

Board Meeting

Brandon University Students' Union, Local 37 of the Canadian Federation of Students
Thursday April 12, 2018 at 5pm – CLC Boardroom, Knowles Douglas Centre

1. CALL TO ORDER at 5:38pm

2. OPENINGS

Those present at the meeting shall introduce themselves at this time. Regrets shall be noted.

Present: Nick Brown, Sheree Blacksmith, Laura Davidson, Saint Osaretin, Rebecca Storey, Whitney Hodgins, Manuel Colmenarez (Incoming Senator Student at Large), George Nkuo (Incoming International Students Director), Natashalee Thompson, Meg Stade, Corey Norton, Nataly Ore, Maya Sturup, Mohammed Agavi, Emily Simon, Brooklyn Friesen (Phone).

Regrets: Steven Holden

Absent: Jenna Wade

a. Land acknowledgement

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion (17-BUSU-122) Simon/Davidson CARRIED

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted as amended

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5. PRESENTATIONS AND CORRESPONDANCE

a. BUSU General Manager Resignation

Ore will be moving to Winnipeg and taking an employment position there.

6. RECEIPT OF REPORTS

a. Executive Members and Staff

- i. President: **Attached**
- ii. Vice President Internal: **Attached**
- iii. Vice President External: **Attached**
- iv. General Manager: **Attached**
- v. Office and Services Manager: **Attached**

b. Canadian Federation of Students

- i. Local Representative: **Attached**
- ii. National Graduate Caucus: **Attached**
- iii. Manitoba AGM: **Attached**

c. Director Reports

- i. Arts Director: **Faculty of Arts Meeting**
- ii. Science Director: **No Report**

- iii. Health Studies Director:
Meetings with Faculty
Thanked council for advocacy for Health Studies students during the past year.

- iv. Music Director: **No Report**
- v. Education Director: **Vacant**
- vi. Part-Time/Mature Students Director: **Regrets**

- vii. Indigenous Director:
Indigenous Education Sub-Committee of Senate Meeting.
Has been asked to stay on the committee as an alumnus.
There is a Kahomani tomorrow – social dance.

- viii. Women’s Director: **Vacant**
- ix. Queer Students Director: **Absent**

- x. International Students Director:
CFS MB AGM
International Student Collective Winnipeg Trip

- xi. Residence Director: **Vacant**
- xii. Graduate Studies Director: **Attached**
- xiii. Accessibilities Director: **Attached**

- xiv. Racialized Director:
Assisting students with issues in Health Studies.

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORTS

Motion (17-BUSU-123) Hodgins/Osaretin CARRIED

Be it resolved that the reports be adopted.

8. Committees

a. Finance & Services

Committee met on April 6th to approve cheque details and credit card statements.

For the 2018-19 year there will be no blackout period for the BUSU Student Health and Dental Plan.

b. Policy & Bylaw

i. Policy #2530 - Executive Members of Council

Please see the attached changes to policy #2530
Presidential Salary should be \$ 29, 047.76 for 2017-18.

Motion (17-BUSU-124) Simon/Agavi CARRIED

Be it resolved that Policy #2530 be updated as amended.

c. Student Clubs, Activities, & Campaigns

i. BUASC Annual Funding

BUASC has submitted a funding request letter and budget requesting \$2000 in annual funding. They have not received and BUSU funding yet for the 2017-2018 year. Please see attached.

Motion (17-BUSU-125) Stade/Osaretin CARRIED

Be it resolved that BUSU grant BUASC \$2000 in annual collective funding.

9. NEW BUSINESS**a. OSM Promotion**

The BUSU Executive Committee feels it is best for the organization to have the current Office and Services Manager be promoted to General Manager, so that she can be trained while the current GM is still employed by BUSU.

Motion (17-BUSU-126) Simon/Blacksmith CARRIED

Be it resolved that BUSU promote Corey Norton to the General Manager position, and,

Be it further resolved that the Executive Committee negotiate a contract with Corey Norton effective April 9, 2018 to be ratified at the next BUSU Council Meeting.

b. Office and Services Manager

As the Office and Services Manager is now vacant, the BUSU Executive will be putting out a job ad shortly to fill the position in May.

c. Oaths of Office

The Executive Members, prior to the commencement of their official duties, shall take an Oath of Office. The Chair of Council shall administer the Oath at a council meeting prior to May 1st.

I, Emily Simon, do hereby promise that I will diligently, faithfully, and to the best of my ability fulfill the duties, responsibilities, and expectations of the Office of the Vice-President Internal of the Brandon University Students' Union, in accordance with the Act and the Bylaws of the Union, and above all else in the best interests of the students who belong to the Union. I humbly acknowledge and accept the great privilege and honour bestowed upon me, and shall not violate the trust placed in me by Council and the Members of the Union.

I, Mohammed Agavi, do hereby promise that I will diligently, faithfully, and to the best of my ability fulfill the duties, responsibilities, and expectations of the Office of the Vice-President External of the Brandon University Students' Union, in accordance with the Act and the Bylaws of the Union, and above all else in the best interests of the students who belong to the Union. I humbly acknowledge and accept the great privilege and honour bestowed upon me, and shall not violate the trust placed in me by Council and the Members of the Union.

d. Signing Authority

Motion (17-BUSU-127) Agavi/Sturup CARRIED

Be it resolved that the signing authorities for the Brandon University Students' Union be Corey Norton (Office & Services Manager) and Emily Simon (Vice President Internal) from May 1, 2018 to April 30th, 2019 and,

Be it further resolved that the BUSU authorize the two signing authorities Emily Simon as returning Vice-President Internal, and Corey Norton as the new General Manager, to have access and be credit card holders on behalf of the organization from May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019 and,

Be it further resolved that the BUSU authorize Corey Norton, the new General Manager, to be the new main coordinator of the credit card in managing the functionalities of the credit card account.

e. Service Recognition

The executive committee wished to recognize the outstanding commitment to BUSU of two of the directors for the 2017-18 year. Both Hodgins and Thompson have exhibited exemplary service to BUSU through their directorship in the 2017-18 year.

BUSINESS ARISING

Brown thanked each member of the council for a wonderful year. Said BUSU did a lot of really good things from Orientation, to the sold-out September social, to the October rallies in both Brandon and Winnipeg. Said we spoke out against this provincial government about how they've been treating students in their minimal increases to the minimum wage and their massive increases to tuition and their treatment of international students in removing their provincial health coverage. Said BUSU hasn't succeeded at any of our specific goals but have have expressed the opinion of students to the best of our ability, and to great effect. Said students are being heard. Said unfortunately with this government it is sometimes the best that can be hoped for. Said he wanted to thank each and every member of council and wished them good luck in the future. Brown thanked Ore for her dedicated service to BUSU.

The council thanked Brown for his service to the BUSU.

Brown said BUSU has been a great experience and felt that he had accomplished each of the goals he set. Said BUSU has not seen an increase to differential fees for international students. Said BUSU's financial position, this year, has been stronger than previous years. Mentioned the success of the Crash the Courtyard events. Said many motions had been proposed to the BU Board of Governors. Said he was part of bringing in StudentVIP and negotiating the U-Pass. Thanked council for sharing in the journey.

Hiring for the Garden Coordinator for the Green Futures BU Project in partnership with ENACTUS BU.

Submit Council Hours by April 18th, 2018.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn (17-BUSU-128) Stade/Davidson CARRIED

Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 6:40pm.

Minutes approved at meeting date: May 1st, 2018

Moved by: _____ (Agavi)

Seconded by: _____ (Thompson)