

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 02, 2017

Students' Union Building

1) Meeting Called to Order

4:01PM

PRESENT

Tatiana Gilbert	President
Cole Hickson	Vice President External
Gagandeep Singh	Vice President Services
Janelle Lapointe	Vice President Internal
Caitlin Orteza	Vice President Equity
Simranjit Singh	International Students' Representative
Emmanuel Daramola	Graduate Students' Representative
James-Dean Aleck	Aboriginal Representative
Emiko Ohama	Women's Students' Representative
Dale Drozda	LGBTQ Representative
Brandon Hayashi	Campaigns Committee Representative
Arjun Gill	Services Committee Representative
Inderpreet Bains	Services Committee Representative
Richard Abankwa	Entertainment Committee Representative
Mico Miede-Moffat	Caucus Steering Committee Representative
Mwansa Kaunda	Caucus Steering Committee Representative

REGRETS

Usra Gohar	Entertainment Committee Representative
Aanchal Mogla	Campaigns Committee Representative

ABSENT

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
Natalie Reisle	Communications Coordinator

2) Approval of the Agenda

2.1) MOTION
SINGH/GILL

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

CARRIED

3) Approval of the Minutes

3.1) MOTION
ALECK/MIEGE-MOFFAT

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the minutes from the April 18, 2017 Board of Directors meetings.

CARRIED

3.2) MOTION
DROZDA/HICKSON

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the minutes from the March 21, 2017; March 24, 2017; March 31, 2017; April 07, 2017; April 13, 2017; and April 21, 2017 Executive Committee meetings.

CARRIED

4) Correspondence

FOR ACTION

FOR INFORMATION

5) Presentations

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-173 Canadian Society for Brain, Behaviour, and Cognitive Science Conference (Cameron Rich)

Rich presented the request for funds to attend a conference. Rich outlined that this was the largest conference of its kind and that it was attended by students and researchers and professionals in the field. Rich claimed that attending would allow him to network with potential graduate supervisors and to gain knowledge that he could bring back to TRU for future activities.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-174 BEST 2017: Bettering Environmental Stewardship & Technology Conference (Shawna-Rae McLean)

Professor Terry Kading presented the request for funding on behalf of Mclean who was unable to attend. Kading provided an overview of conference activities and outlined that the conference content would lead into a directed studies course in the fall focused on sustainable planning. Kading noted that attendees would be required to present at the PHP Conference and TRU Undergraduate Conference upon their return.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-175 International Larval Biology Symposium (Hillary Hamilton)

Professor Louis Gosselin presented the request for funding on behalf of Hamilton who was unable to attend. Gosselin outlined that he is Hamilton's supervisor and that she is a Masters Student in Marine Biology studying invertebrates. Gosselin noted that the conference is focused not only on

Hamiltons research topic but also on the region she is studying and therefore is a tremendous opportunity.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-176 5th International Symposium on Environment & Energy Finance Issues (Moses Msiska)

Msiska presented the request for funds to attend a conference. Msiska outlined that he has been accepted to present two papers at this very prestigious conference. No one from TRU has presented at this conference before and very few Canadians have ever presented. Msiska believes that this will be an excellent opportunity to put TRU on map.

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-177 Invasive Species Research Conference (Jacob Bradshaw)

Professor Wendy Gardener presented the request for funding on behalf of Bradshaw who could not attend. Gardener provided an overview of the conference activities and discussed the theme of the conference. Gardener noted that the request was to support two students who have been approved as presenters in the conference poster resource fair and one general attendee.

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 plan from the past year and enjoyed a brief social to celebrate completing the term.

Douglass reported that the committee has now adjourned for the term and that he has turned his focus to preparing the orientation for the upcoming committee which will take place in early May.

Services Committee (Cassandra Ring)

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

Ring reported that the committee has now adjourned for the term and that he has turned his focus to preparing the orientation for the upcoming committee which will take place in early May.

Entertainment Committee (Parth Patel)

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

Patel reported that the committee has now adjourned for the term and that he has turned his focus to preparing the orientation for the upcoming committee which will take place in early May.

Equity Committee (Dylan Robinson)

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

Ronbinson reported that the committee has now adjourned for the term and that he has turned his focus to preparing the orientation for the upcoming committee which will take place in early May.

Executive Committee (Nathan Lane)

Lane reported that the committee met once since the last meeting. At this meeting the committee discussed the appointment of Members at Large to the 2017/2018 TRUSU Standing Committees.

Student Caucus Steering Committee (Alex McLellan)

McLellan reported that the committee had met once since the last meeting. At the meeting the committee did a debrief of the activities of the past year and enjoyed a brief social to celebrate completing its term.

McLellan reported that the committee has now adjourned for the term and that he has turned his focus to preparing the orientation for the upcoming committee which will take place in early May.

7) Finance Report

Financial Statement – February 28, 2017 (Nathan Lane)

No report was provided as this content was reviewed earlier during the day at the Board of Directors Orientation.

Financial Statement – March 31, 2017 (Nathan Lane)

No report was provided as this content was reviewed earlier during the day at the Board of Directors Orientation.

8) Staff Report

Communications Report – April 24, 2017 (Natalie Reisle)

Reisle reported that the Union's communications approach continues to progress successfully and the Union expects to meet its objectives for the year.

Reisle noted that that Union experienced a slight dip in its website traffic in this period as a result of a recent website outage related to the expiry of the Unions web domain.

In terms of social media Reisle reported that trends across all of the Unions platforms continue to be the same. Reisle did note that changes to the way the Union posted videos directly to facebook as opposed to in youtube resulted in much greater engagement with the Now Is the Time video content.

TRUSU Grants Report – April 21, 2017 (Natalie Reisle)

Reisle reported that the program continues to be successful. Reisle noted that the Board has now allocated seventy five percent of its conference funds and can expect to allocate another ten to fifteen percent over the summer. Reisle also noted that work is underway over the summer to increase the number of applicants in some of the underutilized categories such as guest lecture grants.

Club Ratification (Parth Patel)

Patel reported that the application for club ratification has met all of the requirements. Patel noted that both signing authorities are members of the Union, that the aims and purposes of the club fall within program guidelines, and that the application has the appropriate number of signatures.

9) Old Business

9.1) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT *ORTEZA/LAPOINTE*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-GE-064 \$750.00 to host the TRUSU Indoor Cricket Tournament on March 12 – June 04, 2017.

CARRIED

10) New Business

10.1) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT *MIEGE-MOFFAT/DROZDA*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-173 \$1,404.00 to attend the Canadian Society for Brain, Behavior, and Cognitive Science Conference on June 02 – June 04, 2017.

CARRIED

10.2) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT *HICKSON/ALECK*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-174 \$500.00 to attend the BEST 2017 (Bettering Environmental Stewardship & Technology) Conference on May 10 – May 12, 2017.

CARRIED

10.3) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT *KAUNDA/SINGH*

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-175 \$1,000.00 to attend the 11th International Larval Biology Symposium Conference on August 09 – August 13, 2017.

CARRIED

- 10.4) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
ORTEZA/ABANKWA
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-176 \$1,000.00 to attend the 5th International Symposium on the Environment & Energy Finance Issues Conference on May 22 – 23, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.5) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
HAYASHI/DROZDA
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-177 \$892.13 to attend the Invasive Species Research Conference on June 20 – June 22, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.6) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
ORTEZA/SINGH
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors appoint Vice President External Cole Hickson as the British Columbia Federation of Students Provincial Executive Representative for the 2017/2018 Board of Directors term.
CARRIED
- 10.7) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
GILL/SINGH
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors appoint President Tatiian Gilbert, Vice President Janelle Lapointe, Vice President Caitlin Orteza, Vice President Gagandeep Singh, and Vice President Cole Hickson as signing authorities for the 2017/2018 Board of Directors term.
CARRIED
- 10.8) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
GILBERT/ORTEZA
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors send Vice President External Cole Hickson, Executive Director Nathan Lane, Gagandeep Singh, Tatiana Gilbert, Inayat Ur-Rehman, Caitlin Orteza as delegates to the British Columbia Federation of Students Skills Development Symposium on May 23 – 25, 2017.
CARRIED
- 10.9) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
LAPOINTE/SINGH
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors ratify the TRUSU Rocketry and Aeronautics Club.
CARRIED

10.10) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
DROZDA/SINGH

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors receive the honoraria report for the period of April 06, 2017 – April 19, 2017

CARRIED

10.11) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
ORTEZA/HAYASHI

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors grant Entertainment Committee Representative Usrah Gohar and Aboriginal Students Representative James-Dean Aleck leaves of absence for the 2017/2018 Board of Directors summer semester.

CARRIED

11) Meeting Time

Tuesday, May 16, 2017 – 4:00PM

12) Notices of Motion

13) In Camera Section (if needed)

14) Adjournment

14.1) MOTION
HAYASHI/SINGH

Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned

CARRIED