



SAMRU's Mission

We represent and serve students to help them succeed.

SAMRU's Vision

Where every student can discover themselves, build meaningful relationships and make a difference in the world.

MINUTES

Student Governing Board

January 22, 2024

4:00PM – 7:00PM

Google Meets

Present:

Governors (voting):

Akash Parmar

Olivia Blackman-Christensen

Joel MacWilliams

Rafael Hernandez-Alarcon

Nancy Tran



Tyler Nail
 Prairie Morgan
 Tristalyn GiVogue
 Sundus Baig
 Kyle Joseph (part)

SAMRU Support (non-voting):

Maddox Nelles (Speaker)
 Joseph Nguyen (Representation Executive Council President) - part
 Pat Cochrane (Governance Coach)
 Brian Walters (Executive Director)
 Megan Borg (Governance Manager, scribe)

Guests:

Wasiimah Jooman (Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA) Executive Director) - part

Regrets:

Orion Tigley
 Angel Castillo

Topic	Motion(s)	Discussion
Land Recognition	<i>'Before we begin, we recognize that we are fortunate to be situated on Treaty 7 lands, including the Niitsitapi (nit-SIT-ah-pee, or Blackfoot) Nations of the Siksika (SICK-sick-ah), Kainai (GUY-nuy) and Piikani (pih-GAH-nee); the Tsuu T'ina (TSOO-tunuh) Nation; the</i>	

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	<p><i>Nakoda (nuh-KO-dah) Nations of the Bearspaw, Chiniki (CHIN-ee-kee) and Goodstoney; and the Metis Nations. Through this land acknowledgement we honour the agreements between the ancestral peoples of this land and the first Euro-Canadian settlers; agreements that have been historically dishonoured. We are all treaty people.'</i></p>	
Approval of Agenda	Motion: To approve the agenda. Hernandez Alarcon/Blackman-Christensen Carried	
Approval of Consent Agenda	Motion: To approve the consent agenda. Hernandez Alarcon/Nail Carried	
CASA Presentation	<p><i>CASA's Executive Director, Wasiimah Jooman presented to the Board on the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations.</i></p> <p><i>REC President Nguyen joined the meeting at 4:19PM</i></p> <p><i>Wasiimah Jooman left the meeting</i></p>	
Board Professional Development	<p><i>Governance Coach Cochrane provided a presentation to the Board on a review of governance and boards.</i></p> <p><i>Governor Joseph joined the meeting at 4:32PM</i></p>	
Strategic Plan Orientation	<p><i>Executive Director Walters provided an orientation to the Board on SAMRU's strategic plan.</i></p>	

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SAMRU Annual General Meeting Agenda	Motion: To approve the 2024 Annual General Meeting agenda. Tran/Nail Carried	<p>It was noted that the outline for the agenda is included in the SAMRU Bylaws. This will be the first year we are conducting REC elections during the AGM – the agenda has been structured so that REC elections occur early in the meeting and Board elections occur later in the meeting to break up the elections.</p> <p>The SAMRU Bylaw recommendations will be brought to the next SGB meeting for consideration.</p> <p>There was a discussion around improvements to the AGM meeting and voting processes for the upcoming meeting.</p>
REC Performance Evaluation Work Group	Motion: To appoint the following governors to the REC performance evaluation work group: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Governor Tran 2. Governor MacWilliams 3. Governor Blackman-Christensen Tran/Joseph Carried	

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Board Speaker February-April Work Group	Motion: To appoint Governor Tran, Governor Nail, and Governor Joseph as Speaker for the February-April Work Group meetings. MacWilliams/Hernandez Alarcon Carried	
Meeting Start Times	Motion: To start board and committee meetings at 4:30PM for the winter 2024 semester. Hernandez Alarcon/MacWilliams Carried Opposed: 2	
REC Interview Committees	Motion: To appoint the following Governors to the REC Interview Committees: REC President Interview Committee <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Governor Tran 2. Governor Baig 3. Governor Joseph REC VP Academic Interview Committee <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Governor Tran 2. Governor Baig 3. Governor GiVogue 	

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	<p>REC VP External Interview Committee</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Governor Tran 2. Governor Baig 3. Governor GiVogue <p>REC VP Student Affairs Interview Committee</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Governor Tran 2. Governor Baig 3. Governor MacWilliams <p>Tran/Hernandez Alarcon Carried</p>	
<p>Special Board Meeting - Candidate Endorsement</p>	<p>Motion: To hold a special online board meeting on March 4th at 4:30PM to endorse the REC candidates.</p> <p>Tran/Hernandez Alarcon Carried</p>	
<p>Announcements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Next meetings: February 5, 2024 (Work Group/Committees) and February 12, 2024 (Board) - SAMRU Awards - April 6, 2024 SAVE THE DATE! - Annual General Meeting - March 27, 2024 at 7:30PM - all Governors are expected to attend, registration info coming soon. 	

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<i>The meeting was adjourned at 5:35PM</i>		