision to eliminate the positions of on- and off-campus councillors made on February 9th 2015. This decision also concurrently eliminated the off-campus affairs committee.

"Due to the elimination of all geographical distinctions – except for my position [Vice President Campus Life] – I felt that it was appropriate to ensure that students realize that this portfolio adequately represent all students' issues," says Vice President Student Life, Ryan LeBreton. "The name change will hopefully demonstrate that the students' union is here to act as a spokesperson on their behalf. My portfolio is not simply an event planner, in fact other than supervising the entertainment director I am completely at arms from that. I strongly believe the precedent of this position name now reflects it's true role and responsibilities, and will allow students to feel like someone is on their side."

"It's important for an organization to have a set of governing documents that are in line with their practices and interests. This change is an important step forward in that regard," says Vice President Finance & Operations, Alex Lepianka, who worked with LeBreton on the report.

"The name change reflects the position's responsibilities much better. The role of this office is to act as a spokesperson for students for any non-academic issue[s] they have on campus. These issues can range from safety and security to discrimination, which are not exclusive to students who live on campus. The name now demonstrates that this office will represent all students and not be limited by geographical representation," says LeBreton.

The Mount Allison Students' Union represents all full- and part-time undergraduate and graduate students at Mount Allison University in Sackville, New Brunswick.