



Students' Association Board Meeting

February 12, 2024
Notre Dame Campus
Room A137
6:21 pm – 8:00 pm
Call to Order

MINUTES

Food will be there at 5:30 p.m.

Attendance: Melinda Yanick, Prachi Chawla, Mohitpreet Kaur, Joshua Malam, Steve Nachtigall, Laureen Janzen, Akshita, Ryan Rutherford, Eva Khattra, Melissa Ghidoni

Regrets: Claudia Martinet, Janet Mak, Preetinder Kaur Gill, Abdelsattar, Awe Olufisayo, Harjinder Dhesi, Jo-Ann Johnson, Harpreet Kaur, Manpreet Kaur, Navpreet Kaur, Colin Tirschmann, Annie Wiebe, Huong Giang Nguyen

1) Call to Order at 6:21 pm

2) Land Acknowledgement

➤ President read land acknowledgment.

3) President's Opening Remarks

4) Call for Proxy

Motion – To allow proxy voting for the duration of the meeting.

➤ Lack of quorum. No motion was carried.

5) Adoption of the agenda

Motion – To adopt the agenda as presented.

- Lack of quorum. No motion was carried.

6) Accept the SAB meeting minutes from January 17, 2024.

Motion – To accept the SAB meeting minutes from January 17, 2024.

- Lack of quorum. No motion was carried.

7) Executive Reports

A) President Report

Attached

- Election nominations opened on January 29th. All positions have applicants.
- The breakfast program had good feedback from regionals.
- The elections policy was reviewed and approved by the Elections committee.
- CRO has been hired for elections and has reviewed elections policy.
- HR review is underway by Salopek & Associates. Staff interviewed on job descriptions.
- The Master Operating Agreement (MOU) has been reviewed, and the first meeting took place with the college. A second meeting will be held.
- The career fair was successful at both campuses. Promoting the Students' Association at a booth.

B) Vice President Academic Report

Attached

- Creating scholarships.
- Orientations for students.
- Promoting Students' Association at career fair booth.

C) Vice President Internal Report

Attached

- Reading speech at Bell Let's Talk event on partnership with Bell Let's Talk for the Peer Support Program.
- A contract is being written up for the Peer Support Program.

D) Vice President External Affairs Report

Attached

- Reestablishing a relationship with CASA.
- Rebuilding MAPSS.
- Scholarship geared towards 2SLGBTQIA+.

8) Managers Reports

A) Executive Director Report

Attached

- HR review by Salopek & Associates.
- Cave refresh is underway. Waiting on furniture.
- Working on the budget.

B) Director, Student Support Services Attached

- Bell Let's Talk \$100,000 donation.
- Peer Support Program contract is in the process of being completed and signed.
- Additional salary dollars are allocated for student support services for academic advisors.

9) Committee

i) Finance Committee- Melinda as Chair

- Met on January 22. Discussed the budget.
- A suggestion was made to increase the donations budget.

ii) Elections Appointment & Referendum Committee – Prachi and Joshua as Co-Chair

- Elections policy has been approved.

iii) Building Trust Fund Committee – Melinda as Chair

- Met on February 12. Approved Lockers and Workshop project.

iv) Scholarships Committee – Mohitpreet as Chair

- 10 scholarships were received in November. Four were created and sent out.

v) Advocacy Committee – Joshua as Chair

- No meeting was held.

vi) **Governance & Internal Review Committee** – Prachi and Mohitpreet as Co-Chair

- No meeting was held.

10) Financials

- End of January financials were presented.
- Expenses have decreased.
- The coffee shop is right on budget.
- Events are under budget.
- The projector is under budget.
- Vendors are over budget by \$4,000.
- The breakfast and coat program increased the wellness expense.

11) Referendum Question/MAPSS

- A meeting was held regarding MAPSS.
- The constitution is not complete.
- The decision on fees has not been completed.
- The website is not complete.
- Meetings will continue to be held on the matter.
- The recommendation is put forward to not follow through with the referendum for the year 2024.
- Remove the MAPSS banner from the RRCSA website.
- Remove MAPSS posters.

12) SA Fees

- CPI increase for Students' Association fees.
- A potential increase of up to 2%.
- A decrease in international students will affect funding.

13) Open Forum

14) Adjournment at 8:00 pm.