#### Board Meeting

Brandon University Students’ Union, Local 37 of the Canadian Federation of Students

**Thursday, November 23, 2017 at 6pm** – CLC Boardroom, Knowles Douglas Centre

1. **CALL TO ORDER at 6:05pm.**
2. **OPENINGS**

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

*Present:* Nick Brown, Whitney Hodgins, Saint Osaretin, Steven Holden, Emily Simon, Ashlyn Pearce (The Quill), Rebecca Storey, Mohammed Agavi, Meg Stade (Phone), Sheree Blacksmith (6:06pm), Natashalee Thompson (6:09pm).

*Regrets:* Nataly Ore, Corey Norton, Brooklyn Friesen, Maya Sturrup, Laura Davidson.

*Absent:* Jenna Wade.

* 1. **Land acknowledgement**

1. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Motion (17-BUSU-76)** Agavi/Osaretin CARRIED ***Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted as amended.***

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of October 26th are attached for approval.

**Motion (17-BUSU-77)** Stade/Agavi CARRIED

***Be it resolved that the minutes from October 26th be approved.***

1. **PRESENTATIONS AND CORRESPONDANCE**

A letter of resignation from Armando Galindo is attached.

**Motion (17-BUSU-78)** Hodgins/Osaretin CARRIED

***Be it resolved that the resignation from Armando Galindo be approved.***

Brown said there will be a posting for all vacant positions in January.

1. **RECEIPT OF REPORTS**

* 1. **Executive Members and Staff**
     1. President**: No Report**
     2. Vice President Internal**: Attached**
     3. Vice President External**: Attached**
     4. General Manager: **Regrets**
     5. Office and Services Manager**: Attached**
  2. **Canadian Federation of Students Local Representative Report**:

Discussion regarding CFS NGM motions.

Follow up from the Day of Action Postcards.

* 1. **Director Reports**
     1. Arts Director: **Regrets**
     2. Science Director**: No Report**
     3. Health Studies Director:

Meeting with students about Performance Improvement Plans and Debarments.

It has been officially decided that the Nursing students will have a Fall break in 2018.

* + 1. Music Director**: Attached**
    2. Education Director: **Absent**
    3. Part-Time/Mature Students Director: Student Meetings
    4. Indigenous Director:

BUASC Meetings

LNAP Pancake Breakfast

Change in Executive Members in BUASC

* + 1. Women’s Director: **Vacant**
    2. Sexuality and Gender Identity Based Director: **Absent**
    3. International Students Director**:** Meeting with International Students Collective
    4. Residence Director: **Vacant**
    5. Graduate Studies Director**: Attached**
    6. Accessibilities Director**: Attached**
    7. Racialized Director: **Regrets**

1. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORTS**

**Motion (17-BUSU-79)** Storey/Thompson CARRIED

***Be it resolved that the reports be adopted.***

1. **Committees**
2. **Finance & Services**
3. **Policy & Bylaw**
4. **Student Clubs, Activities, & Campaigns**

The SCAC Minutes of November 16th are attached for information.

1. **NEW BUSINESS**
   1. **Brandon University Students for Life**

The Executive would like to give a run-down of some of the recent communication with the Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms (JCCF) and the Brandon University Students for Life (BUSL).

Brown said a poster was submitted to BUSU for approval on behalf of BUSL that consisted of pictures of embryos, forceps, and then a blank square signifying that the embryo was gone. BUSU did not approve this poster as it was believed to be potentially triggering to the student audience. Said shortly after not approving the poster, Brown received and email from the Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms saying the decision not to approve the poster was impeding BUSL’s free speech. Brown said the executive responded that the poster was triggering which was why it was not approved. Said the executive acknowledged that they would be consulting with Lisa Park in regards to considering posters for approval. Said when meeting with Park, she said she would have approved the poster that BUSU initially did not approve.

Simon mentioned that before approving the poster, BUSU received student complaints about the same poster in other buildings on campus.

Agavi said he reached out the BUSL, after their poster was not approved, to offer assistance in creating a poster that would be approved.

Brown said after the executive sent their response to the JCCF, they did not receive a response. Said that the most recent poster BUSL submitted to BUSU was approved and posted after consultation with Lisa Park (BU Diversity and Human Rights Advisor).

The executive explained that any student complaints should be directed to Lisa Park and any future decisions about poster approvals that could be controversial, from any group, will be in consultation with Lisa Park.

Holden asked if BUSL was open to creating posters in consultation with Lisa Park.

The executive said there were hoping to provide Lisa Park as a resource to all groups to ensure posters on campus follow the BU guidelines.

Thompson said that she agreed with the Lisa Park Consultation.

* 1. **BUSU AGM**

The BUSU AGM will be on December 5th at 12:40pm in Harvest Hall. At this point is there any business we would like to discuss or propose?

Brown mentioned that the name for the Sexuality and Gender Identity Based Director be changed to Queer Students Director.

* 1. **BUSU Holiday Dinner**

The BUSU Holiday Dinner, including all staff and council, will be Tuesday December 5th from 5:30-8:30pm. The event will be in the Louis Riel Room on campus. Please bring your favourite board game and a dessert for the potluck style dessert table.

Please RSVP to Corey by Wednesday November 29th at 4:30pm including plus one information and dietary restrictions.

* 1. **Review of 2016-17 BUSU Financial Statement Drafts**

The drafts will be considered by electronic motion in the next week.

Ore reviewed the drafts and approved them.

1. **BUSINESS ARISING**
2. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next meeting will be on December 7th at 4:30pm.

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion to adjourn (17-BUSU-80)** Hodgins/Storey

***Be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:23pm.***

**Minutes approved at meeting date: December 7th, 2017.**

**Moved by:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Wade)**

**Seconded by:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Simon)**