



09 14 2021 URSU Board meeting Minutes

U of R Students' Union
Sep 14, 2021 at 5:00 PM CST
@ Zoom

Attendance

Members Present:

Imtiyaz Ahmed, Ruth Asfaw, Emily Camposano, Jiaolin (Amber) Chen, Ariana Gargabite, Mathieu Gauvin, Isabella Grajczyk, Ziyang Li, Kiegan Lloyd, General Manager, Tim Otitoju, Abhi Patel, Harshkumar Patel, Aditya Pathak, Katlyn Richardson, Jashanpreet Singh, Manveet Singh, Hannah Tait

Members Absent:

Harveer Singh, Pawanpreet Singh

Mathieu Gauvin arrived late, previous notice was received

I. CALL TO ORDER (Presenters: Tim Otitoju)

Please indicate your attendance as "Remote"

Please respect the "camera on" policy.

Please make yourself familiar with the updated Board Meeting Policy.

QUORUM REQUIRED

II. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (Presenters: Tim Otitoju)

The Students' Union of the University of Regina Inc. is situated on and operates on Treaty 4 lands with a presence in Treaty 6. These are the territories of the nêhiyawak, Anihšīnāpēk, Dakota, Lakota, and Nakoda, and the homeland of the Métis/Michif Nation. Today, these lands continue to be the shared Territory of many diverse peoples from near and far.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A. Approval of the Agenda for September 14th, 2021.

B. Approval of the minutes of the August 10th, 2021 Board Meeting.











Note. This will approve the full set of minutes which include executive session. There will no longer be a need to approve public minutes. Public minutes will be these official minutes less any content under Executive Session.

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C. Adoption of the Executive and Director reports filed by the appropriate deadline.

 [Business 09.05.2021.pdf](#)

 [Campion 09.11.21.pdf](#)

-  [FGSR 09.09.2021.pdf](#)
-  [International 09.05.2021.pdf](#)
-  [La cité 09.12.2021.pdf](#)
-  [Luther 09.12.2021.pdf](#)
-  [Science 09.05.2021.pdf](#)
-  [Women 09.11.21.pdf](#)
-  [VPSA Report 09.14.2021 .docx](#)
-  [Presidents Report 09.11.2021.docx](#)
-  [Director of Part Time Students 09.13.2021.pdf](#)
-  [Disabilities September14.pdf](#)

D. Acknowledgement of reports submitted after the appropriate deadline

E. Next meeting to be held on September 28th, 2021.

Starting the second Tuesday of September and continuing bi-weekly on Tuesdays thereafter through to the month of April, with the exceptions of Christmas break, Frost Week, and winter Reading Week.

Motion:

The Consent Agenda is hereby Approved

Motion moved by Ziyang Li and motion seconded by Hannah Tait. Carried

IV. CONFLICT OF INTEREST / CONFLICT OF COMMITMENT DECLARATION

V. PRESENTATIONS

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. MOTION: Member at Large / Committee Appointments (Presenters: Hannah Tait)

Proposed motion By Hanna Tait in attached document

 [URSU Committees.docx](#)

Motion:

WHEREAS the Committee to find Members at Large consisting of Aditya Pathak, Kiegan Lloyd, and Hannah Tait have followed terms of reference approved at the August 10th URSU Board meeting and conducted the appointment process.

WHEREAS URSU has multiple committees that require multiple non board members.

WHEREAS URSU would like to provide more experiential learning and member engagement.

WHEREAS other committees within URSU have 4-6 non board members on the committees.

WHEREAS extra member at large spots on the committees going into the fall semester is beneficial to empower new members with an opportunity to shape their student union.

BE IT RESOLVED that the following committees have the following members for the 2021-2022 year, and increase the number of members at large in the noted committees:

Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Accessibility:

VP SA- Ziyang Li (non-voting member)

6 Board Members

1. Imtiyaz
2. Katlyn Richardson
3. Jiaolin (Amber) Chen
4. Mathieu Gauvin
5. Isabella Grajczyk
6. Ariana Gargabite

6 members at large

1. Peace
2. Azba
3. Basmah
4. Olufemi
5. Elise

Human Resources

5 Board Members

1. Harveer Singh (Chair)
2. Ariana Gargabite
3. Harsh Patel
4. Jiaolin (Amber) Chen
5. Ruth Asfaw

4 members at large

1. Steven
2. Nahn
3. Evan
4. Yaksh

Social Responsibility and Sustainability

General Manager

5 Board Members

1. Ziyang Li
2. Isabella Grajczyk
3. Mathieu Gauvin
4. Kiegan Lloyd
5. [Emily Camposano](#)

1 member at large (*increase to up to 5 members at large*)

1. Shaftkat
2. Mimpy

Events

5 Board Members

1. Imtiyaz
2. Katlyn Richardson
3. Jiaolin (Amber) Chen
4. Harsh Patel
5. Manveet Singh

3 members at large (*increase to up to 5 members at large*)

1. Samantha
2. Sheyda
3. Emmanuela
4. Akhil

Governance

President- Hannah Tait

7 Board Members

1. Ziyang Li
2. Imtiyaz
3. Ariana Gargabite
4. Harsh Patel
5. Abhi Patel
6. Harveer Singh
7. Ruth Asfaw

2 members at large (*increase to up to 5 members at large*)

1. Style
2. Alfred
3. Bronwyn

Digital Advisory

4 Board Members

1. Hannah Tait
 2. Aditya Pathak
- 4 members at large
1. Zakiyyah
 2. Mohamad
 3. Princewill

Investment

the Vice President of Operations and Finance,
the General Manager,
the Accounting Manager
the Executive team
2 Board Members

1. Aditya Pathak
2. Imtiyaz Ahmed

Finance and Audit

Hannah Tait
Harveer Singh
Accounting Manager
General Manager

Motion moved by Hannah Tait and motion seconded by Kiegan Lloyd. Carried

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Motion:

Resignation of Director VP External

WHEREAS Pawanpreet Singh has tendered his resignation as Director and VP External;
BE IT RESOLVED that the URSU Board of Directors hereby acknowledges the resignation of Pawanpreet Singh, Director and VP External and;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that URSU thanks Pawanpreet for his contributions to URSU;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the resulting vacancy will be filled at the next bi-election.

Motion moved by Hannah Tait and motion seconded by Isabella Grajczyk. Carried

Discussion occurred about the workload for executives especially the workload for international students running for executive position.

<https://www.ursu.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Executive-Committee-and-Executive-Roles-1.pdf>

- A. Plastic bottle recycling vending machine (Presenters: Ziyang Li)

See attached document

 [Bottle Recycling Vending Machine Proposal.pdf](#)

Presentation <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1g!BwqckWg-Tld8xUZWjzger9-k7l6LdZK3qX28tcq0/edit?usp=sharing>

This agenda item will be brought back to the next board meeting with answers to the questions ask and more provide more information.

B. First Nations University Student Association: Proposed Motion by GM Talha Akbar (Presenters: General Manager)

"Whereas URSU and the FNUniv Student Association (FNUSA) have multiple partnership agreements, and

Whereas FNUnivSA is building and developing into a resilient and independent student association and;

Whereas URSU has negotiated with FNUnivSA where 50% of membership dues students at FNUniv's campuses are provided to FNUSA , and;

Whereas FNUSA's Northern and Saskatoon campuses need more funding and support in the immediate in their efforts to represent FNUSA and URSU's joint members; and

Whereas URSU is committed to supporting FNUSA's efforts and goals, which will better serve the interests of our joint members, therefore:

Be It Resolved That URSU voluntarily provide an additional 40% of the fees paid by members from FNUniv Saskatoon and Prince Albert to the respective student organizations representing these students, namely FNUSA Saskatoon and FNU Northern Campus SA,

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Motion:

Presenters: General Manager

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Motion moved by Hannah Tait. Carried

VIII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

A. ULead Training Update. (Presenters: Hannah Tait)

It will start in early October.

B. Welcome week update / review (Presenters: Pawanpreet Singh, Hannah Tait)

Welcome week was a success, great to see board members at the different events. Hannah is encouraging more board members to come out and meet students.

C. COVID, Vaccinations and transitional semester (Presenters: Hannah Tait)

Hannah will provide the most up to date information on the covid situation and will be looking for feedback from the board

The university requires mandatory vaccination. They are planning on giving more time to international students arriving. We have to be sensitive to peoples choices to be vaccinated or not vaccinated. The university will require the records to be uploaded in the UR self service. Vaccination records can be obtained through e-health portal. Once the information of the process is confirmed by the university, URSU will communication to its members. The University also will communicate to the students.

D. Proctortrack Updates (verbal) (Presenters: Hannah Tait)

The University has not changed its position about Proctortrack. URSU President is advocating for Proctortrack to not be used. Studies are showing that people of colour and people with disability are having issues being flagged by proctortrack.

E. Recreation and Athletic Fee

See Attached document

 [RAF.docx](#)

If the RAF is not charged, we may lose some of the sport teams. However, last year we didn't have sports and fitness etc, so where did the money go to? Concern also raised about student outside of Regina attending the school virtually still having to pay, or outside the Regina campus having to pay.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Motion to Enter into Executive Session

Motion:

Motion to enter executive session

- B. Motion to Exit Executive Session

Motion:

Motion to exit executive session

Motion moved and motion seconded.

X. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- A. President (Presenters: Hannah Tait)

 [Presidents Report 09.11.2021.docx](#)

Board of Governance meeting occurred yesterday. More update in the next president report

- B. VP Operations and Finance

- C. VP Student Affairs (Presenters: Ziyang Li)

 [VPSA Report 09.14.2021 .docx](#)

- D. VP External Affairs

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BUSINESS

- A. Finance and Audit Committee

- B. Investment Committee

- C. Governance Committee

- D. Events Committee

- E. Social Responsibility & Sustainability Committee

- F. Human Resources Committee

- G. Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Committee

XII. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

XIII. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Presentation from the financial auditor - MNP

Presentation from Hannah Tait or someone from the indigenous community about indigenous rights

XIV. UPCOMING EVENTS

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn

Motion:

Motion to adjourn

Motion moved by Hannah Tait and motion seconded by Emily Camposano. Carried