STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Ann Dinh (Arts student), Reily Blackner (interested student), Jack Hauen (Ubyssey), Sruthi Tadepalli (Ubyssey), Bailey Ramsay (Ubyssey), Kevin Doering (AMS AVP Academic), Aaron Verones (AMS Assistant to the President), Sally Magharius (AMS External Office), Leslie Tulett (AMS External Office), Gus Crowards (AMS Sustainability), Mateusz Miadlikowski (former VP Finance), David Brown (Student), Katherine Pan (Commerce), Hussam Zbeeb (Student Services Manager), Ken Yih (Senior HR Manager), Daniel Levangie (AMS Senior Student Services Manager), Keith Hester (AMS Managing Director), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archivist & Clerk of Council), Joanne Pickford (AMS Administration)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm.

1. MOVED KATERINA OTHONOS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED AVA NASIRI, SECONDED DAN KEHILA:

“That the agenda be amended as follows:

- Move Block Party and Governance Review presentations to the Consultation section
- Add an Incubator consultation
- Add a motion on the Pit Media Wall.”

... No objections

3. MOVED KATERINA OTHONOS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried unanimously

For (26): Aaron Bailey, Bradley Balaton, Mark Bancroft (proxy for Jamiu Abdsalami), Hannah Carrothers, Adrian Cheng (proxy for Noah Bayless), Cameron England (proxy for Brian Cho), Mitchell Ferreria, Jakob Gattinger, Jasleen Grewal, Karianne Howarth, Dan Kehila, Daniel Lam, Sally Lin, Lorenzo Lindo, Liam Simpson, Sapnil Mohanty (proxy for Ryan Kamimura), Ava Nasiri, Diane Nguyen, Katerina Othonos, Jeffrey Pea, Kathleen Simpson, Samantha So, Robyn Starkoski (proxy for Jeanie Malone), Angela Tien, Viet Vu (proxy for Daniel Gao), Hannah Xiao

B) Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies:

Welcome to our new Members:

Goodbyes:

C) Speaker’s Business & Land Acknowledgement (5 minutes):

Speaker’s Business
- Early notification appreciated when Councillors name proxies.
- There are non-disclosure agreements for the proxies in the clicker bags.

Land Acknowledgement
- The Speaker acknowledged that the meeting was taking place on ancestral unceded Musqueam territory, a traditional place of learning for indigenous youth.

D) Statements from Students at Large (3 minutes each):

E) Consent Agenda Items

4. MOVED VIET VU, SECONDED HARRY LI:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Executive Committee minutes dated July 4, 2016 [SCD050-17]
Executive Committee minutes dated July 12, 2016 [SCD051-17]
Executive Committee minutes dated July 19, 2016 [SCD052-17]
University and External Relations Minutes dated July 7, 2016 [SCD053-17]

... Carried unanimously

For (29): Aaron Bailey, Bradley Balaton, Mark Bancroft (proxy for Jamiu Abdalsalami), Hannah Carrothers, Adrian Cheng (proxy for Noah Bayless), Cameron England (proxy for Brian Cho), Mitchell Ferreria, Jakob Gattinger, Jasleen Grewal, Karianne Howarth, Dan Kehila, Daniel Lam, Harry Li, Sally Lin, Lorenzo Lindo, Liam Simpson, Sapnil Mohanty (proxy for Ryan Kamimura), Ava Nasiri, Diane Nguyen, Katerina Othonos, Jeffrey Pea, Louis Retief, Kathleen Simpson, Dupreez Smith, Samantha So, Robyn Starkoski (proxy for Jeanie Malone), Angela Tien, Viet Vu (proxy for Daniel Gao), Hannah Xiao

Presentations to Council (10 minutes for presentation, 5 minute ? period):

Services Report – Hussam Zbeeb [SCD054-17]

Seven AMS Services

Service-Wide Goals
- Reviewing operating models this summer. Contacting peer student services.
- Developing feedback mechanisms: surveys.
- Wage review.
• Outreach initiatives, specifically to the Greek system.
• Campaigns for each Service.

**Tutoring**
• New group tutoring partnerships.
• Hybrid tutoring for WUSC and Mastercard students.
• Cancelling Gage tutoring, since there are no more first years there.
• Encouraging undergraduate societies to hire AMS tutors.

**Speakeasy**
• Review of training.
• Canadian Peer Support Network: sharing best practices with other universities.

**Safewalk**
• Addressing misuse of service.
• Impressive growth, but some was misuse.
• Going to limit the number of rides per night per person.
• Messaging about the purpose of Safewalk.
• Football partnership (football players as volunteers).

**Food Bank**
• New partnerships.
• Introducing fresh produce.
• In Nest 2131 during the Old SUB renos.

**Advocacy**
• University roadmap to all advocacy offices: clarify who to go to.
• Outreach.
• Looking into adding peer support.

**Volunteer Avenue**
• Centralized platform to house all opportunities.
• WUSC division.
• Monthly newsletter.

**Vice**
• New, launching.
• Initially focused on peer support; now focused on harm reduction.
• Targeting a larger group of students.
• Referrals process.

**Questions**
Hannah Carrothers:
• If people have addictions outside of Vice’s categories, what does Vice do?

Hussam Zbeeb:
• We cover three areas (drugs, alcohol, technology), but if outside those, we can refer.
• We may expand to more areas.
Hannah Carrothers:
  • For the football players for Safewalk, will you have male/female teams?

Hussam Zbeeb:
  • We strive to have coed teams.

Daniel Lam:
  • How will you enforce the one ride per night rule at Safewalk?

Hussam Zbeeb:
  • Actually two rides.
  • If someone calls a third time, we’ll do it, but tell them that in future it won’t be allowed.

Viet Vu:
  • How will you be marketing Vice?

Hussam Zbeeb:
  • All Coordinators are working on messaging.

Gus Crowards asked about food prep courses.

Hussam Zbeeb:
  • Looking at this, at more wholesome eating.
  • Talking with UBC Farm and the AMS Cooking Club.
  • There’s been some interest.

**GSS Space – Ava Nasiri**

- Gen Cruz and Nick McGregor from the GSS met me and Chris Scott.
  (Gen couldn’t be here tonight, and Chris is away, so I’m making the report.)
- It was a great, productive conversation.
- I’ve sent out a link with the space agreement.
- There’s a one-year MoU in which the GSS allows a one-year allotment of space to one of our clubs.
- We’ll look at the document for the next meeting and approve it then.
- The main agreement is for five years. There will be a motion on it next time.
- If the GSS passes a referendum to emancipate from the AMS, the agreement is voided once the GSS actually leaves the AMS.
- The GSS will get the space and have quiet enjoyment of it.
- The AMS will have the right to check the space.
- For the first year there’s the one-year MoU I’ve mentioned.
- Given how stretched we are for space, the GSS is on board with temporarily assigning the lounge to eSports or the Pottery Club.

**Academic Experience Survey – Kevin Doering and Samantha So**

Students said:
  • Best way to represent students would be to improve communications.
    o (Next best ways: lobby for lower tuition, get more involved with students).
The best way to improve orientations would be to focus more on academics.
  o (Next best ways: less rush, more shared experiences)

The other experiences that extended their degrees were:
  o Exchange
  o Co-op
  o Involvement in undergraduate societies or the AMS
  o Work
  o Clubs

The Percentage is Right:
  • The number of students who expect to graduate with debt: 44%.
  • The number of students who feel close to UBC Thunderbirds: 15%
  • The number of international students who say they are receiving good value for their tuition: 42%
  • The number of students who bought a textbook they rarely or never used: 94%
  • The number of female students who feel safe on campus at night: 94%
  • The number of students who don’t know who their ESP is: 23%

Who was the only current AMS Councillor mentioned in the report?
  • Ian Sapollnik

Other Highlights:
  • Only one-third know what the AMS does.
  • Only one-third trust the AMS with their money.
  • (This is an argument to improve our communication.)
  • Students want cheaper food.
  • Awareness of Services is up, but usage is down.
  • Almost every student has experienced discrimination: women and minorities suffer more and feel the least safe.
  • Engagement with the Thunderbirds was mostly among Caucasians under 20.
  • Textbooks cost on average $620.

Questions
Viet Vu:
  • Was any one faculty over-represented so that the results would have been skewed?

Kevin Doering:
  • There was not a perfect match to the student population.
  • We did have a good gender match. Not so much on international students.
  • We’ll make recommendations for next year.

Mark Bancroft:
  • Are reports for sub-groups (undergraduate societies) going to be released?

Kevin Doering:
  • I have data tables which I’ll be happy to provide.
Bradley Balaton:
  • Were grad students included?

Kevin Doering:
  • Grad students were mostly excluded.
  • The responses were 96% from undergraduate students.
  • In the summary we talk about changing this.

Ava Nasiri:
  • The GSS does its own survey.

G) Consultation Period

Block Party – Louis Retief

- I was asked to come back with two options.
- I’m not set on either one.
- There’s the Thunderbird Stadium and the Commons (outside the Nest)
- The Commons has a maximum capacity of 6,000.
- At the stadium, we could sell 8,000-10,000 tickets, but we’d have to make the prices higher for a reasonable bottom line (almost double).
- We’d have to pay for expensive flooring at the stadium.
- Security would be cheaper at the Commons.
- Might get better talent at the Stadium (because ticket prices could be higher there).
- Licensing and advertising costs would be the same.

Feedback:

Aaron Bailey:
  • I’d love to see some cost control in addition to just increasing ticket prices.
  • We can learn a lot from last year.
  • Capacity is important: at 6,000 we’d sell out quickly: scalping would be an issue.
  • Last year we fought for the stadium; I’d like for it to be considered; I’d love to see us cement that as a tradition.

Chris Colson:
  • The losses either way are comparable.

Louis Retief:
  • Yes, but only with higher ticket prices at the stadium, and we’d have to sell at least 8,000 tickets, which is optimistic.

Hannah Carrothers:
  • I’m concerned that the advertising budget is the same when a different number of tickets are to be sold.
  • Perhaps there could be increased advertising for the stadium.

Viet Vu:
  • We should think about the effect on sales if prices are too high.
• Less will buy if the price is higher.

Daniel Levangie:
• Partly Louis is taking the temperature to see what people are interested in.
• Are people super passionate about the stadium? Or would they prefer the event to take place out front?

Jakob Gattinger:
• Does this include food sales?

Louis Retief
• This is preliminary.
• Haven’t budgeted for food.

Hannah Carrothers:
• I’m intrigued by the Commons, its carnival aspect, its intimacy.
• Concerned about the empty feel of the stadium, unless we fill it.

Ava Nasiri:
• Arts County Fair used to bring 16,000 students out.
• We could be financially responsible and have it at the stadium, but that means all of you helping out to promote the life out of this as our flagship event.
• ACF had teams going across campus starting in October.
• We could do this, but we need to come together starting soon.

Gus Crowards:
• Why is it twice the price? It would have to be really good headliners; otherwise students will think the AMS is ripping them off.
• How likely are we to get talent for a price comparable to what students would pay for real events?

Ava Nasiri:
• A lot depends on tour schedules.

Aaron Bailey:
• Also the exchange rate. International artists are paid in US dollars.
• It comes down to time to promote, what acts you can get.
• This year we have more time: we’re not still fighting for the stadium; the University is willing to let us use it now.

Daniel Levangie:
• We should decide as soon as possible.

5. MOVED LOUIS RETIEF, SECONDED HANNAH CARROThERS:

“That the consultation be extended by five minutes.”

… No objections
Chris Colson:
- Have we contacted other universities?

Aaron Bailey:
- Last year we did reach out to UBCO: they go through a private company.
- SUDS is a chance to talk to other schools.
- Ours is the biggest campus event of its sort in Canada and maybe in North America.

Daniel Levangie:
- Most major events like this run at a deficit.

Reily Blackner:
- I’d pay the Commons ticket price without even knowing the artists, but wouldn’t pay the stadium price.

Straw poll: Commons 15, Stadium 10

**Governance Review – Aaron Bailey**

- Changes to committees to make them more relevant, less intimidating, more functional.
- Move from watchdog notion of Committees over Executive to become something more functional.
- The proposed new committees:
  - Steering Committee – high level goals
  - Advocacy Committee – external relations and University affairs
  - HR Committee – the old Hiring Committee
  - Finance Committee – combining Funds and Grants, Finance Commission, Budget Committee
  - Operations Committee – what SAC does now and building issues
  - Student Life Committee – evolution of Student Life & Communications Committee
- Terms of reference needed.
- Instead of blanket size of committees, we want committees that will function:
  - 3-5 Councillors, one Executive, and at least one member at large per committee.
- Would like to approve new structure at the August 24 Council meeting so we can try it out with appointments in September.
- In March 2017 we should review.
- Council structure:
  - Remove Senate and BoG votes.
  - Increase the threshold of representation (from 1500 to 3,000) to decrease the number of Councillors.
  - Introduce Officers of Council.
  - Look at the representation of Affiliated Schools and Professional Programs.
- Will be soliciting feedback.
Discussion

Daniel Lam:
- Will the Steering Committee be replacing the Legislative Procedures Committee?

Aaron Bailey:
- We’re still working that out.
- The Steering Committee is really for long-term goals.

Katherine Pan:
- Reducing Council size – when and how?

Aaron Bailey:
- Will look at this during the consultations.

Chris Colson:
- Will there be compensation for committee chairs?

Aaron Bailey:
- Standing committee chairs are currently compensated.
- This will be discussed.

Katherine Pan:
- Duplicating work of staff?

Aaron Bailey:
- We will make sure the committees are not doing the work of paid staff.

Mark Bancroft:
- It sounds like there will be a lot more work for committees: what are the time commitments?

Aaron Bailey:
- That’s still far out.
- The committees will probably have bi-weekly meetings.

Jeffrey Pea:
- At large students need to be represented.

Aaron Bailey
- We don’t want to just say there have to be three members at large on each committee.
- Student Life might need four. HR maybe none.
- We want to have the correct number of members at large to be effective for each committee.

Ava Nasiri:
- Student Life or the Steering Committee might have a sub-committee with five students at large on it.
Chris Colson:
- So there might not be a fixed number of Councillors on each committee from year to year?

Aaron Bailey:
- No, no, we will set the number of Councillors and at large members for each committee.
- It won’t fluctuate year to year, but it may vary from committee to committee.

**New AMS Service (Incubator) – Louis Retief and Hussam Zbeeb**  [SCD058-17]
- Two new Services being explored:
  - Entrepreneurial service
  - Also a Mobility Shuttle Program
- But today talking about the entrepreneurial service, Incubator.
- Last year we worked with club treasurers; lots of club executives are entrepreneurial; we brainstormed on how to help students grow their careers.
- Last year’s SSM, Ron Gorodetsky, scoped out this sort of service.
- Gaps and a lack of awareness of entrepreneurial culture.
- There are lots of awesome groups on campus, but a lack of collaboration.
- Need to educate students.
- Fostering entrepreneurial culture.
- We’d want to link up people: help people with ideas form a team.
- We’ve talked to University people; they’re interested.
- Talking to alumni.
- Don’t want to be just a club hosting events; want to establish metrics, partnerships.
- Could take 6-8 months to create a Service.

6. MOVED MARK BANCRFT, SECONDED KATHLEEN SIMPSON:

“That the time for this consultation be extended by five minutes.”

… No objections

**Discussion**

Bradley Balaton:
- How much would this cost?

Louis Retief:
- Not much.
- We would need to hire a coordinator.

Kevin Doering:
- Typically, you would do a survey first: have you done that?
- How many students would be using this?
- One concern would be about putting money towards helping people start a for profit business.
Louis Retief:
- At this stage we’re not asking for approval of the service. This is still the consultation stage.
- And we’re not looking at providing funding to a business.
- We would provide support, information, education.

Gus Crowards:
- The University has e@UBC. It provides services. What would set this service apart from that?

Hussam Zbeeb:
- Very rarely do they assist undergrads.
- This would be a pre-feeder system.

Louis Retief:
- Clubs have trouble connecting with e@UBC and others.
- We’d bring them together, be the connecting arm.

Ava Nasiri:
- Has there been any thought about staying in touch with e@UBC?

Louis Retief:
- We won’t be competing with e@UBC.
- We would be the feeder system.
- We would help students through the process.

Viet Vu:
- A lot of entrepreneurship institutions focus on Sauder and Commerce.
- How would you reach out to other communities?

Louis Retief:
- We would start with clubs and reach out to everyone.

Hussam Zbeeb:
- Non-Sauder students don’t know where to go.

Dan Kehila:
- Most grad students are as clueless as undergraduates about developing companies, so there’s a lot of potential for the AMS to become a linker of the entrepreneurial eco-system at UBC.
- There are lots of disconnected programs.
- The most important step would be to discover all the groups on campus.

Louis Retief:
- It would be for both graduate and undergraduate students.

Jasleen Grewal:
- Getting alumni involved would be a good idea. They do that at MIT.
- It brings in funding as well.
H) Appointments

7. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED AVA NASIRI:

“That Jakob Gattinger (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the University & External Relations Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2016.”

… No objections

I) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Ava Nasiri:
• Ternaries sent.
• Monthly recap: shooting a video: June-July.

J) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

Daniel Levangie, Senior Services Manager
• Events:
  o First week
  o Welcome Back Barbecue
  o FarmAde
• Communications: Still hiring.
• SASC hiring.
• Imagery for Ph Tea.
• Archives: Sheldon on 1985-86: 19 more years to go.
• Live at Lunch most days on the Commons.

VP External – Kathleen Simpson
• SUDS oversold: had to close registration. Limited space for Councillors. A full schedule will be sent.
• Canada Student Loans changes came into effect, which is good.

VP Academic – Samantha So
• Student Action Squad: exploring UBC’s learning management system, looking for a replacement system.

VP Finance – Louis Retief
• Block Party budget.
• Credit card program for Constituencies and Clubs is almost ready.

Keith Hester – Managing Director
• Lots of business changes coming in September.
• Belgian waffles in Upper Case.

K) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

L) Constituency and Affiliates Reports (2 minutes each):

Science – Diane Nguyen
• August 8 mentorship program.
• SUS FirstWeek: free food in Lhada.
• Petting zoo.
• Carnival event.

M) Board of Governors, Senate, Ombudsperson & Historical Update Reports (2 minutes each):

Senate – Daniel Lam
• Strategic planning meeting yesterday.
• Curriculum committee met.

Historical Update - Sheldon Goldfarb
• Working on 1985-86 for the history book.
• 1995–2005 done already; that’s why there’s only 19 years to go.
• Excerpts appeared in Trek magazine last year.
• Book is to be called Great Trekking.
• 1985-86 was the year UBC introduced a new $32 athletics fee: the Athletics and Recreation Fee, which is now over $200.
• At the time we had an agreement with UBC that they would not introduce a new athletics fee because the AMS was already giving them money for athletics.
• When they did this anyway, we considered suing, but instead accepted representation on the old University Athletic Council, which no longer exists.

N) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

O) Executive Committee Motions:

8. MOVED AVA NASIRI, SECONDED LORENZO LINDO:

“That Code Section VI, Article 9 be suspended to allow the Executives’ first written performance reports (ternaries) to be postponed until the second meeting in August.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Ava Nasiri:
• The VP Admin is away, so his ternary was not submitted.
• The other ternaries were late.
• Thought we’d be on the safe side and suspend this provision of Code.
• I may encourage LPC to review this section of Code as it still reflects the old Exec terms, with turnover in March instead of May.

9. MOVED AVA NASIRI, SECONDED LORENZO LINDO:

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10. MOVED AVA NASIRI, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

**From the Executive Committee**

“That Council on the recommendation of the Executive Committee approve the expenditure of up to $25,000 from the Sub Repairs & Replacement Reserve to remove the media wall from the Pit.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Keith Hester:
- Media Wall in the Pit: beautiful but not practical.
- Since June 2015, 8 of 27 screens have been broken.
- They’re right by the dance floor and people keep bumping into them.
- Soon we won’t be able to get replacements; already becoming obsolete.
- Proposing to remove the screens and replace them with three short throw projectors projecting onto drywall.
- If we replaced the screens and installed a protective wall to prevent further breakage, the cost would be $64,000.
- Pros: Brings the Media Wall back, enhancing the customer experience. Customers are complaining now.
- Cons: Expensive.
- Alternative: move the screens to Gallery 2.0.

Ava Nasiri:
- Or to the Atrium or the Council Chambers.

Keith Hester:
- But that’s for the future.
- For now the plan would be to remove the screens before September, before more damage can occur.
- We’ll fix up the wall.
- This option is cheaper. Maintenance costs will be reduced.
- Projector illumination is not quite as good, but it’s close.

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections
P) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

Q) Committee Motions:

12. MOVED JEFFREY PEA, SECONDED VIET VU: [SCD060-17]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled 'Code Changes 2016: Agenda Committee' and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note Requires 2/3rds

Jeffrey Pea:
- The day has come to eliminate the Agenda Committee.
- It was not effective.
- The President will do the agenda now, consulting the Executives and the Committee Chairs.

13. MOVED JEFFREY PEA, SECONDED VIET VU:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled 'Code Changes 2016: Agenda Committee' and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

14. MOVED JEFFREY PEA, SECONDED LORENZO LINDO: [SCD061-17]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled 'Code Changes 2016: Sustainability Reports' and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Jeffrey Pea:
- This brings back sustainability reports to Council.
- The Code used to specify that the Sustainability Coordinator would make them, but when we removed that position from Code, the reporting requirement disappeared too.
- We're reintroducing them now, under the VP Admin portfolio, following the shift of Sustainability from Finance to Administration.
- There are three reports a year.

15. MOVED JEFFREY PEA, SECONDED LORENZO LINDO:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2016: Sustainability Reports’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

16. MOVED JEFFREY PEA, SECONDED MARK BANCROFT: [SCD062-17]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2016: Recognition and Honoraria’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Jeffrey Pea:
- Just removing a section of Code that we don’t use anymore.
- It’s very vague.

Bradley Balaton:
- Are we retaining the Councillor of the Year award?

Jeffery Pea:
- Yes.

17. MOVED JEFFREY PEA, SECONDED MARK BANCROFT:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2016: Recognition and Honoraria’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

18. MOVED SALLY LIN, SECONDED CAMERON ENGLAND: [SCD063-17]

From the Oversight Committee
“That the 2016/17 VP Academic goals be accepted as presented.”

Sally Lin:
- Last Council meeting Code was suspended to delay this vote so the Executive Committee could review the VP Academic’s goals.
- Oversight has passed the goals, but they weren’t circulated to Councillors, though the VP Academic did present orally last time.

Mark Bancroft:
- Fundamentally, I can’t pass something I haven’t seen.
Jasleen Grewal:
- These goals were presented last time orally.
- This is just the document. It hasn’t been circulated, but it’s what was presented orally last time.

19. MOVED SALLY LIN, SECONDED CAMERON ENGLAND:

From the Oversight Committee
“That the 2016/17 VP Academic goals be accepted as presented.”

... Carried

For (16): Hannah Carrothers, Adrian Cheng (proxy for Noah Bayless), Chris Colson (proxy for Mackenzie Lockhart), Cameron England (proxy for Brian Cho), Mitchell Ferreria, Jasleen Grewal, Karianne Howarth, Daniel Lam, Sally Lin, Lorenzo Lindo, Liam Simpson, Sapnil Mohanty (proxy for Ryan Kamimura), Katerina Othonos, Louis Retief, Kathleen Simpson, Dupreez Smith

Against (6): Mark Bancroft (proxy for Jamiu Abdsalami), Jakob Gattinger, Diane Nguyen, Jeffrey Pea, Robyn Starkoski (proxy for Jeanie Malone), Hannah Xiao

Abstained: Bradley Balaton, Viet Vu (proxy for Daniel Gao)

20. MOVED SALLY LIN, SECONDED CAMERON ENGLAND:

From the University & External Relations Committee
"That on the recommendation of the University and External Relations Committee, the briefing note from the U-Pass Advisory Committee (UAC) be adopted as presented, so that the U-Pass Advisory Committee can begin lobbying on it as a group."

It was agreed to amend the motion by inserting the phrase “Student Caucus” in two places.

21. MOVED SALLY LIN, SECONDED CAMERON ENGLAND:

From the University & External Relations Committee
"That on the recommendation of the University and External Relations Committee, the briefing note from the U-Pass Advisory Committee (UAC) Student Caucus be adopted as presented, so that the U-Pass Advisory Committee Student Caucus can begin lobbying on it as a group."

Sally Lin:
- The U-Pass program expires in a couple of years, and there’s a feeling that it may be cut, so the Caucus wants to lobby against that.
- Now is good time to lobby because an election is coming up.

Kathleen Simpson:
- This has already been passed by all the other student unions in the Lower Mainland (except SFU, which is voting on it tomorrow).
• It gets everyone on the same page so that we can lobby together.

Viet Vu:
• If we’re looking for a 10-year contract rather than three years, do we know what concessions the province will ask for?

Kathleen Simpson:
• It’s too early to know.
• This is the starting point.

The Speaker:
• How long are the contracts usually?

Kathleen Simpson
• Always three years, but we don’t want to go to referendum that often.
• Would like to see stability in the program and support from the Government.

The Speaker:
• There’s talk of higher rates for bigger universities: is that a real fear?

Kathleen Simpson:
• Our first priority is to preserve the program.
• The U-Pass is one of the best things we do for our students.

22. MOVED SALLY LIN, SECONDED CAMERON ENGLAND:

From the University & External Relations Committee
"That on the recommendation of the University and External Relations Committee, the briefing note from the U-Pass Advisory Committee (UAC) Student Caucus be adopted as presented, so that the U-Pass Advisory Committee Student Caucus can begin lobbying on it as a group."

… No objections

23. MOVED AVA NASIRI, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the agenda be amended to add a 15 minute discussion topic looking at
• Strategic planning
• Website.”

… Carried

For (17): Hannah Carrothers, Chris Colson (proxy for Mackenzie Lockhart), Cameron England (proxy for Brian Cho), Mitchell Ferreria, Jakob Gattinger, Jasleen Grewal, Daniel Lam, Sally Lin, Lorenzo Lindo, Sapnil Mohanty (proxy for Ryan Kamimura), Ava Nasiri, Diane Nguyen, Katerina Othonos, Kathleen Simpson, Dupreez Smith, Robyn Starkoski (proxy for Jeanie Malone), Hannah Xiao

Against (2): Louis Retief, Viet Vu (proxy for Daniel Gao)
Abstained: Bradley Balaton, Mark Bancroft (proxy for Jamilub Abdsalami), Liam Simpson, Jeffrey Pea

**Strategic Planning**
Ava Nasiri:
- Intended to do this at the retreat, but some there needed to learn about the AMS first, so we spent time on that.
- We could call another Council meeting for strategic planning, or strike a committee.

Daniel Lam:
- I’d prefer an extra meeting in August to look at ideas for the new year.
- An ad hoc committee is too small.
- At a Council meeting you have everyone at the table.

Kathleen Simpson:
- I’m a fan of ad hoc committees, like Governance Review.
- The meetings could be open, and it would make updates to Council.
- You’d get committed committee members.

Ava Nasiri:
- We could strike an ad hoc committee including past Council members and Execs, and alumni, and it would come back to Council.
- Governance Review is meeting next week; it could start the process.
- We don’t want a hasty job.
- Could strike an ad hoc committee at the next Council meeting which would report back in the early fall.

**Website**
Ava Nasiri:
- You have laptops in front of you.
- Take five minutes to ask all your Friends to Like the AMS Events page.

Cameron England
- This would help. We should do whatever we can.

**Classroom Announcements**
Ava Nasiri:
- Classroom Announcement Engagement Events Team.
- Councillors can go to classes and say what the AMS is, provide the latest news, mention our Services.

Hannah Carrothers:
- Just report whenever there are events or regularly?

Ava Nasiri:
- We could have regularized updates centrally organized through the AMS to let you know what’s coming up.
Kevin Doering:
- Students don’t really know what the AMS does.

Ava Nasiri:
- Working on a video telling what the AMS does, to go on the website, with a Your Complaint Here button.

Hannah Carrothers:
- Constituencies with only one rep; we’re only in certain classes; miss others.
- Is there any way to put up a bulletin?

Ava Nasiri:
- Maybe we’ll do a survey of buildings undergraduate societies have access to.

Chris Colson:
- We may get on profs’ nerves.
- During elections, okay, they tolerate the announcements, but if it’s weekly, I can see a problem.

Ava Nasiri:
- My assistant Aaron Verones has already been emailing profs.

Aaron Verones:
- About 80% have responded positively.

Kathleen Simpson:
- There are groups on campus doing classroom announcements every day.
- This is a hundred percent possible.

Hannah Carrothers:
- You could also target first year residences.

Ava Nasiri:
- Double feature filming meeting.

R) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

S) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

T) Discussion Period

U) Submissions:
University and External Relations Monthly Report for July [SCD064-17]
Academic Experience Report [SCD065-17]
AMS VP Finance Ternary Report [SCD065-17A]
AMS VP External Ternary Report [SCD065-17B]
President's Ternary Report [SCD065-17C]
SSM First Ternary Report [SCD065-17D]
VP AUA Ternary Report [SCD065-17E]
GSS Space Agreement [SCD065-17F]
V) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: August 24, 2016

W) Adjournment:

24. MOVED AVA NASIRI, SECONDED HANNAH CARROTHERS:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... No objections

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

X) Social Activity:

Pit Night

V1: test
V2: Agenda
V3: consent
Agenda
V4: BE IT RESOLVED that the 2016/17 VP Academic goals be accepted as presented.
V5: Amend agenda

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