

**University of Winnipeg Students' Association Board of Directors**  
**OPEN Session Meeting Minutes, October 21, 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

2SLGBTQ\* Director: Jacob K. Antman

Accessibility Director: Sarah Anderson

International Students' Co-Director: Elsa Owusu

Menno Simons College Director: Alizeh Faran

Urban Inner-City Campus Director: Dagen Perrot

**Board Regrets:**

Business and Economics Director: Harsimrat S. Malhotra

Racialized Students' Director: Ella Taylor

**Board Absent:**

Community Liaison: Celina Clements

Graduate Students' Co-Director: Alexandra K.Nychuk

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International Students' Co-Director: Onyinye Francisca Idigbe

**Board on Administrative Leave:**

Vice -President Student Affairs: Melanie William

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**Staff in Attendance:**

Jennifer Black: General Manager

Karolya Vargscarr: Chief Operating Officer

Ted Turner: Manager of special projects

**Guests in Attendance:**

Karla Atanacio - Student

Leia Patterson - Student

Shawna Peloquin - Student

Vrushang Patel - Student

**Open Session**

**1. Call to Order**

The regular monthly meeting of the University of Winnipeg Students' Association Board of Directors (UWSA BOD) was held on Wednesday October 21, 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**

**Elsa O. moves to approve the order of business.**

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**Motion carries.**

**3. Special Business**

**4. Consent Agenda**

a. Reports

i. Director Reports

a. Dagen

- Met with the Board of Merchants Corner space about potential for student access going forward.

b. Jacob

- Nothing to report.

c. Sarah

- Met with J. Black to discuss about the upcoming More Than a Door campaign.
- Working as a campaign liaison with the Independent Living Resource Centre's accessible transit campaign.
- Speaking at the N.E.E.D.S. (Newcomers Employment and Education Development Services) general meeting about More Than a Door.

d. Alizeh

- Collaborating with Sarah A. on the More Than a Door survey.

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- Met with the MSCSA to discuss how the upcoming semester will look like.
  - Looking into creating a virtual social space for Menno Simons students.
- e. Elsa
- Keeping up communication with International students and answering questions they have.

b. Minutes

- i. BOD 200930 OPEN
- ii. CERC 201014 OPEN

**Alizeh F. moves to approve the consent agenda omnibus**

**Motion carries**

**5. Communications**

**6. New Business**

- a. Winter Term U-Pass Fee and Post-Secondary Pass Subsidy

T. Turner presented the motion recommendation and accepted questions. Only about \$6,000 of the \$50,000 set aside for the subsidy has been paid out so far.

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**Jacob A. moves:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the UWSA continue the U-Pass fee suspension for the Winter 2021 term and that UWSA continue conversations with the City of Winnipeg and UWinnipeg regarding U-Pass program implementation for the Fall term in 2021, dependent upon UWinnipeg campus availability and public health orders for the Province of Manitoba.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Post-Secondary Transit Subsidy is extended through Winter 2021 term.**

**Motion carries**

**Abstentions – Dagen P.**

b. Capital Proposal 201021

J. Black presented the motion recommendation and accepted questions.

**Sarah A. moves:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the UWSA allocates \$4,756.95 of capital funding for the purchase of two new UWSA laptops and the repair of the Events manager laptop.**

**Motion carries**

c. Student-at-Large Committee Appointments

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The Chair explained the appointment process. Because we had 5 applications for 6 seats, because all candidates expressed the same committee preferences, and because the chair had a conflict of interest with one of the applicants, the committee appointments were made by random draw.

**Sarah A. moves to approve the following student-at-large committee appointments:**

**Student life Committee:** Vrushang Patel, Karla Atanacio,

**CERC:** Gracie Grift, Leia Patterson

**Finances & Operations:** Rebecca Daylo

**Motion carries**

**Abstentions - Elsa O.**

**Jacob A. moves to have a five-minute break.**

**Motion carries**

**Dagen P. moves to enter closed session with an invitation to K. Vargscarr, J. Black, T. Turner and Joan Riggs.**

**Motion carries**

**Closed Session**

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**7. Consent Agenda**

- a. Minutes
  - i. BOD 200930 CLOSED

**8. New Business**

- a. Catalyst Consulting Follow-up with Joan Riggs

**9. Other Business**

**10. Adjournment**

Quorum lost at 6:41 p.m.