

UMGSA Annual General Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 2nd, 2019 - 5:30 PM - UMGSA Lounge

1. Call to Order (5:36pm).

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

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA membership approves the agenda for the December 2nd, 2019, UMGSA Annual General Meeting as presented.

Eric Gagnon (Political Studies & Public Administration)/Ganesh Tailor (Kinesiology & Recreation Management) (Carried).

4. Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of the December 5th, 2018, UMGSA Annual General Meeting are included as Appendix I to this meeting agenda, in a separate document.

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA membership approves the minutes of the December 5th, 2018, UMGSA Annual General Meeting as presented.

Carl Neumann (Philosophy)/Elena Broeckelmann (Kinesiology & Recreation Management) (Carried).

5. Introduction of Executive Members and Office Staff

5.1. Full Listing of Committee, Council and Board Membership for All Executives:

This listing is included as Appendix II to the AGM documents.

6. Committee Reports

6.1. Annual General Meeting Committee Reports: These reports are included as Appendix III to the AGM documents.

7. Health Sciences Graduate Students' Association Report

7.1. Annual General Meeting HSGSA Report: This report is included as Appendix IV to the AGM documents.

8. Senate Report

8.1. Annual General Meeting Senate Report: This report is included as Appendix V to the AGM documents.

9. New Business

9.1. Proposed Changes to the UMGSA Bylaws: Updating our Bylaws and other governance documents has been an ongoing project that began in the past executive term and has continued to this current executive term. The primary purposes behind these updates are to improve consistency, reduce redundancy, and provide greater clarity to our policies and procedures. The proposed changes are included as Appendix VI to this meeting agenda. The full current version of the UMGSA Bylaws is included as Appendix VII.

The Vice-President Finance & Administration gave a verbal report on proposed changes to the Bylaws.

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA membership approves the proposed changes to the UMGSA Bylaws, as written, with all necessary changes needed for formatting and consistency.

Bylaws and Policy Committee (Carried).

9.2. External Organization Affiliations: The UMGSA Bylaws stipulate that our affiliations with external organizations shall be discussed at every General Meeting.

The President gave a verbal report on the stipulations of Article VI of the UMGSA Bylaws.

BIRT the UMGSA membership reaffirms all that is included in Article VI of the UMGSA Bylaws.

*Bill Dowie (Environment & Geography)/Michael Bagamery (Natural Resources)
(Carried with 1 abstention).*

10. Announcements

10.1. UMGSA General Election: The UMGSA General Election is held each year in the Winter Term to select the UMGSA Executives for the coming academic year. All current graduate students at the University of Manitoba have the right to vote and to run for any UMGSA Executive role. The nomination period this year runs from February 3rd to 14th. Campaigning will begin on March 9th. Further details will be sent out by the UMGSA Chief Returning Officer (CRO) directly to all graduate students before the start of the nomination period.

11. Adjournment (7:06pm).

UMGSA Annual General Meeting Attendance Record			Monday, December 2, 2019
#	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	DEPARTMENT
UMGSA Executive Members in Attendance			
1	Ehsan	Tahmasebian	UMGSA Sen2 + Elect & Comp Eng.
2	Okechukwu	Efobi	UMGSA VPSS + Elect & Comp Eng.
3	Cody	Ross	UMGSA VPFA + Geological Sciences
4	Carl	Neumann	UMGSA President + Philosophy
5	Julia	Minarik	UMGSA Sen1 + Philosophy
6	Tanjit	Nagra	UMGSA VPA + Mngmnt Interdisciplinary
7	Mahder	Teffera	HSGSA President + Immunology
HSGSA Executive Members + Students in Attendance at Bannatyne Campus			
8	Romaniya	Zayats	HSGSA VPI + Immunology
9	Javad	Alizadeh	HSGSA VPA + Human Anatomy
10	Jasmine	Frost	HSGSA VPE + Medical Microbiology
11	Jignesh	Vaghasiya	Physiology
12	Emily	Garcia	Biochemistry & Medical Genetics
13	Nicholas	Brais	Psychology
UMGSA Students in Attendance at Fort Garry Campus			
14	Taylen	Trinh	Agribusiness and Agric Econ
15	Bingqi	Dong	Animal Science
16	Jesse	McKenzie	Anthropology
17	Chenee	Merchant	Anthropology
18	Maiah	Tratch	Anthropology
19	Nushinsadat	Samavaki	Architecture
20	Muhammad Masud	Rana	Biomedical Engineering
21	Debarati	Nath	Biomedical Engineering
22	Chandan	Saha	Biomedical Engineering
23	Md	Shadhin	Biosystems Engineering
24	Nikhat	Lubna	Chemistry
25	Susan	Egbert	Chemistry
26	Paul	Osei	Civil Engineering
27	Mahya	Maftouni	Computer Science
28	Roya	Lotfi	Computer Science
29	Ahmed Shariff	Mohommed Faleel	Computer Science
30	Mahya	Payamshad	Curriculum Teaching & Learning
31	Mahesh	Acharya	Economics
32	Rebecca	Balakrishnan	Educ Admin Fndns & Psychology
33	Maryam	Ghanbari	Electrical and Computer Eng.
34	A.K.M.Monsurul	Alam	Electrical and Computer Eng.
35	Amirbahador	Mansoori	Electrical and Computer Eng.
36	TQI	Mohamadi	Electrical and Computer Eng.
37	Amirreza	Cheraghi	Electrical and Computer Eng.

38	Arjuna	Pilippu Hewa Don	Electrical and Computer Eng.
39	Kalana	Dharmapala	Electrical and Computer Eng.
40	Pasan	Bandara	Electrical and Computer Eng.
41	Amy-Leigh	Gray	English
42	Bill	Dowie	Environment and Geography
43	Patti	Germann	French
44	Semiyu	Adegbite	French
45	Claire	Morrow	Geological Sciences
46	Magnolia	Pretell-Bocángel	Human Nutritional Sciences
47	Nikki	Hawrylyshen	Human Nutritional Sciences IIS
48	Ganesh	Tailor	Kinesiology and Recreation
49	Mahdi	Ebrahimian Besharat	Kinesiology and Recreation
50	Tatiana	Palacio Ceron	Kinesiology and Recreation
51	Elena	Broeckelmann	Kinesiology and Recreation
52	Bolloite	Offor	Law
53	Tasheney	Francis	Linguistics
54	Alan Mauricio	Pasos Trejo	Mathematics
55	Kaige	Xu	Mechanical Engineering
56	Kaushal	Sharma	Mechanical Engineering
57	Harsh	Kadam	Mechanical Engineering
58	Rasool	Mokhtari Homami	Mechanical Engineering
59	Behzad	Fakour	Mechanical Engineering
60	Anita	Murdock	Microbiology
61	Haben	Tesfu	Microbiology
62	Michael	Bagamery	Natural Resources Institute
63	Kim	Sefton	Nursing
64	Stephanie	Betker	Nursing
65	Darryl	Zuend	Peace & Conflict Studies
66	Harley	Dyck	Philosophy
67	Sakshi Kakkar	Kakkar	Physics and Astronomy
68	James	De Castro	Plant Science
69	Eric	Gagnon	Political Studies
70	Labe	Songose	Sociology
71	Lanny	Gardiner	Soil Science
72	Scott	White	Statistics
Non-Voting People in Attendance			
73	Kavisha M.	Mehta	AGM Chairperson
74	Colin	Ijebor	UMGSA G&CC (Minute Taker)
75	Ruth	Prokesch	UMGSA Office Manager
Total Number of Graduate Students as per OIA - Official Fall Term 2019, as at Nov 1/19 = 3,851			
Total Number of Graduate Students Needed to Make Quorum is 1% = 39			