

## **UMGSA Council Meeting Minutes**

### **Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 - 5:30 PM - Zoom**

#### **1. Call to Order (5:32)**

#### **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 September 22, 2021 UMGSA Council Meeting as presented.**

*Silvia/ Mike*

*Carried*

#### **4. Approval of the Minutes**

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves the minutes of the August 25, 2021 UMGSA Council Meeting as presented.**

*Amy/ Nathalia*

*Carried*

#### **5. Committee Reports**

##### **5.1. August Committee Reports (Appendix II)**

**5.1.1.** Discussed about student club membership at GSA (Context: Iranian Students' Association). A collaboration with UMSU is underway.

**5.1.2.** In the next council meeting, there will be a bylaw change needing approval by the council.

**5.1.3.** Successfully announced Awards Committee results through email and social media.

#### **6. HSGSA Report**

##### **6.1. August HSGSA Report (Appendix III)**

**6.1.1.** Bill asked about feedback from graduate students regarding submitting proof of vaccination. It was concluded that there have not been any concerns as of right now.

#### **7. Senate Report**

##### **7.1. August Senate Reports (Appendix IV)**

**7.1.1.** The University and The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation will offer

events and resources to recognize this important day (September 30).

## **8. Executive Reports**

### **8.1. August Reports (Appendix V)**

## **9. Departmental Reports**

### **9.1. No new news was shared.**

## **10. Unfinished Business**

### **10.1. Sustainability Updates**

**10.1.1.** Bill will be attending a closed workshop tomorrow on the north campus lands. He will figure out what opportunities there are for student interests, suggestions are welcome. More updates to come.

## **11. New Business**

### **11.1. Bringing in The Bystander Workshop**

**11.1.1.** Ruth reminded everyone that BITB attendance is mandatory in order to receive department grants. If you have yet to do so please sign up here: [Events | UMGSA](#)

**11.1.2.** Divya and Mike raised the concern of having to retake BITB if you have already done so the previous year. It was concluded that it is not mandatory to take the workshop 2 years in a row.

## **12. Announcements**

**12.1. Next Council Meeting:** Wednesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 - 5:30PM – Zoom

**12.2. Committee Positions to be filled:** See the list that was sent out with these council documents. Some committee positions for FGS still need to be filled and can be filled by councillors. If you are interested please contact Silvia at [pres@umgsa.org](mailto:pres@umgsa.org)

**12.3. Consent Culture Workshops:** Look out for an e-mail about these.

**12.4. November Newsletter:** If anyone has anything they want to share please e-mail [gcc@umgsa.org](mailto:gcc@umgsa.org)

**Adjournment (6:10)**

**UMGSA Council Meeting Attendance**
**September 22, 2021**

<i><b>Position/Department</b></i>	<i><b>Name</b></i>	<i><b>Signature</b></i>
President	Silvia Sekander	Present
VP Finance & Administration	Nora Ampomah	Present
VP Academic	Rubel Chandra Talukder	Present
VP Services & Support	Golnaz Shirzadi	<b>Absent</b>
HSGSA President	Akshi Malik	Present
Senator1	AKM Monsurul Alam	Present
Senator2	Bill Dowie	Present
Chairperson (No Vote)	Kavisha Manoj Mehta	Present
Office Manager (No Vote)	Ruth Prokesch	Present
Gov & Comm Coordinator, Minute Taker (No Vote)	Willow Josephson	Present
<i><b>Agric &amp; Food Science</b></i>		
Agribusiness & Agric Economics	Damla Oz	<b>Absent</b>
Animal Science	Oluwakemi Omotosho	Present
Biosystems Engineering	Mujibur Rahman	<b>Absent</b>
Entomology	Joel Gardner	Present
Food Science	Susane Trevisan	Present
Human Nutritional Sciences	Luis Codero-Monroy	Present
Plant Science	Jacob Kolody (Co-Councillors) Sampa Sarker	Sampa Present
Soil Science	Claudia Quilesfogel-Esparza (Co-Councillors) Kody Oleson	Claudia Present
<i><b>Architecture</b></i>		
Architecture	Alix Lacerna	Present
City Planning	Jakub Marshall	Present
Interior Design	Sean Hewlett	Present
Landscape Architecture	Christopher Speirs	Present
<i><b>Arts</b></i>		
Anthropology	Olajumoke Olalere	<b>Absent</b>
Economics	Michael Apata (Co - Councillors) Shantanu Debbarman	<b>Absent</b>
English, Theatre, Film & Media	Amy-Leigh Gray	Present
History	Cara Ginter	Present
Linguistics	Oluwakemi Kolapo	Present
Political Studies & Public Administration	Divya Negi	Present
Psychology	Reegan McCheyne	Present
Sociology & Criminology	Avery Hallberg	Present
<i><b>Management</b></i>		

Asper School - Master of Finance	Evelyn Zhang	<b>Absent</b>
Management PhD & MSc	Jingnan Li (Co-Councillors) Zhe Shen	Both Present
Management – MBA Interdisciplinary	Abhinandan Khansali	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Education</b>		
Education - PhD	Ahmad Zirak Ghazani	<b>Absent</b>
Education - Administration	Abiola Olowolagba	Present
Education - Curriculum, Teaching & Learn	Mousume Akhter Flora	Present
<b>Engineering</b>		
Biomedical Engineering	Farinaz Jonidi Shariatzadeh (Co- Councillors) Mohammad Hodaei	<b>Absent</b>
Civil Engineering	Parvin Berenjkari	<b>Absent</b>
Electrical & Computer Engineering	Abolfazl Babaei (Co-Councillors) Amirmasoud Amirkabiri	Abolfazl Present
Mechanical Engineering	Osamudiamen Olaye (Co-Councillors) Behzad Fakour	
<b>Environment, Earth &amp; Resources</b>		
Environment & Geography	Kiran Yendamuri (Co-Councillors) Zakhar Kazmiruk	Both Present
Geological Sciences	Aaron Kilmury	<b>Absent</b>
Natural Resources Institute	Michael Bagamery Brendan Middel (Co-Councillors)	Brendan Present
<b>Graduate Studies</b>		
Applied Health Sciences	Brenda Tittlemier (Co-Councillors) Banke Oketola	Brenda Present
<b>Kinesiology &amp; Recreation Mgmt.</b>		
Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt.	Ganesh Tailor (Co-Councillors) Olivia Tefft	Both Present
<b>Law</b>		
Master of Human Rights	Diana Ubokudom	Present
<b>Nursing</b>		
Nursing	Jessica Meilleur Brittany Silverstein (Co-Councillors)	Jessica Present
<b>Science</b>		
Biological Sciences	Ashley Tripp	Present
Chemistry	Scott Legare	<b>Absent</b>
Computer Science	Kimia Shadkami	<b>Absent</b>
Mathematics	YG Liang	Present
Microbiology	Dustin Maydaniuk	<b>Absent</b>
Physics & Astronomy	Brydyn Mac Intyre	Present
<b>CUPE3909</b>		
CUPE3909 (No Vote)	Garett Williams	<b>Absent</b>

<i>Indigenous Engagement</i>		
<i>Guests</i>		