UMSU Board of Directors Meeting
September 12, 2019
6:30 p.m.
EITC – E2, Room 160

Attendance
Nina Lam, UMSU Chairperson
Jakob Sanderson, UMSU President
Sarah Bonner-Proulx, UMSU VP Advocacy
Kyra Fanning, UMSU VP Community Engagement
Jelynn Dela Cruz, UMSU VP Student Life
Mbuali Matshe, UMSU VP Finance & Operations
Carly Frey, UMSU Governance Executive Assistant
Victoria Nwabuisi, International Students’ Representative
Eliza Hydesmith, Accessibility Representative
Alicia Kubrakovitch, Indigenous Representative
Sharlene MacCoy, Part-Time & Mature Students’ Representative
Trevor Smith, LGBTTQ* Representative
Eliza Hydesmith, Accessibility Representative
Jillian Boersch, Arts Student Body Council
Zac Wronski, Arts Student Body Council
Stephen Gatphoh, Arts Student Body Council
Julius Chester, Arts Student Body Council
Celine Pham (proxy), Commerce Students’ Association
Nada Eltobgy, Director of Bannatyne Operations
Alice Li Yingqi (proxy), Education Students’ Council
Shawn Williment, Faculty of Agriculture Students’ Organization
Jessica Beaudin, Inner City Student Council
Silas Koulack, Manitoba Law Students’ Association
Arnav Sud, Manitoba Medical Students’ Association
Oluwatosin Dasso, Nursing Students’ Association Council
Marianna Pozdirca, Pharmacy Students’ Association
Bryan Kwak, Residence Students’ Association
Karlee Lemus, Society of Earth Sciences and Environmental Students’
Chicago Auger, Students of Fine Art
Gloria Aza Farje, Society of Music Students’ Association
Jasmine Tavares, St. Paul’s College Students’ Association
Cory Frederickson, St. Paul’s College Students’ Association
Brendan Scott, Science Students’ Association
Dani Stackiw, Science Students’ Association
Matt Rakar, Science Students’ Association
Quinn Miller (proxy), Science Students’ Association
Jenny Peters, Social Work Students’ Association
1. **Call to Order**

UMSU chairperson, Nina Lam calls the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. 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 presented.

   Moved by *Arts Student Body Council*, seconded by *Students of Fine Art*.

   Motion carried.

3. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

   a. **August 29, 2019**

      **MOTION** – BE IT RESOLVED THAT the draft minutes from the Board of Directors meeting on August 29, 2019 are approved as recorded.

      Moved by *Arts Student Body Council*, seconded by *University 1 Student Council*.

      Motion carried.
4. Presentations

a. Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1505

Zach Fleisher presents a verbal presentation to the board on behalf of the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1505.

b. Winnipeg Transit Discussion

Winnipeg Transit did not attend the meeting, therefore there was no presentation.

5. Current Business

a. MOTION 0454

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Indigenous Students’ Working Group be struck with terms of reference as attached.

Purpose:
The purpose of this working group will be to investigate key Indigenous issues on campus in a manner of consultation and collaboration with Indigenous students and identifying ways that both UMSU and the University can further prioritize reconciliation. This working group also has the goals of furthering development of representative educational programming, social programming, campaigns, and services that are inclusive and supportive of the Indigenous student community at the University of Manitoba.

Composition:
• UMSU VP Student Life – Co-Chair (non-voting)
• UMSU Indigenous Students’ Representative – Co-Chair (non-voting)
• UMSU President (non-voting)
• Two UMSU member representatives as appointed by the University of Manitoba Indigenous Students’ Association (voting)
• Two UMSU member representatives as appointed by the Métis University Students’ Association (voting)
• Any interested self-declared Indigenous UMSU member (voting)

Responsibilities:

• Continue advocacy efforts to ensure that the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action are implemented on campus and that actions meet the needs of students
• Organize an Indigenous Awareness campaign month during November 2019
• Coordinate with UMISA and MUSA to facilitate workshops and events throughout the year
• Deliver suggestions and recommendations for both UMSU and the University
• Coordinate with the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation and the Indigenous Student Centre on joint initiatives such as campaign weeks, resources, various events, and other areas of mutual benefit

• Report to UMSU’s Board of Directors with regular update
• Should the working group require funding to pursue any initiatives, funds must be approved by the finance committee, or UMSU’s Board of Directors, depending on the amount in accordance with the UMSU governing documents

Meeting Regularity
• Tri-Weekly in Fall and Winter
• As needed over the Summer

Moved by Executive Committee

Tabled on June 24, 2019.

MOTION – to reopen discussion on tabled MOTION 0454.

Moved by Science Students’ Association, seconded by Faculty of Agriculture Students’ Organization.

Motion carried.

MOTION – to amend MOTION 0454 to read as:

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Composition:
• UMSU Indigenous Students’ Representative – Co-Chair (non-voting)
• UMSU VP Student Life – Co-Chair (non-voting)
• UMSU President (non-voting)
• All UMSU member representatives of the University of Manitoba Indigenous Students’ Association (voting)
• All UMSU member representatives of the Métis University Students’ Association (voting)
• One UMSU member representative on each Indigenous student club (voting)
• All Indigenous Students’ Representatives on academic student associations (voting)
• Any interested self-declared Indigenous UMSU member (voting)
Responsibilities:

- Continue advocacy efforts to ensure that the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action are implemented on campus and that actions meet the needs of students
- **Contribute to** Indigenous Awareness campaign month during November 2019
- Coordinate with UMISA and MUSA to facilitate workshops and events throughout the year
- Deliver suggestions and recommendations for both UMSU and the University
- Coordinate with the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation and the Indigenous Student Centre on joint initiatives such as campaign weeks, resources, various events, and other areas of mutual benefit
- Report to UMSU’s Board of Directors with regular updates, as delivered by the Indigenous Students’ Representative
- Should the working group require funding to pursue any initiatives, funds must be approved by the finance committee, or UMSU’s Board of Directors, depending on the amount in accordance with the UMSU governing documents

Meeting Regularity

- Monthly in Fall 2019 and Winter 2020
- Tentatively an hour before each Indigenous Students’ town hall meeting
- Meeting in Migizii Agamik, Room TBD

Motion to amend moved by *Indigenous Students’ Representative*, seconded by *Students of Fine Art*.

*Motion carried.*

*Motion as amended, carried.*

b. **MOTION 0458**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Karan Saxena be appointed as the UMSU Chief Returning Officer for the 2019/2020 academic year.

*Moved by Selections Committee.*

*Motion Carried.*

6. **New Business**

*Jakob Sanderson*, Chair of the UMSU Sustainability Working Group presents the following motion:

Whereas the International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has declared that it is essential society reduces carbon emissions by no less than 50% by 2030, and become carbon neutral by 2050 in order to halt global warming at 1.5 degrees Celsius,
Whereas the government of Canada, and post-secondary institutions and cities across the world, have declared a climate emergency in response to these targets,

Whereas the University of Manitoba has passed a sustainability strategy for 2019-2023 outlining the “university’s commitment to being a sustainability leader while recognizing the urgent need to take action,”

Be it resolved that UMSU declare a climate emergency,

Be it further resolved that UMSU demand the University of Manitoba declare a climate emergency and commit itself, in partnership with its vendors and partners on all campuses including UMSU, to reducing carbon emissions by no less than 50% by 2030 and reaching carbon neutrality by no later than 2050.

Be it further resolved that UMSU demand the University of Manitoba work quickly to examine a set of proposals on how it will reach these targets and ratify such proposals at its board of governors, while incorporating them into its sustainability strategy for 2019-2023.

Moved by Jakob Sanderson, seconded by Accessibility Students’ Representative.

Motion referred to Governance Committee.

EMERGENCY MOTION:

Be it resolved that UMSU remains neutral on the transit negotiations.

Moved by Julius Chester, seconded by Silas Koula.ck.

Zac Wronski speaks against the motion.
Mohammed Soussi speaks in favour of the motion.
Cory Frederickson speaks in favour of the motion.
Erin Thomas speaks against the motion.
Nada El Tobgy speaks against the motion.
Arnav Sud speaks against the motion.
Zac Wronski speaks against the motion.
Cory Frederickson speaks in favour of the motion.
Silas Koula.ck speaks against the motion.

MOTION to extend the debate period for twenty minutes, following a five minute recess.

Moved by University of Manitoba Engineering Society, seconded by Part-Time & Mature Students’ Representative.

Motion carried.
Sharlene MacCoy speaks against the motion.  
Trevor Smith speaks against the motion.  
Brendan Scott speaks in favour of the motion.  
Tyrese Gibbes speaks against the motion.  
Cory Frederickson speaks in favour of the motion.  
Mohammed Soussi speaks in favour of the motion.  
Jakob Sanderson speaks against the motion.  
Matt Rakar speaks against the motion.  
Trevor Smith speaks against the motion.

Motion fails.

Mbuli Matshe, Marianna Pozdirca abstained.

EMERGENCY MOTION #2:

WHEREAS UMSU recognizes the immense value of an improved transit system for all students given the role it plays in creating an accessible education and a sustainable society,

WHEREAS UMSU’s policy statement book is directly aligned with the goals of accessible education and environmental sustainability,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT UMSU endorses the Amalgamated Transit Union’s (ATU’s) commitment to improved transit service demonstrated in the current labour negotiation,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT UMSU work with the ATU regarding mutually beneficial action with regards to the current labour dispute and improved transit service generally,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT UMSU work with the ATU, and student and community organizations to press for improved transit service, and UMSU representation on the internal scheduling review committee,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT UMSU acknowledge the harmful effects of the provincial government’s decision to remove 50/50 funding for Winnipeg Transit and advocate for this funding to be restored.

Moved by Jakob Sanderson, seconded by Jasmine Tavares.

Erin Thomas speaks in favour.  
Sharlene MacCoy speaks in favour.  
Nada El Tobgy speaks in favour.  
Zac Wronski speaks in favour.

Motion carried.

Mbuli Matshe, Chase Yanke, Cory Frederickson and Marianna Pozdirca abstained.
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 September 12, 2019 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 September 12, 2019 board package.

   c. **VP Community Engagement**

   UMSU VP Community Engagement, Kyra Fanning, provides a summation of her written report, submitted to the Board of Directors as part of the September 12, 2019 board package.

   d. **VP Finance & Operations**

   UMSU VP Finance & Operations, Mbuli Matshe, provides a summation of his written report, submitted to the Board of Directors as part of the September 12, 2019 board package.

   e. **VP Student Life**

   UMSU VP Student Life, Jelynn Dela Cruz, provides a summation of her written report, submitted to the Board of Directors as part of the September 12, 2019 board package.

8. **Reports of the Committees**

   a) **Executive Committee**

   No report given.

   b) **Finance Committee**

   No report given.

   c) **Governance Committee**

   No report given.
d) Member Services
   No report given.

e) Selections Committee
   No report given.

f) Judicial Board
   No report given.

9. Reports of Board Members
   No reports of board members.

10. Announcements
    No announcements.

11. Adjournment
    Meeting adjourned at 9:11pm.