

University of Regina Students' Union
Board of Directors' Meeting – URSU Boardroom
11/02/2018

Meeting Minutes

Present:

Derrick Gagnon, Vice President Operations and Finance
Jermain McKenzie, Vice President Student Affairs
Allyson Watson, Indigenous Students
Sourvdeep Singh, Faculty of Arts
Harmanpreet Sidhu, Faculty of Business
Carly Hill, Campion College
Jashneet Kaur, Students with Disabilities
Usman Shafiq, Faculty of Engineering
Harmeet Singh, International Students
Barzany Ridha, Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies
Jacq Brasseur, LGBTQ Students
Dakota Kaufman, Luther College

Radhika Bansal, Part Time Students
Juliet Bushi, Chairperson
Carl Flis, General Manager

Regrets (More than 24 hours notice):

N/A

Absent (Less than 24 hours notice):

Ramanpreet Singh, Faculty of Science
Vanessa Paynenburg, Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research
Muhammad Khan, Francophone Students
Keisha Desjarlais, First Nations' University of Canada
Heather O'Watch, Vice President External Affairs

Navjot Kaur Makkar, Women

1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:39 pm

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the Agenda for November 2, 2018.
- b. Approval of the minutes of the October 19, 2018 board meeting. (Jacq, noted that it was not clear who moved to end the executive session in the last meeting).
- c. Adoption of the Executive and Director reports.
- d. Next meeting to be held on November 16, 2018.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the URSU Board of Directors approves the Consent Agenda.

Moved: Carly
Second: Barzany
Motion: Carried

Be resolved that a motion be added to the agenda to extend meeting time

M: Jermain
S: Radhika
Motion Carried

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST / CONFLICT OF COMMITMENT DECLARATION

4. PRESENTATION

- a. URISA Constitution - Bhamandeep Singh
- b. 2018 By-Election Report - Chief Returning Officer - URSU to consider date of elections as this past By-Election was held during Thanksgiving.
CRO- proposed new voting methods such as Writing reports only.
Progression of a voting period may have caused a lot tension as there were lots of complaints from students. URSU to look at credibility of votes as alumni who have access to UR-Self Serve could have being allowed to vote.
People having biased decision on your board...

Enter into Executive Session (In-camera)

Move: Jermain
Second: Usman & Jacq
Carried

Approval of the confidential minutes
Exit Executive Session

Move:
Second:

5. OLD BUSINESS

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- a. URISA ratification

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. WHEREAS URSU recently held a by-election to fill the vacancy of the position of President; and, WHEREAS the Elections Committee received several complaints regarding potential violations of the Election and Referendum By-Law by candidates in the Presidential race; and, WHEREAS the Elections Committee has now completed its investigation into these alleged violations and has presented its findings to the Board;

BE IT RESOLVED, given the disqualification of Sukhdeep Brar, that the result of the 2018 By-Election for the position of President declaring Shawn Wiskar as the winner is hereby ratified; and,
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT URSU makes the CRO's By- Election Report available on its website.

Moved: Jermain
Second: Jacq

Abstain: 3
Opposed: 11
In Favour: 0
Motion defeated

B. WHEREAS URISA has presented their constitution to the board

WHEREAS URSU has elected the Governance committee to work with ISA in editing the ISA constitution

BE IT RESOLVED that the following Board members have now accepted to volunteer in the Governance committee on developing their constitution. Jermain, Dakota, Jacq, Carly, Harmeet, & Jashneet.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that URSU ratify the URISA constitution to develop an effective constitution by January 5th, 2019 at which point if it is not, we will resend their ratification

Moved: Harmanpreet

Second: Radhika

Carried

- b. WHEREAS the most recent Collective Agreement between URSU and CUPE Local 1486 expired December 31, 2015; and,

WHEREAS the bargaining committees of URSU and CUPE have recently concluded bargaining deliberations and have reached consensus as to the terms and conditions of a new agreement;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the URSU Board of Directors ratifies the new Collective Agreement for the period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2020 as presented and hereby authorizes its execution.

Moved: Jacq

Second: Derrick

Carried

- c. WHEREAS the current Board Meeting Policy states that the set end time for the meeting will be three (3) hours after the set start time;

WHEREAS many past Board Meetings have had to adjourn prior to all agenda items being discussed;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the URSU Board of Directors amends the Board Meeting Policy (3.3.3) to state that the set end time for the meeting will be four (4) hours after the set start time;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board Meeting Policy be amended to state, under 3.3.7.1., and additional thirty (30) minutes. The vote to extend in this instance requires a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority.

Moved: Jermain

Second: Harmanpreet

Carried

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Amend: BE IT 3.3.7.2. Instead of unanimous it will be $\frac{2}{3}$ majority

Moved: Jermain

Second: Harmeet

Oppose: 11

In Favour: 2

Abstain

- d. WHEREAS the current Board Meeting Policy states that the set end time for the meeting will be three (3) hours after the set start time;

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board Meeting Policy be amended to state, under 3.3.7.2., that meeting continues indefinitely to discuss specific agendas with $\frac{2}{3}$ majority;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that 3.3.7.2 a) be added to the Board Meeting Policy, which reads: All board members who choose to leave the meeting will be voluntarily withdrawing their participation in any conversations or motions that take place after they leave.

Move: Jacq

Second: Jermain

Carried

D. WHEREAS there are concerns about neutrality of the CRO

WHEREAS there are concerns of one candidate who had similar circumstances as the other

BE IT resolved that URSU consult a third party to investigate and mediate the result and

complaints regarding the by-election by Nov 9

Moved: Jermain

Second: Usman

Abstain: Derrick

Committee is selected to select a third party mediator- Barzany, Harmeet, Harmanpreet, Radhika, Souravdeep, Jermain, Jacq

8. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Motion to extend the meeting by 20min

Move: Jashneet

Second: HARmanpreet

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BUSINESS

(i) Finance and Audit Committee-

(ii) Investment Committee- Sourvandeep

(iii) Governance Committee- Jermain to send out a Doodle pool to meet up to discuss further agenda items

(iv) Events Committee- Navjot, Harmanpreet, Jermain, Sourvandeep

(v) Social Responsibility & Sustainability Committee- Harmanpreet, Allyson, Jermain

Navjot

(vi) Human Resources Committee- Harmanpreet

MOtion: Extend the meeting to indefinite

Moved: Jacq

Second: Radhika

10. ADJOURNMENT:

- a. Meeting adjourned at

Moved:

Second: