

**University of Winnipeg Students' Association Board of Directors**  
**OPEN Session Meeting Minutes, December 2, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.**  
**Virtual Meeting due to the COVID – 19 Pandemic**

**Board in Attendance:**

Chair of the Board: Anjola Aderinto

Secretary of the Board: Hasini Abeysekera

Accessibility Director: Sarah Anderson

Business and Economics Director: Harsimrat S. Malhotra

Indigenous Students' Co-Director: Gracie Grift

International Students' Co-Director: Elsa Owusu

International Students' Co-Director: Onyinye Francisca Idigbe

Recreation and Athletics Director: Jacob Wiseman

Science Director: Olivia Ferreira

Urban Inner-City Campus Director: Dagen Perrot

President: Shawna Peloquin

**Board Absent:**

2SLGBTQ\* Director: Jacob K. Antman

Community Liaison: Celina Clements

Graduate Students' Co-Director: Alexandra K.Nychuk

Graduate Students' Co-Director: Nadia M. Chaharsoughi

Indigenous Students' Co-Director: Zackery Anderson

Menno Simons College Director: Alizeh Faran

PACE Director: Valerie Bermudez

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Women and Non-Binary Students Director: Ershiya Bagheri

Vice -President External Affairs: Jonathan Henderson

**Board on Administrative Leave:**

Vice -President Student Affairs: Melanie William

**Staff in Attendance:**

Karolya Vargscarr: Chief Operating Officer

Thomas Hanan: Admin Assistant

**Guests in Attendance:**

Kiratveer Hayer

Pearl

**Open Session**

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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 Wednesday December 2, 2020 at 5:30pm via a virtual meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. Following the confirmation of quorum, the house continued to the agenda.

**2. Approval of the Order of Business**

**Shawna P. added "student care update – for information" to item 5a.**

**Shawna P. added "discussion for director's appointments" to item 7b.**

**Moved by Harsimrat M.**

**Motion carries**

**3. Special Business**

**4. Consent Agenda**

a. Reports

i. Director Reports

a) Harsimrat M.

- Met with students and Rachel Hammerback discussing business students concerns.

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- Also met with other associations such as JDC, BASA about events for the year.

b) Jacob W.

- Has been surveying students about where our focus should be.

c) Sarah A.

- Campaign launch for More Than a Door.
- Continuing to talk to students and helping them with questions.

d) Shawna P.

- Had Executive training.
- Meeting regarding Snowed in events.
- Meeting with catalyst
- Meeting with daycare regarding a special project
- Had a senate executive committee meeting
- Board regent training

e) Olivia F.

- Putting together a lab report writing workshop

f) Dagon P.

- Sorting computers for school and getting things setup for January.

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g) Elsa O.

- Working with Shawna P. and T. Hanan about students who cannot afford the upcoming semester.
- Working with healthcare for All campaign.

b. Minutes

- BOD 201112 OPEN
- B&P 201125 OPEN
- CERC 201125 OPEN
- EXEC 201201 OPEN

Chair called upon K Vargscarr to present highlights of the Executive meeting minutes.

**Motion to approve consent agenda omnibus**

**Moved by Francisca I.**

**Motion carries.**

**5. Communications**

a. Student care update

Shawna P. provided an update about where things are at. There was a meeting with the subcommittee, about the consultation process with the students that

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will cover what their experience about online learning and evaluate where the UWSA would be able to help them with their needs. This will help open discussions with parties with difficulties that students are facing.

**6. New Business**

- a. Senate and Board of Directors appointments

Shawna P. spoke to this. The recommendations were presented along with a timeline. This included timelines for postings. Also provided a list of vacant positions. The selection process was also briefly explained to the board.

**Motion to move into closed session and to invite staff K. Vargscarr and T Hanan**

**Moved by Harsimrat M.**

**Motion carries**

**Closed Session**

**7. Consent Agenda**

- a. Minutes
- i. BOD 201112 OPEN
  - ii. EXEC 201201 CLOSED
- b. discussion for director's appointments

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After discussions during the closed session the motion for appointment was brought to open session for approval.

**Motion to appoint Emma for part-time mature student director.**

**Moved by Elsa O.**

**Motion carries**

**Be it resolved all senator and director appointments be approved, with the exception of Student Living Directorship appointment. Be it further resolved that the Student Living directorship appointment be tabled to the January 2021 meeting of this Board of Directors.**

**Moved by Dagen P.**

**Motion carries**

**8. New Business**

**9. Other Business**

**10. Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn the meeting**

**Moved by Francisca I.**

**Motion carries**

Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm.