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UMGSA Council Meeting Agenda

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1. Call to Order

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.

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.

5. Committee Reports

5.1. March Committee Reports (Appendix II)

6. HSGSA Report

6.1. March HSGSA Report (Appendix III)

7. Senate Report

7.1. March Senate Report (Appendix IV)

8. Executive Reports

8.1. March Executive Reports (Appendix V)

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

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.

12. Announcements

12.1. Next Council Meeting: Wednesday, May 27th, 2020 - 5:30PM - Zoom

13. Adjournment

Appendix II :

UMGSA Committee Reports March 1st - 31st, 2020

Executive Committee

Chair: Carl Neumann (UMGSA President)

Meeting Dates: March 10th, 17th, and 24th, 2020

- An extra meeting was held on March 17th in order to rapidly address changes related to COVID-19. At that and subsequent meetings, COVID-19 updates and our responses to the crisis were discussed and decided-upon. All UMGSA meetings from the 17th of March onward have been held by video-conference, and not in person.
- Executives provided regular updates on meetings attended and other activities.
- The Executive discussed the U-PASS Referendum and the Save the U-PASS Campaign.
- Potential collaboration on a letter to the Board of Governors requesting that the University divest from carbon-emission-heavy investments was discussed.
- The Executive also discussed a planned letter in response to the provincial government's mandate letter to post-secondary institutions.

Services and Support Committee

Chair: Okechukwu Efobi (UMGSA VPSS)

Meeting Date: March 10th, 2020

- The committee considered the #SavetheUPass campaign being coordinated by Tanjit Nagra (VPA), in collaboration with UMSU.
- Eventually the program was saved, and we recognize the relentless work done by Tanjit Nagra and contributions made by Eric Gagnon and Julia Minarik in achieving that.
- The committee also considered the response provided by the University Management as to why the institution was planning an increase in continuing fees for grad students.

Finance Committee

Chair: Cody Ross (UMGSA VPFA)

Meeting Date: March 5th, 2020

- The committee discussed the status of the current conference grant budget and distributions/rollovers.
- The committee evaluated, and approved conference grant applications submitted during the January 18th- February 17th time period.
- The committee evaluated and approved a special project grant application.

Events Committee

Chair: Okechukwu Efobi (UMGSA VPSS)

No meeting was held in March, as all UMGSA events were cancelled due to COVID-19

Bylaws and Policy Committee

Chair: Cody Ross (UMGSA VPFA)

Meeting Date: March 12th, 2020

- The committee met via Zoom because of meeting restrictions related to COVID-19.
- During the March Committee meeting, we added a new Committee to the Standing Committees section of the UMGSA Governance and Operations Manual. This was to reflect the Multi-Campus Committee was initiated in the UMGSA Bylaws at the 2019 UMGSA AGM.

UMGSA Election and Referendum Ad-Hoc Committee

Chairperson: Chenee Merchant

Meeting Dates: n/a

Final Report for the 2020 UMGSA U-Pass Referendum

- An email was sent to the UMGSA Elections and Referendum Committee by the CRO, Cody Ross, in regards to the change of referendum question wording and period on February 22nd 2020.
- The Elections and Referendum Committee remained informed of when the new election period was to take place and continued to be available if any appeals were to take place.
- The appeal period for the U-Pass referendum (April 23rd 2020) has passed. The Elections and Referendum Committee has not been called upon by an appellant for the U-Pass referendum and there is nothing further to report.

UMGSA Executive Review Committee

Co-Chairs: Luis Cordero-Monroy & Maddison McCausland

Meeting Dates: n/a

- The final report was submitted to council on March 17, 2020 and was included in the March 25, 2020 UMGSA council documents. The next ERC report will be presented to council at the October council meeting.
- The ERC is comfortable with current review process, since the process allows for a thorough review of each executive team member. We have no new recommendations for the review process.

Appendix III :

HSGSA Report March 1st - 31st, 2020

HSGSA Executive Committee and Council

Chair: Mahder Teffera

Executive Committee Meeting Dates: March 9th, 23rd

Council Meeting Date: Cancelled

At our first executive meeting we met to discuss plans for two year end events, an outing and a movie night. However, by the second executive meeting things had drastically changed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. At our second executive meeting we planned to send out a letter to students regarding the pandemic that included various resources. We also planned to make a private Facebook page specifically for students to stay in touch and stay in the loop for activities we plan during self-isolation. I created the private page then composed and sent out a mass email to our students including information on how to get the latest updates, resources and link to FB page.

Events

HSGSA Virtual Games Night: On March 30th, we had our first virtual games night over zoom. We played Jackbox games and we had a great time – we plan to hold more game nights as well as other activities (movies, workouts).

Election

HSGSA elections were held during the same period as UMGSA elections. The whole process went very well, we had a good election forum where students were able to raise their concerns. The CRO did a wonderful job of keeping the elections committee in the loop in terms of dealing with complaints and providing updates on the election process. Our new executive will be ratified at the April council meeting.

Appendix IV :

March Senate Report

Link to the Senate agendas:

Agenda March 4th, 2020:

https://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/media/2020_03_04_Senate_Agenda_v2.pdf

Addendum March 4th, 2020:

https://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/media/2020_03_04_Senate_Agenda_-_Addendum.pdf

Special Meeting March 16th, 2020:

https://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/media/2020_03_16_Senate_Agenda_-_Special_Meeting.pdf

Addendum March 16th, 2020:

https://umanitoba.ca/admin/governance/media/2020_03_16_Senate_Agenda_-_Addendum_to_Special_Meeting.pdf

Please note that this report contains only relevant items discussed in Senate related to graduate studies and graduate students.

The report includes:

March 4th

1. *Final Statement from Senate on the Importance of Higher Education (pg.57)*
2. *Proposal to Establish a Professorship in Diabetes Research (pg.67)*
3. *Reports of the Faculty of Graduate Studies on Course and Curriculum Changes*
 - a. *Faculty of Education (pg.73)*
 - b. *Department of Occupational Therapy (pg.83)*
 - c. *Department of Psychology (pg.86)*
4. *Proposal for a Bachelor of Science (Major) in Data Science + Co-op March 16th*
5. *Approval of Authority in an Emergency Situation*
6. *Correspondence from Provost and Vice-President (Academic) RE: Adjustments to Academic Policies (Addendum)*

1. Statement from Senate on the Importance of Higher Education

The following statement was passed:

“The mandate of the University of Manitoba is to create, preserve, communicate, and apply knowledge. In doing so, the University contributes to the cultural, social and economic well-being of the people of Manitoba, Canada, and the world. The university serves the common good, through searching for, and disseminating, knowledge and understanding, and through fostering independent thinking and expression. We undertake basic, applied, and inquiry-based research and teaching. We are organized by core principles of autonomy, academic freedom and collegial governance.

The University of Manitoba believes that education has a transformative power for students, their families and communities. We are committed to inspiring minds through innovative and quality teaching. We drive discovery and insight through excellence in research, scholarly work and other creative activities. We create pathways to Indigenous achievement. We promote equity, inclusion, and excellence. We forge connections to foster high impact community engagement that build on the advantages of a diverse and inclusive workplace.

The University of Manitoba is the province's only research-intensive university, and all assessments of our contributions to the dynamic social and economic life of our province must recognize our broad mandate and inclusive mission, which has short-term, mid-term, and long-term effects and implications. Our 30,000-plus full and part-time undergraduate and graduate students and our 5,000-plus faculty members undertaking teaching and research are part of a complex institution, one that does much more than simply train students for today's labour market. Higher education generates social, as well as individual, benefits. We provide a public good that helps to promote wisdom and to build a just, inclusive and prosperous province for all people"

Motion was Carried

The Senate was additionally informed that the students are writing a letter. Given COVID-19, the students letter is on hold until next term when we believe it will garner more media attention.

2. Proposal to Establish a Professorship in Diabetes Research

The Rady Faculty of Health Sciences has proposed a Professorship in Diabetes Research.

The purpose of the Professorship is to "support a Clinician-Scientist for research in endocrinology" and to "provide leadership, scholarship, and mentorship in the area of diabetes research".

The Chair will be funded through the former Diabetes Foundation of Manitoba / John A. Moorhouse Fellowship, which will transition to the Professorship in Diabetes Research in the Endocrine Section of the Department of Internal Medicine

Motion was Carried

3. Reports of the Faculty of Graduate Studies on Course and Curriculum Changes **a. Faculty of Education**

The Faculty of Education M.Ed. program proposed the deletion of two (2) courses, EDUA 7600 and EDUA 7650, the introduction of two (2) courses, EDUA 7602 and EDUA 7652, and the modification of three (3) courses, EDUA 7610, EDUA 7630, and EDUB 7500. The minor curricular changes primarily entail updating the words "special education" to "inclusive education" or "inclusion" as preferred by the inclusive education area group in Educational Administration, Foundations & Psychology. Other changes involve updates to pre-requisites

Motion was Carried

b. Department of Occupational Therapy

The College of Rehabilitation Sciences (M.OT.) proposed the deletion of five (5) courses, OT 6120, OT 6140, OT 6350, OT 7540, and OT 7740, the introduction of five (5) courses, OT 6122, OT 6142, OT 6352, OT 7542, and OT 7742, and the modification of one (1) course, OT 6110. The MOT curriculum committee and the Occupational Therapy faculty request these curricular changes to ensure that course names and descriptions accurately reflect the content delivered in the MOT program

Motion was Carried

c. Department of Psychology

The Dept. of Psychology proposed the introduction of one (1) course, PSYC 7082, to meet a number of needs at the University of Manitoba, none of which were currently being met by courses offered in the department, nor similar areas, such as Social Work or Education. In particular, this course is needed to fulfill the Canadian Psychological Association accreditation requirement for a course in social psychology for the accredited Clinical Psychology doctoral program. Moreover, it was needed to ensure these students had formal training in working with more complex systems. This course is also intended to provide school psychology students with formal training in therapy. The department has consulted with its colleagues in outside departments, as well as the libraries, all of whom support the proposal

Motion was Carried

4. Proposal for a Bachelor of Science (Major) in Data Science + Co-op

The University of Manitoba approved a new Data Science undergraduate program. Though this is not overly relevant to graduate students, we thought it was an exciting introduction worth noting.

More details can be found beginning on page 92 of the March 4th, 2020 agenda.

Motion was carried

5. Approval of Authority in an Emergency Situation

The following motion was passed at the March 16th, 2020 Senate meeting:

In the event of an emergency, as declared by the President, Senate authorizes the Senate Executive Committee to act for Senate in determining academic matters which require urgent resolution. Should the nature of the emergency warrant it, the authority to make decisions may be delegated by Senate Executive to the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) These matters include, but are not limited to:

- a) Revisions to the academic schedule and the delay of the exam period and changes to other dates and deadlines;
- b) The temporary modification or suspension of academic policies, such as the Final Examinations and Final Grades Policy, the Responsibility of Academic Staff to Students Policy, in response to the emergency;
- c) Changes to assessment requirements;
- d) Completion of course requirements;
- e) Changes of requirements of continuing awards;
- f) Approving academic accommodations for students affected by the emergency.

Decisions made under this delegated authority should be confined to dealing with specific issues related to the emergency for the period of the emergency and for the period immediately after the emergency. Care must be taken to avoid making decisions that may have ongoing implications for the delivery of academic programs. Normal approval channels shall be restored by the President as soon as it is permissible and safe to do so. The Senate Executive Committee shall report any actions taken to Senate both by email and at the subsequent meeting of Senate following an emergency situation.

Motion was Carried

For more information please see the March 16th, 2020 agenda as linked above. The April Senate Meeting was cancelled and weekly Senate Executive Meeting have been proceeding as scheduled throughout the end of March and through April

6. Correspondence from Provost and Vice-President (Academic) RE: Adjustments to Academic Policies

Please see the addendum to the March 16th, 2020 Meeting for details. Take note that these changes may now be outdated.

Be sure to check the U of M website for the most up to date information on the COVID-19 Academic Changes.

*Senator 1
Julia Minarik*

Appendix V :

UMGSA Executive Reports March 1st - 31st, 2020

President - Carl Neumann

Executive Summary of Work:

- **UMGSA Governance and Communications Coordinator Interviews:** The Selection Committee interviewed six applicants. After deliberation, the Committee recommended Julia Minarik as the new permanent UMGSA Governance and Communications Coordinator. An email vote was sent to Council so that Julia could begin right away, taking over after the end of the contracted period for the temporary Coordinator. The email vote confirming Julia as the Coordinator was ratified at the March Council meeting. Julia has excelled in her role from the time of her start, and is very proactive in her work. We thank Colin Ijebor for his service during what was originally a maternity leave for our former Coordinator, Jayne Hammond. We also wish Jayne well with her new job.
- **UofM Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Consultation for Graduate Students:** The University organized a series of consultation sessions on the topic of EDI with various groups around campus. This session was held specifically to receive input from graduate students. Though unfortunately the turnout at the session was low, I feel that we contributed meaningful input to inform the University's ongoing efforts in support of equity, diversity, and inclusion.
- **UofM Academic Sub-Committee on COVID-19:** The COVID-19 pandemic is something that affects us all in very deep ways, and we wish everyone health and well-being during this difficult time. This sub-committee consisted mostly of administrators, but also included a rep from each of the UMGSA and UMSU as well. The committee discussed emerging and urgent problems and questions to find solutions and paths forward during the unprecedented social distancing and mass shut-downs. Recommendations were then sent to the Senate Executive Committee for approval using the emergency powers granted to it by Senate during this emergency. Though discussions there are confidential, most things have now been approved and communicated publicly.

Meetings Attended:

March 2 nd , 2020	Student Senate Caucus Meeting	0.5 Hours
March 3 rd , 2020	Registrar's Office Review Stakeholder Meeting	1 Hour
March 3 rd , 2020	University Discipline Committee Appeal Hearing	1 Hour
March 4 th , 2020	Senate Meeting	1 Hour
March 5 th , 2020	UMGSA Finance Committee Meeting	0.5 Hours
March 8 th , 2020	Save the U-PASS Campaign E-Meeting	1.5 Hours
March 9 th , 2020	UofM Budget Advisory Committee Meeting	2 Hours

March 10 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Committee Meeting	2 Hours
March 10 th , 2020	UMGSA Services & Support Committee Meeting	1 Hour
March 12 th , 2020	UMGSA Bylaws & Policy Committee Meeting	1 Hour
March 13 th , 2020	Special Student Senate Caucus E-Meeting	0.5 Hours
March 16 th , 2020	Special Meeting of Senate	1 Hour
March 16 th , 2020	UofM Academic Sub-Committee on COVID-19 Meeting	2 Hours
March 16 th , 2020	Meeting with UofM International Centre Staff	0.5 Hours
March 17 th , 2020	UofM Academic Sub-Committee on COVID-19 E-Meeting	1.5 Hours
March 17 th , 2020	Special UMGSA Executive Committee E-Meeting	1.5 Hours
March 18 th , 2020	UofM Academic Sub-Committee on COVID-19 E-Meeting	1 Hour
March 20 th , 2020	UofM Academic Sub-Committee on COVID-19 E-Meeting	1 Hour
March 23 rd , 2020	UofM Academic Sub-Committee on COVID-19 E-Meeting	1.5 Hours
March 24 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Committee E-Meeting	1 Hour
March 24 th , 2020	UofM Board of Governors E-Meeting	2.5 Hours
March 25 th , 2020	UofM Academic Sub-Committee on COVID-19 E-Meeting	1.5 Hours
March 25 th , 2020	UMGSA Council E-Meeting	2 Hours
March 27 th , 2020	UofM Academic Sub-Committee on COVID-19 E-Meeting	1.5 Hours
March 30 th , 2020	Student Senate Caucus E-Meeting	1 Hour

Meetings Missed: None.

Time Spent in Meetings in March: 31.5 Hours

Office Hours:

Thursday, March 5th, 2020 1:30PM - 3:30PM

Monday, March 9th, 2020 11:30AM - 1:30PM

All Executive Office Hours were suspended due to COVID-19 effective March 17th, 2020.

Time Spent in Official Office Hours in March: 4 Hours

Working Events Attended:

March 5 th , 2020	Governance and Communications Coordinator Interviews	2.5 Hours
March 6 th , 2020	EdGSA Grad Student Symposium - Opening Remarks	0.5 Hours
March 11 th , 2020	Front and Centre Campaign Gift Announcement	1 Hour
March 11 th , 2020	UMGSA Election Forum - Fort Garry Campus	1.5 Hours
March 11 th , 2020	UofM EDI Consultation for Graduate Students	1 Hour

Time Spent at Working Events in March: 6.5 Hours

Approximate Time Spent on Other Activities:

Completing ERC Self and Peer Review Form	1.5 Hours
Writing and Editing Documents	6 Hours
Other Email Correspondence	56 Hours

Total Hours Spent on the UMGSA in March, 2020: 105.5 Hours

Vice-President Finance & Administration - Cody Ross

Executive Summary of Work:

- **Assessment of conference grant applications:** Processing conference grant applications and communicating with students the status of their applications.
- **Meetings with investment teams from ACU and NB:** Information discovery stage for transition to ethical investment portfolio.
- **Transition documents:** began preparing transition package for incoming VPFA.

Meetings Attended:

March 2 nd , 2020	Meeting with Investment Team at ACU	1.5 Hours
March 5 th , 2020	Governance and Communications Coordinator Interviews	2 Hours
March 5 th , 2020	UMGSA Finance Committee meeting	1.5 Hours
March 10 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Committee meeting	2 Hours
March 11 th , 2020	UMGSA Election Forum – Fort Garry Campus	2 Hours
March 12 th , 2020	UMGSA Election Forum – Bannatyne Campus	2 Hours
March 12 th , 2020	UMGSA Bylaws and Policy Committee meeting	1 Hour
March 17 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Committee meeting	1.5 Hours
March 19 th , 2020	Meeting with National Bank Investment Team (Romel)	1 Hour
March 24 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Committee meeting	1 Hour
March 25 th , 2020	UMGSA Council Meeting	2 Hours

Meetings Missed: March 19th, Graduate Student Experience Committee meeting

Time Spent in Meetings in March: 13.5 Hours *I removed 4 hours from the total because I attended both Election Forums as the Election CRO.

Office Hours:

Thursday, March 5th, 2020 9:00AM – 11:00AM

Thursday, March 12th, 2020 9:00AM – 11:00AM

All Executive Office Hours were suspended due to COVID-19 effective March 17th, 2020.

Time Spent in Official Office Hours in March: 4 Hours

Approximate Time Spent on Other Activities:

Preparing for Council	2 Hours
Preparing for Bylaws and Policy Committee meeting	2 Hours
Preparing for Finance Committee meeting	3 Hours
Email correspondence for UMGSA conference grant applications	2 Hours
Correspondence with banks for ethical investment	2 Hours
Incoming VPFA transition document preparation	6 Hours

Total Hours Spent on the UMGSA in March, 2020: 34.5 Hours

Vice-President Services & Support - Okechukwu Efobi

Executive Summary of Work:

- **Academic Writing Retreat:** Planned and organized an Academic Writing Retreat scheduled for the 25th of March 2020. However, this had to be cancelled due to the COVID-19 social distancing rules. Nevertheless, I am grateful to the Science and Technology Library for providing the venue and also to the Academic Learning Centre for appointing a tutor for the event.
- **COVID-19:** I have been responding to enquiries from students regarding the COVID-19 situation. For example, students have expressed concerns that the situation will inevitably prolong their program timeline. Consequently, they are worried they may run out of funding, either through scholarship awards or from their academic advisors. These concerns have been brought to the attention of the FGS and other relevant university units. I will keep following up on areas and resources that would be of help to our members as we go through this difficult situation.

Meetings Attended:

March 10 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Committee Meeting	1.75 Hours
March 10 th , 2020	UMGSA Services and Support Committee Meeting	1 Hour
March 11 th , 2020	UMSU Board of Directors Meeting	2 Hours
March 12 th , 2020	Senate Committee on Instruction & Evaluation mtg.	1.5 Hours
March 17 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Committee Meeting	1.5 Hours
March 24 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Committee Meeting	1.25 Hours
March 25 th , 2020	UMGSA Council Meeting	2 Hours
March 26 th , 2020	UMSU Board of Directors Meeting	2.5 Hours

Meetings Missed:

March 5th, 2020 UMGSA Finance Committee Meeting – Regrets sent

Time Spent in Meetings in March: 13.5 Hours

Office Hours:

Tuesday, March 3rd, 2020 12:30PM – 2:30PM

All Executive Office Hours were suspended due to COVID-19 effective March 17th, 2020.

Time Spent in Official Office Hours in March: 2 Hours

Approximate Time Spent on Other Activities:

Preparing Documents for Meetings	10 Hours
Other Email Correspondence	20.25 Hours

Total Hours Spent on the UMGSA in March, 2020: 45.75 Hours

Vice-President Academic - Tanjit Nagra

Executive Summary of Work:

- U-Pass: On March 6 we received a tip that the U-Pass Program was being cut in the proposed city budget. In response to this, I worked with student leaders from UMSU, UWSA and RRCSA in efforts to save the U-Pass program. We met with various City Councillors and Winnipeg Transit, we also spoke to many community leaders over the phone, created an online campaign and spoke at committee meetings at City Hall. It resulted in the City including the U-Pass in their budget at a higher rate and admitting to a \$4.3 million budget discrepancy. The U-Pass Program continuation will still be put to a vote through referendum.
- COVID-19: I have been responding to student questions and raising questions and concerns to the Vice Provost Students and Dean of FGS (where relevant). I have also been in consistent communication with the UMSU VPA and Co-Chair of Student Senate Caucus. We have been meeting almost weekly at Senate Executive Committee making timely decisions related to academic programs and adapting them due to the social distancing measures. The updates to academic policies are shared timely with students via email and on the UM website. If anyone has any concerns or questions, feel free to email me at vpa@umgsa.org.
- Transition of new VPA: I have begun transitioning in my successor and working on a report.
- Office Hours: My office hours were often scheduled when I had to be at City Hall this month and at an Executive Committee Meeting, we agreed on forgiving any missed office hours as we are not allowed on campus now.

Meetings Attended:

March 2 nd , 2020	Student Senate Caucus	0.5 Hours
March 6 th , 2020	City Hall	3 Hours
March 7 th , 2020	UMPSA Jashan-e-Pakistan	5 Hours
March 8 th , 2020	U-Pass Action Plan Meeting	1.5 Hours
March 10 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Committee Meeting	1 Hours
March 10 th , 2020	U-Pass Press Conference	2 Hours
March 10 th , 2020	CBC Radio Interview	0.25 Hours
March 10 th , 2020	UMGSA Services and Support Committee	1 Hour
March 12 th , 2020	IRPW Committee	4 Hours
March 16 th , 2020	Meeting with City Councillor Allard & Winnipeg Transit	3 Hours
March 16 th , 2020	Meeting with UMSU President	8 Hours
March 17 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Committee Meeting	1 Hour
March 18 th , 2020	Executive Policy Committee	5 Hours
March 18 th , 2020	Senate Executive Committee Meeting	1 Hour
March 19 th , 2020	Meeting with UMSU President & City Councillor Lukes	4 Hours
March 24 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Committee Meeting	1 Hour
March 25 th , 2020	Senate Executive Meeting	1 Hour
March 25 th , 2020	UMGSA Council Meeting	2 Hours
March 30 th , 2020	Student Senate Caucus	1 Hour
March 30 th , 2020	Transition Discussion with UMSU VPA	1 Hour

HSGSA President - Mahder Teffera

Executive Summary of Work:

- **HSGSA Elections:** As part of the Elections committee, I met with candidates to give them an overview of what each position would entail and answer questions before campaigns started. I also worked with the CRO to organize the Bannatyne Election Forum.
- **COVID-19:** Due to the pandemic and precautions recommended by health officials/the university, we suspended office hours on March 18th. I sent out an email to students with various resources as well as a private HSGSA Facebook group to organize social activities during self-isolation. Our first virtual games night was a success.

Meetings Attended:

March 2 nd , 2020	HSGSA All candidates meeting	1 Hour
March 3 rd , 2020	HSGSA CSHRF Meeting	1 Hour
March 5 th , 2020	UMGSA GCC Interviews	2.5 Hours
March 9 th , 2020	HSGSA Executive Meeting	1 Hour
March 10 th , 2020	Winnipeg Humane Society Meeting	0.5 Hours
March 12 th , 2020	Elections Committee Meeting	0.5 Hours
March 17 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Meeting	1.5 Hours
March 23 rd , 2020	HSGSA Executive Meeting	1 Hour
March 25 th , 2020	UMGSA Council	2 Hours

Meetings Missed: 2 (UMGSA Executive meetings on March 10th, 24th -- Conflict schedule with Mandatory Course)

Time Spent in Meetings in March: 9 Hours

Office Hours:

March 6 th , 2020	9:00 – 11:00AM
March 13 th , 2020	9:00 – 11:00AM

All Executive Office Hours were suspended due to COVID-19 effective March 17th, 2020.

Time Spent in Office Hours in March: 4 Hours

Working Events Attended:

March 12 th , 2020	Bannatyne Election forum	2.5 Hours
March 30 th , 2020	HSGSA Virtual Games Night	2 Hours

Time Spent at Working Events in March: 4.5 Hours

Approximate Time Spent on Other Activities:

Reviewing Election Complaints (March 19 th , 21 st)	1.5 Hours
Composing Email to students/Managing private FB page	2 Hours
Preparing Transition Document	2 Hours
Preparing docs for meetings	4 Hours
Other email correspondence + Housekeeping	7 Hours

Total Hours Spent on the HSGSA/UMGSA in March, 2020: 36 Hours

Senator 1 - Julia Minarik

Executive Summary of Work:

- Transition Information
- U-Pass Campaign
- COVID-19 Response

Meetings Attended:

March 2 nd , 2020	Student Senate Caucus	1 Hour
March 3 rd , 2020	University Discipline Committee	2 Hours
March 4 th , 2020	Senate Meeting	1 Hour
March 10 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Meeting	1 Hour
March 11 th , 2020	Sustainability Meeting	2 Hours
March 12 th , 2020	SCIE Meeting	2 Hours
March 16 th , 2020	Emergency Senate Meeting	1 Hour
March 17 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Meeting	1.5 Hours
March 19 th , 2020	SCCCC	3 Hours
March 20 th , 2020	SCCCC	2 Hours
March 24 th , 2020	UMGSA Executive Meeting	1 Hour
March 25 th , 2020	Senate Executive	1 Hour
March 25 th , 2020	UMGSA Council	2 Hours
March 27 th , 2020	Appeals Teleconference	0.5 Hours
March 31 st , 2020	SCCCC	3 Hours

Meetings Missed:

March 17 th , 2020	SCCCC (for UMGSA Exec)
March 18 th , 2020	Senate Executive (for EPC)
March 24 th , 2020	SCCCC (for UMGSA Exec)
March 30 th , 2020	SSC Meeting (personal reasons)

Time Spent in Meetings in March: 24 Hours

Office Hours:

Thursday, March 5 th , 2020	09:00 - 11:00	2 Hours
Thursday, March 12 th , 2020	09:00 - 11:00	2 Hours

All Executive Office Hours were suspended due to COVID-19 effective March 17th, 2020.

Time Spent in Official Office Hours in March: 4 Hours

Working Events Attended:

March 18 th , 2020	EPC City Council	1 Hour
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Time Spent at Working Events in March: 1 Hour

Approximate Time Spent on Other Activities:

Preparing Documents for Meetings	10 Hours
Other Email Correspondence	8 Hours

Total Hours Spent on the UMGSA in March, 2020: 47 Hours

Senator 2 - Ehsan Tahmasebian

Executive Summary of Work:

- **UMGSA Office:** Kept office hours and meeting before March 13th. Kept email communication and executive meetings via zoom after university got closed.
- **FGS Council Meeting:** Communication with FGS council meetings via email.
- **University Senate:** Attended student caucus senate meeting.

Meetings Attended:

March 2nd, 2020	Student senate Caucus	1 Hour
March 5 th , 2020	Special Student senate Caucus via zoom	1 Hours
March 6 th , 2020	Senate committee on rules and procedure	1 Hours
March 10 th , 2020	UMGSA executive meeting	2 Hours
March 17 th , 2020	UMGSA executive meeting	1.5 Hours
March 5 th , 2020	Senate Special meeting via zoom	2 Hours
March 17 th , 2020	UMGSA executive meeting	1.5 Hours

Meetings Missed:

Senate (Conflict with Final course project presentation), UMGSA council (Wifi access issue)

Meetings Cancelled:

FGS council meeting. IT Advisory council.

Time Spent in Meetings in March: 10 Hours

Office Hours:

Friday, March 6th, 2020 12:30 - 2:30PM

Friday, March 13th, 2020 12:30 - 2:30PM

All Executive Office Hours were suspended due to COVID-19 effective March 17th, 2020.

Time Spent in Official Office Hours in March: 4 Hours

Approximate Time Spent on Other Activities:

Reports	1 Hours
Email Correspondence	10 Hours

Total Hours Spent on the UMGSA in March, 2020: 24 Hours

Appendix VI:

Proposed Wording of Multi-Campus Committee Policy

Article VIII: Standing Committees

8. Multi-Campus Committee

a. Membership

- i. The President of the UMGSA (counted as one of the representatives from their home campus).
- ii. Two representatives from each of the following campuses: Fort Garry, Bannatyne, Université de St. Boniface, St. Boniface Research Centre and William Norrie Centre.
- iii. Two or more representatives that are stationed at satellite research locations or out of province.

b. Mandate

- i. Pursue initiatives that support equitable communications to all UMGSA members regardless of location.
- ii. Make recommendations to the UMGSA Executive on providing advocacy, services and support to students located at all campuses and satellite locations.
- iii. To promote and support inter-campus events and initiatives.
- iv. Committee members are required to obtain satisfactory “Consent Culture Training” prior to November 1st as described in Article IV, point 5.

c. Meetings

- i. The Multi-Campus Committee will normally meet once per month.
- ii. The first meeting in a new executive term will take place in May and will be chaired by the UMGSA President. Subsequent meetings will be chaired in rotation by committee members.
- iii. Meetings will be held on the campus of the Chairperson for that meeting when that campus is located within the city of Winnipeg.
- iv. The Committee will facilitate remote participation for every meeting.
- v. Each meeting will include an open forum for members to report on successes, challenges, and areas of opportunity at their respective locations.
- vi. The UMGSA President shall, by the end of each meeting, list on that meeting’s attendance sheet those members of the committee that had sent regrets as well as those that were absent without sending regrets.

d. Reporting and Authority

- i. The UMGSA President shall report to Council at each scheduled monthly meeting to provide an update on Multi-Campus Committee activities.

Appendix VII:

Final CRO Report - 2020 UMGSA U-Pass Referendum

2020 UMGSA U-Pass Referendum

Final Results:

The CRO report to Council was delivered on 2020-04-24. The deadline for complaints and appeals has passed. These results are final pending ratification by the UMGSA Council.

Number of voters who cast a vote: 1369

YES (*total votes cast: 1011*)

NO (*total votes cast: 358*)

The final deadline for complaints and appeals was Thursday, April 23rd at 5:00PM. No formal complaints or appeals were submitted during the Referendum.