



December 21th Board Meeting Minutes

U of R Students' Union

Dec 21, 2021 at 5:00 PM CST

@ Hybrid Model (zoom and in person)

Attendance

Members Present:

Imtiyaz Ahmed, Emily Camposano, URSU Chairperson, Jiaolin (Amber) Chen, Ziyang Li, Kiegan Lloyd, Manveet Singh, Ruth Asfaw, Ariana Gargabite, Mathieu Gauvin, Isabella Grajczyk, Eric Horbal, General Manager, Harshkumar Patel, Aditya Pathak, Katlyn Richardson, prabhjot singh, Harveer Singh, Hannah Tait

Members Absent:

Emmanuella Nnebeife, Abhi Patel, Jashanpreet Singh

I. CALL TO ORDER (Presenters: URSU Chairperson)

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: URSU Chairperson)

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, Anihšínāpēk, 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

Motion:

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Motion moved by Emmanuella Nnebeife and motion seconded by Ruth Asfaw. Carried

A. Approval of the Agenda for December 21th , 2021.

 [December 7th Board Meeting Minutes for approval.docx](#)

Motion:

Approval of the Agenda for December 7th , 2021.

Motion moved by Kiegan Lloyd and motion seconded by Emmanuella Nnebeife.
Carried

B. Approval of the minutes of the Dec 7th, 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.

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

 [Presidents Report 12.18.2021.docx](#)

 [VPSA Report 12.21.docx.pdf](#)

 [Science 12.18.2021.pdf](#)

 [Engineering 12.17.2021.pdf](#)

 [Disabilities 12. 21. 21.docx](#)

D. Acknowledgement of reports submitted after the appropriate deadline

E. Next meeting to be held on January 11st, 2021.

IV. CONFLICT OF INTEREST / CONFLICT OF COMMITMENT DECLARATION

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. Strategic Planning (Presenters: Hannah Tait)

Prix Consulting (picked)

Suggested to invite non board members to the consulting meeting (suggestion)

B. Return to Campus Check in (Presenters: Hannah Tait)

C. Governance Review (Presenters: Hannah Tait)

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Committee Policy Update (Presenters: Hannah Tait)

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 [URSU Committee Policy December 2021.docx](#)

Motion:

Approve the Committee Policy Update as presented

B. Referendum Proposal 1: Student Legal Advocacy Centre

Whereas allegations of academic or non academic misconduct are serious concerns for students, and

Whereas tenant issues and other areas of the law affect students, and;
Whereas a service which addresses students' advocacy needs with regards to the law and to quasi-legal issues, and
Whereas the general cost of legal advocacy for students is exorbitant, and
Whereas by pooling resources students can create a space for the development of legal advocacy that would benefit students for generations, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the University of Regina Students' Union Board of Directors approve the following referendum question to be put forward to members of URSU in the 2021 General Election, at the recommendation of the Executive Committee:
"Do you support a \$1.5 dollar per credit per semester fee indexed to CPI to provide Legal Advocacy and Advocacy services to students through the funding of the Regina Student Legal Advocacy Centre?"

Motion:

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

Friendly amendment. Change 2021 to 2022 General Elections.

C. Referendum Proposal 2: Saskatchewan Provincial Student Union

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Whereas there is no provincial organizing body for student rights, student justice, and student issues for student unions to collaborate under, and
Whereas a key element of the dysfunction of student organizing provincially is the lack of a body to organize that is funded and supported by students, and
Whereas the University of Regina Students' Union is working to build its efforts on advocacy and campaigns,
and
Whereas an important effort for URSU is to help steward the creation of a Saskatchewan Provincial Student Union, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the University of Regina Students' Union Board of Directors approve the following referendum question to be put forward to members in the 2021 General Election: *"Do you support the creation of and membership in the Saskatchewan Provincial Students Union, to advocate for the interest of students at the provincial level, for \$2.5 per semester indexed to CPI?"*

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Motion:

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Motion moved by Kiegan Lloyd and motion seconded by Ruth Asfaw. Carried

VIII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

A. Executive Tuition Reimbursement Policy Update (Presenters: General Manager)

Whereas the HR Committee and Governance Committee are reviewing the Executive Tuition Reimbursement Policy, and Whereas for the fall semester the HR Committee has made a recommendation for the fall 2021 semester that executives be reimbursed for 2 courses for the fall semester after a report is submitted to the General Manager and HR committee on activities they have completed that semester, therefore: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the URSU executives be reimbursed for two courses instead of one for the fall 2021 semester.

Motion:

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Motion moved by Kiegan Lloyd and motion seconded by Imtiyaz Ahmed.

The executive left the room due to potential conflict of interest with motion

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion:

Enter to EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion moved by Imtiyaz Ahmed and motion seconded by Hannah Tait. Carried

A. Motion to Enter into Executive Session

Discussion on Executive Tuition Reimbursement Policy Update

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Discussed was done in camera session (executive session)

1. HR Issues (Presenters: General Manager)
2. General manager review proposal

 [General Manager Review process proposal.docx](#)

B. Motion to Exit Executive Session

Motion:

Exit EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion moved by Hannah Tait and motion seconded by Ruth Asfaw. Carried

X. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- A. President (Presenters: Hannah Tait)
- B. VP Student Affairs (Presenters: Ziyang Li)
- C. VP Operations and Finance (Presenters: Harveer Singh)
- D. VP External Affairs (Presenters: Basmah Almassalem)

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
- H. Digital Advisory Committee

XII. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

XIII. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

XIV. UPCOMING EVENTS

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn

Motion:

Motion to adjourn

Motion moved by Emmanuella Nnebeife and motion seconded by Ruth Asfaw. Carried