



## **UMSU Board of Directors Meeting**

November 5, 2018

6:30pm

UMSU Council Chambers

### **Attendance**

Michael Catanese, UMSU Board Chairperson

Jakob Sanderson, UMSU President

Sarah Bonner-Proulx, UMSU VP Advocacy

Carly Mastromonaco, UMSU VP Student Services

Mbuli Matshe, UMSU VP Finance & Operations

Thomas Blumer, UMSU GM

Carly Frey, UMSU Governance Executive Assistant

Dele Ojewole, Canadian Federation of Students - MB

Salima Sudi, UMSU Student Clubs Coordinator

Eun-Bi Kang, LGBTTQ\* Representative

Alannah McKay, Indigenous Representative

Stephen Gatphoh, Arthur Mauro Students' Association

Cali Sproule, Arts Student Body Council

Mackenzie Peters, Arts Student Body Council

Frank Nahurski, Arts Student Body Council

Christina Trachenko (proxy), Arts Student Body Council

Alex Harris, Commerce Students' Association

Jose Quintana, Manitoba Dental Students' Council

Cole Kubay, Manitoba Medical Students' Association

Sheryl Demetriooff, Nursing Students' Association Council

Jimmy Le, Pharmacy Students' Association

Amanda Slagerman, Physical Education Recreational Kinesiology Student Council

Anika Khan, Residence Students' Association

Thomas Nowlin (proxy), Society of Earth Sciences and Environmental Studies

Mackenzie Taylor (proxy), St. John's College Students' Association

Chicago Auger, Students of Fine Art

Annie MacRae, St. Paul's College Students' Association

Haley Finch (proxy), St. Paul's College Students' Association

Karan Sharma, Science Students' Association

Jordan Beck, Science Students' Association

Vienna Peters, Science Students' Association

Jazzmin Cameron, Science Students' Association

Deborah-Lyn Bennet, Social Work Students' Association  
Aarzo Mahajan, University College Residence Students' Association  
Rihanna Holt (proxy), University of Manitoba Engineering Society  
Tyler Gallant, University of Manitoba Engineering Society  
Mercy Yusuf, University 1 Student Council  
Skye Kushner, University of Manitoba Graduate Students' Association  
Arthur Coelho Reis, Governance Committee Chair  
Malak Abas, The Manitoban  
Karan Saxena, Student-at-large  
Mohammed Soussi, Student-at-large  
Savannah Szocs, Student-at-large  
Alicia Edo, Student-at-large  
Morgan Hanson-Oliveira, Student-at-large  
Laura Stoyko, Student-at-large  
Josh Ackman, Student-at-large  
Zac Wronski, Student-at-large  
Jordyn Pepin, Student-at-large  
Kyra Fanning, Student-at-large  
Julius Chester, Student-at-large  
Ummy Habiba, Student-at-large  
Augusta Redekop, Student-at-large  
Vatineh Magaji, Student-at-large  
Erin Robert, Student-at-large  
Qudus Abusaleh, Student-at-large  
Ala Imran, Student-at-large  
Elizabeth Mamechian, Student-at-large  
Kyle Pankiw, Student-at-large  
Riley Shannon, Student-at-large  
Brook Rivard, Student-at-large  
Paul Reimer, Student-at-large  
Miles Duce, Student-at-large  
Kirsten Trimble, Student-at-large  
Meredith Harley, Student-at-large  
Shannon Furness, Student-at-large  
Abdul Ahad, Student-at-large  
Gaudius Mariae Lucas, Student-at-large  
Brendon Wood, Student-at-large

## **Business**

### **1) Call to Order**

UMSU Chairperson Michael Catanese calls the meeting to order at 6:39pm with the reading of a statement of acknowledgement that the meeting is taking place on Treaty 1 Territory.

### **2) Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION** – BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be approved as distributed. Moved by *Social Work Students' Association*, seconded by *University of Manitoba Engineering Society*. All in favour – motion is passed.

3) **Approval of Previous Draft Meeting Minutes – October 25, 2018**

**MOTION** – BE IT RESOLVED THAT the draft minutes from the Board of Directors meeting on October 25, 2018 are approved as recorded.

Moved by *Social Work Students' Association*, seconded by Mbuli Matshe. All in favour – motion is passed.

4) **Presentations**

a) **Canadian Federation of Students**

Dele Ojewole from the Canadian Federations of Students presented a report to the board explaining what the CFS does.

5) **Current Business**

**MOTION 0428** - WHEREAS UMSU's *Safe Environment Policy* defines a safe environment as a space which does not condone behavior, language, or action that is likely to undermine the dignity, safety, self-esteem or productivity of any of its members or employees and prohibits, among other things, discrimination or harassment based on sex, including sex-determined characteristics or circumstances, such as pregnancy, the possibility of pregnancy or circumstances related to pregnancy.

WHEREAS reproductive rights are a complex issue for many, and UMSU recognizes its members' freedom of thought and expression on the issue.

WHEREAS UMSU's *Safe Environment Policy* states that UMSU recognizes and believes in the right to free speech, yet acknowledges that free speech should not violate other groups or individuals rights to feel safe or be utilized to incite hatred.

WHEREAS Position #7 of the *UMSU Position Statement Book* states, among other things, that UMSU opposes racism, sexism, ableism, homophobia, biphobia, transphobia, Islamophobia, anti-Semitism and other forms of oppression that can affect how certain groups of people access post-secondary education and perpetuate inequities in society based on gender, race, socioeconomic status, (dis)ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, citizenship status and other factors.

AND WHEREAS there have been individual students and groups whose behavior, language or action on the subject of reproductive rights, has caused students to feel that they are being discriminated against on the basis of sex, including pregnancy, the possibility of pregnancy or circumstances related to pregnancy.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that UMSU amend Position Statement #7: Equitable Campus to include the following under subsection "UMSU SUPPORTS:"

“A woman's right to freedom of reproductive choice; and a woman's right to be free from coercion or attempted coercion with respect to making reproductive choices.”

Be it further resolved that UMSU amend Position Statement #7: Equitable Campus to include the following under subsection “UMSU OPPOSES:”

“Any act of coercion or attempted coercion with respect to making reproductive choices.”

Be it further resolved that UMSU amend Governance and Operations Manual Section XXIII, subsection 4, clause b) to add an additional sub-clause reading:

“xi) Any act of coercion or attempted coercion with respect to making reproductive choices.”

**MOTION** – to split the motion into motion 0428A and 0428B. Moved by *Manitoba Medical Students' Association*, seconded by *Social Work Students' Association*. All in favour - motion is carried.

**Motion 0428A reads as:**

WHEREAS UMSU's Safe Environment Policy defines a safe environment as a space which does not condone behavior, language, or action that is likely to undermine the dignity, safety, self-esteem or productivity of any of its members or employees and prohibits, among other things, discrimination or harassment based on sex, including sex-determined characteristics or circumstances, such as pregnancy, the possibility of pregnancy or circumstances related to pregnancy.

WHEREAS reproductive rights are a complex issue for many, and UMSU recognizes its members' freedom of thought and expression on the issue.

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AND WHEREAS there have been individual students and groups whose behavior, language or action on the subject of reproductive rights, has caused students to feel that they are being discriminated against on the basis of sex, including pregnancy, the possibility of pregnancy or circumstances related to pregnancy.

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“A woman’s right to freedom of reproductive choice; and a woman's right to be free from coercion or attempted coercion with respect to making reproductive choices.”

Be it further resolved that UMSU amend Position Statement #7: Equitable Campus to include the following under subsection "UMSU OPPOSES:"  
"Any act of coercion or attempted coercion with respect to making reproductive choices."

**Motion 0428B reads as:**

WHEREAS UMSU's Safe Environment Policy defines a safe environment as a space which does not condone behavior, language, or action that is likely to undermine the dignity, safety, self-esteem or productivity of any of its members or employees and prohibits, among other things, discrimination or harassment based on sex, including sex-determined characteristics or circumstances, such as pregnancy, the possibility of pregnancy or circumstances related to pregnancy.

WHEREAS reproductive rights are a complex issue for many, and UMSU recognizes its members' freedom of thought and expression on the issue.

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NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that UMSU amend Position Statement #7: Equitable Campus to include the following under subsection "UMSU SUPPORTS:"

"A woman's right to freedom of reproductive choice; and a woman's right to be free from coercion or attempted coercion with respect to making reproductive choices."

Be it further resolved that UMSU amend Governance and Operations Manual Section XXIII, subsection 4, clause b) to add an additional sub-clause reading:

"xi) Any act of coercion or attempted coercion with respect to making reproductive choices."

**MOTION** – BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting move into closed session of the membership. Moved by Jakob Sanderson, seconded by Mbuli Matshe – all in favour. Motion is carried.

**MOTION TO AMEND 0428A/B** – BE IT RESOLVED THAT woman's be replaced with one's. Moved by Jakob Sanderson, seconded by *Social Work Students' Association*. All in favour - motion is carried.

**MOTION TO AMEND 0428A/B** – BE IT RESOLVED THAT “one’s right to reproductive choice” be struck from the motion. Moved by Mohammed Soussi. Ruled out of order by the Chair.

**Ruling of the chair challenged, ruling upheld.**

**MOTION** – BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting move out of closed session of the membership. Moved by Jakob Sanderson, seconded by *Social Work Students’ Association*. All in favour – motion is carried.

**Request that** the Board of Directors vote in secret ballot. Moved by Jakob Sanderson.

**MOTION TO APPROVE 0428A as amended:** BE IT RESOLVED THAT the motion is adopted as amended. **Motion is carried.**

**MOTION TO AMEND 0428B** - BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following paragraph be added to the motion. *“Be it further resolved that UMSU amend Governance and Operations Manual Section XXIII, subsection 16, to add an additional sub-clause reading:*

*“The dissemination of graphic material, or information that is misleading or false as part of any event/activity, or within the group/club or association.”*

**Moved** by *University of Manitoba Engineering Society*, seconded by *Jakob Sanderson* – all in favour. **Motion is carried.**

**Motion 0423:**

Whereas Black, Indigenous and People of Colour encounter racism and colonialism within post-secondary institutions throughout the duration of their studies,

Whereas every other year, the Canadian Federation of Students’ hosts a national-wide summit, named the Racialized and Indigenous Student Experience, a conference dedicated to highlighting the experiences of B.I.POC students in universities and colleges, as well as offering solutions on ways to combat racism and colonialism,

Whereas within the years that a national summit is not held, a regional or provincial R.I.S.E Summit will be hosted at a decided- upon location,

Whereas student leaders from the University of Manitoba, University of Winnipeg, St Boniface University, Brandon University, First Nations University, University of Regina and University of Saskatchewan are in the process of planning a Prairies RISE Summit which is tentatively planned to take place on January 18th to January 20th 2018 at the First Nations University of Canada

Be it resolved that the University of Manitoba Students Union allocate \$5000.00 to help fund the Prairies RISE Summit.

**MOTION TO AMEND** - Be it resolved that the University of Manitoba Students Union allocate \$1400.00 to help fund the Prairies RISE Summit, Contingent upon the confirmed registration of eight UMSU member students.

**Motion to amend is carried. Motion as amended carried.**

6) **New Business**

No new business to attend to.

7) **Reports of the Executive**

a. President

UMSU President, Jakob Sanderson, provides a summation of his written report, submitted to the Board of Directors as part of the October 25, 2018 board package.

b. VP Advocacy

UMSU VP Advocacy, Sarah Bonner-Proulx, provides a summation of her written report, submitted to the Board of Directors as part of the October 25, 2018 board package.

c. VP External

UMSU VP External, Owen Black, provided a report in the October 25, 2018 board package.

d. VP Finance & Operations

UMSU VPFO, Mbuli Matshe, provides a summation of his written report, submitted to the Board of Directors as part of the October 25, 2018 board package.

e. VP Student Services

UMSU VP Student Services, Carly Mastromonaco, provides a summation of her written report, submitted to the Board of Directors as part of the October 25, 2018 board package.

8) **Reports of Committees**

a) **Executive Committee**

UMSU President, Jakob Sanderson, reports that the Medical Students are put on a Destigmatizing HIV event along with flu shots on November 1&2 in MPR. He reports that UMSU donated the coffee and dainties from Degrees for both days of the event.

Jakob also reads two statements regarding the Hub Halloween social incident, and the racist posters spread on campus. Both statements are available in full on the UMSU website and Facebook page.

b) **Finance Committee**

UMSU VP Finance & Operations, Mbuli Matshe, provides an update from the Finance Committee. He advises that the committee has reviewed the General Manager's credit card statement.

Mbuli also reports that the Finance Committee amended the CRO salary and discussed the amendment for MOTION 0423.

**c) Governance Committee**

UMSU Governance Committee Chair, Arthur Coelho Reis, provides an update on the meetings of the Governance Committee. He reports that Motion 0428 was discussed along with the upcoming Community Groups restructure and the election manual.

**d) Member Services**

UMSU Vice-President Student Services, Carly Mastromonaco advises that Member Services has completed a sheet for student clubs on how to maximize their funding.

**e) Selections Committee**

No report given.

**f) U-Pass**

No report given.

**9) Reports of Board Members**

*Manitoba Medical Students' Association* reports that their two days of flu shots and HIV tests was very successful, and that they raised money for UNICEF.

**10) Announcements**

*Commerce Students' Association* announces their social on November 10 at Upstairs.

*University of Manitoba Engineering Society* announces that there will be a trivia night on November 6 at The Hub.

*St. John's College Students' Association* announces their social at The Hub on November 17.

*St. Paul's College Students' Association* announces their social at St. Paul's on November 9.

**11) Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 9:08pm.