

## UMGSA Annual General Meeting Minutes Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 - 5:30 PM - Zoom

### 1. Call to Order (5:44)

### 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 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 UMGSA Annual General Meeting as presented.**

*Christopher/ Virginia  
Carried*

### 4. Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of the December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 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 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 UMGSA Annual General Meeting as presented.**

*Monsurul/ Mike  
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 this meeting agenda.

### 6. Committee Reports

#### 6.1. Annual General Meeting Committee Reports: These reports are included as Appendix III to this meeting agenda.

### 7. Health Sciences Graduate Students' Association Report

#### 7.1. Annual General Meeting HSGSA Report: This report is included as Appendix IV to this meeting agenda.

### 8. Senate Report

#### 8.1. Annual General Meeting Senate Report: This report is included as Appendix V to this meeting agenda.

## 9. New Business

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

- i. It was stated by the President & VPFA that the UMGSA is not and has never been a member of CFS.

### 9.1.1 MAPSS

**MOTION: BIRT UMGSA Reaffirm the position on external organizations stipulated in the UMGSA bylaws.**

*Olivia/ Golnaz*

*Carried*

*Dane Monkman Opposed*

## 9.2 Approval of Changes to The Bylaws & Policy Manual

- i. Nora proposed the 2 changes to the bylaws & policy manual with regards to executive membership.

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA membership approve the changes to the Bylaw and Policy Manual and any other changes that may be required as a result**

*Ganesh/ Ashley*

*Carried*

**9.3 Approval of BDO as the 2021/2022 Financial Auditors:** The 2021/2022 auditors Must be approved and the UMGSA sees no reason to discontinue it's relationship with BDO.

- i. Senator 2 requested students to declare whether they have any family members in that firm to prevent conflict of interest.

**MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA membership agrees to use BDO's service for our audit of 2021/2022**

*Finance Committee/ Mike*

*Carried*

## 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. 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 (6:34)

**UMGSA Annual General Meeting Attendance**
**December 8, 2021**

<i>Position/Department</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>
President	Silvia Sekander	Present
VP Finance & Administration	Nora Ampomah	Present
VP Academic	Rubel Chandra Talukder	Present
VP Services & Support	Golnaz Shirzadi	Present
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
Civil Engineering	Saba Vahedi	Present
Political Studies	Dane Monkman	Present
Physics and Astronomy	Brydyn Mac Intyre	Present
Ashley Tripp	Biological Sciences	Present
Kinesiology and Recreation Management	Olivia Tefft	Present
Statistics	Taiwo Funmilola	Present
Dentistry	Paul Mikhail	Present
English, Theatre, Film and Media Studies	Amy-Leigh Gray	Present
Landscape Architecture	Jeeth Reteesh	Present
Economics	Shantanu Debbarman	Present
Entomology	Joel Gardner	Present
Kinesiology and Recreation Management	Ganesh Tailor	Present
Nursing	Naomi Armah	Present
Education	Christopher Yendt	Present
Nursing	Hannah Mohammed	Present
Asper School of Business	Jingnan Li	Present
MBA, Asper School of Business	Meenakshi Sharma	Present
Plant Science	Md Ehsanul Haq	Present
Food and Human Nutritional Sciences	Thilini Dissanayake	Present
Education	Nusrat Zahan	Present
Biomedical Engineering	Ala' Karajeh	Present
Natural Resources Institute	Mike Bagamery	Present
Earth Sciences	Virginia Gold	Present

Asper School of Business	Zhe Shen	Present
Animal Science	Oluwakemi Omotosho	Present
Immunology	Jamie Sookhoo	Present
Natural Resources Institute	Brendan Middel	Present
Peace & Conflict Studies	Calum Dean	Present
Pathology	Lucas Lima	Present
Disability Studies	Ugonna Chigbo	Present
Statistics	Masudul Islam	Present
Mechanical Engineering	Behzad Fakour	Present
Anthropology	Shaghayegh Ghasemi	Present
Natural Resources Institute	Sobiya Badat	Present

Total Number of Graduate Students as per OIA - Official Fall Term 2021 = 3931
Total Number of Graduate Students Needed to Make Quorum is 1% = 39
Total Number of Voting Attendees = 41