



## SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION INC.

### GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina & Saskatoon Campuses Videoconference Centres Saturday, November 5, 2022

**Present:** Executive Council  
Deep Pandya, President; Ujjval Chavda, VP Moose Jaw Campus;  
Raj Chandran, VP Prince Albert Campus; and Cecily Chartier, VP Saskatoon Campus

Campus Representatives  
Moose Jaw: Palak Halani, Rachit Mehta, Dakshesh Raval  
Prince Albert: Tom Varghese Manoj  
Regina: Ayomide Famuyide, Joyce Oduntan  
Saskatoon: Bernice Castro, Mickayla Maclachlan, Sahil Singh

SPSA Staff  
Carol Tetreault, General Manager, and Louie Ramos, Executive Assistant

**Regrets:** Sydney Soloway, VP Regina Campus; Tapish Grover, Campus Representative PA;  
Navjot Kaur, Campus Representative PA; Het Modi, Campus Representative Regina

**1. Subject: Call to Order**  
Deep called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

The SPSA acknowledges that we are on Treaty 4 and 6 Territory, 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 Rachit to accept the Agenda as presented. CARRIED.

**3. Subject: Adoption of Meeting Minutes**  
MOVED by Ujjval, SECONDED by Rachit to accept the October 16, 2022, Meeting Minutes as presented. CARRIED.

**4. Subject: Executive Council Reports**  
Deferred.

**5. Subject: Action Items**

5.1 OER & Textbook Affordability Letter Distribution

Complete. Louie has forwarded the letter to Kendra Strong-Garcia, Director, Student Engagement and Learning Services. The Academic Affairs Committee will discuss this item at their next meeting.

**ACTION: Academic Affairs Committee**

5.2 Tuition & Fees Concerns

Deferred. The Academic Affairs Committee is in the process of scheduling a meeting to discuss student concerns.

**ACTION: Academic Affairs Committee**

5.3 Childcare Support for Students

Cecily indicated that students are requesting childcare facilities on the Moose Jaw and Saskatoon main campuses. Deep suggested contacting the Moose Jaw Chamber of Commerce to determine if private companies would provide this service. Cecily and Ujval will meet to discuss options and forward them to the Student Affairs Committee for consideration.

**ACTION: Student Affairs Committee**

5.4 Locker Concerns

Cecily indicated that locker information has improved and that Sask Polytech has started posting posters and images regarding “how to open a lock” and whom to contact for any issues. General Council members also noted that the Facilities Office is accessible on each campus. Cecily has forwarded the SPSA’s suggestions on the Locker Terms & Conditions to Kendra but is currently waiting for a response.

**ACTION: Student Affairs Committee**

5.5 Parking Concerns

Deferred. Cecily is currently awaiting a response from Kendra.

**ACTION: Student Affairs Committee**

5.6 Cafeteria Concerns

Deferred. It was suggested that the Cafeteria do a trial run of closing later in the day to provide grab-and-go items to students who are taking late/evening classes. Cecily will forward this suggestion to Bobbi Bates, Hospitality Services Manager. The Student Affairs Committee will discuss the next steps should there be no changes to the cafeteria hours.

**ACTION: Student Affairs Committee**

5.7 Bylaw Amendments

Deferred. Raj indicated that the Governance & Policy Committee will meet later today to discuss possible amendments to the Bylaws and Policies.

**ACTION: Governance & Policy Committee**



5.8 FSAA Advocacy Priorities

Deferred. VP Campuses will discuss with their respective Campus Councils and forward suggestions at the next General Council Meeting.

**ACTION: VP Campuses**

5.9 SDG Accord

Deferred.

**ACTION: General Council**

**6. Subject: New Business**

6.1 Committee Vice-Chair Appointments

Deep asked Standing Committee Chairs to appoint a Vice-Chair from their respective committee members.

**ACTION: VP Campuses**

**7. Subject: Closed Session**

The closed session began at 9:43 a.m.

The closed session ended at 9:54 a.m.

**8. Subject: Announcements**

8.1 Campus Representative, Prince Albert

The SPSA welcome Navjot Kaur, the newly appointed Campus Representative, Prince Albert. General Council members look forward to working with Navjot more closely in the future.

**9. Subject: Next Meeting**

Saturday, December 3, 2022, 9:00 a.m.

**10. Subject: Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

Date Accepted:

Signature: