

UMSU Board of Directors Meeting

October 25, 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 Owen Black, UMSU VP External Thomas Blumer, UMSU GM Carly Frey, UMSU Governance Executive Assistant Gordon Chandler, UMSU Services Manager Stephen Davidson, UMSU Nursing Student Staff Brittany Habing, UMSU Nursing Student Staff Eun-Bi Kang, LGBTTQ* Representative Alannah McKay, Indigenous Representative Stephen Gatphoh, Arthur Mauro Students' Association Cali Sproule, Arts Student Body Council Frank Nahurski, Arts Student Body Council Brandon Barratt, Arts Student Body Council Alex Harris, Commerce Students' Association Sabrina Ferraz, Education Students' Council Emily Bouvier (proxy), Faculty of Agriculture Students' Organization Jimmy Le, Pharmacy Students' Association Amanda Slagerman, Physical Education Recreational Kinesiology Student Council Brad Cottyn, Students' Architectural Society Stephen Young, Society of Earth Sciences and Environmental Studies Susanne Schwickart, St. John's College Students' Association Chicago Auger, Students of Fine Art Chelsea Howgate, Faculty of Music Students' Association Annie MacRae, St. Paul's College Students' Association Paul Chorney, 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 Aarzoo Mahajan, University College Residence Students' Association Steve Young, University of Manitoba Athletic Council Hannah Mcbride, University of Manitoba Engineering Society Tyler Gallant, University of Manitoba Engineering Society Mercy Yusuf, University 1 Student Council Mirha Zohair, University 1 Student Council Skye Kushner, University of Manitoba Graduate Students' Association Ty Brass, The Manitoban Gabriel Law, Pharmacy Students' Association Karan Saxena, ASBC Accessibility Representative Christina Trachenko, ASBC LGBT2SQ*IA Representative Nitsimranjit Singh, Student-at-large Harsimran Singh, Student-at-large Mohammed Soussi, Muslim Students' Association Darius Hunter, UMSU CRO Applicant

Business

1) Call to Order

UMSU Chairperson Michael Catanese calls the meeting to order at 6:40pm 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 *Faculty of Music Students' Association*, seconded by *Social Work Students' Association*. All in favour – motion is passed.

3) Approval of Previous Draft Meeting Minutes – October 11, 2018

MOTION – BE IT RESOLVED THAT the draft minutes from the Board of Directors meeting on October 11, 2018 are approved as recorded.

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

4) Respectful Work and Learning Environment/Sexual Violence Policy Revision Consultation

MOTION – To move into closed session. Moved by *Jakob Sanderson*, seconded by *Social Work Students' Association*. All in favour - motion is passed.

MOTION – To leave closed session. Moved by *Social Work Students' Association*, seconded by *Owen Black*. All in favour – motion is passed.

5) Current Business

MOTION 0426 - WHEREAS The Judicial Board's composition and responsibilities were amended at the April 26th, 2018 UMSU Board of Directors Meeting in the Governance and Operations Manual with the approval of the following motion:

"WHEREAS The Governance Committee has given notice of multiple proposed bylaw changes; and, WHEREAS said changes have been aggregated into a single motion for ease of tracking; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT UMSU Council Amend the Governing Documents as follows: i) Amend the duties of the Judicial Board as outlined in the Governance and Operations as presented;

ii) Remove all reference to the Executive Oversight Committee."

WHEREAS The Bylaws were not amended by this motion and the bylaws' description of the judicial board's composition is now outdated,

WHEREAS The intent of this motion was to update all governing documents with a unified amendment of the Judicial Board's composition and responsibilities,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT UMSU's Board of Directors replace Section V, Sub-Section V, Clause D of the Bylaws with the following;

The Judicial Board shall have a single voting seat for one (1) Member at large to act as chairperson, three (3) Directors, an additional four (4) Members at large and no non-voting seats.

Moved by Governance Committee.

No debate or discussion. All in favour – motion is adopted.

MOTION 0427- BE IT RESOLVED THAT Darius Hunter be appointed as the Chief Returning Officer (CRO) for the 2018-2019 term.

Moved by Selections Committee.

Extensions – Owen Black & Jakob Sanderson.

No debate or discussion. All in favour - motion is adopted.

Following his appointment as CRO, Darius Hunter provides a brief explanation of the CRO position and invites board members to contact him via email throughout his term.

6) New 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."

Moved by *Jakob Sanderson*, seconded by *Social Work Students' Association*. Motion is referred to Governance Committee.

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, provides a summation of his written report, submitted to the Board of Directors as part of 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 putting on a Destigmatizing HIV event along with flu shots on November 1&2 in MPR. The event is free.

Jakob also reports that he and Sarah are looking for students to join working groups. Please email <u>pres@umsu.ca</u> or <u>vpa@umsu.ca</u> to join.

b) Finance Committee

UMSU VP Finance & Operations, Mbuli Matshe, provides an update from the Finance Committee. He advises that the committee has approved budget amendments and the amendments will be posted on the website once complete. Mbuli also reports that the Finance Committee discussed the CRO salary and the tabled RISE Motion.

c) Governance Committee

UMSU Governance Committee Member, Jakob Sanderson, provides an update on the meetings of the Governance Committee. He reports that Motion 0428 will be discussed at the next Governance Committee meeting on November 1.

d) Judicial Board

UMSU Judicial Board Member, Jordan Beck provides a summation of the Judicial Board Report that was included in the October 25 Board Package.

e) Member Services

No report given.

f) Selections Committee

President of UMSU, Jakob Sanderson, provides an update on the Selections Committee, stating that they have selected a CRO.

g) U-Pass

No report given.

9) Reports of Board Members

UMSU LGBTTQ Representative, Eun-Bi Kang,* announces that there will be a Halloween open house in RPM on October 31 from noon until 4pm. Eun-Bi also reports that there will be a Memorial Service for Trans Day of Remembrance on November 20, 11:45am in GOSA.

10) Announcements

Science Students' Association announces their social on October 27 at The Hub.

University of Manitoba Engineering Society announces that there will be beer gardens on October 26 from 12-5 in their building.

Education Students' Council announces that they are having Spirt week from October 22-26 finishing with a social on October 26.

11) Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.