


**Agenda**  
**University Students' Council**  
**January 23, 2025 – 6:00 PM**  
**Roy Romanow Student Council Chamber**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Land Acknowledgement**
- 3. Roll Call & Quorum**
- 4. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 5. Council Address**
  - 5.1. Ali Versi - Studentcare
- 6. Minutes and Reports for Information**
  - 6.1. USC Minutes – January 16, 2025
  - 6.2. Executive Committee Minutes and Report – January 21, 2025
  - 6.3. Advocacy Committee Minutes and Report – January 20, 2025
  - 6.4. Campus Group Committee Minutes and Report – January 20, 2025
  - 6.5. Finance and Assessment Committee Minutes and Report – January 20, 2025
- 7. College/Constituency Report**
  - 7.1. Agriculture and Bioresources
  - 7.2. Arts and Science
  - 7.3. Dentistry
  - 7.4. Education
  - 7.5. Edwards School of Business
  - 7.6. Engineering
  - 7.7. Indigenous Students
  - 7.8. International Students
  - 7.9. Kinesiology
  - 7.10. Law
  - 7.11. Medicine
  - 7.12. Nursing
  - 7.13. Pharmacy and Nutrition
  - 7.14. St. Thomas More
  - 7.15. Western College of Veterinary Medicine
- 8. Business**
  - 8.1. Decision Item -  USSU Executive Scholarship Policy 2024-2025
  - 8.2. Information Item - Executive Office Hours and Class Schedules
- 9. New Business**
- 10. Questions, Comments, and Announcements**
- 11. Adjournment**

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**University Students' Council Minutes  
January 16, 2025 – 6:00 PM  
Roy Romanow Student Council Chamber**

**Present:**

- **Elisabeth Bauman** (she/her), VP Academic Affairs
- **Norah Jacob** (she/her), St. Thomas More
- **Chang Ge** (he/him), Dentistry
- **Shayan Ahmed** (he/him), Kinesiology
- **Taihre Lafond** (he/him), Indigenous Students
- **Kyungsoo Ryu** (she/her), Edwards
- **Paras Sidhu** (he/him), Law
- **Guillermo Tellez-Hernandez** (he/him), Arts and Science
- **Selim Bytyqi** (he/him), Arts and Science
- **Jordie Finnie** (he/him), Arts and Science
- **Zachary Cey** (he/him), Agriculture and Bioresources
- **Karlin Frykas** (he/him), Agriculture and Bioresources
- **Melissa Fielding** (she/her), Education
- **Moses Ahiabu** (he/him), VP Operations and Finance
- **Krunal Chavda** (he/him), President

**Also Present:**

- **Zoher Rafid-Hamed** (he/him), USC Chairperson
- **Stefanie Ewen** (she/her), Facilities Manager
- **Brock Neufeldt** (he/him), Academic & Governance Assistant

**Absent:**

- **Upkar Singh** (he/him), VP Student Affairs
- **Eileen Lennie-Koshman** (she/her), Indigenous Students
- **Eliaking Cabrera** (he/him), Nursing
- **Joel Bilyk** (he/him), WCVM
- **Ritu Patel** (she/her), Edwards
- **Nisarg Chaudhary** (he/him), International Students
- **Nahian Mashrafi** (he/him), International Students
- **Meet Patel** (he/him), Medicine
- **Yusup Guldadov** (he/him), Engineering

**Guests:**

- **Dr. Julian Demkiw** (he/him), University Secretary and Chief Governance Officer

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM.

**2. Land Acknowledgement**

Chairperson Rafid-Hamed stated the land acknowledgment: 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**

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**

No amendments were made to the agenda.

Motion to adopt the agenda as presented.

<b>USCMOTION070</b>	<b>Councillor Finnie / Councillor Frykas</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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**5. Council Address**

**5.1. Dr. Julian Demkiw - University Secretary**

Dr. Demkiw provided an overview of his role at the University. As Chief Governance Officer, he is the secretariat for the University Council and Senate, and his office deals with student appeals and complaints.

Dr. Demkiw informed Council of the University's presidential search process, which has now begun.

The University's President is appointed to a five-year term by the board of governors, but the search committee does the work of consulting the USask community and finding candidates.

The search committee will create a survey that is open to students, faculty, staff, and anyone else who is interested. In addition, there will be five consultation sessions: three targeted sessions—for faculty, staff, and students—a general in-person session and an online session.

The consultation process will last for six weeks. With the feedback that is garnered, a position profile will be created. A search firm will be hired to help find candidates.

The University hopes to make a selection by June and have the new President start at the beginning of January. It is so far on track to meet that target.

Councillor Bytyqi asked what the date is for the in-person consultation session.

- Dr. Demkiw answered that it will be held in the first week of February.
- President Chavda specified that it will be held on February 4 from 10AM to 12 PM in the GSA commons.

Councillor Bytyqi asked how the survey will be distributed.

- Dr. Demkiw answered that the survey was distributed via email on Monday. There is more information about the presidential search on the Governance Office's website.

VP Bauman asked about the differences between an internal and external candidate.

- Dr. Demkiw explained that this is an international search, so it is possible that the successful candidate will be external to USask.

Councillor Bytyqi suggested that information about the search process could be posted on social media and a QR code linking to the survey could be posted around campus.

- Dr. Demkiw said that he will work with the University's communications team on how to distribute these materials.
- President Chavda offered to put the QR code on the USSU's plasma screens.

## **6. Business**

### **6.1. Presidential Search Consultation**

The Council divided into groups to discuss three consultation questions:

1. "What do you feel are the main opportunities and challenges facing the University of Saskatchewan in the next 10 years?"
  2. "What should the strategic goals and objectives of the university be to take advantage of those opportunities and meet those challenges?"
  3. "Given that context, what are the key leadership competencies, skills, and experiences you expect from our next president?"
- Councillor Bytyqi's group provided the following answers:
    1. Inflation, quality and method of education, lack of internships, safety, AI integration, research cuts, bringing in skilled graduate students.
    2. Secure government funding, fight to bring in international students, access to safety measures, increase protective services.
    3. Mix of community and business orientation, care about USask, not just the paycheque, well connected.
  - Councillor Frykas's group provided the following answers:
    1. Improved intercollege relationships and culture, respect for the independence of student organizations, accessibility, tuition costs, safety, ensuring facilities keep up with increased student enrollment.

2. Maintaining the stone barn, spending transparency, more certificate programs, more student-dedicated spaces.
  3. Having a connection to USask, engaging with students, experience in a non-academic setting.
- VP Bauman’s group provided the following answers:
    1. Supporting international students, mental health resources, more experiential learning, better student employment and wages, improving AES, creating an ombuds office, and better student housing.
    2. Building relationships, conflict resolution.
    3. Knowledge of the institution, non-partisan, a minimum of five years of senior leadership experience, takes criticism well, student-focused, innovative, a good ambassador for the University and for Saskatchewan.
  - Councillor Ge’s group provided the following answers:
    1. Support Indigenous students and international students, mental health support, cost of living for students, improved accessibility, campus safety, food insecurity, more student job opportunities.
    2. Secure more government funding, more certificate programs, surveys and student feedback.
    3. Student oriented, experience with budgets, preferably from Saskatchewan or western Canada, collaboration with colleges, dedicated to reconciliation.

**6.2. Motion for Appointment to the Academic Relations Committee**

Move to appoint Councillor Lennie-Koshman to the Academic Relations Committee.

<b>USCMOTION071</b>	<b>VP Bauman / Councillor Jacob</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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**7. Minutes and Reports for Information**

**7.1. USC Minutes – January 9, 2025**

Move to enter the USC minutes from January 9, 2025, into the official record.

<b>USCMOTION072</b>	<b>Councillor Finnie / Councillor Sidhu</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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**7.2. Executive Committee Minutes & Report – January 14, 2025**

President Chavda highlighted the following:

- He and VP Bauman met with Vice-Provost Cranston regarding concerns with a Computer Science course.
- Met with Senator Traci Muggli, who was sympathetic to the challenges of international students.
- The Executive Committee is finalizing changes to the executive scholarship policy.
- The USSU hosted several events for Winter Welcome Week.

- The USSU will soon start reviewing its student fees and annual budget.

VP Bauman added that next week is Academic Awareness Week.

Councillor Bytyqi requested more information about the USSU Undergraduate Symposium.

- VP Bauman answered that the event will be held on February 26. Registration is now open, and more advertising will be distributed after the Arts and Science Gala on January 17.

Move to enter the Executive Committee minutes from January 14, 2025, into the official record.

<b>USCMOTION073</b>	<b>President Chavda / VP Ahiabu</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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**7.3. Academic Relations Committee Minutes & Report – January 13, 2025**

VP Bauman shared the following:

- Teaching Excellence Award nominations for the Winter 2025 term open next week.
- Beginning to plan for the USSU Undergraduate Symposium.
- There is an increasing number of AES concerns.
- There will be an academic integrity policy feedback session with the University.

Move to enter the Academic Relations Committee minutes from January 13, 2025, into the official record.

<b>USCMOTION074</b>	<b>VP Bauman / Councillor Jacob</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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**7.4. Campus Group Committee Minutes & Report – January 13, 2025**

VP Ahiabu shared the following:

- The committee continues to process funding requests.
- They are working on specifying the criteria for EDI grants.
- This past week was Campus Group Week.
- There is a social for campus group leaders tomorrow.
- He is working on a campus group GPT that will be able to answer questions related to procedures that affect campus groups.

Move to enter the Campus Group Committee minutes from January 13, 2025, into the official record.

<b>USCMOTION075</b>	<b>VP Ahiabu / Councillor Cey</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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**7.5. Governance Committee Minutes & Report – November 6, 2024; December 4, 2024**

President Chavda shared that the committee is reviewing USSU policies and determining which ones need to be updated.

Move to enter the Campus Group Committee minutes from January 13, 2025, into the official record.

<b>USCMOTION076</b>	<b>President Chavda / Councillor Bytyqi</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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## **8. College/Constituency Report**

### **8.1. Agriculture and Bioresources**

Councillor Cey reported the following:

- Their graduation banquet is on Friday.
- They had a pancake breakfast this morning.
- The ASA discussed the questions about USask's presidential search process.

### **8.2. Arts and Science**

Councillor Bytyqi reported the following:

- The Arts and Science Gala is tomorrow at 8 PM. There will be food, artwork, and undergraduate research. Tickets are \$25 at the door, and all students (19+) are welcome to attend.

### **8.3. Dentistry**

Councillor Ge reported the following:

- Second-year students will begin seeing patients in March.
- The College of Dentistry signed a contract with companies to renovate the dental clinic.

### **8.4. Education**

Councillor Fielding reported the following:

- Their next steps conference is February 7 and is aimed at third and fourth year Education students.
- They have a career fair on January 28.
- Their traffic light night March 1.
- They are planning a trivia game night in February.
- Their hockey trip is next weekend.

### **8.5. Edwards**

Councillor Ryu reported the following:

- They have a tuition town hall next Monday.
- They will soon be holding an election for President of EBSS.

### **8.6. Engineering**

No Councillor present.

### **8.7. Indigenous Students**

Councillor Lafond had nothing to report.

### **8.8. International Students**

No Councillor present.

- 8.9. Kinesiology**  
Councillor Ahmed reported that the Kinesiology winter formal will be held on February 1 from 8 PM to 1 AM at Louis’.
- 8.10. Law**  
Councillor Sidhu reported that the malpractice mixer event is tomorrow.
- 8.11. Medicine**  
No Councillor present.
- 8.12. Nursing**  
No Councillor present.
- 8.13. Pharmacy and Nutrition**  
No Councillor present.
- 8.14. St. Thomas More**  
Councillor Jacob reported that they are working on some new ideas, including bringing in fair trade coffee.
- 8.15. Western College of Veterinary Medicine**  
No Councillor present.
- 9. New Business**  
There was no new business.
- 10. Questions, Comments, and Announcements**
- VP Bauman announced that the academic integrity policy discussion will be held during the evening of Tuesday, January 28. Several councillors expressed interest and confirmed their availability.
  - President Chavda announced that the USSU will host an ice skating event on January 21 at the Brunskill rink. The USSU has 20 pairs of skates and they will be provided on a first come first served basis.
  - President Chavda announced that the USSU will be hosting the Winter Whiteout Ball on January 24 at 9 PM. Attendees should wear white. Each college society will get 10 free tickets to distribute.
  - Councillor Sidhu shared concerns he has heard from staff at PAC, including their wages and employment status. Because they are considered contractual workers, they do not have parking spots allocated to them.
    - President Chavda explained that parking is limited on campus and the staff who have parking spots must pay for them. He is working on addressing student wages.
  - Councillor Sidhu also shared a concern from staff of the pool. These staff must renew their CPR certification and are wondering if USask can pay for the renewal.



- President Chavda stated that he will bring this request forward to the university's administration.

**11. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 PM.



## **Executive Meeting Minutes for January 21, 2025**

### **Present:**

President/Chair – Krunal Chavda  
VP Operations and Finance – Moses Ahiabu  
VP Academic Affairs – Elisabeth Bauman  
VP Student Affairs – Upkar Singh  
SM Communications & Marketing – Jason Ventnor  
Academic & Governance Assistant – Brock Neufeldt

### **Regrets:**

None

#### **1. Call to Order**

President Chavda called the meeting to order at 1:08 PM and stated the land acknowledgment.

#### **2. Quorum**

Quorum was present.

#### **3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

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VP Ahiabu / VP Bauman – carried

#### **4. Roundtables**

##### **a. President Chavda**

##### **i. Meetings**

1. Exec Meeting
2. Dr. Cranston x Krunal
  - a. Discussed concerns with the Computer Science department.
3. PEC
  - a. Brought forward concerns about the Computer Science department.
  - b. Advocated for the university to set up more internships.
4. CG week Tabling
5. Studentcare plan usage meeting



6. USC Pre-meeting
  7. University Students Council
  8. Breakfast with Dr. Baljit Singh x CGPS Dean Dr. Debby Burshtyn
  9. Studentcare fees discussion - VP Ahiabu x VP Bauman
  10. CG leaders Lunch and Learn
  11. USSU Student Fees discussion with Amanda and VP Ahiabu
  12. Financial Review - November
  13. FAC Meeting for 2025-2026 USSU Students' Fees
  14. Student Meetings (2)
  15. Advocacy Committee Meeting
  16. CSSS - Computer Science Student Society executives x Krunal meeting
    - a. Students are not certain that they will be able to graduate and are concerned about the stability of the department.
    - b. Students feel there is a lack of transparency in the department.
    - c. There is a feeling of distrust between students and instructors, and students feel like they cannot bring their concerns forward.
  17. Agriculture Student Association Meeting
  18. International Student Association Meeting
    - a. The president of INSA resigned but did not transfer information to the executive.
- ii. Projects/Initiatives**
1. Taylor Swift Karaoke Night
- iii. Events**
1. Taylor Swift Karaoke Night
  2. CG lunch and Learn
  3. 2025 ASSU Gala
- iv. Other**
- b. VP Ahiabu**
- i. Meetings**
    1. Social Committee Meeting
    2. Executive Meeting
    3. PPC
      - a. Indigenous Engagement Strategy Update- Vice-Provost Indigenous Engagement, Angela Jaime:**
        - i. Collaboratively work on symposiums to enhance indigenous student engagement
        - ii. Senior leaders will be responsible required to take ARAO trainings
        - iii. Ways to improve:



1. Indigenous faculty recruitment and retention
2. Graduate student recruitment and retention
3. Intentional space and resources for Indigenous undergraduate students
- iv. **Timeline:**
  1. Meeting with Deans/School Executives - Winter 2025
  2. Spring symposium - Spring 2025 (April 25)
- b. **Strategic Enrolment Management (SEM) Planning - Deputy Provost, Patti McDougall**
  - i. The SEM Steering Committee shared information with PPC on external factors that inform future decisions regarding enrollment growth at USask over the next five years. This “right size” discussion (Stage 1) becomes the basis of the work of identifying where growth will take place (Stage 2) and developing the tactics, activities, and priorities to support stability and growth (Stage 3).
    1. Stage 1: Focuses on the foundational questions
    2. Stage 2: Focuses on the distribution of enrollment across colleges
    3. Stage 3: Develop and monitor priorities
  - ii. There will be several strategies to recruit, train and retain Usask graduates
  - iii. **Could there be a possibility of creating more diploma programs to attract more international students?**
    1. Dr. McDougall said this may have to come from the college's perspectives and they will work closely with them to see the realization of this.
    2. The university is also mindful of what to provide students and they just don't want to create any random course just because of PGWP.
4. PEC
  - a. The State of Canada's Political Landscape
    - i. The university is fully prepared to work with the Poilievre (Pierre Poilievre) governance.
  - b. Trump Administration
    - i. Tariffs can affect federal funding to universities.
5. Studentcare - Plan Usage Meeting



6. USC Pre-meeting
  7. University Students Council
  8. Breakfast with Dr. Baljit Singh, CGPS Dean & GSA
  9. 2025-2026 Studentcare fees discussion with Krunal Chavda and Elisabeth Bauman
  10. 2025-2026 USSU Student Fees and benefits discussion with Amanda Mitchell and Krunal Chavda
  11. Financial Review Meeting for November, 2024
  12. FAC Meeting for 2025-2026 USSU Students' Fees
    - a. The USSU students' fees and benefits were present and approved to be taken to USC for approval before submission to the university.
  13. Campus Groups Committee Meeting
- ii. Projects/Initiatives**
1. CGW
  2. CG leaders Lunch and Learn Final Plan
  3. Ratification
  4. Funding
  5. Insurance
- iii. Events**
1. CG leaders Lunch and Learn
- iv. Other**
- c. VP Bauman**
- i. Meetings**
1. Susan Bens + Associate Dean Laura Wright
    - a. Student case meeting.
  2. Associate Dean Laura Wright: Appeal processes
  3. USURJ: collaboration for Academic Awareness Week and Symposium
  4. Open Resource Initiative Award Meeting: Luke Muller, Brock Neufeldt, DeDe Dawson, Heather Ross
    - a. Potential policy review.
  5. Jae Morgans
  6. Scholarships and Awards Committee
  7. Filming Academic Awareness Week Videos: Meerah, Raegan from library
  8. Student case meetings (2)
  9. Meeting with USask's privacy officer
  10. Jordan Hartshorn
  11. Student Care Meeting (Exec + SM)
  12. Dr. Long from Computer Science (Undergrad Chair)
    - a. Discussed the appeal process.



13. Exec meeting about Student Care
14. Breakfast with GSA/USSU executives/Phani/Debby
15. Academic Misconduct Hearing
16. Campus Group Week Socialization Event
17. Filming another video with Meerah
18. Exec Meeting

**ii. Projects/Initiatives**

1. Academic Awareness Week
  - a. I'll do project proposal
2. OER Campaign
3. Library Resources Campaign
4. Symposium planning
  - a. What is a Symposium Session (tomorrow!)
5. Increasing AES Concerns (collaborate with VP Singh)

**iii. Events**

1. Campus Group Week Socialization Event
2. In Medias Res launch party
3. ASSU Gala

**iv. Other**

**d. VP Singh - (Returned to the Office as I was away for Vacation)**

**i. Meetings**

**ii. Projects/Initiatives**

**iii. Events**

1. Skating

**iv. Other**

**5. New Business**

**a. Executive Scholarship Policy**

- i. [USSU Executive Scholarship Policy 2024-2025](#)
- ii. A few changes to the policy have been proposed and will be presented at the next USC meeting.

**b. Elections Report**

- i. SM Ventnor hired Grace to research what other U15 universities have done to promote their elections. An idea is to create an Elections Promotion Committee, separate from the Elections Committee, and hire one person to promote the elections. Another idea is to have a party after the elections to celebrate the end of the USSU term.

**c. Sheaf Interview**

- i. Responses are due by the end of the day.



**6. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 1:55 PM.



## **Advocacy Committee Meeting**

**Minutes for January 20, 2025**

**Present:** Krunal Chavda, Paras Sidhu, Jason Ventnor, Selim Bytyqi

**Regrets:** Ahuso Okojie, Muqtasida Fatima

**Absent:** Nahian Mashrafi

- 1. Call to order** - 2:11 PM
- 2. Quorum** - not present
- 3. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes**
  - Quorum was not present.
- 4. 2025-2026 Advocacy Roadmap**
  - National - CASA decides their advocacy topic through plenary
  - Provincial - Invest in Us document, USSU does advocacy to the province alone. Tried to get the Saskatchewan Student Coalition in place.
  - Municipal - Major issues to focus on housing, transit etc.
- 5. Provincial Lobby Document and Priorities**
  - <https://ussu.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/USSU-2022-23-Lobbying-Document.pdf>
  - Prioritize 3 asks
  - Ask one and two to put together
  - Recommendation five -
  - Recommendation Three - change this a little bit. - change it a to increase in scholarships, grants and bursaries
- 6. Action items**
  - Krunal to send the Invest in US document to the advocacy committee.
  - Plan to meet with the Minister of Advanced Education in Saskatoon, also ask the ministry for meetings.
  - Plan a day trip to Regina - Advocacy Day, Exec + Members of the advocacy committee to attend the meetings.
  - Contact the Advanced Education Critic from NDP.
- 7. Adjournment**
  - 3:08 PM



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**Campus Group Committee Meeting  
Minutes for January 20, 2025 – 12 PM  
Roy Romanow Student Council Chamber**

**Present:** Moses Ahiabu , Zachary Cey , Angi Patel , Hamza Abdi ;  
Guillermo Tellez-Hernandez

**Also Present:** Stefanie Ewen , Melissa Fielding

**Regrets:**

**1. Call to Order**

VP Ahiabu called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.

**2. Quorum**

Quorum was present.

**3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

CGC 2025.01.13

SAL Patel / Councilor Cey

Carried

**4. Introductions**

- a. All committee members introduced themselves with their name, pronouns, college, program and one interesting fact about their program.

**5. Business**

a. Ratification

- i. Sask Invent
- ii. U of S Dance Team
- iii. Usask Buddies and Exchange Students Program
- iv. Usask Menstrual Project
- v. Usaskforlife

Motion to provisionally ratify the following Campus Groups for the 2024-2025 academic year:

1. Sask Invent
2. U of S Dance Team
3. Usask Buddies and Exchange Students Program
4. Usask Menstrual Project
5. Usaskforlife

<b>CGMOTION035</b>	<b>VP Ahiabu / Councilor Tellez-Hernandez</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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b. Funding

Motion to grant **“Anatomy, Physiology & Pharmacology Students' Association”** \$350 Louis Credit of projects & initiatives funding for their event, **“APPSA, NSS, and BMISA Biomed Bash”** on January 31, 2025.

<b>CGMOTION036</b>	<b>SAL Patel / Councilor Cey</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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Motion to grant **“Neuroscience Students' Society”** \$350 Louis Credit of projects & initiatives funding for their event, **“APPSA, NSS, and BMISA Biomed Bash”** on January 31, 2025.

<b>CGMOTION037</b>	<b>SAL Abdi / SAL Patel</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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Motion to grant **“Biochemistry Microbiology and Immunology Student Association”** \$350 Louis Credit of projects & initiatives funding for their event, **“APPSA, NSS, and BMISA Biomed Bash”** on January 31, 2025.

<b>CGMOTION038</b>	<b>SAL Abdi / Councilor Cey</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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Motion to grant **“Terry Fox Club”** \$120 cash of projects & initiatives funding for their event, **“General Members Meeting”** on January 17, 2025.

<b>CGMOTION039</b>	<b>Councilor Cey / SAL Patel</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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Motion to grant **“Muslim Students' Association (MSA)”** \$1,000 (\$500 cash and \$500 XL Credit) of projects & initiatives funding for their event, **“United Islam Awareness Week”** from January 24 to January 31, 2025.

<b>CGMOTION040</b>	<b>VP Ahiabu / SAL Patel</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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Motion to grant **“Averroes USASK chapter”** \$360 (\$60 cash and \$300 Louis Credit) of projects & initiatives funding for their event, **“Games Night”** on January 31, 2025.

<b>CGMOTION041</b>	<b>Councilor Cey / SAL Patel</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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Motion to grant “**Red Cross Usask**” \$400 cash of projects & initiatives funding for their event, “**Hopes for Hearts Valentine's Fundraiser**” from February 11 to February 14, 2025.

<b>CGMOTION042</b>	<b>SAL Abdi / VP Ahiabu</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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Motion to grant “**Medical Students for Social Accountability (MSSA)**” \$400 cash of projects & initiatives funding for their event, “**Valentine's day gift basket giveaway**” from February 1 to February 20, 2025.

<b>CGMOTION043</b>	<b>SAL Patel / Councilor Tellez-Hernandez</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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Motion to grant “**College of Kinesiology Student Society**” \$1,000 Louis Credit of projects & initiatives funding for their event, “**Kinesiology Formal**” from February 1 to February 2, 2025.

<b>CGMOTION044</b>	<b>SAL Patel / Councilor Cey</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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c. CG Policy Changes

- i. We will have a separate meeting to discuss this in details

**6. New Business**

a. Clarification on P&I business credit grants.

- i. Student groups can use all their \$1,000 of P&I (projects & initiatives) grants towards business credits and there is no cap on how much you can use when. The cap only applies to cash sponsorship of P&I up to \$500

**7. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

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**Finance and Assessment Committee  
Minutes for January 20, 2025 – 11 AM  
Roy Romanow Student Council Chamber**

**Present:** Moses Ahiabu , Guillermo Tellez-Hernandez , Eliaking Cabrera ,  
Kyungsoo Ryu , Nathaniel Desjarlais

**Also Present:** Amanda Mitchell , Krunal Chavda

**Regrets:** Ishrat Maya

**1. Call to Order**

VP Ahiabu called the meeting to order at 11:07 AM.

**2. Quorum**

Quorum was present.

**3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

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Councillor Cabrera / Councillor Tellez-Hernandez

Carried

**4. Introductions**

- a. Each committee member introduced themselves with their names, pronouns, college, program, year, and their respective roles

**5. Business**

- a. 2025-2026 USSU Students' Fees

- i. USSU Fees:

1. USSU Infrastructure Fee (Frozen since 2022/23)

- a. 2024-2025 Fee: \$129.92

- b. 2025-2026 Fee: **\$129.92**

Motion to approve USSU Infrastructure Fee of **\$129.92** for the 2025-2026 academic year

<b>FAMOTION001</b>	<b>Councillor Cabrera / Councillor Tellez-Hernandez</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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2. USSU Saskatoon Transit Fee (increases by CPI - Nov)
  - a. 2024-2025 Fee: \$194.62
  - b. Nov CPI: 1.6%
  - c. 2025-2026 Fee: **\$197.74**
    - i. It has to be divisible by 2 according to the university

Motion to approve USSU Saskatoon Transit Fee of **\$197.74** for the 2025-2026 academic year

<b>FAMOTION002</b>	<b>VP Ahiabu / Councillor Cabrera</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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3. USSU Undergrad Student Fee (increases 5% per year)
  - a. 2024-2025 Fee: \$116.84
  - b. 2025-2026 Fee:  $116.84 * 1.05 =$  **\$122.68**
  - c. This fee is for operational activities (i.e., utilities, insurance, funding for Campus Groups, etc.)
  - d. University takes 1% of the fees and USSU gets 4%
  - e. The increase is a way to account for inflation, etc.

Motion to approve USSU Undergrad Student Fee of **\$122.68** for the 2025-2026 academic year

<b>FAMOTION003</b>	<b>Councillor Tellez-Hernandez / SAL Desjarlais</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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- ii. 2 Benefits (Student Care)
  1. Health and Dental Plan
    - a. 2024-2025 Fee: \$317.88
    - b. Increase: \$165.30
    - c. 2025-2026 Fee: **\$483.18**

Motion to approve Undergrad Dental and Health Plan benefits of **\$483.18** for the 2025-2026 academic year

<b>FAMOTION004</b>	<b>SAL Desjarlais / Councillor Tellez-Hernandez</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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## 6. New Business

- a. 2025-2026 USSU Budget review and approval
  - i. March 8th (9 AM - 5 PM)

## 7. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM.