



## SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION INC.

### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina & Saskatoon Campuses Zoom Meeting Friday, February 3, 2023

**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; Carol Tetreault, General Manager and  
Louie Ramos, Executive Assistant

**1. Subject: Call to Order**

Deep called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.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 Sydney, SECONDED by Cecily to accept the Agenda as amended. CARRIED.

**3. Subject: Adoption of Meeting Minutes**

MOVED by Sydney, SECONDED by Cecily to accept the January 20, 2023, Meeting Minutes as presented. CARRIED.

**4. Subject: Executive Council Reports**

MOVED by Sydney, SECONDED by Ujjval to accept the February 3, 2023, President's and VP Moose Jaw, Regina and Saskatoon's Reports as presented. CARRIED.

**ACTION: Raj**

**5. Subject: General Manager's Report**

MOVED by Cecily, SECONDED by Ujjval to accept the February 3, 2023, General Manager's Report as presented. CARRIED.

**6. Subject: Campus Council Update**

Moose Jaw Campus

Ujjval had a discussion with his Campus Representatives, who indicated that students are appreciative of events and clubs on campus. Ujjval is in the process of appointing



the successful Campus Representative applicant. Ujjval also indicated that Campus Representative applicants were impressed by the SPSA engagement on the Moose Jaw Campus but noted that some students might not know that an event is currently ongoing at the student lounge. It was suggested that a banner be posted outside the event venue to inform students of the ongoing event.

Ujjval noted that Thevi Pather, AVP International was at the Moose Jaw Campus to hear International Student concerns.

#### Prince Albert Campus

Raj noted that he is in the process of scheduling a Campus Council Meeting.

#### Regina Campus

The Regina Campus Council will meet on Monday, February 6, 2023, to discuss upcoming events and the SPSA Standing Committees.

#### Saskatoon Campus

Cecily announced that Hunter Nippi-Thirsk has been appointed as the new Campus Representative, Saskatoon. The SPSA welcomes Hunter and looks forward to working with him more closely in the future.

### **7. Subject: Standing Committee Update**

#### Academic Affairs Committee

The Committee meeting will be scheduled in the coming weeks. Sydney had a discussion with Carol and Ashley regarding Textbook Affordability and noted that the Academic Affairs Committee will petition SPT to develop a policy urging instructors to use a textbook for 2-3 years prior to using a new edition of the textbook.

#### Finance Committee

Ujjval is in the process of scheduling a Committee meeting in the coming weeks.

#### Student Affairs Committee

Cecily will schedule a Committee meeting in the coming weeks.

#### Governance & Policy Committee

Raj will schedule a meeting in the coming weeks.

### **8. Subject: Action Items**

#### 8.1 Locker Terms & Conditions (July 22, 2022)

General Council members expressed their concerns to Kendra Strong-Garcia, Director, Student Engagement & Learning Services at the last General Council Meeting on January 28, 2023. Deep will follow up and provide an update once available.

**ACTION: Deep**



#### 8.2 Cafeteria Concerns (June 22, 2022)

General Council members forwarded their concerns to Kendra at the last General Council Meeting on January 28, 2023. Deep noted that SPT Senior Admin was also looking into the issue and is currently planning on implementing a trial run of increased cafeteria hours at the Regina and Moose Jaw campuses. Deep will provide an update once available.

**ACTION: Deep**

Ujval shared inappropriate signage that was posted at the Moose Jaw Cafeteria. Carol will contact Kendra regarding this issue.

**ACTION: Carol**

#### 8.3 International Student Email List (September 30, 2022)

Deferred.

**ACTION: Carol**

#### 8.4 International Student Advisors (September 30, 2022)

AVP Pather was at the Moose Jaw Campus to discuss student concerns such as class scheduling, transportation, housing and childcare. Ujval indicated that SPT is not considering childcare at this time due to the nature of the institution where students come and go frequently. Ujval will contact AVP Pather to request a transcript of the discussion.

**ACTION: Ujval**

Cecily indicated that she is still in the process of scheduling a meeting with the International Department as they had asked her to check their calendars, however, we have no access to SPT systems.

**ACTION: Cecily**

#### 8.5 Budget Retreat Logistics (January 5, 2023)

Complete.

#### 8.6 SPSA Elections (January 5, 2023)

Complete.

#### 8.7 SCBScN Accreditation Review (January 20, 2023)

The meeting is currently slated for February 28, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. Deep, Sydney, Cecily and Carol will provide an update once the meeting has transpired.

### **9. Subject: New Business**

There are no New Business at this time.

### **10. Subject: Ongoing Business**

10.1 Wellness Fee (July 6, 2022)



10.2 Bylaw Update (June 22, 2022)

10.3 International Student Concerns (July 27, 2022)

**11. Subject: Closed Session**

The closed session began at 3:03 p.m.

The closed session ended at 3:18 p.m.

**12. Subject: Announcements**

There are no announcements at this time.

**13. Subject: Next Meeting**

Monday, February 20, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

**14. Subject: Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

Date Accepted:

Signature: