

**UMGSA Council Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2015**

APPROVED
Mar 25/15

1. Call to Order at 5:06pm

2. Approval of the Agenda February 25, 2015

MOTION: BIRT the agenda for the February 25, 2015 UMGSA Council meeting be approved.

Mario Solis Nepote (Biomedical Engineering)/ Evan Allan/Andrew Macauley (City Planning)

Carried.

2.1. Unanimous consent agenda

2.1.1. Any item that has a beside it denotes unanimous consent agenda

MOTION: BIRT VP Internal, VP Advocacy, VP Marketing and Events, VP Health Sciences, Executive at Large, Senator, 1, 2 and 3 Executive Reports and Senate Report are accepted omnibus.

Gustavo Mejicanos (Animal Science)/ Karalyn Dokurno/ Katelyn Dykstra Dykerman (English, Film and Theatre)

Carried.

Amendment: BIRT to take the President's Report out of the unanimous consent agenda.

Gustavo Mejicanos (Animal Science)/ Hamid Reza Nasrinpour (Electrical & Computer Engineering)

Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1. MOTION: BIRT the minutes from the January 28, 2015 UMGSA Council Meeting be approved.

Mario Solis Nepote (Biomedical Engineering)/ Lena Hong (Human Nutritional Sciences)

Carried.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1. Reassigned VP External Portfolio Update

Motion from the floor: Mario Solis Nepote (Biomedical Engineering)

BIRT the executive members picking up the duties of the VPE starting January 28, 2015 will be reviewed at the March council meeting.

Friendly Amendment: Gustavo Mejicanos (Animal Science)

Request to include January 28, 2015 as the start date of the VPE reporting period as that is the date Council decided to compensate Executive members taking on VPE responsibilities.

Amendment: Request to include the end date of VPE reporting period will be the April 22, 2015, Council meeting and the total honorarium amount will be allocated before the end of the executive term.

Gustavo Mejicanos (Animal Science) / Michael Gaudry (Biological Sciences)
Carried.

Final Motion:

BIRT the executive members responsible for VPE duties will document work completed from January 28 to April 22, 2015. Executives will report their work at the April 22, 2015 Council meeting, where Council will determine the total distribution of the honorarium amount for this period, to be allocated before the end of the executive term.

Carried.

Executive monthly written reports for Council will have VPE responsibilities differentiated from other exec roles.

5. GU15 Conference in April 2015

BIRT UMGSA designate up to 4 executives (maximum of 2 outgoing) to participate in the GU15 conference in Calgary April 6-8, 2015.

Joseph Dipple (Native Studies)/ Olivier Gagne (Geological Science)

Carried.

6. Verbal Committee Reports

6.1. Executive Committee Report

The Executive has been conducting research on providing a Tax workshop as UMSU no longer provides this service. Work continues on the anti-budget cuts campaign.

Executives discussed how to handle the executive workload during campaign period for members who are seeking re-election for 2015-16.

6.2. Finance Committee Report

New form, investment policy document still in development

6.3. Bylaws and Policy Committee Report

Executive policy manual is being worked on, monthly meetings, 3 requests for hardship funds.

6.4. Events Committee Report

Thanks to volunteers at the speed networking social, ski trip planned but there wasn't enough interest will try again later in the season

6.5. Campaigns Committee Report

6.5.1. University Budget Cuts Updates

Developing form letter to President Barnard and Minister of Education.

Developing information package on impact to graduate students

6.6. Elections Committee Report

Campaigns period starts on Monday, March 2- 13. All Candidates Forum- March 10, 12pm.

6.7. Internal Development and Review Sub-Committee Report

Will meet in March to determine process for next phase of evaluation

6.8. Awards Committee Report

Evaluating the awards process/policy

7. Verbal Senate Report

Senate Report February

8. Executive Committee Reports

President

Was removed from the omnibus consent agenda for discussion.

BIRT the President's report is accepted as presented.

Melissa Rabb (VP Health Sciences)/ Joseph Dipple (Native Studies)

Carried.

- Vice President Internal
- Vice President Academic
- Vice President Health Sciences
- Vice President External
- Vice President Marketing and Events
- Executive at Large
- Senator 1
- Senator 2
- Senator 3

9. Department Reports

10. Other Business/Announcements

10.1. Active Living Centre Update

11. Adjournment

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council meeting be adjourned.
 Travis Hrubeniuk (Kinesiology & Recreation Management)/ Mac Kohlmeier (Microbiology)
 Carried.

Next Meeting is on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at 5pm in the UMGSA Lounge.

| <i>Position/Department</i> | <i>Name</i> | <i>Signature</i> |
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| President | Laura Rempel | Present |
| VP Internal | Valery Agbor | Present |
| VP Academic | Kristjan Mann | Present |
| VP External | Position Not Filled | Resigned Jan 16/15 |
| VP Marketing & Events | Beibei Lu | Present |
| VP Health Science | Melissa Rabb | Present |
| Exec-At-Large (Non-voting) | E. RoTimi Ojo | Present |
| Senator | Chido Uchime | Present |
| Senator | Diba Vafabakhsh | Present |
| Senator | Richard From | Present |
| Council Chairperson (Non-voting) | E. RoTimi Ojo | Present |
| Office Manager (Non-voting) | Ruth Prokesch | Present |
| <i>Agric & Food Science</i> | | |
| Agribusiness & Agric. Economics | Clement Adomah | Present |
| Animal Science | Elnaz Azad (Co-Councilors) Gustavo Mejicanos | Gustavo Present |
| Biosystems Engineering | Missed four meetings | No Rep |
| Entomology | Megan Colwell | Regrets |
| Food Science | Xinyang (Sheyna) Sun | Present |
| Human Nutritional Sciences | Lena Hong | Present |
| Plant Science | Cassandra Tkachuk Gagandip Sidhu (Co-councilors) | Both Present |
| Soil Science | Nicholson Jeke | Present |
| <i>Architecture</i> | | |
| Architecture | David Anderson(Co-Council) Julia Evancio | Julia Present |
| City Planning | Evan Allan (Co-Councilors) Andrew Macauley | Both Present |

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| Interior Design | Stephanie Prouse | Present |
| Landscape Architecture | Meaghan Pauls | Present |
| Arts | | |
| Anthropology | Anureet Lotay | Absent |
| Economics | Dennis K. Nasfouh | Absent |
| English, Film & Theatre | Karalyn Dokurno (Co-Councilors) Katelyn Dykstra Dykerman | Both Present |
| History | Nicole Courier | Absent |
| Linguistics | Hai Tran | Absent |
| Native Studies | Joseph Dipple | Present |
| Political Studies & Public Admin | Missed three meetings | No Rep |
| Psychology | Yunqiao Wang (Co-Council) Hayley Chartrand | Hayley Present |
| Sociology | Joseph Asomah (Co-Council) Matthew Sanscartier | Absent |
| Management | | |
| Management – PhD and MSc | Ji Zhou | Present |
| Management – MBA | Mike DeLuca | Regrets |
| Education | | |
| Education – PhD – Ad hoc | Mehdi Rahimian | Present |
| Engineering | | |
| Civil Engineering | Sam Esfandianpour | Present |
| Electrical & Computer Engineering | Ahmad Byagowi (co-councilors) Hamid Reza Nasrinpour | Hamid Present |
| Mechanical & Manufacturing Eng. | Masoud Nasiri Sarvi | Present |
| Environment, Earth & Resources | | |
| Environment & Geography | Darcy McDougall | Present |
| Geological Sciences | Olivier Gagne | Present |
| Natural Resources Institute | Jody Daniel | Present |
| Graduate Studies | | |
| Applied Health Sciences | Navjot Pachu (Co-Councilors) | Absent |

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| | Scott Kehler | |
| Biomedical Engineering | Mario Solis Nepote | Present |
| Peace and Conflict Studies | Brett Mallon (Co-Councilors) Shorsh Palani | Absent |
| <i>Human Ecology</i> | | |
| Family Social Sciences | Missed four meeting | No Rep |
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| Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt. | | |
| Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt. | Travis Hrubeniuk (Co-Council) Ramesh Dutta | Travis Present |
| Nursing | | |
| Nursing | Alexa Barrett | Present |
| Science | | |
| Biological Sciences | Michael Gaudry | Present |
| Chemistry | Joey Lussier | Absent |
| Microbiology | Mac Kohlmeier | Present |
| Physics & Astronomy | Mohammad Hussein | Regrets |
| Statistics | Missed Four Meetings | No Rep |
| Social Work | | |
| Social Work | Kaladhar Battepati | Absent |
| UMSU (Non-Voting) | | |
| President or Designate | Christian Pierce | Absent |
| CUPE 3909 (Non-Voting) | | |
| President or Designate | Jen Black | Absent |
| FGS Rep (Non-Voting) | | |
| Dean or Designate | Jay Doering | Absent |
| Student Life (Non-Voting) | | |
| Office of Student Life | Cora Dupuis | Absent |
| Guests | | |
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Jana Rompl

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President

Date

J. Rompl

Executive at Large

MARCH 25, 2015

Date

