

Agenda



UWSA Board of Directors
DATE: Thursday, October 20th, 2016
Time of meeting: 5:30
Location of meeting: Council Chambers

Present: Vuk Zubic, Daniel Popaj (6:27 PM), Moussa Hamadani, Nicole Morrell, Matthew Dunlop, Justin Binkley, Layale Bazzi, Youshaa El-Abed, Dayana Hassoun, Hagar Elsayed, Ronald (R.J.) D'Aguilar, Ayub Khan, Shawn Kingsbury, Ghadeer Alghosein, Waseem Abunnadi, Makram Al-Matary, Israa El-Sabbagh, Mazen Saadi, Ahmed Khalifa, Chase Tribble

Teleconference: Amber Shaheen

Absent: Yasin Avci, Idil Mahamud

1.0 Call to Order – 5:41 PM

2.0 Chair's Business

2.1 Teleconference

3.0 Approval of the Agenda

4.0 Approval of the Minutes

5.0 Presentations to the Board

5.1 Lancer Lounge

5.2 CFS Executive Meeting Report Back

5.3 GPC Attendance Policy

5.4 National Day of Action

5.5 Trick or Eat

6.0 Reports

6.1 Executive

6.2 Committees

6.3 Senate

7.0 Unfinished Business

8.0 Proposals/Posted Motions

8.1 BIRT the amendments to the attendance policy be adopted **(AMENDED) (PASSED)**

8.2 Whereas the board has voted to approve up to 1 million to the creation of a Lancer Lounge

8.2.1 Whereas the lowest tender came in at 1.1 million with other fees such as consultation not included being around 300k

8.2.1.1 BIRT an additional up to \$500,000 be allocated from Capital for a total of 1.5 million for the construction project of the Lancer Lounge **(PASSED)**

~~8.2.1.2 BIFRT that the amount of \$87,548.17 be maintained for the audio/sound~~

8.3 BIRT the UWSA go into a 20-minute brainstorming session for the National Day of Action

9.0 New Business

10.0 Question Period

11.0 Adjournment – Quorum lost at 9:43 PM



Minutes

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:41 PM.

2.0 Chair's Business

2.1 Teleconference

Shaheen requested teleconference.

The Chair reminded the board that all actions are done by motion (e.g.: Directors may not leave at any time unless a motion to have a recess is passed). Teleconferencing should be done under one method and all those who wish to teleconference must send the Chair an email before the meeting.

As per the UWSA policies, any Director or Executive **who is fifteen (15) minutes late after the time set in the notice of the meeting** will have a strike recorded as per section 6.1 under the UWSA Board Attendance Policy. Three (3) strikes will result in disciplinary action (6.2).

Andrew Fu resigned due to schedule conflicts and thus his position has been made available for by-election.

3.0 Approval of the Agenda

3.1 BIRT the agenda of today be approved

Moved: Khalifa Seconded: Elsayed
(All in favour) PASSED

3.2 BIRT item 5.3 be moved to 5.1 and be changed to in-camera with the executives, Nicole and Architect

Moved: Al-Matary Seconded: Alghosein
(All in favour) PASSED

4.0 Approval of the Minutes

4.1 BIRT the minutes of Thursday, September 29, 2016 be approved

Moved: Khalifa Seconded: Kingsbury
(All in favour) PASSED

4.2 BIRT the in-camera minutes of Thursday, September 29, 2016 be approved

(All in favour) PASSED

5.0 Presentations to the Board

5.1 Lancer Lounge

BIRT the meeting move out of camera

Moved: Kingsbury

Seconded: Al-Matary

(All in favour)

PASSED

5.2 CFS Executive Meeting Report Back

- Matthew Dunlop is a Board representative on the CFS Board of Directors
- They meet four times a year, spoke primarily about the National Day of Action
- Donated \$2,000 to indigenous community, \$5,000 to Haiti for hurricane relief

5.3 GPC Attendance Policy

- Notable suggested changes:
 - Cannot transfer physical presence to teleconference mid-meeting
 - Limit for teleconference is 3 times during academic year (September-April)
 - Chair must be notified about intent to teleconference 24 hours before meeting time
 - Chair and/or executives will designate teleconference method
 - The Board is no longer allowed to waive absences of other Board members
- Once approved, will come into effect at next meeting

5.4 National Day of Action

- Material:
 - Distributable: Info booklets about Fight the Fees that unfolds into a poster, fact-book about tuition fees, buttons, fans, petition sheet to send to provincial government, whistles, stickers, pledge sheet, business cards with academic amnesty motion, rain jackets, hand warmers and door handle cards
 - Videographer (2 people and a drone), 2 rolling speakers, 2 standing speakers, stage
- Releasing customizable cover photo for social media to display name/group, also contacting clubs/societies to get at least 20 people to represent the group at the rally with a paper banner
- Hoping to get profs in ramp-up video, will try to have booths in HK, Education, CAW, Toldo and engineering buildings
- Agenda for speakers on NDoA coming together: Canadian Labour congress president being considered, WUFA, UWSA execs

5.5 Trick or Eat

- Partnering with Social Work Students Association and Good Food Hub on Halloween to collect food donations

6.0 Reports

6.1 **Executive**

Student Advocacy report in items 5.2, 5.4 and 5.5.

Student Services: Scare house shuttle for resident students, nail painting event with Womyn's Centre, UWSA executives to serve pancakes to Students on Thursday, October 27 from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM. Week of Nov 7 to 11 will be distributing snacks/juice to students in the library.

Finance: Looking at scholarship fund increase (have investment that will accumulate interest), WIFF sponsored 215 student tickets for November 6th, 3 movies showing at 7 and 3 movies at 9. Lancer Lounge task force being set as finance committee, but board members are invited to exchange ideas at meetings. Lancer Lounge name set to change and be put up as a competition for students. Clubs and Societies get 15% food discount when they use Food Services for event catering.

President: Collecting data from students to see how they feel about what they want in student centre, academic amnesty motion passed, work-study assistant positions deadline passed, November 29th is the global day of generosity; Giving Tuesday Alumni Association earnings will be doubled by WFCU and given to Good Food Hub.

Other events: Pancakes with the Execs, ramp-up for NDoA, "What Matters to You at the U?" campaign, "Go Back to Your Country" campaign to challenge xenophobia, Gaming Day in CAW Commons, potential Lancer Band collaboration with Hype Squad.

Went to grades 9-12 leadership conference with VP of student services as keynote speaker, great UWSA exposure, considering talking to high school students in their classrooms and working with Student Recruitment.

Board of Governors meeting showed that the university is putting a lot of effort into marketing, UWSA ranked high for diversity, Run for Palestine cause going on April 22nd and is a city initiative.

6.2 **Committee**

Student Services and Student Advocacy committees did not meet.

Finance: Last committee meeting gave out approximately \$2,500, most based on specific contingencies.

GPC: Worked on the above policy recommendations as outline in item 5.3.

6.3 Senate

Academic Amnesty motion passed with near unanimity.

Tribble, Shaheen on Blackboard committee and considering implementing “MyInfo” tab like “MySuccess” on Blackboard.

Library committee delegated to Board, first meeting on November 1st.

Review recommendations for every program: PDC

During the senate meeting, Tribble commented on the health & safety of campus, woman experienced hit-and-run near Subway on California, working on coalition to make university safer.

LSRC goes to referendum for GSS in November; if it passes, construction begins.

7.0 Unfinished Business

BIRT the Board go on a 10-minute recess

Moved: Tribble **Seconded: D’Aguilar**
(7/4/0) **PASSED**

8.0 Proposals/Posted Motions

8.1 BIRT the amendments to the attendance policy be adopted

Abunnadi left at 8:46 PM

BIRT the Board go into discussion

Moved: Kingsbury **Seconded: Tribble**

It was recommended to put a provision in section 6.2 (where the chair and/or executive assign a method of teleconference) that the Chair send a notice prior to the first meeting of the designated method for teleconference. It was noted that the amendment is not flexible and they need to have that flexibility to change the teleconference method should it not work

There was an argument against section 5.2 (not being able to transfer presence from physical to teleconference and vice-versa mid-meeting) in the case of emergency. The response was that, in the case of emergency, the Board member should not be conducting business. Using all resources for meetings and missing meetings shows a lack of due diligence.

There was an argument against the striking of section 8.0 of the Board Attendance policy (where the Board can waive a member's absence by 2/3rd majority vote). The striking of section 8.0 as suggested by the GPC will put the onus on the by-law rather than fellow Board members.

Kingsbury called the question.

Suggested amendment to policy 6.2 **in bold**: There shall be a designated method of teleconference assigned by the Chair and/or Executive members **identified in the Board meeting notice**

8.1.1 BIRT the Board Attendance policy section 6.2 be amended as above

Moved: Tribble
(All in favour)

Seconded: Kingsbury
PASSED

Al-Matary moved the motion to go to vote on Alghosein's suggested to remove the strikethrough of 8.0. Seconded by Khalifa

8.1.2 BIRT the strikethrough of section 8.0 under the Board Attendance policy be removed

(2/4/2)

FAILED

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Moved: Kingsbury
(9/1/0)

Seconded: Tribble
PASSED

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Comments by Board members and executives

- Investment will be beneficial to student experience
- Zubic noted that they would still have healthy capital budget left

- Suggested to Board was to strike 8.2.1.2 as it was not needed

BIRT the item 8.2.1.2 be struck from the agenda

Moved: Saadi Seconded: Tribble

***(All in favour)* PASSED**

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Brain storm session:

- Would like to see heavy interaction with first-year classes
- Class talks and tabling from 8:30 AM to 6:30 PM + photobooth
- To initiate conversation, bring up bus pass and move into tuition fee increases
- Door handle cards on businesses, cars, residence

9.0 New Business

Saadi is working with “Run for Palestine” and is looking for volunteers to fill positions in their task force, (e.g.: sponsorship/social media coordinators). T-Shirts paid for by Run for Palestine, looking at reaching 30,000 people in Windsor-Detroit area and raising \$100,000

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11.0 Adjournment

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