

**University of Regina Students' Union**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**RC Multipurpose Room**  
**October 24, 2019**

***Minutes***

**1. CALL TO ORDER - 12:15 pm**

**2. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

Quorum established

**3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**4. APPROVAL OF THE CHAIRPERSON**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT John Lax be appointed Chairperson for the 2019 URSU Annual General Meeting.

Moved: Victor Oriola  
Second: Usman Khan  
Motion: CARRIED

**5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the URSU Membership approve the agenda for the October 24, 2019 Annual General Meeting.

Moved: Victor Oriola  
Second: Usman Khan  
Motion: CARRIED

**6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**6.1.** BE IT RESOLVED THAT the URSU Membership approve the minutes of the February 14, 2019 Special General Meeting.

Moved: Jacq Barasseur  
Second: Katlyn Richardson  
Motion: CARRIED

**7. EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

**7.1.** Vice President Student Affairs

Harmeet Singh presented.

**7.2.** Vice President External Affairs

Karminder Singh presented.

**7.3.** Vice President Finance and Operations

Usman Khan presented.

#### 7.4. President

Victor Oriola presented.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Executive Reports be accepted and posted online.

Moved: Barzany Ridha  
Second: Todd Blythe  
Motion: CARRIED

### 8. PRESENTATIONS

#### 8.1. Audited Financial Statements period ending April 30, 2019

- Usman Khan, VP Operations and Finance presented the statements.

### 9. NORMAL BUSINESS

#### 9.1. Approval of Audited Financial Statements

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the audited financial statements of The Students' Union of the University of Regina Inc. for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2019 be approved and adopted.

Moved: Barzany Ridha  
Second: Katlyn Richardson  
Motion: CARRIED

#### 9.2. Appointment of the Auditor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT MNP be re-appointed as URSU's Auditor for the 2019/2020 fiscal year.

Moved: Tisha-Marie Mattila  
Second: Katlyn Richardson  
Motion: CARRIED

### 10. OLD SPECIAL BUSINESS

- none

### 11. NEW SPECIAL BUSINESS

#### 11.1. Amendment to Article V Section 3 of the Constitution

WHEREAS the General Manager provides information, context, insight, perspective and advice and may also follow up on administrative tasks, and coordinate logistics for the URSU executives and serves as an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee according to Section 3.1.1.3 of URSU's Committee Policy;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article V Section 3 of the Constitution be amended to:

“The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, the Vice-President Student Affairs, the Vice-President of Operations and Finance and the Vice-President of External Affairs. The General Manager shall act as an ex-officio member with limited voting privileges as defined in URSU’s relevant policies.”

Moved: Victor Oriola  
Second: Usman  
Motion: CARRIED

**11.2. Amendment to Article V Section 3.1 of the Constitution**

WHEREAS Article V Section 3.1 provides poor direction as to when the President’s responsibilities need to be fulfilled by an alternate; and,

WHEREAS the current directive as to the Executive position responsible to fulfill the duties of President in the event of the President’s inability to do so does not take into account the suitability of a particular Executive to fulfill the role of President; and,

WHEREAS it is the responsibility of the Board of Directors to supervise the Executives in the discharge of their duties;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article V Section 3.1 be amended to;

(3.1) The President is the elected leader of the Students’ Union and its official spokesperson. In the absence or inability of the President to assume his or her duties:

(3.1.1) the Executive Committee shall appoint one of the existing Vice Presidents to fulfill the duties of the office of President should the President be unavailable for a period of two (2) weeks or less; or,

(3.1.2) the Board of Directors shall appoint one of the existing Vice Presidents to fulfill the duties of the office of President should the President be unavailable for a period of greater than two (2) weeks.

Moved: Victor Oriola  
Second: Usman Khan  
Motion: CARRIED

**11.3. Amendment to Article VI Section 9.1.1**

WHEREAS elected directors have a fiduciary responsibility to URSU and its members; and,

WHEREAS directors are expected to attend Board meetings as scheduled; and,

WHEREAS chronic absenteeism by a director demonstrates a lack of commitment and that the Boards activities can be hampered or limited by such absenteeism;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article VI Section 9.1.1 be amended to;

(9.1.1) If a Board member misses three consecutive meetings without sending their regrets to the Board Chair, that Board member will be automatically declared an “absentee” and as such will cease being a Director of URSU and be relieved of their duties and responsibilities.

Moved: Victor Oriola  
Second: Josee Pelletier  
Motion: CARRIED

**11.4. Addition to Article XI Section 1 of the Constitution**

WHEREAS it is in the URSU’s best interest to always have a full complement of Executives; and,

WHEREAS resignations and/or removal from office of an Executive may leave URSU vulnerable to functioning below capacity;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article XI Section 1 be amended to include the following subsection;

(1.1) At its discretion, the Board of Directors, subject to a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority, may at any time, call a special by-election to fill a vacant Executive position.

Moved: Victor Oriola  
Second: Jordyn Landray  
Motion: CARRIED

**11.5. Addition to Article XIII**

WHEREAS URSU is responsible for the collection and distribution of approved levies on behalf of member established student centres through the administration of an URSU student fee; and,

WHEREAS student centres are to use such levies to provide various programming and services for students; and,

WHEREAS it is in the interest of full transparency that URSU members know what their money pays for;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a Section 5 be added to Article XII as follows;

(5) Any student centre that is supported by a member established levy must make its annual financial statements and governing documents publicly available at all times. Such documents can be posted on the student centre's web site or be able to immediately provide hard copies on demand. URSU has the authority to withhold payment to any student centre of all or a portion of any applicable levies until such time that the student centre is in full compliance.

Moved: Victor Oriola  
Second: Usman Khan  
Motion: CARRIED

#### **11.6. Election and Referendum Bylaw - update**

WHEREAS recommended changes to the By-Law were submitted by the CRO of the 2018 General Election and the CRO of the 2019 By-Election; and,

WHEREAS the Election and Referendum By-Law needs to be updated to correct outdated references and reflect the recommended changes;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the URSU Election and Referendum By-Law be updated as presented.

Moved: Victor Oriola  
Second: Elaine Huang  
Motion: CARRIED

#### **12. ADJOURNMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Annual General Meeting be adjourned.

Moved: Alfred Adenuga  
Motion: CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 1:02 pm