

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Students' Union Building

1) Meeting Called to Order

4:02PM

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
James-Dean Aleck	Aboriginal Representative
Emiko Ohama	Women's Students' Representative
Emmanuel Daramola	Graduate Students' Representative
Dale Drozda	LGBTQ Representative
Brandon Hayashi	Campaigns Committee Representative
Aanchal Mogla	Campaigns Committee Representative
Arjun Gill	Services Committee Representative
Inderpreet Bains	Services Committee Representative
Richard Abankwa	Entertainment Committee Representative
Mwansa Kaunda	Caucus Steering Committee Representative

REGRETS

Usra Gohar	Entertainment Committee Representative
Inayat Ur Rehman	Visible Minority Students Representative
Mico Miede-Moffat	Caucus Steering 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
ORTEZA/MOGLA

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

CARRIED

3) Approval of the Minutes

3.1) MOTION
DROZDA/ALECK

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the minutes of the May 11, 2017; May 25, 2017; June 01, 2017; June 08, 2017; June 15, 2017; June 22, 2017; June 29, 2017; July 06, 2017; July 13, 2017; and July 20, 2017 Executive Committee meetings.

CARRIED

4) Correspondence

FOR ACTION

FOR INFORMATION

5) Presentations

TRUSU Grants Application #2016-CG-179 Canadian Herpetological Society 2017 Annual Conference (Jared Maida)

Maida presented the request for funding for two natural resource science graduate students to attend the conference. Maida provided the committee with an overview of the conference and outlined the importance of the sending delegates as TRU will be making a bid to host the conference next year. Maida also outlined the importance of the conference and explained that the conference has seen substantial growth over the past few years. Maida believes that it is important to ensure TRU is represented and believes it is important that the Board fund this application.

2017/2018 Budget (Nathan Lane)

Lane provided the Board of Directors with an overview of the 2017/2018 Budget development process and walked the Board through the various schedules and line items of the Budget as well as provided the Board of Directors with the rationale for the estimates included in each schedule and line item.

Lane noted that the proposed 2017/2018 Budget ensured that the Union was able to meet all of the costs of operating and maintaining its capital assets, meet its internal and external regulatory requirements, and ensure adequate resources to complete the items approved in the 2017/2018 Strategic Plan while ensuring a balanced budget.

2017/2018 Health and Dental Renewal (Nathan Lane)

Lane presented the 2017/2018 Health and Dental Plan renewal from the insurer. Lane noted that the insurer was recommending a six percent decrease in the Unions health premiums and a maintenance of the existing dental premium resulting in a three-point six percent decrease in the Unions overall premium. Lane recommended that the Union accept the proposed renewal for the 2017/2018 year.

6) Committee Progress Reports

Campaigns Committee (Leif Douglass)

Douglass reported that the committee met twice since the last meeting and that the committees 2017/2018 strategic plan commitments remain on track. Douglass reported that during this period the committee worked on its objectives related to the municipal by-election, the federal budget submission, the Fund the Future campaign.

Services Committee (Cassandra Ring)

Ring reported that the committee met twice since the last meeting and that the committees 2017/2018 strategic plan commitments remain on track. Ring reported that during this period the committee worked on its objectives related to Health and Dental plan, Members Advocate, and TRUSU Grants service promotion.

Entertainment Committee (Parth Patel)

Patel reported that the committee met once since the last meeting and that the committees 2017/2018 strategic plan commitments remain on track. Patel reported that during this period the committee worked on its objectives related to the Back to School BBQ.

Equity Committee (Dylan Robinson)

Robinson reported that the committee met twice since the last meeting and that the committees 2017/2018 strategic plan commitments remain on track. Robinson reported that during this period the committee worked on its objectives related to the Pride Parade, Storytellers Gala, International Women's Day, International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, International Day for the Elimination of Racism, Islamophobia outreach event, End the Ban campaign, Transgendered Washroom signage project.

Executive Committee (Nathan Lane)

Lane reported that the committee had met once since the last meeting. Lane noted that the committee has posted to fill a member at large vacancy on the Campaigns Committee and that the committee sponsored the TRU Leadership Conference.

Student Caucus Steering Committee (Alex McLellan)

McLellan reported that the committee met twice since the last meeting and that the committees 2017/2018 strategic plan commitments remain largely on track. Robinson reported that during this period the committee worked on its objectives related to facilitating opportunities for student participation in decision making at TRU, hosting a student budget consultation, pressuring TRU to respond to the Student Budget Consultation recommendations, pressuring TRU to include students in the food service contract renewal, and presenting to TRU a plan for inclusion of a parkade in its master plan.

7) Finance Report

Unaudited Financial Statement – May 31, 2017 (Nathan Lane)

No report

Unaudited Financial Statement – June 30, 2017 (Nathan Lane)

Lane provided the committee with an overview of the Unions financial position as at June 30, 2017. Lane outlined that the Union continues to be on pace to meet its budget targets for the 2016/2017 fiscal year both broadly and within each fund and that there were no significant items to report. Lane noted that a more detailed presentation would be provided to the Board next month as July 31, 2017 was the Unions fiscal year end.

8) Staff Report

Communications Report – May 22, 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 reported that website traffic was up in this period as compared to previous years.

In terms of social media Reisle reported that the Unions Facebook performance was up compared to previous years and that there was nothing substantial to report in terms of the other social media platforms.

Reisle reported that the most recent newsletter sent out during this period had exceeded the open rate of previous newsletters and that the last newsletter appeared to be an anomaly.

TRUSU Grants Report – May 29, 2017 (Natalie Reisle)

Reisle reported that there are no significant items to note during the period.

9) Old Business

- 9.1) MOTION – 2017/2018 HEALTH AND DENTAL RENEWAL
LAPOINTE/ALECK

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the 2017/2018 Health and Dental Plan Premium renewal as presented.

CARRIED

10) New Business

- 10.1) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
BAINS/OHAMA

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2016-CG-179 \$2,000.00 to attend Canadian Herpetological Society 2017 Annual Conference on September 15 - 18, 2017.

CARRIED

- 10.2) MOTION – 2017/2018 BUDGET
ORTEZA/KAUNDA

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors adopt the 2017/2018 budget as presented.

CARRIED

- 10.2) MOTION – HONORARIA
ALECK/ORTEZA

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors receive the honoraria report for the period of June 29, 2017 – July 12, 2017

CARRIED

11) Meeting Time

Tuesday, August 08, 2017 – 4:00PM

12) Notices of Motion

13) In Camera Section (if needed)

14) Adjournment

- 14.1) MOTION
BAINS/KAUNDA

Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned

CARRIED