



### **SAMRU's Mission**

We represent and serve students to help them succeed.

### **SAMRU's Vision**

Where every student can discover themselves, build meaningful relationships and make a difference in the world.

# **Minutes**

## **Student Governing Board**

March 14, 2022

4:15PM – 7:15PM

Google Meets

### **Present:**

#### **Governors (voting)**

Christian Kindrachuk

Michaela Butt

Nic Savage

Taylor Amy

Sophie Piche

Nancy Tran

Arooba Siddiqui  
Leah Hart  
Tristalyn GiVogue  
Andrea Barlaan (part)

**SAMRU Support (non-voting):**

Ashley Schreiner (Speaker)  
Spirit River Striped Wolf (Representation Executive Council President)  
Pat Cochrane (Governance Coach)  
Brian Walters (Executive Director)  
Megan Borg (Governance Manager, scribe)

**Regrets**

Erin Hepburn  
Avery McLellan  
Michelle Gladue

**Land Recognition**

*'Before we begin, we recognize that we are fortunate to be situated on Treaty 7 lands, including the Niitsitapi (nit-SIT-ah-pee, or Blackfoot) Nations of the Siksika (SICK-sick-ah), Kainai (GUY-nuy) and Piikani (pih-GAH-nee); the Tsuu T'ina (TSOO-tunuh) Nation; the Nakoda (nuh-KO-dah) Nations of the Bearspaw, Chiniki (CHIN-ee-kee) and Wesley; and the Metis Nations. Through this land acknowledgement we honour the agreements between the ancestral peoples of this land and the first Euro-Canadian settlers; agreements that have been historically dishonoured. We are all treaty people.'*

Topic	Recommended Motion(s)	Discussion
<b>Governor Oaths</b>	<p>Governor GiVogue and Governor Hart recited the following oaths:</p> <p><i>I (person's name) do solemnly and sincerely promise and swear:</i></p> <p><i>That I will fulfill my duties and obligations of my position to the best of my ability and judgment, in conformity with the Objects and Bylaws of the Students' Association of Mount Royal University.</i></p> <p><i>That I will adhere to and enforce the Students' Association's Code of Ethics. That I will, in all my acts, be governed by the principles of honesty, justice and fair play, and in every manner possible endeavor to promote and safeguard the best interest of the Students' Association of Mount Royal University, the high purposes of our Board, and the welfare of our membership.</i></p>	
<b>Approval of Agenda</b>	<b>Motion: To approve the agenda.</b> Hart/Tran Carried	
<b>Approval of Consent Agenda</b>	<b>Motion: To approve the consent agenda</b> Savage/Amy Carried	
<b>Board Professional Development</b>	<b>Motion: To go in camera.</b> Amy/Hart Carried  <b>Motion: To go out of camera.</b> Barlaan/Hart Carried	Governance Coach Cochrane gave a presentation on in-camera sessions and asking good questions as board members.

	<p><b>Motion: That the President deliver the Board's appreciation to VP Timmermans for the extraordinary work she's done with CAUS.</b></p> <p>Amy/Hart Carried</p>	
<p><b>Governor Committee Appointments</b></p>	<p><b>Motion: To appoint Governor GiVogue to the Accountability Committee.</b></p> <p>Hart/Kindrachuk Carried</p> <p><b>Motion: To appoint Governor Hart to the Accountability Committee.</b></p> <p>Amy/Kindrachuk Carried</p>	<p><i>Governor Barlaan left the meeting</i></p>
<p><b>Governor Recruitment Committee</b></p>	<p>Motion: To appoint the following Governors to the Governor Recruitment Work Group:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Governor Tran</li> <li>2. Governor Amy</li> <li>3. Governor Hart</li> </ol> <p>Amy/Piche Carried</p>	
<p><b>2022 Governor Elections Report</b></p>	<p><b>Motion: To accept the 2022 Governor Elections Report from the Chief Returning Officer.</b></p>	<p>ED Walters gave an overview of the CRO's report:</p>

	Hart/Savage Carried	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Chief Returning Officer is hired by the Board to run SAMRU elections.</li> <li>- Direction from the Board to the CRO is through the election policies and the elections memo.</li> <li>- The Governor election is included in this report.</li> <li>- The CRO indicated that the election ran very smoothly.</li> <li>- The CRO has noted the success of running the elections online.</li> </ul> <p>Additional discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- President Striped Wolf gave accolades to the Board over the hiring of our CRO and noted that our CRO is professional and our policies are robust.</li> </ul>
<b>Salary Scale Review</b>	<b>Motion: To approve the 2023-2024 full-time staff salary recommendations.</b>  Piche/Hart Carried	ED Walters gave an overview of the salary scale review: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SAMRU looks to attract and obtain quality staff and remain competitive – we do a salary review every two years compared to other comparable organizations within Alberta. We use the Boland survey results as our research point.</li> <li>- Salaries have a range (base and cap) and are reviewed every two years.</li> <li>- The salary scale changes would come in to effect on July 1, 2022.</li> </ul>
<b>Postponed to April Board meeting: REC Elections Process Discussion</b>		<i>Postponed to the next meeting when the 2022 REC elections are complete.</i>
<b>Policy Review</b>	<b>Motion: To approve the Segregated Funds Policy.</b>	ED Walters gave a reminder overview of the policy review project.

	<p>Amy/Kindrachuk Carried</p> <p><b>Motion: To approve the Finance Policy.</b></p> <p>Hart/Savage Carried</p>	<p>ED Walters presented the Finance Policy and the Segregated Funds Policy.</p>
<p><b>Announcements</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next meetings: April 4 (Work Group/Committees) and April 11 (Board)</li> </ul>	