

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

Students' Union Building

1) Meeting Called to Order

4:00PM

PRESENT

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| Tatiana Gilbert | President |
| Cole Hickson | Vice President External |
| Janelle Lapointe | Vice President Internal |
| Gagandeep Singh | Vice President Services |
| Simranjit Singh | International Students' Representative |
| Emmanuel Daramola | Graduate Students' Representative |
| Dale Drozda | LGBTQ Representative |
| Saprina Chandi | Women's Students' Representative |
| Brandon Hayashi | 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

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| Aanchal Mogla | Campaigns Committee Representative |
| James-Dean Aleck | Aboriginal Representative |
| Caitlin Orteza | Vice President Equity |
| Inayat Ur Rehman | Visible Minority Students Representative |

ABSENT

STAFF

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| 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/KAUNDA

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

TRUSU Grants Report #2017-CG-187 World Health Summit

Reisle reported that the actuals were slightly lower than anticipated for travel although the change had not impact on the amount awarded.

TRUSU Grants Report #2017-CG-197 The Indigenous Bar Association's 29th Annual Fall Conference

Reisle reported that there was nothing significant to report

TRUSU Grants Report #2017-CG-201 CNSA Western Prairie Regional Conference

Reisle reported that there was nothing significant to report

TRUSU Grants Report #2017-CG-205 CNSA Western Prairie Regional Conference

Reisle noted that a snow storm caused several applicants to not be able to attend the conference and thus actuals were significantly less than the budget.

TRUSU Grants Report #2017-GE-072 #ShesGotThis

Reisle reported that this group significantly overestimated its attendance for the event in their application.

TRUSU Grants Report #2017-GE-078 LAN Party 8

Reisle reported that there was nothing significant to report

TRUSU Grants Report #2017-GE-080 Habit Premier

Resile reported that the group mis-reported its application by not including a ticket price for the event and then later charging a ticket price. This is obviously concerning and we will be following up with the club

5) Presentations

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-EE-030 Sustainable Development Goals Youth Training Canada TRU Event (Devin Gannon)

Gannon presented the request for funds to host the Sustainable Development Goals Youth training Canada TRU event. Gannon provided an outline of the proposed event activities and the activity budget. Gannon noted that the event would be a part of a broader initiative to mobilize 10,000 Canadian youth to advocate for and implement the Sustainable Development Goals. Gannon encouraged the Board to support the initiative.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-EE-031 Diversity Fashion Show (Richard Abankwa)

Abankwa presented the request for funds to host the Diversity Fashion Show. Abankwa provided an overview of the event and its budget. Abankwa noted that the purpose of the event was to host a fashion show that would assist students in dressing professionally and appropriately for various occasions and that will feature student clothing brands from around the province. Abankwa encouraged the Board to fund the application.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-GE-084 Nature Retreat (Ella Roles)

Roles presented the request for funds to host the Nature Retreat. Roles outlined the proposed trip details and the proposed budget for the event. Roles noted that the program has had tremendous success in creating opportunities for students to experience outdoor adventure and hopes to see them Board support their event once again.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-GE-085 Sustainability Networking Social (Narain Spolia)

Spolia presented the request for funds to host the Sustainability Networking Social. Spolia outlined the details of the proposed social and reviewed the budget for the Board. Spolia noted that having Steve Lee on campus created unique opportunity to take advantage of his expertise and bring together those interested in sustainability to have a discussion about key issues in the sector. Spolia encouraged the Board to support the application and assist them in capitalizing in this opportunity.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-CG-209 ACMG/CAA Fall CPD 2017 (Linus Persson)

Persson presented the request for funds to attend the ACMG/CAA Fall CPD 2017. Persson provided an overview of the conference and its activities and outlined the value of the conference as a professional development opportunity for adventure tourism students. Persson thanked the Board for the opportunity to present and encouraged them to support the application.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-CG-210 Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators 19th Annual Winter Conference (Kelsey Hutnyk)

Hutnyk presented the request for funds to attend the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators 19th Annual Winter Conference. Hutnyk outlined the conference programming and the proposed budget to attend the conference. Hutnyk noted that she has already published a children's short story and that this opportunity would provide her with a great network to assist her in her future career.

TRUSU Grants Application #2017-CG-211 Aboriginal Lawyers Forum 8th Annual Holiday Banquet (Cheyenne Neszo)

Neszo presented the request for funds to attend the Aboriginal Lawyers Forum 8th Annual Holiday Banquet. Neszo provided the Board with an overview of the Aboriginal Lawyers Forum and outlined why it was important for aboriginal law students to be able to attend the event. Neszo provided an overview of the applications budget and urged the Board to support the application.

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
KAUNDA/HAYASHI

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-EE-030 \$2,850.00 to attend host the Sustainable Development Goals Youth Training Canada TRU event.

CARRIED

- 10.2) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
ORTEZA/LAPOINTE

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-EE-031 \$5,000.00 to host the Diversity Fashion Show event.

CARRIED

- 10.3) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
DARAMOLA/SINGH

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-GE-084 \$770.00 to host the Nature Retreat event.

CARRIED

- 10.4) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
HICKSON/ALECK

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-GE-085 \$600.00 to host the Sustainability Networking Social event.

CARRIED

- 10.5) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
DROZDA/KAUNDA

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-209 \$315.51 to attend the ACMG/CAA Fall CPD 2017 Conference.

CARRIED

- 10.6) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
ORTEZA/KAUNDA

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-210 \$1,000.00 to attend the Society of Children's Book Writers and illustrators 19th Annual Winter Conference.

CARRIED

10.7) MOTION – TRUSU GRANT
SINGH/HAYASHI

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors fund TRUSU Grant Application #2017-CG-211 \$720.00 to attend the Aboriginal Lawyers Forum 8th Annual Holiday Banquet.

CARRIED

10.8) MOTION – TRUSU HONORARIA
KAUNDA/HAYASHI

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors receive the honoraria report for the period of October 19, 2017 – November 01, 2017.

CARRIED

11) Meeting Time

Tuesday, November 28, 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