

UWSA Board of Directors October 5th, 2017 6:00 PM CAW Council Chambers

Directors/Senators Present:, Aashir Mahmood, Ahmed Abdallah, Ahmed Khalifa, Aine Donnelly, Amanda Skocic, Amy Bui, Andres Curbelo-Novoa, Dana Attalla, Dayana Hassoun, Hagar Elsayed, Jeremiah Bowers (Chair), Jonabeth Martinez-Herrera, Kafilat Wole-Sowole, Liam Adams, Sahibjot Grewal, Yosra Elsayed Elsayed, Zeina Merheb

Board Observers Present: Admira Konjic (Executive), Sarah Noureddine (Executive), Sheldon Harrison (Executive), Maria Hamilton (General Manager), Matthew Dunlop (Board Facilitator)

Absent/Sent Regrets:, Abrahim Abduelmula

- 1.0 Call to Order
- 2.0 Chair's Business
 - 2.1 Teleconference
 - 2.2 Appointment of Secretary
 - **2.2.1 BIRT** ______ be appointed acting secretary for the October 5th Board meeting.
- 3.0 Approval of the Agenda
 - **3.1** *BIRT* the proposed agenda be adopted.
- 4.0 Approval of the Minutes
 - 4.1 Minutes of September 21st, 2017
 - 4.2 In-Camera Meeting Minutes of September 21st, 2017
- 5.0 Presentations to the Board
 - **5.1** Revolutionary Student Movement
 - **5.2** By-Law Amendments (Second Reading)
- 6.0 Reports
 - 6.1 Executive
 - 6.2 General Manager

- 6.3 Committees
- 6.4 Senate

7.0 Unfinished Business

8.0 Proposals/Posted Motions

- **8.1** *Whereas* the CRO presented the Elections Calendar for the 2017 Fall By-Elections to the Board by electronic distribution, and
- Whereas the Board electronically approved the Elections Calendar for the 2017 Fall By-Elections with the decision to be ratified at the October 5th Board meeting,
 BIRT the Elections Calendar for the 2017 Fall By-Elections be ratified.
- **8.2** *Whereas* it is the responsibility of the Governance and Policy Committee to regularly review the By-Laws of the UWSA,
- **Whereas** the Board has thoroughly reviewed and revised the proposed amendments from the Governance and Policy Committee in accordance with By-Law 130.01, and
- **Whereas** By-Law 130.01 requires that a meeting of the Members be called for consideration of the proposed amendments,
- **BIRT** the proposed By-Law amendments be approved.
- **BIFRT** a Special General Meeting, in accordance with By-Law 40.06, be called for consideration of the affirmed By-Law amendments.
- **BIFRT** the organization of the Special General Meeting be delegated to the General Manager.
- **8.3 BIRT** ______, and ______, be appointed as voting members to the Elections Committee.
- **8.4** *Whereas* By-Law 80.08(a)(5) permits the Elections Committee to include a non-voting member of the Board for the purposes of governance and institutional advice, and
- **Whereas** this non-voting member of the Board must meet the conditions of the Elections Policy, section 40.01(2)(b), and be neither seeking re-election nor a member of a campaign team,
- **BIRT** ______ be appointed as a non-voting member of the Elections Committee.
- 9.0 New Business
- 10.0 Question Period
- 11.0 Adjournment

MINUTES

1.0 Call to Order at 6:00pm

2.1 Teleconference

Aashir Mahmood joined the meeting through phone-call

2.2.1. Appointment of Secretary

BIRT Amy Bui be appointed acting secretary for the October 5th Board meeting.

Mover: Liam/Seconder: Jeremiah/All in Favour

3.0 Approval of the Agenda

Motion to adopt the proposed agenda.

Mover: Amanda/Seconder: Hagar/All in Favour

4.0 Approval of the Minutes

4.1 Minutes of September 21st 2017

Motion to approve minutes of September 21 2017.

Mover: Jeremiah/Seconder:Sahibjot/All in Favour.

Zeina proposed amendment Senate Caucus Committee. Sarah proposed amendment to clarify loan of \$50,000 for concert budget.

4.2 In-Camera Meeting Minutes of September 21 2017

Motion to move in-camera.

Mover: Liam/Seconder:Sahibjot/All in Favour/Abstention from Hagar

Motion to move out of camera.

Mover: Ahmed/Seconder: Kafilat Abstention: Hagar/All in Favour

Motion to approve In-Camera Minutes of September 21, 2017

Mover: Liam/Abstention: Hagar/All in Favour

5.0 Presentations to the Board

5.1 Revolutionary Student Movement

The focus of the group is to connect with the community (labour councils, WWEC, mosques, etc.) and advocate for social justice. There have been discoveries of islamophobic graffiti around the city. Promoting to become involved through liking the Facebook Page and checking for updates (Windsor Leftist Network). Renamed "The Scoop" to "Windsor Rising". Encouraged members to submit written pieces to be published on the website. There will be a meeting on October 18 2017 to discuss the group's strategies to address social justice issues. UWSA members are encouraged to attend meetings and participate in events. An email reminder will be sent out the week of. The location will be announced through the Facebook page.

5.2 By-Law Amendments (Second Reading)

Discussion: Under 30.01, Ahmed Khalifa questioned the term "consists" as it implies that there are additional requirements other than the ones listed. Sarah Noureddine proposed that Directors enter their first semester in being elected as full-time. Hagar Elsayed acknowledged a need for clarification for c) to support Sarah's idea. Under 60.13, Yosra Elsayed pointed out that c) would assume that all Board Members would have access to electronics. Ahmed Khalifa agreed that such a meeting held "electronically" assumes that all Board Members would have access to electronics. Hagar Elsayed clarified that c) was created to provide an option for meetings to be held electronically and is not a mandatory mode to facilitate meetings.

Point of Information

Ahmed Khalifa asked whether it was permitted to refer back to by-law amendments during debate. Board Facilitator responded that it was permitted to do so.

Motion for five-minute recess. Mover: Liam Seconder: Hagar

Ahmed Khalifa amended motion for ten minute recess. Mover: Zeina Merheb Seconder: Sahibjot/ All in Favour

At 7:45pm, we did not have quorum yet.

At 7:46pm, call to order.

6.0 Reports

6.1 Executive

Vice-President of Student Services, Sarah Noureddine, expressed concern with receiving several student complaints about the Vice-President of Finance. Sarah Noureddine attended the RIDE conference with the Vice-President of Student Advocacy at Ryerson University. Zeina

Vice-President of Finance, Sheldon Harrison, has met with societies to discuss the respective budget but must wait for student fees to be received. A student requires funds for a wireless printer, as requested by their Accessibility Advisor, which would come from the Student Accessibility Fund.

6.2 General Manager

Refer to report sent through e-mail. If Board Directors have already completed certain trainings, then they may forward their certificates of completion to Maria Hamilton through e-mail. Aine proposed that there should be monthly meetings of Society Presidents with UWSA. Ahmed Khalifa asked whether there was a solution to fixing The Hum's heat/air system. Yosra asked if using portable air conditioners was an option for the time-being. Maria Hamilton responded that this would not be an option as The Hum does not have space to store the portable air conditioners. Ahmed Khalifa asked for an elaboration on the bike service, Zagster. Maria Hamilton responded that we were left with only nine bikes, as the rest were all stolen. We have received a new shipment of bikes from the company but have not been all built.

Aine asked to discuss about the Farmer's Market. Maria Hamilton responded that the Student Volunteer Coordinator stole the proprietary Vendor's List, created his own Farmer's Market, and

attempted to organize his own There will be conversation with the student from the Vice-Provost to address the situation.

6.3 Committees

Student Services Committee will wait to meet until a first-year representative is elected. GPC have met to review by-laws, discuss board attendance policies

Finance Committee have held meetings and received presentations from Student Clubs asking for funding. Fixed meeting dates will be announced by Sheldon. The Student Accessibility Fund which is allocated for students with accessibility requirements.

6.4 Senate

8.0 Proposals/Posted Motions

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BIRT the Elections Calendar for the 2017 Fall By-Elections be ratified.

Mover: Liam/ Seconder: Andres/ All in Favour/

Discussion: Sarah Noureddine did not receive an e-mail from the Chief Returning Officer in regards to the Elections Calendar.

8.2 *Whereas* it is the responsibility of the Governance and Policy Committee to regularly review the By-Laws of the UWSA,

Whereas the Board has thoroughly reviewed and revised the proposed amendments from the Governance and Policy Committee in accordance with By-Law 130.01, and

Whereas By-Law 130.01 requires that a meeting of the Members be called for consideration of the proposed amendments,

BIRT the proposed By-Law amendments be approved.

BIFRT a Special General Meeting, in accordance with By-Law 40.06, be called for consideration of the affirmed By-Law amendments.

BIFRT the organization of the Special General Meeting be delegated to the General Manager.

Mover: Jeremiah Bowers/Seconder: Zeina Merheb/All in Favour

Discussion: Under 50.03 b), there was a request to amend the clause to require that Directors be registered full-time undergraduate students with the University of Windsor at the time of elections and during subsequent Fall and Winter terms. However, there was a disagreement amongst Directors as some noted that there may be special circumstances where taking a full course load is not possible. GPC will review the clause and consider including special circumstances. Under 90.01 d), a concern was raised by Ahmed Khalifa asking whether there

were drafted policies as safeguards ready for such a clause to be made. Jeremiah Bowers responded that there are policies in place as safeguards and mentioned that this clause is found in many other student unions. Sarah Noureddine noted that it would be dangerous to have a student be appointed for a short-time and be given access to large amounts of private information. And so, 90.01 d) was removed as there was no one in favour passing the clause.

Special General Meeting will be on October 23rd and will be arranged by Maria Hamilton.

Motion to make Jeremiah Bowers the Chair for the rest of the meeting from 9:50pm. Mover: Hagar/Seconder: Liam/All in Favour

8.3 BIRT Candidate 2, 3, and 4, be appointed as voting members to the Elections Committee.

Amanda Skocic declared conflict of interest and abstained from voting.

Mover: Aine All in favour/Abstained: Amanda Skocic

8.4 Whereas By-Law 80.08(a)(5) permits the Elections Committee to include a non-voting member of the Board for the purposes of governance and institutional advice, and Whereas this non-voting member of the Board must meet the conditions of the Elections Policy, section 40.01(2)(b), and be neither seeking re-election nor a member of a campaign team, BIRT Aine be appointed as a non-voting member of the Elections Committee.

Amy Bui nominated Aine to be a non-voting member of the Elections Committee.

Mover: Liam All in Favour. Motion Carried.

9.0 New Business

9.1 Whereas UNIWIN is the fund used for "The Hum", and has its own Board of Directors for financial purposes.

Whereas the current UNIWIN Board of Directors is outdated and consists of former Executives and our Auditor.

BIRT the current Executives, Sheldon Harrison, Sarah Noureddine, Admira Konjic; General Manager, Maria Hamilton; and Finance Manager, Yoshani Jayatilaka, replace the current UNIWIN Board of Directors.

Mover: Ahmed A All in Favour, Motion Carried.

9.2 BIRT two-hundred and eighty-six dollars (\$286.00) be granted from the Accessibility Fund. Mover: Ahmed Abdallah/Seconder: Zeina Merheb/All in Favour Motion carried.

10.0 Question Period

11.0 Adjournment

Moved by Liam/Seconded by Ahmed A/All in Favour/Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:28pm