



TO: UMSU Board of Directors
FROM: President, Jakob Sanderson
DATE: November 22nd, 2018
RE: **Report to the Board, November 2018**

Ongoing / Continuing Work

1. Board of Governors

BOG met on Tuesday, November 20th, which was after this report was to be sent out. I will present the recap of this meeting orally.

2. Chancellor's Search Committee

The Chancellor's Search Committee has made a final recommendation on the next Chancellor to the Committee of the Election (BOG and Senate), the vote on which occurred Tuesday, November 20th. As the name is still confidential as of the deadline for this report to be sent out, I will also present an update on this orally.

New Updates

1. Canadian Federation of Students

Myself and our full executive team attended the Canadian Federation of Students National General Meeting from November 16-19. Again, the meeting won't be completed before my deadline on this report, but I will be giving a presentation on the NGM at the board meeting.

2. UMSU ACT: 'Transitional and Coming into Force'

As was emailed to the board last week, we have recently been made aware of a clause accompanying the amended UMSU Act, stating that we are required to have affirmation votes on external organizations prior to December 4th, 2018. These organizations currently include UCRU and the CFS. We will be presenting a motion to have an emergency meeting of our Board to vote on these matters on November 29th.

For context, a failed affirmation vote by the board mandates our board take "all necessary steps to terminate the membership." A failed vote on UCRU would immediately disband us from the organization as only a board vote is necessary to withdraw or join the organization. For the CFS, a failed affirmation vote would trigger a board-endorsed decertification campaign which would involve the collection of signatures from 15% of the student body demanding a referendum on continued membership, followed by a referendum if the requisite number of signatures are collected.

We will be presenting our recommendations on each item as part of the executive report at this meeting, and will entertain any questions and comments at that time.

3. Meeting with Minister of Education



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VP External, Owen Black and I met with the Minister of Education, Kelvin Goertzen. We primarily focused our discussion around student loans and post-secondary funding. We were unable to secure a commitment toward any funding increase for the 2019 operating grant, the Minister did assure us that there are no plans to strip interest free student loans at this time, something that was mentioned in his mandate letter. We will be having meetings with all three party caucuses in the next term and continuing these conversations going forward.

Events & Meetings Attended

*Executive Meetings every Monday and Thursday **Schedule excludes internal meetings

November 5: Meeting w/ Basic Income Manitoba
November 5: Meeting w/ UMFA
November 5: Board of Directors Meeting
November 6: BOG Finance Committee
November 6: Board of Senior Sticks
November 7: Senate
November 7: SEC Agenda Meeting
November 7: Sustainability Working Group Launch Event
November 8: Phone Interview w/ Fulcrum
November 9: Open Office Hours
November 9: Meeting w/ Jackie Gruber
November 13: Meeting w/ CRO
November 13: Call w/ CUSA VP Student Issues
November 14: Meeting w/ Minister Kelvin Goertzen
November 14: Meeting with CSA President
November 15: Manitoba Philanthropy Awards
November 16-20: Canadian Federation of Students NGM