

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 28, 2017

Students' Union Building

1) Meeting Called to Order

4:00PM

PRESENT

Tatiana Gilbert	President
Cole Hickson	Vice President External
Janelle Lapointe	Vice President Internal
Gagandeep Singh	Vice President Services
Caitlin Orteza	Vice President Equity
Simranjit Singh	International Students' Representative
Emmanuel Daramola	Graduate Students' Representative
James-Dean Aleck	Aboriginal Representative
Dale Drozda	LGBTQ Representative
Emiko Ohama	Women's Students' Representative
Inayat Ur Rehman	Visible Minority Students 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
Mico Miede-Moffat	Caucus Steering Committee Representative

REGRETS

ABSENT

STAFF

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
HICKSON/MOGLA

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

CARRIED

3) Approval of the Minutes

4) Correspondence

FOR ACTION

FOR INFORMATION

5) Presentations

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-EE-039 CNSA International Nursing Leadership Seminar (Robyn MacDonald)

MacDonald presented the request for funds to host the CNSA International Nursing Leadership Seminar. Macdonald presented an overview of the conference activities and highlighted that conference would feature world class health practitioners Tilda Shalof and Judith Shamian. MacDonald reported to the board and that they would be broadcasting the event to CNSA chapters all across the country and that MacDonald encouraged the Board to assist them in hosting the event.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-GE-094 Welcome Crytonights (Musa Asem)

Asem presented the request for funding to host the Welcome Crytonights event. Asem provided the board an overview of the event. Asem noted that they intended to host a lecture for those interested in cryptocurrency in order to provide an introduction to the topic and allow for a community discussion.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-GE-095 TRUSU Taxation – Orientation (Mohit Manghnani)

Manghnani presented the request to host the TRUSU Taxation - Orientation. Manghnani provided an overview of the event and requested funds to support the event. Manghnani noted that the funds requested would support the honorarium for the guest speakers who would be coming to support the training.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-GE-096 TRU Model UN (Victoria Booth)

Booth presented the request to host the TRU Model UN event. Booth provided an overview of the TRU Model UN event and noted that they expect 50 students to participate in the Model Un event and are hoping that the Board will help by funding the event and allowing for the event to take place.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-GE-097 Paint Nite (Theresa Thoms)

Thoms presented the request to host the Paint Nite event. Thoms outlined for the board that they were seeking the funds to host an event to bring together BSW and HUMS students and create community amongst the two programs.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-GE-098 Internal Training - 1 (Mohit Manghani)

Mangghnani presented the request to host the Internal Training - 1. Mangghnani provided an overview of the training event and requested funds to support the event.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-GE-099 Internal Training - 2 (Mohit Manghani)

Mangghnani presented the request to host the Internal Training - 2. Mangghnani provided an overview of the training event and requested funds to support the event.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-GE-100 Tax Clinic - 1 (Mohit Mangghnani)

Mangghnani presented the request to host the Tax Clinic - 1. Mangghnani provided an overview of the event and requested some food to support the tax clinic event.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-GE-103 Enactus Thompson Rivers Regional Presentation (Joel Mercer)

Mercer presented the request to host the Enactus Thompson Rivers Regional Presentation. Mercer was requesting of the board funds to provide food for the practice presentation that had been organized by Enactus for the local community to prepare for their regional competition.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-CG-233 The United States, Canada, and Quebec in the Age of Trump (Shosoni Andrew)

Andrew presented the request to attend the United States, Canada, and Quebec in the Age of Trump Conference. Andrew provided an overview of the conference and outlined that the theme of the conference focused on Canadian and American foreign policy in the era of Trump. Andrew noted that they became aware of this conference because of the participation of students from its host university at the recent PHP conference and they were excited to have students from TRU attend the conference and continue to build this relationship.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-CG-235 8th International Adventure Therapy Conference (Robert Long)

Long presented the request to attend the 8th International Adventure Therapy Conference. Long reported that he is seeking funds to send two students to attend the conference as this is a new and exciting field of study and that TRU is considering how it might enhance its offerings in this field. Long noted that he has significant experience in adventure therapy and has done extensive

research in the field and that this conference would be a great opportunity to expand his knowledge and he hopes the board will fund his trip.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-CG-237 Association for Psychological Science Annual Convention (Julianna Facchinelli)

Facchinelli presented the request to attend the Association for Psychological Science Annual Convention. Facchinelli outlined that they were seeking funds to send 5 students to the conference. Facchinelli outlined that the APA is a full spectrum psychology conference and that it is one of the only conferences in the field that takes place outside of the exam period and hopes the board will support them.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-CG-238 Western Canada Enactus Regional Exposition (Evan Choy)

Choy presented the request to attend the Western Canada Enactus Regional Competition. Choy noted that he was requesting funds to send 41 students who make up the various teams of the Enactus Club and their projects to the competition. Choy reported that several of the attendees would be participating and others were future leaders of the club who would be training for future years. Choy encouraged the board to support the application.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-CG-239 BC Tourism Industry Conference (Hafdis Jonsdottir)

Jonsdottir presented the request to attend the BC Tourism Industry Conference. Jonsdottir outlined they were a part of group of students who have won a business pitch competition and were seeking financial support to attend the next level of competition in Kelowna at the BC Tourism Industry Conference.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-CG-240 Western Division – Canadian Association of Geographers (Claire Irvine)

Irvine presented the request to attend the Western Division – Canadian Association of Geographers Conference. Irvine noted that the conference is a multi-sectional geography conference including keynote speakers and a poster presentations. Irvine noted that they were excited to have 30 students attending and encouraged the board to assist them.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-CG-243 Northern Historical Conference (Jamison Escobar Gunn)

Gunn presented the request to attend the Northern Historical Conference. Gunn provided an overview of the conference and outlined that the theme for this years conference was discovery and the keynote speaker was going to be Mica Jorgenson. Gunn also noted that he would be presenting his own paper and looked forward to the opportunity to attend the conference should he receive funding.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-CG-244 Environmental Managers' Association of British Columbia Annual Workshop (Stephanie Winton)

Winton presented the request to attend the Environmental Managers Association of British Columbia Annual Workshop. Winton provided an overview of the conference activities and outlined that the theme of the conference was exploring an integrated and collaborative approach to environmental management in British Columbia and that they were looking forward to attending the conference and urged the board to approve the grant.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-EE-039 Edu Connect (Vishaik Bijapour)

Bijapour presented the request to host the Edu Connect event. Bijapour outlined that the Edu Connect event will consist of a panel of distinguished guest lecturers including Manu Goswani, Tai Tran, Amada Johnson, and Mathew Burns discussing topics from various professional fields including human resources, international business, and marketing and finance. Bijapour noted that this event would be an excellent experience for students and a opportunity to network with other professionals in their field. Bijapour encouraged the board to fund the event.

6) Committee Progress Reports

Executive Committee (Nathan Lane)

Lane reported that the committee has met twice since the last meeting.

Lane reported that the committee appointed new members to a series of institutional governance committees to backfill positions that have become vacant during the winter semester or to fill new administrative advisory committees that have been created.

Campaigns Committee (Leif Douglass)

Douglass reported that the committee met once since the last meeting and that the committee plan continues to progress.

With respect to the committees' objective to educate the broader community about TRU underfunding through community and presentations and a social media campaign Douglass noted that the committee has completed over thirty presentations and that the committee continues to schedule presentations where possible until the end of April.

In terms of the committee's objective to communicate and engage members in advancing potential solutions on fees, funding, and financial aid Douglass reported that the committee has been working on its international days outreach to promote jurisdictions that provide tuition free education. Douglass noted that the committee will be tabling at the international days showcase and that it will be releasing a series of videos and newsfeed posts and that they are currently finalizing the materials for these activities.

Lastly, with respect to the committee's objective to empower students to share their perspectives with decision makers at the municipal level Douglass reported that the committee will host campus transportation its roundtable in the coming weeks.

Services Committee (Cassandra Ring)

Ring reported that the committee has met once since the last meeting.

With regards to the committee's objective to improve the usage of the health and dental plan through a digital and campus outreach strategy to educate students Ring-Hall reported that the committee noted that the campus outreach plan to table is on track.

In terms of the objective to increase the usage of the Members Advocate service by educating members about the service Ring-Hall reported is well on the way to the committee's desire to engage 1000 students.

Ring-Hall reported that the committee's objective to improve the usage of the TRUSU Grants program is well underway and that the committee is preparing for its upcoming information sessions.

Entertainment Committee (Parth Patel)

Patel reported that the committee has met once since the last meeting

Patel outlined that the committee recently completed its Common Voices event and that event was great success and met all of the objectives and goals assigned to that event. Patel thanked all of the members of committee for their efforts.

Lastly, Patel noted that the committee has now focused its efforts towards the planning the logistics for the upcoming TRUSU Awards Celebration and that the committee looks forward to successfully hosting this event for the first time.

Equity Committee (Dylan Robinson)

Robinson reported that the committee has met once since the last meeting.

Robinson noted that the committee continues to prepare for its International Women's Day panel on Sexualized Violence. Robinson outlined that the committee continues to work to finalize the panelists and confirm the logistical details for the event.

Student Caucus Steering Committee (Alex McLellan)

McLellan reported that the committee has met twice since the last board meeting.

With respect to the objective to facilitate opportunities for students to participate in decision making at TRU. McLellan reported that the committee continues to support a wide range of students across a large number of committees and to meet the metrics associated with such. McLellan did note that the committee is

working to fill some vacancies that have arose due to students who are no longer able to fulfill their obligation to the committee to which they were appointed.

McLellan also noted that the committee has completed this years budget consultation. McLellan reported that the committee is pleased to announce that it was able to secure approximately four hundred survey respondents to this years survey which exceeded the committee target.

7) Finance Report

Unaudited Financial Statements December 2017 (Nathan Lane)

Lane noted that the statements are cumulative and therefore would not be presenting the December 2017 Statement but would be happy to answer any questions.

Unaudited Financial Statements January 2018 (Nathan Lane)

Lane reported that in the operating fund the Union has now recognized the revenue from the winter fees. Lane noted that revenues were slightly higher than expected and that expenditures were progressing a budgeted. In terms of the operating fund the Union continues to be financially stable and on track. Lastly, Lane reported that in the capital fund the Union has exceeded its expenditures for repairs and maintenance for the year.

8) Staff Report

Communications Report – February 19, 2018 (Natalie Reisle)

Reisle reported that the overall performance of our communications has been positive during this period.

With respect to the website Reisle reported that the performance for the period was positive and that we surpassed our weekly averages from the previous years for this period.

In terms of social media Reisle reported that Facebook performance was down because of the new algorithm. Reisle also noted that performance during this period was positive on Instagram and that we are exceeded last years average. Lastly, Reisle reported that our performance on Twitter has been okay although this remains our weakest platform.

TRUSU Grants Report – February 15, 2018 (Natalie Reisle)

Reisle noted that we continue to progress as planned regarding the growth of the TRUSU Grants program.

Reisle noted that we continue to struggle with general event grants as most clubs are opting to attempt secure educational events.

Reisle reported that there was nothing material not report with regards to the guest lecture grants portion of the program.

9) Old Business

- 9.1) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
HAYASHI/INDERPREET

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-234 \$2,740.50 to attend the Pacific Ecology and Evolution Conference 2018.

CARRIED

10) New Business

- 10.1) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
HICKSON/SINGH

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-EE-039 \$4,969.16 to host the CNSA International Nursing Leadership Seminar.

CARRIED

- 10.2) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
KAUNDA/SINGH

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-GE-094 \$250.00 to host the Welcome to Crytonights event.

CARRIED

- 10.3) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
MOGLA/TARANNUM

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-GE-095 \$400.00 to host the TRUSU Taxation - Orientation.

CARRIED

- 10.4) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
DROZDA/HICKSON

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-GE-096 \$550.00 to host the Model UN event.

CARRIED

- 10.5) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
DARAMOLA/ALECK

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-GE-097 \$450.00 to host the Paint Nite event.

CARRIED

- 10.6) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
SINGH/TARANNUM

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-GE-098 \$350.00 to host the Internal Training - 1 event.

CARRIED

- 10.7) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
DROZDA/HAYASHI
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-GE-099 \$350.00 to host the Internal Training - 2 event.
CARRIED
- 10.8) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
SINGH/HICKSON
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-GE-100 \$300.00 to host the Tax Clinic – 1 event.
CARRIED
- 10.9) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
HICKSON/MIEGE-MOFFAT
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-GE-103 \$787.50 to host the Enactus Thompson Rivers Regional Presentation.
CARRIED
- 10.10) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
BAINS/HICKSON
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-233 \$2,862.00 to attend The United States, Canada, Quebec in the Age of Trump.
CARRIED
- 10.11) MOTION – CLUB RATIFICATION
MOGLA/DROZDA
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-235 \$2,000.00 to attend the 8th International Adventure Therapy Conference.
CARRIED
- 10.12) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
SINGH/ALECK
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-237 \$5,000.00 to attend the Association for the Psychological Science Annual Convention.
CARRIED
- 10.13) MOTION - TRUSU GRANT
KAUNDA/DROZDA
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-238 \$5,000.00 to attend the Western Canadian Enactus Regional Exposition.
CARRIED

- 10.14) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
MIEGE-MOFFAT/ALECK
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-239 \$970.00 to attend the BC Tourism Industry Conference.
CARRIED
- 10.15) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
TARRANUM/KAUNDA
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-240 \$5,000.00 to attend the Western Division – Canadian Association of Geographers.
CARRIED
- 10.16) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
HICKSON/SINGH
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-243 \$229.50 to attend the Northern Historical Conference.
CARRIED
- 10.17) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
DROZDA/BAINS
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-244 \$585.00 to attend the Environmental managers' Association of British Columbia Annual Workshop.
CARRIED
- 10.18) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
KAUNDA/SINGH
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors rescind TRUSU Grant Application #2017-EE-037 and fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-EE-041 \$5,000.00 to host the Edu Connect event.
CARRIED
- 10.19) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
MIEGE-MOFFAT/HICKSON
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors rescind TRUSU Grant Application #2017-EE-037 and fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-EE-042 \$4,578.50 to host the TEDxTRU event.
CARRIED
- 10.20) MOTION – TRUSU HONORARIA
MIEGE-MOFFAT/HICKSON
Be it resolved that the Board of Directors receive the honoraria report for the period of January 25, 2018 – February 07, 2018.
CARRIED

Thompson Rivers University Students' Union

Local 15 Canadian Federation of Students



11) Meeting Time

Tuesday, December 12, 2017– 4:00PM

12) Notices of Motion

13) In Camera Section (if needed)

14) Adjournment

14.1) MOTION
HICKSON/HAYASHI

Be it resolved that this meeting be adjourned
CARRIED