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UMGSA Council Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 29th, 2020 - 5:30 PM - Zoom

1. Call to Order (5:31pm)

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 Council approves the agenda for the April 29th, 2020 UMGSA Council Meeting as presented.

Entomology / Natural Resources Institute (Carried).

4. Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of the March 25th, 2020 UMGSA Council Meeting are included as Appendix I to this Council meeting agenda.

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves the minutes of the March 25th, 2020 UMGSA Council Meeting as presented.

Natural Resources Institute / Landscape Architecture (Carried).

5. Committee Reports

5.1. March Committee Reports (Appendix II - Council Meeting Documents)

6. HSGSA Report

6.1. March HSGSA Report (Appendix III - Council Meeting Documents)

7. Senate Report

7.1. March Senate Report (Appendix IV - Council Meeting Documents)

8. Executive Reports

8.1. March Executive Reports (Appendix V - Council Meeting Documents)

9. Departmental Reports

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

11.1. Addition of the Multi-Campus Committee to the standing Committees in the Governance and Operations Manual: Earlier this year at the UMGSA AGM the Multi-Campus Committee was added to the UMGSA Bylaws to help facilitate improved communication and support for all members of the UMGSA. The proposed additions are to define the Committee and provide guidance for its function. The proposed wording for the policy is included as Appendix VI to this council agenda.

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves the addition of the described Multi-Campus Committee to the Standing Committee section of the UMGSA Governance and Operations Manual, as written, with all necessary changes needed for formatting and consistency.

Bylaws and Policy Committee (Carried).

11.2. Ratification of the Results of the U-Pass Referendum: The results of the 2020 UMGSA U-Pass Referendum must be ratified by council. The referendum results are included as Appendix VII to this council agenda.

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council ratifies the results of the 2020 UMGSA U-Pass Referendum as presented in the Final CRO Report – 2020 UMGSA U-Pass Referendum.

Environment & Geography / Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt. (Carried). VPFA (Abstained).

11.3 Motion to endorse the protests against budget cuts from the Province of Manitoba: Recently there have been drive by / bike by / socially distanced protests happening at the Manitoba Legislature against recent decisions by the Provincial Government of Manitoba to cut funding to post-secondary education and public sector workers. The UMGSA recognizes that cuts to post-secondary funding and public-sector workers will harm the U of M and graduate students more broadly. We therefore wish to have it on record that we endorse the protests as a council.

MOTION: BIRT The UMGSA Council expresses its support for those protesting cuts from Province of Manitoba to post-secondary education and public sector workers. Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt. / Applied Health Sciences (Carried with 1 abstention).

- 12. Announcements
 - **12.1. Next Council Meeting:** Wednesday, May 27th, 2020 5:30PM Zoom
- **13. Adjournment** (6:11pm)

14. UMGSA Council Meeting Attendance		April 29, 2020
Position/Department	Name	Signature
President	Carl Neumann	Present
VP Finance &	Cody Ross	Present
Administration	•	
VP Academic	Tanjit Nagra	Regrets
VP Services & Support	Okechukwu Efobi	Present
HSGSA President	Mahder Teffera	Present
Senator1 / Gov & Comm Coordinator, Minute Taker	Julia Minarik	Present
Senator2	Ehsan Tahmasebian	Present
Chairperson (No Vote)	Kavisha Manoj Mehta	Present
Office Manager (No Vote)	Ruth Prokesch	Present
Agric & Food Science		
Agribusiness & Agric Economics	Justin Daniels (Co-Councillors) Damla Oz	Both Present
Animal Science	Daphne McKnight (Co-Councillors) Bingqi Dong	Both Absent
Biosystems Engineering	Benitt Sharey Uthiria Raj Md Shadhin (Co-Councillors)	Benitt Present
Entomology	Lavanya Ganesan	Present
Food Science	Yi Xie	Absent
Human Nutritional Sciences	Luis Codero-Monroy	Present
Plant Science	Nathaniel (Nate) Ort (Co-Councillors) Madison McCausland	Nate Present
Soil Science	Lanny Gardiner (Co-Councillors) Jess Nicksy	Lanny Present
Architecture		
Architecture	Emily Jones (Co-Councillors) Jonathan Bailes	Jonathan Present
City Planning	Justin Grift (Co-Councillors) Dom Comps	Both Absent
Interior Design	Ethan Loewen	Present
Landscape Architecture	Ian Laya	Present
Arts		
Economics	Francis Dzikpe (Co-Councillors) Siavash Taheri	Both Absent
English, Theatre, Film & Media	Amy-Leigh Gray	Present
French, Spanish & Italian	Semiyu Adegbite	Absent
Linguistics	Iuliia Rezvukhina (Co-Councillors) Tasheney Francis	Tash Present
Political Studies & Public Administration	Eric Gagnon (Co-Councillors) Meagan Greentree	Regrets
Psychology	Nicolas Brais (Co-Councillors) Lauren Kaminski	Absent
Sociology & Criminology	Labe Songose	Labe Present
Management		
Asper School - Master of Finance	Evelyn Zhang	Absent
Management - MBA	Shakti Vyjayanthi	Absent

Education		
Education - PhD	Md. Shayeekh-Us Saleheen	Absent
Educ - Admin, Foundations & Psych.	Rebecca Balakrishnan	Present
Engineering		
Biomedical Engineering	Farahnaz Hajipour (Co-Councillors) Muhammad Masud Rana	Farahnaz Present
Civil Engineering	Parvin Berenjkar	Present
Electrical & Computer Engineering	Nozhan Bayat	Present
Environment, Earth & Resources		
Environment & Geography	Lisa Matthes (Co-Councillors) William Dowie	Bill Present
Geological Sciences	Claire Morrow	Present
Natural Resources Institute	Kaitlyn Duthie-Kanikkatt Michael Bagamery (Co-Councillors)	Mike Present
Graduate Studies		
Applied Health Sciences	Kevin Boreskie (Co-Councillors) Zach Henderson	Zach Present
Peace & Conflict Studies	Darryl Zuend	Present
Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt.		
Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt.	C. Nolan Turnbull (Co-Councillors) Ganesh Tailor	Nolan Present
Law		
Nursing		
Nursing	Kim Sefton (Co-Councillors) Stephanie Betker	Kim Present
Science		
Biological Sciences	Alexandra Schoen	Present
Chemistry	Scott Legare	Present
Computer Science	Kimia Shadkami	Present
Mathematics	YG Liang	Present
Microbiology	Abdul-Rahman Adamu Bukari	Present
Physics & Astronomy	O. Jephthah Iyaro	Absent
Statistics	Scott White	Present
CUPE3909		
CUPE3909 (No Vote)	Garett Williams	Absent
Indigenous Engagement		
Guests		
New Pres (invited)	Silvia Sekander	Present
New VPFA (invited)	Nora Ampomah	Present

Minute-Taker	Date	
President	Date	

The above is considered to be a true and accurate account of the proceedings of the committee. Please inform the Governance and Communications Coordinator of any errors and/or omissions.