

## **UMGSA Special Council Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 - 5:30 PM - Room E2-125, Engineering Building**

**1. Call to Order (5:30pm).**

**2. Traditional Territories Acknowledgement**

The University of Manitoba campuses are located on original lands of the Anishinaabeg, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. We respect the Treaties that were made on these territories, we acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

**3. 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.

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves the agenda for the May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 UMGSA Special Council Meeting as presented.**

*Political Studies & Public Administration /Architecture (Carried).*

**4. Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes of the April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 UMGSA Council Meeting are attached as Appendix I to these Council documents.

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves the minutes from the April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 UMGSA Council Meeting as presented.**

*Architecture/Statistics (Carried).*

**5. New Business**

**5.1. Selection of UMGSA Council Chair for 2019-2020 Term:** Karalyn Dokurno, the former UMGSA Chair from 2016-2019, is unable to continue in her role. The UMGSA Council must select a new Chair for the 2019-2020 term.

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council circulates a call for a Council Chair for the 2019-2020 term to the student body at large in advance of the May 22<sup>nd</sup> Council meeting. An ad-hoc committee will be formed to select the successful candidate.**

*Architecture/Applied Health Sciences (Carried).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council nominates the Councillor, Lavanya Ganesan, from Entomology to chair the May 22<sup>nd</sup> Council meeting.**

*English, Theatre, Film & Media/ Political Studies & Public Administration (Carried).*

**5.2. UMGSA Elections Committee Report:** The final report from the UMGSA Election and Referendum Committee is attached as Appendix II to these Council documents. The report outlines three possible courses of action with regards to the 2019 UMGSA General Election results, and recommends the following:

- The creation of an ad-hoc committee to address structures of accountability for the elections process;
- That Council approves “Election Solution Stream B – Run-Off Election for VPSS Position”;
- That Council determine the amount of honorarium owed to the newly appointed Chief Returning Officer;
- That Council approves the appointment of a CRO and no DRO for any upcoming election;
- That Council re-examine campaign budget limitations for future elections;
- That Council mandate the new Executive to factor the monetary costs of a new election into the 2020-2021 budget;
- That Council mandates the issuance of a formal apology to Ademola Adesola to be circulated to the entire membership of the UMGSA.

The Election and Referendum Committee Chair formally acknowledges that the HSGSA had the right to have the entire election nullified based on their initial appeal.

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA moves to limit discussion on how the Election and Referendum Committee came to their final decision to five minutes, to end at 18:31pm.**

*Soil Science/Architecture (Carried).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council ratifies Version A of the Updated Election Results.**

*Political Studies & Public Administration/English, Theatre, Film & Media (Unanimously opposed).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council ratifies Version B of the Updated Election Results as follows:**

- **President: Carl Neumann**
- **VP Academic: Roxie Koohgoli**
- **VP Finance & Administration: Cody Ross**
- **Senator: Julia Minarik**
- **Senator: Ehsan Tahmasebian**
- **VP Services & Support is tied between Eric Gagnon and Efofi Okechukwu. This tie will be determined by a run-off election.**

*Political Studies & Public Administration/Economics (Carried, with Biomedical Engineering opposed).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council ratifies Version C of the Updated Election Results.**

*Biomedical Engineering/Entomology (Failed, with 3 in favour, and Architecture and Psychology abstaining).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves Election Solution Stream B as outlined by the Election and Referendum Committee, with the date of April 22<sup>nd</sup> changed to May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019.**

*Architecture/Electrical & Computer Engineering (Carried, with Biomedical Engineering opposed).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves the appointment of only a CRO and no DRO for the expedited run-off election.**

*Electrical & Computer Engineering/City Planning (Carried, with Human Nutritional Sciences opposed).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves an honorarium of \$200 for the CRO, Jessica Piper, upon completion of the run-off election.**

*Human Nutritional Sciences/Political Studies & Public Administration (Failed, with Electrical & Computer Engineering and Architecture abstaining).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves an honorarium of \$500 for the CRO, Jessica Piper, upon completion of the run-off election.**

*Soil Science/English, Theatre, Film & Media (Carried, with Human Nutritional Sciences opposing, and Architecture and Plant Science abstaining).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council mandates the new Executive to factor the monetary costs of a new election including, but not limited to, the honorarium for the new CRO and the website hosting fees, into the budget for the 2019-2020 year under a separate line from the 2020 UMGSA election budget.**

*Architecture/Linguistics (Carried, with Microbiology abstaining).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council recommends to the Bylaws and Policy Committee that UMGSA Executive positions be limited to two terms.**

*City Planning/HSGSA President.*

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT: BIRT the UMGSA Council recommends to the Bylaws and Policy Committee that UMGSA members be limited to two terms in a single executive position.**

*Human Nutritional Sciences/Architecture (Amendment carried, with 12 in favor, 9 opposed, and Microbiology abstaining).*

**AMENDED MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council recommends to the Bylaws and Policy Committee that UMGSA members be limited to two terms in a single executive position.**

*City Planning/HSGSA President (Carried).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council forwards the recommendations of the UMGSA Election and Referendum Committee to the Bylaws and Policy**

**Committee for consideration.**

*Architecture/Education PhD (Carried).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA tables the Election and Referendum Committee recommendation to write an apology letter to Ademola Adesola until the May 22<sup>nd</sup> Council Meeting.**

*Human Nutritional Sciences/Kinesiology (Failed).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council take a five minute recess.**

*Architecture/Education PhD (Failed).*

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA create a formal letter of apology to Ademola Adesola to be distributed to the entire student body as recommended by the Election and Referendum Committee, no later than 2 days prior to the run-off election. In addition, the Election and Referendum Committee will issue a formal letter of apology on official UMGSA letterhead to Ademola Adesola.**

*Soil Science/Kinesiology (Carried).*

**MOTION: BIRT the Election and Referendum Committee includes in the above letter to the student body apologies to all parties publicly named in any official Election and Referendum Committee correspondence, to all parties named in the articles published in The Manitoban, and to the entire student body.**

*Psychology/English, Theatre, Film & Media (Carried).*

**6. Announcements**

**6.1. Next Council Meeting:** Wednesday, May 22, 2019 - 5:30PM - UMGSA Lounge

**7. Adjournment (8:01pm).**

**UMGSA Special Council Meeting Attendance**

**May 8, 2019**

<i>Position/Department</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>
President	None Ratified after Election	
VP Finance & Administration	None Ratified after Election	
VP Academic	None Ratified after Election	
VP Services & Support	None Ratified after Election	
VP Health Science	Mahder Teffera	Present
Senator1	None Ratified after Election	
Senator2	None Ratified after Election	
Chairperson (No Vote)	Jayne Hammond	Present
Office Manager (No Vote)	Ruth Prokesch	Present
Office Assistant (No Vote)	Colin Ijebor (Minute Taker)	Present
<b><i>Agric &amp; Food Science</i></b>		
Animal Science	Junfei Guo (Co-Councillors) Paul Tamayao	Paul Present
Biosystems Engineering	Hrishekesh Banik (Co-Councillors) Navjot Kaur Brar	Hrishekesh Present
Entomology	Lavanya Ganesan	Present
Food Science	Xiang Li	Present
Human Nutritional Sciences	Roxie Koohgoli (Co-Councillors) Luis Codero-Monroy	Both Present
Plant Science	Nathaniel (Nate) Ort (Co-Councillors) Myra Van Die	Myra Present
Soil Science	Lanny Gardiner (Co-Councillors) Megan Bourns	Lanny Present
<b><i>Architecture</i></b>		
Architecture	Matthew Rajfur (Co-Councillors) Jessica Piper	Jessica Present
City Planning	Angie Mojica (Co-Councillors) Isaac Laapah	Both Present
Interior Design	Marlene Jankowski	<b>Absent</b>
Landscape Architecture	Alyssa Magas	Present
<b><i>Arts</i></b>		
Economics	Francis Dzikpe (Co-Councillors) Siavash Taheri	Francis Present
English, Theatre, Film & Media	Kasey Morgan (Co-Councillors) Ademola Adesola	Both Present <b>Ademola LE-6:20pm</b>

Linguistics	Iuliia Rezvukhina (Co-Councillors) Tasheney Francis	Tasheney Present
Native Studies	Naithan Lagace (Co-Councillors) Angelina McLeod	<b>Angelina Sent Regrets</b>
Political Studies & Public Administration	Eric Gagnon	Eric Present
Psychology	Michelle Ward (Co Councillors) Brenna Henrikson	Michelle Present
Sociology & Criminology	Laura Funk	Present
<b>Management</b>		
Asper - Master of Finance	Longwei Yang	Present
Management - PhD & MSc	Chantale Dornez	<b>Regrets</b>
Management – MBA	Shakti Vyjayanthi	Present <b>LE-6:15pm</b>
<b>Education</b>		
Education – PhD	Md. Shayeekh-Us Saleheen	Present
Educ - Curric. Teaching & Learning	Weipeng Wang	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Engineering</b>		
Biomedical Engineering	Ahmed Elwali (Co-Councillors) Mehrangiz Ashiri	Ahmed Present <b>LE-7:01pm</b>
Civil Engineering	Ahmed Gaber Bediwy	<b>Absent</b>
Electrical/Computer Engineering	Nozhan Bayat (Co-Councillors) Ehsan Tahmasabian	Ehsan Present <b>LE-7:10pm</b>
<b>Environment, Earth &amp; Resources</b>		
Environment & Geography	Maddie Harasyn (Co-Councillors) Lisa Matthes	<b>Regrets</b>
Geological Sciences	Max Day (Co-Councillors) Derek Drayson	<b>Absent</b>
Natural Resources Institute	Zachary Rempel (Co-Councillors) Kaitlyn Duthie-Kamikkatt	<b>Regrets</b>
<b>Graduate Studies</b>		
Applied Health Sciences	Kevin Boreskie	Present
<b>Kinesiology &amp; Recreation Mgmt.</b>		
Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt.	Carrie Peters (Co-Councillors) Nika Korpesho	Both Present
<b>Law</b>		
Law	Mert Ozgur	<b>Absent</b>

<i>Nursing</i>		
Nursing	Luisa Nicholson (Co-Councillors) Janaya Palsson	<b>Regrets</b>
<i>Science</i>		
Biological Sciences	Nasibeh Daneshvar	<b>Absent</b>
Mathematics	Adriana-Stefania Ciupeanu	<b>Absent</b>
Microbiology	Haben Tesfu	Present
Physics & Astronomy	Darren Flynn	<b>Oluwanisola Iyaro - Proxy</b>
Statistics	Pramoda Jayasinghe (Co-Councillors) Nirodha Epasinghege Dona	Pramoda Present
<i>CUPE3909</i>		
CUPE3909 (No Vote)	Garett Williams	<b>Absent</b>
<i>Indigenous Engagement</i>		
<i>Guests</i>		
Possible New Councillor - Asper	Jingbo Sun	Present
UMGSA VP External 2018/19	D. Skye Kusher	Present
UMGSA President 2018/19	Carl Neumann	Present
UMGSA Senator1 2018/19	Chidiebere Felix Nwaiwu	Present
Election Candidate	Julie Minarik	Present
UMGSA VP Internal 2018/19	Cody Ross	Present
HSGSA President 2018/19	Carmine Slipski	Present
UMGSA VP Academic 2018/19	Silvia Araujo	Present
Election Candidate	Md. Shadhin	Present
The Manitoban Reporter	Ty Brass	Present

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**Minute-Taker**

**Date**

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**President**

**Date**