

Resolutions of the 2019 National SUSK Congress

Greetings:

RESOLUTION 1

Passed Unanimously

BE IT RESOLVED that the 2019 National SUSK Congress acknowledge the tireless and dedicated work of the 2019 National SUSK Congress Committee.

RESOLUTION 2

Passed Unanimously

BE IT RESOLVED that the 2019 National SUSK Congress greet the outgoing SUSK National Board of Directors with the successful completion of their term.

Administration:

RESOLUTION 3

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the 2019 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 Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC) national office address in Ottawa, Ontario as the central mailing address, and have any SUSK mail/correspondence forwarded to the concerned individual.

Commemorations:

RESOLUTION 4

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the subsequent year commemorates the following anniversaries:
50th Anniversary of the national publication "Student";

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

Internal Relations:

RESOLUTION 5

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the 2019 National SUSK Congress recognizes the importance of maintaining bilateral relationships with its member USOs;

AND WHEREAS the 2019 National SUSK Congress finds that electronic communication through email, SUSK websites, newsletters, and social media accounts; and joint meetings and/or regional conferences of the SUSK National Board of Directors and its member USOs constitute the most effective means of communication;

Res 5 cont...

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Board of Directors make an effort to update representatives of its member USOs using the aforementioned methods on a monthly basis at a minimum;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Board of Directors make an effort to hold quarterly meetings with leading representatives of its member USOs to exchange and discuss ideas, challenges, and opportunities for Ukrainian Canadian students.

RESOLUTION 6

Passed Unanimously

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 Board of Directors encourage its direct and indirect membership to provide sufficient content to publish quarterly issues of “Student” at minimum.

RESOLUTION 7

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the 2019 National SUSK Congress deems it important to preserve Ukrainian Canadian culture through the lens of the Ukrainian Canadian student;

AND WHEREAS the 2019 National SUSK Congress holds that archiving publications of “Student” is the most effective means of preserving this;

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Board of Directors seek to obtain issues of “Student” that are missing in the online archive from SUSK alumni or past “Student” editors;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK Board of Directors continues to add subsequent publications of “Student” to this online archive;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK Board of Directors responsibly preserve paper copies of “Student” and other artifacts.

Policy:

RESOLUTION 8

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the 2019 National SUSK Congress holds SUSK to continue developing consistent policies and operating procedures as an incorporated federal non-profit;

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Board of Directors consult governance and financial professionals to ensure best practices.

External Relations:

RESOLUTION 9

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the 2019 National SUSK Congress recognizes the importance and value of having a national coordinating umbrella for Ukrainian Canadian organizations (in the spirit of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC));

AND WHEREAS SUSK is a registered national member organization of the UCC, with a designated seat on the UCC Board of Directors;

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Board of Directors and its member USOs continue to work together with the UCC (and its provincial councils and local branches) in the interests of the Ukrainian Canadian community.

RESOLUTION 10

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS SUSK acknowledges the importance of representing the voice of students and ensuring their priorities are heard;

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Board of Directors develop consistent advocacy strategies representative of Ukrainian Canadian students.

RESOLUTION 11

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the 2019 National SUSK Congress sees the value of having an international coordinating body for Ukrainian youth and student activity;

AND WHEREAS SUSK has taken strides to work with fellow Ukrainian youth and student organizations in the past;

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Board of Directors acknowledge and support Ukrainian student and youth organizations throughout Ukraine;

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Board of Directors acknowledge, support, and encourage further development of Ukrainian student and youth organizations throughout the diaspora to engage Ukrainian youth and students.

RESOLUTION 12

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the 2019 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 Board of Directors undertake at least one tangible and actionable project that is implemented in conjunction with youth and student groups in Ukraine.

Strategic Planning:

RESOLUTION 13

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS there are undoubtedly a significant number of Ukrainian students in colleges and technical institutes in Canada;

AND WHEREAS the 2019 National SUSK Congress is aware of SUSK's limited exposure among Ukrainian students in colleges and technical institutes in Canada;

BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming SUSK National Board of Directors develop a plan to reach out to students and establish USOs in colleges and technical institutes in Canada, wherever possible.

RESOLUTION 14

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the strength and membership of SUSK and its member USOs depend upon continuous recruitment of new students;

BE IT RESOLVED that SUSK actively encourages its member USOs to reach out to local community organizations, such as youth and cultural groups, to raise awareness about SUSK and its activities.

RESOLUTION 15

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the continued success of SUSK is reliant upon creating increased networks with the wider Canadian community;

BE IT RESOLVED that SUSK engages students from across ethnocultural communities through cross-collaboration, sharing of best practices, and attending events.

RESOLUTION 16

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the 2019 National SUSK Congress recognizes the importance of raising awareness for the Holodomor and working to expand this awareness beyond the Ukrainian Canadian community;

BE IT RESOLVED that SUSK and member USOs take action in raising awareness for the Holodomor through facilitating on-campus awareness events, holding information booths, and educating other students on campus.

RESOLUTION 17

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the 2019 National SUSK Congress recognizes the long-standing Russian aggression in Ukraine;

AND WHEREAS the 2019 SUSK Congress condemns the Russian Kremlin for illegally imprisoning Ukrainians;

Res 17 cont...

BE IT RESOLVED that SUSK and member USOs take action in raising awareness of Ukrainian political prisoners unjustly imprisoned in Russia as well as Russian aggression towards Ukraine through on-campus events, continued advocacy campaigns, and partnering with organizations such as Postcards for Prisoners to hold postcard writing campaigns, and educate students on local postsecondary campuses.

RESOLUTION 18

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS SUSK is a member of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC);

AND WHEREAS youth play a crucial role in setting the direction of the Ukrainian Canadian community;

AND WHEREAS the 2019 UCC Triennial Congress provides students and youth with the opportunity to voice their opinions and develop future priorities for the Ukrainian Canadian community;

BE IT RESOLVED that SUSK and its member USOs encourage students to participate in the 2019 UCC Triennial Congress taking place in Ottawa, ON from November 1-3, 2019;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that SUSK strive to provide students with assistance to facilitate attendance.

RESOLUTION 19

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS SUSK as a non-for-profit organization is required to hold a minimum of one Annual General Meeting (AGM) for all member organizations per calendar year;

AND WHEREAS as one of SUSK's mandates, uniting USOs and Ukrainian Canadian students provides opportunities to share best practices;

BE IT RESOLVED that SUSK holds a 2020 National SUSK Congress as the AGM in a specified Canadian city;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the National Board of Directors and the National Coordinator provide budget estimates of various locations.

RESOLUTION 20

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS the revenues for SUSK have varied greatly over the last many years;

AND WHEREAS the financial stability of SUSK will allow for sustainable continuity and growth;

BE IT RESOLVED that SUSK continues its fundraising efforts for the SUSK Endowment Fund;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that member USOs support SUSK's fundraising efforts to ensure their own sustainability through whatever means possible.

RESOLUTION 21

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS SUSK has archival material at the National Library and Archives of Canada in Ottawa, ON;

AND WHEREAS SUSK continues to collect and discover archival material relevant to its history;

BE IT RESOLVED that an archival submission plan be developed to add any relevant material to the archive at the National Library and Archives of Canada.

RESOLUTION 22

Passed Unanimously

WHEREAS USOs require financial assistance to remain sustainable student organizations;

BE IT RESOLVED that SUSK explore innovative fundraising and partnership opportunities and develop a plan to involve USOs.