



Meeting #:	353
Date:	19 th December, 2023
Time:	7 PM [EST]
Location:	HMC Campus Boardroom

Director	In Attendance	Calling In	Absent	Late	
Chairperson: Harjot Sidhu	×				
Darshil Vaviya	×				
Gulsher Cheema		\boxtimes			
Ademidun Abimbola		×			
Kishan Khavas		×			
Mohammedsaifali Multani		×			
Nhu Y Lai Tran	×				
Rajdeepkaur Jat		×			
Sara Haider		×			
Shrey Jani	×				
Siddhi Gandhi		×			
Vidhya Ganapathy Subramanian			×		
Total	04	07	1	0	
Quorum is reached with 12 directors being present.					

Ex-Officio Member	In Attendance	Calling In	Absent	Late
Kyle Budge, President, Interim Secretary	\boxtimes			
Jamie (James) King, Managing Director	\boxtimes			
Dilas Siddiqui, Governance Coordinator and CRO	\boxtimes			
Maria Lucido-Bezely, Dean of Students	\boxtimes			

Guests In Attendance	Sawssan Matar
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Agenda Item 01 Call to Order

Notes:

Meeting is called to order at 7:22 PM [EST] with 11 members present.

Agenda Item 02 Roll Call

Notes:

• Dilas Siddiqui does the roll call and states that 11 directors will be joining the meeting today, with 4 attending in person and 7 attending virtually.

Agenda Item 03 Opening Remarks

Notes:

• Nhu Y Lai Tran does the land acknowledgement.

Agenda	Agenda Item 04 Approval of Current Meeting Agenda						
Motion: I move that we approve the agenda for the 353 rd SSU Board Meeting Agenda as presented to							
Motion.	the board.						
Moved By: Darshil Vaviya Seconded By: Nhu Y Lai Tran							
Notes:							
Kyle Budge brings up the agenda on screen.							
Motion Carries							
Votes:		For:	Against:	Abstain:			
votes:		11	0	0			

Agenda Item 05 Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes						
Motion: I move that we approve the 352 nd Meeting Minutes, as presented to the Board.						
Moved By: Sara Haider Seconded By: Darshil Vaviya						
Notes: • Kyle Budge brings up the meeting minutes on the board.						
Motion Carries						
Votes:		For:	Agai	nst:	Abstain:	
votes:		11	0		0	

Agenda Item 06 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

Notes:

• Kyle Budge, Jamie King and Dilas Siddiqui will have a conflict of interest with the in-camera session and will be leaving for the duration of the session.

Agenda Item 07		Quarterly Update		
Motion: The SSU board moves to receive the 2023-202			4 Q2 Fiscal Update	as Presented
I	Moved By: Sa	ara Haider	Seconded By:	Nhu Y Tran

Notes:

- Jamie King provides a quarterly update on the Sheridan Student Union's financial conditions and informs everyone that Hanh Ngo will not be attending the meeting.
- Jamie reminds everyone that the Quarterly Update only contains information up to October 31st, 2023, which entails only a couple months of student activity.
- The quarterly update was presented to the finance committee prior to the board meeting and the purpose of the update was to demonstrate compliance with a variety of metrics. At the end of October, the consolidated statement of financial position illustrated cash and cash reserve balances of approximately \$30 million. Jamie also detailed several obligations with regards to the building capital fund, an example being a \$10 million loan with the college surrounding the new HMC student center.
- Jamie went on to mention that the organization continued to be in a very strong financial position but reminded the board that the organization was not expending more funds than what had been collected from students.
- Jamie also mentioned that the SSU expects to accumulate approximately \$5.634 million in revenue, in terms of the annual budget. At the end of October, almost 6 months into the year, the organization currently has a revenue of approximately \$3.568 million. This number is well over what was expected.
- Although the number is an approximation, Jamie reiterated that when it comes to revenue, a lot of it has to do with student fees from increased enrollment. When enrollment increases, fee revenues increase. However, revenue is hard to predict this year due to robust student enrollment projections and the SSU making cautious calculations regarding those numbers. For instance, in the budget the board approved last year, a deficit budget of approximately \$287,000 was expected. However, at this point, the organization will be running a surplus with that number being somewhere between approximately \$90,000 to \$380,000, again mostly tied to increased student enrolment.
- Jamie further reiterated that he wanted the Board to be aware that most of the funding was brought about by increased enrolment and that strategies to address that surplus and do something responsible with it would be considered the responsibility of the Board.
- Jamie went on to mention other housekeeping points such as the SSU's diligence on making sure employees were paid on a biweekly basis and that tax payments or other government ordered payments were not filed incorrectly in order to not be penalized. He also wanted the board to be made aware that they have not made a single purchase or commitment greater than \$25,000 and provided evidence of that.
- Jamie concluded by saying that the SSU did not foresee any real threats in the current fiscal year regarding its financial position budget of any significance other than a surplus.
- Kyle Budge asked if the surplus in the quarterly update was based on the expected or projected enrollment to which Jamie replied it was based on the budgeted expected enrollment

Motion Carries				
Votes	For:	Against:	Abstain:	
Votes:	11	0	0	

Agenda Item 8 Board Retreat Recap

Notes:

- Jamie King summarized what the board talked about during their board retreat in Ottawa which included setting goals such as:
- Revamping and increasing financial aid (scholarships, bursaries, etc.) available to students.
- Changing the structure of the board of directors to allow for better diversity and representation.
- Building and adding to the internship and co-op framework at the SSU.
- Increasing the number of off-campus events available to students.
- Establishing a task force/committee that deals with issues concerning student housing.
- Jamie mentioned that it would be efficient to have initial thoughts prepared by him and members of the student executives around how to further some of these goals and advance them before the end of the academic year. He asked the board for feedback on that plan to which Harjot Sidhu replied that due to certain board members not being present, the board would reconvene and get back to Jamie.
- A discussion ensued between Maria Lucido and other board members about the goal related to restructuring the board to allow for better diversity and representation and what that process would look like. Maria also mentioned that although cultural diversity was very important, as representatives of the student body, a good balance should also be kept between domestic and international students.
- Kyle Budge reminded the board that any structural decision they make, would be decided on and voted in by the student body at the AGM.

Agenda	Item 09	Winter 2024 Boar	d Meetings		
Motion: I move that the Board of Directors meet every other Wednesday from 7 PM to 9 PM for the					
Winter Semester, with the first board meeting taking place on January 19, 2024					
Moved By: Harjot Sidhu Seconded By: Darshil					
Notes:					
• The box	ard decided on v	when to meet for their	bi-weekly board meeti	ngs in the Winter semester	
Motion Carries					
Votes	F	or:	Against:	Abstain:	
Votes:		11	0	1	

Agenda Item 10 New Business

Notes:

- Kyle Budge asked the board if they were aware of the international student event happening on January 6th and to reach out to him for more information if they hadn't been informed by anyone else.
- Kishan Khavas asks if any space on the Sheridan campuses is allowed to be rented out to non-profit organizations. Kyle replies by saying that for the SSU space, the answer is no unless they're partnered with the organization. Maria recommends that Kishan contact the Events and Conferences department of Sheridan College since the requests vary by number of people and logistic details. Shelly from that department would reply once he reached out to them.

Agenda Item 11		In Camera Session				
Motion:	Motion: I move that we transition into an in-camera session to discuss an issue concerning the organization's governance structure.					
]	Moved By: Harjot Sidhu			Darshil Vaviya		
Notes:	Notes:					
• The board will be moving into an in-camera session in order to discuss a confidential HR matter.						
• Harjot asks Jamie and Dilas to stay for a specific period and lets them know that they can leave once						
the board decides to hold a conversation with themselves and Maria.						
• The boa	ard moves in	to open session at 8:01 PM	[EST].			

Motion Carries					
Vatan	For:	Against:	Abstain:		
Votes:	10	0	1		

Agenda	a Item 12	In Camera Sess	In Camera Session					
Motion: I move that we transition back into open session								
Moved By: Harjot Sidhu Seconded By: Darshil								
Notes: • The board moves back into open session at 9:20 PM [EST].								
Motion Carries								
Votes:		For:	Against:	Abstain:				
		10	0	0				

Agenda Item 13			In Camera Session						
Motion:	The board has resolved to provide confidential info to the HR director and the information								
	has been shared								
	Moved By:	Harjot Sidhu	Seconded By:	Darshil Vaviya					
Notes:									
• The board has reached a resolution regarding the issue they discussed during the in-camera session.									
Motion Carries									
Votes:		For:		Against:	Abstain:				
		10	0		0				

Agenda Item 14		Adjournment	Adjournment						
Motion: "I move that we adjourn the 352 nd Meeting of the SSU Board of Directors."									
Moved By: Harjot Sidhu			Se	Seconded By: Darshil Vaviya					
Notes: • Meeting is adjourned at 9:29 PM [EST],									
Motion Carries									
Votes:]	For:	Against:		Abstain:				
		12	0		0				

Referenced Documents:

352nd Board Meeting Minutes
 353rd Board Meeting Agenda

Respectfully submitted by,

Dilas Siddiqui (Signature of Secretary of the Board)

Adopted by the SSU Board of Directors in the meeting of

17th January, 2023 (Date of Meeting)

Harjot S. Sidhu Harjot S. Sidhu (Jan 17, 2024 19:03 EST)

(Signature of Board Chairperson)

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