

**UWSA Board Meeting**  
**November 21, 2019– 5:00 p.m.**  
UWSA Board Room – 515 Portage Avenue

**Board in Attendance:**

Chair of the Board: Taylor Daigneault

Accessibility Co-Director: Sarah Anderson

Accessibility Co-Director: Loc Trinh

Business and Economics Director: Anne-Cecile Panchaud

Director of Student Living: Reza Saker Hossain

International Students' Director: Alexander Ilesanmi

Menno Simons College Director: Alexandra Koslock

Racialized Students' Director: Ella Taylor

Science Director: Ryan Nykvist

Urban and Inner-City Campus Director: Shawna Péloquin

Women and Non-Binary Students' Director: Neda Masoomifar

President: Meagan Malcolm

Vice-President External Affairs: Mahlet Cuff

Vice-President Student Affairs: Noelle Sagher

**Board Absent:**

Arts Director: Wesley Fallis

Environmental Ethics Director: Avery Letkemann

Graduate Students' Co-Director: Theresa Mackey

Graduate Students' Co-Director: Racheal Kalaba

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Indigenous Students' Director: Cameron Adams

Indigenous Students' Director: Kaylin Malcolm

Recreation & Athletics Director: Himal Parekh

**Staff in Attendance:**

Jennifer Black – General Manager

Karolya Vargscarr – Chief Operating Officer, Interim Secretary

**Guests in Attendance:**

Kitatveer Hayer – Student

Celina Clements – Student

Kemi Rasipe – Student

Aminz Mohammed – Student

**1. Call to Order**

The regular monthly meeting of the University of Winnipeg Students' Association Board of Directors (UWSA BOD) was held on Thursday November 21, 2019 at 5:00pm at the UWSA Boardroom. The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:19 p.m. Following the confirmation of quorum, a round of introductions was done.

**2. Approval of the Chair**

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Taylor announced that as a new chair has not yet been hired, this item is out of order.

**3. Approval of the Order of Business**

“BIPoC Lounge Update” is added as item 6.b. For Information

Moved by Mahlet

Motion Carries

“Director Resignation” is added as item 6.c. For Information; and “U-Pass Update” is added as item 6.d. For Information

Moved by Noelle

Motion Carries

“Divestment Update” is added as item 8.b. Closed Session, For Information

Moved by Meagan

Motion Carries

Item 7.a Directors Office Motion, For Discussion moved to 4.b. Special Business

Moved by Alexander

Motion Carries

“Bursary Update” added as item 6.e. For Information

Moved by Alexandra

Motion Carries

**Motion to approve the agenda as amended**

**Moved by Ryan**

**Motion Carries**

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**4. Special Business**

**a) Election Results and Report Presentation – For Ratification**

Jamileh Naso, Chief Elections Commissioner, presented the Election Results and Report. Reviewed each item of the report. No questions were asked.

**Motion to ratify the 2019 By-Election Report and its results**

**Moved by Anne-Cecile**

**Motion Carries**

**b) Director's Office Motion**

KV spoke to the movement of the motion from the Board, to the Finance and Operations Committee, and back to the Board for further discussion.

Anne-Cecile offered to host an informal discussion group, as an F&O member, to hear director feedback about what they'd want from an office space and how they'd like to build comradery amongst directors more generally. State that the conversation would be better held outside of the board and committee structure.

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Alexander stated that the conversation should happen sooner rather than later because it keeps getting pushed back. Even if the room is not created this year, it would be a good thing to pass on to future boards.

**Be it resolved that we table the director’s office motion to the January meeting of the Board of Directors;**

**Be it further resolved that we have consultations in December to brainstorm ideas;**

**Be it further resolved that Anne-Cecile Panchaud will chair the discussions and submit a report to the January meeting of the Board of Directors.**

**Moved by Anne-Cecile**

**Motion Carries**

**b) Board Orientation Series – Financial Presentation**

KV presented a financial summary from Simon Hall, the UWSA’s chartered accountant.

**5. Consent Agenda**

**a. Open Session Minutes – for ratification**

- i. BOD 191024 OPEN
- ii. CERC 191112 OPEN
- iii. EXEC 191106 OPEN
- iv. F&O 191108 OPEN and Addendum

**Motion to approve the minutes omnibus**

**Moved by Ella**

**Motion Carries**

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b. Reports – for information

- i. Executive Reports
- ii. Director Reports

**Motion to approve the reports omnibus**

**Moved by Ella**

**Motion Carries**

**6. For Information**

**a. Mezzanine Project Update**

Meagan stated that consultations on the mezzanine project are being arranged with the Indigenous Students' Association, the Aboriginal Student Services Centre, and Merchant's Corner. We are working with architect Ryan Gorrie and all designs will be brought to the board for review.

**b. BIPOC Lounge Update**

Mahlet presented a memo regarding the closure of the BIPOC Lounge and can be contacted by students who have questions.

Students in attendance asked when the BIPOC Lounge will re-open.

Mahlet confirmed that a date is not set but that further questions can be directed to their email [ypea@theuwsa.ca](mailto:ypea@theuwsa.ca)

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c. Director Resignations

Noelle stated that both Himel Parekh – Recreation and Athletics Director, and Avery Letkemann – Environmental Ethics Director have submitted formal resignations.

d. U-Pass Update

Noelle provided an update on the ongoing negotiations with the City and Winnipeg Transit regarding the U-Pass. The City has approved a \$25 per term increase to the pass, as requested by Transit. The UWSA is pushing back against these fee increases as they damage the accessibility of the pass and would likely necessitate a referendum.

Sarah expressed concern that a failing referendum would cost many students, particularly those using the pass for handi-transit, more than \$50 a year.

Noelle stated that she will be the contact person for any questions regarding the U-Pass negotiations.

e. Bursary Update

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Noelle updated the board regarding a question presented by Alexandra at the October meeting. The bursary is only available for recent graduates and that is non-negotiable. We are waiting to hear back about the development of new bursaries from the Senate Student Services Committee.

**7. For Discussion**

**a. Committee Appointments**

**i. New Appointments**

Reza – Student Life Committee

Neda – Finance and Operations Committee

**ii. Review of October Interim Appointments**

Both Noelle and Shawna volunteered to continue with their appointments to the Finance and Operations Committee

**Motion to approve the committee appointments**

**Moved by Noelle**

**Motion Carries**

**8. Closed Session**

**Motion to move into closed session with an invitation to Jennifer and KV**

**Moved by Alexandra**

**Motion Carries**

**a. Consent Agenda**



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- i. BOD 191024 CLOSED
- ii. EXEC 191106 CLOSED
- iii. F&O 191108 CLOSED

**9. Other Business**

- a. Farewell to Taylor

**10. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 7:39 p.m.

Moved by Mahlet

Motion Carries