

UWSA Council Meeting
April 29, 2014 | Council Chambers, CAW Student Centre| 4:00pm

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:40pm by Rob Crawford.

2. Chair's Business

Discussion regarding bylaw 6.1 and its legality.

Recess called at 4:52pm

Meeting called back to order at 4:53PM

Reached quorum

Nicole Morrell: Update regarding questions with the lawyer.

Phonecall with Lawyer.

Lawyer (Ken Alexander): Can't rule a board meeting that has already occurred out of order. Not in your power.

Rob has to leave at 5PM, proposed nomination of new chair.

Both Jake DeJong and Mohamad El-Cheikh out forward their names.

Council voted to have Mohamad El-Cheikh as chair.

It was moved to elect Mohamad El-Cheikh as the Chair.

Carried
Abstentions 3

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda

Carried Unanimously

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes dates March 13, 21, and 27

Carried Unanimously

5. Presentations

5.1 Palestinian Solidarity Group

Presented by Mohammed Almoayad

WITHDRAWN

6. Posted Motions

6.1 Board of Directors Appointment

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Whereas Legal Advice has also informed us that, under the UWSA bylaws, Section 20, part 4.6.1 “When any Director vacates or is removed from her or his position, Council shall select a new Director from among the Membership. ”

BIRT the Council appoint members to the vacant Board of Director’s positions to serve until a by-election is held.

BIFRT the Council appoint from the applications submitted to the VPEA.

BIFRT these positions run in the next UWSA election.

Questions: Section of Corporations Act?

Jake: Section should only apply if BoD election not held at proper time, Are we saying election wasn’t held at proper time.

Sarah: Was it decided that it was held but thrown out? Is it part of the same election timeline? What did we determine about it?

Hussein: EMC called for re-vote, Chair said insufficient time to conduct.

Chair: is there an election process still going on? Waiting for next election?

Shaun: Interpretation hinges on understanding of election.

Reads from Lawyer’s letter.

Shaun: go through questions and see which were answered?

Re read questions:

Correct citation 287(4)?

Definition of election in Corp Act

If don’t hold AGM, what happens

If no incoming Board, what happens

Motioned not to call lawyer again as letter answered most questions.

Motion to secret Ballot

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**Carried 16-2-2
Jake Noted Against**

Farah El-Hajj and Shaun Steven want their conflict of interest noted.

Farah El Hajj and Bonita Teixeira are appointed

Motion to destroy the ballots moved by Jake De Jong and seconded by Omar Shahid

Carried

6.2 Senate Representative

BIRT the UWSA Council elect Senate representatives from council

Discussion:

Current Senators for Year: Basit Ishtiaq and Mohamad El-Cheikh

Under bylaw 30 Part 2

Bylaw 80.2.3.1

Motion moved by Jake DeJong and seconded by Shaun Steven

BIRT the UWSA council hold an electronic vote to replace any resigning senators, and the vote end April 30th at 5PM.

BIFRT the results be ratified by 11:59PM on April 30, 2014, or next year’s council must ratifies it after this time, because it counts as meeting minutes under Robert’s Rules.

BIFRT the VPEA oversee the online vote.

**Carried
1 abstention**

Omar nominates Sarah Salloum.

Shaun Steven nominates self.

Hussein nominates Calvin Chak.

1 Senator for upcoming year is Sarah Salloum, remainder to be voted on by email

Motion to destroy ballots moves by Omar Shahid, seconded by Mohammad Akbar

Carried

6.3 CRO

BIRT the UWSA Council provide direction regarding the CRO position.

Shaun Steven Amendment: BIRT the UWSA adopt a third party (preferably Elections Canada) to run the elections as the CRO.

Jake: Point of Parliamentary Inquiry. CRO defined in Constitution and Bylaws, can we move their powers to another person?

Jake: Bylaw 40: Part 3, also in Bylaw 80 and 85

GM: Question, hiring? ASC of council shall hire a CRO, doesn't outline who CRO has to be.

Jake: ASC can hire anyone. Can't be elected, but doesn't refer to who

GM: It's brought up to ensure if it's a student or not and can ASC hire a student or not.

Call the question motioned by Hussein Zarif

Motion to vote on the Amendment BIRT the UWSA adopt a third party (preferably Elections Canada) to run the elections as the CRO.

**Carried
2 opposed, 1 abstention**

Main Motion: BIRT the UWSA Council provide direction regarding the CRO position.

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Carried 12-3-4

Didn't add up, revote

Carried 14-3-3

Chair is 1, didn't vote.

7. New Business

Jake: Students will still need academic help, no exec coming in.
Asking to ask questions past April 30, 2014 on vpuwsa e-mail.

Motion by Shaun Steven BIRT all UWSA Execs turn over passwords to UWSA email accounts to GM.

BIFRT the VPAA be allowed to continue responding to student inquiries until appeal process for Winter 2014 semester grades is over.

MOTION FAILS

Motion to adjourn moved by Farah El-Hajj and seconded by Omar Shahid

Carried

Meeting Adjourned

8. Question Period

9. Meeting Adjourned at 6:45pm