

UMGSA Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 26th, 2022 - 5:30 PM - Zoom

1. Call to Order (5:37)

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 January 26, 2022 UMGSA Council Meeting as presented.

Brenda/ Ashley

Carried

4. Approval of the Minutes

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Council approves the minutes of the November 24, 2021 UMGSA Council Meeting as presented.

Oluwakemi/ Zi

Carried

5. Committee Reports

5.1. November & December Committee Reports (Appendix II)

5.1.1. Silvia discussed the vaccine mandate and asked the UMGSA councillors if any students have expressed concerns regarding this to them.

- i. One councillor expressed concern about a student in their department. They will be privately reaching out to this student.

5.1.2 Rubel discussed the 2021 UMGSA Holiday Hamper.

- i. There was a question regarding the number of students we supported and the amount of money we chose to support with to which Rubel responded explaining that 245/448 of the applicants were considered eligible. The amount of money per hamper was increased due to COVID-19, UMFA Strike, and inflation.

6. HSGSA Report

6.1. November & December HSGSA Report (Appendix III)

- i. Silvia shared that the Board of Governors have acknowledged that the Rady Faculty of Health Sciences (RFHS) Dean search process is not ideal but due to time constraints there is nothing that can be done at the moment but there are plans to fix this in the near future.

7. Senate Report

7.1. November & December Senate Reports (Appendix IV)

- i. Monsurul and Bill discussed the University's vaccine mandate explaining that in order to be on campus you must provide proof of vaccination.

8. Executive Reports

8.1. November & December Reports (Appendix V)

9. Departmental Reports

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

11.1 Approval of CRO/DRO Selection

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA General Council approves of the selected CRO and DRO

- Sedem Kumahor - CRO
- Sudhanshu Bhatnagar – DRO

Brenda/ Golnaz

Carried

11.2 Documentation of Holiday Hamper 2021 motion

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA Executive agrees to fill up to 340 individual graduate student Holiday Hamper requests at \$250.00 each from various appropriate budget lines due to concerns of inflation, pressure of COVID-19 and post UMFA strike stress

Rubel/ Bill

Carried

Ratified

11.3 Documentation of Selections Committee motion

MOTION: BIRT the UMGSA General Council approves the following members for the Selections Committee:

- Thilini Dissanayake
- Brendan Middel
- Ashley Tripp
- Samuel Ogunsola

UMGSA General Council

Carried

Ratified

11. Announcements

11.1. Next Council Meeting: Wednesday, March 2nd, 2022 - 5:30PM – Zoom

11.2. March Newsletter: If anyone has anything they want to share please e-mail

gcc@umgsa.org

Adjournment (6:27)

UMGSA Council Meeting Attendance
January 26, 2022

<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
<i>Agric & Food Science</i>		
Animal Science	Oluwakemi Omotosho	Present
Biosystems Engineering	Shubham Sharma (Co-Councillors) Shivam Tesjaswi	Absent
Entomology	Joel Gardner	Present
Food & Human Nutritional Science	Thilini Dissanayake (FS) (Co-Councillors) Breanne Semenko	Breanne Present
Plant Science	Jacob Kolody (Co-Councillors) Md. Ehsanul Haq	Md. Present
Soil Science	Clemence Muitire (Co-Councillors) Curtis Cavers	Curtis Present
<i>Architecture</i>		
Architecture	Benita Klierer	Present
City Planning	Anna Mckinnon (Co-Councillors) Colt Maddock	Anna Present
Interior Design	Sean Hewlett	Present
Landscape Architecture	Jeeth Reteesh	Absent
<i>Arts</i>		
Economics	Michael Apata (Co - Councillors) Shantanu Debbarman	Both Present
English, Theatre, Film & Media	Amy-Leigh Gray	Present
Linguistics	Oluwakemi Kolapo	Present
Political Studies & Public Administration	Divya Negi (Co-Councillors) Nabila De la Cruz Garcia	Nabila Present
Psychology	Jessa Hogarth (Co-Councillors) Reegan McCheyne	Absent
Sociology & Criminology	Avery Hallberg	Present
<i>Management</i>		
Management PhD & MSc	Jingnan Li (Co-Councillors) Zhe Shen	Absent

Management – MBA Interdisciplinary	Meenakshi Sharma	Present
Education		
Education - PhD	Ahmad Zirak Ghazani	Present
Education - Administration	Abiola Olowolagba	Present
Engineering		
Biomedical Engineering	Farinaz Jonidi Shariatzadeh (Co- Councillors) Mohammad Hodaei	Farinaz Present
Civil Engineering	Kadir Yanac	Absent
Electrical & Computer Engineering	Abolfazl Babaei (Co-Councillors) Amirmasoud Amirkabiri	Abolfazl Present
Mechanical Engineering	Osamudiamen Olaye (Co-Councillors) Behzad Fakour	Both Present
Environment, Earth & Resources		
Environment & Geography	Kiran Yendamuri (Co-Councillors) Zakhar Kazmiruk	Kiran Present
Geological Sciences	Adam Snyder	Present
Natural Resources Institute	Brendan Middel (Co-Councillors) Sobiya Aziz Badat	Both Present
Graduate Studies		
Applied Health Sciences	Brenda Tittlemier (Co-Councillors) Banke Oketola	Brenda Present
Peace & Conflict Studies	Maha Mehanna	Present
Kinesiology & Recreation Mgmt.		
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Law		
Master of Human Rights	Diana Ubokudom	Present
Nursing		
Nursing	Suzaine Opena (Co-Councillors) Zi Zhang	Zi Present
Science		
Biological Sciences	Ashley Tripp	Present
Chemistry	Scott Legare	Present
Mathematics	YG Liang	Absent
Microbiology	Dustin Maydaniuk	Present
Physics & Astronomy	Brydyn Mac Intyre	Present
CUPE3909		
CUPE3909 (No Vote)	Garett Williams	
Indigenous Engagement		
Guests		
Master of Physician Assistant Studies (HSGSA)	Audrey Katako	Present

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Immunology (HSGSA)	Fola Adefemi	Present