

## Saitsa Board of Directors Special Meeting Minutes

January 20, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.  
Boardroom, Begin Tower 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor

### Present:

Alex Sutherland	BOD Chair	Voting Member
Jesse Wicks	BOD Vice Chair	Voting Member
Avneet Brar-Sran	Director	Voting Member
Richard Hoang	Director	Voting Member
Tim Holowachuk	Director	Voting Member
Liam Hunter	Director	Voting Member
Shawna LeBlanc	Director	Voting Member
Jessi Leippi	Director	Voting Member
Candy Loo Tong	Director	Voting Member
Charlson Reyes	Director	Voting Member
Yatendra Solanki	Director	Voting Member
Ryan Morstad	Saitsa President	Voting Member
Garrett Koehler	Vice President External	Voting Member
Tanya Pittis	Vice President Academic	Voting Member
Jess Beddow	Vice President Student Life	Voting Member
Joy Bowen-Eyre	Neutral Facilitator	Non-Voting
Marc Stromme	Saitsa Executive Director	Non-Voting
Rachel Paris	Saitsa Manager, Governance & Advocacy	Non-Voting

### Regrets:

Tristan Ryan	Director	Voting Member
Rio Valencerina	Saitsa Coordinator, Governance	Non-Voting
Rigel Raju	Board of Governors Student Representative	Non-Voting

### Guests:

Roy Daykin	SAIT - CFO & VP Corporate Services
Katie Hope	SAIT – Government and Community Relations Manager

### Agenda Item

#### 1.0 Call to Order

*A.Sutherland called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.*

#### 2.0 Acknowledgement of Traditional Indigenous Territories

*A.Sutherland gave the acknowledgement of Traditional Indigenous Territories.*

**3.0 Conflict of Interest Check**

A.Sutherland reminded the Board of conflicts of interest and reminded the Board to declare any real or perceived conflicts of interest.

**4.0 Approval of Agenda**

**Motion:**

To approve the agenda.

**T.Pittis/R.Morstad  
15-0-0  
Motion Carried**

**5.0 Mandatory Non-Instructional Fee Proposals Presentation & Question Period**

**Motion:**

Move to go in-camera with all present.

**R.Morstad/R.Hoang  
15-0-0  
Motion Carried**

*Meeting moved in-camera at 6:08 p.m.*

*R.Daykin and K.Hope were excused from the meeting at 6:55 p.m.*

**Motion:**

Move to go out-of-camera.

**R.Morstad/T.Pittis  
14-1-0  
Motion Carried**

*Meeting moved out-of-camera at 7:04 p.m.*

**Motion:**

Move to recess.

**A.Sutherland/R.Morstad  
11-2-2  
Motion Carried**

*Meeting reconvened at 7:11 p.m.*

**Motion:**

Move to go in-camera

**T.Pittis/C.Reyes  
15-0-0  
Motion Carried**

*Meeting moved in-camera at 7:12 p.m.*

**Motion:**

Move to go out-of-camera.

**J.Wicks/L.Hunter  
10-5-0  
Motion Carried**

*Meeting moved out-of-camera at 7:42 p.m.*

**Saitsa Board of Directors Resolution:**

**Proposed Technology Mandatory Non-Instructional Fee (MNIF)**

**WHEREAS** in accordance with the Post-Secondary Learning Act of Alberta, it is the responsibility of the student council of SAIT to approve new MNIF's, and

**WHEREAS** the proposed Technology MNIF will be phased in over three years to all students and at a reduced rate to apprentice and part-time students, and

**WHEREAS** the MNIF will first be assessed to students in Fall 2020, and

**WHEREAS** in 2020/2021, the fee will be \$50 per term, per student; in 2021/2022, the fee is to be increased to \$75 per term per student, and in 2022/2023, the fee is to be increased to \$100 per term per student, and

**WHEREAS** SAIT students expect quality education and services, and

**WHEREAS** improvements to cyber security will work to protect SAIT students' and the institutions' confidential information, and

**WHEREAS** improvements to cyber security will help to physically protect the SAIT community via the SAIT Alert App, and

**WHEREAS** improvements to technology will improve the student experience, and

**WHEREAS** increasing access to program and course learning materials outside of the classroom will improve the student experience and learning outcomes.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Saitsa Board of Directors approve the proposed Technology MNIF.

**T.Holowachuk/J. Wicks**  
15 Ballots Cast  
Majority required to adopt is 8  
**10 voted in favour**  
**5 voted against**  
**Motion Carried**

**Saitsa Board of Directors Resolution:**

**Student Support Mandatory Non-Instructional Fee (MNIF).**

**WHEREAS** in accordance with the Post-Secondary Learning Act of Alberta, it is the responsibility of the student council of SAIT to approve new MNIF's, and

**WHEREAS** the proposed Student Support MNIF will be phased in over three years to all students and at a reduced rate to apprentice and part-time students, and

**WHEREAS** the MNIF will first be assessed to students in Fall 2020, and

**WHEREAS** in 2020/2021, the fee will be \$50 per term, per student, in 2021/2022, the fee is to be increased to \$75 per term per student, and in 2022/2023, the fee is to be increased to \$100 per term per student, and

**WHEREAS** SAIT students expect quality education and services, and

**WHEREAS** student awards and needs-based bursary opportunities will be increased, and

**WHEREAS** student employment opportunities will be increased, and

**WHEREAS** student services will be enhanced and expanded, and

**WHEREAS** the fee will result in the establishment of an Ombudsperson office at SAIT in collaboration with Saitsa,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Saitsa Board of Directors approve the proposed Student Support MNIF.

**L.Hunter/T.Holowachuk**

15 Ballots Cast

Majority required to adopt is 8

**11 voted in favour**

**4 voted against**

**Motion Carried**

**6.0 Questions/Adjournment**

**Motion:**

Move to adjourn by general consent.

**14-0-1**

**Motion Carried**

*Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.*