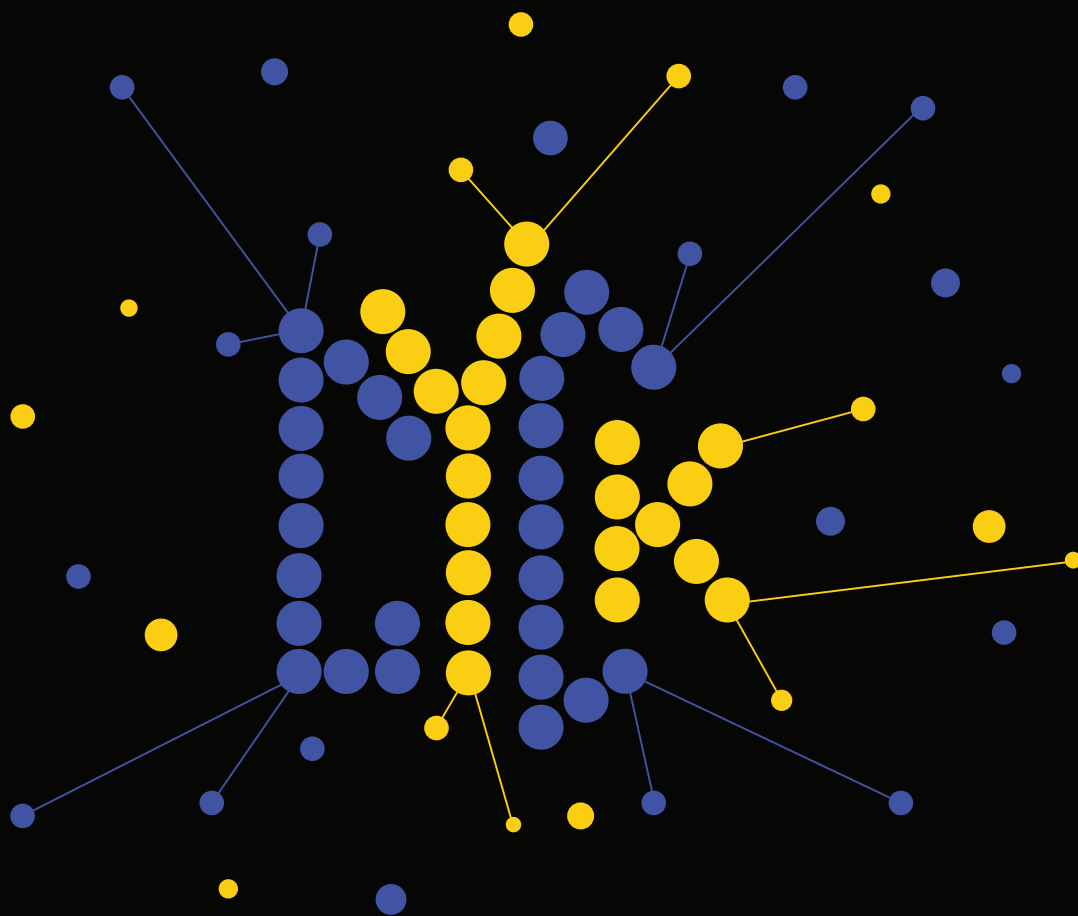


# 2014 NATIONAL #SUSKCONGRESS

A MAIDAN FOR UKRAINIAN CANADIAN STUDENTS



ANNUAL REPORT - 2014

# PROGRAM

## Thursday May 8, 2014

2:00 pm	Registration	Eaton Chelsea T-Bar
5:00 pm	Dinner (Not Provided)	*Recommendation List
6:00 pm	Congress Welcome USO Reports	Eaton Chelsea Mountbatten Lane (2nd floor)
7:30 pm	Networking Event	" "

## Friday May 9, 2014

8:30 am	Breakfast	Eaton Chelsea Carlyle Room (3rd floor)
9:00 am	Opening Ceremonies	" "
9:30 am	Congress Session #1 Ukrainian Canadian Congress Case Study: Maidan <i>Paul Grod</i> <i>Ania Jacyniak</i> <i>Myroslava Khomik</i> <i>Krystina Waler</i>	" "
11:00 am	Morning Break	" "
11:15 am	Congress Session #2 USOs: Communication & Media <i>Cassian Soltykevych</i> <i>Nestor Gula</i> <i>Roman Brytan</i> <i>Andrea Chalupa</i>	" "
12:30 pm	Lunch	" "
1:30 pm	Congress Session #3 USOs: Financial Management <i>Yuri Broda</i>	" "
3:15 pm	Afternoon Break	" "
3:30 pm	Congress Session #3 (con't) USOs: Financial Management <i>Yuri Broda</i>	" "
5:00 pm	Dinner (not provided) Free time in the city	*Recommendation List
9:00 pm	Ukrainian night at Tryst	Tryst 82 Peter St.

## Saturday May 10, 2014

8:30 am	Depart for St Vladimir Institute	
9:00 am	Breakfast and SUSK Alumni panel <i>Halyna Kuchmij</i> <i>Olya Kuplowska</i> <i>Yuri Daschko</i> <i>Taras Hetmanczuk</i> <i>Paul Horbal</i> <i>Marco Jacuta</i>	St Vladimir Institute 620 Spadina Ave.
10:45 am	Break	" "
11:00 am	SUSK Executive Elections	" "
12:00 pm	Depart for Blue Jays Game	
1:00 pm	Blue Jays Game Lunch (not provided)	Rogers Centre 1 Blue Jays Way
5:30 pm - 1:00 am	SUSK Congress Banquet & Zabava Cocktails (5:30pm) Dinner (6:30pm) Guest performance: <i>KalynDar</i> Keynote address: <i>Markian Shwec</i> SUSK Election results Zabava featuring <i>Zapovid</i>	Eaton Chelsea Churchill Ballroom (2nd floor)

## Sunday May 11, 2014

9:30 am	Breakfast	Eaton Chelsea Carlyle Room (3rd floor)
10:00 am	Resolutions	" "
11:30 am	Morning Break	" "
11:45 am	Closing Ceremonies	" "
12:00 pm	New Executive Meeting	

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PRIME MINISTER · PREMIER MINISTRE

May 8-11, 2014

Message from the Prime Minister

*I am pleased to extend my warmest personal greetings to everyone attending the 2014 National Congress of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK).*

*For six decades, SUSK has fostered the leadership potential of students in Canada's large and active Ukrainian community. This annual congress promotes activism and professional development for the next generation. I commend these efforts, which support your community's vitality.*

*This year's congress, 'A Maidan for Ukrainian Canadian Students,' takes place in the shadow of dramatic and disquieting events that are reshaping the future of Ukraine and Eastern Europe. Canada has stood proudly beside the Ukrainian people at this historic moment to help them on their path towards freedom and democracy. It is encouraging to know that the young leaders of SUSK are strongly committed to supporting Ukraine's aspirations.*

*On behalf of the Government of Canada, I commend the organizers of this year's congress for putting together a program that will stimulate thoughtful discussion at this critical time. I offer my best wishes for success in your deliberations.*

*Sincerely,*

*The Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper, P.C., M.P.  
Prime Minister of Canada*



Minister for Multiculturalism



Ministre du Multiculturalisme

### Greetings from the Honourable Jason Kenney, PC, MP

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone attending the 2014 National Congress of SUSK, the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Association, in Toronto.

As an annual event bringing together young people of Ukrainian heritage from across Canada, the Congress offers an excellent opportunity for students to network and to discuss issues of common interest. This year's Congress takes place at an especially challenging time, given the ongoing crisis in Ukraine. It is therefore appropriate that the theme of this year's Congress refers to the 'Maidan.' Please know that the Government of Canada will continue to stand firmly with the Ukrainian people in the face of Russian aggression.

By ensuring the active presence of Ukrainian culture on campuses across Canada and by providing support to students, SUSK is playing an important role in ensuring the continued vibrancy of one of Canada's founding immigrant communities, and is following in the footsteps of pioneers like the late Senator Paul Yuzyk - often called the father of Canadian multiculturalism. As Prime Minister Stephen Harper noted, "Ukrainian Canadians continue to make significant contributions to Canada's cultural, political and economic life and have played a major role in the development of the Canada we know today."

Canada's success as a prosperous, pluralistic society is attributable in large part to the grassroots work of community and cultural organizations such as the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Association, whose members volunteer significant time and effort to improve their community and contribute to the building of a stronger Canada.

As Minister for Multiculturalism, I congratulate SUSK on organizing the 2014 National Congress and hope that your discussions will be productive.

Sincerely,

The Hon. Jason Kenney, PC, MP

Minister of Employment and Social Development and

Minister for Multiculturalism





Premier of Ontario - Première ministre de l'Ontario

May 8 – 11, 2014

## A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER

On behalf of the Government of Ontario I am delighted to extend warm greetings to everyone attending the Ukrainian Canadian Student Union National Congress. To all those visiting: welcome to Toronto, Ontario's capital.

The success of Ontario's young people is vital to the future of our province. They have the passion, enthusiasm and optimism necessary to make a positive, lasting difference in our communities. I commend the Ukrainian Canadian Student Union for playing an integral role in fostering leadership and pride and promoting community involvement amongst young Ukrainian Canadians.

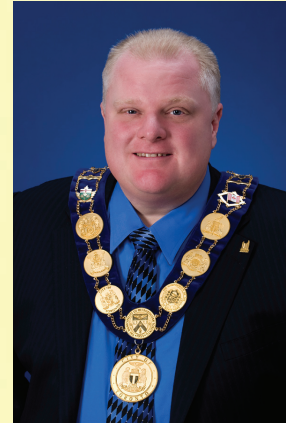
The congress will be an excellent opportunity for participants to attend leadership seminars and workshops and participate in exciting networking events.

Please accept my sincere best wishes for a productive and informative congress and an enjoyable stay in Toronto.

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**Kathleen Wynne**  
**Premier**





### A Message from the Mayor

It gives me great pleasure to extend greetings and a warm welcome to everyone attending the 2014 National SUSK Congress: A Maidan for Ukrainian Canadian Students hosted by the Ukrainian Canadian Students Union (SUSK).

SUSK, comprised of 1.2 millions Ukrainian Canadians, is dedicated to identifying and inspiring future Ukrainian Canadian leadership, fostering pride and belonging amongst the next generation and helping youth realize the full spectrum of benefits that arise from actively participating in their communities.

The 2014 National SUSK Congress will encourage and challenge leaders of the Ukrainian Canadian student community to discuss matters of mutual interest and network with peers in a setting designed for professional development.

Whether you are from Toronto, a frequent or first-time visitor, I welcome you to our city and encourage you to visit the wonderful attractions and vibrant neighbourhoods Toronto is known for.

On behalf of Toronto City Council, I thank the organizers of this year's congress and wish everyone an informative and enjoyable event.

Yours truly,

**Mayor Rob Ford**  
City of Toronto

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*Посол України в Канаді*  
*Ambassador of Ukraine to Canada*  
*Ambassadeur d'Ukraine au Canada*

**Dear Ukrainian Canadian Students!**

This year gathering of National SUSK Congress is entitled “A Maidan for Ukrainian Canadian Students” and I would like to talk about power of youth for Ukrainian Maidan.

Past months became an unprecedented challenge for Ukraine and especially for Ukrainian youth everywhere. The nucleus of the protest movement in Ukraine, which started just as former President Victor Yanukovich backed away from EU and tried to steer Ukraine towards Russia, were young people and students.

They became first heroes of Maidan and first martyrs of the brutality of the regime. Moreover, most victims of February 18-21 tragic events were young people, most the age of yours. Some of them were not given a chance to get older. We have to keep them in our memories for the new generations of Ukrainian youth.

Many of you, like the rest of the Ukrainian Canadian community, strongly supported Ukrainian nation at those tragic times and protested against Russian military invasion in the sovereign territory of Ukraine.

We are sincerely very grateful for that. Youth is always first to react, first to generate new ideas and find diverse solutions.

I am honoured to be an Ambassador to the country that made such significant contribution for Ukraine in the middle of the most tragic and complicated period. Canada makes not only remarkable political steps, but also provides significant financial support for Ukraine's economy and sustainable democracy.

I hope Maidan will become a symbol of real Freedom - when young, fearless and passionate people strived for the better future of their young country. And I really hope they will not be disappointed by the future of the Ukraine they are helping to build.

I wish you all to be an integral part of this free, prosperous and successful future of Ukraine and Canada, and the whole free World which is yours to run and live in.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Vadym Prystaiko', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Vadym Prystaiko





КОНГРЕС УКРАЇНЦІВ КАНАДИ

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS

CONGRÈS DES UKRAINIEN-CANADIENS

May 8, 2014

*Greetings from UCC National President  
to the delegates of the 56<sup>th</sup> SUSK Congress*



Dear SUSK delegates:

I am delighted to extend my personal greetings to all those attending the 56th Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress in Toronto, Ontario. SUSK has a long and proud history of bringing new, innovative and impactful approaches to the Ukrainian Canadian community. The Ukrainian Canadian Congress is pleased to count SUSK as a key member.

It is my distinct pleasure to recognize the hard work and dedication of the SUSK Executive and in particular your President Christine Czoli with whom I have had a close and productive working relationship. Christine has served SUSK and our community with professionalism and dedication for which we are all extremely grateful.

SUSK continues to make valuable contributions to our community. It goes without saying that you can count on UCC's support and my personal commitment to SUSK. The Ukrainian Canadian Congress must provide SUSK with the support it needs to ensure a vibrant Ukrainian Canadian student movement. In turn, SUSK has a responsibility to lead with deeds while bringing new and progressive ideas to our community and beyond.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and members of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, please accept my best wishes for a productive and memorable Congress. I look forward to working with all of you as community leaders for many many years!

Многая Літа!

Yours very truly,  
**UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS**

Pavlo Grod  
UCC National President  
Past President, SUSK (1994-95)  
Past President, U of T USC (1992-94)

# Greetings from Congress Coordinators

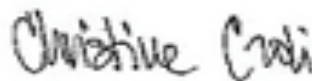
On behalf of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK), we would like to extend a warm welcome to all the delegates, observers, alumni, speakers, mentors, and sponsors joining us this weekend for the 2014 National SUSK Congress in Toronto, Ontario.

SUSK, as well as our member organizations across Canada, work hard every year to organize events and projects to unite Ukrainian Canadian students both locally and nationally. Social gatherings, cultural showcases, and interactive activities are held each year, and are open to anyone interested in learning about Ukrainian history and culture. The ongoing current events in Ukraine have shown us that we must continue to stand together to keep our culture and language alive. The 2013/2014 term marks the 60th anniversary of the formation of SUSK and we look forward to celebrating the growth and accomplishments attained in this time, as well as keeping the spirit of our community alive for many years to come.

We greatly anticipate the learning, networking, growth, and new friendships that this Congress holds in store and wish all participants a valuable and memorable weekend!



Deanna Kibap  
Congress Coordinator  
2013/2014 Project Director



Christine Czoli  
Congress Coordinator  
2013/2014 President

# President's Report

Dear SUSK delegates:

On behalf of the National SUSK Executive, welcome to the 2014 National SUSK Congress in Toronto!

The 2013-2014 National SUSK Executive had the privilege of marking the 60th anniversary of our organization. Throughout its 60-year history, SUSK has played an integral role in the Ukrainian Canadian community by engaging youth and fostering their development for future positions in both their career and community. SUSK inspires and cultivates our future Ukrainian Canadian leadership: it fosters pride and a sense of identity, and provides young people with opportunities for self-development and growth. I have had the great privilege of working alongside dedicated and talented Ukrainian Canadian students this past year. I hope to convey the achievements and challenges of this past year by highlighting the key pillars of SUSK's activities.

## Internal & External Relations

SUSK has greatly enhanced its efforts with respect to building both internal and external relationships. This year, SUSK has enhanced its web and social media presence, including functional accounts on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, LinkedIn and Wikipedia. We have also increased communication between the National Executive and our member USOs and various external partners. Notably, the number of formal electronic releases issued by the National Executive has increased approximately five-fold from previous years. Through these communiqués, we have been able to better outline our position on various issues, share our initiatives and experiences, and more effectively convey the essence of SUSK to our membership and to the public. Importantly, we have also carried on the SUSK tradition of regularly publishing issues of our flagship publication, "Student".

Our efforts have also extended to our external partners, which include various Ukrainian organizations in Canada, the broader diaspora, and in Ukraine. This past year, SUSK has formally participated in: meetings with the Ukrainian Ambassador, his Excellency Mr. Vadym Prystaiko; the X Ukrainian World Congress (UWC); the Congress of Ukrainian Youth Organizations (SKUMO); and the XXIV Triennial Congress of Ukrainian Canadians (UCC). We have also further developed our relationships with the Federation of Ukrainian Student Organizations of America (SUSTA), the Bund Ukrainischer Studenten in Deutschland (SUSN), and the Ukrainian Association of Students' Self-Government (UASS) in Ukraine.

## Commemoration of the 80th Anniversary of the Holodomor

In order to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Holodomor in the fall of 2013, SUSK partnered with the Ukrainian Canadian Congress National Holodomor Awareness Committee (UCC NHAC) to coordinate a national speaking tour, *"From Hens to the Holodomor"*, for Ukrainian American journalist Andrea Chalupa, author of *"Orwell and the Refugees: The Untold Story of Animal Farm"*. Throughout October, Andrea presented her book in Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton, Ottawa, Montreal, Kitchener-Waterloo, Hamilton, and Toronto, captivating audiences across the country with her powerful story. Notably, the tour was also successful in building collaborative relationships in local communities across Canada between USOs and UCC Provincial Councils and Branches.

## Ukrainian Canadian Congress Dragons Competition

A significant achievement this past year was SUSK's success in the Dragons Competition hosted by the UCC. SUSK was awarded \$25,000 by the Ukrainian Dragons – a group of leading Ukrainian Canadian entrepreneurs and philanthropists – to foster the development of the future leaders of the Ukrainian Canadian community. Specific initiatives of the Dragons project will help SUSK address some of the most important challenges it has faced in recent years:

- i) *Organizational continuity*: establishing a National Coordinator will help offset the challenges associated with high turnover in our National Executive and preserve our institutional memory;
- ii) *Financial stability*: in addition to assisting with the implementation of SUSK initiatives, the National Coordinator will be tasked with securing governmental grants and developing a proper fundraising program to help sustain our organization for the longer term;
- iii) *USO capacity-building*: development of a "best practices" database and provision of seed funding will help strengthen our member organizations, which is directly tied to the strength and success of SUSK;
- iv) *Identity and recognition*: by hosting local networking/mentorship events across the country, SUSK aims to engage Ukrainian Canadian students and better address their needs, while also strengthening our community by fostering a sense of belonging and reciprocity across generations.

## "Student" Digitization Project

After several years of work, our National SUSK Executive is proud to have completed the digitization of a series of SUSK publications, including our most prominent news magazine *"Student / Студент"*, as well as *"Studenetz"*, *"Чутки"*, *"Майже Студент"*, and *"СУСК Новини"*. Our digital archive ([www.student.susk.ca](http://www.student.susk.ca)) will allow students, community members, and the general public to access the rich repository of articles written by active Ukrainian Canadian students over the past six decades, and will serve as a home for all future "Student" issues. As such, I hope that this archive will continue to grow, as "Student" continues to serve as the voice of Ukrainian Canadian students over many generations – those past, and those yet to come.

## Ukraine and the Maidan Revolution

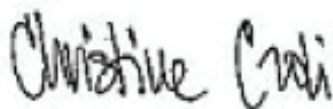
Ukraine's Maidan revolution significantly impacted SUSK activities this past year, creating both extraordinary opportunities and challenges for SUSK. Ukrainian Canadian students, alongside other community members, quickly took to closely monitoring developments in Ukraine; mobilizing individuals for demonstrations, vigils, and fundraisers; and engaging Canadian stakeholders and decision-makers with respect to these events. This included the SUSK Shevchenko "Надія – Hope" t-shirt project, which served as a tribute to both the 200th anniversary of the birth of Ukrainian poet and bard Taras Shevchenko and to the spirit of Maidan. For Ukrainian Canadian students, revolution, dignity, sacrifice, and war – once thought of as the domain of past generations – have become part of our generation's lived experience. This experience has profound implications for Ukrainian Canadian students as tomorrow's community leaders and I have no doubt that SUSK will remain vigilant with respect to the continuously developing situation in Ukraine.

Since its revival in 2007, SUSK has continued to grow and flourish. This past year's successes and achievements are a testament not only to the outgoing National Executive, but also to the ones that preceded it – the collective efforts, contributions, and dedication of all SUSKites are what made it possible for SUSK to excel this past year. I'd like to thank each and every one of them for contributing to the SUSK legacy and helping us get to where we are today.

The theme of the 2014 National SUSK Congress is *"#SUSKCongress: A Maidan for Ukrainian Canadian Students"*, encouraging and challenging leaders of the Ukrainian Canadian student community to come together, to discuss and deliberate relevant questions and issues, and to spearhead the future of youth leadership and involvement in Canada and Ukraine. Recent events at Kyiv's Maidan have gripped the world, including Ukrainian Canadian students. I hope this year's Congress serves as an inspiration to our delegates – to sustain a vibrant and active Ukrainian Canadian student movement, to do our part and contribute to a stronger Ukrainian Canadian community, and to work for the betterment of Ukraine, particularly in such tumultuous times. We are the future, and our community needs us now more than ever.

On behalf of the 2013-2014 SUSK National Executive,

Sincerely – з повагою,



Christine Czoli, BSc (Hons)

SUSK President 2013-2014

SUSK Executive Vice-President 2012-2013

# Financial Report

**T**o the Stakeholders of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union:

As the Vice President of Finance for the 2013-2014 SUSK Executive year, I was honoured to be a part of such a vibrant and dedicated executive for another year. I enjoyed continuing the work towards maintaining the sustainability and accountability of this student-run not-for-profit organization. I would also like to take a moment to thank everyone on the executive for their time and efforts, as well as our donors and sponsors whose continued support is vital to an organization like ours. Thank you.

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

1. Excel spreadsheets are an appropriate choice for SUSK because of their transparency, ease of use and high availability. *It is recommended to the incoming executive to continue to use Microsoft Excel spreadsheets for bookkeeping.*
2. SUSK's fiscal year continues to be May 1st to April 30th. This fiscal year follows the regular university school year, allowing training time for the incoming executive over the less active summer months. *It is recommended SUSK continues to use this fiscal year to present all future financial statements.*
3. SUSK's accounting policies are based on Canadian Not-For-Profit Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. This entails the use of the accrual method of accounting, where economic events are recognized in the period they occur, rather than the period in which cash transactions occur. Under this method, revenues and expenses are reflected in the period in which they occur. *It is recommended that the incoming SUSK executive continues to use this method and accrue all remaining 2014 National Congress in Toronto expenses to fiscal 2015 (May 1st, 2014 - April 30th, 2015).*
4. The SUSK Executive undergoes a turnover once every 9 to 15 months, depending on the dates set for the SUSK National Congress, where a new executive is voted in. Such a turnover rate is dangerous for the stability of the organization's direction and finances. Two-year terms for all elected executive positions, will provide the necessary training, experience and stability SUSK needs for financial accountability and understanding. *It is strongly recommended that all elected positions of SUSK be extended to a two-year term.*

5. Although SUSK's recordkeeping is fairly basic, and Microsoft Excel has proven a useful and easy method of bookkeeping, it is important to note, not all students have the training or knowledge of basic accounting and bookkeeping. *It is recommended that the future Vice President Finance have proven experience in a treasurer role, or is enrolled in financial or accounting classes at their post-secondary institution. If an experienced candidate cannot be found, it is recommended that future SUSK executives look at the possibility of professional accounting assistance.*

6. The sustainability of an annual large-scale national event, such as the SUSK Congress is a risk every year, based on the numbers of registered delegates and sponsor or donor support. *In an effort to maintain the long-term sustainability of SUSK, it is recommended that the incoming SUSK executive begins discussions of the benefits and disadvantages of moving the SUSK Congress from an annual to bi- or tri- annual congress basis.*

7. This year, SUSK competed in the Ukrainian Dragons competition at the Ukrainian Canadian Triennial Congress in Toronto. SUSK received \$25,000 for their pitch and proposal and is sincerely thankful for the trust and commitment the community has placed in SUSK. SUSK has already received half of the promised amount. *It is recommended that the incoming SUSK executive maintain close communication with the Ukrainian Dragons, and follow through with the proposal and any updates needed.*

For the past three fiscal years, SUSK has operated in a financial deficit financed by a surplus of cash accumulated in previous years. This year, I am glad to announce SUSK has broken from the last several years of deficit and has a \$277 surplus for the 2014 fiscal year. The surplus would have been larger with the processing of Student sponsorship. The majority of SUSK expenses go to funding the annual National SUSK Congress, and it is very important that future executives look at the sustainability and practicality of hosting such a large-scale event on an annual basis. However, with last years' congress in Edmonton being the largest since SUSK's revival, and the increasing power of social media, SUSK has done a good job in promoting and raising the profile of SUSK and our Congress.

The 2015 fiscal year should be very promising for SUSK. I send my regrets for not being present at the 2014 National SUSK Congress, but I wish everyone sincere greetings on yet another successful SUSK Congress! Thank you for supporting SUSK, and enjoy the Congress program!

Sincerely,



Adrian Warchola,  
Vice President Finance

## UKRAINIAN CANADIAN STUDENTS' UNION (SUSK)

## STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2014

	2014	2013	2012
<b>REVENUES:</b>			
Donations	500	0	48
Interest Income	2	2	1
National SUSK Congress			
Banquet & Zabava	4990	3868	101
Delegate Registration Fees	5650	3700	3259
Miscellaneous		0	0
Sponsorships	16965	11900	9900
TOTAL National SUSK Congress	<u>27605</u>	<u>19468</u>	<u>13261</u>
USO Membership Fees	625	574	530
Student Publication Sponsorship	0	700	1050
Special Projects (Student Digitization Project)	0	17	0
Special Projects (Shevchenko "Hope" T-Shirt	1676	0	0
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<u><u>30408</u></u>	<u><u>20761</u></u>	<u><u>14890</u></u>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
Administration	599	595	597
Bank Charges	13	8	0
Conference Subsidies			
SUSTA Congress	0	0	0
Ukrainian Canadian Congress	600	411	98
World Forum of Ukrainians	200	1823	850
CKUMO Congress	66		
TOTAL Conference Subsidies		<u>2234</u>	<u>948</u>
National SUSK Congress			
Banquet & Zabava	12781	11675	11875
Delegate Expenses	6300	3960	3075
Marketing	0	321	321
Miscellaneous	4114	878	38
Transportation	0	339	0
Travel Subsidies	4110	1810	1810
TOTAL National SUSK Congress	<u>27305</u>	<u>18983</u>	<u>17119</u>
Promotions	0	0	1050
Special Projects (Shevchenko "Hope" T-Shirt)	762.75	0	0
Special Projects (Student Digitization Project)	1100.8	17	0
Student News Publications	0	0	397
UCC Membership Fees	350	350	350
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<u><u>30130.55</u></u>	<u><u>22186</u></u>	<u><u>20461</u></u>
<b>SURPLUS OF REVENUE FOR THE YEAR</b>	<u><u>277.45</u></u>	<u><u>-1426</u></u>	<u><u>-5571</u></u>



**UKRAINIAN CANADIAN STUDENTS' UNION (SUSK)**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2014**

ASSETS

<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Cash	14703.78	18603	16665
Accounts receivable	13700	700	4800
Inventory (t-shirts)	762.75	460	460
Prepaid Expenses	<u>20197.76</u>	<u>2787</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>49364.29</u>	<u>22550</u>	<u>21925</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Accounts payable	2131.09	890	13164
Deferred revenue	<u>19022.88</u>	<u>6325</u>	<u>574</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>21153.97</u>	<u>7215</u>	<u>13738</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			
Unrestricted	12828.19	11352	4205
Internally Restricted for Student Digitization Project	2882.13	3983	3983
Internally Restricted for Ukrainian Dragons Commitments	12500	0	0
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<u>28210.32</u>	<u>15335</u>	<u>8188</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<u>49364.29</u>	<u>22550</u>	<u>21925</u>

# Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1. Significant Accounting Policies

a. The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions and expenditures. Support from the general public consists of contributions relating to the prior year's campaign. Funds raised during a campaign, net of related campaign expenses and provisions, are used to provide funds for funded activities. Accordingly, they are deferred at the end of the campaign year and are recorded in the statement of operations of the following year.

b. Deferred Revenue – restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred.

c. Donated Services – no amounts have been reflected in the financial statements for donated services, since no objective basis is available to measure the value of such services. Nevertheless, a substantial number of volunteers have donated significant amounts of their time to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union activities.

d. The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union follows a fiscal year beginning on May 1st and ending on April 30th.

## 2. Cash and Equivalents

### Cash and Equivalents

Description	2014	2013	2012
Cash	12647.69	12839.61	12600
Paypal Account	2056.09	5763.45	4065
<b>Totals</b>	<b>14703.78</b>	<b>18603.06</b>	<b>16665</b>

SUSK uses a Chartered Bank for checking and cash deposit services. SUSK also makes use of Paypal as a convenient method of gathering funds from individuals across the country. Paypal account revenues are related to the SUSK Taras Shevchenko Hope T-Shirts.

### 3. Deferred Revenue

Deferred Revenue			
Description	2014	2013	2012
Membership fees	580	574	562
Internally restricted - Digitization Project Grants	0	0	0
Internally restricted - Ukrainian Dragons Funding Installment I	\$12,500	0	0
Paypal Account	5942.88	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>19022.88</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>562</b>

As Paypal revenues are related to the 2014 National SUSK Congress in Toronto, to be held in May 2014, these revenues are not recognized in the 2014 Financial Statements. \$8204.65 amount is therefore deferred to the 2015 fiscal year. The Ukrainian Dragons Funding Installment II is expected to be received in the 2015 fiscal year.

### 4. Net Assets – Student Digitization Project

The 2014 Executive has continued to oversee the transformation of the Student Newsmag into an online, ready to read version, and has now completed scanning and uploading past issues of the Newsmag to a special archive website. This project was run by volunteers and so little cost was incurred, however the scanning and uploading had costs associated this year.

Net Assets - Student Digitization Project				
Account	Description	DR	CR	
<b>FUND BALANCE, April 30, 2013</b>				<b>3982.93</b>
<i>16-Feb-14</i>				
Digitization Expense - Restricted Fund	Archiving Expenses		1100.8	
<b>FUND BALANCE, Apri, 30, 2014</b>				<b>2882.13</b>

### 5. Prepaid Expenses

Prepaid Expenses	
Description	2014
Paypal Fees	197.76
Eaton Chelsea Hotel Deposit	20000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>20197.76</b>

The expenses recorded as "Prepaid Expenses" have not yet been recognized. Expenses are recognized in the period they occur. Since the Matrix Hotel Deposit and Paypal Fees are directly linked to the 2014 National SUSK Congress, these expenses must be deferred to the 2015 fiscal year.

## 6. Inventory

- a. SUSK has ordered 150 Taras Shevchenko Hope T-Shirts. At the time of this publication, SUSK has not mailed or distributed these T-Shirts, as they will be distributed at the 2014 National Congress in Toronto, and others will be mailed post-Congress.
- b. Inventory is stated at the lower of Net Realized Value or Fair Value.
- c. Any remaining t-shirts after the mail-out and distribution at the 2014 National Congress in Toronto will be held as inventory on hand for promotional materials or sales for the 2015 fiscal year.

## 7. Accounts Receivable

- a. Accounts Receivable consists of \$12,500 of the Ukrainian Dragons Funding Installment II, which is expected to be received in the 2015 fiscal year. It also includes \$1200 in sponsorship revenue for advertisement in the Student Newsmag editions for the 2014 fiscal year.

## 8. Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable consists of \$75.00 in outstanding expenses for conference reimbursements and \$2131.09 in t-shirt orders and shipping dues. Please note that when the t-shirts are distributed at the 2014 National SUSK Congress in Toronto, and mailed out to those who ordered, this number may change based on surplus t-shirts, changes in shipping charges, etc. Any revenue remaining here will be claimed as revenue and a portion donated to the Maidan in Kyiv.

## 10. 2014 National SUSK Congress in Toronto

- a. The 2014 National SUSK Congress is to be held May 8-11, 2014 in Toronto, Ontario. As this event falls in the 2015 fiscal year, revenues and expenses paid or received are not recorded into income for the 2014 fiscal year. Instead they should be recognized in the fiscal period they are incurred.
- b. The current forecasts show that the 2014 National SUSK Congress revenues should cover the projected expenses to break even, and more than likely profit.

# Speakers & Biographies

Paul Grod is active in a number of community organizations and serves as National President of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, which coordinates and represents the interests of the 1.2 million strong Ukrainian Canadian community. Paul has been President since 2007 and most recently accompanied Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Minister of Foreign Affairs John Baird on their individual trips to visit Maidan in Kyiv, Ukraine. Paul Grod is President & CEO of Rodan Energy, a leading Canadian clean technology company. Prior to founding Rodan, Paul was a corporate and investment banker with CIBC World Markets and most recently practiced corporate finance and M&A law with Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP. He is a member of the Law Society of Upper Canada and holds a Bachelor of Political Science degree, a Bachelor of Laws degree and a Master of Business Administration degree. Paul is married and has four children.

## Paul Grod

*Maidan UCC Case Study*  
Eaton Chelsea Carlyle Room  
(3rd Floor)  
May 9 - 9:30 am



## Ania Jacyniak

*Maidan UCC Case Study*  
Eaton Chelsea Carlyle Room  
(3rd Floor)  
May 9 - 9:30 am



Anna Jacyniak is an active member of the Ukrainian community. Anna is a member of the League of Ukrainian Canadian Women, Vesnianka Dance Ensemble and of MegaZabava. She holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree, Marketing Management from Ryerson University. Anna is known for her various volunteer initiatives with the Youth Group at St. Joseph's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Oakville as well as being a photographer at various Ukrainian festivals and events. As part of the EuroMaidan Toronto Committee, working with the Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Toronto Branch, Anna is responsible for coordinating all social media initiatives, creating the majority of event posters, as well as assisting with many other initiatives of the EuroMaidan Toronto Team.

**Myroslava Khomik**

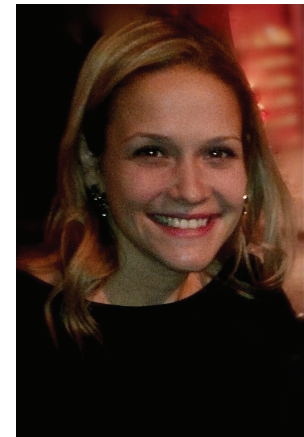
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Myroslava Khomik, currently works as coordinator of the McMaster Centre for Climate Change, at McMaster University, Hamilton, ON. Myroslava became involved with community outreach and organization in December 2013, as part of the Euromaidan Initiative of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress.

Krystina Waler worked in the pharmaceutical industry in Kyiv for 3.5 years and was very involved in the ex-pat community. She has been a longtime volunteer with Help Us Help the Children and is on the Board of Directors for Canada Children of Chernobyl Fund, Secretary of the Board for the UCPBA, and a member of UCC St. Catharines. While in Ukraine in November on a humanitarian trip, Euromaidan began and Krystina supported the demonstrators by helping run a soup kitchen at a nearby apartment. Krystina was in Kyiv, on the Maidan in November, December, January, and February of this year. In December she accompanied John Baird during his visit to Maidan, and has continued to provide counsel to this office and staff throughout the crisis in Ukraine. She accompanied Minister Baird again as a member of the official Canadian delegation at the end of February. She travelled to Ukraine again at the end of March through mid-April as the head of the medical response mission (with a team of 5 medical professionals) sent by the Canada Ukraine Foundation and National Ukrainian Canadian Congress. She is currently also completing a Master's Degree in Health Technology Assessment and Management at the University of Toronto.

**Krystina Waler**

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**Andrea Chalupa**

*USOs: Communication & Media*  
Eaton Chelsea Carlyle Room  
(3rd Floor)  
May 9 - 11:15 am

Andrea Chalupa is a journalist and the author of *Orwell and The Refugees: The Untold Story of Animal Farm*. She has written for *The Atlantic*, *TIME*, *The Daily Beast*, *Forbes*, *Conde Nast Portfolio*, and *The London Evening Standard*. She has produced viral videos for *MoveOn.org*, *AOL*, and *The Huffington Post*. Andrea is a founder of *DigitalMaidan*, an online movement that made the Ukrainian protests the #1 trending topic on Twitter worldwide, beating out Justin Bieber and the Grammys.



Cassian is an Entrepreneurship and Family Enterprise major at the Alberta School of Business. He has served as VP of the Ukrainian Students' Society, Media Director for the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union, Media Director for the Business Students' Association, and the VP Public Relations for the EDGE Business Competition. He is also a self-employed photographer and videographer, and has travelled across Canada, France, England, and Ukraine for various projects. Recently, he was the videography intern at YOUCAN Youth Services in Edmonton. Cassian is also part of the Leadership Certificate Program which enables students to learn from one another about how they are able to achieve success through their volunteer and extracurricular activities. He has served two years on the SUSK Executive as Media Director and hopes to be involved with SUSK for many years to come.

### Cassian Soltykevych

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### Nestor Gula

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Nestor Gula is a Toronto native and resident who tries to leave the city any chance he gets. A member of SUSK during his university years, he was editor of Student from 1986 to 1990. This started him on a writing/ journalism career where he worked for various publication and even founded the publication Zdorov! in 1996. He has travelled extensively and has spent an inordinate amount of time in Ukraine and Poland. He was also a member of the legendary band, Vapniak Pid Holym Nebom (Stalagmite Under a Naked Sky) that played in various venues and festivals in Southern Ontario, North Eastern US and even in Ukraine.

Roman is Program Director of Edmonton's 101.7 World FM, where he also hosts a daily Ukrainian program. He is President of the Ukrainian Youth Association (CYM) National Executive and co-chairs a UCC committee to mark the 125th anniversary of Ukrainian settlement in Canada. Roman is an avid advocate for Ukrainian folk and popular culture, and has emceed virtually every major Ukrainian festival in North America. He has worked as historical researcher for the Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village, and has taught Ukrainian grammar at the U of A. In 2011 Roman received the prestigious Sierhey Khmara Ziniak Award, presented by the Canadian Ethnic Media Association "for unswerving dedication to multiculturalism and its affirmative expression in media." He is recipient of UCC's Shevchenko Medal and Hetman Award. Roman has produced and voiced numerous audio and video projects for Alberta Education for use in Bilingual Schools. He is a recorded lyricist and Ukrainian music producer.

## Roman Brytan

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## Yuri S. Broda

*USOs: Financial Management*  
Eaton Chelsea Carlyle Room  
(3rd Floor)  
May 9 - 1:30 pm



Yuri S. Broda is a Chartered Accountant currently working at Grant Thornton LLP as a senior accountant. A life-long member of the Ukrainian Youth Association (CYM), he currently serves as President of the UYA Edmonton Branch, and is involved in projects at the organization's national and international levels. Yuri enjoys the opportunities for travel, networking and personal growth that arise from volunteering, and is active in a number of other community organizations. In 2012, Yuri was awarded the Hetman Award by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress - Alberta Provincial Council in recognition of his significant volunteer contributions to the Ukrainian community. He holds a Masters in Professional Accounting from the University of Saskatchewan, and uses his professional experience and education for the benefit of the Ukrainian-Canadian community, most recently becoming Treasurer of the Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute Foundation.



**Halyna Kuchmij**

*SUSK Alumni Panel*  
St Vladimir Institute  
May 10 - 9:00 am



Halya Kuchmij has worked as a documentary producer and director for over thirty years, and has filmed throughout the world. She has made more than seventy films, which have won over fifty national and international awards, among them: the Genie, numerous Geminis, multiple Chris Awards, the Gabriel Award, the Anik Award, and a Gold Medal from the New York Film and Television Festival. She has worked for the CBC since 1982, and prior to that was with the National Film Board. At the CBC she first worked for 'The JOURNAL', then the series 'Man Alive', 'Life & Times', 'Witness', 'The People's History of Canada', etc. Halya was awarded the prestigious Asia Pacific Media Fellowship in 1988, and in 1990 was invited to showcase her films in the major cities of Ukraine. In 2013, she was honoured with a Shevchenko Medal from the Ukrainian Canadian Congress. Halva is a native of Toronto, the daughter of Stephan Kuchmij and Marta Wintoniw, who immigrated to Canada in 1952. Her parents are originally from the Ivano-Frankivsk region in western Ukraine. Halya was involved with SUSK from 1971-1973, while studying at the University of Toronto. She was a fieldworker for OFY (Opportunities for Youth) in 1971 and 1972, initially stationed in Brandon, Manitoba, and then Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. In 1971-72, she was the editor of "STUDENT". Halya is currently working on a feature docu-drama about the Ukrainian-Canadian artist William Kurelek.

Born and raised in Montreal, Olya studied at McGill University and the University of Toronto, and has an MA in Applied Psychology. Most of her professional life was spent at TVOntario - initially as a Research Officer; then, for many years, as a Director of Research; and the last 12 years, as a Board Secretary. Since her early retirement in 2006, she has continued to work part-time as a Corporate Secretary, first for TFO, Ontario's French-language educational media org., and currently, for the OmbudService for Life & Health Insurance. Olya has been an active member of the Ukrainian Canadian community all her life. In her youth, she was active in CYM and a Ukrainian dance group. As a young adult, she was active in SUSK and served on defence committees such as Committee in Defence of Soviet Political Prisoners and Action for Women's Rights in the USSR. Later on, she served on several Ukrainian Canadian community boards: Ukrainian Canadian Professional & Business Association, St. Vladimir Institute, and the Ukrainian Canadian Research & Documentation Centre. Currently, she is President of the Canadian Foundation for Ukrainian Studies.

**Olya Kuplowska**

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In 1971, during his fourth year in the Honours Political Science and Economics programme, Yuri was elected President of the McMaster Ukrainian Students Association. In September 1973 he was elected President of SUSK for 1973-74. Subsequently, Yuri went on to obtain an M.A. in Political Science, in 1975, from the University of Toronto. After graduation he worked for the Ukrainian World Congress as a researcher into Soviet persecution of religion in Ukraine, then worked for the University of Regina as a researcher on the Right Honourable John Diefenbaker's memoirs. Yuri joined the federal public service in 1977. He worked most recently in the area of science and technology policy. Yuri was also involved in the promotion of Web-based learning in post-secondary education. Yuri's final managerial position was Director of University Research Policy in Industry Canada. Now retired, Yuri has been to Ukraine on three occasions as an election observer.

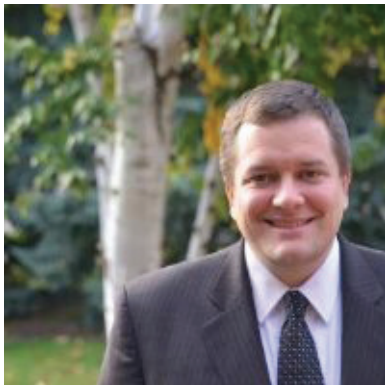
## Yuri Daschko

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## Taras Hetmanczuk

*SUSK Alumni Panel*  
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Taras is an experienced leader and strategic thinker with a well-rounded cross functional background. He has a proven track record of leading teams to solve complex business issues and improve bottom-line results. Areas of expertise include procurement, business strategy and sales. His success in a variety of business disciplines has built a strong foundation for his ability to deliver customer focused solutions in his current key account role. Taras is an excellent relationship-builder and was recognized by the LCBO in 2013 as their beer category partner of the year. Taras is an active community member, and currently serves as the President of the Ukrainian Professional and Business Association of Toronto. Taras holds an MBA from Wilfrid Laurier University and an Honours Bachelor of Science from the University of Toronto.

Paul Horbal is an intellectual property lawyer and a registered U.S. and Canadian patent agent, working in Toronto. His work focuses primarily on drafting, prosecuting and licensing patents, with an emphasis on inventions in the computer and electrical engineering fields. When not at work, Paul serves on the boards of several organizations, including the Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Association of Toronto, the Ukrainian Canadian Congress – Toronto Branch, the Toronto Intellectual Property Group, and the George Brown College Research Ethics Board. He also enjoys playing soccer, outdoor adventuring and singing. Paul is a past president of the Ukrainian Canadian Students’ Union (SUSK).

### Paul Horbal



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### Marco Jacuta



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Marco Jacuta is currently studying a Professional Master of Laws degree focused on Corporate, Energy & Infrastructure, and Mining law at Osgoode Hall Law School. His previous work experience is primarily in the mineral exploration industry, which includes heading work on an exploration program at Rio Tinto’s Diavik Diamond Mine in the Northwest Territories. While completing his Bachelor of Laws, with a background in British Common law & European Union law, at the University of Leicester in the United Kingdom, Marco volunteered his time as an international election observer for the 2012 Ukrainian Parliamentary elections, acting as representation for an organisation that aims to combat miscarriages of justice by reviewing cases of wrongful conviction, and volunteering for the Ewing’s Sarcoma Research Trust, a British not-for-profit charity, initiating various successful fundraising efforts resulting in the accumulation of over £190,000 since the charity’s inception. While studying his Bachelor of Arts at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, Marco served on the SUSK Executive as President (2009/2010), Vice President (2007/2008) and on the Ukrainian Students’ Society’s Executive as President (2008/2009), Executive Vice-President (2009/2010) and Vice-President Internal (2006/2007).

# Keynote Address

## Markian Shwec

Eaton Chelsea Churchill  
Ballroom (2nd Floor)  
May 10 - 7:00 pm



**M**arkian Shwec is an active community leader who has taken on leadership roles in the Ukrainian Community for some 30 years. Originating from Montreal, he served on the Board of the Ukrainian Youth Association (SUM), eventually being elected as its President. He also served in various leadership roles in SUM's National and World Boards. While in Montreal, Markian was at the forefront of community events on behalf of the UCC, and served as VP SUSK, VP UCC Montreal, and on the Board of UCC National.

In the 1990s, Markian travelled to Ukraine several times to assist fledgling democracy groups take root and work towards Ukraine's independence and full statehood.

Since arriving in Toronto in 1998, Markian served on the Executive of UCC Toronto. As its President, Markian had many accomplishments, including leading the community's original Orange Revolution committee that eventually led to a successful campaign raising \$1.5 million and sending 500 observers during the 2004 Presidential elections in Ukraine. He has been a key leader in subsequent election observer missions organized by the UCC, and has participated in Canadem observer missions as well. Today Markian is a member of the Executive of the UCC National, and is Chair of the EuroMaidan Committee headquartered in Toronto working to assist Ukraine in its epic battle for statehood.

Markian is a Finance Executive, who holds a Mechanical Engineering degree, an MBA in Strategy and Finance, and a CMA, and works as a director of Program Management in a major Canadian IT company.

Markian, along with his wife Lida Kulish, are raising three children, Andriko, Mateyko, and Anastasia.

# Rules of Order

As per section VIII.4.a of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Constitution;

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 LII Congress in accordance with the adopted program, maintain order and adhere to the Rules of Order outline in the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Constitution
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 Constitution

## 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 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 Executive will be conducted by secret ballot
2. Voting for the proposed Constitutional Amendments will be conducted by secret ballot
3. Voting for proposed Resolutions will be conducted by show of Delegate voting cards.
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 in writing.
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.

# Outgoing National Executive



**Christine Czoli**

Position: President  
Hometown: Toronto, Ontario  
University: University of Waterloo  
Year and Field of Study: 2nd year  
PhD in Public Health



**Adrian Warchola**

Position: Vice President Finance  
Hometown: Edmonton, Alberta  
University: University of Alberta  
Year and Field of Study: 4th year  
International Business/  
Marketing, Leadership  
Certificate Program



**Emily Bayrachny**

Position: Vice-President Central  
Hometown: Toronto, Ontario  
University: University of Toronto  
Year and Field of Study: 3rd year  
Political



**Nadia Demko**

Position: Executive  
Vice-President  
Hometown: Winnipeg, Manitoba  
University: McGill University  
Year and Field of Study:  
M.Sc. Experimental Medicine



**Sasha Vorotilenko**

Position: Vice-President West  
Hometown: Edmonton Alberta  
University: University of Alberta  
Year and Field of Study: 4th year  
Modern Languages and Cultural  
Studies



**Alexandra Lewyckyj**

Position: Vice-President East  
Hometown: Montreal, Quebec  
University: McGill University  
Year and Field of Study: U3  
World Religions and Canadian  
Studies



**Darya Naumova**

Position: Secretary  
Hometown: Kyiv, Ukraine  
University: McGill University  
Year and Field of Study: 3rd year  
in B.Sc. Neuroscience

**Artem Chaplynsky**

Position: External Relations  
Director  
Hometown: Kyiv, Ukraine  
University: Western University  
Year & Field of Study: 2nd  
year Honors Specialization in  
International Relations



**Mark Moroz**

Position: Internal Relations  
Director  
Hometown: Hamilton, Ontario  
University: McMaster University  
Field of Study: Geography and  
Earth Science

**Deanna Kibap**

Position: Project Director  
Hometown: Edmonton, Alberta  
University: University of Alberta  
Year and Field of Study: 3rd  
year in BSc Nutrition and Food  
Science



**Cassian Soltykevych**

Position: Media Director  
Hometown: Edmonton, Alberta  
University: University of Alberta  
Year and Field of Study: 3rd year  
Entrepreneurship and Family  
Enterprise

**Olena Kit**

Position: Alumni Director  
Hometown: Hamilton, Ontario  
University: McMaster University  
Year and Field of Study: 2nd  
year MSc in Cognitive Science of  
Language



**Danylo Korbabicz**

Position: Past President  
Hometown: Toronto, Ontario  
University: University of Ottawa  
Year and Field of Study: Graduate  
Studies, Public Administration



# Resolutions

## Greetings

### RESOLUTION 1

BE IT RESOLVED that the 2014 National SUSK Congress acknowledge the tireless and dedicated work of the 2014 National SUSK Congress Committee.

### RESOLUTION 2

BE IT RESOLVED that the 2014 National SUSK Congress greet the outgoing SUSK National Executive with the successful completion of their term.

## Administration

### RESOLUTION 3

WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress sees it important to maintain the long term continuity of SUSK,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive continues using the UCC National address in Ottawa, Ontario as the central mailing address, and have any SUSK mail/correspondence forwarded to the concerned individual.

### RESOLUTION 4

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive hold the 2015 National SUSK Congress in the months from May-October, 2015.

### RESOLUTION 5

WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress understands the importance of maintaining fiscal accountability and transparency in any community organization,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive continues to abide by generally accepted accounting principles for not-for-profit organizations to compile its financial report.

### RESOLUTION 6

WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress sees the importance of financial accountability,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive enforce the payment of membership dues from Member Organizations.

## Commemorations

### RESOLUTION 7

WHEREAS the subsequent year commemorates the following anniversaries:

200th Anniversary of the birth of eminent Ukrainian poet Taras Shevchenko (2014)  
100th Anniversary of the formation of the Ukrainian Sich Riflemen (2014)  
10th Anniversary of the Orange Revolution (2014)  
100th Anniversary of Canada's first National Internment Operations of 1914-1920 (2014)  
200th Anniversary of the birth of Mykhailo Verbytsky, composer of Ukraine's national anthem (2015)

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive encourage its member USOs to hold commemorations of these and other notable historical events.

## Policy

### RESOLUTION 8

WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress recognizes that the priorities of the SUSK National Executive shift as time progresses and circumstances change,  
AND WHEREAS it is in the best interest of the SUSK National Executive to make clear to stakeholders and interested parties in the community what the priorities of the SUSK National Executive are,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive review the existing SUSK Position Paper developed by the outgoing SUSK National Executive annually,  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive tailor the Position Paper to conform with the issues that affect the broader membership of SUSK at that given time,  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that until such a time that the document is revised and approved by a current SUSK National Executive, let the existing Position Paper serve as the overarching guideline for SUSK priorities.

## Internal Relations

### RESOLUTION 9

WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress recognizes the importance of maintaining bilateral relationships with its member USOs,  
AND WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress finds that electronic communication through email, SUSK websites, and SUSK social media accounts; and joint meetings and/or regional conferences of the SUSK National Executive and its member USOs constitute the most effective means of communication with member USOs,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive make an effort to update representatives of its member USOs using the aforementioned methods on a monthly basis.

### RESOLUTION 10

WHEREAS the dissemination of Ukrainian student activity and information to the broader community remains a cornerstone of the SUSK mandate,  
AND WHEREAS the national publication "Student" remains a widely read and respected journal among Ukrainian Canadians,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive encourage its direct and indirect membership to provide sufficient content to publish quarterly issues of "Student" at minimum.

### RESOLUTION 11

WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress deems it important to preserve Ukrainian Canadian culture through the lens of the Ukrainian Canadian student,  
AND WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress holds that archiving publications of "Student" is the most effective means of preserving this,  
AND WHEREAS the 2013-2014 National SUSK Executive completed the SUSK "Student" Digitization project and created a searchable digital archive of publications ([www.student.susk.ca](http://www.student.susk.ca)),

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive continues to add subsequent publications of "Student" to this online archive.

### RESOLUTION 12

WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress holds SUSK to be a constituted federation, and shall remain as such for the foreseeable future,



AND WHEREAS SUSK recognizes the compatibility of all Ukrainian Student Organizations with the objectives of the SUSK constitution, AND WHEREAS SUSK endeavors to promote a sense of unity and solidarity between local Ukrainian Student Organizations across Canada,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive recommend to all Member Organization USOs within SUSK that have not done so already to adopt the name "SUSK" in conjunction with their local name as the official name of their Ukrainian Student Organization (Club, Society, Association, Union).

## *External Relations*

### RESOLUTION 13

WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress sees the necessity of having an international body coordinating youth activity, AND WHEREAS the Central Union of Ukrainian Students (CeSUS) has fallen inactive, AND WHEREAS the World Congress of Ukrainian Youth Organizations (SKUMO) was formally established at the X World Congress of Ukrainians in Ternopil, Ukraine in August 2013, AND WHEREAS SUSK has taken strides to work with fellow youth organizations in the past,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive work with SKUMO and affiliated youth organizations throughout Ukraine and the diaspora to coordinate Ukrainian youth.

### RESOLUTION 14

WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress recognizes the importance of developing working relationships with affiliated individuals and youth groups in Ukraine, AND WHEREAS SUSK stakeholders stand to gain perspective and insight on issues plaguing fellow youth in Ukraine from developing such relationships,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive undertake at least one tangible and actionable project that is implemented in conjunction with youth and student groups in Ukraine.

### RESOLUTION 15

WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress sees importance to further cooperation between the Ukrainian Canadian Students Union and the Federation of Ukrainian Student Organizations of America (SUSTA), the Organizational Committee of the Ukrainian Student Association of Mykola Mikhnovskiy, and other governing student bodies, AND WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress sees it mutually beneficial to have active Ukrainian Student Organization umbrella organizations in North America, AND WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress is aware of other National Ukrainian Student Organizations outside of SUSK's respective jurisdiction and where there may be a Ukrainian diaspora with students,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive make an active effort to organize a joint Congress with any affiliated organizations that are willing.

## *UCC Dragons Competition*

### RESOLUTION 16

WHEREAS SUSK was successful in securing funding from the Ukrainian Canadian Congress Dragons Competition, AND WHEREAS the mandate of the Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Federation (UCPBF) is to foster the growth and development of the Ukrainian Canadian professional and business community,

AND WHEREAS SUSK and the Toronto chapter of the UCPBF (Ukrainian Canadian Professional and Business Association of Toronto (UCPBA-Toronto)) have successfully organized two networking initiatives this past year,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive partner with the UCPBF and its local chapters to organize networking events and professional development workshops to benefit their membership.

### RESOLUTION 17

WHEREAS SUSK was successful in securing funding from the Ukrainian Canadian Congress Dragons Competition, AND WHEREAS SUSK and the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC) have discussed the strategic initiative of creating a SUSK National Coordinator position in the past, AND WHEREAS the UCC has expressed its support for SUSK in relation to this initiative,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive work with the Ukrainian Canadian Congress to ensure the appropriate creation of a SUSK National Coordinator position to assist the SUSK National Executive with its responsibilities and tasks.

### RESOLUTION 18

WHEREAS SUSK was successful in securing funding from the Ukrainian Canadian Congress Dragons Competition, AND WHEREAS SUSK strives to build strong relationships with its member Ukrainian Students' Organizations (USOs),

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive establish a process for SUSK member USOs to apply for and obtain seed funding for the implementation of local USO initiatives.

## *Strategic Planning*

### RESOLUTION 19

WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress holds the financial longevity of SUSK crucial to its long term continuity and suffers shortages in operational funding,

BE IT RESOLVED that SUSK in cooperation with the Taras Shevchenko Foundation and other donors create a managed Contingency Reserve Fund to sustain the projects and ventures of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union in perpetuity, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a reasonable portion of the income garnered from such a fund be allocated to the development of appropriate projects in Ukraine.

### RESOLUTION 20

WHEREAS there are undoubtedly a significant number of Ukrainian students in colleges and technical institutes, AND WHEREAS the 2014 National SUSK Congress is aware of SUSK's limited exposure among Ukrainian students in colleges and technical institutes,

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive make an attempt to reach out to students in colleges and technical institutes, AND BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Executive work to establish USOs in colleges and technical institutes wherever possible.

# Constitution

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## I. PRELIMINARY

There shall be one name to this organization;

1. The name of this organization will be the "Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union". Ця організація є під назвою „Союз Українського Студентства Канади”. Cette organisation tombera sous le nom «Union des Étudiants Ukrainiens Canadiens»;

Abbreviations for the name of this organization are to be as follows;

2. (UCSU) in English;
3. (СУСК) по-Українськи;
4. (UEUC) en Français.

## II. STATUS

The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union is;

1. An organization established at the first Congress of Ukrainian Students in

Winnipeg, Manitoba on December 26-27, 1953 under the patronage of the Ukrainian Canadian Committee (UCC).

2. A member of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC) and is recognized as the national representative organisation for Ukrainian Canadian students.

3. A member of the World Conference of Ukrainian Students (CeSUS) - The coordinating body of Ukrainian student organizations throughout the world.

4. A member of the Ukrainian World Congress - The co-ordinating body for Ukrainian organisations outside the borders of Ukraine.

5. An organization member and recognized by The Federation of Ukrainian Student Organizations of America.

### III. FINANCIAL STATUS

The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union is a non-profit organization;

1. Excess net income available at the end of the year shall be carried into the next year;
2. Neither issue of shares nor payment of dividends or premiums shall be made.

### IV. MANDATES & OBJECTIVES

1. To uphold and promote the Ukrainian language;
2. To organise, and represent the Member Organizations of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union, along with other Associate Member Organizations as an organised body;
3. To promote Ukrainian and Ukrainian Canadian studies;
4. To promote awareness of Ukrainian and Ukrainian Canadian culture;
5. To provide a structure for intra/inter group relations;
6. To foster cooperation and understanding among Ukrainian Canadian students' Member Organizations and other Associate Member Organizations as well as non-members;
7. To participate in and encourage the development of the Ukrainian-Canadian community which abides by the rule of law and democratic and humanitarian principles;
8. To educate and inform Individual Members and non-members about issues relevant to the Ukrainian-Canadian community;
9. To coordinate and initiate activities for persons in order to promote Ukrainian culture;
10. To organise conferences, tours, ethnic events, study groups and exhibits which further the objectives of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union.

### V. MEMBERSHIP

A Member Organization is a Ukrainian Student Organization who agrees to abide by the constitution of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union, whose fees are paid in full. Ukrainian Student Organization's consist of Individual Members.

There are two (2) classes of membership for Member Organizations, "Full" and "Associate". The terms of membership are as follows;

1. Membership in the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union is open to all Ukrainian Student Organizations;
2. Membership application will commence upon receiving a formal written request for membership, or during a membership drive;
3. Criteria for eligible organizations for membership to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union are as follows:
  - a. For Full Membership, the applying organization must consist of Individual Members enrolled in Canadian post-secondary institutions, who support the mandate and objectives of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;
  - b. For Associate Membership, the applying organization is established outside Canadian borders, or whose membership does not consist of Students enrolled in Canadian post-secondary institutions may still apply for Associate Membership. However, Associate Membership will have absolutely no voting privileges if granted membership to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;
  - c. In all cases Member Organizations or an Associate Member Organization must be democratically governed with an executive responsible to it's membership
4. Before membership is granted to an organization the applying organization shall:
  - a. Provide a copy of the organizations' Constitution to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive;
  - b. Provide an accurate list of their Executive members along with their positions on the Executive;
  - c. Provide a list of the organization's membership including;
    - i. Full Names
    - ii. Email addresses
5. Where an applicant organization for membership to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union has fulfilled the criteria as per V.2-4. of this Constitution; the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive

may conditionally accept this applicant organization as a Member Organization or Associate Member Organization of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;

- a. Pending a two month probation during which the aspiring organization must appoint a Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union representative, and;
  - b. Pay its membership fee for that academic year;
6. All Full Member Organizations in good standing of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union have voting privileges at all Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congresses, and Extraordinary Congresses;
7. The Executive will establish the membership fee annually;
- a. The fee for one year may not be less than 1 \$ Canadian per Individual Member of the Member Organizations' membership.
  - b. The fee shall be ratified by the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress if greater than 1 \$ Canadian;
8. Member Organizations may withdraw their membership at any time from the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;
- a. By filing a declaration of withdrawal and giving proper prior notification to the Executive of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;
  - b. Dissolving the organization;
  - c. Membership fees are non-refundable;
9. Memberships expire on September 30th of the subsequent year;

## VI. ELECTIONS

All Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Individual Members of a Member Organization may run for any Executive position when elections are held under the following terms;

1. Any Individual Member may run for election to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive, if that Individual Member Organization, and;
  - a. The Individual Member is a student at a Canadian post-secondary institute and has not received a degree or diploma from a post-secondary institution, unless that

person is enrolled in a further degree or diploma program at a Canadian post-secondary institution.

2. No Individual Member may hold more than one executive position at the same time;
3. The candidates for the executive positions of President and Vice-President Finance must;
  - a. Have one full year of previous experience on the Executive;
  - b. Have registered in a degree or diploma program at a post-secondary institution in Canada for the subsequent academic year, as defined by the candidate's post-secondary institution calendar;
  - c. Must be fully aware of issues relevant to the Ukrainian-Canadian community in Canada and beyond;

## VII. ELECTION PROCEDURES

The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Annual and Extraordinary Congresses shall follow proper Parliamentary Procedure;

All Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organizations;

1. All Ukrainian Canadian Student's Union Executive are entitled to one vote per person during an Executive meeting;
  - a. With the exception of the President, who will have one additional deciding vote in a case of a tie;
  - b. During an election each member may only vote once per position;
2. All Ukrainian Canadian Student' Union Members are entitled to one vote per person during an Annual or Extraordinary Congresses
  - a. With the exception of the Presidium Chairperson, who will have one deciding vote in a case of a tie;
3. An election is won by the person receiving the simple plurality of votes; and where required a majority consists of 50% plus one (1) more votes of those present;
4. All candidates must be first nominated either by an Individual Member in attendance at the Congress, or by self-nomination;
  - a. The nomination must then receive a seconded nomination;

- b. The nominee must accept the nomination before proceeding to the election;
  - c. Must be fully aware of issues relevant to the Ukrainian-Canadian community in Canada and beyond;
5. All elections shall be done through secret ballot;
- a. With the exception when there is unanimous consent by all Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union members present to have an open vote;
6. All Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Individual Members are eligible to run for any Executive position with the exception of the position of President and Vice-President Finance as per VI.3.
7. Only Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive and Member Organization's Delegates will have voting privileges at a Congress;
- a. No Delegate whose Congress registration is not paid in full will have voting privileges at the Congress;
8. The maximum number of Delegates that may be sent by a Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organization are as follow;
- a. Three Delegates; representing the Executive of the Member Organization, and;
  - b. One Delegate for every 20 Individual Members of the Member Organization, or fraction thereof whose membership fees have been paid to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;
9. Each Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organization, in good standing, in its discretion may delegate up to three of its votes to its first Delegate;
- a. Should any Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organization send more than one Delegate to the Congress, any additional delegates are entitled to vote only if the total votes then held by the person(s) does not exceed the Constitutionally set maximum allowable votes as per VII.7 of this Constitution;
10. No person representing a Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member organization shall delegate a right to vote at a Congress to another person;

- a. The only exception being in the case of a delegate from one Full Member organization delegating a vote, by written proxy, to an alternate delegate from the same member organization;

## VIII. CONGRESS

The Congress is the supreme legislative body of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union; it is the Annual assembly or, Extraordinary assembly, of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;

1. The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive shall convene a Congress at least once during every calendar year;
  - a. The Executive shall give written notice to all Ukrainian Canadian Student's Union Member Organizations of the date and place the Congress is to be held, no less than less than two (2) calendar months prior to the date of the Congress, and;
  - b. Should the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive be incapable of calling a Congress as per VIII.1.a. of this Constitution an ad hoc Congress committee composed of the Presidents of at least half the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organizations may call a Congress and set its agenda;
  - c. Upon the written request of a minimum one-third of all Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organizations, the Executive shall call an Extraordinary Congress and set its agenda.
2. The agenda at every Annual Congress shall include at least;
  - a. Reports from each of the Executive members;
  - b. Reports from any existing committees;
  - c. Reports from each Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organization;
  - d. An audited financial statement;
  - e. Resolutions;
  - f. Constitutional Amendments, and;
  - g. Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive Elections;

3. The Annual Congress shall consist of The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive where every Executive Member is a Delegate, Member Organization's Delegates, Alternative Delegates, Associate Member Organization's Observers and Guests;

- a. A Member Organization "Delegate" is;
  - i. A member in good standing of a Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organization;
  - ii. Authorized by that Member Organization to attend the Congress as the organization's representative;
- b. An "Alternative Delegate" is;
  - i. An Individual Member in good standing of a Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organization;
  - ii. Authorized by that Member Organization to attend the Congress as the organization's representative to take the place of any of the organization's Delegates unable to participate in the Congress;
- c. An "Observer" is;
  - i. any person who is in attendance at the Congress and is not a Delegate or Alternate Delegate;
  - ii. A member in good standing of a Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Associate Member Organization;
- d. A "Guest" is;
  - i. Any observer who has been officially invited by the Executive to attend the Congress;

4. 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. A Presidium, composed of a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and two (2) Secretaries;
  - i. The Presidium is responsible to conduct the Congress proceedings;
- b. A Nominations Committee;
  - i. The Nomination Committee is responsible to prepare a list of candidates for election to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive for the subsequent term of office;

- c. A Verifications Committee;
  - i. The Verification Committee is responsible to verify that each Member Organization has only the Constitutionally permitted number of Delegates and that these Delegates are bona fide Delegates;
- d. A Constitutional Committee;
  - i. The Constitutional Committee is responsible to prepare the text of all proposed Constitutional changes, if any, to the Congress;
- e. A Resolutions Committee;
  - i. The Resolution Committee is responsible to prepare the text of any Congress resolutions for the consideration of the Congress;
- f. An Auditing Committee;
  - i. The Auditing Committee is responsible to audit the financial records and report of the preceding Vice-President Finance, and;
- g. Any other committee which the Congress may deem necessary;

## IX. EXECUTIVE

The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive is composed of;

- 1. A President, a Vice-President, a Vice-President Finance, up to five (5) Regional Vice-Presidents, an Internal Relations Director, an External Relations Director, a Secretary, a Media Technician, a Project Director, an Alumni Director, and an Immediate Past-President;
  - a. Regional Vice-Presidents are elected by the Congress, where each Regional Vice-President represents Ukrainian Student Member Organizations in a geographical area, as defined by the Annual Congress of Extraordinary Congress;
- 2. Should there be any vacant positions on the Executive, with the exception of that of the President, an election will be held at the next executive meeting;

- a. If there is no Executive meeting for more than eight (8) weeks, then the President shall appoint an Individual Member to fill the vacant Executive position and to serve the rest of the term;
- b. If a vacancy of the Executive position of President occurs, then the position shall be filled by the existing Vice-President;

3. If an Executive member has not fulfilled their duties, or has not been active in the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union for a period of time exceeding two (2) months without a valid reason, or prior formal notification to the Executive;

- a. The executive position may be vacated by putting the matter to a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Executive;

4. The Executive, subject to budgetary constraints, may employ any professional staff the Executive deem necessary to fulfill the objects outlined as per Article X.

#### X. COMPETENCE of the EXECUTIVE

The President's responsibilities are designated as follows;

1. All overseeing activities of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;
2. Is responsible for the management of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union, and shall
  - a. Coordinate all Executive members;
3. Is responsible for all Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union affairs;
4. Calls and Chairs all Executive meetings;
5. Represents the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union to the public as an official spokesperson;
6. Serves as an official representative to any formal organization;
  - a. This includes serving as an official representative to; The Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC), The World Conference of Ukrainian Students (CeSUS), The Ukrainian World Congress, and The Federation of Ukrainian Student Organizations of America.

7. May delegate any one of the Executive position's responsibilities or tasks to any other Executive Member;
8. Gives a clear direction as to the activities and direction of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;
9. Is responsible for briefing all Executive members with respect to their duties, and;
10. The President must have financial signing authority;

Whereas the Vice-President's responsibilities are designated as follows;

11. Is responsible for assisting the President in fulfilling duties of the President when the President is unable to do so, and;
12. Is responsible to coordinate, organise, and maintain contact with all Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union member organizations, coordinating all actions and activities with the Regional Vice-Presidents;

The Vice-President Finance's responsibilities are designated as follows;

13. Is responsible for all Ukrainian Canadian Student's Union funds; and;
  - a. Keep an accurate financial record using generally accepted accounting principles;
14. Is responsible for drafting a budget for the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union fiscal year and be responsible for its realization;
15. Is responsible to propose a budget for various events;
16. Is responsible for setting a budget with, and for all Executive members;
17. Is responsible for all Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union subsidy plans, and grant applications;
18. Is responsible to keep all funds at a legal, financial institution;
19. Is responsible to present a completed final financial report to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress delegates and to the auditing committee for examination at the Congress or by the auditing committee;
20. Is responsible for collecting membership fees, and;

21. The Vice-President Finance must have financial signing authority; The Regional Vice-President's responsibilities are designated as follows;

22. Is responsible to coordinate Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union activities in a given geographical region of Canada where deemed necessary; and

23. Is responsible for communication between Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union member organizations within their designated region, and the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive;

The Internal Relations Director's responsibilities are designated as follows;

24. Is responsible for the management of communication within the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;

25. Is responsible for all Internal affairs within the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;

26. Is responsible for understanding the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union constitution;

27. Is responsible to investigate any internal formal grievances within the Ukrainian Canadian Student's Union;

28. Is responsible for initiating, encouraging, and coordinating social and cultural activities geared towards Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union members; and;

29. Is responsible to help orientate and integrate Member Organizations of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union who are in their 1st year of membership;

The External Relations Director's responsibilities are designated as follows;

30. Is responsible for the management of communication with all Ukrainian and non-Ukrainian organizations;

31. Is responsible to maintain communications with other Ukrainian and non-Ukrainian organizations;

a. Responsible to ensure that each Member Organization is aware of the new Executive after elections;

b. Responsible to ensure that each Member Organization is aware of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Unions' activities;

c. Responsible to ensure that a representative and/or greeting is dispatched to other organization's national congress/convention(s) as directed by the Executive;

32. Is responsible for maintaining liaison with the community and its activities;

33. Is responsible to maintain contact with all levels of government;

34. Is responsible for coordinating all actions and activities with Ukrainian community and other organizations;

35. Is responsible to investigate any external formal grievance relevant to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;

36. Is responsible for initiating, encouraging, and coordinating social and cultural activities geared to all non-Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organizations;

37. Is responsible for compiling an access list of resource people in the press, media and/or community, and;

38. Is responsible for the acquisition and distribution of all promotional materials; and;

39. Is responsible to provide information about the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union and its activities to students attending High Schools, Universities and other post-secondary institutions in Canada;

The Secretary's responsibilities are designated as follows;

40. Is responsible for the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive meeting minutes; and

a. Make the minutes available to all Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organizations;

b. Must appoint a person from the Executive to take minutes in their absence;

41. Is responsible to record ingoing and outgoing correspondence;

42. Is responsible to keep and maintain the archive of all past, and present Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union activities and Member Organizations membership list;



- 43. Is responsible to keep and maintain an accurate, and up-to-date membership list of Member Organizations and their memberships;
- 44. Is responsible for understanding the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union constitution; and
  - a. Making the Constitution available to all Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organizations;
- 45. Is responsible for informing executive members of all meetings and important decisions in their absence, and;
- 46. Is responsible for maintaining adequate office supplies.

The Media Director's responsibilities are designated as follows;

- 47. Is responsible for a functioning Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Website, and;
- 48. Is responsible to produce a regular publication/newsletter (Студент/Student), and any other publications deemed necessary by the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive, or by the Congress;
- 49. Is responsible to update the web site at least once (1) every two (2) months;
  - a. Construct and maintain a web page that informs members of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union about the constitution, mandates, executive members, and upcoming Member Organization events; and;
- 50. Is responsible to aid the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive maintain communication with Member Organizations;

The Project Director's responsibilities are designated as follows;

- 51. Is responsible to co-ordinate all Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Projects;
- 52. Is responsible for initiating, encouraging and coordinating social activities;
- 53. Is responsible for ensuring that members of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive, and Committees of the Executive are informed of all Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union projects;

The Alumni Director's responsibilities are designated as follows;

- 54. Is responsible to organise and maintain liaison with Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union alumni; and
- 55. Is responsible to gather and aid the Secretary in the maintenance of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union archive;

The Immediate Past-President's responsibilities are designated as follows;

- 56. Is the outgoing President of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union of the immediately preceding term of office;
- 57. Is responsible to provide advice to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive on all UCSU matters, and;
  - a. Acts as a liaison and provides an organizational continuity with the previous year's Executive;
- 58. Has no voting privileges at Executive meetings;

## XI. TERMS

The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executive shall fulfill the mandates and objectives outlined in Article IV of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Constitution to the best of its ability;

- 1. Annual elections will be held during the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress, or at the Extraordinary Congress;
  - a. Unless the President of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union at the time defers the time of the elections with two (2) week's prior written notice, due to extraordinary circumstances, which must be approved by the Executive in advance;
- 2. All elected positions are active from inception to the following elections;
- 3. All elected positions are bound by the resolutions passed at all Annual and Extraordinary Congresses;

4. The Vice-President Finance and any other Executive Members having signing privileges, must notify the financial institution with whom they do business, formally in writing, of their absolution and loss of privileges, within one week of the election of the new Executive, or upon resignation from their position;

a. They must transfer signing privileges to the newly elected Executive;

5. The newly elected Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Executives shall assume their responsibilities immediately at the conclusion of the elections;

6. The elected Executive will hold their positions until the conclusion of the election the subsequent year, or until they resign, or are removed from office, and;

7. Immediately following elections, the entire outgoing Executive shall remain as ex-officio members, active advisors, with no voting privileges during Executive meetings.

## XII. PROVISIONS for QUORUM

Quorum for Executive meetings shall be the President, or the Vice-President, or designate when the President is not available and at least 50% of Executive Members, to make a decision, and;

Quorum for an Annual Congress or Extraordinary Congress is 51% of the delegates registered at the Congress.

## XIII. REMUNERATION

No Executive member shall receive remuneration for their service as an Executive Member. The Executive may vote to reimburse any individual for legitimate expenses incurred on behalf of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union. Only when authorized by the Vice-President Finance and only after a motion has been passed by the Executive shall any Individual Member of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union receive remuneration for their expenses;

## XIV. DISSOLUTION & ACTIVITY

In the event of the dissolution of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;

1. Its assets shall be deposited with the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, for the purpose of funding a future national Ukrainian Canadian student organization.

2. Any permanent records or artefacts of significant historical note shall be left in the custody of the National Archives of Canada or such other organization as the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union designates; to hold in trust until the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union is revived; or to the Ukrainian Canadian Congress;

## XV. IMPEACHMENT

Grounds for impeachment shall consist of any action that contravenes this constitution, or any municipal, provincial, or federal laws.

Any member of the Executive may be impeached from office when;

1. Ten Individual Members in good standing of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union call for a Special Executive meeting when there is a written request submitted to the Executive;

2. Two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of all Executive Members of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union is required for an Executive member to be impeached from office;

3. Prior to a vote of impeachment from the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union, the concerned Executive Member may speak on their behalf.

Any Member Organization may be expelled from the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union for the current session for any action that contravenes the concerned Member Organizations constitution, this constitution, or any municipal, provincial, or federal laws, when;

1. Ten Individual Members in good standing of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union may call for a Special Executive meeting when there is a written formal request submitted to the Executive;

2. The Executive shall submit in writing to all Member Organizations no later than two (2) weeks before the set date of the Special Executive meeting;
  - a. Advising of the intention to expel the concerned member organization;
  - b. The reason(s) to expel the concerned Member Organization from the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union;
3. Two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of all Executive Members of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union is required;
4. Prior to a vote of expulsion from the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union, the concerned Member Organization may speak on their behalf.

## XVI. MEETINGS

Executive meetings will;

1. Be called with five (5) days notice to the date of the meeting;
2. Have an agenda made available to all Executive Members for each Executive Meeting;
3. Be chaired by the President, or the Vice-President, or designate when the President is not available, and;
4. Have a minimum of one (1) Executive Meetings per academic month;

Special Executive Meetings will;

5. Be called with one (1) day notice to the date of the meeting;
6. Have an agenda made available to all Executive Members for each Executive Meeting;
7. Be chaired by the President, or the Vice-President, or designate when the President is not available;

## XVII. CONSTITUTIONAL AMMENDMENTS

Amendment to the Constitution must be made as follows;

1. A written copy of all proposed amendment(s) shall be submitted to the Ukrainian Canadian Student's Union Executive no later than two (2) weeks prior to the convening of a Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress or Extraordinary Congress;

2. The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress or Extraordinary Congress shall consider constitutional amendments that;
  - a. Have been edited for style by the Congress Constitutional Committee;
3. Constitutional amendments must be;
  - a. Voted on only at the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress, or at an Extraordinary Congress;
4. All Individual Members of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union have the right to review proposed amendments;
  - a. The Executive shall submit a written copy of all proposed Constitutional amendment(s) to all Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Member Organizations no later than one (1) week prior to the convening of the Congress;
5. The Executive will review any proposed amendments and will vote to recommend or not recommend the amendment to the Congress; and;
  - a. A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Delegates present at the Congress or Extraordinary Congress is required to pass an amendment to the constitution.

## XVIII. RULES of ORDER

The governing rules of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Meetings are;

1. In the latest edition of Robert's Rule of Order, and;
  - a. Are to be implemented in all cases to which they are applicable and not inconsistent or infringing with the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Constitution

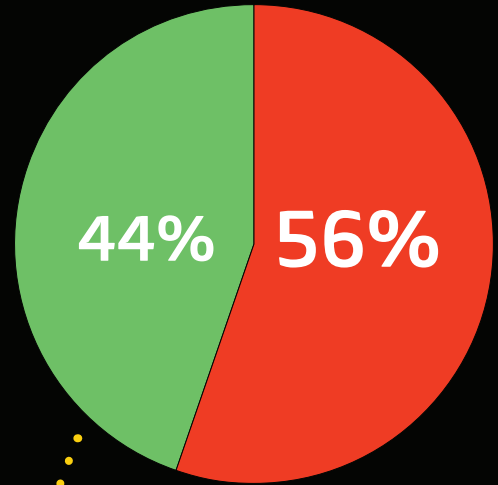
Amendments;

- Constitution and amendments prepared by Marco Jacuta on the 15th day of January, 2008, in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
  - Amendments prepared by Tamara Mischena & Andrew Wodolawsky on the 16th day of February, 2009, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada
- Constitution and amendments prepared by The Constitutional Amendments Committee on the 12th day of February, 2010, in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

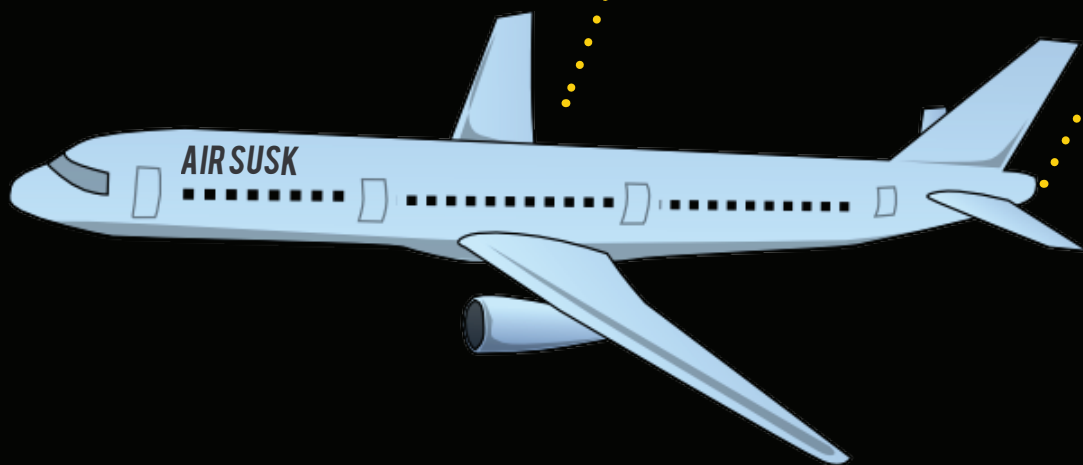
# Wondering who is at SUSK Congress?

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Delegates



56% are women



The furthest delegates travelled from Edmonton, flying 2712.97 km.

Delegates are from:

Toronto  
Montreal  
Ottawa  
Edmonton  
Montreal  
Ancaster  
Hamilton  
Mississauga  
Winnipeg  
Etobicoke  
Dollard-des-Ormeaux  
Calgary  
Waterloo  
Kirkland

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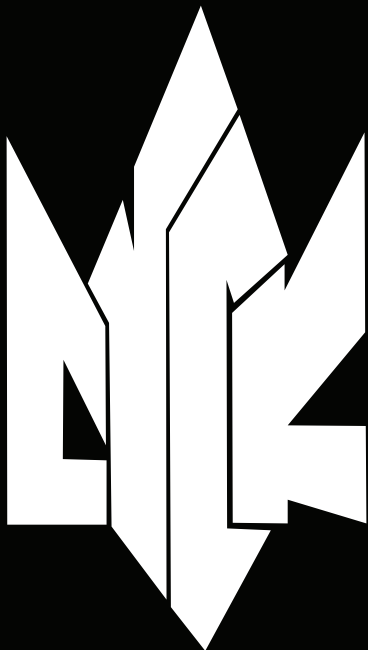
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