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UWSA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA
Monday March 19th, 2018 6:00pm
Alumni Auditorium (**Ambassador Auditorium**)

AGENDA AS PROPOSED

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Chair's Business**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Approval of the Minutes**
 - 4.1. Annual General Meeting, March 29th, 2017
 - 4.2. Special General Meeting, October 23rd, 2017
 - 4.3. Special General Meeting, November 29th 2017
- 5. Presentations to Membership**
 - 5.1. Audited Financial Statements, 2017
 - 5.2. Report on General Election
- 6. President's Report**
- 7. Vice President Finance's Report**
- 8. Vice President Student Service's Report**
- 9. Vice President Student Advocacy's Report**
- 10. Board of Directors Report**
- 11. Membership Proposals/Posted Motion**
 - 11.1. Appointment of Auditors**

BIRT that the UWSA appoint Collins Barrow as their auditors for the 2018 financial year.



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11.2. Amendment to bylaw 80.03 Finance Committee

BIRT Current by-law **80.03c** shall become amended by-Law **80.03d**; and Amended by-law **80.03c** shall now read:

c) Publish a comprehensive breakdown of student fees inclusive of all membership and ancillary fees collected by the Alliance each year and following any change to such fees, and cause it to be posted:

1. On the UWSA Website, 2. Through other effective mechanisms for individual delivery throughout a given year, and 3. Through active individual delivery to notify the Members following a change

11.3. Election Levy Referendum

BIRT the UWSA Board of Directors be directed to hold a referendum during the in the 2018-19 General Elections on the following question, after approval from the University of Windsor.

Do you support the following, with implementation beginning for the 2019-20 academic year?

The UWSA will establish an Election Levy of a minimum amount of \$45.00 CAD (forty-five Canadian dollars) to be collected as a portion of Membership fees, which shall act as a deposit for a Member's electoral participation in the General Election; and

b) The Election Levy shall be fully reimbursed to Members in a manner determined suitable by the Board following:

1. Receipt of vote in the General Election, OR
2. Approval of application to the General Manager or their appointee with substantive and compelling reason for disbursement of levy, subject to appeal by the Vice President Finance.

BIFRT, if approved, the UWSA bylaws will have the following added:

90.09 ELECTION LEVY

a) The Alliance shall establish an Election Levy of a minimum amount of \$45.00 CAD (forty-five Canadian dollars) to be collected as a portion of Membership fees, which shall act as a deposit for a Member's electoral participation in the General Election; and b) The Election Levy shall be fully reimbursed to Members in a manner determined suitable by the Board following:

1. Receipt of vote in the General Election, OR
2. Approval of application to the General Manager or their appointee with substantive and compelling reason for disbursement of levy, subject to Appeal by the Vice President Finance.



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11.4. Motion to Form a Committee on Election Reform and Mandatory Voting

RECOGNIZING the importance of democracy and representativeness to a diverse Campus environment, **DETERMINING** that increasing student engagement in elections is of inherent value, **AND BEING ALARMED** by the current and historical low student engagement in elections,

WE THE MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE HEREBY:

1. MANDATE that the Alliance shall form an Advisory Committee which:

1.1- shall recognize its mandate as “The Advisory Committee on Election Reform and Mandatory Voting shall be responsible to study and subsequently advise the Membership and the Board on the implementation of mandatory voting in alliance elections”, and

1.2- shall have the positive duty to produce at least 2 (two) recommendations for the implementation of mandatory voting,

2. MANDATE that the Committee publish its recommendations in a publicly available report on the UWSA website and other applicable areas:

2.1- at least 60 (sixty) days prior to the Annual General Meeting in 2019 on the UWSA website, OR

2.2- within 10 (ten) days following the dissolution of the Committee by the Board; **AND**

3. CALL UPON the Board to engage in the findings of the Committee in good faith

11.5. RCMP

Whereas the UWSA represents all fulltime undergraduate students may have previous criminal records
Whereas the website says : RCMP Criminal Record Check (only for Presidential and Vice President Finance Officer Candidates): "City of Windsor Police Criminal Record Check (applicable to all other positions): "

Whereas his language prevents a portion of represented students from taking the opportunity to run for a UWSA position

Whereas there is no language specified to what will disqualify a candidate who does not have a "clean record"

BIRT: wording be included to elections policy and the By-Laws such that:

- the respective background checks be placed in the job description of all positions
- the limiting factors should be relegated to charges of violence against others (verbally or physically), Forcible confinement, sex offences and fraud; as any member elected will have to act within fiduciary duties ONLY



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12. UWSA Board of Director Posted Motions

Whereas the Governance and Policy Committee reviewed the UWSA bylaws;
Whereas the Governance and Policy Committee presented the recommendations for a first reading to the UWSA Board of Directors on September 28th;
Whereas the Governance and Policy Committee presented the recommendations for a second reading to the UWSA Board of Directors on October 5th;
Whereas the UWSA Board of Directors voted with at least a super majority affirmative for the following proposed changes to be brought to the membership for consideration as per UWSA Bylaws
Whereas in proposed changes where both additions and removal of words are present, strikethrough text ~~(Example)~~ shall represent it being suggested to be taken out and;
Whereas in proposed changes where both additions and removal of words are present, highlighted text (Example) shall represent it being suggested to be added
Whereas BIRT represents “Be it resolved that” and BIRFT represents “Be it further resolved that”
Therefore:

12.1 BIRT the following text be added to the bylaws as a Mission Statement:

MISSION STATEMENT

The University of Windsor Students' Alliance stands on three pillars: representation of, service to, and advocacy for its student membership.

We shall strive to enhance the life and experience of students with a positive educational, social and cultural environment at the University of Windsor.

We shall be student-driven in everything we do. We shall effectively represent and provide services to our students. Our activities, efforts and outputs are driven by the vision and guidance of our students in order to enhance the student experience;

We shall be accountable to our student membership, acknowledging that students have the right to know what their student fees are being used for;

We shall be a community conscious organization. We will strive to promote and foster a culture of inclusivity and safety within the greater Windsor community; and

We shall strive to be progressive, exploring leading practices that fit with being a socially conscious organization. We shall strive to constantly work to assess and improve the quality of services and programs provided to students.

12.2 BIRT the following grammatical changes be made

A “;” be added at the end of 10.01 section “Definitions” for the definition of “EC”

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The “H” of “Head” be capitalized in 10.05 (a) “Head Office”

The “shall” be changed to “will” in 40.03 (b) “Membership Proposals”

The “m” of “meeting” be capitalized in 40.05 (a) “Meetings Called by Members”

The “shall” be changed to “will” in 40.07 (a) “Error and Omission of Notice”

The “m” of “meeting” be capitalized in 40.12 (a) “Proxies”

The “m” of “members” be capitalized in 50.01 (a) “Role”

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An “and” be added between “managing, supervising” of 50.01 (b) “Role”

BIFRT any grammatical changes that will not change the meaning or connotation of the bylaw be made

12.3 BIRT the following definitions be added to the Bylaws in 10.01 “Definitions”

“Facilitator” means the appointed facilitator of the Board;

“Faculty Representative” means a Director elected to represent a specific Faculty, in accordance with these By-Laws;

“Special Constituency Representative” means a Director elected to represent a special constituency, in accordance with these By-Laws;

12.4 BIRT the following text be modified from 10.01 “Definitions”

“Simple Majority” means a vote supported by **more than** fifty (50) percent ~~plus one~~ of those voting;

12.5 BIRT the following text be modified from 10.01 “Definitions”

“Two-Thirds Majority” means a vote supported by **at least** two-thirds (2/3) of those voting;

12.6 BIRT the following text be modified from 20.01 “Representation”

a) The University and **its** committees ~~thereof~~;

b) Governments at the federal, provincial, and municipal levels, and **their** committees ~~thereof~~; and

12.7 BIRT the following text be modified from 20.02 “Advocacy”

The UWSA is to advocate for ~~the~~ **its** Members at functions of:

a) The University and **its** committees ~~thereof~~;

b) Governments at the federal, provincial and, municipal levels, and **their** committees ~~thereof~~; and

12.8 BIRT the following text be modified from 30.01 “Membership Criteria”

~~The full~~ Membership of the UWSA ~~shall be the~~ **consists of** University of Windsor undergraduate students who are either:

-and-

(c) **Serving as** Directors ~~or Officers~~ **of the UWSA** during the summer Semester, ~~or~~ Intersession, **or** **throughout their** term **with no less than three (3) courses**; or

12.9 BIRT the following text be added as 30.02 “Membership Rights” with subsequent sections properly renumbered

Members of the UWSA have the right to:

a) Attend, submit business, speak, and vote at meetings of the Members;

b) Vote in UWSA Elections and referenda, for which they are eligible to vote as per these By-Laws;

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- c) Attend and speak at all meetings of the Board and its Committees as observers, subject to meeting regulations, with the exception of in-camera sessions;
- d) Seek election to the Board or Executive, subject to applicable By-Laws and policies;
- e) Nominate candidates for election to the Board or Executive, subject to applicable By-Laws and policies;
- f) Establish and join clubs and societies and apply for the ratification and funding of clubs and societies, subject to applicable By-Laws and policies;
- g) Access the services, materials, and other resources that the UWSA makes available to its Members; and
- h) Exercise any other rights and privileges outlined in the UWSA By-Laws, Policies or Board resolutions.

12.10 BIRT the following text be added as 30.03 “Membership Responsibilities” with subsequent sections properly renumbered

Members of the UWSA have the responsibility to:

- 1. Pay Membership fees; and
- 2. Comply with these By-Laws and any Policies made in accordance with these By-Laws.

12.11 BIRT the following text be added as (b) to 30.04 “Membership Fee”

b) Any increases to the Membership fee shall be approved by the Board and come into effect contingent upon Simple Majority vote of the Membership at the next meeting of the Members and approval by the Ancillary Fee Board, or as approved by a referendum and the Ancillary Fee Board.

12.12 . BIRT the following text be modified from 30.05 “Transfer of Membership”

a) The interest of a Member of the UWSA shall not be transferable and shall lapse and cease to exist when ~~he~~ **they** ceases to be a Member of the UWSA.

12.13 . BIRT the following text be modified from 30.06 “Termination of Membership”

a) Membership in the UWSA is terminated when the individual ~~is~~ no longer **fulfills the membership criteria in By-Law 30.01** ~~a full-time undergraduate student of the University of Windsor.~~

12.14 . BIRT the following text be modified from 40.01 “Types of General Meetings”

There ~~shall be~~ **are** two types of General Meetings, ~~as further described below:~~

12.15 BIRT the following text be modified from 40.02 “Annual General Meeting”

The ~~UWSA~~ AGM ~~shall~~ **will** be held each year at or in the vicinity of the University on a date and time fixed by the Board of Directors. The purpose of the AGM ~~shall be~~ **is** to:

12.16 BIRT the following text be added as (d) of 40.03 “Member Proposals”

a) **The process for Member proposals will be as follows:**

1. The Member must submit the written proposal to the UWSA head office or an electronic method as designated by the Board.
2. The proposal must include a specific purpose.
3. Once received, the Chair of the Board will set a deadline and electronic/physical method by which all motions must be submitted.

12.17 . BIRT the following text be modified from 40.04 “Special General Meeting”

a) The Board may convene a Special General Meeting of the Members at any time for any purpose listed in By-Law 40.02, with proper notice as set out in By-Law 40.06(ca) stating the business to be brought before the meeting.

12.18 BIRT the following text be modified from 40.06 (a) “Notice to Members”

a) Notice of the AGM will be sent to the Membership At least ~~seventeen (17)~~ twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the AGM.

12.19 BIRT the following text be modified from 40.06 (b) “Notice to Members”

b) Members ~~shall receive~~ will be sent a first notice including the date of the AGM and call for Member proposals to be discussed during the AGM and ~~shall~~ must be posted:

12.20 BIRT the following text be modified from 40.06 (c) “Notice to Members”

c) At least ten (10) days prior to the AGM, UWSA Members, Directors and the Auditor ~~shall receive~~ will be sent a second notice outlining the date, time, place and special business of the AGM as stated within By-Law 40.02. Notice ~~shall~~ must be provided in the form of public notices posted:

12.21 .BIRT the following text be modified from 40.06 (d) “Notice to Members”

d) Notice, outlining ~~Members and Directors shall be notified of~~ the date, time, place, and reason, of a Special General Meeting will be sent to the Members and Directors at least ~~ten (10)~~ fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting. Notice ~~shall~~ must be provided in the form of public notices posted:

12.22 BIRT the following text be modified from 40.08 “Chair and Secretary”

a) The Chair ~~and/or~~ Facilitator ~~or Facilitator of the board~~ shall will chair the AGM. The Secretary of the ~~b~~Board shall will be the secretary of the AGM.

b) If ~~none are~~ neither is available, the President or if unavailable/unwilling another executive shall will chair the meeting and call the meeting to order with the first order of business to be appointing a chair ~~and/or~~ secretary for the AGM.

12.23 BIRT the following text be modified from 40.09 “Quorum”

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a) A Quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of Members ~~shall be~~ **must** not **be** less than seventy-five (75) Members.

12.24 BIRT the following text be modified from 40.10 “Right to Vote”

a) At a meeting of Members, ~~each~~ **every** Member of the UWSA ~~shall be~~ **is** entitled to one (1) vote. The Membership status of an individual ~~shall~~ **will** be established by the presentation of a valid student identity card or by other means as ~~may be~~ determined by the Board.

12.25 . BIRT the following text be modified from 40.11 “Scrutineers”

a) At ~~each~~ **a** meeting of Members, ~~the Board scrutineers~~ may ~~be appointed by the Board~~ **scrutineers**.

12.26 BIRT the following text be modified from 40.12 “Proxies”

b) A Member ~~shall be~~ **is** permitted to hold only one (1) proxy vote

12.27 BIRT in bylaw 40.12 “Proxies” that “Saturdays” be changed to “weekends”

12.28 BIRT in all instances of the bylaws the following modification be made

“The Chair ~~and/or~~ Facilitator”

BIFRT in 50.02 “and/or Facilitator” be removed

12.29 BIRT the following text be modified from 50.01 (e) “Role”

e) ~~Every A Board of~~ Director, with the exception of Senators and Board of Governors’ Representatives, must serve on at least one (1) ~~standing~~ **committee**.

12.30 BIRT in bylaws 50.01 “Directors” (e) that “next” be changed to “nearest”

12.31 BIRT the following text be modified from 50.03 “Qualifications”

~~All~~ Directors shall be:

- a) Members of the UWSA;
- b) **Registered full-time undergraduate students with the University of Windsor at the time of election;**
- c) ~~In good academic standing with the University of Windsor and the UWSA;~~
- d) not disqualified from being a director under the Act;

~~Every A Board of~~ Director must read and acknowledge the job description of “Board ~~of~~ Directors”.

12.32 BIRT the following text be modified from 60.03 “Calling of Meeting”

a) **Meetings of the Board will be called by** the Chair ~~and/or~~ / Facilitator, ~~or the~~ Secretary or **upon the direction in writing of two Directors;** ~~shall call meetings of the Board.~~

12.33 BIRT the following text be modified from 60.11 “In Camera”

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a) Where a matter is determined by the Board to be confidential, ~~discussion and voting on the matter may be held in-camera~~ the Board may hold an *in-camera* meeting, which ~~may~~ can be attended by only Board Directors ~~only~~.

b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board may by a ~~two-thirds (2/3)~~ Simple Majority vote invite any Board Observers or guests to participate in an *in-camera* meeting.

c) All attendees at an in-camera meeting will be deemed by their attendance at the meeting to have undertaken to respect the confidentiality of the proceedings while sitting in-camera and that they will not, without the Board's consent, communicate anything regarding any matter or decision made to a third party.

d) If a Director is found, by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Board, to be in violation of By-Law 60.11(c), the Director shall face consequences, including but not limited to those outlined in By-Law 105(c), to be decided upon by resolution of the Board.

12.34 BIRT the following text be added as 60.12 "Transitional Meetings" with subsequent sections properly renumbered

- a) A transitional meeting must be held for the outgoing and incoming Board of Directors before May 1st but after the General Election of every year.
- b) Notice of the meeting, including the date, time and place, must be provided to all outgoing and incoming Directors and Executives at least fourteen (14) days before the meeting.
- c) Quorum applies the same as regular Board meetings, per By-Law 60.07.

12.35 BIRT the following text be modified from the proposed 60.13 "Meeting Participation"

a) Any Board or executive member may teleconference and participate in a meeting of the Board by ~~board~~ telephonic or electronic means that permits all participants to communicate adequately with the Board during the meeting. ~~This right extends to in-camera meetings.~~

b) A Director participating by such means is deemed to be present at that meeting.

c) Meetings of the Board can be held entirely via electronic or telephonic means (hereafter referred to as "electronic meetings") if the Board is assured of the security and privacy of the communication. Electronic meetings require that minutes be kept and procedure be followed as would be the case for any physical meeting.

12.36 BIRT the following text be modified from 70.01 (a) "The Chair and/or Facilitator"

a) The Chair ~~and/or Facilitator~~ position shall be filled by a Director who ~~will be~~ is selected by the Directors at the first meeting of each newly constituted Board of Directors.

12.37 BIRT the following text be modified from 80.01 “Committee Guidelines”

b) All committees shall adhere to the Policy Manual of the UWSA.

d) All Committees shall comprise of a:

i. The executive sitting on the committee, who shall be the chair of the committee;

i. In cases of ad-hoc Committees, or where a standing Committee’s executive(s) is absent or incapacitated, the Directors sitting on the Committee may elect a chair from among themselves.

e) Every A Board of Directors must serve on at least one (1) standing Committee;

~~i) Senators and Board of Governors’ representatives may only sit on the University Affairs Committee.~~

ii) Senators must, where possible, sit on at least 2 University of Windsor Senate committees.

f) In cases where an excess number of Directors volunteer for a particular Committee, the Board shall elect Committee members through a vote;

i. A faculty or special constituency representative will be given preference over any Senator or Board of Governors’ Representative.

12.38 BIRT that in all instances the word “Secretary” be replaced with “Minute Taker”

12.39 BIRT the following text be modified from 90.02 “By-Election”

b) All contestable positions in the General Election that remain vacant following the General Election ~~shall be contested in a By-Election in the Fall Semester~~, with the exception of circumstances as set out in By-Law 90.03(b).

12.40 BIRT the following text be modified from 90.03 “Director Vacancies”

A vacancy on the Board shall be filled as follows:

a) Any vacancy among the Directors can be filled by a quorum of Directors. If there is no quorum, the Directors in office shall, without delay, call a special meeting of the Members who are entitled to elect the missing Directors, to initiate an election for those Directors; if they fail to call such a meeting or if there are no Directors in office, the meeting can be called by any Member.

b) If there is a failure to elect any ~~one or more~~ Directors during the General Election, the Directors holding office immediately before the General Election shall continue in their office until ~~their~~ successors are elected in the By-election;

~~e) Subject to applicable law, any Director vacancy may be filled by a quorum of Directors, provided that if there is no quorum, the Directors then in office will promptly call a meeting of the Members who are entitled to elect the missing Directors to initiate an election of such Directors, and if there are no Directors then in office, any Member may call such a meeting. Where there is no quorum of elected Directors, or where there are no elected Directors, the individuals who are in fact managing the affairs of the UWSA will be deemed to be the Board of Directors of the UWSA until their replacements are elected;~~ and

d) The Board may, by a Simple Majority vote, fill any other Director vacancy by appointment. The appointee must meet the eligibility criteria of the vacancy and will hold office until a successor is elected in the By- or General Election. After that, the appointee will be eligible to be elected as a Director, if meeting the applicable criteria.

12.41 BIRT the following text be modified from 90.04 “Executive Vacancies”

a) If there is a failure to fill elect an Executive officer during an election, ~~that office shall remain vacant until the next election~~ or if an Executive vacancy occurs during the term, the Board may, by a Two-Thirds Majority vote, fill the vacancy by appointment. The appointee must meet the eligibility criteria for the vacancy and will hold office until a successor is elected in the By- or General Election. After that, the individual will be eligible, if meeting the applicable criteria, to be elected as an Executive or Director.

12.42 BIRT the following text be modified from 105.02 (d) “Disciplinary Process”

d) Notice of intention to pass such a motion at a meeting of the Board must be given in the agenda as set out in By-Law 60.04

12.43 BIRT the following text be modified from 130.01 “Board-Facilitated Amendments”

~~Any Director of the UWSA may propose an addition, amendment, or abolishment of a section of the By-law to the Board.~~ Subject to the Act, the Board may make, amend, or repeal any by-law that regulates the activities or affairs of the UWSA. This specifically excludes any provision that concerns the transfer of membership or the method of voting by Members not in attendance at a meeting of Members. The process shall be as follows:

- a) The UWSA By-Laws must be reviewed regularly by the Governance and Policy Committee, which can consult UWSA legal counsel, if necessary. The Governance and Policy Committee, upon receipt of a proposed change or at its own discretion, can recommend a by-law, amendment or repeal to the Board. The by-law, amendment or repeal must be submitted as a motion to the agenda for the meeting at which the by-law, amendment or repeal is to be discussed, which shall constitute the first reading of the motion. ~~A document containing The proposal of a By-law amendment, including any supporting materials, shall be forwarded to the speaker of the Governance and Policy Committee;~~
- b) The second reading of and voting on the motion will take place at the subsequent meeting of the Board.

- c) Per the Act, the by-law, amendment or repeal must be passed by a minimum two-thirds (2/3) majority of the Board. The by-law, amendment or repeal is effective from the date of the resolution of the directors ~~The Governance and Policy Committee shall review proposed changes at its next regularly scheduled meeting and have the proposed revision reviewed by UWSA legal counsel if applicable;~~
- d) The directors shall submit the by-law, amendment or repeal to the Members at the next annual meeting of the Members, and the Members may confirm, reject or amend the by-law, amendment or repeal by Simple Majority vote ~~The proposed amendment, along with comments from the Governance Committee and UWSA legal counsel, shall be forwarded to the Board at least one (1) regular meeting prior to voting on the proposal;~~
- e) If the by-law, amendment or repeal is confirmed, or confirmed as amended, by the Members, it remains effective in the form in which it was confirmed ~~The Board shall vote on the proposed change at its next regularly scheduled meeting following notification, with a Two-thirds (2/3) Majority vote of the Directors required to affirm the motion;~~
- f) The by-law, amendment or repeal ceases to have effect if it is not submitted by the directors to the Members as required under these By-Laws and the Act or if it is rejected by the Members ~~Upon affirmation of the proposed amendment by the Board, a meeting of the Members shall be called for the consideration of the proposed change; and~~
- g) If a by-law, amendment or repeal ceases to have effect in accordance with By-Law 130.01(e), a subsequent resolution of the Directors that has substantially the same purpose or effect is not effective until it is confirmed or confirmed as amended by the Members ~~Members shall receive notice of a meeting as set out in section 40.06, including details of the proposed change, together with supporting documents;~~
- h) ~~The By-law addition, amendment, or abolishment shall come into effect upon receiving a Simple Majority vote of the Members at the meeting called for the purposes of considering the proposed changes; and~~
- i) ~~The vote must be on a motion to amend the By-law, worded in the affirmative.~~

13. Question Period

14. Adjournment



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Minutes as Occurred

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 PM. The quorum count at this point was at 38, minimum quorum count required was 75. The meeting began at 6:31 PM as the quorum of 83 was reached then.

2. Chair's Business

No business was discussed under Chair's Business.

3. Approval of Agenda

BIRT that the agenda be approved as proposed and amended.

Moved: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 1)
(All in favour)

Seconded: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 15)
PASSED

Discussion: One of the member asked for amendments to agenda by moving item 11 before reports i.e. item 6. Another member asked to move item number 11 and 12 (the motions which required approval) be moved after item 4. It was requested that items 11 and 12 be moved after the item 5 (presentations to the board) as the Auditors and CRO had to present to the membership. The UWSA membership unanimously decided to move items 11 and 12 after item 5.

4. Approval of the Minutes

4.1 Annual General Meeting, March 29th, 2017

BIRT that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on March 29, 2017

Moved: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 10)
(All in favour)

Seconded: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 5)
PASSED

Discussion: UWSA Membership Placard No: 1 (Proxy) abstained. No further discussion was held.



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4.2 Special General Meeting, October 23rd, 2017

BIRT that the minutes of the Special General Meeting held on October 23, 2017

**Moved: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 7)
(All in favour)**

**Seconded: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 36)
PASSED**

Discussion: UWSA Membership Placard No: 1 (Proxy) abstained. No further discussion was held.

4.3 Special General Meeting, November 29th, 2017

BIRT that the minutes of the Special General Meeting held on November 29, 2017

**Moved: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 7)
(All in favour)**

**Seconded: UWSA Membership
(Placard No.15)
PASSED**

Discussion: UWSA Membership Placard No: 1 (Proxy) abstained. No further discussion was held.

5.0 Presentations to the Board

5.1 Audited Financial Statements, 2017

The accountant presented Audited Financial Statements, 2017. The auditor is a senior manager at Collins Barrow, Windsor. USWA year end is 30 April 2017 and the statements were audited in September 2017. The auditors confirmed that it is the management's responsibility to prepare and fairly represent the financial statements. The auditors' role is to audit these reports and give an opinion on the same. They gave a clear opinion on these statements. The audited financial statements were shown to the UWSA Members. Student Fee revenue was C\$ 1.2 million. This was first year of Buss Pass and hence cost of goods sold was higher this year. There was a big one-time cost of C\$ 1.4 million due to the investment on the student lounge. Snapshot of Balance Sheet was also shown to the UWSA Members.

5.2 Report on General Election

CRO presented the report on the UWSA General Election 2018-19. The voting took place at March 14 & March 15, 2018. They had five polling stations along with online voting platform. Four executives, three senate positions and six board of directors were elected.



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6.0 Membership Proposals/Posted Motion

6.1 Appointment of Auditors

BIRT that the UWSA appoint Collins Barrow as their auditors for the 2018 financial year.

**Moved: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 58)
(All in favour)**

**Seconded: UWSA Membership
(Placard No.5)
PASSED**

Discussion: UWSA Membership Placard No: 1 (Proxy) abstained. No further discussion was held.

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(All in favour)**

**Seconded: UWSA Membership
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PASSED**

Discussion: There was no discussion held.

6.3 Election Levy Referendum

BIRT the UWSA Board of Directors be directed to hold a referendum during the in the 2018-19 General Elections on the following question, after approval from the University of Windsor.

Do you support the following, with implementation beginning for the 2019-20 academic year?



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The UWSA will establish an Election Levy of a minimum amount of \$45.00 CAD (forty-five Canadian dollars) to be collected as a portion of Membership fees, which shall act as a deposit for a Member’s electoral participation in the General Election; and

b) The Election Levy shall be fully reimbursed to Members in a manner determined suitable by the Board following:

1. Receipt of vote in the General Election, OR
2. Approval of application to the General Manager or their appointee with substantive and compelling reason for disbursement of levy, subject to appeal by the Vice President Finance.

BIFRT, if approved, the UWSA bylaws will have the following added:

90.09 ELECTION LEVY

a) The Alliance shall establish an Election Levy of a minimum amount of \$45.00 CAD (forty-five Canadian dollars) to be collected as a portion of Membership fees, which shall act as a deposit for a Member’s electoral participation in the General Election; and b) The Election Levy shall be fully reimbursed to Members in a manner determined suitable by the Board following:

1. Receipt of vote in the General Election, OR
2. Approval of application to the General Manager or their appointee with substantive and compelling reason for disbursement of levy, subject to Appeal by the Vice President Finance.

Moved: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 7)
(None in favour)

Seconded: UWSA Membership
(Placard No.15)
FAILED

Discussion: The membership was divided on this motion. To limit the discussion on this motion, the membership proposed to limit the number on speakers for and against this motion.

BIRT only three members will be allowed to speak for and against each with respect to this motion and all other motions to be discussed hence forth

BIFRT each member will be allowed to speak maximum for two minutes.

Moved: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 35)
(All in favour)

Seconded: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 46)
PASSED

The people who voted against the motion said that it is not fair to ask students to pay any extra fees, even though it is refunded on certain conditions. A few members asked on which basis will fees be refunded if the member failed to vote. Since the final decision was depended on the Vice President Finance to refund the money, the terms of the refund should be much more clear and transparent.



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The people who voted for the motion said that this will make the membership more responsible and motivate them vote and since the money is refundable it should not be confused with the fees. They also said that this motion will motivate more students to get involved in the student politics.

6.4 Motion to Form a Committee on Election Reform and Mandatory Voting

RECOGNIZING the importance of democracy and representativeness to a diverse Campus environment, **DETERMINING** that increasing student engagement in elections is of inherent value, **AND**
BEING ALARMED by the current and historical low student engagement in elections,

WE THE MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE HEREBY:

1. MANDATE that the Alliance shall form an Advisory Committee which:

1.1- shall recognize its mandate as “The Advisory Committee on Election Reform and Mandatory Voting shall be responsible to study and subsequently advise the Membership and the Board on the implementation of mandatory voting in alliance elections”, and

1.2- shall have the positive duty to produce at least 2 (two) recommendations for the implementation of mandatory voting,

2. MANDATE that the Committee publish its recommendations in a publicly available report on the UWSA website and other applicable areas:

2.1- at least 60 (sixty) days prior to the Annual General Meeting in 2019 on the UWSA website,
OR

2.2- within 10 (ten) days following the dissolution of the Committee by the Board; **AND**

3. CALL UPON the Board to engage in the findings of the Committee in good faith

Moved: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 10)
(Quorum Lost)

Seconded: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 36)

The quorum was lost again. In the mean time they were waiting for the quorum to get back a question and answer session was initiated between the board members and the membership. The members were also asked to go on the UWSA website and read about the executive reports.

The members were suggested that they could either pass a motion to adjourn or continue in recess and wait. This suggestion was given after ten minutes of losing the quorum.



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BIRT the meeting be adjourned.

**Moved: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 78)
(None in favour)**

**Seconded: UWSA Membership
(Placard No. 7)
FAILED**

President Bowers asked the membership of what they think about UWSA and what suggestions would the membership give to the Executives and Board of Governors to make UWSA work better.

One of the member said that UWSA does not have a good positive image currently. It was recommended that they do more in-person meeting with the students and communicate better. More presence of executives among the students would help improve image. Another member said that UWSA needs to own up their actions. They do things correctly but shy away to explain their membership the reasons and situations in which those actions were taken. Justification and owning up to their actions must help UWSA improve their image for their membership. Another member also said that the current office of UWSA is completely out of sight and putting the office in a more visible and accessible place should help UWSA connect more with the students.

The meeting was adjourned, by the Board Facilitator, at 7.44 PM due to loss of quorum.