

**University of Regina Students' Union
Board of Directors' Meeting – URSU Boardroom
05/12/2020**

Via videoconference

Minutes

Attend	Report	Name	Position	Attend	Report	Name	Position
P	L	Gurjinder Singh Lehal	President	P	Y	Josée Pelletier	Faculty of Nursing
P		Gurkirat Singh	VP Operations and Finance	A		Marmikkumar Patel	Faculty of Science
P	L	Zeo Li	VP Student Affairs	R		Selma Babini	Faculty of Social Work
P	Y	Nifemi Adekoya	VP External				First Nations' University of Canada
P		Oghenerukevwe Jegede-Ikpen (Rooky)	Campaigns and Equity				LaCite Students
			Campion College	R		Karlene Pruden	Indigenous Students
			Continuing Education	P	L	Md Abul Hossain	International Students
P	L	Alfred Adenuga	Faculty of Arts				LGBTQ Students
P		Mehar Singh	Faculty of Business Administration	P	Y	Kiegan Lloyd	Luther College
P	L	Rylan Jensen	Faculty of Education				Part Time Students
P		Imtiyaz Ahmed	Faculty of Engineering	P	Y	Katlyn Richardson	Students' with Disabilities
P		Isaac Atayero	Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research	P		Uniniafore Jegede	Women Students
P		Destinni Bentz	Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies	P	Y	Carl Flis	General Manager
			Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance	P		John Lax	Chair

P - present R - provided regrets more than 24 hours in advance A - absent

Minimum number required to attain quorum - 10

1. DIRECTORS ADMINISTRATIVE ORIENTATION

- a. On-line meeting protocol
- b. Google accounts - Neil Middlemiss
- c. Administrative onboarding - Carl Flis/John Lax
 - i. Conflict of Interest and Conflict of Commitment form
 - ii. TD1 Forms
 - iii. Direct deposit
 - iv. Dietary Restrictions
 - v. Director Reports
 - vi. Robert's Rules of Order 101
 - vii. Meeting Policy
 - viii. Director photos
 - ix. Fiduciary Responsibilities
 - x. Director's Manual

2. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Carl Flis.

3. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT JOHN LAX be hired as Board Chair for the 2020/2021 fiscal year.

Alfred Adenuga/Josée Pelletier.

Carried.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the Agenda for May 12, 2020.
- b. Approval of the minutes of the April 21, 2020 board meeting.
- c. Adoption of the Executive and Director reports filed by the appropriate deadline.
- d. Adoption of the Record of Decision dated April 26, 2020
- e. Next meeting to be held on June 9, 2020.

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

Rylan Jensen/Md Abul Hossain.

Carried.

5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST / CONFLICT OF COMMITMENT DECLARATION

None.

6. PRESENTATION

None.

7. OLD BUSINESS

None.

8. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- a. Establishment of Standing Committees - Carl Flis walked the board through the committees and invited members to go online and sign up for committees on a first come, first serve basis after the meeting. The committees are:
 - (i) Finance and Audit Committee
 - (ii) Investment Committee
 - (iii) Governance Committee - Report on activities for the year has been submitted.
 - (iv) Events Committee
 - (v) Social Responsibility & Sustainability Committee - Report on activities for the year has been submitted.
 - (vi) Human Resources Committee -
- b. Open letter to University - Zeo Li brought forward a third-party proposal that has been made to harmonize as much as possible entry level courses across institutions. The board provided direction to the executive and general manager to explore the idea insofar as discussing its reception with other institutions and students' unions.
- c. Reductions in tuition - Gurjinder Singh Lehal intends to discuss with the university to reduce tuition in line with the lower level of services students receive in a majority online environment - as is expected in the fall. The board did not oppose the idea, but recognized that while the university charges a fee for online courses, they are also unlikely to reduce tuition in response to the revenue collapse already created by COVID-19. It may make more sense to ensure that URSU has a seat at the table as these decisions are made.
- d. Board Orientation retreat - Carl Flis addressed the possibility of doing this. His hope is to do it in person and hopefully before the end of summer. However, circumstances will dictate what is possible.
- e. Fall campus reopening plans - Carl Flis summarized the announcement from earlier in the day and the general vagueness of plans available to date.
- f. URSU Rebrand Initiative - the existing brand is 20+ years old and Carl Flis is hoping to have some board members participate in a focus group to help develop the new brand. Carl will send an email.

9. NEW BUSINESS

WHEREAS Michael Shorting has tendered his resignation as Director, First Nations University as he can no longer fulfill his duties due to personal reasons;

BE IT RESOLVED that the URSU Board of Directors hereby acknowledges the resignation of Michael Shorting.

Rylan Jensen/Kiegan Lloyd.

Carried.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BUSINESS

- (i) Finance and Audit Committee
- (ii) Investment Committee
- (iii) Governance Committee
- (iv) Events Committee
- (v) Social Responsibility & Sustainability Committee
- (vi) Human Resources Committee

12. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

13. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- URSU Emergency Fund - operations and status
- Emergency Bursary from university status
- Open Letter follow up - uniform entry level courses
- Director orientation follow up
- Course credit option

14. UPCOMING EVENTS

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by John Lax at 6:43 pm on a motion by Destinni Bentz.

