

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 20, 2015

Students' Union Building

### 1) Meeting Called to Order

4:00PM

#### PRESENT

Melissa Gordon	President
Amber Storvold	Vice President External
Paige Bernard	Women's Representative
Sonya Charley	Aboriginal Representative
Dana Prymak	International Students' Representative
Rami Alzahrani	Graduate Students' Representative
Abdullah Alosaiwan	Director-at-Large
Noel Braganza	Director-at-Large
Cameron Staff	Director-at-Large

#### REGRETS

Eric Rankin	Vice President Internal
Ryan Makar	Vice President Finance
Julian Simpson	LGBTQ Representative

#### ABSENT

#### 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

*BERNARD/PRYMAK*

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

**CARRIED**

### 3) Approval of the Minutes

#### 3.1) MOTION

*CHARLEY/STORVOLD*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the minutes from the October 06, 2015 Board of Directors meeting

**CARRIED**

3.2) MOTION  
STAFF/BRAGANZA

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the minutes from the October 05, 2015 Executive Committee meeting

**CARRIED**

4) **Correspondence**

FOR ACTION

FOR INFORMATION

5) **Presentations**

TRUSU Grants Application #2015-C-043 Canadian Bureau for International Education (Adela Simone Grimard)

Grimard presented the request for a grant to support the attendance of five students at the annual conference of the Canadian Bureau for International Education in Niagara Falls. The students will be presenting on their experience in the Study Abroad Ambassador program, which provides peer-to-peer support and mentorship for students studying abroad. They will be the only student group in Canada to present, which will serve to set TRU apart at this international conference. This follows from the previous presentation by the Intercultural Council at the conference of the British Columbia Council for International Education.

Additional revenue sources include a Cactus Jacks fundraiser that raised \$365 and a bake sale that raised \$371. Further fundraising plans include a dinner at Frick and Frack with 30 tickets sold so far, which will raise approximately \$10/ticket, and another bake sale, which is expected to raise \$300.

TRUSU Grants Application #2015-C-045 CNSA Regional Conference (Kennedie Maidment)

Maidment presented the request for a grant to support the attendance of seven students at the regional conference in the Comox valley. There are two Canadian Nursing Student Association conferences every year: one national and one regional. This year the regional conference theme is "Inspire, Advocate, Unleash." Attendees will be able to explore a number of nursing streams including cardiac, intensive care, forensic, military, etc. There will be presentations from the BC Nurses Union and the College of Registered Nurses. This will be a good opportunity to connect with these professional organizations, as well as learn more about a new certification exam. Finally, there will be a full day workshop with the local First Nation to explore nursing in Aboriginal communities

TRUSU Grants Application #2015-GE-010 Gurpurab Birth Anniversary (Talwinder Kaur)

Kaur presented the request for a grant to support the event commemorating the birth of the founder of the Sikh religion. The TRUSU Sikh Club is in its first year

of operation and this will be its first on campus event. The Club previously self-funded an off-campus movie night. This event is intended to share knowledge of the Sikh culture and religion, and will feature a turban tying workshop and a free lunch. The event will be promoted through social media and personal networks, and 150-200 attendees are expected. The event will also take place on campus between 11:00-2:00PM when there is the highest student traffic.

TRUSU Grants Application #2015-GE-011 Ayotzinapa: Chronicle of a State Crime (Kevin Pankewich)

Rhys Cranwell, on behalf of Pankewich, presented the request for a grant to support the documentary and discussion event. The event addresses an incident in which forty-three Marxists students and leaders in indigenous resistance groups were disappeared. Two members connected to these groups will present a documentary film previously presented to Vancouver Film Festival. The event will be a chance for TRU students to interact directly with those connected to the activism and this incident. It offers a unique opportunity to explore both international and indigenous perspectives, which is important to TRU.

## 6) Committee Progress Reports

### Campaigns Committee

Storvold reported that the This Time We Decide campaign to promote participation in the federal election has successfully concluded. The campaign hosted a Pizza and Politics event with 150-200 attendees who engaged in political discussions, and had access to both the campaign website for local candidate information and Elections Canada for registration and voter information. The campaign continued outreach including attending Residence Council meetings and a newsletter sent to the full membership list. Finally, the Students' Union Building hosted a polling place and the unofficial turn out has been reported as 178 students who live on campus.

### Services Committee

No report

### Entertainment Committee

No report

### Equity Committee

No report

### Policy Committee

Gordon reported that the committee will meet next on October 22. It will review a draft of a Study Space Policy, and brainstorm a Work on Campus Policy.

## Executive Committee

Gordon reported that the Executive reviewed applications and recommended a shortlist of candidates for the appointment to a Director-at-Large position to be considered at this meeting.

## 7) Institutional Student Representation Reports

### Student Caucus

Gordon reported that the Student Caucus has been focused on the Policy on Policy Development and Approval. The objectives are to have faculty-level policies included to provide principles and standards of development, approval, and publication; and to increase the transparency and collegiality of the policy processes generally. The Caucus participated in a working group over the summer, but there was resistance to considering the Caucus' concerns and suggestions. Student Caucus members were encouraged to submit their concerns directly to the Policy Subcommittee, which resulted in the Subcommittee inviting a presentation. The Caucus Steering Committee will make that presentation tomorrow.

## 8) Canadian Federation of Students Report

## 9) Finance Report

## 10) Staff Report

## 11) Old Business

## 12) New Business

### 12.1) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT ALOSHAIWAN/BERNARD

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2015-C-043 \$5,000.00 to attend the Canadian Bureau for International Education conference on November 23-25, 2015

**CARRIED**

### 12.2) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT CHARLEY/STAFF

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2015-C-045 \$884.00 to attend the CNSA Regional Conference on October 23-25, 2015

**CARRIED**

### 12.3) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT BERNARD/ALOSHAIWAN

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2015-GE-010 \$1,000.00 to host Gurpurab (Birth Anniversary) on November 04, 2015

**CARRIED**

12.4) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT  
*BRAGANZA/PRYMAK*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2015-GE-011 \$225.00 to host the Ayotzinapa: Chronicle of a State Crime event on October 23, 2015

**CARRIED**

12.5) MOTION – TRUSU CLUB RATIFICATION  
*CHARLEY/ALOSHAIWAN*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Entrepreneurship Club

**CARRIED**

12.6) MOTION – TRUSU CLUB RATIFICATION  
*CHARLEY/STORVOLD*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Spanish Conversation Club

**CARRIED**

12.7) MOTION – BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPOINTMENT  
*CHARLEY/ALOSHAIWAN*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors appoint Mwansa Lembalemba to the position of Director-at-Large position for the 2015-2016 term

**CARRIED**

12.8) MOTION – HONORARIA REPORT  
*PRYMAK/STORVOLD*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors receive the Honoraria Report for the period of September 24 – October 07, 2015

**CARRIED**

**13) Meeting Time**

Tuesday, November 03, 2015 – 4:00PM

**14) Notices of Motion**

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

**16) Adjournment**

16.1) MOTION  
*BRAGANZA/CHARLEY*

Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned

**CARRIED**