

Agenda



UWSA Board of Directors

DATE: Thursday, December 8th, 2016

Time of meeting: 5:30

Location of meeting: Board Chambers Rm. 206A Student Centre

Directors/Senators: Ahmed Khalifa, Chase Tribble, Makram Al-Matary, Yasin Avci, Ronald (R.J.) D'Aguilar, Waseem Abunnadi, Israa El-Sabbagh, Justin Bueayong, Andres Curbelo-Novoa, Jeremiah Bowers (5:47), Shawn Kingsbury, Katy Webb, Liam Adams, Shahan Mahmood, Hagar Elsayed, Bethany Russell, Anthony Dalla Bona

Matthew Dunlop, Justin Binkley, Vuk Zubic, Moussa Hamadani, Daniel Popaj, Layale Bazzi, Nicole Morrell, CTV, Blackburn

Absent: Abdul Abu Libda, Dayana Hassoun, Ghadeer Alghosein, Youshaa El-Abed, Ayub Khan, Amber Shaheen, Mazen Saadi

- 1.0 **Call to Order – 5:45 PM**
- 2.0 **Chair's Business**
- 3.0 **Approval of the Agenda**
- 4.0 **Approval of the Minutes**

- 5.0 **Presentations to the Board**
 - 5.1 **Updated HR Manual**
 - 5.2 **Links to the Ontario Ministry Website**
 - 5.3 **GPC Policy Recommendations Approvals**
 - 5.4 **LSRC Referendum**

- 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 following GPC recommendations be accepted as amended by Board
 - CRO shall inform the Electoral Committee members of their position prior to campaigning period
 - All referendum results must be acted upon within six months from the end of voting, or the results will no longer hold force
 - With the expectation that a clear definition of acted upon be brought to board and approved by board.

8.2

Whereas on August 16th legal advice was received regarding the LSRC referendum results
Whereas at the board meeting on November 10th the Board accepted the legal advice
Whereas at the board meeting on November 24th the Board rescinded the acceptance of the legal advice
Whereas in an effort to give the entire membership a voice through the democratic process of membership referenda

Therefore;

BIRT the board approve the following referendum question regarding the LSRC:

“Be it resolved that an annual capital fee of \$125.00 per student (\$62.50 per term for a maximum of two terms per academic year) be levied on all members of the University of Windsor Student Alliance (UWSA) to support the construction of a new Lancers Sport and Recreation Centre (LSRC).

Be it further resolved that this fee shall be assessed commencing Fall 2019 or in the academic year that the building becomes operational, whichever comes later;

Be it further resolved that the fee shall increase by an annual increment of 5% per year for the first seven (7) years only;

Be it further resolved that in 2029, when the existing Sports & Recreation capital fee expires, the LSRC capital fee shall increase by the amount of that fee at that time;

Be it further resolved that the term of this fee shall be 30 years;

Be it further resolved that all fees generated shall be used exclusively to support the LSRC capital project.”

BIFRT the LSRC referendum campaign and voting dates remain pending until a submission of requested dates by the LSRC Steering Committee is received and approval by the UWSA Board of Directors

BIFRT there be a stipulation that the campaign and voting days be held outside of the UWSA General Elections campaign and voting period

BIFRT the UWSA release a public statement outlining the actions taken and to be taken regarding LSRC

9.0 New Business

10.0 Question Period

11.0 Adjournment – 8:57 PM

Minutes



1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 PM

2.0 Chair's Business

3.0 Approval of the Agenda

3.1 BIRT the agenda of today be approved

Moved: Tribble Seconded: Abunnadi
(All in favour) PASSED

4.0 Approval of the Minutes

4.1 BIRT the minutes of Thursday, November 24, 2016 be approved

Moved: Abunnadi Seconded: Adams
(All in favour) PASSED

BIRT the meeting go in-camera with executives and Nicole to approve in-camera minutes

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

BIRT the meeting go out of in-camera

Moved: D'Aguilar Seconded: Al-Matary
(All in favour) PASSED

5.0 Presentations to the Board

5.1 Updated HR Manual

- UWSA General Manager Nicole presented new HR manual
- HR manual was sent to board members online
- HR manual required updating as of August 2016 due to Bill 132 from Ministry of Labour
- Covers all UWSA employees

5.2 Links to the Ontario Ministry Website

See item 5.1

5.3 GPC Policy Recommendations Approvals

The following recommendations to the UWSA policy (as well as their amendments) were suggested:

- CRO shall inform the Electoral Committee members of their position prior to campaigning period
- All referendum results must be acted upon within six months from the end of voting, or the results will be deemed invalid
 - Was suggested to include definition for “acted upon”
 - Was suggested to change “invalid” to “will no longer hold force”

5.4 LSRC Referendum

The executives presented a motion to bring back the LSRC referendum for the UWSA membership. Asked the board to approve the referenda regarding the LSRC.

D’Aguilar and Kingsbury moved to have the motion included in the Posted Motions item.

6.0 Reports

6.1 Executive

Student Services:

- One of coordinators were dismissed, working with team leaders to find another
- Frost week coming together, coordinator will start January 6th
- It was brought up that the marketing for the events was not effective, social media is lacking
- Also suggested to have more “Paws Therapy” days

Finance:

- Finalizing list of pre-approved locations for clubs to have events and negotiating discounts for them
- WFCU never got back regarding financial literacy workshops, therefore will be setting up different financial literacy workshop in Ambassador Auditorium

Student Advocacy:

- CFS National General Meeting, good motions brought up
- Provincial meeting from January 19-22 in Toronto, looking for active attendance from board
- Food bank nearing completion
- Giving Tuesday funds/donations going to food bank

President:

- UBIke winterized, city of Windsor interested in bike share program
- Flew to Montreal and sat with student health and dental insurance broker, talked about mental health coverage being a possibility
- Consulted with governance specialist for UWSA issues and concrete legislation, considering opening senior adviser position to uphold institutional memory
- Launching anti-racism taskforce in Windsor-Essex in winter semester. Want to bring stakeholders around the table to consider tangible progress
- Would like to involve art students to engage with on campus, art exhibition (Expression Against Oppression)
- Suggestion was to have campaigns 6 weeks from beginning of first-year, include education on UWSA
- Mental health is priority, student counseling expanded and nursing practitioner coming to campus, want to work with peer support centre coordinator to bring about another mental health campaign

6.2 Committee

Student services: working on representing board members in respective buildings, bringing in suicide prevention speaker, gaming day in CAW Commons, pancakes with board members in each building

Finance committee: gave out a lot of sponsorships (funding, galas) -> under-spending thus far

Student advocacy: talked about social action classes (childcare, anti-racism). In January, the board will have anti-oppression workshops for by-elections, attempt to get outlet testers to have mini-campaign to get posters near defunct outlets, board members will also be tabling to promote UWSA

GPC: met and brought forth pending recommendations, talked about by-law issues

University affairs: non-in-camera motion brought forth at Board of Governors was the passing motion of investment (with federal grant) in state-of-the-art science research innovation facility behind Essex Hall

Universities adapting to new tuition framework (OSG), students may choose not to disclose mental health issues to professor

6.3 Senate

Student caucus meeting cancelled, general senate meeting for APC had motion for advanced statistics courses being swapped out so different course can be chosen for degree requirement.

University will be refurbishing degree audit, in which the new one will be implemented in 2018

7.0 Unfinished Business

NONE

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Moved: Dalla Bona Seconded: Al-Matary
***(All in favour)* PASSED**

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Moved: D’Aguilar

Seconded: Adams

Discussion:

- Voting in favour will launch a new referendum
- UWSA is independent of other student organizations
- UWSA is an election facilitator
- New referendum will have six months lifespan if under new policy

BIRT the meeting go on five-minute recess

Moved: Bueayong

Seconded: El-Sabbagh

(All in favour)

PASSED

- Campaign/voting for LSRC to be held outside of UWSA general elections to avoid conflicts

Vote on the motion:

(All in favour)

PASSED

9.0 New Business

BIRT go in-camera, with executives and Nicole

Moved: Khalifa

Seconded: Tribble

(All in favour)

PASSED

BIRT the meeting exit in-camera

Moved: Abunnadi

Seconded: Adams

(All in favour)

PASSED

BIRT the meeting be adjourned

Moved: D'Aguilar
(*All in favour*)

Seconded: Abunnadi
PASSED

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