

Program

Thursday May 7, 2015

- 2:00 pm** Registration
- 6:30 pm** Congress Welcome
USO Reports (dinner provided)

Friday May 8, 2015

- 8:00 am** Breakfast (not provided)
- 9:00 am** Opening Ceremonies
- 9:30 am** Congress Session #1
Current Ukraine: Historical, Economic and Social Story
Dr. Roman Serbyn
Dr. Natalka Patsiurko
- 10:45 am** Morning Break
- 11:15 am** Congress Session #2
Current Ukraine: Observations from the Field
Michael Bociurkiw
- 12:30 pm** Lunch
- 1:30 pm** Executive Reports
- 2:30 pm** Workshop Session #1: Social Media Strategies for USOs
Cassian Soltykevych
Romana Suchy
- 3:15 pm** Afternoon Break
- 3:30 pm** Workshop Session #2: Management and Motivation Skills for Students
Katherine Smolynec
- 4:30 pm** Free time for dinner (not provided)
- 7:00 pm** Networking Event (Basement)
- 10:00 pm** Social Activities

Saturday May 9, 2015

- 9:15am** Breakfast and Congress Session #3:
Ukrainians in Quebec
Documentary film 'Ukrainians in Quebec: 1891-1945' by Yurij Luhovy
Discussion with Simon Kouklewsky
- 10:30am** Elections
- 12:30pm** Free time to explore the city
Dinner (not included)
- 8:00pm** Reception (Ballroom)
Opening Remarks
Keynote address: Artem Luhovy
SUSK Election results
- 9:00pm - 1:00am** Zabava featuring *Skopa*

Sunday May 10, 2015

- 9:00am** Breakfast (not provided)
- 10:00 am** Resolutions
- 11:30 am** Morning Break
- 11:45 am** Closing Ceremonies
- 12:00 pm** New SUSK Executive Meeting

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Venues

New Residence Hall (NRH)
3625 Avenue du Parc,
Montreal, QC

SSMU Building
3600 rue McTavish,
Suite 1200
Madelaine Parent
Room (2nd floor)

Thomson House
3650 Rue McTavish



Du 7 au 10 mai 2015

Message du Premier ministre

Je suis enchanté d'adresser mes plus cordiales salutations à tous ceux qui participent au congrès national 2015 de l'Union des étudiants ukrainiens canadiens (SUSK).

Pendant des générations, le SUSK a suscité le leadership, l'engagement communautaire et la fierté des étudiants au sein de la communauté canado-ukrainienne. Les efforts déployés par le SUSK pour promouvoir les occasions d'engagement civique et de perfectionnement professionnel auprès des jeunes ukraïno-canadiens m'inspirent une immense reconnaissance.

Le congrès qui se tient à Montréal cette année sur le thème « Vive le SUSK » offre une tribune idéale pour se pencher sur des enjeux critiques, encourager le leadership de la jeunesse et sa participation, au Canada et en Ukraine. Je suis certain que les participants profiteront de l'impressionnant programme d'activités au cours des prochains jours.

J'espère que vous aurez d'amples occasions de faire valoir la profonde et loyale amitié entre le Canada et l'Ukraine. En ces temps troublés pour l'Ukraine, le Canada reste un allié solide. Notre gouvernement continuera à offrir son assistance à l'Ukraine, qui cherche à résoudre pacifiquement la crise.

Au nom du gouvernement du Canada, je félicite les organisateurs du congrès de cette année pour leur travail exceptionnel et leur leadership. Je vous souhaite sincèrement un congrès mémorable et fructueux.

Sincèrement,



Le très hon. Stephen Harper, C.P., député
Premier ministre du Canada



Greetings from the Honourable Jason Kenney, PC, MP

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone participating in this year's Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) National Congress in Montreal under the theme: "Vive le SUSK".

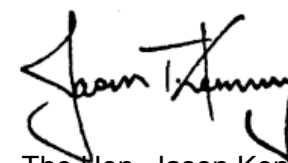
Through its workshops and seminars, SUSK offers youth the opportunity to engage and network with other student leaders thereby developing important leadership skills and valuable contacts. A national meeting such as this allows you, as delegates, to both celebrate the incredible contributions members of Canada's Ukrainian Community have made to our country, and to chart a course for the future.

This work takes on an even greater importance in light of the challenges facing Ukraine today. While Canada stands shoulder to shoulder with Ukraine in the face of Russian aggression, Ukraine is in need of continued support on the difficult road to stability and modernization. I encourage you to take advantage of your unique heritage and skills to further strengthen cooperation between Canada and Ukraine, and in support of democracy and the rule of law.

As Minister for Multiculturalism, I would like to thank SUSK for your excellent work in support of your community and for your continued contribution to building a better and stronger Canada.

Best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,



The Hon. Jason Kenney, PC, MP
Minister for Multiculturalism





*Посольство України в Канаді
Embassy of Ukraine in Canada
Ambassade d'Ukraine au Canada*

Dear Ukrainian Canadian Students!

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone attending this year's gathering of National SUSK Congress.

For over six decades, the Student's Ukrainian Canadian Congress has played an important role not only in inspiring Ukrainian Canadian youth, but also in fostering mutually beneficial cooperation between Ukraine and Canada. Promoting core values of freedom, democracy, human rights and the rule of law are undeniable achievements of young people and students both in Ukraine and in Canada.

This passion of freedom and democracy inspired thousands of young Ukrainians during the historic events of the Revolution of Dignity. The Ukrainian nation paid the highest price – human lives – for the possibility of shaping its own future, for eradicating mismanagement and corruption, for saying final “goodbye” to the Soviet era and becoming part of the European family.

One year later Ukraine faces the biggest threats and challenges in its modern history: Russia's annexation of Crimea and military aggression in Eastern part of Ukraine, tackling corruption and development of economic sector. And once again young people from different regions of Ukraine have stood up to protect their future.

In these difficult times we are profoundly grateful for the support and assistance provided by the whole Ukrainian community of Canada, of which SUSK is an integral part.

We strongly believe in the best future for Ukraine. New Ukrainian nation that has shaped in recent years is able to overcome all obstacles and build a country everyone will be proud of. United efforts of our compatriots all over the world, including young Ukrainian Canadians can contribute this process significantly.

Please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable, fruitful and memorable Student's Ukrainian Canadian Congress gathering.

**Marko Shevchenko,
Charge d'Affairs a.i. of Ukraine in Canada**



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UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS

CONGRÈS DES UKRAINIEN-CANADIENS

May 7, 2015

*Greetings from UCC National President
to the delegates of the 57th SUSK Congress*



Dear SUSK delegates:

I am delighted to extend my personal greetings to all those attending the 57th Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress in Montréal, Québec. 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)
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Greetings from Congress Coordinator

On behalf of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK), I would like to extend a warm welcome to all the delegates, observers, alumni, speakers, mentors, and sponsors joining us this weekend for the 2015 National SUSK Congress in Montreal, Quebec.

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.

As the Congress Coordinator and a proud member of the McGill Ukrainian Students' Association I hope that you will enjoy your time here, in the beautiful city of Montreal, and will make useful connections and get valuable experiences.

Darya Naumova
Congress Coordinator
Project Director 2014-2015

President's Report

Dear SUSK delegates:
On behalf of the National SUSK Executive, welcome to the 2015 National SUSK Congress in Montreal!

At just a touch over 60 years young, 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.

Communications

A key priority for SUSK has been its internal communications with member USOs, Ukrainian Canadian students, and SUSK alumni. Key communication channels include: SUSK websites (main SUSK website, SUSK Congress website, SUSK Student website); social media (Facebook, Twitter, Youtube, LinkedIn, Wikipedia); formal electronic releases; and regularly published issues of our flagship publication, "Student". 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.

Ukrainian Canadian Congress Dragons Competition

A key priority for this past year was the implementation of initiatives tied to the SUSK's success in the Ukrainian Dragons Competition hosted by the UCC. In November 2013, 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 through the following components:

a) National Coordinator Position: SUSK will hire an individual for a full-time paid position working alongside UCC in Ottawa to help offset the challenges associated with high turnover in our National Executive. The National Coordinator will work to preserve organizational continuity by handling organizing and preserving SUSK archives, enabling SUSK to establish long-term projects and goals, developing a coherent fundraising strategy, and handling administrative business, particularly relating to the annual National SUSK Congress.

b) National Networking Event Series: This past year, SUSK launched a national series of networking events, whose aim was to actively engage students with events to build professional skills as well as to foster relationships with successful Ukrainian Canadians, including SUSK alumni. The national series consists of networking events hosted in collaboration with Ukrainian Canadian professionals in Calgary, Edmonton, Saskatoon, Winnipeg, Toronto, and Montreal. Through this initiative, we have worked to better address student needs, while also strengthening our community by fostering a sense of belonging and reciprocity across generations.

c) USO Project Fund: In order to better support our member USOs, SUSK took the charge in creating a project fund, which will be made available to every member USO in the 2015-2016 academic year to run a local initiative. This initiative aims to build the local capacity of our USOs by providing them with opportunities to run initiatives, knowing that these experiences will equip them with the skills they need to successfully run community organizations, now and in the future.

d) USO "Best Practices" Database: At the 2015 National SUSK Congress, we will host a session devoted to sharing of best practices from USOs across the country. This exchange will allow USOs to interact with and learn from one another, and provide another avenue through which SUSK can work to build the capacity of its member USOs.

Crisis in Ukraine

Ukraine's Maidan Revolution and the subsequent Russian invasion of Ukraine significantly impacted SUSK activities this past year, creating both extraordinary opportunities and challenges for SUSK. Since November 2013, SUSK and its member USOs have remained vigilant, closely monitoring the developments in Ukraine and participating in community initiatives both at home and abroad. This year, SUSK continued its 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. SUSK was proud to donate a portion of the proceeds raised through this initiative to support the Maidan movement in Ukraine. In addition, in February 2015, we launched the "Stop Putin!" sticker project, in an effort to empower Ukrainian Canadian students in their demonstrations and awareness campaigns in the community and on university campuses. In a similar spirit, we intend to donate a portion of the proceeds to assisting with immediate needs associated with the ongoing crisis in Ukraine.

Although developing initiatives to impact the ongoing crisis in Ukraine has at times left us feeling pessimistic and obscure, SUSK and its member USOs, together with the broader Ukrainian Canadian community, have done tremendous work to support Ukraine over the last 18 months. For myself, this was most demonstrably expressed by Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko's speech given to the Canadian Parliament in September 2014. I often think back to that experience, reflecting on the privilege I had to represent SUSK at that momentous occasion, listening to the deep gratitude expressed by President Poroshenko for Canada's unwavering support of Ukraine, and feeling so incredibly proud of my Ukrainian Canadian heritage and of my involvement in our cherished Ukrainian Canadian community. Just as I am certain that all of us have had such moments in the last 18 months, I am also certain that we will have many more in the near future, and I hope that they serve to remind us of our ties to Ukraine and its people, and ensure that we remain vigilant and do all that we can to help them.

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 SUSK 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 2015 National SUSK Congress is "Vive le SUSK!", encouraging and challenging leaders of the Ukrainian Canadian student community to come together and spearhead the future of youth leadership and involvement in Canada and Ukraine, so that the activity and legacy of SUSK can carry on for years to come. Ukraine's Maidan Revolution and issues relating to Russia's invasion of Ukraine continue to challenge the international community, 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 2014-2015 SUSK National Executive,

Sincerely – з повагою,


Christine Czoli, BSc (Hons)
SUSK President 2014-2015 and 2013-2014
SUSK Executive Vice-President 2012-2013


FINANCIAL REPORT


To the Stakeholders of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union:


As the Vice President of Finance for the 2014-2015 SUSK Executive year, I would like to say what a great experience it was to work alongside my fellow Executive members this year. They were some of the most creative and friendly students I've met in my life. The passion that everyone on this team felt for delivering the vision of SUSK made my term unforgettable. It was truly a humbling experience to help SUSK deliver on its objectives to help grow the Ukrainian Canadian student community. I enjoyed working on maintaining the accountability and positive impact of this not-for-profit organization. Thank you to everyone on the Executive for their commitment, along with the many donors and sponsors whose continued support is crucial to both the short and long term sustainability of our organization.


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


1. Accurate and clear record keeping is a crucial part to the preparation of the annual financial statements. All those involved with financial transactions on behalf of SUSK should keep a clear paper trail so that any confusion can be minimized. *It is recommended that a General Ledger system is implemented. Every transaction that occurs should have a balanced double-entry recorded to the debit and credit side. Following this system all year will allow for better record keeping and a simpler way in creating the annual financial statements. In addition, if the General Ledger is automatically linked to the financial statements, quarterly financial reports could be created for the executive without much effort.* 

 2. Excel spreadsheets are an appropriate choice for SUSK tracking 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.*

3. 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.* 

4. 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 are actually earned or incurred. *It is recommended that the incoming SUSK Executive continue to use this method and accrue all applicable 2015 SUSK National Congress expenses in Montreal to fiscal 2016 (May 1st, 2015 - April 30th, 2016).* 

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 that 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.* 

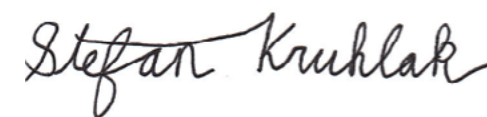
6. The sustainability of an annual large-scale national event, such as the SUSK Congress is a risk every year, based on the numbers of registered delegates and sponsor or donor support. *In an effort to maintain the long-term sustainability of SUSK, it is recommended that the incoming SUSK Executive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

For the three prior fiscal years, SUSK had operated in a financial deficit financed by a surplus of cash accumulated in previous years. This year, I am glad to announce SUSK has a \$3,891 surplus for the 2015 fiscal year. The surplus was largely the result of increased revenue, as expenses were similar to last year. Selling "Hope" Taras Shevchenko t-shirts, increased donations, and better than expected 2014 Congress finances were the main driving forces behind this new surplus. 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 strong presence at the last few events, 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 2016 fiscal year should be very promising for SUSK. I send my regrets for not being present at the 2015 National SUSK Congress, but I wish everyone an enjoyable time being among the strong Ukrainian Canadian student community at yet another successful SUSK Congress! Thank you for supporting SUSK, and enjoy the Congress program!

April 25, 2015

Sincerely,



Stefan Kruhlak
Vice President Finance 2014-2015



Excess of revenue over expenses



\$350

Donated to Ukraine from "Hope" Shevchenko T-Shirt Project



Provided to USOs in travel subsidies

Financial

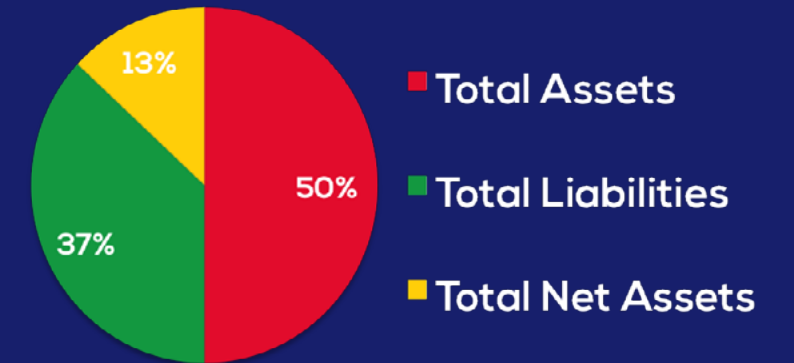
UKRAINIAN CANADIAN STUDENTS' UNION (SUSK) STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2015

	2015	2014	2013
REVENUES:			
Donations	2,000	500	-
Interest Income	-	2	2
National SUSK Congress			
Banquet & Zabava	5,685	4,990	3,868
Delegate Registration Fees	7,500	5,650	3,700
Miscellaneous	-	-	-
Sponsorships	15,050	16,965	11,900
TOTAL National SUSK Congress	28,235	27,605	19,468
USO Membership Fees	442	625	574
Student Publication Sponsorship	1,200	-	700
Special Projects (Stop Putin! Stickers)	48	-	-
Special Projects (Student Digitization)	-	-	17
Special Projects (Shevchenko T-Shirts)	2,306	1,676	-
Special Projects (Ukrainian Dragons)	656	-	-
TOTAL REVENUE	34,887	30,408	20,761
EXPENSES:			
Administration	724	599	595
Bank Charges	21	13	8
Conference Subsidies			
SUSTA Congress	-	-	-
Ukrainian Canadian Congress	376	600	411
World Forum of Ukrainians	-	200	1,823
CKUMO Congress	600	66	-
TOTAL Conference Subsidies	976	866	2,234
National SUSK Congress			
Banquet & Zabava	11,336	12,781	11,675
Delegate Expenses	10,293	6,300	3,960
Marketing	-	-	321
Miscellaneous	1,704	4,114	878
Transportation	330	-	339
Travel Subsidies	2,730	4,110	1,810
TOTAL National SUSK Congress	26,392	27,305	18,983
Donations	350	-	-
Student News Publications	-	-	-
UCC Membership Fees	435	350	350
Special Projects (Stop Putin! Stickers)	23	-	-
Special Projects (Shevchenko T-Shirts)	1,419	763	-
Special Projects (Student Digitization)	-	1,101	17
Special Projects (Ukrainian Dragons)	656	-	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	30,996	30,997	22,187
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue Over Expenses	\$ 3,891	\$ (589)	\$ (1,426)

Statements



800
Stop Putin stickers
in inventory



UKRAINIAN CANADIAN STUDENTS' UNION (SUSK) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2015

	2015	2014	2013
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	55,716	14,704	18,603
Accounts receivable	3,969	13,700	700
Inventory (Stickers)	64	-	-
Inventory (t-shirts)	-	763	460
Prepaid Expenses	830	20,198	2,787
Total Assets	\$ 60,579	\$ 49,364	\$ 22,550
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	84	2,131	890
Deferred Student Digitization Project Contribution	2,882	2,882	3,983
Deferred Ukrainian Dragons Contribution	24,868	25,000	-
Deferred revenue	16,890	7,388	6,325
Total Liabilities	44,724	37,401	7,215
NET ASSETS			
Unrestricted	15,855	11,963	11,352
Total Net Assets	15,855	11,963	15,335
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 60,579	\$ 49,364	\$ 22,550

Addendum to 2014 Financial Report

As per last year's Audit Committee Report findings, I have updated the financial report, where I can confirm that a calculation error took place. Where stated in last year's report, SUSK did not have a surplus but indeed a deficit of \$588.55 in the 2014 year. This error was caused by a miscalculation in the Conference Subsidies of which the added total was not accounted for. The error has now been corrected to reflect the deficit for 2014 and this figure will be used in calculation of the 2015 financial report documents.

We apologize for the error that incorrectly reflected SUSK's financial position and thank you for your patience as we edited these statements. I wish all delegates of the upcoming 2015 Congress in Montreal, Quebec a successful and enjoyable experience.

April 19, 2015

Best Regards,

Adrian Warchola
Vice President Finance 2013-2014

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Retroactive Changes

Upon further review of the financial statements from the prior year, we have made the following retroactive changes to the Statement of Financial Position for the 2013 and 2014 fiscal years:

- Internally Restricted Net Assets for Student Digitization Project and Internally Restricted Net Assets for Ukrainian Dragons Commitments have been reclassified as Deferred Student Digitization Project Contribution and Deferred Ukrainian Dragons Commitments Contribution, respectively. This is because these items are not for capital projects.

2. Retroactive Changes to Errors

In relation to the addendum to the financial report, there are two errors in last year's statements that have been updated in this year's statements:

- SUSK received sponsorships payments prior to last year's Congress that should have been reported in deferred revenue. As a result deferred revenue should have been higher, at \$7,388.
- Unrestricted net assets in 2014 decrease as a result of the addendum change from a surplus to a deficiency. However, this line item also increases as a result of correctly recording the offsetting Account Receivable entry for Student sponsorship in the 2014 fiscal year. As a result, there is a net increase in the 2014 Unrestricted net asset balance from what was reported last year to this year's report.

3. Significant Accounting Policies

- 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.
- Deferred Revenue – restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred.
- 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.
- The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union follows a fiscal year beginning on May 1st and ending on April 30th.

4. Cash and Equivalents

Description	2015	2014	2013
Petty Cash	22,504	148	12,840
Cash restricted for Ukrainian Dragons Project	24,868	12,500	-
Cash restricted for Student Digitization Project	2,882	-	-
Paypal Account	6,062	2,056	5,763
Totals	56,316	14,704	18,603

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. The Paypal account balance is related to the SUSK Stop Putin! Stickers as well as Congress 2015 payments.

5. Deferred Ukrainian Dragons Contribution

Account	DR	CR	Total
FUND BALANCE, April, 30, 2014			25,000
Increase in contribution received Recognized in year	656	524	
FUND BALANCE, April, 30, 2015			24,868

The Ukrainian Dragons Funding Installment II was received in the 2014/2015 fiscal year, at an amount of \$12,524. The full amount of funding from the Ukrainian Dragons has thus been received. Expenses related to this fund were payments to U of A and U of M for networking events held this past year, for a total of \$656. This amount is the only deduction in this internally restricted fund to date. Future networking event expenses are expected to be incurred at Calgary, Saskatoon, Toronto, Ottawa and the Congress networking event in Montreal. A full-time position and a USO project fund are the two other purposes that these funds will be distributed to.

6. Deferred Student Digitization Project Contribution

Account	DR	CR	Total
FUND BALANCE, April, 30, 2014			2,882
FUND BALANCE, April, 30, 2015			2,882

The 2014 Executive oversaw the transformation of the Student Newsmag into an online, ready to read version, and 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. No costs were associated with this project this year.

Notes to the Financial Statements

7. Deferred Revenue

Description	2015	2014	2013
Membership fees	-	580	574
Paypal Account	4,919	5,943	-
Congress Sponsorships Collected	11,971	-	-
Totals	16,890	6,523	6,325

As Paypal revenues are related to the 2015 National SUSK Congress in Montreal, to be held in May 2015, these revenues are not recognized in the 2014/2015 Financial Statements. The Congress Sponsorships Collected line relates to sponsorship funds received for the 2015 National SUSK Congress in Montreal.

8. Prepaid Expenses

Description	2015
New Residence Hall	230
Totals	230

The expenses recorded as "Prepaid Expenses" have not yet been recognized. Expenses are recognized in the period they occur. Since the New Residence Hall fees and Congress Zabava band are directly linked to the 2015 National SUSK Congress, these expenses must be deferred to the 2015/2016 fiscal year.

9. Inventory

- a. SUSK had ordered 1,000 Stop Putin! Stickers during the past year. Two orders were places for stickers during the year, leaving 800 stickers in inventory.
- b. Inventory is stated at the lower of Net Realized Value or Fair Value.
- c. All remaining "Hope" Taras Shevchenko t-shirts as of the end of last fiscal year were given out or sold during this past year.

10. Accounts Receivable

- a. Accounts Receivable consists of sponsor payments for advertisement in the Student Newsmag editions, along with uncollected USO Membership Fees for the past school year.

11. Accounts Payable

- a. Accounts Payable consists of the UberConference registration that will need to be reimbursed, along with minor mail expenses.

12. 2015 National SUSK Congress in Montreal

- a. The 2015 National SUSK Congress is to be held May 7-10, 2015 in Montreal, Quebec. As this event falls in the 2016 fiscal year, revenues and expenses paid or received are not recorded into income for the 2015 fiscal year. Instead they should be recognized in the fiscal period they are incurred.
- b. The current forecasts show that the 2015 National SUSK Congress revenues should cover the projected expenses to break even, and more than likely profit.

Speakers & Biographies



Svitlana Kroychik

USO Reports Session
Moderator
 Thursday May 7, 2015
 6:30 pm New Residence Hall

Born in Ukraine, Svitlana Kroychik came to Montreal 6 years ago. In addition to earning her MSc in Economics from Lviv Polytechnic National University, she also obtained a Diploma in Management and Marketing. Svitlana also earned a Certificate in Public Relations from McGill University.

Before moving to Canada, Svitlana had travelled and worked on international assignments in Europe, North America, and in the Middle East. While being a student, she was an active member of AIESEC – one of the world's largest youth run organizations – responsible for fundraising, sponsorship, and conference management. Her professional interests are in the areas of sustainability, management consulting, and business development. Svitlana dedicates much of her time to volunteering and has served as the Vice-President for the Montreal Ukrainian Festival for the past 2 years.



DR. ROMAN SERBYN

Congress Session #1
Current Ukraine: Historical, Economic and Social Story
 Friday May 8, 2015
 9:30 am SSMU (Madelaine Parent Room)

Roman Serbyn, Ph.D. Historian. Studied at McGill University, Université de Montréal and Sorbonne (Paris). Was active in Plast, student organizations (President of SUSK, 1968-1969, started Student). 1969-2002 taught history at Université du Québec à Montréal. Member of academic associations: C.A.S., N.T.Sh, U.V.A.N. In 1983 co-organizer of the first international conference on the Ukrainian Famine of 1933. Founder and editor of Holodomor Studies (2009-2011). Research and publications: Kyivan Rus; 19th and 20th Centuries Ukrainian history, in particular: Ukrainian national revival; Ukrainian-Jewish relations (the Sion-Osnova Controversy of 1861); Serhii Podolynsky (Ukrainian scholar, Marxist and patriot, 1870s); the Famine of 1921-1923; Raphael Lemkin and the conceptualization of the Ukrainian genocide; Ukrainians in World War II. Presently focused on the conceptualization of the Holodomor, as genocide against the overlapping Ukrainians national and ethnic groups, and on a holistic approach to the study of Ukraine during World War II.



DR. NATALKA PATSIURKO

Congress Session #1
Current Ukraine: Historical, Economic and Social Story
 Friday May 8, 2015
 9:30 am SSMU (Madelaine Parent Room)

Natalka Patsiurko teaches sociology at Concordia University in Montreal. Her research interests include ethnic diversity and dealing with minorities in Europe; nationalism and identity in Eastern Europe; as well as labour migration, informal economies and migration policies in Europe. Ukraine, where Natalka grew up and graduated Lviv Franko University, has always being the centre of her research. In the recent years, she was a member of the EC FP-7 ENRI-East research project at the University of Aberdeen (Scotland), investigating changes in minority identities in Eastern European countries, including Ukraine, after eastwards expansion of the EU in 2004. Natalka received her doctoral degree at McGill University, where she examined recent illegal labour migration from Ukraine to Southern Europe. Her recent publication "Citizenship, Europe and Ethnic Boundary Making" appeared in Migration Letters, 11:2 (2014), and is co-authored with Claire Wallace.



**MICHAEL
BOCIURKIW**

Congress Session #2

Current Ukraine: Observations from the Field

Friday May 8, 2015

11:15 am SSMU (Madelaine Parent Room)

Michael is currently Spokesperson for the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine, based in Kyiv. A Canadian national and resident of Sidney BC, Michael's career has spanned more than a decade as an international aid worker and some 12 years as an international journalist. He has worked in Ukraine for the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and in many other duty stations - including East Jerusalem, Islamabad, Cairo, Abuja, Rangoon, and as global spokesperson in Geneva. His reporting and analysis have been carried by many outlets - including CNN, BBC, Al Jazeera, the Los Angeles Times and Huffington Post. Michael has served as a staff reporter for the Winnipeg Free Press, the South China Morning Post and Asia Times. He is a graduate of Carleton University in Ottawa and he also studied Television News at the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism. Michael is an editor-mentor for the NY-based Op-ed Project. He served two consecutive terms as SUSK National President in 1982-1984.



**CASSIAN
SOLTYKEVYCH**

Workshop Session #1

Social Media Strategies for USOs

Friday May 8, 2015

2:30 pm SSMU (Madelaine Parent Room)

Cassian is a Strategic Management and Organization major at the Alberta School of Business. He is a self-employed photographer and videographer, and has traveled across Canada, France, England, and Ukraine for various projects. His clients have included RedBull Canada, the Art Gallery of Alberta, the University of Alberta, YOUCAN Youth Services, the Edmonton International Film Festival (EIFF), and AirPartners. He also serves as the Executive Vice President of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union. 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. Cassian is also part of the Leadership Certificate Program at the Alberta School of Business. The Program enables students to learn from one another and from a great deal of speakers from all walks of life. He enjoys spending his free time reading, skiing, and watching The Colbert Report. He also designed the page you're reading right now!



**ROMANA
SUCHY**

Workshop Session #1

Social Media Strategies for USOs

Friday May 8, 2015

2:30 pm SSMU (Madelaine Parent Room)

Romana is a recent graduate from the University of Manitoba, and hopes to focus on Education in the near future. She volunteers with the Canadian Improv Games: Manitoba and was able to work with a team of talented, charismatic students as the Media Director for the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union this past school year. She continues to challenge herself daily in furthering her French skills. For her gap year between degrees, she will be an assistant teaching abroad which will combine her adoration of French culture with the ability to experience working in the primary school system - a long time dream of hers. Romana is a supporter of the improv community, enjoys photography, watercolour and the Ukrainian language.



**KATHERINE
SMOLYNEC**

Workshop Session #2

Management and Motivation Skills for Students

Friday May 8, 2015

3:30 pm SSMU (Madelaine Parent Room)

Kathy is an industrial hygienist who manages occupational health programs at Canadian National Railway. She lectures at McGill on Industrial Hygiene and has been active in volunteer organizations both professionally and in the Ukrainian community - including organizing national camps as part of Plast. One of her daughters is a McGill graduate and the other is now a current McGill student. Kathy was a member of McGill Ukrainian Students' Association in the 1980's when she completed her BSs and MSc at McGill. Kathy will lead one of the Congress interactive workshops on managing volunteers to help SUSK members develop the management skills needed to be effective members of the Ukrainian Canadian community.

Rules of Order



**SIMON
KOUKLEWSKY**

Congress Session #3

Ukrainians in Quebec

Saturday May 9, 2015

9:15 am SSMU (Madelaine Parent Room)

Although Simon has been producing radio programs since 1989 for various stations and in different languages, he is best known in Montreal as the producer of the Ukrainian-language show *Ukrainian Time - Український Час*. During the course of his career he has produced programs for 5 Canadian cities and Ukraine, at one point putting out three separate programs concurrently in Montreal. He has extensive experience working with community organizations and causes: even though his work is to report on the news he at times creates it, especially through his activism on the community, humanitarian and political level. More recently his activism has compelled him to help the Ukrainian war effort by working with local volunteers, most notably with the "Help Ukraine Committee of Montreal". Furthermore, he has dedicated much air-time on *Ukrainian Time* to regularly featuring interviews with various people united under one cause in an effort to alleviate the struggle of our brothers and sisters who are suffering due to the Russian aggression against Ukraine. Simon offers an interesting perspective on the Montreal Ukrainian community due to his years of work with various leaders and organizers, which he will present at the National SUSK Congress.

Ukrainian Time - airs on Saturdays at 6:00 p.m. from 1280 AM Radio CFMB and is available



**ARTEM
LUHOVY**

Keynote Address

2015 National SUSK

Congress Reception

Saturday May 9, 2015

8:00 pm Thomson House

Artem Luhovy is in his final year of McGill's MD-MBA program and Vice-President of the Ukrainian National Federation in Montreal. He completed the Cambridge University Leadership Program for Sustainable Development in the Health and Care Sector and a Master's of Science in Nephrology. Artem published in the *Journal of Prehospital and Disaster Medicine* and the *Journal of Biological Chemistry*. He has worked for MML Inc making and promoting historical documentary films, including the multi-award winning documentary, *Genocide Revealed*. For VM Medical he addressed patient wait times and improved patient flow. Artem volunteered in *Plast* and *Help us Help the Children* and as an election observer to Ukraine with *CanDem*.

Artem is the recipient of the HRF Young Minds Healthcare Management Scholarship, the Sir Edward W. Beatty Memorial Scholarship, the Ukrainian Medical Association of North America Scholarship, the McGill University Principal's Scholarship, the Kotur Scholarship and the National Ukrainian Canadian Congress Youth Leadership Award. Luhovy helped revive the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) and organized the 50th SUSK Congress in Montreal (2008).

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 to Robert's Rules of Order, insofar as they do not contradict the Ukrainian Canadian Student's Union Constitution

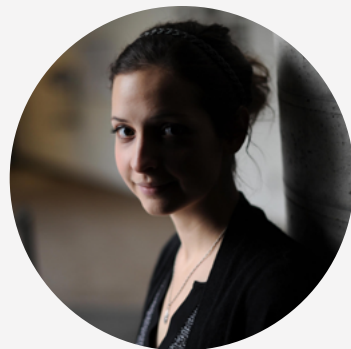
Voting

1. Voting for the SUSK National 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

Resolutions

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



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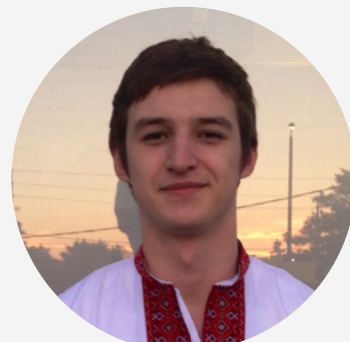
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