

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 22, 2015

Students' Union Building

### 1) Meeting Called to Order

4:00PM

#### PRESENT

Melissa Gordon	President
Amber Storvold	Vice President External
Ryan Makar	Vice President Finance
Sonya Charley	Aboriginal Representative
Dana Prymak	International Students' Representative
Julian Simpson	LGBTQ Representative
Rami Alzahrani	Graduate Students' Representative
Abdullah Alosaiwan	Director-at-Large
Noel Braganza	Director-at-Large
Cameron Staff	Director-at-Large
Eric Rankin	Director-at-Large

#### REGRETS

#### ABSENT

Paige Bernard	Women's Representative
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#### STAFF

Nathan Lane	Executive Director
Alex McLellan	Research and Governance Coordinator
Natalie Reisle	Membership Development Coordinator
Abbey McAuley	Services Coordinator
Dylan Robinson	Equity Coordinator

### 2) Approval of the Agenda

#### 2.1) MOTION *SIMPSON/CHARLEY*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the agenda as presented  
**CARRIED**

### 3) Approval of the Minutes

#### 3.1) MOTION *STORVOLD/BRAGANZA*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the minutes from the September 08, 2015 Board of Directors meeting  
**CARRIED**

3.2) MOTION  
*RANKIN/ALOSHAIWAN*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the minutes from the August 31, 2015; September 09, 2015; and September 14, 2015 Executive Committee meetings

**CARRIED**

4) **Correspondence**

FOR ACTION

FOR INFORMATION

5) **Presentations**

TRUSU Grants Application #2015-C-038 Hockey Arbitration Competition of Canada (Richard Wong)

Wong presented the request for a grant to support the attendance of two students at the competition in Toronto. It is an oral and legal writing competition between 32 teams of two where each submits an argument and presents it. Participation will profile the university in a unique legal and academic setting. The grant will allow the students to focus on the quality of the submissions and oral argument rather than fundraising. To prepare, the students spend four hours a week outside class in addition to time with a coach.

TRUSU Grants Application #2015-C-039 Link BC Case Competition (Nataliya Kiyan)

Kiyan represented the request for a grant to support the participation of five students in the competition in Vancouver. Students from the Faculty of Adventure, Culinary Arts, and Tourism participate every year and have won the competition five times in seven years. Seven universities participate, and the competition puts TRU on the map as a top university for tourism. In the competition, teams are given a case and have four hours to prepare a presentation to industry professionals.

TRUSU Grants Application #2015-GE-004 Koyczan Artist's Talk & Studio Visits (Marilyn Richards)

Richards presented the request for a grant to support a reception and talk by artist Casey Koyczan. A Koyczan exhibition is on display in the TRU Art Gallery now. There will be a day of studio visits to give students a chance to interact with a practicing artist. The Visual Arts Students' Association is funding the studio visits; the Visual Arts Department is providing food and signage; and a faculty member has fronted the money for flight. The grant would compensate the faculty member and cover other costs of the artist's talk.

TRUSU Grants Application #2015-GE-005 TRU Debate Open House (Eli Zbar)

Zbar presented the request for a grant to support the event. Zbar thanked the Union for funding participation in a tournament in Calgary last year, and reported that many participants in that tournament remain foundational members of the

Club. The Open House would serve to build on that membership. The Club had students sign up at Clubs Day to promote the event. The grant would cover food and promotional materials. At the event, Clubs leaders will present on debate and competitions, perform a show debate. The Club is also seeking to be accredited nationally.

TRUSU Grants Application #2015-GE-006 AGM/Elections & Welcome Night (Chirag Segal)

Robert Singh Parmar presented the request for a grant to support the event. This is an annual event for the India Club following the Fall student intake to support new students, who may be home sick, to create friendships and learn about TRU and Canada. It will begin at 6:00PM with the presentation of an annual report and the election of the Executive. This will be followed by a social. The Club has moved the event to the Panorama Room to better accommodate the 200 students who are expected to attend.

Director-at-Large Vacancy (Nathan Lane)

Lane reported that, following his appointment to the position of Vice President Internal, Rankin has submitted his resignation from the position of Director-at-Large as a member cannot occupy two positions at once. That resignation will be considered for receipt later in this meeting. This will create a vacancy for the position of Director-at-Large and a posting will be published according to the requirements of the Bylaws and Policy Manual.

## 6) Committee Progress Reports

Campaigns Committee

Storvold reported that the committee met last on September 14.

For the This Time We Decide campaign, the committee discussed encouraging students in residence to vote at the campus polling station. The residence has been provided materials for the campaign and the Pizza and Politics event. The committee is also working with the local youth outreach coordinator from Elections Canada to host table on campus. The focus this week will be on building the email list to engage the broader membership beyond residence.

Storvold and Lane also presented to the Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services for the provincial budget consultations. For the first time, the Union made a joint statement with TRU and the Faculty Association regarding the need to reevaluate the funding formula for TRU.

The committee will meet next on September 28.

Services Committee

Makar reported that the committee met last on September 09.

The committee promoted TRUSU Edu at the Back to School Barbecue and launched the program with the first class on bartending. Eight students

participated and had fun. This class will be offered a second time along with a series of other classes, information for which are on the Union's website.

The committee will meet next on September 23.

## Entertainment Committee

Rankin reported that the committee has not met since last the Board of Directors.

The committee is preparing for the final Kickstart event, the Movie Night. The event will show Jurassic World and there will be free popcorn and drinks.

Rankin is coordinating a new meeting time for the committee.

## Equity Committee

Rankin reported that the committee is working on four events and activities.

The Pride Parade will be held October 1. Promotion materials have been produced, 19 community organizations have committed to attend and 11 have committed to host a table.

The Pride Discussion on Coming and Being Out will be held October 09. Three panelists have been secured and logistics are prepared.

The Story Teller's Gala will be held October 16. The event this year is a partnership with TRU and the President's Lecture Series. The committee is currently working with the university to develop marketing and communications.

Finally, the TRU Sexual Violence Task Force held its first meeting last Thursday. Student representatives continue to participate to ensure an adequate response to the issue on campus.

The committee will meet next on September 23 with a focus on preparing for Pride Parade, and it will be open to all members to attend.

## Policy Committee

Gordon reported that the committee will meet next on September 24, to review drafts of a social media code of conduct and a textbooks and materials policy. The committee will also brainstorm for a new policy on study space.

## Executive Committee

Gordon reported that the Executive determined to send delegations to two events. Board members will be invited to participate in the TRU Lip Dub on October 17. Members of the Executive and the Student Caucus Steering Committee will participate in a TRU study space consultation on September 25.

## 7) Institutional Student Representation Reports

### Student Caucus

Gordon reported that the Student Caucus has been focused on recruitment. Over 250 members have signed up for information sessions. Applications will remain open until the last information sessions, and recruitment will continue until that time as well.

The Steering Committee will meet next on September 28.

**8) Canadian Federation of Students Report**

**9) Finance Report**

**10) Staff Report**

**11) Old Business**

**12) New Business**

12.1) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT  
*STAFF/RANKIN*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2015-C-038 \$2,000.00 to attend the Hockey Arbitration Competition of Canada on November 09-10, 2015

**CARRIED**

12.2) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT  
*SIMPSON/STAFF*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2015-C-039 \$2,000.00 to attend the Link BC Case Competition on October 19-21, 2015

**CARRIED**

12.3) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT  
*BRAGANZA/ALOSHAIWAN*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2015-GE-004 \$1,000.00 to host the Koyczan Artist's Talk and Studio Visit on September 24-25, 2015

**CARRIED**

12.4) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT  
*RANKIN/CHARLEY*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2015-GE-005 \$142.00 to host the TRUSU Debate Open House on October 01, 2015

**CARRIED**

12.5) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT  
*STAFF/BRAGANZA*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2015-GE-006 \$1,000.00 to host the TRUSU India Club AGM & Welcome Night on November 09-10, 2015

**CARRIED**

- 12.6) MOTION – TRUSU CLUB RATIFICATION  
*STAFF/BRAGANZA*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Latter-Day Saints Student Association  
**CARRIED**
- 12.7) MOTION – TRUSU CLUB RATIFICATION  
*CHARLEY/STORVOLD*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Adventure U Outdoor Club  
**CARRIED**
- 12.8) MOTION – TRUSU CLUB RATIFICATION  
*ALOSHAIWAN/PRYMAK*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU International Club  
**CARRIED**
- 12.9) MOTION – TRUSU CLUB RATIFICATION  
*RANKIN/CHARLEY*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Sikh Student Club  
**CARRIED**
- 12.10) MOTION – TRUSU CLUB RATIFICATION  
*RANKIN/MAKAR*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Chess Club  
**CARRIED**
- 12.11) MOTION – TRUSU CLUB RATIFICATION  
*PRYMAK/RANKIN*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU International Hip-Hop Dancing Club  
**CARRIED**
- 12.12) MOTION – TRUSU CLUB RATIFICATION  
*ALZHRANI/SIMPSON*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Swing Dance Club  
**CARRIED**
- 12.13) MOTION – HONORARIA REPORT  
*PRYMAK/BRAGANZA*  
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors receive the Honoraria Report for the period of August 27 – September 09, 2015  
**CARRIED**

- 12.14) MOTION – RESIGNATION  
*STAFF/CHARLEY*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors receive the resignation of Eric Rankin from the position of Director-at-Large

**CARRIED**

**13) Meeting Time**

Tuesday, October 06, 2015 – 4:00PM

**14) Notices of Motion**

**15) In Camera Section (if needed)**

**16) Adjournment**

- 16.1) MOTION  
*ALOSHAIWAN/PRYMAK*

Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned

**CARRIED**