

## UMGSA Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - 6:00 PM - UMGSA Lounge

1. **Call to Order** (6:12pm).

2. **Approval of the Agenda**

**Note: Agenda Items for Concurrence Without Debate**

Any item that has a  beside it denotes an item intended for Concurrence Without Debate. These items include reports and other routine matters, and are considered accepted or adopted by the UMGSA Council without debate or a vote. Any Council Member who wishes to remove any item so-noted from the list of items for Concurrence Without Debate may do so by contacting the Council Chairperson prior to the meeting, or by requesting that it be removed when the Chair asks if there is any opposition to accepting these items for Concurrence Without Debate, immediately prior to the motion to approve the agenda as presented or as amended. Two items are added to the agenda under New Business:

**9.2. Ratification of the Co-Chairs of the IDRSC**

**9.3. Support for the Archival Studies Program**

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves the agenda for the October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017, UMGSA Council Meeting as amended.**

*Biological Sciences/Entomology (Carried).*

3. **Approval of the Minutes:** The minutes of the September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017, UMGSA Council Meeting are included as Appendix I to this council meeting agenda.

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves the minutes from the September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017, UMGSA Council Meeting as presented.**

*Human Nutritional Sciences/Linguistics (Carried).*

4. **Committee Reports**

4.1.  September Committee Reports (Appendix II)

- Executive Committee discussed plans for the UMGSA Awards Ceremony.
- Awards Committee has called a meeting for October 30<sup>th</sup> 2017 where they will discuss possible changes to the awards procedures. They will consult with FGS about making any changes.
- Finance Committee is working on changing the Travel Expenses Form and has been approving conference grants.
- Bylaws and Policy Committee is in the process of developing the procedure for the selection of the CRO for the upcoming election. When the procedure is decided upon, they will bring it to Council for approval.
- Campaigns Committee will meet next week to discuss U-Pass issues affecting

graduate students.

- Events Committee met September 28<sup>th</sup> to plan the Halloween Social, which is this Friday. They will meet this week to plan an Alumni Networking event in late November or early December.

## 5. Senate Report

- 5.1.  October Senate Report (Appendix III)

## 6. Executive Reports

- 6.1.  September Executive Reports (Appendix IV)

## 7. Departmental Reports

Nothing to report.

## 8. Unfinished Business

None.

## 9. New Business

### 9.1. Approval of Graduate Student Representatives on Faculty of Arts Standing

**Committees:** Graduate Student representatives appointed to serve on the Faculty of Arts Standing Committees need to be approved by the UMGSA Council. The five appointed representatives are as follows:

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| 1. Nosayaba Osakue    | - Course and Program Approvals Committee     |
| 2. Analucia Vucic     | - Course and Program Approvals Committee     |
| 3. Adefunke Ogunsanya | - Endowment Committee                        |
| 4. Laura Forsythe     | - Equity, Diversity & Human Rights Committee |
| 5. Peter Genger       | - Research Committee                         |

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves these five appointments to the Faculty of Arts Standing Committees.**

*Anthropology/Microbiology (Carried).*

**9.2. Ratification of the Co-Chairs of the IDRSC:** The IDRSC Committee met today to form a sub-committee which excludes the Executive members so that they can freely review the Executive. The Committee has chosen the chairs of this sub-committee.

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council ratifies Sakib Rahman and Md. Jahidul Islam as co-chairs of the Internal Development and Review Sub-Committee.**

*IDRC/Biological Sciences (Carried).*

**9.3. Support for the Archival Studies Program:** The Archival Studies Program at the University of Manitoba is facing deep cuts to their program. The cuts are proposed by the Joint Discipline Committee, and include the decision to not replace one of the two faculty members with someone of equivalent experience after his retirement, termination of the thesis requirement, and discontinuation of academic credit for the archival internship course. The Call to Action will be emailed to the Council tonight, and will be delivered to the heads of departments at the University of Manitoba, the University of Winnipeg, and to the President of the University of Manitoba on November 8<sup>th</sup>. They are seeking a letter of support and anything else that Council can offer.

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council supports current and former graduate students, faculty, and community members who are working to save the Joint Master's in Archival Studies & History Program, and that the UMGSA will cooperate with them in trying to ensure that the core elements of the program are retained in their current form, including the continued employment of two full-time archival faculty in the Department of History, a mandatory thesis requirement, and credit for a 3-month archival internship.**

*English, Film & Theatre/Asper Master of Finance (Carried).*

## 10. Announcements

**10.1. Council-Member Orientation:** Immediately before this meeting, at 5:30PM in the UMGSA Lounge.

**10.2. UMGSA Council-Member Social:** Immediately Following the Adjournment of Today's Council Meeting, at IQs (3rd Floor University Centre).

**10.3. UMGSA Halloween Social:** Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - 5-7:30PM -UMGSA Lounge

**10.4. Due Date for UMGSA Department Grants:** Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, by 4PM

**10.5. Next Council Meeting:** Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 -5:30PM -UMGSA Lounge

**10.6. CUPE 3909:** They are having their AGM tomorrow from 12:30-2pm in room 101 in St John's College.

## 11. Adjournment (6:41pm).

Position/Department	Name	Signature
<i>UMGSA Executive and Staff</i>		
President	Carl Neumann	Present
VP Internal	Chandan Howlader	Present
VP Academic	Mohammad (Emrul) Hasan	Present
VP External	Albert Boakye	Present
VP Marketing & Events	Obiajulu Nnaemeka	Present
VP Health Science	Andrew Plesniarski	Present
Exec-At-Large (Non-voting)	Richard From	Present
Senator 1	Silvia Araujo	Present
Senator 2	D Skye Kushner	Regrets
Council Chairperson (No Vote)	Karalyn Dokurno	Present
Office Manager (No Vote)	Ruth Prokesch	Present
Office Assistant (No Vote)	Jayne Hammond (Minute Taker)	Present
<i>Agriculture &amp; Food Science</i>		
Agribusiness & Agric. Economics	Currently NO ONE	
Animal Science	Yue (Yvette) Shang (Co-Council) Dipana Maharjan	Present (Dipana)

Biosystems Engineering	Ikra Iftekhar Shuvo	Present
Entomology	Thais F. Silva Guimaraes	Present ( <i>left 6:35pm</i> )
Food Science	Pamela Drawbridge	Present
Human Nutritional Sciences	Matt Granger	Present
Plant Science	Kenny So (Co-Council) Win Jian (Daniel) Chan	Present
Soil Science	Mick Runzika	Absent
<b><i>Architecture</i></b>		
Architecture	Currently NO ONE	
City Planning	Andrew Treger (Co-Council) Felipe Mogollon	Present (Both)
Interior Design	Eugenia Amoako	Present
Landscape Architecture	Alyssa Magas	Present
<b><i>Arts</i></b>		
Anthropology	Ana Vucic	Present ( <i>left at 6:35pm</i> )
Economics	Currently NO ONE	
English, Film & Theatre	Shaylyn Majaraj-Poliah (Co-Council) Kasey Morgan	Present (Both)
History	Currently NO ONE	
Linguistics	Iuliia Rezvukhina (Co-Council) Tasheney Francis Holness	Present (Both)
Native Studies	Laura Forsythe (Co-Council) Timothy Maton	Present (Both)
Political Studies & Public Admin	Ryan Shibley	Present
Psychology	Michelle Ward (Co-Council) Brenna Henrikson	Present (Michelle)
Sociology	Wanda Hounslow	Absent

<b><i>Asper School of Business</i></b>		
Finance – Master of Finance	Qing Qiu (Co-Council) Meer Farhan Shahriar	Present (Both)
Management – PhD and MSc	Zulfiquer Ali Haider	Present
Management – MBA	Currently NO ONE	
<b><i>Education</i></b>		
Education – PhD	Kazutoshi Yoshino Proxy: Hyekyung Song	Present (Proxy)
Education – Admin, Foundations & Psych.	Tyler Kelsch	Present
Education – Curriculum, Teaching & Learning	Erica Hildebrand	Regrets
<b><i>Engineering</i></b>		
Civil Engineering	Alexander Afuberoh	Present
Electrical & Computer Engineering	Nozhan Bayat (Co-Council) Ehsan Tahmasebian	Present (Both)
Mechanical Engineering	Shahriar Bagheri	Present
<b><i>Environment, Earth &amp; Resources</i></b>		
Environment & Geography	Tonya Burgers (Co-Council) Maddie Harasyn	Present (Tonya)
Geological Sciences	Cody Ross Proxy: Derek Drayson	Present (Proxy)
Natural Resources Institute	Anderson Assuah (Co-Council) Rajib Biswal Proxy: Hannah Carey	Absent (Proxy)
<b><i>Graduate Studies</i></b>		
Applied Health Sciences	Nick Kosmenko (Co-Council) Brittany Semenchuk (Streuber)	Present (Nick)
Biomedical Engineering	Ahmed Elwali (Co-Council) Mehrangiz Ashiri	Present (Mehrangiz)
Peace and Conflict Studies	Currently NO ONE	
<b><i>Kinesiology &amp; Recreation Mgmt.</i></b>		
Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt.	Laura Ceccarelli (Co-Council) Yash Rawal	Present (Laura)
<b><i>Law</i></b>		
Law	Kelechi Okorafor	Present
<b><i>Nursing</i></b>		
Nursing	Currently NO ONE	

<b><i>Science</i></b>		
Biological Sciences	Gwangseok Yoon	Present
Computer Science	Md Momin Al Aziz (Co-Council) Md S. R. Mahdi	Regrets (Mahdi)
Mathematics	Jane Breen (Co-Council) Mohammad Shirazi	Present (Both)
Microbiology	Mac Kohlmeier	Present
Physics & Astronomy	Darren Flynn	Present
Statistics	Kelly Ramsay	Absent
<b><i>Social Work</i></b>		
Social Work – Indigenous Knowledge	Kyra Wilson	Absent
<b><i>UMSU (Non-Voting)</i></b>		
President or Designate	No Rep	No Rep
<b><i>CUPE 3909 (Non-Voting)</i></b>		
President or Designate	Abdulrazaki Abi	Absent
<b><i>FGS Rep (Non-Voting)</i></b>		
Dean or Designate	Dr. Todd Mondor	Absent
<b><i>Student Life (Non-Voting)</i></b>		
Office of Student Life	Cora Dupuis	Absent
<b><i>Guests</i></b>		
Presentation of Thesis Research	Narjot Pachu	Present
Presentation Re: Archival Studies	Sarah Story	Present
Possible Biosystems Co-Councillor	Hrishekesh Banik	Present

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President

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Executive-At-Large