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University Students' Council Agenda October 19, 2023 Roy Romanow Student Council Chambers – 6:00 PM CST

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Land Acknowledgement
- 3. Roll Call/Quorum
- 4. Adoption of an Agenda
- 5. Council Address
 - 5.1. Introductions
 - 5.2. Anteia Waldron Oyateki Student Advisor
- 6. Minutes and Reports for Information
 - 6.1. USC Minutes 10.12.2023
 - 6.2. Executive Committee Minutes and Report 10.16.2023
 - 6.3. Academic Relations Committee Report
 - 6.4. Advocacy Committee Report
 - 6.5. Campus Group Committee Report
 - 6.6. Code of Ethics and Disciplinary Committee Report
 - 6.7. Elections Committee Report
 - 6.8. Finance Committee Report
 - 6.9. Governance Committee Report
 - 6.10. Student Life and Sustainability Committee Report
 - 6.11. Student and City of Saskatoon Connection Committee Report
- 7. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports
- 8. College/Constituency Report
 - 8.1. Agriculture and Bioresources
 - 8.2. Arts and Science
 - 8.3. Dentistry
 - 8.4. Education
 - 8.5. Engineering
 - 8.6. Indigenous Students
 - 8.7. International Students
 - 8.8. Kinesiology
 - 8.9. Law
 - 8.10. Medicine
 - 8.11. Nursing
 - 8.12. Pharmacy and Nutrition
 - 8.13. St. Thomas More
 - 8.14. Western College of Veterinary Medicine
- 9. Business
 - 9.1. Provost Recommendations Document
 - 9.2. Senate By-election (1 position)
 - 9.3. Wellness Spaces
 - 9.3.1. Provisions for prayer spaces + usage



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- 9.3.2. Conversations with college administration about establishing prayer spaces
- 9.4. Nightwalk with Jerome Cranston and Protective Services
- 10. New Business
- 11. Questions, comments, and announcements
- 12. Adjournment



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University Students' Council Agenda October 12, 2023 Roy Romanow Student Council Chambers – 6:00 PM CST

Present:

Gurbaz Singh, VP Student Affairs (he/him)

Elisabeth Bauman, VP Academic Affairs (she/her)

Nishtha Mehta, VP Operations and Finance (she/her)

Ishita Mann, President (she/her)

Eileen Knox, Nursing (she/her)

Molly Severtson, AgBio (she/her)

Cole Willmann, AgBio (he/him)

Alexis Salsbury, Arts and Science (she/her)

Angi Patel, Arts and Science (she/her)

Dhairya Mehta, Arts and Science (he/him)

Maria Hirsi, Indigenous Students (she/they)

Tianna Sangwais, Indigenous Students (she/her)

Kyungsoo Ryu, Edwards (she/her)

indiscernible, Education (she/her)

Jane Procyshyn, Law (she/her)

Samina Valji, Dentistry (she/her)

Shahmeer Ahmed, Kinesiology (he/him)

Meghal Meghal, International Students (she/her)

Aayush Choksi, International Students (he/him)

Also Present:

Inshal Anees, USC Chairperson

Stefanie Ewen, USSU Facilities Manager (she/her)

Absent:

Kevin Lee, Medicine

Harkaranveer Pooni, Nursing (he/him)

Hayley Jenkins, WCVM (she/her)

Guests:

Tracy Spencer, Student Affairs and Outreach (she/her)

Caleb Ru, ITEP (he/him)

Ashton Favreau, Arts and Science - Political Studies (he/him)

Ava Johnson, Arts and Science - English (she/her)



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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM

2. Land Acknowledgement

Chairperson Anees stated the land acknowledgement: As a Council of Indigenous and Non-Indigenous students, we acknowledge that we gather on Treaty 6 territory, the homeland of the Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Métis, Dene and Dakota people. We acknowledge the harm that colonial institutions, such as the University of Saskatchewan, have done. We remember that there were centuries of governance and education on this land before the settlers arrived and that these forms of education and governance are continuing today. We honour and reaffirm our relationships with one another and the land that we are on as we work to dismantle the systematic barriers to education that First Nations, Métis, Inuit and other marginalized people face.

3. Roll Call/Quorum

The roll call was completed and the list of attendees is listed on the first page of these minutes; quorum was present.

4. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda as presented.

USCMotion017: President Mann / Councillor Salsbury CARRIED

5. Council Address

Move to enter informality.

USCMotion018: VP Singh / Councillor Ahmed CARRIED

5.1. Introductions

President Mann introduced the guest speaker, Tracy Spencer, from Student Affairs and Outreach.

5.2. Tracy Spencer – Student Affairs and Outreach

Tracy Spencer shared insight on the team members within the Student Affairs and Outreach and what everyone's roles and responsibilities are. Later, Tracy discussed what support (through Student Affairs and Outreach) is available for students and how to get in touch with them.

President Mann thanked Tracy for coming and sharing information.

Move to enter back into formality.

USCMotion019: Councillor Knox / Councillor Patel CARRIED



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6. Minutes and Reports for Information

6.1. USC Minutes - 10.05.2023

6.2. Executive Committee Minutes and Report – 10.11.2023

President Mann shared that there were many ratifications of student groups. During this meeting, the executives shared what individual meetings they had within the last week and information on future events.

VP Bauman stated that the presidents of each College/Constituency regularly meet with the USSU Executives. Something new this year is she started a network of VP Academics where all of the VP Academics will meet regularly, as well. President Mann added that there would be similar networks started for both VP Mehta (VP Finance and Operations) and VP Singh (VP Student Affairs).

6.3. Academic Relations Committee Report

Committee has not met yet.

6.4. Advocacy Committee Report

Committee has not met yet.

6.5. Campus Group Committee Report

Committee has not met yet.

6.6. Code of Ethics and Disciplinary Committee Report

Committee has not met yet.

6.7. Elections Committee Report

Committee has not met yet.

6.8. Finance Committee Report

Committee has not met yet.

6.9. Governance Committee Report

Committee has not met yet.

6.10. Student Life and Sustainability Committee Report

Committee has not met yet.

6.11. Student and City of Saskatoon Connection Committee Report

Committee has not met yet.

7. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports



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Corrections were made to the minutes, correcting the misspellings of a guest's name and a person named in the Arts and Science report.

Move to adopt the USC Minutes of October 5, 2023 into the official record as amended.

USCMotion020: Councillor Salsbury / Councillor Patel CARRIED

Move to adopt the Executive Minutes of October 11, 2023 into the official record.

USCMotion021: VP Bauman / Councillor Mehta CARRIED

8. College/Constituency Report

8.1. Agriculture and Bioresources

Councillor Severtson stated that there was nothing new to note.

8.2. Arts and Science

Councillor Patel shared that the ASSU executives are in talks about implementing an anonymous reporting system open to Arts and Science students. The VP Academic will be responsible for this. Councillor Patel also shared that there will be a gala in January that the ASSU will be putting on. This month they will be hosting a haunted house, more details soon.

8.3. Dentistry

Councillor Valji stated there wasn't much to report except that midterms are coming up.

8.4. Education

The Councillor stated that there was nothing to report.

8.5. Engineering

No Councillor was present and President Mann asked if anyone had any information on the by-election that Engineering would be having. The Education Councillor stated that she would check in with her peer who is the 2nd year representative for the College of Engineering.

8.6. Edwards

Councillor Ryu talked about their wellness week.

8.7. Indigenous Students

Councillor Hirsi shared that they are starting their strategic planning.

8.8. International Students



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Councillor Choksi stated things are going well and there are some events they are starting to plan for. More details soon.

8.9. Kinesiology

Councillor Ahmed said currently they don't have too much going on. The student union is focussing on initiatives for student engagement and wellness.

8.10. Law

Councillor Procyshyn stated the College will have a formal tomorrow, besides that it is pretty quiet.

8.11. Medicine

No Councillor was in attendance.

8.12. Nursing

Councillor Knox shared that there is nothing new from last week, however, last week's notes are still relevant this week.

8.13. Pharmacy and Nutrition

No Councillor was in attendance.

8.14. St. Thomas More

No Councillor was in attendance.

8.15. Western College of Veterinary Medicine

No Councillor was in attendance.

9. Business

9.1. Provost Recommendations Document

President Mann reminded the Councillors to put their recommendations in the document for the Provost as they are on a tight timeline.

10. New Business

11. Questions, comments, and announcements

Councillor Salsbury mentioned that last year the ASSU had attempted to add \$3 to student fees for funding. However, they were told it was too late in the year to start this. Councillor Salsbury asked if any of the other Colleges had a similar union fee (not including the USSU fee) on student tuition. Councillor Procyshyn stated that the College of Law has a "voluntary membership" and there are associated fees. For example, if a student doesn't have that membership, they would pay a larger price for events than students with memberships. There are other benefits to having a membership (like a locker). It was noted that it is the same for the College of Education, AgBio, and Engineering.



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President Mann confirmed from the University student Council that they don't have representative positions for Indigenous or International students. President Mann made suggestions about having a discussion and collectively planning how to go about voicing concerns at the University Council.

President Mann shared that the executive would be making a statement regarding recent world events, where they will be focussing more on wellness.

President Mann spoke about Senate orientation that is coming up for the Councils who volunteered to be on it.

President Mann shared that the Councillors who are in the Governance committee should have received an email in regards to meeting for the first time.

President Mann stated that they would be starting to use mics next week. Any Councillors can email AGA Rodriguez to edit the minutes if something wasn't captured correctly.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 PM



Executive Meeting Minutes for October 16, 2023

Present:

Ishita Mann – President/Chair

Nishtha Mehta – VP Operations and Finance

Elisabeth Bauman – VP Academic Affairs

Gurbaz Singh – VP Student Affairs

Connor Rodriguez – AGA

Jason Ventnor – SM Communications & Marketing

Regrets:

Absent:

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 A.M.

2. Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Approval of last meeting minutes

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4. Roundtables

a. President Mann

- i. Meetings
 - 1. Executive Meeting, VP Mehta + VP Bauman + VP Singh
 - 2. Governance Committee
 - Now that there is are the senate reps Wanting to schedule a student hearing meeting (non-academic hearing).
 - 3. Check-in, Jason V.
 - 4. Social Committee Meeting, VP Bauman + VP Singh + Yashica B.
 - 5. University Student Council, VP Mehta + VP Bauman + VP Singh + Chairperson Anees + Jason V.
 - 6. Mental Health Day Collaboration, ISSAC + VP Singh

ii. Projects/Initiatives

- 1. University Council Report
- 2. Working on Senate Report

iii. Events



- 1. OceanWise SK Youth Summit
 - a. Delivered the Leadership Keynote Speech
 - b. Engaged as a panelist on the Q/A

iv. Other

- 1. Senate Report: any ideas on things I can include
 - a. JV suggests highlighting: Goals for year, highlight safety, things already done and outcomes,

b. VP Mehta

- i. Meetings
 - 1. Weekly Exec Meeting
 - 2. Check in with Jason
 - 3. University Student Council
 - 4. BRT-Dom went on my behalf
 - 5. PPC

ii. Projects/Initiatives

- 1. Accountabilities
- 2. Set up a time for Campus Group Committee
- iii. Events

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iv. Other

- 1. Ratifications
 - a. Motion to ratify Association of Student Musicians
 - The Association of Student Musicians brings together students with a love of Music, through social, educational, and/or musical experiences.
 We strive to work in concert with faculty and staff to maintain and continue to improve the quality of Music instruction offered. We provide professional development opportunities to the students so they can grow into professional musicians as well as develop their overall musicianship.
 - b. Motion to ratify Corporate Law Club
 - The Corporate Law Club aims to cultivate interest in corporate law, through networking, events, charity, and education.
 - c. MIX print Collective
 - i. MIX is a fun and casual group that is promoting and growing the printmaking community. Our main purpose is to provide opportunities for student artists to sell their prints, learn new printmaking skills and build connections with each other and our campus.



d. Runnymede Society

- i. the Runnymede Society is an expressly non-partisan entity. We invite speakers from all across the ideological spectrum to debate legal ideas that engage the rule of law, constitutionalism, and individual liberty. The goal is to focus on these age-old principles in the context of real issues that are not often explored in the law school classrooms.
- e. Science Fundamentals USask Chapter
 - Science FUNdamentals is a registered charity and student group at the University of Alberta that is now branching out to the University of Saskatchewan. The organization aims to enhance elementary science education using interactive demonstrations
- f. SUNTEP Student Representative Council
 - We are the student representative group for the Saskatchewan Urban Native Teacher Education Program (SUNTEP). Our program is partnered with the College of Education and the Gabriel Dumont Institute. This group is in charge of student affairs, events and advocacy for all Saskatoon SUNTEP students.
- g. U of S IEEE Student Branch
 - University of Saskatchewan. Our branch was first established in 1957. We handle all the social, academic, and charitable needs of the Electrical and Computer Engineering undergraduate and graduate students at the University of Saskatchewan.
- h. U of S UX Collective
 - We're USASK's go-to spot for diving deep into the world of design, blending the beauty of art with the power of technology.

Move to approve the ratification of the following student groups for the 2023-2024 academic year:

- Association of Student Musicians
- Corporate Law Club
- MIX print Collective
- Runnymede Society
- Science Fundamentals USask Chapter



- SUNTEP Student Representative Council
- U of S IEEE Student Branch
- U of S UX Collective

EXECMOTION107	VP Mehta / VP Bauman	Carried
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- 2. Motions for Funding
 - a. Motion to grant \$300 of P and I funding for cash sponsorship for the Punjabi Students' Association
 - i. Spooky Blaze
 - ii. Oct 19 from 5-8:30 pm
 - iii. At President Murray Park
 - iv. Halloween-themed bonfire (need City approval)
 - v. Funding spent on materials and snacks and food
 - vi. Working on insurance details

Move to grant \$300 of P and I (in cash sponsorship) to the Punjabi Students' Association.

EXECMOTION108	VP Mehta / VP Singh	Carried
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- b. Motion to grant English Undergrad Society \$60 for P and I funding for Louis' funding
 - i. Social event for undergrad students to meet profs in their department
 - ii. Funding used for catering at Louis'
 - iii. On nov 1st from 5-7 pm

Move to grant English Undergrad Society \$60 of P and I funding (in Louis' funding).

EXECMOTION109	VP Mehta / VP Singh	Carried

- Motion to grant Averroes Society USASK Chapter CG \$460 for P and I funding for cash sponsorship
 - i. On Oct 21st from 1:30-5:30 at Education Lounge
 - ii. It's a lunch and orientation
 - iii. Funding spent on musician fees, non-alcoholic drinks, materials, other expenses (will ask about this), food

Move to grant Averroes Society USASK Chapter CG \$460 of P and I funding (in cash sponsorship).

EXECMOTION110	VP Mehta / VP Bauman	Carried
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(Pending "other expenses" convo)



- 3. Was reached out to by a Alumni from another Canadian University for Club Management Framework
 - Modules to help campus groups start their group and run it successfully
 - b. \$1109
 - c. It looks very useful

c. VP Bauman

- i. Meetings
 - 1. Exec
 - 2. Check-in with Jason
 - 3. Student Case meeting with Connor
 - 4. Meeting with Connor about Excellence awards
 - VP Academic Networking
 - 6. Social Committee
 - 7. Meeting with Jordan and Beau
 - a. Really helpful tools and framework for supporting distressed students through academic cases.
 - 8. Another student case meeting with Connor
 - 9. USC

ii. Projects/Initiatives

- 1. SLEQ Stuff need feedback by Tuesday/Wednesday
 - SLEQ Video Script F2023.docx
 - a. Help students understand why we have SLEQ
- 2. Issues with the Academic Committee, no times align
 - a. Suggested early mornings or out of typical work hours. Potentially alternate dates.
- 3. Excellence Awards comm requests in today
 - a. Nominations Form:
 https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1-h1Mf0mksuLpD45CbaE
 wPNxAQo5Gl6EgHICy331Gw8A/edit
 - b. Nov.
- 4. Quite a few new student cases
- iii. Events
 - 1. Lots of concerts
- iv. Other

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d. VP Singh

- i. Meetings
 - 1. Check in with JASON V.



- 2. Social Committee
- 3. Assu weekly meeting
- 4. University student council
- 5. Anteia, office of Indigenous engagement
 - a. VP Singh was approached
 - b. Check with Stef about policy (re: grads)
 - c. Email Childcare and see if they can sent up a meeting with Indg. engagement office
 - d. Want to come to USC meeting (more Indg awareness and engagement)
- 6. Ussu x Huskies
- 7. Issac x Ussu

ii. Projects/Initiatives

- 1. Rock climbing (waiting to be posted) Don't have the budget yet, depends on the students. That's why there has been no proposal.
 - a. Go off estimates from last year and add a bit more to it.
- 2. Trivia Game of Thrones. (need help From all execs Please)
- 3. Mental health awareness week with Sara and/or Ishita X Issac
- iii. Events
- iv. Other
 - 1. Need To find two new SALs for vpsa Committee.
 - a. First meeting is probably this Friday.

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5. New business

- a. CFO Search Committee Ishita Mann
 - i. One person from the exec
- b. How to present committee reports
- c. CUSA Conference
- d. USC Mics
 - i. Need something to help us be heard during USC
 - ii. Talk with Scott when he gets back

6. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 AM