

University of Regina Students' Union
Board of Directors' Meeting – URSU Boardroom
02/25/2020

Minutes

Attend	Report	Name	Position	Attend	Report	Name	Position
L	L	Victor Oriola	President	P	Y	Mark Matthies	Faculty of Nursing
			VP Operations and Finance	A	Y	Jashneet Kaur	Faculty of Science
P	L	Harmeet Singh	VP Student Affairs	P	Y	Selma Babini	Faculty of Social Work
			VP External	P	Y	Michael Shorting	First Nations' University of Canada
P		Jacq Brasseur	Campaigns and Equity				LaCite Students
			Campion College	P		Karlene Pruden	Indigenous Students
			Continuing Education	A		Adekoya Oluwanifemi	International Students
P	Y	Alfred Adenuga	Faculty of Arts				LGBTQ Students
P		Amit Kumar Bansal	Faculty of Business Administration	P	Y	Kiegan Lloyd	Luther College
P	L	Rylan Jensen	Faculty of Education	P	Y	Songhoprio Khan	Part Time Students
A	Y	Tanaya Sharma	Faculty of Engineering	P	Y	Katlyn Richardson	Students' with Disabilities
A	Y	Rajbir Singh	Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research	P	Y	Amandeep Kaur	Women Students
P	L	Barzany Ridha	Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies	Y	Y	Carl Flis	General Manager
P		Melissa Barrows	Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance	Y		John Lax	Chair

P - present R - provided regrets more than 24 hours in advance A - absent L -Late

Minimum number required to attain quorum - 11

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by John Lax.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the Agenda for February 25, 2020.
- b. Approval of the minutes of the February 4, 2020 board meeting.
- c. Adoption of the Executive and Director reports filed by the appropriate deadline.
- d. Next meeting to be held on March 10, 2020.

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

Kiegan Lloyd/Amit Kumar Bansal.

Carried.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST / CONFLICT OF COMMITMENT DECLARATION

None.

4. PRESENTATION

- a. YWCA "Here for Her" campaign presentation - Alexis Losie
- b. PEC Funding presentation - University of Regina Iranian Society
- c. PEC Funding presentation - Cougar Racing
- d. PEC Funding presentation - University of Regina Kin Games Club
- e. PEC Funding presentation - University of Regina Korean Student Association

All presentations were completed by 6:11 pm.

5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Business Students' Society - Discussion was had around the delay in reaching an agreement with the BSS in relation to its PEC and governance relationship with URSU. An agreement is expected to be forthcoming soon.

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- a. Q3 financial update - Nick Oleynick, Accounting Manager, URSU Administration presented. Conversation was held around certain points but no significant concerns were raised.
- b. SuperCon - update - Victor Oriola presented. The event was considered worthwhile for networking purposes and alignment with other Students' Unions (SU) across the country. It was also a "good investment" in terms of federal advocacy, with three of six initiatives being committed to by the government.
- c. PEC Funding policy - Jacq Brasseur addressed. Neil Middlemiss is reaching out to other SUs to determine what matrices they use to outline policy and practice. Progress is being made.
- d. Plebiscite question - Carl Flis discussed the "CFS Out" campaign. The board passed the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT URSU include a plebiscite question on the ballot of the upcoming General Election regarding current and future transfer of student fees to CFS.

**Victor Oriola/Rylan Jensen.
Carried.**

- e. Information Sharing Agreement - Carl Flis informed the board an agreement has been reached with the university which will allow URSU access to student email addresses - enabling direct communications. There is no ability to share the lists with student centres, but there is capacity to enable them to send things out through the same list.

7. NEW BUSINESS

YWCA "Here for Her"

After discussion, the board chose to support the YWCA's "Here for Her" campaign through its social media and communications channels. There was some concern about "noise" and message crowding given the campaign occurs the same week as the General Election - March 9 to 13, 2020. Nonetheless, the campaign is worthwhile and there is no reason to not support it.

The board also explored ways to better partner with the YWCA and highlight those services that would most align with student needs.

WHEREAS the University of Regina Iranian Society (ratified) has submitted an application and made a presentation requesting support for its Nowruz 2020 event;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that URSU provides PEC funding to the University of Regina Iranian Society in the amount of \$1,200.

**Songhoprio Khan/Mark Matthies.
Carried.**

WHEREAS Cougar Racing (not ratified) has submitted an application and made a presentation requesting support for the design and build of a baja racing vehicle to compete in the Society of Automotive Engineers Collegiate Design Series in Peoria, IL;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that URSU provides PEC funding to Cougar Racing in the amount of \$5,000.

**Mark Matthies/Rylan Jensen.
Carried.**

WHEREAS the University of Regina Kin Games Club (ratified) has submitted an application and made a presentation requesting support for several delegates to attend the annual Kinesiology Games to be held in Niagara Falls, ON;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that URSU provides PEC funding to the University of Regina Kin Games Club in the amount of \$1,000.

**Mark Matthies/Harmeet Singh.
Carried.**

Kiegan Lloyd opposed.

Motion to extend the board meeting to no later than 9:30 pm.

**Victor Oriola/Rylan Jensen.
Carried.**

WHEREAS the University of Regina Korean Student Association (ratified) has submitted an application and made a presentation requesting support its annual cultural festival event;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that URSU provides University of Regina Korean Student Association in the amount of \$3,000.

**Victor Oriola/Harmeet Singh.
Carried.**

The board noted that the KSA cultural festival was an easy funding decision with a \$7 ticket price which made it student-focused and student accessible - a great selling point for PEC and URSU mandates.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BUSINESS

- (i) Finance and Audit Committee - none.
- (ii) Investment Committee - none.
- (iii) Governance Committee - ongoing projects, meeting coming up.
- (iv) Events Committee - none.
- (v) Social Responsibility & Sustainability Committee - none.
- (vi) Human Resources Committee - ongoing work.

10. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

None.

11. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- a. University of Regina Filipino Students' Association - PEC Funding request

12. UPCOMING EVENTS

- a. February 26 - URSU Cares Breakfast
- b. February 28 - nomination deadline
- c. February 28 - all candidates' meeting with the CRO - mandatory

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by John Lax at 8:37 pm on a motion by Victor Oriola.