

University of Regina Students' Union
Board of Directors' Meeting – URSU Boardroom
01/15/2019

Minutes

Present:

Shawn Wiskar, President
Derrick Gagnon, Vice President Operations and Finance
Jermain McKenzie, Vice President Student Affairs
Barzany Ridha, Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies
Dakota Kaufman, Luther College
Allyson Watson, Indigenous Students
Harmanpreet Sidhu, Faculty of Business
Radhika Bansal, Part time Students
Jacq Brasseur, LGBTQ Students
Usman Shafiq, Faculty of Engineering
Harmeet Singh, International Students
Jashneet Kaur, Students with Disabilities

Carl Flis, General Manager

Regrets (More than 24 hours notice):

Carly Hill, Campion College

Absent (Less than 24 hours notice):

Muhammad Khan, Francophone Students
Souravdeep Singh, Faculty of Arts
Navjot Kaur Makkar, Women

1. CALL TO ORDER

a. 4:45pm

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the Agenda for January 15, 2019.
- b. Approval of the minutes of the December 14, 2018.
- c. Adoption of the Executive and Director reports filed by the appropriate deadline.
- d. Next meeting to be held on January 29, 2019.

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

Moved: Dakota Kaufman

Second: Radhika Bansal

Carried

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST / CONFLICT OF COMMITMENT DECLARATION

4. PRESENTATION

- a. UR Intramurals
- b. International Student Association
- c. UR Muslim Student Association

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. WHEREAS URSU Members are confused and expressing their discontent with URSU's Board of Directors on URSU social media;

WHEREAS the URSU Board has discussed numerous times about the importance of accountability and transparency to our members;
AND WHEREAS URSU Members have been asking for an opportunity to communicate with the leadership;
BE IT RESOLVED that URSU hold a Special General Meeting within the month of February;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that URSU Members will be able to submit motions up to five business days prior to the Special General Meeting;

Moved: Jacq Brasseur
Second: Barzany Ridha
Carried

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- a. Status of Chair recruitment - Jermain
- b. Status of ISA constitution - Jermain
 - i. Meeting with student next Wednesday. Governance committee to meet with the student next Wednesday to discuss governance issues.
- c. Perpetual standing Board meeting dates- Carl
 - i. Considering fixed consistent board meeting dates. Several other SU's do this. Doodle process is difficult to accommodate the needs of everyone. If set dates are available, people can schedule their lives around the meetings.
- d. Executive performance reviews
 - i. Initiated last year. Should another performance review be conducted this month in January. HR committee will take the lead on this to offer feedback to executive performance.
- e. University Council positions
 - i. Council Discipline Committee- 1 member
 1. Barzany Ridha
 2. Allyson Watson- Alternative
 - ii. Council Committee on Academic Mission- 1 member
 1. Shawn Wiskar
 - iii. Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies - 1 member
 1. Harmeet Singh
 - iv. Council Committee on Student Appeals- 2 members
 1. Usman Shafiq
 2. Derrick Gagnon

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. WHEREAS URSU Board Members are responsible for completing their reports prior to Board Meetings; and,
WHEREAS URSU Members pay \$50 per meeting to Board Members to fulfill their obligations by attending and being ready for Board Meetings;

BE IT RESOLVED that URSU Board Members will not be paid for the associated meeting if their reports have not been filed prior to the meeting;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this change be implemented for the January 29th board meeting.

Moved: Jacq Brasseur
Second: Barzany Ridha

Abstained: Harmanpreet, Harmeet, Radhika Bansal
Carried

- b. WHEREAS the Board of Directors recently approved some amendments to the Board Meeting Policy at its November 2, 2018 meeting; and, WHEREAS such amendments were deliberated without a blackline version of the previous version being available; and, WHEREAS additional amendments regarding clarification as to the definition of quorum is recommended;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors approved the revised version of the Board Meeting Policy as presented.

Moved: Dakota
Second: Allyson
Carried

- c. WHEREAS the UR Intramural Association has presented their funding request to the URSU Board of Directors for their upcoming conference to Boston.

BE IT RESOLVED that the URSU Board of Directors funds the UR Intramural Association in the amount of \$7000.

Moved: Derrick
Second: Jacq
Carried

- d. WHEREAS the The International Students' Association has presented their funding request to the URSU Board of Directors for their upcoming event, international night.

BE IT RESOLVED that the URSU Board of Directors funds the The International Students' Association in the amount of \$8000.

Moved: Derrick
Second: Harmeet

Be it resolved that this motion be tabled to the Jan 29th meeting
Moved: Harmeet

Second:Radhika
Carried

- e. WHEREAS the URSU executive has solicited candidates to fill the position of CHAIR for the remainder of the 2018-2019 academic term.
WHEREAS the Candidate Matt Leisle has the skills and ability to serve URSU in the capacity of chair well.
BE IT RESOLVED THAT URSU offer a contract Matt Leisle as the CHAIR for the remainder of the 2018-2019 Academic term.
Moved: Jacq
Second: Harmeet
Carried

- f. WHEREAS the The Muslim Students' Association has presented their funding request to the URSU Board of Directors for their upcoming event, Islamic Awareness Week.

BE IT RESOLVED that the URSU Board of Directors funds the The Muslim Students' Association in the amount of \$6,650.

Moved: Derrick
Second: Radhika

AMENDMENT
BE IT RESOLVED that the URSU Board of Directors funds the The Muslim Students' Association in the amount of \$5,000.
Moved: Jacq
Second: Barzany
Carried

Motion as amended Carried

8. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Enter into Executive Session (In-camera - subject to agenda being circulated 48 hours in advance)

Move: Jermain McKenzie
Second:Harmeet Sidhu

Carried

- b. Approval of the confidential minutes

Move: Barzany Ridha
Second:Harmanpreet Sidhu
Carried

- c. Discussion items
- d. Exit Executive Session

Moved: Derrick Gagnon
Second: Dakota Kaufman

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BUSINESS

(i) Finance and Audit Committee

(ii) Investment Committee

Will be meeting with Conexus and Thrive to discuss investments next meeting

(iii) Governance Committee

(iv) Events Committee

Events committee to meet to discuss mental wellness week.

(v) Social Responsibility & Sustainability Committee

(vi) Human Resources Committee

10. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

11. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- a. WHEREAS the The International Students' Association has presented their funding request to the URSU Board of Directors for their upcoming event, international night.

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Moved: Derrick
Second: Harmeet

Be it resolved that this motion be tabled to the Jan 29th meeting

Moved: Harmeet
Second: Radhika
Carried

12. UPCOMING EVENTS

- a. Frost Week- Wed-Friday this week
- b. OurTurn survey open until Jan 31st- link available

13. ADJOURNMENT:

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:25

Moved: Dakota
Second: Usman
Carried