



Ryerson Students' Union

Meeting of the Board of Directors  
March 20, 2017, PIT 200

Executive Committee

Obaid Ullah	President
Victoria Morton	Vice-President Education
Tamara Jones	Vice-President Equity
Neal Muthreja	Vice-President Operations
Harman Singh	Vice-President Student Life and Events

Faculty of Arts Directors

Daniel Lis	Angelo Robb
Marzia Riaz	

Faculty Communication and Design Directors

Katii Capern	Kelly Kitagawa
William Fraser	Eleanor Kuan

Faculty of Community Services Directors

Abisola Asha	Chrys Saget-Richard
Michael Friedman	Anna Stevenson
Dahab Ibrahim	

Faculty of Engineering, Architecture Directors

Ruken Dilsah Izol	Monica Kwong
Naveed Khan	

Faculty of Ted Rogers School of Management Directors

Nasrudin Mumin

Faculty of Science Director

Robinder Jangi	Maryam Golbazi
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Course Unions Director

Betty Wang	International Student Representative
First Year Representative	Ali Yousaf
Razi Syed	Residence Representative
Graduate Representative	Lauren Emberson
Carolyn Qin	Senate Representative
Graduate Representative	Amar Latchman
Isuru Weekasekera	Student Group Director
	Yuli Jadov
	Board of Governors Representative
	Mariam Nouser

Ryerson Students' Union

Sid Naidu  
Casey Chu Cheong  
TBA

General Manager  
Internal Coordinator  
Chairperson

**ABSENT WITH REGRETS**

Eleanor Kuan  
Carolyn Qin

**AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE**

**2. APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR**

MOTION 2017-03-20 A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ be appointed as the Chairperson for  
the March 20 2017 Board of Directors meeting.

Moved: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded: \_\_\_\_\_ Result: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

A. MOTION 2017-03-20 A02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be accepted as presented.

Moved:

Seconded:

Result:

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APPENDIX A

A. MOTION 2017-03-20 A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the March 2 2017 Board of Directors Meetings be approved as presented in Appendix A.

Moved:

Seconded:

Result:

5. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS FOR VACANT POSITIONS ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MOTION 2017-03-02 G01

WHEREAS the RSU Bylaws states that Directors positions become vacant if a current Director is absent at regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS there have been resignations of four (4) directors from the Faculty of Ted Rogers School of Management and one (1) resignation from the Faculty of Engineering and Architecture; and

WHEREAS the following positions have become vacant:

- Faculty of Arts – 1 Position
- Faculty of Community Services – 2 Positions
- Faculty of Ted Rogers School of Management – 5 positions
- Faculty of Engineering and Architecture – 2 Positions
- Ex-Officio Course Unions Representative – 1 Position; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following candidates be ratified as Directors on the 2016-2017 RSU Board of Directors:

- Faculty of Community Services –Chrys Saget- Richards
- Faculty of Engineering and Architecture – Naveed Khan and Ruken Dilsah Izol
- Ex-Officio Course Union Representative – Betty Wang

Moved: Obaid Ullah

Seconded:

Result:

6. PREVIOUS BUSINESS OF THE 2017 -03-02 BOARD MEETING

A. NEW STUDENT GROUPS

i. MOTION 2017-03-02 C03 – GEOPOLITICS AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS the Student Groups committee has met and reviewed the application of students seeking status to establish new RSU student groups; and

WHEREAS Student Groups committee has found that all matters and requirements were in order and the groups were thereby recommended by the Committee for adoption by the board, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the student group “Geopolitics and Foreign Affairs Association” be ratified as an RSU group with full rights as defined by the Student Groups Policy.

Moved: Singh

Seconded:

Result

B. 6fest REPORT AND REFUNDS  
MOTION 2017-02-14 C04

WHEREAS it has been 4 months since the close of the 6fest concert (OCTOBER 9,10 2016); AND

WHEREAS the Vice President (VP) of Student Life and Events, Harman Singh is the only employee of the Ryerson Students' Union with access to 6fest concert information, finances, expenditure and all other logistics; AND

WHEREAS the VP of Student Life and Events has not yet giving a comprehensive report to the Board of Directors or Financial Controller on 6fest, on the agreed upon deadline of February 4 2017; AND

WHEREAS the VP of Student Life and Events has stated the he solely is responsible for 6fest refunds and has failed to respond to the growing mass of 6fest refunds, inquires and requests;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Vice President of Student Life and Events provide the list of transactions for tickets bought on all ticket sales platforms used, the list of submissions for refunds, the list of attendees that registered at the concert and the transactions of refunds processed to date to the Board of Directors and to the Financial Controller in the next 24 hours; AND

BE IT RESOLVED that the Vice President of Student Life and Events release the login information for Eventbrite and the original ticket sales system used, to the financial controller with the next 24 hours; AND

BE IT RESOLVED that the Vice President of Student Life and Events release the email confirmations of email transfers send to ticket holders to the board and the the financial controller with the next 24 hours to confirm that the refunds were released and to the correct individual; AND

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a transaction report is submitted to the Board of Directors and to the Financial Controller of the distribution and current balance of the \$80 000 deposited into the personal accounts of Harman Singh, Vice President of Student Life and Events and all other non RSU employees that are involved in the refund process and have been provided with RSU monies; AND

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the balance of the \$80 000 that has not been sent to ticket holders for 6fest refunds be returned to the RSU; AND

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Financial Controller implement an INTERNAL system to process the outstanding refunds to ticket holders; AND

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a comprehensive report of 6fest be submitted to the Board of Directors and the Financial Controller within 24 hours. AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the 6 Fest email password and username be given to all RSU executive members and the Financial Controller.

Moved: Angelo Robb

Seconded:

Result:

## 6. PREVIOUS BUSINESS OF THE FALL 2016 SAGM

### A. MOTION 2016-11-29 M17: SILENCE FOR REMEMBRANCE DAY

WHEREAS it is important to remember those that fought in the line of duty during WW1/WW

BE IT RESOLVED THAT official veteran poppies stations be set up a week prior of Remembrance Day to purchase and donate money in exchange for a poppy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT veteran support be offered on campus; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT educational discussions and programs be offered throughout the month of November in recognition of the history of WW1/WW2; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT on the eleventh month, on the eleventh hour, on the eleventh day, Ryerson takes a two minute moment of silence throughout the entire school; May it be that Ryerson bodies are to be notified in advance through social media outlets, and via email; Be it resolved that an announcement will be made throughout the school when the silence will begin as well as notifications on social media outlets; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the RSU organizes such mentioned by next November 1st 2017.

MOVED: Samantha Cooper

SECONDED:

RESULT OF VOTE

B. MOTION 2016-11-20 M18: CANADIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM

WHEREAS it is necessary to give respect to the democratic country we live in;  
and

WHEREAS it is necessary to encourage some patriotism in the formulating of  
identity in Toronto known as a diverse metropolis;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RSU plays the Canadian National Anthem  
throughout the entire school, every morning at 9:05am (between  
classes) Monday-Friday.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the RSU begin to play the anthem  
starting January 1<sup>st</sup> 2017.

MOVED: Samantha Cooper      SECONDED:  
RESULT OF VOTE:

C. MOTION 2016-11-20 M19: - RSU "Water Bottle Free" Campaign Revision

WHEREAS it is necessary to reduce the amount of plastic bottles for all types of  
beverages; and

WHEREAS the alarming rate of plastic production and usage causes  
environmental damage; and

WHEREAS using recyclable materials can help reduce pollution and  
provide sustainable solutions;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ryerson sells reusable bottles for purchase at all  
applicable locations that sell beverages and those that do not; Ryerson to  
eradicate all plastic beverages and replace them with other branded beverages  
that provide sustainable packaging solutions that are plastic free; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the RSU make changes in their campaign  
by May 2017. May it be further resolved that in such a situation that this is not in  
RSU authority, may the RSU re-launch a new campaign called "Bottled  
Beverages Plastic-Free" at Ryerson.

MOVED: Samantha Cooper      SECONDED:  
RESULT OF VOTE:

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. MOTION 2017-03-20 C01 - 6 FEST

WHEREAS 6 FEST, an event that was supposed to break even is now in a deficit of \$713,370.78; and

WHEREAS the money needed to pay off this deficit will be passed off to incoming and current students through the membership levy; and

WHEREAS the RSU Executives have demonstrated a lack of transparency regarding the management of students' funds; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the current RSU executives publish a statement on the RSU website outlining the deficit and how this will impact the allocation of funding collected from student levies in the upcoming years.

Moved: Dahab Ibrahim

Seconded:

Result:

B. MOTION 2017-03-20 – GRADUATE STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

WHEREAS Ryerson University has introduced and grown its graduate programs and graduate student enrollment over the last 10 years; and

WHEREAS when the Ryerson Student's Union was created the university did not have any graduate students; and

WHEREAS the needs of graduate students are fundamentally different from the needs of undergraduate students; and

WHEREAS Ryerson University is one of the only Ontario universities with graduate programs that does not have a separate and independent graduate student union;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Graduate student members of the Ryerson Student's Union be able to separate from the organization in order to create their own independent representative student organization during the 2017/2018 academic year; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the new organization maintain membership in the Canadian Federation of Students as a separate local, to be negotiated with the CFS; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the RSU fees collected from graduate students beginning in 2017 be held by the university for use by the new graduate student organization. Once a successful referendum is passed creating the new organization and authorizing the collection of fees from graduate students these fees would replace the RSU portion of the fee charged now; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the founders of the new graduate organization work with the VP Operations of the RSU and the Vice Provost, Students on an agreement, before September 2017, related to the distribution of portion of the RSU fees paid by graduate students, that fund other initiatives such as the CFS, the Eyeopener and the Radio Ryerson, and related to the services provided by the RSU that graduate students may still want to access (eg. discounted metropasses); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT graduate students continue to be charged for and enrolled in the health and dental plan administered by the RSU until such time as the new graduate student organization proposes, if they choose to, an alternative health plan for graduate students and hold a successful referendum among graduate students to create an independent health plan designed to meet the needs of graduate students.

Moved: Carolyn Qin                      Seconded:                      Result:

8. REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE – APPENDIX  
MOTION 2017-03-20 C05

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the reports of the Executive Committee be accepted as presented.

Moved:                                      Seconded:                                      Result:

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

10. ADJOURNMENT  
MOTION 2017-03-20 A04

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of the Board of Directors be adjourned.

Moved:                                      Seconded:                                      Result: