

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 04, 2017

Students' Union Building

1) Meeting Called to Order

4:00PM

PRESENT

Brian Chiduuro	President
Amber Storvold	Vice President External
Gagandeep Singh	Vice President Internal
Oluwafemi Akinsanpe	Vice President Finance
Sierra Rae	Women's Students' Representative
Caitlin Orteza	LGBTQ Representative
Tatiana Gilbert	Director-at-Large
Cole Hickson	Director-at-Large

REGRETS

ABSENT

Chandan Sehgal	International Students' Representative
Yash Thakker	Graduate Students' Representative
James-Dean Aleck	Aboriginal Representative
Laura Santamaria	Director-at-Large
Gunveet Singh	Director-at-Large

STAFF

Nathan Lane	Executive Director
Alex McLellan	University Governance Coordinator
Dylan Robinson	Equity Coordinator
Leif Douglass	Campaigns Coordinator
Parth Patel	Entertainment Coordinator
Cassandra Ring	Services Coordinator

2) Approval of the Agenda

2.1) MOTION
SINGH/ORTEZA

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

3) Approval of the Minutes

3.1) MOTION

AKINSANPE/RAE

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the minutes from the March 21, 2017 Board of Directors meetings.

CARRIED

4) Correspondence

FOR ACTION

Communities on the Move Declaration Endorsement Request (BC Health Living Alliance)

Lane presented the request for endorsement by the BC healthy Living Alliance and the recommendation for consideration by the Executive Committee.

FOR INFORMATION

5) Presentations

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-GE-061 Praise & Dance Talent (Nyasha Manyanye)

Manyanye presented the request to receive funding to host the Praise & Dance Talent event. Manyanye outlined that the event would feature dancing and singing and would serve as an exam period stress buster. Manyanye estimates that they will have approximately 170 attendees and include a feature performer.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-GE-062 Brew Off and Roast (Nathan Butler)

Butler presented the request for funding to host the 27th Annual Brew Off and Roast. Butler outlined that the Brew Off and Roast is designed to get science students all together for an end of year social event before exams. The event features skits and speeches and craft beer. Butler reported that the event has already sold 100 tickets for the event and that they expect the event to sell out.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-EE-019 560 Dance Workshop (Kieran Muller)

Muller presented the request to receive funding to host the 560 Dance Workshop event. Muller outlined that they were seeking funding to host a dance workshop. The club is hoping to bring in dance professionals from Vancouver to teach club members and the broader community expressive dance. Muller outlined that they have already secured funding from TRU World and that they intended to sell tickets for the workshop.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-150 31st Western Canadian Undergraduate Chemistry Conference (Isra Jaffar)

Jaffar presented the request to receive funding to attend the 31st Western Canadian Undergraduate Chemistry Conference. Jaffar outlined that the conference was an excellent addition to the directed studies these participants had taken this semester. Jaffar claimed that his project received great feedback at the recent poster conference and that he anticipates his poster will be a great success at the conference and will promote the TRU Science Faculty.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-151 2017 CASWE-ACFTS Conference (Theresa Thoms)

Thoms presented the request to receive funding to attend the 2017 CASWE-ACFTS Conference. Thoms outlined that this is a tremendous opportunity as traditionally this conference is only available to 3rd year students. Thoms provided an overview of the conference outlining that that conference is part of the 86th Congress on the Humanities and that they were expecting 6000 participants. Thoms also outlined that the key aspect of the value of the conference was the focus on social work policy development as this is a very important developing field in social work.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-152 Critical Tourism Studies (Kelsey Boule)

Boule presented the request to receive funding to attend the Critical Tourism Studies Conference. Boule outlined that they have already received approval to present at the conference and that they are one of the few students to be presenting. Boule also claimed that they were one of the few science students invited and that the conference was an excellent opportunity for interdisciplinary study. Boule believes that this conference will dovetail nicely with the focus of the new Masters of Environmental Science.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG -153 CONFORWest (Matthew Coghill)

Coghill presented the request to receive funding to attend the CONFORWest Conference. Coghill outlined that the conference was the annual gathering of students in environmental science and that this year's focus is the discussion of invasive species and their impact on climate change. Coghill believes that the key feature to the conference experience is the peer to peer learning that will occur as a result of the student to student structure of the conference.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-154 British Columbia Veterinary Technicians Associations Spring Conference (Kyla Whiting)

Whiting presented the request to receive funding to attend the British Columbia Veterinary Technicians Association Spring Conference. Whiting spoke on behalf of the 38 students who are hoping to attend the conference. Whiting outlined that the conference would feature speakers and a tradeshow on the topics of canine and canine heart surgery. Whiting claimed that attending the conference

was an important networking opportunity for veterinary technicians in order to break into the field.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-155 Skills Canada (Shane Wonnacott)

Wonnacott presented the request to receive funding to attend and compete at the Skills Canada Competition. Wonnacott presented the request was the result of having won at the regional competition that the board previously funded. Wonnacott outlined that he would be competing in welding and hoped to qualify for the international competition in Dubai.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-156 (Kelcey Shinkewski)

Shinkewski presented the request to attend the Vancouver Island University Philosophy Conference. Shinkewski outlined that they presented on the philosophy of law topic at the PHP Conference and that they have been asked to present at the conference. Shinkewski also noted that they believed that attending the conference would be beneficial as a means to improve the planning of the PHP Conference.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-157 The Annual Bingham Lecture: A Judge's View on the Rule of Law (Oliver Leung)

Leung presented the request to receive funding to attend the Annual Bingham Lecture. Leung outlined that the conference will focus on the principle of the rule of law and how it is applied and will be led by a three judge panel. Leung believed it would be valuable for the law faculty for him to be sent and that he would commit to hosting a lecture when he returned.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-158 Architectural Institute of British Columbia 2017 Annual Conference (Samantha Horner)

Horner presented the request to receive funding to attend the Architectural Institute of British Columbia 2017 Annual Conference. Horner outlined that TRU does not provide opportunities for students who are hoping to pursue architecture and so she is seeking to attend the conference. Horner outlined that she is interested in pursuing studies in architecture particularly in place making and hopes to network and get a sense of the field and programs in this field.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-159 Canadian Society of Microbiologists Conference (Robyn McArthur)

McArthur presented the request to receive funding to attend the Canadian Society of Microbiologists Annual Conference. McArthur outlined that the conference was an excellent opportunity to share research in microbiology and to see what is available for communal research projects.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-160 Power UP: HR Conference & Tradeshow 2017 (Michelle Singular)

Singular presented the request to receive funding to attend the Power UP: HR Conference & Tradeshow 2017. Singular outlined that she is the President of the HR Club and that she was presenting on behalf of 8 people who are hoping to attend to learn more about the future of HR. The conference would feature lectures and workshops as well as a networking section. Singular also noted that they had done a number of fundraising activities to help support their applications.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-161 Foothills Colloquium in Undergraduate History (Elena Plotnikoff)

Plotnikoff presented the request for funds to attend the Foothills Colloquium in Undergraduate History. Plotnikoff outlined that this conference was important because it was one of the only history conferences targeted at undergraduates. Plotnikoff also noted that she had been selected from amongst applicants across the country to present her paper.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-162 Industry Field Trip (Jodi Bults)

Bults presented the request to receive funds to attend the industry field trip. Bults represents a class of retail meat cutters who are seeking funds to go to the lower mainland to tour potential employers and facilities. The tour gives students an opportunity to see retail meat cutting in practice and see various locations and techniques.

6) Committee Progress Reports

Campaigns Committee (Leif Douglass)

Douglass reported the committee met once since the last meeting. At the meeting the committee debriefed on the Pizza and Politics event and discussed the request for joint outreach from Reveal Media.

Douglass reported that the 2016/2017 Campaigns Committee Strategic Plan remains on largely track.

Douglass reported that the committee was focusing its efforts on preparing for the upcoming Fund the Future presentation to the TRU Board of Governors. Douglass also noted that the committee will be continuing to do outreach to promote student participation in the upcoming election.

Services Committee (Cassandra Ring)

Ring reported that the committee has not met since the last meeting.

Ring reported that no additional progress has been made on the 2016/2017 Services Committee Strategic Plan.

Ring reported that she has been preparing the materials for the upcoming committee orientation.

Entertainment Committee (Parth Patel)

Patel reported that the committee has not met since the last meeting.

Patel reported that the 2016/2017 Entertainment Committee Strategic Plan remains on track.

Patel outlined that the committee continues to prepare for the Last Class Bash.

Equity Committee (Dylan Robinson)

Robinson reported that the committee has not met since the last meeting.

Robinson noted that with the exception of the objectives related to campus outreach for the Post secondary Student Support Program the 2016/2017 Equity Committee Strategic Plan remains on track. Robinson also noted that the committee was pleased to have been able to engage with 200 students during the International Days myth busting outreach and to have met its attendance goal for the International Women's Day Women in STEM lecture by having 60 participants.

Executive Committee (Nathan Lane)

Lane reported that the committee has not met since the last meeting.

Student Caucus Steering Committee (Alex McLellan)

McLellan reported that the committee had met twice since the last meeting. At the meetings the committee discussed the status of the Open Textbook Faculty Council presentations and preparations for the presentation to the TRU APPC Committee.

McLellan noted that the 2016/2017 Caucus Strategic Plan remains largely on track.

McLellan reported that five Open Textbook presentations had been made to date and that the committee has presentations scheduled with a number of additional Faculty Council presentations in the coming days. McLellan also reported that the committee has wrapped up the Student Budget Consultation survey and have sent a wrap up email to members of the Senate Budget Committee and the members of the Board of Directors. Lastly, McLellan reported that the institution has put forward a proposal to address the recommendations for improved student services and better study space and that the committee would be participating in the upcoming consultation being hosted by the Provost's office.

7) Finance Report

No Report

8) Staff Report

Communications Report – February 27, 2017 (Natalie Reisle)

Reisle reported that the Union experienced a high number of hits to the website during this period led primarily by the content related to the election candidates and the Pizza and Politics event.

TRUSU Grants Report – March 05, 2017 (Natalie Reisle)

Reisle reported that the grants program has now surpassed fifty percent of its proposed expenditures for the year. Reisle also reported that a large number of grant applications have been commenced in the system and that it was expected that the Board would be reviewing a significant number of applications in the near future.

9) Old Business

9.1) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
SINGH/RAE

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors repeal TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-137.

CARRIED

9.2) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
AKINSANPE/GILBERT

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-163 \$5,000.00 to attend the Association of Psychological Science Conference on May 25 -28, 2017.

CARRIED

10) New Business

10.1) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
ORTEZA/HICKSON

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-GE-061 \$860.00 to host the Praise and Dance Talent on April 07, 2017.

CARRIED

10.2) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
HICKSON/RAE

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-GE-062 \$1,000.00 to host the Brew Off and Roast on April 07, 2017.

CARRIED

10.3) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
AKINSANPE/ORTEZA

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-EE-019 \$3,900.00 to host the 560 Dance Workshop on May 06 - 07, 2017.

CARRIED

- 10.4) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
SINGH/RAE
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-150 \$3,508.20 to attend the 31st Western Canadian Undergraduate Chemistry Conference on May 03 - 06, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.5) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
GILBERT/AKINSANPE
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-151 \$2,000.00 to attend the CASWE-ACFTS Conference on May 29 – June 01, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.6) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
SINGH/ORTEZA
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-152 \$1,000.00 to attend the Critical Tourism Studies Conference on June 25 - 29, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.7) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
HICKSON/CHIDUURO
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-153 \$1,282.50 to attend the CONFORWest Conference on April 21 - 24, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.8) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
HICKSON/RAE
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-154 \$2,700.00 to attend the British Columbia Veterinary Technicians Association Spring Conference on April 21 - 22, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.9) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
ORTEZA/AKINSANPE
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-155 \$945.00 to attend the Skills Canada Competition on April 05, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.10) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
SINGH/GILBERT
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-156 \$553.50 to attend the Vancouver island University Philosophy Conference on April 15, 2017.
CARRIED

- 10.11) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
AKINSANPE/CHIDUURO
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-157 \$1,000.00 to attend The Annual Bingham Lecture: A Judge's View on the Rule of Law on May 03, 2017.
- 10.12) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
ORTEZA/SINGH
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-158 \$500.00 to attend the Architectural Institute of British Columbia 2017 Annual Conference on March 08 – 10, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.13) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
HICKSON/SINGH
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-159 \$5,000.00 to attend the Canadian Society of Microbiologists Annual Conference on June 20 - 23, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.14) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
GILBERT/CHIDUURO
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-160 \$4,000.00 to attend the Power UP: HR Conference & Tradeshow 2017 on May 02 - 03, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.15) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
HICKSON/ORTEZA
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-161 \$328.50 to attend the Foothills Colloquium in Undergraduate History on April 30 – May 01, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.16) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
SINGH/AKINSANPE
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-162 \$2,030.00 to attend the Inustry Field Trip on May 08 - 10, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.17) MOTION – TRUSU ENDORSEMENT
HICKSON/ORTEZA
Be it resolved that the TRUSU Board of Directors endorse the BC Healthy Living Alliance Communities on the Move Declaration.
CARRIED

- 10.18) MOTION – TRUSU HONORARIA
RAE/SINGH

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors receive the honoraria report for the period of
March 09, 2017 – March 22, 2017

CARRIED

11) Meeting Time

Tuesday, April 18, 2017 – 4:00PM

12) Notices of Motion

13) In Camera Section (if needed)

14) Adjournment

- 14.1) MOTION
GILBERT/ORTEZA

Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned

CARRIED