



## MINUTES

### URSU BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Date: January 14, 2025 at 4:05 p.m.

OPTIONAL Via Videoconference, Regina, Saskatchewan

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#### Board Members:

Mahad Ahmad, President (online); Jwalant Patel, VP Operations and Finance (in-person); Zuhruf Zarooq, VP Student Affairs (in-person); Honey Patel, Vice President External Affairs (in-person); Nisar Ali (online); Hussain Baldiwala (in-person); Simran Kaur (online); Kanusika Kalaichelvan (online); Mohammad Jibrael (in-person); Rishi Thakkar (online); Azan Ahmad (online); Abhayagiri Gaswami (online); Veer Kapoor (online), Andrea Vera (in-person); Daphne Nnebeife (in-person); Rokhsareh Kakvand (online)

#### Other Attendees<sup>1</sup>

Tayef Ahmed, Chairperson; Aoun E Mohammad, General Manager; Rinkesh Patel, Executive Assistant; Nicholas Flaman (Science Society); Rebecca Bowdish (Science Society).

#### Regrets<sup>2</sup>

#### Absent<sup>3</sup>

Jwalant Patel, Aum Patel, Ansar Ahmad, Nisar Ali, Azan Ahmad

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

A quorum was established. The Board meeting was called to order by Tayef Ahmed at 4:12 p.m.

### 2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS

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<sup>1</sup> Members attended the Board Meeting but did not have any voting power.

<sup>2</sup> Submitted regrets to the Chairperson in advance with reasonable cause.

<sup>3</sup> Members did not send regrets by appropriate deadlines and noted as absent pursuant to the Board of Directors Policy



No declaration of conflict was made.

### 3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The following discussion item was added to the agenda:

4(c) UR Pride Funding

*Motion to approve the Board meeting agenda for **January 14, 2025**, as amended.*

**Moved by:** Andrea Vera  
**Seconded by:** Mahad Ahmad  
Carried Unanimously

Note: This item was later discussion in the in-camera session.

### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the Board of Directors Meeting Minutes from **December 03, 2024**, as presented.

**Moved by:** Mahad Ahmad  
**Seconded by:** Zuhurf Zarooq  
Carried Unanimously

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### ***Matters for Decision***

### 5. PEC FUNDING APPLICATION — SCIENCE STUDENTS' SOCIETY

The Science Students' Society applied for PEC funding for its Annual Science Gala, scheduled for February 1, 2025, at the Conexus Arts Centre. The society expects over 350 attendees, the majority of whom will be students from the Faculty of Science, though the event is open to everyone.



The Society requested \$5,000 in funding from URSU. After a robust discussion, the Board of Directors decided to approve \$3,000. The Executive noted that the number of applications for PEC funding is exceeding the program's budget.

*Motion to approve \$3000 PEC funding to the Science Students' Society for their Annual Science Gala.*

**Moved by:** Zuhruf Zarooq  
**Seconded by:** Kanusika Kalaichelvan  
Carried unanimously

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#### **Matter for Discussion**

#### **6. URSU RADIO POLICIES**

Mohammad Jibrael proposed that the Board discuss URSU Radio and its current policies. The Board had a brief discussion on the matter and noted that the radio station is an operational program with its own policies, which the Board does not oversee. However, if anyone has suggestions, all policy recommendations should first go through the Governance Committee before being presented to the Board for final approval.

#### **7. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The URSU Annual General Meeting 2025 is scheduled for February 7, 2025, from 3 PM to 5 PM. The Board briefly discussed the agenda, roles, and responsibilities. It noted that no special resolutions will be submitted this time but will provide members with advance notice to submit any resolutions. The Board Chair will take the lead on the AGM and oversee the planning process.

#### **8. EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

The Executive Reports were submitted with due notice. The Board of Directors accepted the reports as read.



**9. IN CAMERA SESSION**

The Board entered an in-camera session at 5:28 PM. The motion was moved by Mahad Ahmad and seconded by Mohammad Jibrael.

The Board exited the in-camera session at 6:14 PM. The motion was moved by Zuhuf Zarooq and seconded by Mohammad Jibrael.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The Board meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tayef Ahmed', is positioned to the right of the text.

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Tayef Ahmed, The Board Chair  
**Respectfully Submitted**