



**SUSK Annual General Report
2018-19**

Program

Thursday, May 2, 2019

16:30-18:00	Registration	Oseredok 184 Alexander Ave
18:00-19:30	Intros and Icebreakers Introductions Overview of Congress Executive Reports	Oseredok
19:30-22:00	Amazing Race	Around Winnipeg
22:00	Sing Along	TBC

Friday, May 3, 2019

8:30	Breakfast/ SUSK Presidium	Oseredok
9:00-9:15	SUSK Financial Overview Roman Grod, SUSK VP Finance	Oseredok
9:15-10:15	USO 101 Stephanie Nedoshytko, SUSK President Mikaila Orzynsky, SUSK Media Director	Oseredok
10:15-12:00	USO Report Activity	Oseredok
12:00-13:00	Lunch	Oseredok
13:00-14:00	Mixed Messages: Canadian Journalists reporting on Ukraine during the Holodomor Jars Balan, Director, Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies (University of Alberta)	Oseredok
14:00-15:00	Forbidden Photographs: Authenticating Visual Evidence of the Holodomor Anastasia Leshchysyn, Research Associate, Holodomor Research & Education Consortium, Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies (University of Alberta)	Oseredok
15:00-15:30	Break	Oseredok
15:30-16:00	Breaking Through to Raise Awareness of the Holodomor Joe Myers, President and Founder of Mixtape	Oseredok
16:00-17:00	Story Behind the Film Mr. Jones Andrea Chapupa, Writer & Producer	Oseredok

Friday, May 3, 2019 (cont.)

17:00-18:00	Film: Putin's Hostages	Oseredok
18:00-22:00	Break/Free Time	
22:00	Pub Night	Kingshead Pub 120 King St.

Saturday, May 3, 2019

8:45-9:00	Breakfast	Oseredok
9:00-10:30	Panel: Professionalism & the Ukrainian Community Panelists: Ilyan Michalchysyn, Carolyn Naz- eravich, Patrick Kuzyk, Joan Lewandowski	Oseredok
10:30-11:45	Networking with your Community Andrii Sherbuha & Valerii Pasko Ukrainian Winnipeg Magazine	Oseredok
11:45-12:30	Lunch & SUSK Board of Directors Election	Oseredok
12:30-14:00	Postcards for Prisoners Anastasia Leshchysyn, Postcards for Prisoners: Ukrainian Political Prisoner Project	Oseredok
14:30-16:30	Tour of the Canadian Human Rights Muesem	85 Israel Asper Way
16:30	The Forks & Free Time	The Forks
21:30-1:00	Zabava	UNF Hall
1:00	After Party	Alt Hotel

Sunday, May 5, 2019

9:00-11:00	Resolutions Breakfast Provided	Alt Hotel
11:00	2019-20 SUSK Board Meeting	

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PRIME MINISTER · PREMIER MINISTRE

May 2-5, 2019

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone attending the 2019 National Congress hosted by the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union.



This event gives approximately 60 students from across Canada an opportunity to further develop their leadership and professional skills. I am certain that everyone in attendance will benefit from the workshops and seminars planned for this congress, and will leave ready to put what they have learned into practice.

This year also marks the 65th anniversary of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union, and I would like to thank your members, past and present, for encouraging young people to become leaders in their communities.

Please accept my best wishes for a productive event.

Yours sincerely,

The Rt. Hon. Justin P.J. Trudeau, P.C., M.P.
Prime Minister of Canada



PREMIER OF MANITOBA

Legislative Building
Winnipeg, Manitoba CANADA
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A MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER

On behalf of all Manitobans, I am pleased to welcome those attending the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) National Congress this week in Winnipeg. Bitamo!

I would like to congratulate you on the 65th anniversary of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union and thank you for the role you have played in inspiring Ukrainian Canadian leaders for more than six decades.

To the student leaders attending this year's Congress, this event represents a tremendous opportunity for you to build relationships and gain valuable skills that will assist you in creating a better Canada through leadership and activism. The values you are acquiring will serve you well throughout your careers.

To the educators in attendance, I join all Manitobans in thanking you for making this important contribution to tomorrow's leaders. You are making a positive, lasting difference for these young Ukrainian Canadians and through them, ensuring a brighter future for our beautiful country.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brian Pallister".

The Honourable Brian Pallister



Mayor's Message

It is my pleasure to welcome delegates to the National Congress of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union. For those of you travelling to Winnipeg from outside the province, I hope that you will have an opportunity to experience all our city has to offer – from the thought-provoking Canadian Museum for Human Rights, the vibrant Exchange District, the Forks National Historic site – a gathering place for Indigenous people for thousands of years, and the Journey to Churchill Polar Bear Exhibit at Assiniboine Park.

You will find reminders of the rich cultural history of the Ukrainian community throughout our city in your time here. Winnipeg is a growing city – well on our way to a million people strong – and the foundations built by Ukrainian immigrants are helping to support that growth. The continuing efforts by the Ukrainian community to strengthen education, language, culture, and the future of our City are a key part of the success of Winnipeg's multicultural diversity. When I think about the ongoing strength and pride of the next generation of the Ukrainian Canadian community, which is represented well by SUSK members, I know that our future is in good hands.

I understand that this year your Congress will focus on the Holodomor famine-genocide. By drawing comparisons to current domestic and international events and providing resources to your members to help them recognize misinformation being used as a current-day and historic tool, you are tackling an important and timely issue. I hope that you will find your sessions useful as you learn, network, and develop strategies for youth leadership and involvement.

On behalf of the City of Winnipeg, I want to recognize the work of the organizers and volunteers who have spent long hours to ensure the success of the Congress. I hope that you will enjoy your time here in Winnipeg.

Warmly,

Mayor Brian Bowman
City of Winnipeg



КОНГРЕС УКРАЇНЦІВ КАНАДИ

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS

CONGRÈS DES UKRAINIEN-CANADIENS

April 15, 2019

Greetings to the 2019 Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress

Dear Delegates,

On behalf of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC), I extend greetings to the delegates of the 65th Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress.

Since its inception in 1953, the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union has played a leading role in engaging and educating our youth. We are grateful for your continuing role in promoting Ukrainian culture, language and studies as well as educating students on issues relevant to Ukrainian-Canadian community.

I would like to recognize the contribution of your Executive, and in particular that of your President, Stephanie Nedoshytko, as well as the dedication of all the leaders and volunteers at Ukrainian Student Clubs across Canada.

This year's Congress program promises to be educational and inspirational. The focus on the Holodomor famine-genocide and misinformation campaigns around that tragic event in our history reminds us about the importance of learning from the past and remaining vigilant and strong in the future.

I look forward to working with you as future leaders of our community and wish all delegates a productive and memorable Congress.

Yours truly,

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS

Alexandra Chyczij
National President



A Message from the Minister

Bitamo! It is my pleasure to welcome everyone as you come together for the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union's (SUSK) National Congress and to celebrate the organization's 65th anniversary.

For over six decades, this impressive organization has worked hard to develop and support youth leadership in the Ukrainian Canadian community. SUSK also encourages cultural pride and demonstrates the many benefits of active community involvement, inspiring generations of young people to reach their full potential.

Our province is extremely proud to be your hosts for this prestigious event! As student leaders, you will have the opportunity to participate in a number of interesting workshops, seminars and panels. All will help to expand your skills as leaders and activists, and provide you with valuable professional development. You will also have the opportunity to network and socialize with other young leaders, develop friendships and make connections that have the potential to last a lifetime!

Congratulations to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union for their efforts in staging this year's National Congress! I wish you a fun and productive week, and a very happy anniversary.

Honourable Cathy Cox
Minister
Manitoba Sport, Culture and Heritage



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to the 2019 SUSK National Congress!

On behalf of the SUSK National Board of Directors, I would like to welcome all delegates, observers, speakers, guests, alumni, and sponsors to the City of Winnipeg. This academic year brings SUSK's 65th anniversary, making this year's Congress location much more special. Winnipeg is the birthplace and the city of revival for SUSK. It is also the 115th anniversary of Ukrainian Student Organizations (USOs) in Canada! Our students join us from across Canada to get "Back to Our Roots" where there will be an opportunity to expand leadership skills and learn more about successful USO operations. Additionally, a portion of the weekend will be focused on raising awareness of the Holodomor as well as the intersections of misinformation in the media.

"Back to Our Roots"

By request from up-and-coming USO's, participants will be taking part in workshops and information sharing opportunities to learn how to build stronger, continuous, and more successful student organizations. With dedicated time to learn from one another, a session dedicated to USO building, as well as teaching how to partake in an advocacy campaign, our hope is for participants to leave confident and ready to take on another academic year. Additionally, members of the local Winnipeg community will be discussing their experience in the Ukrainian community and how it has propelled their professional opportunities.

Raising Awareness of the Holodomor and Connection to Current Events

With the assistance of our grant partners, the Holodomor Research and Education Consortium, along with notable sponsors, students will have the opportunity to learn about undercover journalism during the Holodomor as well as the impact of misinformation. By understanding the past and drawing connections to current events, participants will have a better understanding of Ukraine's history. Additionally, it is our hope that participants will gain a better understanding of events across the world. We are especially privileged to have speakers joining us from across Canada, as well as virtually. Over these next few days, we will together learn about a dark history and will equip ourselves to prevent it in the future.

National Coordinator

After launching a national search in January, SUSK successfully hired a new National Coordinator, Illya Mykytyn, who joined us in March. This is the third year that SUSK has been working with the support National Coordinator. This full-time staff position, in partnership with the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, has continued to create consistency and sustainability for SUSK as an organization. We are excited for Illya to continue assisting SUSK to achieve our goals and new heights. SUSK's success is growing and we're happy to have Illya join us for the journey.

A Year in Review

With the constant panic of being a student, it takes a moment to reflect on the growth, challenges, and opportunities that SUSK has faced over the year. Having been incorporated the year prior, further efforts were put into restructuring the organization and ensuring best practices are in place. We are especially proud of the growing number of USOs and revived USOs who are inspired to take part in various SUSK campaigns and events.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Student/Студент Remodel

Building off of the success of past Media Director, Zenia Michno, SUSK has changed the look and format of the Student publication. I want to give a big thank you to Dayna Konopelny, Student Editor, and Nykole King, Student Resource Member. Both committed individuals not only worked on professionalizing the publication, but also making it easier to read in a digital format. You can now find Student on ISSUU. You can also find short, fun-to-read articles posted periodically on our Facebook page. I want to also thank Mikaila Ortynsky for assisting with engaging social media updates on Instagram updates and Facebook. Make sure to follow us if you aren't already!

As a part of Student's 50th anniversary, SUSK is working on a special issue of the publication. We hope to release this shortly in coming months not only for Student alumni, but also the greater Ukrainian Canadian community.

Postcards for Prisoners Collaboration

SUSK had the opportunity to work with Postcards for Prisoners, launching a Canada-wide student postcard writing campaign. Our USO's from British Columbia to Ontario held postcard writing days on their respective postsecondary campuses. These events were extremely successful, with USOs engaging local non-Ukrainian students. Many USOs sent over 70 cards each to those unjustly imprisoned by the Russian Kremlin. We want to especially thank Postcards for Prisoners organization for providing us with the structural resources and support. We're very grateful for each USO that took part and we hope to continue this campaign in the future.

Mitacs Interns

Over the last summer, SUSK assisted in providing a buddy-system for Mitacs students from Ukraine interning at Canadian universities. Although SUSK does not have member USOs at each Canadian university, we attempted to match students from Ukraine with Ukrainian-Canadian guides. I want to especially thank Raya Dzulynsky for leading the coordination.

SUSK looks forward to working with the Mitacs interns again as they come to work over summer months.

Summer Student Position

This year, SUSK has been provided with a subsidy from the Government of Canada to hire a summer student in Ottawa to assist with ongoing projects. This is the first time to our knowledge that SUSK has been granted this opportunity. We look forward to having additional helping hands with us throughout the summer transition period.

USO Growth & Communication

Given the distance that SUSK covers as an organization, we have continued the practice of National Networking meetings. This provides USOs with more opportunities to collaborate over teleconference and share event updates, tips, and a channel to stay up-to-date with SUSK. We hope to continue these into coming years, as well as providing an additional focus on local events.

We are especially proud of the University of Victoria Ukrainian Students' Society. Established this academic year and our furthest reaching club to the west, they have quickly prospered into one of our most successful USOs. We are so grateful to have them as one of our member organizations and we look forward to the future of prospering and new USOs! We are always so proud of the goals that our students achieve. Additionally, we are grateful for all USOs who took part in SUSK directed campaigns in raising awareness of the Holodomor to Postcards for Prisoners. By providing funding for on-campus events, we hope to continue assisting with exciting opportunities.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This year, Project Director, Nykola Dovgyy, also coordinated an op-ed article writing campaign alongside the Ukrainian Canadian Congress Holodomor Committee. Students from various universities participated and some received attention in their local newspapers. The hope is to continue this partnership and provide students with additional writing opportunities.

Congress Committee

I want to thank the most incredibly motivated Congress Committee team to date. A heartfelt thank you to SUSK alumni Nina Semchyshyn and Hannah Picklyk for all of their assistance. Without them, SUSK Congress could not have been possible in Winnipeg. Additionally, thank you to Mikaila Ortynsky, Natalie Blyzniuk, and Devon Goldie for being extremely committed members of the committee. Without you, graphics, ticket sales, sponsorship, and food options would not be possible. I am incredibly grateful.

Conclusion

I'm looking forward to another Congress full of comradery, collaboration, hard work, and a significant lack of sleep. As participants, you are joining us for an unforgettable Congress -- one celebrating 65 years of student leadership in the Ukrainian Canadian community. I hope we'll be able to create concrete action plans and resolutions for the future academic term. This weekend will have heavy moments which will require reflection, but we can ensure to use newly gained knowledge to help raise awareness.

I also want to thank my motivated Board of Directors. While I only see many of you once a year, it feels like we have known each other for a lifetime. From teleconferences and emails, to Slack messages and Trello boards, I am grateful for your time. Mattay, Roman, Maxym, Olena, Devon, Raya, Andriy, Mikaila, Ashley, Nykola, Natalie, Dayna, Cassian, and Nykole — thank you for your hard work and for keeping me inspired. Be proud of what you achieved and the network you have built. You've made my last term as President an absolute pleasure.

I hope that you will enjoy your time and gain some valuable knowledge. We are so honoured to have you with us!

I wish everyone a fantastic 2019 National SUSK Congress!

Yours in SUSK,



Stephanie Nedoshytko
SUSK President, 2017-2019

FINANCIAL REPORT

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN STUDENTS' UNION (SUSK)
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES
FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018

REVENUES:

Donations- General	\$ 5,000
Donation- Recurring	
Temerty Family Foundation	5,000
Shevchenko Foundation	5,000
Ukrainian Credit Union	<u>5,000</u>
TOTAL Donations	20,000
National SUSK Congress	
Alberta Sponsorships	3,170
CFWWIRF	45,281
UCCLF Grant	34,609
Delegate Fees	8,200
National Sponsorships	7,000
Zabava Tickets	<u>1,420</u>
TOTAL SUSK Congress	99,681
Special Projects (Make Crimea Ukraine Again hats)	--
Student Publication Sponsorship	--
USO Membership Fees	<u>408</u>
TOTAL	<u>408</u>
TOTAL Revenues	\$ 120,089

EXPENSES

Administration	
Dropbox	\$ 129
UberConference	192
Filing Fees	156
National Coordinator Salary	20,000
Bank Charges	--
Central Region Event	592
CKYMO Congress	1,300
SUSK Archive Scans	--
Travel Subsidies	1,221
UWC Congress	350
Website Work	<u>380</u>
TOTAL Administration/ Bank Fees/ Salary	24,320

National SUSK Congress		
A/V Fees		3,239
Accommodation Subsidies		8,480
Advertising		--
Attrition Fee		389
Excursions		1,625
Food		19,611
Honorarium		250
Mailing		60
Media		500
Processing Fees		646
Shuttle		1,971
Speaker Fees		26,313
Travel Subsidies		8,650
Venues		3,465
Zabava		<u>11,108</u>
TOTAL National SUSK Congress		86,307
Endowment		2,292
Miscellaneous		572
Ukrainian Canadian Congress Membership Fee		350
TOTAL		<u>3,214</u>
TOTAL Expenses	\$	113,840
NET EARNINGS/LOSS	\$	<u>6,199</u>

To the Stakeholders of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union:

As the Vice President Finance for the 2018-2019 SUSK Executive year, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the Executive members for their tremendous dedication and hard work over the year. For over 65 years SUSK has continued to inspire students to get involved and take an active role in advocacy initiatives, and furthering their Ukrainian culture across the country. My fellow Executive members are some of the most talented individuals I have had the pleasure of working with, and serving on the Executive board for a second year has been a true pleasure. I thoroughly enjoyed working to maintain and further the accountability and sustainability of our organization, and thank all those that took part in this process. Our efforts could not have been successful without our generous donors and sponsors, and I would like to personally thank them for continuing to support Ukrainian-Canadian students across Canada!

In an effort to continue and develop the sustainability and fair representation of the SUSK Financial Statements, my recommendations for the incoming Executive are:

1. To improve our financial tracking by transitioning from Excel tracking to an Accounting Software. An Accounting Software will help improve the tracking of revenues and expenses as well as allow for easy reporting.
2. Given the turnover of the SUSK Executive every 12 months, it is important there is detailed reporting for all the financials surrounding SUSK to ensure an easy transition between executives. When possible, encouraging in person transitions to ensure all key questions and concerns are addressed. It is strongly recommended that the new Executive team looks into proper transition planning strategies and that transition reports become a standard procedure for SUSK.
3. With SUSK continuous growth, spending and revenues have increased in the origination. The creation of SUSK's financial policy framework it allows for some checks and balances. It is important to not only continue to use this framework but to further develop our guidelines to monitor and regulate SUSK's spending.
4. As SUSK has incorporated it is important to create an annual budget that can be used to guide spending for the next year. It is recommended that SUSK creates an annual budget to ensure proper monetary allocations for the next year.

Warmest Regards,



Roman Grod,
SUSK Vice President Finance, 2018-19

Speaker Biographies



Anastasia Leschyshyn

Anastasia Leshchyshyn is a Research Associate at the Holodomor Research and Education Consortium, Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies (University of Alberta). She holds an MA in European and Russian Affairs (Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto) and a BA in History, Political Science, and Classical Civilizations (University of Toronto). During her graduate studies, she was a program assistant at the University of Toronto's Petro Jacyk Program for the Study of Ukraine and a researcher at the Ukrainian Canadian Research and Documentation Centre. Anastasia has worked in Ukraine as a research intern at the Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union in Kyiv and as an English teacher with the American English School in Zakarpattia. Recently she was an electoral observer with CANADEM's Election Observation Mission to Ukraine for the 2019 presidential elections, stationed in Zaporizhia. She is a founding member of Postcards for Prisoners: Ukrainian Political Prisoner Project.



Jars Balan

Jars Balan is the Director of the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies at the University of Alberta, and the Coordinator of the Kule Ukrainian Canadian Studies Centre. He has done extensive research on the coverage given to developments in Ukraine and the Great Famine of 1932-1933 in the mainstream Canadian press.



Andrea Chalupa

A New York based writer, Andrea Chalupa graduated from the University of California, Davis with High Honors in History and studied Ukrainian at the Harvard Ukrainian Research Institute. She has spoken about Ukraine and Russia in the Council of Europe at the World Forum for Democracy, at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., the Personal Democracy Forum at New York University, and other leading institutions. In 2015, Chalupa was an Aspen Ideas Festival Scholar, and presented the closing remarks at the Justice Sector Training, Research and Coordination (JusTRAC) Symposium in Prague in a forum on eliminating corruption and promoting economic development in Ukraine. She is the author of *Orwell and The Refugees: The Untold Story of Animal Farm*, which is taught in high schools in Toronto through the arts and human rights education initiative *OrwellArt* (OrwellArt.org). She is the co-host of *Gaslit Nation*, a podcast with New York Times-bestselling author and scholar Sarah Kendzior on the threat of authoritarianism in the U.S. and around the world. She is also the writer and producer of *MR. JONES*, Agnieszka Holland's journalistic thriller on the Holodomor, Stalin's genocide-famine in Ukraine.

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES



Joe Myers

Joe Myers is the President and Founder of Mixtape, a Toronto based ad agency. Joe has close to 20 years experience in the advertising industry working at top agencies in Toronto & Chicago leading client accounts including Kellogg's, Campbell's, Nestle, Telus, IKEA and others.

Holodomor National Awareness Tour has been one of Mixtape's cornerstone clients for the last 3 years. From social media, to print and promotional materials, Mixtape has helped grow HNAT's influence & audience in both Canada and the US. The latest campaign, Holodomor Fine Foods, garnered controversy to raise awareness and captured the attention of millions of Canadians.



Patrick Kuzyk

Patrick Kuzyk is a registered Architect with 37 years experience in the profession. He is a graduate of the University of Manitoba and studied on a scholarship at the University of Copenhagen. Pat has served the Manitoba construction industry as a labourer with Ladco Construction, a Design Architect, and Project Director with Smith Carter. Additionally, as a senior administrator in the provincial government and currently, Red River College. As the former Director of Major Capital Projects for the Province of Manitoba, Pat worked closely with industry on policy development and the delivery of governments's major capital projects. Pat serves on the Canadian Architectural Certification Board, reviewing and assessing the professional degree programs in Architecture offered by Canadian Universities. He is currently the Chief Capital Projects Officer for Red River College, volunteers on a number of local Winnipeg Boards and charities and is a die-hard fan of the Winnipeg Jets



Iyvan Michalchyshyn

Iyvan Michalchyshyn was born in the late Cretaceous period. His early years were spent in a small village, where caring/sharing/participating was the standard of life (carry that to this day). There was none of this "what is in it for me" attitude. Moving to the big city he discovered street cards, central heat, multi-room schools, interior flush toilets, traffic lights, dial phones, and so much more! Iyvan pinballed his way through grade school in both private and public institutions then attended the University of Manitoba and France et voila! A teacher/educator/leader emerged out of darkness. Community service is essential to Iyvan. He is a participant in professional, cultural and city groups including Oseredok, Rusalka, Carpathia Credit Union, Winnipeg Public Library, Manitoba Museum, Winnipeg Teachers Association, Macenko Memorial Choir, Melos Folk Ensemble, PLAST, Holy Family Nursing Home, and Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging. Currently, he is married with two grown children and is somewhat retired-- eroding gracefully but still involved part time at the University of Winnipeg.

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES



Carolyn Nazeravich

As a volunteer and professional Carolyn Nazeravich has been an active member of the Ukrainian cultural community for over 40 years. Carolyn currently enjoys being an original member of Melos Folk Ensemble and contributes actively to the functioning of the group. Other interests have led her from Oseredok to becoming a long-time volunteer at the Kyiv Pavilion. Her love of music led to a 26-year commitment to O. Koshetz Choir where she was a chorister and active member of the executive. Carolyn sites her deep cultural connections and volunteer experience as positively contributing to her professional success and sense of personal fulfilment. Currently, she is a school administrator in the River East Transcona School Division where she has also held the positions of teacher and Behavioural consultant.



Stephanie Nedoshytko

Completing her second term as SUSK President, Stephanie is currently a J.D. Common Law student at the University of Ottawa. Originally from Edmonton, she completed a degree in Political Science from MacEwan University. Having been a USO President herself, Stephanie is excited to share her passion of the grassroots student experience as a part of the USO 101 workshop. She has an extensive background in governance and government followed by a dedication to volunteerism in the community. Stephanie is excited to join all delegates and participants this year.



Mikaila Ortynsky

Mikaila is has been a part of SUSK National Board of Directors since 2017. She has served in the positions of Secretary and Media Director. Currently, she is a Bachelor of Commerce student at the Edwards School of Business, University of Saskatchewan. Having been a part of the USask USO and numerous business student organizations, she is excited to share some tips about running student organizations in USO 101.



**Valerii Pasko &
Andrii Sherbuha**

Valerii and Andrii moved to Canada in 2011 from Kiev soon after graduation. Valerii got his degree from the Igor Sikorsky Kyiv Polytechnic Institute. Andrii graduated from the National Aviation University. Back in Kiev Valerii had a government job while Andrii worked for an IT company. They also ran a web-studio business. As active participants in the Orange Revolution, lack of change and political instability followed in Ukraine. Valerie and Andrii embraced the opportunity to move to Canada as recent grads.

Winnipeg allured them with the established Ukrainian community. Upon arrival they astonished by people who, while being far away from Ukraine, managed to preserve the culture and traditions for several generations. They also recognized the fact that the community was missing centralized media channels. That is how ukrainianwinnipeg.ca was born. Soon after that they started the magazine. They are also board members of Prosvita, St Mary the Protectress Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral, and KinoFilmFest. Additionally they organize multiple events like concerts, chess tournament, poetry nights, etc. Today Valerii is a senior graphic designer and Andrii is a data scientist.

RULES OF ORDER

The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) acts according to the following rules of order set out by section 4.4 of the SUSK Procedures:

At the outset of the Congress, The President, or the Vice President, or designate when the President is not available shall chair the election from among Delegates:

- a. Presidium, composed of a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and two (2) Secretaries;
 - i. The Presidium is responsible to conduct the Congress proceedings;

RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES of the CHAIR

1. Conduct sessions of the 2018 Congress in accordance with the adopted program, maintain order and adhere to the Bylaws and Policies
2. Facilitate discussion and ensure its viability
3. Put all motions to a vote and announce the results
4. Explain and decide all questions of order
5. Immediately suspend discussion by a delegate when;
 - He/She interferes with the proceedings of the Congress or is off topic being discussed;
 - A motion is made on a point of order;
 - An objection to the consideration of a motion is made
6. Dismiss irrelevant or late motions
7. Conduct sessions fairly and impartially
8. The Vice-Chair, who conducts Congress business in the absence of the Chair, is accorded the same rights as the chair.

RIGHTS of the DELEGATE

1. Express opinions relevant to issues place on the agenda and formulate them into concise conclusions
2. Put forth before the Congress proposals and motions for approval
3. Take part in the Congress Committee's, discuss and approve proposed resolutions at the Committees and vote on them during the appropriated times.
4. Have voting privileges as defined by the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Bylaws

GENERAL RULES of ORDER

1. Question to members of the outgoing Executive be directed to the Chair
2. During discussion of reports each person may speak only once to summarize his remarks regarding the activities of the outgoing Executive. Comments already made by other persons should not be restated.
3. Each person who proposes an amendment to a motion by adding to, deleting from the question or rephrasing should be immediately provided to the Congress Resolutions Committee with their proposal in writing.

4. A motion, once it is moved, seconded and interpreted by the Chair may be withdrawn by the mover only with the consent of the seconder.

5. All points of order should be directed to the Chair by a motion. A motion concerning a point of order may be made under the following circumstances;

- Where there is concern about the running of business by the Chair
- When Delegates use improper or derogatory comments
- When a speaker does not speak to the issue or takes excessive time in debate

A point of order must be made immediately and stated concisely; A point of order;

- Supersedes all other debate and may interrupt the speaker
- Does not require a seconder
- Must be resolved by the Chair immediately
- May be appealed to the Congress immediately after the ruling of the Chair

6. All procedural matters, which are not addressed by the Rules of Order of the Congress, shall be governed by to Robert's Rules of Order, insofar as they do not contradict the Ukrainian Canadian Student's Union Constitution

VOTING

1. Voting for the SUSK National Board of Directors will be conducted by secret ballot
2. Voting for proposed Resolutions will be conducted by show of Delegate voting cards
3. The Chair will cast a vote in a sealed envelope for each position that will only be open and used in the case of a tie
4. Counting of votes cast will be conducted by the Congress Elections & Verifications Committee

RESOLUTION

1. The Congress Resolutions Committee shall receive and present the proposed resolutions of the Committees of the Congress.
2. The Resolutions Committee may revise, re-order or amalgamate resolutions in order to;
 - Ensure consistency in their format;
 - Avoid duplication of similar principles or concepts
3. The Congress Resolutions Committee may also review and propose resolutions not covered by the Committees
4. Each resolution must be proposed by the Congress Resolutions Committee for consideration by the Congress
5. Each Delegate has the right to submit a resolution to the Congress Resolutions Committee.
6. The resolutions may be discussed during the appropriate session within a limited time period specified by the Congress Chair.
7. Any amendments to the resolutions arising from the sessions must be agreed to by either the Chair of the Congress Resolutions Committee or his/her designate.

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