# University of Regina Students' Union Board of Directors' Meeting – URSU Boardroom 01/11/18

#### **Minutes**

#### Present:

Jermain McKenzie, President
Derrick Gagnon, Vice President (Operations and Finance)
Shawn Wiskar, Vice President (Student Affairs)
Harris Khan, Vice President (External Affairs)
Colton MacDonald, Arts Director
Sena Debia, Kinesiology Director
Carly Hill, Campion Director
Rishabh Dutta, Engineering Director
Stephen Le Nouail, Francophone Director
Hamza Tariq, Science Director
Imran Ahamed, Graduate Students' Director
Dakota Kaufman, LUSA Director

Devon Peters, Chairperson Carl Flis, General Manager

Regrets (More than 24 hours notice):

N/A

## Absent (Less than 24 hours notice):

Rylan Jensen, Education Director
Eman Mohammed, Business Director
Rashid Jahan, International Students' Director
Pete Kytwayhat, Aboriginal Director
Skyler Anderson, First Nations University Students' Director
Khansa Irfan, Women's Director

## 1. CALL TO ORDER 4:32pm

# 2. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the Agenda for January 11th, 2018
- b. Approval of the minutes of the December 7th, 2017 board meeting.
- c. Adoption of the Executive and Director reports.
- d. Next meeting to be held on January 25th, 2018.

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

Moved: Shawn Whiskar Second: Carly Hill

**CARRIED** 

## 3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST / CONFLICT OF COMMITMENT DECLARATION

#### 4. PRESENTATION

a.

# 5. OLD BUSINESS

## 6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

a. Elections and Referendum By-law (Dakota and Rishabh arrived during discussion @ 4:30)

b. Project, Event and Conference Funding Procedure

(Rashid Jahan departed @ 6:06 P.M.)

#### 7. NEW BUSINESS

a. WHEREAS the Elections and Referendum By-law was last reviewed in 2014, and;
 Whereas various sections of the by-law required revisions that would improve the efficiency of the electoral process and make various rules, regulations and procedures within the by-law more clearly defined;

BE IT RESOLVED that URSU adopts the revised bylaw dated January 11, 2018 as presented.

Moved: Second:

POSTPONED pending amendments

b. WHEREAS URSU is establishing procedures for the application process for accessing the Project, Event and Conference (PEC) funding line item

BE IT RESOLVED that URSU adopts and implements the Project, Event and Conference Procedure as presented.

Moved: Colton MacDonald Second: Derrick Gagnon

**CARRIED** 

c. WHEREAS the URSU Emergency Bursary fund exist to help students faced with sudden and unexpected financial challenges, and;

Whereas URSU had budgeted \$30,000 for the fund in the 2017-2018 budget, and;

Whereas the funds have been exhausted for the year due to a growing number of students in need of help, and; Whereas it is prudent to expect that students will be in need of assistance this semester,

BE IT RESOLVED that the board approves an adjustment to the budget and that an additional \$20,000 be made available for the Emergency Bursary Program for the Winter 2018 semester.

Moved: Jermaine MacKenzie

Second: Harris Khan

**CARRIED** 

d. WHEREAS a draft of a new Election and Referendum Bylaw has been reviewed by the board and is subject to ratification pending minor amendments, and;

Whereas Election Officials are required for the upcoming General Election;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board authorizes URSU staff to proceed with recruitment for the positions of CRO, DRO and Student-at-Large.

Moved: Shawn Wiskar Second: Colton MacDonald

**CARRIED** 

- e. BE IT RESOLVED that URSU appoint the following members to the ad-hoc Elections Official Hiring Committee;
  - Stephen Le Nouail
  - Imran Ahamed

Moved: Sena Debia Second: Dakota Kaufman

CARRIED

ABSTENTION: Harris Khan, Derrick Gagnon

#### 8. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Enter into Executive Session (In-camera)

Move:

Second:

Approval of the confidential minutes Exit Executive Session

Move:

Second:

# 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BUSINESS

- **10. NOTICE OF MOTIONS**
- 11. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA
- 12. UPCOMING EVENTS
  - a. URSU Threads January 30-31st
  - b. Frost Week Monday Skate night,

Tuesday - Breakfast & Film Night,

Wednesday - DJ @ Owl

c. Kin Student Society - Winter Formal @

Conexus Arts Centre -

d. RESS Beerfest - 20th January

# **13. ADJOURNMENT:**

a. Meeting adjourned at 6:39 Moved: Shawn Wiskar