



### **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**

March 18, 2024

4:30PM – 7:30PM

Google Meets



**Present:**

**Governors (voting):**

Kyle Joseph (Speaker)  
Akash Parmar  
Olivia Blackman-Christensen  
Rafael Hernandez-Alarcon  
Tyler Nail  
Prairie Morgan  
Orion Tigley  
Tristalyn GiVogue  
Joel MacWilliams

**SAMRU Support (non-voting):**

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

**Regrets:**

Maddox Nelles  
Angel Castillo  
Nancy Tran

Topic	Motion(s)	Discussion Notes
Speaker Appointment	<b>Motion: To appoint Governor Joseph as Speaker for the March 18, 2024 board meeting.</b> Morgan/Hernandez Alarcon Carried	
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 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>	
Approval of Agenda	<b>Motion: To approve the agenda.</b> Nail/Hernandez Alarcon Carried	
Approval of Consent Agenda	<b>Motion: To approve the consent agenda.</b> Hernandez Alarcon/MacWilliams Carried	
Board Professional Development	<i>Governance Coach Cochrane gave the board a presentation on the relationship that the Board has with the Executive Director.</i>	
Governor Resignation	<b>Motion: To accept Governor Baig's resignation as of March 1, 2024.</b> Nail/MacWilliams Carried	
Whistleblower Policy	<b>Motion: To approve the Whistleblower Policy.</b>	- The draft policy has been seen by the committees and was discussed at the last Board meeting.

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	MacWilliams/Hernandez Alarcon Carried	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Duties have been segregated for disclosures.</li> <li>- Since the last board meeting, the interpretation duties have been revised between the board and the ED for specific areas.</li> <li>- There was a discussion on where this policy can be accessed by the public; it was noted that this will be available on the SAMRU website and it is available internally on our staff drive and physical bulletin board. New staff will also receive it as part of their orientation.</li> </ul>
<b>SAMRU Segregated Fund Follow-up</b>	<b>Motion: To approve the Segregated Funds Policy.</b> Nail/Hernandez Alarcon Carried	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ED Walters gave an overview of the revisions, noting the creation of a new segregated fund for member food and financial security.</li> </ul>
<b>Announcements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Next meetings: April 8, 2024 (Work Group/Committees) and April 15, 2024 (Board)</li> <li>- Governor Farewell - March 25, 5:00-7:00PM in West Gate Social (free food!)</li> <li>- Annual General Meeting - March 27, 2024 at 7:30PM - REGISTER!!</li> <li>- SAMRU Awards - April 6, 2024 - Info has been emailed, please volunteer to present an award! 😊</li> </ul>	

*The meeting was adjourned at 5:30PM*