



UWSA

THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

By-law Change Recommendations

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2021 meeting of the UWSA Board
of Directors**

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RACIALIZED STUDENTS' DIRECTOR LANGUAGE ADJUSTMENT

To ensure that only students who identify as Black, Indigenous, and / or a Person of Colour are elected to the role of Racialized Students' Director

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following by-laws are amended to remove the text in red and add the text in purple as written below:

4.6.xiii Qualification of Directors for Election and Holding Office

"The Racialized Students' Director must be a student who is ~~a racialized person~~ Black, Indigenous, and/ or a Person of Colour."

6.27.iii Duties of the Racialized Students' Director

"The Racialized Students' Director shall act as liaison with the BIPOC Lounge and any other recognized ~~racialized~~ student groups for racialized students on campus.

STUDENT SENATE CAUCUS CHAIR

To reassign the chairing of the Student Senate Caucus from the President's to the Vice President Student Affairs's portfolio. The VPSA portfolio deals with academic matters and has been deemed a better fit for this duty.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following by-laws are amended to remove the text in red and add the text in purple as written below:

7.24.i Student Senate Caucus

"The Student Senate Caucus shall be comprised of the President, Vice President Student Affairs, Vice President External Affairs, all UWSA Senators elected or appointed in accordance with these by-laws, and any Student Senator otherwise appointed to the Senate. The ~~UWSA President~~ Vice President Student Affairs shall be the chair of the SSC."

By-law 6.4. xv. Duties of the President

"The President shall be responsible for coordinating all UWSA ~~appointed/elected Senators and~~ Board of Regents appointees."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following sentence is added to by-law 6.6 Duties of the Vice President Student Affairs:

"The Vice President Student Affairs shall be responsible for coordinating all UWSA Senators"

ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS DIRECTOR PORTFOLIO ADDITIONS

To ensure that the Environmental Ethics Director is empowered to liaise with the university on environmental issues.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following sentences are added to by-law 6.18 Duties of the Environmental Ethics Director:

“The Environmental Ethics Director shall liaise between the board, relevant student groups, and the University on the issues of divestment of fossil fuels and responsible investment.”

“The Environmental Ethics Director shall be the official liaison between the UWinnipeg Foundation and the UWSA.”

GENDERED LANGUAGE REVISION

To remove unnecessarily gendered language from the by-laws:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT all instances in UWSA by-law or policy of the gendered variable pronouns “his/her”, “she/he”, and any relevant conjunctions thereof are replaced with the appropriate gender inclusive “they” pronoun conjunction.

BALLOT RECOUNT DEADLINE ERROR

To correct an error made during the election by-law revisions to the deadline for a ballot recount request.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT by-law 5.41.ii is amended to remove the text in red and add the text in purple as written below:

“A recount of the ballots must be called by 12 p.m. on the Thursday of ~~Week 4~~ **Week 5**. A second recount must be called immediately following the first recount.