

University of Regina Students' Union
Board of Director's Meeting – URSU Boardroom
Monday, June 27, 2016

Minutes

Present:

Brad Lulik, Interim Chairperson
Jermain McKenzie, President
Matt Mutschler, Vice President (Operations and Finance)
Abby Rutko, Vice President (External Affairs)
Shawn Wiskar, Vice President (Student Affairs)
Maria Aman, Part Time Director
Faith Ogundipe, Arts Directors (Entered at 6:08pm)
Sena Debia, Kinesiology Director (Entered at 6:19pm)
Eric Holloway, Business Director (Left at 7:15pm)

Regrets:

Derrick Gagnon, Campion Director
Emily Barber, LGBTQ Director

Absent:

Umar Ahsam , International Students' Director
Umair Aslam, Graduate Students' Director
Sam Dietrich, Engineering Director

Guests:

Debbie Mihial, Acting National Representative (CUPE Saskatchewan Region)
Suzanne Posyniak, Acting Regional Director (CUPE Saskatchewan Region)
Neil Petrich, President of CUPE Local 1486
Melanie Chodak, President of Social Work Students' Society

1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:02pm (At the call of the Chairperson)

2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON

- a. BE IT RESOLVED THAT Brad Lulik be appointed Interim Chairperson for June 27, 2016.
Moved Eric Holloway
Second: Maria Aman
CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

- a. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the URSU Board of Directors approve the agenda for June 27, 2016
Moved: Eric Holloway
Second: Jermain McKenzie
MOVED

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the URSU Board of Directors approve the minutes of the May 16, 2016 URSU board meeting.
Moved:
Second:
POSTPONED

5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST / CONFLICT OF COMMITMENT DECLARATION

6. PRESENTATIONS

- a. 2015/2016 Audited Financial Statements (MNP Auditor)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board move into Executive Session

Moved: Jermain McKenzie

Second: Eric Holloway

CARRIED

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board move out of Executive Session

Moved: Jermain McKenzie

Second: Eric Holloway

CARRIED

- b. Canadian Union of Public Employees (Suzanne Posyniak)
- c. Board Orientation: Session 1 (Carl Flis)
- d. 2016/2017 Budget Presentation (Matt Mutschler)

7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ be appointed as the CFS-SASK representative for Local 09.
Moved:
Second:
POSTPONED
- b. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the circulated employment contract for the position of Chairperson be approved.
Moved:
Second:
POSTPONED
- c. BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ be appointed Chairperson for the 2016/2017 academic term.
Moved:
Second:
POSTPONED

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2015/2016 Audited Financial Statements be accepted by the Board.
Moved: Eric Holloway
Second: Matt Mutschler
CARRIED
- b. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the proposed 2016/2017 operations budget be by the Board.
Moved:
Second:
POSTPONED

- c. WHEREAS URSU has funds allocated to funding projects, events, and conferences (PEC).
WHEREAS the Iranian Students' Association hosted the Persian New Year during the 2015/2016 URSU fiscal year.
WHEREAS the event had a deficit of \$2691 and URSU funded the event in the amount of \$1,540.64 (remaining balance of the student sponsorship budget line).
WHEREAS they are seeking further assistance in covering the costs of this event.
BE IT RESOLVED THAT URSU funds the Iranian Students' Association in the amount of \$1,150.36.
Moved:
Second:
POSTPONED

9. EXECUTIVE AND DIRECTOR REPORTS

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BUSINESS

11. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Tabling fees (Emily Barber)
- b. Executive funding decision summary (Matt Mutschler)
- c. Discretionary Fund disclosures
- d. Report on conferences attended by staff
- e. Report on conferences attended by executive
- f. Executive Session (In-camera)

12. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

13. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

14. NEXT MEETING: Monday, July 11, 2016

15. ADJOURNMENT: 9:30pm

Moved: Faith Ogundipe
Second: Sena Debia
CARRIED



Executive Report June 27th, 2016

President

● Meetings/Relations work

- Attended Stakeholder's Conference put on by Student Care
- Attended CFS Bi-Annual General Meeting
- Attended first meeting of Campus Building Advisory committee (RE: new building to include dining hall, student space and faculty space)
- Had our URSU strategic planning retreat and worked out most of our plans for the year
- Met with USSU and discussed issues around best practices and possible collaborations

● Owl Renovations

- Looking to be closed for most of July for Renovations
- Developing programming ideas for the coming year (Reaching out to Salsa instructors to see if they would be interested in putting on a Salsa night throughout the Fall semester)

● U-Pass

- Getting ready to roll out our advertisement campaign
- Talking to Regina Transit to see the possibility of having a few Ads on a couple of buses (Meeting will take place in July)

● Budget

- Budget reviewed by Executive

● Reviews/Planning

- Constitution
- Policies
- Planning to hold by-elections and AGM in the Fall

● Community Outreach

- Partnering with the Regina Food Bank for the Fall to help students in need
- Meeting with Conexus Rep. to discuss events we can collaborate on over the coming year
- I will be sitting on the Regina Living Wage Advisory Board



VP Operations and Finance

- **Budget finalization**
 - Executive tuition discussion
- **Executive retreat**
 - Sessions
 - Strategic planning
 - Bonding (minus Shawn)
 - I caught a fish
- **URSU vs. USSU**
 - Welcome Week discussion
 - Comparison of roles
 - CFS discussion
 - Anechoic chamber
- **Student-care Stakeholder Conference**
 - Sessions
 - Toured downtown office
 - Student legal insurance
 - On campus call booth
- **Council Discipline committee hearings**
- **Lunch meeting with John Smith and Student Affairs**
- **Photo shoot with UR International**
- **Senate meeting**
 - Moment of silence for invocation



Financial Disbursements

- **Executive retreat:**
 - Houseboat: \$1,537.50
 - Groceries: \$407.13
 - Park entrance fee: \$45.00
- **URSU Invades USSU:**
 - Hotel: \$335.50
 - Dinner: \$233.25

 - Total travel costs: \$408.66
- **Executive Discretionary fund disbursements:**
 - VP Operations and Finance: \$471.89
 - VP Student Affairs: \$140.80
 - VP External Affairs: \$0
 - President: \$368.77



VP External

- **Welcome Week**
 - Wednesday
 - Club Fair
 - Societies on the Green
 - Food Trucks
 - BBQ
 - Beer Gardens
 - DJ on the Green
 - Trivia Night
 - Movie on the Green
 - Thursday
 - Local Market
 - Food Trucks
 - Activities on the Green
 - Beer Gardens
 - DJ on the Green
 - Rams Tailgate Party
 - Casino Royale
 - Friday
 - Beer Gardens
 - Food Trucks
 - Games on the Green
 - Music Festival
 - After Party at the Owl
- **Connectivity**
 - Have been in contact with a few other schools to combine and brainstorm event ideas
- **Owl Calendar**
 - Events



VP Student Affairs

- **Meeting with Pauline Tressler**
 - Discussed URSU's role with on campus Daycare
- **Club Ratifications**
 - New Club Ratifications:
 - UR Cheer
 - Living Stone Youth Fellowship
 - Smile Creators
 - Robotics of University of Regina Club
- **Lunch with John Smith and his Team**
 - Discussed OWL joining the meal plan
- **Meeting With Bettina**
 - Food options on campus and student issues
- **Attended CFS**
 - Report to follow
- **Pride Parade**
 - 6 URSU members walked in the parade with other student centers



General Manager Report Presented to the URSU Board of Directors June 27, 2016

OWL Renovations:

- Project divided into tentative phases
- First phase to commence in July (paint, ceiling tiles)
- Electrical in ceiling not to code

CUPE

- Collective bargaining ceased as CUPE could not provide Certification Order
- CUPE has since filed for Certification
- Collective bargaining will resume if CUPE Local 1486 is ratified

Human Resources

- One employee on short term disability
- One employee on maternity leave
- Administrative Coordinator position still open – not filling until fall

Master Lease Agreement

- Finalized and agreement in principle
- Final edits to agreements being done this week
- Classroom to be sold for \$150K

Financial

- Transition underway to move banking services from TD to Conexus
- New credit cards expected this week
- CGL insurance renewed with new provider – Cooperators

Conferences

- Amiccus-C, COCA, CHMA – debrief sessions this month
- Executive retreat