



## MINUTES

### URSU BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (SPECIAL)

Date: January 31, 2025 at 4:05 p.m.

OPTIONAL Via Videoconference, Regina, Saskatchewan

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#### Board Members:

Mahad Ahmad, President (in-person); 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 (online); Rishi Thakkar (online); Azan Ahmad (online); Abhayagiri Gaswami (online)

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

Tayef Ahmed, Chairperson; Aoun E Mohammad, General Manager; Rinkesh Patel, Executive Assistant

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

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

Daphne Nnebeife, Andrea Vera, Veer Kapoor, Rokhsareh Kakvand, Aum Patel, Ansar Ahmad

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

A quorum was established. The Board meeting was called to order by Tayef Ahmed at 4:11 p.m.

### 2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS

No declaration conflict was made.

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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



### 3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

*Motion to approve the Special Board meeting agenda for **January 31, 2025**, as presented.*

**Moved by:** Mohamad Jibrael  
**Seconded by:** Mahad Ahmad  
Carried Unanimously

### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the last meetings have been postponed for a later date.

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

### 5. 2025 URSU GENERAL ELECTION TIMELINE

The executive presented the timeline for the 2025 General Election, which was prepared in accordance with the Election and Referendum Bylaw.

*Motion to approve the 2025 General Election Timeline, as presented.*

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

### 6. ELECTION AND REFERENDUM BYLAW AMENDMENT

With the recommendation of the Governance Committee, the Board has amended the Election and Referendum Bylaw to change the CGPA requirement for candidates running for executive positions. Candidates must now have a minimum CGPA of 65%, instead of 60%. This change was made to reduce the risk of an executive being placed on academic probation while in office or employed should their CGPA drop below 60%.



*Motion to approve an amendment to the **Election and Referendum Bylaw**, increasing the CGPA requirement for candidates running for executive positions to **65%**.*

**Moved by:** Jwalant Patel

**Seconded by:** Mahad Ahmad

Carried unanimously

**ACTION:** Pursuant to Section 9-3(2) of the Non-Profit Corporations Act, 2022, any bylaw amendment made by the Board must be submitted to the membership for approval. Therefore, the Board of Directors to propose this amendment for ratification by URSU membership in the upcoming Annual General Meeting.

**7. IN CAMERA SESSION**

No in-camera session was held.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The Board meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tayef Ahmed', is positioned above the printed name.

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