

**University of Regina Students' Union
Board of Directors' Meeting – URSU Boardroom
07/14/2020**

Via videoconference

Minutes

Attend	Report	Name	Position	Attend	Report	Name	Position
P	Y	Gurjinder Singh Lehal	President	R	Y	Josée Pelletier	Faculty of Nursing
P	Y	Gurkirat Singh	VP Operations and Finance	P		Marmikkumar Patel	Faculty of Science
P	L	Zeo Li	VP Student Affairs	P	Y	Selma Babini	Faculty of Social Work
P	L	Nifemi Adekoya	VP External				First Nations' University of Canada
		Oghenerukevwe Jegede-Ikpen (Rooky)	Campaigns and Equity				LaCite Students
			Campion College	R		Karlene Pruden	Indigenous Students
			Continuing Education	P	Y	Md Abul Hossain	International Students
P	Y	Alfred Adenuga	Faculty of Arts				LGBTQ Students
P	Y	Mehar Singh	Faculty of Business Administration	P	Y	Kiegan Lloyd	Luther College
			Faculty of Education				Part Time Students
P	Y	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
R		Destinni Bentz	Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies	P	L	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. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 pm by John Lax.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the Agenda for July 14, 2020.
- b. Approval of the minutes of the June 9, 2020 board meeting.
- c. Adoption of the Executive and Director reports filed by the appropriate deadline.
- d. Next meeting to be held on August 11, 2020.

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

Kiegan Lloyd/Alfred Adenuga.

Carried.

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST / CONFLICT OF COMMITMENT DECLARATION

None.

4. PRESENTATION

- a. Auditor's Report - MNP - Christie DiPaola
- b. Campus Groups - Neil Middlemiss
- c. Budget presentation - Gurkirat

5. OLD BUSINESS

None.

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- a. Board orientation and professional development - Carl Flis addressed. 13 sessions over two months. Mostly Mondays at 11:00 am or 1:00 pm. First session this coming Thursday. Board members should block in calendars.
- b. University committee appointments - Gurjinder Singh Lehal discussed. He will discuss with Carl and get information from university administration to frame the necessary appointments.
- c. The existing tutoring and counselling services at U of R - Ziyang Zeo Li discussed. Problems with existing services in terms of demand, expectation, and provider ability to deliver. Problems exacerbated by current conditions - in-person counselling will not be available and limited to one appointment per two week period. Counsellors are also culturally homogenous, which creates a gap in understanding and service quality. Exploration of alternatives will continue.
- d. Repurposing Unpaid Work Experience fund - Ziyang Zeo Li presented. Student Advocate asked the board to discuss. A lack of practicums presents a serious risk to education. Are we certain practicums will not be going forward? More research and information gathering is warranted.

7. NEW BUSINESS

WHEREAS Rylan Jensen has tendered his resignation as Director, Faculty of Education as he can no longer fulfill his duties due to full time career obligations;

BE IT RESOLVED that the URSU Board of Directors hereby acknowledges the resignation of Rylan Jensen

Kiegan Lloyd/Imtiyaz Ahmed.

Carried.

WHEREAS the Board HR Committee held its first meeting of the year on June 17, 2020 and;

WHEREAS the Committee has made several recommendations for improvements to policies and procedures;

BE IT RESOLVED that the URSU Board of Directors hereby ratifies the recommendations of the Board HR Committee and that they be effective immediately.

Alfred Adenuga/Katlyn Richardson.

Carried.

WHEREAS MNP was appointed at the last AGM to be URSU's auditor for the 2019/2020 fiscal year and;

WHEREAS MNP has completed its audit of URSU's 2019/2020 financial statements and has presented its findings in its report to the Board;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the URSU Board of Directors recommend the audited financial statements for 2019/2020 be approved at the AGM to be held in October.

Ziyang Zeo Li/Selma Babini.

Carried.

WHEREAS the Governance Committee recently held their inaugural meeting; and,

WHEREAS as per the Committee Policy the Governance has established its Terms of Reference;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the URSU Board of Directors hereby ratifies the Terms of Reference for the Governance Committee for 2020/2021.

Kiegan Lloyd/Imtiyaz Ahmed.

Carried.

**WHEREAS the URSU Board of Directors initially approved an interim operating budget for 2020/2021 at its meeting of the Board on April 7, 2020, and;
WHEREAS the URSU Finance and Audit Committee have recently reviewed the interim budget and along with senior management has made recommended revisions for approval by the Board;**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the URSU Board of Directors approve the newly proposed budget as presented as the 2020/2021 Operating Budget.

Imtiyaz Ahmed/Gurkirat Singh.

Carried.

**WHEREAS as part of the URSU Student Fee, a portion is set aside as a levy towards the Capital Improvement Reserve fund, and;
WHEREAS URSU management has compiled a budget for capital improvement initiatives for the 2020/2021 fiscal year, and;
WHEREAS the URSU Finance and Audit Committee have reviewed the proposed capital budget and is in agreement with the budget as proposed;**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the URSU Board of Directors approve the 2020/2021 Capital Improvement Budget as presented.

Gurjinder Singh Lehal/Imtayaz Ahmed.

Carried.

WHEREAS there will be fewer practicums in the foreseeable future;

BE IT RESOLVED that up to \$5,000 of the Executive Board Campaign Initiative line item budget be allocated to a Leadership Development Grant to be used to support students and groups involved in student action and advocacy initiatives.

Alfred Adenuga/Ziyang Zeo Li.

Carried.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

9. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- a. President
- b. VP Operations and Finance
- c. VP Student Affairs
- d. VP External Affairs

10. 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

11. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

12. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- a. URSU Emergency Fund - operations and status

13. UPCOMING EVENTS

- a.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by John Lax at 8:49 pm on a motion by Isaac Ateyero (Adueluwa)