

**University of Regina Students' Union
Board of Directors' Meeting
09/08/2020**

**Via videoconference
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Minutes

Attend	Report	Name	Position	Attend	Report	Name	Position
P	Y	Gurjinder Singh Lehal	President	P	L	Josée Pelletier	Faculty of Nursing
P	L	Gurkirat Singh	VP Operations and Finance	P	Y	Marmikkumar Patel	Faculty of Science
P	L	Zeo Li	VP Student Affairs	P		Selma Babini	Faculty of Social Work
			VP External				First Nations' University of Canada
A		Oghenerukevwe Jegede-Ikpen (Rooky)	Campaigns and Equity				LaCite Students
			Campion College	A		Karlene Pruden	Indigenous Students
			Continuing Education	P	Y	Md Abul Hossain	International Students
P	L	Alfred Adenuga	Faculty of Arts				LGBTQ Students
P	Y	Mehar Singh	Faculty of Business Administration	P	Y	Kiegan Lloyd	Luther College
			Faculty of Education				Part Time Students
P Late - 5:18	Y	Imtiyaz Ahmed	Faculty of Engineering	P	Y	Katlyn Richardson	Students' with Disabilities
A		Isaac Atayero	Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research	A	L	Uniniafore Jegede	Women Students
P		Destinni Bentz	Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies	P	Y	Carl Flis	General Manager
			Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance	P		John Lax	Chair

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

Minimum number required to attain quorum - 9

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 pm by John Lax.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the Agenda for September 8, 2020.
- b. Approval of the minutes of the August 11, 2020 board meeting.
- c. Adoption of the Executive and Director reports filed by the appropriate deadline.
- d. Next meeting to be held on September 22, 2020.

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

Destinni Bentz/Zeo Li.

Carried.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST / CONFLICT OF COMMITMENT DECLARATION

John Lax, Chair, declared a conflict of interest regarding 6b. - as a senior-level manager with the provincial government & a candidate in the upcoming municipal election.

4. PRESENTATION

- a. Social media support - Carl Flis asked board members to share Welcome Week activities on social media channels.
- b. First Quarter Financial update - Gurkirat Singh presented the Q1 financials which have been significantly impacted in multiple ways by the pandemic - lower revenue, lower expenses, adjusted rebates etc.
- c. Proposed mentorship program - Josée Pelletier and Zeo Li presented. All faculty program to help new students acclimate to university life. Would be general with mentors and mentees from across the university with no requirement for stream-to-stream matching of students involved. Outreach, training and launch would take place in fall 2020.

5. OLD BUSINESS

None.

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- a. Community Service Month - Zeo Li presented - the proposal is to establish a community service month, engaging students to support community initiatives and community-based organizations.
- b. Provincial election strategy - Zeo Li presented around a proposal to engage political parties heading into the provincial election. It was established that any effort would be non-partisan, URSU will explore options.
- c. Monitoring the effectiveness of online delivery - Carl Flis presented that students are concerned about online delivery. Any effort to address will need to happen early on.

Gurjinder Lehal Singh will take the lead in developing a plan for discussion in the next meeting.

- d. Strategic planning session - Carl Flis addressed the need to gather and discuss the strategic planning session that will be required sometime in the near future.
- e. Questions regarding submitted reports - question regarding a "Status for All" rally in August. The cause began in response to COVID-19 and international students and migrants are at particular risk and struggling to manage the crisis with added risk.
- f. Recruit Marketing Intern rather than hire a new marketing manager? - Carl Flis wasn't aware that this was going to be on agenda.

7. NEW BUSINESS

WHEREAS Nifemi Adekoya has tendered her resignation as Vice-president External Affairs due to unforeseen personal circumstances that made her eligibility for the position no longer valid;

BE IT RESOLVED that the URSU Board of Directors hereby acknowledges the resignation of Nifemi Adekoya.

*Josée Pelletier/Gurkirat Singh.
Carried.*

WHEREAS the Governance Committee has undertaken the task of reviewing URSU's policies, and;

WHEREAS; the Governance Committee has made recommendations for changes/improvements to those policies recently reviewed;

BE IT RESOLVED that the URSU Board of Directors hereby approves the following policies as presented;

- ***Disability Accommodation Policy***
- ***Conflict of Interest and Conflict of Commitment Policy***
- ***Varsity Club Athletic Board - TOR***
- ***URSU Board HR Committee Policy***
- ***PEC Funding Policy***
- ***PEC Funding Procedures (subject to change)***
- ***PEC Funding Scheme Scoring Matrix - Members***
- ***PEC Funding Scheme Scoring Matrix - Student Groups***

*Zeo Li/Gurkirat Singh.
Carried.*

WHEREAS the Zeo Li and Josee Pelletier have presented an outline for a University of Regina mentorship program;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that URSU provides Board Promotions funding in the amount of \$3,000 to the group to establish the program, with administrative structure forthcoming.

*Imtiyaz Ahmed/Md Abdul Hossain.
Carried.*

8. OTHER BUSINESS

9. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- a. President
- b. VP Operations and Finance
- c. VP Student Affairs
- d. VP External Affairs

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BUSINESS

- (i) Finance and Audit Committee
- (ii) Investment Committee
- (iii) Governance Committee
- (iv) Events Committee
- (v) Social Responsibility & Sustainability Committee
- (vi) Human Resources Committee

11. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Approval of August 15, 2020 Minutes

12. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- a. CCR Program progress
- b. Update on Mentorship Program

13. UPCOMING EVENTS

- a. Welcome Week!!!

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by John Lax at 7:26 pm on a motion by Gurjinder Singh Lehal.