

UWSA Board Meeting – OPEN
January 15, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.
UWSA Board Room – 515 Portage Avenue

Board in Attendance:

Chair: Taylor Daigneault

Secretary of the Board: Hasini Abeysekera

President: Morgan Brightnose

Vice President External Affairs: Zee Morales

Vice President Internal Affairs: Brenden Gali

Vice President Student Affairs Jade DeFehr

Accessibility Director: Mohamed Behi

Arts Director: Silke Groeneweg

Co - LGBT* Director: Jude Yellowaga

Co-Community Liaison Director: Ugonna Chigbo

Menno Simons Director: Chris Sundby

Racialized Students' Director: Noelle Sagher

Science Director: Daniel Denton

Student Living Co – Director: Alexander Ilesanmi

Women, Trans & Non-Binary Students' Director: Heather Werboweski

Students in Attendance:

Josh Basman

Shenal Fernando

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Board Absent:

Aboriginal Student Council Co – President: Meagan Malcolm

Aboriginal Student Council Co – President: Ryan Beady

Board of Regents Student Rep: Megan Linton

Co-Community Liaison Director: Meseret Khasay

Co - LGBT* Director: Violet Mayhew

Environmental Ethics Director: Avery Letkemann

International Students' Director: Ifeoma Nnadi

Kinesiology and Applied Health Director: Kyle Friesen

Menno Simons Director: Christopher Sundby

Part time/Mature students' Director: Chantal Cloutier

Student Living Co – Director: David Sanusi

Urban Inner-City Campus Director: Kale Swampy

University of Winnipeg Senate Student Rep: Michael Kvern

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1. Call to Order

The regular monthly meeting of the University of Winnipeg Students' Association Board of Directors (UWSA BOD) was held on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 5:06 p.m. at the UWSA Board Room. The President being present, the meeting to order at 5:12 p.m. The Science director put forward a motion for items for discussion, regarding WUSC and the president outlined that it was a non-debatable motion and will need to be added to items for discussion, this was voted with all in favour and added as said above.

As there was nothing else to be added to the agenda the Chair moved on to Special business.

3. Special Business

a. Motion to appoint new PACE Director

The motion was called by the Chair and read to the members of the meeting and explained why the previous director resigned due to completing his program in the University. And therefore the motion was called to appoint Jyoti Kalsi as the PACE Director and the motion was called to debate. An explanation was also given to the house in explaining the rights to appoint a Director with accordance to the UWSA by-laws. The motion was carried with a majority voting in favour.

4. Consent Agenda

b. Open Session Minutes

- i. November 22nd BOD Minutes**
- ii. Executive Committee Minutes**
- iii. Finance & Operations Committee Minutes**

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iv. Campaigns & External Relations Committee Minutes

v. Student Life Committee Minutes

c. Reports

vi. EXEC Report - For Approval

vii. EXEC Hours - For Approval

viii. Director Reports – For Approval

A moment was given to members to read through the reports and then given a chance for the directors who haven't had a change to add anything to reports. The Menno Simons Director spoke briefly about the programs run last week about having coffee and pancakes at the lounge. The Science Director highlighted his efforts throughout last week, trying to get an accessibility desk for the student lounge. The Accessibility Director facilitated the disability committees and also had few meetings with the National Association for Disability Students. The Student Life Director mentioned that today was the first meeting and had nothing to report at the moment. The LGBT Co-Director mentioned that they attended few events in the past that benefited in many ways. The chair called a vote to approve the reports and it passed with all in favor.

5. Communications

a. Striking of Committees

All the five committees were outlined in the board and the chair called upon the vice president of external affairs to explain the committees prior to recruiting. Science Director volunteered for the By-laws committee. Later Shenal a student-

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at-large member volunteered for Finance and Operations. The chair later stated that every member must be in one committee and went clockwise of the round table asking them which committee they would like to opt in for. Later the meeting was moved on to the next topic as the members indicated their thumbs up to move on.

b. Black History Month Presentation

The Co-Community Liaison director carried on the presentation explaining the importance of the Black History Month. This even is to empower and make awareness about the black community. The purposes about the presentation was to request for funding. The Vice-President Internal Affairs raised a question to if they have approached any other organization with a funding request? The presenter replied “No”. A presentation included an approximate budget of the event. The chair pointed that there are two options at the table and they are to either to create a motion to pass the request for funding or redirect the request to the Student Life Committee to make a description in regards to the request. The Vice President External Affairs made a motion to redirect the request to the Student Life Committee and the motion carried with all in favour.

6. Communications

a. WUSC

The Science Director explained what the program is about, as it is to increase the student refugee program student levy by \$1.69. The director also extensively explained the demographics of the refugee crisis around the world and the cause of this program, the director made reference to the UWSA’s vision to explain its

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importance. The budget was explained in detail, later the chair explained what the referendum would do in the ballot. The Vice President Student Affairs requested if this could be postponed to the next meeting as the student levy will also need to be in as a referendum and it would be best to talk about both together. And the Science Director replied that it would not be necessary as the students will be comfortable to answer both referendums. The Vice President Internal Affairs added some inside with past events of the situation of referendum questions explained further of its emergency and importance. The Co-President of WUSC also added many important points in so that the members are aware. The Science Director again explained and stood his confidence that a successful campaign will make two levy questions possible. The Vice President Student Affairs brought a motion to table to referendum question until next meeting so that there will be more information about the other levy question. The Chair called a vote and the motion was passed.

7. Closed Session

8. Other Business

9. Adjournment

Directly following the closed session, the regular monthly meeting of the UWSA BOD was adjourned at 6:12pm.