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2018

 SUSK  
ANNUAL  
REPORT

# PROGRAM

Thursday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

15:00-19:00	<b>Registration</b>	Banff Centre, KC 100
19:00	<b>Congress Welcome And USO Reports</b>	Banff Centre, KC 305

Friday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (continued)

19:00-21:00	<b>Film Screening: <i>That Never Happened</i></b> - Internment Documentary w/ Filmmaker Ryan Boyko	Max Bell Auditorium
22:00	<b>SUSK Social</b>	Downtown Banff

Friday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

8:30	<b>SUSK Presidium</b>	Banff Centre, KC 303
9:00	<b>Opening Segment: Dr. Bohdan Kordan</b> <i>No Free Man, Canada, the Great War, and the Enemy Alien Experience</i> *Breakfast provided*	" "
9:30-10:30	<b>The Redress Campaign</b> Dr. Lubomyr Luciuk & Andrew Hladyshevsky, Q.C.	" "
10:30-10:50	<b>Break</b> *Coffee and tea provided*	" "
10:50-11:10	<b>Canada First World War Internment Recognition Fund</b> <i>Andrea Malysh, Program Manager</i>	" "
11:10-12:10	<b>Panel: New Research on Canada's First National Internment Operations</b>	" "
12:10-13:20	<b>Lunch &amp; Grantwriting Session</b> Andrew Hladyshevsky, Q.C., & Connor Moen	" "
13:20-14:20	<b>Constitution 101</b> Stephanie Nedoshytko	" "
14:20-18:00	<b>Afternoon Break</b> (optional hike ~30min)	
18:00	<b>Dinner</b>	Max Bell MB 252

Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018

7:30-8:45	<b>Breakfast</b>	Vistas Dining Room
9:00-11:30	<b>Excursion: Castle Mountain Internment Site, Cave &amp; Basin</b> Dr. Bohdan Kordan	Shuttle Bus
11:30-13:00	<b>Lunch &amp; SUSK Elections</b>	On Site (stop)
13:30-15:00	<b>Panel: Understanding through the Arts - Recognizing a Historic Injustice</b>	Banff Centre, KC 303
15:00-16:00	<b>Advocacy 101</b> Paul Grod & Ihor Michalchyshyn	" "
16:00-18:00	<b>Afternoon Break</b>	
18:00	<b>Shuttles to Banquet and Zabava</b> Keynote: Mark O'Neill	
19:00-1:00	<b>Banquet and Zabava</b> Keynote: Mark O'Neill	Banff Park Lodge

Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018

8:15-11:00	<b>Resolutions &amp; Action Plan</b> *Breakfast Provided*	Banff Centre, KC 301
11:00-12:00	<b>Shuttles to Calgary Airport</b> (2018/19 SUSK Executive Meeting @11)	

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PRIME MINISTER • PREMIER MINISTRE

May 3–6, 2018

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone attending the 2018 National Congress of the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union.



This event brings together approximately 80 student leaders from across Canada, and gives them an opportunity to develop their personal and professional skills. I am certain that everyone in attendance will benefit from the seminars, workshops and networking opportunities planned for this congress.

I would like to thank the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union for hosting this event. You can take pride in the knowledge that your efforts are helping many young Canadians reach their full potential.

Please accept my best wishes for a productive congress in Banff.

Sincerely,

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



Premier of Alberta

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## Message from Honourable Rachel Notley Premier of Alberta

*On behalf of the Government of Alberta, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) National Congress 2018.*

*The Ukrainian community represents a beautiful piece of Alberta's diverse cultural mosaic. As you are "Rediscovering the Past" and discussing deep topics such as human rights and challenging parts of our national history like the Canadian Internment Operations during the First World War, it is fitting that we commemorate the victims, not only to honour their memory, but also to acknowledge this part of our history. In doing so, we put in place a foundation of education that can serve to prevent such acts of discrimination from ever happening again in our country.*

*I know this national congress will provide an excellent opportunity for you — leaders of this province, our country, and the world — to understand the importance of celebrating the social, cultural, and spiritual diversity that gives our country its strength. I hope this weekend encourages your work as active citizens.*

*Thanks to the organizers and volunteers for helping to make this event a wonderful success.*

Rachel Notley

*May 3-6, 2018*



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



Welcome to Banff!

On behalf of Council and the Town of Banff, it is with great pleasure to welcome the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union attending the 2018 National Congress to our beautiful town. Events such as this play a very important role in our Community and we are delighted that you have chosen Banff as the destination to host your Conference.

An outstanding setting is only a part of what Banff has to offer visitors. It has a rich history, character and quality of life found nowhere else in the country. From outdoors to opera, there truly is something for everyone. And to top it off, Banff still has the relaxed friendliness distinctive to small towns. I hope that during your time here you will take some time to experience some of the features that make Banff such a special place!

Best wishes for a successful National Congress and an enjoyable stay in our town.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K. Sorensen".

Karen Sorensen  
Mayor



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UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS

CONGRÈS DES UKRAINIEN-CANADIENS

May 2, 2018

Dear SUSK Delegates!

Greetings to the 2018 Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress



On behalf of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC), I am pleased to extend greetings to all those attending the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union Congress in Banff National Park.

The UCC counts SUSK as a key member organization. By bringing together Ukrainian Canadian students from coast to coast, SUSK plays a leading role in the development and advancement of our community, especially our youth.

This year's Congress is extraordinary, sharing stories and exploring the Internment Operations from the First World War. The issue of redress and education about Internment during the First World War is a priority for the UCC. We also welcome our friends from other affected ethnocultural communities joining you this weekend.

I would like to recognize the hard work of the SUSK Executive and your President, Stephanie Nedoshytko. Stephanie and the SUSK Executive have served our community with professionalism and dedication, for which we are all grateful.

Our students and youth are the future leadership of our community. Your involvement in developing and setting the priorities of the UCC are vital in ensuring our continued future success. We are proud to have Connor Moen as our National Coordinator, splitting his time between SUSK and UCC. Connor plays a key role in strengthening our community's engagement with Ukrainian Canadian youth.

Please accept my best wishes for a productive and memorable Congress. I look forward to working with you as community leaders for many years!

Многая Літа!

Yours very truly,  
UKRAINIAN CANADIAN CONGRESS

Paul M. Grod  
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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## **Welcome to the 2018 National SUSK Congress!**

On behalf of the SUSK National Executive, I would like to welcome all delegates, observers, speakers, guests, alumni, and sponsors to the Town of Banff, a jewel beyond the prairies of Alberta and home to the breath-taking views of the Rocky Mountains. Despite the beautiful views, a dark past lies beneath the surface, often forgotten. This year's Congress, "Rediscovering the Past," is dedicated to raising awareness of the First World War internment operations, unknown to many individuals within Canada.

## **Raising Awareness of the First World War Internment Operations in Canada**

With the assistance of our grant partners, the Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund and the Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Foundation, along with notable sponsors, SUSK has coordinated the first conference of this kind. Students have the opportunity to learn about a part of Canada's hidden history — the internment of Ukrainian and other ethnocultural groups people during the First World War lasting until 1920. Thousands of people were wrongfully imprisoned because of their ethnicity. Public records of this dark moment of history were destroyed and through this conference, we hope to raise further awareness of this issue. We are especially privileged to have many guests joining us from other cultural communities. Over these next few days, we will together learn about the egregious abuse of human rights in the country we call home.

## **National Coordinator**

This is the second year that SUSK has worked with the support National Coordinator, Connor Moen. This full-time staff position, in partnership with the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, has continued to create consistency and sustainability for SUSK as an organization. We have been able to achieve many goals at a more accelerated pace. The National Coordinator has also played a special role in ensuring that this year's Congress is the biggest that it has been in most recent years. I look forward to seeing what the future of this role brings to SUSK.

## **A Year in Review**

It's only when you take a moment to reflect on the year that has past to see the number of challenges, changes, and opportunities for growth. Worth noting is SUSK's movement in becoming an officially incorporated non-profit corporation. This has had other numerous effects, such as a change in how SUSK is organized structurally. With this movement, an increased number best practices may be implemented into future years. This resulted in a mass restructuring and implementation of bylaws, policies, and procedures. As SUSK matures, we look forward to setting increased long term goals with a strategic plan and our finances.



## Projects

During this academic year, SUSK was also able to complete the goal of holding regional meet-ups and networking opportunities across Canada. With events in Ontario, Quebec, and Alberta, we were able to have USO members meet outside the walls of their institutions and gain the opportunity to meet their peers passionate about the very same topic — participation in the Ukrainian community. Additionally, students were able to gain advice from various professionals who graciously volunteered their time to come speak.

Another project currently in the works is the SUSK High School Guidebook. Modeled after Going Somewhere? guide by the Centre for Israeli and Jewish Affairs and Canadian Hillels, SUSK hopes to achieve a similar objective. By creating a guidebook, Ukrainian Canadian students completing high school will be able to consider which post-secondary campus is most suitable to them according to the Ukrainian student community activism, academic opportunities, exchange programs, opportunities for volunteerism, and other factors. With this, we have been collaborating with USO at campuses to provide us with an inside scoop.

## Opportunity

VP Central Mattay Dubczak, VP East Boyan Woychyshyn, Alumni Director Roman Grod, and I had the privilege of attending a gala reception, honouring Team Ukraine in the Invictus Games. There we were able to speak with veterans of the war in Eastern Ukraine. The delegation included 28 former soldiers and injured veterans, who participated in various sports which included athletics, power-lifting, swimming, archery, cycling and indoor rowing. It was a humbling experience. Additionally, we spoke briefly with The Right Honourable Prime Minister Trudeau and President Poroshenko, along with several other ministers and dignitaries.



While Past President Cassian Soltykevych serves as our Ukrainian Canadian Congress board representative for SUSK, I also had the opportunity to attend the UCC AGM in Vancouver. There I was able to connect with many SUSK alumni and understand the importance of SUSK's consistent collaboration with UCC. Learning the history of past SUSK projects only strengthens us as an organization. Not only this, but I also had the wonderful pleasure of meeting the Ukrainian Youth in Vancouver. This group is very motivated and inspiring.

## USO Growth & Communication

This year, we have continued the practice of National Networking meetings. Given the vast distance that SUSK covers as an organization, our membership receives little opportunity to collaborate.

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These meetings allow USOs from across the country to meet over teleconference and share event updates, tips for successful events, and generally stay up to date with Ukrainian student issues. Many USOs ran large campaigns to raise awareness of the Holodomor and together educated additional individuals within their communities. Students also continue to be vocal on illegal invasion of Ukraine by Russia. While our students are strong advocates, they still find the time to throw charity zabavas, varenyky BBQs, and movie nights.

With consistent newsletters and animated social media updates across channels, our Media Director and National coordinator have ensured to keep our audience engaged. We continue growing each day. The more students we reach out to, the stronger our community becomes.

Recently, the Simon Fraser Ukrainian Students' Society established a new USO in 2018. I am very excited for the growth of the Ukrainian student community in BC. The dream is for SUSK to unite Ukrainian students from coast to coast. Each step forward is progress in this direction.

I also wanted to especially welcome one of our newest USOs to Congress, the Ukrainian Student Union of Barrie! While President Artem Iermak attended his first Congress last year, this newly created USO has been busy with fresh ideas on different ways of collaborating with the Ukrainian community inside and out of Georgian College. I'm proud that SUSK continues to grow and represent universities and colleges across the country.

### Conclusion

I'm looking forward to the comradery and collaboration of this year's Congress. By our focus on human rights and raising awareness of the First World War interment operations, I hope we'll be able to create concrete action plans and resolutions for the future academic term. This weekend will be eye opening and require reflection, but together I know we can achieve the goals we set.

I want to thank my unbelievably motivated Executive team. While I only see many of you once a year, it's hard to believe the team dynamics and relationships we have built over this short time. From teleconferences and emails, to WhatsApp messages that have blown up your phone, or snapchat of the trials and tribulations of being a student leader, we've achieved a lot. Ashley, Andriy, Boyan, Mattay, Adelia, Kim, Raya, Zenia, Roman, Orycia, Mikaila, and Cassian — thank you for your hard work and inspiration. Whether you are continuing to stay involved with SUSK directly or moving on, remember to keep in touch. The network that you have embedded yourself within is something to be proud of.

Lastly, I want to especially thank our guests from various ethnocultural communities who have come to join us for the weekend as we end up "Rediscovering the Past." I hope that you will enjoy your time and gain some valuable knowledge. We are so honoured to have you with us!

I wish everyone a fantastic 2018 National SUSK Congress!



Stephanie Nedoshytko  
SUSK President, 2017-2018

# FINANCIAL REPORT

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN STUDENTS' UNION - SUSK  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED December 31, 2017

	2017 (Dec 31)	2016 (Dec 31)	2015
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	7930.89	29063.00	55716.00
Accounts Receivable	-	1200.00	3969.00
Inventory - Stickers	100.00	45.00	64.00
Inventory-Hats	100.00	-	-
Inventory - T-shirts	-	-	-
Prepaid Expenses	-	13333.00	830.00
PayPal	5032.50	9.00	
Total Assets	\$13,163	\$43,651	\$60,579
<b><u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u></b>			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	-	-	84
Deffered Student Digitization Project Contribution	-	2,882	2,882
Deffered Ukrainian Dragons	-	3,463	24,868
Deffered revenue	-	-	16,890
Total Liabilities	-	\$2,882	\$44,724
NET ASSETS			
Unrestricted	12,163	40,769	15,855
Total Net Assets	\$12,163	\$40,769	\$15,855
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$13,163	\$43,651	\$60,579

UKRAINIAN CANADIAN STUDENTS' UNION (SUSK)  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC 31st, 2017

	2017
<b>REVENUES:</b>	
Donations	-
Interest Income	-
National SUSK Congress	
Banquet & Zabava	\$420.00
Delegate Registration Fees	\$5,110.00
Miscellaneous	\$227.00
Sponsorships	\$27,500.00
TOTAL National SUSK Congress	\$33,257.00
TOTAL Donations/Interest	-
	\$33,257.00
USO Membership Fees	\$467.00
Student Publication Sponsorship	\$1,650.00
Special Projects (Stop Putin! Stickers)	-
TOTAL	\$2,117.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	\$35,374.00
<b>EXPENSES:</b>	
Administration	
Dropbox	\$129.00
UberConference	\$150.00
National Coordinator Salary	\$20,000.00
Central Region Event	\$591.99
SUSK Archives Scans	\$182.16
Advertising	\$168.00
Bank Charges	\$42.26
Travel Subsidies	\$200.82
TOTAL Administration/Bank Fees/Salary	\$21,464.23
National SUSK Congress	
Speaker Gifts	\$210.20
Zabava	\$3,895.00
Venues	\$8,825.68
Food	\$1,340.66
Honoraria	\$615.00
Mailing	\$196.35
Advertising	\$187.57
Paypal Fees	\$142.22
Printing	\$873.11
Miscellaneous	\$792.22
Travel Subsidies	\$3,940.00
TOTAL National SUSK Congress	\$21,018.01
Miscellaneous	-
Project Fund	\$890.00
UCC Membership Fees	\$350.00
Special Projects (Stop Putin! Stickers)	-
TOTAL	\$1,240.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$43,722.24
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	\$(8,348.24)

## To the Stakeholders of the Ukrainian Students' Union:

As the Vice President Finance for the 2017-2018 SUSK Executive year, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the Executive members for a tremendous year. For 65 years SUSK has continued to inspire students to get involved and take an active role in advocacy initiatives across the country, and that is something that makes me very proud to be a part of this organization. My fellow Executive members are some of the most talented individuals I have had the pleasure to work with, and serving on the Executive team for a third year has been a true honour. I thoroughly enjoyed working to maintain the accountability and sustainability of our organization, and thank all those that took part in this process. Our efforts could not have been successful without our generous donors and sponsors, and I would like to personally thank them for continuing to support Ukrainian-Canadian students across Canada!

In an effort to continue 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 tracking, due to their ease of use and transparency. It is recommended that the incoming Executive continue to use Microsoft Excel spreadsheets for bookkeeping.
2. SUSK's fiscal year was changed last year from the previous May 1st to April 30th period. SUSK's fiscal year is now January 1st to December 31st, which effectively captures SUSK's operations throughout an entire calendar year. This is a better representation of the operation of the organization, as it no longer starts at the busiest time in our season, which involves SUSK Congress. It is strongly recommended that SUSK continues to use the new fiscal year to present all future financial statements.
3. SUSK's Executive undergoes a turnover on average every 12 months. This rate of turnover is dangerous for the stability of the organization's direction and finances. Detailed transition reports, and in person transitions from the previous year's Executive should take place when possible. The reports should be made available to the incoming Executive in order to ensure proper succession planning. It is strongly recommended that the new Executive team looks into proper transition planning strategies and that transition reports become a standard procedure for SUSK.
4. Given that the organization has grown over the years, spending and revenues have increased in the organization. This creates a problem if there are no appropriate checks in place to control spending for the organization. The creation of SUSK's financial policy framework last year allows for more oversight, but more work needs to be done to create further policies. It is strongly recommended that SUSK continue to use these newly created guidelines and create more guidelines to monitor and regulate SUSK's spending.
7. With the hiring of the National Coordinator, SUSK now has a full-time employee to assist in the functioning of the organization. As a result, there is an annual salary that must be paid to the individual, and it becomes a large regular expense for SUSK for the foreseeable future. It is recommended that SUSK looks into new streams of revenue to help subsidize the cost of this position, in order to ensure it is sustainable for years to come.
8. As SUSK has incorporated it is important to create an annual budget that can be used to guide spending for the next year. It is recommended that SUSK creates an annual budget to ensure proper monetary allocations for the next year.

With these recommendations I believe SUSK will continue to grow, and I am excited to see what the future holds for our incredible organization!

Warmest Regards,



Andriy Katyukha,  
Vice President Finance

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 1. Significant Accounting Policies

a. The Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) follows a deferral method of accounting for contributions and expenditures. Support from the general public consists of contributions and expenditures relating to the prior year's campaign. Funds raised during a campaign, net of related campaign expenses and provisions are used to provide the 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. 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 a significant amount of their time to the activities of SUSK.

c. SUSK now has a fiscal year beginning on January 1st and ending on December 31st.

## 2. Cash and Equivalents

Description	Dec. 31, 2017	2016	2015
Petty Cash	\$7,930.89	\$21,223.62	\$22,504.00
Cash Restricted for Student Digitization	-	\$2,882.00	\$2,882.00
Cash Restricted for Ukrainian Dragon's Project	-	-	\$24,868.00
Paypal	\$5,032.50	\$4,229.03	\$6,062.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$12,963.39</b>	<b>\$28,334.65</b>	<b>\$56,316.00</b>

SUSK uses a Chartered Bank for chequing and cash deposit services. SUSK also makes use of Paypal as a convenient method of gathering funds from individuals across the country. The Dec. 31, 2017 column refers to the new year end, as explained previously.

## 3. Inventory

At the time of publication SUSK has \$100.00 worth of Stop Putin Stickers and \$100.00 in "Make Crimea Ukraine Again" hats.

# SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

## Andrea Malysh



Andrea Malysh is the Program Manager of the Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund and an internee descendant. Her great grandfather, Wasyl Luchak, POW #864 was unjustly removed from his farm in Alberta and sent to the Spirit Lake Internment Camp in the Abitibi region of Quebec, forced to work at an experimental farm during Canada's first national internment operations of 1914 to 1920.

Her grandparents were among 88,000 who were invited to Canada to open up the west but in 1914 were subjected to many state sanction censures not because of anything they had done but only because of where they had come from, who they were.

Mrs. Malysh is also a member of the Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Association; Secretary of the Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Foundation and Artistic Director of the Sadok Ukrainian Dance Ensemble of Vernon, B.C.

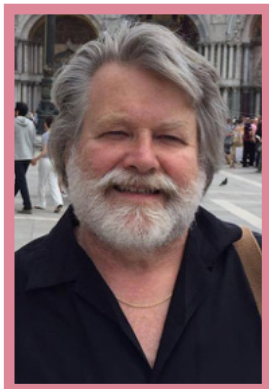
## Andrew Hladyshevsky



Andy's primary focus is to provide corporate and commercial advice to Alberta businesses whether operating locally, nationwide or internationally. He is experienced in a variety of corporate transactions, including public equity and debt offerings, transfers of ownership of companies, international financing transactions and acting as general counsel for companies listed on the Alberta, Vancouver, Toronto, U.S. and NASDAQ Stock Exchanges.

Andy has lectured extensively, appeared on the Global and CTV Television Networks, CBC Radio and provided interviews to print media.

## Bohdan Kordan



Bohdan Kordan is Professor of International Relations in the Department of Political Studies, St. Thomas More College, University of Saskatchewan. Founding Director of the Prairie Centre for the Study of Ukrainian Heritage (1998- 2004), Professor Kordan's current research interests include nationalism and ethnic conflict, the politics of state/minority relations. His most recent books include *Canada and the Ukrainian Question, 1939-45: A Study in Statecraft* (2001); *Enemy Aliens, Prisoners of War: Internment in Canada during the Great War* (2002); *A Bare and Impolitic Right: Internment and Ukrainian-Canadian Redress* (2004); and *No Free Man: Canada, the Great War and the Enemy Alien Experience* (2016), which received the Saskatchewan Book Awards 2017 Jennifer Welsh Scholarly Writing Award.

## SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

### Connor Moen



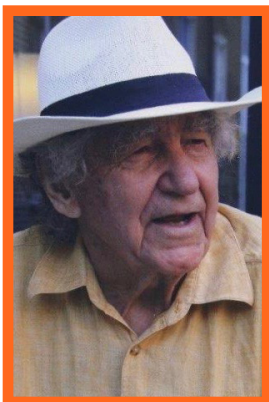
Connor Moen is the National Coordinator for the Ukrainian Canadian Students' Union (SUSK) and the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC). Connor's role with SUSK involves grant-writing and project management, as well as capacity building for Ukrainian Student Organizations (USOs) across Canada. Since joining SUSK as professional staff in September 2016, Connor has secured over \$100,000 in grants to support ongoing SUSK projects and its mandate – largely from outside the Ukrainian community. Connor will share his experience writing grants and managing small non-for-profits in his presentation. Connor is also the Communications Coordinator for the national UCC, where he revitalized the UCC's social media presence. Since September 2016, Connor has helped grow the UCC Facebook audience from 4,000 to 13,500. Connor also played a strong role in reviving the University of Saskatchewan Ukrainian Students' Association in 2011.

### Ihor Michalchyshyn



Ihor Hnatiw Michalchyshyn is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress. Mr. Michalchyshyn is responsible for the overall leadership and management of the Congress' operations, including government relations and community programming. With over a decade of working within government at senior levels, Michalchyshyn brings to UCC experience in the areas of public policy, strategic planning, community organizing and advocacy. Ihor has a long record of involvement within the Ukrainian Canadian community. He is a Scout leader with Plast Ukrainian Youth Association, a long time choir member of Melos Folk Ensemble (Winnipeg) and has just completed two terms on the board of Oseredok Ukrainian Cultural and Education Centre. He has served on both the Manitoba and Canadian boards of Plast, as a volunteer with Help Us Help the Children in Ukraine and as an International Elections Monitor in Eastern Ukraine.

### John Boxtel



John Boxtel was born July 21, 1930 in the town of Goirle, the Netherlands. He grew up during the German Occupation and remembers all too well when his father was picked up and transported to a concentration camp. John worked in various youth organizations before leaving the Netherlands, and in July of 1954 he arrived in Canada. In 1986 he agreed to create the first sculpture of Ukrainian prisoners for Castle Mountain. "Why?", is a statue of a Ukrainian Canadian which depicts a typical internee with fingers pointing to himself as if asking "Why me!". It was placed in Banff National Park, on August 12th 1995 and was erected in memory of those imprisoned during Canada's first national internment operations of 1914-1920. Since then there are many other sights that have John's monuments. Perhaps what makes John's work so powerful and so raw is that, like him, it is honest. His experiences growing up during the war have definitely influenced him and thankfully for us, it has transpired through in all of his work. He is truly a unique and a one of a kind man just like his sculptures.



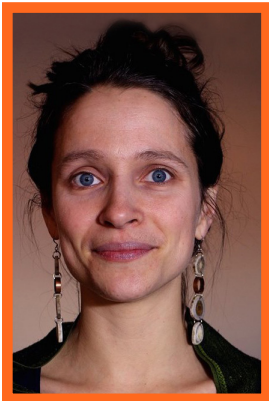
## SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

### Kassandra Luciuk



Kassandra is a PhD Candidate in the Department of History at the University of Toronto. In a broad sense, her research explores immigration, citizenship, and identity formation in Cold War Canada. Kassandra is the author of several articles on Canada's first national internment operations, and is currently completing *Enemy Alien: A Graphic History of Internment in Canada During the First World War*, a graphic novel based on the memoir of an internee held in Kapuskasing from 1914-17. Kassandra's work is generously supported by the Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund, the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council.

### Kerri Parnell



Kerri Parnell is originally from Winnipeg and currently residing in Cherryville, British Columbia. She attended both the University of Manitoba-School of Fine Arts and NASCAD University in Halifax, Nova Scotia. She is an active artist whose passions extend from commercial arts, to private commissions and teaching. She also enjoys collaborating with others on projects that involve social awareness and change. Kerri feels that art is the gateway to the soul. Her passion is to create art and culture, as infrastructure that nurtures community connections.

Recently Kerri has been commissioned to create a 17 piece Art Exhibit for the Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund. This Exhibit will be completed in 2019 and will travel across Canada to help bring awareness to this historical injustice.

### Lubomyr Luciuk



Lubomyr Luciuk is a professor in the Department of Political Science at The Royal Military College of Canada. Dr Luciuk has served on the Immigration and Refugee Board and Palore Board of Canada. An active member of the Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Association, which spearheaded the community's successful campaign to secure symbolic redress and recognition for Canada's first national internment operations, He is a currently chairman of the Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Foundation. Dr Luciuk is organizing the unveiling of a multilingual plaque in NYC honouring "the father of the UN Genocide Convention, Dr Raphael Lemkin, who recognized the Holodomor as an act of genocide and promoting the installation of a commemorative memorial in England honouring Ukrainian Canadian men and women who served with the Canadian military during WWII, and helped Ukrainian Displaced Persons from forcible repatriation to the Soviet Union. In 2017 he was instrumental in helping raise funds for the unveiling of the Konowal Walk at the Battle of Hill 70 Memorial in France, honouring the only Canadian Ukrainian ever distinguished with the Victoria Cross.

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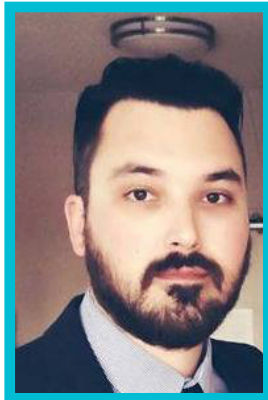
### Mark O'Neill



Mark O'Neill is President and CEO of the Crown corporation that operates the Canadian Museum of History and the Canadian War Museum, a position he has held since June 2011. Under his leadership, the Museums have expanded their outreach activities throughout the country, fostered innovative collaborations with Canada's cultural sector, and placed new emphasis on telling the stories that have shaped our country's history and identity.

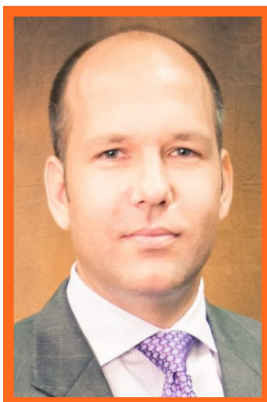
Having first joined the Museums in 2001, Mr. O'Neill's previous positions with the corporation include Director General for the Canadian War Museum and Vice-President for the Canadian Museum of Civilization (now the Canadian Museum of History); Corporate Secretary and Vice-President of Public Affairs and Publishing. Prior to his time at the Museums, he worked for the Government of Canada in various departments, including the Secretary of State, Multiculturalism and Citizenship, Justice, and Canadian Heritage.

### Mikhail Bjorge



Mikhail Bjorge earned his PhD in History from Queen's University. His dissertation explored workers' militancy during World War II and the solidification of labour law in Canada. Mikhail has previously written on Japanese resistance to internment in World War II. He is currently completing a research project on the relationship between strikes and internment as an extension of political policing during World War I. His work is generously supported by the Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund.

### Paul Grod



Paul Grod is the National President of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, which represents the interests of the 1.4 million strong Ukrainian Canadian community, Vice President of the Ukrainian World Congress and Chairs the UWC's Council in Support of Ukraine. Paul has received numerous awards and recognitions. For a third consecutive year, Paul was named one of the top 100 (ranking at #21) people influencing Canada's global future by Embassy Magazine & Hill Times' Power and Influence magazine. As a result of Paul's work and the prominent role the Ukrainian Canadian Congress played in supporting Ukraine's Revolution of Dignity and defense of Ukraine against Russia's military aggression, he was one of 13 Canadians sanctioned by Vladimir Putin and barred from entering Russia. Paul is a member of the Law Society of Upper Canada and holds Bachelor of Political Science, Bachelor of Laws, and Master of Business Administration degrees.

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### Rhonda Hinthier



Rhonda L. Hinthier is an Associate Professor of History at Brandon University (BU) and an active public historian. She has published in *Manitoba History*, *Atlantis*, the *Oral History Forum*, and *Labour/le travail*. Her article, "Raised in the Spirit of the Class Struggle: Children, Youth, and the Interwar Ukrainian Left in Canada" (*Labour/le travail*, 2007) won the Canadian Historical Association's Neil Sutherland Prize. She is co-editor, with Jim Mochoruk, of *Re-imagining Ukrainian-Canadians: History, Politics, and Identity* (UTP, 2011). Her newest book is entitled *Perogies and Politics: Canada's Ukrainian Left, 1891-1991* (UTP, 2018). Hinthier has curated numerous museum exhibitions and has consulted on and appeared in several historical documentaries. She is presently working on a virtual reality interactive on Brandon, Manitoba's WWI internment camp.

### Ryan Boyko



Ryan Boyko is the Founder and CEO of Armistice Films Inc. It is Ryan's mission to illuminate epic, untold stories for Canadian and international audiences. Ryan was born in Winnipeg and raised in Saskatoon. He is a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan with a Bachelor of Arts Degree.

Ryan was Producer, Creator and Director of the innovative series "The Camps", which premiered on September 8th 2016. It is a cinematic, cross-Canada journey to every known internment site. The series has been seen in 174 countries and garnered two awards: The IndieFest Award of Merit with Special Mention and an Award of Recognition from the Hollywood International Moving Pictures Film Festival. On Nov. 5th 2017, Ryan was selected by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress, Saskatchewan Provincial Council to receive: The Community Recognition Award for his Creativity, Innovation and Cultural Preservation and Development.

### Sarah Beaulieu



Sarah Beaulieu is a PhD candidate in historical archaeology at Simon Fraser University. She is interested in how archaeology can be applied to the more recent past to bring to light the stories of, and give voice to, disenfranchised groups that have been overlooked in the historical record. Sarah has undertaken one of the first archaeological excavations in a Canadian WWI internment camp in an effort to uncover a part of our Canadian history that has been almost completely erased. Her research and excavations at the

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### Stephanie Nedoshytko



Stephanie is a recent graduate from the Bachelor of Arts program at MacEwan University majoring in Political Science and minoring in Economics. She is currently serving as the President at the Students' Association of MacEwan University for the 2017-2018 term, in addition to her role on SUSK.

Prior to her position, Stephanie has worked at the Legislative Assembly of Alberta for five years, and has a passion for nonpartisan service. Dedicated to volunteerism, she has been extensively involved on campus and in the community. She co-founded the MacEwan Ukrainian Students Club, where she served as President and Treasurer. In addition to this, Stephanie was also involved in National Model United Nations. One of Stephanie's most recent accomplishments include formally reincorporating SUSK as a federal non-for-profit, Stephanie's experience in governance will help student delegates navigate through constitutional amendments.

### Warren Woytuck



Warren Woytuck has been a K-12 teacher and elementary and junior high school principal for more than 20 years. His diverse professional background includes leadership experience in government and not-for-profit organizations. As curriculum manager with Alberta Education, Warren co-led the development of the provincial high school social studies curriculum. Warren has also authored and edited several TC<sup>2</sup> teaching and learning resources. As a coach and facilitator, Warren has worked with thousands of educators and leaders in the areas of critical thinking, creativity, design thinking, instructional excellence and school leadership. He is the recipient of the Alberta Teachers' Association Social Studies Council Award of Excellence and

# 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 2017 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.

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The Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund (CFW/WIRF) was established to support projects that commemorate and recognize the experiences of all of the ethno-cultural communities affected by Canada's first national internment operations of 1914 to 1920.

The Endowment Council of the CFW/WIRF works hard to shed light on this tragic yet little known chapter in our Canadian history. Since the inception of the Fund in 2008, the Endowment Council has awarded over \$3 million in grants. Grant projects include: historical exhibits, awareness campaigns and presentations, commemorative plaques and statues, restoration of internee cemeteries, films, historical research, artistic endeavors, symposiums, and educational resources, among others.



The Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Foundation (UCCLF) is an educational organization dedicated to advancing knowledge among Canadians and the world community about civil liberties issues affecting Ukrainian Canadians – those of an historic nature and contemporary ones.

UCCLF focus is primarily on the causes and consequences of genocide, mass murder, and other atrocities of human populations, civil societies and political systems, as well as the need for vigilance in safeguarding human rights and civil liberties in times of international or domestic crises.



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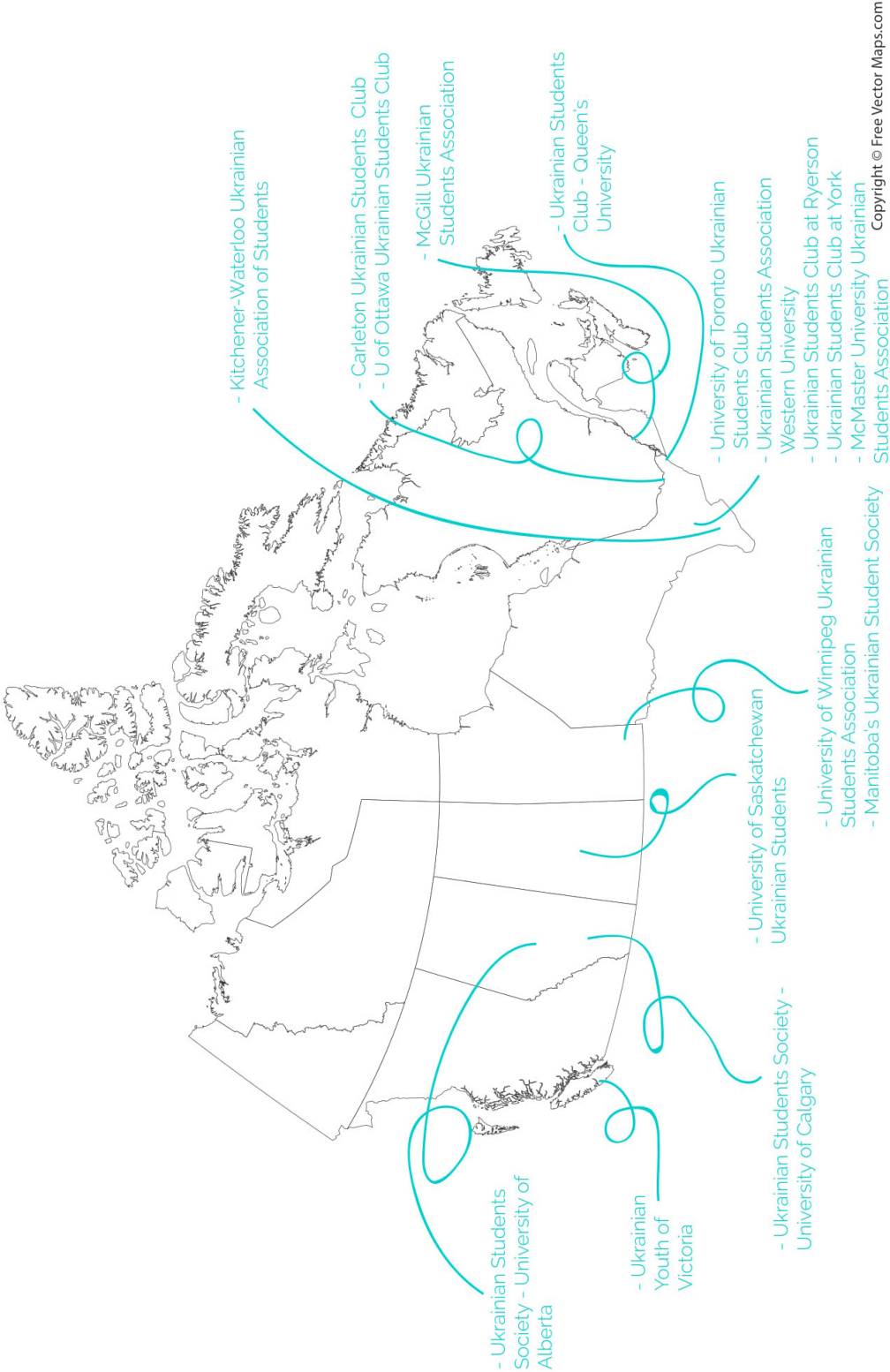
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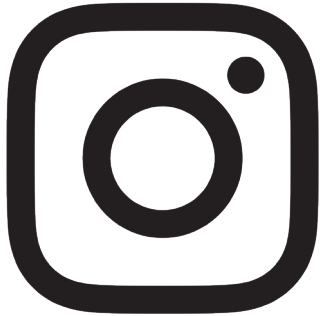


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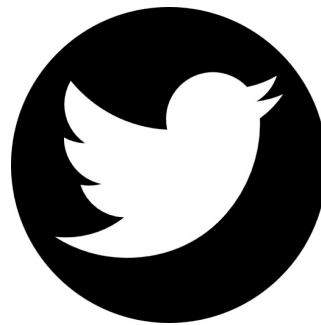
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