



**UWSA**

THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG  
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

# Open Session Package

January 25, 2024 Meeting of the  
UWSA Board of Directors

Thomas Hanan – General Manager

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# University of Winnipeg Students' Association Board of Directors

OPEN Session Meeting Minutes, December 7, 2023– 5:30 p.m.

Hybrid Meeting (Virtual Meeting/UWSA Board Room)

## Board in Attendance:

Chair of the Board: Jacob Cramer

Secretary of the Board: Emmanuel Oladele

President: Tomiris Kaliyeva

Vice-President Student Affairs: Christine Quiah

Vice-President External Affairs: Jonathan Henderson

Business and Economics Director: Sahil Lekhi

Emerging Leader Director: Gabriel Louer

Environmental Ethics Director: Mantej Singh

Recreation & Athletics Co-Director: Jasphanpreet Singh

2LSGBTQ\* Students' Director- Brie Villeneuve

Accessibility Director- Patel Devanshi Alpeshkumar

Education Director: Sarah Anderson

Graduate Students' Director- Dhruv Gupta

Women, Trans, and Non-Binary Director: Harmandep Kaur Ghataura

Arts Director: Ethan Redekop

Student Living Director: Anshul Pathania

## Board Absent:

International Students Co-Director: Ravpreet Singh Saluja

Community Liaison Director: Sanza Waheed Khan

Emerging Leader Director: Karamjeet Singh

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Racialized Student Co-Director: Oyin Akinboye

Science Director: Vrutti Gabani

Part-Time/Mature Students' Director: Walter Dyck

International Students' Co-Director: Ishita Wadhwa

PACE Students' Director- Sanchit Shangari

## Staff in Attendance

General Manager- Thomas Hannan

Chief Operating Officer – Tom Sidebottom

Special Projects Manager - Ted Turner

Chief Financial Officer- Olayemi Olaleye

## Guest

Student- Eniola Soetan

Auditor from Scarrow & Donald LLP- Keith

## Open Session

### 1. Call to Order

The regular monthly meeting of the University of Winnipeg Students' Association Board of Directors was held on Thursday, December 7, 2023, via a virtual meeting due to the

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COVID-19 pandemic. The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:48pm. Following the confirmation of quorum, the house continued to the agenda.

## **2. Introduction Circle**

The Chair led an introductory circle with the directors in attendance.

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

**Tomiris K. moves motion to approve the new order of business.**

**Motion Carries**

## **4. Special Business**

### **a. Presentation from the Auditors**

Keith gave a summary of the auditor's report. He explained that the "Emphasis of Matter" on the auditor's report is not normal.

**Brie V. moves the motion to approve the draft audit package.**

**Motion Carries**

## **5. Consent Agenda**

- a) Reports
- i) Executive reports

- Tomiris K. – She attended a lot of meetings, met with HRDO (Human Rights and Diversity Office) and working on providing training for all UWSA Staff, and will strongly encourage directors to join as well. She attended the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) and Canadian Alliance of Student Associations' (CASA) conferences.

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- Christine Q. – She met with the university's Human Rights Director to discuss human rights training for all university staff. She also attended Canadian Alliance of Student Associations' (CASA) conference and discussing housing issues for students. She appointed into the advisory search for an Assistant Vice President (AVP) position in the university.
- Jonathan H.- He was appointed as the co-chair of a committee for an Indigenous course. The Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) is in support of the Indigenous circle. He attended the Route 90 ceremony. He was also appointed into the advisory search for an Assistant Vice President (AVP) position in the university.

### ii) Director Reports

- Ethan R.- He met with some professors and students. He will be anchoring a debate with the Philosophy group.
- Sahil L.- He met with BASA. Discussed engagement strategies with business students for main campus engagement.
- Brie V.- She attended the Trans Awareness Day meeting.
- Sarah A.- She communicated with Ted T. concerning the Door Campaign.
- Dhruv G. – Attended sessions, met with students from PACE to discuss UWSA.
- Anshul P. - Met with ISA and other student groups. Discussions on how to improve campus engagement.

### b) Minutes

i. BOD 231102 OPEN

ii. SIAC 231123

**Tomiris K. moves the motion to approve the consent agenda.**

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### 6. Communications

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## 7. New Business

### a. New committee Appointment

Ethan R.- Campaign External Relations Committee

**Brie V. moves motion to appointment of Ethan R. into the Campaign External Relations Committee.**

**Motion Carries**

### b. 2023 By-Election Report.

Thomas H. gave a report on the last by-election and gave recommendations.

#### Voting Statistics

Turnout: 593 (6.2%) of 9574 electors voted in this ballot.

Note: 47 votes were manually input at polling stations.

T. Hanan recommended that the voting should be done online and we consider not holding by-elections if a threshold of vacant positions isn't met.

## Closed Session

## 8. Consent Agenda

### a. Minutes

#### i. BOD 231102 CLOSED

## 9. Communication

## 10. New Business

### a. Presentation from the Auditors

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## **11. Other Business**

## **12. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned 7:52pm.

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## **MOTION TO THE UWSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS: CASA REFERENDUM QUESTION**

**DATE: JANUARY 25, 2024**

**MOVED BY: TOMIRIS K.**

**WHEREAS** the UWSA Board has approved a motion to bring a question on membership in The Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA) to referendum.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the following referendum question is presented on the ballot during the 2024 UWSA General Election:

“Do you support a fee of \$4.07 per FCE (Full Course Equivalent) annually and increased at the rate of CPI (Consumer Price Index) annually, for the UWSA to become members of Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA)”?