



SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION INC.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina & Saskatoon Campuses Zoom Meeting September 16, 2022

Present: Deep Pandya, President; Ujjval Chavda, VP Moose Jaw Campus;
Raj Chandran, VP Prince Albert Campus; Sydney Soloway, VP Regina Campus;
Cecily Chartier, VP Saskatoon Campus; and Louie Ramos, Executive Assistant

Regrets: Carol Tetreault, General Manager

1. Subject: Call to Order

Deep called the meeting to order 10:02 a.m.

The SPSA acknowledges that we are on Treaty 4 and 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. We pay our respect to the First Nations and Métis ancestors of this place and reaffirm our relationship with one another.

2. Subject: Adoption of Agenda

MOVED by Cecily, SECONDED by Ujjval to accept the Agenda as presented. CARRIED.

3. Subject: Adoption of Meeting Minutes

MOVED by Cecily, SECONDED by Ujjval to accept the August 24, 2022 Meeting Minutes as presented. CARRIED.

4. Subject: Executive Council Reports

MOVED by Ujjval, SECONDED by Raj to accept the September 16, 2022 President's and Vice Presidents Moose Jaw, Prince Albert and Saskatoon's Reports as presented.
CARRIED.

ACTION: Sydney

5. Subject: General Manager's Report

Deferred.

6. Subject: Action Items

6.1 Locker Terms & Conditions (July 22, 2022)

Cecily indicated that the SPSA has received concerns regarding lockers and the rental process during Welcome Week. Executive Council suggested that locker information and locker assistance contact information be made available on posters on each campus. The posters should also direct students to someone who can assist them in-person on campus. Executive Council agreed that Deep and Cecily will meet with Kendra Strong-Garcia, Director, Student Engagement & Learning Services to discuss the Locker Terms & Conditions and student concerns.

ACTION: Deep & Cecily

6.2 Veteran Listing from Sask Polytech (August 24, 2022)

Deferred. Deep indicated that Kendra has contacted him about the list and noted that the SPSA should receive the list shortly.

ACTION: Deep

6.3 Cafeteria Concerns (June 22, 2022)

Executive Council discussed cafeteria concerns from the Moose Jaw Campus. Deep indicated that students who have evening classes currently have no access to food services at the Moose Jaw Campus. Cecily noted that in her meeting with Bobbi Bates, Hospitality Services Manager and Derek Cotton, Academic Chair, School of Hospitality & Tourism, it was discussed that Food Services tried extending their hours during the Spring Semester but returned to regular hours due to low demand and budget constraints. Executive Council agreed that Deep and Cecily will contact Alice Miller, AVP Student Services regarding this concern.

ACTION: Deep & Cecily

6.4 Sexual Health & Wellness (July 20, 2022)

Cecily met with Kendra and Debra Kemp-Koo, Director, Counselling, Accessibility & Health, who indicated that providing Sexual Health information and supplies on Campus would be a great idea. It was also suggested that Sask Polytech partner with outside organizations to provide these services. Cecily noted that Debra provided her information to Courtney Dolha, Regina Campus Nurse, who is organizing a Sexual Health Fair at the Regina Campus. Executive Council agreed that a Sexual Health Committee may not be needed for the time being as Sask Polytech have staff that manages Sexual Health & Wellness.

6.5 Winter Transit Options from Regina to Moose Jaw (July 27, 2022)

Ujjval indicated that CanTour Express is currently providing transportation services from Regina to Moose Jaw and back. Ujjval noted that they are in the process of developing a student pass plan.

Deep and Sydney will meet to discuss the upcoming meeting with the Regina Mayor, Sandra Masters on September 19, 2022.

ACTION: Deep & Sydney

7. Subject: New Business

7.1 Welcome Week Debrief

Louie distributed staff members' Welcome Week Feedback to Executive Council for review. Executive Council agreed that the staff feedback was accurate to what they have heard and experienced on their respective campus. Executive Council also agreed that the SPSA-sponsored events were well advertised and well attended by the student body. Deep will forward the SPSA Feedback to AVP Alice Miller.

ACTION: Deep

7.2 SUDS Report

Deep and Raj attended the Student Union Development Symposium last August 12-15, 2022. Deep and Raj agreed that attending SUDS was beneficial as the student organizations in attendance were from all over Canada. Deep indicated that it was a great experience for learning and networking. Deep and Raj will prepare a report and forward to Executive Council for review.

ACTION: Deep & Raj

7.3 Federal Student Advocacy Alliance

Deep and Raj attended the FSAA Meeting last August 29, 2022. Deep indicated that advocacy priorities for each student union/association was discussed and noted that the SPSA needs to finalize two provincial advocacy priorities for the FSAA Meeting with the Ministers in Ottawa slated for early winter/late spring. Executive Council will discuss potential advocacy priorities at the next EC Meeting.

ACTION: Executive Council

7.4 Stand-Up Meeting Schedule

Executive Council members agreed to continue scheduling stand-up meetings once per week. Deep indicated that the schedule will be finalized once Raj receives his class schedule.

7.5 Student Society Re-Ratification, International Student Society MJ

Executive Council will conduct an email vote for the re-ratification of the International Student Society.

ACTION: Louie

8. Subject: Ongoing Business

8.1 Wellness Fee (July 6, 2022)

Executive Council will continue monitoring the fitness & recreation facilities for any issues that may arise.

8.2 Bylaw Update (June 22, 2022)

Deep will forward the Bylaws Draft to Executive Council by September 18, 2022.

ACTION: Deep

8.3 International Student Concerns (July 27, 2022)



Raj met with Annie Fu, who indicated that Sask Polytech was not able to receive approval from the Regina Airport to set-up a Shuttle Service and Welcome Booth to greet incoming International students. Raj noted that he inquired with other student unions/associations, who indicated that the institutions were able to provide these services to their International students without the approval of the city airport.

ACTION: Raj

8.4 Listing of SPT Policies and Procedure up for Review (July 8, 2022)

Complete. Executive Council met with AVP Miller, who indicated that only the Admissions Policy will be up for review this Academic Year. Deep and Sydney has also joined the Academic Council to provide the student voice in the committee.

9. Subject: Closed Session

The closed session began at 11:03 a.m.

The closed session ended at 11:16 a.m.

10. Subject: Announcements

10.1 Staff Updates

Louie informed Executive Council that the open staff positions have been successfully filled. The SPSA and the Executive Council welcomes Lisa Johnstone, Campus Director Prince Albert, Kaye Macatangay, Administrative Assistant PA and Madi Currie, Student Advocate – North.

11. Subject: Next Meeting

Friday, September 30, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

12. Subject: Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Date Accepted:

Signature: