

EXECUTIVE REPORT

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report covers the period of March 15 to April 9, 2019 and is the third submitted to the 2018-19 UWSA Board of Directors. Contained in the report is the summary of both internal and external meetings, project and service updates, solidarity, events, and media overview.

In solidarity,
Your UWSA Executive Team

INTERNAL

The Internal section is dedicated to the work of the organization done by either UWSA staff,

volunteers, Directors and/or Executive Directors that affects the day-to-day business of the UWSA.

Internal Committees

The UWSA Board of Directors maintains four regularly meeting subcommittees: Finance and Operations Committee (major financial decision-making body, health plan and service decision-making), Student Life Committee (events, student groups, student funding requests), Campaigns and External Relations Committee (lobbying/political decision-making body), and Executive Committee (managerial committee). Additionally, the UWSA holds quarterly Bylaws and Policy Committee Meetings where bylaws and policies are reviewed. Meeting notices are posted on campus and online. Please visit theuwsa.ca or email uwsa@theuwsa.ca for information, open session minutes, etc.

Internal Meetings:

March 21: EXEC attended Board of Directors meeting
April 9: VPSA attended Student Life Committee

External Meetings:

March 18: EXEC launched ReconciliAction campaign
March 18: PRES, VPIA, and VPSA attended Board of Regents meeting
March 19: PRES facilitated Indigenous Perspectives panel
March 19: VPSA attended Senate Student Appeals Committee
March 20: VPEA and VPIA attended Students of Colour Collective meeting
March 21: VPSA and VPIA attended Senate Student Appeals Full Committee
March 23: VPIA and VPSA attended ASSC/ISA Graduation Pow Wow
March 26: VPEA attended textbroke tabling
March 26: VPSA Senate Student Appeals Committee
March 26: VPIA attended meeting with Auditor
March 27: VPSA attended UWinnipeg Spring Feast
March 28: VPEA attended textbroke tabling
March 29: VPEA and VPIA attended Senate Student Services meeting
March 30: EXEC attended Honoring our Sisters panel
April 2: VPEA attended textbroke tabling
April 2: VPSA attended Senate Student Appeals Committee
April 3: EXEC attended meeting with UWinnipeg President
April 6: EXEC attended Canadian Federation of Students Manitoba Annual General Meeting
April 9: VPSA attended Senate Student Appeals Committee

SERVICES

The UWSA provides many services to both students and community members. Below is a summary of the developments of our services.

Health Plan: UWSA has been investigating options for PACE students interested in enrolling in the health plan. PRES and UWSA General Manager have been working with ASSC about improving the Health Plan process for Status First Nations and Inuit Students who are covered through the Non-Insured Health Benefit

Daycare: No updates at this time.

Academic Advocacy: No updates at this time.

Service Centres: No Updates at this time.

U-Pass: We are currently in the process of negotiating a new contract with the City of Winnipeg

Bike Lab: No Updates at this time.

Retail Locations: No updates at this time.

Food Bank: No updates at this time.

PROJECTS

Refugee/Newcomer/People Without Status Bridging Program: No updates at this time.

Positive Space: No updates at this time.

Prairies RISE: PRES, VPEA, VPIA have been involved in planning the 2019 Prairies RISE.

'Indigenization': PRES along with Indigenous Students' Association launched the Circle of First Nation, Metis, and Inuit ReconciliAction campaign. The campaign calls for post-secondary institutions to implement Indigenous language degree/diploma programs in accordance with call to action number 16 of the Truth and Reconciliation 94 Recommendations. Additionally, PRES facilitated a panel that provided Indigenous perspectives on UWinnipeg's 'Indigenization' initiative.

Fossil Fuel Divestment: VPSA has been reviewing the University Foundation's Responsible Investing Policy and other University policies pertaining to sustainability to set targeted goals and track fossil fuel investments.

Take Note: No update at this time.

EVENTS

ReconciliAction: On March 18 the UWSA successfully launched the ReconciliAction campaign. PRES Morgan Brightnose, Dr. Lorene Fontaine, and Aandeg Muldrew (in lieu of ISA Co-President Meagan Malcolm, who was unfortunately sick) spoke at the launch.

Indigenous Perspectives on 'Indigenization': On March 19, the UWSA held a panel that provided a platform for Indigenous Peoples to discuss UWinnipeg's 'Indigenization' strategy. The event was attended well and APTN (Aboriginal Peoples Television Network) covered the event.

MEDIA

CBC Up to Speed: PRES interviewed for ReconciliAction

APTN News: PRES interviewed for Indigenous Perspectives panel