

Meeting of the Board of Directors

Ryerson Students' Union (RSU) – Local 24 Canadian Federation of Students
SCC 311 55 Gould St, Toronto, ON, M5B 1E9

Date - September 29, 2018

Time - 12pm - 2pm

Location - Thomas Lounge - 65 Gould St, Toronto, ON, M5B 1E9

Executive Committee

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| 1. Ram Ganesh | President |
| 2. Salman Faruqi | Vice-President Education (AB) |
| 3. Karolina Surowiec | Vice-President Equity |
| 4. Savreen Gosal | Vice-President Operations |
| 5. Edmund Sofo | Vice-President Student Life and Events |

Faculty of Arts

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| 6. Nicholas Chiong | 8. Shehroz Shabbir |
| 7. Sarah Mohamed | 9. Vacant |

Faculty of Ted Rogers School of Management

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| 10. Kruti Dave | 13. Ali Mulji |
| 11. Niall Hickey | 14. Simi Olatunji |
| 12. Nayrouz Mohamed Aly | 15. Ravneet Sohi |

Faculty Communication and Design Directors

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| 16. Jennifer Adler | 19. Leah Renaud |
| 17. Hirra Farooqi | 20. Imbar Slavat |
| 18. Tamar Lyons | |

Faculty of Community Services Directors

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| 21. Chelsea Davenport | 24. Ram Ragupathy |
| 22. Shivangi Gaur | 25. Khadija Raza |
| 23. Cristal Hines | |

Faculty of Engineering, Architecture and Science Directors

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| 26. Karol Bahnan | 28. Alessandro Cunsolo |
| 27. Iyvan Chandran | 29. Daniyal Patricio |

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Faculty of Science

30. Evan Almeida

31. Maria Vu

Yeates School of Graduate Studies

32. Vacant

33. Amber Grant

International Representative

34. Divyansh Chandel

Other Representatives

35. Vacant Board of Governors Representative

36. Hamza Shahid Course Unions Director

37. Vacant First Year Representative

38. Vacant Residence Representative

39. Fahim Khan Senate Representative

40. Maklane Dewever Student Groups Director

Ryerson Students' Union Staff

Dharshini Jay Financial Controller

Casey Chu Cheong Internal Coordinator

ABSENT WITH REGRETS

Land Acknowledgement

"Toronto is in the 'Dish With One Spoon Territory'. The Dish With One Spoon is a treaty

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between the Anishinaabe, Mississaugas and Haudenosaunee that bound them to share the territory and protect the land. Subsequent Indigenous Nations and peoples, Europeans and all newcomers have been invited into this treaty in the spirit of peace, friendship and respect."

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE

2. REMARKS OF THE CHAIRPERSON -

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION 2018-09-29 A01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the September 29 2018 agenda be approved as presented.

Moved: Ram Ganesh

Seconded: Savreen

Result: Passes

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION 2018-09-29 A02 - Appendix A

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the [August 20, 2018](#) minutes be approved as presented in Appendix A.

Moved: Ram Ganesh

Seconded: Savreen

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5. PREVIOUS BUSINESS

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. BY ELECTION - Ratification of the Chief Returning Officer and Election Dates

MOTON 2018-09-29 - G01



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Whereas the RSU has several unfilled positions on the Board of Directors and Graduate Representative Committee; and

Whereas per RSU Bylaws, a by election must take place in the Fall semester to select representatives for all vacant positions;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT October 3,4,5 be accepted as the date for the Fall By Election; and
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Jatinder Pal Singh be ratified as Chief Returning Officer for the Fall 2018 By Election.

Moved: Ram Ganesh Seconded:Shahroze Result: Approved

b. GOVERNANCE - INELIGIBLE BOARD MEMBERS AS PER RSU BYLAWS

MOTION 2018-09-29 - G02

Whereas it has been suggested by members of the Executive Committee that the RSU bylaws allow for individuals to be on the board and not attend Ryerson University; and

Whereas Bylaw 1.1 a) states:

1.1 Members of the Students' Union shall be deemed to be:

a) all individuals who are currently enrolled as a students at Ryerson University and have paid the Ryerson Students' Union student activity fee for the current term of study, which are undergraduate students enrolled in a full-time program and all graduate students; and

Whereas Bylaw 2.1 a) states

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2.1 Affairs of the Students' Union shall be managed by a Board of Directors, each of whom at the time of the April annual general meeting and throughout their term of office shall be:

a) a member of the Students' Union as set forth in the letters patent or bylaws of the Students' Union; and,

Whereas Bylaw 2.1 a) gives power to enforce bylaw 2.1 a) by stating:

2.3 The position of a Director shall be deemed vacant if a person currently functioning in such a capacity:

a) dies, ceases to be qualified, according to the by-laws of the Students' Union, to hold office, or resigns in writing to the Board of Directors; and

Whereas since to be a 'Member of the Student's Union' one must be a full time student who attends Ryerson and since Directors must also be 'A Member of the Student's Union' all directors must be enrolled in full time classes and attend Ryerson during their tenure with the exception of graduate students who needn't be full time; and

Whereas the claim has been made by the Executive Committee that this is a matter of past precedent and that individuals who are NOT currently members of the RSU can hold a seat on the Board of Directors; and

Whereas the RSU is governed by Roberts Rules of Order and the RSU Bylaws; and

Whereas precedent of not following the bylaws has no place in Roberts rules of order; and

Whereas past precedent does not entitle or condone that the Board of Directors should break the bylaws of the RSU; and

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Whereas members of a board have a fiduciary duty as per the RSU Bylaws and Director contract to the students to uphold our bylaws; and

Whereas it is unfair to members of the board to have ambiguity placed in the validity of their standing; and

Whereas following the RSU bylaws is integral to the proper function of the RSU; and

Whereas having a board composed of individuals who attend Ryerson is also a matter of good governance as outlined in the bylaws and in the student body's best interest; and

Whereas in order to ensure that the Board of Directors and the RSU is in compliance with the bylaws and set the right precedent for future leaders;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the Executive Committee investigate and confirm to the membership that all current members of the Board of Directors are also 'Members of the Student Union' as outlined in the bylaws; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT any Board Member that are not 'Members of the Students' Union' be removed from the Board of Directors as per RSU Bylaws; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the passage of this motion affirms the board's and membership's understanding that all members of the Board of Directors must be 'Members of the Student's Union' as outlined in the RSU bylaws; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the Governance Committee provides recommendations at the next board meeting in October to ensure that this confusion does not take place in the future.

Moved: Maklane Dewever

Seconded: Amber Result: Approved

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Abstention: Div and Alessandro

c. New Student Group Ratification

- i. MOTION 2018-09-29 C01 - Turkish Students 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 “Turkish Students Association” be ratified as an RSU group with full rights as defined by the Student Groups Policy.

Moved: Edmund Sofo
Approved

Seconded: Ivyan Results:

- ii. MOTION 2018-09-29 C02 - Photography Club
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 “Photography Club” be ratified as an RSU group with full rights as defined by the Student Groups Policy.

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Moved: Edmund Sofo

Seconded: Maklane

Results: Approved

iii. MOTION 2018-09-29 C03 - AR/VR 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 "AR/VR Association" be ratified as an RSU group with full rights as defined by the Student Groups Policy.

Moved: Edmund Sofo

Seconded: Daniyal

Results: Approved

C. First Year Representative Appointment

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Whereas A first year undergraduate student shall be appointed by the President and ratified by the Board of Directors by a 2/3 majority vote at the first board meeting of the fall term; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Stephanie Tryhub, a first year Biomedical Sciences student be appointed as the First year rep to the RSU board 2018-19

Moved: Ram Ganesh

Seconded: Hirra Result: Passes

Abstention: Daniyal



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7. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOTION 2018-09-29 R01

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Reports of the Executive Committee be accepted as presented in Appendix C.

Moved: Ram Ganesh

Seconded:

Result:

8. COMMISSIONER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOTION 2018-09-29 R02

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Reports of the Commissioners be accepted as presented in Appendix D.

Standing Committees:-

- Athletics Committee - Simi Olatunji
- Bursary Committee - Savreen Gosal
- Course Union Committee - Ali Mulji
- Equity and Social Justice Committee - Hirra Farooqi
- Events and Entertainment Committee - Shivangi Gaur
- Finance Committee - Savreen Gosal
- Governance Committee - Ram Ganesh
- Student Action Committee - Iyvan Chandran
- Student Group Committee - Ali Mulji
- Sustainability Committee - Kruti Dave

Moved: Ram Ganesh

Seconded:

Result:

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

- a. By Election - October 3,4,5 2018
 - i. Faculty of Arts Representative
- b. New York Reading Week Trip
 - i. Details are on website
- c. Spring Summer Honorarium
- d. RSU Membership Swag available at the Member Services Office

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- i. Dry Erase Wall Calendars
- ii. Water bottles
- iii. Day Planners
- iv. Lanyards

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2018-09-29 A03

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the September 29, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting of the Ryerson Students' Union be adjourned.

Moved: Ram Ganesh
Passes

Seconded: Shahroze Result:

