

**UWSA Board Meeting**  
**October 27<sup>th</sup> 2016 – 5:30 PM**  
2M70 – 515 Portage Avenue

**Board In Attendance:**

Chair of the Board: Shafagh Daneshfar

President: Kevin Settee

Vice President External Affairs: Sadie-Phoenix Lavoie

Vice President Internal Affairs: David Fanhbulleh

Accessibility Director: Mohamed Behi

Arts Director/Designated Secretary Adrienne Tessier

ASC Co-President: Daphne Comegan

Community Liaison Co-Director: Andrew Vineberg

Education Director: Allan Dunkeld

Environmental Ethics Director: Oladele Ojewole

LGBT\* Director: Jacq Pelland

Science Director: Mohammad Abo Aoun

Status of Women Director: Jade DeFehr

UWSA Business Manager: Tom Brown

J. Kornelsen (Student)

E. Prouk (Student)

Victory Umoeya (Student)

**Number of Students in Attendance: 3**

**Board Absent:**

Secretary of the Board: Alexandria Ireland

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Vice President Student Affairs: Laura Garinger

Aboriginal Student Council Co-Directors: Daniel Big George

Business and Economics Director: Mitchell van Ineveld

Community Liaison Co-Director: Abigail Pudwill

Part – Time/Mature Students' Co-Director: Hazim Ismail

Part-Time/Mature Students' Co-Director: Laura Gurbhoo

University of Winnipeg Senate: David Wiebe

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The regular monthly meeting of the University of Winnipeg Student Association Board of Directors (UWSA BOD) was held on Thursday, October 27, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in 2M70. The President and Chair being present. The Arts Director substituted the Secretary's Role. The minutes of the last meeting were amended to correct Cleo's name and approved and to add "Cleo Leslie (Communications Coordinator)" to the attendance replacing "Cloe Leslie" that "(General Manager)" be added following Karolya Varsgarr in the Attendance. The minutes were approved as corrected. The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. followed by a check-in with the BOD. The Order of Business was moved and amended to include November 2<sup>nd</sup> National Day of Action under Communications; to include Emergency Motion #1: Dakota Access Pipeline, Emergency Motion #2: Trans Mountain Pipeline and Ratification of By-Election Results under Items for Discussion. The motion to adopt the agenda as amended was moved by the Community Liaison Co-Director and Seconded by the LGBT\* Director. The motion was carried.

**Communications**

The Status of Women Director presented on the Inclusive Gym Initiative. Status of Women Director, LGBT\* Director and others will be meeting with the gym managers and other stakeholders on October 28<sup>th</sup> to present recommendations based on the survey results. The Vice President of External Affairs thanked LGBT\* and Status of Women directors for all their work on this portfolio. The President presented on November 2<sup>nd</sup> National Day of Action recommending outreach by the UWSA.

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**Consent Agenda**

The Executive Report is continued as for approval. It was resolved that That the email address for the CFS field worker be amended to read [fieldworker@cfsmb.ca](mailto:fieldworker@cfsmb.ca); that the “Justice for Errol Ranville” rally under “Solidarity Events” be amended to read “Justice for Errol Greene”. It was moved by the Community Liaison Co-Director and seconded by Vice President Internal Affairs and carried.

It was moved by the Environmental Ethics Director to approve the Consent Agenda omnibus. It was seconded by Vice President External Affairs and carried.

Under the September Open Session BOD Minutes be it resolved that “Cleo Leslie (Communications Coordinator)” be added to the attendance replacing “Cloe Leslie” that “(General Manager)” be added following Karolya Varsgarr in the Attendance. It was moved by the Vice President Internal Affairs and seconded by the Environmental Ethics Director. Carried.

It was moved to approve Open Session Minutes’ omnibus by the Vice President External Affairs and seconded by the Vice President Internal Affairs. Carried.

Under Oral Reports the ASC Co-Chair reported that they have implemented babysitting until the end of exam time. Drumming is on Monday in Bukman (Powwow) and on Friday in the lounge (Ceremonial). Sharing circles are on Thursdays in the ASSC The Christmas Party is coming up. November 21<sup>st</sup>: Pizza sales

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will be happening in November for fundraising. As well, they will be working with the U of M ASSC to do a Karaoke-Off in March.

**Items for Discussion**

Under Emergency Motion #1 the Dakota Access Pipeline

It was moved by the Vice President External Affairs and seconded by the Community Liaison Co-Director:

Whereas Canada is a signatory to the Paris Climate Agreement at COP21 in November 2015 to keep greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> below 2 degrees Celsius and ratified the Paris agreement in October 2016;

Whereas the actions that are taking place at Standing Rock Sacred Stone Camp against the Dakota Access Pipeline from Energy Transfers have reached the extent that land defenders and water protectors have been brutalized by tactics and arrests from the police in North Dakota;

Whereas students from the University of Winnipeg have gone to the Sacred Stone Camp in solidarity with care packages and held fundraisers to support those on the ground;

Be it resolved that the UWSA be opposed to the Energy Transfer's pipeline, called the Dakota Access Pipeline.

It was moved by the Status of Women Director to amended the last clause to read "Be it resolved that the UWSA write a statement to oppose the Energy Transfer pipeline, called the Dakota Access Pipeline" and seconded by the Environmental Ethics Director. Carried.

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Important notes on discussion of motion:

1. The UWSA backs students meaningful actions.
2. The UWSA condemns the building of the pipeline by the mission of the Divestment Campaign.
3. UWSA can not commit any material action or support for students that attend the Standing Rock front lines. UWSA supports the political actions of students organizing on campus, but can not support resources.
4. Students that stand in Solidarity at Standing Rock in North Dakota cannot be representing the UWSA. There may be negative perception of UWSA encouraging students to attend Standing Rock in North Dakota.
5. Directors and Executives recommend for a Lawyer to look over the statement prior to its release. It was encouraged to contact the President or Vice President External Affairs if you would like to have input on the statement.

Votes in favour: 10

Abstentions: 2 (Science Director, Arts Director)

Carried.

*Procedural interlude: The chair noted that it is important for people to be aware of how many times they speak on a motion. Robert's Rules states that someone can only speak once. The UWSA does not have to do this, but we do want to be inclusive. The Secretary and Chair are introducing a sign in/out sheet in order to prevent losing quorum. There need to be 9 voting members in order for meeting to be held.*

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Under Emergency Motion #2 – Kinder Morgan Pipeline

It was moved by the President:

Whereas Canada is a signatory to the Paris Climate Agreement at COP21 in November 2015 to keep greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions of CO2 below 2 degrees Celsius and ratified the Paris agreement in October 2016;

Whereas 99 students have been arrested at parliament in Ottawa, Ontario on Monday October 24<sup>th</sup> 2016 against the Kinder Morgan Trans Mountain Pipeline, including UWSA Executives Kevin Settee and Sadie-Phoenix Lavoie and UWSA board member Mitchell van Ineveld;

Whereas 61 First Nations communities are opposed to the Kinder Morgan Pipeline; Be it resolved that the UWSA be opposed to the Trans Canada Inc.'s pipeline called the Kinder Morgan's pipeline called the Trans Mountain pipeline. Seconded by the LGBT\* Director. It was accepted as friendly.

It was moved by the Environmental Ethics Director for the last clause be amended to read:

“Be it resolved that the UWSA write a statement to oppose Kinder Morgan's pipeline, called the Trans Mountain Pipeline” Seconded by the Vice President Internal Affairs.

Votes in favour: 9 (*Note: Education Director had left by this time*)

Abstentions: 2 (Science Director, Arts Director)

Carried.

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Under Ratification of By-Election Results

Delivered by the Chair on behalf of the Chief Election Commissioner. It was moved by the Vice President of External Affairs:

Whereas the UWSA by-election concluded on October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016;

And whereas the Chief Election Commissioner has delivered a result of 80 votes in favour for Kurné Williams and Caroline Pires, and 62 votes for Victory Umoeya;

Be it resolved that the appointment of Kurné Williams and Caroline Pires as UWSA International Student Co-Directors be ratified.

Seconded by the Vice President of Internal Affairs. Carried.

**Adjournment**

Adjournment of the monthly BOD meeting was moved by the Vice President of External Affairs seconded by the Accessibility Director. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:55p.m.