

EXECUTIVE REPORT

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report covers the period of November 15, 2018 to January 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:

Nov 22: EXEC UWSA Board of Directors meeting
Nov 30: VPSA attended Student Life Committee meeting
Dec 12: EXEC attended Executive Committee meeting

External Meetings:

Nov 15: PRES met with Indigenous Academic Lead, Dr. Lorena Fontaine
Nov 16-20: EXEC attended Canadian Federation of Students National General Meeting
Nov 20: VPSA attended Senate Student Appeals Sub-Committee Meeting
Nov 21: PRES, VPEA, and VPIA attended Students of Colour Collective (SOCC) Meeting
Nov 22: PRES met with Indigenous Academic Lead, Dr. Lorena Fontaine
Nov 26: VPSA attended Board of Regents meeting
Nov 27: VPSA attended Senate Student Appeals Sub-Committee Meeting
Nov 27: VPSA attended Community Access Advisory Committee Meeting
Nov 30: PRES, VPEA, and VPIA attended Racialized Indigenous Student Experience (RISE) planning meeting
Nov 30: VPSA attended Senate
Dec 4: VPSA attended Senate Student Appeals Sub-Committee Meeting
Dec 4: PRES attended Advisory Search Committee for Dean of Science
Dec 5: EXEC attended UWinnipeg Budget Consultation w/VP-Finance and Administration Mike Emslie and Chris Minaker
Dec 5: EXEC attended Aboriginal Student Council (ASC) and Aboriginal Student Services Centre's (ASSC) Potluck
Dec 5: EXEC attended meeting with UWinnipeg President Dr. Annette Trimbee
Dec 6: PRES, VPEA, and VPIA attended meeting with UWinnipeg Library for the creation of a Black Indigenous People of Colour (BIPOC) Lounge library
Dec 11: VPSA attended Senate Student Appeals Sub-Committee Meeting
Dec 12: PRES and VPIA attended UPASS negotiation meeting with the City of Winnipeg
Dec 13: PRES and VPSA attended Responsible Investing Policy meeting with UWinnipeg Foundation President and CEO Brian Daly
Dec 14: PRES met with Indigenous Academic Lead, Dr. Lorena Fontaine
Dec 18: PRES, VPEA, and VPIA attended RISE Planning Committee

Dec 18: PRES attended UWinnipeg Senate
Jan 8-10: EXEC attended UWSA Snowed In
Jan 8: PRES attended ReconciliAction meeting with ASC Co-President Ryan Beardy and Canadian Federation of Students Manitoba
Jan 8: VPSA attended Senate Student Appeals Sub-Committee Meeting
Jan 9: EXEC attended ASC/ASSC Potluck

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: A Student Guide to Academic Misconduct Procedures has been distributed to various university departments. A new webpage about non-academic misconduct has been added, as well as webpages related to grade appeals.

Service Centres: We are in the process of completing the creation of the BIPoC lounge. The furniture costs have been approved through the Finance and Operations Committee.

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 is working with UWinnipeg Indigenous Academic Lead Dr. Lorena Fontaine on language revitalization projects. Planning to launch ReconciliAction in early 2019.

Fossil Fuel Divestment: PRES and VPSA have been reviewing the University Foundation’s Responsible Investing Policy and other University policies pertaining to sustainability and met with the President and CEO of the University of Winnipeg Foundation.

Take Note: VPEA and VPSA have been developing a series of events surrounding gender-based violence along with UWSA staff.

EVENTS

UWSA Snowed In: Snowed In is our annual Winter Term kick-off event. The event was attended well and ran from January 8th to the 10th.

SOLIDARITY

MEDIA