STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Ashley Whillans (Ubyssey), Stephanie Laflamme (Student at Large), Emily Laflamme (Student at Large), Adrienne Smith (Policy), Kelli Seepaul (Communications), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Tagh Sira (432), Patrick J. Crawford (Commerce), Rachael Sullivan (SAAM Coordinator/Sexual Assault Awareness Month), Elena Kusaka (Student at large/Arts/ SAAM), Yun Wang (Student at Large/Science), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Taylor Likaein (AMS Confidential), Theresa Fresco (Planning), Bobby Kim (Comp Sci), Isabel Ferreras (Elections Administrator)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

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

1. MOVED FRASER YOUNG, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That Maria Cirstea, and Jeremy McElroy be appointed as the Equity Representatives for tonight’s meeting.”

... Carried

For (24): Charles Au, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkonen, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Johannes Rebane, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

Abstained: Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Jeremy McElroy

2. MOVED FRASER YOUNG, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

• It was agreed to cancel the Financial Assistance presentation and the Poetry Slam motion and to move up the motion on Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

3. MOVED FRASER YOUNG, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

...Carried

For (25): Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkonen, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Johannes
Rebane, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

Against (1): Colin McInnes

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Sexual Assault Awareness Month – Elena Kusaka

- Series of sponsored events scheduled.
- Goals:
  - Awareness
  - Action to end sexual assaults
  - Responding to student voices
- First time anything like this at UBC.
- UBC one of a few universities willing to declare a month dedicated to sexual assault awareness.
- Four free events:
  - Film “Dissolve” about sexual assault
  - Theatrical performance of “Dissolve”
  - Allies Unite, community rally and march
  - Masculinity speaker, Jackson Katz, lecture and workshop
- There’s been phenomenal support for this initiative.

Questions
- Matthew Naylor expressed concern about a lack of emphasis on sexual assault within the gay community. This is largely seen as a woman’s issue; it is not; it affects straight men, gay men, gay women. Is there anything specifically confronting these issues?
- Rachael Sullivan: A press release is coming; there have been discussions about the language; the aim is for more inclusive language. The advertising is not gender specific. A lot of what we say will address some of this. Allies Unite is a good place to address that. Sexual assault can happen to anyone. We’re aware of the complicatedness.
- Geoff Costeloe asked about working with the Wellness Centre or the Women’s Centre.
- Elena Kusaka: Yes, the Women’s Centre, also Allies, and possibly Colour Connected and Pride UBC.

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

From Arts

4. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED TIMOTHY CHU:

“Whereas UBC Students have the right to a safe campus community; and
Whereas the AMS supports the establishment of partnerships with like minded community groups,

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS Council, in conjunction with the UBC Provost, Faculty of Arts, UBC V-Day, Access and Diversity, Women's and Gender Studies Program, AMS Womyn's Centre and Sexual Assault Support Centre, declare January 2010 the First Annual UBC Sexual Assault Awareness Month.”

... Carried Unanimously

For (29): Tahara Bhate, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkonen, Jeremy McElroy, Colin McInnes, Joel Mertens, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Natalie Swift, Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

D) President's Remarks (Blake Frederick):

    Nothing to report. Been on vacation.

E) Executive Remarks:

Timothy Chu – VP External
    • We’re on unceded aboriginal territory
    • Been reorganizing my office
    • U-Pass questions: please send to me; January 18 deadline for exemptions
    • UBC Line consultation – transit stakeholder groups

Crystal Hon – VP Admin
    • SUB meeting: prepping for retreat with UBC on agreements, covering:
      o Definition of commercial seating
      o Clause affecting Mahoney’s, Shoppers
      o Financing agreement in principle
      o Lease and development drafts being worked on
    • Aiming for everything ready for March, when we leave office.
    • Furniture allocations
    • SUB Subsidy: UBC not understanding about refund process
    • New furniture in lobby has arrived

Johannes Rebane – VP Academic
    • Have begun work on writing a transition report for the position
    • Finalized International Engagement report – Presentation on it next Council meeting
• Begun the process of a review of “congregation”/convocation, which shall be composed of young alumni and students to identify ways to improve the graduation ceremony process
• Formulated terms of reference for a joint UNA-Greek-Community committee which will meet monthly starting in March
• Finished and distributed the governance report to the Campus Development Committee (now, University and External Affairs Committee) for review. Next step to come up with recommendations/stance
• Began TLEF review – there are a lot of applications – a bit of a burden to go through them, but mostly it is inspiring to see so many awesome ideas coming through from faculty, staff, and students, to improve the teaching-learning environment on campus
• Finalizing First Year Seminar copy material (i.e. two page primer, proposal, etc.)
• Career Services Review process starting up

Tom Dvorak – VP Finance
• Budget update coming – forecast and presentation at council in near future, major shift in targets
• Rezgo system – I’m slowly becoming a software developer; should be ready any day now
• Getting settled into the new year like everyone else
• TLEF grant for $27,000 that we never claimed; UBC owes us that; it will help our budget

Pavani Gunadasa – ECSS

Safety Office
- Orientation work with the new Coordinator
- Planning for the safety office (with Safewalk Coordinator and Safety Coordinator)
- Safety Days (new and improved, interactive, host on a larger scale; campus-wide)

Assessment in Student Affairs and Services
- A half-day workshop at SFU
- Hosted by SASA (Student Affairs and Services Association); which is what the University’s services are part of, and CACUSS, follow up to the CACUSS conference, which I attended in June
- Assessment is important to Canadian universities
- Way to ensure best practices in student affairs and services
- Helped me become more familiar with assessment models and terminology related to assessment
- Better understanding of how assessment is carried out in student affairs and services
The only drawback was that the focus was on assessment of smaller programs, small-scale projects (ex. an international peer program, work-study program)

To review an entire service, let alone all the services, is a much more complicated task

**Strategic Planning Retreat LEAP**
- Established goals and work plan for the year
- Established terms of reference for the Committee
- Reviewed of overall plan and integration of LEAP

**Student Involvement Showcase**
- I have been helping to plan the student involvement showcase
- Showcases various involvement opportunities for students at UBC
- It will take place in Brock Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday next week

*MINISCHOOL REGISTRATION STARTS NEXT WEEK*
- minischool sign up next week

**F) Committee Reports:**

**G) Constituency Reports:**

**Arts – Guillaume Houle:**
- Arts Week next week, including a pants-free dance
- New Underground issue
- Landscape architecture presentation; schematics presented for new building; design stage closed; architects hired; September 2010 completion
- Appointing elections administrator

**Pharmacy – Charles Au**

**Music – Sam Law:**
- Annual dinner dance

**Forestry – Natalie Swift:**
- Employability training
- Firearms safety course
- Ping pong tournament
- Branching Out: Forestry symposium

**GSS – Luke Luukkonen**
- Nominations are open

**International Students – Nazanin Moghadami:**
- Good Christmas party at International House

**VST – Peter Rombeck**
Human Kinetics – Fraser Young:
- Basketball
- HKUS open house
- Career fair
- Ski trip

Science – Tahara Bhate:
- Science week last week of January: sci-fi theme; keynote speaker will be Star Trek producer who created the Klingon language.
- Cold Fusion

Medicine – Colin McInnes

Commerce – Laura Silvester:
- Elections soon
- Team going to competition in Prince George
- 1st banking conference the week after SLC
- New building, the new part of Angus, is nice

Engineering – Proxy poetry

Law – Dia Montgomery:
- Cutting library away from the rest of the building, causing vibrations
- Fighting tuition increase put forward by the Dean

Education – Courtney English:
- Half the students on practicum

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board Of Governors – Michael Duncan:
- New Place and Promise plan adopted by Board
- Board approved $3–4 million for childcare expansion; awesome, because of our lobbying
- South Campus Acadia Plan presented though not approved; would solidify the farm’s presence

Senate – Joel Mertens:
- South Campus plan also came to Senate.
- Policy J50 will adjust grades from other educational jurisdictions; Alberta students will be adjusted up; the idea is to allow UBC to retain the best possible students

Ombuds Report – Hayden Hughes (read by Johannes Rebane):
Since I last reported to Council on November 25th, I have had visitors come to me to discuss numerous issues. Here are the numbers:

- 20+ complaints against the Executive (excluding of course the mass emails we were all privy to)
• 3 appeals of academic standing
• 2 cases of academic misconduct (I immediately referred to AMS Advocacy, ‘tis the season to be accused of cheating it seems)
• 3 complaints against a(n) staff member(s)
• 1 internal AMS constituency issue
• 1 Housing/Conferences issue
• 2 cases of back-dated withdrawals from courses, both due to medical reasons
• 1 case of an appeal dealing with a UBCO student. The AMS does not represent UBCO students and I was able to direct the student to the appropriate resource. I'm happy to report that upper levels of the administration at both UBCV and UBCO were both extremely helpful. Both administrators I dealt with took time between Dec. 25th and Dec. 31st to respond to my inquiry within 48h.

The aforementioned numbers are abnormally high based on recent memory and historical case data. I can offer 2 explanations; firstly that the meeting on Dec. 7th was adjourned before my report and secondly because of the contentious nature of the debate surrounding certain issues that have transpired since November 25th.

Additionally, I attended a meet and greet put on by the UBC Ombudsperson for Students’ Office. It was an excellent networking opportunity and it was nice to put a face to the people I liaise with so often.

I’ve also voted for the 2010 board of directors for the International Ombudsman Association.

I have nothing further to report at this time. I hope you had an excellent holiday season and all the best for 2010.

5. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the agenda be amended to put questions on the next AMS Election Ballot to take place after Whistler Lodge motion on the agenda.”

... Carried

For (31): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Tahara Bhate, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkonen, Jeremy McElroy, Colin McInnes, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Natalie Swift, Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

Against (2): Timothy Chu, Blake Frederick

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:
6. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED JOHANNES REBANE:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

AMS Executive Oversight Minutes dated November 12, 2009
Business Operations Committee minutes dated October 13, 2009
Business Operations Committee minutes dated November 10, 2009
Business Operations Committee minutes dated November 24, 2009.”

- Jeremy McElroy asked why the BOC minutes were so late.
- Tom Dvorak: Delinquency of the Chair.

7. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED JOHANNES REBANE:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

AMS Executive Oversight Minutes dated November 12, 2009
Business Operations Committee minutes dated October 13, 2009
Business Operations Committee minutes dated November 10, 2009
Business Operations Committee minutes dated November 24, 2009.”

... Carried

For (22): Charles Au, Tahara Bhaté, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Crystal Hon, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

Abstained: Timothy Chu, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Guillaume Houle, Natalie Swift

J) Executive Committee Motions:

8. MOVED TOM DVORAK, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE:

"That up to $400 be withdrawn from the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund to purchase a laptop for use by the executive and administration offices for Council and Committee meetings."

Note: Current balance in the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund is $705,978 (must be maintained at 25% of assets as per bylaws)

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Tom Dvorak: There’s an old laptop that’s very slow. We want this for taking minutes at committee and Council meetings.
- Michael Duncan asked how it could cost so little.
9. MOVED TOM DVORAK, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE:

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... Carried

For (33): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Tahara Bhate, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkanen, Jeremy McElroy, Colin McInnes, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Natalie Swift, Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

10. MOVED TAHARA BHATE:

“That the agenda be amended to do committee appointments now.”

... No objections

11. MOVED TIMOTHY CHU

“That the agenda be amended to add the chair appointments.”

... No objections

12. MOVED DIA MONTGOMERY, SECONDED GEOFF COSTELOE:

“That ________, _______ and _______ (Students at Large) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2010.

Nominees: Alex Lougheed, Tagh Sira, Vivek Menon, Oliver Bernardino
Chosen: Alex Lougheed, Tagh Sira, Vivek Menon

That ________ (Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee.

Nominee: Kyle Warwick (Arts)
That ________ (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2010.
   Nominee: Geoff Costeloe (Senate)

That ________, _________, __________ (Students at Large), be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2010.
   Nominees: Mitch Wright, Joshua Ryu, Alice Liang, Michelle Fan
   Chosen: Mitch Wright, Joshua Ryu, Alice Liang

That ________ (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2010.
   Nominee: Tahara Bhate (Science)

That ________, _________, _________(Students at Large), be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2010,
   Nominees: Colin Simkus, Mike Kenyon, Jenny Lian, Oliver Bernardino
   Chosen: Colin Simkus, Mike Kenyon, Jenny Lian

That _______ (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2010.
   Nominee: Matthew Naylor (Arts) [Julian Ritchie withdrew]

That ________, _________, _________ (Students at Large) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2010,
   Nominees: Helga Ratvik, Oliver Bernardino, Patrick Crawford

That ________ (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2010.
   Nominee: Ekatrina Dovjenko (Commerce)

That ________, _________, _________ (Students at Large) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2010."
   Nominees: Cindy Lynn, Michele Fan and Karen Lee

That _______ (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Student Life Committee term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2010."
   Nominee: Fraser Young (Human Kinetics)

13. MOVED DIA MONTGOMERY, SECONDED GEOFF COSTELOE:

“That Alex Lougheed, Tagh Sira and Vivek Menon (Students at Large) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2010.

That Kyle Warwick (Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee.
That Geoff Costeloe (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2010.

That Mitch Wright, Joshua Ryu and Alice Liang (Students at Large) be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2010.

That Tahara Bhate (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2010.

That Colin Simkus, Mike Kenyon and Jenny Lian (Students at Large) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2010.

That Matthew Naylor (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2010.

That Helga Ratvik, Oliver Bernardino, Patrick Crawford (Students at Large) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2010.

That Ekatrina Dovjenko (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2010.

That Cindy Lynn, Michele Fan and Karen Lee (Students at Large) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2010.

That Fraser Young (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Student Life Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2010.

... Carried

For (26): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkanen, Jeremy McElroy, Colin McNnes, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Natalie Swift, Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan)

Against (1): Blake Frederick

Abstained: Tahara Bhate, Matthew Naylor, Fraser Young

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:
L) Committee Motions:

14. MOVED TOM DVORAK, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE: From BOC and Code and Policies

“That Council adopt the AMS Policy on Video Surveillance as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Tom Dvorak: This has gone back and forth between BOC and Code. There’s a conflict between the Big Brother is Bad attitude and the concerns of our business staff, who say they can’t do it the way it was first proposed. But now after six months of work we think we have something acceptable to everyone.
- Jeremy McElroy: How many cameras do we have?
- There was no certainty about the answer, but it was suggested (by Michael Duncan) that there were at least 12, mostly in the basement.

15. MOVED TOM DVORAK, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE: From BOC and Code and Policies

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (21): Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Tom Dvorak, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkanen, Colin McInnes, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini)

Abstained: Tahara Bhate, Timothy Chu, Blake Frederick, Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Natalie Swift, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

16. MOVED JOHANNES REBANE, SECONDED EKATRINA DOVJENKO: From ARC

“That the AMS no longer utilize workstudy/worklearn for student government and services positions within the AMS effective May 1, 2010.”

- The Speaker declared this to be an Internal Policy requiring 2/3rds.
- Johannes Rebane: A number of AMS positions in recent years have used UBC’s Work/Study and Work/Learn programs, in which UBC pays a portion of the student wage. The programs provide more money for the student employee: $16 or even $21 an hour instead of $8. This seemed like a really good thing, but there’s a big problem: the University can classify a job as different from how we outline it; also, it means various student employees here may be paid differently, causing inequities. And there are budgetary issues.
• Tom Dvorak: Work/Study can even mean the AMS pays more than it would have. If UBC sets the salary at $21 and gives us a subsidy of $9, then we have to pay $12, which may be more than we want to. It’s also a hassle for AMS Payroll staff. The negatives outweigh the positives.
• Kyle Warwick: And if UBC is paying part of the wage for our employees, does that undermine our ability to act autonomously?
• Johannes Rebane: Work/Study did ask if we wanted our Executives to go on it.
• Natalie Swift: How many students would be affected? How much will have to be budgeted?
• Johannes Rebane: We didn’t budget to use Work/Study, and it sometimes made us go over budget.
• Joanne Pickford: This year there are 10 or 12 positions in student government.
• Johannes Rebane: This only affects student government.
• There was some confusion over who that would mean, whether for instance students in the Archives reporting to the Archivist were meant.
• Tom Dvorak suggested that the motion specify that it applies only to positions that report to other student employees.

17. MOVED TOM DVORAK:

“That Motion 16 be amended to insert the phrase ‘(i.e. positions that report directly to students).”

… No objections

• Iggy Rodriguez: Do we lose recruitment if we do this?
• Johannes Rebane: Currently we don’t advertise these positions as Work/Study or Work/Learn. It’s come up in the middle of the terms.
• Iggy Rodriguez: Who would be excluded?
• Johannes Rebane: The intent is to not allow it for Executives, Services, Vice-Presidents, Councillor positions, student government.
• Dave Tompkins: Our Designer hires this way and so do other staff members.
• Blake Frederick: This policy will amount to a pay cut for some of our positions; that’s a bad thing. There are some problems with this program; the University decides the wage, that’s a problem. I think we can solve this by approaching the University and asking for an exemption. I think the University would agree.
• Nazanin Moghadami: Wouldn’t this limit the ability to hire students?
• Johannes Rebane: People applied under the normal pay rate. The Work/Study increase came afterwards.
• Tahara Bhate: Can you speak to the University about not arbitrarily raising pay rates?
• Tom Dvorak: There hasn’t been a conversation with the University. This is our way of dealing with internal pay equity issues. It’s in response to complaints from staff. This is a keeping our staff happy motion.
• Tahara Bhate: Can we delay and talk to the University?

18. MOVED TAHARA BHATE, SECONDED MATTHEW NAYLOR:

“That Motion 16 be postponed till the first meeting in March.”
Michael Duncan: This shouldn’t be given to the new Executive when they’re fresh in office.

Timothy Chu: We need more time than that. Working out a deal with the University will require looking into government plans. The University should not set the total rate; they should give us a subsidy and we should be able to top it up as much as we want.

Geoff Costeloe: This is one of the most short-sighted motions I’ve seen. We should not postpone; we should defeat it now.

19. MOVED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“That Motion 18 be amended to read April instead of March.”

- Michael Duncan: The first meeting in March is the worst time.
- Matthew Naylor: This should be a legislative decision; it’s irrelevant when the Executive turns over.
- Tahara Bhat: When do the Executives hire their assistants?
- Tom Dvorak: We post in March or April and hire in May.

20. MOVED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“That Motion 18 be amended to read April instead of March.”

... Defeated

For (7): Bijan Ahmadian, Timothy Chu, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Blake Frederick, Colin McInnes, Dia Montgomery

Against (8): Tahara Bhate, Crystal Hon, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Iggy Rodriguez, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Natalie Swift, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini)

Abstained: Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Geoff Costeloe, Tom Dvorak, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkonen, Joel Mertens, Johannes Rebane, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

Back to discussing a postponement till March

- Matthew Naylor: We need more work done on this. The Business and Facilities Committee should take it up.

21. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections
22. MOVED TAHARA BHATE, SECONDED MATTHEW NAYLOR:

“That Motion 16 be postponed till the first meeting in March.”

... Defeated

For (10): Bijan Ahmadian, Tahara Bhat, Timothy Chu, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Colin McInnes, Matthew Naylor, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan)

Against (13): Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Geoff Costeloe, Mike Duncan, Blake Frederick, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy McElroy, Dia Montgomery, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Laura Silvester, Natalie Swift

Abstained: Carolee Changfoot, Courtney English, Guillaume Houle, Luke Luukkonen, Joel Mertens, Johannes Rebane, Aaron Sihota, Fraser Young

Back to main motion

23. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (11): Tahara Bhat, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Guillaume Houle, Luke Luukkonen, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Aaron Sihota, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan)

Against (13): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Timothy Chu, Geoff Costeloe, Sam Law, Joel Mertens, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Natalie Swift, Kyle Warwick, Fraser Young

• Timothy Chu:
  o This year what happened was that people were already hired and then we learned they could get on Work/Learn. Next year the positions can be advertised on Work/Learn.
  o Currently, our salary rate of $8 an hour bars some students from applying. Underpaying is an issue. We need to use the Work/Learn and Work/Study programs; just we have to work out the details.
  o Also, international graduate students are not eligible for either program. We should look into that.
• Andrew Carne: This seems an incredibly short-sighted policy, especially since we’re short of money. We’re not forced to use this. Sometimes, yes, there could be a problem; so don’t use it for those cases. Other times, use it. It’s something for the HR Manager to advise on. Also, does this apply to Constituencies? We use Work/Study and love it.
• Dave Tompkins: My interpretation is that it does not apply to Constituencies.
• Justin Yang: Does this apply in perpetuity?
• Andrew Carne: It’s supposed to be reviewed every three years.
Matthew Naylor: By the Legislative Procedures Committee.
Johannes Rebane: This was recommended by our HR Manager.
Geoff Costeloe: This whole idea of UBC pulling the strings doesn’t apply. This is a $2.2 million program aiming to put money in students’ pockets; this policy is a slap in the face to their office; we’re burning a bridge we don’t have to. If there’s one position it works for, don’t forbid it. Has there been a conversation with UBC?
Johannes Rebane: No.
Geoff Costeloe: So it’s totally inappropriate to bring this forward.

24. MOVED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

25. MOVED JOHANNES REBANE, SECONDED EKATRINA DOVJENKO:
From ARC

“That the AMS no longer utilize workstudy/worklearn for student government and services positions (i.e. positions that report directly to students) within the AMS effective May 1, 2010.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

Against (28): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Tahara Bhat, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Geoff Costeloe, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkonen, Jeremy McElroy, Colin McInnes, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Natalie Swift, Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Fraser Young

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Tom Dvorak, Johannes Rebane, Laura Silvester

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

26. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Finance Commission Minutes dated December 15, 2009”

... Carried

For (16): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Sam Law, Luke Luukkonen, Joel Mertens, Dia
Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Timothy Chu, Mike Duncan, Fraser Young

L) Committee Motions:

27. MOVED TOM DVORAK, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

From BOC

“That the following clause be added to the Whistler Lodge Pricing Policy for February 2010:

“If, by January 8th, 2010, there are beds that remain unfilled at the Whistler Lodge for February 2010, the following measures be taken:

- Any UBC student who purchased, for their own use, a ticket at the public rate, be refunded the difference between the public rate and the $30 student rate
- Remaining beds be offered to UBC students at $30 per night on a first-come, first-served basis

Further, the following measures be allowed at the discretion of business operations management:

- Following January 13th, 2010, remaining beds be offered to UBC students at $30 per night or to the public at a rate of $40-80 per night on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Any member of the public who purchased a ticket at the original public rate ($149-$199) be refunded the difference between that price and the new public rate”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Tom Dvorak: Housing prices have gone off a cliff. Five star hotels are charging no more than what we were going to charge. After Friday we will open up the lodge to students at the lower rate, and anyone who paid $199 will get refunded down to $80.
- Iggy Rodriguez: What’s the logic behind refunding?
- Tom Dvorak: We felt it was unethical to charge some people $199 and others $40.
- Iggy Rodriguez asked for further clarification.
- Tom Dvorak: Students who paid $199 will get a refund down to $30. Students will pay $30.
- Timothy Chu: Is the lodge all booked?
- Tom Dvorak: Yes, for the Olympic period. Not for the two weeks before.
- Fraser Young asked about a lottery.
• Tom Dvorak: It’s been complicated by the departure of our Whistler booking rep.
• Iggy Rodriguez asked about making a period of a week when only students could book.
• Tom Dvorak: We do have a period just for students.
• Natalie Swift asked about promotions so that students will know the new rates.
• Tom Dvorak: There will be sign boards. We’re working with the Ski and Board Club to spread the word. We have an email list of past student customers. And all of you can spread the word.

28. MOVED TOM DVORAK, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

From BOC

“That the following clause be added to the Whistler Lodge Pricing Policy for February 2010:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (27): Charles Au, Tahara Bhate, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkanen, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Natalie Swift, Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Timothy Chu
29. MOVED TAHARA BHATE:

“That the agenda be amended to put the CiTR motion next.”

... No objections

30. MOVED TAHARA BHATE, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That Kyle Warwick be appointed to the CiTR Board of Directors for a term ending March 31, 2010.”

Note: Must be a Canadian Citizen

- Because of scheduling conflicts, Tahara has to step down from the CiTR board, so there is a vacancy.

31. MOVED TAHARA BHATE, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That Kyle Warwick be appointed to the CiTR Board of Directors for a term ending March 31, 2010.”

Note: Must be a Canadian Citizen

... Carried

For (18): Tahara Bhate, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkonen, Matthew Naylor, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Natalie Swift, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini)

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

32. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED IGGY RODRIGUEZ:

“That Council direct the President to call a referendum on dates coinciding with the January elections with the following text:

Do you support the removal of Blake Frederick from the office of President?”

- Matthew Naylor said he had collected 750 signatures so far on a petition for this question. To save time he would like Council to put it on the ballot now. He noted that the President and the VP External said this should be put to the students to have their voices heard.

- Dia Montgomery questioned holding such a referendum. The term of office ends on February 12 anyway. This will cost money. If it’s symbolic, there may be a place for that, but we’ve put way too much money into symbolism lately.

- Iggy Rodriguez: We need to do this because of all the things that transpired. Students really want this; they were coming up to me, asking to sign the petition.

- Tahara Bhate: 750 students have signed in three days. We can sit on procedure and insist on 1000, or we can do our job and hold the referendum.
• Bijan Ahmadian, noting that if the referendum passed it would cut short the President’s term by two weeks, asked about costs.
• Isabel Ferreras said she gets an extra $350 per question; the CRO gets $200; and the other Elections Committee members get $150 each. And there would be money for advertising.
• Bijan Ahmadian: So that’s $700 per question, 10% of what we paid Pivot.
• Joel Mertens: The students should be making this decision, we were told.
• Geoff Costeloe: During December we had lots of fun-filled meetings about legitimacy and democracy, and everyone said it was best to put this to the students. Those who claim to be democratically elected should in no way be afraid to put this to the students.
• Natalie Swift: I have a problem with this. Forestry students wanted to be kept in the loop. I haven’t been able to do that.
• Michael Duncan: This is really petty. It doesn’t actually change anything. It’s just one or two weeks, and makes them martyrs to their cause.

33. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED IGGY RODRIGUEZ:

“That Council direct the President to call a referendum on dates coinciding with the January elections with the following text:

Do you support the removal of Blake Frederick from the office of President?”

... Carried

For (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Andrew Carne, Geoff Costeloe, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Guillaume Houle, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini)

Against (6): Charles Au, Mike Duncan, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

Abstained: Tahara Bhate, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Sam Law, Luke Luukkonen, Natalie Swift

34. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED IGGY RODRIGUEZ:

“That Council direct the President to call a referendum on dates coinciding with the January elections with the following text:

Do you support the removal of Timothy Chu from the office of VP External Affairs?”

... Carried

For (17): Bijan Ahmadian, Andrew Carne, Geoff Costeloe, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Guillaume Houle, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy
McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini)

Against (6): Charles Au, Mike Duncan, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

Abstained: Tahara Bhate, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Sam Law, Luke Luukkonen, Natalie Swift

35. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED TAHARA BHATE:

“That Council direct the President to call a referendum on dates coinciding with the January elections with the following text and provisions:

We, the undersigned members in good standing of the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia - Vancouver, do hereby petition the AMS-UBCV to hold a referendum, in accordance with Bylaw 4(1)(b), to establish a $5.00 fee which would be refunded to the member if that member votes in the AMS Executive Elections, and subject such a fee to the following provisions:

· For the purpose of these provisions, the total amount collected, prior to reimbursement, shall be defined as Revenue; the revenue less the reimbursed amount shall be defined as Surplus.

· The levy shall be indexed to the Consumer Price Index, and all dollar values in the provisions shall be indexed to the levy.

· An amount no less than 20% of the overall surplus must be allocated to funding a voter funded media contest in the subsequent year.

· In the event that the surplus is less than $100000.00, no less than $25000.00 shall be allocated for a voter funded media contest in the subsequent year.

· In the event that the surplus is less than $25000.00, then whole of the surplus shall be allocated for a voter funded media contest in the subsequent year.

· Council may, and is encouraged to, make additional contributions to voter funded media contests, either at the level of the AMS, or for the Constituencies.

· Additional surplus shall be placed in a fund, “The Engagement Fund” (the fund), which may be disbursed upon a two-thirds resolution of Council only to fund projects or initiatives designed to directly fostering student engagement.

· Council may make an up to three year funding commitment from the fund in a contract that must acknowledge that in the event that other, codified or previous funding commitments, as determined by the date of inclusion in Code (taking precedence over all others) and subsequently the date of the contract, would determine eligibility for money.

· Any member or subsidiary of the AMS may submit an application for funding a project to foster student engagement to a committee of the AMS, by procedures defined in the Code of Procedures.

We further request that the Resolution be put to the membership as:

‘Do you support the AMS establishing a $5.00 refundable Engagement Levy to help improve student engagement by encouraging voter turnout and funding engagement related projects?’
· The levy would be refunded to any member who votes in the AMS Executive Elections in the same academic year.
· The levy would be indexed to the Canadian Consumer Price Index.
· Income would be placed in a fund that would be used to fund engagement related projects, and from which individual students may be granted funds.’

or such other wording as deemed appropriate by AMS Council or Student Court.”

- Matthew Naylor: This would increase student engagement; it would encourage people to vote.
- Geoff Costeloe said he was resentful of large-scale projects brought forward to go to referendum without previous discussion.
- Blake Frederick: Is the intent to add to what we spend on elections or to displace it?
- Matthew Naylor: Neither.
- Blake Frederick: Is this opt-outable?
- Matthew Naylor: No.
- Bijan Ahmadian asked about the administrative cost of collecting the fee and refunding it to those who voted.
- Blake Frederick said the University takes 0.8% for regular fees.
- Crystal Hon: It’s different for different fees. We’re negotiating that.
- Matthew Naylor: The administrative cost would be taken out of the money collected.
- Jeremy McElroy said there would be two successes under this proposal. First, it would encourage students to vote. Second, even if there was a 20% turnout, the AMS would get a serious chunk of change.
- Neal Yonson said the CPI provision should be removed from this question since it’s in another question.

36. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That the CPI references be removed from this question.”

- Matthew Naylor said CPI should stay in case the other question failed. Besides, CPI is good.
- Neal Yonson: It’s really inappropriate if the CPI question fails to have CPI pass for this question.
- Iggy Rodriguez: Can some fees be indexed while others are not?
- The answer: Yes, we do that already.

37. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That the CPI references be removed from this question.”

... Carried

For (16): Tahara Bhate, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester
Against (6): Charles Au, Mike Duncan, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan)

Abstained: Luke Luukkonen, Johannes Rebane, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Natalie Swift, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Fraser Young

38. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED TAHARA BHATE:

“That Council direct the President to call a referendum on dates coinciding with the January elections with the following text and provisions:

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· For the purpose of these provisions, the total amount collected, prior to reimbursement, shall be defined as Revenue; the revenue less the reimbursed amount shall be defined as Surplus.
· An amount no less than 20% of the overall surplus must be allocated to funding a voter funded media contest in the subsequent year.
· In the event that the surplus is less than $100000.00, no less than $25000.00 shall be allocated for a voter funded media contest in the subsequent year.
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· Council may, and is encouraged to, make additional contributions to voter funded media contests, either at the level of the AMS, or for the Constituencies.
· Additional surplus shall be placed in a fund, “The Engagement Fund” (the fund), which may be disbursed upon a two-thirds resolution of Council only to fund projects or initiatives designed to directly fostering student engagement.
· Council may make an up to three year funding commitment from the fund in a contract that must acknowledge that in the event that other, codified or previous funding commitments, as determined by the date of inclusion in Code (taking precedence over all others) and subsequently the date of the contract, would determine eligibility for money.
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We further request that the Resolution be put to the membership as:

‘Do you support the AMS establishing a $5.00 refundable Engagement Levy to help improve student engagement by encouraging voter turnout and funding engagement related projects?

· The levy would be refunded to any member who votes in the AMS Executive Elections in the same academic year.
· Income would be placed in a fund that would be used to fund engagement related projects, and from which individual students may be granted funds.’
or such other wording as deemed appropriate by AMS Council or Student Court."

... Carried

For (17): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Tahara Bhat, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Laura Silvester, Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Fraser Young

Against (1): Geoff Costeloe

Abstained: Timothy Chu, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Luke Luukkonen, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Johannes Rebane, Aaron Sihota, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Natalie Swift

39. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That Council direct the President to call a referendum on dates coinciding with the January elections with the following text and provisions:

We, the undersigned members in good standing of the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia - Vancouver, do hereby petition the AMS-UBCV to hold a referendum, in accordance with Bylaw 4(1)(b), to amend the Code of Procedures as described in the document ‘CODE CHANGES 2009 UNBANNING SLATES Amended Nov’, as sent to Council on November 17, 2009 by the AMS Administrative Assistant on behalf of the Chair of the Code and Policies Committee.

We further request that the Resolution be put to the membership as:

‘Do you support amending the AMS Code of Procedure to allow candidates in the AMS elections to campaign as a part of a slate (political party)?

· The Code of Procedure would be amended as outlined in CODE CHANGES 2009 UNBANNING SLATES Amended Nov, which is available here (link).’

or such other wording as deemed appropriate by AMS Council or Student Court."

- Matthew Naylor: I think slates are a good thing. Because of the slim majority in the vote that defeated the Code amendment that would have restored slates, it’s right to put this to the students.
- Joel Mertens: There’s no point to this. Council could still overturn it. It’s a waste of money.
- Dave Tompkins: If this passed, Council would have to do this, but could change it again in the future.
- Matthew Naylor: Yes, it’s not being made a bylaw; it won’t be irrevocable.
- It was agreed to cut out the reference to the old Council document in the resolution to be put to the membership
40. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MAYYHEW NAYLOR:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (19): Charles Au, Tahara Bhate, Carolee Changfoot, Geoff Costeloe, Ekaterina Dovjanko, Courtney English, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Joel Mertens, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodríguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

Against (6): Timothy Chu, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Jeremy McElroy, Dia Montgomery

41. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That Council direct the President to call a referendum on dates coinciding with the January elections with the following text and provisions:

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We further request that the Resolution be put to the membership as:

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· The Code of Procedure would be amended as outlined here (link).’

or such other wording as deemed appropriate by AMS Council or Student Court.”

... Defeated

For (6): Blake Frederick, Matthew Naylor, Iggy Rodríguez, Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Fraser Young

Against (14): Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Geoff Costeloe, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Sam Law, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan)

Abstained: Tahara Bhate, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Courtney English, Johannes Rebane, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Natalie Swift
42. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED GEOFF COSTELOE:

“That Council direct the President to call a referendum on dates coinciding with the January elections with the following text and provisions:

We, the undersigned members in good standing of the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia - Vancouver, do hereby petition the AMS-UBCV to hold a referendum, in accordance with Bylaw 4(1)(b), to index all recurring fees of the AMS to the Canadian Consumer Price Index that are not currently indexed.

We further request that the Resolution be put to the membership as:

‘Do you support indexing the fees of the AMS to the Canadian Consumer Price Index?
   • The CCPI is about 2% per year.
   • This would not apply to fees that have already been indexed.’

or such other wording as deemed appropriate by AMS Council or Student Court.”

- Andrew Carne: This makes sense. Every year inflation happens, but our fees don’t go up automatically. It makes sense to have our fees constant in real terms.
- Tom Dvorak: Not all our fees should be raised. Some are too high, for instance the Clubs Benefit fee. No one in our accounting office has been consulted on this. Also, there’s no consensus on which CPI to use.

43. MOVED AARON SIHOTA:

“To make this Core CPI.”
... No objections

- Tom Dvorak: It’s likely we don’t need to tie all our fees to CPI.
- Matthew Naylor: We don’t have enough money, we were told. Now we do have enough money?
- Tom Dvorak: We haven’t had a chance to look at this.
- Neal Yonson: Does this apply to all future fees?
- Dave Tompkins: To be clear, it should say all current and future fees.
- Charles Au: Do people want to say which fees this applies to? The dollar amounts would be useful to see in the question. The ballot should list all the fees it will apply to.

44. MOVED CHARLES AU, SECONDED BLAKE FREDERICK:

“That the CPI question be amended by adding the following clauses:

‘This would not apply to the Health and Dental Plan fee and the U-Pass fee. This would apply to the XXX fee, the YYY fee [listing all relevant fees] and the engagement levy fee if passed.’ ”
... Carried
For (16): Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Jeremy McElroy, Dia Montgomery, Iggy Rodriguez, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Fraser Young

Against (3): Joel Mertens, Matthew Naylor, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Abstained: Carolee Changfoot, Guillaume Houle, Johannes Rebane, Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Natalie Swift, Kyle Warwick

45. MOVED AARON SIHOTA, SECONDED MATTHEW NAYLOR:

“That the CPI question be amended by adding the clause:
‘This would also apply to currently unindexed Constituency fees (Arts etc.)’ ”

- Tom Dvorak asked if there had been consultation with the Constituencies.
- Andrew Carne: We should not be meddling with the Constituencies’ fees. CPI is not appropriate for all Constituency fees.
- Sheldon Goldfarb said that unless the aim was to amend the bylaws to change the procedures for altering Constituency fees, this looked to be out of order. There is a procedure in place in the bylaws under which each Constituency holds a referendum in its own Constituency to alter its fees.
- The Speaker ruled the motion out of order and instead said a clause stating that this CPI provision would NOT apply to Constituency fees should be added.
- It was also agreed to add the phrase “current and future.”

46. MOVED AARON SIHOTA, SECONDED MATTHEW NAYLOR:

“That the CPI question be amended by adding the clause:
‘This would also apply to currently unindexed Constituency fees (Arts etc.)’ ”

... Out of Order

47. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED GEOFF COSTELOE:

“That Council direct the President to call a referendum on dates coinciding with the January elections with the following text and provisions:

We, the undersigned members in good standing of the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia - Vancouver, do hereby petition the AMS-UBCV to hold a referendum, in accordance with Bylaw 4(1)(b), to index all recurring fees of the AMS to the Canadian Consumer Price Index that are not currently indexed.

We further request that the Resolution be put to the membership as:

‘Do you support indexing the current and future fees of the AMS to the Core Canadian Consumer Price Index?’
o The CCCPI is about 2% per year.
o This would not apply to fees that have already been indexed.
o This would not apply to the Health and Dental Plan fee and the U-Pass fee.
o This would apply to the XXX fee, the YYY fee [listing all relevant fees] and the engagement levy fee if passed.
o This would NOT apply to any Constituency fees (Arts, Engineering, etc.).'

or such other wording as deemed appropriate by AMS Council or Student Court.”

For (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Aaron Sihota, Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan)

Against (6): Tom Dvorak, Guillaume Houle, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Fraser Young

Abstained: Tahara Bhate, Timothy Chu, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Natalie Swift

The Speaker asked if there were any objections to extending Council by one hour.

... No objections

48. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That Council direct the President to call a referendum on dates coinciding with the January elections with the following text and provisions:

We, the undersigned members in good standing of the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia - Vancouver, do hereby petition the AMS-UBCV to hold a referendum, in accordance with Bylaw 4(1)(b), to amend the Bylaws as follows, with insertions in bold italics and deletions struck through:

**BYLAW 5: Student Council**

2. **Members**

Bylaw 5(2)(a) shall be amended by adding the following sections:

(v) *One representative for each distinct affiliated institution whose students are members of the AMS.*

(vi) *Any Executive who has been elected following the removal of an individual as an executive officer by the Council.*

(vii) *Any former members of the Executive Committee who have*
been removed from their position as an executive officer by Council
whose terms as Directors have not yet expired.

Bylaw 5(2)(h) shall be amended to read:
A member of Council who is a constituency representative as defined in Bylaw 5(2)(a)(iv) shall be deemed ineligible to continue to serve and lose his membership in Council if such member has missed five (5) regularly scheduled Council meetings during the School Year or if the constituency for which a member is a representative, by their own processes, deems them to be ineligible. A constituency representative shall, for the purposes of this provision, be considered absent even if he has appointed an alternate to attend in his place.

Bylaw 5 (3)(b)(ii) shall be amended to read:
The election shall constitute an election to a position as a Director of the Society, and a separate appointment by the membership to a position as an executive officer of Council. The Executive of Council shall take offices at the annual general meeting, and shall serve as Directors until the subsequent annual general meeting.

1. The appointment as an executive officer may be revoked by Council by such means as established in the Bylaws. In the event that the appointment is revoked, the former executive officer shall not be entitled to compensation for expected remuneration.

Bylaw 5 (3) shall be amended by adding the following sections, and renumbering subsequent sections:

(d) An executive is not an employee of the Society, but rather an officer of Council. Council may set a rate of remuneration for services as an executive officer, and may establish duties that must be fulfilled in order to receive this remuneration, but this shall not be taken to construe that serving as an executive officer constitutes employment.

Bylaw 5 (3)(c)(i) shall be amended as follows, and renumbering subsequent sections:
(i) A member of the Executive of Council may be removed from her position as an executive officer upon:
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3. a referendum held in accordance with Bylaw 4; or
4. a Special Resolution passed at a special general meeting held in accordance with Bylaw 3.

Bylaw 12 shall be struck.

We further request that the Special Resolution be put to the membership as:

‘Do you support the amendment of the AMS Bylaws as presented, for the purposes of enabling Student Council to remove an individual from a position as an officer of Council, and other amendments as outlined?’

The Bylaws would be amended as outlined here (link).”

49. MOVED ANDREW CARNE:

“That the motion be amended to add the following text:

Bylaw 4 shall be amended to include the following section, and renumbering of subsequent sections:

A referendum shall not be put to or acted upon by the Society if doing so would cause a change in fees, unless such proposed fee, change to existing fees, and/or alteration to the rate of change of fees is clearly stated in the referendum question.

…No objections

- A question was raised about including three separate bylaw amendments in one question.
- Andrew Carne said amendments are sometimes grouped.

50. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK, SECONDED NICK SERTIG:

“That the referendum question to amend the bylaws be split into three separate questions.”

… Defeated
For (1): Maria Cirstea

Against (19): Bijan Ahmadian, Andrew Carne, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan)

51. MOVED JOHANNES REBANE:

“To lay this motion on the table to deal with the Access UBC yes campaign.”

... No objections

52. MOVED JOHANNES REBANE:

“That Council approve $500 for the Yes committee for the referendum question on a new fee for accessibility for disabled students.”

- It was noted that this motion was unnecessary. The money has been budgeted, and as long as the Yes committee meets the requirements laid out in Code, the Elections Committee can disburse the money to it.

53. MOVED JOHANNES REBANE:

“That Council approve $500 for the Yes committee for the referendum question on a new fee for accessibility for disabled students.”

... Out of Order

54. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That Council direct the President to call a referendum on dates coinciding with the January elections with the following text and provisions:

We, the undersigned members in good standing of the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia - Vancouver, do hereby petition the AMS-UBCV to hold a referendum, in accordance with Bylaw 4(1)(b), to amend the Bylaws as follows, with insertions in bold italics and deletions struck through:

BYLAW 5: Student Council

3. Members

Bylaw 5(2)(a) shall be amended by adding the following sections:

(v) One representative for each distinct affiliated institution whose
students are members of the AMS.

(vi) Any Executive who has been elected following the removal of an individual as an executive officer by the Council.

(vii) Any former members of the Executive Committee who have been removed from their position as an executive officer by Council whose terms as Directors have not yet expired.

Bylaw 5(2)(h) shall be amended to read:
A member of Council who is a constituency representative as defined in Bylaw 5(2)(a)(iv) shall be deemed ineligible to continue to serve and lose his membership in Council if such member has missed five (5) regularly scheduled Council meetings during the School Year or if the constituency for which a member is a representative, by their own processes, deems them to be ineligible. A constituency representative shall, for the purposes of this provision, be considered absent even if he has appointed an alternate to attend in his place.

Bylaw 5 (3)(b)(ii) shall be amended to read:
The election shall constitute an election to a position as a Director of the Society, and a separate appointment by the membership to a position as an executive officer of Council. The Executive of Council shall take offices at the annual general meeting, and shall serve as Directors until the subsequent annual general meeting.

1. The appointment as an executive officer may be revoked by Council by such means as established in the Bylaws. In the event that the appointment is revoked, the former executive officer shall not be entitled to compensation for expected remuneration.

Bylaw 5 (3) shall be amended by adding the following sections, and renumbering subsequent sections:

(d) An executive is not an employee of the Society, but rather an officer of Council. Council may set a rate of remuneration for services as an executive officer, and may establish duties that must be fulfilled in order to receive this remuneration, but this shall not be taken to construe that serving as an executive officer constitutes employment.
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... Carried

For (15): Bijan Ahmadian, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Tom Dvorak, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick
Against (1): Blake Frederick

Abstained: Charles Au, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Natalie Swift, Justin Yang (proxy for Jimmy Yan)

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

January 20, 2010

R) Adjournment:

55. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

For (14): Charles Au, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Joel Mertens, Matthew Naylor, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Colin Simkus (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Jeremy McElroy

The meeting adjourned at 10:16 pm.

S) Social Activity:
### The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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Guests: Raj Mathur (music), Allen (Arts/FoGS), Colin Simkus (Law), Crystal Janes (Coalition of Childcare Advocates), Jonathan Norman (Geology), Ian Turner (Arts), Kellie Seepaul (Communications Manager), Isabel Ferreras (Elections Administrator), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Sarah Chung (Ubyssey), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Kai Green (AMS Confidential), Elin Tayyar (SAC), Alex Lougheed (UBC Insiders), Rakesh Parhar (Science), Ravi Parhar (Forestry), Brad Morrison (External Office), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), David Kiloh (SHHS), Barbara Crocker (UBC Student Financial Assistance and Awards), Anne DeWolfe (UBC VP Students Office), Nancy Knight (Campus and Community Planning), Fatou Jah (Help Hear Haiti)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:14 pm.

1. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“That Carolee Changfoot, Hayden Hughes and Fraser Young be appointed as the Equity Representatives for tonight’s meeting.”

... Carried

For (25): Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Hannes Dempewolf, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Dia Montgomery, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Natalie Swift, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Carolee Changfoot, Fraser Young

2. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED CAROLEE CHANGFOOT:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

• It was agreed to move up the election material, to withdraw the international engagement presentation, to add a Haiti presentation, and to add a Haiti motion.

3. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED CHANGFOOT:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (34): Bijan Ahmadian, Tahara Bhate, Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Hannes Dempewolf, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Tom Huryn, Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Adrian McNeill (proxy for Andrew Carne), Dia Montgomery, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie,
Arvind Saraswat, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Natalie Swift, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

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

C) Presentations to Council:

_Tuition– Anne DeWolfe_

Anne DeWolfe:
- After last year’s truncated consultation, the student societies asked for an enhanced tuition and fee consultation process for this year.
- Last year we waited to get the cost of living figure from the province and it came late; this year we’re starting without it.
- Domestic tuition is tied to inflation, at a rate set by the provincial government.
- International tuition is not regulated by the province; it is set by the University’s Board of Governors.
- For domestic undergraduates, the proposal is for a 2% increase, about $89 for a normal Arts or Science load.
- If the province sets a lower rate, we will abide by that; we will not exceed the guidelines.
- For international undergraduates, the proposal is for a 4% increase: 3% for cost-of-living based on a UBC-specific index, and 1% to increase awards.
- The capital cost fee for international students has now been completely phased in (in three installments over four years) and it has been consolidated into the tuition fee.
- For graduate students, the proposal is for a 2% increase, which means $82 for domestic and $144 for international.
- Some non-instructional fees will be going up (Athletics, co-op, etc.)
- Administrative fees are not going up.
- Feedback is being sought via a broadcast email and a student survey with three questions:
  
a) Would a tuition increase be an impediment to you continuing your studies?
b) Is the 28-30% of the cost of education paid for by tuition fees too high, too low, or just right?

Questions
- Mrigank Sharma asked about discrepancies in application fees, saying students from some countries (e.g., India) pay them while others (students from Nepal) do not.
- Anne DeWolfe said she was not aware of any students not paying, though some countries’ governments may pay on behalf of their students.
- Aaron Sihota: Is it a 2% increase or a cost of living increase?
- Anne DeWolfe: It’s one and the same. The University will comply with the cost of living increase as directed by the government. If it is lower than 2%, we’ll go lower. If it’s higher, however, we will not go higher.
Tahara Bhate asked if the 2% is being institutionalized or if it is a temporary measure.

Anne DeWolfe: There used to be a freeze. The government removed the freeze. UBC then had three years of significant tuition increases; that was because there had been costs that could not be sustained; the costs during the freeze had not been in line with revenue; the government did not increase the grant during that period. In the last few years there has been a modest cap set by the government.

Johannes Rebane asked about funding for international students.

Anne DeWolfe said there is emergency aid and recruiting awards.

Blake Frederick expressed concern about athletic fees going up and about the possibility that new funding for international awards might displace current money.

Anne DeWolfe said the new money for international awards is designed to enhance awards, not take anything away.

Michael Duncan, after establishing that Policy 72 does not apply to international students, asked how the University will ensure that it gets the best and not just the richest international students.

Anne DeWolfe: The ISI program was created ten years ago. They have lots of expertise. Their mission is to attract the best students.

Michael Duncan noted that there was an agreement with Athletics saying the Athletics fee would not increase.

Anne DeWolfe said she would check on that.

Michael Duncan: The agreement said zero percent this year. I’m surprised to see this increase.

Anne DeWolfe: That’s an error. I apologize for that.

Dia Montgomery asked about earlier consultations.

Anne DeWolfe said there had been consultation with the Executives of the AMS, the GSS, and the UBCO SU. After the Board meeting, there will be a number of meetings.

Alex Lougheed asked if the survey results will be made public.

Anne DeWolfe: Yes, they will be presented to the Board of Governors and made available.

Alex Lougheed asked if the University is seeking an exemption from the soft cap for professional faculties.

Anne DeWolfe: Yes, there are discussions for some, to see what may be feasible.

Timothy Chu asked about the large refund on admission fees.

Anne DeWolfe said this was the deposit everyone pays when registering.

Timothy Chu asked if there would be a Town Hall for domestic students and an information table in the SUB.

Anne DeWolfe: There’s a Town Hall for international students on February 1. It was decided that rather than have a Town Hall for the University more broadly, it would be better to have an information table. We looked at having the table in the SUB, but it’s too busy there, too many tables. So it will be in Ike Barber.

Timothy Chu asked why tuition increases are implemented in the summer rather than in September.

Anne DeWolfe: We’re still looking into that. It appears that it’s because it’s a better match to UBC’s fiscal year.
Nazanin Moghadami asked why the increase in the number of international students hasn’t brought the price down for them.

Anne DeWolfe: Because international students pay full cost. It’s not a fixed total cost shared among the international students.

Nazanin Moghadami said the rationale for higher fees for international student was that they made no contribution after graduation, but in fact some are now staying in BC or Canada.

Anne DeWolfe: Tuition is tied to the cost, but this could be looked into.

Ryan Trasolini asked if any other local university has the same steady 2% increase.

Anne DeWolfe: I think they all have. I can check.

Dylan Callow asked for confirmation that increased Commerce tuition fees are being used to pay for facilities in Sauder.

Anne DeWolfe: It’s faculty specific.

Dylan Callow asked about the possibility of students footing the bill for an increase in the bursary fee.

Barbara Crocker: That’s an interesting thought, but instead of blanket money like that, specific initiatives might be better, e.g., focused on low income students.

**Student Financial Assistance – Barbara Crocker**

Barbara Crocker:

- Four sources for assistance:
  - Annual donor awards (can end any time)
  - Endowed donor awards (in perpetuity)
  - GPOF: University funding
  - Government loans and grants
- Bursary applications increased.
- Bursary support up 20.7% for undergraduates.
- 41% increase in number of recipients of University-funded awards.
- Total unmet need decreased; new federal grants filled some of the unmet need.
- More grants and loans this year. Grants went from zero last year to $11 million this year for low and middle-income students.
- Endowment shortfall meant a loss of $4 million; the University put $1.4 million back in for bursaries; also $2.4 million for student experience support (Work Study program etc.).
- Targeted emails have been sent to students with unmet need to tell them to apply for bursaries; some have not been applying even though eligible.
- The University supplies $95 million in funding for student assistance.
- High cost programs got the largest increase in grants.
- Education students got less loan funding because they received grants.
- 25% of UBC students are receiving loans.
- Come see us for advice and emergency assistance. We provide workshops etc.

Questions

- Mrigank Sharma: What's an emergency?
• Barbara Crocker gave examples (e.g., your roommate leaves). Things you couldn’t expect.
• Natalie Swift: Is there awareness of this program? It should be communicated to students.
• Barbara Crocker: It’s not happening; that’s why we offer workshops.
• Natalie Swift: How many people have come to you in emergency situations?
• Barbara Crocker didn’t have exact figures, but said it was more this year than last. But it’s not a huge number because the message is not out there. Some people in an emergency just think nothing can be done.
• Timothy Chu asked about the percentage increase in bursary applications.
• Barbara Crocker: It’s at least 15%.
• Timothy Chu asked why the Evelyn Lett bursary had not been granted this year.
• Barbara Crocker: That cannot be true.
• Timothy Chu: We were told it was not being granted this year.
• Barbara Crocker said she would check into that.
• Tahara Bhate asked about student need criteria and people turned down for bursaries. Lots of students fall through the cracks.
• Barbara Crocker: Some students don’t meet the criteria and are not eligible.
• Tahara Bhate suggested the AMS and the University might be able to work together to help such students.
• Barbara Crocker: Absolutely. We are always looking to new initiatives to find ways to support students.
• Blake Frederick praised the work of the Student Aid office, but said some of the statistics presented were misleading. The new government grants are not new money; that was Millennium Scholarship Foundation money before.
• Barbara Crocker: There’s much more money now. The way it’s allocated is different. Most of it is the same money, but it’s allocated differently.
• Mike Silley asked if the data was online.
• Barbara Crocker: It will be. If you want data, let me know.
• Katherine Tyson asked if Work/Study and Work/Learn will be able to continue next year.
• Barbara Crocker: They will be for sure, and it’s 99% sure they will increase.

Childcare – Coalition of Childcare Advocates of BC

Crystal Janes:
• Childcare Advocates of BC is a small grassroots group of volunteers which has built a profile in the community and has expertise in childcare advocacy. It has developed policy papers.
• It is non-partisan and has lots of affiliations.
• It’s membership based, with no public funding.
• Childcare is a big issue. We do research on it, mostly producing evidence to show that the early years are the foundation for lifelong health and development.
• Childcare is 80% funded by parents.
• We advocate for children and women; childcare is primarily a women’s issue.
• There is a shortage of childcare.
• We push for quality and making childcare accessible.
We inform the public and seek to mobilize families and communities to speak up on childcare.

- We encourage the unionization of childcare workers and work for women’s justice.
- Licensed childcare workers tend to leave the field because of poor working conditions and low pay.
- Canada failed nine out of 10 benchmarks on childcare in a 2008 study.
- An OECD study rated Canada last on the amount of money spent. It’s shameful.
- By becoming a member of our coalition, you will gain access to a depth of expertise.

Questions

- Kyle Warwick: Is there a motion coming?
- Timothy Chu: We had a motion in December; it was referred to committee. We’ll bring this forward later.
- Arvind Saraswat asked about members’ obligations.
- Crystal Janes: There are no obligations; just joining our voice.
- Natalie Swift: Are there other student members?
- Crystal Janes: There are individual student members and also organizations such as the BCGEU and the BCTF.
- Natalie Swift: But no other student unions?
- Crystal Janes said she would have to check.
- Colin Simkus noted that NDP leader Carole James had addressed the coalition and asked if it endorses candidates.
- Crystal Janes: We are non-partisan. Lots of our affiliates are left of centre.
- Theresa Fresco: Does membership allow for research opportunities for students?
- Crystal Janes: We do have projects and opportunities.
- Mrigank Sharma: Who do you target? The BC government? The Canadian government? What positive outcomes have you had?
- Mrigank Sharma: Our audience is families that can influence policy. One positive outcome resulted from a policy analysis we did on corporate childcare, which led the University of Victoria not to pursue corporate childcare. Organizations do come to us for our expertise. There’s more information on our website.
- Katherine Tyson asked about campaigning.
- Crystal Janes: We don’t campaign; we provide information.
- Tahara Bhate asked about partnerships with small business.
- Crystal Janes: We have approached the business community in the past.

Student Housing Demand Study – Nancy Knight (Campus and Community Planning)

Nancy Knight:
- The AMS produced policy on the need for more student housing, which stimulated us to do research. We hired independent consultants and surveyed 5464 students.
The findings revealed that there is a reward for living on campus. Two-thirds of off-campus students felt they can’t participate in student life as much as they’d like.

Also, there’s a housing need, a crunch in Vancouver.

And affordability is a concern; it’s more expensive off campus.

There’s also an effect on recruiting students to come to UBC: not having to commute is a plus.

And shops and services on campus are important to the survey respondents; this was an issue we had with AMS Council. But it was the top-ranked item for survey respondents: making campus a place to live as well as study.

6400 new student beds are needed.

The University is trying to provide them. The next steps include adding 2500 beds over the next five years, including 500 in the Totem infill, 286 created by converting faculty and staff housing, and 1700 new units.

We are also launching a transit planning process and would like the AMS to take part.

Now that there is no longer going to be a below grade transit station, we’re looking to host an Ideas Fair.

There was criticism of the last plan for lack of campus and community involvement, especially student involvement. This time in March we’re having Ideas Month and looking to lots of student representation.

Questions

Blake Frederick: The AMS did a review of transit options. We should review it and provide it to you. Is the University looking at a privatized model for housing?

Nancy Knight: There are no plans for P3 student housing on campus in academic areas.

Johannes Rebane asked for more details on the proposed new student housing.

Nancy Knight spoke of an ambitious plan for hubs for first years, graduates, and families, but said housing arrangements for the proposed 1700 beds have not been settled.

Dylan Callow spoke of the Velocity Project at the University of Waterloo, a new kind of housing project.

Johannes Rebane said there are plans in process concerning themed housing.

Kyle Warwick asked what the plans were for the bus loop. Market housing or student housing?

Nancy Knight: The original plan was for that area to become rental housing for junior faculty and staff. There is a conversation now on whether that’s still appropriate.

Tahara Bhate asked how the housing will be financed. Will the debt incurred push rents up?

Nancy Knight said that under the financing model rents cover the cost of the housing. Housing is an ancillary service.

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

4. MOVED JOHANNES REBANE, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE:
“That on the recommendation of the Elections Administrator, Audrey Gardiner be appointed AMS Elections Logistics Officer for a term effective immediately and ending April 30, 2010.”

- Isabel Ferreras, the Elections Administrator, reported that she had asked the Logistics Officer to resign and he had. Given that it is less than two weeks until the voting, she is recommending Audrey Gardiner to take over. Audrey has proven to be quite competent.
- Kyle Warwick: Did this go through a hiring committee?
- Isabel Ferreras: Because it is less than two weeks before the voting, Code says it is not required.
- Blake Frederick: How many candidates were interviewed?
- Isabel Ferreras: Three or four people.
- Blake Frederick: Was the position posted publicly?
- Isabel Ferreras: No.

5. MOVED JOHANNES REBANE, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE:

“That on the recommendation of the Elections Administrator, Audrey Gardiner be appointed AMS Elections Logistics Officer for a term effective immediately and ending April 30, 2010.”

... Carried

For (17): Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Maria Cirstea, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Mike Duncan, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Jeremy McElroy, Adrian McNeill (proxy for Andrew Carne), Dia Montgomery, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Fraser Young

Against (1): Ryan Trasolini

Abstained: Tahara Bhate, Timothy Chu, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Rajwant Minhas (proxy for Charles Au), Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan

6. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“Whereas at the January 6, 2010 meeting, Council called for a referendum question to index non-indexed AMS fees to the CCPI; and

Whereas the SUB Renewal fee is a graduated fee that increases $10 per year until 2016/17 when the fee becomes fixed at $100; and

Whereas the SUB Renewal fee is not indexed,

Therefore, be it resolved that Council specify that the 2010 fee indexing referendum question shall be interpreted to apply CCPI increases to the SUB Renewal fee once the fee has matured to $100.”
Blake Frederick: This explains how the CPI referendum question would affect the SUB Renewal fee. It puts in place what was intended in the 2008 referendum, when CPI increases for the SUB Renewal fee were dropped from the question because of a clerical error.

Kyle Warwick asked why we should wait until the fee hits $100 to add CPI.

Dave Tompkins: That's another way to interpret the CPI question; it was vague.

Crystal Hon: This would enable us to pay off the building faster.

Tom Dvorak: Last time we voted to go to referendum without clarity. There are four possible interpretations of the CPI question as it affects SUB Renewal, and there are tens of millions of dollars difference between the interpretations. Let this be a lesson: before going to referendum on student fees, let the financial staff look at any proposals.

Guillaume Houle: How much effect would adding CPI have?

Michael Duncan: It would mean paying off the building seven to ten years earlier.

Guillaume Houle: But we don't know what CPI and thus the fee will be.

Fraser Young: Are we aiming to pay less interest? If we pay it off sooner, fewer students pay. If we pay less per year, more students would contribute.

Michael Duncan: It would save us millions and millions of dollars. It would be harder to justify 40 years down the road still paying.

7. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That Motion 6 be amended to state that CCPI increases will be applied to the SUB Renewal Fee immediately instead of once the fee has matured to $100.”

Kyle Warwick: Let's begin the CPI increases immediately along with the $10 per year increases.

Blake Frederick: This runs counter to the original referendum, and it makes us look like we're asking whether students want SUB Renewal at all. Your motivation is, We need more money, so let's ask for more money.

Guillaume Houle warned against the repercussions, the loss of millions of dollars, if the students voted against the revised version of the question.

Alex Lougheed suggested this would make us look greedy and mess up the negotiations.

Julian Ritchie: This wouldn't change the text of the referendum?

Dave Tompkins: No.

Tom Dvorak: This is just how we interpret our own referendum.

It was suggested that if the amendment passed, the following note be added to explain how the fee increases would work:

“NOTE:
cpi = 1 + ccpi
next year's fee would be
[(30*cpi) + 10]
The following year's fee would be
[(30*cpi + 10)] *cpi + 10
until 2017, and then just year_n = year_n-1 * cpi”
8. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

"That Motion 6 be amended to state that CCPI increases will be applied to the SUB Renewal Fee immediately instead of once the fee has matured to $100."

... Defeated

Against (31): Bijan Ahmadian, Tahara Bhate, Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Adrian McNeill (proxy for Andrew Carne), Dia Montgomery, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Arvind Saraswat, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Abstained: Mike Silley

Back to Main Motion

• Adrienne Smith: Have people thought about what might happen if CPI is negative?
• Dave Tompkins: No.
• Tom Dvorak: If we come up with more money, will the University ask us to pay more?
• Crystal Hon: No.
• Dave Tompkins: We’d still pay that amount, just sooner. On the ballot this should say that it would apply beginning in 2017.
• Tahara Bhate: What if CPI is negative? How would this affect the agreement with UBC?
• Ross Horton: It would just mean a year or two extra to pay off the loan.

9. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“Whereas at the January 6, 2010 meeting, Council called for a referendum question to index non-indexed AMS fees to the CCPI; and

Whereas the SUB Renewal fee is a graduated fee that increases $10 per year until 2016/17 when the fee becomes fixed at $100; and
Whereas the SUB Renewal fee is not indexed,

Therefore, be it resolved that Council specify that the 2010 fee indexing referendum question shall be interpreted to apply CCPI increases to the SUB Renewal fee once the fee has matured to $100.”

… Carried

For (23): Bijan Ahmadian, Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Tom Huryn, Jeremy McElroy, Adrian McNeill (proxy for Andrew Carne), Dia Montgomery, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Arvind Saraswat, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Against (1): Tahara Bhate

Abstained: Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Theresa Fresco, Sam Law, Johannes Rebane, Mike Silley, Ryan Trasolini

10. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That Council ratify the decision of the Legislative Procedures Committee to include a referendum question to adopt the Bylaw changes recommended by Council in March 2009.”

- Dave Tompkins: Last March Council passed a motion saying the next time Council calls a referendum it should put these bylaw amendments on. The Legislative Procedures Committee is saying that because we’ve called a referendum, those bylaw amendments from March should be included.
- Iggy Rodriguez: This is in the spirit of what Council did, following its previous decision.
- Tahara Bhate: There were two referendum questions last March; they’ve been combined into one now.
- Isabel Ferreras: The Legislative Procedures Committee, i.e., Matt Naylor, recommended that.
- Kyle Warwick: Was it expected that it would be a U-Pass referendum that the old bylaw changes would be added to?
- Dave Tompkins: Nothing in last March’s motion specifies a U-Pass referendum. But Council could keep bringing the bylaw changes back.
- Mike Silley: How many referendum questions do we have now?
- Isabel Ferreras: Nine.
- Mike Silley: Will voters have enough time, given the 15-minute limit on a voting session?
- Isabel Ferreras: We’ve changed that. Now you can sign in and sign out, then come back later to complete your voting. Essentially there’s unlimited voting time.
- Mike Silley still expressed concern about the initial 15-minute session running out. Would answers still be saved then?
11. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

12. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That Council ratify the decision of the Legislative Procedures Committee to include a referendum question to adopt the Bylaw changes recommended by Council in March 2009.”

… Carried

For (10): Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Blake Frederick, Jeremy McElroy, Dia Montgomery, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Katherine Tyson, Fraser Young

Against (2): Tom Dvorak, Mike Silley

Abstained: Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Theresa Fresco, Guillaume Houle, Tom Huryn, Sam Law, Adrian McNeill (proxy for Andrew Carne), Julian Ritchie, Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan

O) Discussion Period

Elections and the Referendum Questions

- Iggy Rodriguez asked for further clarification about the 15-minute voting period.
- Isabel Ferreras said she was pretty sure there was a warning system about the voting time expiring, but she would doublecheck. She added that 15 minutes should be enough; people should be educated on the issues before voting.
- Iggy Rodriguez: That’s asking a lot.
- Katherine Tyson: People will wait until the question is staring them in the face; that’s when they’ll want to think.
- Dave Tompkins asked about the order of the questions on the ballot.
- Kyle Warwick: Where can voters find information on the referendums?
- Isabel Ferreras: Information is provided.
- Mike Silley: It’s very unlikely unfair or naive to believe that voters are going to know about all the candidates. We don’t have the authority to change anything, but I urge you to consider the time limits.
- Ryan Trasolini asked about the source of information.
- Isabel Ferreras said it was from the 200-word blurbs requested of the candidates.
C) Presentations to Council:

**Help Hear Haiti – HHH Coalition**

- Fatou Jah, president of the Caribbean-African Association, discussed the plans on campus for responding to the earthquake in Haiti. Various organizations were looking to get involved, and some people had the idea of doing something unified, not scattered, creating a coalition. An event on Friday will launch it, and they’re looking for help with the funding; perhaps the AMS could provide a little money.
- Adrian McNeill: Where would the money be going? Would it be better sent to the Red Cross?
- Mike Silley: Would it help if the AMS sent out a press release?
- Courtney English asked how much was needed.
- Fatou Jah said money was needed to buy buttons.
- Katherine Tyson and Theresa Fresco asked for more details about what would be done with any money.
- Bijan Ahmadian asked if it would be useful to use the AMS mailing list to contact first and second year students. There’s a buzz out there, and students want to know what they can do.
- Pavani Gunadasa said AMS Volunteer Connect has a database of students interested in volunteer work; they’d be enthusiastic to join this effort.
- Fatou Jah: That’s what the event on Friday is for, to explore ideas. There’s also a Facebook group and mass emails being sent to UBC students.
- Jimmy Yan: The coalition is just getting going. It hasn’t had time to work out its organizational structure yet.
- Hayden Hughes asked if $1,000 would be useful.
- Fatou Jah: Oh, yes.
- There was no objection to adding a motion to give money to the coalition. It was established that the upcoming motion to donate money from AMS food outlets is separate from this.

13. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“‘That Council allocate $1,000 from the President’s Fund to the Help Hear Haiti Student Coalition.’

- A question was raised about who exactly would receive the money.
- Elin Tayyar said the coalition has no account yet.
- Tom Dvorak: This is fantastic work. My concern is procedural. The coalition is not a club; it is a random agglomeration of individual students. We would effectively be writing a cheque to a random group of students. That’s a bad precedent. There are funding alternatives: the Student Initiatives Fund, which has standardized guidelines. Also the Clubs Benefit Fund. Systems exist for a reason.
- Tahara Bhate: For an issue like this, there’s something to be said for bending the rules.
- Iggy Rodriguez; Can we accredit them as a club quickly?”
14. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES:

“That Motion 13 be amended to add the following phrase at the end:

'in a method recommended by the Finance Commission with an appropriate reporting structure as defined by the Finance Commission’.”

... No objections

- Ross Horton suggested thinking about this motion in conjunction with the next one. The staff are already taking money out of their pockets.
- Tahara Bhate: Will this be used for the meeting on Friday?
- Tom Dvorak: We can’t control what this will be used for; that’s my concern. The money is not needed for this Friday; we don’t need this motion at all, We could satisfy everything by next Wednesday through one of our funds.

15. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

...No objections

16. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY

“'That Council allocate $1,000 from the President’s Fund to the Help Hear Haiti Student Coalition in a method recommended by the Finance Commission with an appropriate reporting structure as defined by the Finance Commission.”

Note: The President’s Fund has a balance of $49,300.

... Carried

For (17): Bijan Ahmadian, Timothy Chu, Maria Cirstea, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Jeremy McElroy, Dia Montgomery, Johannes Rebane, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Against (7): Tahara Bhate, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Tom Dvorak, Tom Huryn, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt)
Abstained: Julia Bullard, Carolee Changfoot, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Theresa Fresco, Adrian McNeill (proxy for Andrew Carne), Ryan Trasolini

17. MOVED TOM DVORAK, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“Whereas the shocking devastation caused by the January 2010 earthquake in Haiti has moved people around the world to help; and

Whereas AMS Food Services staff members are personally donating all tips collected until February 5th, 2010 to relief efforts in Haiti through the Red Cross;

Be it resolved that Council match these donations dollar for dollar up to $5000, with the first $1458 of funding coming from the Council donation budget, and any remainder coming from the President’s Fund.”

Note: The President’s Fund has a balance of $48,300.

• Tom Dvorak: Our food services staff have generously agreed to give their tips, which will be matched by the government. Our Food and Beverage Department is asking us to match the donations too. We have a line item for donations, and there’s $1500 left in it. The rest can come from the President’s Fund.
• Michael Duncan asked if this initiative came from the staff or from higher up.
• Tom Dvorak: It was suggested from higher up, but every staff member agreed.
• Michael Duncan: So the staff is behind this?
• Tom Dvorak: Yes.
• A staff member from the Pendulum said she had not been consulted.
• Michael Duncan: A lot of the Pit staff rely on their tips for income. We should make sure they’re in agreement.
• Hayden Hughes wanted it noted that 200,000 people have died.

18. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds … Defeated

For (5): Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Blake Frederick, Katherine Tyson, Fraser Young

Against (23): Bijan Ahmadian, Tahara Bhate, Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Geoff Costoloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Jeremy McElroy, Adrian McNeill (proxy for Andrew Carne), Dia Montgomery, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Natalie Swift, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan
Abstained: Theresa Fresco, Tom Huryn

- Tahara Bhate: Who decided it should go to the Red Cross?
- Dave Tompkins: That's where the money goes for matching.
- Courtney English: We have to make sure the staff have been informed.

19. MOVED COURTNEY ENGLISH

“That Motion 17 be amended to add the following clause:

‘Be it further resolved that Council ensure that staff are made aware that the donations are voluntary’.”

… No objections

- Tom Dvorak said he was no longer comfortable with the motion now that he’d heard that at least one staff member did not know about the tip donation plan.

20. MOVED GUILLAUME HOULE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That Motion 17 be postponed to the February 3, 2010 AMS Council meeting.”

- Guillaume Houle: Employees rely on these tips; we have to make sure they want to donate them.
- Jeremy McElroy: Why not just donate $5,000 ourselves?
- Iggy Rodriguez: If we donate $5000, will it be matched?
- Dave Tompkins: No. Organizational donations are not matched.
- Ross Horton: I don’t want this to pass if there’s uncertainty. We should wait until we can clarify. There seems to have been a mistake. Let’s get it straight.
- The Pendulum employee said the tips are already being collected.
- Dave Tompkins: The food outlets can do what they want. Our motion is just that we will match.
- Kyle Warwick: Will there be signage in the outlets saying the money’s going to Haiti? If we said we’re going to double it, that might encourage donations.

21. MOVED GUILLAUME HOULE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That Motion 17 be postponed to the February 3, 2010 AMS Council meeting.”

… Carried

For (24): Tahara Bhate, Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Carolee Changfoot, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Theresa Fresco, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Jeremy McElroy, Adrian McNeill (proxy for Andrew Carne), Dia Montgomery, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Aaron Sihota, Natalie Swift, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Fraser Young
Against (5): Timothy Chu, Blake Frederick, Tom Huryn, Katherine Tyson, Jimmy Yan

D) President's Remarks, or Blake's Broadcast (Blake Frederick):

- Met some candidates to give advice on the position.
- Working with Communications Department on including the businesses in marketing plans.
- Progress being made in SUB negotiations.
- Participating in Brian Sullivan's job performance evaluation.
- HR issues.
- To an Education Committee meeting.

Questions
- Iggy Rodriguez: Why have there been no timesheets since the beginning of January?
- Blake Frederick: I apologize. I haven’t fully put everything in my calendar. I will make sure I do it.
- Tahara Bhate said she hadn’t seen timesheets from any executives.

E) Executive Remarks:

Pavani Gunadasa – Executive Coordinator Student Services
- Presented Students for Mental Wellness UBC project at the Student Leadership Conference
- Sick last week; a lot of HR and administrative tasks to catch up on (which has been my main focus this week)
- Just met with the Tutoring team to discuss AMS involvement in LEAP – what we want that to look like moving forward (as tasked by Executive Committee – will report back this Friday)
- Services participated in the Student Involvement Showcase last week
- Services currently working on updating operations manuals (or creating them: Safety Office); last revisions were in 2006 and they are greatly in need of updating; will bring them to the appropriate Committee and then to Council for approval

Johannes Rebane – VP Academic
- Working with Work/Study people to make it collaborative
- Coordinating with Student Court Chief Justice about election appeals because of short deadlines
- Dons program/themed housing – faculty mentors living in residences
- Governance survey

Crystal Hon – VP Administration
SUB
- Finished two full day sessions and more are being set up
- Discussing the development & lease agreements
- Discussing the tone of the agreements
- Wrapping up the program sign off
- Met with Janet Teasdale to discuss the presence of Student Development in the current SUB

**Business & Facilities**
- The directories are up
- Bringing a quote to replace the couches outside the booking offices
- Nomination forms out for Councillor of the Year

**Tom Dvorak – VP Finance**
- alumni association roundtable with MLA Dawn Black, provincial education critic
- rezgo: every time we solve something, something new comes up. want to iron out all creases. I’m becoming half VP Finance, half software developer!
- 2 student groups that Fincom is looking into with some issues that have come up - we hope everything is as it should be, but we’re asking questions
- business and facilities committee
- student life committee
- re-hiring of AVP Finance
- health plan renewal
- AMS Foundation admin
- meeting with candidates for various positions
- endowments; CAN we make it work?
- early transition w/ Elin and the invisible plan
- planning out AGM strategy
- approval for sledge hockey tickets from AA

**Timothy Chu – VP External**
- TransLink issues.

22. **MOVED MICHAEL DUNCAN, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:**

“That Council be extended by one hour.” … Carried

**For (9):** Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Guillaume Houle, Joel Mertens, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Natalie Swift, Kyle Warwick

**Against (6):** Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Johannes Rebane, Katherine Tyson, Jimmy Yan

**Abstained:** Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester)

**F) Committee Reports:**

**G) Constituency Reports:**
Arts – Guillaume Houle: Licensed events in March to raise the spirits of Arts after a disappointing Arts Week.

Science – Jimmy Yan: Science Week.

Planning – Theresa Fresco: Resiliency symposium.


Law – Dia Montgomery: All of our events are closed; they’re still tearing down the building.

Education – Courtney English: Half of us just came back from practicum, and the other half are now going. Red Cross fundraiser.


International Students – Nazanin Moghadami: Fundraising for Haiti.


H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsman Reports:

Board of Governors – Michael Duncan: Committees meeting next Thursday. Planning for a joint AMS Council – BoG dinner; good if Councillors go to that to get the BoG members to know student issues.

Senate – Geoff Costeloe: Noon lunch hour break back on Thursdays, 12:30-2, but there’s no mechanism to enforce it. Community based learning and research. Enrollment report: more students than government pays for; over-enrollment. Applications are up. A high grade level for admission.

Ombudsman – Hayden Hughes: Various academic cases, also cases involving clubs, an AMS staff member, and studentcare.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

23. MOVED MICHAEL DUNCAN, SECONDED CAROLEE CHANGFOOT:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

AMS Council minutes dated December 2, 2009
Executive Committee minutes dated November 19, 2009
Executive Committee minutes dated November 24, 2009
Executive Committee minutes dated December 3, 2009
Executive Committee minutes dated December 10, 2009
Executive Committee minutes dated December 18, 2009.

... Carried

For (20): Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Carolee Changfoot, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Adrian McNeill (proxy for Andrew Carne), Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Mike Silley, Natalie Swift, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Julia Bullard, Ryan Trasolini, Fraser Young

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

24. MOVED CRYSTAL HON, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:
   From the Business & Facilities Committee

"Whereas the Building Code requires upgrades to the Moon food outlet to meet safety standards, be it resolved that on the recommendation of the Business and Facilities Committee, Council approve an expenditure of up to $11,000 from CPAC to upgrade fire suppression services in the Moon."

Note: The current CPAC balance is $702,320 [This was an error; the correct balance was $340,900; see the minutes of February 3.]

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Improvements required under fire regulations to make sure the Moon is never on fire.

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For (26): Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Tom Huryn, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Mike Silley, Natalie Swift, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

26. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED CAROLEE CHANGFOOT:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Finance Commission Minutes dated January 13, 2010
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated November 24, 2009
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated December 1, 2009.”

... Carried

For (18): Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Carolee Changfoot, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Mike Duncan, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Guillaume Houle, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Mike Silley, Natalie Swift, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan

Abstained: Timothy Chu, Tom Huryn, Ryan Trasolini, Fraser Young

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

- It was agreed to add the following motion to the agenda.

27. MOVED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“That in the event that the President and/or the VP External are removed from office in the AMS referendum of January 2010, the unofficially declared elected candidates for these two positions (provided they already sit on Council) be appointed to fill their respective positions temporarily until the AGM.”

- Michael Duncan: This is being pre-emptive in case the students do remove Blake or Tim. For five days after the election, until the February 3 Council meeting, there could otherwise be nobody in two Executive positions. I think providing for that contingency is a good thing.
- Kyle Warwick: Won’t this create an incentive to vote for certain people because they’re on Council?
- Blake Frederick said he didn’t like the “unofficially declared” phrase.
- Iggy Rodriguez: Will not having a VP or a President be a problem? It’s only five days, and it’s over a weekend.
28. MOVED GUILLAUME HOULE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds … Carried

For (24): Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Carolee Changfoot, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Guillaume Houle, Tom Huryn, Jeremy McElroy, Adrian McNeill (proxy for Andrew Carne), Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Mike Silley, Natalie Swift, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Abstained: Julian Ritchie

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… Carried

For (15): Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Geoff Costeloe, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Guillaume Houle, Tom Huryn, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Fraser Young

Against (6): Timothy Chu, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Jimmy Yan

Abstained: Carolee Changfoot, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Theresa Fresco, Crystal Hon, Natalie Swift, Ryan Trasolini

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

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R) Adjournment:

30. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”
For (19): Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow (proxy for Ekaterina Dovjenko), Timothy Chu, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Mike Duncan, Blake Frederick, Guillaume Houle, Tom Huryn, Jeremy McElroy, Adrian McNeill (proxy for Andrew Carne), Joel Mertens, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic (proxy for Lin Watt), Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

The meeting was adjourned at 11 pm.

S) Social Activity:
V1: Appoint Equity Reps
V2: Adopt Agenda
V3: Appoint Logistics Officer
V4: Kyle’s early CPI amendment
V5: Clarification of CPI Referendum Question
V7: Allocate $1000 to Help Hear Haiti
V8: Call To Question
V9: Postpone to Feb 3rd Meeting
V10: Extend Council another 60 minutes
V11: Approve Minutes
V12: Moon on Fire
V13: Minutes II
V14: Call To Question
V15: Temporary Appointment
V16: Geoff Should Not Sing
V17: Adjournment

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Joshabelle Josephson (AMS Connect Internship Coordinator), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Alexander Shlashniy (SLFS), James Lin (International Students Commissioner), Adrienne Smith (Policy), Nick Zavzycki (Student), Elin Tayyar (SAC Vice Chair), Goldis Chami (Universities Allied for Essential Medicines), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Roel Moeur (the Ubyssey), Rakesh Parhar (Science), Sarah Chung (Ubyssey), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Valentina Vargas Ricca (Student at large), Colin Simkus (Student at large), Brad Morrison (External commissioner)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:
   The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm. In the absence of the Speaker, the President took the chair.

1. MOVED JIMMY YAN, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:
   “That the section of Code requiring roll call votes be suspended for each motion unless there is an objection.”
   Note: Requires 2/3rds
   ...Carried

2. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED HAYDEN HUGHES:
   “That Hayden Hughes, Maria Cirstea and Carolee Changfoot be appointed as the Equity Representatives for tonight’s meeting.”
   ...Carried

3. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:
   “That the agenda be amended to add a discussion topic on the Society Act.”
   ... No objections

4. MOVED TIMOTHY CHU:
   “That the agenda be amended to put the Executive Reports at the end of the meeting.”
   ... No objections

5. MOVED TAHARA BHATE:
   “That the agenda be amended to put the open access presentation and motion after the International Engagement presentation and to move the Olympics presentation to regular business with the Olympics motion.”
   ... No objections

6. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED JIMMY YAN:
   “That the agenda be adopted as amended.”
   ... Carried
B) Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies:

C) Presentations to Council:

*International Engagement – James Lin (International Student Commissioner)*

James Lin:
- Looking at the internationalization effort at UBC, something introduced by former UBC President Martha Piper in the Trek 2010 Strategic Plan. The aim of that plan was to have UBC recognized globally.
- President Toope has introduced a new plan, Place and Promise, to increase research partnerships between UBC and other institutions.
- Both plans failed to provide international opportunities for students.
- International students bring in new ideas, making UBC more international-friendly.
- Making the academic experience more international could be done by introducing more international content into existing courses or by creating new courses; the first is easier, the second more permanent.
- He would encourage a continuation of VP Academic gatherings to push for new courses. And first and second year courses would be best; they have bigger enrollments, and this would introduce internationalism earlier in students’ experience.
- Lack of joint degree programs now; there’s exchange study, but it’s rare to do joint degrees with other universities.
- Social and personal experience: UBC has International Week, done by the University through I-House; students do the actual organizing; the AMS could promote this to bring in more students.
- Global citizenship project: VP Students Office held discussions, but it didn’t lead to action. It would be good to relaunch the project and bring international student leaders together.
- ISI: UBC is currently identified as a Canadian rather than a West Coast school and is compared to U of T and McGill; this is perhaps the wrong approach, given the natural ties to the Pacific/Asian community.
- International student representation: The proportion of international students is rising; it’s almost 15% now. There is need for representation within the AMS and the University. The non-voting representative on Council is perhaps not the right way to go, and it raises issues of double representation. One alternative would be to empower the International Students’ Association (ISA), an AMS club with a mandate to lobby for international students. Perhaps membership in the ISA should be made mandatory for all 7000 international students to give them a stronger voice.
- Barriers to education: High tuition levels are the primary barrier for international students. There needs to be a better consultation process for international tuition fees. Another barrier is the English competency test known as the LPI, which has several flaws. We need to look at amending or removing the LPI.

Questions
- Jimmy Yan asked if this had been brought to Senate.
- James Lin: Senate is the final level. We need to start at the ground level. The AMS should work with the VP Academics in various Constituencies.
Eric Gan: There are a lot of variations by faculty; are there a few specific programs you’re aiming at?

James Lin: I’m just calling for some changes; later decisions can be made about programs.

Nazanin Moghadami: On the issue of the international seat versus empowering the ISA, the ISA is more of a social club; there would be difficulties with making ISA membership mandatory; and the ISA pushed for the international seat on Council.

James Lin: My point is that a non-voting international seat cannot bring about substantial changes, and there is the double representation issue. I was trying to look for ways to bypass that; I also think work should be done within the AMS committee structure.

Nazanin Moghadami: This is only the first year for the international seat; it can take five years to get a seat going; give it some time.

James Lin: Various international clubs currently pursue their own mandates, creating overlaps. It would be good to bring focus.

Kyle Warwick: Perhaps the Legislative Procedures Committee should look into the international student seat issue.

Johannes Rebane: The mandatory membership idea for the ISA came out of a discussion with the current ISA President. The club has 80 members now. For the report generally the steps forward can be to send it to various AMS committees: Education, University and External Relations, LPC, Student Life. The chairs should look at the report and see if there’s anything they’d like to move on.

Universities Allied for Essential Medicines (UAEM) – Goldis Chami

Goldis Chami:

- Dissemination of academic research is important.
- Research traditionally has appeared in journals which charge large amounts of money to institutions like UBC for subscriptions.
- In a time of budget crunches, not all universities can continue to pay for all their subscriptions.
- Also, those not affiliated with a university can often not get access to the journals, and research relevant to developing countries often doesn’t get to them.
- Restricted access can mean large profits for drug companies etc.
- Open Access Publishing means providing digitized information free of charge.
- Open Access journals are peer reviewed, the same as other academic journals, but the reader does not pay; there are various business models, e.g., charging the researcher, advertisers, etc.
- Open Access articles can find an increased readership; they’re great for the public in poorer countries.
- There is support for Open Access at libraries; UBC’s Strategic Plan mentions it, and the Provost is coming on board now.
- It would be fantastic if students would support it.

Questions

- Mike Silley: Was the Provost against it originally?
Goldis Chami: To get tenure, professors need to publish in big journals which
don’t allow open access. Certain faculties might have concerns, but this is
very fluid, changing; a lot of journals have come on board recently. I believe
all will eventually.

3. MOVED TAHARA BHATE, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

“Whereas disseminating research findings openly is beneficial to researchers,
professionals, students and the public; and

Whereas the public has a right to access publicly funded research; and

Whereas the current subscriptions to academic journals are fiscally unsustainable
and impede research findings from being openly accessible; and

Whereas a large international collective that includes faculty, researchers, students,
taxpayers, professionals, librarians as well as journals, funding institutions and
universities are moving towards an Open Access model of journal publishing; and

Whereas Open Access publishing is defined as digital, online, free of charge, and
free of most copyright and licensing restrictions,

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS support the establishment of an Open Access
publishing policy at UBC; and

Be it further resolved that the AMS communicate this position by writing a letter in
support of a UBC Open Access policy, addressed to the President, VP of Research,
Provost and Vice President of Students.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Andrew Carne: This will be beneficial; movement is happening. The proposal
has gone to the undergraduate societies (SUS, the AUS, etc.) and has been
passed by several of them. With the undergraduate societies on board, it would
be fantastic if the AMS also signed up.

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... Carried Unanimously

Furniture Presentation – Crystal Hon

Crystal Hon showed pictures of the damaged furniture currently in place outside the Bookings Department, adding:

- Clubs hold meetings there when they can’t use an office or a bookable room.
- Group projects and assignments are done there.
- It’s a quiet place to study.
- It’s a waiting area for the Bookings Department.
- The furniture there is in terrible condition; it smells; it’s not the nicest place for clients to wait.

Questions

- **Eric Ganf**: Is upholstered furniture a good idea?
- **Crystal Hon**: said the proposed new furniture would be durable while comfortable.
- **Andrew Carne**: asked about a warranty.
- **Crystal Hon**: It should last 7-10 years if treated normally, so at least for the duration of the building.
- **Guillaume Houle**: asked if the new furniture would be the same as in the AMS lobby and also about costs.
- **Crystal Hon**: It’s not exactly the same; it’s more durable. The cost will be $19,000 to $20,000 for sofas and chairs (including chairs at $650 and sofas at $1000 and $1300).
- **Jeremy McElroy**: How old are the current ones?
- **Crystal Hon**: They’re really old ones from the Gallery.

5. MOVED CRYSTAL HON, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That on the recommendation of the Business and Facilities Committee up to $20,000 be withdrawn from CPAC for the replacement of furniture outside of the second floor bookings area.”

Note: CPAC balance: $330,000
Note: Requires 2/3rds
• Dylan Callow said $650 seemed a lot for a chair, but there was a general comment that it was reasonable.
• Guillaume Houle asked about the source.
• Crystal Hon: There are two companies, one in Toronto, one in Vancouver. We’re deciding who to go with.
• Courtney English asked about cracking of the plastic.
• Crystal Hon: It’s actually fabric, and it’s durable.
• A guest asked if the furniture would match the new SUB.
• Crystal Hon said it would be frivolous to match the new building to the furniture.

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I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

7. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Minutes of the Student Life Committee dated January 19, 2010
AMS Council minutes dated December 7, 2009
Ad Hoc Executive Remuneration Committee Minutes dated Dec 3, 2009
AMS Council minutes dated January 6, 2010
University & External Relations Committee Minutes dated Jan 14, 2010.”
... Carried

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

8. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:
From Business & Facilities

“That upon the recommendation of the AMS IT Manager and the Business and Facilities Committee, up to $1100 be withdrawn from the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund for the purchase of a new computer for the Ombudsperson.”
Note: Current balance is $705,478  
Note: Balance must be maintained at 25% of assets  
Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Hayden Hughes said he had an old computer that was difficult to use.
- Lin Watt asked about the 25% requirement.
- Blake Frederick said 25% of current assets comes to less than the current balance.
- Michael Duncan said 25% would be less than $700,000, so there was room for expenditures up to $5000.

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10. MOVED TIMOTHY CHU, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:  
From the University & External Relations Committee

“Whereas the Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC is a registered voluntary society which promotes the development of comprehensive quality child care, women’s equality and social justice, and the rights of children and child care workers; and

Whereas the Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC is a local sister organization of the Child Care Advocacy Association of Canada, such that membership in the former by default includes membership in the latter, and which through shared membership, and the Child Care Council, works closely with organizations such as Building Blocks for Child Care, the Canadian Child Care Federation (CCCF), the Child Care Resource and Research Unit, the Assembly of First Nations, and the Feminist Alliance for International Action (FAFIA); and

Whereas the AMS shares the same values of inclusiveness, equality, women’s rights, and the rights of children, promotes and advocates for these values, and would find these advocacy resources and networks invaluable; and

Whereas the AMS has made a commitment to Childcare by committing $100,000 per year for ten years to fund much needed expansion of the UBC Childcare services,
Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS endorse and join the Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC.”

Note - the organization fee is $100
Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Timothy Chu: This motion came forward before, at which point there were questions about what the coalition was. We had a presentation last time, and now the motion is back. I urge you to support this; childcare is important.
- Mike Kenyon: What does the AMS gain by joining?
- Brad Morrison: We will gain access to the resources of the advocacy group. The new VP External will be able to go to them. They will give us knowledge and connections that we don’t have, which is especially important given our high turnover rate.

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Noted as Opposed: Ignacio Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson
C) Presentations to Council:

Olympics

Tahara Bhate:
- In July 2008 Stephen Owen and Am Johal presented to Council about the Olympics, and there were discussions. Council decided it didn't have enough information, so it referred the issue to the External Policy Committee (EPC).
- A report came from that committee to Council in January 2009; it was perceived as being too negative and was sent back to committee. A revised report was accepted by Council in February 2009.
- In July 2009, VANOC and the ISU presented to Council, and the EPC was asked to prepare an updated version of its report, along with a plan of action. The question was raised, Were we going to take a position?
- The updated report didn’t get completed.
- The new University and External Relations Committee (UAER), which met first on January 14 this year and faced a tight timeline, felt that a report at this point would no longer serve any purpose; it's too late for a report to serve as background for strategy.
- So there is no report, just an informal update. Instead of a formal report now, there will be a retrospective on the Games later, examining their impact and what the AMS learned to help us with future mega-events.
- The UAER has also brought forward a motion to create an official AMS position on the Games. Students have varying views on the Games, and essentially this motion takes a neutral position. It was thought best that the AMS go on record as encouraging students to engage with the Olympics as they see fit.
- It was also thought to be a good idea for the AMS to publicize events on its website, including the free concerts around the city and information on such things as bus schedule changes. Also we can advertise. There can be updates on a daily or bi-daily basis.

Questions
- Jeremy (guest) asked about violations of civil liberties.
- Tahara Bhate: If students engage in peaceful, lawful protests (with emphasis on lawful), the AMS would support them in that. The SLFS would help out if civil liberties were being violated in that situation.
- Kyle Warwick: We can’t tell the SLFS what to do.
- To a question about whether the motion authorizes daily blogs, it was said that there was money for that in the VP External’s budget.
- Tahara Bhate said the motion was designed to be as encompassing as possible.
- The Speaker declared it to be a policy motion.

12. MOVED TAHARA BHATE, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE:
From the University and External Relations Committee

"Whereas the AMS strives to represent the entirety of its membership, which currently comprises over 45,000 UBC students, to the best of its abilities; and
Whereas UBC is a venue for the 2010 Olympics and Paralympics Games, and thus students are likely to have unique perspectives on, and greater opportunity for engagement with, the Games; and

Whereas the AMS recognizes a diversity of students’ views with respect to the 2010 Olympics and Paralympics Games,

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS welcome athletes, media and visitors to our campus, and encourage and support different forms of student engagement with the Games, including the lawful exercise of the right to freedom of expression.

Be it further resolved that the AMS increase dissemination of information on the Games pertaining to students, and collaborate with UBC where necessary.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

Roll Call:
In Favour: Johannes Rebane, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Carolee Changfoot, Matthew Naylor, Kyle Warwick, Katherine Tyson, Jeremy McElroy, Mitch Wright (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Mike Duncan, Ekatrina Dovjenko, Dylan Callow (proxy for Laura Silvester), Courtney English, Lin Watt, Andrew Carne, Julian Ritchie, Ravi Parhar, Hannes Dempewolf, Tom Huryn, Eric Ganf (proxy for Dia Montgomery), Sam Law, Charles Au, Aaron Sihota, Jimmy Yan, Maria Cirstea, Tahara Bhat, Ignacio Rodriguez, Joel Mertens

Abstained: Timothy Chu, Mike Silley, Monika Anne Rosticki, Allen Chen (proxy for Arvind Saraswat), Angelina Gordon

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

13. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED CRYSTAL HON:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated January 11, 2010
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated January 18, 2010.”

… Carried

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

14. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED SAM LAW:

From the Agenda Committee:

“That effective February 12th, 2010, the AMS no longer provide cell phone plans to student executives of the society, and thus cancel the relevant cell phone services.”

- Johannes Rebane: This is Tom Dvorak’s motion, but with Tom away, I can summarize the issue:
This goes back six months or so. Due to a sponsorship agreement a few years back the Executives were given Blackberries. The sponsorship agreement ended, and after that the AMS was subsidizing Blackberries for some Executives, but others had their own cellphone plans. Some were being subsidized and some not; there was inequity. We brought this to Oversight.

- Kyle Warwick: We went over it at Oversight, but did not complete our deliberations. We were leaning towards recommending that the AMS pay a certain amount to each Executive for cellphone use.
- Johannes Rebane: Some Executives were submitting expenses of $300 a month, to be paid for out of AMS funds; others were paying out of their own pockets.
- Matthew Naylor: The consensus in Oversight was to reimburse. That was actually done in the past. That’s probably what we should do instead of stopping the phones altogether.
- Johannes Rebane: That was our recommendation at first.
- Matthew Naylor: But the amount to be reimbursed was not determined.

15. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED IGGY RODRIGUEZ:

"That Motion 14 be referred to the Business and Facilities Committee." ... Carried

Noted in Favour: Tahara Bhate, Guillaume Houle, Kyle Warwick, Carolee Changfoot, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Mike Silley

Correction of a motion from January 20, 2010 meeting

It was noted that there had been an error in a motion passed at Council’s January 20 meeting (Motion 25). The amount listed as being in the CPAC fund was in error. The motion was presented again and passed again with a 2/3rds majority. The original motion was as follows (but with the amount corrected):

MOVED CRYSTAL HON, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:
From the Business & Facilities Committee

"Whereas the Building Code requires upgrades to the Moon food outlet to meet safety standards, be it resolved that on the recommendation of the Business and Facilities Committee, Council approve an expenditure of up to $11,000 from CPAC to upgrade fire suppression services in the Moon."

Note: The current CPAC balance is $702,320 $340,900.

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried
O) Discussion Period

**Society Act**

- Colin Simkus:
  - The provincial government has asked for submissions for a review of the Society Act, which has not been changed since the 1970’s.
  - We are a society under the Society Act and thus one of the groups that could make a submission.
  - The Legislative Procedures Committee has established a working group, chaired by me and called the Society Act Review Subcommittee (SARS). SARS wants to know the will of Council regarding a submission.
    - Suggestions include:
      - seeking a separate Student Society Act
      - changing the rules so that the Society Act itself authorizes the use of referendums as equivalent to general meetings (currently we use referendums by special dispensation from the Registrar of Companies)
      - making it easier to remove directors
      - taking a stand on mandatory versus voluntary student unionism
      - looking into whether we can continue to avoid property tax
  - There are rumours that the new Act might require members to be 18 years old.
  - The BC Law Institute looked into the Act three years ago; they solicited feedback then from us; now they’ve got the government to launch a review.

- Michael Duncan: A lot of what we want might not apply to other societies, so we may want a separate act.

- Colin Simkus: The risk with asking for a separate act is that this may provide an opportunity for certain members of the governing caucus who don’t think membership in student societies should be mandatory to bring that issue up.

- Kyle Warwick: What are the chances of getting a separate student society act? Do others have such a thing?

- Colin Simkus: I understand that Australia and Alberta do.

- Adrienne Smith: Alberta does; they’re the only ones in Canada. Australia does, but it also has non-compulsory student unions, which is what a separate act might lead to. You should take a position.

- Iggy Rodriguez: April 1 is the deadline for submissions.

- Lin Watt: This needs to be structured so we can wrap our heads around it.

- A series of straw polls were taken:
  - Should we make a submission? Yes, overwhelmingly.
  - Should we pursue a position on mandatory student unionism? Yes, overwhelmingly, but Tahara Bhat said that if we bring this up, it might unnecessarily raise the issue to our detriment.
    - Matthew Naylor: Harry Bloy [a backbench Liberal MLA] brings this up every year; it would be worthwhile to say we’re against voluntary student unionism.
    - Eric Ganf: We can raise the issue without offering a choice, saying this is how it’s done.
o Should we look into making it easier to remove directors? Yes, but not overwhelmingly.
  ▪ Tahara Bhate: Our bylaws are currently in contravention of the Society Act on this point. Is that a problem?
  ▪ Matthew Naylor: It’s not as if we’re not trying to change them. We abide by our bylaws, just we are not using the parts in contravention; that should be okay.

o Should we oppose the rule requiring members to be 18? Yes, overwhelmingly.

  o Should we seek a separate student society act? Yes.
  ▪ Lin Watt: Next time come with a list of questions. This was loose; it was wasting our time.

D) President’s Remarks, or Blake’s Broadcast (Blake Frederick):

  • Sent out updated timesheets
  • SUB project agreements
  • Starting transition with Bijan
  • Meeting with evaluation committee on rehiring Brian Sullivan, providing both positive and negative feedback.

E) Executive Remarks:

Timothy Chu – VP External
  • Recognizing the meeting is taking place on unceded Musqueam territory
  • U of Calgary tuition increases; trying to find ways around a tuition cap; some professional programs increasing by an extra 38.5%; also at U of Alberta and in California
  • Know Your Rights cards are out
  • Thinking about transition

Crystal Hon – VP Administration
  • Working with a club to resolve an issue regarding membership
  • Resolving an Art Gallery issue
  • Cleaning out office
  • Sweatshirts available
  • Negotiation meetings
  • Working on architect selection
  • Will be making a SUB presentation next week.

Johannes Rebane – VP External
  • Working with Ben on transition
  • TLEF
  • Campus & Community Planning – creating a new position, focusing on student consultations
  • Transit plan submission
Pavani Gunadasa – ECSS

- Attended a volunteer management workshop facilitated by Brenda Sawada from the UBC Sustainability Office (I learned more about the volunteer management cycle, what is required to keep this cycle functioning, and the detail and planning that must go in to creating a sustainable cycle).
- Attended a Student Life Committee meeting where I, along with Services Manager Jane Barry, did a presentation to the committee on the AMS Services and the roles of the ECSS and the Services Manager. The committee passed a motion to make the ECSS a permanent member of this committee.
- Quarterly report and other wrap up tasks and reports.
- Update on Safety Office by Coordinator Angus Cheung:
  o One month in
  o Volunteer base of 20 people
  o First aid training
  o Working with other services

Tom Dvorak – VP Finance

- Away in New Zealand

F) Committee Reports:

Legislative Procedures Committee – Matthew Naylor

- Weekly meetings
- Fixing errors in committee reform Code
- Looking into committee meeting times
- Working on wage rubrics

University & External Relations Committee– Tahara Bhate

- Olympics
- Established a governance working group
- Looking into motion for support for Iranian students
- Trying to establish a regular meeting time
- The 12 hours a week for committee chairs should be looked at

Business & Facilities Committee – Ekatrina Dovjenko

- Renovations: furniture
- Will be looking at Exec cell phones
- SAC hiring
- Meeting are held Thursdays from 2 – 3

Student life Committee – Mike Duncan reporting for Fraser Young

- Meeting weekly from 12:30 – 2:00
- Restructuring business reports
- Block party – started planning

G) Constituency Reports:

Social work – Angelina Gordon:
- Nothing to report

Science – Jimmy Yan:
- Science Week came and went; in recovery now
- Thanks to the engineers for decorating our building
- Dance party – Feb 12th

Pharmacy – Charles Au:
- Pharmacy Awareness Week after Olympic break

Music – Sam Law:
- Music students performed during Science Week
- Annual dinner dance
- Elections in March

International Students – Nazanin Moghadami
- Consultations on tuition drew only five people
- $4,300 raised for relief efforts in Haiti
- Money Matters talk February 5 at International House
- Movie night at Global Lounge
- Will have a booth at the Olympics

GSS – Hannes Dempewolf
- Elections taking place February 10
- External review report expected

Forestry – Ravi Parhar:
- Election two weeks ago
- Pancake breakfast

Engineering – Lin Watt (in verse):
- Engineering Week
  - The Engineering reps displayed the EUS Decree

Commerce – Ekat Dovjenko:
- Elections are done: there are new reps
- Hiring executive body
- Flagship conference, Enterprise, starts Friday

Arts – Guillaume Houle:
- Sexual assault awareness month successful
- Meet the Dean session today: summer classes discussed
- Voted to allocate funding for a farewell dinner for the Dean, who is leaving in June
March 5 No Pants Dance

Education – Courtney English:
- Monika Ann Rosticki is the second Education Rep

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Michael Duncan:
- Board meeting tomorrow; Board dinner tonight
- Committee meetings last week; uninteresting agenda
- BoG Chair is retiring in June – soliciting ideas for new chair
- Email decision-making by Board: trying to do something

Senate – Joel Mertens:
- No meetings till after Olympics

Ombudsperson – Hayden Hughes:
- Worked on 7 cases
- Met with UBC Ombudsoffice
- Ombuds advisory committee talked about funding model

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:
   February 10, 2010

R) Adjournment:

16. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED LIN WATT:
   “That the meeting be adjourned.”
   ... Carried

   The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.

S) Social Activity:
## The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance
### Meeting Date: Feb 3, 2010

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Roel Moeurs (Ubyssey), Adrienne Smith (Policy), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Kelli Seepaul (Communications), AJ Hajir Hajian (Science), Elin Tayyar (SAC Vice Chair), Angus Cheung (Senate, AMS Safety Coordinator), Tagg Jefferson (Engineering), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Kai Green (AMS Confidential), Wendy Lin (Arts), Ed Durgan (Students for a Democratic Society), Karen Lee (Computer Science), Isabel Ferreras (Elections Administrator), Ricardo Bortolon (Chief Returning Officer)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:13 pm.

1. MOVED FRASER YOUNG, SECONDED TIMOTHY CHU:

“That Timothy Chu, Carolee Changfoot, Hayden Hughes, and Pavani Gunadasa be appointed as the Equity Representatives for tonight’s meeting.”

... Carried

For (21): Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Tahara Bhate, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Arvind Saraswat, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Matthew Naylor

2. MOVED MIKE DUNCAN, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

3. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES:

“That the Election Results report be presented earlier.”

... Defeated

For (17): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Carolee Changfoot, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Jeremy McElroy, Ravi Parhar, Iggy Rodriguez, Arvind Saraswat, Aaron Sihota, Jimmy Yan

Against (9): Andrew Carne, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Matthew Naylor, Julian Ritchie, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Fraser Young

Abstained: Charles Au, Tahara Bhate, Julia Bullard, Timothy Chu, Sam Law
• It was agreed to strike Tom Dvorak’s presentation on past expenditures and to put the President’s Remarks and Executive Remarks at the end.

4. MOVED MIKE DUNCAN, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (29): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Tahara Bhat, Julia Bullard, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sam Law, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Arvind Saraswat, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Against (2): Mike Duncan, Matthew Naylor

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

C) Presentations to Council:

**Budget Update – Tom Dvorak**

• All year we’ve been hearing we’re somewhat broke.
• We’re getting even less from Business Operations than we previously thought: 13.9% less than budgeted (or $73,980); for the whole year we now project we’ll bring in $125,300 (or 13.4%) less than budgeted. Reasons:
  o Liquor sales are down; people are drinking more at home than out.
  o There’s less traffic than expected in the building; UBC Food Services has been seeing a drop.
• Projected effect on whole budget: a surplus of $8,227, but only by eating up our whole contingency fund.
• Fund withdrawals are perhaps a record: $287,605 from non-replenished funds.
• Last year a record business performance put money in; this year money will have to come out.
• Currently in non-replenished funds we have $1.34 million; at this rate we will burn them out in five years.
• Recommendations:
  o Plan early: make the budget earlier, before hiring staff.
  o Don’t budget things that aren’t needed.
  o Think outside the box.

Questions
• Geoff Costeloe asked if the businesses that are not selling alcohol are coming in on budget.
• Tom Dvorak: They’re generally coming in a lot lower because of reduced traffic. The only one ahead is Catering. We’d expected a big hit there but we’ve retained most of our business.

• Blake Frederick: In the SUB negotiations UBC has been proposing a $300,000-$400,000 increase in expenditures for the AMS; what effect would that have?

• Tom Dvorak: We’d have to find that by raising fees or finding money elsewhere.

• Hayden Hughes asked for a prediction about business operations.

• Ross Horton said it was a little early to tell. There were no signs that suggested things would be substantially different. There were some signs of things that might put pressure on our businesses. But hopefully Whistler Lodge will come back; it was $55,000 behind this year.

• Andrew Carne asked for areas to look at.

• Tom Dvorak hesitated to commit, but said that in general the AMS does not have the best student staff structure; cost saving could be possible there.

• Geoff Costeloe asked if there had been more advertising for Whistler in the past five years.

• Ross Horton: No, it’s not been substantially different.

• Geoff Costeloe asked how much had been withdrawn from the President’s Fund.

• Tom Dvorak: Actually, none; it was taken from the Student Services Fund.

• In response to a question, Tom Dvorak said investments were down, but there had not been a huge downturn.

3. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN:

“That the motion about evaluating services be moved to next on the agenda.”

… No objections

4. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED JOHANNES REBANE:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee:

“Whereas the Society has a structural deficit; and

Whereas the hiring for most yearly positions takes place in April,

Be it resolved that Council direct the President to evaluate services and programs in addition to commissioners, assistants, associate vice presidents, coordinators and other positions as necessary and present cost-saving re-structuring recommendations to Council no later than March 31st.”

• Bijan Ahmadian: Tom has motivated this. We want to look at things to save us money. A team will look at this. We want it put on the agenda for accountability.

• Lin Watt: If this will affect your fellow Executives’ portfolios, why not assign the Executive Committee to do it?

• Bijan Ahmadian: Essentially, that is what this is doing, but it affects more than the Executive: Services etc. There will be one person to report back. My role will be to coordinate efforts.
Blake Frederick: Given the pattern of concentration of power within the Presidency, if there is discussion of restructuring it should be done by a committee. We’ve seen a problem in the past year; we don’t want it to continue.

5. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK, SECONDED TIMOTHY CHU:

“That Motion 4 be amended to change President to Business and Facilities Committee.”

- Tahara Bhathe asked who was responsible for commissioners’ structure.
- Iggy Rodriguez: LPC (Legislative Procedures Committee).
- Ekaterina Dovjenko: As chair of BAFCom, I can say that we don’t deal with that. The Executive Committee would be better.

6. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED LIN WATT:

“That Motion 5 be amended to change Business and Facilities Committee to Executive Committee.”

- Blake Frederick: The Executive Committee is wrong for this. The idea is to put the AMS more in Council’s jurisdiction. It should be LPC.
- Iggy Rodriguez: If it’s going to be a committee, yes, it should be LPC.

The Speaker conducted an informal poll, which revealed that the Executive was Council’s first choice and LPC its second.

7. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK:

“That Motion 5 be amended to change Business and Facilities Committee to Legislative Procedures Committee.”

8. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED BLAKE FREDERICK:

“That Motion 5 be amended to change Business and Facilities Committee to the Legislative Procedures Committee and the Executive Committee.”

- Bijan Ahmadian: We need this to be done as soon as possible. We need people working 40 hours a week. Coordinating with this big a group would be impossible.
- Matthew Naylor: LPC is swamped; we’d love to have Executive Committee help on this.

9. MOVED IGGY RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections
10. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED BLAKE FREDERICK:

“That Motion 5 be amended to change Business and Facilities Committee to the Legislative Procedures Committee and the Executive Committee.”

... Carried

For (27): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Tahara Bhat, Julia Bullard, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Geoff Costeloe, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Arvind Saraswat, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Fraser Young

Against (3): Timothy Chu, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Blake Frederick

Abstained: Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sam Law, Ryan Trasolini, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan

11. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK, SECONDED TIMOTHY CHU:

“That Motion 4 be amended to change President to the Legislative Procedures Committee and the Executive Committee.”

- Iggy Rodriguez: We discussed this in LPC. It’s time-sensitive, but we’re swamped. This should come from the President. This doesn’t give Bijan power to change the structure. Bijan will do the review, but Council will make any changes.
- Bijan Ahmadian: It doesn’t matter if it’s the President or the Executive Committee.
- Timothy Chu: This is a legislative issue; it’s operational. Council should play a bigger role in this.

12. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

13. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK, SECONDED TIMOTHY CHU:

“That Motion 4 be amended to change President to the Legislative Procedures Committee and the Executive Committee.”

... Defeated
For (10): Monica Rostocki, Tahara Bhate, Andrew Carne, Timothy Chu, Geoff Costeloe, Mike Duncan, Blake Frederick, Angela Gordon, Arvind Saraswat, Katherine Tyson

Against (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Fraser Young

Abstained: Charles Au, Julia Bullard, Carolee Changfoot, Johannes Rebane, Lin Watt

Back to the original main motion.

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- Geoff Costeloe: The idea behind this is to set a timeline to look at the issues, not to consolidate power. The proposal at the end will be presented to Council. Why not direct the President and the Committee Chairs?
- Dave Tompkins: The Agenda Committee?
- Geoff Costeloe: No, just have the committees submit reports to the President.

15. MOVED TOM DVORAK, SECONDED MATTHEW NAYLOR:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (20): Bijan Ahmadian, Julia Bullard, Andrew Carne, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt

Against (7): Tahara Bhate, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Mike Duncan, Blake Frederick, Katherine Tyson, Fraser Young

Abstained: Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Theresa Fresco
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... Carried

For (26): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Tahara Bhatie, Julia Bullard, Andrew Carne, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Fraser Young

Against (4): Timothy Chu, Mike Duncan, Blake Frederick, Katherine Tyson

Abstained: Carolee Changfoot, Arvind Saraswat, Jimmy Yan

C) Presentations to Council:

Election Report – Isabel Ferreras (Elections Administrator)

- Positives:
  - Early hiring: thank you; this meant I was able to plan in advance and set clear objectives for candidates; expectations were made clear.
  - We held an information meeting for the first time in years.
  - We had input from the Code and Policies Committee.
  - There was a more comprehensive candidates handbook.
  - We did extensive consultation on such things as spending limits.
  - The rules were clearer this year.
  - The Twitter feed was effective, as was Facebook.
  - Very importantly, there were no serious penalties, complaints, or appeals; only minor things, like posters in wrong places.
  - Effective promotions, more fun events, making the election fun; a beer garden.
  - Big Mega-lit screens, T-shirts in election pink.
  - Extreme VFM coverage, stronger blogs.
  - Honoraria cut back so could increase promotions.
  - A strong Elections Committee; less divergence from portfolios; I could focus on PR; there was a good mix of insiders and outsiders, good perspectives.
• Negatives:
  o Hidden costs: labour costs, costs of putting up banners, SOCAN charges, security charges; should be made clearer in transition report.
  o Mistake over the referendum results. Misreported at first. Sorry.
  o Affiliated colleges had a low turnout; next year it would be good to integrate them into online voting.
  o Miscommunication over whether exchange students could vote; have to make sure this is all clearer.
  o Debate logistics: Norm Theatre ineffective; late hiring of moderators; lack of consistent structure; need to book earlier.
  o Gap between closing of nominations and beginning of campaign period; a week in which tensions arose with the media; perhaps the campaign period should be reduced.
  o Code needs to be clarified re requirements for funding petitions for referendums.
  o Code is unclear on what candidates can say to the media, especially non-VFM outlets, before the campaign period.
  o Should look at restructuring the Elections Committee: currently supposed to have 6 members; this year only used 5; and even that's too many. Three would be enough, and pay those three more.
  o Change the EA’s term. Supposed to start in April, but there’s nothing to do in the summer. Should be September or October to March, with the same pay.

Questions
• In response to a question about whether it is exchange students from abroad or exchange students from here who go abroad who are eligible to vote, Ricardo Bortolon (the CRO) said: Both.
• Blake Frederick: Why were the referendum results originally interpreted incorrectly?
• Isabel Ferreras: In the tallying of results, the right figure was attached to the wrong question.
• Blake Frederick: Who did that?
• Ricardo Bortolon: I did that. I switched the order.
• Timothy Chu: There are no regulations on the referendum campaign and who can provide funding. Were there any complaints about that?
• Isabel Ferreras: We didn’t have many problems with the referendum campaigns. I approved posters. I thought that was the appropriate level of regulation. I would be against more.
• Ricardo Bortolon: At SFU there’s a lot of spending from outside groups; that could be contentious, but we didn’t see that here.

**Election Results**
Ricardo Bortolon presented the actual results, noting:

• The turnout of 6923 was an increase of 7% over last year.
• There were 12 paper ballots; the rest were online.
• Students tended to vote at the end.
Ricardo Bortolon also reported on exit polls, from which the following information was gleaned:

- A large number of people heard about the election by word of mouth.
- Most wouldn’t have voted if they’d had to go to a voting station; voting stations are probably not needed.
- Exit polls can’t tell us why people don’t vote.

Questions
- Iggy Rodriguez: Does the spike in voting at the end include saved votes from earlier?
- Ricardo Bortolon: A bunch were cast earlier.
- Isabel Ferreras: Not that many; maybe 100.

Councillor of the Year – Crystal Hon

- Couldn’t choose just one this year; these two became Council experts; and they mark the end of an era.
- Andrew Carne (noted for his dedication to the Engineering Undergraduate Society) and Matthew Naylor (Arts, who paid close attention to AMS structure).

G) Constituency Reports:

Science – Jimmy Yan.

Commerce – Ekat Dovjenko:
- Enterprise conference: 3 teams from UBC won.

Planning – Theresa Fresco:
- Resilience symposium.

HKIN – Fraser Young:
- Pit Night.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar:
- Spruced Up Fundraiser.

Education – Courtney English:
- Fundraiser for Haiti relief.
- Organizing an Education trip to Whistler.
- Free yoga on Tuesdays at lunch.
- Lots of us on practicum.

International Students – Nazanin Moghadami:
- Go to the torch relay.
- International House and ISA will have booths.
Pharmacy – Charles Au:
- Pharmacy Awareness Week after the Olympics.

Library-Archival – Julia Bullard:
- Colloquium March 3.
- Association of Canadian Archivists symposium.

Music – Sam Law.


Engineering – Lin Watt:
- Engineering Week over.

Arts – Guillaume Houle:
- Curriculum change discussed with Dean.
- Arts Elections Committee finalized.
- Kyle Warwick will be chief AUS rep.
- Buchanan Courtyard design finalized.
- Fighting with Associate Dean over colours: red or purple.
- March 5th No Pants Dance.
- Questions about why the AUS received funds for the old Arts County Fair; to remedy this the AUS will donate $35,000 to the AMS Block Party to attract a Grammy-winning band.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Bijan Ahmadian:
- Totem infill passed, 5667 new beds for 2011 occupancy.

Senate – Geoff Costeloe:
- No meeting this month.
- Two meetings in March.

Ombudsperson – Hayden Hughes:
- 4 Housing appeals.
- Backdated withdrawal.
- No election complaints.
- 3400 bed waitlist for student housing.

F) Committee Reports:

University Athletics Council – Neal Yonson (read by Crystal Hon):
- Athletics is doing fine financially; the freeze was warranted.
- Despite the decrease in fees, the Bird Coop is still profitable.
- $1,000,000 from VANOC.
- NCAA decision is supposed to be made in March or April.
- Tennis court issue.
  - Johannes Rebane: HKin has not been consulted.
Legislative Procedures Committee – Matthew Naylor:
- Working on Financial Compensation Rubric.
- Looking into a Special General Meeting.
- Review of Society Act framework.
- Looking at implications of tuition referendum.

Student Life Committee – Fraser Young:
- They’ve come up with a new acronym: STUDLYCOM.
- Working on Block Party.

University and External Affairs Committee – Tahara Bhate:
- BLOG post.
- Submission being prepared for the legislative review of the Freedom of Information Act.
- Discussed terms of reference for a liaison committee for the UNA, Greeks, etc.
- Governance Review Working Group.
- Post Secondary Accessibility Working Group looking at education policies.

Business & Facilities Committee (BAFCOM) – Ekat Dovjenko:
- Three motions tonight.
- IMPACTS working group.

Education Committee – Geoff Costeloe:
- Struggling to find a convenient meeting day.
- Had a presentation on Tutoring and LEAP from the ECSS.
- Willing to provide an AMS perspective in the BC Teachers negotiations.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

17. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED MIKE KENYON:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Minutes of the Education Committee dated February 1, 2010
Minutes of the Legislative Procedures Committee dated January 13, 2010
Minutes of the Legislative Procedures Committee dated January 21, 2010
Minutes of the Legislative Procedures Committee dated January 27, 2010
Minutes of the Legislative Procedures Committee Communications Working Group dated February 2, 2010
Minutes of the Ad Hoc Executive Remuneration Committee dated January 26, 2010
Minutes of the University & External Relations Committee dated Jan 26, 2010 (to follow)
Minutes of the Student Life Committee dated January 26, 2010
Business & Facilities Committee minutes dated January 14, 2010
Business & Facilities Committee minutes dated January 28, 2010.”

... Carried
For (22): Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Tahara Bhatie, Julia Bullard, Andrew Carne, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt

Abstained: Timothy Chu, Blake Frederick, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Fraser Young

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

18. MOVED TOM DVORAK, SECONDED IGGY RODRIGUEZ:

From the Business & Facilities Committee

“Whereas the current phone reimbursement plan for executives of the AMS is not sustainable and whereas it is important for executives to maintain constant communication, be it resolved that cell phones will not be provided by the AMS and instead a maximum of $50 per executive per month be reimbursed upon the receipt of the cell phone bill.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Tom Dvorak: This is the end result of this issue: A $50 per month reimbursement and Executives will no longer be supplied with cellphones. There’s no risk of loss this way. Current phones will be sold on Craigslist. This will mean a savings of $3600.
- Geoff Costeloe suggested that Executives would have to spend more than $50 a month and he was not comfortable with that.
- Tom Dvorak said that in the old system cellphones were heavily used for personal use. Executives can use landlines.
- Timothy Chu expressed opposition, saying the motion assumed that Executives would all have cellphones of their own, but not everyone has a cellphone. This would require Executives to purchase phones. Right now there are Blackberries, with better email access. $50 a month won’t give you much, and landlines are limited. It needs to be way more than $50.
- Alex Lougheed said it wasn’t reasonable to expect all the Vice-Presidents to spend equal amounts. The President and the VP External will be out of the office more and need more phone time.
- Crystal Hon: The incoming Executive say this works for them.
- Pavani Gunadasa said she was skeptical that $50 was enough. It’s important to be able to check emails while on the go. This could be harmful to productivity.
- Courtney English: $50 is not even close to enough.
19. MOVED COURTNEY ENGLISH, SECONDED MONICA ROSTOCKI:

“That Motion 18 be amended to change $50 to $75.”

- Geoff Costeloe: In a bad budget situation, let’s aim low.
- Courtney English: This would still be well below what we’re currently paying.
- Tom Dvorak said he went the whole year without linking email to his phone; he came to the office to email.
- Katherine Tyson: There are different types of positions. The VP Finance can stay in the office, but the President and VP External cannot. Can we get a group plan?
- Tom Dvorak: The lowest possible plan has a base of $78 per month, but some are over $300.
- Katherine Tyson: Maybe we have to look for a better plan.

20. MOVED NAZANIN MOGHADAMI:

“That Motion 18 be amended to add:

Be it further resolved that this policy only apply to the 2010/2011 executive.”

... No objections

21. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

22. MOVED COURTNEY ENGLISH, SECONDED MONICA ROSTOCKI:

“That Motion 18 be amended to change $50 to $75 and to state:

Be it further resolved that this policy only apply to the 2010/2011 executive.”

... Carried

For (12): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Courtney English, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Against (9): Julia Bullard, Geoff Costeloe, Tom Dvorak, Angela Gordon, Sam Law, Ravi Parhar, Aaron Sihota, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan

Abstained: Tahara Bhave, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Blake Frederick, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Jeremy McElroy, Fraser Young
23. MOVED NAZANIN MOGHADAMI, SECONDED GEOFF COSTELOE:

“That Motion 18 be amended to add:

Be it further resolved that the Agenda Committee can approve additional expenditures above $75.”

- Iggy Rodriguez: This should come to Council to re-evaluate.

24. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

25. MOVED NAZANIN MOGHADAMI, SECONDED GEOFF COSTELOE:

“That Motion 18 be amended to add:

Be it further resolved that the Agenda Committee can approve additional expenditures above $75.”

... Defeated

For (9): Tahara Bhate, Andrew Carne, Timothy Chu, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Matthew Naylor, Julian Ritchie, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Fraser Young

Against (12): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sam Law, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Lin Watt

Abstained: Charles Au, Julia Bullard, Jeremy McElroy

Back to the main motion

- Matthew Naylor: The VP External is going to be travelling around the country and will field questions from external organizations. Fail this motion and find a better plan.

26. MOVED NAZANIN MOGHADAMI, SECONDED LIN WATT:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried
For (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Tahara Bhate, Julia Bullard, Andrew Carne, Timothy Chu, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Fraser Young

Against (2): Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Iggy Rodriguez

27. MOVED TOM DVORAK, SECONDED IGGY RODRIGUEZ:

From the Business & Facilities Committee

"Whereas the current phone reimbursement plan for executives of the AMS is not sustainable and whereas it is important for executives to maintain constant communication, be it resolved that cell phones will not be provided by the AMS and instead a maximum of $75 per executive per month be reimbursed upon the receipt of the cell phone bill.

Be it further resolved that this policy only apply to the 2010/2011 executive."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (12): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Julia Bullard, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Sam Law, Ravi Parhar, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Fraser Young

Against (9): Tahara Bhate, Andrew Carne, Timothy Chu, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Matthew Naylor, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Carolee Changfoot, Jeremy McElroy, Johannes Rebane, Ryan Trasolini

28. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED LIN WATT:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee:

"Be it resolved that on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures committee the Code changes entitled 'Code Changes 2010: Updates and Corrections' be accepted as presented."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Matthew Naylor: There’s a typo that needs correcting in the name of BAFCOM; it should be Business instead of Buildings. Also, it’s not Student Life but Fincom that’s supposed to be in charge of the Student Initiatives Fund. And because CiTR changed its bylaws, we have to amend our Code to be in line with them about how many directors we appoint to their board.
29. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED LIN WATT:

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the Code changes entitled 'Code Changes 2010: Updates and Corrections' be
accepted as presented."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

...Carried

For (20): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot,
Timothy Chu, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester),
Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Mike Kenyon (proxy for
Maria Cirstea), Sam Law, Matthew Naylor, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie,
Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Fraser Young

Abstained: Monica Rostocki, Tahara Bhat, Ryan Trasolini

30. MOVED GEOFF COSTELOE, SECONDED TAHARA BHATE:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Defeated

For (11): Tahara Bhat, Julia Bullard, Timothy Chu, Geoff Costeloe, Tom
Dvorak, Courtney English, Theresa Fresco, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria
Cirstea), Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Fraser Young

Against (13): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Andrew Carne, Patrick Crawford
(proxy for Laura Silvester), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew
Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt,
Jimmy Yan

Abstained: Carolee Changfoot, Sam Law, Aaron Sihota

31. MOVED LIN WATT:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion on undergraduate societies’
elections.”

... No objections

32. MOVED LIN WATT, SECONDED FRASER YOUNG:

“Whereas there was a push and generally agreement by constituency presidents to
have a unified balloting period for the upcoming constituency elections,

Whereas the HKUS, EUS, SUS and AUS are in the process of having a unified
balloting period for their Spring Elections,
Whereas these constituencies would like to uniformly message where to vote in these upcoming elections,

Whereas voter turnout has increased since moving to the AMS-owned balloting system from WebVote,

Whereas through the AMS system, more statistics can be generating to improve elections for everyone in the future,

Whereas the chairs of the Student Life Committee and Legislative Procedures Committee and the incoming president feel the Student Life Committee is the best place for this motion at this time,

Whereas reasonable consensus has already been achieved regarding where the second resolution should go, so please don't debate that part of it too much. Seriously.

Be it resolved that Council license the AMS owned balloting system for use in the upcoming HKUS, EUS, SUS and AUS elections at no cost to the constituencies and

Be it further resolved that the established procedure for general, long term, constituency use of this system be referred to the Student Life Committee."

- Alex Lougheed, the Elections Administrator for the Science elections, said four undergraduate societies are running their elections together to synergize the process and increase turnout. They need a common voting site with one URL. The AMS Elections Administrator was uncomfortable making the decision to allow them to use the AMS system, saying it’s not her call; hence this motion.
- Timothy Chu asked about other undergraduate societies.
- Alex Lougheed: Some others have election periods out of sync with this, but we’re open to anyone else who wants to come on board. The balloting period is March 12-19.
- Blake Frederick: Will they have to use Condorcet?
- Alex Lougheed: The AMS system is not exclusively built for Condorcet.

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…Carried

For (28): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Julia Bullard, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

34. MOVED CRYSTAL HON, SECONDED TIMOTHY CHU:

From the Business & Facilities Committee

“Whereas the current contact and constitution storage method is inefficient and whereas it is important to have a more sustainable way of storing data electronically, be it resolved that up to $1,500 be withdrawn from the CPAC fund for the initial software development of a document management system for SAC and its clubs.”

Note the CPAC balance is $280,000

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Crystal Hon: The $1,500 is for software to make it easier for clubs to report their contact information and their constitutions. It will be online and they can update whenever they want. This will make things more efficient.

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... Carried

For (25): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Julia Bullard, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Crystal Hon, Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Aaron Sihota, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Against (1): Matthew Naylor

Abstained: Guillaume Houle, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Iggy Rodriguez, Ryan Trasolini

36. MOVED CRYSTAL HON, SECONDED TIMOTHY CHU:

From the Business & Facilities Committee

“Whereas the current exterior banners are not up to working conditions and whereas it is important to maintain the AMS brand and showcase the AMS, be it resolved that up to $3,500 be withdrawn from the CPAC fund to install new external banners outside of the Student Union Building.”

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- Crystal Hon: Banners have gone, been stolen. They’re a marketing tool for businesses or new initiatives, marking the SUB as AMS. We will increase security measures for the new banners. It’s sad to have empty banner poles.
- Geoff Costeloe: If these are the same size as UBC banners, we could use theirs to cycle every three weeks.
- Crystal Hon: We’re not cycling every three weeks.

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For (23): Julia Bullard, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Crystal Hon, Guillaume Houle, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Fraser Young

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Sam Law

38. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES, SECONDED RAVI PARHAR:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee:

“"Be it resolved that on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures committee the code changes entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Ombudsperson transition’ be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Hayden Hughes: Oversight of the transition is insufficient; this establishes rules for what the outgoing Ombudsperson should do, modelled on what outgoing Executives have to do.

39. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES, SECONDED RAVI PARHAR:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

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For (24): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Julia Bullard, Andrew Carne, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sam Law, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie, Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Abstained: Timothy Chu
M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

40. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“Be it resolved that Council authorize a withdrawal of up to $1,200 from the President's Fund for a facilitated team-building exercise for the incoming executive. “

Note: The President’s Fund balance is approximately $40,000

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Bijan Ahmadian: Last year the Executive used $1100 from the President’s Fund for an informal retreat. This year instead of going on a retreat we’re going to have a four-hour team building exercise.
- Timothy Chu: Will this include the ECSS? It should, but they’re not hired yet.
- Ekat Dovjenko: The ECSS won’t be hired by then.
- Lin Watt: You’re not planning to have any retreats?
- Bijan Ahmadian: Not with money from the President’s Fund. We will do informal things together.
- Johannes Rebane: The retreat was effective, and perhaps you shouldn’t limit yourself to team building.
- Bijan Ahmadian: This won’t limit us, and we’ll have a natural setting.

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For (22): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Julia Bullard, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Abstained: Ekaterina Dovjenko, Guillaume Houle, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Katherine Tyson
42. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT ________ (Councillor) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing Feb 15, 2010 and ending April 1, 2010.
Nominee: Guillaume Houle (Arts)

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT ________ (non executive committee member) be appointed Chair of the Business & Facilities Committee for a term commencing February 15, 2010 and ending March 31, 2010.
Nominees: Guillaume Houle (Arts), Aaron Sihota (Science)
Council chose Aaron Sihota

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT ________ (Councillor) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term commencing February 15, 2010 and ending April 1, 2010.
Nominees: Guillaume Houle (Arts), Brittany Perna (International)
Council chose Brittany Perna

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT ________ (Councillor or member at large) be appointed to the UBC Ombuds Advisory Committee for a term commencing February 15, 2010 and ending March 31, 2010.
Nominee: Johannes Rebane

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT ________ (Councillor) be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing February 15, 2010 and ending April 1, 2010.
Nominee: Iggy Rodriguez (Science)

43. MOVED BLAKE FREDERICK, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Guillaume Houle (Councillor) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing Feb 15, 2010 and ending April 1, 2010.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Aaron Sihota (non executive committee member) be appointed Chair of the Business & Facilities Committee for a term commencing February 15, 2010 and ending March 31, 2010.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Brittany Perna (Councillor) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term commencing February 15, 2010 and ending April 1, 2010.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Johannes Rebane (Councillor or member at large) be appointed to the UBC Ombuds Advisory Committee for a term commencing February 15, 2010 and ending March 31, 2010.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ignacio Rodriguez (Councillor) be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing February 15, 2010 and ending April 1, 2010.

... Carried
For (28): Charles Au, Julia Bullard, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Timothy Chu, Geoff Costeloe, Patrick Crawford (proxy for Laura Silvester), Mike Duncan, Tom Dvorak, Courtney English, Blake Frederick, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Abstained: Johannes Rebane

D) President’s Remarks, or Blake’s Broadcast (Blake Frederick):

- A rough year for the Executive, but it was not all adversity; most of the year was enjoyable, and I learned a lot, especially from the rest of the Executive team.
- Things did go off the rails, with the Executive before Council; we were trying to act as if we were in a non-political environment even though decisions were political and came from different political agendas; lack of acknowledgment of that led to a lot of problems.
- Recently I did become frustrated with Council; that was a failure on my part but also a failure of Council to step up and make changes they could have done.
- I started to do more and more as Council seemed less and less a legitimate decision-making body.
- A lot of folks here are motivated not by the AMS but by their Constituencies.
- I enjoyed working with all the staff and would like to thank Ross, Adrienne, Joanne, and Kelli.
- Council will be happy to be rid of me, and to be frank I will be happy to be rid of the AMS.
- But I have enjoyed the experience and learned.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP External Affairs – Timothy Chu:

- I would like to acknowledge that we are on unceded Musqueam territory.
- I came into this position with strong political beliefs. I came in not to pad my resumé but to make changes.
- I learned way more than I expected, more than in the classroom. I benefited tremendously.
- Council needs to recognize that we are in a political setting and we need to recognize our differences.
- We need to keep the students’ interests in mind and not be working for the University or the provincial government or political parties.
- Our job is to advocate for students; if we don’t do so, no one will.
- Read up on Michel Foucault, on postmodernism, and examine how your position of power is affecting others.
- Thanks to the staff.
- Best of luck to the student union, Council, and the incoming Executive.
VP Administration – Crystal Hon:
- I really enjoyed my time on the AMS this year. It's completely different from the AUS. A huge responsibility; we have to make final decisions, and most of us are 20 and have no idea what we're doing.
- The staff have been amazing, especially Michael Kingsmill and Ross.
- I enjoyed my time with the Executive this year, though stress may have gotten the better of us at times.
- SAC meetings were great; we had amazing student staff.

VP Finance – Tom Dvorak:
- It's been real, an absolutely overwhelming but rewarding experience.
- It was a privilege to do things here that I couldn't have done anywhere else.
- It was not all smiles; the politics took away from what we could have done as an Executive; there was a bit of a disconnect in the work each of us was doing.
- I learned about myself. I am definitely not a politician.
- Thanks to the staff; they do so much that isn't seen. The business operations staff sweat to make us the $1 million a year we play with. The staff care about this organization.

VP Academic – Johannes Rebane:
- It's been an absolutely amazing experience; the AMS is such a unique organization.
- From organizing events to passing policy, there's so much here that you don't get to do elsewhere unless you are an executive in a corporation or in the public sector.
- The AMS has great potential to do so many things.
- The University Commission was able to get things done this year.
- This year had its hard times and good times as well
- I also definitely learned that I'm not a politician either.
- Thank you all for putting in so much time to try and make this organization better.
- Thanks to the staff for their positivity.

ECSS – Pavani Gunadasa:
- This has been an incredible year.
- I came in one and a half months late with little transition, but thanks to the Services team and the staff: everyone was so supportive.
- I enjoyed working on the Executive team; I learned from them to be a better manager and learning.
- I've heard talk of making the ECSS an elected position to give it more power, but I never felt the need for that. I felt valued even without a vote.
- I encourage the next Executive not to let the Services fall off the radar.

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:
R) **Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

S) **Social Activity:**
## The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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| Dia Montgomery             |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Julia Bullard              | A | Y | Y | A | Y | Y | Y | N | A | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
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| Mike Kenyon (proxy for Maria Cirstea) | A | Y | Y | A | N | Y | Y | A | A | N | N | N | N | Y | Y | A | Y | Y | A | Y |
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A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm.

1. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That Fraser Young, Maria Cirstea, Carolee Changfoot and Hayden Hughes be appointed as the Equity Representatives for tonight’s meeting.”

... Carried

For (22): Julia Bullard, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Angus Cheung (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Sean Cregten, Mike Duncan, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Taylor Lukachin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi (proxy for Arvind Saraswat), Dia Montgomery, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Laura Silvester, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Julian Ritchie, Fraser Young

2. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

- It was agreed to add a presentation and motion on the elections. It was agreed to add a presentation on the International Students Seat and to place it with the relevant motion after the childcare presentation.

3. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”
For (26): Bijan Ahmadian, Julia Bullard, Ben Cappellacci, Angus Cheung (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Mike Duncan, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Tom Huryn, Sam Law, Taylor Lukachin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi (proxy for Arvind Saraswat), Dia Montgomery, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Laura Silvester, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Election report:

Introduction
- Ross Horton:
  o We received legal advice saying that the Elections Committee was the best body to deal with the election problem.
  o The investigation is not quite complete; there will be only an interim report and an update now.
  o We may not be able to answer specific questions about the investigation.
  o James Ridge, the University Registrar, is here because of the effect on the University elections. He is working in cooperation with us.
  o We have legal counsel here as well from Davis, our law firm: Ingrid Otto and Linda Parsons.
- Bijan Ahmadian, on behalf of the whole incoming Executive, declared their conflict of interest, adding:
  o It’s uncomfortable having this hanging over our heads, but we’re doing business as usual, working on such things as SUB Renew. We’re waiting for things to take their course, through due process.

The Speaker asked if there were any objections to the presentation running longer than 10 minutes.

... No objections

Interim Revised Election Report from the Elections Administrator

Isabel Ferreras:
- The AMS has been investigating a voter irregularity which came to light after submission of the Elections Report to Council on February 10, 2010.
- Preliminary findings from an external forensic investigator indicate that the irregularity had no effect on the outcome of any of the AMS Executive positions.
- Mark Latham, the sponsor of the Voter Funded Media contest, first noticed the irregularity and brought it to my attention on February 17.
- The irregularity consisted of a significant number of votes (731) being cast in a short time from a single IP address just before the close of voting.
- I reported this information to the AMS General Manager, who took charge of the investigation and hired Forensic Data Recovery (FDR) to examine the results.
• The University was also notified, and a press release was issued to inform the AMS membership of the discovery of the irregularity.
• Legal counsel advise that if because of fraud or error my original election report may have been wrong, then I am obliged to consider all available information concerning the irregularity and issue a revised report.
• The law does not require a standard of perfection for elections; a result should be rejected only if a substantial irregularity occurred and had a determinable effect on the outcome.
• There is a security vulnerability in the electronic voting system which was exploited to cast 731 suspect votes. Of those 731, 18 were cast for invalid student numbers.
• FDR is being asked to investigate other suspicious clumps of votes and also to determine whether the 731 suspect votes overrode any legitimate votes.
• At the moment, even after discounting the 731 votes, there seems to have been no effect on the outcome of the AMS executive elections, but there was an effect on the outcome of the UBC Senate election, on the voter funded media contest, and on the result of the one successful referendum.
• When the FDR investigation is completed, I will be making a final revised Elections Report to Council.
• FDR is also being asked to make recommendations on how to avoid such security breaches and voting irregularities in the future.

Questions
• Iggy Rodriguez: Constituencies were planning to use the AMS voting system; can they still?
• Dave Tompkins noted that there is a motion coming on this.
• Iggy Rodriguez asked how the ballots were identified.
• Isabel Ferreras said it was through IP addresses, but we can’t identify individuals. Someone could have been using someone else’s computer.
• Neal Yonson noted that the Senate race margin was 400, but it was affected, whereas other results were not. Were the ballots cast in different ways?
• Isabel Ferreras: In some races the suspect votes were cast unanimously; in some races they were randomized. They were different.
• Kyle Warwick asked if there was information Council needed to do its due diligence.
• Isabel Ferreras: We have to wait for FDR’s report to draw conclusions.
• Kyle Warwick asked if it would be necessary to go in camera.
• Ross Horton said the aim was to be as transparent as possible.
• Tahara Bhate: Was the system hacked or did they make a list of student numbers?
• Isabel Ferreras: It looks like a hack.
• Ricardo Bortolon: Security was on the front end through the CWL. Then you’d get to the voting page. Someone cloned it. The only authentication you needed was at the beginning. They cloned it multiple times. No authorization is needed at the back end. It’s a simple hole to fix, remaining from the year before.
• Andrew Carne asked about the possibility of rerunning elections.
• Isabella Ferreras: We’ve thought of all the possibilities. We can’t decide until the FDR report is complete.
• James Ridge: We want to get the investigation completed and then make a decision about which races may have been compromised. Senate and the Board of Governors are my main interest.
• Michael Duncan: It has just been suggested that the problem is from last year. Is there any indication it happened last year as well?
• Isabel Ferreras: It's entirely possible.
• Taylor Lukachin: The VFM race includes money, large sums of money.
• Isabel Ferreras: We can't ask for money back.
• Dave Tompkins: Ultimately, that's up for Council to decide.
• Kyle Warwick: How were the invalid student numbers used?
• Isabel Ferreras: I'm not sure.
• Kyle Warwick asked about an investigation of the previous year’s election.
• Mitch Wright, from the previous year’s Elections Committee: We did have large sets of votes last year at the end, so Matt, the programmer, ran a check. My guess is that last year there was no problem; the distribution of the votes remained the same.
• Isabel Ferreras: That check was not done this year.
• Guillaume Houle: Do we know who did this?
• James Ridge: We'd rather not go into that at this point. We're going to pursue that, and we reserve the right to take appropriate steps.
• Isabel Ferreras: That's very confidential information.
• Andrew Carne: So we know some of the suspect votes had invalid student numbers. The system stores student numbers?
• Isabel Ferreras: We had a list of voters.
• Ricardo Bortolon: It does store student numbers.
• Andrew Carne: How do we know this information will be destroyed?
• Ricardo Bortolon: There's no mechanism to ensure the data is destroyed.
• Andrew Carne: With a secret paper ballot, no one can tell who you voted for. If there's a student number associated with your vote in this electronic system, that's very disturbing. I suggest the system be changed, in part to make it secure, but also if student numbers are tied to votes, that violates core principles.
• Ricardo Bortolon: I'm not sure student numbers are connected to votes.
• Ingrid Otto: One reason this came up is that FDR found that 18 illegitimate student numbers were used in the course of this investigation. I don't think in the normal course this would ever be done.
• Dave Tompkins suggested introducing a dual password system so that no one person would have access.
• Samantha Jung asked for a timeline going forward.
• Isabel Ferreras: By the end of the week we should have information.
• Samantha Jung: Presented to Council?
• Ross Horton: We're not anticipating that the rest of the investigation will take more than a week.
• Bijan Ahmadian: We could hold an emergency Council meeting as early as Monday, March 15.
• Michael Duncan expressed concern about the overwriting of legitimate votes. It's still possible that the incident affected the outcome of Executive elections.
• Isabel Ferreras: Yes, confirmation will come.
• Theresa Fresco: What steps are being taken to address the problems in the system?
Isabel Ferreras: We’d like to hire someone to patch up the problems. FDR has already identified the problems.

Neal Yonson asked why the Elections Committee had not caught the problem earlier.

Isabel Ferreras: We had faith in the system and didn’t know checks had to happen. There was nothing in my transition report about fraud detection. If we’d known, we would have checked and found it.

Iggy Rodriguez: Were there any failed attempts to cast ballots from the same IP address?

Isabel Ferreras: I can’t really say yet.

Andrew Carne: There was a security hole. We may not have information saying the results are valid. Can FDR give us answers? Then we can say this was the extent of the damage.

Isabel Ferreras: I’m confident we will be able to. We’re taking this very seriously.

Dave Tompkins: There’s no evidence to suggest anything else.

Tahara Bhate suggested that signing in on different days could have created different IP addresses.

Dave Tompkins: That would have been a more clever way to do it.

Ricardo Bortolon: There were other indicators of fraud in the case of the 731 suspect votes, but nothing like that elsewhere in the ballots.

Ingrid Otto: Any election has the possibility of fraud that’s never caught. You have to look at probability. The 731 is most likely fraud. FDR is looking to explain other things so that Isabel can give another report with confidence. It’s not a good use of time to chase down every remote possibility.

**Transportation Consultation – Kera McArthur, Campus & Community Planning**

A transportation consultation is being launched tomorrow.

Last October TransLink said funding levels would not allow it to continue with the underground bus loop project at UBC, so UBC cancelled the project.

Now we’re looking for ideas. There’s no plan yet; we’re listening.

The questions include the location of end-of-trip bus infrastructure (i.e., loops) and transportation around campus.

Ideas Fair March 30 to hear alternatives to the underground bus loop.

Great ideas have come from our students (e.g., Imagine UBC, Humanities 101), so we want to seek them out. We really want participation from the AMS.

There is a survey going out too, and please distribute information to your networks.

**Questions**

Bijan Ahmadian: We do have a representative on the campus committee on this.

Andrew Carne: Who’s going to look at the feedback?

Kera McArthur: The committee Bijan referred to. Also a transportation planner. We’ll get some options by October.

Andrew Carne asked about TransLink’s involvement.

Kera McArthur: There is a TransLink rep, but this is our process.

Andrew Carne: Will you seek funding from TransLink?

Kera McArthur: We’re not sure.
• Theresa Fresco asked about student involvement in data gathering, especially for students in Planning.
• Kera McArthur said she would check on opportunities.

Childcare Conference – Brad Morrison (AMS External Commission)
• 450 spaces, but 1900 children.
• Campus growing, commuters’ children too.
• Waitlist of 1400.
• Prohibitive costs, $1080 per child per month.
• At other universities too, Dalhousie, University of Calgary, University of Victoria.
• At UVic tried to privatize childcare, but that was stopped.
• No clear solution to this problem, hence the conference, jointly sponsored by the AMS, the GSS, and Antigone, a foundation whose aim is to empower women.
• The conference is meant to raise awareness, present a united front, and develop intellectual arguments.
• The conference will be May 21-22 at Koerner and I-House.

Questions
• Tahara Bhat asked about a response from the University.
• Brad Morrison: We have talked to the University; we need to be clearer about what we need from them.

4. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED SAM LAW:

“That the following rules be applied to the rest of the meeting:

• Limit debate to 60 minutes, at which point there will be an automatic vote unless debate is extended by a 2/3rds majority of Council
• The speakers will alternate between Councillors and guests
• A three- minute speaking limit for each speaker
• Automatic calling of the question every half hour.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (31): Bijan Ahmadian, Monika Rostocki, Tahara Bhat, Julia Bullard, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Brian Kwok (proxy for Dylan Callow), Sam Law, Taylor Lukachin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Laura Silvester, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young
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Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Matthew Naylor:
  o This is brought on the unanimous recommendation of LPC.
  o Given the presentation on international engagement, the LPC feels the current set-up is not in the best interests of the group represented or the Society as a whole.
  o We should have rep by pop, not double representation.
  o This is tokenism and leads to unclear election methods.
  o The seat is unnecessary because international students are frequently elected to positions of power in the Constituencies and in the AMS itself.
  o Also, the structure of the AMS is not amenable to this.
  o This is an experiment we’ve tried for one year; we would be better off maintaining the structure of the AMS without amending it in a piecemeal manner.

- Brittany Perna:
  o There was pressure dating back to 2005 to create an international students seat. A referendum to create a voting seat won a majority, but didn’t get the 75% needed, so it failed.
  o In 2008 the International Students Association (ISA) brought the proposal for a non-voting seat. There was a previous attempt to remove it, in 2009, but the motion to do so was removed from the agenda.
  o International enrolment is increasing every year and is now close to 15%; there are over 6700 international students.
  o International students face unique issues:
    ▪ Cultural exclusion
    ▪ The LPI language test
    ▪ Study permits
    ▪ I-med
    ▪ Limited Work-Learn opportunities
    ▪ Limited jobs off campus
  o Benefits of the seat:
    ▪ The struggles of international students can be conveyed through the international student representative; if you get rid of this seat, then international student issues go to the background.
    ▪ The seat brings diversity.
    ▪ ISA and I-House both co-operate with the rep, but have been reluctant to work directly with the AMS.
    ▪ The seat sends a message of inclusion.
    ▪ There’s been a growth of awareness about the seat: more people interested in running, an increase in voter turnout.
- It’s a fledgling position, only a year old, but I have no doubt it can thrive.
- Andrew Carne wondered why I-House and the ISA have not been willing to work with the AMS.
- Nazanin Moghadami (last year’s International Students Representative): Why is Council so concerned with removing this seat? It’s a non-voting seat. Does it decrease the quality of the social, educational, or personal lives of UBC students? There are international student issues like I-Med that Arts reps can’t deal with. These issues are not to do with whether you’re in Arts or Science; they’re just because you’re an international student.
- Ben Cappellacci: We’ve heard that international student representation is not where it should be on campus. I want to work on engaging international students. There are so many international student groups, often working at cross purposes; I would like to create a body for international students that would have more voice than a single seat on Council. We do need to rethink how students are represented here.
- Isabel (Arts): I’m happy to hear there are plans for helping international students, but until you implement this, in October or November, what will there be till then? Maybe a seat on Council is not the best way to help international students, but until we have a better option, why close this down?
- Fraser Young: The international seat is a chance for people to see what is happening at the AMS.
- Timothy Chu: Did LPC even speak to ISA or Naz or Brittany?
- Matthew Naylor: We have had individual conversations, and asked the President to speak to Brittany.
- Bijan Ahmadian: LPC did ask me and I communicated with her.
- Brittany Perna: It was just to tell me that this motion was coming.
- Timothy Chu:
  o Clearly, that was not consultation.
  o International students are not homogenous; during an election campaign, you will get them debating. This is not a one-time solution; it’s a beginning.
  o Motions like this set the tone for the rest of the year. You will have students coming here to speak against Council for disenfranchising international students.
  o Stop talking about abolishing the seat, and start talking about issues affecting international students.
- Michael Duncan asked about systemic discrimination study, saying it may relate.
- Jeremy McElroy: We have a consultant. It’s at the survey stage.
- Arielle Friedman: Some say the seat isn’t effective, but it’s brand new; you have to give it time. And it’s not clear it’s ineffective; the past and present international reps have indicated there have been achievements. There are more barriers to international students running for a Constituency seat.
- Hayden Hughes (to the international rep): If you could wave a wand, what would you do with the seat?
- Brittany Perna: Work for more equality between international and domestic students on tuition; address the lack of consultation with international
students on tuition. International students should have the right to the same 2% tuition cap as Canadians.

- Nazanin Moghadami: LPI is a huge issue; it’s discriminatory. Another is housing: international graduate students cannot get guaranteed housing, and they arrive here not knowing anything about the local housing situation.

- Valentina Ricca: The University relies on international students to cover its costs. International students have different issues than domestic students.

- Jeremy McElroy:
  - This whole debate stems from how you see this body. This is not where consultation and outreach happen. It’s a legislative body. We elect representatives from the faculties.
  - What Ben is working on is something to operate under the Executive; that’s where this belongs. Or in the committees or the Resource Groups.
  - This came up in the disability seat discussion. Who else should be on Council?
  - We need to work with ISA and I-House; I don’t know why we’re not.
  - Having a non-voting seat here is not of as much value. That’s not discounting the voice of international students; we’ll be doing consultations.

- Mona Maghsoodi: Tuition is a big deal, and a cap for international students would be beneficial, but the whole tuition issue does get presented to the AMS and the GSS, and more than 50% of GSS councilors are international students. If anything needs to be voiced, it should be during GSS meetings. As for the LPI test, there are more resources that the international students may not know about; I-House should be working on this; it’s not the role of the international seat on AMS Council.

- Iggy Rodriguez: Our goal should be to make international students part of the AMS, not through a token seat but by encouraging them to run for voting seats. We should work with I-House to let international students know they can run. Make the federalist system work; we want you involved in your Constituencies.

Automatic motion to call the question.

... Defeated

For (9): Monika Rostocki, Julia Bullard, Angus Cheung (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Courtney English, Theresa Fresco, Brian Kwok (proxy for Dylan Callow), Taylor Lukachin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini

Against (17): Bijan Ahmadian, Tahara Bhate, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Mike Duncan, Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Abstained: Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten

- Adeeb Tawseef: International students want to have a voice on this Council, so the next time there’s a 4% increase we can say, This is not what we want. If I’m
a Faculty rep, I speak on Faculty issues, not international issues. If there’s an
international seat, you can have someone to speak for international students
and address the issues of international students.

- Phoebe: As a representative body, your focus is on academic areas, but there
are whole sets of issues that cannot be represented by school work. You’re not
counting my vote twice; I just want my voice to be heard.

- Andrew Carne:
  o The Constituency boundaries are just arbitrary lines; they’re just a way to
    parcel things up. As directors, we vote in the best interests of the Society
    as a whole.
  o These international issues are advocacy issues. There are no real
    avenues for them; that’s something we need to look into. But Council is
    not the place for this.

- Blake McDermott:
  o We’ve just taken the ISA website down. We wanted to network
    international students, but found that one group could not do that; we
    couldn’t do that.
  o How often in the past have you seen a uniquely international student
    issue come up? I-House and the ISA don’t do this. This seat is one
    mechanism that could; this is a voice for international students.
  o International students are a unique group, and larger than some faculties.

- Lin Watt asked for a definition of international students.

- Brittany Perna: Someone who doesn’t have permanent residence here in
  Canada.

- Lin Watt asked when the report on systemic discrimination is to be completed.

- Jeremy McElroy: By the end of the month.

- Tahara Bhate:
  o I’m a strong proponent of the faculty-based nature of our system, and we
    represent our members on matters other than academics, for instance
    housing. I do my utmost to represent all students in Science, and I truly
    believe the system works.
  o When ISA first proposed an international seat, their concern was tuition. I
    asked if they’d seen our lobby documents, which made the issue of
    international tuition fees one of our priorities. They had no knowledge of
    what we were doing. The entire move to get this seat was based on
    misinformation.
  o Council is a political body, and we cannot ensure representation of every
    minority group that wants a seat: a disability seat, a commuter students’
    seat.

- Sedi Minachi: I am shocked to hear some people proposing to remove this seat.
  I am disappointed with the AMS for agreeing to the tuition fee increase.

- Bijan Ahmadian: It comes down to equity. Tahara mentioned commuter
  students; they’re the largest group on campus and they have no seat. We
  would become very large if we gave seats to everyone. We want to take steps
  to make sure that all sorts of marginalized students are heard.

- Courtney English: If it’s just to be heard, what’s the difference between coming
to Council as a member at large and being a non-voting member?

- Dave Tompkins: Technically, non-voting members of Council can move and
  second motions and be on committees. They can also stay for in camera
  sessions.
Matthew Naylor:
  o I think international students need to be more engaged in the AMS, but do not think the international student seat is the best mechanism to facilitate that.
  o Council doesn’t deal in academics only, and there’s no homogeneity in Arts.
  o It is denigrating the contribution of past international students on the AMS Executive and in other roles to say that international students need a seat.
  o If I-House is too busy, then the AMS should give I-House more money to do their job. I would definitely vote for that.

Valentina Ricca: It’s different being in that seat. She’s elected and can represent international students. I cannot.

Isabel:
  o There are 6,000 international students. Someone from Colombia needs completely different help from someone from the U.S.
  o I don’t agree with a seat on Council. I have representation through Arts.
  o ISA is just another AMS club.
  o I don’t know how you do this to reach those 6,000 who are so different.

Nazanin Moghadami:
  o I-House doesn’t advise on academics, only on visa issues. For academics, international students have to deal with faculty administrators, and they don’t know where to turn.
  o I’m only an international student here. I’m not when I go back to Iran. It’s not like being gay or disabled; you shouldn’t compare the situations.

Bijan Ahmadian:
  o You can come to Council as a Student at Large. The only real privilege of being a Council member is that you get to move and second motions; it’s something mechanical or political. It’s better to go to the Executive and present your issue there.
  o My concern is with giving privileged access to some groups and not others. Other groups will come.

Automatic motion to call the question. … Defeated

For (4): Theresa Fresco, Sam Law, Lin Watt, Fraser Young

Against (17): Bijan Ahmadian, Tahara Bhave, Julia Bullard, Ben Cappellacci, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Brian Kwok (proxy for Dylan Callow), Taylor Lukachin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

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Against (8): Mike Duncan, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Sam Law, Sedi Minachi (proxy for Arvind Saraswat), Mike Silley, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Abstained: Angus Cheung (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Sean Cregten, Guillaume Houle, Jeremy McElroy, Aaron Sihota

D) President’s Remarks:

Bijan’s Broadcast

- Priority on Executive communication
- SUB Renew – horse-trading lists
- Israeli Apartheid Week – always controversial. This year we took an active role in ensuring that people could exercise freedom of speech but in a respectful way

E) Executive Remarks:

Jeremy McElroy – VP External

- U-Pass subsidy debacle: recoding fees from the 800 passes lost every month are supposed to go into the subsidy fund, but didn’t: trying to figure out where they went.
- Bijan and I are going to Ottawa for the CASA conference; Council passed a motion for us to leave CASA in April; this is our last chance to go to a conference.
- Budget news
  - $15 million cut to student aid; we’re not happy
  - University funding frozen
  - Per student funding cut by 1 percent; we’ll be investigating

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance

- Working with LPC on Work Study and Work Learn
Fincom released Rezgo to clubs; they can sell tickets online
Changing colour scheme for AMS offices
UBC meal cards
Working with Henry to enable endowments through the AMS

Ben Cappellacci – VP Academic & University Affairs
- Greeks/UNA/AMS meeting being planned
- Just Desserts March 25
- Paralympics accessibility project
- Credit D Fail promotion
- Met with Career Services re Work Study & Work Learn
- Working on restructuring Safewalk

Pavani Gunadasa - Executive Coordinator, Student Services
- Safewalk/Safety Integration
  - We hired a new Safewalk Coordinator, Dominic Yeo, who was the assistant coordinator this past year and has been able to transition in to the role without difficulty; we will not be filling the assistant position for the remainder of the year
  - I met with Ben, Dominic, Angus (Safety Coordinator) and Jane Barry (Services Manager) to discuss an integration of these two services This would bring out a lot more value out of both these services while costing only a fraction of what Safewalk costs today

- Services Staff & Volunteers Appreciation/Recognition Event
  - a way to recognize all our staff and volunteers for all the work they put in to keep our services running and to encourage them to continue their involvement in the coming year

- Year End Reviews & Planning for 2010-2011
  - We are conducting various year-end reviews: reviewing operations, reviewing job descriptions, positions, the budget
  - Planning for transition and orientation for the new coordinators
  - The Coordinator Positions and Assistant Coordinator positions are going up soon

- CLC/LEAP Integration

F) Committee Reports:

Business & Facilities Committee – Aaron Sihota:
- Hiring of interim SAC Vice Chair
- Looking at cell phone plan

University & External Relations Committee– Tahara Bhate:
- Didn’t meet over the reading break
Legislative Procedures Committee – Matthew Naylor
- Work Study issue

Student Life Committee – Fraser Young
- Block Party – get involved
- Just Desserts is going to be great

7. MOVED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the agenda be amended to include the child care motion.”

… No objections

8. MOVED JEREMY MCELROY, SECONDED JIMMY YAN:

“Whereas the need for child care is essential for many UBC students, as well as for students across Canada, and in many cases, including that of UBC, is growing; and

Whereas the It Takes a University: Child Care and Post Secondary Institutions conference is an AMS and GSS collaboration that will bring diverse individuals with different academic and life perspectives together in a national discussion of child care on campus; and

Whereas this cooperative spirit will improve AMS and GSS lobbying efforts on campus and nationally; and

Whereas this national discussion will raise the profile of the needs of student parents, and contribute policy ideas for improving child care on campus,

Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS officially endorse and support the It Takes a University: Child Care and Post Secondary Institutions Conference.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Jeremy McElroy: This has been mentioned before. It’s already in the works. It would be appropriate to formally endorse this conference. There will be exciting discussions about how student societies can work with child care.

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Note: Requires 2/3rds  

... Carried Unanimously

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G) Constituency Reports:

**Arts**
- Matthew Naylor: Run in the elections.
- Guillaume Houle:
  - Arts Last Lecture April 13: Mark Tewksbury, Barcelona gold medalist.
  - Last Meet the Dean with the current dean in April.

**Music – Sam Law:**
- Elections.

**Forestry – Ravi Parhar:**
- Grad committee meetings.

**Education:**
- Free yoga for teachers.
- Bbqs on the next two Thursdays.
- Pit Night next Thursday.
- Grad party.

**Engineering (a haiku from Lin Watt):**
- Elections soon.

**Science – Jimmy Yan/Tahara B hate:**
- Elections.
- Volleyball tourney.
- Science grad April 1.
- Celebrate Research Week.
Law – Dia Montgomery:
   • Elections.

Commerce – Laura Silvester:
   • Student fee referendum next week for Henry Angus construction.
   • Hoping to host a Last Lecture.

Regent – Eduardo Sasso.

Library-Archival – Julia Bullard:
   • Archivist conference with national librarians.
   • April 18-19 SLAIS Career Expo.

Human Kinetics – Fraser Young:
   • Pit Night success.
   • Last Lecture plans,
   • Elections.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Senate – Geoff Costeloe:
   • Policy 69 passed re student safety abroad. Controversial. Will create a
     list of who’s gone abroad to study. Rules for emergencies. Students can
     lose funding if they break certain rules. I didn’t think that last part was
     good for students.
   • Tons of money for new scholarships, some donated personally by
     President Toope.

Ombudsperson – Hayden Hughes:
   • 4 cases, including one clubs complaint

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

10. MOVED MICHAEL DUNCAN, SECONDED CAROLEE CHANGFOOT:

   “That the following minutes be accepted as presented:
   Minutes of the Executive Committee dated January 22, 2010
   Minutes of the Executive Committee dated January 29, 2010
   AMS Council minutes dated January 20, 2010
   Minutes of 2010 New SUB Committee # 26 dated February 24, 2010
   AMS Council minutes dated Feb 3, 2010.”
   ... Carried

For (19): Bijan Ahmadian, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Angus Cheung
(proxy for Ravi Parhar), Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Sean Cregten, Mike
Duncan, Courtney English, Guillaume Houle, Sam Law, Taylor Lukachin
(proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Dia Montgomery, Aaron Sihota,
Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan
Abstained: Ben Cappellacci, Brian Kwok (proxy for Dylan Callow), Iggy Rodriguez, Laura Silvester, Ryan Trasolini, Fraser Young

E) Executive Remarks:

Ekaterina Dovjenko – VP Administration
• SUB negotiation meetings
  - Design guidelines document on University Boulevard was too prescriptive about the SUB; it had a smaller envelope than we want for the SUB.
  - Negotiations are coming along, setting deadlines.
• Hired a new SAC member.

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

11. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED FRASER YOUNG:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Committee Times’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Matthew Naylor: This says the Agenda Committee is to announce committee times and do so quickly.

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“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Committee Times’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

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... Carried

For (24): Bijan Ahmadian, Monika Rostocki, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Angus Cheung (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Guillaume Houle, Taylor Lukachin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Fraser Young

Abstained: Tahara Bhate, Mike Duncan, Brian Kwok (proxy for Dylan Callow), Sam Law, Ryan Trasolini, Jimmy Yan
13. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That Council delay the licensing of the AMS-owned balloting system for any Constituencies until further notice.”

- Bijan Ahmadian: It would be irresponsible to use the system while vulnerabilities exist. We’re going to get quotes from professionals (certified programmers) to regain trust in the system.
- Lin Watt: The changes that need to happen could indeed happen in time for March 15. If not, we may have to use paper ballots.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Chris Eaton at Enrolment Services has agreed to run the elections for free, but they don’t have Condorcet. Isabel the Elections Administrator did ask for $500 to fix the program, but we said no to that. Our reputation is at stake.
- Iggy Rodriguez: After hearing about the faults in the system and also the privacy issues, I don’t feel comfortable having anyone use this. I don’t expect a quick fix to the security flaw. The right thing is to not allow it to be used.
- Matthew Naylor: This is a clear violation of the rights of Constituencies. The Constituency elections officers are not going to do something that will be a disaster, but I don’t think it is fair for Council to limit their options. I do not welcome the AMS coming and telling us what to do.

Matthew Naylor asked if the motion was a motion to reconsider a previously passed motion. The Speaker ruled that it would require two-thirds.

- Geoff Costeloe: I don’t think this is unconstitutional. It’s our product; we can choose who to license it to.
- Carolee Changfoot: How long does extensive testing take?
- Bijan Ahmadian: About a week. We might be able to do it in time for the Constituency elections, but the investigation is our priority.
- Andrew Carne: It will be dead easy for anyone to exploit the vulnerability now that it’s known, and easy to do in a way that’s not easy to detect.
- Hayden Hughes asked about making a wait and see decision.
- Matthew Naylor said the AMS had not typically regulated Constituency elections beyond the bare minimum.
- Alex Lougheed (SUS elections officer): This just restricts our options.
- Ross Horton: If you knowingly give someone a product that has flaws, you’re still liable even if they accept it. We should get a legal opinion.
- Dave Tompkins asked if the upcoming elections would include elections for AMS directors.
- Kyle Warwick: The AMS may have the legal ability to do this, but that doesn’t mean we should do it.
- Michael Duncan: The Constituencies are the AMS; they’re part of us; who would we be liable to?
- Dave Tompkins: If a person sued the AMS.
- Sheldon Goldfarb: We would be liable if an individual wanted to sue a Constituency over the elections.
- Bijan Ahmadian: We don’t want to restrict autonomy. There’s a problem with our system. We don’t want to be negligent by allowing people to use it or allowing people who are not qualified to try and fix it. I’ve lost confidence in the system.
14. MOVED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

15. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That Council delay the licensing of the AMS-owned balloting system for any Constituencies until further notice.”

Note: Requires 23rds

... Defeated

For (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Monika Rostocki, Tahara Bhati, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Angus Cheung (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Geoff Costeloe, Courtney English, Guillaume Houle, Brian Kwok (proxy for Dylan Callow), Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini

Against (10): Andrew Carne, Mike Duncan, Taylor Lukachin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Julian Ritchie, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Abstained: Maria Cirstea

Matthew Naylor announced that the UBC Votes team of Constituency elections officers had decided to use the University’s WebVote system rather than the AMS system.

16. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Executive Reports (Quarterlies)’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Matthew Naylor: A few years ago the schedule for Executive reports was changed to make the last one due at the end of the Executives’ terms. In the past two years no one has submitted that last report, so we’re recommending another change to make the schedule March-June-September-January. But for this year’s Executive, since they are already into their term, there should be some leniency about the due date of the first report, which would be due at the end of this month instead of in June if this Code change passes.
17. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Executive Reports (Quarterlies)’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (23): Monika Rostocki, Andrew Carne, Angus Cheung (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Sean Cregten, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Guillaume Houle, Brian Kwok (proxy for Dylan Callow), Taylor Lukachin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Matthew Naylor, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Ben Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Jeremy McElroy, Elin Tayyar

18. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED AARON SIHOTA:


- Ekat Dovjenko: A working group of BAFCOM interviewed six candidates for SAC vice-chair, and it was a unanimous decision to choose Inaki.

19. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED AARON SIHOTA:


… Carried

For (26): Bijan Ahmadian, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Angus Cheung (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Guillaume Houle, Brian Kwok (proxy for Dylan Callow), Sam Law, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Abstained: Matthew Naylor

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:
O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

March 31, 2010

R) Adjournment:

7. MOVED ANGUS CHEUNG, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

For (15): Carolee Changfoot, Angus Cheung (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Geoff Costeloe, Sean Cregten, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Guillaume Houle, Brian Kwok (proxy for Dylan Callow), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Iggy Rodriguez, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young

Against (2): Matthew Naylor, Julian Ritchie

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Mitch Wright (Hack), Gerald Deo (Ubyssey), Samantha Jung (Ubyssey), Tara Martallero (Ubyssey), Paul Bucci (Ubyssey), Laura Tuovinen (Ubyssey), Roel Moeurs (Ubyssey), Chibwe Mweene (Ubyssey), Ian Turner (AUS), Colin Simkus (SARS Chair), AJ Hajir Hajian (Senator – elect), Christopher Eaton (Registrar’s Office), Alyssa Koehn (Eleven Eleven), Genevieve Barrons (Eleven Eleven), Ryan Bredin (student at large), Kelli Seepaul (Communications), Brad Morrison (Childcare Commissioner), Sarah Chung (Ubyssey), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Ingrid Otto (Davis LLP), Dean Krenz (FDR), Isabel Ferreras (Elections Administrator), Ricardo Bortolon (Chief Returning Officer), Anne DeWolfe (VP Students Office)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm.

1. MOVED FRASER YOUNG, SECONDED GEOFF COSTELOE:

“That videotaping/streaming be allowed at tonight’s meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For: Bijan Ahmadian, Tahara Bhate, Kevin Byers (proxy for Sean Cregten), Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Angela Gordon, Sean Heisler (proxy for Lin Watt), Guillaume Houle, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Isabel Montoya (proxy for Matthew Naylor), Kevin Moore (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Laura Silvester, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Fraser Young

... Carried

2. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE:

“That the Emergency AMS Council meeting be held in Rooms 207/209.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For: Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Kevin Byers (proxy for Sean Cregten), Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Mike Duncan, Angela Gordon, Sean Heisler (proxy for Lin Watt), Guillaume Houle, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Isabel Montoya (proxy for Matthew Naylor), Kevin Moore (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Laura Silvester, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Fraser Young

... Carried
3. MOVED FRASER YOUNG, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That Hayden Hughes, Maria Cirstea and Carolee Changfoot be appointed as the Equity Representatives for tonight’s meeting.”

... Carried

For: Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Tahara Bhate, Kevin Byers (proxy for Sean Cregten), Dylan Callow, Ben Capellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Geoff Costeloe, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Angela Gordon, Sean Heisler (proxy for Lin Watt), Guillaume Houle, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Isabel Montoya (proxy for Matthew Naylor), Kevin Moore (proxy for Jimmy Yan) Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Laura Silvester, Ryan Trasolini, Fraser Young

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Maria Cirstea

4. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED GEOFF COSTELOE:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

For: Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Tahara Bhate, Kevin Byers (proxy for Sean Cregten), Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Mike Duncan, Angela Gordon, Sean Heisler (proxy for Lin Watt), Guillaume Houle, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Isabel Montoya (proxy for Matthew Naylor), Kevin Moore (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Laura Silvester, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Fraser Young

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Bijan Ahmadian, on behalf of the Executive, declared a conflict of interest for the Executive on the motions pertaining to the election irregularities.

Revised Elections Administrator Report – Isabel Ferreras

- The forensic investigator (FDR) has completed its investigation, and the resulting conclusion is that the voter irregularity had no effect on the outcome of the Executive races.
- As indicated in my preliminary report on March 3, FDR determined that there were 731 illegitimate votes.
- After further investigation, FDR has concluded that other clumps of votes were probably not illegitimate.
There is a low probability that a significant number of the 731 illegitimate votes overwrote legitimate votes.

There is still no evidence to link anyone who ran for election or participated in the Voter Funded Media contest with the suspect voting.

Although the outcome of the AMS Executive election races was not affected, there was an effect on the Voter Funded Media contest, and there seems to have been an effect on the Senate election and on the one referendum thought to have passed.

The revised report on results therefore is:

- The AMS Executive election results will stand.
- It is recommended that Council top up the prizes for the Voter Funded Media contest to compensate those entrants who were prejudiced by the illegitimate votes.
- It is no longer possible to state definitively that the referendum question formerly thought to have passed did pass.

The Elections Committee has asked FDR to present recommendations and a cost-estimate for fixing the security vulnerabilities in the voting system.

The Elections Committee also recommends that Council review the voting system to address the privacy concerns raised at the March 3 meeting.

The Senate race numbers will be released later; they are not yet final.

FDR Report – Dean Krenz

- On the last day of voting, Friday, January 29, between 12:44 pm and the close of voting at 4 pm, 731 votes were submitted from a single IP address.
- These 731 votes included 18 fraudulent ones using invalid student numbers which the voting system would normally have rejected.
- These 731 suspect votes could overwrite previously saved but not yet cast votes in the system. Votes already cast could not be affected.
- There is evidence that 15 legitimate saved votes were overwritten in this way.
- The overwriting occurred when one of the suspect votes used the same student number as a previously saved (but not finally cast) vote. If a suspect vote had the same number as an already cast vote, the suspect vote was rejected.
- The method of exploiting the voting system does not seem to have involved harvesting student numbers already in the voting system; rather, student numbers were gathered elsewhere to be used in the exploit.
- There is no evidence of where the numbers were gathered from, but student numbers are publicly available on various UBC websites; 649 of the 731 fraudulent votes were cast using student numbers that can be found on one particular website.
- Several vulnerabilities exist in the voting system. One of these was exploited to allow the person doing this to submit multiple votes by using a cloned, fraudulent vote selection page.
- It is possible to tell that 15 legitimate saved votes were overwritten in the exploit by comparing the student numbers of saved votes recorded in the last backup of the system, made late Thursday night, with the student numbers used for illegitimate votes on Friday.
- It is possible that more than 15 saved votes were overwritten: if a student saved their vote after the Thursday night backup, it might have been overwritten, but there is no evidence to indicate how many, if any, additional saved votes were affected in this way.
In the future it is recommended that there be additional security and more backups.

It was possible to recreate the exploit in the lab.

Probably a program was written to carry out the exploit.

Questions

Andrew Carne: Student numbers and IP addresses could be tracked?

Dean Krenz: Yes.

Andrew Carne: Couldn’t someone else have used a similar system to affect the vote in a more hidden fashion?

Dean Krenz: That’s outside the scope of what we looked at.

Dave Tompkins asked about alien proxy servers and whether it was necessary to be logged in.

Dean Krenz: To carry this out you had be an eligible student who had not voted. The system stored CWL ID’s.

Dave Tompkins asked about the cost.

Ross Horton: In the neighbourhood of $42,000: two-thirds for legal expenses, one-third for FDR.

Geoff Costeloe: The person got hold of CWL passwords?

Dean Krenz: That’s out of my scope.

There was a question about how it is known that the AMS Executive elections were not affected.

Isabel Ferreras: We did a recalculation of all results.

Iggy Rodriguez: Did you not see signs of suspect voting?

Isabel Ferreras: There was no reason to think we should check.

Tahara Bhate: The 731: those all had different student numbers?

Dean Krenz: Yes.

Tahara Bhate asked about the 18 fraudulent student numbers.

Dean Krenz: Those were numbers for students not eligible to vote.

Michael Duncan noted that 89% of the exploited student numbers came from one course, a list of grades posted for that course. What about the other 11%?

Dean Krenz: We did not analyze that.

Andrew Carne: If a legitimate voter tried to vote after fraudulent use of their student number, that could have prevented them from voting?

Ricardo Bortolon: We had one student come to us and say that.

There was a question about active logs.

Dean Krenz: First you sign on to CWL; you do not have access to those logs. There’s a certain amount of URL logging by IP.

Neal Yonson asked about differences between this year and last. Were IP’s not logged last year?

Ricardo Bortolon: They had them, but didn’t look at them.

Iggy Rodriguez: Why was Mark Latham given access to IP information?

Isabel Ferreras: That was attached to the end of the document he was given. Mark helped calculate the votes. He detected the anomaly while checking voting patterns.

Andrew Carne: It sounds like IP address and voter information has migrated pretty far. I assume this information will be destroyed?

Dean Krenz said they will forensically wipe this; the information will be expunged.
Updated Election Results—Isabel Ferreras

- The closest race was for President: Ahmadian vs. Swift. Ahmadian still wins after removing the fraudulent votes, though with a reduced margin of victory: instead of 375, it was 46, and if the overwritten and thus missing 15 votes had gone for Swift, it would have been 31.
- The removal of the fraudulent votes increases the originally narrow margin of victory for Jeremy McElroy for VP External. It goes from 208 to 507.
- The other three Executive winners had larger margins and those remained large after removing the fraudulent votes. The margin increased for the VP Finance.
- The BoG and Senate races are not final, but unofficially the two BoG winners remain the same.
- The Senate case is interesting; unofficially, the new calculation means that the fifth Senator is not Nader Beyzaei but Alyssa Koehn.
- The one referendum that was originally declared to have passed, the one on lobbying for tuition reduction, is now inconclusive. Subtracting the fraudulent votes results in it missing quorum by 6, but there are 15 missing overwritten votes that might have pushed it over the line, or not.
- The Voter Funded Media results were changed by the fraud. Removing the fraudulent votes means Radical Beer Tribune still finishes first, but UBC Insiders should have finished second. They will now be awarded $1700.

Questions

- There was a question about the distribution of the fraudulent votes.
- Isabel Ferreras: Some were randomized, some were unanimous.
- Geoff Costeloe asked about legal options.
- Ingrid Otto: You could involve the police, but you don’t have to. The police have much greater power to search and seize. In a criminal matter, a remedy could be repayment for damages, but it’s not guaranteed; you lose control; the Crown and the police decide. As a civil matter, the AMS could pursue a claim if it’s known who did this.
- Chris Eaton: UBC is carrying out two investigations. We have to have confidence in the results. Also, we’re investigating who did this.
- Hayden Hughes asked which races had been affected by unanimous casting of votes.
- Dave Tompkins: In which races did all the fraudulent votes go to one candidate?
- Ricardo Bortolon: Not for the Executive, not for BoG. In the Senate, yes, for several candidates: Nader, AJ, Joel. And in the VFM contest, there were 731 votes for $0 for UBC Insiders.
- Andrew Carne asked if having discovered that lists of student numbers are on the Internet, UBC is planning to introduce new policy.
- Chris Eaton: This is not a new discovery. We do discourage this. I’m not sure if new policy is being planned.
- There was a question about whether the fraud was carried out using a school computer.
- Chris Eaton said he couldn’t say.
- There was a question about whether this information will be made public.
- Isabel Ferreras: It is public.
Andrew Carne asked if the IP address used in the fraud was from a UBC IP range.

Chris Eaton said he couldn’t say.

Dave Tompkins asked if there is an RCMP investigation underway.

Chris Eaton: UBC has yet to ask for one. I don’t know if there will be or won’t be.

It was suggested that there be a motion on an RCMP investigation.

Isabel Ferreras: It’s risky to initiate one at the moment; we don’t know where UBC is in its investigation. It’s better to leave it to the people dealing with it.

Andrew Carne suggested directing Ross to work with the University.

Ross Horton: It would be useful to know if there are objections to taking part in a police investigation. It would also be much better to work with UBC.

Geoff Costeloe suggested having two separate motions, the first one directing Ross to work with UBC regarding the investigation.

5. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That Council direct Ross Horton (the AMS General Manager) to continue to work with UBC regarding any UBC investigation into the 2010 election irregularities.”

... Carried

For: Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Tahara Bhaté, Kevin Byers (proxy for Sean Cregten), Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Dia Montgomery, Isabel Montoya (proxy for Matthew Naylor), Kevin Moore (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodríguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Laura Silvester, Ryan Trasolini, Fraser Young

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Ben Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Sean Heisler (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Elin Tayyar

6. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED MATTHEW NAYLOR:

“Be it resolved that Council direct Ross Horton (the General Manager) to request a police investigation into the 2010 election irregularities.

Be it further resolved that the timeline for requesting this investigation happen at Ross Horton’s discretion.”

Ingrid Otto: Timing is an issue; you don’t want to stand in the way of the UBC investigation, so it may not make sense to involve the police right away. You should leave it to Ross to decide the timing.

Andrew Carne: How would we be impeding them?

Ingrid Otto: If the RCMP is seizing things …

Ross Horton: Should it be by my discretion alone? The Executive too?

Andrew Carne: The Executive has declared a conflict of interest.

Geoff Costeloe: Does this limit us to charging them criminally?
• Ingrid Otto: That’s what police do, but it doesn’t limit us. The AMS can also pursue the person civilly, and to some degree you can rely on criminal findings in a civil case.
• Tahara Bhate: Will the police have to disclose information to us?
• Ingrid Otto: Because the AMS is the victim, you would get the name of the person.
• Dave Tompkins: What if they’re a minor?
• Ingrid Otto: There are computer fraud provisions that would apply either way. Sentencing might be different.
• Tahara Bhate: If we’re working with UBC, could we expect shared information?
• Chris Eaton: it is unlikely we’ll be able to share information with you about a current or past student at the University.
• Geoff Costeloe: That will make it hard for Ross to know when to launch an investigation.
• Chris Eaton: We have shared information with Ross. We can’t release personal information.
• Tahara Bhate: Ross, if there’s certain information you’re not privy to, will you be able to judge the appropriate time? I think, given the monetary aspect, we’re interested in pursuing this further.
• Ross Horton: Do you want me to pursue this if UBC does not want to pursue it?
• Dave Tompkins: This motion says Yes.
• Ingrid Otto: If involving the police would get in the way of UBC, that’s not a good idea.
• Ross Horton: There’s some suggestion that even if you call the police, it might take them six months.
• Chris Eaton: We are still collecting data, and the RCMP investigation might not get up to speed. They might seize records from the AMS and the University.
• Andrew Carne: If UBC were to initiate, would we still be the victim and entitled to information?
• Ingrid Otto: That’s up to the police, but I don’t see why the police wouldn’t give us the information.

7. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED TAHARA BHATE:

“That this motion be laid on the table for ten minutes.”

... Defeated

For: Monica Rostocki, Tahara Bhate, Andrew Carne, Isabel Montoya (proxy for Matthew Naylor), Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley

Against: Kevin Byers (proxy for Sean Cregten), Dylan Callow, Geoff Costeloe, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Theresa Fresco, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Dia Montgomery, Kevin Moore (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Ravi Parhar, Laura Silvester, Ryan Trasolini, Fraser Young

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C) Presentations to Council:

5 Days for the Homeless – Ben Cappellacci:
- Ten students have set up sleeping bags outside the bookstore and will sleep there and be without showers, food, etc. He will be one of them, experiencing what it is to be homeless. They’re looking for support.

SUB Update – Ekaterina Dovjenko:
- Ekaterina Dovjenko:
  o We’re behind: should be in Phase 5 or 6; instead Phase 3 never ended. Negotiations from August 2008 still not done, but very soon we will be moving forward.
  o The architect selection process is coming up.
- Bijan Ahmadian:
  o The plan is for UBC to own the building. The AMS will have a 40-year lease, with a 15-year renewal clause, renewal being at the option of the AMS.
  o UBC will pay for maintenance in some parts of the building; in other parts we will be allowed certain commercial uses for which we will pay maintenance etc. This will eliminate the old IPF system of paying UBC, but we will introduce our own IPF fund.
  o Development Agreement: AMS picks the architect. UBC’s project manager, UBC Properties Trust, will be the project manager.
  o Financing: $78.26 million contributed by the AMS (from 40 years of student fees paid through lease payments to UBC), $25 million by UBC. Fixed interest rate of 5.75%. UBC is taking the risk, financing the project and being paid back by AMS fees.
UBC will do fundraising, counting towards their $25 million, and will get naming rights for up to three years.

The AMS can also seek donations, but must get clearance from UBC if greater than $25,000.

- **Ekat Dovjenko:**
  - Surrender agreement: The AMS may retain space in the old SUB, for instance for the Norm Theatre, for an 8-year grace period, but after that UBC can kick the AMS out with 6 months’ notice.
  - Architect: This April students will be voting to choose architects. There are good firms in the race. There will be presentations April 6-9. Then the vote will reduce the 7 firms to 3. That vote on the top three will be binding. The SUB Renewal Committee will then choose which one of the three. It’s super-important to go to the presentations and vote.

**Questions**

- Anne DeWolfe said the University was looking forward to concluding agreements and going forward.
- Colin Simkus: Who can vote?
- Ekat Dovjenko: All students, online.
- Michael Duncan asked about the 8-year limit on leaving things in the old SUB.
- Ekat Dovjenko: Originally, it was just going to be 6-months’ notice; we were concerned about renovating and then being given notice, so we got the 8-year grace period.
- Michael Duncan: Then they can kick us out, after eight years?
- Ekat Dovjenko: Yes.
- Bijan Ahmadian: But they then have to offer us comparable space.
- Anne DeWolfe: That’s correct.
- Andrew Carne: But what would happen to the Norm Theatre if we’re kicked out? And what sort of say would we have concerning the new space? It might not suit some needs.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Good point. Something for the lawyers to look at: what does comparable mean?
- Michael Duncan: Naming: is that for everything? Are there any limitations?
- Ekat Dovjenko: We’ll give them a list of nameable spaces, and we can say no to a name. But we can’t say no to every naming request. There will probably be only five or six places that could be named, and perhaps there won’t even be that much interest.
- Anne DeWolfe: Perhaps a handful of spaces. We don’t anticipate that many. Across Canada this is not a big attractor of donors.
- Bijan Ahmadian: It won’t be another Sauder building with names on every room.
- Michael Duncan: We should get clear language on this in the agreement.
- Anne DeWolfe said they were waiting for information from the Development Office.
- Andrew Carne: It would be desirable if the AMS had a say in what spaces can be named and what names are allowed or kept out. Corporations. And no overall building name.
- Bijan Ahmadian: That’s out. We have lots of power. They will have to consult.
- Tahara Bhat: asked about the project manager and AMS control.
- Ekat Dovjenko: There’s a joint steering committee for any large decisions, co-chaired by UBC and AMS.
- Tahara Bhate: What if the co-chairs are diametrically opposed?
- Bijan Ahmadian: We didn't want there to be a tie-breaker; the parties must reach consensus.
- Andrew Carne asked about the committee composition.
- Bijan Ahmadian said it's on the project chart.
- Ekat Dovjenko: We have detailed information. I don’t see why we can’t send out the draft agreements.
- Lin Watt asked about the IPF.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Currently money goes to UBC directly, with 25% of it going into a fund for projects and 75% going to the VP Students Office. With the Surrender Agreement, the IPF Agreement will be gone. We’ll pay maintenance fees and get a 20% discount on them; the money we save will go into our own IPF fund.
- Lin Watt: So we’re committed to creating our own IPF? It will be outside the AMS budget? Or if there’s a deficit, will it be taken away?
- Bijan Ahmadian: It will be outside.
- Ekat Dovjenko: We negotiated a 20% reduction in the fee and also a $35,000 UBC donation to maintain the IPF, but in times of deficit we will still have freedom not to allocate it all.
- Lin Watt: A minimum of $35,000 and AMS discretion. That means the IPF will be decreasing by $20,000.
- Ekat Dovjenko: Yes, but it’s in our best interests to maintain it. Only if there’s financial trouble will we cut back.
- Andrew Carne: Currently, the IPF is partially controlled by the AMS and by UBC.
- Ekat Dovjenko: We would get control of the IPF.

D) President’s Remarks (Bijan’s Broadcast) – Bijan Ahmadian:

- There’s an alarming deficit situation, and now extra expenses from the elections. We’re working hard to make things more efficient, and looking to the businesses for more revenue.
- We may meet on March 24, but at least on March 31.
- Difficult political decisions will be required to fix the financial situation.

E) Executive Remarks:

Ekaterina Dovjenko – VP Administration:

- SUB Agreements to BoG April 8; April 7 must get final go-ahead.
- Working on reorganizing SAC.
- Hiring new SUB Renewal Coordinator.

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance:

- Work Study proposal rejected. Another meeting on it March 28.

Jeremy McElroy – VP External Affairs:

- The CASA lobbying conference was incredibly successful: 55 delegates, 130 meetings with MP’s, Senators, bureaucrats.
• We are all set to leave CASA, but it may be prudent to take a sober second thought, especially given the issues we had with some of those making the presentations that swayed us to leave.

• I was impressed with the positive steps CASA is taking: adopting a formal board of directors, disciplining home office staff, creating a grad students committee, changing from the one-school-one-vote model.

• I will make a more comprehensive report later.

• U-Pass program and the provincial government: things are unclear. I’m working with the One Pass Now coalition. The province is talking of numbers ranging from $25 to $45 a month. TransLink is thinking of an $8 increase.
  o Someone said they thought we were locked into a price with TransLink.
  o Jeremy: We’d have to go to referendum.

Ben Cappellacci – VP Academic:
• Not showering.
• Disability awareness project.
• Met with international student representatives and going to international events.
• Safewalk review.
• Greek/UNA liaison group going forward.

Pavani Gunadasa – Executive Coordinator Student Services:
• Reviewing budgets, performing various other end-of-year reviews
• Planning for a volunteer/staff appreciation/recognition event
• Prepping for Coordinator orientation/transition
• LEAP is in the process of putting together focus groups to review the program
• Applications for the coordinator positions have been coming in and I’ve started to work my way through them

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Guillaume Houle:
• Block Party sponsorship money.
• Election results on Friday.
• Turnover will be the first Tuesday in April.
• AUS fee referendum, trying to raise fee.

Human Kinetics – Fraser Young:
• Elections and student fee referendum.

International Students – Brittany Perna:
• I-Week this week.
• Good meeting with Ben and with ISA.

Education
• Having a bunch of BBQs.
Commerce – Laura Silvester:
- Referendum passed: 48.5% voted; 63% were in favour of fee increase. It will come to Council.
- Turnover, transition.

Planning – Theresa Fresco.
- No report.

Engineering – Lin Watt:
- A poem about having nothing to report.

Science – Kevin Moore:
- Elections.
- Grad April 1st.

Law – Dia Montgomery:
- Introducing the new rep.

F) Committee Reports:

University and External Relations Committee – Tahara Bhate:
- The FIPPA report sent in.

Student Life Committee – Fraser Young:
- Block party – it’s going to be great.

Business & Facilities Committee – Aaron Sihota:
- Forming committee for Services hiring.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Ombudsperson – Hayden Hughes (read by Ben Cappellacci):
- 1 case of a student in conflict with UBC Housing and Hospitality, ongoing;
- 1 case of a student in conflict with UBC Parking and Access Services, closed;
- 1 case of a student in disagreement with their professor, ongoing;
- 1 case of a student appealing a decision made by REC, ongoing;
- 2 cases of students complaining against the conduct of the EUS Elections Committee, dismissed

As a result of an unrelated EUS Elections issue than the one I previously mentioned, I have been asked to moderate an info session on behalf of the EUS executive. This will be taking place on Wednesday at 11am in rooms 214/216 here in the sub.

I’m also working with a few colleagues in the International Ombudsman Association to go over the section of AMS code that details my office and its functions, its oversight, etc. My aim is to have AMS code be as compliant with the IOA standards of practice as possible. I’ve also asked the LPC to amend
code to require oversight meetings between the Ombudsperson and the relevant committee to take place every 6 weeks during the school year and every 8 weeks during the summer as opposed to the current norm of meeting 3 times per year. I continue to work with the LPC on issues pertaining to oversight of my office.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

9. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Executive Committee minutes dated February 25, 2010
Executive Committee minutes dated March 3, 2010
Business and Facilities Committee minutes dated February 9, 2010.”

... Carried

For: Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Theresa Fresco, Lin Watt, Joel Mertens, Isabel Montoya (proxy for Matthew Naylor), Kevin Moore (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Laura Silvester, Katherine Tyson

Abstained: Guillaume Houle, Fraser Young

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

10. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED LAURA SILVESTER: [SCD]

“That AMS Council adopt the Society Act Review Subcommittee’s submission, and send it to the legislative committee that is reviewing the act.”

- Colin Simkus: The report includes eight recommendations to the provincial government, in response to its call for submissions. These are:
  - Calling for a separate Student Society Act.
  - That mandatory membership be retained.
  - That paying Executives continue to be allowed.
  - That minors continue to be allowed to be members and directors of societies.
  - That electing directors by Constituencies continue to be allowed.
  - That Council be allowed to remove Executives/directors.
  - That referendums be recognized in the act as equivalent to general meetings, so that we don’t have to depend anymore on a special dispensation from the Registrar of Companies.
  - That we be allowed to obtain our register of members.

- The Speaker ruled this to be a policy.
Bijan Ahmadian thanked Adrienne Smith, the Policy Advisor, for preparing the submission and announced that she has left the AMS.

11. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED LAURA SILVESTER:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

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Abstained: Mike Duncan, Ryan Trasolini, Fraser Young

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

12. MOVED MICHAEL DUNCAN, SECONDED ISABEL MONTOYA:

“That Council allocate $900 from the Events Fund to pay Voter Funded Media contestants who, due to election irregularities, were underpaid in the 2010 AMS elections.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Note: The Events Fund has a balance of $29,987.

... Carried

For: Monica Rostocki, Dylan Callow, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Theresa Fresco, Lin Watt, Dia Montgomery, Isabel Montoya (proxy for Matthew Naylor), Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Laura Silvester, Fraser Young

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Guillaume Houle, Joel Mertens, Kevin Moore (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

13. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated February 1, 2010
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated February 8, 2010
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated March 5, 2010.”

... Carried

For: Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Theresa Fresco, Lin Watt, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Isabel Montoya (proxy for Matthew Naylor), Kevin Moore (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson

Abstained: Guillaume Houle, Ravi Parhar, Laura Silvester, Fraser Young

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

14. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED LAURA SILVESTER:

“That the Legislative Procedures Committee conduct a review of the AMS online balloting system with respect to the election irregularities and privacy concerns.”

... Carried

For: Monica Rostocki, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Sean Heisler (proxy for Lin Watt), Guillaume Houle, Joel Mertens, Dia Montgomery, Isabel Montoya (proxy for Matthew Naylor), Kevin Moore (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Laura Silvester, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Fraser Young

Abstained: Theresa Fresco

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

DRAFT AMS Submission to the Society Act Review Committee
AMS Foundation minutes dated January 20, 2010
AMS AGM Minutes dated Feb 12, 2010
AMS Submission to the FIPPA Review Committee

Q) Next Meeting:

March 31, 2010

R) Adjournment:
15. MOVED FRASER YOUNG, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”
... Carried

For: Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Courtney English, Lin Watt, Guillaume Houle, Joel Mertens, Isabel Montoya (proxy for Matthew Naylor), Ravi Parhar, Laura Silvester, Katherine Tyson, Fraser Young

Against: Mike Duncan, Kevin Moore (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 pm.

S) Social Activity:
## Voting Records For March 15, 2010

V1: Allow Video Recording
V2: Approve Room Move
V3: Appoint Equity Reps
V4: Adopt Agenda
V5: Direct Ross to work with UBC
V6: Lay Motion on Table
V7: Direct Ross to request a Police investigation
V8: Approve Minutes I
V9: Adopt Society Act Review Submission
V10: Allocate Extra VFM Money
V11: Approve Minutes 2
V12: Direct LPC to look into elections
V13: Adjourn

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 7:23 pm.

1. MOVED MICHAEL DUNCAN, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE:

   “That Maria Cirstea, Ravi Parhar and Allen Chen be appointed as the Equity
   Representatives for tonight’s meeting.”
   ... Carried

2. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED IGGY RODRIGUEZ:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”
   ... Carried

3. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS, THIRDED FRASER
   YOUNG

   “That the meeting go in camera.”

   The meeting entered the in camera session at 7:40 pm.

   The meeting left the in camera session at 11:17 pm.

4. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

   “That Council be extended by 1 hour.”
   ... Carried

5. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS, THIRDED GUILLAUME
   HOULE:

   “That the meeting go in camera.”

   The meeting went in camera at 11:20 pm.

   The meeting left the in camera session at 12:18 am.

6. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED HAYDEN HUGHES:

   “That as per Code, Councillors be given approval to take a taxi home if they can’t
   find an alternate safe ride home.”
   ... Carried
N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

March 31, 2010

R) Adjournment:

7. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED LIN WATT:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 am.

S) Social Activity:
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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Dominic Tong (Science), Edward Budsmon (Engineering), Ashley Whillans (Ubyssey), Nick Sertic (Engineering), Tom Dvorak (Commerce), AJ Hajir Hajian (Senate), Shirley Nakata (UBC Ombuds Office), Kai Green (AMS Confidential), Kelli Seepaul (AMS Communications), Sam Mason (Engineering), Joshabelle Josephson (Internship/Volunteer Connect), Daniel Chow (Student), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Amber Perreca (Grad), Dominic Yeo (AMS Safewalk), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Design), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Alex Lougheed, Elena Kusaka, Jennifer (Equity Office)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 pm.

1. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE:

“That Hayden Hughes, Maria Cirstea, and Carolee Changfoot be appointed as the Equity Representatives for tonight’s meeting.”

... Carried

For (20): Monica Rostocki, Tahara Bhate, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Angela Gordon, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kyle Warwick, Fraser Young

Against (1): Matthew Naylor

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Maria Cirstea, Julian Ritchie

2. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“That the motions on SAC, Ombuds, Equity, and the merging of Safety and Safewalk be struck from the agenda.”

• Andrew Carne: There hasn’t been time to do consultation on these motions.

3. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“That the motions on SAC, Ombuds, Equity, and the merging of Safety and Safewalk be struck from the agenda.”

... Defeated

For (9): Monica Rostocki, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Mike Duncan, Angela Gordon, Ravi Parhar
Against (21): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Matthew Naylor, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Arvind Saraswat, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco), Fraser Young

4. MOVED MICHAEL SILLEY, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

... Carried

For (27): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Dylan Callow, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Sedi Minachi, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Arvind Saraswat, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco), Fraser Young

Abstained: Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Mike Duncan, Angela Gordon

5. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That the following limits on debate be imposed:

- The question shall be automatically called on each motion after 30 minutes, and every motion shall be voted upon at 60 minutes (and every 30 minutes thereafter) unless there is a 2/3rds motion to extend debate.
- Each speaker shall be limited to two minutes.
- The Speaker shall endeavour to alternate between Council members and guests.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (29): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Arvind Saraswat, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco), Fraser Young

Against (1): Tahara Bhat
Abstained: Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini)

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

C) Presentations to Council:

**UBC Ombudsoffice – Shirley Nakata (UBC Ombudsperson)**

- This office was created thanks to student lobbying.
- She started in January 2009; the office opened in September in Brock Hall.
- The office reports to the UBC President.
- There’s a 9-member advisory committee, including 2 AMS reps and 1 GSS rep.
- Funding has been on a joint model: UBC-GSS-AMS, with a three-year commitment ending 2010-11.
- Subsequent funding would depend on a referendum of students.
- The funding model’s aim is to create a close connection with the students and to make the office independent.
- She does institutional and individual work.
- The individual work is with students on a case by case basis; not advocacy but seeking to build confidence and capacity among students, and to facilitate and mediate; that’s reactive.
- The institutional work is pro-active, systems-wide; putting on workshops, reviewing policies, providing advice.
- There will be access to the President and Vice-Presidents.
- Although the University tends to work in silos, she’s aiming to encourage collaborative work.
- There were 53 cases through to the end of 2009, mostly multi-dimensional, involving interpersonal conflicts, communications breakdowns.
- Grad students were disproportionately represented.
- Another 34 cases this year through to mid-March.
- Goals include increasing awareness of the office’s services.
- She hopes to penetrate the culture and build bridges.

Questions

- Kate Phipps asked about security of tenure.
- Shirley Nakata said she serves an indeterminate term; also the funding model provides some independence, as do the accountability lines.
- Tahara Bhate asked about the no advocacy rule in the context of academic appeals.
- Shirley Nakata: We could be present as a neutral third party, but we would be an advocate for fairness.
- Aaron Sihota asked if there was a website.
- Shirley Nakata: Yes, it was launched in September.

L) Committee Motions:

6. MOVED FRASER YOUNG, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:
From the Student Life Committee

“Be it resolved that money collected from the Services Fee be separated from the ‘AMS General Revenue’ line item in the budget, and presented as two line items: CiTR Fee in accordance with the agreement with CiTR, and AMS Services fee for the exclusive use of AMS Services as approved in their budget.

Be it further resolved that any remaining money from the Services Fee be placed in the Student Services Fund.

Note: AMS Code Article 6, s. 4(g): ‘The Student Services Fund shall be administered by Council on the recommendation of the Executive Committee. In accordance with the referendum of September-October 1999, this Fund shall be used to improve and expand the Student Services (such as Safewalk, JobLink, and Speakeasy) and also to improve and expand the services offered by CiTR and the Aquatic Centre.’ ”

- Matthew Naylor said it was unclear what students thought when they voted in the referendum on the services fee; he was not sure the referendum meant to restrict the fee to what we call Services.
- Bijan Ahmadian said we have to distinguish between capital-S and small-s services. This motion codifies current practice. Some things are Services under Pavani; others, like Equity, are services but not Services. People wanting to spend from this fund can come to Council, which can decide if something is a Service.
- Kyle Warwick: Last year on the Budget Committee we used the Student Services Fund for things that couldn’t even liberally be called services.
- Andrew Carne: If used for general expenses, that’s not best practice.
- Bijan Ahmadian: It’s never used for that; this is just codifying.

7. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

8. MOVED FRASER YOUNG, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

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C) Presentations to Council:

Budget Presentation – Elin Tayyar (VP Finance)

Elin Tayyar:
- Student Government is under budget by $11,000 and Services is under budget by $30,000, which is good.
- Business revenue is $760,000, which is $176,000 less than expected.
- Investment income is up $30,000.
- The estimated deficit for this year is $225,080 to $243,080.
- The structural deficit, including $24,000 for Committee chairs, could be $311,000 or even $372,000, depending on business revenue.
- We have $1.38 million in our funds, but we can't use the $700,000 in the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund, so we really only have $695,000 in the funds.
- If the deficit is really $372,000, we can cover it from our funds for 1 year and 10 months, after which we will go broke.
- What can we do?
- We've looked to make cuts, first in Services and Student Government because we are hiring in those areas now.
- The Budget Committee will work on further cost-cutting.
- We can do a business review to look at the business part of our operation.
- We can explore how to increase business revenue.
- We can review our fees.
- For now cuts would be as follows:
  - Executive portfolios (reducing staff and programs): $42,300
  - SAC (reducing staff and programs): 11,400
  - Ombuds cuts: 6,000
  - Equity program (if eliminated): 18,000
- Pavani Gunadasa explained details of cuts in the Services: The biggest would be from merging Safety and Safewalk. Also, reduction of staff hours, elimination of an Assistant Coordinator position, reduction in advertising costs and in equipment purchases.
- The savings in Executive portfolios and programs, and in the Services, would amount to $192,180 and would reduce the deficit to $179,000 (from $372,000).
- This would still mean the AMS would run out of money in less than four years.
Other savings? By cuts in the following areas:
  - Art Gallery
  - FirstWeek
  - Block Party
  - Welcome Back BBQ
  - Committee chair salaries.
- That would save another $153,490.

Questions
- Sedi Minachi asked about the salaries of non-student managers.
- Elin Tayyar: That will be looked at as part of the business review, the next step.
- Hayden Hughes asked about the amount spent renovating Executives' offices.
- Elin Tayyar said that was either $500 or $700 per office.
- Kate Phipps asked how Block Party is funded.
- Dave Tompkins: The AMS covers any deficit.
- Hayden Hughes asked about income expectations. Will business revenue go up?
  - Elin Tayyar: We are expecting an increase, but not enough to remove the deficit.
- Bahador Moosavi asked if that was optimistic or pessimistic.
- A guest asked about cuts to Speakeasy, saying it had already lost a phone line.
- Pavani Gunadasa said there would be cuts to advertising and promotion, also in honoraria and special projects.

Safety Reorganization – Ben Cappellacci (VP Academic)

Ben:
- When Safewalk was established in 1990, there was more crime on campus; now there is more security, better lighting, high cellphone use, campus shuttle buses, and emergency Blue Phones.
- Safewalk is our most expensive service; it's inefficient.
- Awareness of Safewalk is high, but use is low; there's been a 72% decline in walks.
- Safety remains a big concern, but the campus is getting safer.
- Our priority is making students feel safe.
- Options:
  - Status quo: Could cut costs by $20,000 because of recent changes. Budget would be $138,000.
  - Go to a volunteer service, reduce walk hours, eliminate summer service; would still cost $40,000 - $50,000.
  - Merge Safewalk and the Safety Office into SafeTeam. Still nightly walks, 7 pm – 2 am; emphasis on delivering information. Cost: $70,000.
  - Eliminate both Safewalk and the Safety Office; stop the walks; maybe do some advocacy for safety. Cost: $1,000.

Questions
- Pavani Gunadasa asked when safety advocacy work would be done.
- Ben Cappellacci: 9-12, during working hours.
- In response to a question about how many volunteers can be obtained, Ben said: Zero now; it's challenging to maintain levels of staff.
• Allen Chen asked for more information on the volunteer model.
• Ben Cappellacci: It's very challenging. You have to give incentives, e.g., tuition credits, parties. You have to expect problems: people showing up late or not showing up at all.
• Allen Chen: You would still be spending money to ensure volunteers show up?
• Pavani Gunadasa: At University of Calgary and University of Alberta the cost is $50-60,000. There are staff costs, and volunteer appreciation.
• Bijan Ahmadian: Tuition credits can be a way around the minimum wage; providing tuition credits can be the equivalent of paying $2 - $5 per hour. For a volunteer operation to work, you need to create a sense of community, with the right kind of incentives.

L) Committee Motions:

9. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED FRASER YOUNG:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Ombudsperson Position’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Matthew Naylor: This would be a reduction in the size and scope of the Ombudsoffice, reducing hours from 15 to 10.
• Hayden Hughes spoke in support of the changes, saying there is now a UBC Ombudsoffice. The reduction in hours will not cause problems or a lack of service.

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Against (3): Allen Chen, Sedi Minachi, Mrigank Sharma

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

11. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

From the President

“That Council discontinue the Safety Office as a Student Service under Code Section X and merge it with Safewalk.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Ben Cappellacci: This is the best option for ensuring safety on campus.
- Fraser Young: The Student Life Committee is behind this motion.
- Matthew Naylor: We still have a huge problem, a deficit disaster. We need to be moving toward some more drastic measures.

12. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That Motion 10 be amended to read:

‘That Council discontinue the Safety Office as a Student Service under Code Section X. and merge it with Safewalk.’

Be it further resolved that Council discontinue the Safewalk Service as a Student Service under Code Section X.’”

- Andrew Carne: We have not identified whether the Safewalk Service is useful or not. It’s not used enough, but it is used. We need to do due diligence on this. Also, money was set aside in a referendum; cutting Safewalk further won't help the deficit; it will just put money in the Student Services Fund.
- Kyle Warwick: That’s a plausible explanation of how a fund should be used, but it’s against historical practice. Budget Committee can simply declare something to be a service and spend money from the Student Services Fund on it. Not buying new chairs, but a new program. That has happened.
- Jeremy McElroy: Having a Safewalk is incredibly important. We introduced it in 1990, and campuses across the country have followed our model. We can still be prudent and cut down expenses, but to eliminate Safewalk is short-sighted. In general, we can’t end the deficit by cutting; we have to look at revenues. We haven’t increased our operating fee of $12.50 since 1967.
- Amber Perreca, last year’s Safewalk Coordinator: A lot of students don’t know what the AMS does, but they see Safewalk. Walks are down, but Safewalk just being there makes things safer. People see Safewalk and think, They care about us. If you eliminate Safewalk, people will think you don’t care about students or their safety, just about making money.
- Kate Phipps: My guess is that the majority of those who use it are women. This proposal will disproportionately hurt women. There was a murder on the Endowment Lands last year.
Mike Kenyon: There are people who use this. Were students consulted? It was not announced till this morning.

Fraser Young: There are other steps in the deficit review, so we shouldn’t be in a panic to cut everything suggested here. Safewalk is a presence on campus, a deterrent.

Guest: To cut now, so suddenly, without consulting students, with no alternative program, wouldn’t benefit anyone but the AMS itself. You’ll be seen as elitist.

Michael Duncan: We don’t know what would have happened in the past without Safewalk or what will happen in the future if we eliminate it. If it prevents even one assault, it’s worth it.

Campbell Bryson took over as a proxy for Tahara Bhate.

13. MOVED MICHAEL DUNCAN, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Defeated

For (22): Monica Rostocki, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Taylor Lukacín (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco), Fraser Young

Against (12): Bijan Ahmadian, Campbell Bryson (proxy for Tahara Bhate), Maria Cirstea, Connor McGauley, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kyle Warwick

Joshabelle Josephson: Just because numbers have gone down doesn’t mean Safewalk is not important. If bullies or stalkers know Safewalk is present, they won’t act.

Julian Ritchie: This is just part of the budget picture. We need to be looking at other cuts. It doesn’t all have to come from Safewalk and the other Services.

Amber Perreca: Last year we took care of two girls who had stalkers. Safewalk does a lot of proactive stuff. And it’s not just for women; a lot of men use the service.

Connor McGauley: It’s our job to make the hard decisions. We need to balance the budget. We need a positive cash flow. At McGill, it’s a volunteer service.

Maria Cirstea asked about the users. Are they mostly repeat users?

Dominic Yeo (Safewalk Coordinator): It’s 50-50.

Amber Perreca: Wednesday it’s people from the Pit. We get a large number going to libraries and then to residences when the libraries close.

Dominic Yeo: There are some regulars who leave their lab at the same time. The majority are women.
Iggy Rodriguez: People want it cut. It's not a successful service. Use is at an all-time low. Why in a time of massive deficit are we spending on this?

Elena Kusaka: Students need to be paid for the work they do.

Guillaume Houle: In the future, if we cut Safewalk and there's an assault, people will look back and ask why safety was reduced on campus.

Sedi Minachi: The main priority of the AMS must be to listen to the voice of the students and increase services, not eliminate them. It would be a huge loss and embarrassment if we do this. The Safewalkers are making minimum wage and you are targeting them; others are making thousands of dollars. This makes the AMS pro-business, pro-management, not pro-student.

Guest: Safewalk and other Services are under budget this year. Cutting wouldn't make sense on a budgetary level.

Mrigank Sharma asked if money could be obtained from Campus Security.

Bijan Ahmadian: We've lost a lot of money in our catering service because we're getting less referral business from UBC. So I've been telling the University they should provide for our services. As long as we have a service, they won't give us anything. If we got to a financial situation where we can't afford a service, that would change the dynamic of the conversation with the University.

14. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (27): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Mrigank Sharma, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco), Fraser Young

Against (7): Campbell Bryson (proxy for Tahara Bhate), Dylan Callow, Connor McGauley, Sedi Minachi, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley

Abstained: Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan)

15. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That Motion 10 be amended to read:

‘That Council discontinue the Safety Office as a Student Service under Code Section X. and merge it with Safewalk.’

Be it further resolved that Council discontinue the Safewalk Service as a Student Service under Code Section X.’ “
Defeated

For (10): Bijan Ahmadian, Campbell Bryson (proxy for Tahara Bhide), Maria Cirstea, Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Matthew Naylor, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kyle Warwick

Against (25): Monica Rostocki, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco), Fraser Young

Abstained: Connor McGauley

16. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

"That Motion 10 be amended to read:

'That Council discontinue the Safety Office as a Student Service under Code Section X and merge it with Safewalk.

Be it further resolved that the Code be amended to remove the provision for paying safewalkers.'"

- Jeremy McElroy: University of Calgary uses volunteers, but they’re smaller and have underground tunnels. No one’s going to volunteer here in the cold and rain.
- Amber Perreca: We’re one of the largest campuses. Some walks go all the way past the Farm to the research areas or sorority houses, and the weather is difficult. It’s going to be hard to get volunteers.
- Michael Duncan: The volunteer option wouldn’t save more than another $20,000.

17. MOVED MICHAEL DUNCAN, SECONDED GUILLAUME HOULE:

"That the question be called."

Note: Requires 2/3rds... Carried
For (27): Monica Rostocki, Campbell Bryson (proxy for Tahara Bate), Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco), Fraser Young

Against (7): Bijan Ahmadian, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini)

Tahara Bhat returned

18. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That Motion 10 be amended to read:

‘That Council discontinue the Safety Office as a Student Service under Code Section X and merge it with Safewalk.

Be it further resolved that the Code be amended to remove the provision for paying safewalkers.

Note: This would apply to walkers and team leaders, but not to coordinators.’ ”

... Defeated

For (11): Bijan Ahmadian, Tahara Bate, Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi, Matthew Naylor, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini)

Against (23): Monica Rostocki, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco), Fraser Young

Abstained: Maria Cirstea

Automatic calling of the question on the main motion.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (34): Bijan Ahmadian, Monika Anna, Tahara Bate, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Angela
Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco), Fraser Young

Against (1): Sedi Minachi

19. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

From the President

“That Council discontinue the Safety Office as a Student Service under Code Section X and merge it with Safewalk.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (33): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Tahara Bhat, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco), Fraser Young

Against (1): Sedi Minachi

Abstained: Mike Silley

20. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: SAC Position’ and thus amend the Code, wages and hours for SAC as recommended.”

Note Requires 2/3rds

- Ekat Dovjenko:
  - This will be a savings of $10,000 to $15,000 by cutting hours and thus pay and by combining positions.
  - We will at the same time be increasing the SAC vice-chair’s pay.
  - The Code changes will mean we will have 5 appointed SAC members and one Council member sitting on SAC.
The Council member will provide free labour and will be there just to attend the weekly one-hour SAC meeting; it will also allow Council to be part of SAC and bring feedback from SAC to Council.

- Matthew Naylor: This is a good idea. It will integrate Council into the administrative structure; it’s important that Council know what’s going on.

21. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED MICHAEL DUNCAN:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: SAC Position’ and thus amend the Code, wages and hours for SAC as recommended.”

Note Requires 23rds

... Carried

For (30): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Tahara Bhat, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Courtney English, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco)

22. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Removal of Equity Coordinator Position’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.

Be it further resolved that on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee the Equity Representatives Internal Policy of June 25, 2008 be rescinded.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Matthew Naylor: This will remove the new Equity Officer and the forceful policy that was imposed on the clubs, and which provoked resentment. We brought these things in thinking we had a problem, but we had no idea what the problem was. Then we did a climate survey; we should have done that first.

- Jennifer (guest), from the Equity Office: There is no formal enforcing of the policy on clubs. We have carried out successful actions. It’s hasty to cut the program before we see the systemic review.

- Ekat Dovjenko: I did tell Emma (the Equity Coordinator) that this was an issue. There’s a benefit to the program, but also a huge cost. There is no program at
UBC that does what the AMS Equity Office does, notably the regularly scheduled workshops for clubs. That said, we can find ways to make that program continue. We want to see what the systemic review says; it’s coming in a couple of weeks.

- Iggy Rodriguez says his club treated the program as a joke. We should get rid of an office that is wasting student money.
- Bijan Ahmadian: An upcoming motion will address the gap. UBC lives and breathes equity and has the professionals on equity. They’re looking to create an additional position for someone to run workshops. This is not about getting rid of equity but increasing the quality.
- Tahara Bhate said her club did not have equity issues, and if there had been, she didn’t think the AMS program would have addressed them. It was premature to create this program.
- Ravi Parhar: Just because a few clubs think it’s a joke doesn’t mean it is. Many clubs took it seriously and went to training.
- Jennifer: There were great experiences in the workshops. This was not a joke. We need this program because of people who treat it like a joke. We’re sending a horrible message if we remove this. The AMS Equity program offers things UBC doesn’t, and the AMS can do better outreach than UBC. To stop a program this early is to stop momentum. It’s pre-emptive to judge after only a year.

23. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

24. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (22): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Tahara Bhate, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Taylor Lukacín (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi, Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick
Against (4): Allen Chen, Angela Gordon, Sedi Minachi, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco)

Abstained: Ben Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Duncan, Jeremy McElroy, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini)

25. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“Be it resolved that Council direct the President to pursue discussions with the University to see if the University will provide equity workshops for AMS clubs. Be it further resolved that Council direct SAC to conduct a survey at Club Executive Orientations regarding the efficacy and potential uptake of the Equity Program or workshops, as presented.”

- Matthew Naylor: The survey will guide us for the future. It’s a step towards making sure we approach this issue properly. And we will aim to get excellent workshops run by experts.
- Andrew Walker asked about doing the survey at club orientations, which are already under way.
- Ekat Dovjenko: The timing is a little off. And this is what the systemic review is doing.
- Jennifer: AMS equity representatives and equity facilitators made a team; if we turn to the University we’ll be losing the office and the team. How will you address that?
- Ekat Dovjenko: There’s the UBC Equity Ambassadors. It’s a great program. For the team, I suggest looking at that program.
- Elena Kusaka asked about the idea that quality would increase.
- Bijan Ahmadian: UBC will have someone permanent, an experienced professional as opposed to a student with limited experience.
- Elena Kusaka: The AMS could hire someone.
- Bijan Ahmadian: It’s a UBC responsibility.
- Elena Kusaka: If you cut a program, it’s hard to bring it back.

26. MOVED CONNOR McGAULEY, SECONDED IGGY RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (19): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Dylan Callow, Carolee Changfoot, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Connor McGauley, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez,
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... Carried


Against (1): Sedi Minachi

C) Presentations to Council:

CASA – Jeremy McElroy, AMS VP External

Jeremy:
- Attended CASA conference. Received a friendly welcome.
- CASA seemed ready to discuss problems and admit faults. They recognized the need to do things to allay the fears of members.
- There was a lobby document and helpful lobby training.
- 140 meetings; he sat in on nine.
- A meeting with the Minister of Finance. Meetings with the Prime Minister, cabinet ministers, MP’s, the director-general of the student loan program, the heads of SSHRCC and NSERC.
- It was a chance to actually meet people making decisions about postsecondary education.
CASA asked for a dedicated PSE transfer, reform of the student loan program, a lowering of the interest rate, strengthening of First Nations education, and more graduate scholarships.

His conclusion: We shouldn’t leave.

We lobby all levels of government. Historically, we’ve done federal lobbying through CASA. That frees us to concentrate on provincial lobbying.

We don’t have a policy advisor currently, and we’re going to have fewer ExCom commissioners.

CASA does things the AMS cannot do.

Why did we decide to leave?

- The voting structure, which led to block voting by the centre-right Eastern schools.
- In our March 2009 presentation of grievances we said CASA’s principles were not in line with those of the AMS because CASA was not advocating on childcare or grad issues.
- We also said CASA was not member-driven enough, too staff-directed.
- And we saw financial mismanagement.
- Last October our motion to leave said we spent money ourselves on federal lobbying, but that wasn’t true, and in any case any such money came from the lobby fund, which gets replenished.
- We also said federal lobbying is not important, which is false.
- We had issues with the CASA constitution, how it had been rejected. But it’s been amended since and has now been accepted.
- Claims were made that AMS efforts to reform CASA were not made a priority. That’s false. Every recommendation made by the AMS has been addressed, e.g., there’s a new voting structure, and steps were taken to put restrictions on staff.

To become a full member again would cost $46,600, plus another $12,000 in conference fees, so altogether $58,000, not the $70,000 mentioned last year.

CASA successes:

- Tax savings for students.
- Deferred maintenance program.
- Canada student grants.
- Copyright rules, affecting textbook prices.

We have benefited from federal lobbying; we’ve lost money through provincial lobbying.

CASA has made all the changes the AMS asked for; they’ve reformed the voting structure, reintroduced a board of directors to oversee staff, etc.

In October, when we voted to leave, we were following the advice of last year’s Executive. At the time we still had faith in them. We took their word and did not do a proper consultation with CASA. The issue did not go to the External Policy Committee.

Questions

- Mrigank Sharma: Last year Tim and Blake said CASA was not interested in childcare, grad issues, or international student issues. Now CASA has adopted policies on childcare.
28. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED CONNOR McGAULEY:

From the VP External

“Whereas the discussion and subsequent motion to leave the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA) on October 21, 2009 occurred when the President and Vice-President, External Affairs still had the trust of Council; and

Whereas internal staff issues within CASA and a lack of due diligence taken by the President and Vice-President, External Affairs meant Council was not properly updated on discussions with CASA Home Office regarding the AMS grievance filed March 25, 2009: and

Whereas the decision to leave CASA on December 7, 2009 was made at a special Council meeting dealing with the disciplining of the President and Vice-President, External, where political tensions were high; and

Whereas the AMS is committed to advocating on behalf of students to all levels of government; and

Whereas CASA has taken significant steps to address the concerns of the AMS,

Therefore be it resolved that the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia – Vancouver overturn its decisions on October 21, 2009 and December 7, 2009 to leave the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations as of April 1, 2010.

Be it further resolved that the AMS remain an Associate Member of CASA for one more year.

Be it further resolved that the President communicate this message to the Chair of CASA and Home Office immediately.

Be it further resolved that Council direct the University and External Relations Committee to look into our future status with CASA.”

- Michael Duncan expressed dismay over the presentation, saying it was biased. Just because we lost money provincially doesn’t mean we shouldn’t be lobbying. We have to look at value for money, our deficit. There is no provincial lobbying group; it would be better to spend our money on provincial lobbying, and that idea wasn’t just from Tim and Blake’s year.
- Kyle Warwick noted that Jeremy had campaigned for a provincial lobbying group, and didn’t want that idea forgotten.
- Jeremy McElroy said he had met with Kwantlen and Fraser Valley about this; it’s still priority one. CASA’s resources would be beneficial.
- Kyle Warwick: This looks like a lack of due diligence if we reverse ourselves. It’s embarrassing.
- Tahara Bhaté:
  - None of the CASA motions last year came through committee.
  - At the time we were unable to figure out what constitution we were supposed to be following.
CASA will exist without us, but some issues like childcare and grad students would not be there if not for us being there.

Associate Member status is good. It took the threat of leaving to get the changes.

- Bijan Ahmadian said he was confident we can make progress on provincial issues. That’s still on our agenda.
- To a question on how last year’s $25,000 for lobbying was spent, Jeremy McElroy said it was on bus ads, the provincial election campaign, and travel by the VP External to Victoria for lobbying.
- Matthew Naylor: I’m no friend of CASA, nor an enemy either. I do think it is good to rejoin as an associate member, but campaigns should be a priority. The costs are justifiable; there are some benefits. They’ve taken significant steps over the past year, and because of that we should rejoin.
- Sean Cregten asked about the financial situation.
- Jeremy McElroy: The $58,000 would be from a replenished fund; it’s not part of the general operating funds. My current budget doesn’t use all there is in the fund, so it would make no difference.
- Mike Silley: The idea that CASA will do things anyway, the free rider theory, could mean that everyone would leave, and CASA would fail.
- Iggy Rodriguez: Based on the facts then, leaving seemed like the best option. There was the voting structure issue and other issues. They’ve addressed those. When an organization changes itself for you, you should give them a chance. How sincere did they seem?
- Jeremy McElroy: There are changes happening: childcare, grad students, a standing committee. The voting reform is only tentative, a one-year trial period, which is all the more reason for us to stay in and push for it to remain at the end of the trial period.

29. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES:

“That the question be called on the resolution clauses.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

29. MOVED MATTHEW NAYLOR:

“That Motion 27 be amended by striking the first three Whereas clauses.”

… No objections

30. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED CONNOR McGAULEY:

From the VP External

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... Carried

For (23): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Tahara Bhate, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Angela Gordon, Guillaume Houle, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McEloy, Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Matthew Naylor, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco)

Against (4): Andrew Carne, Sean Cregten, Mike Duncan, Ravi Parhar

Abstained: Allen Chen, Courtney English, Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Julian Ritchie, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Fraser Young

D) President’s Remarks (Bijan’s Moustache Moment, Bijan Ahmadian):

- The Board of Governors has given conditional Board 1 approval for the new SUB; the condition is that the agreement must be done by April 30. It’s now at our lawyers. We have scheduled a meeting for April 28 just for that.
- Thanks to everyone for their help in getting through the deficit review; thanks to Pavani and the Services for their review.
- Apologies to anyone who felt consultation was not up to par. He’d been sick and it had been a stressful time; he was not happy himself with the consultation, but there had been a short time frame.
- So much for dealing with last year’s issues: the SUB and the deficit. Now the new year is truly beginning. Looking forward to working with the new Council.

E) Executive Remarks:

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance:

- Mostly worked on the structural deficit.
- Work Study: things are looking good.
- Working on UBC card.
Jeremy McElroy – VP External:
- CASA.
- Will be working on a provincial lobby group once turnover takes place at other schools.
- Still waiting re the provincial U Pass, but it seems to be going forward.
- Budget planning.
- Working with University external affairs.
- Policy open houses.

Ekaterina Dovjenko – VP Administration:
- SUB architect selection – advertising a lot. Important to attend presentations and vote.
- Hiring New SUB Coordinator.
- SAC restructuring.
- Club orientations.
- Constitution data base for clubs.

Pavani Gunadasa – Executive Coordinator Student Services:
- Budget Review
- Thanks to Jane Barry and the Service Coordinators.
- Hiring

Ben Cappellacci – VP Academic:
- Disability project.
- International students project.
- Just Desserts was great
- Worked on Safewalk review.
- Working on Work Study.

F) Committee Reports:

Legislative Procedures Committee – Matthew Naylor:
- Communications assistant: looking at a revenue neutral way to improve the Communications office.
- Bridging the gap between old and new chairs.
- Work Study submission.
- SARS (Society Act Review Subcommittee) submitted its report.
- New working group to look at internal policies.

University Athletics Council – Neal Yonson:
- 12 courts – they like to build stuff.
- $1 million financial stimulus put through Board.
- An AMS seat on the Aquatic Centre Committee is vacant.
- Wanted to change locker system; it was crazy; we stopped that.
- Talk of building new facility re the outdoor pool.
- Wanting to raise money from students for the new facility.
- Agreement this year that Term 2 students can use the pool May-August.
- Aquatic Centre still made a six-figure profit.
Business & Facilities Committee - Aaron Sihota:
- Cellphone plan for Execs.
- Looking at making AMS Catering more viable for Constituencies.
- Reviewing pricing in F&B outlets.

Student Life Committee – Fraser Young:
- Working on Safewalk issue.
- Block Party carnival coming along.

University & External Relations Committee – Tahara Bhate:
- CUS Referendum

G) Constituency Reports:

Science – Tahara Bhate:
- Science wide grad tomorrow at Fairmont.
- Looking into reforming SUS Council.
- AGM next week April 8

Planning – Kasel Yamashita:
- End of year send-off.

Engineering – Amanda Li (in verse):
- Lin Watt is a senator.
- Amanda is the new president.
- Elections had a 32 percent turnout.
- Beer garden tomorrow.
- Awards night.

Human Kinetics – Fraser Young:
- Last Lecture next Thursday.
- Challenging other Constituencies to softball.
- HKIN won the Faculty Cup.

Education – Monica Rostocki:
- Grad get-together on Thursday, April 15.
- Practicums.

Pharmacy – Maryam Nassaji.

Law – Kate Phipps:
- Exec turnover.
- Trike race.

Commerce – Connor McGauley:
- Last Lecture.
GSS – Bahador Moosavi:
- Koerner's pub issue: GSS lost its liquor licence. Hope to resolve this by next month.
- External review: cool changes to the GSS. New, reformed GSS.

International Students – Brittany Perna:
- ISA election.

Arts – Guillaume Houle:
- New style logo.
- Dinner for departing dean.
- Search for new dean.
- Last Lecture.
- Student Court hearing appeal in AUS election.
- Buchanan renovation.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar:
- Ring ceremony.
- Dean search.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Senate – Geoff Costeloe:
- New senators.
- Change in admissions for med school; bringing back MCAT minimum score.
- Exchange program discussion.
- VP research presentation – research guidelines.
- First ever student presentation by Geoff C.
- AMS elections discussed: the issue of how fixing it could be done only by finding out who voted for who; anonymity issue.

BOG – Bijan Ahmadian:
- Conditional Board 1 for SUB

Ombuds – Hayden Hughes:
- 5 cases.
- A bit quiet.
- Happy with position changes.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

31. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED SEAN CREGTEN:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Life Committee Minutes dated February 2, 2010
Student Life Committee Minutes dated February 9, 2010
Student Life Committee Minutes dated March 9, 2010
University & External Relations Committee minutes dated March 3, 2010
Business & Facilities Committee minutes dated March 4, 2010  
Executive Committee minutes dated March 10, 2010  
Executive Committee minutes dated March 17, 2010.”  

… Carried

For (23): Monica Rostocki, Tahara Bhate, Dylan Callow, Carolee Changfoot,  
Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Courtney English, Guillaume Houle,  
Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Taylor  
Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi,  
Matthew Naylor, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike  
Silley, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco)

Abstained: Connor McGauley, Julian Ritchie, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan  
Trasolini), Fraser Young

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

32. MOVED KATE PHIPPS, SECONDED KAREN LEE:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled  
‘Code Changes 2010: Emergency Meeting Deadlines’ and thus amend the Code as  
recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Neal Yonson asked about the late appearance of this meeting’s agenda.
• Dave Tompkins: The President has discretion to add motions at the last minute.

33. MOVED KATE PHIPPS, SECONDED KAREN LEE:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (25): Monica Rostocki, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot,  
Allen Chen, Geoff Costeloe, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney  
English, Guillaume Houle, Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi,  
Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Matthew Naylor, Ravi  
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Tayyar, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco), Fraser Young

34. MOVED FRASER YOUNG, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“Be it resolved that the terms of office for all Councillor committee members be extended to April 7; and that the terms of office for Chairs be extended to April 7, and in the event that the Council term of a Chair expires prior to this date, that they serve as a non-voting Chair of the Committee from the date that their Council term expires through to April 7, and that all relevant Code be suspended.”

Be it further resolved that the new Student Life Committee turnover shall take effect the day after the Block Party (April 16)."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (23): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kyle Warwick, Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco)

Against (2): Dylan Callow, Connor McGauley

Abstained: Tahara Bhate, Matthew Naylor, Fraser Young

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

April 7, 2010

R) Adjournment:

35. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED GEOFF COSTELOE:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”
For (22): Monica Rostocki, Tahara Bhate, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Karen Lee (proxy for Jimmy Yan), Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt), Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Maryam Nassaji (proxy for Charles Au), Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Andrew Walker (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Kasel Yamashita (proxy for Theresa Fresco)

Against (4): Dylan Callow, Matthew Naylor, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota

Abstained: Julian Ritchie

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 pm.

S) Social Activity:
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Meeting Date: March 31, 2010
### Voting Records

V1: Approve Equity Reps  
V2: Amend Agenda - strike  
6, 7, 8, & 12  
V3: Approve Agenda  
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V6: Code Changes: Ombuds  
V7: Call To Question  
V8: Call To Question  
V9: Amendment: Discontinue Safewalk  
V10: Call To Question  
V11: Amendment: Move Safewalk To Volunteer  
V12: Call To Question  
V13: Code Amendment: Move Safety into Safewalk  
V14: Code: SAC Changes  
V15: Code: Remove Equity Coordinator  
V16: Call To Question  
V17: Direct President + SAC re: Equity Workshops  
V18: Rescind Previous Motions (Stay in CASA)  
V19: Approve Minutes  
V20: Code Changes: Emergency Meetings  
V21: Extend Committees to Apr 7  
V22: Adjournment
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| Bijan Ahmadian              | A  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Ben Cappellacci             | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Ekaterina Dovjenko          | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Jeremy McElroy              | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | A   | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Elin Tayyar                 | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Taylor Lukacin (proxy for   | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N  | Y   | Y   | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Katherine Tyson)            | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Guillaume Houle             | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Matthew Naylor              | N  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Carolee Changfoot           | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Kyle Warwick                | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Mike Silley                 | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | N  | N  | Y  | Y   | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Sean Cregten                | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Andrew Walker (proxy for     | Y  | N  | Y  | A  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | A   | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Ryan Trasolini)             | Y  | N  | A  | Y  | Y  | N  | N  | N  | N  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | N   | N   | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Mike Duncan                 | Y  | Y  | A  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| VOID BOG                    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Connor McGauley             | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | N  | A  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | Y   | Y   |
| Dylan Callow                | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | N  | N  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Courtney English            | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Amanda Li (proxy for Lin Watt) | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Andrew Carne                | Y  | Y  | A  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Julian Ritchie              | A  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | Y   | A   | A   | Y   | A   | Y   | A   |
| Ravi Parhar                 | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Sedi Minachi                | Y  | Y  | N  | N  | N  | N  | N  | N  | N  | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   |
| Mrigank Sharma              | N  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Arvind Saraswat             | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Bahador Moosavi             | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
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| Tom Huryn                    | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         |
| Fraser Young                 | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         |
| ??? Land & Food              | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         |
| Kate Phipps                  | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         |
| Julia Bullard                |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Colin McInnes                |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
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| Maryam Nassaji (proxy for    |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Charles Au)                  | N         | Y         |         | Y         | N         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | A         | A         | Y         | Y         | A         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         |
| Kasel Yamashita (proxy for   |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Theresa Fresco)              | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         |
| Aaron Sihota                 |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Karen Lee (proxy for         |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Jimmy Yan)                   | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | A         | N         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         |
| Maria Cirstea                | A         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | A         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         |
| Tahara Bhat                  |           | Y         |         | N         |         | Y         |         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         |
| Iggy Rodriguez               | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | N         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         |
| Joel Mertens                 |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Geoff Costeloe               |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Angela Gordon                | Y         | Y         | A         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | N         | Y         | N         | N         | N         | Y         | N         | N         | N         | N         | N         | N         | N         | N         | N         | N         | N         | N         |
| Monica Rostocki              | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | N         | Y         | N         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         | Y         |
| Campbell Bryson              |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           | N         | Y         | Y         |
STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Stas Pavlov (Commerce), Johnny Lee (Guest), Booji Vandebeek (RHA President), Laura Silvester (Commerce), Gregory Williams (SCM of UBC), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Tiffany Kalanj (OnePassNow - Student Union of VCC), Lori MacDonald (OnePassNow – Emily Carr Student Union), Cathy Wang (Science), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Nick Sertic (Engineering), Kelli Seepaul (Communications Manager), Pelican Mann (Arts), Elysa Pyne (Arts), Edward Budsmor (EUS), Andrew Parr (UBC Student Housing), Joshabelle Josephson (Social Work), Erik MacKinnon (Science), Alex Lougheed (Science), Isabel Montoya Villegas (international student), Kavie Toor (UBC Athletics), Janet Teasdale (UBC Student Development Office), Thato Makgolane (Commerce), Matthew Naylor (Arts)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:17 pm.

It was noted that with the rescinding of the Equity policy it was no longer necessary to appoint Equity Representatives for the meeting, so that motion was removed.

It was agreed to add a presentation to the agenda.

1. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried


Abstained: Julian Ritchie

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Student Housing Fees – Andrew Parr:

Andrew Parr:
- High demand, shortfall of beds.
- Have to meet unmet demand.
- Housing fees benchmarked against other Canadian (and some U.S.) universities.
- Aim is to charge less than local market.
- Fees include utilities.
• Student Housing is an ancillary operation, meaning it gets no University funding and is supposed to be self-supporting.
• Improving housing environment in past ten years: new housing at Vanier and Totem.
• Costs are spread across the program, not specific to each building; balanced.
• The bedcount is 8650, largest in Canada.
• The cost is less than in Ontario, but higher than in Alberta (not sure why).
• In Ontario residents are mostly first years; here we have 40% first years, but also others.
• A housing demand study showed 86% see academic gain and 76% see social benefit in living on campus.
• Prices are going up in Vancouver because there are more new renters than new units.
• Those who live off campus are less likely to do things like attend Council meetings.
• Can’t address the demand overnight; capital commitment and time to design and build are required.
• Expansion plans include 567 new beds for Totem for September 2011; also 268 Faculty/Staff units are being converted to student family housing.
• Aiming to create multi-service hubs on campus: housing, childcare, counselling, administration, classroom space.
• Price increases have been approved by a Board of Governors committee; they will be 7.5% on average for 2010-11, bringing in $2.5 million in new revenue.
• This has already been presented to the RHA (Residence Hall Association), which has accepted it.
• High interest has to be paid on money borrowed to build.

Questions
• Kyle Warwick: How often are prices changed?
• Andrew Parr: Annually for CPI, 4%, but this time the increases are significantly larger as a means of right-sizing an historic imbalance. This is a one-time thing; it won’t be done year after year; it will be back to CPI.
• Kyle Warwick asked if debt financing would affect the province’s rating.
• Andrew Parr: This was a huge concern. The University had reached its capacity of debt. Now there are indications there will be access to new debt.
• Kyle Warwick: With Catering now part of Housing, has that increased revenue helped the situation?
• Andrew Parr: Yes, there is new revenue.
• Concern was expressed about family housing costs at Acadia.
• Andrew Parr: There will be a bit lower increase at Acadia because it’s older and it’s well-priced already.
• Nancy Wang asked about meeting the unmet need of the 2500 students on waiting lists.
• Andrew Parr: The waiting list is actually higher this year, 3400, a one-year blip. The longer term campus plan is to have 50% housing capacity; now 28% of the students have campus housing.
The Speaker asked Council if it was in favour of extending the Student Housing question and answer session. A vote showed Council to be in favour:


Against (6): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Conner McGauley, Sedi Minachi, Ryan Trasolini, Fraser Young (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Abstained: Michael Haack, Beaner Mitchell, Matt Zustovic (proxy for Ravi Parhar)

Questions (continued)

- Michael Haack asked if there would be a conflict with the provincial cap.
  - Andrew Parr: No.
- Dylan Callow asked if this was for 8-month or year-round housing.
  - Andrew Parr: Totem is 8-month; Marine Drive is year-round. Eight months versus 12 months is a significant issue.
- Jeremy McElroy asked for clarification about revenue losses and revenue increases in relation to the University’s contribution.
  - Andrew Parr: The University is facing revenue strain issues. We are supporting the mission of the University.
- Dave Tompkins: If you’re planning a deficit, isn’t that just an excuse for raising rents?
  - Jeremy McElroy: Why are you giving to the University?
  - Andrew Parr: We are the University. We’re not a separate business. The principle is that we provide a dividend to support the academic mission. A deficit this year won’t force a price increase next year; it would mean we’d pay a lesser dividend.
- Dave Tompkins: It would be interesting to compare to other universities.
  - Alex Lougheed asked about other transfers to the University.
  - Andrew Parr referred to general municipal services, contributions to infrastructure, taxation.
  - Alex Lougheed said that if the 3.7% the University takes as a sort of tax were removed, this could exist in the private world. He also asked about support for an independent RHA.
- Booji Vandebeek (RHA): We’re happy with our position within Housing. I don’t see why we’d leave and join the AMS.
  - Andrew Parr: They operate independently.
- Alex Lougheed asked about troubles between UBC Housing and the RHA, including threats to remove RHA funding.
  - Andrew Parr and Booji Vandebeek said they weren’t aware of any of that.
- Ben Cappellacci asked about students who can’t afford the increased cost.
  - Andrew Parr: That’s something for Finance.
- Isabel Montoya Villegas asked when the changes take effect.
  - Andrew Parr: September.
**New Athletic Facilities – Kavie Toor (UBC Athletics):**

Kavie:

- Two new facilities:
  - Fields: artificial turf at Thunderbird Stadium and rugby field renovations.
  - UBC Tennis Centre.
- The existing Thunderbird facility has limited use; it’s grass, and football games there create bad field conditions.
- Artificial turf would allow a much larger field and recreational use as well as Varsity football.
- The Arthur Lord and Frank Buck rugby fields were paved over for the Olympics. VANOC has paid to bring the fields back.
- The financing of $2.6 million will come in part from VANOC ($1.15 million) and the rest from Athletics user fees.
- The tennis centre will have eight new indoor courts, four tournament and four leisure courts; maybe four squash courts; one outdoor court. Cost: $8.9 million. $1 million from the government, $7 million from Athletics, $800,000 from a donor.

**Questions**

- Stas Pavlov asked about concerts.
  - Kavie Toor: The current plan is to keep them as recreation facilities, not for concerts. A turf cover for concerts is not part of our budget. But the base does allow for large stages, like BC Place.
- Maria Cirstea asked about the old tennis bubble.
  - Kavie Toor: It will remain intact.
- Fraser Young asked about the kind of turf.
  - Kavie Toor: It will be similar to what’s on the soccer fields.
- Fraser Young asked what would be covered.
  - Kavie Toor: There will be a rectangle shape at the end, berms, good viewing points.
- Sean Cregten asked about the timeline.
  - Kavie Toor: Both are to be done in the spring-summer. Thunderbird completion goal is September 1. The grass fields may not be ready for use then, maybe October or November for them. The tennis centre completion date is March 2011.
- Jeremy McElroy: You could have concerts if you purchased a cover?
  - Kavie Toor: Yes.
  - Asked to clarify what spring-summer means, Kavie Toor said the projects should begin before the end of May, depending on Board of Governors approval and contractors.

**Safety Abroad Policy – Janet Teasdale (UBC Student Development Office):**

Janet Teasdale

- Connected to Go Global.
- Aim is to encourage safe experiences abroad for students.
- Concern over such things as drugs in Monterey, terror in Mumbai, H1N1, other issues in southern hemisphere.
• Last month a new policy was introduced; before, individual faculty members would do what they could, but it was difficult for us to do anything except react if students called.
• This will apply to University activity, meaning anything organized or paid for by the University.
• Examples: students in various risk areas, such as Uganda, Afghanistan, Vietnam.
• Hardest situation is when students go alone and are not on a University-organized trip.
• There will be a registry; we’ve tried to make it as little onerous as possible. Students are to provide emergency contact information, etc. and will be given pre-departure information.
• The idea is to ensure the ability to rescue students if necessary.
• It will be students’ responsibility to register when travelling alone.

Questions
• Charles Au asked if students will be required to update their status.
• Janet Teasdale: Yes, they may be travelling to different areas where risks are different.
• Allen Chen asked about weekend excursions.
• Janet Teasdale: It depends if you’re leaving the country. You’ll be briefed.
• Joel Mertens: Is there a one-time communications plan about this new policy?
• Janet Teasdale: Originally it was going to be one-time. If the need is out there to ensure awareness, there will be more. There will be a staff position associated with this.
• Kate Phipps: Can students opt out, or is this mandatory?
• Janet Teasdale: Mandatory.
• Sedi Minachi: Does it apply to conferences?
• Janet Teasdale: Yes. It’s being approached from every University level. Even if you’re going to Seattle. If you are crossing a national border.
• Bahador Moosavi: It’s for University-related travel only.
• Janet Teasdale: Yes.
• Bahador Moosavi: Does the travel have to be approved?
• Janet Teasdale: The premise of the policy is that travel has to be approved; the registry is part of that process, or may be all of it. We need to know how we will get you out.
• Bahador Moosavi: How long will the approval process be?
• Janet Teasdale: As short as possible.
• Fraser Young: What if you don’t register?
• Janet Teasdale: The student would then be travelling as a private citizen.
• Fraser Young: Does this apply to Res Life conferences?
• Janet Teasdale: Yes, all travel abroad. Athletes.
• Fraser Young: If you don’t register, then what happens?
• Janet Teasdale: In practice, the chances are nothing. But if, say, you are arrested, the University then couldn’t say you were there on University business.
• Isabel Montoya Villegas asked about levels of risk and how UBC determines them.
• Janet Teasdale: The University relies on risk levels set by the federal government’s Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT).
• Valentina Vargas Ricca asked what risk levels are based on: is it only violence and natural disasters?
  • Janet Teasdale: Natural disasters can’t be predicted. The idea is to ensure we can get students out or make them safe.
  • Valentina Vargas Ricca: How?
  • Janet Teasdale: First, we have to know who’s there. Now it can take a long time just to find that out, and with our increased international activity, there may be more situations like this.
  • Valentina Vargas Ricca: Once you know who’s there, then what can you do?
  • Janet Teasdale: First, we find out they’re safe. Then we work with ROCA (the government’s Registration of Canadians Abroad service). It will be case by case; it will be different depending on what’s happened.
  • Tahara Bhate: Is this for all students?
  • Janet Teasdale: For all students abroad. It’s different when you have a passport of that country.
  • Tahara Bhate: Is there a fee?
  • Janet Teasdale: No.
  • Geoff Costeloe: This is a really good policy because there was no program before to know where students are. But I have a concern with Article 8, which includes punishments for unauthorized travel. Trips can be cancelled; funding cut; students could be suspended or expelled. Graduate students might drive down to Seattle and could have their funding cancelled. The concern is that this might be badly implemented; students could be subject to financial or academic penalty.
  • Janet Teasdale said the point was well taken.
  • Theresa Fresco asked about insurance, the AMS travel plan, and the problem of relying on email contacts. She noted that other schools have a 24-hour phone contact.
  • Janet Teasdale: We do inform students how to contact us. Campus Security has a 24-hour phone line. We also have contact numbers for students. As to insurance, the AMS/GSS plan covers initial levels of travel. Go Global has $1.4 million annually. There’s no particular fund to fund students.
  • Theresa Fresco asked about applying to Go Global for funding to hire personal security.
  • Janet Teasdale: There’s no particular fund for that cost, other than research grants. It’s a good point to think of.
  • Isabel Montoya Villegas asked about international students.
  • Janet Teasdale: We can absolutely work on behalf of international students as well as Canadian students.

**Art Gallery Director – Jeremy Jaud (SAC Art Gallery Commissioner):**

Jeremy:
• Lots of exhibitions and events last year.
• A lot involved in these shows.
• Bringing more students in: 4500 this year.
• Breaking out, to the Museum of Anthropology and the Belkin.
• This gallery can be a stepping stone to art in Vancouver.
• This does take a lot of time.
2. MOVED HAYDEN HUGHES, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA, THRIRDED MONICA ROSTOCKI:

“That the meeting go in camera.”

The meeting went in camera at 8:00 pm.

The meeting left the in camera session at 8:15 pm.

Jeremy continued his presentation:
- The Art Gallery Commissioner has lots of tasks.
- Moving forward, it would be good to create the position of Art Gallery Director, to ensure consistency and for developing a strategy.
- Other organizations are reluctant to work with us because of the lack of consistency.
- The AMS Art Gallery is the best place for showcasing student art.
- Need to reassess the Art Gallery Commissioner position. We really need a position with longer hours, 20-30 hours a week.

Questions
- Ekat Dovjenko:
  - This is something to address. Council will have to vote on it, and there will have to be a proper business model for it.
  - There are insurance issues, also questions about reporting structure.
  - In the meantime we can change the hours and responsibilities of the current position, but it would still be a student. We’ll have to review it.
- Jeremy Jaud: It needs to be addressed now; there’s income potential for the Gallery. Also, we need an Art Gallery Committee. We should be looking for an Art Gallery Director. We need to improve our recognition and consistency and work to become revenue neutral or revenue generating.
- Katherine Tyson asked about the budget.
- Jeremy Jaud said the Art Gallery has been seen as a drain, but it’s not.
- In response to questions about whether the Art History Department might close their space to support ours and whether funding might come from outside sources, Jeremy Jaud said:
  - The Art History Department wants to remain independent.
  - A broad range of groups seeks to use the AMS space, but no one but the AMS provides funding.

OnePassNow - Lori MacDonald and Tiffany Kalanj:

Lori MacDonald:
- Trying to expand the UBC U-Pass rate to all students in Vancouver through the OnePassNow coalition (successor to an earlier coalition in 2006).
- Cheap bus passes have environmental and financial benefits.
- The provincial government wants us to double public transit use; an expanded U-Pass would be a way to do that.
- The UBC plan should be the benchmark for measuring success.
- The coalition is adopting AMS principles on transit.
• There are rumours the government will impose a $45 pass. That would mean savings at the colleges, but an 80% increase at UBC. Students would rather have a $25 pass.

Tiffany Kalanj:
• The government promised that students would all pay the same flat fee.
• OnePassNow (made up of the student unions at Emily Carr, Douglas, and VCC) is a non-partisan coalition seeking to follow AMS policy.
• We’ve held meetings with the government and have called for a $25 U-Pass for all students in Metro Vancouver.
• We’ve been endorsed by the city councils of Vancouver, Burnaby, and New Westminster.
• It looks like the province will implement a pass in September, which is only weeks away.
• Our coalition is the best outlet for responding; it’s important that the AMS work with other Councils for the $25 pass.
• We want AMS Council to consider membership in the coalition and to vote on this as soon as possible.

Questions
• Mrigank Sharma asked if SFU was in the coalition.
• Tiffany Kalanj: They’re not formally in, but they support the principles.
• Hayden Hughes asked what can be done to help.
• Tiffany Kalanj: Join.
• Lori MacDonald: We’d love to be able to say you belong.
• Iggy Rodriguez said $25 is actually below the UBC cost.
• Tiffany Kalanj: It’s a good number for the media. If the government says $28, will we walk? No, we want a flat price, not revenue neutrality. Every program since UBC’s has been more expensive. The coalition aims to protect your price.
• Iggy Rodriguez: Is Capilano on board?
• Lori MacDonald: They just got a $31 pass, so this is not a high priority for them. They were in the precursor organization; then they got their U-Pass and left.
• Erik Mackinnon asked if $25 was too low, given TransLink’s budget shortfall.
• Tiffany Kalanj said $25 was a good negotiating tool.
• Lori MacDonald: The Premier said the U-Pass should be affordable and fair.
• Erik Mackinnon asked if there was a tipping point price.
• Lori MacDonald: The price is dictated to us; we’re seeking to work out a coordinated response to that price.

Council voted on whether to extend the OnePassNow question period.

… Defeated

For (15): Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Jimmy Yan, Matt Zustovic (proxy for Ravi Parhar)

Against (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Geoff Costelo, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Tom Huryn, Conner McGauley, Sedi Minachi,
Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Elin Tayyar, Lin Watt, Fraser Young (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens

The Speaker asked if there were any objections to amending the agenda to do the at large appointments to the Budget Committee and the Extraordinary Hiring Committee now.

… No objections

3. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That _______ and ________ (students at large) be appointed to the Budget Committee.”

Nominees: Bill Wu, Erik Mackinnon, Klazina Vandenberge, Andrew Carne, Ashley Zarbatany, Arielle Friedman
Chosen: Erik Mackinnon, Andrew Carne

“That ______ (student at large) be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee.”
Nominee: Hayden Hughes

4. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That Andrew Carne and Erik Mackinnon be appointed to the Budget Committee.”

“That Hayden Hughes be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee.”

… Carried

For (27): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Geoff Costeloe, Sean Cregten, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Jeremy McElroy, Conner McGauley, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Abstained: Andrew Carne

D) President’s Remarks:

Bijan Ahmadian:
• Quarterly reports will come May 5.
• Speaker reappointment: seeking feedback.

E) Executive Remarks:

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance:
• Working on new budget.
• Health and Dental Plan.
Ekaterina Dovjenko – VP Administration:
- New SUB:
  - Three architect presentations have already been done.
  - Make sure to vote (starting April 13).
- Systemic discrimination review – focus groups.

Jeremy McElroy – VP External:
- Still in CASA; they’re excited about us being there; we’re figuring out payment for next year.
- Submitted my budget; asking for money for lobbying.
- Meeting with OnePassNow.
- Looking forward to meeting with other student union executives.

Ben Cappellacci – VP Academic:
- Meeting with international students and ISA.
- Working with the University on student evaluations of teaching.

Pavani Gunadasa – ECSS:
- Continuing with hiring.
- Working with University committees.

F) Committee Reports:

Student Life – Fraser Young:
- Interconstituency events
- Working with Services.
- Shinerama.
- Constituency events.
- Block party.

University and External Relations – Tahara Bhate:
- Stakeholder governance review about UBC and Metro Vancouver.
- U-Pass
- Tuition/financial aid.
- Childcare.
- Transit.
- CUS referendum
- External Policy review.

BAFCOM – Aaron Sihota:
- Whistler Lodge.
- Budgets.
- Prices.
- Sponsorship.
- Sustainability.
- Hiring.

Legislative Procedures – Matthew Naylor:
- Communications.
• Employees’ job descriptions and pay levels.
• Structure: interpreting Code, Code amendments, committee reform, Ombuds and Equity reviews, Society Act Review, Internal Policy review, special general meeting, bylaws.

**Education Committee – Geoff Costeloe:**
• Credit/D/Fail.
• Student evaluations on teaching.
• Educational concerns.

**G) Constituency Reports:**

**Arts – Brian Platt:**
• I’m AUS president unless Student Court decides otherwise.
• Arts Dean Gallini is leaving; three new Dean candidates.

**Social Work – Angelina Gordon:**
• Research showcase April 12.

**Music – Beaner Mitchell:**
• Brahms next week.
• BBQ April 14.

**Pharmacy – Charles Au:**
• Everyone busy with exams

**GSS – Tom Huryn:**
• Koerner’s lost its liquor licence; working through that.

**Law – Kate Phipps:**
• Law library flooded.

**Human Kinetics – Fraser Young:**
• Volunteer appreciation dinner.
• Last Lecture: Nestor Korchinsky.
• May 2 grad.

**Education – Courtney English:**
• Everyone on practicum.

**Commerce – Dylan Callow:**
• Last Lecture: Ben Dunlap.

**Science – Jimmy Yan:**
• Hiring managers at Ladha.

**Library-Archival – Julia Bullard:**
• Research presentation.

**International Students – Valentina Vargas Ricca.**
GSS rep Sedi Minachi had a question for the President:
- Why in working on the budget deficit are the Services being looked at first?
- Bijan Ahmadian: Because Services positions had to be filled.
- Sedi Minachi: There’s a lot of concern about the focus on the Student Services.

Engineering:
- The year in review. A rap song introducing the new reps.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Senate – Joel Mertens:
- Committee appointments.
- I’m the new Senate Caucus Chair.
- Chad Embree is the other new Council Senate rep.

Ombudsperson - Hayden Hughes:
- 3 cases; finally settled the club complaint.
- Thanks to the staff and Ben and Council.
- Worked to strengthen the functionality of the office.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

3. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED CONNOR McGAULEY:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Business and Facilities Minutes dated March 25, 2010
AMS Council minutes dated February 10, 2010.”

... Carried


Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Fraser Young (proxy for Ellen Kim)

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

4. MOVED CONNOR McGAULEY, SECONDED LIN WATT:

From the Commerce Undergraduate Society
“That Council, pursuant to the University Act and Bylaw 14(8) of the Society, give notice to the Board of Governors to increase the fee levy for students in the Faculty of Commerce from $266 to $766 starting in Winter Session 2012/2013 or the first Winter Session after the completion of the Commerce building renewal project, whichever is later, and that the Vice-President Finance send this notice to the Board of Governors.

Note: The new $500 component of the fee (‘the building renewal student fee’) shall be indexed to the BC Consumer Price Index and shall remain in effect until the mortgage is paid in full or until the end of the 35-year amortization period, whichever comes first.”

- Connor McGauley: The referendum on the $500 increase passed in March. The processes were checked by the Elections office. There was a report to Tahara, and her committee (University and External Relations), and they said we did a decent job. There were Yes and No campaigns, 49% turnout, and a 63% yes vote.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Our bylaws require us to ask the Board of Governors to bring in this fee if there were no procedural errors. We don’t go into the merits.
- Tahara Bhate: We did discuss the CUS referendum, and we are now looking at Code changes on Constituency referendums. There should be more oversight of them. I will abstain because of the precedent being set here, but that does not mean anything about how the CUS ran their referendum; it was fine.
- Alex Lougheed:
  - The merits should be discussed.
  - In 2007 the Dean of Commerce wanted a new building and held a vote, but the province rejected it.
  - In 2010 he is trying again. He went to the CUS saying there’s a deficit, help us. His arguments were that the Faculty of Commerce might lose accreditation, a dubious claim. Also that programming might be cut, and that this increase would help Commerce become the best faculty ever.
  - Whose responsibility is it to get the Faculty out of the hole? Is it the students’?
  - This is identical to the 2007 question; it’s not a student initiative; it’s not a CUS fee.
  - The Dean lobbied for this; faculty members shamed students into voting.
  - Can it be a student fee if the administration relies on it for operations?
  - Should the Faculty administration be weighing in on student elections?
  - In what manner should students be funding the mission of the University?
  - This goes against AMS policies.
  - It’s a tuition fee.
  - All the AMS can do is pass this, because of the bylaws. It’s a legal grey zone.
  - We can take leadership. We can let the Dean know this is not acceptable.
  - I was going to suggest we pass policy on this sort of fee.
  - Council should write to the Ministry of Education; make the government aware that the University is trying to raise tuition through the back door.
- Dave Tompkins: We could pass it on to the Board of Governors and say we don’t approve.
- Laura Silvester:
We really feel this is an opportunity for students to be involved in designing our learning environment and shaping our school. This referendum fell within our mandate. The referendum result shows this is what the students want. It was a democratic process. It was a well-run referendum with a democratic majority and a healthy turnout.

There has been discussion in committee about process. Council may want to look into defining student fees; there is no definition of it.

- Charles Au expressed concern about the precedent for future fee increases.
- Bijan Ahmadian noted that the AMS itself through a referendum introduced an athletics fee which is handed over to the University.
- Neal Yonson: During the tuition freeze, we ran an referendum to increase the athletics fee to $21, but we don’t have to give it to Athletics. At the University of Victoria, the grad students objected to a fee increase and the ministry agreed with them.
- Charles Au asked if he was obligated to vote for the increase.
- Dave Tompkins: You can vote against it and be in violation of the bylaws.
- Hayden Hughes: Commerce got a 49% turnout; we got only 14% for our elections.
- Sedi Minachi thanked Alex for his opposition to the increase. There has been no resistance to the latest 2% tuition increase by the University. In the 90’s there were huge protests. Now it seems a shame to protest or to question the status quo. Those who are not interested in taking the students’ side should resign.

It was agreed to lay the motion on the table in order to vote on the following motion:

5. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That Council be extended by one hour.”

... Carried


Against (10): Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Beaner Mitchell, Kate Phipps, Aaron Sihota

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Sean Cregten, Conner McGauley

Back to the CUS motion:

- Thato Makgolane: Students in Commerce have said what they want. Contrary to the suggestion that we are puppets of the Dean, he was not lobbying; we decided the Dean should come speak to the students. It seems someone has a personal vendetta against our Dean
- Alex Lougheed raised a point of personal privilege for the suggestion that he is carrying out a personal vendetta. It’s a professional vendetta.
• Thato Makgolane apologized.
• Joel Mertens: Commerce has run this. Policy says we have to pass it. If you’re not comfortable, abstain.

6. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED HAYDEN HUGHES:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (17): Bijan Ahmadian, Julia Bullard, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Allen Chen, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Conner McGauley, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Fraser Young (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Against (9): Tahara Bhate, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan

Abstained: Charles Au, Sean Cregten, Jeremy McElroy, Beaner Mitchell, Elin Tayyar

• Tom Huryn: The people in the CUS had the right to vote on merits. The rest is on procedure.
• Tahara Bhate: The committee looked at how the referendum was run. The No side was made aware of appeal procedures; no appeals were made. The procedure was accepted. My committee found no fault with it. Council has no choice but to pass this. We can abstain, and I think the government has a duty not to allow it.

7. MOVED TAHARA BHATE, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Against (5): Rory Breasail, Aaron Sihota, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan

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Note: The new $500 component of the fee (‘the building renewal student fee’) shall be indexed to the BC Consumer Price Index and shall remain in effect until the mortgage is paid in full or until the end of the 35-year amortization period, whichever comes first.”

... Carried

For (11): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Dylan Callow, Courtney English, Tom Huryn, Conner McGauley, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Ryan Trasolini, Lin Watt

Against (2): Michael Haack, Sedi Minachi


L) Committee Motions:

9. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That Council amend the agenda to consider committee appointments now and suspend Code to allow incoming Council members to be appointed to committees tonight.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... No objections

10. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED AARON SIHOTA:

“That (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

Nominees: Katherine Tyson (Arts), Kyle Warwick (Arts), Michael Haack (Arts), Rory Breasail (Arts) Karen Lee (Science), Sedi Minachi (GSS)

That _______ (non-Executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.
Nominees: Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Michael Haack
Chosen: Katherine Tyson

That (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term commencing April 16th, 2010 and ending April 1, 2011.
Nominees: Ellen Kim (Human Kinetics), Brittany Perna (International Students), Karen Lee (Science), Pavani Gunadasa (ECSS), Ryan Trasolini (Arts), Carolee Changfoot (Arts), Sumedha Sharma (Science)
Chosen: Ellen Kim, Brittany Perna, Karen Lee, Pavani Gunadasa, Ryan Trasolini, Carolee Changfoot

That ______ (non-Executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Student Life Committee for a term commencing April 16th, 2010 and ending April 1, 2011.
Nominees: Ryan Trasolini, Pavani Gunadasa
- Bijan Ahmadian: If Pavani becomes chair, she will sit on the Agenda Committee, which oversees the President, but that would be a conflict of interest because the President is her boss.
- Pavani Gunadasa said she would abstain from any oversight votes.
Chosen: Ryan Trasolini

That (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That _______ (non-Executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That _______ (non-Executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That _____ (non-Executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That (2 x Councillors) be appointed to the Ad Hoc SUB Renewal Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.

That (3 x Constituency Representatives) and (2 x members at large) be appointed to the Budget Committee.

It was agreed to lay the motion on the table so that Tahara Bhate could make a farewell speech before leaving.
Tahara thanked her voters and colleagues and advised Council members to just get on with it and not argue so much with each other. Remember who you represent: the students.

Karen Lee took over as Tahara’s proxy.

Council returned to Motion 10:

“That (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”
Nominees: Allen Chen (GSS), Chad Embree (Senate), Dylan Callow (Commerce), Sumedha Sharma (Science), Maria Cirstea (Science), and Sean Cregten (Arts).

Katherine Tyson left; Mike Silley took over as her proxy.

11. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED KAREN LEE:

“That Council suspend Code Section V Article 3(1)(a) to allow Mike Silley to sit as chair of the Business and Facilities Committee until March 31, 2011.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- It was stated that Mike had been on the committee and was steering a working group; it was important to have him on the committee.
- Ben Cappellacci: It’s not legitimate to suspend Code.
- Joel Mertens: Since the chair will sit on the Agenda Committee doing oversight of the Executive as a representative of Council, it is not appropriate to have someone who’s not been elected to Council serve in that role.
- Dave Tompkins: Council could suspend the part of the Code about the Agenda Committee.
- Matthew Naylor: Code is not meant to be a straitjacket; it’s a guideline to promote best practices. If there’s utility in suspending Code, then do it. The chair will still be answerable to Council. This body dictates what he can do. Because of that and because of the ability of this individual, go ahead.
- Kyle Warwick began to suggest there was still a problem because Mike was not even a member of the committee any more, but was told that was not the case.

12. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED KAREN LEE:

“That Council suspend Code Section V Article 3(1)(a) to allow Mike Silley to sit as chair of the Business and Facilities Committee until March 31, 2011.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (20): Bijan Ahmadian, Tahara Bhate, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Elin
Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young
(proxy for Ellen Kim)

Against (2): Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci

Abstained: Allen Chen, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Beaner Mitchell, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Council returned to Motion 10:

“That _____ be appointed Chair of the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

Nominees: Mike Silley, Dylan Callow

Chosen: Mike Silley

The Speaker asked Council to extend the meeting by 45 minutes.

... Carried


Against (8): Tahara Bhate, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Michael Haack, Beaner Mitchell, Bahador Moosavi, Aaron Sihota

Council returned to Motion 10:

That (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

Nominees: Joel Mertens (Senate), Amanda Li (Engineering), Nick Sertic (Engineering), Nancy Wang (Science)

That _______ (non-Executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

Nominee: Joel Mertens

That (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

Nominees: Julian Ritchie (Engineering), Ignacio Rodriguez (Science), Maria Cirstea (Science), Brian Platt (Arts), Tom Huryn (GSS), Kyle Warwick (Arts), Michael Haack (Arts)

Chosen: Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Maria Cirstea, Brian Platt, Tom Huryn, Kyle Warwick

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Nominee: Julian Ritchie
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Nominees: Dylan Callow, Julian Ritchie

That (3 x Constituency Representatives) and (2 x members at large) be appointed to the Budget Committee.

Nominees (Constituency Reps): Connor McGauley (Commerce), Maria Cirstea (Science), Allen Chen (GSS), Beaner Mitchell (Music), Bahador Moosavi (GSS), Kyle Warwick (Arts)

13. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED AARON SIHOTA:

“That Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Michael Haack, Rory Breasail, Karen Lee, and Sedi Minachi (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

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That Allen Chen, Chad Embree, Dylan Callow, Sumedha Sharma, Maria Cirstea, and Sean Cregten (6x Councillors) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That Mike Silley be appointed Chair of the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That Joel Mertens, Amanda Lee, Nick Sertic and Nancy Wang (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That Joel Mertens (non-Executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Maria Cirstea, Brian Platt, Tom Huryn and Kyle Warwick be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That Julian Ritchie (non-Executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.
That Dylan Callow and Julian Ritchie (Councillors) be appointed to the Ad Hoc SUB Renewal Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.

That Connor McGauley, Maria Cirstea and Allen Chen (Constituency Representatives) be appointed to the Budget Committee.

... Carried


Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

- Matthew Naylor made a farewell speech:
  - It’s been a privilege to serve.
  - To see the commitment to a Constituency is really moving.
  - I’ve changed a lot.
  - The AMS has been a force for good.
  - Want to mention Stephanie Ryan and Andrew Forshner.
  - I hope I’ve made a substantial and meaningful contribution.

14. MOVED AARON SIHOTA, SECONDED KAREN LEE:

From the Business and Facilities Committee

"Whereas the AMS Business and Facilities Committee was mandated by AMS Council to determine an AMS Executive cellular phone bill compensation policy; and

Whereas the AMS Business and Facilities Committee deemed it necessary for optimal business performance that Executive members of the AMS use a smart phone during normal business hours to be reachable; and

Whereas not subsidizing Executive cellular phone bill expenditures could negatively affect the Society’s business efficiency and/or invoke personal financial hardship; and

Whereas the AMS Business and Facilities Committee deems it improper to mandate Executive members to possess a smart phone without subsidizing work-based cellular phone expenses; and

Whereas by subsidizing executive cellular phone expenses, the Business and Facilities Committee feels it necessary to obligate Executive members to be reachable via phone, text, or email, through their smart phone; and
Whereas any assessment made by the Business and Facilities Committee with regard to the subsidy amount each Executive member of the Alma Mater Society should receive would not be within the context of the AMS Annual Budget, and therefore unfounded and arbitrary,

Therefore be it resolved that on the recommendation of the Business and Facilities Committee, the Alma Mater Society Council mandate the AMS Budget Committee to determine an appropriate cellular phone-bill subsidy for each Executive member for inclusion into the AMS Annual Budget.

Be it further resolved that Executive members of the Alma Mater Society be required to possess a smart phone for work purposes in order to qualify for a phone subsidy.

Be it further resolved that Executive members of the Alma Matter Society be contactable, either by phone, email, or text, through their smart phone at all times during regular business hours.”

- Aaron Sihota:
  - There used to be a plan with Rogers; it went till August 31. Rogers used to pay. Since then we’ve been reimbursing the Executive on an ad hoc basis with no cap, no limit. That’s unsustainable, especially in a time of fiscal deficit.
  - This has been debated before. Should it be $50? $75? We needed more research. We had a working group look into it, but it still seemed arbitrary, so we’ve decided to send it to the Budget Committee and have them determine it in the context of the full budget. It should be a permanent line item.
  - Also, this is my last meeting too. It’s been an interesting year. Good luck to the new Councillors.

15. MOVED AARON SIHOTA, SECONDED KAREN LEE:

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... Carried

For (19): Bijan Ahmadian, Karen Lee (proxy for Tahara Bhate), Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Tom Huryn, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Abstained: Ben Cappellacci, Jeremy McElroy, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

16. MOVED JIMMY YAN, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

“That ______ (Councillor) and _______ (Councillor or member at large) be appointed to the CiTR Board of Directors for a term ending March 31, 2011.

Note: Must be a Canadian Citizen

Nominees: Beaner Mitchell (Music), Kyle Warwick (Arts), Mike Silley (Arts)
Chosen: Beaner Mitchell, Mike Silley

That ______, ________ and ________ (3 non-Executive Council members) and ______ (1 student at large) be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee.

Nominees (Council members): Bahador Moosavi (GSS), Chad Embree (Senate) and Nancy Wang (Science)

That Council appoint ______ (Councillor) to represent the AMS on the AMS/GSS Health and Dental Plan Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.

Nominee: Dylan Callow (Commerce)
That Council appoint ______ (Council Member) to represent the AMS on the Student Legal Fund Society for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.”

Nominees: Kate Phipps (Law), Kyle Warwick (Arts)
Chosen: Kate Phipps

17. MOVED JIMMY YAN, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

“That Beaner Mitchell (Councillor) and Mike Silley (Councillor or member at large) be appointed to the CiTR Board of Directors for a term ending March 31, 2011.

Note: Must be a Canadian Citizen

That Bahador Moosavi, Chad Embree and Nancy Wang (3 non-Executive Council members) be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee.

That Council appoint Dylan Callow (Councillor) to represent the AMS on the AMS/GSS Health and Dental Plan Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.

That Council appoint Kate Phipps (Council Member) to represent the AMS on the Student Legal Fund Society for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.”

... Carried


Abstained: Kate Phipps, Ryan Trasolini

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

18. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Committee dated March 8, 2010
Student Administrative Committee dated March 17, 2010
Student Administrative Committee dated March 24, 2010.”

... Carried

For (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Karen Lee (proxy for Tahara Bhate), Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Tom Huryn, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt

Against (1): Jeremy McElroy
Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Ryan Trasolini, Fraser Young (proxy for Ellen Kim)

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

19. MOVED LIN WATT, SECONDED FRASER YOUNG:

“That Council, pursuant to the University Act and Bylaw 14(8) of the Society, give notice to the Board of Governors to set the fee levy for students in the Faculty of Engineering to $72 for the 2010/2011 academic year, and that the Vice-President Finance send this notice to the Board of Governors.

Note: This is a renewal of a currently-set-to-expire fee for Engineers Without Borders (EWB). The fee shall be reduced by $2 in 5 years when the EWB fee referendum expires.”

… Carried

For (19): Bijan Ahmadian, Karen Lee (proxy for Tahara Bhate), Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Sean Cregten, Tom Huryn, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Elin Tayyar, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Jimmy Yan, Fraser Young (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Ryan Trasolini

20. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW

“That Councillors be authorized to take a cab home pursuant to AMS Code.”

… Carried

For (20): Bijan Ahmadian, Karen Lee (proxy for Tahara Bhate), Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Tom Huryn, Jeremy McElroy, Beaner Mitchell, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Aaron Sihota, Ryan Trasolini, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt, Fraser Young (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Abstained: Sean Cregten, Elin Tayyar

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

April 28th

R) Adjournment:

21. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

… Carried
For (16): Bijan Ahmadian, Karen Lee (proxy for Tahara Bhate), Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Tom Huryn, Jeremy McElroy, Beaner Mitchell, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Elin Tayyar, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt

Against (3): Dylan Callow, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez

The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 am.

S) Social Activity:
## The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Andrew Carne (Engineering MAL), Anne DeWolfe (UBC VP Students Office), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Pierre Ouillet (UBC Administration), Daniel Caiceda (Arts – at large), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Designer), Alex Loughheed (Alumni), Tahara Bhate (Alumni), Guillaume Savard (Sr. Project Manager, MHPM), Yves Ho (Ubyssey), Jeremy Jaud (Art Gallery Commissioner)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 1:14 pm.

1. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

“That video recording be allowed at this meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Abstained: Sean Cregten, Michael Haack, Beaner Mitchell, Elysia Pyne

• It was agreed to remove the two renovations motions from the agenda.

2. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried


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

C) Presentations to Council:

SUB Agreement Presentation – Bijan Ahmadian and Ekaterina Dovjenko:

Bijan:

• This has taken almost two years, and at times it seemed like Mission Impossible.
• To allow Council to understand the risks involved, we will go in camera later.
Ekat:
- Many long meetings to reach agreement.
- We received Board 1 approval, conditional on signing the agreements by April 30.
- We have also shortlisted three architects.
- The agreements include the following:
  - A lease, which includes payment for what used to be the IPF.
    - UBC has cancelled its part of the old IPF agreement; instead there will be a $35,000 grant for innovative projects, fully controlled by the AMS.
    - There is a right to remain clause in the lease, referring to the existing building, because we won’t have room for everything in the new SUB.
  - A development agreement covering design, construction, the project manager, governance structure, collaboration; there will be a say for students, student-driven processes.
  - A surrender agreement, for the old building, but including a clause on retained use for eight years, for things such as Filmsoc, after which UBC can tell Filmsoc to vacate; but if UBC does that, they will have to give something similar elsewhere.
  - A loan commitment for the funding. UBC is putting up $25 million; the AMS is paying the rest through student fees. It’s a prepaid lease, paid up front through a UBC loan, which we pay off from our fees.
- This will be one of the most important motions we’ll ever pass.
- The architect will be selected by August.

3. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, THIRDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the meeting enter an In Camera session.”

The meeting went in camera at 1:30 pm.

The meeting left the in camera session at 1:40 pm.

Questions
- Neal Yonson asked how the refinancing works.
- Anne DeWolfe:
  - It’s a $103 million project.
  - The AMS will have collected $12 million by the time the project starts.
  - UBC will provide financing to pay bills from the contractors and architects.
  - Once it’s built, UBC will be contributing $25 million from Trek Endowment, which is money UBC sets aside for the betterment of the campus, for land development.
  - That leaves $66 million. AMS will borrow this from UBC and will pay it off over a projected 30-32 years from an AMS fee, which rises $10 a year until it reaches $100 in 2016.
  - It’s the same as a downpayment with borrowing from UBC. UBC is putting up its own money.
This is the maximum that could be afforded.

- Neal Yonson asked about pre-payment of the lease.
- Bijan Ahmadian: It’s quite complex, but we’ve done due diligence and are confident this works.
- Ekat Dovjenko: It has to do with tax issues; it’s structured to create less of a chance of being taxed.
- Neal Yonson: The student fee is signed over. We’re not paying a mortgage.
- Ross Horton: It’s a mortgage of the lease. It’s complicated for tax purposes.
- Neal Yonson asked about liquor licensing; it’s more restricted in the new SUB: only the Pit and the Gallery.
- Ekat Dovjenko: Those are the liquor-primary licences, not including the liquor-secondary licences.
- Neal Yonson: Will there be food-primary, liquor-secondary licences like at the Pendulum now?
- Ekat Dovjenko: Absolutely.
- Neal Yonson: Mahony’s contract rules seem really restrictive around the Pit.
- Ekat Dovjenko: That’s a huge issue with us. The restrictions are because of Mahony’s deal with UBC.
- Anne DeWolfe:
  - When Mahony’s went into the Dentistry building, they received a restrictive covenant giving them the right to be the only liquor-primary location on University Boulevard and University Square. We had to work around that.
  - Through negotiations with Mahony’s, we were able to arrange for the Pit and the Gallery to move to the new building with some conditions respecting the Mahony’s covenant, but allowing the two operations to continue. There is no objection to moving the operations you have here to over there.
- Neal Yonson: The rules say no signage, no doors, no windows.
- Ross Horton: That’s just for the Pit. The Gallery can have windows. Even the Pit can have windows on two sides.

3. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

**From the President**

“That Council approve the four SUB Renewal agreements entitled “Development Agreement”, “Surrender Agreement”, “Lease Agreement” and “Financing Agreement”.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Bijan Ahmadian suggested that everyone stand up for the vote.
- Dylan Callow said that was too much pressure.
- Bijan withdrew the suggestion.
- Tahara Bhate expressed concern about the effect a possible drop in enrollment could have on repayment time and interest. Would there be penalties?
- Ross Horton said there was no concern about this. There would be no penalties for going longer.
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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried unanimously


President’s Office Renovation – Michael Kingsmill (AMS Designer) and Bijan Ahmadian:

Michael Kingsmill:
- This comes from the Executive and BAFCOM.
- The office has not been renovated for several years.
- This will be internal finishes, desks, chairs.
- The aim is to make the office better suited to official functions, for people to meet the President as the spokesperson of the AMS; also for gatherings of constituents.
- Pranksters have caused damage over the years, and there’s been wear and tear.
- The office should be more functional; you should be able to hold meetings there, spread papers over a table, make it a working environment.
- It’s a long-term investment, for this building and then in the future at the new SUB.
- The work includes painting, also upgrading desk, chair, tables, windows.
- Used furniture will be used for everything except the window coverings.
- The budget has been lowered from a starting figure of $11,000 to under $5,000.

Bijan Ahmadian:
- In the past the office has been used for lounging and not business.
- It should be used as part of PR and making friends for the Society.
- The AMS doesn’t have lots of friends; we need to build a circle or network of friends. The Alumni Association has friends who did legal work for them pro bono.
- Also seeking to raise $30,000 from sponsorship to balance the budget; this kind of office makes it conducive to meeting people who might sponsor or donate.
- We could get in kind donations for the new SUB through friends.
This will come out of the SUB Management Fund, which right now has a lofty balance. It won’t affect our deficit; it’s not part of operational funds.

Questions

- Nancy Wang asked which was the most expensive item.
- Michael Kingsmill: The L-shaped unit at $835 is the biggest piece of furniture.

5. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Executive/Business and Facilities Committee

“That Council on the recommendation of the Executive Committee authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed $5,000 from the SUB Management Fund for renovation of the President’s Office.”

Note: The SUB Management Fund has a balance of $118,000 and is replenished by approximately $19,000 yearly. Typical balance is $75,000.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Jeremy McElroy: The majority of the money spent here is on furniture that will be moved to the new SUB. We need to be a more professional organization. I want to be able to welcome people in my office and be taken seriously. And it’s a prudent allocation, reduced to $5000 and taken from the fund meant precisely for this.
- Kyle Warwick: This has been done according to the appropriate procedures.
- Sean Cregten said his constituents are not in favour of spending money on the President’s office in a time of massive cost cutting.
- Neal Yonson asked what the fund is used for.
- Michael Kingsmill: For work on walls etc. Recently money from the fund was used to soundproof the SASC office.
- Neal Yonson asked if the $500 budgeted for upgrades for Executive offices had been spent.
- Elin Tayyar: Some of it has been spent. Some Execs are not going to use it. No more spending for that will be approved.
- Neal Yonson asked for clarification on what had been budgeted.
- Jeremy McElroy said the new budget will not include any office upgrades for Bijan.
- Neal Yonson: It looks really bad to students to be spending the equivalent of a student's entire tuition cost.
- Rory Breasail asked about the windows.
- Michael Kingsmill said the venetian blinds are being replaced with window coverings; it's a substantial bit of work to avoid a pieced together look.
- Nancy Wang asked how long the furniture will last.
- Michael Kingsmill said furniture can last indefinitely.
- Nancy Wang asked when the office was last renovated.
- Michael Kingsmill: This office has not been refurbished since 1968. Things have been added, e.g., a filing cabinet, and an old desk was replaced. This time it’s not about matching and coordinating; this will be a full new outfitting.
6. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds … No objections

7. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

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Against (4): Rory Breasail, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Beaner Mitchell,

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Sean Cregten, Karen Lee, Sedi Minachi, Julian Ritchie, Mrigank Sharma

Budget Presentation – Ben Cappellacci and Elin Tayyar:

- We’ve balanced the budget for 2010-11.
- If nothing changes, we can exist indefinitely without net withdrawals from the non-replenished funds.
- Estimating $936,000 now for the business contribution for the past year, more than the estimate presented last time.
- Confident we can make $900,000 from the businesses this year.
- $50,000 expected from sponsorship.
- Expenditure cuts include 12% from the Executives, 26% from Services, and 12% from programs (saving $7,000 each from the three big events).
- There’s a 2% increase for Administration and Information Systems.

Questions
- Dylan Callow asked for further analysis of the business contribution, expressing concern that it might be less than projected.
• Elin Tayyar: That’s calculated by our business side. We do have $100,000 in contingency.
• Sedi Minachi asked about Administration and Information Systems.
• Elin Tayyar: That’s our accounting, the cost of issuing cheques, HR, the cost of raising salaries for permanent staff.
• Bijan Ahmadian: We hired the HR Manager in the middle of last year; this year we will have to pay him for the whole year.
• Kyle Warwick asked about the three big events.
• Elin Tayyar: That’s Firstweek, Block Party, and the Welcome Back Barbecue. We’re changing the business model to subsidize them less.
• Kyle Warwick asked how the 26% cut to Services related to what had already been approved by Council.
• Elin Tayyar: That’s it; there’s nothing extra beyond what Council approved.

L) Committee Motions:

8. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

From the Budget Committee

“That Council approve the 2010/2011 preliminary budget as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Sean Cregten asked about the Services.
• Ben Cappellacci said there were cuts made a few weeks ago and also some reductions from finding efficiencies.
• Sedi Minachi: This is a student society; I don’t mind managers being paid, but this is a student body.
• Karen Lee asked about sources of extra revenue.
• Elin Tayyar pointed to the automatic $10 increase in the SUB fee; also, the businesses have brought in over $936,000 for the past year instead of the budgeted $760,000.
• Connor McGauley asked about the $900,000 budgeted as business contribution for the coming year, given that the budget for the past year was $760,000.
• Bijan Ahmadian:
  o In years past the business contribution used to be over $1 million. It’s been slightly less than that in recent years, and last year we budgeted for it to be especially low because it was not a normal year; it was an Olympic year, but we were not taking advantage of our Olympic opportunities. We’re now modelling on the basis of the coming year being a normal year.
  o Also, with HST coming in, we’re taking advantage of rounding up. So a pizza slice would go to $2.94 with the new HST; we’ll round up to $3. This will produce an extra $12,000.
  o We’ll be monitoring the process to see how things are going and will report to Council.
  o Sedi’s right that we need to spend more on student services, but we need to get the money from somewhere; partly from our businesses, partly from bringing our fees in line with the rest of the country.
• Joshabelle Josephson asked about funding for CiTR. How is that a benefit?
Bijan Ahmadian: There was a referendum to increase fees for CiTR and the Services and the Aquatic Centre. After that we entered into a contract with CiTR.

Joshabelle Josephson: We’re in a budget crisis; why not cut funding to the radio station?

Bijan Ahmadian: We have an agreement with them.

Jeremy McElroy:
- AMS finances are in trouble. Fees approved by referendum have been tied to specific purposes like WUSC or Services. The only discretionary money is $12.50 for operating expenses, which hasn’t changed since 1982. And we get money from the businesses.
- Recently we realized we couldn’t pay honoraria; we had to pay wages, and that hurt us.
- We were spending above our Student Services referendum fee on the Services; we can’t afford to do that.
- We’ve been drawing on our reserves.
- We need a fee referendum.
- We haven’t increased the basic fee since 1982. Haven’t increased the Services fee since 1999. In the long run we have to address revenue.

Joshabelle Josephson: CiTR used to be a student service, but it isn’t any longer. Why do we even have CiTR? If we are cutting the Services, why not CiTR?

Ross Horton: We’re legally bound by the referendum.

Tom Huryn asked about the Lodge and Catering.

Elin Tayyar: We’re looking at making some profit from the Lodge.

Sedi Minachi said she was glad student fees hadn’t increased for many years. Education has become expensive; tuition fees have gone up. It’s important not to increase student fees.

Andrew Carne: There is such a thing as inflation. If we’re expected to provide the same service level, the numbers don’t match. We have to cut services or raise fees; we can’t just keep it working as it does.

Rory Breasail asked about cutting the President’s Fund.

Elin Tayyar said that’s not a replenished fund.

8. MOVED IGGY RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Against (7): Rory Breasail, Theresa Fresco, Michael Haack, Julian Ritchie, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Angelina Gordon, Beaner Mitchell
9. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

From the Budget Committee

“That Council approve the 2010/2011 preliminary budget as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried


Against (3): Rory Breasail, Michael Haack, Sedi Minachi

Abstained: Theresa Fresco, Beaner Mitchell, Mrigank Sharma

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

9. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

AMS Council minutes dated March 3, 2010
AMS Council minutes dated March 15, 2010
AMS Council minutes dated March 29, 2010
AMS Council In camera minutes dated March 29, 2010
Executive Committee minutes dated March 31, 2010
Executive Committee minutes dated April 7, 2010.”

… Carried


Against (1): Iggy Rodriguez

Abstained: Ryan Trasolini

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:
10. MOVED ELLEN KIM, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

From the Human Kinetics Undergraduate Society

“That Council, pursuant to the University Act and Bylaw 14(8) of the Society, give notice to the Board of Governors to increase the fee levy for students in the School of Human Kinetics from $10.00 to $20.00 starting in Winter Session 2010/2011, and that the Vice-President Finance send this notice to the Board of Governors.”

- Ellen Kim: We have the second lowest undergraduate fee and haven’t been able to grow. The extra $10 will bring in $7,000 and allow us to do more stuff for our students, like Career Week.
- Jeremy McElroy: Much props to HKin for passing their referendum and getting 200 out of 550 to vote.

11. MOVED ELLEN KIM, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

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... Carried


Against (1): Sedi Minachi

Abstained: Chad Embree, Bahador Moosavi, Mrigank Sharma

L) Committee Motions:

12. MOVED SEAN CREGTEN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Business and Facilities Committee

“That Council suspend the relevant sections of Code to appoint Mike Silley to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Council voted last time to suspend Code to allow Mike Silley to chair a committee even though he was not a Council member, but there is still a problem because Mike isn’t actually a member of that committee. He used to be a Council member on it, but his term on Council expired and he was thus not named to the committee as a Council member; nor could he be.
- Currently, all the Council and at large positions on the committee are filled, so he can’t be named to any existing seat on the committee.
- The standing committees all have 6 Council members, 3 students at large, and 2 executives: a 6-3-2 composition. We will have to suspend Code so that for this year the committee’s composition will be 6-3-2 plus Mike.

Bahador Moosavi: Was this not raised last time? It’s not good that we as Council voted for something that didn’t work. We didn’t pay attention. We should pay attention.

Kyle Warwick: I did ask about it and someone said it was fine, so I withdrew. I should have stuck to my guns.

13. MOVED SEAN CREGTEN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Against (2): Maria Cirstea, Mrigank Sharma

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Connor McGauley, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Julian Ritchie, Nancy Wang

14. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council approve a change in the terms of employment for the SAC Art Gallery Commissioner, so that they will be paid $8400 for 20 hours of work per week for the coming year, after which the terms will be re-evaluated."

Ekat Dovjenko: This is based on the presentation Jeremy (the Art Gallery Commissioner) made last time.
15. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Motion 14 be amended to add the following clause

Be it further resolved that this pay increase be applied retroactively to May 10, 2009.”

- Ekat Dovjenko: This would give retroactive pay to Jeremy, who worked 20 hours a week during the year.
- Azim Wazeer questioned the increased hours. Jeremy undertook the job knowing he was being hired for 10 hours a week.
- Jeremy Jaud: I received a transition report from the outgoing commissioner, but had to re-evaluate the parameters of the job during the year. It wasn't clear what was needed when I came into the position. I took the job on without knowing what I would be grappling with, and then I wanted the gallery to move forward regardless of the time commitment.
- Azim Wazeer: It doesn't sit well with me for someone to go into a position knowing it’s for 10 hours a week, and then for them to put in extra hours and expect retroactive compensation for the extra hours. It doesn't make sense.
- Kyle Warwick: Ethically I have a problem with extra unpaid hours. I don’t understand why this didn’t come in September. We can’t not pay our workers for work they’re doing, but why is this coming here so late?
- Jeremy Jaud: It was brought to the attention of the head of SAC last year, but they’d already increased the hours from five to ten. The idea was that Council wouldn’t support another increase. I was advised not to approach Council.
- Sedi Minachi praised Jeremy for his work. We approved $5,000 for the President’s office. I can’t believe you’re going on over approving this.
- Jeremy McElroy: It’s a dangerous precedent. It’s an entire year’s salary approved retroactively. Changing things for next year, yes, I support that, but others can say they put in far more hours than they’re supposed to. When you sign a contract, you agreed to a time contribution.
- Joel Mertens: We used to pay honorariums, then moved to an hourly wage. There are many AMS positions in which you’re told the hours but you actually work more. You’re contributing to the Society. You signed a contract. Retroactive pay sets a dangerous precedent.
- Pavani Gunadasa: Jeremy has done a terrific job; he went above and beyond. But the precedent is a problem. Look at my Service Coordinators; many of them put in more hours than they contracted for.
- Jeremy Jaud: This 20 hours represents moving towards a full-time position. There needs to be some structural change; structurally, it doesn’t make sense; the position is under-houred. I put in more than 20 hours, trying to make a baseline standard of the minimum needed for the position.
- Julian Ritchie: I would’ve been happy if you’d wanted to change the pay halfway through, but now it’s a bad precedent. This sort of change should be done as soon as it’s realized.

16. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the question be called.”
17. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Motion 14 be amended to add the following clause

Be it further resolved that this pay increase be applied retroactively to May 10, 2009."

… Defeated

For (4): Rory Breasail, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Huryn, Sedi Minachi


Abstained: Sean Heisler, Ellen Kim, Iggy Rodriguez, Ryan Trasolini

18. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED KAREN LEE:

“That the question be called on the main motion.”

… Defeated

For (9): Bijan Ahmadian, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Chad Embree, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Karen Lee, Sedi Minachi, Mrigank Sharma, Sumedha Sharma


- It was agreed (on Michael Haack's suggestion) to insert the word “annually” in the main motion, so it is clear the pay is for the year, and not $8400 a week.
- Rory Breasail: Is this just another arbitrary benchmark?
• Ekat Dovjenko: At 20 hours and still a part-time job, it takes into account what we want to do going forward.
• Rory Breasail asked Jeremy Jaud if this is the right amount.
• Jeremy Jaud: Reaching this benchmark and then moving forward would be good.
• Theresa Fresco: Is there some way other than retroactive pay to do something for Jeremy?
• Dave Tompkins said it would depend if there is funding in the budget line.

19. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council approve a change in the terms of employment for the SAC Art Gallery Commissioner, so that they will be paid $8400 annually for 20 hours of work per week for the coming year, after which the terms will be re-evaluated.”

… Carried


Abstained: Sean Heisler, Karen Lee, Iggy Rodriguez, Ryan Trasolini

20. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That ______ and _________ (members at large) be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

Nominees: Tahara Bhathe, Paul Godin, Isabel Montoya Villegas
Chosen: Tahara Bhathe, Paul Godin

That ______ (non-Executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Extraordinary Hiring Committee.

Nominee: Chad Embree (Senate)

That ______ (undergraduate student) be appointed to the UBC Respectful Environment Working Group.

Nominee: Michael Haack

That _____ (Councillor or member at large) be appointed to UBC’s President’s Advisory Committee on Naming Facilities.”

Nominees: Mike Silley, Iggy Rodriguez (Science), Sean Cregten (Arts), Joshabelle Josephson, Kyle Warwick (Arts), Taylor Loren
Chosen: Sean Cregten
21. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That Paul Godin and Tahara Bhate (members at large) be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That Chad Embree (non-Executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Extraordinary Hiring Committee.

That Michael Haack (undergraduate student) be appointed to the UBC Respectful Environment Working Group.

That Sean Cregten (Councillor or member at Large) be appointed to UBC’s President’s Advisory Committee on Naming Facilities.”

… Carried

For: Rory Breasail, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Elysia Pyne, Julian Ritchie, Mrigank Sharma, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

22. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED SEAN HEISLER:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the Internal Policy on Responsible Use of Students’ Email Addresses as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Julian Ritchie: This is the old Communications Planning Group policy, which we’re asking to be made a regular Council policy, with one change to increase the number of permitted emails to one a month. This would allow the Communications Department to send out an e-newsletter. We’re eventually getting access to email addresses for all students.

23. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED SEAN HEISLER:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the Internal Policy on Responsible Use of Students’ Email Addresses as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

Abstained: Connor McGauley

24. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: President’s Executive Assistant’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Bijan Ahmadian: We’re not hiring a Special Projects Assistant. Instead, we’re increasing the responsibilities of the President’s Assistant and changing the title of the position to reflect the new responsibilities.

25. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: President’s Executive Assistant’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Against (1): Ekaterina Dovjenko

Abstained: Mrigank Sharma

26. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council suspend Code Section VI, Article 11(6) to enable the Vice-President Academic to hire an AVP for this year for less than 20 hours a week.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Ben Cappellacci: This is to help with the deficit. We’re looking to keep the hours to ten.
- Iggy Rodriguez: Should we be looking at this permanently?
- Ben Cappellacci: This is a test. If we find there’s too much work this year, it will go back up.

27. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council suspend Code Section VI, Article 11(6) to enable the Vice-President Academic to hire an AVP for this year for less than 20 hours a week.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds … Carried


Abstained: Theresa Fresco, Sedi Minachi, Mrigank Sharma

28. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion directing the Budget Committee to look into an honorarium for Jeremy Jaud.” … No objections

29. MOVED BEN CAPPALACCI, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee the following hours and rates of compensation be approved:

- President’s Executive Assistant $10,000 for 20 hours per week
- Ombudsperson $6,000 for 10 hours per week
- SAC Art Gallery Commissioner $8,400 for 20 hours per week
- Disability Commissioner $4,200 for 10 hours per week
- International Commissioner $4,200 for 10 hours per week
- AVP Academic $4,500 for 10 hours per week.”
• It was agreed to insert the word “annual” before “rates of compensation” for clarity and to remove the SAC Art Gallery Commissioner because that had already been approved.

30. MOVED BEN CAPPALACCI, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee the following hours and annual rates of compensation be approved:

- President's Executive Assistant: $10,000 for 20 hours per week
- Ombudsperson: $6,000 for 10 hours per week
- Disability Commissioner: $4,200 for 10 hours per week
- International Commissioner: $4,200 for 10 hours per week
- AVP Academic: $4,500 for 10 hours per week.”

... Carried


Abstained: Sedi Minachi

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

31. MOVED KAREN LEE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Committee dated March 31, 2010
Student Administrative Committee dated April 7, 2010.”

... Carried


Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Nancy Wang

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:
32. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED WILL GALEGO:

“Be it resolved that Council direct the Budget Committee, in consultation with the Executive Committee, to consider awarding a bonus honorarium to the Art Gallery Commissioner for his outstanding contributions in the 2009/10 year.

- Julian Ritchie said LPC should be the one to come up with the amount.
- Theresa Fresco asked how much it should be and where it should come from.
- It was agreed that any honorarium suggestion should come back to Council for approval.
- It was agreed to add the clause: “Be it further resolved that the Budget Committee report back to Council before the end of June 2010, at which point Council will make the final approval of the bonus, if any.”
- Bahador Moosavi: It could be zero. There should be consultation with the Executive.

33. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED WILL GALEGO:

“Be it resolved that Council direct the Budget Committee, in consultation with the Executive Committee, to consider awarding a bonus honorarium to the Art Gallery Commissioner for his outstanding contributions in the 2009/10 year.

Be it further resolved that the Budget Committee report back to Council before the end of June 2010, at which point Council will make the final approval of the bonus, if any.”

... Carried


Abstained: Ben Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Julian Ritchie, Kyle Warwick

O) Discussion Period

**Theme for Whistler Orientation Weekend**

- Bijan Ahmadian:
  - WOW, the Whistler Orientation Weekend at the AMS Lodge in Whistler, is a combination of social and business activities.
  - First there are a few hours on the morning of May 14 with the staff in SUBmersion (in Vancouver at the SUB), and this year there will be another element, a Ropes Course to build a team dynamic: you’ll climb trees, walk on logs, wear a harness. That will be in the afternoon; then there’s the bus to Whistler.
  - On Saturday in Whistler we will discuss the strategic plan, looking at preliminary ideas about the things we want to accomplish, leading to an action plan for the committees for the entire year.
Some years there’s a theme, and we thought we’d ask Council if they want a theme this year and, if so, what it should be.

- Ekat Dovjenko said not everyone has confirmed if they are going. It will be a fun time, important for team building and for getting feedback from you.
- Suggested themes:
  - No pants.
  - Science fiction.
  - Moustache.
  - 1980’s or some other decade.
- The two most popular were No Pants and Science Fiction, with Science Fiction winning by one vote in a straw poll.

Court ruling

- Elysia Pyne said the Arts caucus would like the just submitted Student Court ruling on the AUS election to be looked at at a later date.

P) Submissions:

Student Court Decision: Trasolini-v-AUSEC

Q) Next Meeting:

May 12, 2010

R) Adjournment:

34. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED KAREN LEE:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried


Abstained: Julian Ritchie

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 pm.

S) Social Activity:
Motions & Voting Records

V1: Allow Video Recording
V2: Adopt Agenda
V3: Go Into Camera for 10 min
V4: Approve SUB Agreements
V5: Approve $5k from SUB Management Fund
V6: Call To Question
V7: Approve Preliminary Budget
V8: Approve Minutes
V9: Give Notice: HKin Fee
V10: Suspend Code For Mike
V11: Call To Question
V12: Amendment: Approve retroactively
V13: Call To Question
V14: Approve Art Gallery to 20 hrs
V15: Approve Appointments
V16: Approve email policy
V17: Code Change: President’s Exec. Asst.
V18: Suspend Code re: AVP Academic
V19: Hours + Compensation
V20: SAC Minutes
V21: Direct Budget to look into Art Gallery Bonus
V22: Adjourn
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| Ben Cappellacci    | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   |     |
| Ekaterina Dovjenko | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | Y   | Y   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | Y   |     |     |     |
| Jeremy McElroy     | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Elin Tayyar        | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Katherine Tyson    |     | A  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Elysia Pyne        | A  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |     |
| Michael Haack      | A  | Y  | Y  | N   | N   | N   | Y   | Y  | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |     |
| Carolee Changfoot  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |
| Kyle Warwick       | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | Y   | Y  | Y   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | A   | Y   | Y   |
| Rory Breasail      | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | N   | N   | Y   | Y  | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |     |
| Sean Cregten       | A  | Y  | A  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |
| Ryan Trasolini     | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | A   | Y  | Y  | A   | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |     |
| Sean Heisler       |     |     | Y  | A  | A  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Azim Wazeer        | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | Y  | Y  | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Connor McGauley    |     |     | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | A   |     | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Dylan Callow       | Y  | Y  | Y  | A  | Y  | Y  | Y  | A   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Courtney English   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Amanda Li          | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| William Gallego    |     |     | Y  | Y  | A  | N   | Y  | Y  | A   | Y   | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | A   | A   |     |
| (proxy for Nick Sertic) | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Julian Ritchie     | Y  | Y  | A  | N   | Y  | Y  | Y  | A   | Y   | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | A   | A   |     |
| Ravi Parhar        |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Sedi Minachi       | Y  | A  | N   | Y  | N   | A  | Y  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | A   | Y   |     |     |     |
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A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

1. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

   “That Dave Tompkins be Speaker for this meeting.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   ... Carried

   • Brad Morrison, the AMS childcare commissioner, announced the Childcare Conference and said people should attend to tell the University that childcare is important. The price has been reduced to $20.

2. MOVED CONNOR McGAULEY, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

   ... Carried


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

C) Presentations to Council:

D) Bijan’s Eyebrow Address, or President’s Remarks (Bijan Ahmadian):

   • Working on Sauder agreement.
   • WOW and SUBmersion: no pants plus science fiction.
E) Executive Remarks:

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance:
  • Budget

Ekaterina Dovjenko – VP Administration:
  • Signed the Sauder agreement.
  • Food services consultants; looking at proposals for new potential ventures in the new SUB.
  • SAC hiring.

Ben Cappellacci – VP Academic:
  • Message sent out on student evaluations of teaching, asking students to ask their pros to release their evaluations for the website.
  • Lots of committees.
  • Budget Committee making decisions.

Jeremy McElroy – VP External:
  • U-Pass:
    o Government announced that all postsecondary institutions will be getting the U-PASS this September at a uniform price.
    o No change for UBC so far; we will continue to pay $26.75 for the whole upcoming school year, it seems.
    o Other schools will be paying $30.
  • Meeting with other student unions re partnering on issues such as financial aid
  • University and External Affairs Committee is working on an internal and external policies review.

Pavani Gunadasa – Executive Coordinator Student Services:
  • Working with Kelli to update advertising and promotional material for the fall and for the Insider.
  • Receiving applications for Safety Coordinator position.

It was agreed to move up the CUS motion.

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

3. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIADN, SECONDED CONNOR McGAULEY:

  From the President

  “That the CUS agreement be accepted as presented.”

  Note: Requires 2/3rds

  • Bijan Ahmadian:
    o This is a typical step for building fees. First we approve the fee and send the notice to the Board of Governors to collect it; then we negotiate with the University about the building.
Some of these types of agreements have not come to Council, but the most recent one (for the EUS) did. From our SUB negotiations, we know how negotiations should be done. We ran this through our lawyers (the CUS is being charged). Without an agreement, the fee would be collected, but there’d be no benefits. There’s an indexed part of the fee. The agreement specifies that there will be a student committee with veto power over how that indexed part is spent. The AMS didn’t negotiate the deal; we just ran it through the lawyers.

- Connor McGauley:
  - Thanks to Tom and Ross for assisting in the negotiations.
  - The lounge idea was stolen from the GSS.
  - The agreement ensures that for 35 years we’ll get beer gardens and all the fun stuff; also 24-hour access to the building.
  - The contract went through multiple drafts.
  - Ross and Bijan helped us get more.

- Anne DeWolfe:
  - It’s a Board of Government requirement that there be an agreement on funding with the AMS on behalf of the CUS.
  - There’s a critical timing issue; the first part of construction includes an intensive, noisy demolition; the best window for doing that is now, in the summer, when there are no classes.
  - It’s a tight schedule, and we’ve already lost a few weeks, but there’s confidence those can be made up.
  - If it doesn’t start right away, if it waits till late in the summer, then it will still be going on when classes get underway and it’s not certain there’s swing space to move the students into.
  - If you can’t approve it now, then we may have to wait till next year, and there will be a risk of prices increasing, which might mean reducing the scope of the renovation because the money won’t go as far.

- Julian Ritchie: Paragraph 6 says the AMS agrees to pay $500 per student, so if Commerce has a referendum and gets rid of the fee, we still have to pay it?
- Bijan Ahmadian: We would have to approve any referendum result, and our lawyers have told us that we can only do that if it would not put us in breach of an agreement. All our building agreements have this as a clause. We wouldn’t ratify that result.
- Dave Tompkins: What happens if the province determines the fee is illegal?
- Connor McGauley: Then the AMS does not pay. Payment is on completion of the project.
- Anne DeWolfe: This is a student fee, an AMS fee; it does not come under the jurisdiction of the province; it doesn’t require provincial approval.
- Tom Dvorak: If the building is not built, this contract is null and void.
- Connor McGauley: The fee is not collected till the building is finished. No student who never uses the building will ever pay.
- Iggy Rodriguez: This doesn't block the University from building the building anyway.
- Connor McGauley: The Board of Governors would block it.
- Dave Tompkins: That's not in the agreement.
- Beaner Mitchell: Students who will not be paying the fee voted in the referendum.
- Kyle Warwick: There was a similar principle with the new SUB; it’s not totally unheard of.
- Neal Yonson: The 24-hour access and the lounge are also not in the contract.
• Connor McGauley: There’s an agreement signed with us outlining all our rights over 35 years; it’s not in the contract because it has nothing to do with building the building. They signed that in return for us signing this.
• Neal Yonson: Does the student committee already exist?
• Connor McGauley: No, it’s new.
• Neal Yonson: Will there be any extra inflationary fees over Phase 2?
• Connor McGauley: Yes. As the building gets built, there will be subcommittees, different things this committee will appoint people to. It’s a two-part process.
• Tom Dvorak: The student committee will be the official consultation body for Phase 2 and will also have signing power over the inflationary funds.
• Neal Yonson: It’s not a total veto.
• Connor McGauley: They wouldn’t make unreasonable requests. Both parties have to agree. We want to see student space, not faculty space. If the students say it’s unreasonable, it’s unreasonable.

4. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED CONNOR McGAULEY:

From the President

“That the CUS agreement be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

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For (15): Bijan Ahmadian, Ben Cappellacci, Sean Cregten, Tom Dvorak (proxy for Dylan Callow), Chad Embree, Courtney English, Sean Heisler, Ellen Kim, Mona Maghsoudi (proxy for Arvind Saraswat), Connor McGauley, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Against (2): Sedi Minachi, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Michael Haack, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Beamter Mitchell, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Ryan Trasolini

5. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

“That Council adopt the report of the President entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Fee Waiver Changes’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Bijan Ahmadian: We changed the bylaws a while ago to amend the membership rules and to give Council the power to decide who pays what fees. Council made several changes to who pays fees to streamline things. Now we’re anticipating a backlash and looking at what changes might be unfair. One of those is charging athletics fees to people who aren’t here. You can’t opt out of the athletics fee. If students can’t use it, we really shouldn’t charge it. And the bursary fee for the students in the special
Ritsumeiken program and similar programs is not fair because students in those programs don’t have access to the bursary. We want to reverse that too.

- Sheldon Goldfarb explained the changes made in 2009. Before 2009, distance ed students didn’t pay any AMS fees. The 2009 changes extended fees to them. This change will restore their exemption from the AMS athletics fee. Before 2009, Ritsumeiken students paid all fees except the bursary fee. In 2009, the bursary fee was added. Now it will be removed again.

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Note: Requires 2/3rds … Carried


F) Committee Reports:

Business & Facilities Committee – Mike Silley:
- Interviews.

Legislative Procedures Committee – Julian Ritchie:
- Job descriptions.
- New communications.
- Legislative things.

Student Life – Ryan Trasolini
- Thanks to those who helped with the carnival.
- Hiring Shinerama Coordinator,

University & External Relations Committee – Jeremy McElroy for Katherine Tyson:
- Reviewing external policies.
- Working with UBC Rapid Transit Line Survey.

G) Constituency Reports:

Human Kinetics – Ellen Kim:
- Grad on May 2 – it was nice.
- New office space in War Memorial Gym.
• Setting new calendar.
• Student development coordinator.

Science – Maria Cirstea:
• Frosh planning.
• Discussing moving from honoraria to minimum wage.

Commerce – Connor McGauley:
• Opposed a new course and got it pulled.

International Students – Isabel Montoya Villegas:
• Everyone is away, except for me.
• Working with Ben.

Arts – Elysia Pyne:
• Lots of Committees underway.
• Looking into Arts County Fair revival.
• May have new AUS president at next meeting; AUS Council is going to appoint an interim president.

Engineering – Amanda Li:
• Workshops.

Music – Beaner Mitchell:
• Building issues with Chan Centre.
• Crazy excited about “new” Old Auditorium; it’s been renovated and is reopening June 17.

GSS – Tom Huryn:
• Found out we represent the GSA.
• Looking at thesis requirements.
• In camera sessions re pub.

Education – Courtney English:
• Half the students are away on practicum.

Law – Kate Phipps:
• The Legal Eye ran an article on “immortal Bijan.”

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

BOG – Sean Heisler:
• Meeting re CUS Fee.
• Governance update.

Azim Wazeer:
• BOG will have a new chair.
  o Sedi Minachi asked if the tuition fee had been confirmed.
Azim: Yes, BoG ratified that.

SENATE – no report.

OMBUDSPERSON – no report.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

7. MOVED ELYSIA PYNE, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Arts Undergraduate Society

“Whereas there is currently no mechanism for rejecting a ruling of Student Court, even when Student Court violates the mandate granted to it and the restrictions placed on it by the Code and Bylaws of the Society; and

Whereas there is some ambiguity as to whether the recent ruling of Student Court is valid, based on Code Section XV, Article 1(6)(a), which states that the Court may not make policy decisions; and

Whereas the Court did not consider important documents, such as the 2010 AUS General Election Regulations, during their deliberations, and made factual errors in their ruling such as claiming that no appeals procedures existed, when they clearly did,

Therefore be it resolved that Council suspend Section XV, Article 1(7) of Code and proceed to debate on a motion to receive the ruling as required by Bylaw 21(2) (k).”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Elysia Pyne: The AUS meeting today discussed this issue, and passed a two-thirds motion to bring it here. There are concerns with the Student Court ruling.
- Kyle Warwick:
  - It was actually a 14-1 vote.
  - The Court ruling is controversial; it should be discussed.
  - Student Court has quite a troubled history; at one point the Bylaws were amended to require a vote by Council on Court decisions. Recently, Code was amended to say Council is not to vote, provided that the Court stays out of the realm of policy and doesn’t bring up questions not asked them.
  - But the Court has made errors and strayed into policy.
  - This is a clash with our powers as directors of the Society.
  - LPC is going to look into a longer term solution.
  - The Court is not an independent judiciary.
- The Speaker asked about the status of the Court decision.
- Sheldon Goldfarb: It was submitted at the last meeting.
• The Speaker questioned whether it was now too late to reopen the decision, but said Council could do what it wanted.
• Kyle Warwick: Last meeting we had the signing of the new SUB contracts; we didn’t want to do it then.
• Bijan Ahmadian said he’d asked the AUS to wait.
• The Speaker said that if it was a submission, then is it not on the record already?
• Neal Yonson read out the relevant portions of Code and Bylaws, including the part in Code saying that delivery of a Court judgment would count as a vote to receive it as required by the Bylaws.
• Nancy Wang: If we’re going to suspend this Code section whenever, why not remove it?
• Sheldon Goldfarb reviewed Court history, including the changes back and forth in the Bylaws between requiring a Council vote and not requiring one to allow Court decisions to take effect. Also the recent series of Council votes against receiving Court judgments and the subsequent hiring of a consultant to look into the Court-Council relationship, with a resulting recommendation to remove Council’s power to reject Court rulings, the provisional attempt to adopt that recommendation by inserting this section into Code, and the failed attempt to make the change permanent through the Bylaw amendment referendum last January.
• Jeremy McElroy: Council approved the setting of a referendum question to take power out of its hands. If people are serious about separating judicial and legislative powers, we should not suspend Code.
• Rory Breasail: The agreement to remove Council’s power was based on the Court not going into policy areas, but they have done so in this case, and it has dire implications for other Constituencies. They overstepped their bounds, and also made factual errors.
• Julian Ritchie: The proposed Bylaw change would have limited Council’s powers, but it also would have set bounds to what the Court could do. If Council feels the Court has overstepped its bounds, it’s perfectly reasonable to suspend Code.
• Jeremy McElroy asked if there was an appeal process from the ruling of the Court.
• Dave Tompkins: No.
• Kate Phipps asked about the factual errors.
• Kyle Warwick: They said there were gaps in the election process, but we gave them the relevant regulations and it’s clear they didn’t read them.
• Bijan Ahmadian: Typically you have to accept what courts say even if you don’t like it, but governments sometimes take action, for instance over the parking fee: the legislature changed the law; it’s not unreasonable to make changes, though it should only be done in unusual circumstances. But when is this going to end?
• Iggy Rodriguez: There are multiple issues raised by this motion which need to be discussed, but we need to do that in the next motion, when we actually discuss the Court ruling.
• Matthew Naylor:
  o We keep referring to Student Court as if it’s a judicial body, a separate branch. They’re not; they’re an appellate board.
  o A deliberative body can’t bind the hands of future deliberative bodies. This Code section did that; there should have been some mechanism in what we wrote to allow this.
• It was agreed to add a clause to the motion directing the Legislative Procedures Committee to look at this section of Code.
• It was then agreed to divide the motion to make the new clause a separate motion.
8. MOVED ELYSIA PYNE, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds  
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Against (3): Kate Phipps, Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang

Abstained: Ryan Trasolini

9. MOVED ELYSIA PYNE, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds  
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Against (9): Ben Cappellacci, Jeremy McElroy, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Allen Chen, Sean Heisler, Beaner Mitchell
10. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to review the code with respect to receiving Court rulings and possibly make recommendations to change this code appropriately, and to report back to Council by the first meeting in July 2010.

Be it further resolved that If possible the Legislative Procedures Committee should consult with prior and current members of Student Court.”

... Carried


Against (2): Sean Cregten, Michael Haack

Abstained: Connor McGauley, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

L) Committee Motions:

11. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

From the Business & Facilities Committee

“That Council on the recommendation of the Business and Facilities Committee authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed $2,500 from CPAC: Code Upgrades for the installation of safety rails in the SUB Art Gallery and SUB Partyroom.”

Note: CPAC has a balance of $298,000.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Mike Silley: This is a safety concern. Someone dancing in the Partyroom went through the glass; it’s untempered glass, so that’s a safety hazard. We could temper all the glass, but that would be super-expensive. The alternative is to put a safety rail in. Also in the Art Gallery; there was an incident in which someone walked into the glass, and they needed First Aid. So BAFCOM has recommended we protect people.
• Michael Kingsmill: They’re very large windows, considerably expensive; if we put in tempered glass at $1200 a window, for the eight windows in the Partyroom, that would be about $10,000; and another three in the Art Gallery would cost us $3600. So there’s a significant difference.
• In response to a question about decals, Michael Kingsmill said they wouldn’t work in the Partyroom, where dancers might simply be thrown off balance. You need a barrier, not just a visual device.
• Nancy Wang: But decals would work in the Art Gallery?
• Iggy Rodriguez: Did BAFCOM investigate these different options?
• Mike Silley: No, just tempered glass versus barriers. Mainly for the Partyroom; the Art Gallery was an addition.

12. MOVED NANCY WANG, SECONDED CONNOR McGAULEY:

“That Motion 9 be amended to add the following clause:

‘Be it further resolved that the Business and Facilities Committee pursue less expensive options if feasible.’ ”

• Jeremy McElroy: Considering how large CPAC is, this seems unnecessary. Also, small decals won’t necessarily stop people in some situations.
• Michael Kingsmill: About the decals, usually they’re on tempered glass just to warn; they don’t provide a physical barrier. The Art Gallery glass is not tempered; if someone’s vision impaired, they’re not going to see the decals.

13. MOVED ELYSIA PYNE:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

14. MOVED NANCY WANG, SECONDED CONNOR McGAULEY:

“That Motion 9 be amended to add the following clause:

‘Be it further resolved that the Business and Facilities Committee pursue less expensive options if feasible.’ ”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Defeated

For (4): Tom Dvorak (proxy for Dylan Callow), Beaner Mitchell, Ravi Parhar, Nancy Wang

Abstained: Ellen Kim

15. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

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… Carried


Against (1): Iggy Rodriguez

16. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

From the Business & Facilities Committee

“That Council on the recommendation of the Business and Facilities Committee authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed $5,000 from CPAC: Code Upgrades for the purchase & installation of a crash-bar door separating 42A and 42H.”

Note: CPAC has a balance of $298,000.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Michael Kingsmill: The top floor Servery has been storing beer bars, which push out the tables and chairs usually stored there; those end up in the corridors, which violates fire code. This has come up at the Health and Safety Committee, which recommended housing the beer bars on the Lower Level. But there’s a concern for appearance, so we need to buy doors to screen the bars off and create a permanent storage area. We want to conceal the bars for business reasons; there are room bookings for our customers in the area, and the appearance of the bars is not appealing. Also, there’s a concern about accessibility to the bars; people might tamper with them or put bottles in them.

17. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

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the expenditure of an amount not to exceed $5,000 from CPAC: Code Upgrades for the
purchase & installation of a crash-bar door separating 42A and 42H.”

Note: CPAC has a balance of $298,000.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (22): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria
Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Courtney English, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Ellen Kim,
Amanda Li, Mona Maghsoodi (proxy for Arvind Saraswat), Connor McGauley, Ravi
Parhar, Kate Phipps, Elysia Pyne, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike
Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang

Against (2): Beaner Mitchell, Elin Tayyar

18. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

“That Council reconsider the motion on suspending code for the Student Court motion.”

• Jeremy McElroy: Seeing how many people wanted to discuss the Court ruling, I’d like to
  revisit the vote. And there are other concerns that need to be brought to our attention.

19. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

“That Council reconsider the motion on suspending code for the Student Court motion.”

… Carried

For (22): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Allen
Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Tom Dvorak (proxy for Dylan
Callow), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy
McElroy, Beaner Mitchell, Bahador Moosavi, Elysia Pyne, Julian Ritchie, Iggy
Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Kyle Warwick

Against (2): Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang

Abstained: Courtney English, Connor McGauley, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Mike
Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Ryan Trasolini

20. MOVED ELYSIA PYNE, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Arts Undergraduate Society

“Whereas there is currently no mechanism for rejecting a ruling of Student Court, even
when Student Court violates the mandate granted to it and the restrictions placed on it by
the Code and Bylaws of the Society; and

Whereas there is some ambiguity as to whether the recent ruling of Student Court is valid, based on Code Section XV, Article 1(6)(a), which states that the Court may not make policy decisions; and

Whereas the Court did not consider important documents, such as the 2010 AUS General Election Regulations, during their deliberations, and made factual errors in their ruling such as claiming that no appeals procedures existed, when they clearly did,

Therefore be it resolved that Council suspend Section XV, Article 1(7) of Code and proceed to debate on a motion to receive the ruling as required by Bylaw 21(2) (k)."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Matthew Naylor: This does need to be discussed to help guide LPC. What constitutes policy-making and what does not? There needs to be some determination of whether this was or was not.
- Kate Phipps: Re Bijan’s analogy about the legislature changing the law in the parking tickets case: that didn’t change the judiciary. I’m in favour of having a discussion on the Court, but why suspend Code? Work went into this; credence should be given.
- Dave Tompkins: To reference that Court ruling, we have to suspend Code.
- Kate Phipps: This is not something we should do retroactively.
- Sean Cregten: We’re the board of directors; we should have the right to do this. But Code is in the way, so we have to suspend Code.
- Jeremy McElroy: We don’t actually have the means to appeal Student Court decisions. We are the board of appeal, so until we have a place for the AUS to appeal to …
- Ryan Trasolini: The case didn’t go directly to Student Court. First it was at the Constituency, second to AMS Elections Committee. For an AMS election, you’d go after that to an Election Appeals Committee, then to Student Court. That wasn’t the case here; it went from the Elections Committee to Student Court, but even then it was first brought to the Chief Justice to decide whether to hear the case at all.
- Bijan Ahmadian: There should be an appeal mechanism. In its absence, this body has to become a body to appeal to.

21. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

22. MOVED ELYSIA PYNE, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Arts Undergraduate Society

“Well, where there is currently no mechanism for rejecting a ruling of Student Court, even when Student Court violates the mandate granted to it and the restrictions placed on it by the Code and Bylaws of the Society; and
Whereas there is some ambiguity as to whether the recent ruling of Student Court is valid, based on Code Section XV, Article 1(6)(a), which states that the Court may not make policy decisions; and

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Therefore be it resolved that Council suspend Section XV, Article 1(7) of Code and proceed to debate on a motion to receive the ruling as required by Bylaw 21(2) (k)."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried


Against (7): Courtney English, Mona Maghsoodi (proxy for Arvind Saraswat), Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang

Abstained: Maria Cirstea

23. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

From the Arts Undergraduate Society

“That Council receive the judgment of the Student Court as presented in the case, Trasolini v. AUS Elections Committee."

- Matthew Naylor:
  - We should not pass this. This really makes policy. The old Code and Oversight committees agreed that it was the legislative body that should make policy.
  - There are a number of appeal levels, as Ryan says, but only one level of judicial appeal, to Student Court, and it’s binding, except we changed that to say they are not to deal with policy.
- The Code section was read out.
- Matthew Naylor:
  - We don’t accept rulings if they stray into policy.
  - The problem they were given concerned an individual ballot; that should not have led to them saying the entire election was invalid.
  - They cited Crompton v. Elections Committee, the court case that caused this problem in the first place to justify making a similar kind of power grab.
Their ruling contains factual inaccuracies. They said they did not find the AUS to have appeals procedures. The AUS did; they’re in the 2010 AUS election guidelines. The judges ignored the rules of the AUS in saying there were not enough rules.

If they are able to define everything as an action and overturn it, they would be making their power limitless, getting around the boundary of policy-making.

It’s important to overturn this ruling; it doesn’t change the outcome; the AUS still has to decide what to do; but how the ruling was made requires us to fail it; it gives the Court too much power. Defend the democratic rights of those who sent you here.

- Bijan Ahmadian: Why are we discussing this? We have an elections system in dire need of revamping. There needs to be a review. We need a proper election system that doesn’t bring us this mess again. The AUS needs leadership to move forward; we need the AUS to move forward.

24. MOVED TOM DVORAK, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried


Against (4): Mona Maghsoodi (proxy for Arvind Saraswat), Iggy Rodriguez, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang

Abstained: Courtney English, Tom Huryn, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Elysia Pyne, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Elin Tayyar, Azim Wazeer

25. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

From the Arts Undergraduate Society

“That Council receive the judgment of the Student Court as presented in the case, Trasolini v. AUS Elections Committee.”

… Defeated

For (5): Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang


Abstained: Allen Chen, Ellen Kim, Mona Maghsoodi (proxy for Arvind Saraswat), Beaner Mitchell, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps
26. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council, on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee, approve the creation of a new permanent Assistant position in the Communications department.”

- Julian Ritchie: The Communications Department would like us to approve a new staff position to replace two current part-time positions. This will provide more resources to Communications and relieve the Communications Manager of mundane duties, allowing her to carry out high level responsibilities.
- Tom Dvorak asked about the impact on the budget.
- Kelli Seepaul said this new position would take over from the old Business Promotions position and eventually one other position, and will not be hired until October. There will be minimal effect on the budget.

27. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council, on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee, approve the creation of a new permanent Assistant position in the Communications department.”

... Carried

For (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Sean Heisler, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Beaner Mitchell, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

28. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That on the recommendation of LPC the transitional honorarium for the Ombudsperson be set at two weeks’ pay.”

- Julian Ritchie: This sets the pay level for the already approved transitional honorarium.
- Nancy Wang: Does this mean he stays on for an extra two weeks?
- Julian Ritchie: He has to be around for a month and has other requirements, and he only gets the honorarium if he does that. If there’s a dispute, it goes to the Agenda Committee.

29. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That on the recommendation of LPC the transitional honorarium for the Ombudsperson be set at two weeks’ pay.”

... Carried


Abstained: Tom Huryn

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

30. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That _____ (at large) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September.”
Nominees: Taylor Loren, Elysia Pyne, Erica
Chosen: Elysia Pyne

31. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That Elysia Pyne (at large) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September.”

... Carried


Against (1): Ravi Parhar

Abstained: Elysia Pyne

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

32. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

“Whereas the AMS Council’s Whistler retreat is Sci-fi themed; and
Whereas prizes are a strong motivator for spirit and themes,

Be it resolved that the Executive provide from the WOW budget one or multiple prizes (likely measuring 26 fluid ounces) for the best sci-fi costume(s).”

- Ekat Dovjenko: This is frivolous.
- Elysia Pyne: Is it the amount of money?
- Bijan Ahmadian: It’s micro-managing.

33. MOVED SEAN HEISLER:

“That Motion 32 be postponed indefinitely.”

... No objections

P) Submissions:

VP External – First Quarterly Report
VP Administration – First Quarterly Report
VP Academic & University Affairs – First Quarterly Report
VP Finance – First Quarterly Report
President – First Quarterly Report
ECSS Quarterly

Q) Next Meeting:

May 26, 2010

R) Adjournment:

34. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED AMANDA LI:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

For (13): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Sean Cregten, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Julian Ritchie

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm.

S) Social Activity:
### Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Maria Kari (Ubyssey), Arpan Anlai (Ubyssey), Kelli Seepaul (Communications), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Pelican Mann (Arts), Elyisia Pyne (AUS VP Internal)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

1. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That Council, on the recommendation of the Agenda Committee, appoint Dave Tompkins as Speaker of Council for a term beginning May 1, 2010 and ending April 30, 2011.”

... Carried

2. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

... Carried


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

D) President’s Remarks:

Bijan Ahmadian:
• 100 days in office.
• Planning is going forward: first step was WOW, which produced lists of ideas to assign to committees; now budgeting.
• Ropes course was great for those who attended, for team building.
• WOW was a fun combination of business and pleasure.

E) Executive Remarks:

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance:
• Working on the budget.
• Health and Dental Plan negotiations.
Jeremy McElroy - VP External
- Health and Dental Plan negotiations.
- Working on new agreement with UBC concerning U-Pass financial hardship subsidy fund.
- Still no word on provincial U-Pass, but we believe we won’t be affected until September 2011, when our agreement expires; then we’ll fall under the general agreement.
- Talking with other student unions about provincial lobbying on student financial aid.
- Preparing for the CASA policy conference in PEI.

Ekaterina Dovjenko – VP Administration:
- SUB Renew
- Attended childcare conference; hadn’t realized there was such a crisis over childcare.
- WOW: Please show up next time if you say you’re going to.
- Food Services consultant interviews.
- Alumni weekend and new SUB project; joint display.
- Adding two members at large to the SUB Renewal Committee; it’s one of the few with no members at large.
- SAC Art Gallery: getting rid of old unclaimed student artworks; may give them to the Constituencies.
- SAC staff hired.

Pavani Gunadasa – Executive Coordinator of Student Services:
- Coordinator orientation.
- Working with various committees.
- Suicide awareness workshop.
- Budgeting.

Ben Cappellacci – VP Academic and University Affairs:
- At Shinerama training conference; he is now overseeing Shinerama.
- LEAP Committee: meeting about website merging with Chapman Learning Commons.
- Hiring. Still needs an International Students Commissioner.
- Budget Committee.

C) Presentations to Council:

Living Learning Centres – Ben Cappellacci
- Selena Shannon, who worked for Johannes (last year’s VP Academic), did research on this; it’s an issue inherited from last year.
- The idea, following a model from the University of Waterloo, is to have students with common interests living together.
- Last year Selena met with various people here and investigated Living Learning Centres elsewhere.
- Ideas include having themed floors in residences or integrated program spaces or dons in residences.
- You could have all Arts One students living together, or you could have students interested in politics or the environment living in a house together.
• There could be an improved Residence questionnaire, an eHarmony sort of thing, to match you with prospective roommates.
• UBC is putting together an experiment with Science One students; there will be an option to allow students in Science to live together.
• There’s the issue of commuter students and a desire to engage them too.
• The idea is to create an immersive academic environment, where you’d be thinking about your discipline all the time.

Questions
• Michael Duncan: Science students already spend a lot of time together. This might make sense for some other program.
• Ben Cappellacci: This is just the first year; there will be a follow-up. There’s politics involved too.
• Nancy Wang: Would all Science One students have to live together?
• Ben Cappellacci: Absolutely not. They would have a choice. You have to apply to get into a Living and Learning Centre.

F) Committee Reports:

Legislative Procedures Committee – Julian Ritchie:
• The committee has some big issues to look at in two of its subcommittees. These two subcommittees are for non-Code nerds: one is to do with compensation and the wage structure; the other is for communications.

Business and Facilities Committee – Mike Silley:
• Creating subcommittees: Impacts, Facilities, Business, IT.
• Looking at price increases in the businesses.

Extraordinary Hiring Committee – Chad Embree:
• Hiring Ombudsperson.

Student Life Committee – Ryan Trasolini:
• Subcommittee to support Shinerama Coordinator.

University and External Affairs Committee:
• Reviewing external policies; some are expiring soon or have become irrelevant.
• New policies coming forward.

Grad Class Council – Mike Duncan:
• Grad class bash this Saturday
• This year we gave out $25,000:
  o $10,000 to the AMS Bursary Fund.
  o $10,000 to Student programming for the Alumni Centre and University Square.
  o $5,000 to Learning Exchange.
G) Constituency Reports:

Graduate Student Society – Sedi Minachi:
- Childcare Conference.
- 1,500 children on waitlists.
- New childcare centre opening next year.
- The BC government has declined applications for grants, which is a problem, but UBC is working with us to expand childcare.

Arts – Ryan Trasolini:
- We’ve sorted out the AUS Presidency, and the interim president is me.
- Mike Silley is the new AMS rep.
- Frosh planning.
- Interviewing for services.
- Working on Imagine Day.
- AUS Code review.

Commerce – Dylan Callow:
- Working on the preliminary budget.
- Sauder mascot madness: choosing a new mascot.

Music – Beaner Mitchell:
- Magic Flute in the Old Auditorium June 17.
- Baccalaureate concert tonight.

Science – Maria Cirstea:
- Hired frosh committee.
- Hiring PR person.

Engineering – Amanda Li:
- Wiki.
- Handbook finished.
- Conference for Western engineers.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Senate – Chad Embree.

Board of Governors – Sean Heisler:
- Meeting in Kelowna.
- Parking being revised.
- Okanagan board rep.

Sedi Minachi asked about the Health and Dental Plan. Elin Tayyar said he is talking to the provider.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:
3. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

BAFCOM Minutes dated April 23, 2010
AMS Council minutes dated March 31, 2010.”

... Carried


J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

4. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the SUB Renewal Committee

“That, upon the recommendation from the SUB Renewal Committee, the AMS appoint Kaizen Foodservice Planning & Design Inc. as the pre-design food service consultant.”

• Ekat Dovjenko:
  o We’ll be looking at the food mix in our businesses, looking at the program, seeking recommendations on adequate lines for equipment, on redesigning our menus, etc.
  o Kaizen was the highest scorer and the cheapest and have a lot of Canadian experience.
• Dave Tompkins suggested a Taco Bell franchise.
• Ekat Dovjenko said franchising is being looked into.

5. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

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... Carried

For (24): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Sean Cregten, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi,
Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Arvind Saraswat, Nick Sertic, Mrigank Sharma, Ryan Trasolini, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Ekaterina Dovjenko, Beaner Mitchell, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar

L) Committee Motions and
M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

6. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED MONICA ROSTOCKI:

“That ______ (1 Councillor) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.
Nominee: Mike Silley (Arts)

That ______ (1 x student at large) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2010.
Nominee: Pelican Mann

That ______ and ______ (2 x Councillors) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”
Nominees: Monica Rostocki (Education) and Ravi Parhar (Forestry)

That Kate Barbaria (Art Gallery), Rocky Yau (SAC Bookings), Inaki Gomez (SAC member), Elaine Chin (SAC Clubs Commissioner), Tina Peng (SAC Special Projects) and ______ (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Student Administrative Commission for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2011.”
Nominee for Councillor position: Kyle Warwick (Arts)

7. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED MONICA ROSTOCKI:

“That Mike Silley (1 Councillor) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

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That Monica Rostocki and Ravi Parhar (2 x Councillors) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

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… Carried

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Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Arvind Saraswat, Nick Sertic, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Mike Silley

Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Nancy Wang

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

June 16, 2010

R) Adjournment:

8. MOVED MONICA ROSTOCKI, SECONDED ALLEN CHEN:

“That the meeting be adjourned.” ... Carried

For (14): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Michael Haack, Karen Lee, Amanda Li, Beaner Mitchell, Bahador Moosavi, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (12): Ben Cappellacci, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini

Abstained: Sean Cregten

The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 pm.

S) Social Activity:
## Voting Records

V1: Approve Agenda  
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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Justin McElroy ( Ubyssey), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Maria Kari (Ubyssey), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives/Research), Kai Green (AMS Confidential), Paul J. Godin (Fencing Club), Jay Shaw (Arts student), Sean Cregten (AVP Academic), Christopher Roach (Shinerama Advisor), Nicole Fortier (Shinerama Coordinator), Kevin Byers (student at large), Alyssa Koehn (Senate), Erin Devlin (member at large),

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm.

1 MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED BEANER MITCHELL:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

... Carried

For (19): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Will Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Angelina Gordon, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Beaner Mitchell, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Mike Silley, Nancy Wang

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Shinerama – Nicole Fortier:

- Shinerama is meant to raise money to help find a cure for cystic fibrosis.
- It started in 1964, raising $1,000; now it’s on 71 campuses, and last year raised $988,000 across the country. The goal this year is to exceed that.
- It’s been at UBC since 1995.
- The amount raised here has dropped in recent years, from $19,000 down to $11,000.
- This year we’re aiming for $25,000 and 500 Shiners.
- Eastern schools do very well; we hope to raise UBC to their level.
- Shine Day will be September 11.
- We’re also doing car washes, barbecues, live music.

Questions

- Beaner Mitchell asked about legalities and licences.
- Nicole Fortier: We have approval from the mayor of Vancouver; we have free rein from the city.
- Iggy Rodriguez asked how far short we fall of what the Eastern schools raise.
- Nicole Fortier: It’s a big part of the culture there, e.g., at Western.
- Christopher Roach: Some raise $150,000 (e.g., Wilfrid Laurier).
• Iggy Rodriguez asked about doing things on Imagine Day.
• Nicole Fortier: We're trying. We're going to work with the Firstweek Coordinator.

First Year Seminars at UBC – Ben Cappellacci

• Inherited this from Johannes (last year’s VP Academic).
• Given UBC’s Place and Promise plan, it’s time to implement this; it’s part of the process.
• We’ve pushed for this because studies show that only 24% of students find faculty helpful; only 32% spent time outside class with their profs.
• The failure rate is 25% in some second year courses and even higher in some first year ones.
• Last year Eunice Hii, the AMS First Year Seminar Commissioner, spoke to various UBC administrators, proposing the introduction of a small-scale interactive learning environment.
• These seminars would be small (25 students) and would go beyond the 101 topics to look at broader, more theoretical ideas.
• The aim is to make students comfortable, like in a MUG group.
• There’s a TLEF grant proposal and an advisory committee; a flexibility analysis was conducted, which showed that students could fit such seminars into their timetables.
• There was a conference in Colorado.
• Here at UBC six programs have been proposed, and Science is planning to introduce a first year seminar this fall.
• Commerce supports increasing engagement, but can't do small classes. Other faculties (Land & Food, Forestry, Arts, Music) are doing various things.
• Eunice wrote a report reminding us to attend conferences, speak to key administrators on campus, promote such things as a Common Reading Program, and make sure to have an AMS person dedicated to working on this.
• Eunice said this can’t just be in one unit like Science, but needs to be a coordinated program.
• The Common Reading Program would be a way to create community by having everyone read one book.
• She also recommended Peer Mentors: TA’s taken to the next level.

Questions
• Dave Tompkins: This is not Council policy, is it?
• Ben Cappellacci: No, it’s Eunice’s report.
• Iggy Rodriguez: Who chooses the book? How is it done at other universities?
• Ben Cappellacci: Usually the University President selects and every student gets the book, and they invite the author.
• Iggy Rodriguez: Maybe the previous year’s class should select the book.

D) President’s Remarks:

President’s Report to Council
• Working on the Strategic Action Plan. Projects, tasks, timeline and budget are listed, and Committee chairs are being consulted. Coming to Council on July 14 with the budget.
- Developing government relations training for University and External Relations Committee – delivered by UBC.
- Human Resource training for Execs and Service Coordinators, and running effective meetings training for Committee Chairs – delivered by UBC.
- Board of Governors / Alumni Association meeting in Kelowna: met with ministers, community leaders, UBC administrators and UBCO Execs.
- CASA Conference in PEI with Jeremy. Discussed best practices with other schools. Will be hosting CASA AGM.
- UBC’s Got Talent: January 14 or 15. Duet with Stephen Toope is confirmed.
- Firstweek Coordinator hired and will be reporting to President this year.
- Orientations: Working with all units across campus and the AMS to coordinate efforts and increase awareness of the AMS brand.
- Services Joint Committee: A committee of AMS/UBC co-chaired by AMS. President and Senior Director of VP Students Office to make recommendations on coordinating efforts for improving service provision to students.
- Putting together a communications / implementation strategy for a new AMS fee structure.
- Governance of UBC: working with UBC to clarify how the Board of Governors will operate under Bill 20.

E) Executive Remarks:

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance:

- I have been spending my time in the past few weeks exclusively on the Budget and our AMS/GSS Health and Dental Place.
- In Health and Dental, we are looking at the expiry of our current agreement with Studentcare in 2011. We have gone out to the market to evaluate all alternatives. The Health and Dental Committee will be looking at the options in the following weeks, so that we can decide on which firm to continue our plan with. The market for student plans is limited, with only a handful of larger firms. We will update Council on the progress once the committee has made a decision.
- The Budget will be done soon and presented to Council at our next scheduled meeting.
- In the finance commission, we are looking at changes to our Student Initiatives Fund. These will be Code changes that will go through LPC, and come to Council next time we meet.
- We have sent out all of the budget templates for all of our clubs, and are slowly getting them in. My AVP, Andrew, will be working on approving them over the next month or so.
- On the business side, we have been looking at making initial upgrades to our Point of Sales systems. There is a motion tonight regarding this.
  - With our Agreement with UBC Card starting in August, we will be using this opportunity to start using new POS systems, starting with Blue Chip, because of the efficiency it will bring there. The new system will be integrated with UBC’s UBC Card system, and will also help with our accounting, and stocking.
  - At the same time, we will be accepting UBC Card at Pie R Squared, but with a cheaper technology (notebook). We will then acquire more POS terminals to roll out to Pie R Squared and move the netbook to the next business. We are looking to gradually roll out the new POS system to all of our businesses, with the timing based on the experienced improvement in efficiency.
On a slightly different note, look for new and improved prices at our businesses starting the first weekend of July.

Questions
- Sedi Minachi asked for more information about the Health and Dental plans.
- Elin Tayyar said he couldn’t reveal anything; negotiations are underway.

Ekaterina Dovjenko – VP Administration
- Receiving proposals from the architects June 30; interviewing them in July.
- Food service consultants working at getting information; will be doing a site visit Tuesday, consultation.
- SAC: Constituting great clubs.
- All President’s Dinner will be October 14.
- Clubs Days September 22-24; SAC Wine and Cheese on the last day.
- Deans Debate September.
- Office and locker allocations have been completed.
- Art Gallery bookings are done; the permanent collection will go up for one week.
- Looking for offices for the Committee Chairs.
- Inquiring into equity training run by UBC in August.

Jeremy McElroy – VP External:

- CASA
  - Just back from the Policy and Strategy Conference in PEI, and Sedi was able to speak on behalf of the GSS.
  - I made sure that the AMS had a strong voice around the table, and effectively advocated for a National Director that I believe will better engage us in CASA’s ongoing work.
  - Childcare is once again near the top of the CASA Lobby Priorities.
  - We’re hosting the AGM in March!

- U-Pass
  - The Provincial U-Pass program was announced last week; neither the AMS nor UBC were invited to the ceremony.
  - We put out a press release congratulating new schools on getting the program, and expressing our concern with the lack of consultation.
  - This will be a $30/month pass with no possibility for institutionally awarded subsidies, meaning UBC students will pay $120 per term, up from the current $95.
  - I am working to ensure that the AMS has a spot on the student negotiation team for the new agreement.
  - We will be having a referendum in January to opt into the new universal agreement; if the referendum fails we will not have a U-Pass after August 31, 2011.

- Provincial Lobby Group
  - I have been meeting with schools from across the Lower Mainland to discuss the idea and we’ve been making a lot of progress with Code and Bylaws.
  - More information to follow.

- Strategic Plan
  - Almost done, lots of great external affairs stuff!

- Student Financial Aid Lobbying
  - Researching and collating information for a SFA lobby document to present to Victoria with UBC.
Working with SFU and UVic to coordinate lobbying efforts to present a united front on behalf of the Big 3 Universities.

Working with partner schools in the prospective lobby group on coordinating lobby efforts as well.

- External Policy Review
  - Hit a small rough patch in determining the next step for the review, but am personally working to update/revise/scrap our external policies; should have them done by the end of the summer

Questions
- Nancy Wang: Could we get a better price than $30 for the U-Pass?
- Jeremy McElroy: Probably not. There was talk of $50 at one point.
- Joel Mertens: Then $35 in 2013.
- Jeremy McElroy: We’re going to have figure out our policy on that.

Ben Cappellacci – VP Academic
- Report on Systemic Discrimination distributed. [SCD096-11]
- Disabilities project.
- International students programs.
- I went to Ontario for Shinerama.
- Strategic planning.
- Budget committee.
- Hired student safety abroad.
- IKB learning.
- Reviewed all the student directed seminars.
- Too many grad functions.

Pavani Gunadasa, ECSS
- We have been busy working on the Services budget and I’m happy to say that as of yesterday, it is complete and we have submitted it to the Budget Committee.
- I met with Bijan and Janet Teasdale last week to discuss reviewing the Services. On their recommendation, we are preparing to conduct a self-study. I am currently reviewing the final report of the self-study recently conducted by Access and Diversity and will be meeting with Janet Mee (Director of Access and Diversity) within the next week to discuss this further.
- We have hired a new Internship Coordinator and we have finished conducting interviews for the Safe Team Coordinator and are in the reference-checking stage. I want to thank Maria Cirstea and Chad Embree for all their help with the interviewing process.
- The UBC Conference on Enhancing Student Support Services, which I had the opportunity to help plan, was very successful with approximately 165 attendees (we had anticipated 150). We are currently compiling the notes from the case studies and roundtable discussions at the conference and will be meeting to debrief later this month. One of the highlights for me at this conference was taking part in QPR Gatekeeper training (suicide prevention training).
- I am continuing to work on programming for Suicide Awareness Day and Thrive Week (which will take place in November).
I participated in a focus group for UBC Advising Services and have been working closely with Tutoring and Advocacy on matters related to their Services. Jane Barry (Services Manager) and I (and Ben!) are heading off this week to the CACUSS (Canadian Association of College and University Student Services) conference in Edmonton and will have a full update for you when we return.

F) Committee Reports:

Legislative Procedures Committee – Julian Ritchie:
- Revolving door for students at large on the committee.
- Working on hiring, wages, and bylaws.

Business and Facilities Committee – Mike Silley:
- Finalized price increases for the outlets, relating to HST.
- Hirings.
- IT working group reviewed IT policy.

Student Life Committee – Ryan Trasolini:
- Working with Shinerama subcommittee.
- Working on Welcome Back BBQ upgrades (first years, music).

Extraordinary Hiring Committee – Chad Embree:
- Interviewing for Ombudsperson.

Education Committee
- Looking at Credit/D/Fail implementation.
- Looking at how to get professors’ buy-in for the official Rate My Prof site of student evaluations.

F) Constituency Reports:

Commerce – Chad Embree:
- Mascots.
- Trying to improve the business writing course.

International Students – Isabel Montoya Villegas:
- International Student meeting.
- Hired an International Commissioner.
- Brittany will be back for the next meeting.

Law – Kate Phipps.

Social Work – Angelina Gordon:
- Summer hiatus.

Arts – Ryan Trasolini:
- Hired almost all service staff.
- Developing relationship with Student Development.
- Frosh planning for the first time.
• New Dean: Gage Averill.

Music – Beaner Mitchell:
• Old Auditorium is now open again.
• Opera performances this week.

Engineering – Nick Sertic:
• Western Canadian Engineers were here.
• New website.

Education – Courtney English:
• Most of us on practicum.
• Trying to organize grad events and speaker.
• Also have a new dean.

GSS – Sedi Minachi:
• Pub manager job posting.
• Promoting grad issues at CASA.

Science – Maria Cirstea:
• Changes in hiring procedures.
• Frosh September 12.
• Imagine Day planning going well.
• We want new furniture for Ladha Centre.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Azim Wazeer:
• President Toope reappointed.
• Election of new chair of the Board of Governors, replacing Brad Bennett: Bill Levine.
  Hope to see more of him at the AMS.
• Purchase of 250 acres of land in the Okanagan.

Senate – Joel Mertens:
• Strategic planning meeting coming soon.
• Hope to work closely with the AMS.

• Sedi Minachi asked about new rules for library fines.
• Chad Embree said anything like that would have come to the Senate Library Committee;
  if it does, we will bring it to the next Council meeting.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

2. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

  “That the following minutes be accepted as presented.

  Executive Committee minutes dated April 21, 2010 [SCD097-11]
  Executive Committee minutes dated April 28, 2010 [SCD098-11]

Abstained: Ryan Trasolini

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

3. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That the pay for the Elections Administrator be set at $9000 per year, prorated to number of months worked. Additionally receive bonuses of: $750 for each balloting period outside of normal elections, $50 for each referendum question after the third in any balloting period, $300 for each constituency election or referendum run on the approval of Council. Also able to receive a continuity honorarium of $350.”

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- Julian Ritchie: At the old rate, if they worked the whole year, they’d be getting less than minimum wage, though they never worked the whole year. This is raising it to be like the Service Coordinators. The bonus rules are changed; some years we were overpaying; this is more reasonable. We have not yet hired the EA.
- Bijan Ahmadian noted that this year, in July and August, part of the Election Administrator’s duties will be to fix the election system, and also to consult with Constituencies about their election needs, to minimize the issues we’ve had.

... Carried
• Dylan Callow asked about hiring a professional.
• It was suggested that if the Elections Administrator decides they need a professional, they can do that later.

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Against (1): Rory Breasail

Abstained: Chad Embree, Beaner Mitchell

5. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED WILL GALLEGO:

From the SUB Renewal Committee

“Be it resolved that Council amend the SUB Renewal Committee terms of reference and composition as follows:

Composition:
a) the Vice-President Administration, who shall be chair;
b) the President
c) two (2) current members of Council;
d) two (2) current members of Council or students-at-large who shall remain on the committee indefinitely, whether or not they remain members of Council or students;
e) the General Manager, who shall be non-voting;
f) the Facilities Development Manager, who shall be non-voting;
g) the Designer, who shall be non-voting;
h) two students-at-large, who shall be chosen through an application process.

Terms of Reference:
a) To identify the unmet needs of the users of the Student Union Building, including individual students, AMS clubs and constituencies, AMS staff, and other members of the University community.
b) To create plans to address the unmet needs identified, giving priority consideration to the needs of students; these plans may include major restorative work and upgrades to the current building, the construction of additional space, or both.
c) To identify possible sources of the funding required to implement the plans, and to create a Case for Support for a fundraising campaign.
d) To prepare the documents required for approval of the plans by the necessary University and AMS bodies, including Council, the AMS Executive Committee, the UBC Executive Committee, and the University’s Board of Governors.”

a) To plan and act as a steering committee (receiving direction from Council, reporting to Council and making recommendations to Council) for the New SUB Project for the AMS.
b) To carry-out the Student Engagement Process for the New SUB Project.
c) To act as the body that appoints representatives to the various SUB committees.
d) To liaise with other AMS committees and organize collaboration on points of mutual concern.

Be it further resolved that the new name of the ad-hoc committee shall be The New SUB Project Committee and not the SUB Renewal Committee and that the Code be amended accordingly.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Ekat Dovjenko: We’re updating the terms of reference and changing the name to the New SUB Project Committee; also adding two students at large. This will involve amending Code.
- Iggy Rodriguez: The permanent members are not changing?
- Ekat Dovjenko: No.

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Abstained: Dylan Callow, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Julian Ritchie

7. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That James Basnett (student at large) be appointed to the New SUB Project Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.”

• Ekat Dovjenko: We posted this as a volunteer position and got six applicants. We’re bringing forward one. He’s really good. We’re going to leave the other spot open until September when more students are here and we can get some new blood.
“That ________ (1 student at large) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September, 2010.
   
   Nominee: Taylor Lukacin [aka Taylor Loren]

That ________ (Councillor) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”
   
   Nominee: Angelina Gordon (Social Work)

8. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

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   “That Taylor Lukacin [aka Taylor Loren] (1 student at large) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September, 2010.

   “That Angelina Gordon (Councillor) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

   ... Carried

For (22): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Will Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Daniel Lin (proxy for Kyle Warwick), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Beaner Mitchell, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Angelina Gordon

9. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

   From the Extraordinary Hiring Committee

   “That Jay Shah be appointed as the AMS Ombudsperson for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2011.”

   • Jay Shah introduced himself. He is a 4th-year joint major in English Literature and International Relations, and has no opinions on anything.

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For (26): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Courtney English, Will Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Angelina Gordon, Tom Huryn, Daniel Lin (proxy for Kyle Warwick), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Beaner Mitchell, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Chad Embree

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

11. MOVED WILL GALLEGRO, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:  

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission dated April 14, 2010.”  

... Carried

For (16): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Will Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Angelina Gordon, Beaner Mitchell, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Nancy Wang

Against (1): Jeremy McElroy

Abstained: Joel Mertens, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar

12. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED WILL GALLEGRO:

“Whereas the AMS Businesses are contributing $12,628 for the purchase of POS terminals and a laptop (with card scanner) for Pie R Squared,

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS Council approve an amount not exceeding $18,787 to be withdrawn from the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund for the purpose of purchasing new Micros Point of Sale technology, including two terminals to be used at Blue Chip, and for the one-time cost of programming and initial integration of the system with UBC Card.

$8,187 (MICROS server, software licensing, and other infrastructural investments) + $600 cabling + $10,000 (one-time programming fee) for software integration with UBC Card.

Note: The SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund currently has $777,000.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Elin Tayyar: This is introducing a new system of point of sale terminals. We looked at two different companies, and went with Micros as the best.
- Isabel Montoya Villegas: Will we be able to move these new terminals to the new SUB?
• Elin Tayyar: Yes. We’re starting with Blue Chip, then the other businesses, and then we’ll move them to the new SUB.

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Abstained: Beaner Mitchell

14. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:  [SCD111-11]

“That Council approve the amended internal Computer Use policy as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Mike Silley: The IT Management Working Group at BAFCOM, with the assistance of Hong (the AMS IT Manager), is proposing small changes to the computer use policy to tighten things up. And it will now be codified as an official Internal Policy.

15. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:  [SCD111-11]

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried
For (20): Bijan Ahmadian, Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Courtney English, Will Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Angelina Gordon, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Beamer Mitchell, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Mike Silley

16. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

“That Council approve the following change in remuneration for the AVP Academic: an increase to $9,000 for 20 hours per week.

Note: This is an increase from $4500 for 10 hours per week.”

- Ben Cappellacci: Because of changes we’ve been able to make to the budget, I’d like to increase my AVP Academic’s hours back to 20 hours a week.
- Jeremy McElroy: Code says the AVP’s work 20 hours, but because of the deficit, we looked to make cuts, and now those cuts are enabling us to put back some spending. It’s more fair to allow this office to have more hours.
- Nancy Wang: Where is the extra revenue coming from?
- Elin Tayyar: It’s not extra. We just went line by line and found places where we cut too much.

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Abstained: Dylan Callow

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

Systemic Discrimination Report

- Nancy Wang asked about the Systemic Discrimination report.
- Jeremy McElroy: We just received it. There will be a presentation next time.
P) Submissions:
   Student Engagement Plan for the new SUB project [SCD112-11]

Q) Next Meeting:
   July 14, 2010

R) Adjournment:

18. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

   “That the meeting be adjourned.” ... Carried


   Against (2): Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic

   Abstained: Dylan Callow, Karen Lee, Mike Silley

   The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

S) Social Activity:
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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archivist), Justin Yang (Science), Alex Garnett (Arts), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Paul Bucci (Ubyssey), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Maria Kari (Ubyssey), Ian Turner (Ubyssey), Kiran Mahal (Science), Mark Latham (Voter Media), Sharon McCarthy (UBC Campus and Community Planning), Kelli Seepaul (AMS Communications), Connor Morgan-Lang (Science), Jian Huang (Forestry), Imran Habib (Business), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Nancy Knight (UBC Campus and Community Planning), Lin Watt (Engineering)

NOTE: BECAUSE OF TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES, THE LIST OF VOTERS ON EACH MOTION CANNOT BE 100% CERTAIN.

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

(In the absence of the Speaker, the meeting was chaired by the President.)

1. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED RAVI PARHAR:

“That the meeting be videotaped for use in the production of a VoterMedia Video.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

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For (29): Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Arvind Saraswat, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

2. MOVED NICK SERTIC, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

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For (22): Rory Breasail, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Amanda Li, Sedi Minachi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Arvind Saraswat, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Ryan Trasolini, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

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

C) Presentations to Council:
• Bill 20:
  o The GVRD asked to be relieved of its duties re the campus.
  o The province introduced a bill which received royal assent in May-June.
  o The Ministry of Community and Rural Development, in consultation with the Ministry of Advanced Education, will be in charge now.
  o The old GVRD OCP bylaw has been rescinded and transformed into a new Land Use Plan.
  o There’s one amendment to change the GVRD’s Future Housing Reserve to Academic.
  o We’ve been working with the AMS Executive on a guide to how this will work.
• Land Use Plan Amendments:
  o Three issues:
    ▪ Affordable housing on campus.
    ▪ Reserves, including the UBC Farm; changing designations; the AMS is particularly interested in the farm; that one will become Green Academic instead of Future Housing Reserve; the Board of Governors imposed a condition on this, that housing capacity be transferred elsewhere; that’s something else we have to do.
    ▪ Regularizing land use designations: there are too many different ones, and the new campus plan is more mixed than before.
  o Open House and workshops tomorrow. This is just the beginning of consultation. Proposals in October will be followed by more consultations, leading to a draft plan amendment to be presented to a public hearing in late November or early December.
• Other issues:
  o UBC Line: Working with TransLink. Looking to improve transit to campus along the Broadway corridor.
    ▪ It’s critical that the AMS engage; there’s resistance from residents. Currently, students are being left behind at the Commercial Skytrain station; there’s not enough capacity on the route; this is an important issue for the long term of the campus.
  o Transit Hub: Ideas Fair last March; we’ll be coming back for input on a shortlist of proposals.
  o Housing Hubs: Beginning to work on planning. The first will be at Ponderosa, setting the tone for the five hubs, aiming to increase housing. These will be mixed use hubs containing childcare, housing, academic; will be neighbourhood centres.
  o The Board of Governors has released guiding principles for amending the Land Use Plan.

Questions
• Neal Yonson asked about the designation for the Pharmacy building being changed without following the procedures set out in Bill 20.
• Nancy Knight: This was an urgent provincial priority.
• Neal Yonson commented that the scope of consultations seems to be limited to what Campus and Community Planning wants to talk about. Is the whole document up for discussion?
• Nancy Knight: These issues don’t just come from Campus and Community Planning; they come from consultation. That said, if something urgent and important comes forward, we can look at that.
• Sedi Minachi asked about childcare.
• Nancy Knight: The plan is for 25 spaces in each hub. This is part of a bigger plan done with the AMS and the UNA to double the number of spaces. There will be UBC-provided spaces, as in the hubs; also other spaces at K-12 schools in the area for after school care; some will be in the community centre, the UNA building; some in people’s houses. There will be a wider range of style, flexibility, affordability.
• Bijan Ahmadian asked for confirmation that consultation will be continuing in first semester and the Board won’t make a decision till second term so that it doesn’t matter if students can’t take part in consultations now.
• Nancy Knight: Yes.
• Julian Ritchie: But sooner is better.
• Nancy Knight: Sure.

3. MOVED RAVI PARHAR, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the agenda be amended to add a Land Use motion.”

For (20): Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Sedi Minachi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Nancy Wang

Abstained: Chad Embree, Courtney English, Jeremy McElroy, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini

4. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED RAVI PARHAR:

“Whereas UBC is embarking on a consultative process to review and amend the Land Use Plan; and

Whereas the designation of areas within this plan have the potential to affect the members of the AMS; and

Whereas, the AMS has previously lobbied for changes to this document, formerly known as the Official Community Plan; and

Whereas the AMS endorsed the University Boulevard petition on May 2, 2007 calling for a revisitation of land-use options on University Boulevard; and

Whereas the AMS has passed motions on September 13, 2006 and October 8, 2008 in support of the UBC Farm,

Therefore, be it resolved that, consistent with recommendation APP7 of the South Campus Academic Plan: Cultivating Place, the AMS support formalizing the land designation for the 24-ha contiguous area on South Campus as an integrated academic use area, named ‘UBC Farm’;
Be it further resolved that the AMS support rescinding the Gage South Neighbourhood Plan, and re-zoning the area for transit and/or student housing uses;

Be it further resolved that the AMS support the rescinding of the University Boulevard Neighbourhood Plan;

Be it further resolved that the AMS support an increase of the maximum units per hectare for residential land, with the goal of reducing average unit sizes, therefore increasing affordability;

Be it further resolved that the AMS support increasing the FSR and building height limitations on residential land, with the goal of promoting higher density and thus more sustainable land use, as well as retention of green space;

Be it further resolved that the AMS support changing the target for student housing percentages to 50%, consistent with UBC’s stated goal of housing 50% of the student population on campus;

Be it further resolved that Council direct the Vice-President Academic & University Affairs to work on a further AMS submission for the Land Use Plan consultation process.”

- Andrew Carne:
  o This stems from a long series of discussions over the years.
  o There were lots of problems with the OCP; we were always told we couldn’t alter it, but now it’s under UBC’s control. Now is the time to push for changes. Bijan says this could wait till fall, but it’s important to bring this up now before consultation gets underway.
  o This motion is based on motions and policies passed previously and on discussions with students; it was developed last week.

- Jeremy McElroy: I don’t disagree with the points. Most people, though, don’t know what FSR is, and the chair of the University and External Relations Committee is out of province and should really look at this. A lot of this refers to old policies; I’m not sure we should be passing it now before new policies are in place.

- Ben Cappellacci: It’s important to get things out there, but there is a due process. This should be sent to the committee.

- Andrew Carne: I’d like to see something come through tonight. We may miss the boat.

- Bijan Ahmadian said this was a question to look at in committee.

- Sean Heisler: If we take away some of the technicalities, we can pass this.

- Jeremy McElroy: Some of this we don’t have policy on; some we do.

- There was discussion about removing technical terms like FSR in favour of saying increasing density.

- Andrew Carne: With the underground loop gone, there’s nothing much left to the University Boulevard Plan; it might as well be abolished.

- Justin McElroy asked why the Executive didn’t have a motion ready on this.

- Jeremy McElroy: We haven’t had a chance to spend much time on the documents, and tomorrow is when they tell us how things are changing. We didn’t see much need to do it before then. We have to work on our policies now.

- Ekat Dovjenko: There are a lot of things we don’t know. The idea is great, but there will be consultations all through first semester. It’s pressing, but it doesn’t need to be done tomorrow.
5. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

“That this motion be referred to the University and External Relations Committee for them to bring a proper recommendation to Council on August 11, 2010.”

- Andrew Carne: The committee is not meeting; people aren’t here. It’s urgent to do this now. Yes, there will be consultation this fall, but if we come then with other topics, that won’t be fair.
- Kyle Warwick: The land use plan is really substantial, succeeding the OCP, which made market housing possible. It’s important that we have some positions we can stand behind.
- Chad Embree: I hear people saying we need to make a decision now, but we don’t need this for tomorrow. As a Councillor, I have no idea what we’re talking about. I would like to get information to make an informed decision.
- Nancy Wang: I totally agree. It’s not fair to give this to us at the last minute. A lot of us don’t know these issues and I’d like to hear from my constituents.
- Ben Cappellacci: Many of the points are in line with what we’ve done in the past. Because of that, do we need to refer to committee?
- Conrad Copeland: This is something that Council needs to decide tonight. It’s not the most detailed motion; it’s our responsibility to make a decision.
- Bijan Ahmadian: It’s setting AMS policy.
- Conrad Copeland: It’s this body’s purpose to do that.
- Michael Haack: I don’t think there’s time to refer; this needs to be done now. UBC is trying to push this through in the summer.

6. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (16): Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Chad Embree, Michael Haack, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Mike Silley

7. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

“That this motion be referred to the University and External Relations Committee for them to bring a proper recommendation to Council on August 11, 2010.”

... Defeated

For (8): Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Sedi Minachi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Arvind Saraswat, Nancy Wang

Against (16): Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Maria Cirstea, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick
Abstained: Sean Heisler, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Mrigank Sharma, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Azim Wazeer

Back to main motion

8. MOVED NANCY WANG:

“That the motion be tabled.”  ... Failed for lack of seconder

- Michael Haack: Campus is a place for students and faculty. Market housing has no place in that. Councillors should have read the Land Use Plan; they should have done their homework. I urge Council to support this. We can continue to work on the details in committee.

9. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That this motion be laid on the table until before Executive Reports.”  ... No objections

C) Presentations to Council:

Architect Selection – Ekaterina Dovjenko

- We’ve gone through an exhaustive process and are excited to bring you the results today.
- We’re choosing the architects for the $103 million Student Union Building.
- We were going to do this for July 21; this gives the architects three extra weeks.
- The process included meetings of the SUB committee’s working group, voting by students that produced a shortlist of three firms in April, then RFP’s and proposals.
- There was technical scoring, experience, resources: that was worth 60%. There was an office visit to see the environment, to see whether we click: that was worth 20%. And 20% was for the cost.
- I’m happy to announce that the chosen firm is HBBH+BH. They were phenomenal, very good in all aspects, and with very competitive costs.

10. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

“That the Alma Mater Society appoint HBBH+BH Architects as the Architect for the New SUB Project subject to the completion of successful negotiations.”

- Azim Wazeer: Usually there’s very little access to principals. What has the AMS experience been?
- Ekat Dovjenko: There was a firm whose involvement of principals was not enough, but you’ll be happy to know that with HBBH+BH two of the four principals will be on the project.
- Nick Sertic asked about the rankings.
- Ekat Dovjenko: They’re confidential, but one firm was quite a lot ahead in all three categories. All the firms came in above 50; the students chose the right three.
11. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

“That the Alma Mater Society appoint HBBH+BH Architects as the Architect for the New SUB Project subject to the completion of successful negotiations.”

... Carried

For (30): Ben Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Jeremy McElroy, Elin Tayyar, Carolee Changfoot, Michael Haack, Kyle Warwick, Rory Breasail, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Ryan Trasolini, Sean Heisler, Azim Wazeer, Courtney English, Monica Rostocki, Amanda Li, Nick Sertic, Julian Ritchie, Ravi Parhar, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Arvind Saraswat, Bahador Moosavi, Mrigank Sharma, Tom Huryn, Kate Phipps, Sumedha Sharma, Maria Cirstea, Nancy Wang, Ignacio Rodriguez, Chad Embree, Angelina Gordon

Abstained: Mike Silley, Sedi Minachi

C) Presentations to Council:

The President passed the chair to the VP External.

Strategic Plan – Bijan Ahmadian

• A past Executive introduced the Strategic Framework, under which each year the President has the mandate to develop a strategic plan.
• At Whistler this year teams worked on this; information from that and from the Executives and the Committee Chairs has been pooled with a view to specifying specific tasks and considering budget requirements.
• The result is a list of 47 projects, Council’s strategic plan.
• We’ll need teamwork, Council involvement, to get these done. Also the Executive and Committees and staff.
• There are five goals:
  o Constituents
  o Resources (financial and human)
  o Stewardship (good governance)
  o Community (partnership with UBC, government)
  o Sustainability (financial, environmental, social)
• Need feedback and a blessing on the strategic plan.
• The projects are:
  o We need to show constituents what we’re doing this year, and which Executives are responsible for which projects.
  o Partnerships: All-Presidents lunch meetings; these not usually done; the first one is in August.
  o Resource Groups: work with them to create synergies.
  o VP Academic Caucus, to get some sense of direction on academic issues.
  o Clubs: We have over 300 clubs; we don’t do a lot to support them; we’ll have focus groups to see how we can support them better.
  o Art Gallery: a show schedule, a range of shows.
  o Movember: men’s health.
  o Shinerama: ambitious this year.
  o Middle East dialogue: every campus does this; it’s sometimes controversial; we’re going to work to increase dialogue, get the two sides to listen to each other.
  o International students: finding out what they need.
  o Students with disabilities: finding out what they need for support.
- Greek letter societies: awkward interface with the UNA; helping them coexist.
- GSS: want to connect more with the GSS.
- New SUB design: schematics, engagement strategy; first years this year will still be here to see the building.
- Odyssey column: every month an update.
- Childcare: Jeremy is working on this, lobbying for more funding.
- UBC's Got Talent: creating a tradition, something in common, common ground, determining criteria for performance, e.g., social issues; being organized; live performances in November; finalists chosen; Chan Centre in January, hoping for 1000 people; proceeds to United Way.
- Food and Beverage prices.
- New SUB food and beverage plans.
- Sponsorship: I'm committed to bringing in $30,000 this year.
- Art collection: need to decide what to do with this; exhibitions; selling some?
- Lunch with Councillors: president with each Council member; have done three so far.
- Volunteer database: need to thank volunteers; entering all volunteers into database so can reach them when we need more.
- Team building: need to work as a team; last year that didn't happen; shouldn't be Executive versus Council but Executive and Council versus problems; budgeting more for team building; need to do it repeatedly.
- Values program: HR Manager is working on this, rolling out AMS values.
- Fee referendum: the biggest thing in financial resources; our fee hasn’t increased in 18 or 20 years, and it's not indexed.
- Policies: review of internal and external policies; think about the conversation that just happened; Executives do lobbying after committees discuss policies.
- In-house counsel: large number of contracts, liability issues.
- Elections: Election Administrator's mandate to fix election security, also contact Constituencies to introduce best practices.
- Bylaw update: LPC is working on this.
- Student Assembly: creating a separate body for problem-solving, stemming from the Students with Disabilities issue.
- Financial procedures review: making sure procedures for clubs and Constituencies attain the best standards.
- Professional development: not enough coaching for elected officials; UBC has agreed to do this for committee chairs, executives.
- Website: a new one in August.
- Services Joint Committee: working with UBC on services, i.e., who should provide what to serve students best?
- Equity: working with UBC to get UBC-paid for workshops back.
- Firstweek/Orientation: I will sign the welcoming letter.
- Transportation: VP External and VP Academic on committees.
- University Boulevard design.
- Provincial and federal lobbying.
- Agreement negotiations, e.g., Health and Dental.
- Student Financial Aid: lobbying the provincial government to lower interest rates on student loans; working with UBC and other student societies; the most impactful project for students.
- Sustainability: the AMS businesses’ footprint.
- UBC Governance: Bill 20, a new governance structure.
- Water bottle free campus: refillable water bottles, plans to have refilling stations around campus, a campaign against bottled water.
Questions

- Sean Heisler asked about consultation.
  - Bijan Ahmadian: The plan is to turn this into a Council document. I wanted you to see the full details.
- Sean Heisler: A Council plan? Will we approve it?
  - Bijan Ahmadian said he was hoping to have a motion to approve.
- Nancy Wang: Have you coordinated with UBC about the water bottles?
  - Bijan Ahmadian: They know about this.
- Taylor Loren suggested there be something for women parallel to Movember.
  - Bijan Ahmadian: Good idea.
  - Bijan added that he wanted to hear that these are Council’s projects. They are connected to the budget.
- Azim Wazeer said Councillors might need time to digest 47 projects.
  - Bijan Ahmadian said he would bring back the plan on August 11 for approval, and will send it out before that.
  - Arvind Saraswat asked if the Executive will have time to do the projects; will it stretch them?
  - Bijan Ahmadian: These are our only projects, but there isn’t enough time; we’ll definitely be stretched.
- Rory Breasai: If we delay till August 11, do we have to delay the budget? Essentially, we’d be approving these by passing the budget.
  - Bijan Ahmadian: The projects have come from committees.
- Sedi Minachi expressed approval for there being a project on student loans, but said it was not only provincial; there’s also an issue with the federal government making huge profits off the federal loan interest rate.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Jeremy is working on that through CASA.
- Conrad Copeland expressed concern about implementing the plan. If approval is delayed, the budget would have to be delayed too.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Council shouldn’t be involved in micro-managing.
- Conrad Copeland: Are we not supposed to go through the budget? How can we approve the budget if the details of the plan aren’t final?
  - Elin Tayyar: The great majority of the projects don’t cost anything.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Definitely some projects are linked to the budget, but not all.
- Conrad Copeland: If we approve the budget, we need to know the details of the projects in the plan.
  - Bijan Ahmadian: You can approve the plan too.
- Tom Huryn asked about the end of term party.

**Budget – Elin Tayyar/Ben Cappellacci**

Ben:
- The Budget Committee met several times.
- Balanced the budget without taking money from non-replenished funds, and set things according to the Strategic Plan.
- Because of the strategic planning process, it took longer than usual to get the budgeting done, but we’re happy with the results.

Elin:
- Revenues are just under $15 million; most go into our funds, the rest to our budgets as discretionary income to cover expenses. Shortfalls are made up from the funds.
• Expenses include Services, Programs, Student Government, Administration and Information Systems.

• Originally the budget didn’t include actuals; they’re sometimes inaccurate.

• Services gets $337,837. Major changes for Services include changing Safewalk to SafeTeam. This budget for Services, including cuts, comes from Pavani and is almost unchanged from her proposal.

• In Student Government we moved a lot of things around; some things are transferred and it looks like there are increases.

• The Council budget is up because of paying committee chairs larger amounts, also paying Dave Tompkins for his clicker software and his services.

• There’s a $13,000 increase for the Executive Committee, in part from a $20,000 allocation for student engagement and the fee referendum expected in October; also $8,000 for a conference in Calgary.

• The Vice-President portfolios are decreasing because of staff cuts, except for the VP External, whose budget has gone up $43,000. That’s because there is no longer a policy analyst being funded from the lobbying fund.

• There are cuts to the Ombudsoffice.

• Altogether $163,000 has been cut and there is $101,000 in new funding.

• Under Programs, Block Party will be revenue neutral. The Budget Committee talked with Shea Dahl (the Events Manager), who said he could bring us a revenue neutral event. We’re going to get the Constituencies involved.

• There’s a new expense for the assistant to the Communications Manager.

• Under Administration and Information Systems, there’s an increase because of the new HR department.

• There are no withdrawals from non-replenished funds.

• This is a balanced budget, unlike the past three years, which planned for deficits. Unexpectedly, those years actually produced surpluses, which were put in the funds. Except last year there was not much of a surplus to put in the funds. This year we’re not doing that.

• Concerns:
  o Services is in a deficit position, spending more than the services fee brings in, resulting in a lean budget for services.
  o The sustainability program is dependent on outside funds (from UBC).
  o We may need to re-prioritize our spending, e.g., spend more on clubs.
  o It’s a lean, bare-boned budget; balanced, but it’s hard to sustain the work we do with the budget we have.

Questions

• Sean Heisler: Have we decreased salaries?

• Elin Tayyar: On the student government side salaries are generally at minimum wage.

• Sedi Minachi: BC is one of the most expensive provinces; many students are below the poverty line; student use of the food bank is increasing. I’ve never seen such massive cuts; it’s way more than expected.

• Elin Tayyar: There have been no cuts to per hour rates, just a reduction in hours. I agree that the student government side is very low paid; it’s a bit higher for Services.

• Sedi Minachi: Some of your projects are increasing.

• Elin Tayyar: The biggest project is the fee increase referendum; we’re spending a lot on that, but it’s so we can have more money.
“That the 2010/2011 AMS Budget be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Nancy Wang asked about drastic changes for the Resource Groups.
- Elin Tayyar: In May they had a meeting on how to divide their money; in September each one will have to decide its allocations.
- Lin Watt asked for details about the budget model for Block Party.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Block Party is not budgeted yet. Last year we lost $142,000. This year we’re working on not losing that. The Events Department is looking to engage Constituencies. This will go to Student Life and the Budget Committee, then here. The aim is to be budget neutral.
- Lin Watt: Engaging Constituencies financially?
- Bijan Ahmadian: Not necessarily. It’s up to Student Life and Council to decide.
- Kyle Warwick:
  - A balanced budget is good. Lobbying and partnership, that’s a responsible use of money, and we should do that professionally.
  - But the Executive health plan: I don’t object in principle, but it’s not at all urgent; for a long time Executives have coped with the regular health plan. I hope the student health plan is not so inadequate that the Executive can’t live with it.
  - Also, some special projects budget lines are too vague.
- Elin Tayyar: If the health plan is not approved, the money would be reallocated by the Budget Committee.
- Bijan Ahmadian: The budget just provides capability; if the motion is not passed, it’s removed from the budget.
- Taylor Loren: The rhetoric is about being lean and bare-boned, but there’s been an increase in spending for the Executives.
- Elin Tayyar: That’s coming from the CPAC fund; we’re not taking money from somewhere else. The increase for the VP External is for lobbying and CASA. The VP Academic has two new commissioners. There have been decreases for the VP Finance and the VP Administration.
- Taylor Loren: Phone plans, health plans: how is that barebones?
- Elin Tayyar: The phone plan was already approved by Council. We pay a large amount for our office phones, plus cellphones.
- Iggy Rodriguez asked about the zero dollars budgeted for a federal election.
- Elin Tayyar: We didn’t want to budget for things we’re not sure of.
- Jeremy McElroy: The External Lobbying Fund still has enough to cover an election.
- Mrigank Sharma asked about the policy analyst.
- Jeremy McElroy: Most of that position’s duties still have to be done; they’re in my budget now; that’s why my expenses have gone up. The policy analyst’s salary is now not budgeted for. There are CASA fees.
- Mrigank Sharma: That should have gone down.
- Sean Heisler: Coming back to Council for more money is not intrinsically a bad thing, but the current process gives discretion to the Budget Committee, which could allocate funds to Executive benefits.
- Elin Tayyar: HR benefits have to go to Council.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Everything has to come back to Council.
- Nancy Wang asked about Catering expenses increasing for the Whistler orientation.
- Elin Tayyar: Catering went up; we looked at the actuals.
• Conrad Copeland asked why Block Party was budgeted at zero; it should have indicated how much revenue and how much expense if the point is simply that it’s meant to be revenue neutral.
• Elin Tayyar said he hadn’t wanted to put $40,000 in and $40,000 out without knowing for sure.
• Bijan Ahmadian said it will be known by the end of the summer.
• Conrad Copeland suggested waiting with the whole budget, then.
• Elin Tayyar said we needed a budget now. There’s a deadline (June 30).
• Conrad said that if we’ve already missed the deadline, why not just wait a bit longer?
• Elin Tayyar: We can pass the budget and make changes later, and not hold up other departments.
• Sumedha Sharma suggested bringing a Block Party plan by next meeting.
• Bijan Ahmadian said the aim was to have something for August 11.
• Erik MacKinnon (student at large on the Budget Committee):
  o We really should be looking for the head of whoever planned last year’s Block Party and lost us so much money.
  o The budget can be nitpicked over every item, but it’s just a framework.
• Sean Heisler said it’s a good framework. Things can be changed later. A Block Party estimate can be asked for.
• Amanda Li asked for details on the special projects funds under the various VP’s.
• Ben Cappellacci and Elin Tayyar provided some details.

12. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (10): Chad Embree, Sean Heisler, Amanda Li, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Nick Sertic, Mrigank Sharma, Sumedha Sharma, Nancy Wang

Against (10): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Maria Cirstea, Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Monica Rostocki, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Courtney English, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi

13. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the motion be amended to add the following:

‘Be it further resolved that the Budget Committee bring a preliminary Block Party budget to the August 11, 2010 Council meeting.’”

... No objections

• Neal Yonson said it’s not a barebones budget; lots is being spent on things that may or may not happen, and there are Executive perks: phone plan, health plan,
conferences. Cuts have been happening to Services, but not Executives. He questioned whether students are getting the best value or the Executives are.

- Ryan Trasolini questioned whether accurate figures for Block Party will be available by August 11.
- Bijan Ahmadian said it would just be a preliminary budget.
- Kyle Warwick: It seems the budget will pass. There are quite a lot of positive things in it. Lots of things remain issues, though, and on the whole I am not comfortable with it. Let’s not let it be set in stone; let’s not let the budget keep us from doing things. Keep it an open, living document.
- Ben Cappellacci: We want to make sure this budget does reflect the views of Council; the aim is to be checking in with Council. We will continue this conversation.
- Neal Yonson: If the number for the Block Party is not zero, where will the money come from?
- Elin Tayyar: We do have money in the Programs Fund. We’re going to do quarterly reviews; if there’s any underspending, we can spend on that.
- Jeremy McElroy: There’s a contingency. If the business contribution is different, we can work that in.
- Neal Yonson expressed concern about the cuts to Services and about no general revenue going to Services.
- Ben Cappellacci: A political direction was taken this year. We decided that the Services Fund would be all the funding the Services get.
- Pavani Gunadasa said she was optimistic about still providing the same level of service.
- Neal Yonson: The same services with less money?
- Pavani Gunadasa: Well, no, not exactly.

12. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE: From the Budget Committee

“That the 2010/2011 AMS Budget be accepted as presented.”

‘Be it further resolved that the Budget Committee bring a preliminary Block Party budget to the August 11, 2010 Council meeting.’ ”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Defeated

For (11): Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang

Against (11): Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Carolee Changfoot, Courtney English, Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Sedi Minachi, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Amanda Li, Sumedha Sharma, Ryan Trasolini

14. MOVED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the agenda be amended to add a discussion on the AMS budget.”

... No objections
The Land Use motion was brought back in revised form.

Julian Ritchie: This wasn’t the right way to bring this, but it’s been made more general now and it’s in line with AMS policies. It would be helpful to pass this.

There were no objections to considering the revised version rather than the original version.

12. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED RAVI PARHAR:

"Whereas UBC is embarking on a consultative process to review and amend the Land Use Plan; and

Whereas the designation of areas within this plan has the potential to affect the members of the AMS; and

Whereas the AMS has previously lobbied for changes to this document, formerly known as the Official Community Plan; and

Whereas the AMS endorsed the University Boulevard petition on May 2, 2007 calling for a revisitation of land-use options on University Boulevard; and

Whereas the AMS has passed motions on September 13, 2006 and October 8, 2008 in support of the UBC Farm,

Therefore, be it resolved that, consistent with recommendation APP7 of the South Campus Academic Plan: Cultivating Place, the AMS support formalizing the land designation for the 24-ha contiguous area on South Campus as an integrated academic use area, named ‘UBC Farm.’

Be it further resolved that the AMS support rescinding the Gage South Neighbourhood Plan, and re-zoning the area for transit and/or student housing uses.

Be it further resolved that the AMS support the rescinding of the University Boulevard Neighbourhood Plan.

Be it further resolved that the AMS support increasing the unit density in the housing on campus.

Be it further resolved that the AMS support changing the target for student housing percentages to 50%, consistent with UBC’s stated goal of housing 50% of the student population on campus;

Be it further resolved that the University and External Relations Committee work to develop specific policies related to the above clauses, and report back to Council at the August 11th meeting.

Be it further resolved that Council direct the Vice-President Academic & University Affairs and the University and External Relations Committee to work on a further official AMS submission for the Land Use Plan consultation process."

Note: Requires 2/3rds
• Kyle Warwick said he was glad to see the changes. This is a good compromise; we support some broad principles, and now the University and External Relations Committee can consult about specifics.
• Iggy Rodriguez: Councillors should abstain if they haven’t read the policy.
• Andrew Carne: I support the changes; the original was probably too specific. This does allow us to move forward.
• Sedi Minachi raised the issue of childcare and investing further in UBC childcare.
• Courtney English: If this is so pertinent and urgent, why are we hearing about it only minutes before the meeting? I don’t know what my constituents want. I will have to abstain. There was no warning about this; it is not fair to present it this way.
• Azim Wazeer: The Board of Governors reps will have to abstain because of conflict of interest.

15. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (15): Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Courtney English, Tom Huryn, Ravi Parhar, Ignacio Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Against (3): Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Chad Embree, Michael Haack

Abstained: Sean Heisler, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Julian Ritchie

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (20): Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Carolee Changfoot, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Maria Cirstea, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Sedi Minachi

Abstained: Chad Embree, Courtney English, Azim Wazeer

D) President’s Remarks (Bijan Ahmadian):
   • Execs are putting in over 40 hours a week, and they want to make sure they come to a place that values them.
   • Council should be careful about its comments; we’re human like everyone else.

E) Executive Remarks:

   VP External – Jeremy McElroy:

   Childcare
   • Evelyn Lett Bursary Fund took quite a hit in 2008; we’re working to get it operational again.
   • Talking to other universities about options for expanding childcare services.
   • Finalizing document summarizing "It Takes a University” conference material for distribution.

   U-Pass
   • New U-Pass colour is the AMS blue - super pretty
• This year we will likely have a Sept-Dec pass, and a separate Jan-April pass - TransLink to pay for 2nd mailout
• U-Pass referendum to be held in conjunction (possibly) with Executive elections in the spring.
• Will be $30/month until 2013, then $35/month for the next 2 years.
• Working with other Universities to ensure that student unions are on the contract with institutions and TransLink.
• Also working to ensure best deal possible.

Provincial Lobbying
• Still haven't received the Student Financial Aid review document, but should very soon.
• Going to Victoria next week to meet with Deputy Minister and ADM of Advanced Education.
• Working with partner schools to create formal lobby group – Student Financial Aid lobbying in the meantime.
• Prepping for September provincial submission.

Federal Lobbying
• Prepping for August budget submission.
• Likely a November AGM, instead of March, given the likelihood of a fall election.

Health Plan
• Working with Elin reviewing offers from three firms.
• Have a sweet deal for September this year, no cuts to coverage.

VP Administration – Ekaterina Dovjenko:
• Positive space workshop July 21.
• Access & Diversity.
• AMS will be part of the Pride Parade, camping theme.
• Reply to systemic review August 11.
• Dates for equity training – working with UBC for mid-September.
• SASC working on new sexual assault awareness campaign.
• Deans Debate – September 10.
• SUB Architects: will move on to negotiation process.
• SUB Food consultants should be done soon.
• Working with Elin on collective agreement

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar:
• Working on Health and Dental. That was delayed because of working on the budget. Looking at deal that could save $300,000; have to make a decision before September, which will be hard to do.
• Re budget: disappointed that so few Councillors contacted me after the budget went out.
• If anyone has questions on anything finance-related, make an appointment and see me.
• Starting collective bargaining.
• Working on sustainability issues.

VP Academic – Ben Cappellacci:
• Last month full of travel, e.g., CACUSS conference in Edmonton for Student Services.
• Learning about disability services.
- Calgary – Leaders Hall conference with other student execs from across Canada; they're interested in our committee structure.
- Working on land use plan.
- Transit and recycling plan.
- Senate strategic plan.
- ISA: JUMPSTART program.
- UNA meeting: planning Rec and DJ events.
- Budget.
- Disability report.

**ECSS – Pavani Gunadasa:**
- CACUSS and Leaders Hall: learned about other student services.
- Self study review for Services.
- Hiring assistant coordinators.
- Involved with orientations events.
- Orientation for Advocacy and Ombudsperson.
- Sexual assault awareness program, new campaign.
- Attending professional development workshops.

**F) Committee Reports:**

**Legislative Procedures Committee – Julian Ritchie:**
- Report on Student Court:
  - Directed by Council to report.
  - Revising Code to remove Student Court as an election appeal body; instead appeals will stop at Election Appeals Committees; this will mean no ratifying process for Council; also the committees have narrower mandates than the Court, so we shouldn’t run into the policy-making and scope issues. This will work as a Band-Aid solution.
  - More broadly, we’ve established that the Court does four things: election appeals, discipline, interpreting bylaws, and rewriting referendum questions.
  - We actually don’t really need them to do any of that.
    - As I’ve said, we’re keeping them out of appeals.
    - For referendum questions we can replace them with policy.
    - We haven’t had discipline cases for decades, except for organizations, and for those we have SAC, at least to deal with clubs and Constituencies.
    - Re interpreting bylaws: the last time we asked them, we voted not to accept their ruling, and recently we sent our bylaws to our lawyers when we needed interpretation.

**BAFCOM – Mike Silley:**
- HST means price increases.
- Low attendance; everyone’s away.

**Student Life – Ryan Trasolini:**
- Lots of one-on-one meetings.
- Seeking shift in the type of music for our large events; have spoken to Shea in Events.

**Education Committee – Nancy Wang:**
- Focusing on: inconsistencies between faculties, Credit/D/Fail, course evaluations (making them more available and known, encouraging profs to release).
University and External Relations Committee – Conrad Copeland:
- Katherine talking to the CASA national director.
- Reviewing policies.
- Meeting with Jeremy about provincial lobbying.
- Land use.
- Land reform and governance issues.

17. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That Council be extended to 11 pm.”

... No objections

G) Constituency Reports:

Science – Sumedha Sharma:
- Budget almost done.
- Revising hiring policies.
- Meet the Dean session.
- Changing logo.
- Frosh planning going great.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar.

Education – Courtney English:
- Wrap up parties.

Engineering – Amanda Li:
- Singapore robot.
- Hosting 2012 engineering conferences.
- Executive blogs.
- Progressing with Engineering student centre.

GSS – Sedi Minachi:
- Asking UBC to reinstate the liquor licence for Koerner’s.
  - Kyle Warwick: Is there anything the AMS can do?
  - Have been meeting UBC officials, may come up with an action plan, will keep Council informed.
- Letter to Minister of Advanced Education asking that Pacific Century grad scholarship be made permanent.
- Planning grad student orientation.

Arts – Ryan Trasolini:
- Working on code review.
- Frosh planning going well.
- Coordinator interviews are done.
- Changing “The Source” paper to make it more UBC-friendly.
- Working with Student Development on strategies for team dynamics.
- Summer Council meeting/retreat July 24.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

BoG
- Land Use Planning.
- New structures on BoG will guarantee student involvement.
Senate – Chad Embree:
- Senate strategic meeting, ideas about first year experience.

Ombudsperson – Jay Shah:
- Outgoing Ombudsperson (Hayden) gave valuable feedback.
- Will attend an ombuds conference.
- Attended UBC orientation on who to refer to about what.
- Book meetings with Executives you have issues with.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

19. MOVED JAMES PETIT SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Council in camera minutes dated April 7, 2010 [SCD 116-11]
Council in camera minutes dated April 30, 2010 [SCD 117-11]
Education Committee Minutes dated June 4, 2010 [SCD 118-11]
Education Committee Minutes dated June 18, 2010 [SCD 119-11]
Council minutes dated April 7, 2010 [SCD 120-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated May 5, 2010 [SCD 121-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated May 12, 2010 [SCD 122-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated May 28, 2010 [SCD 123-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated June 4, 2010 [SCD 124-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated June 18, 2010.” [SCD 125-11]

... Carried

For (15): Rory Breasail, Carolee Changfoot, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen),
James Petit (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li,
Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Sumedha Sharma, Conrad
Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Ryan Trasolini

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

20. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED JAMES PETIT:
From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That the members of the Executive and the ECSS have their compensation
changed to add the following: The ability to be reimbursed for expenses not covered
under their healthcare coverage to do with health and overall wellness approved in
a predetermined list, as determined by the committee, or designated group thereof,
which approves executive compensation, in an amount not exceeding $1200 per
annum per person.

Note: The list of approved expenses to follow after the group determines acceptable
expenses.”
Julian Ritchie: The Executive came to me with concerns about their wellness, and asked me to bring this forward. The idea is to keep the Executives healthier and happier, willing to work 70 hours a week instead of 40.

Jeremy McElroy: At a lot of other schools, Execs get the same benefits as full-time staff. What we’ve been experiencing here is 40 hours on paper, 60 or 70 really, causing strain. Some of us have been sick. The Student Health Plan is great, but 50% of the students here are double-covered on their parents’ plan; we’re all part-time students and can’t do that. We’re not actually making a lot of money. It’s a great toll on us. So we’re coming to ask you to cover costs of gym memberships, yoga, etc., things not covered by the Student Health Plan.

Elin Tayyar: Originally we looked at joining the plan the full-time staff have, at $131 a month; we thought this would be cheaper.

Kyle Warwick: This did go to LPC, but only to determine from a Code perspective whether it is in order. LPC didn’t look at the merits, but it’s not unreasonable. Execs work themselves to the bone. However, there’s the context: things are so dire we’ve been cutting services; this will hurt our credibility going into a referendum campaign. People will say, Why didn’t you trim this fat? It’s a small amount of money, but bad PR.

James Petit asked about the list of expenses.

Julian Ritchie: It’s not finalized yet. It would start from what full-time staff can receive.

Chad Embree: Corporations are moving towards wellness plans. If an employee is stressed out, it costs more in the long run. If someone is stressed out or sick, things are not going to be done. This is nominal, a small amount.

Taylor Loren: I understand the rhetoric, but it’s hard to pass this without the list of expenses.

Andrew Carne: Health is important, but it’s bad practice to change remuneration after someone is hired.

Azim Wazeer: This is needed, but why now and not later? Previous Executives were under high stress as well.

Bijan Ahmadian: Blake was sick a lot. This is a nudge; the money is only for wellness.

Nancy Wang: Will Council be able to vote on the list?

Julian Ritchie: The committee in charge of compensation (currently LPC) will make the list. It could be that Council approves it, but that seems nitpicky.

Iggy Rodriguez: This says that the Executive has no confidence in the healthcare plan that it provides to students; that’s a concern.

Julian Ritchie: It’s not intended to say that. Regular students aren’t full-time staff and students, but Execs are.

Iggy Rodriguez: Stress is a major problem for all students. To say the Executive is more strained is wrong.

21. MOVED MIKE SILLEY:

"That the question be called."

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... No objections

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Against (4): Monica Rostocki, Ben Cappellacci, Ignacio Rodriguez, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Abstained: Ravi Parhar

It was agreed to omnibus the CPAC motions.

23. MOVED COURTNEY ENGLISH, SECONDED RYAN TRASOLINI:
From the Business & Facilities Committee

“That Council increase funding for the 42A renovation from $5,000 to $6,000, to be withdrawn from CPAC.”

“That Council increase funding for the safety rails installation from $2,000 to $2,350, to be withdrawn from CPAC.”

“That Council approve an expenditure not exceeding $3,500 from CPAC to renovate the 249 service centre.”

“That Council approve an expenditure not exceeding $2,500 from CPAC to renovate the downstairs public access terminal area.”

Note: The balance of CPAC is $406,870.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Mike Silley: The first two of these came to Council earlier and passed, but it turns out we need an extra $1,000 for Room 42A and an extra $350 for the safety rails.
• For the 249 area, we need paint and a table and to make it more ergonomic.
• For the downstairs terminal area, there’s a big hole in the wall that needs patching.

24. MOVED COURTNEY ENGLISH, SECONDED RYAN TRASOLINI:
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25. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR: [SCD 126-11]
   From the Legislative Procedures Committee

   “That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Student Initiatives Fund’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Julian Ritchie: This is one of the Finance Commission funds. It was formerly used to pay for going to conferences, which students would be doing to get academic experience. This is a change to remove conferences and add a general statement that projects paid for out of this fund should bring broad benefit to UBC.
- Elin Tayyar: Fincom already decided this year not to accept conference travel applications. The fund has only $5,000, and awards are up to $500 each, so we can only award 10 grants, and we’ve decided conference travel is not the best use of the Initiatives Fund.

26. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:
   From the Legislative Procedures Committee

   “That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Student Initiatives Fund’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (19): Monika Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Carolee Changfoot, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Sean Heisler, Amanda Li, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer
Abstained: Tom Huryn

27. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED SEAN HEISLER:
   From the Extraordinary Hiring Committee

   “That Erik MacKinnon be appointed as the AMS Elections Administrator for a term
   commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.”

   Note: Subject to agreement to the terms of employment.

   - Chad Embree: This is an important appointment. We are looking for someone to
     help fix our electronic voting system. It was hacked last year and cost us a lot of
     money.
   - A question was raised about Erik’s eligibility, since he is currently serving on the
     Budget Committee.
   - Sheldon Goldfarb said that the current eligibility rules do not exclude students at
     large serving on AMS committees.

28. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED SEAN HEISLER:
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   ... Carried

26. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

   “That _____(student at large) be appointed to the University & External Relations
   Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending first Council meeting in
   September, 2010.
   Nominees: James Petit, Imran Habib
   Chosen: James Petit

   That ______ and _________ (2 Councillors) be appointed to the UBC Ombuds
   Advisory Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.
   Nominees: Jay Shah (Ombudsperson), Nancy Wang (Science)

   That ______ and _________ (2 x students at large) be appointed to the
   Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending first Council
   meeting in September, 2010.
   Nominees: Imran Habib, Connor Morgan-Lang, Dominic

   That _____ and ________ (2 AMS Student Reps) be appointed to join the Informal
   Learning Space Committee for a term effective immediately and ending April 1,
   2011.”

   Nominees: Andrew Carne (at large), Ben Cappellacci (VP Academic), Kyle Warwick
   (Arts)
   Chosen: Andrew Carne (at large), Ben Cappellacci (VP Academic),
27. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That James Petit (student at large) be appointed to the University & External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending first Council meeting in September, 2010.

That Imran Habib and Connor Morgan-Lang (2 x students at large) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending first Council meeting in September, 2010.

That Jay Shah and Nancy Wang (2 Councillors) be appointed to the UBC Ombuds Advisory Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.

That Andrew Carne and Ben Cappellacci (2 AMS Student Reps) be appointed to join the Informal Learning Space Committee for a term effective immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

... Carried

28. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That Council be extended until 11:30 pm.”

... No objections

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

29. MOVED JAMES PETIT, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated May 20, 2010 [SCD 127-11
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated June 3, 2010 [SCD 128-11
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated June 10, 2010 [SCD 129-11
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated June 17, 2010 [SCD 130-11

... Carried

For (19): Monica Rostocki, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Maria Cirstea, Courtney English, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Nancy Wang, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Chad Embree, Kyle Warwick

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

Budget
- Elin Tayyar: Wellness is budgeted for now, but nothing else. I'm not sure I can sign any cheques, especially after the negative vote on the guidelines contained in the budget. Council could have just amended the budget instead of defeating it. If anyone has suggestions on specific items, that would be helpful.
- Ben Cappellacci: We need to see specific directions.
Jeremy McElroy noted that his budget comes from the Lobbying Fund and can only be used for lobbying.

James Petit: Those who voted no without saying why owe the Budget Committee an apology.

Kyle Warwick suggested the point now was to see how to move forward. He expressed concern that the final budget had differed from the preliminary budget. Council members should not be ashamed. They voted in good conscience. Can we go back to the preliminary budget?

Elin Tayyar: No, because Council doesn’t trust my judgment.

There was further discussion on how things might be tweaked in the budget and about bringing a motion to reconsider the vote against the budget.

Rory Breasail expressed concern about the lack of a design for Block Party.

Elin Tayyar: Budget Committee didn’t want to plan the Block Party. We thought it would be revenue neutral. We wanted to balance the overall budget and not have a deficit.

Kyle Warwick: For Block Party, it’s a sharp switch from losing $139,000 to being revenue neutral. Meanwhile discretionary funds seem a place to cut.

Ben Cappellacci: Losing $140,000 was catastrophic; fixing that deserves consideration; it needs more time to figure out. This has been muddled here.

Kyle Warwick: Block Party for students is the flagship.

Elin Tayyar: Only 3% of students attend. It’s unfair to expect all students to subsidize it. Also, on the question of not originally publishing the actuals: there was a lot of ridiculous over-spending last year; we realistically looked at what we expected to spend; that’s why we didn’t look at the actuals. First Week and Welcome Back Barbecue are meant to engage the first years; there was a strategic decision to subsidize them.

Iggy Rodriguez said he didn’t see a revenue neutral Block Party as viable.

Justin McElroy said the final budget differed from the preliminary one: the Executives were getting a $28,000 increase instead of cutting their budgets by $42,000. He asked where the extra money was coming from.

Elin Tayyar: $21,000 came from replenished funds. The preliminary budget was $50,000 off; we did a good job of staying within it.

Ryan Trasolini: Block Party can be revenue neutral. There’s no harm in passing this budget as a framework to give direction. Now there’s no direction.

Conrad Copeland said a lot of things in the budget were not clear: lines for discretionary spending, special projects, conferences, miscellaneous items, etc. Why can’t we cut that?

Ben Cappellacci: It would have been easy to determine what those were by asking; you should have asked before the meeting.

Elin Tayyar: There’s $8,000 for a student leaders conference in Calgary; $4,000 for a sustainability conference in Denver; another $1,000 for conferences for sustainability. The Budget Committee supported including Miscellaneous spending in the budgets.

30. MOVED CAROLEE CHANGFOOT, SECONDED MONICA ROSTOCKI:

“That the budget motion be reconsidered.”

... Carried

For (14): Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Courtney English, Sean Heisler, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang
Against (4): Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Iggy Rodriguez, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Ravi Parhar

31. MOVED MRIGANK SHARMA, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That Council be extended to 11:40.”

... Carried

For (13): Monica Rostocki, Ben Cappellacci, Maria Cirstea, Courtney English, Tom Huryn, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang

Against (3): Sean Heisler, Iggy Rodriguez, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Carolee Changfoot, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Amanda Li, Kyle Warwick

32. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED RYAN TRASOLINI:

“That Council approve the budget as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

33. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Defeated

- Iggy Rodriguez: This is embarrassing. We can't vote to accept the budget now, with only 20 Council members left.
- Julian Ritchie asked if Council could just pass the part of the budget on salaries.
- Conrad Copeland: We've already voted this down, and lots of Council is gone.
- Neal Yonson listed parts of the budget that could be cut: Executive retreat, conferences, the fee referendum, some of the discretionary spending, phones. There's $20,000 of Executive spending that doesn't seem necessary. There could be a hold put on special projects and conferences.
- Andrew Carne: It's bad form to pass this now. Why don't we hold a budget seminar this week or next and then have a special meeting to pass the budget?

There were no objections to extending Council for 5 more minutes.

There was informal agreement to amend the new budget motion to approve it temporarily as an operational framework only.
34. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED RYAN TRASOLINI:

“That Council approve the budget as presented as an operational framework only, to expire at the next AMS Council meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried


Against (6): Ben Cappellacci, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Sean Heisler, Amanda Li, Julian Ritchie, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

P) Submissions:

Budget

Q) Next Meeting:

August 11, 2010

R) Adjournment:

35. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the meeting be adjourned.” ... Carried

For (20): Monica Rostocki, Rory Breasail, Carolee Changfoot, Andrew Carne (proxy for Allen Chen), Maria Cirstea, Courtney English, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Ryan Trasolini, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Ben Cappellacci, Elin Tayyar

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 pm.

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Maria Kari (Ubyssey), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Bryce Warnes (Ubyssey), Trevor Record (student at large), Nicole Fortier (Shinerama Coordinator), Christopher Roach (Shinerama Advisor), Rachelle Tessier (UBC), Sean Cregten (AVP Academic), Justin Ritchie (AMS), Erik MacKinnon (Budget Committee), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives/Research), Kai Green (AMS Confidential), Taylor Loren (AMS Confidential), Paul J. Godin (Fraternity), James D. Pettit (Fraternity), Matthew Naylor

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

1. MOVED WILL GALLEGIO, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (32): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Eric Gauf (proxy for Kate Phipps), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Beaner Mitchell, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Elysia Pyne (proxy for Rory Breasail), Iggy Rodriguez, Monica Rostocki, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Herb Wong (proxy for Charles Au)

• The Speaker announced that he would be stricter with the proxy rules. He’s been allowing proxies to bring in their forms the next day, but from now on those who don’t do so will lose that privilege.

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

C) Presentations to Council:

SPARC – Ekaterina Dovjenko and Jeremy McElroy

Ekat:

• This is the report on systemic discrimination within the AMS.
• It’s been a long time coming; it goes back to 2008..
• There’s not as much diversity as I would like, looking around this table.
• I’ve sent out the report, with recommendations; it’s not final, not set in stone; it’s something to discuss over the next few months.
• Discussions began in 2008, and eventually SPARC was commissioned to do this report. They did surveys. The idea was to provide an objective third party point of view.
• It’s eye-opening and there are some useful recommendations, but there was less consultation with the AMS itself, its managers, than there should have been. There’s a question whether the recommendations will work in the AMS.
• The surveys and focus groups were weak and demonstrated bias.
• Some recommended solutions are not operationally ideal.
• Council later approved a mandate for us to do a survey during Clubs’ Executive Orientations, and we got 194 out of 300 responses.
• Half the clubs didn’t know about the equity program, and most said they wouldn’t take advantage of it.
• The idea of equity is good, but we need a holistic solution.
• Goals:
  o Student Assembly
  o Increase access to Council
  o Review discrimination policies

Jeremy:
• There’s been a notion about a second house of governance floating around.
• Council could become a Senate and there would be a second house where groups not usually represented could have a voice: the Inter-Fraternity Council, the International Students Association, Resource Groups.
• We would have to figure out how these groups’ representatives would be chosen.
• There could be two meetings a term, with a sign language interpreter and A/V equipment and an agenda limited to big ideas.
• It would have no legislative power, but we could get UBC administrators to come speak to it.
• There are old bylaws from a previous attempt at this to work from.
• Hope to have something by September.

Ekat:
• Another recommendation is streaming Council meetings.
• Also, improving the AMS website, allowing anonymous comments.
• A code of conduct for representatives.
• Equity training for Councillors (partner on this with UBC). Also conflict management.

Questions
• Kyle Warwick:
  o I’m glad we had the SPARC review, but it was not tailored to us; they came with preconceived notions.
  o Your second and third recommendations are sound and feasible.
  o Having a Student Assembly would be a better model than having unrepresented groups on the board of directors.
  o How will we decide which groups are unrepresented?
• Matthew Naylor:
  o SPARC contains diamonds in the rough; some good recommendations, but lots of rough.
  o One diamond is the Student Assembly; also the code of conduct.
  o CASA has a good way of managing conflicts; better than our old, passive-aggressive equity program.
It’s clear in Code that there can be no legislative power for the Student Assembly, but it would be better than plebiscites or referenda. We need a representative assembly; this would be a good step.

- Beaner Mitchell: What happened to the equity reps?
- Ekat Dovjenko: I’m thinking of bringing those back, sort of. Last year it was done haphazardly. People could be named who didn’t know how to deal with issues. Better to get people who’ve been trained.
- Beaner Mitchell asked about Positive Space training.
- Ekat Dovjenko: We could arrange a specific AMS session or try to sign up for UBC sessions.
- Allen Chen: Would they be mandatory?
- Ekat Dovjenko: I would want it to be, but there are 40 or so Councillors; it makes for tough scheduling. Maybe you wouldn’t be able to be a code of conduct rep unless you attended one.
- *A straw poll on making them mandatory had an 11-11 result.*
- Beaner Mitchell: When will you be starting the legislative assembly, and what will it debate?
- Ekat Dovjenko: Early October, but there’s a lot of work to do. It needs to go through LPC.
- Beaner Mitchell: What sort of issues will it deal with? Systemic discrimination?
- Jeremy McElroy: A plethora of issues, as this Council decides.
- There was a question about whether representation would be racial, by gender …
- Dave Tompkins: In the past the approach was to ask clubs representing ethnic groups, religious minorities, etc.
- Jeremy McElroy: We would stick to already existing organizations, soliciting someone to come from them.

*Sustainability Presentation – Justin Ritchie (Sustainability Coordinator)*

Justin:

- AMS Lighter Footprint Strategy includes a goal to reduce waste.
- An obvious problem in that area is the use of water bottles.
- Our biggest sustainability push since the UBC Farm will be reducing water bottle consumption.
- The AMS has already introduced incentives for customers to bring mugs to Blue Chip Cookies.
- One alternative to the purchase of water bottles is use of water fountains, but a lot of people won’t use them because of a perception that they are not sanitary.
- We want people to reuse their water bottles, and one way is to introduce water filling stations.
- UBCO started with one of these and now has six. There are line-ups for them at SFU.
- This will also be a revenue opportunity; we can get advertisers for the machines and sell AMS-branded water bottles.
- If we buy two water filling machines, the cost will be $20,000.
- They are easy to maintain: $300 a year.
- They consume little energy themselves: 46 watts.
Questions

- Andrew Carne: How many years of ad revenue will it take to pay off the machines?
- Justin Ritchie: First we have to see how popular they are.
- Mike Silley: Do other campuses sell advertising?
- Justin Ritchie: Not that I could find.
- Kyle Warwick: Vancouver water is already clean; this is a perception issue. Is there actually a health benefit to filtered water? Do we need to invest in this?
- Justin Ritchie: The main health benefit is avoiding the use of bottled water. The filtered water can also definitely filter out arsenic, etc., but it’s true Vancouver’s water is already very clean.
- Iggy Rodriguez: Does it filter out chlorine?
- Elin Tayyar: I’m pretty sure it filters out everything except what should be there.
- Iggy Rodriguez: Why get two? Why not get one and see?
- Elin Tayyar: The deal we’re getting is for two units, and we want this campaign to have a big start in September. One unit will go in the concourse, and one in the basement, where currently there are no water fountains.
- Iggy Rodriguez: Are there plumbing issues?
- Elin Tayyar: That’s part of the cost. A good amount is for plumbing.
- Iggy Rodriguez: Can these be transferred to the new SUB?
- Elin Tayyar: Yes.
- Neal Yonson: What UBC funding is there?
- Elin Tayyar: It’s best for the AMS to own these. We see potential to make money.
- Neal Yonson asked again about UBC funding.
- Justin Ritchie: UBC didn’t seem overly interested in funding.

L) Committee Motions:

2. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED BEANER MITCHELL:
   From the Business & Facilities Committee

   “That Council approve not more than $20,000 from CPAC for the purchase of two WaterFillz stations for the SUB.”

Note: The balance of CPAC is $433,000.
Note: The BAFCOM meeting did not have quorum.
Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick:
  - I admire where this is coming from, but I don’t think it’s the best way to go.
  - This came from a meeting without quorum.
  - This is fundamentally about marketing, not health.
  - There’s a false perception that tap water is unclean. We have to combat that.
  - People don’t need all these bells and whistles; we need to look at less expensive filtration.
  - We also need education, to tell people tap water is clean.
  - An expense of $20,000 at a time of structural deficit seems unjustified.
We don’t know what advertising is available.

We shouldn’t take just any action; we should take the right sort of action.

• Dave Tompkins noted that the money comes from the CPAC fund, not from the budget.

• Andrew Carne: This sends the wrong message, saying tap water isn’t clean and we need a fancy machine. It would be better to have a campaign to drink tap water.

• Jeremy McElroy: This is a fantastic marketing opportunity. UBCO has six and they’re incredibly popular. The majority of students are not from around here, from places where water isn’t clean. These machines are the best way to get people away from bottled water.

• Michael Haack: It’s one-third of what we spent of AMS elections; I say we go for it.

• Joel Mertens: Perception is important here. We want to head for a bottle free campus. If the perception is that water is not clean, an education campaign may not be successful. A lot of the water fountains on campus don’t provide cold water, and these machines do remove chlorine. This is a good way to get people to use reusable water bottles.

• Maria Cirstea: Is it now or never?

• Elin Tayyar said the supplier would be annoyed, the deal would not be available, and the idea is to be ready for September.

• Maria Cirstea: We don’t need fancy water fountains. This will hurt our businesses; we’ll lose bottled water sales. Maybe wait a year.

• Allen Chen: It’s a lot of money, but it’s a one-time investment and will last a long time. It’s a good message; it says we are looking for ways to achieve sustainability. I don’t think we should be selling bottled water.

3. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

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Against (4): Joel Mertens, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Kyle Warwick

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Against (9): Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Courtney English, Amanda Li, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Kyle Warwick, Herb Wong (proxy for Charles Au), Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

C) Presentations to Council:

Shinerama – Chris Roach (national advisor)

Chris Roach:
- Shinerama, which raises money to combat cystic fibrosis, is the largest postsecondary fundraising campaign in the country.
- The AMS has been involved for 15 years.
- This year the aim is to raise $25,000 here, which would be a UBC record.
- Aiming for 500-plus volunteers on Shine Day, September 11.
- Shinerama would like to start a Shinerama Faculty Cup competition: whichever faculty raises the most money would be the winners.
  o Prizes: bragging rights, pizza, a trophy.

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

5. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED WILL GALLEGIO:

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Note 2: The reports will not include revenue projections
Note 3: The final quarter’s report will have an extension to reflect year-end and audit timeline.

- Michael Haack: If we run out of money, nothing on the agenda matters. For fiscal responsibility we should be starting this.
- Erik MacKinnon: There are some challenges here. This came up at Budget Committee, but it’s in Code that this can be done.
- Bijan Ahmadian: This is just good practice for every organization, to monitor its spending. If we are overspending, we can do something. We never did this monitoring; that’s why we overspent last year. Now Council will get a report, and if anything’s out of whack, we can do something.
- Iggy Rodriguez: It’s a positive step, but will it make your job difficult?
- Elin Tayyar: This adds visibility, but we were planning to do this anyway.
- Andrew Carne: Should we direct LPC to codify this or make it an internal policy?
- It was agreed to add a line saying: “Be it further resolved that Council direct LPC to codify this resolution, with consultation with the Budget Committee.”

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AMS Budget – Elin Tayyar and Ben Cappellacci

- Ben Cappellacci: After miscommunication last time at Council, I discussed the budget with Councillors and held a workshop. The Budget Committee has made changes, and there’s a second draft of the budget here today.
- Erik MacKinnon:
  - There were many concerns last time about Block Party.
  - We needed to come up with a Block Party budget for Council.
  - Last year we lost a lot of money on Block Party.
  - Block Party 2011 will be a chance to fix things, to have fiscal prudence and a great event.
  - We will be reducing the talent cost; we won’t have AAA marquee performers, but still good ones.
  - We will aim at higher ticket sales (6000) and alcohol profit.
  - Sponsorship is down because we’re not expecting an Arts contribution.
  - Ticket costs are less than last year, when we sold only 2800. Break even is 4318 sales.
  - There was poor promotion last year.
  - Better promotion and lower ticket costs should produce a safety net.
  - We should get a strategic plan from the Student Life Committee.
  - We shouldn’t expect the Events Manager to do this all himself.
- Michael Haack: Where is the money coming from?
- Elin Tayyar: A line of credit. We budget, and then they give us back.
- Kyle Warwick asked about Constituency engagement.
- Erik MacKinnon: Council should direct Student Life to discuss that.
- Ryan Trasolini: We discussed this at a working group; it’s in the works.
- Allen Chen said it was not a good idea to cut the carnival; that was a good way to get clubs and Constituencies engaged.
• Neal Yonson said people show up for Welcome Back BBQ because it’s free. How many would show up if Block Party were free?
• Elin Tayyar: That’s something for Student Life to look into. If we can’t get 6,000 to Welcome Back for free, how can we get that many to a paying venue?
• Ryan Trasolini: Our plan is to look into this and by September have a plan of action. We want to get things booked early. That was a huge problem at the last one.
• Michael Haack: There’s still no line item for Block Party in the Events budget.
• Elin Tayyar: Five or six accounts are used, e.g., concert expenses. There’s a Block Party line in a separate budget.
• There was discussion of where that shows up. Ben Cappellacci said essentially it’s in a supplementary budget.
• The Speaker said it was not clear what Council was voting on.
• Elin Tayyar said it was the AMS Budget 2.1 plus the Block Party budget.
• Erik MacKinnon: The Block Party budget is Appendix A.
• There was discussion of Executive Projects, with the following breakdown:
  o Breakdown of Executive projects $21,000
  o VP Academic projects 9,700
  o VP External projects 53,115
    ▪ Plus CASA 35,360
• Beaner Mitchell asked about a difference from last year.
• Elin Tayyar said it had to do with having a policy adviser last year.
• Neal Yonson asked why the ISA club had been singled out.
• Ben Cappellacci: That’s under the International Commissioner, engaging international students, working with the ISA.
• Neal Yonson asked about spending on student evaluations.
• Ben Cappellacci said it was for encouraging students to fill out evaluations; also a lobbying effort to get them released.
• Elin Tayyar: In comparison to last year, the VP Academic’s budget is up because last year there was a TLEF grant and there isn’t this year. VP Admin is down. Executive Committee spending is up, but individual Execs’ spending is down overall.
• Beaner Mitchell asked whether costs were down $38,000 or up $20,000; there were different numbers.
• Elin Tayyar said lots of things had been moved around; some things had been excluded.
• Neal Yonson: You’re excluding lobby projects, which is weird. This is one way to look at the numbers, but there are others.
• A discussion ensued on what the numbers meant.

7. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:
   From the Budget Committee
   “That the 2010/2011 AMS Budget be accepted as presented, which includes the spreadsheet and the Block Party appendix.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Neal Yonson: Very little has changed since last time. The biggest increase is in the student government line. It’s disappointing that student government can’t lead by example in the frugal financial approach.
• Michael Haack said there’s no mailout, so there can be a saving of $3600.
• Bijan Ahmadian: That’s correct, but online expenses for the website are up.
• It was agreed to move the postage budget to website expenses.
• Erik MacKinnon: This is an excellent budget. Services were cut last year; maybe part of the general operating budget should go to Services; maybe tie Services to CPI. We shouldn’t force Services to come every year to ask for more than the $5 per student they get from the Services fee.
• Beaner Mitchell: Lots of students want to see more stay in Student Services. Money has been pulled from FoodBank, SafeTeam. This has to do with our priorities.
• Arshy Mann asked where more money for the Services would go.
• Pavani Gunadasa: It would go to increasing services for students. Longer hours for SafeTeam. More food at FoodBank.
• Kyle Warwick: Not that much has changed, but a couple of things have. Accountability is solid now. By passing the budget we should be saying, We’re keeping an eye on this; we’re going to ask about it. There should be continuing accountability through the budgetary year.
• Iggy Rodriguez: There was lots of one-on-one consultation on spending, which is good. I’m still worried that more cuts were not made, though I’m not sure where. The biggest problem last time was the lack of a Block Party budget; they’ve brought back a sound Block Party budget; I’m willing to work with that. We shouldn’t compare Block Party and Welcome Back BBQ. The budget’s not perfect, but it’s time to move forward.
• Michael Haack: This budget is a blank cheque to be spent. I can’t support it.
• Allen Chen: We can’t function without a budget; lots of things need to be done.
• Bijan Ahmadian: We will keep a close eye on the Services. Services are a high priority. Spending on ombuds increased $42,000, but we didn’t put it under Ombuds; that was paying for the University Ombudsperson, which limits our Ombudsperson’s jurisdiction and allowed us to decrease that budget. Advocacy last year didn’t use their budget for an assistant, so this year we didn’t budget for one.
• Andrew Carne:
  o The financial system is incredibly confusing: funds, replenished, non-replenished, discretionary, non-discretionary. The process this year has exposed the fact that when we do our due diligence it seems confusing. This is worth looking into.
  o Some funds we don’t use; some aren’t suited to what we want to do.
  o We’re now approaching the point where we need a budget. I’m on Budget Committee, but we haven’t received much feedback. I urge people to pass this today; we can pass amendments later.
  o If you’re still opposed, perhaps suggest a better process for feedback.

8. MOVED CHAD EMBREE:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated
For (17): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Eric Gauf (proxy for Kate Phipps), Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Monica Rostocki, Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang

Against (9): Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Sedi Minachi, Beaner Mitchell, Brian Platt, Nick Sertic, Kyle Warwick, Herb Wong (proxy for Charles Au), Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

- Sean Heisler: Re the comment that this is a blank cheque, we just passed a requirement for budget reports. Will you come with actuals?
- Elin Tayyar: Essentially, that’s what’s happened at Budget Committee. If there are issues, we will come. Otherwise we’re just monitoring.
- Sean Heisler: Circulate the actuals and what was budgeted so we can see where we might want amendments; there could be quarterly amendments or changes.
- Sedi Minachi: I’m still not satisfied with the explanations. $42,000 to the UBC Ombudsoffice, but the AMS Ombudsoffice is a peer service; some students may not trust the UBC office; they’ll trust the AMS office more. It’s very important to have lots of budget for AMS Ombuds and Advocacy. This university is moving towards privatization; we need the AMS to work for students.
- Pavani Gunadasa: The budget you see is based on the preliminary budget passed by Council; it’s not ideal, but it’s preferable to cutting entire Services.
- Mike Silley: Last time people said they wanted more consultation. How many people attended the consultations and the workshop? This budget is a great budget.

9. MOVED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (27): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Eric Gauf (proxy for Kate Phipps), Sean Heisler, Amanda Li, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Monica Rostocki, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Against (8): Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Sedi Minachi, Beaner Mitchell, Elysia Pyne (proxy for Rory Breasail), Nick Sertic, Herb Wong (proxy for Charles Au), Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

10. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

From the Budget Committee
“That the 2010/2011 AMS Budget be accepted as presented, which includes the spreadsheet and the Block Party appendix.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (27): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Eric Gauf (proxy for Kate Phipps), Sean Heisler, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Monica Rostocki, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Against (3): Michael Haack, Beaner Mitchell, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Abstained: Tom Huryn, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Sedi Minachi, Elysia Pyne (proxy for Rory Breasail), Herb Wong (proxy for Charles Au)

C) Presentations to Council:

Referendum Workshops – Ben Cappellacci

Ben:
- There’s been talk about a referendum. It’s true. Plans are underway. Council will decide whether to have one.
- Planning workshops to allow Council to plan a referendum; these will allow Council to determine principles, endorse questions, come up with promotion and implementation plans, etc.
- These will be private workshops for Council members only (and invited guests); Council needs to be able to work freely; at this stage it’s only a work in progress.

Questions
- Taylor Loren: What guests?
- Ben Cappellacci: We have some specific guests in mind to make presentations.
- Andrew Carne questioned why no one else would be allowed in to listen, no media.
- Ben Cappellacci: It’s not right for Council to be judged.
- Andrew Carne: Will there be consultation?
- Ben Cappellacci: Once the document is passed, there will be consultation.
- Andrew Carne: If launching a large referendum process, it may make sense to inform students.
- Ben Cappellacci: There will be a process to determine when, where, how much money to spend. The idea is to make sure Council takes part in developing this.
- Jeremy McElroy: We want it to be a Council-initiated referendum.
• Taylor Loren asked about Yes and No campaign funds.
• Ben Cappellacci: Those are still to be allocated.
• Kyle Warwick: Those are defined in the Code; certain amounts are in place.

D) President’s Remarks – Bijan Ahmadian
• Strategic Plan update: Committees are reviewing and voting on their sections of the plan in time for the plan to come to Council for approval on August 25.
• The Executives are arranging communication with students through five channels:
  a. The welcome letter to students will be signed by the AMS President as well as the UBC President this year. It includes a paragraph about the AMS and a reference to the AMS First Week website.
  b. The AMS Newsletter will be going to all first years to advertise our key first week events and frosh kits.
  c. Submissions to First Year Insight (FYI) newsletter.
  d. Execs meeting with about 2000 student leaders including Res. Life, Athletics, Fraternities and Sororities, MUG Leaders, GALA Leaders to tell them how to tell the AMS story to their first year community.
  e. A welcome video to be released on September 13 welcoming all students to UBC.

E) Executive Remarks:

Ekaterina Dovjenko – VP Administration:
• New SUB design cube in South Alcove.
• Design charrettes.
• Website for feedback.
• Renegotiating MHPM contract.
• Equity.
• SAC: constituting clubs and planning Clubs Days.
• Collective bargaining.

Pavani Gunadasa – ECSS:
• General HR/admin tasks; supporting the coordinators in the work that they do.
• Due to our staggered hiring schedule this year, we are doing a great deal of hiring within the services at the moment (a lot of my time has been taken up by tasks related to the hiring process).
• Working on budget amendments.
• Continuing to work with the UBC Thrive week committee on plans for THRIVE 2010; we are looking to get more groups/units on campus involved this year (including clubs, undergrad societies, etc.).
• Planning for the Services’ involvement in the orientation events that will take place in late August and September.
• Renovations are happening in the Services area on the Second floor; we will soon have a small seating area for students waiting for appointments/meetings.
Ben Cappellacci – VP Academic:
- Budget.
- Referendum.
- Land Use Plan: Met with Nancy Knight
- Teacher evaluations.
- Not going to Kelowna.
- Shinerama.
- Campus-wide tutoring.
- Working with International students.
- JUMPSTART banquet.
- Disabilities programs.

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance:
- Sustainability possibilities – refillable water bottle program.
- FINCOM sharepoint is great: clubs can check online re finances.
- Insurance policy review.
- Health & Dental: hiring a consultant to evaluate providers.
- Working on revising budget to make it clearer.

Jeremy McElroy – VP External:
TransLink has submitted a draft agreement for all institutions and student societies to review, and nobody likes it. We have submitted our response to the draft and will likely have a second draft in the coming weeks. Langara and Capilano will experience an immediate price change come September, and UBC and SFU will enjoy our rates until the end of August 2011. All new schools will likely hold referenda in the fall with the program hopefully starting in January.

AMS/UBC U-Pass Agreement
We are near the completion of our side agreement with UBC that will serve us for the next year of the program. It will be before Council on the 25th for approval after our lawyers take a look.

UBC Line
It is up for discussion with the GVRD Board, and I am lobbying to ensure that it is below-grade rapid rail all the way to UBC.

Provincial Lobby Group
Meeting with UNBC, UFV, Kwantlen, and maybe BCIT to work out the final kinks of the regulating procedures for a possible lobby group. If all goes well we will have it up and running by the end of the Fall.

Partners Conference
I'm heading to Ottawa next week to attend the Partners Conference, which is where all new executives of the provincial lobby groups meet and strategize for the year. There is also a big discussion on the table of making a super federalist organization where provincial groups would be the constituents and together they would lobby the federal government. Very exciting stuff!

Student Financial Aid Lobbying
Still haven’t received the document from StudentAid BC, but have SFU, UVic, Kwantlen, BCIT, UFV, the Research Universities Council of BC, and UBC ready to lobby on all the same points for us, this could be a big year.

External Policy Review
Still working on it. Will have more pith to discuss in September.

F) Committee Reports:

Student Life – Ryan Trasolini
• Strategic plan.
• Block Party budget presentation.
  o Working group to discuss sponsorship, Constituency engagement for Block Party.

BAFCOM – Mike Silley
• Hiring Tutoring Assistant Coordinator, Firstweek Assistant Coordinator.
• SafeTeam interviews.
• Water filling stations.
• Internal IT policy with Hong.

Education Committee – Joel Mertens
• Working group looking at Credit/D/Fail and other policies.

G) Constituency Reports:

Human Kinetics – Geoff Friderichs
• Tutoring program.

Science – Maria Cirstea

Music – Beaner Mitchell
• Looking into getting access to Chan Centre for rehearsals.

Law – Kate Phipps
• New Law building under construction: hole in the ground now.

Pharmacy - Herb Wong
• Groundbreaking ceremony for new Pharmacy building.

GSS – Sedi Minachi
• Koerner’s Pub liquor licence reinstated.
• Hired new manager.
• Student housing report.

Engineering - Amanda Li
• Frosh.
Arts – Ryan Trasolini
- First Year Video.
- Retreat.
- Summer Council meeting.
- Pursuing student space expansion referendum.
- Changed AUS meeting structure to biweekly.
- Elyzia resigning as VP Internal to go work with an NGO.

Commerce – Dylan Callow
- Frosh September 4-6; 385 froshees.
- 2 conferences – great speakers
- Approved budget of $1.1 million
- Working on constitutional revisions.

Education – Monica Rostocki
- Grad event last Friday.
- Last meeting.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

BoG – Sean Heisler
- BoG on hiatus.
- Working on land use policy process.
- UBC BOG twitter.

Senate – Joel Mertens
- Also on hiatus.
- Finalizing team building retreat.

Ombuds – Jay Shah
- Working with UBC ombuds and SAC vice-chair to inform students what the AMS Ombudsoffice has to offer.
- Also working with UBCO.
- Going to international ombuds conference in Toronto.

Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

11. MOVED ALLEN CHEN, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Executive Committee meeting minutes dated July 8, 2010
AMS Council Minutes dated April 30, 2010
AMS Council minutes dated May 12, 2010
AMS Council minutes dated May 26, 2010
AMS Council minutes dated June 16, 2010
Executive Committee meeting minutes dated July 9, 2010
Executive Committee meeting minutes dated July 16, 2010
Agenda Committee minutes dated July 8, 2010
For (25): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Allen Chen, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Eric Gauf (proxy for Kate Phipps), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Elysia Pyne (proxy for Rory Breasail), Monica Rostocki, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

12. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

   From the Executive Committee
   "That on the recommendation of the Executive Committee $956 be withdrawn from CPAC for a new computer for Firstweek."

   Note: CPAC currently has a balance of $428,000.
   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   • Elin Tayyar: The purchase has been made. Shea ordered it, and Hong got it, but it wasn’t budgeted for, so we need to approve the money now.
   • Bijan Ahmadian: This was an unfortunate oversight. Hong thought it was okay. Now we’ve instructed him not to buy without going to Elin first. Firstweek does need a computer. Last year’s coordinator used their own laptop.
   • Elin Tayyar: People tend to go to Hong to get a computer and there’s no oversight. We have a new system now; anything from IT will go through me.
   • Will Gallego: What happens to the computer after Firstweek?
   • Elin Tayyar: The Elections Committee uses that office afterwards. They’ll use it.

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For (17): Bijan Ahmadian, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Courtney English, Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Eric Gauf (proxy for Kate Phipps), Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Monica Rostocki, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)
Against (2): Chad Embree, Michael Haack

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Sean Heisler, Kyle Warwick

14. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

From the Agenda Committee
"Whereas in introducing the new schedule for performance reports of the Executives and Executive Coordinator of Student Services (quarterlies) in March, it was understood that some leeway would be given to this year’s Executive because of the last-minute nature of the change; and

Whereas the result was that the first quarterlies came out not long before the new schedule said the second ones would be due,

Therefore be it resolved that Code Section VI, Article 9 be suspended to allow the second and third performance reports for this year to be submitted to the Council meetings of August 25 and November 10 (i.e., forty-eight hours before those meetings) instead of in June and September.

Note: The schedule will be returned to for the fourth quarterly, due in January."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried unanimously

For (27): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Eric Gauf (proxy for Kate Phipps), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Elysia Pyne (proxy for Rory Breasail), Iggy Rodriguez, Monica Rostocki, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy

15. MOVED IGGY RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Limiting Debate’ and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Iggy Rodriguez: Last year we brought these sorts of rules from the floor. Now we’re making them permanent, the exact same rules, codifying them. The idea is to make debates less hostile.
• Kyle Warwick: This doesn’t permanently impose limited debate, but in special debates what was done ad hoc before can be done by invoking this new Code rule. Some people thought this was an attempt to limit them when it really was the opposite. This amendment is just standardizing the process that has been shown to work.

16. MOVED IGGY RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried


17. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IGGY RODRIGUEZ:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Election Appeals’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick:
  o It’s no secret the election appeal system is not the best. We’ve seen lots of cases, including one this year.
  o Student Court has been seen as issuing politicized rulings which Council then overturned. And Council is politicized too. That’s not good.
  o Everyone agrees that elections should be overseen by neutral people, not us; we’re partisan.
  o Student Court doesn’t fill the niche because their rulings come to Council automatically, and because as a “Court” they feel a larger obligation.
  o So this amendment takes Student Court out of the loop.
  o Currently, the Chief Justice chairs election appeal committees. Now it will be the Speaker. We’re also thinking of creating a Deputy Speaker; need one anyway.
  o This is not taking power away from a third party, but empowering the non-political sector by no longer having its rulings go to Court and thus to Council.
  o So the appeals will go to a body that understands Council.
  o If you don’t want elected politicians making election decisions, this is the best way to bring that about.
• Neal Yonson: Student Court is in the bylaws. This doesn’t stop people from taking appeals to Student Court.
• Kyle Warwick: We can’t change the bylaws; this is what we can do. There won’t be an automatic step to the Court from the appeals committee.
• Taylor Loren: So because the Court is still in the bylaws, there could still be a complaint made to them.

18. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IGGY RODRIGUEZ:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Election Appeals’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (24): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Eric Gauf (proxy for Kate Phipps), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Monica Rostocki, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Abstained: Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini

19. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council amend the Alcohol Reimbursement Policy as recommended by the Legislative Procedures Committee.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick: This amendment requires there to be money in the budget before someone can be reimbursed.

20. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
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Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (17): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen
Kim), Sean Heisler, Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Monica Rostocki, Nick Sertic, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick

Against (3): Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Michael Haack, Tom Huryn

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

21. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council amend the Donations Policy as recommended by the Legislative Procedures Committee.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Elin Tayyar: Before this didn’t require a budget line. Now we won’t be able to donate unless the amount has been budgeted for.

22. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council amend the Donations Policy as recommended by the Legislative Procedures Committee.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (21): Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Monica Rostocki, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

23. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee, Council direct the chairs of the standing committees to fill out weekly time sheets and submit them to the Legislative Procedures Committee, for the propose of reviewing the number of expected hours worked per week.”

“Be it further resolved that Council direct the Executive to complete weekly time sheets and submit them to the Agenda Committee, for purposes of oversight, accountability, and workload evaluation.”

• Kyle Warwick: Last year there was a concern that certain Executives spent time on non-work activities, so Council proposed timesheets for them, and then that
was amended to apply to all the Executives, and we thought it would be a good idea to do it this year too. It gives the Executives a chance to show how much they’ve been working.

- Iggy Rodriguez: Last year’s Executives put no care into the timesheets; I hope this year’s will do things more seriously.
- Elin Tayyar: The Executive Committee decided this was a good idea, but because Council hadn’t required it, it didn’t get done. It’s a good idea for accountability.
- Neal Yonson: Will they be made public?
- Bijan Ahmadian: No, they will go to the Agenda Committee.
- Dave Tompkins: Maybe a summary could be made public.
- Sheldon Goldfarb: The other part of the motion, about the committee chairs submitting their timesheets, is not for accountability, but so the chair of the Legislative Procedures Committee can get an idea of how much work the chairs are putting in. This is to inform his report in November on how well committee reform has worked.

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For (22): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Eric Gauf (proxy for Kate Phipps), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Monica Rostocki, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Ben Cappellacci, Chad Embree, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

There were no objections to Council being extended by half an hour.

25. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That on the recommendation of the Budget Committee, Council require the Student Life Committee to submit a comprehensive plan for the Block Party by October 15.”

… Carried

For (21): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Allen Chen, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Eric Gauf (proxy for
Kate Phipps), Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Elysia Pyne (proxy for Rory Breasail), Iggy Rodriguez, Monica Rostocki, Nick Sertic, Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Against (1): Michael Haack

Abstained: Chad Embree, Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Bahador Moosavi, Ryan Trasolini

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

26. MOVED NICK SERTIC, SECONDED BRIAN PLATT:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated July 8, 2010
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated July 15, 2010.”

... Carried

For (24): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Ben Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Chad Embree, Courtney English, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Eric Gauf (proxy for Kate Phipps), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Monica Rostocki, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Against (1): Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Allen Chen, Elysia Pyne (proxy for Rory Breasail), Ryan Trasolini

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

_Council Team Dynamic – In Camera_

Council went in camera at 11:12 pm.

Council left the in camera session at 11:55 pm.

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

August 25, 2010
R) Adjournment:

27. MOVED AMANDA LI, SECONDED NANCY WANG:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

For (14): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Courtney English, Will Gallego (proxy for Julian Ritchie), Sean Heisler, Amanda Li, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Elysia Pyne (proxy for Rory Breasail), Iggy Rodriguez, Monica Rostocki, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (4): Carolee Changfoot, Allen Chen, Michael Haack, Mike Silley

The meeting was adjourned at 11:56 pm.

S) Social Activity:
### August 11, 2010 Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Ian Turner (Ubyssey), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives/Research), Debbie Harvie (University Community Services), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Virginie Menard (Ubyssey), Trevor Record (Ubyssey), Geoff Lister (Ubyssey), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Kathy Yen Li (Ubyssey), Kai Green (Ubyssey), Micky Cowan (Ubyssey), Bryce Warnes (Ubyssey), Anna Zoria (Ubyssey), Erik MacKinnon (Elections Administrator), Kelli Seepaul (Communications)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm.

It was agreed to add a public hearing motion and a motion for funds from CPAC, also to move Budget updates.

1. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

… Carried

For (22): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne (proxy for Amanda Li), Chantelle Chan (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Allen Chen, Michael Haack, Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Beaner Mitchell, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mrigank Sharma, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nancy Wang), Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

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

C) Presentations to Council:

UBC Community Services – Debbie Harvie

Debbie Harvie:
- Services include Bookstore, Parking, and Security.
- Bookstore:
  - Concerned with textbook pricing, used and new books, course packs.
  - New: rental books.
  - Also new: Print on demand system.
UBC Card: new card in 2010. Pie R Squared and other AMS outlets to be used on the card.

- Parking:
  - Rates up in January, from tax increases.
  - Reduced auto trips by 12,000 (for sustainability).
  - Reducing lighting usage.
  - But there are new parking options.

- Security:
  - Launching Crime Stoppers, a tip line.
  - Safety Day scheduled for September 22.
  - Lost and Found: lots of items turned in.

Questions
- Andrew Carne: What happens to unclaimed items at Lost and Found?
- Debbie Harvie: They’re sold off, and the money goes to the United Way.
- Andrew Carne asked if Parking operated on a cost-recovery basis or receives a subsidy from the University.
- Debbie Harvie: It’s a full ancillary, so it receives no subsidy. Parking and the Bookstore both generate modest profits which are transferred to the University. No profits are kept except to reinvest in such things as parking structures.

AMS Elections Budget – Erik MacKinnon

Erik:
- Draft budget for running elections this year.
- Spoke to an external vendor.
- Have to decide whether to resuscitate the old system or hire an external vendor.
- Have to add $2,000 for Yes and No committees.
- There’s also the referendum, which has not been budgeted for.

Questions
- Michael Haack asked about iPad.
- Erik MacKinnon: A survey showed polling stations on campus would be useful in reminding students of the election and thus increasing turnout, and using iPads at the stations will be easier than laptops.
- Michael Haack asked where the $1,000 number for iPads came from.
- Erik MacKinnon said he consulted sources.
- Iggy Rodriguez asked about security.
- Erik MacKinnon: We’ll physically lock down the iPads, and the browser will just be for voting.
- Iggy Rodriguez asked about referendum voting.
• Erik MacKinnon: The referendum can be done through the UBC website. It's secure and great for Yes-No voting. Not great for Condorcet.
• Taylor Loren (Taylor Lukacin): WebVote is hard to handle, hard to find.
• Erik MacKinnon: Agreed. When we have our Elections Committee, we'll figure out how to do this. But with the short timeline, the advantage is that it's pre-packaged and we know how it works.
• Neal Yonson: Where in the budget is this coming from?
• Elin Tayyar: From Budget Committee’s discretionary funds.
• Dave Tompkins: Nothing in here indicates that.
• Neal Yonson: Has there been consideration of fixing the AMS system?
• Erik MacKinnon: The system is currently unsalvageable. We could fix it, but it would cost a lot of money. It’s not usable in its current state.

2. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

From the Budget Committee

"That the AMS Budget be amended to accept the changes presented concerning the AMS Elections.

Be it further resolved that the net increase ($7,981) in expenses be taken from the Budget Committee discretionary allocations line."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Elin Tayyar: This passed through Budget Committee. There have been some changes since yesterday. We could take it from the President’s Fund, but it’s better to take it from the Budget Committee’s discretionary fund; that’s what it’s for.
• Neal Yonson: How much is left?
• Elin Tayyar: It was $14,000; minus $7981 leaves over $6000.
• Neal Yonson: These new expenses aren’t unforeseen. Maybe the budget for a referendum couldn’t have been, but it was known we’d need money for an online voting system. Discretionary funds are not for that.
• Elin Tayyar: For elections, we didn’t have an EA. I wasn’t going to look into how much things cost. I just repeated costs from last year.
• Neal Yonson: I’d like to see how much it would cost to fix the current system so that we can compare. If we can fix it for $10,000, then don’t spend $10,000 every year on licensing something new.

3. MOVED NEAL YONSON:

"That this motion be laid on the table until Council decides whether to hold a referendum."

... No objections
After a five minute recess, the Speaker brought the motion back from the table. There had been a misunderstanding over how long Neal wanted to postpone the motion for.

- Neal Yonson: There is an elections budget already.
- Elin Tayyar: This is for an additional $6500 for a new election platform. It’s a good idea to put that amount from the discretionary funds here.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Last year’s election problems had a PR effect. People are asking what we’re doing about this. It’s a huge headache. I would like to be able to tell people we have a budget and we have a plan to fix the election system.
- Erik MacKinnon: If I look at changing anything, that money includes looking at the current system. We need this money to get the system fixed, built, renewed. I’ll come back and ask for it again if we don’t get it now. We have a broken system; we need to fix it.
- Neal Yonson: How much would it cost to look at the system?
- Erik MacKinnon: We have to go to a consultant. One is simplesvoting.com: they do voting at McGill; he builds election platforms for campuses.

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5. MOVED ANDREW CARNE:

   “That the motion be changed to add:

   ‘Be it further resolved that the Elections Administrator report back to Council by October 27, 2010 on the plan for the online elections system.’"

   … No objections

6. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN:

   “That the question be called.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

7. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:
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   ... Carried

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Abstained: Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

C) Presentations to Council:

   Referendum – Ben Cappellacci, Elin Tayyar, Bijan Ahmadian

Ben:
   • Why a referendum?
     o Structural deficit.
     o Fees not increasing with inflation.
     o Bylaws flawed.
   • Principles:
     o Financial sustainability.
     o Relevance and a positive effect for students.
     o Producing good governance.
• **Goals:**
  o Fee increases.
  o Attaching fees to CPI.
  o Changes to bylaws.
• Fee increase: one question, including a fee for the Ubyssey (we have to check whether we can include their fee with ours).
• Fee increase will include $12 mandatory and $12 opt-outable.
• The $24 total will include a general fee increase of $7 as a buffer for our businesses; our business contribution fluctuates; we want to create greater stability for our programs.
• Also want to create a legal department to deal with contracts and the many other issues that require legal advice.
• There will be other fee increases for Resource Groups, lobbying, sexual assault support services, sustainability initiatives, Student Services, clubs, childcare, CiTR, international student initiatives, and to support the UBC Ombudsoffice.

**Elin:**
- Some of our mandatory fees are pro-rated; you pay less if you’re part-time. We could change that for any or all of them.
- We could make the whole general fee not pro-rated, like the athletics fee.

**Bijan:**
- Bylaw changes.
- Restore Council’s ability to remove Executives; last year we realized our bylaw provisions for that were not compatible with the Society Act.
- LPC would draft these, with legal advice.
- Change Executive transition date to the end of the second semester, creating a smoother transition and aligning us with the rest of the country; also would reduce academic difficulties for Executives, who currently have to take on a 50-hour a week job in the middle of a term.
- Allowing incoming and outgoing Execs to work on the budget.
- Change the transitional honorarium so it goes to the incoming Execs as pay for shadowing the outgoing ones.
- Make the theological colleges’ Council seats voting.

**Ben:**
- Consulting referendum stakeholders.
- September 13: Public consultation.
- September 15: Council calls the referendum.
- October 11-15: Online voting in the referendum.
- Referendum promotions, events; create buzz.
- Reaching out to various groups, getting them to work for the referendum.
Elin:

- Budgeting $20,000.
- $10,000 for professional services, including legal advice (something we did for the last referendum) and to hire a campaign coordinator; also for a graphic designer.
- $6400 for promotional materials.
- This money was not included in the budget; we weren’t sure Council wanted to spend this.
- This would be a onetime expenditure, so we’re thinking it’s okay to come from a non-replenished fund.
- The Executive has decided to allocate its new wellness benefits package to the referendum; that will be $6,000.
- We have money left over from the last referendum ($3,318).
- The President’s Fund can contribute $6,081.

Questions

- Kyle Warwick: Is that enough?
- Elin Tayyar: We had to work with the financial structure.
- Ben Cappellacci:
  - We can get earned media: blogs, websites. And events: the Gallery’s Toonie Tuesdays, SAC Wine and Cheese, All-Presidents’ Dinner.
  - $2500 for the referendum coordinator, same as last time.
  - Tight timeline; last time they started in the summer for a referendum in February.
- Andrew Carne: It is a tight timeline. Why not wait till February?
- Ben Cappellacci: The bylaw changes will affect the transition of the Executive, and there’s the issue of collection time for the fees.
- Bijan Ahmadian: We’d like to start collecting the new fees in January to build reserves, fund projects.
- Andrew Carne: So you would pro-rate and collect half the fee?
- Bijan Ahmadian: Both options are possible.
- Elin Tayyar: We want to get going.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Typically fee increases take place in September; this would be an exception.
- Andrew Carne: Will all this be one question? If someone objects to one change, they’ll all fail. The bylaws especially should be separate.
- Neal Yonson: The Ubyssey collects its own fee.
- Bijan Ahmadian: We’re asking our lawyers how the mechanics would work. CiTR is also separate.
- Neal Yonson: Will the connection of CiTR funding to the Services fee be cleared up?
- Ben Cappellacci: We will try to separate that out eventually.
- Neal Yonson: Childcare funding goes directly to the University.
• Jeremy McElroy: Years ago the AMS set up the Evelyn Lett Childcare Fund; now we’d supplement that.
• Neal Yonson asked about international student funding.
• Ben Cappellacci: People would apply to our fund.
• Neal Yonson asked how the Lighter Footprint fee would work.
• Elin Tayyar: We’d follow American models and what they do at SFU; people would apply to that fund.
• Taylor Loren: Why not attach the U-Pass to this referendum?
• Jeremy McElroy: We don’t have the final U-Pass agreement yet. We might possibly get it by September 15.
• Elin Tayyar: The $7 fee will offset the cost of the new HR department.
• Justin McElroy asked about the number of questions.
• Elin Tayyar: There will be one question on a fee increase and a separate question on CPI.

8. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

From the Budget Committee
“That the AMS Budget be amended to accept the changes presented concerning the upcoming AMS referendum.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: the balance in the President’s Fund is approx $51,000.

• The Speaker sought clarification of what Council would be voting on.
• It is a vote on spending up to $16,400, including the hiring of a referendum coordinator.
• Taylor Loren asked how the Executive could give up their wellness benefit package. When they asked for it, they said they needed it.
• Ekat Dovjenko: We are willing to put in our own benefits for the sake of the referendum.
• Bijan Ahmadian: In effect, we are taking a pay cut.
• Neal Yonson asked about money from the Yes Committee.
• Dave Tompkins: If a Yes Committee comes forward, there would be no money for them.
• Bijan Ahmadian: We’re assuming there won’t be a Yes committee.
• Neal Yonson: If you want to claim this, you need to get 150 signatures.
• Elin Tayyar: Yes, we’ll collect signatures.
• Neal Yonson: That’s really weird. This will be $16,400 in the AMS budget for a Yes campaign. No is not in there. It doesn’t seem fair that the AMS spend $16,400 of our money to convince people we don’t have money.
• Kyle Warwick: That there’s not equal access is not unusual. As the directors of the Society, we are given some expectation of stewardship. The membership should take our guidance into account. It’s appropriate
that we take a stand. If people don’t agree, we’re democratically elected and accountable.

- Neal Yonson: In the past, the popularity of the U-Pass referendum was seen as something to leverage to get turnout for other referendum questions. We could save a lot of funds by running all the questions together in February or with the elections.
- Jeremy McElroy: The U-Pass referendum will ask for more money. If we ask for another fee increase, there’s a question whether the students would approve. And there’s a lot of hype in September; we’re hoping we can play on that energy for October. October is the best time to hold a referendum; students are very much aware then.
- Andrew Carne: So the idea is to run these early before students learn they’ll have to pay more for U-Pass. That doesn’t sound right to me. And it doesn’t make sense to run two separate referendums instead of one. You could save money if you ran just one.
- Bijan Ahmadian: We take promotions seriously. We are meeting with 2,000 student leaders to tell the AMS story. We are doing a huge amount of engagement. AMS brand recognition will get a huge boost in September. That doesn’t last too long; it won’t carry past October.

9. MOVED BIJAN AHNADIAN, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (7): Paul Bucci (proxy for Rory Breasail), Benedict Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Sedi Minachi, Kate Phipps, Sumedha Sharma, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nancy Wang)

Against (13): Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne (proxy for Amanda Li), Michael Haack, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Beamer Mitchell, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie

- Elin Tayyar: Amending the bylaws to change the Executive transition date would change how we do budgets. It would also make it easier for students to run. So it’s important to make these changes in time for the next elections.
- Andrew Carne: If U-Pass comes in by the end of October, do it then.
- Bijan Ahmadian mentioned the need to have the referendum by October 15 to be able to get fees sent through the Board of Governors so they can
be in place for January. There’s also a concern not to have the vote during midterms.

- Jeremy McElroy: The beginning of term is a good time.
- Andrew Carne: We could be overloading students. Referendums are usually in second term. This is a huge bylaw change and a fairly hefty fee increase. The Executive did acknowledge that this a short timeline. Maybe it’s too short.
- Dave Tompkins: This motion is just about the budget, not the timeline.
- Neal Yonson: Won’t this put us in deficit?
- Elin Tayyar: It’s coming from the Budget Committee’s discretionary allocation.
- Neal Yonson: Weren’t we going to make changes to the President’s Fund?
- Julian Ritchie: We’ve discussed changing it to something not solely decidable by the Executive; they would have to come to Council, and it would have to be used for long-term benefit of the Society. This would still fit the vision of the new President’s Fund.

10. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

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Against (5): Andrew Carne (proxy for Amanda Li), Michael Haack, Beaner Mitchell, Nick Sertic, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Joel Mertens

11. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

From the Budget Committee
“That the AMS Budget be amended to accept the changes presented concerning the Art Gallery budget:

$442.72 increase to Art Gallery
$442.72 decrease to Budget Committee Discretionary Allocation.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Ekat Dovjenko:
  - We cut the budget, so we can’t absorb this.
  - It’s for an exhibit for Firstweek, showing some of our permanent collection: a purchase we made last year, including a looping film. We’ve not yet been able to show it; it requires substantial decoration and background.
  - The money is to purchase 20 cedar hedges at $12 each ($240), plus $100 for delivery and $100 for installation.
  - We don’t show our permanent collection often.

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

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Against (3): Michael Haack, Elin Tayyar, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nancy Wang)
D) President’s Remarks (Bijan Ahmadian):

- **Board of Governors Reception**: I hope Council shows up; it’s a chance to have one-on-one conversations with the Board members.

- **Firstweek**
  - Rave cards
  - AMS pins for Councillors
  - AMS swag
  - Frosh kit: Bag, water bottles, blanket, neon sunglasses
    - $45 (sold 150 so far)
    - Also get wrist band, giving free entry to everything.
  - Open air Pit night.

E) Executive Remarks:

**Elin Tayyar – VP Finance**
- Working more on businesses.
- Review of Whistler Lodge.
- Fincom reviewing Aquasoc loan from AMS; received 5 years ago; they're $30,000 in debt.
- CPI question for referendum.
- Collective bargaining: hoping to finish soon, looking good.
- Health and Dental: not looking at changes in the plan; we thought we’d have to cut $23 of coverage, but now it turns out we don’t have to.
- Reviewing financial processes (payroll system company) to make it easier for clubs.
  - Sedi Minachi asked about reductions in dental benefits.
  - Elin: They were planning on decreasing them, but we talked our way out of it.

**Ekaterina Dovjenko – VP Administration**
- New website for new SUB project: [www.mynewsub.com](http://www.mynewsub.com)
- Logo: My New SUB
- Design Cube in South Alcove to open September 10.
- SUB Design Charettes/workshops:
  - September 14: overall building design
  - September 16: sustainability
- Started joint oversight committee meetings.
- Project management meetings with Rob Brown
- Deans Debate September 10; all but the Science Dean are on board.
Jeremy McElroy – VP External

- Working on U-Pass agreement:
  - Going slower than expected because of lack of agreement on exemptions, etc.
  - Side agreement on subsidies.
  - This year’s pass good only for four months; then a new one for second term, issued in December.
  - Big win on the subsidy, will be tied to CPI.
- We will host the CASA AGM in March.
- Provincial lobbying group.
- Elin and I working on health plan.

Ben Cappellacci – VP Academic

- Mostly referendum work.
- BoG committee meeting on land use.
- Disabilities report almost done.
- Shinerama.

F) Committee Reports:

BAFCOM – Mike Silley

- IT working group approved computer usage policy.
- New sundae at Pie R Squared.
- Doors for 42V in basement complete.
- Safety rails starting.
- Services area reno complete.
- Gallery reno almost done

Student Life – Ryan Trasolini (read by Kyle Warwick)

- Strategic plan.
- Working group for Block Party.

Education – Joel Mertens

- Have a vacant seat for a Councillor.
- Finalized strategic plan items.
- Student evaluations, Credit/D/Fail.
- Looking at inconsistent faculty policies.
- Working on midterm policy.

Legislative Procedures Committee – Julian Ritchie

- Bylaw changes.
• Election wages.
• Working on strategic plan items.

Elections Committee – Erik MacKinnon
• Request for committee members will come to Council on September 15.

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Kyle Warwick
• Frosh: venues booked, promotion coming along, 200 participants.
• Coordinators hired.
• New publication.
• Arts Club bash – conference/social.
• Code changes.
• By-elections in September.
• Need an elections administrator.
• Prepping for Imagine Day.
• Dunk tank with Dean.

Commerce – Dylan Callow
• Frosh is sold out: 385 students.

GSS – Sedi Minachi
• Possible cuts to scholarships: grad student societies from across the province sent a letter to the Minister of Education to oppose these.
• Grad student orientation.
• The Graduate is in print.
• Handbook published.
• Working on student loan interest rate with CASA.
• May join CASA.

LAW – Kate Phipps
• Fostering student interaction.
• Mentoring program for academic success.

Forestry – Chantelle Chan
• Beer garden September 24.
• Pancakes on Imagine Day.
• New program on professors engaging students in research.
• Branching out – forestry symposium.
• Forestry pin-up calendar.
Engineering – Nick Sertic
• 20 events.
• Retreat in Aldergrove.
• Online store.

Science – Sumedha Sharma
• Science frosh sold out in 29 minutes
• Agendas arrived.
• Academic strategy.
• Open air movie night.
• New hiring policy.

Human Kinetics – Ellen Kim
• Frosh: more students than ever before.
• Welcome back party.
• New bigger, better office in basement of War Memorial Gym.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors (members away, but Ben Cappellacci reported):
• Land use plan committee meetings: wants to hug Stephen Toope for doing so much for students.

Senate – Joel Mertens
• Confirmed retreat date.

Ombuds – Jay Shah (read by Ben Cappellacci)
I held a meeting with the SAC Vice-Chair and drafted an email for clubs. This email details the new mandate for the AMS Ombuds office as well as the overall prerogative of the office itself. In previous years, there have been some difficulties in disseminating information regarding the nature and purpose of the AMS Ombudsoffice. This email, which will be sent out to all clubs next week, will be a small step in alleviating this issue.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

13. MOVED ALLEN CHEN, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:
   “That the following minutes be accepted as presented:
   Executive Committee minutes dated Aug 6, 2010.”
   ... Carried
For (24): Bijan Ahmadian, Paul Bucci (proxy for Rory Bresail), Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne (proxy for Amanda Li), Chantelle Chan (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Allen Chen, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Paul Godin (proxy for Carolee Changfoot), Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Taylor Lukacin (proxy for Ryan Trasolini), Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

Against (1): Mike Silley

Abstained: Julian Ritchie

L) Committee Motions:

14. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the University and External Relations Committee
“Whereas the British Columbia Minister of Community and Rural Development has announced the structure of a committee responsible for the facilitation of public consultation regarding the UBC Land Use Plan, and

Whereas the AMS External and University Relations Committee has endorsed the principle that students should be guaranteed a representative on this committee, and has directed the President, VP Academic, and VP External to lobby on behalf of this principle, and

Whereas the committee structure as currently announced does not include student representation,

Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS officially request a student representative on the committee responsible for the facilitation of public consultation regarding the UBC Land Use Plan.

Be it further resolved that Council direct the VP External to lobby the Minister of Community and Rural Development to issue an updated committee structure featuring guaranteed student representation.”

• Kyle Warwick: Unecon thought there should be student representation on this committee and that it was appropriate to task Jeremy with lobbying. It will be good to at least make contact with the ministry on a relatively uncontroversial issue like this.
• Bijan Ahmadian:
  o I’m okay with this, but there are no faculty or staff representatives on
    the committee either. There are representatives from the Board of
    Governors, which represents students, faculty, and staff. The
    committee also added a representative from the UNA.
  o If I were the province, and I gave a seat to students, what about
    faculty and staff?
  o The likelihood of getting this is low; it would be more practical to get
    the UBC Board to appoint one of its student reps to the committee.
  o The committee is not a decision-making body; two committees of
    Board do have decision-making powers and there are students on
    them. We do have a lot of influence.
  o I wouldn’t make our first communication with the province an Ask.
• Michael Haack: It’s a good motion, and it doesn’t hurt to try.
• Andrew Carne: Because we think it may not succeed is no reason not to
  do it. This is important. This committee is responsible for overseeing
  the public hearing process. Students in the past have had a concern
  over transparency in consultation. It’s entirely reasonable to ask.
• Sedi Minachi: We need to have representation. Private housing is
  coming to campus; it’s going to affect student housing. First of all, we
  need to make it clear what our position is so that whoever represents us
  represents the students.
• Jeremy McElroy: While we do have power at UBC, this committee is at
  the provincial level. It’s a group that doesn’t know us. This motion lets
  me go to them and ask to be part of the process. This is putting a foot
  forward. If there’s not a single student on the committee, then they’re
  not necessarily getting a full report of some things. It’s more than just
  symbolic.

15. MOVED CHAD EMBREE:

   “That the question be called.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   … No objections

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Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian

17. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee, the Archives Policy, as presented, be accepted as an internal policy of the AMS.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Iggy Rodriguez:
  - The policy was developed to codify who can see what. The policy makes confidential personal information covered by PIPA and also information subject to solicitor-client privilege. And it creates an accountable procedure for protecting sensitive information and ongoing negotiations.
  - A member of the Executive and a member of the Agenda Committee can decide jointly what is confidential. Council would still be able to see such material.
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Against (1): Paul Bucci (proxy for Rory Breasail)

Abstained: Maria Cirstea

19. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED PAUL GODIN:

**From BAFCOM**
“That on the recommendation of the Business and Facilities Committee, Council approve the expenditure of no more than $2,300 (from CPAC) for the purchase of a presentation television and easel.”

Note: The CPAC balance is $390,000.
Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Mike Silley: This is for the 266J conference room to create a more professional look.

20. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED PAUL GODIN:

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M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

21. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated July 22, 2010.”

... Carried

For (12): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne (proxy for Amanda Li), Chantelle Chan (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Paul Godin (proxy for Carolee Changfoot), Michael Haack, Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick

Against (5): Paul Bucci (proxy for Rory Breasail), Benedict Cappellacci, Jeremy McElroy, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Julian Ritchie

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Quarterly report for the AMS President
Quarterly report for the AMS VP Academic
Quarterly report for the AMS VP Administration
Quarterly report for the AMS VP External Affairs
Quarterly report for the AMS VP Finance
Quarterly report for the AMS Executive Coordinator Student Services
Q) Next Meeting:

September 15, 2010

R) Adjournment:

22. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED BRIAN PLATT:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

...Defeated

For (2): Bijan Ahmadian, Maria Cirstea

Against (14): Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne (proxy for Amanda Li), Paul Godin (proxy for Carolee Changfoot), Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Elin Tayyar

L) Committee Motions:

23. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED BRIAN PLATT:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That the pay for the Chief Returning Officer be set at $3000 per year, prorated to number of months worked. Additionally receive bonuses of: $250 for each balloting period outside of normal elections, $20 for each referendum question after the third in any balloting period, $100 for each constituency election or referendum run on the approval of Council.

That the pay for the Events and Logistics Officer be set at $2100 per year, prorated to number of months worked. Additionally receive Bonuses of: $150 for each balloting period outside of normal elections, $50 for each constituency election or referendum run on the approval of Council.”

- Julian Ritchie: We’re bumps up the rates from last year. We discovered we were paying less than minimum wage. But it’s pro-rated now, so actually we’ll be spending less.

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Abstained: Dylan Callow

R) Adjournment:

25. MOVED TOM HURYN, SECONDED SUMEDHA SHARMA:

"That the meeting be adjourned."

... Carried

For (10): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Chantelle Chan (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Michael Haack, Ellen Kim, Joel Mertens, Mike Silley, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick

Against (2): Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.

S) Social Activity:
## Attendance – August 25, 2010

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Nancy Tan (Arts), David Kim (Arts), Ian Turner (Ubyssey), Jennifer Wong (Arts), Dania Masukoor (Arts), Neal Yonson (GSS), Alex de Bruyn (Science), Shivani Mukesji (Commerce), Faye K Nguyen (Science), Matthew Wetzler (Ubyssey), Caroline Wong (Arts), Leo Stokes (Arts), Sharon McCarthy (Campus & Community Planning), Nancy Knight (Campus & Community Planning), Andrew Vuu (Science), Daanyal Hussain (Science), Gordon Katie (Arts), Andrea McDonald (Arts), Booji Vandibek (Residence Hall Association), Thomas Brenna (Arts), Sean Cregten (AMS), Alyson Shave (AMS Staff), Jessie Yu (Science), Cathy Wang (Land & Food Systems), Pelican Mann (Arts), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Song Lee (Arts), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Tara Martellaro (Ubyssey), Matt Wetzlet (Ubyssey), Aaron Sihota (Pharmacy)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm.

There was agreement to change the order of some items.

1 MOVEED TOM HURYN, SECONDED NANCY WANG:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

For (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Carolee Changfoot, Theresa Fresco, Arielle Friedman (proxy for Sedi Minachi), Tom Huryn, Ellen Kim, Shane Kutin (proxy for Mike Silley), David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Elin Tayyar, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nick Sertic), Nancy Wang

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Land Use Plan Consultation – Nancy Knight, UBC Campus and Community Planning

Nancy Knight:
- Transportation:
  - New provincial U-Pass.
  - Cycling plan.
  - Buchanan bike cage under construction; will have 96 spots for bicycles.
- Sustainability: climate action plan; implementing reductions.
  - Totem Park Residence competition: house to house, “do it in the dark,” competing against other North American universities.
  - Waste audit, like the AMS did for the SUB; we’re doing pretty well, but we’d like to do better.
- Public Realm projects:
o Buchanan courtyards, substantial improvements.
  o Major improvement for Agricultural Road.
  o Vanier residents’ pathway being improved.
  o Fairview Commons and Main Mall: waiting for hot water project.
  o Library Commons: hoping to turn it into sculpture gardens.
• Regional Growth Strategy: till October 15 to consult.
  o Metro Vancouver is saying no rapid transit, making a non-profit proposal instead; if the Board of Governors accepts our recommendation, they will object.
  o We want rapid transit to UBC; we expect the AMS to share this view.
  o TransLink is looking into the technical aspects of building rapid transit.

L) Committee Motions:

• There was discussion of which version of the Land Use Policies should be voted on.
• Katherine Tyson: Unecorn debated this. Bijan was against the part of the policy on academic zoning, but the committee unanimously approved the whole policy. Then Bijan sent out an email of the policy, dropping the part on academic zoning. That was completely inappropriate and undemocratic. What Council should be voting on is the version sent out a week ago, not the version Bijan sent out 30 minutes before the meeting.
• The Speaker ruled that the original document will be the one under debate.

2. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:
  From the University and External Relations Committee
  “That Council approve the AMS Land Use Policies as presented.”

  Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Ben Cappellacci: Sean Cregten [AVP Academic] and I drew up policies on four major areas: UBC Farm, Gage South, University Boulevard, and Housing Affordability:
  o UBC Farm: Keep it as an educational and the community-focused asset, re-expressing our support for the farm.
  o Gage South: We want this area preserved for the academic mission, not to be used for family housing or as a commercial area. This area needs to be congruent with student life. We propose zoning it as academic to ensure that what goes there is student-amenable.
  o University Boulevard: Currently this area is slated for commercial housing; recent decisions have been to shift it to student housing. It’s a core area of student life, so it shouldn’t be for commercial housing.
  o Housing Affordability: Density is extremely low now; we’re advocating increasing the density to increase student housing, aiming for a capacity of at least 50% of students.
• Theresa Fresco asked if increasing the number of amenities was looked at when deciding to advocate for increasing the density and the number of students.
• Katherine Tyson: Yes, there will be amenities in the new SUB, and the University is adding amenities all over campus.
• Theresa Fresco: Is funding for increased density going to go to amenities?
• Ben Cappellacci: UBC Properties Trust is the developer; areas will be zoned to support the density.

3. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That the motion be amended to read:

‘That Council approve the AMS Land Use Policies as amended.

Be it further resolved that Council direct the University and External Relations committee to report back on the effectiveness of this policy at the November 10 meeting.’ “

• Ben Cappellacci:
  o After Unecorn proposed the original set of policies, I had discussions with Bijan and members of the Board about lobbying strategy. Changes were suggested, primarily to remove two points: for Gage South and for University Boulevard, to remove the request that UBC change the zoning to academic.
  o There would still be a statement of what we’d like to see, but the approach would be not to assert but to ask the University how we might achieve our ends.
  o The idea would be to give Bijan a chance to use this document and then report back on November 10, at which point we could reinsert the omitted points if his strategy failed to work.
• Katherine Tyson: If we’re not going to get these areas zoned as academic, there’s no point. We want academic zoning. If we wait until November 10, there will be only 14 days to lobby. Lobbying takes work. To just go behind the scenes is not the way. This is not appropriate.
• Dominic Tong: What happens if we fail? What do we do in the 14 days?
• Bijan Ahmadian: It’s not behind the scenes, and it’s not that we have to wait till November 10. If at any time we find this is not happening, we can switch strategies. But if we want to convince Nancy Knight, we have to be creative with our strategy. I’m confident, having done this for ten years, that this is the way to go. If we say, “This is important; how can you get us these things?” then maybe she’ll say, Let’s go back to the drawing board.
• Rory Breasail: These are the exact same arguments Bijan made at committee, and the committee unanimously rejected this, because it’s nonsense.
• Elin Tayyar: The point is that the original policies would have us taking the opposite side to UBC, creating a power struggle. Instead of that, let’s just express our concerns and priorities, and see if they can come back with anything better. If they don’t, then we can object.
• Sean Heisler: Nancy Knight is good at coming up with reasons for why things won’t work, so if you go in saying Academic, she’ll find reasons why not. But if you just present principles, you might have more leverage. The two versions of the policies are similar.
• Katherine Tyson: We should represent students and say this is what we want.
Bijan Ahmadian: When we brought this up, Nancy Knight immediately spoke of other stakeholders wanting this to become private; I’m trying to avoid this becoming private.

Jeremy McElroy: The committee has decided. A policy without teeth is not a good policy. We should pass the original document, and I’d like to believe that Bijan will work just as hard regardless of what passes.

Bijan Ahmadian: I will always work hard; it’s a question of whether you’re giving me the right tools. Katherine doesn’t know what I do about lobbying.

Katherine Tyson raised a point of personal privilege.

The Speaker told Bijan to stick to the merits of the amendment.

Bijan Ahmadian: I’ve been doing this for ten years. I know what works and what doesn’t.

Michael Haack: Unecorn was not given any notice of this amendment. Supporting this amendment just gives encouragement to the President to subvert the committee.

4. MOVED CONNOR McGAULEY, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2.3rds

... Carried

For (24): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Carolee Changfoot, Katherine Tyson, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Arielle Friedman (proxy for Sedi Minachi), Paul Godin (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon (proxy for Allen Chen), Ellen Kim, Shane Kutin (proxy for Mike Silley), David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang

Against (6): Theresa Fresco, Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nick Sertic), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Tom Huryn

5. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That the motion be amended to read:

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... Defeated

For (5): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Shane Kutin (proxy for Mike Silley), Bahador Moosavi, Mrigank Sharma
Against (19): Rory Breasail, Katherine Tyson, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Arielle Friedman (proxy for Sedi Minachi), Paul Godin (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Michael Haack, Crystal Hon (proxy for Allen Chen), Tom Huryn, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nick Sertic), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Charles Au, Benedict Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Sean Heisler, David Liu, Connor McGauley, Julian Ritchie, Sumedha Sharma, Ryan Trasolini, Azim Wazeer

Back to the main motion.

- Theresa Fresco asked for elaboration of the meaning of academic zoning.
- Sean Cregten: There used to be 16 designations. Now the idea is to reduce those to three: academic, green academic, and academic village. Really, they are all academic. The family area housing zone is not academic and is outside the Land Use Plan.
- Jeremy McElroy: Academic means research, classrooms, student housing, administration, and the bus loop.
- Theresa Franco: Why put private market housing in those areas?
- Bijan Ahmadian: Traffic and disposable income are of interest to the University. UEL people are concerned about the value of their land. Academic zoning won’t appeal to them.
- Erik MacKinnon: We brought this to Nancy Knight for informal discussions. She had ideological objections.
- Katherine Tyson: No, she had reservations.
- Erik MacKinnon: Did you ask if she had better suggestions? If not, why bring the same thing from Council?
- Katherine Tyson: We’re bringing this forward because we know this is something students need and support. If she pushes back, we need to push back harder.
- Ben Cappellacci: Her reservations concerned what UEL residents would say.
- Connor McGauley: Our businesses are there to provide value to students, not to students with disposable income.
- Jeremy McElroy: We’re not designing our SUB with the idea of a market; it’s not for wealthy landowners; it’s for students. The two areas in question have 600 spaces, 600 people, a small amount. The biggest concern is the overall effect. Will there be private landowners or will the area be UBC-owned? Will we have private housing beside MacInnis Field and the SRC and the bus loop? I don’t think it’s possible to sell condos there. UBC knows that. Our policy needs teeth.
- Bijan Ahmadian: I will do what Council asks, but I want to go on record as saying I can’t promise this will happen, based on my experience.

6. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”
7. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:
From the University and External Relations Committee

“That Council approve the AMS Land Use Policies as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (27): Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Katherine Tyson, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Arielle Friedman (proxy for Sedi Minachi), Paul Godin (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Michael Haack, Crystal Hon (proxy for Allen Chen), Tom Huryn, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nick Sertic), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Bijan Ahmadian

Abstained: Sean Heisler, Shane Kutin (proxy for Mike Silley), David Liu, Bahador Moosavi, Ryan Trasolini

C) Presentations to Council:

Budget Quarterly Report and Referendum – Ben Cappellacci and Elin Tayyar

Elin:
- Spending is good.
- Revenues are a little behind from the businesses, but it was summer, and summer is often a dead time, generating the least revenue.
  - The shortfall for the contribution from the businesses is $40,000; we budgeted to lose $9,000 and we’ve lost $50,000.
  - But we have a $91,385 contingency.
  - Also, we’re renewing several leases and will get increases.
  - Going to analyze the effect of using the new UBC card and POS system.
  - So far September seems better than last year.
- HR costs going up more than inflation; some concern over that.
- Competition is increasing; there will be competing businesses on University Boulevard.
- Inflation, if 2%, means losing $46,000 every year if we don’t tie fees to CPI.
- More and more clubs every year means increased costs of insurance and administration.
- Solutions besides a referendum:
  - A donation of $4 million would tide us over for five years.
  - Or we could cut the budget; a $180,000 cut would fix things for five years.
Extremely important to tie fees to CPI if we want to keep the AMS as it is.

Ben:
- So we need a referendum, and we’ve been investigating having one; began consultation, and on August 25 Council authorized money for one.
- But energy has been difficult to find for the proposed October referendum, and it’s a tight timeline; also referendum awareness seems low, our Communications Manager is away on leave, legal work is needed, the reaction to a fee increase has not been favourable in informal talks with students, Bijan’s school schedule makes it difficult for him to do this now, and other Executive projects would not get the focus they need.
- So we’re thinking now of a referendum in February or March; the referendum on the U-Pass will be then.
- This will give us a longer time for messaging, building the AMS brand, talking of the values the AMS brings to students. And the Communications Manager will be back, a new Executive will come in with new energy, and we’ll be guaranteed to reach quorum because of the U-Pass.
- Cons: Students may not want to pay for both a U-Pass fee increase and an AMS fee increase. And current Execs may not be leading the campaign.
- So the question is whether to push on with an October referendum or wait till spring.

Questions
- Kyle Warwick said in principle he was in favour of tying this to the U-Pass referendum.
- Connor McGauley: How did the AMS survive for the past 20 years without increases?
- Elin Tayyar: Our costs have been increasing the last few years. Our businesses were doing well until two or three years ago, and now we don’t see any increases coming from the businesses in the next four years. Copyright and the Whistler Lodge are getting older.
- Jeremy McElroy: Enrollment was increasing for many years, but now has hit a cap. We’re not going to see more students.
- Neal Yonson: What’s changed since Monday, when the talk was still that a referendum was needed now?
- Elin Tayyar: We all think a referendum is needed, but we’re not sure how excited Council is, Bijan has academic commitments, Kelli is away. Budget Committee felt, Don’t rush it, don’t push for it to happen in October. If it fails, we couldn’t bring it back for four years, when there would be a new generation of students.
- Taylor Loren asked about Executive transition.
- Ben Cappellacci: If the bylaw changes had passed, then the new transition would have been in effect for the current Executive.
- Iggy Rodriguez: A March referendum would be at the time of Council transition; it may be harder to get buy-in then.
- Cathy Wang asked about the declining profits in the businesses.
- Ben Cappellacci said it was in part due to increasing competition from UBC Food Services.
- Jeremy McElroy: Our biggest revenue source has been AMS Catering. This year UBC Housing has started a new program that has hurt us.
• Brian Platt asked about having the referendum at the same time as the elections.
• Ben Cappellacci said doing that would send confusing messages. Last year’s referendums, which were held with the elections, suffered from a lack of messaging.

L) Committee Motions:

8. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That ______ (Councillor) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”
Nominee: Michael Haack

“That __________, __________, and ______ (members at large) be appointed to the Education Committee.”
Nominees: Imran Habib, Rania Mashkoor, Jessie Yu, Justine
Chosen: Imran Habib, Rania Mashkoor and Jessie Yu

“That ________, _________, and _______ (members at large) be appointed to the Business & Facilities Committee.”
Nominees: Aaron Sihota, Daaryal Hussain, Michael Moll, Leo Stokes, Jenny C, Francis C, Andrew D
Chosen: Aaron Sihota, Daaryal Hussain, Michael Moll

“That ______, _____ and ______ (members at large) be appointed to the Student Life Committee.”
Nominees: Booji VanDeBeek, Caroline Wang, Carolee Changfoot, Andrew, Jenny, Tanya, Pelican Mann, Shamai Cohen, Yo Yo, Alejandro, Maryam, Carolina, Kelly Ann, Michelle, Natalie
Chosen: Booji VanDeBeek, Caroline Wang and Carolee Changfoot

“That ______, ______ and ______ (members at large) be appointed to the University & External Relations Committee.”
Chosen: Paul Goodin, Andrea Grace and Cathy Wang

“That ______, ______ and ______ (members at large) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee.”
Nominees: Sean Cox, Taylor Lukkacin (Taylor Loren), Jennifer Wang, David K
Chosen: Sean Cox, Taylor Lukkacin (Taylor Loren) and Jennifer Wang

“That ______ and ______ (members at large) be appointed to the Budget Committee.”
Nominees: Shamai Cohen, Erik MacKinnon, Leith, Gordon, Michelle W
Chosen: Shamai Cohen and Erik MacKinnon

“That ______ (Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”
Nominee: Rory Breasail

9. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That Michael Haack (Councillor) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

“That Imran Habib, Rania Mashkoor and Jessie Yu (members at large) be appointed to the Education Committee.”

“That Aaron Sihota, Daaryal Hussain and Michael Moll (members at large) be appointed to the Business & Facilities Committee.”

“That Booji VanDeBeek, Caroline Wang and Carolee Changfoot (members at large) be appointed to the Student Life Committee.”

“That Paul Goodin, Andrea Grace and Cathy Wang (members at large) be appointed to the University & External Relations Committee.”

“That Shamai Cohen and Erik MacKinnon (members at large) be appointed to the Budget Committee.”

“That Rory Breasail (Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

... Carried

For (23): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Dylan Callow, Neal Yonson (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Arielle Friedman (proxy for Sedi Minachi), Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon (proxy for Allen Chen), Tom Huryn, Shane Kutin (proxy for Mike Silley), Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nick Sertic), Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Julian Ritchie

D) President’s Remarks – Bijan Ahmadian

Fees: Council changed the fee structure last year (e.g., charging DAP students and Distance Ed students). We received complaints, and got a legal opinion saying we had done everything correctly and could go ahead. However, there was lots of pushback, and I didn’t think it was right to go ahead. We will do consultations this year and have something more formal on this for next meeting.
**Student Leaders meetings:** Executives have met with about a thousand orientation leaders, residence advisors and residence hall association members to announce AMS activities.

**Imagine Speech:** The Imagine Speech went well, and the feedback was very positive.

**Welcome Video:** The welcome video that Prof. Toope and I did has been released, and is on our new website. Students will receive an email invitation to view it.

**Strategic Plan:** My Executive Assistant, Alyson Shave, is working with the Committee chairs to complete their planning so we can bring it to Council on the 29th.

**First Week:** First week was a great success. Both Eric Wallace-Deering, First Week Coordinator, and Shea Dahl, Events Manager, worked hard and delivered a top notch program with their team. I’ll bring the numbers to the next Council meeting.

**Board of Governors Reception:** Board reception with GSS and AMS Council is tomorrow. I know many have replied to attend, and I hope to see you there so the Board sees the energy that our Council brings.

**E) Executive Remarks:**

**Elin Tayyar – VP Finance**
- Clubs and Constituencies that have not handed in their budgets will have their accounts frozen.
- Aquasoc – loan growing – a review is happening.
- Club insurance review. Some clubs (e.g., Sailing Club) more taxing.
- Finished the collective bargaining in record time (three days) – both sides happy.

**Ekaterina Dovjenko – VP Administration**
- Hired mechanical and electrical Engineers
- Shortlisting construction managers.
- The design charrette was great; the sustainability charrette is tomorrow
- Design cube open.
- Posting updates on the AMS website.
- An at large position will be opening – application process.
- HBBH has merged and is now Dialog.
- Clubs Days being finalized: wine & cheese at the end of it.
- Art gallery has a great show.
- Deans Debate was great – Winner was Arts Dean.
- Sept 28 equity training.
- Imagine Day was amazing.
- Sorting out club and resource group issues.
- Meeting with club execs to let them know about the AMS.

**Jeremy McElroy – VP External**
- Metro 2040 plan went out today: not happy about it; no transit plan to UBC.
- Provincial budget submissions opened today; Unecorn will look at proposed submission from AMS; we’ll be seeking more money for Advanced Education.
- Province released an internal audit of the provincial student loan program; we’ll use this as a cornerstone for lobbying; the program needs more money.
• Provincial U-Pass meeting tomorrow – final agreement will come soon.

Ben Cappellacci – VP Academic
• We broke the UBC Shinerama record for fundraising on Shine Day: $11,500; Nursing raised the most money.
• Finished Land Use work.
• Greek Village incident; helping them with messaging.
• Senate strategic planning meeting.

Pavani Gunadasa – Executive Coordinator of Student Services
• During First week, we participated in a number of orientation events: GALA (International Student Orientation), CUS Frosh, SUS Frosh, GSS Orientation, Residence Parent Orientation and Imagine Day.
• Coming up next week: Commuter Student Parent Orientation, First Nations Longhouse WB BBQ Info Fair. 
• Food Bank, SafeTeam, Tutoring, and Speakeasy all had their training retreats
• Thanks to the hard work of all the Coordinators, all the Services were up and running on the first day of the academic year.
• Volunteer Connect held a number of info sessions about Internship opportunities, this week.
• We’re seeing an overwhelming demand for advocacy services, the coordinator has been receiving an average of 3-4 cases daily.
• Last week I met with Peter Godman, an Organizational Development and Learning Consultant with UBC HR, to get his advice on developing a self-study for the Services; which I am working on right now.
• Finally, I am continuing to work on the logistical details of a number of upcoming events during Thrive Week.

F) Committee Reports:

Business & Facilities Committee – Mike Silley
• Waterfilz stations are almost in.
• Two working groups: Whistler Lodge and Compensation Review.
• Renewing bike coop system.
• First Pit Night sales were $18,000.

Student Life Committee – Ryan Trasolini
• Welcome Back BBQ was a huge success.
• Firstweek was too.
• Shinerama did very well.

University & External Relations Committee – Jeremy McElroy
• Land Use Plan.
• Transit.
• Figuring out how to function without a policy advisor.
• Childcare policy.
G) Constituency Reports:

**Arts – Ryan Trasolini**
- Imagine successful.
- Arts frosh Sept 18.
- By-elections underway soon.
- New website
- Arts conference – first time ever.
- September 24 Arts Bash

**GSS – Sedi Minachi**
- New budget being proposed.
- Lost money due to Koerners pub closure.
- Meeting with AMS External re childcare issue; UBC hired a private company about childcare without consultation.

**Commerce – Dylan Callow**
- 385 at the Commerce frosh.
- Wally the Bull is the new mascot.
- IGNITE September 24; conference for 3rd and 4th years.
- CUS history project for 70th anniversary.

**Law – Kate Phipps**
- Orientations went well.
- New LSS Website.

**Engineering – Amanda Li**
- Leadership conference next weekend.
- Frosh ongoing.
- We also have a history website.

**Science – Iggy Rodriguez**
- SUS first week was great.
- Frosh was a success
- Elections.

**Land & Food – David Liu**
- BBQ every Wednesday night.

**International Students – Cecilia Montauban**
- ISA is working on goals.
- Open House consultation Monday September 27 in Global Lounge.

**Regent College – Janina Mobach**
- Guest lecturer in two weeks
- December 1 Worlds AIDS Day candlelight vigil.
H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Sean Heisler
- Meetings tomorrow.

Senate – Joel Mertens
- Senate meeting tonight: we approved $56,000 of new student awards.

Ombudsperson – Jay Shah
- AMS club issue.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

10. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED CAROLEE CHANGFOOT:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Executive Committee minutes dated August 13, 2010
Executive Committee minutes dated August 20, 2010
Executive Committee minutes dated August 27, 2010
Business and Facilities minutes dated August 25, 2010.”

...Carried

For (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Carolee Changfoot, Chad Embree, Paul Godin (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon (proxy for Allen Chen), Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nick Sertic), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (4): Benedict Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Jeremy McElroy, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Michael Haack, Julian Ritchie

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

11. MOVED PAVANI GUNADASA, SECONDED TOM HURYN:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council amend Code Section X, Article 1(3) to change the name of Safewalk to SafeTeam.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
• Pavani Gunadasa: This is just housekeeping. When we merged the Safety Office with Safewalk, we didn’t have a new name yet, so it remained Safewalk. This will just change Code to indicate the new name.
• Jeremy McElroy asked if there was a new logo.
• Pavani Gunadasa: Yes.

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Against (1): Dominic Tong (proxy for Nick Sertic)

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Ryan Trasolini

13. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED PAUL GOODIN:

Whereas more than 80,000 trips are made each weekday in the Central Broadway area (Main to Arbutus); and

Whereas in March 2000, (Phase II Commercial Drive West) Vancouver City Council recommended that the SkyTrain continue west from Vancouver Community College, via the False Creek Flats and Broadway to Granville Street as part of the Millennium Line Construction Program, with a rapid bus extension to UBC; and

Whereas since the implementation of the U-Pass programme in 2003, transit ridership has become the preferred mode of travel among all UBC commuters, accounting for more than 45% of all trips, and is expected to grow each year by an average of 10%; and

Whereas UBC is the second largest transit destination in the region’s transit network, while Central Broadway Business District is the third; and

Whereas the Broadway Corridor serves more riders than either the Millennium Line or Canada Line each day; and

Whereas the 99 B-Line route currently has problems with numerous pass-ups, huge fluctuations in travel time, and poor passenger experiences; and
Whereas the City of Vancouver’s goal to increase non-auto mode share to 50% by 2020 and TransLink’s own regional non-auto mode share goal of over 50% will require significant investments in public transit infrastructure; and

Whereas the draft Regional Growth Strategy entitled “Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping Our Future” relegates rapid transit development along Broadway as its third of three priorities in the next 30 years; and

Whereas the AMS is committed to ensuring UBC students receive high-quality, affordable, and accessible transit; and

Whereas “the AMS is committed to being a community leader in sustainability, ensuring the ability to serve generations of students to come,”

Be it resolved that AMS Council support the development of a rapid transit line through the Broadway corridor with UBC as its terminus; and

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Jeremy McElroy: There are three major transit infrastructure projects planned over the next 30 years: the Evergreen Line, south of the Fraser to Langley, and last on the list: a UBC Line, which may actually only come to Arbutus. This policy is in support of a rapid transit line to UBC; it doesn’t specify a technology. We will use it to lobby city councillors. We’ll have a petition with at least 3,000 signatures on it. This is incredibly important for the students of UBC.
- Michael Haack asked about the text of the petition.
- Jeremy McElroy: It’s to be determined. It will come before Unicorn and this Council.

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M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

*New SUB Change Management Plan – Bijan Ahmadian and Ross Horton*

- **Bijan Ahmadian:**
  - We’re talking about a Change Management Plan for the new SUB. Organizations tend to do this. As we move to a new home, there’s a need for a foundation.
  - The Executive thinks we need someone to look at us from the outside, a consultant who can create an agenda and make some assessments after meeting some people.
  - The idea is to create a strategy for long-term and short-term. There will be a report.
- **Ross Horton:**
  - In five years’ time in our new building we’ll be a completely different organization. There will be technological differences, different staffing needs; we’ll be operating differently. We don’t want to wait till the day we step into the building to say, What do we do now? We want to spend the next three years looking at organizational change, cultural change.
  - We need to review our business structure. The organization has grown. We need to figure out where we’re going.
  - There have been discussions at Exec, BAFCOM, and the New SUB Project Committee.
  - We want to make sure everyone here knows about this; we’re inviting feedback.
  - Henry Chen will be our change manager.
- **Iggy Rodriguez:** Shouldn’t this be done by our Project Manager?
- **Ross Horton:** MHPM is now our project adviser. There’s also Properties Trust. We have to figure out what sort of systems we want and tell them.
- **Jeremy McElroy:** Part of this is going into a new building; part of this is looking into our structure on the business side and also on the student government side. We’ve had committee reform, but there’s also commissions, etc.
- **Sean Heisler** asked about funding.
- **Ross Horton:** It will come from the SUB project. From CPAC. Some will be built into the administration budget.
- **Sean Heisler** expressed concern that there may be different visions and that may be political and may change.
• Ross Horton: Five or six student governments will be involved. We'll have to be careful about changing direction.
• Kyle Warwick asked about the timeline.
• Ross Horton: Eight to ten months from now we'll want to have something, so before Christmas we should get it rolling. This Council will initiate it.

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

    September 29, 2010

R) Adjournment:

15. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED SEAN HEISLER:

    “That the meeting be adjourned.”

    ... Carried unanimously

    The Speaker had to leave early, so there was no electronic vote taken.

    The meeting adjourned at 10:10 pm.

S) Social Activity:
### September 15, 2010 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Carla Da Silva (Classroom Services), Jodi Scott (Classroom Services), Steve Yeomans (Resource Planning Group), Sally Crompton (Ubyssey), Booji Van de beek (UBC RHA), Jonathan Chuang (Ubyssey), Jess Landing (Ubyssey), Lara Backer (Engineering), Tom Brooks (Engineering), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Leo Stokes (Arts), Rob Brown (UBC Properties Trust), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Designer), Jonathan Elmer (Dawson’s), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Dominic Teng (Engineering)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:13 pm.

It was agreed to add items on the Student Life Committee and the UBC Line.

1. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED KATE PHIPPS:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (20): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Connor McGauley, Sedi Minachi, Mike Silley

2. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That the meeting be videorecorded.”

Note Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (27): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Connor McGauley, Sedi Minachi, Mike Silley

B) Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies:
C) Presentations to Council:

New SUB Project – Rob Brown (Project Manager) and Ekaterina Dovjenko

Ekat:
- At the Schematic Design stage: the envelope of the building, the concept of what the building will look like, the feel and flow, the adjacencies, what stakeholders will be in the building.
- To be finished by December or January.
- Students to have sign off.
- The development, working drawings by August.
- Then construction drawings
- Groundbreaking still set for 2010, with completion in 2014.
- Design Cube open – please go visit the architects.
- Had two charrettes and some meetings; also thematic workshops.
- Going to get three design concepts; then we’ll develop one, and eventually get the final concept.

Rob:
- Integrated design team, getting consultants together.
- The architects’ name has changed to Dialog.
- There will be various engineering companies (electrical, mechanical, etc.)
- Budget:
  - Construction $74 million
  - Audio-visual $7.4 million
  - Soft costs $10.3 million
  - HST $3.1 million
  - AMS Cost Centres $8.4 million
  - TOTAL $103.26 million
- Good time to be tendering and building

Ekat:
- Student engagement through various channels:
  - Student members on boards, committees.
  - Website: mynewsub.com
  - Twitter.
  - Thematic workshops, charrettes, drinks with the architects.
  - Design Cube.
  - User reps.
- Next: In October hiring member at large; getting in applications and will come to Council for a vote.
- Three options to be presented in October.
- November: Design and bi-weekly jams.

Questions
- Kyle Warwick asked about Design Cube interaction.
- Ekat Dovjenko: It’s an unfamiliar thing. Maybe we should make a giant sign saying Come In. Once the model is in, people will enter.
Learning Space Design Guidelines – Jodi Scott and Steve Yeomans (Classroom Services)

- Jodi Scott:
  - Upkeep and renovations.
  - Project to update Classroom Services design guidelines for classrooms and informal spaces.
- Steve Yeomans (consultant):
  - Meeting with user groups.
  - Looking at new learning models for classrooms.
  - Three aspects of student engagement: one or two students on working committee; student survey; user groups.
  - Will take three or four months, then will come back.
  - Influencing design of new classrooms on campus.

Questions
- Ben Cappellacci: Just wanting to give a word of support for project. It’s important to feel inspired to learn when going into a classroom. This is a chance to influence the outcome of the construction.
- Steve Yeomans: We want to make sure classrooms work.

Classroom Services – Carla Da Silva

- Trying to connect with students to explain what we do:
  - We coordinate scheduling, including exam scheduling.
  - Also design and development of formal and informal learning spaces.
  - Audio-visual equipment.
  - Liquor licensing.
  - Bookings: 10,000 a year.
    - AMS clubs and other recognized groups can book.
    - Outdoor bookings too; those go to the RCMP, the Fire Department, and other groups.
    - Aim is to simplify the process.
  - Liquor licenses take 15 business days to process. New system will require both the RCMP and the Fire Department to see all requests.
  - Classroom Services signs off on occupant load capacity.

Questions
- Jeremy McElroy: How are capacity limits determined, and are they updated?
- Carla Da Silva: It’s set by the Fire Department and depends on the furniture.
- Jeremy McElroy asked about reviewing older buildings.
- Carla Da Silva: That’s in process.
- Rory Breasail asked if involving the Fire Department will add to the time to process liquor licences.
- Carla Da Silva: It’s included in the 15 days; 5 days are for the Fire Department.
- Brian Platt asked about outdoor bookings.
Carla Da Silva: These are usually done in conjunction with a department and if small may not go to Classroom Services, but if larger they will (and also to the RCMP and the Fire Department).

Jeremy McElroy asked about bringing forms to both the Fire Department and the police.

Carla Da Silva: There will be just one drop off, at Classroom Services.

Sumedha Sharma asked about busy times.

Carla Da Silva: September, October, January, and February have the highest volumes.

Kyle Warwick asked about when it is necessary to inform the UEL and the UNA.

Carla Da Silva: Only when events will be near them.

**UBC Line**

2. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED BRIAN PLATT, THIRDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That Council go in camera.” ... Carried

The meeting went in camera at 7:05 pm.

The meeting left the in camera session at 7:25 pm.

3. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

**From the Executive Committee:**

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- report to Council on the progress of the campaign at every Council meeting

Be it further resolved that the campaign budget shall not exceed the funds raised.”

Bijan Ahmadian: This is pursuant to the policy adopted at the last meeting.

Dumitru Constantinescu asked that not a dollar of AMS funds be spent on this.

It was agreed to add the phrase “and not include any AMS funds.”

Jeremy McElroy: This initiative directs Bijan, Elin, and me to launch an awareness campaign and to raise funds and accept donations from interested
parties. None of our money will be spent on this. The campaign will get this issue back on the table.

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Be it further resolved that the campaign budget shall not exceed the funds raised and shall not include any AMS funds.”

... Carried

For (30): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Dumitru Constantinescu (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

5. MOVED RYAN TRASOLINI, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That Council suspend Code Section V, Article 3(1) to allow Ryan Trasolini to sit as chair of the Student Life Committee until the next regularly scheduled AMS Council meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Dylan Callow asked Ryan Trasolini if he wanted to continue as chair even though he was no longer AUS President and thus no longer a Council member.
- Ryan Trasolini: I would love to stay as chair. I’m really interested and have more time now.
• Iggy Rodriguez: There’s going to be a vacancy; we shouldn’t be choosing a chair yet.
• The Speaker noted that the motion merely kept him as chair for two weeks.
• Kyle Warwick: This is sensible. The last time a committee asked for this was for Mike Silley. This motion allows the Student Life Committee to decide and allows us to get information.

6. MOVED RYAN TRASOLINI, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (25): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Ryan Trasolini

7. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

“That _____ (Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

Nominee: Rory Breasail

“That _____ and ______ (2 x Councillor) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

• It was decided to postpone this Committee’s two appointments until the next meeting, when some new Councillors would be in attendance.

“That ______, ______, and ______ (2 x Councillor + the VP Finance) be appointed to the Innovative Projects Fund Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

Nominees: Chad Embree, Ekat Dovjenko

“That _____, _____, _____, and _____ (4 x Councillor or student at large) be appointed to the Aquatic Centre Management Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

Nominees: Jeff Blake (at large), Ekat Dovjenko (VP Admin), Dylan Callow (Commerce), Jonathan Elmer (at large), Mike Silley (Arts)

Chosen: Ekat, Dylan, Jonathan, Mike
8. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

“That Rory Breasail (Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

“That Chad Embree, Ekaterina Dovjenko and Elin Tayyar (2 x Councillor + the VP Finance) be appointed to the Innovative Projects Fund Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

“That Ekaterina Dovjenko, Dylan Callow, Jonathan Elmer and Mike Silley (4 x Councillor or student at large) be appointed to the Aquatic Centre Management Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

... Carried

For (26): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Carolee Changfoot, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Dumitru Constantinescu (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Sumedha Sharma, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Mike Silley

Abstained: Maria Cirstea

D) President’s Remarks – Bijan Ahmadian:

• UBC’s Got Talent: website up next week, can vote for what song he and President Toope should sing.
• Met 2000 students last week.
• Alumni Association – turnover of chair – Miranda Lam.
• Councillor lunches extremely constructive; is scheduling more.
• University Athletics Council will be meeting to consider the availability of facilities.
• BoG reception was great.
• Constituency Presidents meeting being scheduled.
• UBC community/student engagement: Michelle Aucoin to come to Council to give an update.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Finance - Elin Tayyar
• Met with advisors re Health and Dental review process; hoping to nominate a provider for 2011 and onward by December.
• Sustainability: hosting two speakers.
• WaterFillz water filling stations pretty successful; some glitches; approximately 4,000 uses, which is quite significant, and we haven’t even started a campaign.
• Met with UBC treasurer Peter Smailes about liquor licenses for the new SUB.
• Reviewing the UBC meal card; it’s pretty successful; getting it working at Blue Chip.
• Working on getting Constituencies and clubs to sell merchandise online.

**VP External – Jeremy McElroy**
• Provincial budget submission; recommending reform of student assistance, getting more money for childcare, getting rapid transit to UBC; will follow up with MLA’s. Provincial budget committee is accepting feedback online.
• Other schools preparing for U-Pass referendum; agreement still not finalized; working out kinks with TransLink.
• UBC Line.
• Developing a job description for a Government Relations staffer.
• On Monday Campus and Community Planning had a consultation session on the bus loop’s location.

**VP Administration – Ekaterina Dovjenko**
• All Presidents Dinner: sign-up forms available. An event to reward student leaders.
• Clubs Days exciting.
• Resolved Kung Fu club issue.
• UBC Sustainability and our architects.

**VP Academic and University Affairs – Ben Cappellacci**
• Learning spaces, student evaluations of teaching, student advisory committee for Learning Centre.
• October 13 event: Land Use Plan consultation; the current plan is not articulating all the things we’d like it to.
• Strategic plan for Credit/D/Fail

F) **Committee Reports:**

**University & External Relations Committee – Katherine Tyson**
• Land Use.
• Bus loop plans.
• UBC Line.
• Provincial budget.

**Student Life Committee – Ryan Trasolini**
• Events.
• Revised application form for Sexual Assault Support Initiatives Fund.
• Looking at model presentation for Block Party.

**Legislative Procedures Committee – Julian Ritchie**
• Meetings will be Tuesdays at 1.
• New subgroup formed with BAFCOM re financial review – meetings will be Wednesdays at 3.
Education Committee – Joel Mertens
- Credit D Fail.
- Meeting tomorrow at 1.

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Ryan Trasolini
- 500 students voted in the by-elections.
- Fundraiser for Shinerama.
- Arts Bash a success.
- Arts clubs.

Commerce – Dylan Callow
- Ignite: 3rd & 4th years career night.
- 40th anniversary of POITS.

International Students – Valentina Vargas Ricca
- ISA event, panel discussion.

Regent – Janina Mobach
- Free public lecture.
- Evangelical conference in South Africa rebroadcasting: Regent is a global linked site.

GSS – Sedi Minachi
- Conference for Western Canadian universities to look at common concerns.
- TA union bargaining with UBC; the GSS is supporting the TA union.
- Working on response to expected tuition fee increase.
- Tom Huryn: Koerner’s Pub prices have not increased, despite myth.

Science – Sumedha Sharma
- Hiring fairs last week.
- Lots of people running in elections.
- Retreat on October 15.
- Great pancake race for United Way – SUS came last.

Human Kinetics – Ellen Kim
- Pit Night.
- Kinesiology conference.
- Halloween boat cruise.

Engineering – Nick Sertic
- Mexican-themed party.
- Cairn attacked by Forestry.

Land & Food Systems – David Liu
- Barbecue.
- Mexican next.
• Rooster run this Friday.

Planning – Theresa Fresco
• AGM today: amending constitution to accept associate members.
• Lunchtime lectures: next one on public space.
• Creating archive of planning projects.
• Halloween party.

Law – Kate Phipps
• Annual boat cruise.
• Waiting for committees to get going.
• Careers committee helping 2nd years with their interviews.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors
• No Report

Senate – Joel Mertens
• Nothing to report

Ombudsperson – Jay Shah (read by Elin Tayyar)
• Met with clubs to explain his role.
• UBC Ombuds Advisory Committee meeting.
  o Dumitru Constantinescu wanted to discuss the absence of the Ombudsperson and referred to a specific case.
  o Kyle Warwick said this should be dealt with offline.

• Bahador Moosavi: Reports are not always effective. Better if Execs sent them in and then we asked questions, instead of taking an hour like this.
• Dave Tompkins: This comes up periodically. There are different strategies. You can speak to LPC if you want changes.

9. MOVED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the MOU/CASA motion be debated now.”

... No objections

10. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED SEDI MINACHI: [SCD173-11]

From the University & External Relations Committee
“That Council approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Alma Mater Society and the Graduate Student Society, concerning CASA representation, as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Jeremy McElroy:
- The AMS is one of 26 CASA member schools and sends representatives to three meetings a year.
- The AMS represents the GSS, unlike other schools that have independent graduate student representatives.
- Each school gets three spots at each CASA conference; this MoU commits us to filling one of those spots with a graduate student to make sure graduate student issues are raised at CASA.
- We have the largest grad school in Canada, and it’s important that the GSS voice be heard.
- This will be about a $6000 annual allocation; there’s room for it in the External budget.

Katherine Tyson: This was presented to Unecorn and approved in principle.

Iggy Rodriguez: Have we ever used that third spot?

Jeremy McElroy: In the past we sometimes took the policy advisor; we could still take a policy advisor as a fourth delegate, just they would have no special rights. This guarantees speaking rights to the GSS.

Iggy Rodriguez: Why not have the GSS be a CASA member separately?

Jeremy McElroy: CASA fees. The GSS would have to pay extra, but it wouldn’t reduce our fees. This is the most cost-effective way to do it.

Iggy Rodriguez: What happens if the GSS chooses to pursue membership on its own?

Jeremy McElroy: This is only as long as the AMS represents the GSS.

Sedi Minachi: Most graduate funding is from the federal government, and we don’t have a voice there. I went to the last conference, and Jeremy had to get a motion passed to let me speak. It’s possible for us to join CASA independently; we talked with the AMS Executive, and this seemed fair. Hopefully, the GSS Council will approve it too.

11. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED SEDI MINACHI:

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... Carried

For (25): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Michael Haack, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Dumitru Constantinescu (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Chad Embree, David Liu
I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

12. MOVED BRIAN PLATT, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Executive Committee Minutes dated September 2, 2010 [SCD174-11]
Executive Committee Minutes dated September 10, 2010 [SCD175-11]
... Carried

For (14): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Carolee Changfoot, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Amanda Li, David Liu, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Jeremy McElroy

Abstained: Ekaterina Dovjenko, Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang

J) Executive Committee Motions:

13. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Executive Committee:
“Be it resolved that Council create an ad hoc Referendum Committee.

Be it further resolved that the Referendum Committee establish its own terms of reference and that it be composed of:

(a) the President, who shall be chair;
(b) the Vice-President Finance;
(c) four (4) members of Council (at least one member from the GSS); and
(d) two (2) Students at Large.

Note: At the request of the chair, the Communications Manager and the Archivist/Researcher shall attend meetings of the committee.”

• Bijan Ahmadian: We’ve postponed the referendum. This committee will now look into policies and budgets for a second semester referendum, and bring back recommendations.
• Katherine Tyson: Matt Naylor brought in committee reform to get rid of ad hoc committees. We have standing committees now, and the committee chairs are paid to do this. We do have an ad hoc committee on the SUB, but that was supposed to be a special case. This should go to LPC. There’s no reason that the current committee structure can’t take this on. I would also be willing to do it at Unecorn.
14. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the motion be referred to the Legislative Procedures Committee.”

- Elin Tayyar: We discussed this in Executive. This referendum is important. It’s more work than a committee usually does. We don’t want one committee to sit on it. HR and compensation review have taken months. This needs to be done right away, and we want every member of Council to sit on it.
- Iggy Rodriguez: The SUB committee existed before committee reform. It was kept on not because of the size of the project but because it already existed. Committee reform was supposed to avoid ad hoc committees through working groups. We shouldn’t go back to the old system.
- Bijan Ahmadian: I one hundred percent agree that we don’t want to populate the AMS with ad hoc committees. This committee will expire at the end of the referendum. We want people on it who are committed to making the referendum work. It’s not every day that we’ll be doing this sort of thing.
- Jeremy McElroy: This will include bylaws, U-Pass; it will be huge. This is not a small task like the ad hoc engagement reform committee, and it’s outside the purview of the five standing committees. Most don’t fall outside, but this is unusual.
- Kyle Warwick:
  - What Matt Naylor did was the most substantial thing done in recent years, but we should have an ad hoc committee; it’s the same sort of scope as the SUB project. This won’t fit into 12 hours a week. This will be a tough sell, jacking up fees.
  - True, we don’t want a lot of ad hoc committees, but this has a sunset clause. We can worry about a cascade of ad hoc committees when it happens.
- Dylan Callow: If we get the referendum passed, the AMS will be able to sustain itself for 30 years because of this committee. This committee is deserving of being on its own.
- Sumedha Sharma: If specially created and just for this issue, it’s better to have an ad hoc committee than imposing this on an existing committee.

15. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the motion be referred to the Legislative Procedures Committee.”

... Defeated

For (3): Michael Haack, Dumitru Constantinescu (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Katherine Tyson

Against (21): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Carolee Changfoot, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: David Liu, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez
Back to main motion.

- Jeremy McElroy: This committee will make recommendations to Council. We need people to put time in, a lot of hours. It will be an exciting experience.
- Iggy Rodriguez: Maybe someone else should be chair. The President has lots of other commitments.
- Elin Tayyar: We discussed this at Executive. It’s the most important project of the Society, and having the President as chair reflects that. I’m no less busy than Bijan.
- Iggy Rodriguez: I don’t want other aspects of the Society to suffer.
- Elin Tayyar: VP’s have set portfolios. The President gets to choose what to focus on, and he wants to do this.
- Katherine Tyson: We’re going to need Bijan for many hours at Unecorn.
- Bijan Ahmadian: The President delegates and coordinates, and doesn’t necessarily do all the work. There’s a link between this and the UBC Line.
- Katherine Tyson: You can’t delegate being chair.
- Bijan Ahmadian: We have two staff support. I take your point, but I’m confident this can be done.

16. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Executive Committee:
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(b) the Vice-President Finance;
(c) four (4) members of Council (at least one member from the GSS); and
(d) two (2) Students at Large.

Note: At the request of the chair, the Communications Manager and the Archivist/Researcher shall attend meetings of the committee.”

... Carried

For (21): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Michael Haack, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Dumitru Constantinescu (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

Abstained: Benedict Cappellacci, Julian Ritchie, Katherine Tyson
17. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

“That Bahador Moosavi (GSS), Katherine Tyson (Councillor), and Michael Haack (Councillor) be appointed to the ad hoc Referendum Committee.”

... Carried

For (22): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Carolee Changfoot, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Michael Haack, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Dumitru Constantinescu (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Elin Tayyar, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Katherine Tyson

- It was agreed to delay appointing the at large members until the positions can be advertised.

18. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

From the Executive Committee:

“That on the recommendation of the Executive Committee Council approve the allocation of an amount not to exceed $1,000 from CPAC to fund the purchase of a camcorder to be used for livestreaming and recording Council meetings and for other purposes as approved by the Communications Department.”

Note: The balance in CPAC is $409,000.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Ekat Dovjenko: The Ubyssey has stopped doing livestreaming of Council meetings. We don’t have a camera or camcorder, and we have lots of events. Currently, we have to hire people, which is especially problematic for small events.
- Kyle Warwick: CPAC is a renewable fund. This is partially a response to the equity report. It should be a slam dunk.
- Elin Tayyar: Who is going to do the filming?
- Justin McElroy (Ubyssey): We’re no longer filming. We only have one camera, and the battery ran out. Ekat said it would be great if we livestreamed all the time, but we lack the physical resources. That’s part of the motivation. We’ll stream for you.

19. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

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For (25): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Dumitru Constantinescu (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

Abstained: Elin Tayyar

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

20. MOVED RAVI PARHAR, SECONDED NANCY WANG:

"That Council recommend to Senate the appointment of Matt Murray as the student representative for the Faculty of Forestry and direct the President of the Society to inform the Secretary of Senate in writing of Council’s decision."

- Ravi Parhar: Matt ran for it. He won.

21. MOVED RAVI PARHAR, SECONDED NANCY WANG:

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... Carried

For (24): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Michael Haack, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Ryan Trasolini, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Chad Embree, Dumitru Constantinescu (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

L) Committee Motions:

22. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW: [SCD176-11]
From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That the Code changes entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Elections Committee eligibility’ be adopted. Furthermore, that these changes not apply to current Elections Committee members.”

- Julian Ritchie: After we hired Erik as Elections Administrator, questions were raised about the fact that he’s on the Budget Committee. This Code change stops certain people from being on the Elections Committee who weren’t forbidden before: Council appointees, also AVP’s, because they’re political and there might be conflicts. But it will not be retroactive.

23. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

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“That the Code changes entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Elections Committee eligibility’ be adopted. Furthermore, that these changes not apply to current Elections Committee members.”

... Carried

For (22): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Carolee Changfoot, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Michael Haack, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Nancy Wang

Abstained: Julian Ritchie

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

24. MOVED NICK SERTIC, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated August 5, 2010 [SCD177-11]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated August 19, 2010 [SCD178-11]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated August 25, 2010 [SCD179-11]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated September 2, 2010 [SCD180-11]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated September 14, 2010 [SCD181-11]

... Carried

For (19): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Ambrose Chan (proxy for Tom Huryn), Carolee Changfoot, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang

Against (2): Benedict Cappellacci, Elin Tayyar
Abstained: Ekaterina Dovjenko, Michael Haack, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Ryan Trasolini, Kyle Warwick

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

25. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:  [SCD182-11]

From the President

"Whereas Council adopted a Strategic Framework in 2006 under which the AMS is to follow a year-long Strategic Planning Cycle every year covering the following five major areas: Constituents, Resources, Stewardship, Community, and Sustainability,

Therefore be it resolved that Council adopt the 2010-11 Strategic Plan as presented."

- Bijan Ahmadian: This started at WOW, then every committee, and the Executive too, worked on it. It's a set of timelines, mapping out when to do things. I did a presentation in the summer. This is the first year we're putting together a plan.

26. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

From the President

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Abstained: Rory Breasail, Dumitru Constantinescu (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

O) Discussion Period

CiTR Contract

- Elin Tayyar: Our contract with CiTR is ending on October 22; we need to review it, and I wanted some Council input.
- Chad Embree: Do they need more cash?
• Elin Tayyar: They've paid off their loan. They have a small contingency which they use to update their equipment. They're cash strapped, but can survive.
• Dylan Callow: We just give them the money. Can we get a presentation from them?
• Elin Tayyar: They've been around since 1938. Since 1982, they've been radio station 101.9 FM. They're quite popular with a small portion of students. Not every student uses it. There are 350 student members who are part of CiTR. They're trying to increase the number of students in the station.
• Dylan Callow: I'd like to see them present to us.
• Elin Tayyar: They'd be more than happy to do so.
• Dylan Callow asked about marketing.
• Elin Tayyar: They do advertising, complementing what we give them.
• Theresa Fresco: Lots of students don't know about them. Would it be possible for the AMS to sponsor them in a fundraising campaign? Perhaps tie it to UBC's Got Talent.
• Elin Tayyar: They do have a very intense fundraising campaign.
• Theresa Fresco: We can do it on a larger scale. We could create an ad hoc committee. [Laughter.]
• Dumitru Constantinescu: CiTR is excellent, but Dylan is right; they should make us a presentation so we can see how much CiTR represents the AMS and students. In a time of budget cuts, why is CiTR staying while other services are being cut?
• Bijan Ahmadian: Legally, I don’t think the referendum binds us to pay CiTR. There’s a line in the contract about restoring their old funding if the contract ends, but would that line survive the termination of the contract? We should seek legal advice.
• Kyle Warwick asked about deadlines.
• Elin Tayyar: The contract expires October 22, but funding has already been given for this year.
• Kyle Warwick: I don't know what ordinary students think about this at all. We may want to have an open forum.
• Elin Tayyar: Except Council will be making the decision. If anyone has done anything with CiTR, they’d realize it’s a service.
• Iggy Rodriguez: This discussion has become too abstract. We need a presentation from CiTR and also some numbers from other services to compare.

27. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ

“That Council move on to the next discussion subject.”

... No objections

_Provincial Budget Submission_

• Jeremy McElroy: I apologize. Normally, the submission would come to Council before being submitted. Everything in it is part of current policy.
There’s no new policy material here. We’re going to move into a policy review. Any questions, queries, qualms?
• Kyle Warwick: It’s awesome, considering it was done without a policy advisor.

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

October 13, 2010

R) Adjournment:

28. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

For (16): Bijan Ahmadian, Benedict Cappellacci, Carolee Changfoot, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Ryan Trasolini, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Julian Ritchie

The meeting was adjourned at 9:41 pm.

S) Social Activity:

Pit Pub – Guest list to be circulated for Councillors
## September 29, 2010 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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**Voting Records**

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V9: Minutes  
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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Matthew Westaler (Ubyssey), Suzanne Jolly (UBC Health, Safety & Environment), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), William Gallego (Engineering), Alex Deruyn (Science), Keely Hilburt (Social Work), Brittany Tyson (Student Care), Sophia Haque (Student Care), Kristin Foster (Student Care), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Ambrose Chan (APSC Grad Student), Aaron Sihota (Pharmacy), Chantelle Chan (Forestry), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm.

1. MOVED BRIAN PLATT, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the meeting be video streamed by the Ubyssey.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Abstained: Mike Silley

- It was agreed to shift the order of the presentations.

2. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried


Abstained: Mike Silley
B) Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies:

C) Presentations to Council:

**UBC Thrive Week – Pavani Gunadasa (ECSS) and Suzanne Jolly (UBC Health Promotion Coordinator)**

- Mental health is important, connected to physical health, affects attendance at classes.
- Grassroots event kicking off November 1; individual departments to host events, e.g., cooking event in which the subject of food choices and how they affect mental health will be discussed.
- Hoping the AMS will host an event.
- Also some main events: Wellness Fair, Suicide Awareness Day.

**Studentcare – Kristin Foster and Sophia Haque**

- Brittany Tyson, a new staff person at studentcare (and former AMS VP Finance, like Sophia), was introduced.
- Kristin Foster provided background on the history and functioning of studentcare:
  - 500,000 members now at 50 student unions.
  - Industry leader, introducing innovations such as online opt-outs, networks, etc.
  - Two roles: consultant, negotiating with insurance companies, but more importantly the Plan Administrator, communicating to students, handling opt-outs, advocating with the insurance company (an ombuds role).
- Sophia Haque:
  - On campus since 2000, has grown.
  - Fully insured, regardless of how high claims get.
    - Claims high now, as they were in the first couple of years.
  - 2005 on: New travel package, groundbreaking for a student plan, covering stays abroad.
  - 2008: Removed drug deductible.
  - 2009: Continuum Program, allowing coverage after graduation, with part of the proceeds going back to the AMS.
  - Studentcare was one of the first supporters of SUB Renew.
  - Looking forward to tuition insurance, flexible plan options (opting out of just the health or just the dental or just travel), mobile apps so you can locate health practitioners on your iPhone.
  - 31,870 enrolled in the plan, 2090 cases (inquiries) logged August-September.
  - Health claims mostly for drugs (60%); that’s pretty normal.
  - $2.653 million in health claims paid.
  - Dental claims: $3.357 million, evenly divided between diagnostic, periodontal, surgical.
- Kristin Foster: It would be better if more was going to dental diagnostic rather than treatment.
Questions

- Connor McGauley asked if the AMS could do the insuring itself and make money from the plan.
- Kristin Foster: The plan lost $2 million in its first two years. It’s not an easy task balancing benefits and costs. As to the AMS being the financier of the plan and not just the sponsor, I would urge caution. It’s a possibility, but not one the Health and Dental Committee has been directed to pursue.
- Allen Chen: How will flexible opt-ins affect premiums?
- Kristin Foster: The total package will always be less expensive than individual opt-ins, but there wouldn’t be a dramatic impact. The Health Plan Committee will have to look into that.
- Taylor Loren asked about birth control.
- Kristin Foster: The two most common claims were first for birth control pills and then for anti-depressants.
- Sumedha Sharma asked about studentcare participating in Constituency events.
- Kristin Foster: They would love to take part.
- Erik MacKinnon asked about mobile apps.
- Kristin Foster: They can do opt-outs but not claims.
- Sophia Haque: Phone apps are being worked on.
- Bijan Ahmadian noted that studentcare was one of the sponsors of the All-Presidents Dinner.

Update on UBC Line – Bijan Ahmadian

- 130 people joined the page.
- 170 have gone to the website to send email to Metro Vancouver.
- Have put together a plan with UBC and the UNA, developed messaging for social media, print materials (pamphlets), etc.
- Campaign coordinator, canvassers.

D) President’s Remarks (Bijan Ahmadian):

- All-Presidents meeting of Constituency Presidents required by Code. We had a small gathering of SUS, EUS, HKin, Forestry. Talked about elections, guidelines.
- Ben and I visited the Registrar to help find a software package for the elections.
- New SUB Design: Design guidelines from UBC have made it challenging to let us get what we want.
- Jeremy and Ben talked to the Deputy Minister about governance.
- Ben and I working on neighbourhood relations with the UNA and the fraternities.
- Movember.
- UBC’s Got Talent website launched today; we got sponsorship, so we don’t need to sell tickets; everyone can attend; everyone can vote on the song he and President Toope will sing.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Academic – Ben Cappellacci

- October 4 international students panel discussion.
- Disability students group formed.
• Had first meeting with the UNA and the fraternities; planning an event.
• Speaking to associate deans re student evaluations and Credit/D/Fail.
• Workshop on Land Use Plan: a bit limited but productive.

**VP External – Jeremy McElroy**
• U-Pass: Nothing much happening; schools are waiting for TransLink’s response. No decision on when the rollout will be. We’re okay until next September.
• UBC Line campaign in full swing: Facebook page, event.
• CASA lobbying conference in Ottawa in November.
• Met with the Ministry of Community Development; they’re building from scratch. The AMS hopefully will be a major player.
• BC Lobby Group: UNBC, Fraser Valley, Kwantlen, and possibly UVic and others will join us soon.
• Policies on childcare and student financial aid are finished and will go to the University and External Relations Committee and then to you.
• Updating other external policies.

**VP Administration – Ekat Dovjenko**
• All-Presidents Dinner coming; President Toope to attend; our permanent art collection will be on display in the Ballroom.
• Our own SAC vice-chair, Inaki, finished fifth in the Commonwealth Games in racewalking.
• SUB:
  o Unveiling of five design concepts; open house for feedback.
  o Transition of project managers from MHPM to Properties Trust.

**ECSS – Pavani Gunadasa**
• Thrive Week.
• Mental Health performance conference.
• Safewalk: Added an extra shift four days a week (Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday).

**VP Finance – Elin Tayyar (via Ben Cappellacci)**
• At sustainability conference in USA.

**F) Committee Reports:**

**Education – Joel Mertens**
• Student focus groups on learning space design guidelines.

**Legislative Procedures – Julian Ritchie**
• Asking people what they hate about the AMS, as a basis of fixing things (looking to bylaw revisions).

**BAFCOM – Mike Silley**

**Elections Committee – Erik MacKinnon**
• Discussing UBC Votes with EA's; what to do about Constituency elections in the spring.

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Brian Platt
• Strange year for the AUS, but we now have a new President, VP External, and VP Internal; also new Councillors.
• Whistler retreat; will start planning. Working on Arts Week.

Education – Alan Jeans
• Newly formed Education Students Association. Just getting bearings.

Law – Kate Phipps
• Appointed students to faculty committees.
• New website.
• Our new building is back on schedule.

GSS – Bahador Moosavi

Human Kinetics – Jarrett Woodhouse
• Filled our committees.
• Pit Night fundraiser.
• New website.
• Halloween boat cruise.
• Partner event with kinesiologists.

Engineering – Amanda Li
• Positive space training.
• Soccer tournament.
• Tutoring.
• Halloween Ball.

Commerce – Dylan Callow
• International suit-up day.
• Career workshops.
• POITS.

Science – Sumedha Sharma
• Coin toss for two tied positions on the Science council.
• Working with AMS Tutoring.
• Halloween party.
• 2011 will be 50th anniversary of SUS, planning big celebration.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar
• International food bank.

Land and Food – David Liu
• Halloween beer garden.

Social Work – Angelina Gordon
Regent College – Janina Mobach
• Reading Week.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Azim Wazeer
• Land Use Plan consultation; looking how best to interact.
• Board wants rapid transit.

Senate – Joel Mertens
• Senate seeking submissions of ideas of broad academic interest.

Ombudsperson – Jay Shah (read by Dave Tompkins)
I have been dealing with a case involving a student employee at the SUB. The issue involves multiple departments as well as management. I have been dealing with this issue on a regular basis, helping to foster communication and understanding. I am pleased to say the case is reaching a point where a resolution is within sight. I will continue to work and ensure this case is dealt with sooner rather than later.

Additionally, I will be attending an International Ombudsperson Association sponsored conference in a week and a half in Toronto. It consists of seminars and courses that will better equip me to deal with issues for the future months.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

3. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Education Committee minutes dated July 2, 2010 [SCD183-11]
Education Committee minutes dated July 30, 2010 [SCD184-11]
Education Committee minutes dated August 13, 2010 [SCD185-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated September 23, 2010 [SCD186-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated October 7, 2010 [SCD187-11]

... Carried

Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley

J) Executive Committee Motions:

4. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE:

From the Executive Committee:
“That on the recommendation of the Executive Committee Council suspend the new rules on fee waivers in Code Section XIII, Article 3 until September 2011, and temporarily reinstate the old rules on fee waivers as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Bijan Ahmadian:
  o Council passed a new fee plan in 2009 that would affect DAP and Distance Ed students. However, no consultation has been done with them.
  o Also, DAP students do not have representation on Council; they would be paying fees without having representation.
  o The medical school will also be affected and have not yet been consulted.
  o I made an executive decision not to implement the fee plan so that we can do consultation in the second semester and hopefully implement it for September 2011.
  o This motion postpones implementation until September 2011.
- Jeremy McElroy: Fees are listed in the UBC Calendar, which does say fees can change at any time, but we didn’t feel that coming in so late was fair to students.
- Michael Haack: Is this guaranteed?
- Jeremy McElroy: The referendum changed the bylaws in 2008; we just want to figure out how to do this.

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Against (1): Sedi Minachi

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Mike Silley

6. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Executive Committee:
"Whereas the mandate of the CPAC fund does not include money for cameras,

Be it resolved that the following motion from September 29 be rescinded:

‘That on the recommendation of the Executive Committee Council approve the allocation of an amount not to exceed $1,000 from CPAC to fund the purchase of a camcorder to be used for livestreaming and recording Council meetings and for other purposes as approved by the Communications Department.’"

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Ekat Dovjenko: CPAC doesn’t have money for cameras, only for fixtures. If this were a permanent fixture, we could do it, but it’s not a fund we can use for an unfixed camera. We’re going to have to look at other sources. It could come from the Repairs and Replacement Fund, but that’s non-replenishable, and in our current financial situation we didn’t want to take money from a non-replenished fund.
- Bahador Moosavi: Can we change CPAC’s mandate?
- Ekat Dovjenko: It’s in the bylaws.

7. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (22): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Angelina Gordon, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, Alan Jeans, Amanda Li, David Liu, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Iggy Rodriguez), Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt,
K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

8. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That _____ and _____ (2 x Councillor) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”
Nominees: Crystal Hon (Arts), Leo Stokes (Arts), David Liu (Land & Food)
Chosen: Crystal Hon, Leo Stokes

“That _____ (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Student Life Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.”
Nominee: Crystal Hon (Arts)

“That _____ (Councillor) be appointed to the University & External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”
Nominee: David Liu (Land & Food)

“That _____ (Councillor) be appointed to the Business & Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”
Nominee: Brian Platt (Arts)

“That _____ (Councillor) be appointed to the New SUB Project Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”
Nominee: Leo Stokes (Arts)

“That _____, _____, and _____ (1 x Councillor and 2 x member at large) be appointed to the Ad Hoc Referendum Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”
Nominees: Matt Parson and Pouriya Hosseini (members at large)

9. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Crystal Hon and Leo Stokes (2 x Councillor) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

“That Crystal Hon (Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Student Life Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.”

“That David Liu (Councillor) be appointed to the University & External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”
“That Brian Platt (Councillor) be appointed to the Business & Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

“That Leo Stokes (Councillor) be appointed to the New SUB Project Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

“That Matt Parson and Pouriya Hosseini (2 x member at large) be appointed to the Ad Hoc Referendum Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

… Carried


10. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED NICK SERTIC: [SCD 191-11]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee amend the Cheque Signing Internal Policy to increase the threshold from $250 to $350, as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Julian Ritchie: A rubber stamp was introduced a few years ago to avoid making the signing officers sign cheques for under $250. Things have gone up in cost, so now the proposal is to up the limit to $350. This is to make their lives easier and to make better use of our Executives’ time.

• Jeremy McElroy: There are 10,000 cheques a year. There are ample checks and balances in the accounting department. This would free up time for the Executives.

• Kyle Warwick asked if we have to send something to the bank.

• Julian Ritchie: This is our internal policy. It’ll get sent.

11. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

Against (1): Jeremy McElroy

12. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

From the Business & Facilities Committee
“Be it resolved that Council approve the expenditure of no more than $12,000 coming from CPAC for the replacement of 41 mattresses at the AMS Whistler Lodge.

Be it further resolved that Council approve the expenditure of no more than $6,000 coming from CPAC for the trimming of trees encroaching on the AMS Whistler Lodge power lines.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: CPAC has a balance of $408,000

13. MOVED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the motion be divided.”

…No objections

14. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

From the Business & Facilities Committee
“That Council approve the expenditure of no more than $12,000 coming from CPAC for the replacement of 41 mattresses at the AMS Whistler Lodge.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: CPAC has a balance of $408,000

- Mike Silley: The old mattresses will be donated.
- Jeremy McElroy: What kind of mattresses are we getting?
- Mike Silley: Foam again.
- Dylan Callow: They will be high density foam. More durable, lasting longer, more comfortable.
- Kyle Warwick asked if CPAC is the appropriate fund.
- Sheldon Goldfarb said one of CPAC’s mandates is to fund Whistler renovations. Is this a renovation?
- The Speaker ruled that it was.
15. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

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“That Council approve the expenditure of no more than $12,000 coming from CPAC for the replacement of 41 mattresses at the AMS Whistler Lodge.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: CPAC has a balance of $408,000

… Carried


Abstained: Mike Silley

16. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

From the Business & Facilities Committee
“That Council approve the expenditure of no more than $6,000 coming from CPAC for the trimming of trees encroaching on the AMS Whistler Lodge power lines.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: CPAC has a balance of $396,000

- Mike Silley: We’re worried about being near power lines. We got a bunch of quotes and went with the most competitive one.

17. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

From the Business & Facilities Committee
“That Council approve the expenditure of no more than $6,000 coming from CPAC for the trimming of trees encroaching on the AMS Whistler Lodge power lines.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
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… Carried

Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

18. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED DAVID LIU:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Sept 21, 2010 [SCD192-11]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Sept 27, 2010 [SCD193-11]

... Carried


Against (2): Jeremy McElroy, Mike Silley

Abstained: Allen Chen, Julian Ritchie

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

October 20, 2010

R) Adjournment:

19. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

For (16): Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Mohit Law, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Against (2): Allen Chen, Julian Ritchie

Abstained: Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Iggy Rodriguez)
The meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

S) Social Activity:

Pit Pub – Guest list to be circulated for Councillors
### October 13, 2010 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Janet Teasdale (UBC Student Development and Services), William Gallego (Engineering), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Designer), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Sally Crampton (Ubyssey), Mark Latham (Voter Media), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Neal Yonson (Student), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Michelle Aucoin (UBC Community Engagement), Lin Watt (EUS), Bruce (UBC Line campaign coordinator)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm.

1. MOVED BEN CAPPLECACC, SECONDED BRIAN PLATT:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

... Carried

For (26): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne (proxy for Iggy Rodriguez), Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Alan Jeans, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Taylor Loren (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Pelican Mann (proxy for Michael Haack), Jeremy McElroy, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Jenna Robbins, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

- Bijan asked for a minute of silence in honour of the victims of homophobic bullying.

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Admissions, Advising and Enriched Learning Opportunities – Janet Teasdale

- Introducing three strategic changes to lead to better learning.
- Want to make things easier administratively; they may be too challenging now (not academically challenging).
- First, admissions:
  - Currently, students are not sure when they’ve been admitted and they may not know their housing situation; also, there are different forms in each faculty.
  - Introducing a new form for all faculties and establishing an early admission date (March 15).
  - Also providing a resource to give answers, so that students can find out about what courses to take.
  - People will be able to record the proper pronunciation of their name.
  - There will be an admissions blog.
• Trying to make the admission process easier.
  - Second, advising:
    - Using consultants on this.
    - Before there were variable, inconsistent systems; students might receive inconsistent, contradictory advice.
    - The aim now is support student endeavours, not focus on rules.
    - Putting in place a new system to provide early alerts for struggling students.
    - Also setting up one clear database to provide information on regulations.
    - And a system of online advising so various advisers will know what others have told you.
  - Third, Enriched Learning Opportunities:
    - Undergraduate research, first-year experience, community service, co-op, Go Global (studying abroad), etc.
    - UBC is committing itself to ensuring that every student has an opportunity to do two of these.
    - Removing barriers (financial etc.) to students using these.
    - Have already moved to a 14% participation rate (from 5%).

Questions
  - Dylan Callow asked about the security of people’s information.
  - Janet Teasdale: Safety and security are of the utmost concern to everyone.
  - Sumedha Sharma: What happened to the undergraduate research office?
  - Janet Teasdale: That was an initiative four or five years ago which grew and raised the profile of research. We want to do more with research, but we decided we don’t necessarily need an office. Instead, there’s a conference.
  - Allen Chen asked about how this will affect graduate students.
  - Janet Teasdale: A lot more work needs to be done for graduate students. It’s a totally different process for admissions. Some is transferable from the undergraduate students approach. The other two areas do apply to grad students.

Community Engagement – Michelle Aucoin (Managing Director)

  - One of the nine commitments from UBC’s Place and Promise Strategy is community engagement.
  - One aim of community engagement is increasing community use of campus.
  - Drafting strategy by March, to be finalized by June.
  - There’s a working group (with students on it) and there will be roundtables
  - The aim is to move from point of contact to empowerment.
  - There are many different visions for community engagement; we’re seeking to establish a common language.
  - There’s the issue of measuring achievement; does it make a difference?
  - Does the AMS want to contribute to this process?
  - Also, how should the University engage the undergraduate societies?

Questions
  - Kate Phipps: To engage the undergraduate societies, speak to the student society executives.
  - Ben Cappellacci: What is the outcome?
- Michelle Aucoin: We’re trying to understand the student experience.
- Theresa Fresco: Is there a database?
- Michelle Aucoin: There is not. That’s one issue we’re trying to get our arms around.

D) President’s Remarks (Bijan Ahmadian):
- Launched UBC’s Got Talent website and there have been numerous applications for auditions.
- Lots of government relations work.
- Through the Alumni Board met the Minister of Finance:
  - Discussed different financial models for the UBC Line.
  - Discussed student financial aid: BC charges more interest than other provinces; the program is at cost, but costs are higher here, and defaults are attributed to everyone else; the province is looking into this.
  - Discussed student housing; UBC needs money to build; borrowing increases the provincial debt. UBC is looking for financial independence, and the province is looking at that: not to privatize, not to reduce the provincial contribution, but to allow UBC to borrow without increasing provincial debt.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar
- Back from Sustainability Conference; will report at next meeting.
- Has a volunteer now to help Justin, the Sustainability Coordinator.
- Bottled water sales down 50% while other beverage sales have remained the same; this is good progress.
- Seeking to buy vending machines that can sell reusable water bottles.
- Health and Dental Plan:
  - Hired consultants, who are reviewing the plans and companies.
  - The committee has approved visits to the companies; it will be a thorough process.
  - Will get a recommendation from the consultants by November 20 and make a decision by December 3.
- BAFCOM: Working group looking at Whistler Lodge. We’ve spent $500,000 in the last five years on upgrading the lodge and need to spend another $100,000 for safety adjustments etc. We’re looking at the alternative of building a new lodge instead.
- Innovative Projects Fund, deadline October 29.

VP Administration – Ekaterina Dovjenko
- UBC Equity Office being reviewed; we’ve made sure student voices are being heard.
- Grad Class Council has been set up; Constituencies should send their reps by October 27.
- New SUB options were presented last week; there’s an open house this week on them.

VP Academic – Ben Cappellacci
- Land Use Plan: lobbying on several points.
• Have arranged first ever meeting between fraternity presidents and the UNA.
• Learning Space guidelines roundtable.
• Working with disabilities resource groups.
• International students lobbying strategies.
• UBC Counselling Services is looking to hire.

VP External – Jeremy McElroy

UBC Line
• Tying this to other municipal lobbying.

U-Pass BC
• No progress has been made as the institutions don't like the contract and neither they nor TransLink are willing to move.

Provincial Lobby Group
• Bylaws going to Executive.

CASA Lobby Conference
• November 13-20; will circulate lobby document as soon as I get it.

Governance
• Working with Maria Harris, UNA and UBC on making sure the interim governance framework is fair and includes students.

Student Financial Aid and Childcare
• Final draft will be discussed at Un-E-CoRn next week; will likely have policies for approval at next Council meeting.

External Policy Review
• Ongoing review, more news next Council meeting.

ECSS – Pavani Gunadasa

• Met with the Services Manager, HR Manager and Volunteer Connect Coordinator to discuss a proposal for a new Volunteer Management program (it’s based on SFU’s Career Center’s volunteer program, which we learned about at the CACUSS Conference this past year); which we think will add more value to the volunteer experience of students who volunteer with the AMS.
• Met with the AMS and GSS Advocacy Offices and the UBC Ombuds Office to discuss the workshop we will be presenting at the UBC Conference for Learning and Academic Student Success (CLASS) this weekend; which is a conference geared towards first year students to help them to achieve academic excellence and personal wellness. The workshop will be on student rights and responsibilities.
• Tomorrow I’m participating in an all-day Peer Support consultation with the Mental Health Commission of Canada; their goal is to establish national standards of practice for peer support type mental health intervention services.
• Stand Up for Mental Health last week was a great success (if you missed it there are many videos on YouTube).
• UBC Thrive week is the week after next; make sure you come out to those events, they’ll be happening all over campus: thrive.ubc.ca
• I’ve been reviewing applications for the SASC Program Coordinator position, which is a permanent staff position. The position is vacant due to the former Coordinator moving out of province. We’ve had quite a few applications and should begin interviews next week.

C) Presentations to Council:

**UBC Line Campaign Update – Bijan Ahmadian**
• 10,000 people invited to the Facebook page.
• 6,300 people have visited the website.
• 2,700 sent emails: so many that they crashed the TransLink and Metro Vancouver servers.
• Broadcast emails have gone to all students.
• There was a column in the Ubyssey.
• Posters and rave cards.
• Letters to Mayors, MP’s and MLA’s.
• Still to come: a formal memorandum to Metro Vancouver and a press release.
• Hoping for an army of green (students in green T-shirts) at the Metro Vancouver meeting.
• The campaign coordinator for all this is Bruce.
  o Bruce said his aim is to raise student awareness and support.

**Elections Update - Erik MacKinnon**

**Elections & Constituencies**
• AMS Elections can help you (the Constituencies) with your elections.
• We can administer your election for you.
• You can delegate this to the AMS.
• Election advice is free.
• Putting together a Best Practices guide.
• Looking at having a single, simple election platform in the future for all clubs and Constituencies.

**Voter Funded Media**
• There is $8,000 for expanded coverage on blogs and social media.
• It’s going to run continuously now.
• The money will be divvied up by voters voting for blogs etc.
• It will be a go in November.
• This will mean better coverage and more coverage.

**AMS Elections platform**
• This is a big topic, due to what happened last year.
• We have options:
We could pay for an outsourced provider, costing $5,000 to $15,000 a year. All the outsource companies guarantee security.

- The downside is that we won’t own it; we won’t be able to change it.

- A better option is to buy a custom platform for, say, $30,000; we would have unlimited access and could change it; all clubs and undergraduate societies could use it. We’d go open source.

- The downside is the expense, but hopefully the University would contribute.

- There would also be annual maintenance; I’ve received quotes of $1,000 a year.

- And it would require training the Elections Administrator every year.

- Lots of companies provide this. The best one is called Simply Voting.

Questions

- Taylor Loren: Will you administer our whole elections?
- Erik MacKinnon: If you want us to.
- Taylor Loren asked about VFM.
- Mark Latham: 40% more, 30% better.
- Taylor Loren: This will be VFM for the whole year?
- Erik MacKinnon: Yes, that’s what we’re doing.
- Dylan Callow: Do you want contributions for the new elections system from the Constituencies? Commerce could give, say, $2,000.
- Erik MacKinnon: I haven’t shopped this around. I’m also applying to IPF.
- Jeremy McElroy: Will there still be a one-time VFM?
- Erik MacKinnon: Still good to do something around elections, but that will reduce the amount for the continuous contest. Trying to figure out how to work that.
- Taylor Loren: Right now there’s only two blogs.
- Erik MacKinnon: Last year some applied and didn’t get in. Once it’s up and running, there will be more applicants.
- Mark Latham: There’s been no money up to now, so that perhaps is why there aren’t many applicants.
- Sheldon Goldfarb asked about privacy concerns if we go with an American company for the election platform.
- Erik MacKinnon: Yes, that’s a huge problem. That’s a reason not to go with an American firm.

F) Committee Reports:

Education Committee – Joel Mertens
- No response to invite to Learning Space conference (about how classroom space looks).

BAFCOM – Mike Silley
- Drink specials in Pit and Gallery every day.
- Pizza slices are cheaper after 8 pm.
- September results show the businesses didn’t do so well.
UNECORN – Jeremy McElroy
• Embarking on aggressive external policy review.

G) Constituency Reports:

Human Kinetics – Ellen Kim
• Annual boat cruise on October 30.
• First dinner for Kinners.

Arts – Brian Platt
• Building a transparent and responsible budget process; new budget passed last night at Arts Council.
• Filling our committees.
• Arts clubs having a beer garden.

Science – Sumedha Sharma
• Tie break by coin toss in last election, but decided that’s not the best way to go.
• Retreat last weekend.
• Passing budget tomorrow.
• Oktoberfest beer garden.

Land & Food – David Liu
• Annual LFS community dinner next month.

GSS – Allen Chen
• Town Hall tonight with UBC Administration.
  o Joshabelle Josephson: Sending a letter re catering.

Social Work – Angelina Gordon
• BBQ.
• Sock drive.

Education – Jenna Robbins
• Clothing sale.
• Halloween social.

Engineering – Amanda Li
• Tutoring starting today.
• Soccer tourney tomorrow.
• Conference in Whistler.

Regent – Janina Mobach
• Tradition Day.
• Lane lectures.
• Retreat next weekend.
Pharmacy – Charles Au
• Starting new building. Hole in the ground now. Ready for 2014.
• Pharmacy undergraduate class increasing in size.

Law – Kate Phipps
• Movember – fundraising challenge.

Commerce – Dylan Callow
• Canadian Investing Conference: ethical investing.
• Oktoberfest with Science.

Forestry – Chantelle Chan
• Christmas tree farm.
• Logger sports.
• International food night.

Planning – Theresa Fresno
• Halloween party October 30.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

BoG – Azim Wazeer
• Nothing to report.

Senate – Joel Mertens
• Nothing to report. Senate was cancelled.

Ombudsperson – Jay Shah (via Bijan)
• Conference this week.
• Issue with AMS staff.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

2. MOVED DOMINIC TONG, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Executive Committee Minutes dated September 30, 2010 [SCD196-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated October 7, 2010 [SCD197-11]
Education Committee minutes dated September 30, 2010 [SCD198-11]

• Amanda Li expressed concern about the October 7 minutes. There should not have been a discussion of the EUS centre without inviting the EUS to attend.
• Bijan Ahmadian apologized and invited the EUS to attend when the AMS Executive next talks about the centre.
3. MOVED DOMINIC TONG, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

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Against (1): Dylan Callow

Abstained: Andrew Carne (proxy for Iggy Rodriguez), Allen Chen, Amanda Li, Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

4. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI

“That Joel Mertens (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Ad Hoc Referendum Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 1, 2011.”

... Carried


Abstained: Joel Mertens

5. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED DAVID LIU: [SCD199-11]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Proxies’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
• Julian Ritchie:
  o The proposal is asking that proxy forms be submitted at least 24 hours in advance. This is in response to a situation in which sometimes the proxy forms don’t get filled out at all.
  o The proposal would also keep proxies from attending in camera portions of a meeting.
  o Technically now a proxy can’t go inform the regular Council member what happened in camera.
  o This would not stop proxies from voting, something guaranteed to them by the bylaws, because no votes take place in camera, except a vote on whether to stay in camera.

• Dave Tompkins: What happens if the merits of an issue are discussed in camera, and then there is a vote in public session? How will the proxy know the arguments that might affect which way to vote?

• Jeremy McElroy:
  o Council makes significant decisions; it’s the board of directors for a $16 million organization. People sign the proxy form, but they’re not held to the same account as regular Council members.
  o We do want to make sure that Constituencies have their voices heard through proxies if their regular Council member can’t attend, but there should be time for the Council member to inform the proxy. We want informed votes at Council; we want to move away from last-minute proxies.
  o As to in camera sessions, what’s discussed in camera is privileged information for the directors. The regular Council member can’t talk to a proxy about it beforehand, and then the proxy can’t talk to the Council member afterwards.
  o There’s been no particular incident, but we’re open to liability. The elected Council members should be the ones in the room, not last-minute proxies.

• Kate Phipps: The 24-hour notice requirement is a concern. We’re supposed to be open and inclusive. Those with childcare responsibilities have a hurdle to climb to attend; this would be another hurdle. Perhaps if we added an emergency provision for things like a death in the family. Then a proxy could be accepted even if appointed at the last minute.

• Kyle Warwick:
  o We thought this was a worthwhile thing to send to Council. The committee was not quorate and forwarded the recommendation to Council in the hopes of there being a discussion here. The committee was not endorsing the exact provisions here.
  o Currently, forms are sometimes handed in after the meeting. There are already rules against that. Maybe we could just enforce the existing rules. I don’t think a Council member needs 24 hours to brief their proxy.
  o This would mainly affect the smaller Constituencies. Arts has 8 members, so at worst we’d have five or six representatives if some people couldn’t make it. But if the Music representative is sick, who will bring Music’s point of view to the table?
  o LPC should look at the 24-hour idea again. It’s a wildly excessive burden.
  o As to the in camera proxy issue, that’s not valid.
• Dave Tompkins: The proxy won’t know what’s been discussed in camera. They won’t be able to vote in an informed way. And the death in the family exception seems sketchy.

6. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That this motion be referred back to the Legislative Procedures Committee.”

… Carried

For (25): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Joshabelle Josephson (proxy for Sedi Minachi), Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Pelican Mann (proxy for Michael Haack), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Taylor Loren (proxy for Katherine Tyson)

7. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

From the Budget Committee

“That Council, on the recommendation of the Budget Committee, rescind the following motion from August 25, 2010:

‘That the AMS Budget be amended to accept the changes presented concerning the upcoming AMS referendum.’ ”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Elin Tayyar: Since we’re not having the referendum now, we want to undo the budget change made to pay for the referendum.
• Taylor Loren: So the Executive no longer wants to put its health benefits money towards the referendum?
• Elin Tayyar Essentially, it will be a referendum after our term.
• Neal Yonson: The referendum will still be happening in this budget year; you’ll have to find the money again.
• Elin Tayyar: Yes, we’ll assess the needs for it later.
• Neal Yonson: We’re still planning to have a referendum. How can there be planning without budgets?
• Elin Tayyar: We can’t budget for something when the committee hasn’t decided how much it will cost.
• Neal Yonson: The health plan money that was being put towards the referendum won’t be there anymore, even though there will still be a referendum that may need that money.
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Against (1): Theresa Fresco

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne (proxy for Iggy Rodriguez), Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Taylor Loren (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nancy Wang)

9. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

From the Compensation Review Working Group

“Be it resolved that on the recommendation of the Compensation Review Working Group, Council increase the SAC Bookings and Facilities Commissioner’s working hours to 10 hours/week until May 1.

Be it further resolved that on the recommendation of the Compensation Review Working Group, Council increase the SAC Clubs and Administration Commissioner’s working hours to 15 hours/week until May 1.”

- Ekat Dovjenko: The net budget effect of this will be zero. We’re adding five hours to two positions; we need more office hours.
- Kyle Warwick: How is it budget neutral?
- Ekat Dovjenko: Because we’re taking things away from one of my other line items.
- Elin Tayyar: This should go to the Budget Committee.
- Joel Mertens: It doesn’t say anything about the amount paid. That should be in the motion.
- Elin Tayyar: The SAC Vice-Chair was away for 18 days, and the Clubs Commissioner did part of his work while he was away. There should be an adjustment to reflect that.
- It was agreed to add the following three clauses:
“Be it further resolved that the corresponding salaries be adjusted accordingly.

Be it further resolved that the SAC Clubs and Administration Commissioner’s salary be adjusted to reflect the increase in hours during the SAC Vice-Chair’s leaves of absence.

Be it further resolved that this is all pending Budget Committee approval.”

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Abstained: Benedict Cappellacci, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:
O) Discussion Period

Student Assembly

- Ekat Dovjenko:
  - The equity report recommended a second house.
  - A good model for such a body might be the Grad Class Council.
  - The body would not have any legislative power, but it would make recommendations to Council. Would that be a problem?
  - There are questions about who would sit on the body.
  - Timeline: mostly at the end of my term. Bylaws etc. can be drafted by January.
- Kyle Warwick: We shouldn’t call it a second house; that implies legislative powers. The equity report told us to do several things, but we don’t need to feel obligated just because they recommended it.
- Sumedha Sharma: What’s the motivation for this? Apathy? Engagement?
- Ekat Dovjenko: Engagement. To get representation for groups not usually heard from on Council. Perhaps like a Town Hall.
- Jeremy McElroy: The AMS has tried to do this a number of times. We’d have a few meetings during the year.
- Taylor Loren: This might make Council seem even more exclusive. People would think they can’t come to Council; they can only go to this other body.
- Ekat Dovjenko: No, by involving more people they’d be engaged and more likely to show up, especially if this Student Assembly is making a recommendation to Council.
- Taylor Loren: Who would be on the Student Assembly?
- Ekat Dovjenko: That’s up to us. Resource Groups, the International Students Association, disability groups, those not otherwise able to be on Council.
- Mike Silley: If Council doesn’t heed recommendations, that might create frustration and anger. An assembly without power …
- Dave Tompkins: The vast majority of things students care about the AMS can’t do anything about.
- Dylan Callow: Some people may have more incentive to attend and would be over-represented.
- Jeremy McElroy: The conception had to do with representing minorities, but it could be open to lots of voices. The ISA could pick representatives, there could be members at large appointed by Constituencies. We could give groups autonomy on how to choose their representatives. Faculties, Resource Groups, the ISA, the Inter-Fraternity Council.
- Taylor Loren: Why create a Student Assembly? Can’t you just have consultation?
- Ekat Dovjenko: This would be a formalized vehicle for consultation.
- Crystal Hon: Who would run this?
- Ekat Dovjenko: The AMS. The VP Administration could be in charge, on the model of the Grad Class Council.
- Mike Silley: With such a multitude of voices, what would they talk about? Who would set the agenda?
- Ekat Dovjenko: The Speaker and the people.
Jeremy McElroy: Council could vote on what would be best to discuss. Items we’re looking for input on. It would not be a free-for-all.
Kyle Warwick: We should consult with the groups to see if this is what they want, so they don’t see it as tokenism or as something just to serve AMS needs. We should ask them.
Ekat Dovjenko: Great idea.
Sean Heisler: My fear is that damage will be done if a group is not invited. You have to be careful not to omit anyone. And who would determine who belongs to a group? Self-identification? An open call?
Ekat Dovjenko: We haven’t yet worked that out. As to invitations, if someone not invited wanted to be, we could bring it to the Student Assembly to vote on.

**Constituency Negotiations and AMS Jurisdiction**

Andrew Carne:
- The Engineering Student Centre project came up in the October 7 Executive minutes.
- The AMS Executive reached a decision in that meeting without inviting the EUS to take part. There was no contact with the EUS before the issue was discussed.
- Also, the AMS told UBC’s Brian Sullivan to notify the AMS in the future whenever negotiating with Constituencies.
- The AMS seems to want any food outlet within a Constituency to be under the AMS Food and Beverage Manager.
- We’ve sat down with Bijan, who’s apologized for the process. The communication situation won’t happen again. That’s good.
- But we’re not on the same page about the AMS role in relation to Constituencies.
- The AMS bylaws state that the AMS Council can direct Constituencies; it’s not clear that the AMS Executive can do that, so we want to talk to Council about this.
- Our project needs to go forward; it has huge implications for governance and financing.
- In general, what role should the AMS take in negotiations?
- Can the AMS Executive intercede?
- Should the AMS Executive be involved from the get-go in any Constituency project, or should they only become involved later, which is the current model?
- What role should the AMS take on the various legal issues to do with liquor licences, barbecues, beer gardens?
- Three questions:
  - What role should the AMS take in relation to Constituency negotiations with the University?
  - Should the AMS be involved with contracts from the start or be brought in for advice after a framework has been developed?
  - What should be the role of AMS oversight on Constituency operations?

Bijan Ahmadian:
- We have Constituencies and clubs. All of them fall under the AMS. For instance, the Law Students Society is not incorporated; the AMS is.
• The AMS is liable; the AMS is responsible for contracts, insurance, HR issues, licenses.
• All contracts for Sprouts, Aquasoc, etc. are AMS contracts.
• Only the AMS has a bank account; all your accounts are internal.
• At the same time we value the autonomy of the Constituencies.
• What we’re here to do is to provide tools.
• There’s a benefit for us to be involved early on. For instance, the CUS on their building came to us to get their contract signed. We looked at it and said, That’s not good enough. We had to reopen negotiations; we made changes. If we’d known earlier, we could have avoided delay.
• Some units of the University negotiate with Constituencies; we don’t always know what’s going on. So we asked Brian to let the AMS know and give Constituencies a nudge.
• We don’t necessarily have to be at the table, but we have resources to help you. We have a Food and Beverage department.
• For food outlets, there are business issues, licensing issues, food contamination, leftovers, etc. Lots of questions.
• We never want to not be supporting creative ideas, but we want this sort of thing to go to BAFCOM so that our senior management can be in the loop and not find out at the end that we can’t do something from a legal point of view.

• Jeremy McElroy:
  o The AMS is the only body that’s allowed to collect fees. What’s an undergraduate society? Actually, there are none; there’s the AMS. We do want autonomy for the undergraduate societies, but under the law there’s only the AMS.
  o We sign off on liquor licensing in the SUB.
  o For beer gardens elsewhere, the faculties sign off; then the University is responsible. The Constituencies never are.
  o There are things that fall under our insurance. When there’s licensing, we have to know. We need legal oversight.

• Lin Watt:
  o The EUS is not disputing that we can’t sign legal agreements.
  o The document we have is not a legal agreement; it’s about initial discussions only. So we kept quiet; confidentiality is important at this stage.
  o Constituencies do not legally exist, but operationally we do exist.
  o We think AMS Council is responsible and not the AMS Executive.
  o In this case, bringing in a third party (the AMS) introduces new variables, and that’s not okay at an early stage.
  o We’re not okay with you asking the University to tell the AMS.
  o The University is being asked by two different student bodies two different things: one says please keep this confidential; the other says tell us. This puts the University in an awkward place.

• Sumedha Sharma: Is it a communication issue? How should the Constituencies proceed?
• Elin Tayyar: All we’re saying is let us know. You can tell us it’s confidential and we won’t tell. Tell us you’re in talks that may affect our own negotiations. All we want is knowledge.
• Jeremy McElroy: We didn’t know in this case, and it went on for months. There was talk to the unions. We need to know that’s happening.
• Dylan Callow: This conversation is more between the Executive and Engineering. Speaking for Commerce, I think the AMS should be able to oversee. With the Commerce building, I’m glad they could look over our agreement. I don’t see why things should be kept confidential between student bodies.
• Sean Heisler: This is a conversation Council needs to have. There could be other examples with other Constituencies. This is a backwards structure. Rather than telling the University to tell the AMS, the AMS should have talked to its Constituency. The University should not be policing Constituencies on behalf of the AMS.
• Bijan Ahmadian: Yes, Constituencies should be talking to the AMS. All I told Brian was that any unit under him should know that the AMS is the actual responsible party, legally.
• Joel Mertens: You don’t want the AMS to be negotiating all these agreements.
• Bijan Ahmadian: No.
• Joel Mertens: The AMS has to play a role at some point, but in fact it’s wrong to say that the AMS is the only way Constituencies can do something legally. Constituencies can go through their Faculty. It can be a completely Faculty-run activity. Before there is a legal agreement, why should the AMS be involved?
• Kate Phipps: I’m sensing a lot of animosity towards the Executive, as if they’re going to co-opt you. But the Executive is saying all they want is knowledge. It would be foolish not to tell them as soon as possible so they can tell you the legal ramifications. You don’t have money to pay for legal counsel. Take as much from the available resources as you can.
• Sean Heisler: The AMS should approach the Constituencies, not go to the University and create three-way negotiations. Early information makes sense. When is the point when the AMS should be involved? That’s the policy part.
• Kate Phipps: It’s not three-way. The AMS is on the side of the Constituencies.
• Kyle Warwick:
  o There’s a distinction between the AMS and the Constituencies. We’re not always on the same side. Take Arts County Fair, for example.
  o At the end of the day the AMS has to play a role in contracts, and even before the end of the day, but this is federalism. There’s divided responsibilities. There are some things Constituencies can inherently do better. One of these is negotiating with Faculties. The EUS is making a logical point.
• Jeremy McElroy: We just need to know the first step or the third step.
• Bahador Moosavi: It makes sense that the Executive wants to know; that’s not micro-managing. But they shouldn’t be telling Brian Sullivan to have his units talk to them. They should be talking to the Constituencies. The problem is a lack of communication.
• Crystal Hon: The Executive should go to the Constituencies, not to Brian Sullivan. Using the resources of the AMS is good, but if the Constituencies want help, they’ll ask. The Executive shouldn’t go to a Constituency and say, This is big, so we’ll step in now.
• Ben Cappellacci: We understand your concerns and your desire for autonomy, but there are legal issues.
• Crystal Hon: I hear that you understand, but I haven’t heard about how you’re going to fix this.
• Bijan Ahmadian: This came about over a food outlet which might require a manager. Who would the manager report to? I’ve invited the EUS to speak to BAFCOM.

• Crystal Hon: You’re assuming the EUS can’t do this.

• Ben Cappellacci: Look at Commerce.

• Crystal Hon: That was a different Constituency.

• Dylan Callow: Point of privilege.

• Erik MacKinnon: Jeremy, do the Constituencies have the legal right to negotiate on behalf of the AMS?

• Jeremy McElroy: No.

• Erik MacKinnon: What’s the problem then? There’s an obligation to the parent organization. In a bureaucracy, the people who sign the contracts need to know.

• Andrew Carne: What sort of notice do they consider acceptable? And when? It’s come up in Constituency updates. We would consider that notice. These were just discussions. Before anything becomes formal, we would go to the AMS.

• Taylor Loren: In my club we do arrange things and the AMS just signs. I understand you need to know, but …

• Jeremy McElroy:
  o At the end of the day, this group can say to any group under it, No. We give autonomy to all the clubs and Constituencies, but legally it’s on us.
  o There’s a point when licensing and other ramifications come into play.
  o A contract with a hotel may not be a big deal, but in certain cases, like these buildings, UBC has certain aims.
  o We’re very relaxed, but we do have the authority. This Council can step in and say No.
  o To remedy the situation, we’re asking you to tell us.

• Jean deDieu Hakizimana: We’ve spent half an hour discussing nothing. The Executive has the power, so they need to write down what needs to be done.

• Bijan Ahmadian: We’d be happy to write something down.

• Azim Wazeer: Relationships are just too damn poor at this table. Consider everyone’s sensitivities. Sit down with the Constituencies.

• Lin Watt: Council has jurisdiction. Council can also direct the Executive. It has not directed the Executive to take any action. The Executive told Brian that the AMS Food and Beverage Manager would be the manager. The Executive doesn’t have the power to do that. The Executive is responsible to Council. Constituencies make up Council. This is about whether the Executive has jurisdiction over Constituencies.

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

November 10, 2010

R) Adjournment:

11. MOVED MICHAEL SILLEY, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”
... Carried

For (12): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Chantelle Chan (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Maria Cirstea, David Liu, Taylor Loren (proxy for Katherine Tyson), Pelican Mann (proxy for Michael Haack), Jeremy McElroy, Kate Phipps, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes

Against (6): Andrew Carne (proxy for Iggy Rodriguez), Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Dominic Tong (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Sumedha Sharma

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm.

S) Social Activity:
# October 20, 2010 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. – Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Trevor Record (Ubyssey), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Alex de Bruyn (Science), Tom Brooks (Engineering), Neal Yonson (Graduate Studies), Taylor Lukacin (Taylor Loren, Arts), Christopher Gillespie (U Vic), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Ambrose Chen (APSC), Lara Backer (Engineering), Sean Cregten (AVP Academic), Cathy (Unicorn)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm.

1. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

... Carried

For (19): Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Keely Hebert, Tom Huryn, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Leo Stokes, Shalene Williams

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Sustainability - Justin Ritchie

Water filling machines installed.
- The counters which had been malfunctioning are now working, so we can track usage.
- They’ve already had an impact: sales of bottled water are down 50%, which does decrease our revenue, but this was our aim.
- We’re getting 450 fill-ups per weekday.
- We want to make these available around campus; going to spread the campaign.
- The cost of filtering will be about $2,000 a year.

UBC Reads Sustainability
- Integrating sustainability into classes; guest lecturers.
- Getting the ball rolling.

Seeds Projects
- Composting toilets in new SUB.
- Black soldier flies for composting at the farm.
- Fourth year mechanical engineering class doing energy harvesting study for new SUB.
• Commerce 468 doing a sustainability marketing plan.

Coming
• Vending reusable cutlery etc.

Conference
• Denver conference on sustainability, bottled water.
• AMS should be at future conferences; we’re doing a lot of work that others will be interested in, and it’s useful to see what others are doing.

Sustainability fee
• Elin Tayyar: Many schools have sustainability fees; one school brings in $1.2 million. This is something we’re looking at for the referendum.

Land Use Plan Update – Ben Cappellacci

• The plan says what kind of buildings will be built.
• It’s really an amendment to an old plan (the OCP).
• The reason for amending is to deal with the high number of zoning areas.
• UBC proposed increased housing choices, saving the UBC Farm, transferring housing from the farm, and making the zoning more consistent.
• On July 14, Council passed major points it wanted addressed.
• On September 15, Council passed a formal policy.
• On October 13 there was a workshop; on October 19 there was a meeting with UBC’s Nancy Knight (Campus and Community Planning), at which our Unecorn committee presented the AMS policy. On October 27 we had a second meeting, and there’s been a response letter.
• The University has heard the AMS; they mention us in their letter.
• Our recommendations were:
  o Preserve the farm.
  o Preserve Gage South as Academic.
  o Label University Boulevard as Primary Village Academic (for SUB businesses).
  o Increase density for housing.
• We have been successfully in getting changes in what UBC is proposing.
• The farm is safe, and the campus will be a bit more dense.
• Most important, the University centre will be student friendly.
• Gage South is now under review; there will be no designated development until further notice.
• UBC doesn’t know where the bus loop or the aquatic centre will be; they are going to wait till they consult, which is excellent.
• An allowance will be made for University Boulevard so that there is no competing with our SUB. There will be rental housing there.
• Population growth is anticipated, up to 40,000 people by 2041, perhaps including 16,000 students.
Questions

- Bijan Ahmadian: This was a big team effort. When the policy passed, I voted against. I was concerned about negative consequences if we took positions. But the other Executives proved me wrong. They demonstrated a lot of flexibility. I want to especially acknowledge Ben’s flexibility and leadership.
- Neal Yonson: When is the plan on Gage South going forward? Things are not settled.
- Ben Cappellacci: Any solution will have to accommodate student life.
- Neal Yonson asked about density.
- Ben Cappellacci said the details haven’t been worked out.
- Jeremy McElroy referred to money needs resulting from putting people on campus and providing them with services.
- Neal Yonson: No one knows what the solution will be. We’re going to end up where we started.
- Ben Cappellacci: That remains to be seen. They’re very creative.
- Theresa Fresco asked about the amenities in the Primary Village Academic zone. Who will be using the amenities? If there is market housing, there will be an increasing number of non-student residents.
- Katherine Tyson: Units will be rented to professors or older TA’s. It’s not going to be market housing. They will be people who are part of the university.
- Jeremy McElroy: There will be very basic commercial outlets that everyone can use.
- Ben Cappellacci: University studies show people need more amenities. Those businesses won’t compete with the SUB. Our businesses will be more student-focused.
- Theresa Fresco: Two communities will be coming together. How will it be inclusive?
- Ben Cappellacci: University Boulevard is the best example. There will be rental housing for staff and older students. It will be an interesting dynamic.
- Jeremy McElroy: Segregation in certain aspects is imperative. That hospice: we said it wasn’t going to work next to a residence, and it moved. We’ll be asking for student-sympathetic housing, with leases saying there is no right to complain about big parties. We want to protect the integrity of the undergraduate experience.
- Andrew Carne: Will it be UNA-controlled?
- Ben Cappellacci: No.

UBC Line Update – Bijan Ahmadian

- Three Phases:
  - Grassroots campaign.
  - Lobbying Metro Vancouver Board.
  - Lobbying TransLink and the provincial government.
- We’ve finished Phase 1 and are in the middle of Phase 2.
- Phase 1 (grassroots): 7500 unique visitors to the website, 10,000 invited to Facebook pages; 3200 emails to Metro Vancouver.
• Good media coverage; the news has reached 1.3 million people; the AMS was referenced in half of the articles (in the Sun, the Straight, etc.).
• We sent letters to every mayor and to key provincial and federal officials.
• Jeremy and I attended a Metro planning committee meeting, leading to a substantial amendment to the plan:
  o Formerly the UBC Line was to be considered only after the Evergreen line and the line south of the Fraser were planned, built, and funded.
  o Now rapid transit as far as Arbutus (though not all the way to UBC) will have the same priority as the line south of the Fraser.
  o We’re asking for the whole thing to UBC.
• Next we’ll bring an army of green to the public hearing.
• Jeremy McElroy: We got Metro Vancouver to make an eleventh hour amendment to a long planned bylaw, though we still didn’t get as much as we would have liked.

Questions
• Nancy Wang: Why won’t the line go beyond Arbutus?
• Jeremy McElroy: Residents are resisting in Kits and Point Grey. The current document is making the B-line terminus at Arbutus; there is mention of extending rapid transit to UBC, but it’s not a high priority.

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

2. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

Whereas AMS Council has passed detailed policies relating to the Land Use Plan; and

Whereas the AMS University and External Relations Committee and AMS Executives have engaged with the Land Use Plan amendment process and have met with relevant members of the University Administration in order to advocate for these policies; and

Whereas there have been inconsistencies in communicating the intentions and concerns of AMS Council and the University and External Relations Committee in correspondence with the University Administration; and

Whereas these inconsistencies have been unable to be rectified internally; and

Whereas the Land Use Plan and amendments thereof fall under the portfolio of the AMS Vice-President, Academic and University Affairs,

Therefore, be it resolved that AMS Council recognize the AMS Vice-President, Academic and University Affairs (or their designate), as the liaison for discussions, communications and coordination between UBC Administration and the AMS on Land Use Plan issues, and amendments thereof.”
• Katherine Tyson: This is to recognize the VP Academic as the liaison with the University on land use.

• Kyle Warwick:
  o It is crucial that we provide a clear, consistent message on the land use plan. Communication must come from those who have the most knowledge of this portfolio, i.e., Ben. Code already specifies that the VP Academic is the liaison.
  o The President is claiming powers in this area. This has led to confusion.
  o This in no way is about punishment.

• Bijan Ahmadian:
  o As president, public relations are exclusively my jurisdiction under the bylaws, as is implementing policies. The messaging falls under me. Ben is the liaison and continues to be.
  o This motion creates division among the Executives. We have had differences, but have been working them out.
  o In the end, the final say is with the President.

• Kyle Warwick: The bylaws specifically talk of the conduct of public relations. That shouldn’t be read as limiting the power of a Vice-President to lobby. It’s a mistake to read all communications as public relations. I think you’re reading that section wrong and under-reading the meaning of liaison.

• Bijan Ahmadian: Nothing will change around here. I’m the spokesperson for the Society. I delegate a lot of that, but it’s under my jurisdiction.

• Bahador Moosavi asked what the VP Academic thought about this. Does Ben think something like this is needed?

• Katherine Tyson:
  o We’re saying liaison includes communications and discussions. Bijan doesn’t have the sole right. Ben doesn’t just do grunt work. We want to allow Ben to communicate. If Ben is not allowed to talk, then Unecorn will write the letters and come up with the messaging.
  o Ben being told by Bijan that he can’t communicate harms the process. Ben has the ability to write and talk about this issue; it’s his portfolio.
  o We’re not talking about communicating to the media, but to the University. Talking to the Georgia Straight, that would be for Bijan to do. But talking to the University is something Ben should be allowed to do.

• Ben Cappellacci:
  o It looks like this could be contentious. It’s important to consider what collaboration means. Bijan says he is the spokesperson for the Society and the person in charge of public relations. If that means talking to the University, we have no codified rules on that. We have media relations rules.
  o This is to do with content messaging. They’d like to have me do the messaging, as the one working on this project.
  o Bijan, your power would trump me; you’d be inserting your own messaging. They’re challenging your interpretation of Code.

• Rory Breasail: Ben has the best grasp of the issue, and Bijan’s messaging is sometimes not in line with what the committee has approved.

• Elin Tayyar:
• Jeremy McElroy:
  o The bylaws speak about public relations. Our policy on communications is about media outlets. The bylaws stipulate the roles of the vice-presidents, and Code stipulates what committees do.
  o A letter proposed by the committee did not come out as approved by the committee; it was deliberately changed, manipulated; the message was changed from the policies of this Council; it made Ben and the committee’s job harder.
  o I support this motion. I was elected independently. Ben was elected.
• Bijan Ahmadian:
  o I have no problem with Ben emailing the University. At the end of the day I am the spokesperson for the AMS.
  o What people are saying is that I wrote a letter against committee messaging. But the committee messaging was against Council policy. I was expecting to talk to Jeremy about this.
  o My job is to make sure our policy is implemented. I will continue to tell the University that I am the spokesperson.
  o If this passes, it will cause lots of conflict in the Executive.
  o I would like to delegate, but I need to oversee.
  o If you think I haven’t spoken for Council, then have the Ombudsperson do an investigation. To pass this in public is not the way to do things; it undermines us.
  o I don’t want to create a situation of my words versus Ben’s words.
• Andrew Carne: The bylaws say public relations, not spokesperson. This would clarify a longstanding issue: how do we draw a line between what the President and the Vice-Presidents can do on their own? My read is that the VP Academic is responsible; this is their portfolio. The motion is a clarification of that.
• Chad Embree: The President has the right to speak on behalf of Council. Last year’s president made a complaint to the UN. You as President may be the spokesperson, but that doesn’t give you the right to circumvent the policy of Council. We elected our Executives to speak on their portfolios. If not, they wouldn’t have email accounts.
• Neal Yonson: How could anyone speak to anyone? As to this causing confusion and conflict, there is Executive conflict right now. If someone else summarized a speech differently to say something differently – that’s the situation here. Let Ben go start to finish. He does the research work, has the discussions, makes the final statement. Right now he can’t.
• Maria Cirstea: Should this go to LPC?

3. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question be called.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (6): Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Kate Phipps

Against (14): Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, David Liu, Bahador Moosavi, Nick Sertic, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Connor McGauley, Ravi Parhar, Nancy Wang

- Bahador Moosavi: This does have to go to LPC. If Bijan has done something wrong, changed something we directed, he should be punished. If so, bring a motion for that. But that doesn’t apply to this motion. If it keeps on happening, it needs to be codified.

4. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED CONNOR McGAULEY:

“That this motion be referred to the Legislative Procedures Committee.”

- Katherine Tyson: This is a time-sensitive motion; it can’t go to LPC. This is the last month of the discussions on the Land Use Plan. Something should go to LPC to determine what the Vice-Presidents are entitled to do, to determine the meaning of liaison, but not this motion.
- Julian Ritchie: This issue needs to be dealt with in LPC, but for the next three weeks someone needs to be speaking to the University.
- Bijan Ahmadian: It’s clear that this is an internal issue; it makes sense to go to committee to have a proper investigation. At the end of the day I speak for Council.
- Ben Cappellacci: This is very time-sensitive. The Land Use Plan meeting is on November 30, before our next Council meeting.

5. MOVED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

6. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED CONNOR McGAULEY:

“That this motion be referred to the Legislative Procedures Committee.”

... Defeated

For (3): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Shalene Williams
Against (25): Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Jenna Robbins, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Theresa Fresco, Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Elin Tayyar

7. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That the motion be amended to add the following two resolution clauses:

‘Be it further resolved that Council direct LPC to investigate how and when Executives will be permitted to communicate to external bodies and which Executive should be communicating on particular issues, and

Be it further resolved that Council direct the Agenda Committee (in their oversight role) to investigate Executive dynamics and provide suggestions on improving those dynamics.’

“And be it resolved that the motion be further amended by adding the phrase ‘until LPC has finished its investigation’ to the original resolution clause.”

• Bijan Ahmadian: The investigation should be done by the Ombudsperson. The Ombudsperson has training to do this. The committee can’t do an investigation.
• Elin Tayyar: The Agenda Committee can do this as well as the Ombudsperson.

*It was agreed to add the following resolution clause:*

‘Be it further resolved that Council direct the Ombudsperson to conduct a parallel investigation into “the Letter in question” independently, and report back to Council.’

8. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That the motion be amended to add the following three resolution clauses:

‘Be it further resolved that Council direct LPC to investigate how and when Executives will be permitted to communicate to external bodies and which Executive should be communicating on particular issues, and

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... Carried


Abstained: Chad Embree, Ravi Parhar, Azim Wazeer

Back to the now amended main motion

- Katherine Tyson:
  - The President’s messaging comes from Council. The President can’t make up messaging; he can’t create his own policies. He has to follow what the committee says when Council can’t meet. He represents us; he communicates what we decide on.
  - It’s disturbing what he changed in the letter; he took all mention of Academic out. Council unanimously, except for Bijan, said it wanted Academic included. Bijan took all that out. I don’t know how he can say ours was against Council policy. He didn’t want to mention Academic.
- Sean Cregten: This is about protecting the integrity of the messaging directed by Council.

9. MOVED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the motion be divided to separate out the original resolution recognizing the VP Academic as the liaison person.”

... Defeated

For (8): Maria Cirstea, Keely Hebert, Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar

Against (15): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams

Abstained: Charles Au, Allen Chen, Chad Embree, Amanda Li, Julian Ritchie, Leo Stokes, Azim Wazeer

- Kate Phipps: It is not clear in Code what it means to be a spokesperson. My main concern is that Bijan has said he won’t follow our interpretation.
• Bijan Ahmadian: Code makes clear that I’m the spokesperson. Ben is a liaison; that’s fine, but at the end of the day I’m the spokesperson.

10. MOVED CONRAD COPELAND, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (28): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams

Against (2): Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar

• The Speaker ruled that the main motion was not a policy motion.

11. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

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... Carried without dissent

For (24): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Chad Embree, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, David Liu, Connor McGauley, Sedi Minachi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams

Abstained: Benedict Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Azim Wazeer

12. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED NANCY WANG:

“Whereas the AMS VP Academic and University Affairs has been working in detail on issues pertaining to the Land Use Plan,

Be it resolved that the AMS VP Academic and University Affairs be designated as the Society representative to the Land Use Plan Public Hearing.”

- Katherine Tyson: We want Ben to speak. Bijan wants to veto that. This motion makes clear that it is Ben, not Bijan, who should go to the hearing.
- Bijan Ahmadian: This is against our bylaws. It is the responsibility of the President to conduct public relations. I will tell the University I am speaking for the Society.
- Ben Cappellacci: Public relations concerns the image conveyed to the public. My job is to do with the University.
- Taylor Loren: This whole motion wouldn’t be necessary if Bijan accepted that everyone here wants Ben to speak for us at this hearing.
- Neal Yonson: Why don’t you want Ben to present?
- Bijan Ahmadian: I haven’t decided. Typically, I sit down with VP’s to try and agree on a message, to make sure that the message is in line with Council’s policy. If I see something in his message that is not right and if he doesn’t change it, I will step in and do my job.
- Neal Yonson: Ben gave the presentation to us because he knows it.
- Bahador Moosavi: I loved Ben’s presentation. Does the AMS have an official stance? Does it matter which one says it? If both go and send two different signals, that’s really bad. We have an official stance already communicated to the University. If anyone misrepresents AMS policy, we should hold them accountable.
13. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the motion be amended to add the following two clauses:

‘Be it further resolved that Council direct the President to not communicate on the issue of land use planning and that he must defer to the VP Academic and University Affairs to ensure that he does not communicate contradictory information, and

Be it further resolved that this constitute a Council policy that under the bylaws the President must adhere to under Bylaw (5)(3)(d)(i)(4).’”

- Bijan Ahmadian: I can’t adhere to this because it’s against the bylaws.
- Conrad Copeland: Why is Bijan so obstinate about not listening to Council’s wishes?
- Bijan Ahmadian: I will follow Council’s wishes as long as it is following the bylaws.
- Conrad Copeland: Why do you refuse to listen to what this Council wishes?
- Bijan Ahmadian: This is against the bylaws.
- Mike Silley: This is a little premature. We’re tying someone’s hands, according to things we don’t know; we don’t know what happened; this is before the investigation.
- Andrew Carne: There have been conflicts between Bijan and Ben on this issue. Acknowledging that fact, Council is saying Ben is the expert on this issue. Would it not be pertinent to have the expert determine whether the information is correct? It’s hypocritical for the President to say he wants to make sure communication follows the will of Council when he will not follow the will of Council.
- Charles Au:
  - There’s a lot of frustration in the room, and I don’t know what all of it’s about.
  - We’re talking about public relations. What a nightmare if we pass a motion saying our President can’t speak on an issue.
  - There’s disagreement on interpreting the bylaws. Who resolves that? Who mediates power issues?
  - As to the President being the spokesperson for the Society, the spokesperson for our Council has to say what we want them to say.
  - I’m really disappointed that we’ve spent so long on this.
  - This doesn’t happen in Pharmacy because we work better as a team. I hope the AMS can work better as a team.
- Rory Breasail: The President has lost sight of what the committee’s message is. I have no trust in the President presenting. Even if this passes you are going to overrule what we say.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Our bylaws put me in charge of public relations. Ben will draft the messaging. If it’s in accord with Council policy, fine; but if not, I will step in. I never ignore Council policy, but if Ben misrepresents Council, yes, I will go.
- Katherine Tyson: Ben has consistently presented our policy. The only one who has misrepresented our policy is Bijan.
- Cathy: I’m a student at large on Unecorn. Ben distinctly represented the will of Council. Without Ben, we will not get Gage South designated Academic.
• Connor McGauley: This conversation has gotten too emotional. What is in the letter?
• Dave Tompkins: Council has started an investigation on that.

14. MOVED CONNOR McGAULEY:

“That the question be called on the amendment.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

15. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the motion be amended to add the following two clauses:

‘Be it further resolved that Council direct the President to not communicate on the issue of land use planning and that he must defer to the VP Academic and University Affairs to ensure that he does not communicate contradictory information, and

Be it further resolved that this constitute a Council policy that under the bylaws the President must adhere to under Bylaw (5)(3)(d)(i)(4).’ ”

... Carried

For (18): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Chad Embree, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, David Liu, Sedi Minachi, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Against (7): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Mike Silley, Nancy Wang

Abstained: Benedict Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Elin Tayyar

Back to the now amended main motion

• Kyle Warwick: We have to look at where we’re going from here. We have to stand firm. Passing this motion says we’re a legitimate body. We are empowered to make this motion. Bijan has stuck to a policy of denial; we have to do this.
• Mike Silley: The first part of this motion is fine, but the last two parts are punishment.

16. MOVED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the motion be divided.”

... Defeated
For (10): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Keely Hebert, Amanda Li, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Nancy Wang

Against (14): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Chad Embree, Crystal Hon, David Liu, Sedi Minachi, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Benedict Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Tom Huryn, Jeremy McElroy

- Iggy Rodriguez: The only reason we’re here is because Bijan refuses to let Ben speak on this. PR is yours, yes, but not solely yours; you can delegate.

17. MOVED ALLEN CHEN:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

18. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED NANCY WANG:

“Whereas the AMS VP Academic and University Affairs has been working in detail on issues pertaining to the Land Use Plan,

Be it resolved that the AMS VP Academic and University Affairs be designated as the Society representative to the Land Use Plan Public Hearing.

Be it further resolved that Council direct the President to not communicate on the issue of land use planning and that he must defer to the VP Academic and University Affairs to ensure that he does not communicate contradictory information, and

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (22): Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Chad Embree, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, David Liu, Connor McGauley, Sedi Minachi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (3): Bijan Ahmadian, Ravi Parhar, Mike Silley
Abstained: Benedict Cappellacci, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Elin Tayyar, Azim Wazeer

19. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

From the Elections Administrator
"That Council suspend Code Section V, Article 9(5)(a) to allow postings for positions on the Elections Committee to be put up for ten (10) calendar days instead of for two weeks."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Erik MacKinnon: We still need to establish salary and hours to post job descriptions, and we need to do the hiring by December 1, so we want to shorten the time to apply for a job.

20. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried Unanimously

For (23): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

21. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

From the Elections Administrator/LPC
"Be it resolved that the pay for the Chief Returning Officer be set at $2250 for the period from December 1, 2010 until April 30, 2011. Additionally they will receive bonuses of: $250 for each balloting period outside of normal elections, $20 for each referendum question after the third in any balloting period, $100 for each Constituency election or referendum run on the approval of Council.

Be it further resolved that the pay for the Events and Logistics Officer be set at $1500 for the period from December 1, 2010 until April 30, 2011. Additionally they will receive bonuses of: $150 for each balloting period outside of normal elections, $50 for each Constituency election or referendum run on the approval of Council.

Be it further resolved that the pay for the Promotions and PR Officer be set at $1500 for the period from December 1, 2010 until April 30, 2011. Additionally they will
receive bonuses of: $150 for each balloting period outside of normal elections, $50 for each Constituency election or referendum run on the approval of Council.

Be it resolved that the pay for the AMS VoterMedia Coordinator be set at $750 for the period from December 1, 2010 until April 30, 2011.”

- Julian Ritchie: We did this over the summer for the October elections event and have decided now, after consulting the HR Manager, that we should give pay raises. This is still within the elections budget approved August 25, and there’s a cushion.
- Taylor Loren: VFM last year was not visible.
- Erik MacKinnon: With continuous VFM, and it’s budgeted, we will make it more active.

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For (21): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, David Liu, Sedi Minachi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy

D) President’s Remarks (Bijan Ahmadian):
- Movember underway.
• UBC’s Got Talent going well: 600 people RSVPing; over 80 auditions.
• Talking to the University about an election platform, finding out if we can get a Condorcet system paid for by somebody else.
• Leadership conference in Boston.
• Staff Christmas party November 25 deadline.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar
• Planning a brew pub in the new SUB; shareholder model with Constituencies; let me know if you're interested.
• Sustainability re Land Use Plan: the other side has not been as amenable to amendments as hoped.
• Sustainability fee to be part of the package for the referendum.
• Potential of matching funding for sustainability.
• 50% growth in the AMS Sustainability Department (i.e., we added one more person, a volunteer).
• Health and Dental Plan has been interesting; we promised to bring forward recommendations for a provider, but we need more time.

VP External Affairs – Jeremy McElroy
• Apologies for not getting my quarterly in yet.
• Going to CASA conference.
• U-Pass sort of resolved; other schools can go ahead now with referendums; we don't have to until the spring.
• Premier Campbell resigned and the cabinet's been shuffled; Ida Chong has become the Minister of Science and Universities; we don't quite understand the division of colleges and universities into separate ministries.
• UBC may do a U-Pass survey for us by the end of the year.

VP Administration – Ekaterina Dovjenko
• Three awesome things for the new SUB:
  o Pit pub in the Knoll.
  o Gallery with a green roof.
  o Brew pub.
• Architects working on distribution.
• Looking at final SUB designs in December.
• Also have a new volunteer.
• SAC constituting and deconstituting clubs.
• Quiddich club now formed.

Executive Coordinator Student Services – Pavani Gunadasa
• Thrive Week and Suicide Awareness Day went well, though attendance was low at some events.
• Interviewing for SASC Coordinator and SafeTeam positions.
• Proposal for a budget amendment for Services; we're finding demand has increased, especially for SafeTeam and Tutoring.
F) Committee Reports:

**Executive Oversight Committee (Agenda Committee) – Crystal Hon**
- We’ve developed a structure.
- We want to include Council input and have forms for you to fill out: a questionnaire.

_Council recessed at 9:10 pm for ten minutes._

G) Constituency Reports

**Science – Maria Cirstea**
- Health and safety policy.
- Canuck night beer garden.
- Blue moustaches for sale.

**Regent College – Janina Mobach**
- Evening of prayer and worship.
- Study skills workshop.
- World AIDS Week campaign candlelight vigil.

**Arts – Brian Platt**
- Partnering with CiTR in a DJ competition.
- First year committee having a no pants dance.

**Engineering – Amanda Li**
- Engineering competition.
- Cultural gala.
- Shortlisted architects for our new building.

**GSS – Sedi Minachi**
- Western Canadian universities conference concerning issues in common with other universities.
- Maternity leave policy: UBC has no policy on this; students who go on leave get no benefits.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

No reports from Board or Senate.

**AMS Ombudsperson – Jay Shah**
- Attended ombudsperson course.
- Grad Class Council: Ekat Dovjenko announced that two more Engineering reps are needed, along with reps from Planning and others.
I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

22. MOVED ANDREW CARNE, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Council minutes dated July 14, 2010 [SCD203-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated October 14, 2010 [SCD204-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated October 21, 2010 [SCD205-11]

... Carried

For (13): Benedict Cappellacci, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Crystal Hon, Amanda Li, Sedi Minachi, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Andrew Carne, Jeremy McElroy, Julian Ritchie, Elin Tayyar

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

23. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON: [SCD206-11]

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Staff on Committees’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Julian Ritchie: We’re adding back into Code which staff should be on which committee to let future staff and future committees know.

24. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

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For (17): Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick
25. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO: [SCD207-11]

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Proxies’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Julian Ritchie: We took out the 24 hours requirement for naming a proxy. We’d just like the Speaker to be slightly stricter in enforcing the current proxy rules. Also, we’re keeping proxies out of in camera portions of meetings unless Council votes to invite them to stay.
- Andrew Carne: What about proxies having to vote after an in camera discussion?
- Julian Ritchie: Council should have discretion on whether to invite proxies to stay. Obviously, Council would invite them to stay if the discussion would be relevant to a subsequent vote.

26. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Proxies’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (21): Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

27. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE: [SCD208-11]

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Agendas for Committees’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Julian Ritchie: This requires committees to post their agendas so that people in general and staff in particular will know which meetings to go to.
- Kyle Warwick: We have a manageable number of committees now, and this will make sure they’re accountable.
- Someone commented that this Code rule would be a good one to follow.
28. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Agendas for Committees’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (19): Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Katherine Tyson

29. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO: [SCD209-11]

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Committee Chairs’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Julian Ritchie: This clarifies who can and cannot be chairs of Council’s standing committees. We’re excluding the ECSS and the Ombudsperson, in fact most of the non-voting Council members. But we’re making an exception for the non-voting Regent and VST reps.

30. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Committee Chairs’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (21): Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick
31. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED AMANDA LI:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Committee Appointment Terms’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Julian Ritchie: We will no longer appoint committee members just once a year. We will appoint in September and then again in April. This way no one has to miss out if they’re not going to be here for the summer. And if someone is going to be here for sure in the summer, they can seek to join a committee for the summer. Hopefully, this will enable us to get quorum over the summer.
- Andrew Carne: Will this affect committee chairs?
- Julian Ritchie: Yes.
- Andrew Carne: Will it affect their salaries?
- Julian Ritchie: They’re on salary anyway. It may affect transitional honoraria.

32. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED AMANDA LI:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Committee Appointment Terms’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (21): Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

33. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED BRIAN PLATT:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Student Court Judgments’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Julian Ritchie: We’re deleting the part of the Code we voted to ignore last time it came up. What this does is move us back to the bylaw rule on how to accept Student Court judgments (i.e., a vote by Council will be required). Council could just suspend this part of Code anyway, so it was just cluttering the books.
34. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED BRIAN PLATT:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Student Court Judgments’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (20): Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Katherine Tyson

Abstained: Elin Tayyar

35. MOVED MICHAEL SILLEY, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That on the recommendation of the Business and Facilities Committee Council approve the expenditure of no more than $2,500 from CPAC to be spent on repairing the Whistler lodge roof over the kitchen area.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Note: CPAC has a balance of $390,922

- Mike Silley: The roof is leaking; this will pay for repairs for one season, not redo the whole roof, which would cost $22,000.
- Nancy Wang: Why not completely fix it?
- Mike Silley: Right now we have a subcommittee doing a review of Whistler; best to hold off on doing anything major.

36. MOVED MICHAEL SILLEY, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

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Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Katherine Tyson

Abstained: Elin Tayyar

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

37. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED BRIAN PLATT:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Oct. 4, 2010  [SCD212-11]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Oct. 18, 2010  [SCD214-11]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Oct. 25, 2010.”  [SCD215-11]

... Carried

For (19): Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Ekaterina Dovjenko, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (3): Benedict Cappellacci, Jeremy McElroy, Elin Tayyar

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

ECSS 3rd Quarterly Report  [SCD216-11]
VP Administration 3rd Quarterly Report  [SCD217-11]

Q) Next Meeting:

December 1, 2010

R) Adjournment:

38. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

For (9): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Crystal Hon, Sedi Minachi, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick
Abstained: Tom Huryn, Bahador Moosavi

The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 pm.

S) Social Activity:
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The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver
PLACE: Council Chambers    SUB Room 206
November 10, 2010
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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: See list at the end of the minutes.

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:09 pm.

1. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

“Be it resolved that Council have a recess and reassemble in 10 minutes time in the Norm Theatre.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds... Carried

Council reassembled in the Norm Theatre at 6:30 pm in front of a sizable audience, but before officially going back in session heard the following presentation:

C) Presentations to Council:

UBC Email Service for Students – Oliver Gruter-Andrew (UBC IT Services)

- Current email system (interchange) has poor functionality and is old, unsupported technology; it may fall over and not get up.
- Email is part of how the University communicates with students.
- There’s a desire for UBC to provide email service to students and also alumni.
- It would be expensive to install a new system.
- Instead, UBC is looking at two host systems: gmail and Microsoft’s equivalent.
- Would probably switch over next year.

A straw poll of the audience and Council showed a unanimous preference for gmail.

Questions

- Dave Tompkins: Would this be housed in Canada?
- Oliver Gruter-Andrew: No, it would have to be in the clouds because of regulations covering employees. But students are not covered by the laws on this.
- Dave Tompkins asked if the new system would also apply to faculty.
- Oliver Gruter-Andrew: No. The only grey zone would be TA’s. The system would still be administered by UBC employees, but it would live in the ether.
- Katherine Tyson expressed concern about gmail being subject to the U.S. Patriot Act, allowing the U.S. government to have access to UBC students’ email.
- Taylor Loren asked whether students could keep their old interchange addresses.
- Oliver Gruter-Andrew: Students will be able to keep their old addresses.
- Taylor Loren: Will they be able to change their addresses?
- Oliver Gruter-Andrew was not sure about that.
- Dave Tompkins asked if there would be a permanent address after graduation.
- Oliver Gruter-Andrew: We would like to make it permanent, for life.
- A question was raised about privacy regulations.
- Oliver Gruter-Andrew: We will completely comply with Canadian and BC privacy laws, because we have to.

_Council officially resumed with the following motions:_

2. **MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:**

   “That the meeting be videostreamed by the Ubyssey, Vancouver Media Co-op and Jonathan Lerner.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

3. **MOVED ANDREW CARNE:**

   “That the motion be divided to deal with the Ubyssey request separately.”

   ... No objections

4. **MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:**

   “That the meeting be videostreamed by the Ubyssey.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   ... Carried

   For (40): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Shalene Williams

5. **MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED ALLEN CHEN:**

   “That the Vancouver Media Co-op and Jonathan Lerner requests be split into separate motions.”

   ... Carried

   For (10): Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Michael Haack, Sedi Minachi, Brian Platt, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang
Against (8): Andrew Carne, Chad Embree, Keely Hebert, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Shalene Williams

Abstained: Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Annie Greenwood, Tom Huryn, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

6. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

“That the meeting be videostreamed by the Vancouver Media Co-op.” ... Carried

For (37): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, David Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Shalene Williams

Abstained: Iggy Rodriguez

7. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

“That the meeting be videostreamed by Jonathan Lerner.”

- Michael Haack said he did not feel comfortable being videorecorded by a private person.
- Dan [guest] said his girl-friend cannot be here because it is a major Jewish holiday, and he would like her to be able to see what happened.
- Dave Tompkins: The Ubyssey will be archiving their version so people can watch it later.

For (10): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Sean Heisler, Brian Platt, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Sumedha Sharma, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer,

Against (15): Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Naila
Karim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Shalene Williams

Abstained: Charles Au, Benedict Cappellacci, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson

9. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That the agenda be amended to do the budget presentation now.”

Note: Requires a majority of all voting members present. ... Defeated


Against (11): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Lin Chung, Amanda Li, David Liu, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Iggy Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang,

Abstained (9): Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Ellen Kim, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Sumedha Sharma, Leo Stokes

10. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.” ... Carried

For (36): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Lin Chung, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams

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

L) Committee Motions:
11. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

   From the Agenda Committee
   “That Council invoke the rules on limiting debate as per Code Section III, Article 1(31).”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   - Kyle Warwick: This would be prudent. There are tons and tons of people here. Without this, people could speak for five minutes. This will give everyone a chance to speak.
   - Rory Breasail: These issues are complex; 2-1/2 minutes is not enough.
   - Andrew Carne asked if the rules also require alternation between Council members and guests.
   - The Speaker confirmed that they do.
   - Gregory Williams: Given the imbalance of numbers and in the interest of letting everyone speak, perhaps we should alter the rules to allow more flexibility.
   - Ignacio Rodriguez: We’ve used these rules before; they’re effective rules; they create a good debate environment.
   - Katherine Tyson: This is still a Council meeting. Council members need to interact with each other; they need a time to talk as well.

12. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

   “That Council invoke the rules on limiting debate as per Code Section III, Article 1(31).”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   ... Carried


   Against (2): Rory Breasail, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri)

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

   - Not looking at the political ramifications, just responding to complaints about the Social Justice Centre.
   - And not referring to the complaint received just this morning; we will investigate that later, but there was not enough notice for us to do that one for tonight.
• SAC’s investigation determined that the SJC did not grossly violate their constitution.
• There was a question about the legitimacy of the SJC executive, based on the notion that they were avoiding elections in September.
• However, their elections are in February, unless there is a vacancy.
• There is one vacancy, and that position is to be filled by a by-election in January.
• The rest of the Executive was elected in February and remain in office.
• Thus the statement that the Executive is illegitimate is not true. The SJC executive is constitutionally able to pass motions and do planning.
• So SAC is recommending the following motions to ensure that the SJC holds its election to fill the vacancy.

13. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

“Be it resolved that the Social Justice Centre (SJC) hold a Special Meeting in the first week of January for the purpose of an election to fill the vacant position of Administrative Coordinator on an interim basis until the elections at the SJC AGM in February.

Be it further resolved that the SJC copy the SAC Vice-Chair on any correspondence dealing with the meetings until after the February AGM.

Be it further resolved that the SJC allow a representative of SAC to attend both the January Special Meeting and the AGM elections meeting in February.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried Unanimously

For (41): Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Naila Karim, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Shalene Williams

C) Presentations to Council:

SJC Fund Transfer – Elin Tayyar – VP Finance
• Bijan told me he’d received complaints that the SJC was planning to transfer $10,000 to the Gaza flotilla. He said to keep an eye on this because it could be a PR disaster. He said it should probably go to Council.
• The plan was to take it first to the Executive. We had an Executive meeting at which both sides attended. It turned out what was going on was $700 being transferred to the SPHR (Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights) club to be donated to the flotilla.
• We sought a legal opinion which told us that Council has the right to administer all AMS funds and assets and that the VP Finance has the power to defer decisions to Council.

• Some Council members told me they didn’t want to be voting on this.

• The lawyers recommended the motion we’ve brought tonight. It has two conditions:
  o First that it be established that the SJC approved everything it did at a duly constituted meeting, that the process was OK; and
  o Second that we make sure the money is not going to a terrorist organization.

• SAC has established that the first condition was met.

• As to the second, I’ve looked into it, and the money is going to a charitable organization. If Council wants, I can look into it further to make sure we’re not being put at risk.

Questions
• Gordon Katic: Did the legal opinion suggest there was any evidence that this was tied to terrorism?
• Elin Tayyar: Complaints came from a group of students. We looked into this. It wasn’t that we were scared that it was going to a terrorist organization; it’s simply a PR issue. I wanted Council to take care of this issue and not me.
• Dave Tompkins: So Gordon’s question was never asked of our lawyers?
• Katherine Tyson: The money is not going to Hamas, but there is a potential legal problem with running the blockade.
• Omar Chaaban: The blockade is only imposed by two countries. It’s not generally accepted.
• Michael Moll: Is the money going directly to a registered charity, or through a charity to another company to buy the boat?
• Elin Tayyar: As far as I can tell, it’s going to a charitable organization that is going to buy the boat.
• Katherine Tyson: The legal opinion said it’s not a registered charity; why are you saying it is?
• Elin Tayyar: I’ve never talked to the lawyers. Bijan was in charge of that. As far as I know, the journal voucher is for something to go from SJC to the club. The request that came to my desk was for a transfer of money from one AMS account to another.
• Michael Moll: Is the flotilla boat a registered charity?
• Bijan Ahmadian: The lawyers said they did not find a charity registered as the Canadian Boat to Gaza.
• Omar Chaaban: The organization Alternatives, in Quebec, is the charitable organization.
• Elin Tayyar: The intention is to send a cheque to that registered charity, Alternatives.
• Kyle Warwick: If the organization in the legal opinion is not the one we’re sending the money to, why is it the one in the legal opinion?
• Guest: None of the groups involved were allowed to provide evidence to the lawyers. The $700 is under the oversight of two not-for-profit organizations audited and monitored by the government, Alternatives and Turtle Mountain. They are overseeing the money being used for the project that is called the
Canadian Boat to Gaza. This could have been cleared up if we had been allowed to provide information to the lawyers.

- Rory Breasail: If this motion is passed, in what way do the conditions have to be met so that the transfer goes through?
- Elin Tayyar: The first condition was taken care of by the SAC report. The second condition empowers me to make sure the money is not going to a terrorist organization. That would be my responsibility.
- Dave Tompkins: It’s up to Council or its designate to determine that the money is not going to a terrorist organization. Council could vote itself, or delegate to another group.
- Rael Katz: The legal opinion warned that under the Criminal Code Council could be found guilty of facilitating terrorism.
- The Speaker ruled that this was debate rather than a question.

14. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED ALLEN CHEN:

“That the agenda be amended to add the following motion:

‘Whereas the SJC is well within their rights to donate money within their approved budget and do not require Council approval; and

Whereas the transfer was frozen and deferred to Council by the AMS Executive under the pretenses that the Canadian Boat to Gaza is linked with terrorism and that the SJC acted inappropriately in electing their Executive, both facts of which have been verified false, and

Whereas Alternatives, the non-government organization organizing the Canadian Boat to Gaza, is consistently funded by the Canadian International Development Agency and the Federal Government for their important humanitarian work around the world,

Be it resolved that the following motion be removed from the agenda as it is the VP Finance’s fiduciary and administrative duty to sign off on transfers without personal prejudice, and

Be it further resolved that the AMS Executive write an open letter of apology to all students for alleging the Canadian Boat to Gaza is in any way related to terrorism, a fact easily verified to be false.’ ”

- Elin Tayyar: The second whereas clause is incorrect. The decision to defer was not based on the issue of terrorism. According to the legal opinion, I have the right to defer to Council, and I did so because a lot of students were concerned. Two students came to us and then we received a letter signed by 17 students.
- Gregory Williams: Since both of the conditions are already met – through the SAC report and because it’s pretty obvious the money is not going to terrorism – I don’t know that there’s any need for further debate. The transfer ought to just go through.
• James (UBC Students for Students) said there were two petitions against the money being sent, one signed by 236 students and another by 672 alumni, professors and students.
• Katherine Tyson: We should try to work with the original motion before we strike it.
• Rael Katz: The legal opinion warns that the AMS could be found liable for facilitating terrorism even if the AMS did not know the group the money ends up going to is a terrorist organization. Ignorance is no excuse.
• Brian Platt: It’s clear in the legal opinion and in Code that Elin has the right to defer to Council. I don’t like the implication in this proposed motion that Elin should have to sign off on anything the SJC or SPHR does. The SJC operates with funds from every student on campus, and the only body representing all the students on campus is Student Council. Council should be able to review these transactions.
• Omar Chaaban said he had a petition signed by 547 students supporting the motion and calling on Bijan Ahmadian to apologize.
• Kyle Warwick: I’m not in favour of adding this motion to the agenda. This motion says Elin acted in bad faith. That’s not fair. The Executive got a hot potato handed to them and so they deferred to Council. It’s absolutely appropriate for Council to discuss this issue.
• Arielle Friedman: The problem with the other motion is that it doesn’t say whether Council is allowed to do this. It assumes that Council can, ignoring the issue of Resource Group autonomy.

15. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (22): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Tom Huryn, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams

Against (3): Rory Breasail, Michael Haack, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri)

16. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED ALLEN CHEN:

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… Defeated

For (8): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Tom Huryn, David Kim, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri)

Against (24): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Niala Karim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams

Abstained: Lin Chung, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, David Liu, Nancy Wang, Azim Wazeer

J) Executive Committee Motions:

17. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

"Be it resolved that the recommendation of the VP Finance in relation to the request by the Social Justice Centre resource group for approval to transfer $700 to the Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights Club be accepted, namely, that the decision to approve the transfer be deferred pending receipt by the VP Finance of confirmation that:

(i) the request to transfer funds to the Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights Club has been duly authorized by the Social Justice Centre at a duly constituted meeting of its Board as required by its Constitution;

(ii) the Council is satisfied, acting reasonably, following prudent due diligence by the Social Justice Centre, the Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights Club, the Council itself and/or any other body chosen by the Council as a reliable resource in this respect, that the transfer of funds will not constitute funding an organization linked to terrorism."
• Elin Tayyar:
  o Thousands of transactions go through the AMS every year, every month, and are signed by me and the other signing officers. We do our best to make sure they do not go to terrorist organizations.
  o I want to stress that this whole debate is not whether this is a terrorist organization or whether this money is going to a terrorist organization. I will make sure it is not. That’s not to be discussed here. That’s my job.
  o The debate should be on whether the SJC should transfer this money to SPHR, whether Council should intervene in the SJC’s business. I guess it’s a question of autonomy.
  o Please don’t mention terrorism again. I will take care of that.

18. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the motion be amended to read:

‘Whereas AMS Council is in favour of humanitarian aid and relief to areas of the world in need and conflict zones; and

Whereas it is within the mandate of the Social Justice Centre to provide money to groups for charitable contributions; and

Whereas the validity of the charitable status of the final recipient is in question; and

Whereas the final use of these funds is alleged not to be for actual humanitarian aid, but for the provision of vessels for an international operation, the legality of which is in question; and

Whereas the Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights Club claims that the transfer is for humanitarian aid and relief to Gaza;

Therefore be it resolved that the recommendation of the VP Finance in relation to the request by the Social Justice Centre resource group for approval to transfer $700 to the Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights Club be accepted, namely, that the decision to approve the transfer be deferred pending receipt by the VP Finance of confirmation that:

(i) the request to transfer funds to the Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights Club has been duly authorized by the Social Justice Centre at a duly constituted meeting of its Board as required by its Constitution;

(ii) the Council is satisfied, acting reasonably, following prudent due diligence by the Social Justice Centre, the Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights Club, the Council itself and/or any other body chosen by the Council as a reliable resource in this respect, that the transfer of funds will not constitute funding an organization linked to terrorism.

Be it further resolved that the $700 that the Social Justice Centre transfers to the Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights Club is contingent on it then being provided to a registered Canadian or International charity that is recognized by CIDA and that
is currently operational within Gaza and will provide material supplies to those in need in the region."

- Katherine Tyson said she was seeking a compromise. As long as we require that the money go to a CIDA-recognized body currently operational in Gaza, that will ensure due diligence. As directors of the Society, we must exercise due diligence in the face of the potential liability outlined in the legal opinion. There are questions, but if everything the SJC says is true, that this is a registered charity recognized by CIDA, then the funds will go through. The amendment simply requires us to check. Everyone here is saying this is for humanitarian purposes; let’s make sure it’s for humanitarian aid and through a registered charity.

- Riaz Behria: The amendment infringes on the ability of the Social Justice Centre to carry out its mandate.

- Rory Breasail: As an active member of the Social Justice Centre, I oppose the amendment. One part is redundant. CIDA itself invests in the charity this money would be transferred to. And the other part is undue and unjustified interference with the autonomy of the Resource Groups.

- Tom Huryn: We should not be debating whether this group is a member of CIDA. We should be debating whether to allow this money to go from the SJC to SPHR, and I don’t think the AMS should be debating that; that’s Resource Group autonomy.

- Michael Moll: The mandate of the AMS is to promote unity and goodwill. There’s a serious divide on our campus, and if we can’t be united over this, how can we hope to help the Middle East? A second question is whether this is humanitarian aid or a political stance. Why not clearly make it humanitarian aid? Why put money towards a boat that may not even make it?

- Kyle Warwick: Resource Group autonomy has its limits. The Resource Groups were created by Council in the Code. The referendum on the Resource Groups did not create autonomy for them. It was Council in its own Code that did that, and Council can suspend Code in exceptional cases.

- Gordon Katic: No one is suggesting there is complete autonomy, but this is an infringement on the spirit and the letter of the autonomy section of the Code. If you don’t like autonomy, you can amend the Code, but not retroactively. Elin should not be deciding where the SJC spends its money.

- Janina Mobach: The pamphlet on this says that although the organization is a charity, there can be no charitable tax receipts for buying the boat. Why?

- Guest: Alternatives, the organization to which the money is going, is a charity, but they are passing the money on to Turtle Island, which is a registered not-for-profit; and Turtle Island is the one buying the boat.

- Julian Ross Markowitz: SJC money is our money, and Council has the right to decide on it. The time for autonomy is past. There’s a military blockade of Gaza. If the concern is really humanitarian, then send the aid through established channels. The real aim of this donation is political.

- Alicia [guest]: The amendment is problematic. The original motion was perfectly adequate. It had two conditions, and we’ve met them. This amendment is seeking to dictate where our money goes, requiring it to go to an area under an illegal blockade, forcing us to send it to certain charities permitted by Israel. One
side has been spamming Council with disgustingly insulting statements. One side has been respectful.

- Naila Karim: The AMS has a lot of money. It comes from all of us students, and it's important to make sure it goes to places a lot of people approve of. If it gets sent to an organization CIDA approves of, it would still be going to help the same people.

- Ophir Stolov: My concern is that this money is not going where it’s intended to go; it’s going to a boat that’s trying to reverse a blockade recognized by the Canadian government.

- Iran Seyed-Raeisey: Why CIDA? And why must this go to an organization within Gaza? Isn’t the SJC allowed to take political, unpopular stands? It’s SJC’s role to defend marginalized groups.

- Katherine Tyson: If this is a CIDA-recognized group, it should be able to qualify for this. And the reason to send it to an organization on the ground is that as much as you want to make a political stunt, Canadian law says this blockade is legal. We’re directors of a big organization. AMS funds have to go to legal purposes.

- Dylan Callow: I’d be happy to give aid to charities on the ground right now. This flotilla is not even going till March 2011 and this boat is not even certain. And I don’t want to be liable. By making this amendment, we get the aid there and don’t jeopardize our careers.

- Dan (international student at Sauder): I’m an Israeli. I’m not here to preach hatred or to say don’t help the Palestinian people. I belong to an organization that brings youths together from both sides to create dialogue. SPHR’s purpose is to put pressure on the Israeli government, not to send humanitarian aid to people who need it.

**Automatic calling of the question on the amendment**

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Against (7): Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri)

19. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

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… Defeated

For (16): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Crystal Hon, Naila Karim, David Liu, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Against (22): Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams

Abstained: Lin Chung, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Elin Tayyar

Automatic calling of the question on the main motion
Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (3): Ekaterina Dovjenko, Naila Karim, Elin Tayyar

Against (28): Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Joel Mertens

The Speaker said that if the main motion fails, it is not clear what would happen, and he invited a subsequent motion in that case to say explicitly that the transfer would be cancelled.

- Kendall Moraski (Pride) read a letter on behalf of the Resource Groups expressing concern about the freezing of the transfer, the violating of Code, and the infringement of Resource Group autonomy.
- Zoe (guest): Alternatives was defunded in February because it did not meet CIDA's priorities. CIDA cut their funding by nearly 70 percent and did not approve their most recent grant. Clearly, there is an issue here.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: Everyone can agree on the need to send some sort of humanitarian aid to Palestine. At the SJC, every student is a member of the Board; in that it is different from a regular student club. I have received lots of emails from students on both sides of this, and all those students are members of the club. Council can’t ignore the students, and I think passing this motion does ignore them.

20. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED SUMEDHA SHARMA:

“That the motion be amended to add the following clause:

‘Be it further resolved that no transfer take place until after the next AGM of the SJC.’ ”

- Ignacio Rodriguez: The Social Justice Centre is in a very unique situation. It receives funding directly from the students, and every student is a member. My belief is that the SJC membership wasn’t properly consulted on this. There shouldn’t be an issue with delaying this a little bit.
- Gregory Williams: Yes, every person who’s a student here is a member of the Resource Groups. The Social Justice Centre has meetings every Monday at two o’clock. If people have problems, they should come to meetings. My understanding is that there was debate at one of those meetings on this issue. Many people took part; there was a decision voted on.
Katie Fitzpatrick: I was duly elected in February 2010 and was still the Administrative Coordinator when the decision to transfer this money to SPHR was made, in October. I resigned in November. So we had a full executive at the time of the decision, and thus I don’t see how this amendment is relevant. SAC has already found in our favour.

Omar Chaaban: Council can’t tell the SJC or SPHR what to do with the money.

Sumedha Sharma: It may be a good idea to have this come back to the next SJC AGM.

Anna Warge: SJC is not a club. The only relevant opinions are students’, not Council’s.

Sedi Minachi: We should handle this issue now and vote against the amendment. SJC’s autonomy has been violated by a lobby group from across Canada.

*Automatic vote on whether to continue debate on the amendment.*

*Note: Requires 2/3rds*

... Defeated

For (14): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Tom Huryn, Amanda Li, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (20): Charles Au, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Naila Karim, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Shalene Williams

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Joel Mertens, Elin Tayyar

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“That the motion be amended to add the following clause:

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... Defeated

For (6): Bijan Ahmadian, Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Sean Heisler, David Liu, Ravi Parhar, Azim Wazeer

Automatic motion to continue debate on the main motion.
Note: Requires 2/3rds
... Carried

For (30): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams

Against (4): Annie Greenwood, Naila Karim, Sedi Minachi, Nancy Wang

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens

• Katie Fitzpatrick: The IAC (Israel Awareness Club) has made a lot of complaints about how the SJC meeting was handled. Why? Their aim is to make a political point and to ensure that any support of Palestine will not be tolerated on this campus and that anyone who supports Palestine will be bullied. They are bullying students and smearing us in the media. If Council decides against this motion, they are not being neutral.

• Gregory Williams: There has been an objection to the SJC taking a political stance with student money, but the referendum on the Resource Groups gave the SJC a specific mandate to take political positions with student money. The SJC is just doing its job. There is no such thing as a politically neutral donation to a charity in Gaza now, because Israel does not allow this. To go along with that is to effectively take the side of saying Israel’s blockade is okay. Either way it’s a political decision. If the AMS Council wants to be politically neutral, it should just let this go through.

• Riaz Behria: There’s a false dichotomy between political aid and humanitarian aid. The Red Cross and Oxfam and several other organizations have released a statement saying the siege of Gaza is illegal and calling for opposition to it; they have called on citizens to oppose governments that support the siege. It is not Canadian law, just the policy of the Stephen Harper government, to support the siege. Should we be following Stephen Harper’s policies? Those policies are anti-social justice. The AMS needs to allow the SJC the autonomy to fulfill its mandate.

• Matthew Naylor:
  o I oppose this motion because it does not set a sufficient standard of proof for whether a donation would be linked to terrorism or not.
  o The Executive Committee should not have asked for a totally unnecessary legal opinion on this, costing much more than the $700 in question.
Elin Tayyar should be commended. If an Executive has a problem with something, if he is concerned about whether something is in the best interests of the Society, then he should bring it to Council, the body that has the fiduciary interests of the Society at heart.

Autonomy from Council does not exist for the Resource Groups; Council granted autonomy from the Executive and SAC, but not from itself.

Council has the right and duty to do whatever it thinks is best for the Society in the fiduciary interest of the members.

Certain Resource Groups, such as Pride, the Women’s Centre, and Colour Connected against Racism, provide important services to students. Other Resource Groups are dedicated to funding political concerns but not to funding students on campus. That is a problem that I think the Legislative Procedures Committee of this Council should address.

- Charles Au: We’re all here to support humanitarian aid. My question for the SJC and SPHR is why this particular initiative was selected rather than something less controversial.
- Omar Chaaban: Numerous organizations have documented the humanitarian crisis in Gaza and have criticized the siege. The Israeli blockade constitutes collective punishment of the civilian population in Gaza.
- Guest: They came to our meeting and asked for funding. We felt it fell under our mandate to fight global and local inequality. That’s why we decided to fund it.
- Rory Breasail: Council should vote for this now. This motion affirms the autonomy of all Resource Groups.

22. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That this motion be postponed indefinitely.”

- Michael Haack: The AMS jumped the gun with improper information. Alternatives is funded by the government of Canada through CIDA. They’re legit. The AMS acted under false pretences. There’s no reason to ask Council to decide. There should be an automatic transfer to SPHR.

The Speaker said that if this motion to postpone indefinitely passes, the decision will fall back to Elin Tayyar, the VP Finance.

- Elin Tayyar: I brought this to Council, the elected representatives, so that you could choose. If you can’t, you can send it back to the Executive, and the Executive will make a decision.
- Michael Moll: Council should decide and not postpone. And the Executive Committee should look at the SJC for violating the AMS Constitution and its requirement to promote unity. The SJC is pushing its agenda and dividing us. Let us not act in spite.
- Andrew Carne: We did get an expensive legal opinion that recommended we vote on this motion, so let’s vote on this motion.
23. MOVED ANDREW CARNE:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

24. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That this motion be postponed indefinitely.”

... Defeated

For (2): Charles Au, Michael Haack

Against (27): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Lin Chung, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Chad Embree, Naila Karim, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson

Automatic calling of the question on the main motion.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (27): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Sean Heisler, Tom Huryn, Naila Karim, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Kate Phipps, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mrigank Sharma, Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams

Against (6): Bijan Ahmadian, Brian Platt, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Charles Au, Lin Chung, Amanda Li, Bahador Moosavi, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar

25. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

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… Carried

For (26): Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams

Against (9): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Nila Karim, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Sean Heisler, David Liu, Sumedha Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Azim Wazeer

Council recessed for 25 minutes and reassembled in Council Chambers at 9:48 pm.

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Brian Platt
  • Big dance: very successful.

Commerce – Dylan Callow
  • International business conference, POITS.

GSS – Sedi Minachi.

Law – Kate Phipps
  • Exams.

Engineering – Amanda Li
  • Carolling.

Science – Sumedha Sharma
  • Science Week.

Music – Annie Greenwood
  • Big concert at the Chan.
Planning – Theresa Fresco
- Christmas Party.

Land & Food – David Liu
- Election planning.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar
- Minister of Forests here to talk.

Medicine – Naila Karim
- Curriculum renewal.

There were no objections to extending Council by one hour.

C) Presentations to Council:

Financial Projections – Elin Tayyar

- Business performance off.
- Another deficit: will need to withdraw money from our non-replenished funds.
- The businesses are $240,000 below forecast.
- Sponsorships down too: another $26,000 (the presidential promise of $30,000 will not be fulfilled).
- Reasons: The economy and competition.

26. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE, THIRDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the meeting go in camera.”

The meeting went in camera at 10:07 pm.

The meeting left the in camera session at 10:10 pm.

Elin Tayyar’s presentation continued:
- A big part of the loss is at the Pit, the Gallery, and in Catering.
- Catering has been hit by the University’s introduction of Wescadia in late 2007, creating huge competition for us; it’s been tough getting the business we used to get.
- Liquor primary outlets have been up and down since 2000, especially down since 2009.
- Fixes:
  - Looking into price adjustments.
  - Maybe need to look into bringing back some things we cut, e.g., the Business Promotions Coordinator.
- Some successes, e.g., the UBC card at our outlets.
- Whistler is also lagging.
- The cuts we made were necessary, or else we’d be even worse off.
- We need a fee referendum or $252,166 in more cuts.
Questions

- Ekat Dovjenko: This is serious. We can’t cut anymore. We have to make the businesses better or go to referendum on fees, or both.
- Katherine Tyson: The next budget should aim for a surplus. It’s not realistic to balance the budget exactly and not expect the unexpected. We need to think outside the box, be more innovative.

**UBC Line Update – Bijan Ahmadian**

- Public hearing tomorrow (Metro Vancouver).
- Bus will take you to Burnaby.
- We’ve gotten their attention, but we need to show an army of green tomorrow.

**N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:**

27. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion on the Resource Groups.”

... No objections

28. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED BY [WHO?]:

“That Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to review Section 11 of the Code of Procedure with specific reference to the purpose, scope, autonomy and composition of the Student Resource Groups and report back to Council no later than the first meeting of February.”

- Matthew Naylor:
  - There are some significant issues with the Resource Groups.
  - The referendum did not address a number of issues, e.g., autonomy; that was not in the referendum.
  - Council needs to take a look at what the Resource Groups mean for students.
  - Pride and the Women’s Centre, and a potential new group on Disability, do work for oppressed minority groups on campus, but the Environment Centre and the SJC should be relooked at.
  - The SJC might become a club, raising its own money, so that we don’t have a situation in which the money of all students goes to a project not all students support.
- Gregory Williams: There’s a false dichotomy between oppression and marginalization. Systemic inequality can’t be separated from fighting oppression. Autonomy may not be in the referendum, but it’s in the Code. There’s autonomy from everything but Council. There’s no need for this review. All the Resource Groups provide an essential service to students.
- Andrew Carne: This just asks for a review of structure; it doesn’t attack the SJC. It’s not prejudging conclusions, but tonight’s debate shows there are problems. I don’t see any harm in reviewing them.
29. MOVED NICK SERTIC, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Against (6): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Theresa Fresco, Sedi Minachi, Mike Silley

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie

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... Carried

For (31): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Naila Karim, David Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Against (3): Rory Breasail, Allen Chen, Sedi Minachi

Abstained: Michael Haack, Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie

31. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“Be it resolved that Council direct the Student Life Committee to make a Block Party presentation at the second meeting in January.”

32. MOVED ANDREW CARNE:

“That the motion be amended to add:
’Be it further resolved that if no presentation is given, then the Block Party shall be cancelled.’ ”

… No objections

- Erik MacKinnon: The real problem is with the Events Department. How much was lost in Block Party last year? That event was so poorly organized, but there were no consequences. The Events Department needs a supervisor that will not lose this much money.
- Allen Chen: This is very serious. We haven’t seen a plan for this. I urge caution. It’s questionable whether we should go ahead if nothing is in place.
- Katherine Tyson: Last year people said we had to run a party even if it was going to lose money. We need to say we will cancel this time.
- Bahador Moosavi: Why was this presentation not done on October 15?
- Crystal Hon: The previous chair should have. I just became chair of the SLC.
- Bahador Moosavi: Do you have enough time to prepare for Block Party?
- Crystal Hon: I will make it happen.

33. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the motion be amended to postpone the due date for the report.”

… Failed for lack of seconder

- Ben Cappellacci: Block Party is in some way a service to students, but it’s also a cost centre. We have to consider how serious this is, given our financial situation.
- Leo Stokes: I’m not sure why we assume Block Party will be a failure.
- Nick Sertic: After the January 26 meeting, there will be only 120 days left till Block Party. It would be impossible to go ahead.
- Elin Tayyar: Events are volatile and risky. If there’s no plan, we’d be justified in cancelling.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: This puts pressure on, but if planning is not underway by the second meeting in January, it would not be responsible to go forward.
- Taylor Loren: This could be bad optics: if you cancel Block Party and then ask for money, people will not like it. You can’t be cancelling things that are really important to students.
- Annie Greenwood: Maybe if we don’t cancel it, it could take a different form.

34. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (25): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresno, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Tom Huryn, Naila Karim, David Kim, David Liu, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Iggy
Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang

Against (3): Ekaterina Dovjenko, Sean Heisler, Jeremy McElroy

Abstained: Mike Silley

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Against (4): Michael Haack, Naila Karim, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes

D) President’s Remarks:
No remarks.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar
• Jeremy and I visited three companies re the Health and Dental Plan; we’ll bring something forward for January.

VP Academic & University Affairs – Ben Cappellacci
• Land Use Plan public hearing last night.

VP Administration – Ekaterina Dovjenko
• Newest rendition of SUB plans being presented Friday.
• SAC investigated the Gaza issue.

VP Academic – Jeremy McElroy
• CASA Conference in Ottawa, November 13-20. Met with cabinet ministers, opposition politicians, senators, bureaucrats. Was a chance to put UBC on the map on the federal stage.
• We’ll host the CASA AGM March 13, a week later than planned.
• VCC, Emily Carr, and Douglas U-Pass referendums all passed. Kwantlen and BCIT are voting in January. Moving along to a May 1 rollout. We’ll have our referendum in March.
• Elin and I are preparing a report on the health plan.

ECSS – Pavani Gunadasa
• Looking for a new SafeTeam Coordinator.
• Also seeking to increase the budgets for Safewalk and Tutoring.

36. MOVED PAVANI GUNADASA, SECONDED SEDI MINACHI:

“That Council approve the following amendments to the budget:

$3,200 for SafeTeam – more shifts
$1,250 to double the Tutoring assistant hours from 5 to 10 hours/week
$1,920 for increased tutoring hours.”

All coming from the Services Fund (balance is $22,061.78).

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Pavani Gunadasa:
  o There’s been an increasing demand for Safewalk. Some people call for Safewalkers, but when they find there will be a wait, they say never mind and just risk walking on their own. That’s not good. We’ve tried a small expansion, but want to do more.
  o We cut Tutoring back from last year, and now there’s not enough money to run the service. We also want to increase the drop-in shifts.
• Ignacio Rodriguez asked about the reasons for the increasing demand for Safewalk.
• Pavani Gunadasa referred to the incidents in October.

There were no objections to extending Council by half an hour.

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Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Naila Karim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Chad Embree, David Kim, Katherine Tyson

F) Committee Reports:

Student Life Committee – Crystal Hon
- A Sexual Assault Initiatives Fund application has been granted; this is one of the first times the fund has been used.
- Looking to make a movie.

Business & Facilities Committee – Mike Silley
- The Food & Beverage Manager and the Sustainability Coordinator have implemented an uncut roll at the Honour Roll.
- Whistler review meeting.

University & External Relations Committee – Katherine Tyson
- Passed consultation document for the Land Use Plan.
- Planning to work on external policies after January.

Education Committee – Joel Mertens
- Looking at Code changes re interaction with the Student Senate Caucus.

Legislative Procedures Committee – Julian Ritchie
- We’re working hard.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Sean Heisler
- Public hearing yesterday.
- Azim and I are not allowed to be lobbied on or discuss the Land Use Plan.
- Paperless initiative going great.
- Working on local governance.

Senate – Joel Mertens
- New senators.
- Passed awards and courses.

Ombudsperson – Jay Shah
- In accordance with the direction of Council, investigated the letter sent by the President on the Land Use issue. Conclusions:
  - The letter did not breach Council’s Land Use policy.
  - The President prepared a new draft, rejecting the advice of some of those involved in the previous draft; in doing this he violated no rules or procedures
It was problematic for Council to order this Ombuds investigation when most Council members had not seen the letter.

Council members should make sure they are prepared before Council meetings, and information should be shared with them to avoid misunderstandings.

- Bijan Ahmadian: It’s important for me that you reached the conclusion that I did not violate any rules.
- Mike Silley: Let this be a lesson to Council not to jump to conclusions. Bijan was scolded because of these letters that most Councillors had not seen.
- Kate Phipps: I want to echo that. We get caught up and vote before we think. We need to call more investigations.
- Katherine Tyson asked about rescinding the motions from last time, given what had just been heard.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

38. MOVED DAVID LIU, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Student Life Committee minutes dated November 3, 2010 [SCD221-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated October 28, 2010 [SCD222-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated November 4, 2010 [SCD223-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated November 10, 2010 [SCD224-11]

... Carried

For (25): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, David Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Annie Greenwood, Naila Karim, Jeremy McElroy, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

39. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED TOM HURY:

From the Business & Facilities Committee

“That Council rescind the resolution of 10 November 2010 for a $2,500 renovation of the Whistler Lodge.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Mike Silley: This was to fix the Whistler roof, but we can’t do that now because it’s started to snow. We’ll need to revisit this next season. Because of the snow, there’s currently no leak, though when it melts …

40. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED TOM HURYN:  
**From the Business & Facilities Committee**

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

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Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Azim Wazeer

41. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED LEO STOKES:

“That Arash Ehteshami (member at large) be appointed to the Business & Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.”

... Carried


42. MOVED ANDREW CARNE:

“That the Legislative Procedures motions be omnibused.”

...No objections

*There were no objections to extending Council for another half hour.*
43. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI: [SCD225-8-11]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Budget Committee’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Committee Chair Honoraria’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Elections and the Ubyssey’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2010: Election Timeline’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Julian Ritchie explained the four proposed amendments:
  o The first codifies the requirement for quarterly financial updates from the Budget Committee.
  o The second clarifies that chairs do not get transitional honoraria if they succeed themselves.
  o The third allows election candidates to talk to non-VFM media outlets before the official campaign begins; this mostly benefits the Ubyssey, which does not take part in VFM.
  o The fourth shortens the deadline for election appeals to ensure that all appeals will be dealt with soon enough to hold the AGM. The deadline will now be three days after the end of voting, instead of seven.

44. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

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Against (3): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Naila Karim, Bahador Moosavi

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

45. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED RAVI PARHAR:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Oct 25, 2010 [SCD229-11]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Nov 1, 2010 [SCD230-11]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Nov 8, 2010.” [SCD231-11]

... Carried

For (27): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Naila Karim, David Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Sumedha Sharma, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Against (4): Benedict Cappellacci, Jeremy McElroy, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Ekaterina Dovjenko, Julian Ritchie

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

46. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

From the Elections Administrator

“That Council appoint the following persons to the Elections Committee:

Chief Returning Officer: Rebecca Laing
Events & Logistics: Audrey Gardiner  
Promotions & PR: Vicky Chan  
Voter Media Coordinator: Brittany Watson.


Abstained: Mike Silley, Kyle Warwick

47. MOVED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”


Against (21): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Naila Karim, David Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson

Abstained: Amanda Li

48. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“Be it resolved that Council rescind the following two resolutions from the previous Council meeting:

‘Be it further resolved that until LPC has finished their investigation, AMS Council recognize the AMS Vice-President, Academic and University Affairs (or their designate), as the liaison for discussions, communications and coordination between UBC Administration and the AMS on Land Use Plan issues, and amendments thereof.’

‘Be it further resolved that Council direct the President to not communicate on the issue of land use planning and that he must defer to the VP Academic and University Affairs to ensure that the President does not communicate contradictory information.’

Be it further resolved that the corresponding Council policy be removed.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (18): Dylan Callow, Theresa Fresco, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Tom Huryn, Naila Karim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang

Against (1): Jeremy McElroy

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

January 12, 2011

R) Adjournment:

49. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOw:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

For (15): Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Allen Chen, Theresa Fresco, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Michael Haack), Naila Karim, David Kim, Amanda Li, Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang, Azim Wazeer

Against (9): Andrew Carne, Chad Embree, Sean Heisler, David Liu, Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Tom Huryn, Ravi Parhar, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 pm.

S) Social Activity:
December 1, 2010 – Guests

Guests: Ali Khademi (PhD Student), Hamid Azizi (UBC), Hackel Khadar (UBC), Morgan Treir (EUS), Nicole Winstanley (EUS), Antonio Acevedo (UBC), Jeremy Withers (SPHR/UBC), Alissa Westergard-Thorpe (SJC/UBC), Arielle Friedman (SJC/UBC), Cheryl Kornder (Student), Micki Cowan (UByssey), Janet Teasdale (UBC), Rachel Hirdo (Alum UBC), Dean (friend), Nour Habibi (PhD. Student), Elmirah Tayyar (Student), Permindeh Augla (student), Ryan Hindle (Student), Bahar Khazai (student), Bryab Allsop (member at large), Thomas Brennan (member at large), Paul Curran (Alumni), Josh Adler (Student), Michael Gineuguez (Sauder), James Hsu (student), Arwind Hasan (student), Deepshika Kelkar (student), Seung-Hyun Moon (student), Alyssa Birbrager (student), Penny Oyawa (Alumnus), Rania Mashkoor (Student), Alyzee Lakhani (student), Emily Hopkins (student), Maya Sultan (student), Amna Chaudry (Student), Margarita Iturriaga (student), Aden Klien (student), Riaz Behria (Colour Connected), Paul Godin (SLFS), Alejandra Canedo (EUS), Roshak Moltahen (student), Daniel Draper (student), Annika Friedman (student), Asuka Ichikawa (student), Kendall Moraski (Pride UBC), Mark Latham (Voter Media), Cait Murphy (student), Alfred Barrow (LAESA), Natalie Furmino (student), Negar Farzam (student), Halah Zumraw (student), Morvarid Rohani (student), Daniel Schwartz (Professor), Asman Majeed (Colour Connected Against Racism), Liam White (student), Matan Bersan (student), Arash Ehteshami (Faculty/AUS VP Internal), Gordon Actic (SJC/SPHR), Nader Khattab (SJC/SPHR VP), Meghan Anderson, Sean Cregten (student), Phillip Jeffrey (student), Raj Mathur (Music), Tim Chu (SJC), Avi Ames (IAC), Elau Polo (IAC), Leah Field (student), Jordana Dose (student), Louise Claman (student), Malcolm Bailey (student), Mary Leong (student), Grace Yang (student), Michael Cheung (Interested student), Arshy Mann (UByssey), Justin Stevens (student), Marie Ang (SPHR), Eric Friehlich (theatre), Jeremy Berger (Commerce), Rima Hijazi (Science), Radua Saad (FNH), Rawan Ajuna (Arta), Sara Romeih (Arts), Dalia El Ramly (Poli Sci), Farah Malik (Law), Brian Goodman (interested party with an opinion), Ilan Keshet (Science), Emily Takimoto (Arta), Mahla Shah (Arts), Emma Gerard (Science), Jonathan Barry (Arts), Alija Shivij (Arts), Nawaaz Nathoo (Medicine), Carolee Changfoot (Arts), Sarah Chambers (Science), Nai N. Louza (Psych), Sana Noor (APSC), Julian Mashowitz (Arts), Jaspar Smith (Arts), Dan Barak (Commerce), Rael Katz (Arts), Moan Gilead (Sauder), Ophir Stolov (Engineering), Jonathan Lerner (UBC Alumnus), Mazdak Gharibnavaz (Arts), Dina El Kassaby (Arts), Leila Abdoulcur (Arts), Nadine Kallas (K In), Jay Zhou (Engineering), Rimi Abi-Farrage (Arts), Isaac Roenberg (Arts), William Gallego (Engineering), Jessica Evans (Arts), Jack Park (Engineering), Patrick Schmied (Art-Philosophy), Sam Rousseau (Arts-Poli-Sci), Daniel Miller (Science), Greyson Peck (Arts), Lydz Kui (LFS), Mohamed Z. (Engineering), Abdul M. (Engineering), Mashrik H. (Arts), Noa Rippel (IAC), Topaz Glazer (IAC), Michael Gubbay (IAC), Mohammad Abdelwahab (student), Rebecca Fiorito (student), Tosho Relman (Arts), Nusstofo Ab (Arts), Anthony Stal (student), Theodore Herzl (student), William C. (student), A. Galloway (student), G. Gavin (student), Jay Baker-French (student), Poreya Bazargami (Civil Eng), Ben Rolph (Poli Sci), Daniel Meron (Theatre), Alltay Otin (Poli Sci), Mary Forbes (student), Samantha Noel (Poli Sci), Scott Carlson, Katie Fitzpatrick (SJC), Jennifer Wang (SJC), Allie Silmon (Alumnus), Iran Seyed-Raeisy (student), Stefan Brown (Student), Theresa Lee (student), Urooba Jamal (student), Yusra Qaiser (student), Shokirah Parker (student), Michelle Ghosssouh (student), Satireh Jarad (Alumnus), Lancy McGraw (SJC), Anna Warne (student), Lisa Ang (student), Jenni Rerzal (student), Andrew Lavers (student), Vanessa Low (student), Chantelle Chan (Forestry), Amanda Girard (Forestry)
### December 1, 2010 Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Aitay Oten (Poli Sci), Samantha Nock (Poli Sci), Jonathan Elmer (AMS Aquatic Committee), Conrad Copeland (Arts), Justin Yang (Science Student Senator), Dian Lafmot (supporter), Jihau Ahou (engineering), Rania Mashkoor (English), Taylor Loren (AMS Confidential), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Michael Gubbay (IAC), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Marie Ang (SPHR-UBC), Gordon Katic (SJC), Masrour Zoghi (YMC), Alec Lee (Science), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Ohad (Hillel), Majd (Science), Emily (Student/SCM), Laura (Ubyssey), Michael Moll (BAFCOM MAL), Barbara Jullai (Boat to GAZA Committee), Miriam, Carol Stone (Cdn Boat to GAZA), Miceli Conan (Ubyssey), Jonathan Lerner (Alumnus), Dan Bamak (Commerce), Eric Kilecc (Law), Jeremy Berger (B Comm), Jimmy Yan (Science), Mary Leong (Arts student at large), Meghan Anderson (Arts student), Nai N. Louza (Arts), Justin Locke (Human Kinetics), Alyssa Westergard-Thorpe (Law), Riaz Behria (Colour Connected)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm.

1. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED EKATERINA DOVJENKO:

“That the Vancouver Media Coop be allowed to videorecord this meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Benedict Cappellacci, Connor McGauley, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes

2. MOVED BRIAN PLATT, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Fund Transfer Investigation – Bijan Ahmadian

- It was expected that today we could see a decision, but the investigation is not finished yet. Elin is waiting to hear back.
- The timeline on this issue was as follows:
  - November 12: The Israel Awareness Club complained about the George Galloway talk. I told them we could only stop it if it was breaking the law or creating safety concerns. The IAC was also concerned about the flotilla.
  - November 15: Social Justice Centre meeting.
  - November 17: Fund transfer request received from SJC. Unclear whether it for the Galloway talk or for the boat to Gaza and whether it was for $10,000 or $700.
  - November 18: Executive Committee meeting attended by the IAC, the SJC, and SPHR (Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights). It was made clear that the transfer was for only $700 and was for the flotilla to Gaza. We were petitioned to bring this to Council; the Executive decided to defer to Council.
  - November 22: Email campaign launched by both sides.
  - November 22: Rael Katz’s first complaint. Ekat has reported on that complaint, which claimed that there had not being a properly elected SJC board. SAC said that was not the case.
  - November 24: Legal opinion sought over such questions as: Can the AMS VP Finance defer to Council? Does the AMS have jurisdiction over Resource Groups?
  - November 30: SAC’s response to the first complaint: finding there were no grounds for the complaint.
  - December 1: Second complaint from Rael Katz. Ekat said it was too late to investigate for that night’s Council meeting, but it would be investigated later. She mentioned this second complaint at Council.
  - December 1: Council passed a motion approving the transfer on the condition that the SJC had had a proper board meeting and secondly on the condition that Council was satisfied that the donation would not be funding terrorism.
  - December 2: The question was, How would Council be satisfied? No process for that. We issued a press release mentioning the Council motion and the Executive motion, which passed with Elin abstaining.
  - December 3: The Canadian Boat to Gaza wrote saying our press release and comments I made in the National Post were defamatory. Our lawyers said they had no grounds for defamation.
  - After this, Elin contacted CSIS, which referred him to FINTRAC. They told him his question would take time to answer.
  - December 6: Rael’s lawyer wrote to say Council didn’t have the merits of Rael’s complaint before it, and might have decided differently if it had known. Rael had moved a motion at the SJC meeting to reverse the $700
donation, but was told the money had been disbursed. In fact, the funding request didn’t come to the AMS until two days later. Rael wants another SJC meeting to discuss reversal.

- Our lawyer said SAC should look into that complaint and Council should not make a decision until the SAC investigation is finished.
- SAC could not do that this fast; it’s exam time, and we need the SJC response as well.
- Ekat has now set a December 31 deadline, so that Council can decide on January 12. We hope to hear from FINTRAC by then too.

Questions

- Rory Breasail asked whether the complaint was about the Galloway talk and also what the ruling of the Ombudsperson had been on this.
- The Ombudsperson referred to the Resource Group area and secondarily to the fact that it became clear at the SJC meeting that the transfer was not about the Galloway event.
- Bijan Ahmadian: There are two aspects to the complaint:
  - That there was denial of an opportunity to move a motion at the SJC meeting.
  - That it was not clear whether supporting documents were to do with the Galloway event or the flotilla.
  - SAC will look into this.
- Sedi Minachi: Why did the AMS contact CSIS?
- Bijan Ahmadian: When directed by Council to see if there is a link to terrorism, we asked ourselves: What are the options to use to determine this?
- Elin Tayyar: Bijan said we could ask the lawyers. I said I’d call myself.
- Gordon Katic: Why are you investigating the SJC and not the Pottery Club? We approved a $700 transfer to SPHR, not specifying the Boat. On October 15 there was a unanimous decision; there were no objections; why is that not enough? There’s a discrepancy, but in the minutes only.
- Bijan Ahmadian: We’re investigating because Council told us to. The minutes are specifically mentioned in the complaint; that’s part of the SAC investigation.
- Gregory Williams: How much did the legal opinion cost? Why was it addressed to you? Who initiated it?
- Bijan Ahmadian: I don’t know the exact cost; I’d have to tally it up; it’s in the thousands perhaps. As President, I usually deal with the lawyers. This was a decision by Ben, Elin, and me. We had a strong concern about Council liability.
- Rose [guest]: Erroneous information has been presented by the IAC. How long will the AMS give in to intimidation. There are members of Freedom Flotilla here: do they look like terrorists to you?
- Bijan Ahmadian: No, they don’t look like terrorists to me.
- Riaz Behria: Terrorism is a politicized term. In communications with the National Post, you offered up the statement that you’re in a dilemma around terrorism. What implications could flow from that comment? Why did you say you might call CSIS? Don’t you think that created an impression?

Kyle Warwick raised a point of personal privilege, objecting to a sign being held up by a guest which stated, “AMS Supports Israeli Terrorism.”

The Speaker warned everyone present not to attack personalities.
Bijan Ahmadian: Council passed a motion telling us to investigate links to terrorism.

Alyssa Westergard-Thorpe: Why are the minutes of the November 18 Executive Committee meeting attended by the SJC and SPHR not available? At the meeting you said PR concerns were the reason for referring the issue to Council, but later you said it was because of questions concerning whether SJC had followed its constitutional procedures.

Bijan Ahmadian:
- Those minutes couldn’t be approved at the next Executive meeting because it didn’t have quorum and we in fact cancelled it. Then there was a delay because the list of guests was misplaced. And since we originally thought this issue would be ending, it didn’t seem urgent, and I didn’t push to get those minutes approved. Now I will do so. Meanwhile I can show you the unapproved minutes, but we cannot release them publicly until they are approved.
- At that Exec meeting we did speak of PR issues. Our press release mentioned both issues: Council is to act in its jurisdiction, and the constitutional reasons.

Alyssa Westergard-Thorpe: We’ve been told not to attack the characters of individuals, but on the Internet and in the media they have been. Can I complain about that? What are sufficient grounds for complaint?

Bijan Ahmadian: If there is a legitimate complaint, the AMS has a duty to investigate.

Alyssa Westergard-Thorpe: Any international fundraising could be open to the same accusations. Would you investigate other groups? We’ve been asked to prove a negative, the sort of thing that’s impossible to prove. How many campus groups could we stall by this measly evidence?

Bijan Ahmadian: Council wanted to be satisfied there is no link. Council has to be satisfied.

Alyssa Westergard-Thorpe: Why can’t the question of terrorism be dealt with right here and now?

Bijan Ahmadian: Our VP Finance was told by FINTRAC that they’re looking into that. Our lawyers’ recommendation was that it is best to defer until we hear from them and from SAC. We don’t have a structure to deal with this sort of thing.

Andrew Carne: Does the Executive have to get permission from Council to exceed budget lines?

Dave Tompkins: Yes.

Andrew Carne: Then why didn’t this legal expense come to Council? It exceeds the budget line, does it not?

Elin Tayyar: Yes, it’s been exceeded. Because of a late bill from last year we came close to maxing out our legal budget.

Andrew Carne: Why didn’t this come to Council?

Bijan Ahmadian: We don’t need to come to Council for this sort of issue.

Andrew Carne: Why did our lawyers not cite the previous Galloway case?

Bijan Ahmadian: We didn’t ask them to look into the link to terrorism.
The Speaker asked if Council wanted to extend the question period.

... Defeated

For (9): Rory Breasail, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Arash Ehteshami (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, Sedi Minachi, Nick Sertic, Katherine Tyson, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri)

Against (20): Charles Au, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Tom Huryn, Naila Karim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Benedict Cappellacci, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, David Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Azim Wazeer

3. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That there be an open forum discussion on the issues related to Bijan’s presentation, with a motion required to extend every 30 minutes and with a two and ½ minute speaking limit.”

... Carried

For (26): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Arash Ehteshami (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri)

Against (13): Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Annie Greenwood, Tom Huryn, Naila Karim, David Liu, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams

- Dylan Callow: We have a Wikileaks situation on Council. People on Council are leaking information to VFM sites or random blogs. What that says is that not everyone on Council is on the right side; it means Council is not on Council’s side. No matter your side, you don’t post this sort of thing. Some of these people might want to step down; that’s how bad it is.
- Erin [guest]:
  - I hear a lot of concern from Councillors about the amount of money in the legal budget. Are you not also concerned about the legal implications? Since this has been brought to your attention, you cannot plead ignorance in court. It can be brought back to you that you had knowledge.
  - As to legal billing, the more questions you ask, the more it’s going to cost.
  - And as to donating to outside groups, that does not further debate on campus.
• Dylan Callow: If we voted no or abstained, or wrote a letter of dissent, are we covered by liability insurance?

• Bijan Ahmadian: I can’t give legal advice.

• Gregory Williams: You had an Executive meeting attended by three clubs. You made a statement. Three individuals associated with SJC asked to see the minutes. Bijan had us thrown out of his office. I wonder if this is how a democratically accountable AMS works.

• Brian [guest]: It’s unfortunate that Council has had to pay money, because this question has already been resolved. There was a legal decision in the Galloway case saying supporting the Gaza flotilla does not constitute support for terrorism. CSIS had no concerns about Galloway or the convoys he took into Gaza. Humanitarian aid is not an act of terrorism or support of a terrorist organization.

• Jeremy McElroy: I wasn’t around in November when this began, but I began receiving hundreds of emails and phone calls from parents and alumni over a $700 internal transfer. We’ve tried to find these organizations: Turtle Island, Alternatives, the Canadian Boat to Gaza. There’s not much on them. I don’t know who these groups are.

• Noam [guest]: Decisions involve risk and reward. The SPHR chose to host George Galloway, who publicly announced he supports terrorism. The Gaza flotilla over the summer had terrorists on board who attacked Israeli soldiers. CIDA cut the funding of this charity by 70% because they had suspicions that they’re linked to terrorism. So those are the risks. What’s the reward? What’s the benefit here? Everyone knows this is a political stunt. Why not just give aid to the Red Cross, humanitarian aid to Palestinians? How can Council take this risk?

• Ignacio Rodriguez: Elin and Bijan got complaints from members of the SJC – all students are members of the SJC – and they didn’t feel comfortable deciding what to do. They sent it to Council, the very thing we tore into the previous Executive for not doing. They came to the body that represents students.

• Phoebe [guest]: Everything is political, including giving food and aid to oppressed people. This is wasting time and money when we should be addressing issues related to students. As to the so-called Wikileaks, people have a right to know what’s going on.

• Rory Breasail: Was anyone here not satisfied at the end of the last Council meeting? Did anyone feel the second condition had not been met? Were you expecting a cheque to be issued after the December 1 meeting?

A straw poll on the last question showed that 25 expected a cheque to be issued, 11 did not, and 2 abstained.

• Riaz Behria:
  o There have been multiple references to terrorism, even though the Canadian Boat to Gaza has been supported by leading feminist organizations and a cross-section of activists for causes promoting justice.
  o People made the charge. When you went to the media, you could have said: We have no substantiation, but we have to look at every charge. But to say, I have to go to CSIS – that puts us under suspicion.
The Red Cross has said that humanitarian aid cannot get in and has called on citizens to exert political pressure. We’re fulfilling that mandate.

**Automatic Calling of the Question to extend the discussion period.**

... Defeated

For (7): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Theresa Fresco, Crystal Hon, Sedi Minachi, Julian Ritchie, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri)


Abstained: Leo Stokes, Azim Wazeer

Council took a five-minute recess. Most of the guests left, with the understanding that there would be no further discussion of the fund transfer issue.

**Referendum Update – Bijan Ahmadian**

- We have a structural deficit. Unless we pass a referendum to tie our fees to CPI and also increase them, we’re in hot water. We’ve cut departments, especially in Services and Events.
- The voters will ask if the AMS is accountable; do they use the money responsibly? Is the AMS legitimate? Does the AMS add value to my student life?
- Regular students think differently from insiders. They think about your character, not your platform. In the referendum, they’ll be looking at the organization.
- Helping give us a positive image:
  - The SUB agreement, and the new SUB going ahead on time and on budget.
  - Our campaign for the UBC Line.
  - UBC’s Got Talent, which has engaged new students.
  - Shinerama.
  - Fiscal responsibility: cutting the budget.
  - Presentations the Executive made to 2000 student leaders, promoting our brand.
  - Lots of employment for students.
  - Use of our services.
  - Able to work closely with the University, with Stephen Toope.
- Giving us a negative image:
  - Poor business performance.
  - Attacks on Presidents and Vice-Presidents: lettergate, Gazagate; internal conflicts; all this makes the students think we’re weak.
Now students may be launching a campaign to take away Resource Group funding, saying the AMS hasn’t used the fees properly, and this while we’re trying to ask for a $24 increase.

- So there’s uncertainty about our ability to bring value, and questions about leadership, e.g., around the gag order on the Land Use Plan.
- What do we need to do?
  - Tell positive stories.
  - Write stories for the Ubyssey.
  - Retweet Executive tweets.
  - Invite people to the AMS Facebook page.
- Executives have been alone in telling good stories.
- Councillors have not been telling stories, or have been telling bad stories.
- In January and February we have to work hard on our image, then in March we have to work on the referendum.
- What matters is how people feel about us as an organization.

Questions

- Gregory Williams: Why is the referendum only for a fee increase and not for opening up access to our reserves?
- Elin Tayyar: With past referendums, if you asked for $15 for CPAC, then we couldn’t use that money for other things. Fees for the Health and Dental Plan can’t be used for other things.
- Gregory Williams: If previous referendums have bound us on CPAC, why not ask permission to open things up in this referendum?
- Elin Tayyar: We could do that. One problem is that $250,000 of CPAC money is going to the new SUB. The Referendum Committee has to look at all that, look at the numbers.
- Gregory Williams: Why is the $24 set?
- Elin Tayyar: It’s not set. That was the proposal in August; that was the number then; it could change.
- Bijan Ahmadian: It’s not the amount that matters; it’s the brand.
- Bahador Moosavi: When will we go bankrupt if nothing changes?
- Elin Tayyar: We have $700,000 in reserves; we can last for three or four years.
- Question: Have the salaries of full-time staff been affected?
- Elin Tayyar: Mostly they’re on contract; we can’t control that.
- Rory Breasail: Does the ad hoc committee have a report for us?
- Bijan Ahmadian: We had a first meeting. There’s been some consideration that Ben should take this over from me; I’ve got a lot on my plate.
- Nick Sertic: It only met once? This is the single most important thing this year.
- Bijan Ahmadian: There were scheduling issues, and I’ve had lots of my time taken up with the Land Use Plan and Gaza. That’s why we’re talking about having someone else chair the committee.
- Nick Sertic: This should have taken precedence.
- Connor McGauley: How dependent is the AMS on business revenue, and how do we compare with other universities?
- Bijan Ahmadian: We get about $900,000 a year from our businesses, which is about 41% of our funding.
Jeremy McElroy: 75% of student unions don’t run businesses, and only a small number actually make a profit. We’re an anomaly.

Dylan Callow: So we shouldn’t be relying on our businesses.

Bijan Ahmadian: We haven’t increased our general fee since 1982. We’ve relied on our businesses.

Mike Silley: How many Councillors have come forward to help with the referendum campaign?

Bijan Ahmadian: No one has come forward.

Kyle Warwick: Can the shortfall in fundraising be made up?

Bijan Ahmadian: That’s not completely impossible. I’ve brought more money in than any other president.

Crystal Hon: What did you fundraise for?

Bijan Ahmadian:
  o $16,000 for UBC’s Got Talent.
  o $4,000 for the SUB signing ceremony.
  o $3,000 for the All-Presidents dinner.
  o $50,000 for a new elections system.

Kyle Warwick: Our job is to hold Executives accountable, and that needs to happen, but it may create a negative image. Where is the line?

Bijan Ahmadian: Executives need to be held accountable by Council, but come talk to the Executives first. I didn’t even know that Land Use motion was coming. Talk first.

Kyle Warwick: Sometimes we have to do things that may hurt us.

Neal Yonson: A referendum is necessary for the U-Pass. There’s no question about that, so why have there been no meetings of the Referendum Committee.

Bijan Ahmadian: U-Pass has its own brand, and does its own marketing. It brings 20,000 students out. We can leverage that to get other questions passed.

Financial Presentation – Elin Tayyar [SCD 233-11]

On the student government side, a big problem is Events: the Welcome Back Barbecue, Firstweek.

Outside of that, things are very responsible on the student government side: the Services etc.

On the businesses side, it’s not so good. Food & Beverage especially is down.

Business revenue peaked in 2008-09, then last year it dropped; we thought that was an anomaly (we turned down some opportunities during the Olympics, and the two-week break hurt us), but it’s not better this year.

There’s competition from UBC; the market size is not growing.

The summer didn’t give us a clear indication, but in September and October we could finally tell, and it’s not good.

The Plan:
  o In March we knew we were spending too much, so we cut, mainly in the Services.
  o We can’t cut much more, maybe $10,000.
  o We need to focus on the long term.
  o If the referendum doesn’t go through, there will have to be massive cuts.
We need to promote our businesses. We need to start reinvesting, become more competitive.

- We have good prices and products.
- Mostly we need a fee referendum if we want to continue offering student services and doing what we do, and to continue to be able to dedicate staff time and resources.
- Change management is underway because we’re moving to a new SUB.
- We need to be fiscally responsible.
- We have to show that profits go to the services and the Society.
- We need to advertise our low prices.
- We need support from all of Council.
- We need to not expect as much from our businesses.

- If the referendum doesn’t pass, we have to look at Plan B:
  - Charging clubs and Constituencies a transaction fee, a handling fee, and an insurance fee. But that would mean we wouldn’t be providing them the same service as before.
  - We could get the Constituencies to form their own independent societies attached to their departments. That would save us money, but it would also change us quite a bit.
  - We could eliminate staff and service positions, and not focus on the new SUB.

- Bijan Ahmadian: Re separating Constituencies from us:
  - We are responsible for 360 clubs, the Resource Groups, and the Constituencies.
  - We are liable for a lot of things they do.
  - There was a fellow who fell off Deke House roof; the Inter-Fraternity Council was added to the complaint; we could have become a defendant.
  - There are other examples: a restaurant, the EUS building; we spend time checking documents; it takes away from our core functions.
  - We should take separating the AMS from the Constituencies very seriously. It would be a big change.

Questions
- Kyle Warwick asked about selling the AMS art collection.
- Elin Tayyar: This has been discussed. Most of the Executive is against it. It would have to go to referendum.
- Nancy Wang asked about looking at food quality; she suggested it was going down.
- Elin Tayyar: That hasn’t been discussed, but we will look at this at BAFCOM.
- Bahador Moosavi asked if UBC requires faculties and staff to use their catering service.
- Bijan Ahmadian: No, they do buy from us. We cater at Sauder. We don’t sell at Botanical Gardens, Cecil Green House, or Nitobe Gardens.
- Bahador Moosavi: Do we have rules to force student clubs to get catering from us?
- Mike Silley: BAFCOM has looked at that, but decided not to pursue it. We shouldn’t be evil.
• Connor McGauley expressed opposition to launching a marketing campaign. We need to increase revenues or lower costs. The pie is shrinking, students have less money; a marketing campaign would not grow the pie. We could cut some wages, committee chair wages: wouldn’t it look good if every committee chair took a salary cut?
• Mike Silley: To respond to Nancy, bring your concerns to BAFCOM meetings. As for Connor’s suggestion, cutting costs may be an option, but not now; maybe if we don’t pass the fee referendum. We’re re-evaluating our prices, and we’ve created a working group to really push the AMS’s relevance.
• Ben Cappellacci: This is not the result of failure but of a change in the market.
• Allen Chen:
  o To respond to Nancy, you can also bring your concerns directly to the managers.
  o It should be noted that our businesses are still making profits; they’re not losing money; they’re doing a great job, just not meeting our expectations.
  o More cuts in the long run would hurt us.
  o If we want Executives to run our multi-million organization, it’s probably not a good idea to cut their salaries.
  o Raising fees is not my preference, but we need more money.
• Pavani Gunadasa: How much will the referendum cost and where is the money coming from?
• Elin Tayyar: It will cost as much as Council wants to spend on it, and we’ll probably pay for it out of the President’s Fund; it has about $61,000 left. Also from the External Lobbying Fund.
• Taylor Loren: There’s nothing left to cut? How about the health benefits you gave up and took back? For optics that might go a long way.
• Elin Tayyar: Some of us have used the benefits, and some of us haven’t. It’s next year’s Executive running the referendum.
• Ignacio Rodriguez suggested bringing in an outside consultant.
• Ben Cappellacci: We’re actually doing this for the new SUB; that’s paid for out of the new SUB fund.
• Theresa Fresco: This is an opportunity. We have huge amounts of human capital. Bijan talked of strategic partnerships with the University; we can tap into the University. We don’t need a consultant; get students who will get credits to do projects. We have a top-rated business school; why not look at them? Look at the SEEDS project for sustainability.
• Elin Tayyar: We do a lot of work with SEEDS. The consultants we’re hiring will look at our organization as a whole; they bring a different level of expertise. We do get Commerce groups involved; we could do more of that.
• Jeremy McElroy: The consultant has already been hired and paid for, so it won’t affect our budget.
• Connor McGauley: I offered the exact same thing from Commerce, and Elin said no.
• Elin Tayyar: I said yes.
• Theresa Fresco: Look to fundraising, in-kind services. Think outside the box.
• Sean Heisler questioned some of the numbers and wondered how much more marketing can be done. It may not be right to force AMS groups to use AMS Catering, but how about incentivizing the Constituencies to buy from us?
• Elin Tayyar said he was looking into that.
• Mike Silley: There’s lots of marketing we can do.
• Sean Heisler: There’s no sense cutting staff. The businesses are making money, and cutting staff won’t help. Also, a lot of our staff are students; we’re providing a service by hiring them.
• Charles Au: Marketing is not the same as advertising; advertising is only one of the elements of promotion. Promotion is one of the four P’s of marketing: Promotion, Products, Price, Place.
• Chad Embree: You need to spend money to make money, but we have to spend it in the right way. The AMS has been doing promotion, but is not listening to the consumers, not asking, Why are you not buying our product? We need to look at this now.
• Neal Yonson asked if Elin’s report was from the Budget Committee.
• Elin Tayyar: Yes.
• Neal Yonson asked if there would be other cuts.
• Elin Tayyar: The Budget Committee is going to look at a contingency budget: cuts to make if the fee referendum fails.
• Neal Yonson asked about cutting UBC’s Got Talent.
• Bijan Ahmadian: It only cost $1,000. There was fundraising specifically for it.
• Neal Yonson asked about the $30,000 promised in fundraising.
• Bijan Ahmadian: I will do my best.
• Neal Yonson: There’s a problem of optics. What symbolic cuts will the Executive be making?
• Ben Cappellacci: Food for committees, Council’s food budget.
• Elin Tayyar: We’ll look at short-term cuts for this year in January.
• Azim Wazeer: How much are you going to spend on marketing?
• Mike Silley: BAFCOM just created a working group; it hasn’t met; it will meet over Christmas.
• Azim Wazeer noted prices that are higher at AMS outlets than elsewhere.
• Elin Tayyar: That’s something we’re definitely going to look at; that’s definitely an issue.
• Azim Wazeer: The problem with consultants is that their advice is not implemented. Their reports just sit on a shelf.
• Ross Horton: In this case, change is happening; we want to be in charge of it.
• Brian Platt: It’s not productive for Council to talk about marketing. We’re still making $600,000 off something that should be a service to students; it’s 41% of our budget. The figures have gone up and down; we have no clue every year. We have to get off this model of basing 40% of our revenue on our businesses. It’s crazy.

4. MOVED ANDREW CARNE:

“That the agenda be amended to add the following motion:

‘Whereas The President has repeatedly stated opinions, acting in his formal capacity, which do not express Council’s will and resolutions;
Whereas The President has, intentionally or not, made comments regarding several Canadian charities in the National Post, which may be interpreted as defamatory, and are not representative of the views shared by the Council, Therefore be it resolved that the AMS President, Bijan Ahmadian, be censured for misrepresenting the AMS in his position as the spokesperson of the society to express opinions that run contrary to the decisions of Council and may be potentially defamatory;

Be it further resolved that the AMS President write a letter of apology to all parties involved apologizing for statements construed as defamatory and clarifying that these were not the views of the AMS.’ ”

Note: Requires a majority of those present.

• Nancy Wang: We promised our guests we wouldn’t discuss this after they left.

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Note: Requires a majority of those present.

... Defeated


Against (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Tom Huryn, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, Connor McGauley, Bahador Moosavi, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Azim Wazeer, Shalene Williams
6. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED CONNOR McGAULEY:

“That Council direct the Business and Facilities Committee to work with the VP Finance and AMS management to put together a marketing strategy, and subsequently present their work to Council on January 12, 2011.”

... Carried

For (35): Bijan Ahmadian, Charles Au, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Arash Ehteshami (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Naila Karim, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Nick Sertic, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri), Shalene Williams

Abstained: Julian Ritchie

7. MOVED ALLEN CHEN, SECONDED TOM HURYN:

“That the current ad hoc Referendum Committee be restructured and repopulated as follows:

(a) the VP Academic, who shall be chair;

(b) the Vice-President Finance;

(c) six (6) members of Council (at least one of whom shall be a GSS member); and

(d) four (4) Students At Large

The Council members shall be:
  Bahador Moosavi (GSS)
  Katherine Tyson
  Rory Breasail
  Crystal Hon
  Jeremy McElroy

The students at large shall be: Matt Parson and Pouriya Hosseini, with two more to be appointed in January.”

... Carried

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Katherine Tyson

8. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

“That Council direct the Budget Committee to create a contingency budget for the AMS 2011/2012 fiscal year, to present to Council on January 12, 2011.”

... Carried


9. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED SEAN HEISLER:

“Be it resolved that Council upon the recommendation of BAFCOM approve the expenditure of no more than $20,000 coming from the President’s Fund to be spent at the discretion of the new Referendum Committee.

Be it further resolved that except to hire a new ‘yes’ referendum coordinator monies may only be spent once a budget is approved.”

- Neal Yonson: Don’t we already have a Referendum Coordinator?
- Erik MacKinnon: I run the referendum as the Elections Administrator, but this is a promotional position, promoting the Yes side.
- Mike Silley: This is a very taxing position. They were paid in the past; they should be paid.

10. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the second resolution clause be deleted.”

- Elin Tayyar said he didn’t see the point of a budget.
- Ben Cappellacci: We’ll need flexibility; we’ll be moving rapidly. You should be confident that the committee will act justly.
- Mike Silley: This is a budget for the entire referendum. Elin seems to think the $20,000 is for the coordinator. The idea is to develop a plan.
- Ben Cappellacci: We won’t be able to spend anything till January. Kelli said it’s likely there will be no spending until then except to hire the coordinator.
- Katherine Tyson: We shouldn’t spend money without Council approval.
• Ignacio Rodriguez: Maybe allow it on the approval of Budget Committee or BAFCOM. Which would be better?
• Elin Tayyar: Budget.
• Jeremy McElroy: January 12 does not leave enough time.
• Sean Heisler: If time is of the essence, just circulate it; it doesn’t need to come back to Council.

11. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the second resolution clause be deleted.” … Carried


Against (8): Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Chad Embree, Sean Heisler, Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic

Abstained: Crystal Hon, Tom Huryn, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri)

12. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the motion be amended to add:

‘Be it further resolved that prior to the January 12, 2011 Council meeting, none of these monies may be spent without the explicit approval from the Budget Committee and circulated to Council.’ ”

… No objections

13. MOVED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds … No objections

14. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED SEAN HEISLER:

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Be it further resolved that prior to the January 12, 2011 Council meeting, none of these monies may be spent without the explicit approval from the Budget Committee and circulated to Council.”

... Carried


Abstained: Andrew Carne

J) Executive Committee Motions:

O) Discussion Period

VFM and Black Box blog

The Ombudsperson read a letter from the Black Box blog concerning the refusal to let them take part in the VFM contest. [SCD235-11]

- Bijan Ahmadian: They published our leaked legal opinion, and I was concerned about them taking our intellectual property and then taking our money. But the Executive has discussed this; we’ve had a chance to chat and reflect.
- Elin Tayyar: We should freeze VFM until next meeting.
- Erik MacKinnon:
  - We have a VoterMedia structure in Code for elections. I was pushed to get a Continuous VoterMedia up and running, but that’s not in Code. There is no structure, no rules, no ability to say who can or cannot enter the contest. They’re not the only blog we turned down.
  - We also have no system to track votes for VFM outside elections. Mark Latham is looking to put something in place.
  - I’m not very comfortable about this.
  - Until we have rules, we should freeze this.
  - I originally approved Black Box for the contest, then was overridden by the Executive, and now the Executive is reversing their decision.
- Taylor Loren: Freezing is the worst thing you can do.
- Erik MacKinnon: Voter Funded Media for elections is in Code and funded.
- Taylor Loren: It’s not unreasonable to know who you’re funding. You could be funding terrorists through VFM.

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

January 12, 2011
R) Adjournment:

15. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

For (16): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Arash Ehteshami (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Chad Embree, Theresa Fresco, Annie Greenwood, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley

Against (10): Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Paul Godin (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Gregory Williams (proxy for Ajay Puri)

Abstained: Allen Chen, Tom Huryn, Ravi Parhar, Leo Stokes

The meeting adjourned at 10:12 pm.

S) Social Activity:
## December 8, 2010 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of UBC Vancouver - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Janet Teasdale (UBC), Stephen Toope (President – UBC), Conrad Copeland (Economics), Caroline Wong (Arts), Sean Cregten (AVP Academic), Ryan Bredin (student), Thomas Brennan (student), Mark Latham (votermedia.org), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Erik MacKinnon (AMS Elections), Aaron Sihota (AMS at large), Greg Williams (student), Katie Fitzpatrick (student), Jennifer Wang (student), Gordon Katic (student), Omar Shaban (student), Emily Hopkins (student), Ian Turner (student), Kalyeena Makortoff (Ubyssey), Theresa Fresco (student), Alex deBruyn (student), Michael Cheung (student), Ricardo Bortolon (student), Mitchell Wright (AVP External), Carolee Changfoot (student), Taylor Loren (AMS Confidential)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm.

1. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

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For (24): Bijan Ahmadian, Benedict Cappellacci, Allen Chen, Eric Gauf (proxy for Kate Phipps), Annie Greenwood, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Naina Karim, David Kim, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Sumedha Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Presentation and Q & A with 12th UBC President – Prof. Stephen Toope

Stephen Toope:
- This is the first time I’ve been invited, and I’m honoured.
- Thanks to Bijan and the entire AMS Executive for a very productive, cordial, and frank relationship this past year. Special thanks to Ekat for the great job retooling the New SUB discussion and to Ben for his hard work connecting Greek life to the UNA and UBC.
- Also as part of our joint work on convincing the government to take a new look at student financial aid and student loans, Jeremy worked incredibly hard.
- Thank you to the AMS and the students for the campaign for better public transit to campus; this will pay dividends; it was very positive.
- This coming year there are certain things we need to focus on:
  - Student learning and engagement, first year and first entry programs; we want to make things as exciting as possible for new students to UBC.
Every student should have access to at least two enhanced education programs, e.g., Go Global.

On international commitments, we'll be emphasizing relationships in China and India.

- We have a fundamental commitment to UBC being a living lab for sustainability. This is becoming a defining feature of UBC. We have an opportunity to be global leaders.

- Issues coming up:
  - NCAA consultation: whether UBC should move out of CIS, the Canadian athletic organization, and join the American one. There was a report saying we needed more information. There will be a new report soon. There is no decision yet on whether it's a good idea; there’s been wide consultation and we’ve heard from very disparate, discordant voices.
  - There’s a new version of NSSE. I hope you fill it out. It provides useful statistics we can use to help us shape our initiatives. It’s helpful to get a broader set of impressions about where we’re doing well, where we’re not, and where we’re doing worse.

- I hope you feel excited about the future of UBC, not just now but as an alumnus. No other university is better placed to become even better at what we do. Many of our sister institutions are struggling financially; we are one of the few with no debt, no deficit. We have the potential to become an even more influential university.

Questions

- Sedi Minachi: I’m proud to be a UBC student. My only issue with UBC is its tuition fees, which make it less accessible. Many students like myself have huge debts. There’s been consultation, and concerns have been raised, but the Board of Governors goes ahead with increases. Is there any way to influence the Board?

- Stephen Toope:
  - The AMS does not oppose increases as long as they’re not above the cost of living, and recently we haven’t exceeded that; there’s a government cap anyway. It’s not fair to say the Board of Governors is not listening.
  - The exception is for international students. I do understand international students’ concerns. You have to look at it in context; costs elsewhere are much higher; UBC is not the leader in high fees in Canada. But it’s a very reasonable concern.
    - We have tried to make it a priority to do fundraising for scholarships and bursaries, unconstrained funds.
    - We have to speak to the provincial government about the loan system.
    - On international fees, we want to limit increases and make them more predictable.
    - It’s all a question of balance; the funding has to come from somewhere: some from tuition, some from the state, some from donors. We have to figure out how to change the balance so there is less of a dependence on tuition.
    - We’re working with the government and trying to raise money.

- Neal Yonson asked about Gage South.
• Stephen Toope: There was an old neighbourhood plan, but that will all change because of the Land Use Plan. This was a win for students. We are going to treat Gage South differently. There will be consultation, changes in parameters. We may have to do something about the Aquatic Centre, which could affect what the whole area looks like; we may move it. The same with transit, so we can’t yet resolve what Gage South will look like. It’s a new process.

• Neal Yonson said it was not different than other areas, and those other areas are not waiting for the Aquatic Centre and the bus loop.

• Stephen Toope: We are going to have to make determinations about the Aquatic Centre and the bus loop. It is a different process. We do not know what will happen; nothing’s been determined; it’s still open and there will be consultation.

• Neal Yonson: But isn’t this about housing?

• Stephen Toope: But it’s also about transit and the Aquatic Centre. I don’t think it will look anything like the previous process.

• Mike Silley asked about the UBC President’s breakfasts with students.

• Stephen Toope: There’s a sign-up on the Ceremonies website: 35-40 students at a time.

• Kyle Warwick asked if there was information on a timeline for governance review.

• Stephen Toope: No, we don’t know. Things in Victoria have put our discussions on hold; we’re waiting to hear back from government. There will be no decisions in the short term. There will probably be nothing till there’s a new premier.

• Kyle Warwick asked about financial aid (making education accessible) and about childcare: could there be joint lobbying by UBC and the AMS?

• Stephen Toope: Absolutely. Two years ago we had a great joint childcare initiative that went to the province, but came to nothing.

• Allen Chen noted that there is tight funding for grad students and asked what UBC is doing to attract the best talent. The situation here is not comparable to elite schools.

• Stephen Toope:
  o We’re aware of that; it’s not acceptable. We’re working with the province to create a grad student funding scheme. There is none here. We had a temporary system that lapsed. A previous government stopped funding grad students for a period. We have to get the province to treat grad studies seriously.
  o We have to look within UBC. We have the right model now; we just need more money in it. We’re looking to outside donors and also to the faculties: are they assigning enough to grad studies?
  o In Arts there is less from external grants; it’s harder to support Arts students than others.
  o I’m having the Dean of Graduate Studies and the VP Research look into finding new resources.

• Elin Tayyar asked about greenhouse gas rules not applying to new market housing.

• Stephen Toope:
  o We’re going to be building a new prototype with a company (Chec) that’s giving a large gift to the University for reducing greenhouse gases in new ways.
  o We’ve developed a campus living lab concept and have opened a dialogue.
  o When I arrived, we had sustainability theory, but we weren’t applying it.
We will be making a concerted effort to look at new models of sustainability.

- Elin Tayyar: The City of Vancouver requires LEED Gold; are there any requirements on campus?
- Stephen Toope: There is a system here: REAP. We’re looking to improve on those standards. Testing, evaluating, applying – that’s what we should be doing.
- Katie [guest] said there had been comparisons of UBC to a city: administering UBC is like administering a city. You’ve said you’re not the mayor of a city, but there are a lot of issues concerning democratic structures.
- Stephen Toope: This is within the government’s mandate. The government will ask for submissions concerning democratic structures. We will be part of that.
- Katie: What position will you take?
- Stephen Toope: The Board of Governors hasn’t really discussed that, so I don’t have a strong predisposition. I do worry about a democratic deficit if there’s no access to elections. I don’t know where that will go. I sense there will have to be the creation of municipal structures allowing for democratic proceedings.
- Ian Turner asked about the NCAA. How will the conflict between athletics and academics be managed at UBC? How will financial costs be managed?
  - Stephen Toope:
    - That’s exactly the question we want to pursue in consultations. We hear anecdotes on both sides. I’m hoping we won’t just rely on anecdotes. There’s a huge question about financing.
    - There’s also a difference between NCAA Division 1 and Division 2; horror and promise relate to Division 1, but we would go into Division 2, though some hope we go to Division 1.
    - There’s no plan to increase spending on athletics. It’s an ancillary and self-supporting.
    - The financial question will have to form part of the consultation.
    - Some would be keen to support the move, but some don’t want us to go to the NCAA.
- Ian Turner asked about the University’s use of plasma TV’s, though supposedly the University is sustainable; this is hypocritical.
- Stephen Toope: The other side is that we don’t do a good enough job communicating, but I will raise that.
- Greg Williams: Given that tuition is the biggest expense students have, why isn’t increasing public funding as much of a priority for UBC?
  - Stephen Toope: It is a priority. I spend most of my time talking to the government talking about that. The government did increase support for research universities. But they’re not really interested in changing things. The provincial government contributes 32% of our funding. In most U.S. jurisdictions it’s under 20% from government. In some cases 5-7%. In the U.S. there’s been a dramatic withdrawal. That hasn’t happened in Canada. But moving in the other direction is hard.
- Greg Williams: Why isn’t it a bigger priority?
- Stephen Toope: It’s the biggest priority.
- Taylor Loren introduced herself as the person running the AMS Confidential blog.
- Stephen Toope: Yes, I know. I look at it occasionally.
- Taylor Loren: If communicating with students is important, why not use Twitter?
  - Stephen Toope: I won’t use it.
- Taylor Loren: Why?
Stephen Toope: It's superficial and doesn't allow for a real dialogue. [Applause.] My PR folks say to go on, but I don't follow anyone. We are looking for really new means of communication, other mechanisms.

Taylor Loren: Which do you prefer? Unicorns or rainbows?

Stephen Toope: I'll probably get myself in trouble over this, but Unicorns.

Sean Cregten: On the Board of Governors agenda, University Boulevard is referred to as one for which there will be a neighbourhood plan, but the Land Use Plan said it is not a neighbourhood area. Do you consider neighbourhood planning appropriate for academic areas?

Stephen Toope: The terminology may be shifting. The implication you’re suggesting is there is a desire to create housing where there wasn't any before. I don’t think that’s true. That will remain academic, but it might include student housing; it will not be for non-students. I don’t think there’s anything sneaky there, but I will ask questions.

Sean Cregten raised a similar concern about Gage South, that it would become an area for neighbourhood planning and that there won't be consultation.

Stephen Toope: That’s not the intention. Again, there may have been a shift in terminology. As I understand it, the idea is that there will be a full consultative process before anything is decided.

Sean Cregten: Is it wise to pass this as a neighbourhood plan?

Stephen Toope: The question is what is meant by a neighbourhood plan. It may be that the term is being used loosely. I will check into that. But I know there will be full consultation for the Aquatic Centre and Gage South.

Sean Cregten: There are some concerns about Gage South. Would you support having an external consultant?

Stephen Toope: We’d have to look at that. Claims about process are always the last resort when people don’t like the result. We’ll have to look at it closely.

Rory Breasail asked about density and the Land Use Plan.

Stephen Toope:
  o We’re constrained by the current Land Use Plan, which was created at a time when we were concerned with density because students said they wanted greater density. It’s not the Administration that’s hepped up on density.
  o Three years ago there was a really important set of discussions related to the UBC Farm. A resolution of the Board of Governors said the farm would be preserved, but as a quid pro quo there would have to be a transfer of density.
  o We’re operating in a framework set by the Board of Governors. We have to find density. That doesn’t mean it has to be found in Gage South, but we have to find where else to place it.
  o Also, what kind of density? People in units? What kind of people?
  o This is still all up for discussion.

Rory Breasail said there was inventing of density figures.

Stephen Toope: It’s not fair to say invented. We’re starting from scratch on how best to configure that whole area from the Aquatic Centre to Gage South.
Block Party – Crystal Hon

- Crystal Hon:
  - This will be the lowest talent budget in years. The feedback we received said it’s not the talent, not the bands, that bring people out; it’s the chance to hang out, get wasted.
  - Last year was high on budget and low on attendance.
  - This year 4300 attendees is our break-even number, and that’s completely feasible; it’s not much more than we got in 2008.
- Dave Tompkins asked about the effect of weather.
- Crystal Hon:
  - There will be pre-sold tickets.
  - We’re lowering ticket prices; that will attract more people.
- Moses Richu: What convinces you that they’re not attending because of price?
- Crystal Hon:
  - We’re not sure of that, but the talent budget is down, so we don’t need such high prices.
  - Looking to different marketing. The Student Life Committee will become the marketing coordinator. We’ll use social media, posters.
  - We’re also creating a no-drinking event for underage attendees in the SUB Partyroom or Ballroom; it was costing us a lot of money to curtain off an area for underage attendees, and it’s not so much fun if you’re sober on the field.
  - The timeline:
    - Feb. 7: Talent booked.
    - Feb. 21: Teaser campaign.
    - Feb. 28: Ticket sales to groups.
    - March 7: Regular ticket sales.
    - March 14: Contests.
    - April 7: Block Party.
- Eric Gauf: Getting drunk is not something people plan in advance; you should wait.
- Crystal Hon: We’re getting big groups out; I’m not comfortable waiting till two weeks before.
- Ricardo Bortolon: People do think ahead of time about getting drunk.
- Kyle Warwick: What calibre of talent will we be able to get? What are the vulnerabilities in the timeline? And what can we do?
- Crystal Hon: Not sure about any vulnerabilities. Eight weeks give us a cushion. As to what you can do, get your friends out.
- Mike Silley wondered if people pushing the referendum might be over-programmed.
- Sumedha Sharma asked about sustainability.
- Crystal Hon: Haven’t looked at that yet. I’m not even sure this event is happening. But if it goes ahead, I will look into that.
- Jeremy McElroy: If Molson’s is our sponsor, they’re a sustainable company.
- Taylor Loren: Social media contests can be annoying.
- Crystal Hon: Haven’t devoted too much time to that. I’ll come to you for that. There will be a much bigger group working to promote this.
- Several Council members said the timeline looked good.
- Jarrett Woodhouse: Make use of your Constituencies.
• Mike Silley: Who’s in charge, AMS Events or the Student Life Committee?
• Crystal Hon: Shea (AMS Events) will do the production side. We will do the marketing.
• Someone asked about getting Ke$ha.
• Crystal Hon: Shea said for under $20,000 we can get Steve Aoki or Mother Mother. Ke$ha will not fit in our budget.
• Someone asked about using an indoor venue. Others said that would not be a good idea.

Referendum Presentation – Ben Cappellacci

• Key messages:
  o Vote Yes
  o Change your AMS, Keep the UPASS
  o Better Services, Clubs, Events
  o March 7-11
• Three issues:
  o UPASS
  o Restructuring AMS fees
  o Clean up the Bylaws
• We expect 20,000 voters; that’s the usual turnout for a UPASS referendum.
• The Referendum Committee has been working hard, hoping to begin the campaign with a bang.
• The Code group is looking into bylaws and fees; the Promo group is overseeing the campaign, looking into the best way to reach 20,000 people; and the Execs will be the public face of the campaign.
• The fee question has to be finalized: set the amount of the increase, determine what should be increased, bundled, pro-rated, made opt-outable, tied to CPI.
• The bylaw changes will include changing the Executive turnover date and fixing Executive compensation.
• Hiring Referendum Coordinators by January 18; materials to be ready by January 31.
• Workshop around January 20. Calling of the referendum on February 9.
• The budget is for $31,000.
• In addition to the two campaign coordinators, there will be six team leaders, each associated with a campus group, plus volunteers.
• There’s a pre-campaign gathering of 2000 signatures for a petition to call the UPASS and fee referendums.
• We want Council to approve the referendum budget and later take a Yes side.

Questions
• Kyle Warwick recommended using grad students; they’re an untapped resource.
• Mike Silley: How much did the last referendum cost?
• Several people: $20,000.
• Mike Silley: Will you gather signatures separately for each question or combined?
• Ben Cappellacci: Combined.
• Andrew Carne suggested notifying students early so they can submit questions in a timely way.
- Ben Cappellacci: There will be the workshop where Council members can propose things, but others can come too.
- Mike Silley: Last meeting we approved some money; was that enough?
- Ben Cappellacci: I’m not sure how much was approved.
- Sedi Minachi suggested presenting to the Graduate Student Society.
- Ignacio Rodriguez asked why there were legal expenses.
- Ben Cappellacci: We have to make sure our bylaw changes are legal, so we’re consulting our lawyers.
- Nancy Wang: Is this still going to come partly from Executive health benefits?
- Ben Cappellacci: No.

2. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That Council authorize a referendum budget of $31,000 to be drawn from the President’s Fund.”

Note: This includes the hiring of two Yes campaign coordinators and six Yes team campaign team leaders.

Note: The President’s Fund has a balance of $41,000.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried unanimously


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Health & Dental Plan – Elin Tayyar

We’ve been with Studentcare since even before the 1999 referendum that brought in the Health and Dental Plan.
We’ve had a deficit with them for three years; they’re telling us another deficit is coming and it looked like we might have to cut coverage.
Our contract with Studentcare is up in 2011.
Most people we’ve consulted have said they’re happy with Studentcare, but we decided to look into options.
When we did this, Studentcare offered to reduce fees and also gave us an extra $202,000 for a past surplus.
We continued the review process, looking at other brokers.
We’re the biggest plan in Canada, something we thought we could use to our advantage.
We hired a consultant to assist us, but it was difficult to work out all the details.
• Our latest decision at the Health and Dental Plan Committee is to change the structure:
  o Studentcare’s role will be broken down: they’ll still interact with students, administering the plan, which is what they do best, but we’ll take away their broker’s role, their role as the negotiator with the insurer.
• Our insurer from the start has been Sun Life, but we’ve decided to go with a new insurer, Pacific Blue Cross.
• The new structure will save us $700,000 a year.
• This means we could lower our fees by $21, or we could add to our reserves, or we could increase coverage.
• This is amazing, given that originally we thought we’d have to cut coverage this year.
• This is the result of shifting from Sun Life to Pacific Blue Cross, which is a non-profit; that saves us 2% on tax.
• We’ve met with Blue Cross; they’re really good people; they cover large numbers in BC.
• We still need to negotiate the terms of the new structure with Studentcare and Blue Cross; we have to get verbal agreements into writing.
• We’ll need to review all this in a year.
• There are challenges, including the fact that our Treasurer-Controller, Henry Chen, is leaving.
• Is everyone okay with this?
  [Applause.]

Questions
• Naila Karim asked about the timeline.
  Elin Tayyar: We have coverage until the end of August under our contract. We have till July to finish this.
• Jarrett Woodhouse asked about the $21 fee decrease.
  Elin Tayyar: After we finalize negotiations, we’ll know the exact fee. Council will have to decide. We can lower fees in the referendum so our ask will be less. Or we can put it into reserves. It depends on the recommendation of the Health and Dental Plan Committee.
• David Kim: Do we know how much we pay and how much we get back?
  Elin Tayyar: We have access to that.
• Kyle Warwick: This is significant. In terms of real things that regular students care about, this is perhaps the biggest thing in a decade. This is an amazing thing; we really appreciate what happened here.
• Allen Chen: How will you or the committee decide whether to increase coverage or reduce fees?
  Elin Tayyar: We plan to send out a survey; we’ll do some consultation. Jeremy wants to increase coverage. I want to lower fees.
• Allen Chen: Is the tuition insurance and the extension past graduation that Studentcare talked of still on the table?
  Elin Tayyar: It depends on what model they’re looking at.
• Jeremy McElroy: That was Sun Life. We’ll have to check with Blue Cross. As to continuing, or “conversion,” we have that.
• Taylor Loren: Tuition insurance is cool.
• Rory Breasail: I’m ecstatic. This is good for the optics going into the fee referendum.
• Dave Tompkins asked about self-insurance.
• Elin Tayyar: Administration of the plan is the most costly part. We’re already getting close to a self-insured model. This is a good deal for us. Pacific Blue Cross wanted us.

D) President’s Remarks (Bijan Ahmadian):
• We attempted a mediated solution on the fund transfer issue (re the Gaza boat), but it didn’t quite work out. We’ll report back on January 26.
• UBC’s Got Talent is sold out. Hopefully this will become a tradition.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar
• Health and Dental negotiations.
• WaterFillz: the AUS and the CUS have expressed interest in getting the water-filling machines; we can offer a rate of $200 per month. In the SUB there’s been 24,000 refills on the main floor; 9000 in the basement. This has meant a 50% drop in our bottled water sales, but it helps the environment.

VP Academic – Ben Cappellacci
• Referendum Committee.
• UNA: things going well.
• TLEF process.
• Tuition.
• Disabilities/disable basketball.

VP External – Jeremy McElroy
• Health and Dental Plan with Elin.
• CASA lobby conference.
• Saturday summit on BC lobby group; have to keep details quiet till it’s ready; hopefully we’ll get it ratified by the end of the month.
• Hopefully we’ll be getting something from the government on student aid.
• Going to ask the leadership candidates what they’d do for education.

VP Administration – Ekaterina Dovjenko
• Gaza: There was a complaint that a motion was not entertained at the SJC; the motion came forward a few days ago again, and was entertained. SAC has decided that procedures have been followed now; SAC’s investigation is over; SAC does not feel there is any need to pursue further action.
• New SAC Vice-Chair.
• Digitizing club constitutions: one-third done.
• New SUB:
  o Model ready [she showed it around]:
    ▪ Lots of wood; very BC; it will look gorgeous.
  o Development Permit open house.
  o Designs passed and are ready to go to Board 2 in February, on schedule.
Schematic design phase is over; now into design development.
- Leaving for France very soon.

F) Committee Reports:

University & External Relations – Katherine Tyson
- Childcare reports being reviewed; will be coming to Council.

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Brian Platt
- Arts Week; Mardi Gras.

Regent – Janina Mobach
- New show in Lookout Gallery: Faces of Eve.
- Free lecture in the chapel January 25.
- Jan 28 – Pray for the World.

Graduate Student Society – Sedi Minachi
- Tuition consultation meeting with VP Students.
- Working on parental leave policy.
  - Allen Chen: special general meeting created a council secretary position.

Science – Sumedha Sharma
- Science Week coming up: Cold Fusion.

Engineering – Amanda Li
- Engineering Week coming.
- Have an architect for their new building.

Commerce – Dylan Callow
- Referendum to update constitution.

Human Kinetics – Jarrett Woodhouse
- Career Fair; Open House.
- Sending team to the Kin games.

Music – Annie Greenwood
- Webcasting concerts.

Planning – Maria Curro
- 3rd annual symposium.

Land & Food – David Liu
- Aggie Week next week. Pancake Breakfast.
- Constitution and bylaws under review.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar
- Elections next week.
H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Sean Heisler
- Land Use Plan meeting tomorrow.
- Faculty by-elections.

Senate – Joel Mertens
- Enriched education initiatives.
- Entrance awards: changing how awards given.

Ombudsperson – Jay Shah (read by Bijan Ahmadian)
- Revamping communications materials.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

3. MOVED EKATERINA DOVJENKO, SECONDED ALLEN CHEN:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

AMS Council minutes dated August 11, 2010 [SCD239-11]
AMS Council minutes dated August 25, 2010 [SCD240-11]
AMS Council minutes dated September 15, 2010 [SCD241-11]
AMS Council minutes dated September 29, 2010 [SCD242-11]
AMS Council minutes dated October 13, 2010 [SCD243-11]
AMS Council minutes dated October 20, 2010 [SCD244-11]
AMS Council minutes dated November 10, 2010 [SCD245-11]
Grad Class Council minutes dated November 22, 2010 [SCD246-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated November 18, 2010 [SCD247-11]

For (19): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, Amanda Li, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Kyle Warwick

J) Executive Committee Motions:

4. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI: [SCD248-11]

“That on the recommendation of the Executive Committee Council accept and approve the Values Statement of the Alma Mater Society as presented.”

- Bijan Ahmadian: This started at SUBmersion last year. It establishes principles for the AMS which can be referred to during recruitment and as the basis for HR. Surveys were done of Council members, and the values have been run by the
businesses, the Executive, and LPC. It happens that the five principles spell out HEART or EARTH. The HR Manager is excited for these.

5. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

“That on the recommendation of the Executive Committee Council accept and approve the Values Statement of the Alma Mater Society as presented.”

... Carried


Abstained: Allen Chen, Chad Embree

6. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

“That the Code be amended to change the name of the SafeTeam Service back to Safewalk.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Ben Cappellacci: The Safewalk name is more recognizable.
• Kyle Warwick: SafeTeam better encapsulates the larger mandate of the combined service.
• Ben Cappellacci: But the name Safewalk sticks better.
• Dave Tompkins asked about the cost of redoing materials.
• Ben Cappellacci: There wasn’t a lot spent.
• Ignacio Rodriguez: Is that why the rebranding didn’t take? Not much of an attempt was made?

7. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:

“That the Code be amended to change the name of the SafeTeam Service back to Safewalk.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (20): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, David Kim, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Moses Richu (proxy for Connor McGauley), Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Abstained: Chad Embree, Amanda Li, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Iggy Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick
8. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That an amount not to exceed $30,000, be spent from the current budget to hire an HR firm for the hiring of a new Treasurer-Controller.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Elin Tayyar: Henry Chen, the Treasurer-Controller, one of the most important positions in the Society, has resigned. The position is important in helping the VP Finance. We spent $25,000 on hiring the HR Manager; $30,000 on this is something we’ll definitely be getting back. The President’s Fund doesn’t have enough in it to cover this.
- Kyle Warwick: You could call this the second most important position in the organization, after the General Manager.
- Elin Tayyar: Yes, and he’s leaving next Friday, so it’s time-sensitive.

9. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That an amount not to exceed $30,000, be spent from the current budget to hire an HR firm for the hiring of a new Treasurer-Controller.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Abstained: Chad Embree, Michael Haack, Mike Silley

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

10. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

From the Agenda Committee

“That the Annual General Meeting of the Alma Mater Society be held Friday, February 11, 2011.

- Bijan Ahmadian: The Agenda Committee and the Executive Committee have agreed on this. Transition is often at the end of February. This year, like last year, it will be in mid-February.
- Jeremy McElroy: The AGM would be an opportunity to pass bylaws if we could get 1000 people in a room.
11. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

From the Agenda Committee
“That the Annual General Meeting of the Alma Mater Society be held Friday, February 11, 2011.

... Carried


12. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the Code sections on Condorcet voting be suspended for this month’s elections and that the first past the post system be used for those elections, with any ties being broken by a coin toss conducted by the Elections Administrator in the presence of the tied candidates and one witness for each of the tied candidates.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Neal Yonson reported that a poll he had just conducted showed different results using Condorcet and first past the post.
- Erik MacKinnon (Elections Administrator):
  - In August we approved funds for an outside vendor.
  - UBC Enrolment Services was adamant that we not use last year’s system.
  - We couldn’t afford buying from the outside vendor.
  - Bijan worked with Enrolment Services, and got them to agree to pay; the plan was that they would buy the system and integrate it with CWL or WebVote.
  - We were told that everything was fine, but then things were no longer fine; they couldn’t implement it; they’re not doing it anymore.
  - The Elections Committee met and discussed buying something, but we would have to test it. If it broke or was insecure, Council would have my head.
  - We could also use UBC’s WebVote, but they can’t handle Condorcet, so it would mean an election not according to the current rules.
  - I didn’t want to announce this problem until the close of nominations, when I could announce it to all candidates. Apologies that it came down to this.
  - We need to have an election. If we don’t pass this, there’s no election – or we try to get a new system in place.
  - Meanwhile on the system rebuild, UBC will no longer pay the whole thing; we’ll have to pay part, but it will be ready for the referendum. The next Council meeting will have the funding request for it.
- Ekat Dovjenko: When were you hired?
- Erik MacKinnon: In July.
- Elin Tayyar asked about delaying the election a week.
• Erik MacKinnon: I’m not concerned about getting the vendor to do this, but we have to connect to CWL and secure it. We’d have to speak to the vendor and UBC.

• Kyle Warwick: This is unfortunate, and it bothers me to suspend Code. It also puts Council in an unfair position. It assumes what Council will do. It allows Council no agency. But we do have to pass this to be fair to the candidates. Candidates will have made their strategies based on what they think the voting system will be.

• Dave Tompkins: What if this does not pass? You could have paper ballot voting.

• Elin Tayyar: This changes our way of democracy. I would rather wait one week.

• Erik MacKinnon: The Elections Committee tried to make the best choice. I’m fine with whatever Council decides. We could postpone a week. Money will have to be spent.

• Ignacio Rodriguez: Either way, using first past the post or Condorcet, will produce a fair result. Condorcet is not some magic bullet.

• Taylor Loren: WebVote never works without a hitch; it’s an incredibly confusing system. Voters may vote for only one race and leave.

• Jeremy McElroy: I’m a candidate. We’re one of the few student societies to use an online platform. Paper ballots are used elsewhere. Condorcet would take a long time, but it can be done with paper ballots; it’s possible to have a paper election.

• Mike Silley: If we extend by a week, that hurts the candidates. It’s harder to withdraw from courses the later you go.

• Ricardo Bortolon: The existing drop date is already after the Withdraw date. Paper balloting increases costs.

• Ekat Dovjenko: UBC has hurt us. Bijan, why weren’t you there to lobby the University? There’s $38,000 they’ve said No to.

• Bijan Ahmadian: It’s easy to attack.

• Crystal Hon: It was your job.

• Bijan Ahmadian: I did my job, but they underestimated how long it would take. They will pay; it’s just not ready.

• Elin Tayyar: Why can’t they pay for Simply Voting?

• Leo Stokes: Is delaying the election a week feasible?

• Erik MacKinnon: We may have to tweak the rules. Events are not scheduled for an additional week.

• Ricardo Bortolon: People overestimate the effect of events.

• Leo Stokes: Is it a real option to delay by a week?

• Erik MacKinnon: I’d have to call Simply Voting and ask if they can do it. They could do it; my concern is about connecting to CWL.

• Sean Heisler: Don’t delay a week. All the advertising says what week voting is. Delaying would create a void; we won’t be able to sustain the momentum. Keep it as it is; there are no other options.

• Kyle Warwick: I agree with the irritation over this, but that said, first past the post is less democratic than Condorcet, though just by degree. This would create open season for appeals on the basis of fundamental fairness, over changing the rules at the last minute.

• Jarrett Woodhouse: If we go to this system, we’ll get appeals anyway.

• Jeremy McElroy: There’s tight scheduling. It’s close to the AGM.

• Julian Ritchie: Candidates have been told to expect first past the post?
- Erik MacKinnon: A letter went out explaining the situation. I said it would be ruled on at this meeting.
- Julian Ritchie: But it was not said for sure.
- Erik MacKinnon: Not by us.
- Taylor Loren: No one’s going to campaign to be Number 2 anyway. Put some pressure on UBC to get this done so we can have Condorcet. Maybe use UBC’s Got Talent as pressure.
- Dave Tompkins: Bijan can say he won’t sing.
- Ricardo Bortolon: Last year we had one critical flaw, but could we fix it?
- Bijan Ahmadian: Can we fix the old system? We were told it was unsalvageable.
- Erik MacKinnon: Can we modify the motion to see if we can get it fixed?
- Ignacio Rodriguez: No, no, we can’t leave the election rules undecided.

There were no objections to extending Council for 20 minutes.

- Bijan Ahmadian: There would be a lot of uncertainty for candidates if we pass a motion that leaves the rules unclear. When recruiting volunteers, schedule changes will affect things; it will put a huge imposition on the candidates.
- Ravi Parhar: Let’s make a clear decision.
- Andrew Carne: It hurts everybody equally. Everyone will prepare one way or the other. A lot more could have been done on this. It’s ridiculous that it didn’t get settled.
- Elin Tayyar: It’s not about the candidates. It’s about the students.
- Nancy Wang: If we compromise, then we can be messed up again, and we may have to have an emergency meeting. If we’re not sure, then we have to delay.
- Erik MacKinnon: We’re ready to go tomorrow. The system is ready for Monday. WebVote is ready to go. If the other system doesn’t work, we still have WebVote.
- Nancy Wang: Candidates won’t know which system will be used.

13. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (1): Bijan Ahmadian

Against (10): Andrew Carne, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Michael Haack, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Abstained: Julian Ritchie

There were no objections to extending council for another 15 minutes (to 10:40 pm).
14. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the motion be amended to read:

‘Be it resolved that the Code sections on voting be suspended for this month’s elections to allow the Elections Committee to decide the process for voting (i.e. it will be Condorcet voting or first past the post).’ ”

- Jeremy McElroy: This means going with Condorcet till the last second.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: This is ludicrous; it will turn the elections into a farce. Erik made a decision, wrote the Elections Handbook, told the candidates the rules. Changing the rules midway through is a bad idea. Council has the power to suspend Code for reasons just like this.
- Andrew Carne: If candidates are planning strategy depending on which voting system we’re using, that’s wrong. Candidates should not be campaigning just to maximize their votes.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Would this amendment mean a delay in the voting?
- Erik MacKinnon: No, it’s Monday regardless.
- Bijan Ahmadian: By Monday, it ain’t going to happen [that an electronic Condorcet voting system could be put in place].
- Annie Greenwood: How many people here are expert on voting systems? Maybe we should be more concerned about getting people out to vote.
- Julian Ritchie: Don’t the ads say to use WebVote?
- Erik MacKinnon: No, we point to the Elections website.

There were no objections to changing the amendment to add:

“Be it further resolved that the Elections Committee must make this decision no less than 24 hours before the start of voting.”

- Ignacio Rodriguez: This will erode confidence in the Executives elected. It will make people not believe in what we say. The rules of the campaign make a difference. It’s true everyone will be disadvantaged, but I don’t think you should be disadvantaging everyone. Leaving things in limbo till 24 hours before the voting begins is even more ludicrous.
- Ekat Dovjenko: Far too many people in this room have an extreme conflict of interest.

There was no opposition to laying this motion on the table

15. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:


“That _______ and ________ (Councillors) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term beginning immediately and ending March 31, 2011.

Nominees: Leo Stokes (Arts) and Rory Breasail (Arts)
“That _______ be appointed Chair of the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term beginning immediately and ending March 31, 2011.
Nominee: Ignacio Rodriguez (Science)

“That _______ (Councillor) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term beginning immediately and ending March 31, 2011.”
Nominee: Kyle Warwick (Arts)

16. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED CHAD EMBREE:


“That Leo Stokes and Rory Breasail (Councillors) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term beginning immediately and ending March 31, 2011.

“That Ignacio Rodriguez be appointed Chair of the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term beginning immediately and ending March 31, 2011.

“That Kyle Warwick (Councillor) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term beginning immediately and ending March 31, 2011.”

... Carried

For (15): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Chad Embree, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, David Kim, Amanda Li, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Against (1): Andrew Carne

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Leo Stokes

Council brought back the motion to amend the motion on Condorcet voting.

17. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the motion be amended to read:

‘Be it resolved that the Code sections on voting be suspended for this month’s elections to allow the Elections Committee to decide the process for voting (i.e. it will be Condorcet voting or first past the post).’

Be it further resolved that the Elections Committee must make this decision no less than 24 hours before the start of voting.’ ”

• Katherine Tyson: Anyone running should probably not vote.
• Erik MacKinnon said he had just got off the phone with Chris Eaton (UBC Enrolment Services), who said there was no chance UBC’s IT Services could set
up a new voting system with Simply Voting in two days, but Chris said he would talk to IT as soon as he got in tomorrow.

18. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (4): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Sean Heisler

Against (14): Andrew Carne, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, David Liu, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley

- Sheldon Goldfarb noted that if there is a conflict of interest, those in conflict of interest are not to speak or vote.
- The Speaker ruled that there was no conflict of interest for those running in the election.
- Bijan Ahmadian: It’s safest if candidates don’t vote.
- Bijan Ahmadian challenged the Speaker’s ruling that there is no conflict of interest.
- The Speaker said he didn’t think a material benefit existed.

“Are candidates in a conflict of interest on this motion?” ... Yes

Yes (16): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Chad Embree, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Annie Greenwood, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Amanda Li, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

No (4): Ekaterina Dovjenko, Michael Haack, Bahador Moosavi, Nancy Wang

Abstained: Sean Heisler, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick

- The Speaker ruled that campaign workers have no conflict of interest.
- Jarrett Woodhouse challenged this ruling.
- Jarrett Woodhouse: If you’re helping, you’re upholding that person’s interest, so you are the person in a way.
- Julian Ritchie: We have no way of knowing who’s helping whom.
- Erik MacKinnon: We do register most of them.
- Julian Ritchie called on campaign workers to use their common sense; you could be opening your candidates to appeal.
“Are campaign workers in a conflict of interest on this motion?”

... No

For (2): Crystal Hon, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Against (16): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, David Kim, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Sean Heisler, Amanda Li, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick

19. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

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‘Be it resolved that the Code sections on voting be suspended for this month’s elections to allow the Elections Committee to decide the process for voting (i.e. it will be Condorcet voting or first past the post).’

Be it further resolved that the Elections Committee must make this decision no less than 24 hours before the start of voting.’

... Carried

For (11): Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Ekaterina Dovjenko, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, Amanda Li, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Against (6): Bijan Ahmadian, David Kim, Ravi Parhar, Iggy Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Chad Embree, Sean Heisler, Bahador Moosavi, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

20. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

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Be it further resolved that the Elections Committee must make this decision no less than 24 hours before the start of voting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried without dissent
For (15): Bijan Ahmadian, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Ekaterina Dovjenko, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Amanda Li, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Chad Embree, Sean Heisler, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

There were no objections to extending Council by 10 minutes.

21. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

From the Business & Facilities Committee
"That the presentation on marketing strategy scheduled for tonight be presented at the next Council meeting."

... Carried


Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

22. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

"That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Nov. 18, 2010 [SCD249-11]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Nov. 25, 2010." [SCD250-11]

... Carried


Against (2): Jeremy McElroy, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Mike Silley

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:
23. MOVED WILL GALLEGO, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Council suspend the part of Code setting the total award pool amount for the Voter Funded Media contest in elections at $8,000 and set the total award pool amount for the current election at $2,000.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Erik MacKinnon: We don’t have rules for Continuous VFM. We set aside $6,000 for Continuous and $2,000 for the election, but Code says there should be $8,000 for the election. We need to change that to $2,000.
- Ricardo Bortolon: How much has been spent on Continuous VFM?
  - Erik MacKinnon: $1,000.
- Taylor Loren: If you don’t pass this, there will be no Continuous VFM.
- Ricardo Bortolon:
  - Everyone wants Continuous VFM to work, but only about 100 people decided the allocation of $850 in November for Continuous. In elections, about 400 people are deciding every $1,000; that’s more responsible. In Continuous, it’s not different people voting every month.
  - It would be inappropriate to reduce Elections VFM. There have been tons of months that there were no funds allocated and people were still reading. There are no rules for Continuous. Until we can properly know how to administer this, we should not pay for Continuous VFM. Council should be debating how much should go to one-time VFM.
- Taylor Loren:
  - AMS Confidential is the most popular blog. We reported on the Land Use Plan when no one else was. Little blogs show up at election time; they want more money at election time so they don’t have to work the rest of the year.
  - Continuous VFM does not require a ton of money, and per day especially it’s lower.
  - Continuous VFM gets people to talk about the AMS year-round, and will be useful during the referendum.
  - You’ve been talking about strategy in elections; we have blog strategy too.
- Bahador Moosavi: What is Continuous VFM?
- Mark Latham: Continuous VFM was built in 2009 and rolled out a year ago. There was $8000 for elections as usual; I kicked in $2000 for Continuous. There are advantages with both. In Continuous, as in elections, students vote; for Continuous they vote continuously and results are recalculated every day.
- Dylan Callow: It’s concerning that a small amount of people are voting, but Taylor has done a great job. People should be rewarded for putting in work. You could say Taylor and Ricardo have a conflict of interest.

There were no objections to extending Council indefinitely.

- Jeremy McElroy: Ongoing VFM is a fantastic medium outside elections, but there are serious concerns with the system. Usage is low; there’s no verification process; you can vote multiple time. In Elections VFM you get just one vote which can be checked; you have to supply your student number. A balance is hard to achieve. Perhaps it should be $4,000 each.
- Mark Latham: We do have a system to restrict repetitive voting, but verification is still an issue.

24. MOVED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the motion be amended to set the total amount for the current election at $4,000.”

- Bijan Ahmadian: The original intention was to give Continuous $6,000 and leave $2,000 for the elections. This amendment makes it 50-50. We should go with the original intention.
- Bahador Moosavi: When was the $6000-$2000 split approved?
- Erik MacKinnon: It was announced in October. Council never voted.
- Julian Ritchie: We were just told.
- Neal Yonson: The VFM blogs from 2007-08 are gone. One-time VFM attracts one-time contestants. Do you want two weeks a year or substantive coverage the rest of the year?
- Sean Heisler: The $2000-$6000 split is better.

25. MOVED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Against (4): Michael Haack, Bahador Moosavi, Mike Silley, Kyle Warwick

26. MOVED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the motion be amended to set the total amount for the current election at $4,000.”

... Defeated

For (2): Ekaterina Dovjenko, Jeremy McElroy


Abstained: Brian Platt, Mike Silley
It was agreed to add a clause specifying that prize amounts be made proportional.

27. MOVED WILL GALLEGO, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Council suspend the part of Code setting the total award pool amount for the Voter Funded Media contest in elections at $8,000 and set the total award pool amount for the current election at $2,000.

Be it further resolved that the section of Code determining the amounts on the ballot be adjusted proportionately (i.e. to 25% of the original amounts).”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (23): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Ekaterina Dovjenko, Chad Embree, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Amanda Li, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Brian Platt, Jarrett Woodhouse (proxy for Ellen Kim)

28. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“Whereas voter turnout is an integral aspect to the AMS executive elections, the AMS referendum campaign and student engagement throughout the year,

Therefore be it resolved that AMS Council mandate that Continuous Voter Funded Media be reinstated.”

• Kyle Warwick: Not till LPC puts rules in.

25. MOVED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the motion be amended to read:

‘Whereas voter turnout is an integral aspect to the AMS executive elections, the AMS referendum campaign and student engagement throughout the year,

Therefore be it resolved that Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to draft regulations for continuous Voter Funded Media and to report back no later than the first Council meeting in March.

Be it further resolved that AMS Council mandate that continuous Voter Funded Media be suspended until such code is adopted by Council.’ “
• Kyle Warwick: As a member of LPC, I will try to get this done as soon as possible; best to have it done in time for the referendum.

It was agreed to change the due date to February 9.

26. MOVED KYLIE WARWICK:

“That the motion be amended to read:

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Therefore be it resolved that Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to draft regulations for continuous Voter Funded Media and to report back no later than February 9.

Be it further resolved that AMS Council mandate that continuous Voter Funded Media be suspended until such code is adopted by Council.’ "

… No objections

27. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

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Be it further resolved that AMS Council mandate that continuous Voter Funded Media be suspended until such code is adopted by Council.”

… Carried


Abstained: Michael Haack, Brian Platt

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Metro Van Letter [SCD251-11]
AMS Elections Draft Budget [SCD252-11]

Q) Next Meeting:
January 26, 2011

R) Adjournment:

28. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

For (7): Chad Embree, William Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Amanda Li, Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Leo Stokes, Nancy Wang

Against (2): Ekaterina Dovjenko, Julian Ritchie

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 pm.

S) Social Activity:

Council Pit Night
# Jan 12, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver - Student Council Attendance

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A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm.

1. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the Ubyssey be allowed to livestream the meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Nicholas Frank asked that he be allowed to record the meeting as well.
- Crystal Hon: Why?
- Nicholas Frank: So that I can have a recording of myself when I address Council.

2. MOVED on behalf of Nicholas Frank:

“That Motion 1 be amended to allow Nicholas Frank to record the meeting.”

... Defeated

For (11): Bijan Ahmadian, Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Against (21): Michael Wong, Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Allen Chen, Maria Curro, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Naiia Karim, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Amanda Harvey (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Brian Platt, Nick Sertic, Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams, Jimmy Yan (proxy for Sumedha Sharma)

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Azim Wazeer
3. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the Ubyssey be allowed to livestream the meeting.”

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For (34): Bijan Ahmadian, Michael Wong, Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Maria Cirstea, Maria Curro, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Amanda Harvey (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Abstained: Naila Karim, Mike Silley

- It was agreed to add a motion about LPC, a fund transfer motion, and one about an assistant for the VP Finance, also an in camera discussion about Executive dynamics.

4. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (25): Bijan Ahmadian, Michael Wong, Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Maria Cirstea, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Nancy Wang, Azim Wazeer, Shalene Williams, Jimmy Yan (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

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

C) Presentations to Council:

**Tuition & Fees – Chad Hyson (UBC VP Students Office)**

- Tuition consultation in accordance with Policy 71, and especially focusing on consulting the ISA executive over international student fees.
- Domestic tuition is tied to inflation and regulated by the provincial government.
- International tuition is set annually by the Board of Governors in accordance with an education price index; international students are full fee paying, and their tuition is not regulated by the province.
- This year we’ve moved the process forward for international students.
• For domestic students, the provincial government sets a cap in March; we’re assuming it will be 2% as it has been for the past five years, but we will comply with whatever the government sets. If they set it lower, we will lower our increase. On the other hand, if they set it higher, we still won’t go over 2%.

• For international students, the increase will be 3%, plus another 1% to adjust international support.

• Because international students have said they would like more certainty, we are making a proposal to the Board of Governors that they set fee increases for three more years after this one (at an annual increase of 2%) for the international student cohort entering this fall (and for those already enrolled). This will go to the February Board meeting so recruiters will know and be able to give that guarantee to international students.

• International grad students will see their increase brought down to the domestic level by partial tuition scholarships.

• No new student fees are being proposed.

• Non-instructional fees, including the Athletics fee, will go up 2%.

• Cost recovery fees in general won’t increase, except for the transcript fee, which is going up 5%.

Questions

• Andrew Carne asked about increases in application fees.
  • Chad Hyson: In the past, it was not worth it to bother increasing such small fees by 2%, but now we’re not being allowed to increase by more than 2% in any one year, so we’ll be doing the 2% increases every year.

• Mitch Wright asked why UBC was using a higher, U.S. index for international fees.
  • Chad Hyson: UBC’s Planning and Institutional Research department calculates this fee; it’s not the U.S. one.

• Mitch Wright: Do they have documentation justifying a 3% increase?

• Chad Hyson said he would check.

• Kyle Warwick asked about the genesis of the 1% increase for additional financial aid. Did international students ask for it, or was it just an assumption?

• Chad Hyson: They don’t have the same access to bursaries and loans. There was a concern over how their aid is allotted, it being mostly for new students and not enough for continuing students.

• Kyle Warwick: The funding guarantee is good, but what about those not in the eligible cohorts?
  • Chad Hyson: We’re experimenting. If it’s successful, we’ll extend to the next cohort.

• Azim Wazeer questioned making the guarantee for four years when many students now take five years to finish.

• Chad Hyson said he would pass along that feedback.

• Dylan Callow asked about strategies in case the NDP returns to power and reintroduces the tuition freeze.

• Chad Hyson said he would have to check on that.

• Taylor Loren asked about other consultation plans besides coming to Council.
• Chad Hyson: We’ve been to the Executive. We’ve made a broadcast announcement to all students. In the past we tried information tables, but they don’t work well. We’re open to other ideas.
• Jeremy McElroy noted the jumps in international fees and asked where the original differential amount came from.
• Chad Hyson: My understanding is that it was full fee and costs.
• Jeremy McElroy asked about the upcoming postsecondary budget, given that last year’s was frozen.
• Chad Hyson: We’ve been working hard to balance our budget to avoid a deficit by doing more with less. As to what the provincial government is going to do, I’ll have to look into that.
• Jeremy McElroy asked about UBC introducing an increase now before knowing what it will receive from the government.
• Chad Hyson: I don’t have an answer for you on that.

Student Financial Assistance – Barbara Crocker (UBC Financial Assistance & Awards)
• Mostly bursary support.
• Donor funded: some annual, some endowed/indefinite.
• There’s also University operating funds, along with government loans and grants.
• Students often use two or more sources.
• Biggest source of student financial assistance: student loans.
• Funding increased 13% this year; the number of recipients went up, as did the average award.
• Because of the financial crash, we got less in, but we make it up.
• Reasons for increase this year: slightly from an increase in the cost of programs and books, but more from lack of resources, changing family situations.
• Advocacy issues:
  o Restoring the 6-month interest-free period after graduation.
  o Reducing the interest rate.
  o Adopting a repayment assistance plan.
  o Adopting an integrated loan process, so that there would be just one loan and one payment; there’s been some success on this; it will be introduced in May.
• Evelyn Lett childcare bursary, originally supported by the AMS, was hard hit by the crash; it’s in deficit; any money for it is going to reduce that deficit, but that doesn’t mean students are not being assisted; there will be no more money in that fund until 2019, but money is still going to students with childcare needs.

Questions
• Kyle Warwick: Is there a commitment on childcare assistance until 2019?
• Barbara Crocker: Good question. Each year we review the money we have. There are constraints on all our money.
• Sedi Minachi asked about maximum limits on student loans and the hardships that can cause, adding that students are sometimes harassed by messages from the Awards Department.
• Barbara Crocker said students should come to the Awards Office if they have any problems.
Taylor Loren asked why the emphasis was on bursaries rather than scholarships.
Barbara Crocker: This is only a report on bursaries. There will be a full report in the fall. We put emphasis on both.
Gregory Williams: Lots of students are having problems with the student loan system; they ruin your credit, lead to defaults.
Barbara Crocker: We have the lowest default rate.
Gregory Williams expressed dissatisfaction with the importance accorded to loans.
Barbara Crocker: Only 25% of the students are on loans.
Gregory Williams: That’s still a lot; students want to see alternative systems, moving away from loans to grants.
Barbara Crocker: Absolutely. I couldn’t agree more. We continue to support upfront grants, anything to decrease the debt load.

L) Committee Motions:

5. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED NANCY WANG:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: VoterMedia’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Iggy Rodriguez:
  o Council tasked LPC with this last time. We met twice, Mark Latham attended, and we reached a good solution, codifying what would be best practices for Continuous VFM and also tweaking what we’re already doing.
  o One question: who should be eligible? We’re saying members of Council should not be allowed to be the person directly receiving money for a blog.
  o Since the Elections Committee is not active all year, and we need someone all year to oversee Continuous VFM, we’ve assigned this to the SAC Vice-Chair.
  o We introduced a minimum content rule, saying 40% has to be UBC-related content to make sure the blogs in Continuous VFM are contributing to UBC life.
  o We consulted with VFM members on this.
  o One last thing: changing the name to VoterMedia; that’s the new brand Mark is pursuing; also vfm.org was not available, and as a twitter hashtag VM is punchier.
- Mike Silley: Was the SAC Vice-Chair consulted? Do they have time?
- Iggy Rodriguez: Yes, they were.

6. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED NANCY WANG:

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For (27): Bijan Ahmadian, Michael Wong, Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Maria Curro, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Naila Karim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Amanda Harvey (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams, Jimmy Yan (proxy for Sumedha Sharma)

Abstained: Mike Silley

C) Presentations to Council:

Marketing Strategy – Chad Embree
- BAFCOM wanted to look at the AMS marketing strategy because we’re in deficit.
- Experimenting with new deals in the food outlets, but not enough data to see if they’ve been successful yet.
- The idea is to get people to the SUB, and one suggestion was to conduct a market audit to make sure we’re serving students.
- Things to look at: prices, products, competition.
- We need data; we don’t have any data.
- So the proposal is to conduct a survey, and as an incentive to get people to take part in the survey, there should be prizes, including one grand prize, costing maybe $200. The CUS experience is that without prizes a survey may get a response rate of 6-14%. With prizes you can get 48% or even 79% if the prize is good enough.
- After the survey, we’d go back to BAFCOM and then have recommendations to bring to Council.

Questions
- Kyle Warwick: Will you get accurate answers if you use incentives?
- Chad Embree: Studies show that overall you get honest answers even if people are doing it for the incentive.
- Kyle Warwick: What will you do with the answers?
- Chad Embree: We’ll be asking about the food we serve, so we can take the responses to the food outlets or to the New SUB Committee.
- Taylor Loren: How many respondents would you like to get?
- Chad Embree: Ideally 500.
- Taylor Loren: Not many filled in the systemic discrimination survey.
- Chad Embree: That was a more sensitive topic.
- Nancy Wang suggested gift certificates instead of stated prizes.
- Chad Embree said it was not set in stone.
Katherine Tyson said the survey was a good idea and $200 was a fine amount. She hoped we would not quibble over a few dollars when we are so much in debt.

Gordon Katic suggested marketing student services. If you did that, you’d see more loyalty to the AMS brand.

Chad Embree: I one hundred percent agree. If you want to expand the survey, we can do that.

7. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the AMS Council approve up to $200 (from the President’s Fund) for a wonderful prize and an additional $100 for smaller prizes for a market research project.”

Note: The President’s Fund has a balance of $10,000.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

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For (31): Bijan Ahmadian, Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Naila Karim, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Azim Wazeer, Shalene Williams

Against (3): Michael Wong, Amanda Harvey (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Maria Curro

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

8. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“Whereas the last election cycle was categorized by an unprecedented quantity of personal attacks, and

Whereas it is essential for integrity of the society that campaigns remain primarily ideas based and not descend into personal attacks, and

Whereas a clear election code is an important element to any free and open elections,
Therefore, be it resolved that Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to conduct a thorough review of the Society’s election code, including provisions related to third party endorsements.

Be it further resolved that the Legislative Procedures Committee report their findings to Council by the first meeting in March.”

- Kyle Warwick: Third party endorsements were done on a large scale this time. The tone became corrosive and personal, and the Society doesn’t benefit from that.
- Bahador Moosavi: It wasn’t our Code or our Elections Administrator that I was unhappy with. It’s our culture. We should re-evaluate our culture.
- Julian Ritchie: If this will affect Constituency elections, we should make any changes fast or wait till after their elections.
- Iggy Rodriguez: If we come back with Code changes, they would be timed to take effect after all of this round of elections.

9. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, (no objections)

“That the motion be amended to have LPC investigate slates as well as third party endorsements.”

- Andrew Carne: We’ve investigated slates before; it’s time consuming, and not a good use of LPC’s time.
- Katherine Tyson: Looking at slates will be a distraction.
- Iggy Rodriguez: Banning slates is one of the key issues in the elections code. It was one of the central issues of the last campaign.
- Erik MacKinnon: You can’t really have the third party discussion without looking at slates. I hope LPC does look at slates. They go hand in hand.

10. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, (no objections)

“That the motion be amended to have LPC investigate slates as well as third party endorsements.”

... Carried

For (25): Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Maria Curro, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, Naila Karim, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Sedi Minachi, Amanda Harvey (proxy for Ravi Parhar) Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams, Jimmy Yan (proxy for Sumedha Sharma)

Against (11): Michael Wong, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, David Kim, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Katherine Tyson, Azim Wazeer
11. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“Whereas the last election cycle was categorized by an unprecedented quantity of personal attacks, and

Whereas it is essential for integrity of the society that campaigns remain primarily ideas based and not descend into personal attacks, and

Whereas a clear election code is an important element to any free and open elections,

Therefore, be it resolved that Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to conduct a thorough review of the Society’s election code, including provisions related to third party endorsements and slates.

Be it further resolved that the Legislative Procedures Committee report their findings to Council by the first meeting in March.”

… Carried

For (34): Michael Wong, Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Nila Karim, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams, Jimmy Yan (proxy for Sumedha Sharma)

Abstained: Maria Curro, Julian Ritchie

12. MOVED SEDI MINACHI (no objections to motion from the floor)

“Be it resolved that the AMS Executive respect the Councillors’ decision (made on December 1, 2010) to transfer $700 from the SJC to the SPHR before the new Executive start their work.”

- Sedi Minachi: We had an extensive discussion before on this. The President should release these funds. A majority of Council members voted for this. The President spent $13,000 of legal fees over this $700. The Executive should respect the Councillors’ decision.

13. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ

“That the motion be amended to read:
‘Be it resolved that Council is satisfied with the investigation into the fund transfer to the SPHR have been met, and that the fund transfer should occur as soon as possible.’

- Iggy Rodriguez: The December motion said to wait till Council is satisfied. The first version of this motion said nothing about that.
- Sedi Minachi: How many months do we have to investigate?
- Dylan Callow: Both versions do the same thing. It’s the language used. Even the second one could be friendlier.
- Bahador Moosavi: Let’s follow the wording of the December motion.

It was agreed to modify the amendment to read:

“Be it resolved that as per the December 1, 2010 motion, Council is satisfied that the conditions regarding the fund transfer to the SPHR have been met, and that the fund transfer will occur as soon as possible.”

- Gall Levit:
  - This is a divisive way of achieving social justice. This isn’t about amendments or supporting terrorism; it’s about the SJC being accountable to the students of UBC.
  - The $700 sends a message that the whole university supports sending this to the Gaza Boat.
  - The SJC is not accountable to UBC students; they have polarized UBC students. At the SJC meeting there was great hostility to those opposed.
  - They shouldn’t make our minds up for us.
- Gregory Williams:
  - Yes, the debate has been acrimonious and personal; not what we would have liked.
  - At the SJC we have been completely open about this for three or four months.
  - Every one of you is a member. If you want us to be accountable, come to meetings. Some of those opposed have done this.
  - Recently, we had a meeting which we advertised, but very few people came.
  - Nothing the SJC does will have complete consensus, but the majority of students who have come to our meetings supported the fund transfer.
  - It’s time for this to be over.

… Carried

14. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ (no objections)

“That the motion be amended to read:

‘Be it resolved that as per the December 1, 2010 motion, Council is satisfied that the conditions regarding the fund transfer to the SPHR have been met, and that the fund transfer will occur as soon as possible.’

… Carried
For (34): Michael Wong, Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Maria Cirstea, Maria Curro, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, Naila Karim, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Amanda Harvey (proxy for Ravi Parhar) Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Shalene Williams, Jimmy Yan (proxy for Sumedha Sharma)

Abstained: Chad Embree

15. MOVED SEDI MINACHI

“Be it resolved that as per the December 1, 2010 motion, Council is satisfied that the conditions regarding the fund transfer to the SPHR have been met, and that the fund transfer will occur as soon as possible.’"

... Carried

For (28): Michael Wong, Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Lin Chung, Maria Curro, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Amanda Harvey (proxy for Ravi Parhar) Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Nancy Wang, Azim Wazeer, Shalene Williams, Jimmy Yan (proxy for Sumedha Sharma)

Against (1): Bijan Ahmadian

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Chad Embree, Naila Karim, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Iggy Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

16. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE, THIRDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That Council go in camera to discuss Executive dynamics.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

The meeting went in camera at 8:03 pm.

The meeting left the in camera session at 9:42 pm.

D) President's Remarks (Bijan Ahmadian):

- UBC’s Got Talent: a big success; looking forward to it becoming a tradition.
  o Neal Yonson asked how much he spent in the election campaign.
  o Bijan Ahmadian: I don’t have that number.
  o Neal Yonson: More than zero?
Bijan Ahmadian: Yes.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Academic & University Affairs – Ben Cappellacci
- Referendum: Assembling team.

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar
- Health & Dental: finalizing contract.

VP Administration – Ekaterina Dovjenko
- Submitted resignation effective Jan 31.

VP External Affairs – Jeremy McElroy
- Ran in the election; made some mistakes; now President-elect.

F) Committee Reports:

Legislative Procedures Committee – Ignacio Rodriguez
- VoterMedia issue done.
- Began discussions on whether donations should continue to be allowed.
- Next: Elections review; Resource Group review. Opening up to consultation.

Extraordinary Hiring Committee – Chad Embree
- Hired a consultant firm (Odgers Berndston) for the Treasurer-Controller position; same firm as for GM and Senior HR Manager. Costing less than the allocated $30,000; maybe $25,000.
- Aiming to hire in 8 weeks

Student Life Committee – Crystal Hon
- Block Party motion coming tonight.

Education Committee – Joel Mertens
- Meeting tomorrow

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Brian Platt
- Arts Week was great; Mardi Gras was awesome.
- Exciting that two Arts execs were elected to AMS executive; this means there will be two AMS rep positions to fill.
- Lost to Sumedha in jello wrestling.

Music – Annie Greenwood
- Selling clothing with an ugly logo.

Graduate Student Society – Sedi Minachi
- Special General Meeting.
- Hiring for an administrative assistant position.
• Abolished AVP’s.
• Consulting with VP Students Office over TA wages etc.

**Engineering – Nick Sertic**
• E Week is coming.

**Science – Sumedha Sharma**
• Science Week is happening
• Beat Brian at jello wrestling.
• Cold Fusion this Friday.

**Commerce – Dylan Callow**
• Won competition in Saskatoon, second year in a row.
• Two events over the last two weeks.
• Elections happening – lots of candidates.
• Referendum to tweak the constitution.

**Human Kinetics – Ellen Kim**
• Career Fair.
• Dinner for Kinners
• Blood drive.

**Land & Food Systems – David Kim**
• Elections.
• New bylaws and constitution.

It was agreed to extend Council one hour.

**H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:**

**Board of Governors – Azim Wazeer**
• Land Use Plan amendments forwarded to the Province; will get results in the next month or two.

**Senate – Joel Mertens**
• January Senate meeting cancelled due to lack of business.

**Ombudsperson – Jay Shah**
• Finalizing Ombuds brochure.

**I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:**

**L) Committee Motions:**

17. **MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:**

“That the Budget Committee amend the VP Finance transitional honorarium to make it a salary for a temporary assistant VP Finance.”
• Elin Tayyar: I need an assistant and will not get a transitional honorarium because I’m succeeding myself, so that money could be used to hire an assistant. Budget Committee is fine with this. This is not an AVP; there is an AVP already; that’s the vice-chair of the Finance Commission, who does a separate job. This would be an assistant to help me. I need someone to organize my office, go through my emails, keep me from being triplebooked.

18. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED NICK SERTIC:

“That the Budget Committee amend the VP Finance transitional honorarium to make it a salary for a temporary assistant VP Finance.”

...Carried

For (21): Bijan Ahmadian, Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson

19. MOVED GORDON KATIC, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the agenda be amended to add a censure motion at the end of business.”

... Carried

For (16): Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, David Liu, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Elin Tayyar, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Against (12): Bijan Ahmadian, Maria Cirstea, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

20. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“Be it resolved that in accordance with Bylaw 5(3)(c) (v), Council appoint ______ (Council member) as a temporary replacement for the Vice-President Administration from January 31 until the annual general meeting.”

• Katherine Tyson: The temporary replacement should be someone who knows about the position or who is coming into it.
• It was noted that Ekat recommended Mike Silley (the VP Admin-elect) in her resignation letter.
21. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“Be it resolved that in accordance with Bylaw 5(3)(c) (v), Council appoint Mike Silley (Council member) as a temporary replacement for the Vice-President Administration from January 31 until the annual general meeting.

“Be it further resolved that Dylan Callow be appointed as the chair of BAFCOM from January 31 until March 31.”

... Carried

For (23): Bijan Ahmadian, Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Maria Cirstea, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley

22. MOVED CRYSTAL HON, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

From the Student Life Committee

“That the Block Party budget be accepted as presented.”

- It was agreed to add another $1,500 for advertising.
- Crystal Hon: We need this budget to be approved; otherwise there’s no Block Party. There are no surprises here, except the increase in advertising. It was all explained in my presentation last time.
- Jeremy McElroy: Where’s the money coming from?
- Crystal Hon: The idea is to break even.
- Dave Tompkins: Even with this additional $1,500?
- Elin Tayyar: The additional ads will bring in more revenue.
- Iggy Rodriguez: If it should happen that Block Party does lose money, where will that money come from?

23. MOVED CRYSTAL HON, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

From the Student Life Committee

“That the Block Party budget be accepted as amended.”

Note: $1,500 increase for advertising

... Carried
For (23): Bijan Ahmadian, Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Abstained: Ravi Parhar, Elin Tayyar

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

24. MOVED CHAD EMBREE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated November 30, 2010
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated January 6, 2011.”

... Carried

For (19): Bijan Ahmadian, Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Against (2): Jeremy McElroy, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Michael Haack, Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

25. MOVED GORDON KATIC, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“Whereas Council finds the video posted during the election on the personal blog of the AMS President, Bijan Ahmadian, to be unprofessional and contrary to the values of the organization, and

Whereas Bijan’s actions fell outside of the jurisdiction of the Elections Administrator, and thus have not been properly addressed, and

Whereas this video created an atmosphere of personal attacks in the election and damaged the reputation of the Society in the eyes of students,

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS President, Bijan Ahmadian, be censured for his actions.”

- Gordon Katic: Bijan compromised the integrity of the elections and has in general been an abject failure, wasting money, taking credit for others’ actions, and now
showing no genuine remorse or accountability. This President needs to take responsibility and feel the burden of his transgressions.

- Bijan Ahmadian deferred to his legal counsel, Noah Sarna.
- Noah Sarna said he was not speaking to the merits of the issue, only the procedure:
  - Ordinarily, it is one of the principles of administrative law that there be procedural fairness. The person suffering a loss through an action, if there was not procedural fairness, can bring an action.
  - In this case, no advance notice was given, no hearing was set up. There have been none of the usual procedures used when actions can result in significant negative consequences.
  - Thus this motion exposes the Society to legal liability; there are also employment law issues and defamation issues. I strongly urge you to consult a lawyer.
- Dave Tompkins told Council members they could ignore what Noah Sarna said. Notice was not required, and Council members were covered by directors’ liability insurance as individuals. If Bijan sues, the AMS may have to go to court, but individuals would not be liable.
- Ross Horton quoted an excerpt from a legal opinion the AMS received in 2009 concerning plans to censure two Executives then. The AMS lawyers said censure requires notice, and in this case his opinion was that notice had not been given.
- Dave Tompkins: The lawyers last time were quoting another manual of Parliamentary law procedure, not one that applies to us. That Bijan brought his lawyer shows that he had notice. If Council would feel better about postponing for two weeks, that’s up to Council, but the motion is in order.
- Noah Sarna said he was not talking about violating Robert’s Rules, but about the principles of administrative law. When you do something like this, it’s important to give notice. And notice does not mean rumours; it means formal notification. In serious cases, where there can be serious consequences for an individual, there’s an obligation to meet certain procedural requirements and provide lots of notice.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Notice means a specific thing. The actual wording has to be sent to me so I can prepare a defence. As to individual Council members being protected by AMS liability insurance, you haven’t read the insurance papers; you don’t know what it covers.

Bijan Ahmadian challenged the decision of the Chair.

- Dave Tompkins: This organization follows Robert’s Rules and our own rules of procedure, which supersede Robert’s Rules. We have had censure motions in the past. Council does not have extra rules to cover censure. You are not causing damages right now by censuring; he may try to tell you that; he may try to sue the AMS, which would be deplorable. If you want to postpone, if you’re nervous or intimidated, or you just want to postpone, you can.
- Bijan Ahmadian:
  - The Society has legal obligations. We are an administrative body. Lots of laws apply to us that are not in our bylaws. Lots of things may have been done in the past and not been challenged, but they break certain
laws. It is well-established that administrative law includes reasonable notice.
  o As to damages, I’d have to report the censure to the Law Society.
  o The Society does have a lawyer for a reason; it makes sense to get legal advice. I hate to be put in this awkward position, but you need to be aware of the dangers.

• Crystal Hon: Why did you bring a lawyer?
• Bijan Ahmadian: There were rumours.
• Crystal Hon: If we pass this, you’re going to sue us?
• Bijan Ahmadian: I’m going to seriously consider it.
• Someone said that when a censure motion was brought from the floor against Tim Chu and Blake Frederick in 2009, Bijan voted for it.
• Andrew Carne: Administrative law applies to government and government agencies; we’re not a government; we’re a private organization.
• Katherine Tyson:
  o This is a complete witch hunt. This is why we’re a laughingstock. Why didn’t this come to the Agenda Committee? No one brought it up there. The idea was to make sure people weren’t prepared.
  o In the past we’ve gone to our lawyers. Why don’t we do that or give notice or go to the Ombudsperson? Why are we not using our legal opinion?
• Dave Tompkins: Whether something is good is up to Council. Whether it’s in order is up to our rules.

26. “That the decision of the Chair be upheld.”

For (22): Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Elin Tayyar, Azim Wazeer, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Against (1): Bijan Ahmadian

Abstained: Conrad Copeland (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

The censure motion was thus agreed to be in order.

27. MOVED CONRAD COPELAND, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the censure motion be postponed till the February 9, 2011 Council meeting.”

• Iggy Rodriguez: I do think the motion is in order. That being said, I don’t feel right in moving forward. This could have and should have come to the Agenda Committee. Notice should have been given. Let’s step back and think about
what we want to do. We should not act with emotion. Give Bijan a chance to defend himself. Wait till we have some perspective.

- Nick Sertic: If this is postponed till next time, would you suspend the lawsuit?
- Noah Sarna: I’d have to look into it.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Council should get its own legal advice.
- Katherine Tyson: Can we ask the Ombudsperson to do an investigation?
- Ariel [guest]: If the idea is to inform Bijan of the exact wording of the censure, then there won’t be any flexibility with the motion.
- Gordon Katic: Does Council have confidence that Bijan has taken responsibility for his actions? Clearly, he’s not. He’s using his lawyer to intimidate Council. He’s tainting the reputation of the AMS.
- Erin [guest]: The reputation of the AMS has been tainted by lots of things.
- Dave Tompkins suggested that the whereas clauses could be struck.
- Erin: How would striking the whereas clauses help? Aren’t we required to include grounds?
- Dave Tompkins: One rule is to make sure all Council members can speak freely. Whatever is in the whereas clauses could be grounds for a lawsuit. I’m trying to work in the best interests of the Society.

There were no objections to extending Council indefinitely.

- Annie Greenwood asked about the consequences for Bijan and for Council.
- Bijan Ahmadian said he would have to provide details of any censure motion.
- Crystal Hon: Would you not be allowed to take the bar?
- Bijan Ahmadian: That’s a possibility.
- Erin: When you apply to the bar, you’re checked up on for criminal behaviour etc. It’s up to the Law Society what the punishment is. If you lie on the form, that’s grounds for disbarment.
- Taylor Loren: There are consequences to actions. I don’t think we should sit here and debate whether he’ll be allowed to write the Bar.
- Nicholas Frank: Council is engaging in a level of asininity I’ve never seen. This feels very little about Bijan; it’s about grasping for fame.
- Gregory Williams: I sympathize with those who want to wait for two weeks. But there’s a strong argument for doing this right now. Council has put up with this for a long time.

28. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED NEAL YONSON:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds … Defeated

For (12): Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Nick Sertic, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)
Against (10): Andrew Carne, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Joel Mertens, Katherine Tyson

- David Liu: We should not decide based on whether we’ve postponed things in the past. We have to look at this on its merits.

29. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED D YL A N CALLOW:

“That the motion to postpone be laid on the table.”

… No objections

Back to discussing the main motion

30. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the whereas clauses be struck so that the motion reads:

‘That the AMS President, Bijan Ahmadian, be censured for his actions.’ ”

- Dylan Callow said striking the whereas clauses would keep things as simple as possible.
- Elliot Raymer: Censure without whereases is ridiculous. Without the whereases, there’s no formal indication of what you disapprove of.
- Neal Yonson: There’s a worry with the whereas clauses that they may not cover everything; other things may come up. You haven’t been told the truth. For instance, on the question of whether Bijan spent money during the election. He told the Ubyssey before that he spent zero. Tonight he said it was not zero.
- Julian Ross Markowitz: Striking the whereases is a mistake. They give context. This is for a President who was circumventing the rules, unlike installing a new President who broke the rules. Keep the whereases to show your hypocrisy.
- Andrew Carne: There are a lot more grounds. Bijan is aware of them. Short of listing them all, we might as well remove the whereases.

31. MOVED ANDREW CARNE:

“That the proposed motion resulting from striking the whereas clauses be amended to read:

‘That the AMS President, Bijan Ahmadian, be censured for conduct unbecoming a President of the AMS.’ ”

… No objections

- Nicholas Frank: If you have to strike the reasons, it’s like you’re trying to scurry away. For the historical record, you should show who voted to censure and what the reasons were. It’s pusillanimous to hide the whereas clauses, a cover-up. It won’t help future Councils.
Taylor Loren asked if a motion would be in order to release the minutes of the in camera session.
Sheldon Goldfarb said there was very little in the in camera minutes.
Iggy Rodriguez: I disagree with striking, as if we’re saying, “You know what you did, so we’re censuring you.” This seems to be turning more and more into a witch hunt.
Erin: Speak to people outside this room. See what they think about what Bijan did this year.
Dave Tompkins: Bijan has told me that he may include my perceived bias as part of whatever action he takes.

Dave Tompkins offered to relinquish the Chair, but Council could not find someone willing to take over. Dave Tompkins said he would allow Bijan to interrupt at any point he felt there was bias.

Nicholas Frank: Bijan should be able to reference the text to disprove it. Council’s job is to be able to articulate their intentions.
Neal Yonson: A simple motion saying “conduct unbecoming” encapsulates everything. Instead of apologizing, he brought a lawyer. Instead of promoting unity, he plays the victim.
Stuart [guest]: When you made the video did you expect the reaction it got?
Bijan Ahmadian: No.
Stuart: Do you regret anything?
Bijan Ahmadian: I wouldn’t have made the video if I’d known the reaction.
Stuart: Do you believe in the impartiality of the Law Society?
Bijan Ahmadian: Absolutely.
Stuart: Would you prefer the text to remain in this motion?
Bijan Ahmadian: I shouldn’t be making a lot of comments on what should be included and what shouldn’t.
Stuart: If the text remains and Council censures you and you present your case, do you feel that the Law Society will exonerate you?
Bijan Ahmadian: I can’t answer that.
Julian Ross Markowitz: You’re fair people. Look into yourselves and find the justice. Hidden reasons, that’s not justice.

32. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

33. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the whereas clauses be struck so that the motion reads:

‘That the AMS President, Bijan Ahmadian, be censured for conduct unbecoming a President of the AMS.’ ”

... Carried
For (15): Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, David Kim, David Liu, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Elin Tayyar, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Against (8): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Ravi Parhar, Iggy Rodriguez, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Crystal Hon, Jeremy McElroy, Azim Wazeer

34. MOVED CONRAD COPELAND, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the censure motion be postponed till the February 9, 2011 Council meeting.”

… Defeated

For (5): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Ravi Parhar, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Against (17): Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Elin Tayyar, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Abstained: Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Chad Embree, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Iggy Rodriguez, Azim Wazeer

Back to the amended censure motion:

- Kyle Warwick: Bijan is his own worst enemy; he creates excessive opposition by his own stubbornness and pride. But is that the right reason to censure? Shouldn't we hold ourselves to a higher standard? Threatening to sue: why? Will that help students? As President, you should be helping students. If you lose this vote, suing will lose you all respect. I urge this motion be defeated, but if it passes, do not sue.

- Andrew Carne: People are asking for the reasons why Bijan should be censured. Here are some:
  - The President frequently made statements that did not accord with Council’s will, for instance on the Land Use Plan.
  - He made references to charitable organizations that could be seen as defamatory.
  - He did not follow Council’s direction on the donation to SHPR for the Gaza boat.
  - The lack of teamwork.
  - He has threatened the directors with a lawsuit.
And it has been impossible to talk to Bijan. He would frequently say we should come talk to him, but it quickly became clear he didn’t want to listen when I talked to him.

35. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED ANNIE GREENWOOD, THRIRDED DAVID LIU:

“That the vote be held by secret ballot.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (17): Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Elin Tayyar, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Against (9): Bijan Ahmadian, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Ravi Parhar, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Azim Wazeer

Back to debate on the motion:

- Erin: If Bijan had apologized, would that clear his name? I don’t understand the reason for the animosity against him. Think whether such a serious action is warranted. He was voted in by the students to accomplish something. Was he so terribly awful that you feel a censure motion is in order? I don’t think a majority of students do.

- Azim Wazeer: This is a bit of a witch hunt. We’ve been dying to censure; there’s a deep desire to get him, but the real desire of this Council I think is to have him make a real and sincere apology. This motion won’t do that; it will satisfy our desires, respond to our irritation. And the implied cheap legal trick of Bijan’s has worked. I’m concerned about being sued. I feel threatened.

- Neal Yonson: Would an apology right the wrong? An apology never rights a wrong. It acknowledges it. We’re not going to get the apology, so we have to do this on his behalf.

- Joel Mertens: In the last three years we’ve been in a spiral down. Members of the Executive have been chipping away at Council’s patience and authority. It’s important that we do send a message. Council needs to say, Executive, don’t go around us.

- Gregory Williams: I have plenty of reasons to consider Bijan an enemy. That being said, I’m going to speak against this motion. I do not believe this motion is about justice. I don’t like the culture here. I do believe that Bijan’s actions in many cases are reprehensible, but there’s a line between justice and revenge. I don’t think anyone thinks this will be to anyone’s benefit. This will not solve any
problems of accountability in the Executive. Attacking him personally will not deal with the culture of cliquishness and self-aggrandizement.

- Iggy Rodriguez: If Bijan sues us, are proxies liable?
- Dave Tompkins: They sign the same form as Council members.
- Ryan [guest]: I’m terrified by people being intimidated by the threat of a lawsuit. I’m scared that people representing me are scared of being liable. The question is doing the right thing.

36. MOVED RAVI PARHAR, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (6): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Maria Cirstea), David Kim, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Against (19): Bijan Ahmadian, Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Crystal Hon, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi

- Elin Tayyar: Censure isn’t asking someone to quit. It just says you’re not happy with his actions. I want to ask if Bijan is willing to stand up and apologize. It sets a bad precedent if there’s no consequences for his actions. I’m afraid this will happen again.
- Nicholas Frank: This keeps happening. Every year there’s some stupid drama where a stupid Exec ignores their responsibility to the Society. I have deep concerns for the incoming Council. I don’t know what you people do; all I hear about is this sort of thing. You bicker at each other like four-year-olds. Be moderately grown up.
- Brian Platt: I’m tired of people going on and on about the whole state of the universe. We’re just a group of elected student representatives trying to do our job. Let’s hold our Executive accountable. Council can and should do this.
- Nick Sertic: Bijan, are you ready to apologize?
- Bijan Ahmadian: I need a few minutes.

37. MOVED NICK SERTIC, SECONDED MICHAEL HAAK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated
For (11): Andrew Carne, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Brian Platt, Nick Sertic, Elin Tayyar, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Against (13): Bijan Ahmadian, Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Dylan Callow, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Chad Embree, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy

- Elliot Raymer: This motion still doesn’t make any sense. It doesn’t specify the reason for the censure. There’s nothing to refer to.
- Julian Ross Markowitz: If you choose to censure, don’t be afraid because of a threatened lawsuit. You have every right to censure. But I think the censure has no merit. Bijan has dedicated himself to working for the students.
- Jeremy McElroy: I’d like my silence and abstentions noted. Other student unions have censured, one for an Executive being late.

The Speaker called for a vote to see if Council was in favour of a five-minute recess … Carried

For (18): Bijan Ahmadian, Andrew Carne, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, David Kim, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Council recessed for five minutes.

- Bijan Ahmadian: Some people are legitimately upset. Andrew said he didn’t feel he could come talk to me. I’m terribly sorry that you feel that way. This is making me really reflect on what’s going on. Listening to you, I realize there have been lots of mistakes. I want to apologize for a lot of them:
  o First, the distorted portrayal of my colleague Jeremy McElroy. We have accomplished lots as a team. The video did not do a fair job of portraying that. I want to apologize for that.
  o Representing Council is another issue. I’m a perfectionist and am quite disappointed in myself to realize I haven’t represented you as I should have. I can’t turn back the clock; what’s happened has happened.
  o I wanted to feel I could walk away and think I acted in good faith and was a good listener; and people don’t feel I’ve been that. I feel a huge disappointment in myself.
  o I’m getting the message, and I’m sorry.

[Applause.]

- Gordon Katic: This isn’t about revenge or attacking his character. He’s lost the confidence of Council. We need to repudiate his despicable antics. We need to have the courage of our convictions. This apology – I’m glad it’s come – at this
stage is meaningless. It needed to come before the consequences were on the table.

38. MOVED GORDON KATIC, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (9): Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Michael Haack, David Kim, David Liu, Brian Platt, Nick Sertic, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Against (16): Bijan Ahmadian, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Chad Embree, Annie Greenwood, Ellen Kim, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Jeremy McElroy, Elin Tayyar

- Mike Silley:
  - I wasn’t going to speak, but I want to add something that hasn’t been said. First, I want to preface it by saying I don’t want to censure anybody, and I want to apologize to Jeremy for bringing this up publicly.
  - This Council is here not as a body to deliberate vengeance; it’s elected to act in the best interests of the Society.
  - There’s a censure motion before us because Bijan allegedly has done wrong. Jeremy also has allegedly done wrong.
  - This is a witch hunt. Why turn a blind eye to the incoming President? Not that I want to censure Jeremy.
  - If you’re looking for blood, how will this help? The idea that this censure motion will make sure this won’t happen again is ludicrous.

- Iggy Rodriguez: Bijan just said the most sincere stuff he ever said, and was instantly dismissed as weaseling. I really don’t see what this motion does. We’ve gotten Bijan to apologize, to admit he was wrong. What else do we want?

- Azim Wazeer: The apology changes a lot. It’s what we were after.

- Joel Mertens: Both Bijan and Jeremy have done what could be called censurable. I’m glad that Bijan has apologized. I’d like to ask Bijan what he thinks has come out of this. What piece of advice would you pass on to future Executives?

- Bijan Ahmadian: The biggest thing has to do with what Andrew said: You nod, he said, but we don’t feel heard. I take a lot of issue with myself. It’s prompting a lot of personal reflection.

- Joel Mertens: What will you change in the next two weeks?

- Bijan Ahmadian: I don’t think I can answer. I want to focus on the transition. I want to set up a lot of meetings with the UNA and the University. I want to help pass along these relationships.
39. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

40. MOVED GORDON KATIC, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the AMS President, Bijan Ahmadian, be censured for conduct unbecoming a President of the AMS.”

… Defeated

For (12): Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Tim Tong (proxy for Connor McGauley), Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Nick Sertic, Neal Yonson (proxy for Tom Huryn)

Against (12): Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Conrad Copeland (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Ellen Kim, David Liu, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Elliot Raymer (proxy for Leo Stokes), Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Benedict Cappellacci, Chad Embree, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Elin Tayyar

41. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That since the meeting has gone beyond midnight, Councillors shall be entitled to reimbursement for taxi fares.”

… Carried

For (12): Hassan Bhatti (proxy for Amanda Li), Gordon Katic (proxy for Rory Breasail), Dylan Callow, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Nick Sertic

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

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R) Adjournment:
42. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

For (9): Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, David Liu, Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Julian Ritchie

Abstained: Nick Sertic

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 am.

S) Social Activity:
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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Laura Rodgers, Emilie Walker (UBC Sororities), Matt Parson (VP Academic & Univ. Affairs Elect), Sean Cregten (AMS AVP Academic), Caroline Wong (Arts), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Erik MacKinnon (AMS Elections), Aaron Sihota (Pharmacy Senator), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Arshy Mann (UBC), Geoff Lister (Ubyssey), Janet Teasdale (UBC), Chad Hyson (UBC), Rebecca Laing (AMS Elections), Carly DeNure (Arts), Ivan Yastrebor (Arts), Jannel Robertson (Engineering), Ashley Zarbatany (Arts-Poli Sci), Greg Williams (Arts-History), Linh Chung (Nursing)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 pm.

Motions were added to the agenda.

1. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

… Carried

For (28): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, William Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Crystal Hon, Naila Karim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Taylor Loren (proxy for Michael Haack), Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGaulley, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Lin Watt (proxy for Nick Sertic), Michael Wong

Abstained: Julian Ritchie

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

C) Presentations to Council:

NSSE – Janet Teasdale (UBC Student Development & Services)  [SCD 261-11]

Janet Teasdale:

- The National Survey of Student Engagement was done in 2006 and 2008, and is being done again this year.
- It’s a survey of students in first and fourth year at 1400 colleges and universities across Canada and the United States.
- It explores how undergraduates spend their time and what they gain; looking at good practices.
- There are five benchmarks by which institutions can be compared.
- UBC compares well with its Canadian peers.
• UBC does better in providing an enriching educational experience and collaborative learning.
• UBC scores lower in providing a supportive campus environment and academic challenge.
• UBC has shown improvements since 2006 in all five areas, especially in student-faculty interactions, thanks to various initiatives relating to such things as providing services to students (including advising), informal learning space, international and community opportunities, academic coaches and other innovations in the faculties.
• We look at the United States to see what we can change.
• For this year’s survey we’re aiming for an increased response rate. This is your opportunity to share with yourselves and the University your feelings about your undergraduate experience.

Questions
• Ben Cappellacci: The University is aware it has to address deficiencies. I hope students are aware that the University is trying to address these issues. The idea is to build this University so it’s one you’d like to be the alum of.
• Lin Watt said that Faculty-specific results are released at the discretion of the relevant Dean. Can that be changed?
• Janet Teasdale: We can look at that.
• Ben Cappellacci: What can we do to help spread the word?
• Janet Teasdale: Talk to everyone. Tell them NSSE matters.
• Taylor Loren: Will there be incentives?
• Janet Teasdale: Yes, prizes, gift certificates.
• Leo Stokes: Who writes the questions?
• Janet Teasdale: The University of Indiana. There’s an institution in charge, a consortium; education experts.
• Leo Stokes: There’s no option to say something doesn’t matter.
• Janet Teasdale: Certain practices have been proven to improve student life, but it’s a good point.
• Kyle Warwick: Do peer institutions provide the same data?
• Janet Teasdale: There is coordination by NSSE administrators.

NCAA – Chad Hyson (VP Students Office)

Chad Hyson:
• In 2008, after five years of consideration, UBC Athletics recommended moving from the CIS (the Canadian athletic association) and the NAIA to join the NCAA Division 2.
• A committee was established to look into this; it made recommendations.
• In April 2009 the UBC Executive decided to defer a decision until it could receive more information.
• Now there is a new report summarizing work done since 2009.
• The CIS limits financial support to student athletes, preventing us from getting top athletes.
• A large number of small schools have joined the CIS, diluting the competitive level.
• In 2008 the AMS passed a motion saying it was against NCAA membership. The AMS raised the following concerns:
  o Varsity athletics would be prioritized over recreation.
  o Extra costs would impact students (but actually we'll save money).
  o Hockey wouldn't be able to compete (that was true then).
  o It doesn't guarantee increased student engagement (that's still not resolved: UBC is not seen as a sports school).
  o It would mean larger scholarships for athletes.
  o There would be pressure to join Division 1 (right now you have to spend five years in Division 2 before you can move to Division 1).

• A new memorandum recommended that UBC seek exemption from one of the NCAA requirements (the requirement to go through a long, expensive accreditation process). It also recommended that UBC prepare a communications plan about the NCAA and create a stronger connection between Athletics and the UBC community.

• The NCAA said No to waiving the accreditation process.

• Meanwhile attempts to resolve issues with the CIS (about financial support and the level of competition) were not successful.

• CIS rules say a school can't belong to both the CIS and the NCAA.

• Reasons for staying in the CIS:
  o Five-year eligibility for student athletes instead of four.
  o No accreditation expenses.
  o Traditional rivalries will go on (except for the one with SFU, which disappeared when SFU became the first Canadian school to join the NCAA, but which would return if UBC joins).
  o Major Junior hockey players would not be able to play if we leave.
  o Leaving would shorten the volleyball season.
  o Leaving would undermine the CIS, of which UBC was a founding member (but the CIS is growing and does not seem that concerned).
  o SAT's will be required if we go to the NCAA.

• Advantages to moving to the NCAA:
  o Can match scholarships.
  o NCAA offers more sports.
  o We regain the SFU rivalry.
  o We protect high competitive standards.

• We're holding open forums and you can fill out feedback forms online. We're starting the process of consultation. Sending out targeted emails.

Questions
• Justin McElroy asked about the SFU experience.
• Chad Hyson: It's too early to tell.
• Justin McElroy: Will there be a saving of money?
• Chad Hyson: There will be cost savings for travel; north-south travel is cheaper than going to Manitoba; and in NCAA 2, if you make the playoffs, your travel costs are covered.
• Justin McElroy asked about hockey.
• Chad Hyson: It looks like we'll be able to play in Division 1 for hockey; that's resolved.
Kyle Warwick expressed concern about UBC becoming like a U.S. school if there are full athletic scholarships. UBC is an academic institution.

Chad Hyson: Even if there are full scholarships, that doesn’t change the academic requirements of the University.

Kyle Warwick: We could end up offering better scholarships for athletics than for academics.

Chad Hyson: Students can already receive scholarships; they would be larger if we were in the NCAA.

Kyle Warwick asked about rivalries. Some of the schools in NCAA Division 2 no one’s heard of; they’re obscure universities.

Chad Hyson: That was an issue in the first consultation. It’s still an unanswered question. SFU has seen increased attendance since switching. Between Brandon and Western Washington, I’m not sure there’s much difference. SFU gets more visiting fans, which it’s true doesn’t do much for SFU student engagement.

Dave Tompkins: Has anyone suggested we not be in athletics at all?

Chad Hyson: I think there will always be a place for athletics. The issue is stay where we are or go elsewhere.

Julian Ritchie asked how long the accreditation process is.

Chad Hyson: Up to seven years. You can start playing as long as you’ve begun going through the process. There will be an impact on Department Heads and Associate Deans; they will be doing the work. Some of the work of accreditation, e.g., identifying learning outcomes, is already underway as part of our strategic plan.

Justin McElroy: Are other Canadian schools looking to apply? There has been talk about the University of Alberta and schools in Quebec.

Chad Hyson: The first I heard was at an Executive Committee meeting.

Rory Breasail asked about sports not in the CIS.

Chad Hyson: If we stay in the CIS, we’ll have to think of plans for those.

Ignacio Rodriguez asked about the NAIA.

Chad Hyson said it was looking to merge with NCAA Division 2.

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Election Results – Erik MacKinnon

Erik:

- Victories:
  - Events: re-energizing the first year students.
  - 100% electronic voting: iPads at polling stations.
  - Condorcet implemented on two days’ notice.
- Returned debates to the residences (Totem and Vanier), but not hugely attended.
- Sparse turnout at SUB too.
- Marketing is a challenge.
- Next time maybe get Residence Advisors involved; the more relationships the better.
- We need more giveaways.
- Get candidates to do more to invite people to events.
• Not a single paper ballot; iPads at the polling stations; you could even vote on your phone.
• Simply Voting online ballot: user-friendly and secure. People said the ballot looked good. No complaints. BUY THIS SYSTEM.
• Turnout was 5865, or 11%. It would have been more if not for the ridiculous login procedure. Not as good as the last two years, but better than the years before that.
• Challenges:
  o The First Past the Post/Condorcet problem: UBC caused this issue.
  o AMS Elections has to be made autonomous from Council.
  o Unique Voter ID Emails a problem: solve this by buying the Simply Voting platform.
  o Third Party Endorsements: Suggestion: Muzzle rules for Council. Or allow anyone to make endorsements. Review who can do this.
  o Candidate accusations: Crazy. Borderline ridiculous. Silly bickering. Only formal complaints in writing should be allowed.
    ▪ Maybe give out Good Samaritan awards for the nicest candidates.
    ▪ Maybe penalize people for baseless accusations.
• Recommendations:
  o You should offer a bonus for any EA or CRO willing to step on a grenade and do the job a second time; experience is helpful.
  o Make AMS Elections independent.
  o BUY SIMPLY VOTING.

Questions
• Taylor Loren: How much would it cost to buy Simply Voting?
  Erik MacKinnon: $38,000 plus $1,000 a year for maintenance. UBC is willing to pay for some of it. There’s talk of asking the Constituencies to participate. This means getting it forever and we get the source code.
• Taylor Loren: What happens to the iPads?
  Erik MacKinnon: They were just rented.
• Guest: What about voting booths in the residences?
  Rebecca Laing (CRO): We did have them. The only issue was that we had to be quiet. We got very few voters there. We weren’t in the first-year residences.
• Question about written complaints; should there be a form?
  Erik MacKinnon: As long as they’re emailed, as long as they’re written, it’s fine.
• Caroline Wong asked about websites.
  Erik MacKinnon: They were there.
• Greg Williams: What is the justification for not using paper ballots? It would leave a paper trail.
  Erik MacKinnon: We had iPads. There would have been a paper trail for only a small number of votes.
• Taylor Loren: Look at the last AUS election; they had paper, and they had a problem.
• Jeremy McElroy: The decision was made a year and a half ago to move away from paper.
• Ben Cappellacci asked about the budget.
  Erik MacKinnon: We’re good. We’re pushing UBC to pay more.
• Sean Heisler: How much did it cost to use Simply Voting this time?
• Erik MacKinnon: About $7,000. Some of it was paid by UBC. Once Simply Voting is in place, all our elections could go through. It’s much better than WebVote.
• Kyle Warwick: Can we put it in place this year?
• Erik MacKinnon: It can’t be ready this year, but Constituencies can go direct to Simply Voting. We need Simply Voting on our servers. UBC IT has to go through their source code first. I wanted this for the March 7 referendum, but it’s not going to happen.

Councillor of the Year
• Bijan Ahmadian: We began giving the award out in 2005. This year the Executives went through the list of Councillors. It was a tough decision; you guys volunteer a lot of your time. We finally decided on one particular person; it’s his first year on Council; he was on BAFCOM, and was very active in facilitating communication between Council and the Chair: Allen Chen.

F) Committee Reports:

Business & Facilities Committee – Dylan Callow (via Mike Silley)
• Smartphone app idea: great but our system not sophisticated enough yet.
• Promoting deal of the day at the outlets.

Legislative Procedures Committee – Ignacio Rodriguez
• HR policy for tonight.
• Electoral reform discussion.
• Working on donations policy.

Student Life Committee – Crystal Hon
• Block Party

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Brian Platt
• Filled two positions.
• General Elections in March.
• Restructuring.

GSS – Sedi Minachi
• Working on parental leave policy.

Law – Kate Phipps
• Course notes database: went live with a new database.
• Planning for elections.
• Constitutional amendments.
• Building on time.
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February 9, 2011
PLACE: Council Chambers   SUB Room 206

Medicine – Naila Karim
- Trying to get government funding for MCAT fees to encourage rural and lower income applicants.
- Have a new website.
- Medicine ball and elections in March.

Nursing –
- Linh Chung, the former rep, introduced Melissa Erasmus, the new rep.
- Hoping for a bigger voice in the AMS.
- Canadian Nursing Students Association: starting a UBC chapter.

Engineering – Lin Watt
- E week had no major missteps.
- $150,000 donation to new building.

Science – Maria Cirstea
- Council reform: getting rid of club reps.

Pharmacy – Michael Wong
- Pharmacy Awareness Week first week of March.

Human Kinetics – Ellen Kim
- School name is changing from Human Kinetics to Kinesiology. Not sure how this will affect the Constituency name.
  - Kyle Warwick: You can still be HKin, just as it’s still the CUS even though the Commerce faculty became Sauder.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar

Land & Food –David Liu
- Elections next week.

E) Executive Remarks:

Mike Silley – VP Administration (interim)
- Settling in.
- New SUB going to Board of Governors for Board 2 approval.

D) President’s Remarks (Bijan Ahmadian):
- Concerns about financing for the Sauder building and about the Faculty’s hidden reserve; perfectly reasonable to raise these. I’ve been assured that the CUS, which approved funding by referendum last year, knew about the reserves; money was put aside because of the unpredictability of the market. The market is better now, so some of that is being put back to take some of the burden off the students.
  - Kyle Warwick: Will the CUS get naming rights?
  - Bijan Ahmadian: Naming rights are not in the AMS-University agreement; the CUS didn’t want them.
Taylor Loren: Did the AMS know about the reserves?
Ben Cappellacci: We did not.

E) Executive Remarks:

Jeremy McElroy – VP External Affairs

- CASA AGM March 14 – 18
- Three more schools (Acadia, McMaster, Red River) have moved up from associate status to full status in CASA; we are one of the few still at the associate level; it would be good to decide whether we want to go to full status.
- BC Lobby Group: Meeting with lawyer re bylaws before taking them to the schools’ councils. Will bring them here in March.
- U-Pass agreement finalized: monthly farecards; may distribute them through vending machines; they won’t have photos; you’ll have to display your student card as well or face a fine of $190 and lose your bus pass for that year. This is a temporary system until the smart card is ready in 2013.
  - Andrew Carne asked if schools with a current system in place can just continue it instead of switching to this monthly system.
  - Jeremy McElroy: No. Equity. It would not be fair if we had a system that works while others don’t. Also, the company that produces the current card has gone out of business.
  - Ignacio Rodriguez: What happens if the vending machines run out of cards?
  - Jeremy McElroy: UBC will be onsite refilling.
  - Joel Mertens: Will third and fourth year medical students be able to opt in?
  - Jeremy McElroy: After discussions, it seems we’ll be able to continue that.
  - Ignacio Rodriguez asked about enforcement of penalties.
  - Jeremy McElroy: It will be up to UBC.

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance

- Health & Dental – Finalizing details. Looking at ways to save money.
- Brew Pub – meeting with consultants – look for survey.
- Looking at a way to allow Constituencies and Clubs to sell things online.
- Hiring an assistant.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

BoG – Sean Heisler

- Three victories:
  - International student tuition will have an upper limit of no more than 2% per year on increases.
  - Sauder building – $2 million will now go to UBC and $2 million to students.
  - Student housing finance endowment being created to put UBC Properties Trust profits from market housing towards student housing.
Senate – Joel Mertens
- Meeting was cancelled; at least two have been cancelled this year.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

2. MOVED PAUL GODIN, SECONDED BAHADOR MOUSAVI:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Executive Committee minutes dated December 17, 2010 [SCD264-11]
Executive Committee minutes dated January 20, 2011 [SCD265-11]
Student Life Committee minutes dated November 3, 2010 [SCD266-11]
Student Life Committee minutes dated November 17, 2010 [SCD267-11]
Student Life Committee minutes dated November 24, 2010 [SCD268-11]
Student Life Committee minutes dated December 1, 2010 [SCD269-11]
Student Life Committee minutes dated December 12, 2010 [SCD270-11]
Student Life Committee minutes dated December 19, 2010 [SCD271-11]
AMS Council minutes dated January 26, 2011 [SCD272-11]

... Carried

For (27): Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, William Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, Naila Karim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Taylor Loren (proxy for Michael Haack), Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong

Against (1): Julian Ritchie

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Jeremy McElroy, Mike Silley

3. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

“That Council appoint _______ (Council member) to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2011.

Nominee: Caroline Wong (incoming Arts rep)

That Council appoint ______ (non-executive Council member) as Chair of the University and External Relations Committee for a term beginning at the conclusion of the 2011 AMS AGM and continuing until March 31, 2011.

Nominees: Kyle Warwick (Arts), Rory Breasail (Arts)

That ______ (Councillor) be appointed to the Student Administrative Commission for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2011.”
• Kyle Warwick noted that Katherine Tyson will have to give up the chair and her
  seat as a Council member on the committee when she becomes VP External.
  And he is stepping down from SAC.

4. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BEN CAPPELLACCI:

“That Council appoint Caroline Wong (Council member) to the University and
External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending
March 31, 2011.

That Council appoint Kyle Warwick (non-executive Council member) as Chair of the
University and External Relations Committee for a term beginning at the conclusion
of the 2011 AMS AGM and continuing until March 31, 2011.

That Maria Cirstea (Councillor) be appointed to the Student Administrative
Commission for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2011.”

... Carried

For (23): Rory Breasail, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, William Gallego (proxy for
Amanda Li), Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Crystal Hon, David Liu,
Taylor Loren (proxy for Michael Haack), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray,
Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian
Platt, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy
Wang (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong

Abstained: Lin Watt (proxy for Nick Sertic)

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

5. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY: [SCD273-11]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled
‘Code Changes 2011: HR and Communications’ and thus amend the Code as
recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Ignacio Rodriguez: These are three changes from David Hannigan to make our
  HR process easier:
  o Making someone (the President) responsible for communicating decisions of
    Council to HR.
  o Reducing the two-week posting period for positions to five business days to be
    in line with the businesses; two weeks really holds things up, and most
    applications arrive in the first five days anyway.
The Senior HR Manager is being added to the hiring committee.

- Jeremy McElroy: The HR Manager is a relatively new position; this will include them in the process. The two weeks was an unnecessary length of time to wait. And this will make sure the President conveys information to staff on what came out of these meetings.

6. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: HR and Communications’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Abstained: Lin Watt (proxy for Nick Sertic)

7. MOVED BRIAN PLATT, SECONDED KLE WARWICK:

From the Referendum Committee
“Be it resolved that the composition of the ad hoc Referendum Committee be altered to allow Ben Cappellacci to remain as chair after his term as Vice-President Academic ends, so that the composition shall be:

(a) Ben Cappellacci, who shall be chair;
(b) the Vice-President Academic;
(c) the Vice-President Finance;
(d) six (6) members of Council (at least one of whom must be a GSS member); and
(e) four (4) Students At Large.”

- Elin Tayyar: Ben has been very involved; it’s important we keep continuity and expertise. I’d like to see Ben stay on as chair.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Should there be an honorarium?
- Ben Cappellacci: Wait to see if the referendum passes.
- Kyle Warwick: If no honorarium, then a huge thanks.
- Bijan Ahmadian: The principle is not to wait until work is completed.
8. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the motion be amended to add the following resolution:

‘Be it further resolved that Council direct the Budget Committee to look into
an honorarium for Ben.’ ”

… No objections

9. MOVED BRIAN PLATT, SECONDED KLE WARWICK:

From the Referendum Committee

“Be it resolved that the composition of the ad hoc Referendum Committee be
altered to allow Ben Cappellacci to remain as chair after his term as Vice-President
Academic ends, so that the composition shall be:

(a) Ben Cappellacci, who shall be chair;
(b) the Vice-President Academic;
(c) the Vice-President Finance;
(d) six (6) members of Council (at least one of whom must be a GSS member);
and
(e) four (4) Students At Large.

Be it further resolved that Council direct the Budget Committee to look into an
honorarium for Ben.”

… Carried

For (27): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria
Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, William Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Paul Godin
(proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Crystal Hon, Naila Karim, Ellen Kim, David Liu,
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Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang (proxy for
Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong

Abstained: Benedict Cappellacci, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Lin Watt
(proxy for Nick Sertic)

C) Presentations to Council:

Referendum – Ben Cappellacci

Ben Cappellacci showed the advertising for the campaign, adding:

• The Referendum Committee would like Council to officially call the referendum
  on the fee question and the U-Pass question, and also take a Yes position on
  those questions so that we can start campaigning now.
• There are also going to be two bylaws questions (one set of housekeeping
  changes and one set of substantive changes), but further work is required on
  them because of issues raised by our lawyers, so today it will be just the fees
  and the U-Pass.
The U-Pass question asks students to approve an increase to $30 monthly until March 2013.

The AMS fee question will mean a $5 increase; a $19 increase in other fees will be partially offset by a $14 decrease in the Health and Dental fee.

Questions

- Sedi Minachi: Why $30 for the U-Pass?
- Jeremy McElroy: That’s how much it costs. TransLink sets this. UBC no longer is able to provide the $3 subsidy. The actual cost now is $26.75, but UBC students pay $23.75 because of the subsidy.
- Neal Yonson: Why March and not April?
- Jeremy McElroy: The province at first suggested a $45 U-Pass; we said $26.75. Then there was talk of $35 until April 2013. This is how the funding works from the province and TransLink. We’ll need a referendum in 2013 anyway, or in the fall of 2012.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Can we say there will be no decrease in health and dental coverage?
- Elin Tayyar: If usage goes up, fees would go up, or we’d have to cut coverage.
- Melissa Erasmus: I’ve opted out of the Health and Dental fee, so I’ll be paying an extra $19, not $5. Twenty-five percent of students opt out of the Health and Dental fee.
- Lin Watt asked about the point of the text accompanying the fee question.
- Ben Cappellacci: It’s to clarify principles. The table of fees is complicated.
- Lin Watt: The detail on the fee chart is lost in the text summary. If you could lose the text summary, then voters would have to look at the chart. Why not do that? The summary is not well worded.
- Elin Tayyar: Take out the extra wording and tell people to look at the chart.
- Elin Tayyar said that the Lighter Footprint fee should go up to $2.25 from the $2 it says on the chart, and the Ombuds fee will go down to 75 cents.
- Jeremy McElroy noted there will no longer be pro-rating for CPAC. This will be an agreement to end pro-rating for part-time students.

10. MOVED DAVID LIU, SECONDED CRYSTAL HON:

From the Referendum Committee

“Be it resolved that Council in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 7-11 on the following question:

‘Do you support and approve the fee structure as presented.’ ”

11. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the motion be amended to change the Ombuds fee to $0.75 and the Lighter Footprint fee to $2.25.”

The meeting went into an in camera session at 9:30 pm.

The meeting left the in camera session at 9:50 pm.
12. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That the motion to change the Ombuds fee be amended to absorb the Ombuds fee into the General AMS membership fee.”

- Ben Cappellacci: It will be more flexible this way.
- Katherine Tyson: Having the Ombuds fee disappear completely sends a bad signal. The University Ombuds office is a good tool, something positive. We should show students where this money is going, not just put it into general funds. I don’t think putting more things in a nameless fund will help.
- Joel Mertens: If it’s kept separate, it will become like the Athletics fee; it will lock us into it. That’s not a good idea.
- Bijan Ahmadian: Referendums pass because of details. The UBC Ombuds office has been here for three years; it’s established itself and is very good. The general fee sounds like a slush fund.
- Elin Tayyar: The general fund doesn’t look as good; the whole point is to get middle ground. We could establish a separate fund without locking ourselves into handing over money to the University’s Ombuds office. It could be like our funding for the Sexual Assault Support Centre, which comes from a fund for sexual assault support services. We could perhaps create a Conflict Resolution Fund.
- Andrew Carne: I don’t think people know what the Ombuds office is, or care. It’s a negative to break it out. They’ll say, What is that?
- Linh Chung: All the more reason to have it listed, to teach people what things are and create greater transparency.
- Bijan Ahmadian: We don’t have a definition for this fund; we can define it as we like.

13. MOVED BEN CAPPELLACCI, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That the motion to change the Ombuds fee be amended to absorb the Ombuds fee into the General AMS membership fee.”

… Carried

For (14): Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Crystal Hon, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Michael Wong

Against (7): Bijan Ahmadian, Melissa Erasmus, Taylor Loren (proxy for Michael Haack), Julian Ritchie, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: William Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Elin Tayyar
There were no objections to extending Council for another half an hour.

14. MOVED BEN CAPPPELLACCI, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That the fee structure be amended to increase the Lighter Footprint fee by 25 cents and decrease the CPAC fee by 25 cents.”

- Elin Tayyar: $16 is way more than we need for CPAC.
- Maria Cirstea: This will mean $2.25 for the Lighter Footprint Fund. What will that fund be doing? There’s no definition.
- Dave Tompkins: LPC will define it later.
- Joel Mertens: It will be like the Innovative Projects Fund: students will apply.

15. MOVED BIJAN AHMADIAN, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (21): Bijan Ahmadian, Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, William Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Crystal Hon, David Liu, Taylor Loren (proxy for Michael Haack), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Leo Stokes, Cathy Wang (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong

Against (2): Ignacio Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson

16. MOVED BEN CAPPPELLACCI, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That the fee structure be amended to increase the Lighter Footprint fee by 25 cents and decrease the CPAC fee by 25 cents.”

... Carried

For (14): Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, William Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong

Against (8): Bijan Ahmadian, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Taylor Loren (proxy for Michael Haack), Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Leo Stokes
Sheldon Goldfarb asked if the old fund purposes will be continued. And how are the new funds being defined?

It was agreed that final wording would be provided by the Referendum Committee, in consultation with the Legislative Procedures Committee. Brief fund descriptions will be added for both old and new funds.

Ben Cappellacci said this would make marketing impossible.

Jeremy McElroy: No, we’ll advertise the dollar amounts and the principles.

Dave Tompkins: The motion can say it’s subject to final wording.

Bahador Moosavi: Two weeks ago there was an opportunity to look at this. This is not good, talking for three hours now.

Jeremy McElroy: Not once did anyone bring forward anything, and no one ever objected.

Ignacio Rodriguez: I did.

17. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the fee question motion be postponed to the next Council meeting.”

… Failed for lack of a seconder

18. MOVED DAVID LIU, SECONDED CRYSTAL HON:

From the Referendum Committee

“Be it resolved that Council in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 7-11 on the following question:

‘Do you support and approve the fee structure as presented.

Notes:

Students paying full fees will see a fee increase of $5 a year; others may see a different increase depending on enrolment status and opt-outs selected. See the chart for full details.

Selected fees will be indexed to the British Columbia Consumer Price Index.

Under the new structure, 3% of fees collected will be placed into a fund so that students with financial need can apply to have their fees reimbursed.

The current fee structure will remain if this referendum question fails.’

Be it further resolved that the chart be included with the following notes, final wording to be decided by the ad Hoc Referendum Committee, in consultation with LPC, to be approved at the next Council meeting:

* Brief fund descriptions (old as well as new).
* indicate changes in opt-out status.
* indicate that previously some fees were pro-rated.
* include a statement that the new SUB fee will not be changed.
* indicate that the Health & Dental Plan savings is not intended to reduce coverage.
* Services separation from CITR to be indicated.
* Opting out definition.
* Ubyssey autonomy.”

… Carried

For (21): Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, William Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Crystal Hon, David Liu, Taylor Loren (proxy for Michael Haack), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian, Maria Cirstea, Ignacio Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson

19. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That Council in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 7-11 on the following question:

‘Do you support and approve a $30.00 monthly U-Pass fee, beginning 1 September 2011, ending 31 March 2013?

Note:

• The U-Pass will not continue if this referendum fails.
• Charge will now be $30.00/ month, up from $23.75/ month, until 31 March 2013, as agreed to by the AMS, UBC, Province of BC and TransLink.’ ”

Kyle Warwick: Weren’t these questions supposed to be put to referendum through a petition campaign?
Ben Cappellacci: We did have a petition, but the question kept changing, so we decided to have Council call the referendum.
Kyle Warwick: It was pretty good pre-campaigning anyway.

20. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That Council in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 7-11 on the following question:

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… Carried
For (25): Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, William Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Crystal Hon, David Liu, Taylor Loren (proxy for Michael Haack), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian

21. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Referendum Committee

“That Council adopt a Yes position in support of the U-Pass referendum question.”

“That Council adopt a Yes position in support of the fee referendum question.”

... Carried

For (25): Rory Breasail, Benedict Cappellacci, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, William Gallego (proxy for Amanda Li), Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Crystal Hon, David Liu, Taylor Loren (proxy for Michael Haack), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for Nancy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong

Abstained: Bijan Ahmadian

There was no objection to extending Council for another 15 minutes.

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

22. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Jan. 20, 2011 [SCD275-11]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Jan. 27, 2011 [SCD276-11]

... Carried


Against (3): Benedict Cappellacci, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar
Abstained: Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie

E) Executive Parting Remarks

Ekat Dovjenko – VP Administration
- Jeremy McElroy reported that Ekat says Bonjour and Au Revoir from Paris.

Ben Cappellacci – VP Academic
- Bye, guys. Have a great March break. Don’t drink too much.
- Give Jeremy a hard time next year. If there’s not at least one censure motion, I’ll be disappointed.

Jeremy McElroy – VP External Affairs
- The awkward thing about turnover is that projects are still ongoing.
- Two of us are sticking around and looking forward to next year.
- It’s been a lot of fun. I know I groan about how long these meetings go, but I signed up for another year.
- People don’t realize the gravity of our situation. We need to shore up our financial situation. We need to do better. This year’s going to be really hard. I hope a lot of you come back. Frequent turnover is the bane of student organizations. We need institutional memory. I’ll see you in that seat (president’s seat) in two weeks time.

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance
- It’s been a challenging year.
- I’m impressed by Council this year: the level of fiscal knowledge when I first came on was definitely not where it is today.
- Congratulations on passing the fee referendum question. I’m looking forward to working on this referendum.
- I look forward to another twelve months of hectic stuff.

Jeremy McElroy – VP External Affairs
- Your Council gift is a thank you for your services here, for all your time and energy. We chose the gift we did – frosh kits – because they were things we had and we were trying to practise fiscal responsibility.

Bijan Ahmadian – AMS President
- It’s definitely been an emotional last couple of weeks.
- Change is always difficult, and this is one of the hardest.
- Part of me doesn’t want to think past February 11. Part of me doesn’t want to let go.
- All of you were here for the right reasons, which was for students, despite our differences. For that I want to thank you.
- The Executive put together a list of things we accomplished this year, and it was a long list despite all our differences. If you take away all the noise, we did a lot.
- Our greatest problem this year was that we were all perfectionists. Everyone was very hard-working.
- Thanks to my family, to all the staff, and to all of you.
I’ll be in touch.
This has been the place where I talked to people; I’ll have to make new friends now.

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

E mail re Sauder Phase 3 [SCD277-11]

Q) Next Meeting:

February 23, 2011

R) Adjournment:

23. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED RAVI PARHAR:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

… No objections

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 pm.

S) Social Activity:
# Feb 9, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests:
Raj Mathur (Music), Imran Habib (Arts), Noushin Moshgabashi (Medical Genetics), Jay Zhou (Engineering), Mark Ventura (Science), Justin Yang (Senate), Conrad Copeland (unclassified), Alex deBruyn (Science), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Laura Rodgers (UBC Insiders), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Taylor Lukacin [Taylor Loren] (AMS Confidential), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Michael Moll (Referendum Co-Coordinator), Alyssa Koehn (Referendum Co-Coordinator), Nick Frank (student)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm.

A motion was added about the ECSS.

1. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED DAVID LIU:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (28): Tahara Bhate (proxy for Naila Karim), Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Shalene Williams, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Against (1): Mike Silley

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

C) Presentations to Council:

CiTR – Brenda Grunau and Penny Clark
- CiTR is one of the oldest clubs at UBC, dating back to 1937.
- Became a campus radio station and currently is heard on and off campus.
- Is a place where metalhead, queer music, etc. can be heard.
- We produce the Discorder music magazine; we’re also online and do podcasts, and we’re building an iPhone app.
- We won a national radio award for our coverage of the Olympics.
- We’ve interviewed many politicians and rock stars. Our staff member, Nardwuar the Human Serviette, became famous for his pepper spray question to Prime Minister Jean Chrétien at the 1997 APEC meeting.
- We train people to run a radio show, teaching many skills needed in the music industry and journalism.
• We provide campus coverage of student news; we interview AMS politicians; we provide the only radio coverage of UBC sports.
• We cover galleries and theatre productions.
• We give our members creative control and access to the airwaves.
• We provide free advertising for student clubs and events, and have been providing promotion for the referendum.
• Through the referendum CiTR will gain $1 per student, which will allow us to provide new services, e.g., free DJing lessons and free DJ’s for clubs.

Questions

• Azim Wazeer: How many listeners do you have?
• Brenda Grunau: That’s complicated; we did a survey a couple of years ago, but it was only off campus; there were over 14,000 listeners. Also, we have online subscribers and get 10,000 hits on our website per month. We don’t know the on campus listenership.
• Kyle Warwick: What plans do you have to promote the referendum? Have you been coordinating with us?
• Brenda Grunau: Yes, with Elin and Kelli. Jeremy will be doing a PSA. We’re running ads for it.
• Caroline Wong: Are you paying people to teach or providing equipment?
• Brenda Grunau: A bit of both. Equipment and instructors.
• Mr. Frank: Will you provide time for the No side in the referendum?
• Brenda Grunau: Yes, sure. We’re non-partisan.
• Annie Greenwood asked about classical music and local musicians.
• Brenda Grunau mentioned The Rib show and said a lot of what the station does is supporting local musicians.
• Kyle Warwick asked for clarification about the fee for Services and the fee for CiTR: are we looking to explicitly separate them?
• Jeremy McElroy: They are explicitly separated on the new fee schedule.
• Dylan Callow: How well does CiTR prepare students for a career?
• Brenda Grunau: We get them on air; they do their own shows; they get a portfolio. They get training up to industry standards.
• Dylan Callow: Do they get jobs afterwards?
• Brenda Grunau: Yes, there’s a long list of alumni doing interesting things.
• Dylan Callow: Is there anything you don’t have as resources?
• Guest: There’s no certificate training. But it’s the only campus station that has Burley software, the industry standard, invented by a CiTR member.
• Dave Tompkins: Aren’t you hurting the independent DJ market?
• Penny Clark: We’re helping people learn to do it.
• Brenda Grunau: It’s a difficult market; it’s saturated already.
• Guest: What could the AMS do to promote CiTR?
• Brenda Grunau: Talking about a public space for CiTR, where we can broadcast. A better profile in the building.

Proposed Bylaw Changes (Substantive) – Jeremy McElroy

• The proposed substantive changes include:
o Changing Executive turnover to a better time in the school year and changing elections so there’s no massive wait for turnover.

o Lowering quorum at general meetings because it’s been impossible in recent decades to meet quorum. This is the most important thing, because it will then allow us to make future changes to the bylaws more easily. The number 500 is more reasonable than 1,000.

o Contrary to what was originally proposed, the final proposal concerning the removal of Executives will be simply to say Council cannot do that. The original legal opinion we received suggested we could change the Bylaws to allow Council to retain this power, but we have since received a second legal opinion saying we can’t do that.

o Executive remuneration, which used to be set at $200 or tuition costs, will be changed to allow Council to set the remuneration.

o Public relations, which was an issue this past year, will be clearly defined in the Code.

o VP responsibilities will be modified, so that the VP Academic will handle campus planning, and the VP Admin will become the VP Student Affairs; we’re one of the very student unions not to have a VP for student life.

o On records, a proposal that stirred up some controversy in the blogosphere, Council will be given the power to create policy stating what should be public and what should not. We removed the line about protecting the business interests of third parties. We do want to protect our own business interests; we don’t want someone to come to Bernoulli’s and get financial information that they can take to Benny’s.

Questions

• Kyle Warwick: Didn’t the lawyers originally say Council could remove the Executives as Executives as long as they remained on Council?

• Jeremy McElroy: They came back to us after doing more research and said No. The most recent opinion is that we don’t as a board of directors have the power to remove Executives.

• Kyle Warwick: Why is there nothing here about granting voting rights on Council to the Regent and VST reps?

• Jeremy McElroy: The lawyers told us to inform them that by becoming voting members of Council they would become directors, with all the legal liability that entails.

Proposed Bylaw Changes (Housekeeping) – Jeremy McElroy

• Name changes, gender neutrality, minor grammatical edits, getting rid of a reference to the Summer School Association, which no longer exists. Mostly nitpicking, esoteric, wonkish stuff.

• The most important bylaw change is the substantive one to lower quorum to a number we can actually get in a room together.

Referendum Campaign – Michael Moll and Alyssa Koehn

• Marketing strategy: volunteers handing out rave cards at bus loops, coordinating with the Ubyssey, Trivia Night at the Pit, attacking libraries and study spaces, going to undergraduate meetings, the Greek system.

• Recruiting volunteers and team leaders; spreading the message.
• Also using social media; branding with our message, saying the AMS is behind this and wants it to pass. This needs to happen.
• An FAQ video
• Full action plan for the next two weeks.
• In residences, events.
• Bring Executives to meetings.

Questions
• Taylor Loren asked what there is being done that’s not online.
• Alyssa Koehn: There’s an on the streets plan: student spaces, bus loops, speaking to commuters (about the U-Pass, the issue that will get most people worked up).
• Taylor Loren: My clubs haven’t been approached.
• Alyssa Koehn: Something should be going out soon to the clubs.
• Mr. Frank asked about swag and flyers in the SUB.
• Alyssa Koehn: Stuff is up in the SUB: stickers on coffee cups from the outlets.
• Mr. Frank: Is that legal? There’s no flyering in the SUB.
• Alyssa Koehn: SAC Policy is about handbills, not stickers.
• Janina Mobach asked if things were being done in the Affiliates.
• Alyssa Koehn: Yes.
• Mr. Frank asked if the No campaign would be able to use stickers.
• Michael Moll: We’re the Yes campaign. Maybe speak to the Elections Administrator.

Fee Question
• Jeremy McElroy:
  o Council voted last time to approve the new fee structure with the proviso that we come back with additional notes.
  o What we did is make the funds clickable to get details.
  o Something that fell through the cracks: indicating which fees used to be opt-outable and which not. We’ll add something to indicate the changes to what’s opt-outable.
• Elin Tayyar: We’ll make it clickable.
• Mr. Frank asked for a further discussion about flyering.

2. MOVED NANCY WANG, SECONDED BAHADOR MOUSAVI:

“That the agenda be amended to add a referendum discussion before the ‘yes vote’ motion.”

... Carried

For (20): Tahara Bhaté (proxy for Naila Karim), Crystal Hon, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong
Against (10): Dylan Callow, Melissa Erasmus, Will Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick

D) President’s Remarks:

Jeremy McElroy
- Hope Reading Week was great.
- My first meeting as president: took over my office last week.
- Going to meetings.
- Liaising with other student unions.
- Getting a feel for the role.
- Spread the referendum word.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP External Affairs – Katherine Tyson
- U-Pass subsidies for those with financial hardships done: 105 people getting them.
- Bylaws for the BC lobby group.
- CASA coming in March.
- Referendum.

VP Academic & University Affairs – Matt Parson
- UBC switching its Learning Management System from WebCT; deciding which program to go with.
- Looking at bringing back the exam database. We used to do it. Many universities have one.

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar
- Brew Pub: determining whether it feasible.
- Health & Dental: met consultant today; exciting changes coming; finalizing details.
- Working with Justin (Sustainability Coordinator) and UBC SEEDS; a class project about energy; also a commerce class project.
- Looking for a sustainability fee.
- Wanting to go paperless.

VP Administration – Mike Silley
- Why is no one coming to the New SUB workshops? I want to see more of you; only five students came today. It’s ridiculous; this is a $103 million project.
  - User group meetings and signoffs going on.
  - We’re $5 million over budget but still within the range estimate.
  - Meeting with engineers to figure out technical stuff.
- New Sub subsidy: last term’s funds not distributed; working on sending them out.

Executive Coordinator of Student Services – Pavani Gunadasa
- Suicide awareness art competition at Art Gallery.
• Respectful environment working group: training staff and student leaders.
• 1st UBC mental health symposium for student leaders.
• Career Services and Alumni centralized mentoring program.
• 2nd annual student support service conference.
• Posting for coordinators.

F) Committee Reports:

University & External Relations Committee – Kyle Warwick
• Looking over bylaws for the Alliance of BC Students Association.
• CASA issue to committee and Council re whether to move from associate membership to full or non-membership.
• Gathering all the external policies.

Student Life Committee – Crystal Hon
• Booked band line-up for Block Party, but won’t announce it.
• Working on promotions.
• Working on a first year event.

Business & Facilities Committee – Dylan Callow
• Cool app presentation from Michael Moll, but we need a simpler version.
• Chad’s survey out soon.
• Business promotion presentation has been moved to second meeting in March.

G) Constituency Reports:

Commerce – Dylan Callow
• Elections done: New president is Johannes Rebane.
• Executives have been hired, and I’m the new VP Academic.
• Career exploration conference.
• Renewal of Enterprize discussion.
• March 11, 18 & 25 beer gardens.

Arts – Brian Platt
• Elections in March.
• Added VP Student Life in AUS.
• Changing club representation on AUS council.
• St. Patrick’s Day party at the Knoll: outdoor rock show.

Social Work – Keely Herbert
• Elections have happened and I was re-elected as AMS Rep and President.

Law – Kate Phipps
• Elections: a no-campaigning campaign.

GSS – Sedi Minachi
• Been to a lot of UBC meetings about student housing, academic space, childcare.
• Informal Learning Space Committee: lobbying for more social space for Education students.
• SFU Rally in Victoria March 16.

Medicine – Tahara Bhate
• March 12 Medicine Masked Ball.
• Spring GALA fundraiser at the Chan.

Nursing – Melissa Erasmus
• Working on goals and roles.

Engineering – Amanda Li
• Elections.

Library-Archival – Shalene Williams
• Elections February 28.
• Updating policies.

Regent – Janina Mobach
• Taste of the World potluck.
• New show in our art gallery.
• March 5 academic symposium.

Pharmacy – Michael Wong
• Pharmacist Awareness Week next week.

Land & Food Systems – David Liu
• Elections next week.

Science – María Cirstea
• Councillor reform at the SUS.
• All club forum – March 9.
• Professional development workshops.
• Selling science merchandise at bookstore.
• Biosoc drinking fundraiser.
• Faculty Cup – March 24.

Human Kinetics – Ellen Kim
• Changing name to School of Kinesiology.
• Blood drive.
• Going to Kin Games for the first time in 10 years.

Music – Annie Greenwood
• Winter formal this weekend.
• Visiting other grad schools.
• Promoting the referendum.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:
BoG – Sean Heisler
- Not much going on right now.
  - Sedi Minachi: The International Students Association presented to the Board about not increasing tuition 4% but keeping increases to 2% for three years.

Ombudsperson – Jay Shah (via Elin Tayyar)
- Working on a few cases.
- Working on brochure.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

3. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

AMS Council minutes dated December 1, 2010

... Carried

For (21): Melissa Erasmus, Will Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Annie Greenwood, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams, Caroline Wong

Against (2): Dylan Callow, Mike Silley

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Julian Ritchie

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

4. MOVED PAVANI GUNADASA, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Referendum Committee
“That Council authorize the Student Services to take part in the current referendum campaign.”

- Pavani Gunadasa: Code says the Student Services are not supposed to participate in any referendum campaign without being asked to by Council. What does Council imagine this would look like?
- Michael Moll: It would be good to have people with knowledge at the booths.
- Jeremy McElroy: Put posters up.
- Nancy Wang: Would you be allowing the No campaign to poster?
- Pavani Gunadasa: We would follow the position taken by the AMS.
• Erik MacKinnon: At this point we don't officially have a No campaign. They need 150 signatures.
• Mr. Frank: We will get those.

5. MOVED PAVANI GUNADASA, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

From the Referendum Committee
“That Council authorize the Student Services to take part in the current referendum campaign.”

... Carried

For (30): Tahara Bhate (proxy for Naila Karim), Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Will Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Sedi Minachi, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie

6. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED LEO STOKES: [SCD009-12]

From the Referendum Committee
“That Council in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call two referenda to be held March 7-11 on the AMS Bylaw changes as presented in the Bylaw Amendment Packages (including one set of housekeeping changes and one set of substantive changes).

• Kyle Warwick: These aren’t perfect, but it would be bad to amend them on the fly. Let’s pass them, and once quorum is lowered we can do more.
• Elin Tayyar: The most important one is the quorum change; we could get rid of the others.

7. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That all substantive changes be removed except the quorum requirement change for general meetings.”

... Failed due to lack of seconder

• Stewart McGillivray: Why not split the quorum change off?
• Elin Tayyar: We need unanimous support within these walls. There are some in here now who are opposed.
• Andrew Carne: How many people attended the last AGM?
• The answer was about 20.
• Elin Tayyar: We didn’t really try to get people out.
8. MOVED STEWART McGILLIVRAY, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the Substantive Bylaw Changes question be split into two separate referendum questions: 1) general meeting stuff and 2) everything else.”

- Bahador Moosavi: Two questions? This will make three. We’ve been discussing this for three months. This is coming up now with the chair of the Referendum Committee not here. We want to keep it simple, as minimal as possible. If we separate things out, that’s not beneficial; it will reduce the number of people voting for these questions.
- Elin Tayyar: I agree. This is not the best way to do this. It was a last-minute idea. If people are against some parts, it adds up: each against some.
- Tahara Bhate: Getting quorum changed is the most important thing. If you have a question that’s very clear, people might vote on that.
- Michael Moll: Going to one question on quorum might be best. It could be easier than explaining all the details.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: This would be a good thing. Quorum is conceptually different; it could stand on its own. I’m skeptical we’ll even get 500, but splitting the questions is a good idea.
- Leo Stokes: The quorum change is the most important thing. If this motion makes it more likely to pass, then vote Yes.
- Laura Rodgers: What will Council do differently to get 500 students to a general meeting?
- Kyle Warwick: Now there’s a plan to try to get 500.
- Jeremy McElroy: We can actually book a room for 500.
- Crystal Hon: Is there any indication people will vote for a lower quorum?
- Elin Tayyar: The concern is that students may be against the other changes.
- Crystal Hon: Why are you assuming students will be okay with changing quorum?
- Elin Tayyar: Dividing the questions will neutralize the opposition.
- Crystal Hon: This is out of the blue, a very big change to the referendum questions at the last minute. And one of my concerns is that there are already too many questions.
- Leo Stokes: Being last minute is not a worry. The question is, Can this make it pass?
- Katherine Tyson: If there are too many questions, the students will skip over all of them. The Referendum Committee discussed this and decided to keep it to two.
- Mike Silley asked about the order of the questions on the ballot.
- Erik MacKinnon: I haven’t thought about that.
- Sheldon Goldfarb: Council can decide the order.
- Kyle Warwick: We’ll get quorum; enough people will vote.
- Taylor Loren: This will be on WebVote? What will it look like?
- Bahador Moosavi: We shouldn’t yet be deciding how to make it pass; we haven’t decided to be the Yes side. Also, we’re talking as if we only want the quorum change to pass and don’t care about the other changes, but that’s not true.
9. MOVED STEWART McGILLIVRAY, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the Substantive Bylaw Changes question be split into two separate referendum questions: 1) general meeting stuff and 2) everything else.”

... Defeated

For (10): Tahara Bhate (proxy for Naila Karim), Andrew Carne, Keely Hebert, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Ignacio Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar

Against (16): Melissa Erasmus, Will Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Michael Haack, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Abstained: Dylan Callow, Crystal Hon, Sedi Minachi, Mike Silley

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... Carried

For (32): Tahara Bhate (proxy for Naila Karim), Dylan Callow, Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, Will Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Shalene Williams, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

11. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Council direct the Ad Hoc Referendum Committee to direct the Elections Committee on the order of the referendum questions and that the U-Pass should be the last.”

- Katherine Tyson suggested striking the clause about the U-Pass.

... No objections

12. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Council direct the Ad Hoc Referendum Committee to direct the Elections Committee on the order of the referendum questions.”

... Carried
O) Discussion Period

Referendum: Taking a Side

- Nancy Wang: Some people want to start a No side. Should Council adopt a position or remain neutral? We don’t take sides in an election; why in a referendum?
- Ignacio Rodriguez: This is very different from a general election. This is an initiative started by Council. Taking a Yes side doesn’t stop a No campaign. It’s almost our duty to take a Yes position; it’s our decision on change we want to see to benefit the Society.
- Mr. Frank: The No campaign should receive the same amount of money as the Yes campaign: $31,000.
- Crystal Hon: We came up with $31,000 for the Yes campaign after discussion; we won’t give you a blank cheque when you have no budget.
- Mr. Frank: The rule against flyers in the SUB should be put aside because the AMS is going to sticker coffee lids at Blue Chip; that’s not available to the No campaign because we don’t own a coffeeshop. We should be able to campaign in the same way. I want to be included in AMS mailouts; there should be links to my websites. If there is a request to the Ubyssey to print a front page endorsement of Yes, I should be able to print a front page rebuttal.
- Jeremy McElroy: It’s our referendum. We’re facing a quarter million dollar deficit. There’s nothing wrong with passing a referendum to fix the organization.
- Katherine Tyson: We’re not just a student government; we are the Society. We need to pass this to continue functioning. We help the No campaign, and they can raise additional money by other means.
- Elin Tayyar: If this doesn’t pass, we’re looking at massive cuts. There are students against the AMS as an entity, people who are against paying for what we do. That’s fine. But as a board of directors your job is to decide what to do to preserve the AMS, to provide services or not, to support Constituencies or take some portion of their fees. It’s not about being fair; it’s about what our vision of the Society is.
- Mr. Frank: I think the AMS should be shrunk. I support the U-Pass. I don’t think the AMS does much else.
- Kyle Warwick: As a director, I have a fiduciary duty to do what is necessary to benefit the Society.
- Maria Cirstea: Blue Chip is our business, and we can decide to put stickers on the coffee cups. If you have your own business, you can do the same. And
you can’t use our mailing list; we’re not going to let you piggyback a No message on our Yes messages.

- Mr. Frank: Lift the rule on flyering to make it fairer.
- Mike Silley: No flyers are allowed. It’s a SAC rule. But you can come to SAC to discuss it; there’s a meeting at 3:30 tomorrow.

The Speaker took a vote on whether to discontinue the discussion period.

... Carried

For (17): Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Will Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Michael Haack, David Kim, Ellen Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Michael Wong

13. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

From the Referendum Committee
“That Council adopt a “Yes” position in support of the referendum questions on the bylaws.”

- Jeremy McElroy: Voting on the bylaw changes was not approved before tonight, and we haven’t advertised yet about them. We want to bring in solid changes to our bylaws.
- Nancy Wang: If this motion fails, then we shouldn’t have been advertising already.
- Jeremy McElroy: We already voted to take a Yes position for fees and the U-Pass.

14. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That the question be called.”

... No objections

15. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

From the Referendum Committee
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16. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

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Be it further resolved that Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to review the turnover date of the ECSS to align with the proposed Bylaw changes in the upcoming referendum.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Jeremy McElroy: Pavani would normally leave at the end of February, but with Jane Barry (the Student Services Manager) away, and with some projects underway, we’d like to keep Pavani on longer.
- Michael Haack: How will this affect the budget?
- Jeremy McElroy: There will be no effect. We would have hired another ECSS on March 1.

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18. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED WILL GALLEGO:

From the University and External Relations Committee

“Whereas the Simon Fraser Student Society, in conjunction with other BC student societies, is organizing a student rally in Victoria on March 16 to ask the new Premier for increased post-secondary education funding and reduced student debt; and

Whereas the AMS supports the above aims; and
Whereas participation in this rally will further cooperation between the AMS and other provincial student societies,

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS support, in principle, the March 16 student rally in Victoria.

Be it further resolved that the AMS encourage UBC students to participate in this rally.

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• Kyle Warwick: The SFU Student Society and others are organizing a rally for reduced student debt and increased funding. We want to say we support this, and it’s a good way to encourage unity. We can’t provide financing, but there are policy changes in Victoria that are not going in a direction we like. This is a no cost way to get a presence there and build alliances.

• Jeremy McElroy: I was approached by the SFU Student Society’s VP External, who is planning the rally. It’s right in the middle of the CASA meeting. Katherine and I will be in the plenary that day. There is transportation available for $10.

• Caroline Wong: No, there’s no room left on any of the buses. Is there any way we can provide money?

• Jeremy McElroy: Not with our huge deficit. The External Lobbying Fund has some money, but we’ve made cuts; it isn’t fiscally responsible.

• Sedi Minachi: There’s so much ignorance in Victoria; attacks on our funding. It’s great to see this initiative by SFU. In the past two years the student movement has been quiet. Subsidizing one bus wouldn’t be that much money. This will be the biggest number of students in BC; it will be a shame if we don’t participate.

18. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED SEAN HEISLER:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (25): Tahara Bhate (proxy for Naila Karim), Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, Will Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Sedi Minachi, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

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M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

20. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated February 1, 2011  [SCD011-12]

... Carried

For (15): Andrew Carne, Will Gallego (proxy for Nick Sertic), David Kim, Ellen Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Stewart McGillivray, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong

Against (1): Mike Silley

Abstained: Sean Heisler, Jeremy McElroy, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Elin Tayyar
21. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That Council direct the President to approach the University to request funds to support the rally.”

- Bahador Moosavi: The UBC Administration has been supportive of us lobbying the government. Let’s see if they will follow through. It’s a chance for them to show they really care about our issues.
- Sean Heisler asked the President if he felt comfortable being directed to do this.
- Jeremy McElroy: I’m seeing them next week and can ask them. I take this to mean: you want to send a bus and you want me to find money for it. I welcome the directive.

22. MOVED SEAN HEISLER:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

.... No objections

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Abstained: Nancy Wang

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

*Election Reform, Third Parties, and Slates*

- Ignacio Rodriguez:
  - Council directed the Legislative Procedures Committee to look into election reform. We talked for quite a while and felt we needed more direction and input from Council.
We were especially looking at problems in the last election cycle. During that cycle, third party funding was completely unregulated and that created a slate-like environment.

We discussed regulating third parties: should we do that? There were different views. And could we? We thought not.

There was a discussion about bringing slates back and allowing endorsements without formal slating.

We came up with three questions:
- What is the problem?
- Should we do anything about third party endorsements? Can we?
- How should we deal with slates?

Kyle Warwick:
- If slates are unregulated, that creates inequality.
- There’s a lack of clarity that needs to be solved; that’s the key thing.
- We can’t do anything about third party endorsements, except to penalize candidates, and that may not be fair.
- Re slates: maybe we should recognize them. Let’s open it up. We can’t stop slates, really, but we need clearer rules. We can direct LPC to move towards slate tolerance, allowing joint campaigning.

Katherine Tyson: The Ubyssey and outgoing Presidents often endorse candidates. It was the money spent and the flyers that annoyed people this year. Or it was the person. We could stop the printing of flyers.

Ignacio Rodriguez: We discussed the money issue; it’s another fairness issue. Candidates don’t have control of that spending. We can’t levy fines on the third parties; we don’t have any enforcement powers over them. One suggestion raised but not supported in committee was that perhaps we could have Code preventing sitting Executives from making endorsements. But that would violate free speech.

Kate Phipps asked why slates had been banned in the first place.

Sheldon Goldfarb explained that it had been a move spearheaded by an independent candidate who in the era of slates had been unable to get elected. Slates were seen as creating an environment that was unfair to independents. In one 12-year period under slates, only four of the 60 Executives elected were independents; the other 56 were members of slates.

Dave Tompkins: Good candidates wouldn’t even run because they couldn’t get on a slate. There was lots of politicking. It created a sour spin.

Leo Stokes: There’s no way to regulate third party endorsements; we should just allow everyone to endorse. The best way to go is to allow slates. Why should we not allow someone running for President to say, “I’d work best with these other candidates”? There’s inequality now: others can endorse, but candidates can’t.

Dave Tompkins: The real issue is the money. You could penalize candidates.

Leo Stokes: Then someone could pump money into candidates they opposed, and those candidates would be punished.

Erik MacKinnon: The first question was, What’s the problem? I can tell you what the problem is: We don’t want people who are unpopular with Council to advocate. It was all just about one guy. It will be a big challenge if third party endorsements have to be regulated.
• Dave Tompkins: You could have required candidates to disendorse people endorsing them, to go on record. You can make candidates declare whose endorsements they accept.
• Amanda Li: What happens at other schools?
• Answer: It’s worse; there’s ballot stuffing, actual fighting. We’re one of the most professional.
• Elin Tayyar:
  o The biggest problem is the sheer number of trees dying. One suggestion would be to limit candidates to 50 posters. Students hate all the flyers and posters.
  o Second, if there are no regulations, my fear is that a national organization may have an immense financial or political interest in getting someone elected and could pump in $100,000.
  o The problem is to control outside funding. I don’t care about endorsements.
• Taylor Loren: Third party funding, the CFS: that’s the biggest threat. As to slates, that debate comes up every year.
• Kate Phipps: Elin’s idea is good. Law is doing this. Campaigning gets negative, and it’s bad for us as a Council to go into a new year after an election like that. If you restrict posters, if there’s only one up, then you have to focus on your platform and not attack your opponent. If there are no blogs, you can’t be negative.
• Katherine Tyson: Doing away with pamphlets would hurt us. The only negativity was on the air, not on the ground. People were only negative in the blogs. Anonymity leads to trashing.
• Kyle Warwick:
  o Slates ensure diversity; the slates make sure to get someone to appeal to the athletics community, a representative of a visible minority, a better gender balance.
  o To prevent them from becoming cliquish, we can regulate them, like political parties.
  o The Law idea, limiting the campaign on the ground, would turn things into a popularity contest based on prior popularity. I won election through a thorough ground campaign; if you lose that, you lose something important. There’s an uncomfortableness to elections, but that’s inherent to democracy.
  o This is fixing the unfortunate by-product but losing the core. I’d rather have an angry democracy than something simpler.
  o But maybe we should loosen or lift the slate ban.
• Kate Phipps asked about doing away with candidate blogging.
• Someone noted that it wasn’t a candidate who did the blogging that’s upset people.
• Azim Wazeer:
  o In the previous couple of years elections were fairly civil.
  o Bijan did some unique things, but it’s futile to legislate against what he did.
  o I’m not sure slates do much; I’m not sure there’s much point to trying to change things, though Elin’s idea is good, and you could still ground campaign without paper: shaking hands, kissing babies.
  o People thought Bijan spent exorbitant amounts on posters and peppermint patties; we could limit the physical materials by shifting reimbursement to the election team.
Every 10 or 15 years someone comes along.
Slates have never been as big an issue as this year.

- Maria Cirstea: You can’t even appear similar to other candidates. Some people are saying, “Oh my God, slating.”
- Mr. Frank: Loosening restrictions may increase turnout. The rules just reduce the number of people who care and vote.
- Dave Tompkins: At Manitoba you had to run as a political party; you had to get endorsements.
- Leo Stokes: One alleged flaw of slating is that people get elected on others’ merits, but endorsements by the Ubyssey happen anyway.
- Katherine Tyson: Under slates, you could get internal conflicts in the Executive if people are elected who campaigned against each other.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: The last two Executives have been gross in terms of conflict.

P) Submissions:
AMS Foundation AGM Minutes SCD012-12
AMS AGM Minutes SCD013-12

Q) Next Meeting:
March 9, 2011

R) Adjournment:
18. MOVED BAHADOR MOUSAVI, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

The Speaker of Council had to leave, so there is no recorded vote on the adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 9:49 pm.

S) Social Activity:
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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Jessica Séguin (CASA), Zach Dayler (CASA), Cathy Wang (LFS), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Ambrose Chan (APSC), Alyssa Koehn (YES team coordinator), Navjot Sanghera (AUS), Emilie Walker (UBC Sororities), Micki Cowan (UByssey), Arshy Mann (UByssey), Pouriya Hosseini (UBC Persian Club), Julian Markowitz (Arts/Hillel), Jay Zhou (Engineering), Nicholas Frank (No Campaigns/General badass), Justin McElroy (UByssey), Tim Tong (Commerce), Conrad Copeland

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

Crystal Hon suggested there be a motion added to allow a recess mid-meeting to go campaign for the referendum.

... No objections

1. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (32): Dylan Callow, Maria Curro, Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Chad Embree, Melissa Erasmus, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Connor McGauley, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Sedi Minachi, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgbadi, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Mrigank Sharma, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams

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

Presentations to Council:

CASA – Zach Dayler and Jessica Séguin  [SCD014-12]

- CASA’s vision is for accessible, affordable, high quality postsecondary education.
- CASA is member-driven: you as members push us forward.
- CASA focuses on the federal and inter-provincial levels of government.
- CASA has an easy in, easy out system of membership.
- Currently, CASA has a one-member, one-vote system, but has been looking at this.
- CASA’s values include bilingualism and integrity.
- CASA develops policy, advocates, and engages government.
• PSE is a provincial responsibility, but the money ($16 billion) comes from the federal government, so CASA's focus is there.
• CASA lobbies, which is part of the governmental process. We use persuasion and political pressure.
• We have regular access to past and present prime ministers and with other political party leaders. Our lobbying conference in November puts your faces in front of government people.
• CASA works with provincial partners (student associations) in various provinces.
• For every dollar that students have paid to CASA, they have received over $2740 in return.
• There are three annual conferences; members get to bring concerns and issues.
• We were criticized in the past for not being member-driven, but we have moved dramatically recently to become more so.
• You guys keep your delegates accountable; the Board of Directors keeps the home office responsible; your delegates through the Assembly keep the Board responsible. The home office keeps the federal government accountable.
• The home office does advocacy, research, and member support.
• Every year we put out a document outlining our major issues; in 2010 these were financial aid, aboriginal peoples, the book tax (students pay $32 million for that), copyright issues, needs-based grants for grad students, and international students (a hugely important demographic).
• CASA is seeking a dedicated transfer for education, requiring provinces to report spending and investing. Currently, education money is mixed in with social spending generally and it’s hard to document education spending.
• CASA aims to ensure that no one is prevented from going to a postsecondary institution for financial reasons.
• From meetings with MP’s CASA has obtained 163 commitments, which it is following up on.
• We have to do more to put you in front of decision-makers, getting you to talk with your representatives, MP’s, public servants. We need to make them aware that education is important to us. Debt levels are going up.
• We help you to lobby the federal government; you’re far away from Ottawa. We give you the opportunity to influence our national agenda.
• You get value for your dollars, and we value what you give to us.
• You can access a network of other student leaders.
• You bring much to CASA: diversity, resources, momentum.
• Expenses: 48% of your money goes to salaries (but we’re decreasing that); 23% to office operations, 23% to membership (travel, conferences); 7% for research. It’s important to do research, especially with the ending of the Millennium Foundation.

Questions
• Taylor Loren asked about the difference between associate and full membership.
• Zach Dayler: You can vote if you’re a full member; you can speak now, but not vote. The price is different. There’s a $46,000 ceiling, which is where UBC would be, so about $1 per UBC student. Right now you’re paying 50 cents.
• Connor McGauley asked about justifying CASA membership to UBC students.
• Zach Dayler: CASA helps to shape the national agenda. UBC has taken a keen interest in CASA over the years. Student government is about political involvement, about putting forward students’ ideas.
• Kyle Warwick asked about the 1:2700 statistic. How was it calculated?
• Zach Dayler: That’s looking at dollars saved in the repayment assistance program, increases in grants, etc. By no means is it an exact number.
• Kyle Warwick: Do you take full credit for these programs?
• Jessica Séguin: This is the dollars that CASA was able to save students.
• Jeremy McElroy: It’s not $2740 for every dollar, but for every student.
• Erik MacKinnon asked about the one member, one vote system.
• Zach Dayler: We’re re-evaluating the voting system. UBC brought something forward.
• Jessica Séguin: The membership will decide.
• Zach Dayler: We’re trying to arrive at consensus.
• Dave Tompkins asked about regional voting requirements.
• Zach Dayler: We’re getting away from that.
• Allen Chen asked about funding for grad students.
• Zach Dayler talked of strategizing to get into the group awarding scholarships, which is difficulty. The aim is to decrease the size of scholarships to be able to give them out more equally. CASA also wants the indirect costs of research covered.
• Allen Chen: Can CASA lobby to increase funding for SSHRCC?
• Zach Dayler: That’s absolutely possible.
• Jessica Séguin: Our Grad Council is moving forward with gusto. We are representing more graduate students and need to develop more policies.
• Sedi Minachi: GSS policy here rejects tuition increases. What is CASA’s position?
• Zach Dayler: Tuition is controlled by a number of factors. We believe we will affect tuition by lobbying for more money from the federal government. We’re not fighting at an institutional level or the provincial level.
• Conrad Copeland: We’re a big school paying you almost 50 grand. How can we be sure you understand our needs? Your members are mostly tiny schools.
• Zach Dayler: We do have a number of large schools: McMaster, University of Alberta, University of Calgary. We strategize. We know you don’t need rave cards from us. In general, you get out of the organization what you put in.
• Conrad Copeland: For the $46,000 you charge, we could hire a dedicated lobbyist just for us.
• Zach Dayler: I don’t think you could get a lobbyist for that price. I don’t think you could get value from one person at $50,000. And we offer access to student leaders, conferences. There are two groups doing advocacy now. It would be hard for an individual to insert themselves into the conversation.
• Conrad Copeland: You can find cheaper lobbyists. Professional lobbyists would have contacts. What do we get from being part of a group?
• Zach Dayler: It’s about all students, not about you. You have to focus on your needs. We have a larger student base to serve.
• Jessica Séguin: You’re going to be deciding whether to go up or down.
• Jeremy McElroy: The CASA conference is here next week.
• Jessica Séguin: You can all come as observers.
Norouz Festival (Iranian New Year) – Bahador Moosavi

- Norouz is a Persian word meaning New Day. The festival is a cultural celebration of the new year for Iranians, Afghans, etc.
- It starts with the spring equinox and lasts for two weeks.
- It will also be part of International Week at UBC.
- This year it will be the biggest event: 800 attending.
- Funding was obtained from the IPF.
- It’s about multiculturalism, bringing people together.
- There will be Persian food.
- Events March 16-18.

Questions
- Does it have religious significance?
- Bahador Moosavi: No, this is cultural.

2. MOVED CRYSTAL HON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Council take a recess of one hour for campaigning opportunities.”

- Crystal Hon: It’s important that we all as Councillors get a chance to go out and campaign for the referendum. We’re all very busy, but this is a good time to chalk, write messages. It’s important for the referendum to pass.
- Mr. Frank: Do you guys need a whole bunch of people to campaign?
- Erik MacKinnon: So far there have been 7550 votes cast in the referendum, which is low for a U-Pass vote.

3. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

4. MOVED CRYSTAL HON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Council take a recess of one hour for campaigning opportunities.”

... Carried

For (24): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Michael Haack, Keely Hebert, Crystal Hon, Naila Karim, David Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Against (2): Sedi Minachi, Shalene Williams
Abstained: Allen Chen, Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Chad Embree, Melissa Erasmus, Geoff Friderichs (proxy for Ellen Kim), Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Kate Phipps, Julian Ritchie, Caroline Wong

Council recessed at 7:10 pm.

Council resumed at 8:10 pm.

D) President’s Remarks (Jeremy McElroy):

- Thanks for going out to campaign. We need to do more. Use Facebook; come out to the bus loop; hand out rave cards and flyers.
- About 7000 have voted so far. We want to triple the turnout.
- You voted unanimously for the referendum; it doesn’t end there.
  - Keely Herbert asked for explanation of the fee changes.
  - Jeremy McElroy:
    - We found $14 in the health plan, not by cutting coverage but by cutting profits to the insurance company; we’re using that money to reduce the deficit.
    - There’s an $8.50 increase to the general AMS fee, covering the deficit only.
    - We’ll also be raising another $400,000 for the Ubyssey, CiTR, childcare, clubs, and sustainability: that money goes instantly out of our hands; we don’t touch it; it’s not for us.
    - We’re trying to dispel misinformation.
- CASA conference next week: best time for you to go is Tuesday for interactive sessions about where CASA is going.
- Brian Sullivan’s moving out of the VP Students office. We’re making sure to keep good connections with the office.
- Working with the new Executive.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar

- The deficit is $271,000: higher than the December projections; even cutting all our Services wouldn’t fix that.
- Insurance rates are going up.
- We need to pass this referendum.
- Fee changes are on the website. The focus has been on the $5 increase, but there are lots of changes: a new subsidy, part-time students will pay the same as full-time, etc.
- Please comment on blogs when there’s misinformation, e.g., re “slush funds.” I can comment, but it’s good if it comes from elsewhere.
- On the substantive bylaw changes, students are also raising issues. We need to clarify things; we need everyone to be on top of these questions.
- Thanks to clubs and Constituencies that have officially endorsed the campaign: that helps. We need all the Constituencies on board.
- We’re not in the business of wasting students’ money; this isn’t a waste of money; we pay the lowest wages to our student staff; you get a lot for your money.
VP Academic & University Affairs – Matt Parson
- The referendum has been my main focus.
- The AMS centralized exam database: we had it in the past; it’s become dormant; developing policy on it.
- Ponderosa Hub moving ahead, but there’s opposition concerning Wreck Beach and sightlines. Like the Marine Drive residences all over again.
- Summer semester improvements moving ahead. Looking at different models. There will be a presentation.

VP External Affairs – Katherine Tyson
- TransLink:
  - Routes changing.
  - Rapid transit – final phase of consultation, March 30 – April 6. We need to show up.
- CASA:
  - Creating some really good ideas about the voting structure
  - On March 23 we’ll vote whether to stay in.
- Report showing that investment in education leads to economic prosperity.
- Unecorn looking at provincial lobby group bylaws.
- High likelihood of federal election and a by-election in this riding. Municipal level starting to rev up too.

VP Administration – Mike Silley
- Helping Amanda, Lin, and Andrew (Engineering) with a surprise party for Brian Sullivan.
- Finalizing exterior for New SUB; we want terracotta tiles; we’re still negotiating.
- SAC is looking to put restrictions on outside vendors.
- Just Desserts.

Executive Coordinator Student Services – Pavani Gunadasa
- Getting ready for hiring Coordinators and Assistant Coordinators.
- Workshop on employee relations.
- EUS Wellness Fair was awesome.
- Speaking to SUB Architects about Student Service space in new building.
- Services has been flyering for the referendum.

F) Committee Reports:

Legislative Procedures Committee – Ignacio Rodriguez
- Still working on electoral reform.

Education Committee – Joel Mertens
- Discussing the exam database; want to send it to Senate quickly, or else will have to wait till fall.

BAFCOM – Chad Embree (for Dylan Callow)
- Vending machine contracts.
- Businesses did well in February: $5 deals at the outlets.
University and External Affairs Committee – Kyle Warwick
- Meeting with CASA; will come up with recommendations for what we should do.
- BC lobby group bylaws soon.
- External policy review.
- TransLink method of transit choice.

G) Constituency Reports:

Human Kinetics – Geoff Friderichs
- Changing our name to Kinesiology.

Arts – Brian Platt
- Elections close Friday.
- Council has changed; it will be club presidents, not random club members, serving.
- St. Patrick’s Day party.
- Turnover April 5.

Law – Kate Phipps
- Elections last week: Eric Gauf will be the new Law rep on Council.
- Law Revue variety show.

GSS – Sedi Minachi
- Sending CASA a policy on removing the maximum time from student loans: currently it’s 10 years, after which you have to start paying interest even if you’re still in school.
- Working on parental leave.
- Passed motion to support student rally on March 16 in Victoria; booked a bus.
- GSS AGM March 17th

Social Work – Keely Herbert
- Re-elected as AMS rep.
- Working on the referendum. Even dreaming about it.

Nursing – Melissa Erasmus
- Promoting referendum.
- I’m the new AMS rep.
- Participating in faculty Sun Run.
- Looking at joining the Canadian Nursing Students Association.

Pharmacy – Erik MacKinnon.

Engineering – Amanda Li
- Sign the cards for Brian Sullivan.
- Elections happening next week.
- Charity event: pieing. For CKNW Orphans Fund.
- St. Patrick’s Day Trivia Competition.
Regent – Janina Mobach
- Referendum voting.
- Elections at the end of March.
- Academic Symposium.

Library-Archival – Shalene Williams
- SLAIS research day. Theme is information artefacts.
- Turnover first week of April.

Science – Maria Cirstea
- Changed our council structure.
- Science grad tickets on sale.
- Elections nominations due Friday.

Science – Tim Tong
- Constitutional changes.
- New board of directors.
- Conference for 1st and 2nd years to help clarify fields in Commerce.
- Venture capital competition.
- Frosh reunion party Saturday.

Land & Food Systems – David Liu
- Elections last week.
- New people in three weeks.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors
- No report.

Senate – Joel Mertens
- Next meeting in two weeks. Trying to get exam database on the agenda.
  - Chad Embree: UBC wants to make a decision on the NCAA in April.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

5. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

  “That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

AMS Council minutes dated December 8, 2010 [SCD016-12]
AMS Executive Committee minutes dated February 10, 2011 [SCD017-12]
AMS Executive Committee minutes dated February 24, 2011 [SCD018-12]
Business & Facilities Committee minutes dated February 8, 2011 [SCD019-12]
Business & Facilities Committee minutes dated February 24, 2011 [SCD020-12]
University & External Relations Committee minutes dated Feb 18, 2011 [SCD021-12]

... Carried
For (23): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Melissa Erasmus, Crystal Hon, Amanda Li, David Liu, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Leo Stokes, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Abstained: Julian Ritchie

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

6. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA: [SCD022-12] From the Legislative Procedures Committee

"Be it resolved that Council rescind the Donations Policy.

"Be it further resolved that Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Donations’ and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Ignacio Rodriguez:
  o After the events of the previous term, we looked at donations and our philosophy, and discussed this with the Resource Groups (in particular the Social Justice Centre).
  o We’re recommending we rescind the previous policy and replace it with Code that restricts the use of AMS money to events available to students.
  o So the AMS and AMS groups, rather than writing a cheque, could host a fundraiser on or near campus.
  o This rule would not affect the clubs; it applies only to mandatory AMS fees; the clubs can and do raise their own money.
• Jeremy McElroy: It won’t be permissible to go into the operating budget and write a cheque.
• Allen Chen: So we could do an event to raise money.
• Chad Embree: What if something is connected to an organization in Toronto?
• Elin Tayyar: You can’t donate to a charity, but you could fund a fundraiser.
• Ignacio Rodriguez: This does not affect clubs; they’re not working with AMS fees.
• Dave Tompkins asked about the Clubs Benefit Fund.
• Ignacio Rodriguez: It could not come from there.
• Dave Tompkins: But you could hold an event to raise money to give to Toronto.
• Jeremy McElroy: If Oxfam holds an event to raise money, they can send what they raise.
• Kyle Warwick: And is it up to the signing officer to judge whether an event is reasonably accessible?
• Ignacio Rodriguez: This provides guidelines. If there’s uncertainty, it could be brought to Council.
• Elin Tayyar: Donations usually go through the Executive or Council, from a budgeted amount; so it would be up to Council, not necessarily a signing officer.
• Ignacio Rodriguez: It’s a question of approving the cheque.
• Elin Tayyar: It’s the job of signing officers to follow procedures.
• Rory Breasail: Are all Society fees mandatory? Do we need the word “mandatory” in there?
• Ignacio Rodriguez: We did discuss this.
• Jeremy McElroy: Even if a fee is opt-outable, it’s still mandatory.

7. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA: From the Legislative Procedures Committee

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Note: Requires 2/3rds … Carried

For (26): Rory Breasail, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, Amanda Li, David Liu, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

8. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE: [SCD023-12] From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Personnel Handbooks’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Ignacio Rodriguez: This part of Code is from before we had an HR Manager. The responsibility for the personnel handbooks has shifted from the General Manager. This just codifies what we’re doing.
• The actual personnel handbook is coming to Council next time.

9. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE: From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Personnel Handbooks’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (25): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Chad Embree, Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, Amanda Li, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Leo Stokes, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Abstained: Noushin Moshgabadi, Mike Silley

10. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY: [SCD024-12] From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Internal Policy Changes 2011: Archives Policy Amendment’ and thus amend the Policy on Records Management and the AMS Archives as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Ignacio Rodriguez: We passed the records management policy last year forbidding circulation of unapproved minutes and now we’ve realized we violate it every time we send minutes out for approval. This fixes that.

11. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY: From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Internal Policy Changes 2011: Archives Policy Amendment’ and thus amend the Policy on Records Management and the AMS Archives as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (25): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Chad Embree, Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, Amanda Li, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Leo Stokes, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Abstained: Noushin Moshgabadi, Mike Silley
Mike Silley asked for a Discussion Topic to be added on Gifts. 

… No objections

12. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI: [SCD025-12]

From the Education Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Education Committee entitled ‘Student Senate Caucus Changes 2011: Education Committee Representation’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Joel Mertens: The Education Committee wants to make sure it knows what others (e.g., Senate Caucus) are doing on academic issues. We also want to make sure there’s always a seat on the Education Committee for someone from Senate; that is, if no Council Senator wants to be appointed to the committee, then we can ask Senate Caucus to send someone else to attend, the way staff members attend.

13. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Education Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Education Committee entitled ‘Student Senate Caucus Changes 2011: Education Committee Representation’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (28): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Chad Embree, Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

14. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA: [SCD026-12]

From the Education Committee

“Whereas a number of other universities have implemented some form of exam database; and

Whereas UBC does not have a university wide exam database; and

Whereas there are significant issues with the current form of the AMS Exam Database, such that its viability as a learning tool is compromised; and
Whereas a comprehensive exam database may be a useful learning tool for UBC students;

Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS support investigation into the creation of a new exam database.

Be it further resolved that the AMS endorse the submission of a comprehensive exam database as a topic of broad academic interest to the Senate.

Be it further resolved that these tasks be undertaken by the VP Academic and University Affairs."

- Matt Parson: We used to have an exam database, but because of budget cuts it’s dwindled to insignificance. Now we’re proposing it go to Senate and hope that the University will pass policy on it.
- Joel Mertens: Exams have copyright issues, which could turn into an issue with profs. We want the University to say exams are the property of the University and to endorse releasing them. We don’t want a professor forcing the pulling down of an exam.
- Dave Tompkins said he didn’t think the University could take away that copyright.
- Matt Parson: The University can collect the exams and require profs to opt out of releasing them. They would only be released to students with CWL sign-ins.
- Joel Mertens: It’s like employees of a company: copyright belongs to the company.
- Matt Parson: We’re looking to an electronic database. Queen’s has a great one.
- Asked whether clubs could distribute them to their members, Matt Parson said: As long as they’re students.
- Kyle Warwick: People ask what the AMS does. This is an example. It totally affects regular students who don’t care about the AMS. It’s totally worthwhile.
- Pavani Gunadasa: This is something that landed on Tutoring’s plate a few years ago. We didn’t have the resources to do it. It would be great to have Senate work on this.

15. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:
   From the Education Committee

   “Whereas a number of other universities have implemented some form of exam database; and

Whereas UBC does not have a university wide exam database; and

Whereas there are significant issues with the current form of the AMS Exam Database, such that its viability as a learning tool is compromised; and

Whereas a comprehensive exam database may be a useful learning tool for UBC students;

Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS support investigation into the creation of a new exam database.
Be it further resolved that the AMS endorse the submission of a comprehensive exam database as a topic of broad academic interest to the Senate.

Be it further resolved that these tasks be undertaken by the VP Academic and University Affairs.”

… Carried

For (27): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Chad Embree, Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Michael Haack, David Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Matt Parson, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (1): Mike Silley

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

16. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated February 10, 2011 [SCD027-12]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated February 24, 2011 [SCD028-12]

… Carried

For (24): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Chad Embree, Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), David Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Noushin Moshagabadi, Matt Parson, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (1): Mike Silley

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

Gift Giving

• Mike Silley reported that he had received three gifts (two bookends and a bowtie) from the Israel Awareness Committee (IAC) as congratulations for getting elected.
Julian Markowitz said he was in the IAC and he had personally provided the gifts in an attempt to inspire. He added:
  o The IAC’s books are open.
  o Mostly they get money from Hillel.
  o There’s a hyper-sensitive environment, and if this is seen as untoward, the gifts can be sent to a charitable organization.

Sheldon Goldfarb read out the Code rules on gifts to Council members, which require notification of Council if the gifts received as part of the protocol associated with a person’s position are above a certain amount or if the gifts are not part of the protocol associated with a person’s position.

17. MOVED CHAD HYSON, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Defeated

For (5): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Chad Embree, Brian Platt, Mrigank Sharma

Against (17): Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Amanda Li, David Liu, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Joel Mertens, Noushin Moshgabadi, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson

18. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED LEO STOKES:

“That Council authorize the election gifts received by the Executive to date.”

• It was noted that Matt Parson and Katherine Tyson had also been given gifts from the IAC. Matt had declined to accept his. Katherine had accepted hers (it was soap).

19. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED LEO STOKES:

“That Council authorize the election gifts received by the Executive to date.”

... Carried

For (19): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Chad Embree, Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Crystal Hon, David Kim, David Liu, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Iggy Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (2): Michael Haack, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Matt Parson, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson
P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

    March 23, 2011

R) Adjournment:

20. MOVED MELISSA ERASMUS, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK

   “That the meeting be adjourned.”

      ... Carried

   For (19): Dylan Callow, Alex deBruyn (proxy for Nancy Wang), Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Sumedha Sharma), Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Amanda Li, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Brian Platt, Iggy Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

   Against (2): Chad Embree, Julian Ritchie

   The meeting adjourned at 9:55 pm.

S) Social Activity:
### March 9, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Jonny Wakefield (Ubyssey), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Taylor Lukacin [Taylor Loren] (AMS Confidential), Kai Green (AMS Confidential), Micki Cowan (Ubyssey), Laura Rodgers (UBC Insiders), Mitch Wright (AVP External), Alyssa Koehn (Yes team coordinator), Catherine Metrycki (Yes team coordinator), Guillaume Houle (Arts student), Tara Martellaro (Ubyssey), David Marino (Ubyssey), Geoff Lister (Ubyssey), Carolee Changfoot (Arts), Ben Cappellacci (Referendum Committee Chair), Sean Cregten (AVP Academic), Luke Meat (CiTR), Duncan McHugh (CiTR), Spencer Lindsay (CiTR), Brad Winter (CiTR), Greg Williams (student), Anne Kessler (student), Ashley Zarbatany (Social Justice Centre), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Geoff Lister (Ubyssey), Cathy Wang (student), Erik MacKinnon (Elections Administrator), Joanne Pickford (Administrative Assistant), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm.

1. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MATT PARSON:

“That the Ubyssey be permitted to videorecord the meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds … No objections

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

C) Presentations to Council:

AMS Referendum Results – Erik MacKinnon [SCD029-12]

- Turnout: 13,574, or 28.9%.
  o Less than in 2008.
  o No email went out till Tuesday, and it was mild; a better one went out last night: a warning that the U-Pass would disappear.
  o The result was 4000 votes in 10 minutes, which crashed the website.
  o Another 5000 votes came in today.
- Housekeeping Bylaws passed, with 79% of the vote.
- Substantive Bylaws: 58% Yes. Did not meet required 75%; also did not meet quorum (received 3334 Yes votes; quorum was 3764).
- U-Pass passed with 95% of the vote.
- Tuition reduction passed with 87% of the vote.
- Fee change question passed with 52% of the vote (4522 to 4136).
Comments

- Jeremy McElroy:
  - Over the past two weeks, or really 18 months, we’ve been working hard to make this a reality.
  - When I was originally elected as VP External, deficits were out of sight. Elin and I took it on ourselves to balance the budget.
  - The deficits meant we had to make decisions about Safewalk etc., so we endeavoured to fix that.
  - The market collapse of 2008 hit us hard.
  - The question was, What does the AMS need? Our first thought was that we needed an extra $24 per student, and we planned for an October referendum to ask for that.
  - Things happened in September and October that made that not happen. We were faced with cuts.
  - Then Ben Cappellacci took on the position as chair of the Referendum Committee, and things got going. Thanks to Ben for taking on that job; even since he left office he’s been an integral help.
  - Meanwhile our revenues were looking even worse.
  - Then Catherine Metrycki came on at the last minute when we were down to one referendum coordinator. Thanks to her.
  - Thanks to Matt Parson, Mike Silley, and Katherine Tyson. Last year we couldn’t combat the deficit problem; it became an issue in the elections and for the first two months of this Executive.
  - Thanks to Elin. At our first conversation last year, it was, Whoa, cuts. I told him I’m running for President because this referendum has to pass, and I got Elin to run again for VP Finance, even though he did not want to do it for another year.
  - We’ve saved more than a million dollars on the Health and Dental Plan, thanks to Elin’s tireless efforts, and that’s why the referendum passed.
  - We had to scare Council and the students. I apologize if we yelled at you or you felt we strong-armed you, but you’re the board of directors of the biggest student organization in the country.
  - Thanks especially to Nursing and Regent and Social Work and Arts and Science and Engineering.
  - Thanks to Kelli, our Communications Manager, who took on more and more responsibility and used her expertise from the 2008 referendum.
  - Last but not least, when looking for someone to lead this campaign, who could deal with transitory Executives and full-time staff, there was Alyssa Koehn. I’m not sure she knew what she was getting into. She and Catherine were our dynamic duo. This would not have happened without her.
  - Way to pass a million dollar referendum, guys.

J) Executive Committee Motions:

O) Discussion Period

Q) Next Meeting:

March 23, 2011
R) Adjournment:

2. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

   “That the meeting adjourn.”

   … Carried

   The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

S) Social Activity:
**March 11, 2011 Attendance**

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver  
March 23, 2011  
PLACE: Council Chambers SUB Room 206

STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Laura Rodgers (Here for the food), Kalyeena Makortoff (Ubyssey), William Gallego (Engineering), Alex deBruyn (Mad Science), Jeehoon (Science), Ambrose Chan (AAPSC), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Conrad Copeland (Awesomeness), Carole Jolly (UBC Campus & Community Planning), Johannes Rebane (CUS), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Jannel Robertson (Engineering), Taylor Lukacin [Taylor Loren] (AMS Confidential), Lisa Colby (UBC Campus & Community Planning), Jonathan Elmer (Faculty Cup), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Erik MacKinnon

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 pm.

Agreement to drop the motion on the Personnel Handbook, add items on Compensation Review, Services and their budget, and the SUB colour, and move things around.

1. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.” … Carried

For (25): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Sedi Minachi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Jamie Paris, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Shalene Williams, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Campus & Community Planning Update – Carole Jolly

• Primary goal of Campus & Community Planning is around land use and transportation. Working to help support the core mission of UBC.
• Transportation Planning:
  o Transitioning to provincial U-Pass; expected to be in place at all public institutions by September; not yet a finalized contract.
  o New Buchanan bike facility has opened; another one is under construction at the North Parkade.
  o Working on a cycling plan.
• Sustainability:
  o Climate and energy conservation program. Tune up for 72 buildings re greenhouse gases.
Waste reduction/water conservation efforts.
Green building design principles; pilots at Totem.
New sustainability projects: Do It in the Dark (energy reduction program).

Planning and Design:
Land Use Plan amendment process; the plan has now been adopted by the Minister.
Diesel bus loop is on hold pending further review.
Trolley bus area will be underway.
Forum on housing.
72% of public realm space needs improvement.
Buchanan Courtyard opening this spring.

Information Booth in SUB March 28-29.
UBC Line Rapid Transit: TransLink holding consultations, including one at Ponderosa March 31.

Questions
Elin Tayyar asked about energy conservation, the SUB in Phase 2, and a timeline.
Carole Jolly said she would get back to him.
Neal Yonson: There are no plans for the bus loop?
Carole Jolly: No, plans are on hold till we finalize plans for the Aquatic Centre.
Neal Yonson asked about results from the survey.
Carole Jolly: Any results will be available through a report.
Cathy Wang asked if there will be students on the waste water working group.
Carole Jolly: We can connect you to the Sustainability Office and they will tell you more about the process.
Rory Breasail asked about the working group for Gage South.
Carole Jolly said it would include the UNA, the UEL, the AMS, and TransLink.
Lisa Colby (also of Campus & Community Planning): There’s a question of whether housing should go there. That’s important to the AMS, we know. This group will look into that issue in an attempt to resolve the land use puzzle.

2. MOVED SHALENE WILLIAMS, SECONDED MRIGANK SHARMA, THIRDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the meeting go in camera.”

The meeting entered the in camera session at 6:43 pm.

The meeting left the in camera session at 7:09 pm.

3. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ

“That Council delegate the responsibility of the SUB colour to the New SUB Committee and endorse their decision.”

... Carried

For (28): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Sedi
Minachi, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Mrigank Sharma, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Shalene Williams, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Against (2): Noushin Moshgabadi, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Michael Haack

4. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:
From the University & External Relations Committee

“That the AMS remain as an associate member of CASA for the coming year.”

- Kyle Warwick:
  - The Unecorn committee decided to do this. It will maximize our dollars. We did pass our fee referendum, but we still have constraints.
  - The money comes out of our Lobbying Fund, which is also for University issues not just External issues. We don’t yet have a government relations officer, but we will be having one, and funding for that comes from the Lobbying Fund, and is a substantial amount, a recurring expense.
  - There are several elections coming up, or possibly coming up: federal, provincial, municipal; by-elections. The AMS will run awareness campaigns, and that’s expensive too.
  - We have not had a presence in Victoria in recent years, and will probably want to go back to doing that, reviving Lobby Days; we need to do things differently, and that will cost money.
  - Also there’s a possible provincial lobbying group, which could be a substantial cost.
  - Education is a provincial responsibility. It’s true there is fiscal federalism, but the substantial role is provincial; we’ve been acting as if it is not.
  - CASA has adopted some of the reforms the AMS has asked for, but more changes are needed. We should not give up our bargaining chip with them by moving to full membership now.
  - CASA is made up of various types of student unions; we’re a massive research intensive university, different from many others. Being skeptical about CASA is prudent.
  - Some will say that because of the referendum we have lots of money, but it passed only narrowly; you could call it a probationary pass, a C-minus. We owe it to the students to be responsible with their money. The burden of proof is to show the value.
  - Some may say we’re freeloading on CASA, but our duty is to our students. Ultimately, your duty is to your constituents. If it’s CASA versus the interests of your students, you have to maximize the interests of the students.
  - We do want to work to improve CASA; it has repaired some things; we don’t want to abandon it entirely. We have two more years we can stay as associate members.

- Elin Tayyar asked about the presentation that was originally on the agenda. This is an extremely important decision. Everyone should know all the facts.
- David Kim: Did CASA raise issues with this? If this doesn’t pass, where are we?
- Kyle Warwick:
If you fail this motion, we will have to have another motion, either to move to full membership or to leave altogether.

As to CASA’s views, they’re not super-duper thrilled, but I don’t think their membership will begrudge us heavily for staying at the associate level.

- Jeremy McElroy: Our current status expires on April 1, so we need a decision.
- Sedi Minachi: We need a national lobby group in Ottawa; education funding comes from Ottawa. But I support associate member status. The CASA policy conference in PEI was impressive; they took a serious look at policies. But at the following conference in Ottawa the policy decisions from PEI were not brought forward. Senators and MP’s said how weak CASA’s policies were. Let’s remain associate members to see if change happens.
- Maria Cirstea: Do we have enough money?
- Katherine Tyson:
  - It’s going to be tough. It depends how much you expect me to do.
  - I’m not against federal lobbying.
  - CASA has decided we’re allowed to get an extra two years as associate members.
  - CASA has many institutional problems, unprofessional dynamics, lots of infighting, a lack of focus. They’ve talked of being associated with the Liberal Party, which I don’t think is appropriate.
  - They also allocate their resources inefficiently. What type of impact do we get from photo ops with MP’s?
  - The CASA home office makes unilateral changes to what general meetings decide.
  - We’ve increased student fees to cover our deficit; we still have to show fiscal responsibility.
  - There are lots of other expenses in the External office; there’s also rapid transit lobbying.
  - We need to push provincially and municipally. The major point of the External portfolio is provincial lobbying.
  - This is not the year to become a full member of CASA.
- Ben Cappellacci:
  - CASA is a national organization lobbying the federal government for changes for students.
  - As an associate member, we’re not showing that we’re up to par. We don’t get the same rights as full members.
  - CASA represents a reasoned, logical way of lobbying government. What better way is there to spend the students’ money than to go up to full membership in a tried and true organization? They’ve made the changes we asked for. As full members we could influence further changes.
  - They have four professional staff members whose only job is to do research and lobby the federal government.
- Taylor Loren: I was really impressed by the CASA conference. I know it’s really important to focus on provincial lobbying. Why was tonight’s presentation pulled?
- Katherine Tyson: It was supposed to be a joint presentation by me and Jeremy. It was really Jeremy’s presentation, and we see things differently, so we decided we should bring the issues up for debate instead of presenting a joint report.
- Jeremy McElroy:
  - Are we simply to trust the word of the committee on this? It was almost not a quorate meeting and the decision was certainly not unanimous.
  - I wrote an article for UBC Insiders expressing my views. I’m allowed to express my views until Council decides. Once Council decides, I will express Council’s views.
We are now the third Council to be asking the same question. In my opinion it is time to decide.

We first decided to step down to associate status under Mike Duncan, when Stef Ratjen was VP External, for a series of reasons: lack of childcare policies and other policies relevant to grad students, operating issues. We moved down to prove a point; we were not fully impressed; we were allowing time to work toward some sort of agreement.

The following year Blake and Tim presented and said we had to leave CASA altogether. Then they did the UN thing, and we realized that maybe the things they said were not entirely true.

Then I came in and went to a CASA conference where I saw a massive amount of growth and maturity.

CASA met to deal with our concerns and agreed to many changes we asked for, so I asked for one more year to audit the organization.

We were impressed by what was done in PEI last March. The lobbying conference after that (in November) did not have the same representation. Also, the major requests had just been made; smaller ones were made at the lobbying conference. We’d already presented the major issues; that’s why not all the policies came forward.

There were some internal HR issues, but that staff member has left.

The lobby document is now circulated widely; CASA is more accountable, more member-driven.

The AMS just hosted a CASA conference for the first time in a while. CASA met the AMS; a lot of you got to meet CASA.

We’ve already had two years at associate status. The purpose was to make a point. Associate status is also appropriate if you’re a new member getting introduced. It’s not supposed to be used as an option to save money. The other universities who pay full costs have not dropped down to associate membership. It’s unfair for us to do one more year at associate membership.

All the upcoming elections people have mentioned are just one-off expenses.

This is a principled matter: do we want to be part of the student movement or is it time to take a real break?

- Ignacio Rodriguez asked why the AMS had not attended the in camera CASA session.
- Katherine Tyson: Associate members are not allowed to.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: Which of our reforms have we got?
- Katherine Tyson: Partial voting structure reform. I don’t see the HR issues being rectified yet.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: A viable case could be made for leaving CASA. That doesn’t automatically mean we’re joining the CFS.
- Elin Tayyar:
  - We need to make a decision. Let’s decide either to stay or leave.
  - If people are concerned about the money, the Budget Committee has decided we have the money. Some figures are being circulated, but I don’t know where they’re coming from.
  - If the concern is to save money for the election, I would hate to take the role of Elections Canada and spend money to promote the election; students shouldn’t be paying us to encourage them to vote.
  - We have the money to become full members of CASA and still do other projects.
I’d like Council to make a long-term decision, not leaving this next year. It’s not responsible to continue like this, and making a decision will allow the Budget Committee to make long-range plans.

- Maria Cirstea: Why can’t we say we want to join but need a year?
- Dave Tompkins: That’s essentially staying an associated member.

5. There was a motion to call the question.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (13): Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Ravi Parhar, Ignacio Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams, Michael Wong


Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Katherine Tyson

- Sean Heisler: Associate membership doesn’t make sense.
- Leo Stokes: The fact that we’ve been an associate member for two years should not affect our decision. The only issue is, Are we satisfied with CASA? It’s not impossible to remain an associate member.
- Sedi Minachi: I have full confidence that everyone at the CASA conference in Ottawa was the same as at PEI; I disagree with Jeremy’s point on that. And I’ve been at two CASA conferences where I heard people saying they’re okay with increases in tuition in line with inflation.
- Mike Silley: Full membership, as I understand it, is about having a vote and chairing committees and sitting on the Board. It used to be one school, one vote. Has that changed somewhat?
- Katherine Tyson: Somewhat.
- Jeremy McElroy: Certain motions will require agreement from two-thirds of all member schools and from schools representing 50% plus 1 of all students. That’s for things like appointing the National Director, policies, fees, bylaws. Procedural motions will just require 50% plus 1.
- Mike Silley: Are we asking for all votes to be weighted?
- Jeremy McElroy: No, this is the compromise.
- Allen Chen: Grad student needs are a little different. A lot of our funds come from the federal government. We want us to have a voice at the federal level. I hope we make a decision to stay as a full member or not at all.
- Azim Wazeer: Where does the University get its money?
- Dave Tompkins: Money comes from the provincial government, but the provincial government gets it from the federal government.
- Azim Wazeer: What happens at the federal level without CASA?
- Katherine Tyson: We can arrange to meet MP’s on our own. I can go to Ottawa for a week to do that. Our government relations officer and our AVP’s could do the research CASA does. I can go see MP’s in BC, visit the Industry Ministry, do more
on the lobbying side. We have almost as much as CASA. My office alone has two people doing research.

- Azim Wazeer: You’d be filling CASA’s shoes.
- Katherine Tyson: Not exactly. We wouldn’t talk about college issues.
- Azim Wazeer: Are you concerned about the amount of work this might add to your portfolio?
- Katherine Tyson: No, I’d save the time spent now going to conferences.
- Azim Wazeer: I don’t think that’s the best way to go, us taking on the role of CASA. We still need to make a decision. It’s ludicrous that we can’t make up our minds; it’s like some incredibly long engagement. This is not about CASA’s feelings. The question is, Should we be spending even this $26,000 to be an associate member?

6. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the motion be amended by replacing it with the following: ‘That the AMS give notice to CASA of our intent to leave the organization, in accordance with their bylaws and operating procedures.’ ”

- Jamie Paris: The GSS needs federal representation. This would violate the spirit of the Memorandum of Agreement between the AMS and the GSS. We can’t join CASA ourselves as long as we are part of the AMS. If this passes, we might leave the AMS to join CASA.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: Do grad student societies elsewhere join?
- Dave Tompkins: The AMS is rare in representing graduate students.
- Dylan Callow: What has CASA done for graduate students?
- Jamie Paris: CASA has developed a standing committee; our policy issues are being listened to. CASA talks directly to the Tri-Council.

7. There was a motion to call the question.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Against (1): Rory Breasail

Abstained: Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson

8. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the motion be amended by replacing it with the following: ‘That the AMS give notice to CASA of our intent to leave the organization, in accordance with their bylaws and operating procedures.’ ”

... Defeated
For (5): Rory Breasail, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Sedi Minachi, Azim Wazeer


Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson

Back to the original motion.

- Erik MacKinnon:
  - The membership fee is not very expensive compared to other national organizations or to the cost of us sending students to Ottawa to lobby.
  - We passed the referendum and have more money now.
  - CASA changed for us, even putting in an equity office at our request at the same time we were getting rid of our own. I'm not sure why they're letting us stay this long as associates.

9. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the motion be amended to read: ‘That the AMS become a full member of CASA for the coming year.’ ”

- Dylan Callow: There’s a Subway analogy here. We can get a combo for just $1 more. Since CASA is actually doing stuff, we should go to full membership.
- Jeremy McElroy:
  - We can do a cost-benefit analysis. Travel and conference costs are fixed whether we are associate or full members. Really the difference is $40,000 versus $60,000.
  - If it’s really about the money or if we don’t think it’s an organization we can use to further the goals of the AMS, fine. But we just decided not to leave.
  - We pay the least per student of any school. The smaller the school, the more they pay per students. The other capped schools are two-thirds of our size. Their per student cost is more than ours.
  - It’s not fair for us to stick to associate status and try to throw our weight around.
  - With full membership we can get people on the Board and influence the organization.
  - Other provinces have provincial organizations and interact with CASA. We feel Western alienation; that’s hampered us provincially.
  - Re-engaging with CASA is one of the most cost-effective things we can do on the federal stage.
    - We get other schools and CASA staff to help us draft policies.
    - Our money will go to pay for staff and other executives to do this.
    - Look at the price of advocacy at the federal level.
    - We should be doing provincial lobbying, not our old style Lobby Days, which were just a weekend of fun. There’s been a regime change in Victoria. Last year the government was still not listening to students and too busy with other issues.
We have some money now; one-time elections this year shouldn’t play into the decision.

- Katherine Tyson:
  - It’s not just the money. I’m not impressed with the organization, and we don’t have time to spend on all of CASA’s conferences or serving on their board.
  - CASA is going through major changes; they’re in transition and need to get organized.
  - Their Board has been completely inept; they still have lots of problems.
  - There’s a hostile dynamic there because of the voting structure.
  - HR issues are still big.
  - Let’s not do it now; they haven’t been doing their job. If an organization hasn’t been doing its job, hasn’t fixed its own home, why would we join as a full member?
  - CASA usually goes for consensus; votes don’t matter that much; as an associate member we are still heard.
  - I want to see how effective CASA can be; I want to make sure CASA has learned from its mistakes and is working.

- Leo Stokes:
  - One of the arguments is, We have the money, so let’s spend it.
  - As for the Subway analogy, it’s more like we’re paying $5 for a sub and now we have to pay another $1 for a tomato.
  - It’s easier to change CASA from the outside.
  - That we’re paying less per student than other schools shouldn’t matter to us.

- Caroline Wong: We don’t know the benefits we’ll get out of CASA. We should focus more provincially and municipally. We shouldn’t have to fight at CASA for our policies. We can just send Katherine to Ottawa for custom-made policies for us. Federal relations are important, but now we need to stabilize provincially.

- Jamie Paris:
  - The GSS has been well respected at CASA. They want me to chair a graduate issues committee, but I can’t because of our membership status.
  - I have time to serve on their board.
  - Without CASA we won’t get representation in Ottawa.

10. There was a motion to call the question.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (21): Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Stewart McGillivray, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Mike Silley, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams, Michael Wong

Against (5): Sedi Minachi, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Katherine Tyson
11. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the motion be amended to read: ‘That the AMS become a full member of CASA for the coming year.’”

... Defeated


Against (17): Rory Breasail, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Stewart McGillivray, Sedi Minachi, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Abstained: Maria Cirstea

Back to the original motion.

12. There was a motion to call the question.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (25): Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Sedi Minachi, Noushin Moshgbadi, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Nancy Wang, Shalene Williams, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Against (7): Rory Breasail, Stewart McGillivray, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy

13. MOVED KYLIE WARWICK, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

From the University & External Relations Committee

“That the AMS remain as an associate member of CASA for the coming year.”

... Carried

For (22): Maria Cirstea, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Sedi Minachi, Noushin Moshgbadi, Jamie Paris, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Nancy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Shalene Williams, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Abstained: Julian Ritchie

There was no objection to a two-minute recess.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Azim Wazeer:
- Board meeting next month:
  - Gage South.
  - 2% tuition increase.
  - Land Use Plan amendments have been approved by the Minister.

D) President’s Remarks – Jeremy McElroy:
- Matt and I went to Trinity Western University to look at their collegium system: residences for commuter students, a hang-out for students. Really cool. We’re investigating.
- CASA AGM.
- Before that was the last push for the referendum. This is the first meeting since then, so congratulations to all. We’re still not out of the woods; there’s been a minimum wage increase announced.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP External Affairs – Katherine Tyson:
- CASA took tons of time; it was tedious.
- A provincial by-election is coming and maybe also a federal election.
- TransLink review – we need student involvement.
- A rapid transit report is also coming.
- Committee appointments.

VP Administration – Mike Silley:
- New SUB
  - Colour: going to do a poll.
  - Meeting with Alumni re exterior landscaping.
  - Two at large positions on the New SUB Committee.
  - Discovered that minutes from that committee have not been coming to Council; there are 65 sets of minutes. I’m vetting them to remove in camera material, then will send to Council.
- Clubs:
  - SAC policy on exterior food vendors – once every two weeks, twice a semester. No club to monopolize.
  - Club election complaints.
- 24 hour SUB during exams, yea or nay? (A voice vote sounded yea.) Looking into costing and staffing.
- Just Desserts was cool.
• Walter Gage funds distributed.
• Aquatic Centre Management Committee has an opening.
• Hiring.

VP Academic & University Affairs – Matt Parson:
• Sends regrets, had to go to Senate.

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar:
• Incorporating the new fees approved in the referendum, but there are minimum wage changes, tax law changes, new insurance costs. The new expenses and restructuring likely means there will not be any new programs out of the general fee increase. The Budget Committee will have a big challenge in balancing the budget; we still have to be frugal.
• But there are some new targeted funds from the referendum.
• Hiring new Henry (the newly renamed Director of Finance and Administration).
• Still working on health and dental.
• Consultation open to all students on the new Sustainability Projects Fund.

Executive Coordinator Student Services – Pavani Gunadasa:
• Hiring.
• Preliminary budget.
• Last year we cut $115,000 – didn’t get that back in the referendum.
• Will put money back into staff resources
• Safewalk affected by the minimum wage increase; we’ll have to come up with a plan for that, but I don’t think it will really have much of an impact.

F) Committee Reports:

Student Life – Crystal Hon:
• Rave cards for Block Party.
• Reviewing sexual assault support initiative fund applications.

University & External Relations Committee – Kyle Warwick:
• CASA.
• Provincial lobbying group’s bylaws.
• External policy review.

Business & Facilities – Dylan Callow:
• Renegotiation of vending machine contracts: maybe more organic food and milk machines.
• Promotion – 30 days in the SUB, like the movie Supersize Me, except people won’t get fat: videotaping people eating at SUB outlets.

Legislative Procedures Committee – Ignacio Rodriguez:
• Working on elections reform – some cool options.
• Personnel Handbook delayed; not ready.
G) Constituency Reports:

GSS – Allen Chen
  • AGM last week created new representation model and reduced council size.
  • New prize.

Nursing – Melissa Erasmus
  • Fees to go to a national nursing organization.
  • Starting a new website.

Engineering – Hans Seidemann
  • Elections.
  • Student centre project moving forward; three designs received from architects.
  • Talent awards night next Friday.

Science – Maria Cirstea
  • Elections.

Pharmacy – Michael Wang
  • Elections.
  • Sports night April 4.
  • Conducted a poll about Pharmacy council – will make changes.

Land and Food Systems – Cathy Wang
  • Grad party.
  • Faculty Cup.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar
  • Year-end party.

Kinesiology – Ellen Kim
  • 96% voted for changing the name to Kinesiology.
  • Kin games.
  • Elections.

Arts – Brian Platt
  • Meet the Dean on April 4.
  • Elections.

Law – Kate Phipps
  • Grad last Friday.
  • Trike race this Friday.
  • Hope to bring Law Games here.

Commerce - Dylan Callow
  • External review of Sauder School of Business.
  • Searching for new Dean.
  • Decided to bring back Enterprize (the business plan competition).
H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Senate – Joel Mertens:
- Last meeting for outgoing senators.
- Medicine changed enrolment.
- Policy 69 – travel abroad – used in Japanese earthquake: UBC required all students to return; caused problems; UBC to re-examine what happened.
- NCAA consultation; AMS has an NCAA policy that we should probably revisit.
- Exam database discussion – sent to Teaching and Learning Committee.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

14. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGIEZ, SECONDED CATHY WANG:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

AMS Council minutes dated January 12, 2011 [SCD031-12]
AMS Council minutes dated February 9, 2011 [SCD032-12]
In Camera AMS Council minutes dated February 9, 2011 [SCD033-12]

... Carried

For (17): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Melissa Erasmus, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Ravi Parhar, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Against (1): Maria Cirsteaa

Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

15. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:
From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council suspend Code Section V, Article 2(2) to allow current Committee members to continue to serve until April 6.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Jeremy McElroy: Code says committees turn over this month.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: This means the committee chairs will cease to be on committees as of March 31. Employment contracts need a fixed term, so it was set at March 31. Now
we have to extend until we can name new chairs. We looked at other ways to do this, but this seemed best.

- Elin: We could save money if we don’t do this.

16. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:
   From the Legislative Procedures Committee

   “That Council suspend Code Section V, Article 2(2) to allow current Committee members to continue to serve until April 6.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   ... Carried

   For (20): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Caroline Wong

   Against (1): Elin Tayyar

   Abstained: Joel Mertens, Ignacio Rodriguez, Kyle Warwick

19. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

   “Be it resolved that Council temporarily suspend Code Section VI, Article 9 to postpone the first executive performance reports until the first meeting in May.

   “Be it further resolved that Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to look into the scheduling of Executive performance reports.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   - Ignacio Rodriguez: The Agenda Committee discussed this. Most Executives have not got theirs done. The Executives also don’t think the schedule makes much sense, having the first one after only one month of work. We should fix this so we can hold Executives to account.
   - Jeremy McElroy: The Code says they're due now; changing it up is probably a good idea.

20. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

   “Be it resolved that Council temporarily suspend Code Section VI, Article 9 to postpone the first executive performance reports until the first meeting in May.

   “Be it further resolved that Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to look into the scheduling of Executive performance reports.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds
For (18): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Matt Parson, Kate Phipps, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Abstained: Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

21. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated March 3, 2011 [SCD034-12]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated March 10, 2011 [SCD035-12]

…Carried


Against (4): Dylan Callow, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic)

22. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

From the Budget Committee

“That Council on the recommendation of the Budget Committee strike an ad hoc Compensation Review Committee to review AMS student government wages in light of the recently announced changes to the province’s minimum wage, the committee to consist of:

1) the Vice-President Finance, who shall be non-voting;
2) four (4) members of Council who are not receiving compensation (i.e., no Executives or Committee Chairs), one of whom shall be chair; and
3) one (1) Student at Large.”

- Matt Parson: We need a review of employees in light of the increase in the minimum wage. This is time-sensitive, and I think it would be best to create an ad hoc committee. It will just look at Student Government and Services employees.
- Mike Silley: Isn’t there already a Compensation Review Working Group in BAFCOM?
- Elin Tayyar: The idea is to create this committee rather than go to a working group because the scale is huge and it will just be for a couple of weeks. This will have hundreds of thousands of dollars implication.
• Katherine Tyson: The whole point of committee reform was to stop ad hoc committees. We are paying committee chairs to do this. Let’s stay away from these ad hoc committees. The Referendum Committee was one, and it was a failure until Ben took it over.
• Ignacio Rodriguez: Procedurally, this is what we want to avoid. Comp review is already mandated to LPC. Perhaps there should be a joint working group with BAFCOM. We shouldn’t be creating an ad hoc committee. Maybe move compensation from LPC to BAFCOM or Budget.
• Jeremy McElroy: Who is on the committee?
• Ignacio Rodriguez: The working group hasn’t been struck since I’ve been chair. To be honest, this doesn’t belong under LPC. It should perhaps be Budget.

23. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That the motion be amended to add the Senior HR manager, who shall be non-voting.”

… No objections

24. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the motion be amended to direct LPC to look into making this a standing committee.”

• Julian Ritchie: There’s a lot of catch-up now, but there’s also sustained work to do: job descriptions etc. We need a committee to do this; there’s not enough time for LPC to do everything in its mandate, and the type of people needed for this don’t tend to gravitate to LPC.
• Ignacio Rodriguez: I don’t see this as something that has enough scope to be its own standing committee. And if it has its own chair, that will cost $5,000 a year. It’s not responsible to create a committee with such a narrow scope.
• Mike Silley: What’s so bad about looking into it? There would not be that many issues for this committee, but the issues are huge. Work-Study is a complicated monster to conquer.
• Katherine Tyson: Sure, send it. There’s supposed to be a mandate in some committee. I’m not opposed to creating another standing committee.
• Dylan Callow: A committee chair who’s paid will be looking into how much committee chairs get paid. Ad hoc is probably the best way. Really, this is an HR Manager issue.
• Erik MacKinnon: At the Budget Committee, a lot of us are compensated by the AMS, so it’s not right for us to look into it. There’s no way the person who does this can be getting a stipend.
• Pavani Gunadasa:
  o Opposed to creating a standing committee.
  o We used to have an Appointments Review Committee, and it was very ineffective.
  o The Senior HR Manager is a good idea. It should be done by the managers.

25. There was a motion to call the question.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried
26. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the motion be amended to direct LPC to look into making this a standing committee.”

... Defeated

For (3): Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar

Against (19): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Matt Parson, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

27. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the original motion be amended to read: ‘Be it resolved that Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to review codified responsibilities toward compensation.’ ”

28. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That the amendment be further amended to add: ‘That the Business and Facilities Committee deal with compensation issues until the Legislative Procedures Committee reports back to Council.’ ”

... No objections
29. There was a motion to call the question on the amendment.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (13 [0]): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Michael Haack, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Stewart McGillivray, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu)

30. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the original motion be amended to read:

‘Be it resolved that Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to review codified responsibilities toward compensation.

‘Be it further resolved that the Business and Facilities Committee deal with compensation issues until LPC reports back to Council.’ ”

... Carried

For (12): Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Crystal Hon, Ellen Kim, Stewart McGillivray, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Kyle Warwick

Against (9): Rory Breasail, Allen Chen, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Elin Tayyar

31. There was a motion to call the question on the amended main motion.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (15): Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Against (6): Rory Breasail, Allen Chen, Melissa Erasmus, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Elin Tayyar

32. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

From the Budget Committee
“Be it resolved that Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to review codified responsibilities toward compensation.

“Be it further resolved that the Business and Facilities Committee deal with compensation issues until LPC reports back to Council.”

... Defeated

For (10): Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick


33. MOVED PAVANI GUNADASA, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That on the recommendation of the Budget Committee Council amend the AMS budget to allocate an additional $1,593 to the salaries and benefits line for the Student Services.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Pavani Gunadasa:
  - The last two years in the Services lots of Coordinators stayed on for a second year, which is unusual, but now a lot of them are leaving, so we’d like a one-week overlap between the incoming and outgoing Coordinators. There’s no mechanism to make that happen, but it’s critical; all the experience and institutional knowledge of the outgoing Coordinators could be lost.
  - We need to pay for an extra week for the outgoing ones, and we’re actually asking for less than the Budget Committee originally approved because in two cases we didn’t hire Coordinators for the full year and their budgets can accommodate the extra week without extra money.
- It was agreed to change the requested sum to $1,103.

34. MOVED PAVANI GUNADASA, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That on the recommendation of the Budget Committee Council amend the AMS budget to allocate an additional $1,103 to the salaries and benefits line for the Student Services.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (22): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Matt Parson, Brian Platt, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Caroline Wong
35. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“Whereas the existing AMS Policy on the NCAA does not take into account new information from the second round of consultation,

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS direct the Education Committee to re-examine the policy on NCAA membership and report back to Council at the next AMS meeting.”

- Joel Mertens: This is coming up again. We have existing policy; it hasn’t expired yet; but it contains information that’s no longer true. We should have policy that’s up to date. There are academic implications.

36. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“Whereas the existing AMS Policy on the NCAA does not take into account new information from the second round of consultation,

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS direct the Education Committee to re-examine the policy on NCAA membership and report back to Council at the next AMS meeting.”

... Carried

For (21): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Crystal Hon, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Caroline Wong

37. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That Council direct the Budget Committee to deal with compensation review issues relating to the increased minimum wage.”

38. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the motion be amended to say BAFCOM.”

... No objections

39. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“That Council direct BAFCOM to deal with compensation review issues relating to the increased minimum wage.”

... Carried
For (16): Rory Breasail, Dylan Callow, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, David Kim, Ellen Kim, Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann (proxy for Nick Sertic), Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang (proxy for David Liu), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (2): Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie

Abstained: Mike Silley

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

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Q) Next Meeting:

April 7, 2011

R) Adjournment:

40. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That the meeting be adjourned.” ... Carried

For (7): Melissa Erasmus, Stewart McGillivray, Joel Mertens, Brian Platt, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Caroline Wong

Against (1): Julian Ritchie

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 pm.

S) Social Activity:
# March 23, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C Vancouver. - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Ambrose Chan (APSC), Jihua Zhou (APSC), Julian Ritchie (APSC), Jordan Balanko (APSC), Andrea Palmer (APSC), Veronica Cho (CUS), Michael Cheung (AMS Confidential), Laura Rodgers (LUS), Federico Ziza (Arts), David Hannigan (AMS Human Resources), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Peter Abelard (Catholic Workers), Paul J. Godin, Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Gregory Williams, Taylor Loren

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm.

1. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the compensation motion be placed before committee appointments on the agenda.”

... Carried

For (14): Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Naila Karim, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Justin Yang

Against (13): Rory Breasail, Maria Cirstea, Annie Greenwood, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Joel Mertens, Roshak Momtahen, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Abstained: Maria Curro, Michael Haack, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Cathy Wang

2. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the Policy 69 motion be moved before reports on the agenda.”

... Carried

For (23): Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, David Kim, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (3): Rory Breasail, Anne Kessler, Roshak Momtahen

Abstained: Naila Karim, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson

There were no objections to moving all the reports to the end of the agenda.
3. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (33): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Maria Curro, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Naila Karim, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Joel Mertens, Roshak Moomtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

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

L) Committee Motions:

4. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: SAC Composition’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Elin Tayyar: We’re restructuring SAC to make it more efficient. We’re replacing the Special Projects Commissioner with an assistant to the VP Administration, and the Clubs Commissioner will do all the administrative work.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: In order to go ahead with hiring, this has to be passed now.
- Kyle Warwick: It’s not that useful to have so many commissioners. This consolidates the work while also allowing us to engage more people because we’ll get another Councillor on SAC along with two students at large.

5. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

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For (34): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Naila Karim, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Roshak Moomtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans
Seidemann, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (1): Maria Curro

C) Presentations to Council:

Wage Review – Allen Chen
- In 2008 we found that our honorarium system was illegal because it meant paying people below minimum wage; we raised salaries then.
- We had seven different wage groups then.
- We've had no comprehensive review of compensation since 2008.
- There is also the issue of benefits, especially meal vouchers.
- On March 16 the government announced a three-stage increase in the minimum wage; we need to comply.
- BAFCOM set up a working group to look into this, with me as the chair. We worked quickly to meet the May 1 deadline (the first minimum wage increase).
- We did a review based on the following values:
  - Serve our members (the students).
  - Pay a fair wage.
  - Attract the best candidates.
- The current system doesn’t make sense; there are too many tiers; we want to streamline to three tiers.
- The question is whether to move in one step or two steps; we don’t want to go in three steps in line with the government’s three stages.
- We also want to go beyond the minimum wage and no longer be a minimum wage employer.
- Executive salaries: We effectively lowered their wages in 2009 by increasing their hours to 40; their hourly wage went down to $12.02. We propose increasing that to $15.
- Committee chairs: We propose paying them at Tier 2 but at six hours a week instead of the current 12.
- The tiers would be $10.50, $11.25, and $12.25, with another tier for Executives ($15).
- We would eliminate meal vouchers.
- If we do this in one step, it would cost $26,000 more than phasing it in through two steps.
- There would also be restructuring for the Elections Committee and the Speaker.
- If Council does not adopt one of these options, then all positions paid less than the new minimum wage will be increased to minimum wage, and a majority of our employees will be at minimum wage.
- We’d like to suspend Code to allow changes to Executive remuneration without waiting for the next Executive year; we don’t want staff that work for Executives to be paid more than the Executives they report to. Besides, we think the Executive deserve additional compensation to recognize what they do.
- So we’d like the three-tier system, plus the increases for the Executive, and then a three-year freeze until April 2014.

The Executives left the meeting.
6. MOVED ALLEN CHEN, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

“That Council suspend Code Section VI, Article 1(1), which prohibits changes to Executive remuneration except at the time of the AGM.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Joel Mertens: Wasn’t the idea during the referendum campaign that we wouldn’t be raising wages?
- Dylan Callow: We didn’t know then that Christy Clark would be increasing the minimum wage.
- Bahador Moosavi asked why Code forbids this.
- Sheldon Goldfarb: The idea is that an increase in salary for the Executive cannot take place until the next Executive is in place; there’s not supposed to be a vote under one Executive by which that Executive has its salary increased.
- Justin McElroy asked if the working group looked at the remuneration review done in 2008-09.
- Dylan Callow: We didn’t look at it.
- Gregory Williams: What’s the worst that happens if we don’t do this? The minimum wage changes come in, and we can fix Executive salaries at the next AGM. Why not just wait? Let regular students decide at the AGM.
- Sheldon Goldfarb: It’s not that students at the AGM decide; Code just says that any change in Executive remuneration takes effect at the next AGM, that is, after turnover, for the next Executive.
- Dave Tompkins: So if this Code suspension fails, any change Council makes to Executive remuneration will only take effect for the next Executive.
- Erik MacKinnon: If it fails, some people will be making more than the Executive.
- Taylor Loren asked about incentivizing pay, giving bonuses for performance.
- Dylan Callow: This is about student government only, not about the businesses.
- Julian Ritchie: We can vote in favour of this and then on the next motion debate what to do.
- Justin McElroy: In 2008-09 Executive hours were increased, which is what has produced a decrease in their hourly wage, and that was done because Executive timesheets showed that they were really working 35-50 hours a week. The increase in hours was just an attempt to be more accurate.
- Gregory Williams: I’m not passionate about Executive wages, but some people would’ve been here if they knew an Executive wage increase was on the table. That Code provision exists for a reason. There should be more students than the number that are here to discuss Executive wages.
- Dylan Callow: There was a preliminary proposal for increasing wages. I thought the increases were exorbitant and reduced all of them. But for the Executives, considering all the work they do, I think they deserve this.

7. MOVED ALLEN CHEN, SECONDED ANDREW CARNE:

“That Council suspend Code Section VI, Article 1(1), which prohibits changes to Executive remuneration except at the time of the AGM.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

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For (25): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Naila Karim, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Roshak Momtahen, Dan Olson, Julian Ritchie, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Maria Curro, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi

6. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI: [SCD039-12] [SCD040-12] [SCD041-12]
   From the Business & Facilities Committee

   “That Council support and approve the Student Government compensation schedule as presented.”

   • Dylan Callow: Quite a lot of work went into this to make sure we have fair and just wages in student government.
   • The Speaker asked what exactly was on the table.
   • Dylan Callow: The first issue to debate is whether to make the changes in two steps or one. The three steps of the government increases would be too complicated to follow. Doing all the increases in one step would cost more; going with two steps (May 2011 and May 2012) would be more balanced

7. MOVED JOEL MERTENS:

   “That the Executive remuneration changes be separated from the main motion.”

   • Joel Mertens: The rest is time-sensitive, but the Executive is already hired. Also we should really look at the 2008-09 Executive remuneration report by Rory Green.
   • Maria Cirstea: We shouldn’t treat the Executive any differently from others.
   • Andrew Carne: Generally, you shouldn’t change remuneration after appointment, but it’s not reasonable to have people under them making more money than them.
   • Dylan Callow: It will mess up the model.

8. MOVED JOEL MERTENS:

   “That the Executive remuneration changes be separated from the main motion.”
   ... Defeated

For (12): Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Julian Ritchie, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (17): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Naila Karim, David Kim, Kiran Mahal, Saba
Marzara, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ignacio Rodriguez, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Roshak Momtahen

- Bahador Moosavi: Inaction is bad, but I'm uncomfortable making a decision this big when the details were only presented on the day of the meeting. This is why we have an Agenda Committee. Why was it so late?
- Allen Chen: I apologize for it being late. BAFCOM had an immediate meeting, but we were not able to finalize the numbers, and it's hard to get things through committees. We aren't trying to hide anything or be insolent. We were told this was the meeting we'd have to have things passed at.
- Bahador Moosavi: May 1 is the deadline? Is this to do with hiring? I'd rather call an emergency meeting than vote on this now.
- David Hannigan: Recruiting has to start tomorrow because current people's jobs end on April 30.
- Justin McElroy: Would there be no more transitional bonuses for Executives?
- Allen Chen referred to food vouchers and other benefits.
- Justin McElroy: If nothing is passed today, what happens on May 1?
- Allen Chen: There will be automatic increases; we can't break the law.
- Joel Mertens:
  o A lot of this is covered in the report done three years ago. We're in the top tier of Executive remuneration; we would be moving to the highest level of Executive remuneration across Canada.
  o You don't get the best people as student executives by paying them more money. Constituencies don't pay their executives. The people who are going to do a good job are those who want to do a good job. This will mean attracting people who want more money.
  o Now it's going to look like we passed a fee referendum in order to increase student salaries across the board, as if we're saying: Look, we're using more of your student fees to pay a small number of people more money.
  o There will be negative media about this.
- Maria Cirstea: People in Halifax make $27,000-$30,000, and their cost of living is lower. Optics aside, the Executives deserve more. And I don't think it's right to pay chairs at the Tier 2 level, the same as AVP's.

9. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

“That the committee chairs be moved from tier 2 to tier 1.”

- A discussion followed on whether chairs should be paid for six hours instead of twelve.
- The Speaker said it was not clear what people were being asked to vote on; the submitted document should be clearer; it was never sent to Council; it only arrived at 5:15 pm.

Council went into a brief recess.
10. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That this motion be postponed to the next AMS Council meeting (currently scheduled for May 11).”

- Dylan Callow: We can postpone this discussion to the next meeting and in the meantime go to the minimum wage of $8.75.
- Erik MacKinnon: This will delay the budget.
- Allen Chen: We should be able to tell employees what their wage is going to be, even when they apply. People need to know numbers to pay their rent.
- Sean Heisler: The new committee chairs will be in a conflict of interest at the next meeting.
- Sean Cregten: This creates problems for staff; we need to know how much we’re going to get paid.
- Amanda Li: It’s a lot worse to not have our constituents or ourselves know what this means. These numbers are very confusing. We should postpone in order to do our due diligence.
- Gregory Williams:
  o At another meeting you’ll have a lot of students with a lot to say.
  o A lot of people are about to run for committee chairs. It will be better to do this after you choose the chairs.
  o It’s important for the AMS to do a good job on HR issues. You’re not doing a good job on this; wages should not be decided in such a haphazard manner.
- Bahador Moosavi: If we pass this, it’s bad for the students we represent; if we don’t, it’s also bad. We could perhaps have an emergency meeting on Monday.
- Jarrett Woodhouse: That would get it done for May 1.
- Tim Tong: If it’s Monday, does that help?
- David Hannigan: It will mean a late hire.
- Tim Tong: Is it a big issue if we delay? Does it make a difference to people applying?
- David Hannigan: It could delay it by that many days. We could have empty positions for a few weeks.
- Kyle Warwick: Postponing gives us flexibility. We gave Allen and Dylan an impossible job, but this late submission puts Councillors in a difficult situation. Postponing to the next meeting can work because we could make that meeting at any time; it gives us options.

11. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That this motion be postponed to the next AMS Council meeting (currently scheduled for May 11).”

... Carried

For (19): Rory Breasail, Jessica Flank, Annie Greenwood, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Joel Mertens, Roshak Momtahan, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (6): Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Sean Heisler, Naila Karim
Abstained: Maria Curro, Michael Haack, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Justin Yang

12. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE: From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That the AMS Permanent Staff Handbook be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Ignacio Rodriguez: LPC approved it without dissent.
- David Hannigan: The handbook is not new, but it hasn’t been revised for several years. The changes bring it into line with legal standards.

13. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE: From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That the AMS Permanent Staff Handbook be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (25): Rory Breasail, Maria Cirstea, Maria Curro, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Joel Mertens, Roshak Mottahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

14. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the Budget Committee term be changed to end the first meeting in September.”

- Maria Cirstea: It takes a long time to get up to speed.
- Hans Seidemann: It doesn’t hurt to nominate people again in September. People can run again.
- Kyle Warwick: If we change this to summer only, we’re not going to elect bad people, and if people are doing a good job they can be reappointed.

15. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the Budget Committee term be changed to end the first meeting in September.”

... Defeated

For (10): Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal, Roshak Mottahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong
Against (17): Rory Breasail, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Naila Karim, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Katherine Tyson

16. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

"That _____ (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Student Administrative Commission for a term commencing immediately and ending the first Council meeting in September.
Nominee: Rory Breasail (Arts)

That ___, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____ (6 x Councillors & 3 x members at large) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.
Nominees:
Councillors: Annie Greenwood (Music), Bahador Moosavi (GSS), Saba Marzara (Science), Melissa Erasmus (Nursing), Justin Yang (Arts), Tim Tong (Commerce), Noushin Moshgobadi (GSS)
At Large: Alyssa Koehn, Andrea Palmer, Jordan Balanko, Charles G
Elected: Annie Greenwood, Bahador Moosavi, Saba Marzara, Melissa Erasmus, Justin Yang, Tim Tong, Alyssa Koehn, Andrea Palmer, Jordan Balanko

That _____(non-executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Education Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.
Nominee: Justin Yang (Arts)

That ___, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____ (6 x Councillors and 3 x members at large) be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.
Nominees:
Councillors: Michael Haack (Arts), Rory Breasail (Arts), Roshak Momtahen (Arts), Cathy Wang (Land & Food), Kyle Warwick (Arts), David Kim (Science),
At Large: David Liu, Taylor Loren, Paul Godin, Amara S
At Large Elected: David Liu, Taylor Loren, Paul Godin

That ______(non-executive Council committee member) be appointed Chair of the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.
Nominees: Rory Breasail, Kyle Warwick
Elected: Rory Breasail

That ___, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____ (6 x Councillors and 3 x members at large) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.
Nominees:
Councillors: Ignacio Rodriguez (Science), Kyle Warwick (Arts), Bahador Moosavi (GSS)
At Large: Mirko Carich, Salar Fazeli, David Liu, Gregory Williams
At Large Elected: Mirko Carich, Salar Fazeli, David Liu

That _____ (non-executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.
Nominees: Kyle Warwick, Ignacio Rodriguez
Elected: Kyle Warwick

That ___, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____ (6 x Councillors and 3 x members at large) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.
Nominees: 
Councillors: Anne Kessler (Arts), Allen Chen (GSS), Maria Cirstea (Science), Dan Olson (Engineering), Tim Tong (Commerce), Cathy Wang (Land & Food)
At Large: Shane Bush, Michael Moll and Andrew Durham

That ______ (non-executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.
Nominee: Allen Chen

That ___ , ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____, ____ (6 x Councillors and 3 x member at large) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.
Nominees: 
Councillors: Caroline Wong (Arts), Roshak Momtahen (Arts), Kiran Mahal (Science), Jarrett Woodhouse (Human Kinetics), Anne Kessler (Arts), Ignacio Rodriguez (Science)
At Large: Shane Bush, Federico Ziza, Paul Godin

There were no objections to suspending Code to allow Shane Bush, David Liu, and others to sit on more than one committee as members at large.

That ______ (non-executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Student Life Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.
Nominees: Caroline Wong, Kiran Mahal
Elected: Caroline Wong

That _____ and _____ (Councillors) and _____ (member at large) be appointed to the New SUB Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.
Nominees: 
Councillors: Maria Cirstea (Science), David Kim (Science), Roshak Momtahen (Arts), Rory Breasail (Arts)
At Large: Alexandria Mitchell, Joel, Shane Bush
Councillors Elected: Maria Cirstea, David Kim
At Large Elected: Alexandria Mitchell
That _____, _____, and _____ (Constituency Representatives) and ______ and _____ (members at large) be appointed to the Budget Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

Nominees:
Constituency Reps: Allen Chen (GSS), Justin Yang (Arts), Andrew Carne (GSS), Kyle Warwick (Arts), Maria Cirstea (Science), Anne Kessler (Arts), Tim Tong (Commerce), Andrew Carne (GSS)
At Large: Neal Yonson, Eric MacKinnon, Charles, Imram, Shammai

Elected:
Constituency Reps: Allen Chen (GSS), Justin Yang (Arts), Andrew Carne (GSS), At Large: Neal Yonson, Eric MacKinnon

That ______ (Councillor) be appointed to the CiTR Board of Directors for a term beginning immediately and ending March 31, 2012 and _____ (Councillor or member at large) be appointed to the CiTR Board of Directors for a term beginning immediately and ending March 31, 2013.

Note: Must be a Canadian Citizen

Nominees: Maria Cirstea, Mike Silley

That ____, ____, ____ (3 non-executive Council members) and _____ and _____ (2 students at large) be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a term beginning immediately and ending first meeting in September.
Nominees:
Councillors: Rory Breasail (Arts), Maria Cirstea (Science), Kyle Warwick (Arts)
At Large: Salar Fazeli, Amanda Li

That ____ (Council member) be appointed Chair of the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.”
Nominees: Maria Cirstea (Science), Elin Tayyar (VP Finance)
Elected: Maria Cirstea

That Council appoint ______ (Councillor) to represent the AMS on the AMS/GSS Health and Dental Plan Committee for a term commencing April 1, 2011 and ending March 31, 2012.
Nominees: Melissa Erasmus (Nursing), Kyle Warwick (Arts)
Elected: Melissa Erasmus

That Council appoint _____, _____, _____ (3 x Council or At large Members) to the AMS/UBC Aquatic Centre Management Committee for a term commencing May 1, 2011 and ending April 2012.
Nominees: Jarrett Woodhouse (Human Kinetics), Andrea Palmer (at large), Mike Silley (VP Academic)

That Council appoint ______ (Council Member) to represent the AMS on the Student Legal Fund Society for a term commencing April 1, 2011 and ending March 31, 2012.”
Nominee: Mike Silley

There was no objection to extending the meeting by 90 minutes.

17. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That Rory Breasail (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Student Administrative Commission for a term commencing immediately and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Annie Greenwood, Bahador Moosavi, Saba Marzara, Melissa Erasmus, Justin Yang, Tim Tong, Alyssa Koehn, Andrea Palmer, Jordan Balanko (6 x Councillors & 3 x members at large) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Justin Yang (non-executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Education Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Michael Haack, Rory Breasail, Roshak Momtahen, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, David Kim, David Liu, Taylor Loren, Paul Godin (6 x Councillors and 3 x members at large) be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Rory Breasail (non-executive Council committee member) be appointed Chair of the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Ignacio Rodriguez, Kyle Warwick, Bahador Moosavi, Mirko Carich, Salar Fazeli, David Liu (6 x Councillors and 3 x members at large) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Kyle Warwick (non-executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Anne Kessler, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Dan Olson, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Shane Bush, Michael Moll and Andrew Durham (6 x Councillors and 3 x members at large) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Allen Chen (non-executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Caroline Wong, Roshak Momtahen, Kiran Mahal, Jarrett Woodhouse, Anne Kessler, Ignacio Rodriguez, Shane Bush, Federico Ziza, Paul Godin (6 x Councillors and 3 x member at large) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.
That Caroline Wong (non-executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the Student Life Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Maria Cirstea and David Kim (Councillors) and Alexandria Mitchell (member at large) be appointed to the New SUB Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

That Allen Chen, Justin Yang, and Andrew Carne (Constituency Representatives) and Neal Yonson and Eric MacKinnon (members at large) be appointed to the Budget Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

That Maria Cirstea (Councillor) be appointed to the CiTR Board of Directors for a term beginning immediately and ending March 31, 2012 and Mike Silley (Councillor or member at large) be appointed to the CiTR Board of Directors for a term beginning immediately and ending March 31, 2013.

Note: Must be a Canadian Citizen

That Rory Breasail, Maria Cirstea, Kyle Warwick (3 non-executive Council members) and Salar Fazeli and Amanda Li (2 students at large) be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a term beginning immediately and ending first meeting in September.

That Maria Cirstea (Council member) be appointed Chair of the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Council appoint Melissa Erasmus (Councillor) to represent the AMS on the AMS/GSS Health and Dental Plan Committee for a term commencing April 1, 2011 and ending March 31, 2012.

That Council appoint Jarrett Woodhouse, Andrea Palmer, Mike Silley (3 x Council or At large Members) to the AMS/UBC Aquatic Centre Management Committee for a term commencing May 1, 2011 and ending April 2012.

That Council appoint Mike Silley (Council Member) to represent the AMS on the Student Legal Fund Society for a term commencing April 1, 2011 and ending March 31, 2012.”

For (26): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Naila Karim, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Roshak Mottahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Allen Chen, Mike Silley
18. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED ALLEN CHEN:

“Whereas one of the missions of the Education Committee is to review the impact of the University’s academic policies on students; and

Whereas Policy 69 has impacted many students who study abroad or intend to travel abroad in the past year;

Be it resolved that Council direct the Education Committee to review Policy 69 and its impacts on students and to report its findings and recommendations back to Council at the first meeting in June.”

• Bahador Moosavi: UBC’s new policy on students abroad has provoked some negative reaction. The policies define danger levels. UBC seems to be against any student travel to countries that are Level 3 or 4. If students don’t abide by the policy, there are consequences, such as findings of academic misconduct.

19. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED ALLEN CHEN:

“Whereas one of the missions of the Education Committee is to review the impact of the University’s academic policies on students; and

Whereas Policy 69 has impacted many students who study abroad or intend to travel abroad in the past year;

Be it resolved that Council direct the Education Committee to review Policy 69 and its impacts on students and to report its findings and recommendations back to Council at the first meeting in June.”

... Carried

For (30): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

20. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Executive Committee minutes dated March 3, 2011 [SCD043-12]
Executive Committee minutes dated March 11, 2011 [SCD044-12]
SUB Renewal Committee minutes dated April 27, 2009 [SCD045-12]
SUB Renewal Committee minutes dated May 11, 2009 [SCD046-12]
SUB Renewal Committee minutes dated May 27, 2009 [SCD047-12]
SUB Renewal Committee minutes dated June 10, 2009 [SCD048-12]
SUB Renewal Committee minutes dated June 24, 2009 [SCD049-12]
Mike Silley: This is installment one of four from the old SUB Renewal Committee. They tell a lot about the New SUB Project.

Bahador Moosavi: Why did they not come to Council before?

Mike Silley: For some reason unbeknownst to me, the committee was operating outside of the oversight of Council. Sheldon said these minutes should go to Council.

21. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

For (27): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson,
L) Committee Motions:

22. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ: [SCD062-12]  
From the Education Committee

"Whereas UBC is considering a move to the NCAA Division II, and is concluding its consultation process; and

Whereas changes to UBC Athletics have an impact on all students studying at UBC; and

Whereas it is important that the AMS submit its position on the proposed move,

Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS endorse the AMS NCAA Position Paper as circulated, and officially submit it to the NCAA consultation committee.

Be if further resolved that the AMS Policy on the NCAA from October 8, 2008 be rescinded."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Joel Mertens: Council passed a motion in 2008 opposing joining the NCAA. Council didn’t like the report at the time. There’s a more detailed report this year. There’s momentum in one direction now, and trying to deflect it would not be productive, so we’ve identified specific issues that should be addressed. We need to get the position paper approved tonight to submit it. There wasn’t time for the Education Committee to approve it.
- Cathy Wang said she didn’t see a position taken on whether UBC should join the NCAA.
- Joel Mertens: We’re taking a position on each of the headings, not on joining. We’re asking about the money, how the Aquatic Centre fits in, etc. We want these issues addressed however the decision to join goes.
- Erik MacKinnon: Is there something in here on athletic fees?
- Joel Mertens: Yes, in various ways.
- Jeremy McElroy: UBC is going full steam ahead. It’s been not so much a consultation process as giving reasons to join. This position paper of ours removes us from the Yes or No debate and points out some serious issues. We should be supporting our athletes; this position paper does a good job of that.

23. MOVED JOEL MERTENS, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:  
From the Education Committee

“Whereas UBC is considering a move to the NCAA Division II, and is concluding its consultation process; and
Whereas changes to UBC Athletics have an impact on all students studying at UBC; and

Whereas it is important that the AMS submit its position on the proposed move,

Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS endorse the AMS NCAA Position Paper as circulated, and officially submit it to the NCAA consultation committee.

Be it further resolved that the AMS Policy on the NCAA from October 8, 2008 be rescinded."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (23): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Roshak Montahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Abstained: Julian Ritchie

24. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY: 

From the University & External Relations Committee

“Be it resolved that Council on the recommendation of the University and External Affairs Committee allocate an amount up to $28,784 from the External and University Lobbying and Advocacy Fund for the federal election campaign.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Katherine Tyson:
  o There’s a federal election going on, and we need an awareness campaign.
  o An election is a great time to advocate for our causes.
  o We’ll have rave cards and posters explaining when students can vote.
  o It will also be a chance to create a dialogue on postsecondary education.
  o I’ll go to the press and to events involving candidates.
  o There will also be a mailout.
  o There’s also a pledge on postsecondary education that we want candidates to sign.
  o I’m trying to bring candidates to the campus or nearby.
  o We’ll try to do the unexpected, produce a fun and informative video of ourselves telling people to vote, get photos with candidates holding up the pledge.
  o We’ll try to influence program creation. The Liberals are coming out with a whole new program about PSE. We want to keep the focus on this.
  o We want to go beyond students to the larger community; student issues are not just student issues.
  o The budget will include money for a website, a video, printed materials, and travel. We’ll also do Facebook ads. And there’s an end of campaign mailout
costing $20,200; this is up for debate if you think this is an effective way to reach people.

- Taylor Loren: Spending this amount of money is ridiculous. It’s more than we’re spending on CASA. How can we spend this when we’re saying there’s not enough money for full membership in CASA?
- Katherine Tyson: The point was to save money to do this campaign. I’m not tied to this budget, but how else can we reach out and capitalize on the federal election while no one’s in school? The last election cost us $35,000. That’s what it usually is.
- Elin Tayyar: This didn’t come to me until the meeting began. It didn’t go through the proper channels. I’m not sure how much we have. I don’t know if we have the money. I would encourage people to vote against this. It’s a lot of money for a federal election. CASA would be a more efficient way to spend the money.
- Taylor Loren:
  - $28,000 is insane. We couldn’t cough that up to become full members of CASA, and the rhetoric was to focus on provincial elections. This is a waste of money.
  - It’s not our job to be Elections BC and make sure people are voting, and a mailout to regions that are not part of the campus doesn’t make sense to me.
  - There’s going to be a provincial by-election in the next few weeks; that’s what we should be pushing for.
  - It’s exam time; we won’t get people out to poster.
  - Vote no on this and host a Town Hall instead; we’ll reach more people that way and be able to put candidates on the spot.
- Jarrett Woodhouse: My biggest issue is spending $20,000 for a mailout at the end of the campaign. If we want to get students involved, we need to get them informed before the election. That’s what matters.
- Sean Heisler praised the message and the consistent branding, also the promotion of awareness, but asked why it was the VP External’s name on the pledges instead of the President’s.
- Katherine Tyson: If Jeremy wants that, that would be cool.
- Sean Heisler: Then there’s the mailout.

25. MOVED SEAN HEISLER:

“That the federal mailout be removed from this allocation and the allocated amount be adjusted accordingly from approximately $29,000 to approximately $9,000.”

- Katherine Tyson:
  - Taylor’s point is why do advocacy and awareness. We need to do that.
  - The mailout is not part of the election; that’s part of the advocacy: pushing past the election, speaking to MP’s.
  - PSE is not just provincial; money comes from the federal government. Financial aid is tied to the federal system. Federal lobbying is important.
  - A mailout is one of the most important things you can do; it’s proven to create dialogue; other organizations do it.
  - My job is to meet with MP’s, do advocacy. If I don’t do this, what am I supposed to do?
  - I was against moving to full CASA membership to save money for the federal election and other lobbying.
- Hans Seidemann: My biggest issue is whether to lobby federally or not. I think we should. I disagree with the methodology. Direct mail is the lowest return on investment. I disagree with spending $20,000 on a mailout. We need to spend on debates.
- Andrew Carne: Most everything in this proposal is fantastic, but not the mailout. I’d be happy to increase part of the budget to do one-on-one meetings with politicians.
- Laura Rodgers: Who is the mailout aimed at? Is it to get people to vote?
- Katherine Tyson: No, it’s to advance advocacy positions. It will go to households.
- Jeremy McElroy:
  o The federal government is responsible for 100% of everything in Canada. You may think these are provincial issues, but ultimately the federal government holds the purse strings. It’s an incredibly important place for the student voice to be heard. Do not shy away from federal lobbying.
  o Bringing up issues with the populace, not just politicians, is one of the most beneficial things we can do.
- Matt Parson: I don’t think anyone’s questioning the merits of federal lobbying, but the goal is to represent students. If you asked them about spending $20,000 on a mailout, it would not be what they want. We should vote against it.

26. MOVED MATT PARSON

“That the question be called on the amendment.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

27. MOVED SEAN HEISLER:

“That the federal mailout be removed from this allocation and the allocated amount be adjusted accordingly from approximately $29,000 to approximately $9,000.”

... Carried

For (18): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Abstained: Michael Haack, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Dan Olson, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Back to main motion:

- Katherine Tyson asked how she could still make this campaign more about advocacy. Right now it’s only an awareness campaign.
- Elin Tayyar said Council was not the place for brainstorming.
- Sean Heisler suggested adding $3,000 to the budget, pending Budget Committee approval.
There were no objections to making that addition.

21. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:
   From the University & External Relations Committee

   "Be it resolved that Council on the recommendation of the University and External Affairs Committee allocate an amount up to $9,000 from the External and University Lobbying and Advocacy Fund for the federal election campaign.

   Be it further resolved that an additional $3,000 be allocated from the same fund, pending Budget Committee approval.

   Be it further resolved that no mailout be included in the campaign."

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   ... Carried

   For (19): Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Melissa Erasmus, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Michael Wong

   Against (2): Elin Tayyar, Jarrett Woodhouse

   Abstained: Rory Breasail, Michael Haack, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Kyle Warwick

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

25. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

   "That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

   Student Administrative Commission minutes dated March 17, 2011 [SCD064-12]
   Student Administrative Commission minutes dated March 24, 2011 [SCD065-12]

   ... Carried

   For (14): Rory Breasail, Melissa Erasmus, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Jarrett Woodhouse

   Against (10): Andrew Carne, Anne Kessler, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang

24. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED ANNIE GREENWOOD:

   "That Council suspend Code to allow Justin Yang and Kiran Mahal to sit as Councillors for the purpose of committee appointments."
Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (23): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Allen Chen, Melissa Erasmus, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

*It was agreed to postpone the motion on rapid transit to the emergency meeting on Monday, which the Speaker had previously announced would be taking place.*

D) President’s Remarks (Jeremy McElroy):

- Received petition from 13 Councillors, forcing an emergency meeting on Monday at 7:00 pm. [SCD063-12]
- Tomorrow – Block Party.

E) Executive Remarks:

**VP Finance – Elin Tayyar**
- No report.

**VP Academic – Matt Parson**
- See you at the Monday meeting.

**VP External – Katherine Tyson**
- Vote.
- You can vote now at 16th & Arbutus.

**VP Administration – Mike Silley**
- Working on club budgets.
- Restructuring SAC.
- Finalizing job descriptions.

**Executive Coordinator Student Services – Pavani Gunadasa**
- Hiring.
- Budgets.
- Advocacy and lobbying around policy.
- Connecting with health providers on Monday.

*There were no objections to postponing Committee and Constituency reports to Monday.*

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:
Q) Next Meeting:

Emergency Meeting: April 11, 2011
Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: May 11, 2011

R) Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 pm.

S) Social Activity:
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V2: Policy 69 Before Reports
V3: Approve Agenda
V4: Code Changes: SAC Composition
V5: Susp. Code: Allow Exec salary change mid-term
V6: Divide: separate Exec vote
V7: postpone: compensation changes
V8: update staff handbook
V9: Change Budget Cte. Members to Summer Only
V10: Committee Apointments
V11: education cte. to review bog policy 69
V12: Approve Minutes
V13: Updated policy on NCAA
V14: remove mailout component from fed. campaign
V15: approve ($9k + optional $3k) for fed campaign
V16: SAC Minutes
V17: Suspend Code

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A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 pm.

1. MOVED LEO STOKES, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That the Ubyssey be permitted to videostream the meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried


Against (2): Bahador Moosavi, Elin Tayyar

2. MOVED CATHY WANG, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.” ... Carried

For (19): Rory Breasail, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

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

C) Presentations to Council

Compensation Review – Allen Chen
- 3 tiers + Exec
- Execs have more responsibilities
- Art Gallery Commissioner should be 20 hours
3. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE:

From the Business & Facilities Committee
“Be it resolved that Council create the following streamlined compensation tier structures with the following hourly rates effective May 1, 2011:

• Tier 1 - Entry Level (or comparable) Positions to be compensated with an hourly wage of $10.50/hour.
• Tier 2 - Supervisory Level (or comparable) Positions to be compensated with an hourly wage of $11.25/hour.
• Tier 3 – Specialized Skills Level (or comparable) Positions to be compensated with an hourly wage of $12.25/hour.
• Executive Salaries to be increased to an equivalent of $15/hour.
• Salary Increase Freeze until April, 2014.

Be it further resolved that the following positions be considered Tier 1: SAC Art Gallery Commissioner, International Students Commissioner, U-Pass Commissioner, Disabilities Commissioner, Financial Orientations Coordinator, Assistant to the President, Assistant to the Vice President Administration, Chief Returning Officer, Events & PR Assistant, Elections Administrator Assistant, and First Week Assistant;

The following positions be considered Tier 2: Associate Vice President Academic, Associate Vice President External, Vice-Chair of the Finance Commission, SAC Vice-Chair, Elections Administrator, and Committee Chairs;

The following positions be considered Tier 3: Sustainability Coordinator, Ombudsperson, Speaker of Council.”

Mr. Frank:
• Execs were elected at $23,000.
• No need to change Exec salaries now.
• They ran knowing it would be a $12 per hour salary.
• $15 is too high – 25% increase.
• I told you so - if you gave Exe cs money they would spend it foolishly.
• Why is the Exec considering irresponsible things?
• A 5-10% increase would be acceptable.

4. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the motion be amended to remove the executive salaries.”

Elin Tayyar:
• The first 3 points are important. I don’t want the Exec salaries to make the motion fail.

Dylan Callow:
• Motion to come keeping the Execs’ salaries stable until the next AGM.
• BAFCOM will review prior to the next AGM.
5. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That the question be called on the amendment.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

6. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the motion be amended to remove the executive salaries.”

… Carried

For (16): Rory Breasail, Allen Chen, Annie Greenwood, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahan, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Against (6): Sean Heisler, Ravi Parhar, Ignacio Rodriguez, Leo Stokes, Cathy Wang, Jarrett Woodhouse

Abstained: Joel Mertens, Noushin Moshgabadi, Mike Silley, Kyle Warwick

7. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW:

“That the motion be changed to add the following resolution:

‘Be it further resolved that the Legislative Procedures Committee shall determine future changes to the classification of positions within the tier structure.’

Be it further amended to make the salary freeze line read:

‘• Salary Increase Freeze for these tiers until April, 2014.’

… No objections

Elin Tayyar:

• 3-4 new positions being created
• This motion sets wages for those positions listed; we still need to set hours.

Mr. Frank:

• This is a one-step switch which will cost us more than a two or three-step increase.
• I would like Council to consider a multi-step increase.

8. MOVED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections
9. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE:

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... Carried

For (22): Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahan, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Allen Chen, Joel Mertens, Kyle Warwick

L) Committee Motions:

10. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE

From the Business & Facilities Committee
“Be it resolved that Council on the recommendation of the Business and Facilities Committee allocate up to $2,000 from the Student Spaces Fund (the old CPAC fund) for the preservation of the Art Gallery collection.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

Note: The balance in the Student Spaces Fund is $390,671.

For (24): Rory Breasail, Allen Chen, Annie Greenwood, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Roshak Mohtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Noushin Moshgabadi

11. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That Council on the recommendation of the Business and Facilities Committee allocate up to $4,500 from the Student Spaces Fund (the old CPAC fund) for a new directory on the west side of the SUB.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Note: The balance in the Student Spaces Fund is $388,671.

Jeremy McElroy:
- Signage needs to go up for people coming in that entrance.

Mr. Frank:
- How about putting the directory online?

12. MOVED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Defeated

For (11): Annie Greenwood, Saba Marzara, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Roshak Mohtahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Leo Stokes, Kyle Warwick

Against (9): Rory Breasail, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal, Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Jarrett Woodhouse

Abstained: Ravi Parhar, Cathy Wang, Justin Yang

Ignacio Rodriguez:
- It’s been mentioned that there is a lack of visual clues for signage in SUB.

Elin Tayyar:
- This is an expensive sign. I think there are cheaper alternatives.
Jeremy McElroy:
- This is the busiest entrance to SUB.
- High flow of people.
- Soon the south side of SUB will be completely inaccessible.
- We would own this and could take it to the new building.
- Could be used for AMS advertising in it.
- Greatest way to spruce up the area.

Mike Silley:
- The motion has merit but is premature. We don't know what the new traffic pattern will be like. This would be more fitting in a year.
- We probably would not take this to the new building.

Jarrett Woodhouse:
- Will this be a SUB or campus directory? [The answer was: SUB.]

Hans Seidemann:
- It's a good thing to add.
- It might help underperforming businesses.

Julian Ritchie:
- Not a bad idea, but maybe a year from now.
- We need to spruce up the west entrance; the sign could be part of the revamp.

Elin Tayyar and Mike Silley discussed whether the fund is to be used for businesses or services.

Kyle Warwick:
- It only makes sense that when the south entrance closes there will be an increase in traffic at the west entrance.
- Tons of students don't know where things are in the building.
- This is a service to students but I think the businesses will get some return.

Sean Heisler:
- What can money from this fund be used for?

Elin Tayyar:
- This fund is replenished annually (by about $690,000) and is for furniture upgrades, capital expenditures.
- The lodge will suck up a lot of this.

Erik MacKinnon:
- BAFCOM should look at the accessibility of this entrance.
- The only wheelchair ramp will be at the north entrance.

Mr. Frank:
- The new SUB is going up in four years.
• We should be able to repurpose a sign.
• Put this information on the SSC website.

14. MOVED MATT PARSON:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

15. MOVED DYLAN CALLOW, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

Note: The balance in the Student Spaces Fund is $388,671.

... Defeated

For (8): Allen Chen, Sean Heisler, Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Against (14): Rory Breasail, Annie Greenwood, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie

C) Presentations to Council

TransLink – Katherine Tyson & Jeremy McElroy: [SCD068-12]

• TransLink is doing public consultation.
• Multiyear study – Surrey and Broadway corridor.
• Phase 1: potential options.
• Phase 2: narrowed to 7 options.
• Broadway corridor.
• Region growing + 20% by 2040.
• UBC is growing.
• Existing service at capacity; 99 B-line leaves every 90 seconds.
• 4 – 6,000 people passed up.
• TransLink needs to increase capacity.
• Rapid transit - not enough for future capacity.
Options:

**Light Rail/Rapid Rail**
- Extend Millennium Line to Arbutus and a rapid bus system.
- High capital cost.
- Surface level down the middle. Must time lights.
- UBC Corridor will go to the side of the road.
- Doesn’t meet capacity. Safety concerns.
- Not a worthwhile option
- No room for future growth & development.
- Capital cost issues

**Rapid Rail Transit Options A & B**
- Essentially skytrain but underground.
- Currently 100,000 trips a day.
- 20% increase before 2021.
- High price tag: $13 Billion.
- Mirror B-line, extension of Millennium Line, would tunnel until University Endowment Lands.
- This is the best option.
- Accommodate future capacity.
- Add more stations & cars.
- Can be made faster and more efficient.
- Trains are sexy.
- Subways are the preferred method in major metropolitan areas.
- Broadway corridor 25% of GDP of region.
- Projected to increase.
- We have a mandate to reduce greenhouse gases.
- City of Vancouver can’t do “Cut & Cover.”

Ignacio Rodriguez:
- There are environmental issues.

Joel Mertens:
- Less ridership.
- More stations depending on the option.

Jarrett Woodhouse:
- If B is better, why suggest option A?

Jeremy McElroy:
- This was just another of the seven options.
- Option B is much less expensive

Mr. Frank:
- Who pays for it?

Jeremy McElroy:
• In 2008 TransLink earmarked $3 billion for rapid transit in Vancouver, but it’s mostly funded by the Federal and Pro vincial governments.

Julian Ritchie:
• Option B requires we use Bombardier.

Dylan Callow:
• The airport paid for a bunch of their line: are we prepared to pony up the money to get the track to UBC?

Katherine Tyson:
• The airport asked for 4km extra track and 2 stations and their terminus.
• The airport is a for profit organization

Dylan Callow:
• Most UBC passengers don’t pay their fair share, so why should we get the line?
• UBC would only pay if it went below grade.

Taylor Loren:
• Basically this would take the place of the 99 B line.

L) Committee Motions:

16. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

From the University & External Relations Committee
"Whereas Phase two of TransLink’s consultation is coming to a close,

Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS support Rapid Rail Transit.

Be it further resolved that the AMS endorse Option B along the Broadway Corridor all the way to UBC, that TransLink, the City of Vancouver and Metro Vancouver, the Provincial and the Federal governments make the creation of RRT Option B a top priority."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Rory Breasail:
• Consulted my constituents.
• LRT is my preferred option.
• Environmental issues are skewed in the report – they missed many facts.
• Capacity claims: LRT is more flexible – can add more trains.
• Stations are easier to design and build.
• Skytrain stations have a finite capacity by design.
• Modifying underground is costly.
• Safety issues are false – it’s a matter of design.
• Safer than B line system.
• TransLink wants community cohesion, but limited stations don’t encourage community cohesion.
• More disruption with RRT.
• We should consider more opinions than just TransLink’s.
• UBC study showed that Portland’s LRT system has been successful.
• Scrap this motion and consider LRT.

Elin Tayyar:
• Housing is not being built fast enough, so we need to transport students.
• Rapid Rail: Long term the environmental impacts will be better.
• LRT is not ideal for high density.

Julian Ritchie:
• Awesome research on LRT.
• Some elements of the rail system create communities etc.

Jarrett Woodhouse:
• Rapid rail is safer.
• The notion that an underground route will increase car traffic has not been proven.

Joel Mertens:
• LRT is great for a high capacity local system or for medium capacity inter-
urban, but we need a long route system.
• Maximum capacity of LRT compared to RRT – depends on how the system is built.
• LRT – may have trouble with the winter weather.
• LRT builds a barrier between you and the businesses along Broadway corridor.
• Transit should be built where there already is demand, not just projected demand.
• Tunnels are a one-time cost.

Kyle Warwick:
• Projected growth: Broadway will only get denser.
• Do we pay our share? Yes, per individual.

17. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (14): Allen Chen, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Kiran Mahal, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Leo Stokes, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (6): Rory Breasail, Anne Kessler, Saba Marzara, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahen, Katherine Tyson
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For (21): Allen Chen, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Julian Ritchie, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang

Against (2): Anne Kessler, Roshak Momtahen

19. MOVED SEAN HEISLER:

“That the agenda be amended to add committee chair motions.”
... No objections

20. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED JOEL MERTENS:

“Be it resolved that Council amend Code Section V, Article 3.1.d to adjust the weekly hours to be 6 hours per week.

Be it further resolved that Council direct the Committee Chairs to keep a log of their hours, as well as general activities to do with those hours.

Be it further resolved that Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to review logs and come back to Council before November 2011 to determine if 6 hours is appropriate.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Ignacio
- Six hours is about right, but it isn’t fair to cut hours and pay after someone has accepted a job.

21. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE:

“That the motion be changed to add:
‘Be it further resolved that Council amend the hours per week so that the weekly rate for the current committee chairs is the same as before the recent increase.’

*It was calculated that this would mean paying the current chairs for 9 hours a week, so the proposed amendment was altered to read:*

‘That the motion be changed to add:

‘Be it further resolved that the current committee chair hours be changed from 6 hours to 9 hours.’"

Katherine Tyson:
- This shouldn’t happen now.
- Committee reform allowed chairs to take this as a part time job.

Mr. Frank:
- Committee chairs should be paid a part time wage.
- Grandfathering is the way to go.

Elin Tayyar:
- 6 hours is fair and we can have LPC review.

Mike Silley:
- For the amendment but the whole issue should go to LPC.
- These are now seasonal positions.
- There are some things here that need to be reviewed.

Taylor Loren:
- Grandfathering doesn’t work.
- The chairs knew this was coming; they signed up to be committee chairs knowing this.

Sean Heisler:
- Not all committees work the same hours throughout the year.
- Different committees are busy at different times of the year.
- We all agreed to this in the wage motion.

Julian Ritchie:
- The hours shouldn’t be changed.
- Offer a bonus for submitting your timesheets.

22. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE:

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… Defeated
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Against (11): Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang

Abstained: Allen Chen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang

23. MOVED ALLEN CHEN:

“That the question be called on the main motion.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried

For (14): Allen Chen, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Roshak Momtahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (5): Joel Mertens, Bahador Moosavi, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson

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Against (3): Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson

Abstained: Allen Chen, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang
25. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That Hayden Hughes and Elaine Kuo (non-Councillors) be appointed to the Student Administrative Commission for a period starting immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

That Cathy Wang and Hans Seidemann (2 x Councillors) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing April 7, 2011 and ending the first Council meeting in September.”

… Carried

For (20): Allen Chen, Annie Greenwood, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal, Jeremy McElroy, Joel Mertens, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie, Hans Seidemann, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Mike Silley

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

UBC Line Memo [SCD069-12]

Q) Next Meeting:

May 11, 2011

R) Adjournment:

26. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

… Carried

For (11): Annie Greenwood, Kiran Mahal, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Leo Stokes, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (2): Joel Mertens, Julian Ritchie

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm.

S) Social Activity:
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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Kelli Seepaul (AMS Communications), Keith Hester (AMS Finance & Admin), David Hannigan (AMS HR), Glenn Wong (Virtus), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Taylor Loren (AMS Confidential), William Gallego (Engineering), Jay Shah (at large), Paul Godin (ΔΔΦ), Laura Rodgers (Insiders), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Kathy Yan Li (UBC Brewing Club), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Design), Lucia Lam (former Councillor), Neal Yonson (Sheldon Goldfarb impostor)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 pm, Jeremy McElroy in the chair.

1. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That Dave Tompkins be Speaker for this meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Jeremy McElroy: Dave has not yet been appointed for the year, so in the interim we need to appoint him for this meeting.

2. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That Dave Tompkins be Speaker for this meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (26): Rory Breasail, Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Ignacio Rodriguez), Roshak Momtahan, Bahador Moosavi, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie (proxy for Dan Olson), Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang (proxy for Maria Cirstea)

It was agreed to rearrange the order of items on the agenda and to add a motion and presentation on the Health and Dental Plan.

3. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED MELISSA ERAMUS:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (20): Rory Breasail, Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Ignacio Rodriguez), Roshak Momtahan, Bahador Moosavi, Jack Park
(proxy for Hans Seidemann), Johannes Rebane, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Caroline Wong

Abstained: Julian Ritchie (proxy for Dan Olson), Mike Silley

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Change Management – Glenn Wong

- A former AMS person; passionate about the AMS.
- A full change management program is underway at the AMS; organizational design is just part of it. These are early findings, and feedback will be appreciated.
- The current situation involves:
  - A revenue shortfall.
  - Issues around permanent staff development.
  - The New SUB.
  - Issues re accountability: the need for metrics; if no metrics, bad surprises.
  - Transient governance (people may be here for only one term).
- Need to invest in staff development.
- The AMS is a comfortable place; like a family, with a dynamic, youthful feeling, and constant change.
- Strategic Plan:
  - You don’t have one; that’s a problem; you don’t know what you’re supposed to be doing. Everything is issue-driven as a result and it’s difficult to design policies, programs.
  - You have to define your picture of success. What’s the big picture?
  - You need a marketing plan.
  - Council could have an annual facilitated retreat to set the year’s agenda. Council needs to take leadership on that.
- Staff Development:
  - Lots of permanent staff have been here a long time and have moved up.
  - The challenge to the staff is to ensure that they get better; the idea is to make sure the staff are super-competent.
  - You need a long-term development plan to develop the staff.
  - You need job descriptions, performance plans.
- New SUB:
  - How invested in the new SUB are staff and students who won’t be here?
  - This is a once in a generation opportunity to enhance revenue and define AMS culture, to epitomize what a student society is.
  - You need a dedicated person for this.
- Governance:
  - Politically oriented, transient, lacking common goals.
  - If politics takes over, it can get in the way of being a highly functioning organization.
- Performance incentive plan for managers:
  - An example: the police have bonus plans for meeting or beating their budget.
There are also strategic goals; the idea is to create expectations for the year.

- Does the AMS have a verbal or written understanding of what to expect from managers?
- Has Council as a governing body given clear messages about what it wants done?
- The aim is to hold a CEO accountable for results; it’s not about giving more money to management; it’s about getting results.

Organizational Design:
- The AMS General Manager has 13 direct reports, and reports himself to the President. That’s too many.
- Under a proposed new plan, there would be only four direct reports, or five counting the SUB Project Manager.
- All the staff supporting Student Council should be combined into one group.

Questions
- Eric Gauf: How far down would incentives go?
  - Glenn Wong: In principle, they would be limited to the General Manager and his direct reports: 4 + 1. One company put everyone on a bonus plan, but a first step would be to start with four or five.
- Kyle Warwick asked about making changes after plans have been set and about the asymmetrical amount of information; some know a lot more than the average Councillor.
  - Glenn Wong: Council needs to know this stuff. Use your committees. As to deviations, talk about them. You need frank, transparent debate. If there are new facts, you may need to reset targets.
- Kyle Warwick: This plan could fall victim to transience; it should be implemented in this Council’s term.
  - Glenn Wong: The transient nature of the organization is a problem, so you need to document and articulate the need for change management. Performance incentives are critical.
- Johannes Rebane asked how metrics could apply to the student government side of the AMS.
  - Glenn Wong: You can do annual evaluations. Rank the staff. Ask what they can do to get better. Create transparent dialogue. It may be hard to get metrics, but you can get opinions. I think the staff would welcome feedback.
- Johannes Rebane: Objectivity is hard to achieve. The Executive changes from year to year. This could create uncertainty.
  - Glenn Wong: That’s why you need an annual facilitated retreat of both the old Council and the new.
  - Jeremy McElroy: We engaged with Glenn about moving to the new SUB. This is part of the conversation. It’s going to be one of the themes over the summer. It’s not the last time you’ll hear about change management.

J) Executive Committee Motions:

4. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MRIGANK SHARMA:

“That Council on the recommendation of the Executive Committee and BAFCOM allocate an amount not to exceed $40,000 from the Student Spaces Fund (formerly
CPAC) to hire consultants who will advise on future plans for Whistler Lodge."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Note: The balance in the Student Spaces Fund is $243,665.

- Elin Tayyar:
  - BAFCOM has been looking into this since October.
  - The lodge has an unstable model.
  - The roof leak is getting worse; it would cost $25,000 to fix it, but we don’t want to do it if we’re not sure about the long-term future of the lodge.
  - We’re asking for $40,000 for the consultants; that’s the upper limit.
  - The aim is to get advice on improving the lodge for the long term.
  - We need to make changes before the end of summer.

- Hayden Hughes asked about financials for the lodge.
- Elin Tayyar: It’s showed something of a profit at times on the operating side, but renovations were not calculated in, so really it’s been losing a lot of money. The profit is less than the expense of renovation; it’s a money-losing business. It lost $40,000 last year. This year the loss will be at least $25,000.
- Hayden Hughes: What’s the value if we sold?
- Elin Tayyar: Good question. The market’s not so good.
- Michael Kingsmill: The current tax assessment is $1.2 million, but that’s undervalued. The land is worth maybe $5 million. There’s no structural value.
- Eric Gauf: Our last presentation talked about long-term strategic thinking. How feasible is it to think about the big picture re the lodge?
- Elin Tayyar: There’s a $7 million project plan from Michael Kingsmill. It would be a big endeavour. We’re busy with other things at the moment. We would have to come to Council. Maybe leasing it out or working with a partner. We obviously don’t want to take on another $7 million project now.

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... Carried

For (26): Rory Breasail, Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Camila Guan, Michael Haack, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Ignacio Rodriguez), Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang (proxy for Maria Cirstea)

Abstained: Julian Ritchie (proxy for Dan Olson)
C) Presentations to Council:

Preliminary Budget Presentation - Elin Tayyar
- I was supposed to do a quarterly budget report for today, but we’re still going through the financials, and my computer broke down. I will do an update for next meeting. I did send out the preliminary budget.
- Dave Tompkins: That was the shortest presentation ever.

L) Committee Motions:

6. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI: [SCD071-12]

From the Budget Committee
“That, on the recommendation of the Budget Committee, Council approve the 2011/2012 preliminary budget as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
- Elin Tayyar: Hoping to do the final budget sometime in June.
- Bahador Moosavi: Do we know how much is going to each Service?
- Elin Tayyar: None of that has been looked at yet.

7. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Budget Committee
“That, on the recommendation of the Budget Committee, Council approve the 2011/2012 preliminary budget as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
... Carried

For (25): Rory Breasail, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Camila Guan, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Ignacio Rodriguez), Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie (proxy for Dan Olson), Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang (proxy for Maria Cirstea)

Abstained: Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Michael Haack, Aaron Sihota

7. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY, THIRDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That Council go in camera.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
The meeting went in camera at 7:20 pm.

The meeting left the in camera session at 7:34 pm.

8. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That Council on the recommendation of the AMS/GSS Health and Dental Plan Committee, approve the agreement between ASEQ (Studentcare.net) and the AMS for provision and management of the AMS/GSS Health and Dental Plan as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried unanimously

For (30): Rory Breasail, Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Camila Guan, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Ignacio Rodriguez), Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie (proxy for Dan Olson), Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang (proxy for Maria Cirstea)

D) President’s Remarks:

Jeremy McElroy
- Great Whistler Orientation, but the poor attendance was disappointing.
- We'll try to have other social/teambuilding events.
  In Montreal last week for a meeting at Studentcare - came up with some fun and innovative ideas.
- Working on hiring and a strategic plan.
- Two new hires planned:
  o Director of Operations: this position has been approved; the New SUB Committee wanted it; it won't come out of the AMS budget.
  o Director of Student Government: this position will oversee all our student government staff: Archives-Communications-Events and be a go-to person for the Executive.
- Looking for an HR Assistant: this was factored into the preliminary budget.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar
- Saw other VP Finances and financial people in Montreal.
- Looking into another get-together from the big universities over the summer.
- Talk of creating a financial app.
- Tax issues.
- Budget.
- Haven’t had time to hire anyone.
- Working with the UNA on sustainability.
VP Academic – Matt Parson
- UBC’s looking for a new VP Students to replace Brian Sullivan; we’ve got another seat on that committee.
- ASIST (Academic Success in Student Transition): UBC is looking at the transition to university for high school students; looking at Broad Based Admissions model.
- Video capture for classes being discussed; students could rewatch a class, but would that cause a loss of attendance.
- End of Learning Management selection process: moodle or blackboard.
- Two new positions to hire this year: one is to find out what students want from us; would involve conducting surveys, focus groups.

VP External – Katherine Tyson
- Two elections.
- Federal election: I submitted my plan to you; I met candidates all over the Island and the Interior, got signatures to the pledge; only the Conservatives wouldn’t sign.
- Postcard campaign didn’t work; students had already left; so instead we posted in the community.
- Provincial By-election. No debates. Talked to Christy Clark and the Liberals about our policies.
- Municipal housing forum with Andrea Reimer.
- U-Pass – letting people know it will be monthly.
- Promoted UBC Line to Vision and the NPA.
- Rumours about the tuition cap being lifted, but got assurances that it’s not.
- CASA: Issue whether we’re to be charged three-quarters or one-half the full fee; need to discuss that with them; but they’ve accepted us as staying at associate status.
- Working with groups calling for the return of a mandatory long form census.
- Hoping for an AVP.

VP Administration – Mike Silley
- Hired new SAC people and new SUB people.
- Got the GSS to sign off on their location in the new SUB. Resource Groups next.
- Working on a SASC workshop.
- Design development for new SUB 95% done; next comes cost/budget analysis.
- Working on club and Resource Group conflicts.
- Looking into feasibility of a slide in the New SUB.

ECSS – Pavani Gunadasa
- Have hired most of the coordinators; a lot are continuing or were assistant coordinators last year.
- Discussing initiatives for next year.
- Received Grad Class Council funding for Safewalk, Food Bank, Tutoring, and Volunteer Connect.
F) Committee Reports:

Grad Class Council – Kyle Warwick
- GCC gifts:
  - $6,000 for Bike Kitchen sculpture/ wayfinding sign.
  - $5,000 to SUS to modernize Abdul Ladha building.

Legislative Procedures Committee – Kyle Warwick
- Code changes resulting from the referendum.
- Elections code.

University & External Relations Committee – Rory Breasail
- Jeremy and I met with unaffiliated student unions re lobbying the government.
- Hospice development on campus.
- External Policies.

Student Life – Caroline Wong
- Sexual Assault fund guidelines.
- Reviewing Block Party.

Education Committee – Justin Yang
- Policy 69: student safety abroad. Further scrutiny needed.

Extraordinary Hiring – Maria Cirstea (via Kyle Warwick)
- Ombudsperson being interviewed for.

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Tina Mash
- Exec retreat.
- Hiring coordinator.
- Undergraduate mix and mingle.

Music – Annie Greenwood
- Working on locker procedures.

Law – Eric Gauf
- New building will be done in September.

Medicine – Camila Guan
- Conference in Toronto.
- UBC a leader in distributed medicine: Kelowna being added this summer.

Nursing – Melissa Erasmus
- No report.

Engineering – Jack Park
- Western universities engineering conference.
GSS – Bahador Moosavi
- No report.

Commerce – Johannes Rebane
- Kicked out of our building for renovations, using Robson Square
- Sauder cafe: survey said it’s unsatisfactory; students want bubble tea like Arts.
- Designing new lounge.
- CUS Store.
- Eight students to South Africa on internships.

Science – Kiran Mahal
- Exec transitioned.
- Exec retreat soon
- Working on sexual assault awareness.

Regent – Hannah Dutko
- Guest speakers, concerts, art gallery, free lectures.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Sean Heisler
- Hiring.
- Community planning task group – housing action plan.
- Next meeting focusing on student housing.
- Next meeting in Kelowna.
- Affordability of education – discussion in Summer.

Senate – Sean Heisler
- New caucus.
- Sauder has lots of awards.
- Election for congregation members on Senate.

Ombudsperson
- The ombudsperson has not been hired yet.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

9. MOVED STEWART McGILLIVRAY, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

- Education Committee minutes dated May 5, 2011 [SCD072-12]
- Executive Committee minutes dated March 21, 2011 [SCD073-12]
- Executive Committee minutes dated March 25, 2011 [SCD074-12]
- SUB Renewal Committee minutes dated January 13, 2010 [SCD075-12]
- SUB Renewal Committee minutes dated January 27, 2010 [SCD076-12]
- SUB Renewal Committee minutes dated February 10, 2010 [SCD077-12]
- SUB Renewal Committee minutes dated February 24, 2010 [SCD078-12]
For (24): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, Annie Greenwood, Camila Guan, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Ignacio Rodriguez), Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie (proxy for Dan Olson), Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang (proxy for Maria Cirstea)

Abstained: Rory Breasail, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Kyle Warwick

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

10. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

Note Quorum was not met at LPC

“That on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee the Art Gallery Commissioner’s hours be set at 15 per week.

That on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee Council increase the weekly hours for the Sustainability Coordinator from 30 per week during the summer and 20 per week during the school year to 35 per week during the summer and 30 during the school year.

That this change shall be in effect for one year, and that the hours shall revert to previous levels after this year.

That on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee Council increase the weekly hours of one member of the University Commission from 10 per week to 15 per week.”

- Kyle Warwick: Setting up and administering the new Sustainability fund means more hours required for the Sustainability Coordinator.
- Matt Parson: On the University Commission, the positions of Disability Commissioner and International Students Commissioner are going to be
combined, with an increase in hours for the new position; this will be more
efficient. The new position will be an Equity Commissioner for under-represented
students: First Nations etc. I spoke to the International Students Association;
they say it makes sense.

- Mike Silley: It’s all still from the line items.
- Matt Parson: From the Sustainability Fund for the Sustainability Coordinator.
- Kyle Warwick: The University Commission budget will cover the increases. Ditto
  for SAC for the Art Gallery Commissioner.
- Bahador Moosavi: The LPC meetings only had two people, including the chair, so
  the motion should not say it’s on the recommendation of the committee.

It was agreed to remove the references to LPC.

- Katherine Tyson: Can students work 35 hours?
- Matt Parson: Only during the summer.

11. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED RORY BREASAIL:

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previous levels after this year.

That Council increase the weekly hours of one member of the University
Commission from 10 per week to 15 per week.”

... Carried

For (25): Rory Breasail, Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Andrew Carne,
Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Camila Guan, Michael Haack,
Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Saba Marzara, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy,
Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Ignacio Rodriguez), Roshak Momtahen, Jack
Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Julian Ritchie (proxy for Dan
Olson), Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine
Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Abstained: Kiran Mahal, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Mike Silley,
Justin Yang (proxy for Maria Cirstea)

12. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS: [SCD086-12]

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled
‘Code Changes 2011: Bylaws Follow-up’ and thus amend the Code as
recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
• Kyle Warwick: These amendments reflect the fact that the housekeeping Bylaw amendments passed in March, so it is no longer necessary to say in the Code that what the Bylaws call the Director of Finance shall be known as the Vice-President Finance, since the Bylaws themselves now say “Vice-President Finance.” And it’s the same for the VP External, the SAC Vice-Chair, etc.

13. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Bylaws Follow-up’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (25): Rory Breasail, Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Camila Guan, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Saba Marzara, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Ignacio Rodriguez), Roshak Mourtazai, Bahador Moosavi, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie (proxy for Dan Olson), Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (1): Mrigank Sharma

14. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JOHANNES REBANE:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Fees’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick: These are more changes resulting from the March referenda, this time from the fee referendum. This will change Code references to fees to accord with what the referendum said. This is not yet about the Sustainability Fund and the other new funds that still need terms of reference established in the Code; those will come later.

15. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JOHANNES REBANE:

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Fees’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (30): Rory Breasail, Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Annie Greenwood, Camila Guan, Michael Haack,
16. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That Council suspend Code Section X, Article 4(2) to allow Justin Yang to continue as Tutoring Coordinator.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Note: Section X, Article 4(2) says Coordinators must not hold other AMS positions.

- Kyle Warwick:
  - Justin is capable. I might be hesitant over an employer/employee conflict that might arise because the employee in this case is wearing a Council hat; there could be tension between the interests of Tutoring and the interests of the AMS as a whole, but that’s pretty theoretical.
  - When Matt Naylor wanted to become a security guard, Council voted not to let him do that. Council has to decide whether the practical benefit outweighs any theoretical organizational chart problem.

- Neal Yonson: Matt Naylor’s case had to do with a different section of Code that says Council members can’t hold AMS jobs unless they held the jobs first. This section of Code says Coordinators can’t be on Council.

- Sean Heisler: If a conflict arose, he could declare a conflict of interest. We should encourage good people to contribute to the Society.

- Julian Ritchie: If we say no, which position would Justin choose?

- Justin Yang: My heart is with the Coordinator position; I would not want to give that up. At the same time it would be very exciting to get to speak as a member of Council.

- Hayden Hughes: I worked near Justin and would have no qualms voting for him. He would make the right choice if the situation came up.

- Jeremy McElroy: Was the position posted?

- Pavani Gunadasa: Yes, and other people did apply.

- Jeremy McElroy: Bias may have existed.

- Pavani Gunadasa: There was no bias over him being a Council member. The best person was chosen.

- Jeremy McElroy: Code is here for a reason, for process. It’s our collective fault for not catching this. We should have known you were applying when we suspended Code before to allow you to finish the previous term. This is being done after the fact, so I will abstain.

- Katherine Tyson: We don’t want to load one person with everything. He knew this wasn’t appropriate. We suspended Code on the assumption that he wouldn’t apply for the new term. It’s not right to give the Education Committee chair and Tutoring to the same person; it’s a conflict of interest.
- Pavani Gunadasa: Justin is at the top of the list of exceptional people I've worked with. He knows to abstain if there's a conflict of interest. I feel he will carry out both roles with integrity. It would be a huge loss not to have him in this role. He has the ability to perform well in both positions.
- Justin Yang: I'm sorry about how this happened. I've worked hard with the stakeholder groups for Tutoring and wanted the opportunity to work on the changes that are happening. I have a vested interest in Tutoring and was concerned that someone new could go wrong. As to wearing different hats, I've been an Executive on two undergraduate societies and was able to keep the positions separate. I didn't divulge information.
- Katherine Tyson: How many classes do you have?
- Justin Yang: Two per term plus a thesis.
- Johannes Rebane: Justin is also the AUS President. I've seen the most capable people take on too much. I wonder if taking on Tutoring and the Council role will affect your performance as AUS President.
- Tina Mash: As an incoming AUS Executive under Justin, I can say that we're very capable as vice-presidents to carry out our strategic plans. Justin is doing a great job, and we all have confidence Justin can balance all his roles.
- Rory Breasail: I hate abstract philosophy and bureaucracy getting in the way of good work.

17. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

18. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That Council suspend Code Section X, Article 4(2) to allow Justin Yang to continue as Tutoring Coordinator.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Note: Section X, Article 4(2) says Coordinators must not hold other AMS positions.

... Carried

For (23): Rory Breasail, Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Andrew Carne, Annie Greenwood, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal, Saba Marzara, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Ignacio Rodriguez), Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Julian Ritchie (proxy for Dan Olson), Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (2): Camila Guan, Katherine Tyson
Abstained: Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Jeremy McElroy, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley

19. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That ______ (Councillor) be appointed to the Budget Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

Nominees: Tim Tong (Commerce), Kyle Warwick (Arts)

Chosen: Tim Tong

That ______ (Councillor) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending the first Council meeting in September.

Nominees: Johannes Rebane (Commerce), Aaron Sihota (Senate)

Chosen: Johannes Rebane

That ______ (BAFCOM member) be appointed Chair of the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending September 14, 2011.

Nominee: Anne Kessler (Arts)

That ______ (Councillor) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending the first Council meeting in September.

Nominee: Michael Haack (Arts)

That ______ be appointed to UBC’s Informal Learning Space Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.

Nominees: Aaron Sihota, Jack Park

Chosen: Aaron Sihota


That Council appoint Audrey Gardiner to the position of SAC Clubs Administrator for a term beginning May 9, 2011 and ending April 30, 2012,

That Council appoint Mo Salemy to the position of SAC Art Gallery Commissioner for a term beginning May 9, 2011 and ending April 30, 2012.”

20. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED JULIAN RITCHIE:

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That Michael Haack (Councillor) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending the first Council meeting in September.

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... Carried

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Against (2): Bahador Moosavi, Mike Silley

Abstained: Elin Tayyar

22. MOVED JOHANNES REBANE, SECONDED ROSHAK MOMTTAHEN:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated March 31, 2011 [SCD088-12]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated April 14, 2011 [SCD089-12]

... Carried

For (19): Rory Breasail, Melissa Erasmus, Annie Greenwood, Camila Guan, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Saba Marzara, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Ignacio Rodriguez), Roshak Momtahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Mrigank Sharma, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang (proxy for Maria Cirstea)

Against (6): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Andrew Carne, Bahador Moosavi, Julian Ritchie (proxy for Dan Olson), Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Aaron Sihota

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:
O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

June 1, 2011

R) Adjournment:

23. MOVED RORY BREASAIL, SECONDED SEAN HEISLER:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

For (23): Rory Breasail, Andrew Carne, Melissa Erasmus, Annie Greenwood, Camila Guan, Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Saba Marzara, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Ignacio Rodriguez), Roshak Momtahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang (proxy for Maria Cirstea)

Against (4): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Julian Ritchie (proxy for Dan Olson), Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

S) Social Activity:
## May 11, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Kiran Mahal (Science), John Lee (Science), Paul J. Godin (Alpha Delta Phi \(\Delta\Phi\)), Jay Shah (aspiring Ombudsperson), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Micki Cowan (Ubysssy), Jeffrey Smith (AMS Facilities), Joanne Pickford (AMS Administration)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

It was agreed to delay the Gage South motion and to cut out Committee and Constituency reports.

1. MOVED LEO STOKES, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (22): Melissa Erasmus, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshtagabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Maria Cirstea

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Budget Committee Quarterly Report – Elin Tayyar [SCD 090-12]

- Businesses did not do well last year.
- Council itself was over budget, from legal costs and the New SUB Committee’s food budget.
- Services were under budget, except for Minischool.
- Block Party cost us $4700 when we had hoped to break even, but that was better than the $143,000 we went over budget in the previous year. Other things in the Events Department also went over budget (Welcome Back BBQ, Firstweek, etc.). We need to work on good plans and budgets in that department.
- Communications and Administration were under budget.
- Revenues in detail:
  - Businesses were expected to bring in $900,000, but only brought in $631,359, and we’re looking at another low contribution next time.
  - Investment income was up, which was nice.
  - Sponsorship revenue was down; a member of the Executive took it upon himself to raise $30,000, but raised nothing.
  - Fees were $40,000 higher than expected.
Revenue was down altogether by $214,000, creating a deficit of $95,236, which was not as bad as expected, but we still need to improve, in part through Change Management to revitalize and change direction.

A lot of the loss was from Whistler Lodge. We’re looking for a solution.

Questions
- Ignacio Rodriguez: Does the sponsorship money include UBC’s Got Talent?
- Elin Tayyar: No; it refers to the Insider etc.
- Bahador Moosavi: How much were the legal fees?
- Elin Tayyar: $50,000.
- Sean Heisler: Was there under-performance by our businesses? Or was it over-expectations on our side? All our businesses made money.
- Elin Tayyar: Except Whistler Lodge. And there’s a downward trend overall. Going forward, I’m trying not to be too liberal or too conservative. I don’t want to cut too much. This year we’re setting the expected contribution from the businesses at $530,000.
- Kyle Warwick: There will be weird traffic flow around the building.
- Elin Tayyar: Yes, because of construction of the new SUB, though not till the end of this fiscal year: February-March.

D) President’s Remarks:

See Quarterly Report.

E) Executive Remarks:

See Quarterly Report Submissions.

VP Administration – Mike Silley:
- Shinerama conference was great.
- Going to Halifax next week.

F) Committee Reports:

G) Constituency Reports:

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

2. MOVED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

AMS Council minutes dated February 23, 2011 [SCD091-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated Feb. 9, 2011 [SCD092-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated March 2, 2011 [SCD093-12]
Executive Committee minutes dated May 19, 2011.” [SCD094-12]

... Carried
For (21): Melissa Erasmus, Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Leo Stokes, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Dan Olson, Mike Silley

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

3. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI: [SCD095-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Deputy Speaker’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick:
  o A couple of things prompted this:
    ▪ Dave’s been our Speaker for a long time, but he won’t be here forever; we need to be training a new person; they could also serve as backup if the Speaker can’t make it or is asked to step down from the chair.
    ▪ Another useful thing is for chairing the Election Appeals Committees if there’s no Student Court Chief Justice, and there hasn’t been one lately. This falls to the Speaker if there’s no Chief Justice; now there’d be an extra backup, the Deputy Speaker.
  o Not setting a pay rate yet. LPC will do that at its next meeting, and we invite Elin’s input.

• Julian Ritchie: Are we getting rid of the Chief Justice?

• Kyle Warwick: Not yet.

• Bahador Moosavi: There was an example last year when the President challenged the impartiality of the chair, but we didn’t have anyone to step in to chair.

• Katherine Tyson: This will mean we’ll have someone who knows the rules and is neutral. It could be a volunteer position.

• Dave Tompkins: Sometimes Constituencies want me to chair their meetings. A Deputy Speaker could do that, maybe for a nominal fee.

• Sean Heisler: We should push this to be volunteer; it’s mostly training and a leg up to becoming Speaker. We should encourage more volunteerism generally.

• Jeremy McElroy: As President, it’s hard for me to be an unbiased chair. We need an unbiased chair who knows Robert’s Rules and the crazy software.
4. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Deputy Speaker’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (27): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

5. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED ANNE KESSLER: [SCD096-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Gifts and Oversight’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick:
  - This is a reaction to something that happened. It fixes something weird. If an Executive is given a gift, they have to report it to Council. Mike and Katherine had to report gifts. We wasted time on that, and were perplexed over what to do.
  - We have an Agenda Committee that also functions as an oversight body for the Executive; that’s where this sort of thing should go.
  - This amendment will also specify that when functioning as an oversight body the Agenda Committee will be called the Oversight Committee.

6. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED ANNE KESSLER:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Gifts and Oversight’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (19): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Tina Mash, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Leo Stokes, Gary Tse, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong
Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley

7. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED ANNE KESSLER:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee Council continue the suspension of the new rules on fee waivers in Code Section XIII, Article 3 until February 2012, and extend the reinstatement of the old rules on fee waivers until that date.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick:
  - This relates to categories of students who don’t pay AMS fees, e.g., students in the Diploma of Accounting Program (DAP).
  - We’ve heard different things from the DAP students; some were vocal about wanting to pay our fees so they could get the U-Pass etc. Others said those vocal students were unrepresentative.
  - Code currently says they are to pay, but this Code rule was put in without consultation and is problematic. The President last year recommended suspending it, and we did, but there’s still been no consultation, and anyway it’s too late to tell the Registrar to start collecting these fees for this coming year.
  - So as a stopgap we’re recommending an extension of the suspension.
- Elin Tayyar: I hate this lingering on. We should go with the new fees; it’s unnecessary to go back to the old rules. These new rules are better. There’s no point in delaying over and over again.
- Kyle Warwick: The next motion on the agenda directs LPC to come up with a solution. Unilaterally making a change may alienate the DAP students and may hurt our ability in the long run to get them onside. We do have the right to charge them, but this would be a delay of only a few months until we can consult.
- Leo Stokes: What’s the risk of instituting the new rules?
- Kyle Warwick: In principle, we shouldn’t pass instructions we can’t carry out.
- Julian Ritchie: Can we amend the motion to whatever date we can collect the money?

8. MOVED JULIAN RITCHIE:

“That the motion be amended to change the date to October 15, 2011.”

... No objections

- Eric Gauf: How many students are affected?
- Sheldon Goldfarb: Maybe 1,000.
- Elin Tayyar: There’s no point in going back to the old rules, which did not make sense. If we can’t enforce because the Board of Governors can’t act in time,
that’s another thing. Let’s not make this like most things at the AMS: delayed, and then it doesn’t happen. This affects DAP students who come to campus and who should be paying fees. UBC is starting to collect their athletics fee from them, so we should collect from them too. We can still consult.

9. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

10. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED ANNE KESSLER:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee Council continue the suspension of the new rules on fee waivers in Code Section XIII, Article 3 until October 15, 2011, and extend the reinstatement of the old rules on fee waivers until that date.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (6): Maria Cirstea, Anne Kessler, Dan Olson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Kyle Warwick

Against (18): Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Sarthak Kaushik, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Noushin Moshgabadi, Mike Silley

11. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to come up with a recommendation for resolving the fee waiver issue by September 2011.”

... Carried

For (23): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang
12. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

From the Extraordinary Hiring Committee

“That Jay Shah be appointed as Ombudsperson for a term from May 1, 2011 until April 30, 2012.”

... Carried

For (26): Maria Cirstea, Eric Gauf, Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Melissa Erasmus

13. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That ______ (Councillor) be appointed to the Budget Committee for a term effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

Nominees: Sean Heisler (BoG), Kyle Warwick (Arts), Eric Gauf (Law)

Chosen: Sean Heisler

That ______ and ______ (2 x Councillors) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term effective immediately and ending the first Council meeting in September.

Nominees: Ravi Parhar (Forestry) and Gary Tse (Science)

That ______ (Councillor) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term effective immediately and ending the first Council meeting in September.”

Nominees: Kyle Warwick (Arts)

14. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That Sean Heisler (Councillor) be appointed to the Budget Committee for a term effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

That Ravi Parhar and Gary Tse (2 x Councillors) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term effective immediately and ending the first Council meeting in September.

That Kyle Warwick (Councillor) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a term effective immediately and ending the first Council meeting in September.”

... Carried

For (22): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank
Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Sean Heisler, Gary Tse

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

15. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated April 26, 2011 [SCD099-12]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated May 12, 2011 [SCD100-12]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated May 19, 2011.” [SCD101-12]

... Carried

For (20): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Leo Stokes, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (3): Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Mike Silley

Abstained: Ravi Parhar, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Justin Yang

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

1st Quarterly Report – President [SCD102-12]
1st Quarterly Report – VP Finance [SCD103-12]
1st Quarterly Report – Executive Coordinator [SCD104-12]
1st Quarterly Report – VP Administration [SCD105-12]
1st Quarterly Report – VP Academic [SCD106-12]

Q) Next Meeting:

June 22, 2011

R) Adjournment:

16. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the meeting be adjourned.” ... Carried
For (15): Maria Cirstea, Eric Gauf, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Justin Yang

Against (1): Dan Olson

The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 pm.

S) Social Activity:
### June 1, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver - Student Council Attendance

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V1: approve agenda
V2: Approve Minutes
V3: LPC: Create Deputy Speaker
V4: LPC: Gifts
V5: LPC: Suspend Code re: fees
V6: LPC: resolve fee issue by Sept 2011
V7: Appoint Ombuds
V8: Appointments
V9: SAC Minutes
V10: Adjournment
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Maria Cirstea  A A Y Y Y Y Y Y Y
Saba Marzara
Ignacio Rodriguez Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y Y
Aaron Sihota  Y Y Y Y Y Y Y A Y
Justin Yang     Y Y Y N Y Y Y A Y
Keely Hebert
Alan Jeans
Melissa Erasmus  Y Y Y Y N Y A Y Y
Ajay Puri
Sedi Minachi
STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Kalyeena Makortoff (Ubyssey), Geoff Lister (Ubyssey), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Sean Cregten (AVP Academic), David Liu (AgUS President), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Justin Yang (AUS), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Design), Ross Horton (AMS General Manager), Joanne Pickford (AMS Administration), Kelli Seepaul (AMS Communications)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm, Jeremy McElroy in the chair.

1. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That on the recommendation of the Agenda Committee Council appoint Dave Tompkins Speaker of Council for a term beginning 1 May 2011 and ending 30 April 2012.”

   • Ignacio Rodriguez: Dave is really, really awesome. If not for him, we wouldn’t have the Speaker software.

2. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

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   ... Carried

For (23): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Jenny Chen (proxy for Tina Mash), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Justin Yang), Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Mottahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

The chair was passed to Dave Tompkins.

It was agreed to remove the Gage South motion and introduce a motion on Executive reports.

3. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

   ...Carried

For (22): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Justin Yang), Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Mottahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma,
B) Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies:

C) Presentations to Council:

Election Reform – Kyle Warwick

- There was a Council motion after the last elections because we were dissatisfied with the status quo.
- Some people say we’re a model student union, and we should be proud, but in recent years every year there seems to be an election problem. There was the hacking scandal in 2010 and this year the third party endorsement issue and secret slates.
- Some students here now have never seen a clean election.
- We have a serious problem and the status quo is not an acceptable option.
- Last year the incumbent president avoided censure by only one vote, and the publicity around that scandal was a drain on the Society.
- Council told LPC to look at options, and with Iggy chairing it narrowed those down to two:
  - Option 1: Restoration of Slates. Some people felt the secrecy led to personal attacks and thus wanted to go back to open slates. But not slates as they were before; there were problems in the slate era. The new proposal would require nomination meetings and transparency. However, the committee decided not to go with this option.
  - Option 2: Candidates must choose to accept or reject all endorsements, and to accept in name only or for spending too; in the latter case, the spending by the third party endorser would count against the candidate’s spending limit.
    - If you don’t accept an endorsement and someone spends on your behalf and you don’t try to stop it, the EA will have discretion to charge you.
    - Endorsements in the media won’t count.
    - Also, candidates in this plan will be allowed to endorse each other, but still not work together as a slate. A slate is more than someone saying, I endorse this other candidate. It means joint posters, joint campaigning, similar slogans and branding.
    - Forbidding candidates to endorse each other leads to sneakiness. We want to remove the secrecy to eliminate poisonousness.
    - You still won’t be allowed to say Vote for Team A or Team B. But you will be able to say Vote for Kyle or Vote for Jeremy.
- We also are recommending, as a separate motion, that we institute an Elections Award. Erik MacKinnon, the last EA, oversaw an acrimonious election but had praise for a candidate (Justin Yang) who ran a notably clean campaign. The aim is for civility and getting away from vexatious complaints. So this would be a small award, $50, almost no expense to the Society, but a symbolic gesture. Something like the Lady Byng Trophy; in hockey, sure you want to win the Stanley Cup, but you value sportsmanship too.
  - We’re saying to name this after Evelyn Lett, who was on the first AMS Council in 1915-16 and who remained active in University and student affairs her whole life. We named the Evelyn Lett Bursary Fund after her.
Questions

- Eric Gauf asked about the media and endorsements, referring to the notion of pre-existing media.
- Kyle Warwick noted that previously in the Code section on campaign expenses there was discrimination between media participating in the Voter Funded Media contest and other outlets, such as the Ubyssey. It was decided that it was wrong to discriminate; the new Code will not hold candidates responsible for expenses associated with endorsements by any media outlets.
- Eric Gauf: Is there a definition of media? Could it be anyone with $10,000?
- Kyle Warwick: We’re trusting the Elections Committee to decide.
- Neal Yonson: How will this fix the problem? Bijan could still have published his blog. How do you decide what a media outlet is?
- Kyle Warwick: It comes down to the judgement of the Elections Committee.
- Bahador Moosavi: Under the proposal, media endorsements won’t count towards campaign expenses, but candidates will still have to accept or reject media endorsements.
- Neal Yonson: I’m not sure these changes would address what happened last year.
- Mike Silley: What happens if a millionaire funds me with a million dollars and I reject it, but ...
- Kyle Warwick: The Elections Administrator could decide, Have you benefited? There’s a whole range of possibilities. We can’t make Code for every eventuality, every crazy thing.
- Anne Kessler: What if someone pumps money in to violate the rules and I reject them?
- Kyle Warwick: Then you’re not responsible. The key variable is what effort you took to have them not do this and what advantage did you get? It’s not useful to focus on how you might get around these new rules, but do these rules provide a good framework for elections? You could make changes, but every change would produce other consequences. I don’t think any substantive improvements can be made at this point.
- In response to questions about making the rules more detailed, Kyle Warwick said that was not necessary. The aim is to trust the Elections Administrator and not micro-manage.

New SUB Council Chambers – Jeremy McElroy and Mike Silley

Jeremy:

- One of the last areas in the new SUB is the Council Chambers; we thought we’d bring the proposed designs forward to you; you guys know this area best.
- Our current layout is not an efficient use of space, and presenters feel like they’re in a circle of judgement.
- The architects suggested concentric circles. That seems a bit hectic; there’d always be someone in the middle.
- We can have technologically sophisticated microphones and smart cameras; we’ll be able to livestream for the Archives.
- It will have a permanent feel but can be used by multiple groups.

Designs of the German Bundestag and the U.S. Congress were shown.

Mike:
• It will be possible to send a live feed to another room.

Questions
• Ignacio Rodriguez: Will there be an in camera waiting lounge?
  • Mike Silley: No.
• Jeremy McElroy: But there will be bars and lounges nearby. Food.
  • Mike Silley: There will be food outside the room.
• Jeremy McElroy: It will be on the top floor, the fifth floor, with fantastic views.
• Ignacio Rodriguez: Will everyone be on the same level? Then people won’t be able to see.
• Jeremy McElroy: Things will be angled, and there will be bleachers for observers; also an area for staff.
• Mike Silley: There will be club rooms around it, but it will be soundproof.
• Jeremy McElroy: There will be 20 spaces for observers and 50 for Councillors and staff. There will be laptop jacks. It will be a little bigger than the current Council Chambers.
• Michael Kingsmill: Terracing the seating would create an accessibility problem.
• Jeremy McElroy: These designs are just possible ones we’ve been toying with. We’ve looked at Parliamentary models and lecture hall style.
• Dave Tompkins: Will the Council photos still be on the walls?
• Jeremy McElroy: Yes, and we’re also thinking of incorporating them in the rest of the building.
• Caroline Wong asked about space.
• Jeremy McElroy: We’d still have the ability to move to the Norm for a meeting with lots of guests; or we could livestream to other rooms.
• Caroline Wong: Will people be able to ask questions from those rooms?
• Jeremy McElroy: It’s certainly possible.
• Melissa Erasmus asked about sloping the floor to make it possible to see over people.
• Michael Kingsmill: There are limitations because of the ceiling.
• Tim Tong asked about higher chairs and desks in the outer row.
• Michael Kingsmill: We could terrace the chairs; that could be explored. It’s a furniture and equipment issue.

A straw poll showed a 15-8 preference for the U.S. Congress model, straight-on, not skewed, horseshoe-shaped.

4. MOVED KYLIE WARWICK:

“That the agenda be amended to have the election motions take place now.”

... No objections

5. MOVED KYLIE WARWICK, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Election Endorsements’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: This strikes a pretty good balance. There are always tradeoffs. These are the changes that people are reasonably happy with, not the ones that some people hate while other people think are best.

6. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY: [SCD110-12]

“That the motion be changed to replace the “Code Changes: Election Endorsement” document with the “Code Changes: Restoring Slates” document.”

- Ignacio Rodriguez:
  - This is the other option. Rather than stopping at endorsements, it brings a return to slate elections, but in a way no other school does slates, making things really transparent.
  - Students have never seen a clean election because things have not been transparent.
  - Allowing endorsements is just a half measure; it goes only partway. Lots of things would still not be open.
  - The slates proposal would introduce a system of nominations for slates. Slates would register in advance and then have an open nomination meeting.
  - This will help our low turnout problem; it will involve people not just for a week or two, but for months.
  - Council needs to take a bold step. This will break the cycle of broken elections.

- Katherine Tyson:
  - A lot of people are against slates. Within the committee people rejected slates. This would create a party system; then you’d only elect one party.
  - This society is not about political beliefs; we’re a society that administers clubs.
  - Political parties will create visceral hatred and lead to students running as, say, Conservative candidates. It will create divisiveness.
  - This won’t stop the backing and funding of candidates; it will focus on ideology and politics.
  - We’ve been a much healthier society since banning slates and compared to other universities.

- Ignacio Rodriguez:
  - It’s a fallacy to say that only one party can win. It’s not true. And it’s not about Conservative versus NDP. It’s for students to unite around common ideas.
  - As to fundraising, it will be limited under the slate proposal.
  - Don’t let stories from years ago colour your judgement.
  - This will produce an idea-based transparent democracy.

- Eric Gau: We’re a society, not a government. We don’t have the powers of a government. Moving to an ideological focus is not compatible with the structure of this organization. The goal of this society is to deliver specific services and to do specific things for students.

- Michael Haack: Creating slates would politicize everything. We’d be constantly working against each other. It would have made the issue of Gaza even worse than it was. It won’t help the AMS and it will hurt the students. Council will be too political. The AMS is not big enough for primaries.

- Jeremy McElroy: Other student unions have really serious election problems. Check out the slate culture schools; it’s not something we want.
7. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the motion be changed to replace the “Code Changes: Election Endorsement” document with the “Code Changes: Restoring Slates” document.”

... Defeated

For (3): Roshak Momtahen, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley

Against (21): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Jenny Chen (proxy for Tina Mash), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Justin Yang), Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong

Abstained: Kyle Warwick

*Back to the main motion.*

- Jeremy McElroy: I don’t think this is practical. Nor will it fix the problems. It will create unnecessary hurdles and create unfair advantages.
- Mike Silley asked for more information on accepting and declining endorsements.
- Kyle Warwick: You’ll have a choice of how to accept: just the endorsement or the endorsement plus money. It creates a complication, but we thought it was necessary in order to be fair.
- Mike Silley: It’s an unnecessary complication for the candidates. They’ll have to monitor who’s endorsing them. This will be especially difficult for candidates not in the know.
- Kyle Warwick: Generally, when you run you become in the know. If you’re not aware of the endorsement, you’re not penalized. If the Elections Administrator sees it, he’ll let you know. You don’t have to read every blog or read minds.
- Mike Silley: It’s still up to the EA; it gives them overwhelming power. Things that can go wrong generally do. This seems like patching one problem and opening another.
- Bahador Moosavi: The philosophical issue is whether this is a student government or a student society. This is not a perfect solution; if you have another one, please suggest it. LPC debated this for months. This proposal has lots of positive aspects; you can come up with crazy scenarios, but we should trust the Elections Committee (not just the Elections Administrator) to deal with crazy scenarios.
- Michael Haack: We should support this motion; it fixes lots of the big problems.
- Mike Silley: Every problem about elections is about funding, not support but financial support. What if we restrict not the funding but the materials? Limit to a certain number of materials: one website, a certain number of posters.
- Katherine Tyson: Voter turnout is low. We need more materials, not less.
- Eric Gauf: In Law, we restrict materials. It solves some problems, but causes others. It pushes things towards a popularity contest. Those people previously known do better. Restricting materials does not help elect the best person.
8. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled 'Code Changes 2011: Election Endorsements' and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (17): Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (6): Kiran Mahal (proxy for Justin Yang), Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley

Abstained: Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill)

9. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS: [SCD111-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled 'Code Changes 2011: Elections Award’ and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: This is something Erik the Elections Administrator suggested. Will it solve all the problems? No. Is there a downside? No. Let’s set a positive tone. Let’s try to become a society that values sportsmanship. We want to be able to say that the AMS believes candidates should be decent. You get recognition if you play fair. You may also end up getting another post, for instance as a committee chair.

10. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled 'Code Changes 2011: Elections Award’ and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried
For (23): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Justin Yang), Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

D) President’s Remarks:

Jeremy McElroy

- Moving the July Council meeting to July 13 to allow the budget to be passed in a timely manner.
- Hiring the Director of Operations: Elin, David, Ross, Anne Kessler, and I are working on this.
- The budget is moving along; just figuring out how much money we’ll have under the new rules.
- Negotiating with UBC on various agreements, including the use of their name.
- First Week planning is picking up; let us know if you have any ideas.
- Working on events for next year with Shea.
- Elin is away at a meeting with other VP Finances about the CRA.
- Public Realm development: the pathway near Irving Barber; it will be a giant construction zone next year.
- Health & Dental Plan and U-Pass agreements are signed and done.
- New SUB: Council Chambers etc. Making sure to incorporate fun.
- Trolley bus loop: plan to move it to where East Mall meets University Boulevard.

E) Executive Remarks:

Katherine Tyson – VP External

- U-Pass exciting. Working with the bookstore on implementing it.
  - Jeremy McElroy: UBC has approved the purchase of 20 U-Pass vending machines for the bookstore.
  - Kyle Warwick: Can there be vending machines in the residences too?
  - Jeremy McElroy: There are security and accounting issues. UBC wants an attendant present at the machines, someone to refill the machines. They want to keep it all centralized.
- Working on transit for the municipal elections. Speaking to the NPA and Vision. The NPA looks like endorsing our view of rapid transit to UBC.
- Probably another infrastructure project from the federal government.
- Working on closer ties with other student unions to work on student loans reforms.
- CASA event July 24 in Hamilton.
- Preparing for a possible provincial election in September.

Mike Silley – VP Administration

- SAC:
  - Club constitutions have been scanned, 600 of them.
  - Updating club exec lists.
  - Resolving some club and Resource Group conflicts.
- New SUB:
Over budget, but within contingency.
- AV and IT perspectives, acoustics.
- Childcare.
- Phasing: effects on this building and our businesses.
- Branding consultants for our restaurants. The Pit name may or may not come with us to the new SUB; we’ve directed the consultants to decide. Historical reasons to keep it, but why have an old name in a new space? Not everyone has positive views of the Pit.
- Meeting with UBC about repurposing this building.
- Slide: Have a first rendering now of an indoor slide.
- Talking about a brew pub.
- Approved $200,000 in point of sale systems.
- Approved retail consultants
  - Shinerama: committee met. Event in July.
  - Went to a meeting on the Ponderosa Hub.
  - RCMP and liquor licences: looking to have a partly civilian committee to decide on private events.

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance – away

Matt Parson, VP Academic, and Pavani Gunadasa are away at conferences.

F) Committee Reports:

Legislative Procedures Committee – Kyle Warwick
- Meetings are well attended
- Besides electoral reform, other issues: Communication policy for services, DAP students, Executive compensation, Executive communications responsibilities, the Insider and the old Communications Planning Group.

Student Life Committee – Caroline Wong
- Implementing Services review.
- Talking about the Block Party.
- Shinerama coordinating meeting.
- First Week.
- All Presidents Dinner.
- Improving our communications.

Business & Facilities Committee – Anne Kessler
- Point of sales upgrade coming.
- Looking at 24 hour SUB.
- Sexual assault training for food outlets.

Education Committee – Bahador Moosavi
- Reviewed Policy 69.

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts - Jenny Chen
- Arts frosh September 12.
Engineering – Ian Campbell
• Fixing building.

Nursing – Melissa Erasmus
• Boat cruise this Saturday.
• Working on constitution.

Science – Gary Tse
• Quotes for furniture for Ladha.
• First week committee meeting.
• Frosh almost done.
• 432 starting up again.

Law: Eric Gauf

Regent – Hannah Dutko
• Finished spring term.
• Free public lectures and concerts.

Land & Food Systems – Cathy Wang
• First summer frosh.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar
• Everyone is out in the forest right now.

Commerce – Tim Tong
• Corporate relations breakfast.
• Met up with sponsors.
• Finalizing budgets.
• Finalizing designs for new lounge.

GSS – Bahador Moosavi
• Koerner’s Pub closed. Executive working on getting it open for September.
• Updated budget.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Sumedha Sharma (via Jeremy McElroy)
• There’s a Board of Governors event tonight.
• A report has been released on the student loan program and making postsecondary education more accessible.
• Despite opposition from residents, the plans for a hospice are moving forward.
• Study underway re housing and the Land Use Plan.

Senate – Aaron Sihota
• Elections underway.
• Caucus meeting to do strategic planning.

Ombudsperson – Jay Shah
• With SAC, developing a pro-active strategy for the clubs. Looking into better ways of dealing with conflict.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

11. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

AMS Council minutes dated March 9, 2011 [SCD112-12]
AMS Council minutes dated March 11, 2011 [SCD113-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated April 21, 2011 [SCD114-14]
Legislative Procedures Comm. minutes dated May 6, 2011 (amended) [SCD115-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated May 25, 2011 [SCD116-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated May 30, 2011 [SCD117-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated June 6, 2011 [SCD118-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated June 13, 2011 [SCD119-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated February 1, 2011 [SCD120-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated March 16, 2011 [SCD121-12]

• Bahador Moosavi: For the February 1 and March 16 LPC minutes, there are no records of who was at the meetings.

• Kyle Warwick: Those are from before I became chair. I couldn’t find out who was there. I thought it was better to present partial information than nothing. Better to have incomplete minutes than none at all.

12. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the motion be divided to separate out the following minutes.”

Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated February 1, 2011 [SCD120-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated March 16, 2011 [SCD121-12]

… No objections

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Abstained: Michael Haack, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota

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• Bahador Moosavi: These don’t qualify as minutes; they should have the attendance.
• Kyle Warwick: Minutes should have attendance, but this is better than nothing.

15. MOVED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

16. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

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Against (1): Bahador Moosavi

Abstained: Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Michael Haack, Jeremy McElroy, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:
L) Committee Motions:

17. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

From the Education Committee
“Whereas UBC’s Policy 69: Student Safety Abroad was created in the context of the Chilean earthquake incident to address immediate issues of student safety abroad; and

Whereas events that have since transpired, including, but not limited to, UBC’s response to student travel in Iran and Japan, suggest that this document bears further scrutiny; and

Whereas the Canadian Government is already responsible for high risk situations regarding Canadian citizens abroad through the DFAIT Travel Registry, and has established contingencies to address dangerous situations as they arise; and

Whereas the AMS Education Committee notes incongruities in UBC’s Policy 69 between the spirit of ensuring safe student travel abroad for educational purposes, and addressing University liability; and

Whereas the AMS Education Committee notes the potential for punitive academic measures under Policy 69 that are neither commensurate nor directly related to unauthorized travel to be imposed therefor;

Therefore, be it resolved that AMS Council strongly encourage UBC Go Global, appropriate members of the Senate of UBC Vancouver and any other involved campus units to engage in a strong review process of UBC Policy 69 with significant student consultation.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Bahador Moosavi:
  o Council directed the Education Committee to report on Policy 69.
  o The committee realized there could be many potential problems with the policy. UBC has itself recognized problems.
  o This motion is mainly symbolic, providing guidelines for the VP Academic at committees where this is to be discussed.
  o Problems that have already come up include engineering students not being able to go to Iran; also an issue with Japan over the earthquake there: students were forced to come back immediately.
  o We’re hoping UBC does a good review.

• Kyle Warwick: What does UBC think the issues are? Who at UBC is involved?
• Bahador Moosavi: The GSS wanted to pass something. Sean Cregten, our AVP Academic, has been working on this. Also being worked on at BoG and Senate. UBC has accepted some suggestions. UBC Counsel is involved.

18. MOVED MIKE SILLEY:
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... No objections

19. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

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Abstained: Katherine Tyson

15. MOVED AARON SIHOTA, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That ______ (1 x Councillor) be to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

Nominee: Kyle Warwick (Arts)
That _______(1 x Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.
   **Nominee:** Kyle Warwick (Arts)

That _______ (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the New SUB Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.
   **Nominee:** Cathy Wang (Land & Food)

That _______ (member at large) be appointed to the new SUB Committee for a period effective immediately and ending Sept 6, 2011.
   **Nominee:** Tagg Jefferson

That _______(1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee for a period effective immediately and ending the first Council meeting in September.”
   **Nominee:** Noushin Moshgabadi (GSS)

- Kyle Warwick said he would leave the room when LPC decides compensation for him as chair of the Extraordinary Hiring Committee.

16. MOVED AARON SIHOTA, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

   “That Kyle Warwick (1 x Councillor) be to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

   That Kyle Warwick (1 x Councillor) be appointed Chair of the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

   That Cathy Wang (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the New SUB Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

   That Tagg Jefferson (member at large) be appointed to the new SUB Committee for a period effective immediately and ending Sept 6, 2011.

   That Noushin Moshgabadi (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee for a period effective immediately and ending the first Council meeting in September.”

   ... Carried

**For (22):** Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Jenny Chen (proxy for Tina Mash), Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Justin Yang), Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahan, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

20. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

   “That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”
   Student Administrative Commission minutes dated May 26, 2011  [SCD122-12]
It was explained that Fincom had been without a vice-chair for a while. When the new vice-chair was appointed, he discovered all these minutes which had never come to Council.

Kyle Warwick: Some of these minutes say items have been discussed, but it’s not clear if anything was decided on them.

21. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

For (16): Jenny Chen (proxy for Tina Mash), Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Justin Yang), Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi
Parhar, Mrigank Sharma, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong

Against (2): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Mike Silley

Abstained: Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Kyle Warwick

23. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That Council suspend Section VI, Article 9 of Code to allow the second quarterly Executive reports to be submitted August 8, 2011.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: We’ll try to do a permanent fix after that.
- Jeremy McElroy: We put off the first reports to May; they were supposed to be due in March, but that was too early. Those were submitted for the first June meeting. There didn’t seem to be much sense in doing a second quarterly now. LPC will work on finding a schedule that works better.

24. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That Council suspend Section VI, Article 9 of Code to allow the second quarterly Executive reports to be submitted August 8, 2011.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (20): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Jenny Chen (proxy for Tina Mash), Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Justin Yang), Roshak Mottomen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Abstained: Michael Haack, Jeremy McElroy, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Code Changes: Restoring Slates

Q) Next Meeting:

July 13, 2011

R) Adjournment:

11. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:
“That the meeting be adjourned.” ... Carried

For (14): Jenny Chen (proxy for Tina Mash), Maria Cirstea, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Jeremy McElroy, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Aaron Sihota

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

S) Social Activity:
June 22, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver - Student Council Attendance

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A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 pm.

1. MOVED ANNE KESSLER:

“That all the reports be moved to the end of the agenda.”

... No objections

New motions were added, and the CRA motion was made into a discussion topic.

2. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED AARON SIHOTA:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (30): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Against : Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi)

3. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED ROSHAK MOMTAHEN:

“That Council allow Sumedha Sharma to participate in the meeting by phone on Skype.”

- Michael Haack: Sumedha is ill, but would like to phone in.
- The Speaker said this would lead to complications and future requests to participate by email.
- Word was received from Sumedha that she was too ill even to participate by phone.
- The Speaker ruled the motion out of order.
- It was agreed to refer the issue of voting by phone to the Legislative Procedures Committee.
B) Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies:

C) Presentations to Council:

**Sustainability – Justin Ritchie (AMS Sustainability Coordinator)**
- Justin explained the new proposed Sustainability Projects Fund Committee, which will include two representatives from the University’s Sustainability Initiatives program (USI).
- The criteria for the projects will include:
  - student engagement;
  - reduction of footprints;
  - educational outreach opportunities;
  - fiscal feasibility.
- Planning to award money in September.
- Already receiving emails with ideas for projects, even though the fund has not been publicized yet.
- Only students can apply.
- The projects can be academic (class projects) or non-academic; can involve clubs.
- Multi-year projects will be considered.
- Business and research plans will be required.
- The idea is not to use the fund to send people to conferences.
- Green loans.
- New website planned.
- Collaborating with the UNA and UBC.

Elin Tayyar:
- The UNA has put up $5,000, which we’ve matched.
- UBC is giving $20,000; so altogether there’s $25,000 from external sources.

Justin Ritchie:
- There’s a lot of energy already.
- Marketing options are being reviewed by the committee.
- There will be monthly small grants ($2,000) and also medium grants ($8,000) and large grants (more than $8,000).
- Recipients will have to make reports for accountability; also blog posts, updates.
- Already working on worm composting, purchasing a worm bin (wigwam).

Questions
- Ignacio Rodriguez: what are the estimated costs of the website?
- Justin Ritchie: Just sitting down to work on that tomorrow.
- Elin Tayyar: That’s probably confidential, as part of the quote process.
- Eric Gauf asked about conferences and flight costs.
- Justin Ritchie: That’s one reason we’re reluctant to fund travel; we would closely scrutinize that sort of application.
- Jeremy McElroy: Recipients may want to present at a conference to present their findings.
- Gary Tse: Can you apply for projects that are already underway?
• Justin Ritchie: That’s like the worm composting project; spending can only be reimbursed if the project is approved later.

DAP AMS Membership – DAP Student Club (Diploma of Accounting Program), Mark Bennett and Ivan Pang

Mark Bennett:
• We’re the first official representatives of the DAP students to speak to you.
• We would like our fee exemption to continue for 2011-12.
• We take issue with the denial of the exemption; we feel there has not been due process or consultation.
• We don’t have representation here; we don’t have a seat.
• The decision to charge us fees was based on lobbying by some individual DAP students in 2009, but they were not official representatives.
• The DAP Administration Office received information from the UBC Enrolment Office about the fees.
• Our previous president tried to address Council, but was always put off. There was a committee meeting to which we were not invited in June.
• Had we been able to be here earlier and informed our students of any decision, that might have been different. But now there’s no time to inform the students, to warn them about the extra $700 they’ll have to pay in fees.
• A fee waiver extension will give us a chance to inform students about AMS services, fees, opt-out provisions, etc.
• We do appreciate AMS services.

Questions
• Elin Tayyar: Having the fees is not a negative for you? It’s just the timing?
• Mark Bennett: Absolutely. We’re a professional program, one year or two, career-focused, mainly pursuing a CA designation, and mostly taking night courses (Saturdays too). We’re not here during the day to take advantage of the pool.
• Caroline Wong asked who would be affected.
• Jamie Paris said it seemed that this would come up every year if it’s a one-year program.
• Ivan Pang: It was a surprise that it was going to be implemented this September. If we give enough notice, it would be different.
• Michael Haack asked how they had been elected.
• Ivan Pang: Our positions used to be elected, but very few students showed up for the elections. Last year we began to use an interview style, inviting students to apply.
• Michael Haack: Who makes the decisions on interviews?
• Ivan Pang: Past Executive members.
• Michael Haack: So you are hired, not elected. Can you speak for the students?
• Ivan Pang: What makes our club a little different is that we’re career-focused; 95% of us are here to pursue our careers.
• Michael Haack: So you’re more a club than a representative body.
• Mark Bennett: Because we’re career driven, we’re 9-5 people, so we got very small turnouts for elections. If you’re questioning whether we represent the DAP student body, every DAP student is a member of our club.
Michael Haack: You’re not the only professional club. The other clubs’ members pay our fees.

Mark Bennett: We’re not taking issue with the principle of paying fees, but we have not been given representation on this body and we were not given notice.

Jeremy McElroy: LPC brought a motion to extend the suspension, but Council defeated it.

4. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED PAUL GODIN:

“Whereas there has not been enough time to adequately consult with students in the Diploma in Accounting Program (DAP) concerning the implementation of the new fee system, which will result in them paying AMS fees for the first time; and

Whereas with only 8 weeks until school begins, DAP students have not been given what can be described as ‘reasonable notice’ of such significant changes to their program fees; and

Whereas DAP students do not currently fit in the AMS governance model, being neither undergraduate nor graduate students, thus having no representation on AMS Council,

Therefore be it resolved that Council continue the suspension of the new rules on fee waivers in Code Section XIII, Article 3 until August 2012, and extend the reinstatement of the old rules on fee waivers until that date.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Jeremy McElroy:
- There was supposed to be consultation last year by Christmas, but nothing happened. After I became President, we waited for the fee referendum and then Enrolment Services said they couldn’t implement fees for the DAP students in time, but now the Board of Governors has decided to levy athletic fees on the DAP students, and apparently this can be done now after all. Still, LPC asked Council to delay for another year, but Council decided against that.
- The DAP administrators are concerned; there’s only 8 weeks to go before classes begin, and this would be a new $700 fee, so I’ve brought this motion back.
- I promise this won’t fall off the table; I will bring it back next year.
- This Council has the ability to decide who to collect fees from, but there should be more consultation.

Elin Tayyar: We had this discussion last year and directed the Executive to do consultation. It was done to a certain extent. There’s a question of inter-generational equity: why charge only the new students? I think 8 weeks is more than enough notice.

Eric Gauf: We may have acted hastily before; the new fee would be a hefty percentage of DAP students’ expenses.

Conrad Copeland: What happens in August 2012 if we pass this?

Jeremy McElroy: The Code suspension disappears and the charge is made. Consultation happens in the meantime. Then Council could still decide to
exempt or hold a referendum. But if nothing else happens, there’d be no more exemption.

- Conrad Copeland: They could come back and ask for an exemption again.
- Jeremy McElroy: Very possibly.
- Kyle Warwick:
  - Originally, I was in favour of suspension and a plebiscite or consultation. I’m no longer sure about a plebiscite. It’s not fair to other students at the University, who do not get a right to a plebiscite; for others, the membership at large decides.
  - LPC declined to reconsider this now.
  - Eight weeks is not ideal, but not unreasonable.
  - Communication could have been better.
- Johannes Rebane: I was on the AMS Executive in 2009 when Jeremy Ingoldsby, a DAP student then, brought some DAP students to Council, pushing to be assessed our fees. This very same question can come back year after year.
- Sean Heisler: UBC reviewed the policy and realized they should have been charging these fees all along. Consultation doesn’t make sense if you don’t care what they say. We don’t need consultation; we need a communications strategy to tell the DAP students about opt-outs and financial aid. Let’s not suspend; instead, put together a communications strategy.
- Anne Kessler: If we do this, what guarantee is there that it won’t happen again? Last year we gave direction to consult and nothing happened.
- Katherine Tyson: LPC voted down this motion. Even before Johannes was on the Executive, Matt Naylor did a survey and found a 50-50 split among DAP students. There is a U-Pass subsidy and you can opt out of the Health and Dental Plan if you have your own. There’s only $120 you can’t opt out of, not $700. The bylaws say we should be charging this.
- Mark Bennett: A plebiscite is only one option, but we don’t feel due process has been done. Someone dropped the ball. Over the past year we tried to get into meetings, to no avail. Eight weeks is not enough time.
- Jamie Paris: How much money are we talking about? What will be the effect on the budget? And will DAP students get a seat at this table? I’m against taxation without representation.
- Jeremy McElroy: That’s a big hurdle. They’re neither grad students nor undergraduates. We’d have to amend the bylaws in a referendum. I agree there should be representation.
- Jamie Paris: If we decide tonight to charge them fees, they may still have no seat on Council.
- Jeremy McElroy: They can vote in elections and referendums; that aspect’s been given. But a representative’s seat on Council is still an issue.
- Elin Tayyar: The amount of money involved is $89,000.
- Jamie Paris asked about providing opt-outs.
- Elin Tayyar: Opting out is something we just got rid of in the referendum; it would be an administrative hassle. But we could look at not charging the whole fee.
- Jamie Paris: Can we give them till January?
- Melissa Erasmus: Is there intake in January?
- Ivan Pang: Not mainly. Mostly in September and April.
- Elin Tayyar: Everyone in DAP has the ability to access our services and benefit from our lobbying. It’s not completely fair for only some students to pay for
lobbying that benefits all. We haven’t yet been communicating with any students about the new fees for this coming year.

5. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JAMIE PARIS:

“That the motion be amended to read January 2012 instead of August 2012.”

• Conrad Copeland: The whole taxation without representation thing is not a strong argument. I’ve been an Unclassified student for two years. I still pay all the fees, and there’s no Unclassified Student rep. It’s also not a strong argument to say there’s not enough time to know about the fees.

6. MOVED CONRAD COPELAND:

“That the question be called on the amendment.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

7. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JAMIE PARIS:

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... Carried

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Against (7): Eric Gauf, Anne Kessler, Matt Parson, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Noushin Moshtagabadi, Katherine Tyson, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

• Elin Tayyar said administratively it would make more sense to say December 2011.

There was no objection to amending the motion to say December 2011.

8. MOVED CONRAD COPELAND

“That the question be called on the main motion as amended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried
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Against (6): Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (16): Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Sarthak Kaushik, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Caroline Wong

Against (18): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Montahen, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Maria Cirstea
10. MOVED SEAN HEISLER, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That Council direct the President in cooperation with the representative groups (e.g. the DAP Club) to communicate to all affected students (in advance of September) the features, advantages and benefits of the new fees, in addition to the opt-out procedures and the available bursary programs.”

... Carried

For (24): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Michael Wong

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

11. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

AMS Education Committee minutes dated June 17, 2011 [SCD141-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated June 20, 2011 [SCD142-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated June 27, 2011 [SCD143-12]
Student Life Minutes dated May 11, 2011 [SCD144-12]
Student Life Minutes dated June 1, 2011 [SCD145-12]
Student Life Minutes dated June 22, 2011 [SCD146-12]
AMS Council minutes dated March 23, 2011 [SCD147-12]
AMS Council In Camera minutes dated March 23, 2011 [SCD148-12]
AMS Executive Committee minutes dated May 26, 2011 [SCD149-12]
AMS Executive Committee minutes dated June 9, 2011 [SCD150-12]

... Carried

For (28): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Michael Wong

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:
L) Committee Motions:

12. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MATT PARSON:

“Be it resolved that Council approve the allocation of $1,064 from the old Sustainability Fund (soon to be renamed the Lighter Footprint Strategy Fund) to purchase a worm composting unit.

“Be it further resolved that Council suspend the section of Code requiring that there be a recommendation from BAFCOM or the Budget Committee in order for it to approve an allocation from this fund.”

Note: The current balance in the fund is $33,164.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Elin Tayyar: In September the worm project is going to apply for money from the new fund, but they want to start now. This is for composting in the SUB.

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Abstained: Katherine Tyson
14. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED PAUL GODIN:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Sustainability Projects Fund and Committee’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick:
  o Justin provided an explanation of what this is. This will be how it’s done. It will be a new Extraordinary Committee.
  o There’s some concern about creating too many specific committees, but we didn’t see any way around it.
  o This will be a great mechanism, allowing input from non-political specialists as well as Councillors and at large students. We considered making it a working group of the Finance Commission, but decided against that.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: Creating one extraordinary committee is one too many. It’s not healthy for the organization.
- Elin Tayyar: LPC talked about two different options. One was to do it through Fincom, which deals with some funds, but LPC unanimously decided this was the best option. It allows students at large and experts to become involved.
- Mike Silley: The Walter Gage Committee is only for distributing money. This is the same model, and it works phenomenally.
- Jeremy McElroy: This doesn’t fit entirely in our structure, but that’s all right.
- Sean Heisler: Couldn’t it be a subcommittee of some committee?
- Kyle Warwick: It could technically be done, but it’s not advisable.
- Katherine Tyson: We wanted it more hands off. If it was a subcommittee, it would have to go first to the main committee.
- Jamie Paris asked about how other funds are managed.
- Elin Tayyar: The Finance Commission currently gives out money for the Clubs Benefit Fund, the Constituency Aid Fund, and the Student Initiatives Fund. This one would be a lot more work. We don’t have enough hours at Fincom. And that’s also another reason not to put it in one of the other committees, which are made up of volunteers and rarely make quorum.

15. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

16. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED PAUL GODIN:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Sustainability Projects Fund and Committee’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (26): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (1): Ignacio Rodriguez

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Isabel Gonzolo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Ravi Parhar, Katherine Tyson, Michael Wong

O) Discussion Period

CRA DISCUSSION

The following motion had been on the agenda, but Council had agreed to remove it:

From the University & External Relations Committee
“Whereas the Canada Revenue Agency has indicated that it will apply business taxes to the net financial contribution of AMS businesses causing a grave financial shortfall;

Whereas this loss in revenue will jeopardize the delivery of AMS services and programs;

Whereas legislative amendments from the provincial government can ensure that revenue generating centres from the AMS are not subject to business tax;

Whereas the government of British Columbia is currently undergoing a review of the BC Society Act;

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS opposes any attempts to apply business taxes to its revenue generating centres;

Be it further resolved that council direct the VP External to lobby the Provincial government for amendments to the Society Act to ensure its revenue generating centres are not subject to business taxes;

Be it further resolved that council direct the VP External to lobby for other legislative mechanisms to ensure its revenue generating centres are not subject to business taxes.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Council received the following update:
o We’re different from other societies because we have businesses that make profits.
o The CRA is saying we should pay tax on our revenue.
o We want to go to Victoria to ask the provincial government to reaffirm our non-profit status under the Society Act.
o To respond to the CRA federally would require going through the tax laws, whereas we are governed provincially by the Society Act, and this approach may get the CRA to back off.

- Ross Horton: We don’t know enough yet. We don’t have a strategy yet. We’re meeting our lawyers tomorrow. A motion directing us to lobby might hurt negotiations; that’s why we recommended tabling this.
- Jeremy McElroy: We didn’t feel this needed to come tonight. It was drafted without consulting our financial staff, Elin, or me.
- Kyle Warwick: It’s useful for Council to be aware of this issue. Certainly we want to defer to the judgment of our General Manager. This motion is what Unecorn thought would be a good idea, but let’s not stick ourselves to it.

17. MOVED JAMIE PARIS:

“That Council continue with the agenda.”  

... Carried

For (23): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Sarthak Kaushik, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Caroline Wong

Against (4): Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Eric Gauf, Ravi Parhar, Katherine Tyson

C) Presentations to Council:

CASA PRESENTATION – Katherine Tyson  [SCD152-12]

- We can vote to move to full membership or stay an Associate Member.
- CASA will not allow us to vote at this time to withdraw altogether; we need to give notice, though it’s supposed to be an easy in, easy out association.
- We can also ask them to keep the associate membership fee at 50%.
- We want to hire a Government Relations Officer, which will cost us $75,000 from the Lobbying Fund, and that would help us lobby provincially; if we take up full membership in CASA, we won’t have the money to do that.
- The July 24 election to the CASA Board is coming up, so this is time sensitive.
- Some say we should use CASA on the CRA issue.
- We’re spending far too much money on CASA; we’ll be sacrificing some provincial and municipal lobbying if we go to full membership.
I don’t see all that much value in CASA. I see them as a divisive body. Unaffiliated schools (Queen’s, McGill) often don’t want to work with us; and CFS schools can’t work with us. There are unproductive debates between CFS and CASA.

Questions
- Jamie Paris: Why wasn’t the GSS consulted? The grad student perspective has not been taken into account.
- Katherine Tyson: I was part of the Memorandum of Agreement with the GSS. I talk about graduate students all the time in Victoria and Ottawa, when meeting with other schools. If the GSS finds that much benefit from CASA, you are welcome to join CASA.
- Jamie Paris: CASA has a robust policy group on graduate issues. The action you’re recommending will hurt graduate students. You say you talk about grad students, but do you talk to grad students?

18. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

From the University & External Relations Committee
“Whereas CASA is still seeking approval of its updated bylaws by Industry Canada; and

Whereas the CASA Board has assessed the AMS an associate membership fee of 75% of the full membership fee, rather than a 50% fee; and

Whereas the CASA General Assembly, meeting at the Policy and Strategy Conference in July 2011, may vote to direct the Board on this issue,

Therefore be it resolved that Council direct the AMS CASA delegates to lobby for a motion of the CASA General Assembly asking the CASA Board to assess the AMS a 50% associate membership fee.”

- Katherine Tyson: This is a request for us to be grandfathered so we can continue to pay the 50% rate.
- Matt Parson: It’s pre-emptive to vote to ask for the lower rate as an Associate Member before deciding whether to stay as an Associate Member.

19. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That this motion be laid on the table until after the other CASA motion.”

- Ignacio Rodriguez: People may have different opinions on going to full membership if we are going to lobby for a 50% Associate Membership fee.
- Sean Heisler: We can ask for anything we like. I don’t know why a vote on this before we clarify what we’re doing would be helpful.
- Eric Gauf: If we’re talking of leaving, what are the odds of them cutting us a break on our way out the door?
- Kyle Warwick: There’s no downside to asking for this.
- Matt Parson: This looks like an attempt to frame the next argument.
20. MOVED MATT PARSON:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried

For (27): Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Sean Heisler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Mottomahen, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Against (2): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Michael Haack

21. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That this motion be laid on the table until after the other CASA motion.”

... Defeated

For (9): Eric Gauf, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Jamie Paris, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Against (23): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Mottomahen, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Sarthak Kaushik

Back to debate on the 50% motion.

- Diana Marsh: Does this mean a difference in our status?
- Dave Tompkins: Just in how much we’re paying, not our status.
- Jeremy McElroy: CASA’s old bylaws said that if a member goes to associate membership they pay 50% in their first year and 75% in their second. The new bylaws changed that to 50% and 50%, but those bylaws are not yet in effect. This motion is saying, even though the new bylaws are not in effect, can we pay 50%?
22. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the motion be amended to add the following clause:

‘Be it further resolved that should Council decide to become a full member, this resolution be automatically rescinded.’ ”

... No objections

23. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (26): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momin, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Against (6): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Sean Heisler, Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Abstained: Sarthak Kaushik, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong

24. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

From the University & External Relations Committee

“Whereas CASA is still seeking approval of its updated bylaws by Industry Canada; and

Whereas the CASA Board has assessed the AMS an associate membership fee of 75% of the full membership fee, rather than a 50% fee; and

Whereas the CASA General Assembly, meeting at the Policy and Strategy Conference in July 2011, may vote to direct the Board on this issue,

Therefore be it resolved that Council direct the AMS CASA delegates to lobby for a motion of the CASA General Assembly asking the CASA Board to assess the AMS a 50% associate membership fee.

Be it further resolved that should Council decide to become a full member, this resolution be automatically rescinded.”

... Carried
For (18): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Against (10): Sean Heisler, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Elin Tayyar, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

25. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

From the Budget Committee
“That on the recommendation of the Budget Committee and the Executive Committee, the AMS become a full member of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations.”

The Speaker ruled that this motion does not require a 2/3rds vote.

Katherine Tyson challenged the ruling.

26. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That the ruling of the Chair be upheld.”

- The Speaker: The motion is not a rescinding or a policy, and it is not budgetary.
- Katherine Tyson: This is coming from the Budget Committee; it’s part of the budget process; it takes a two-thirds vote to change the budget. And I think joining an organization should be a two-thirds vote.
- Elin Tayyar: The draft of the budget has been sent out; if that’s the budget, it’s already in there. Full membership is budgeted for. If you want to change this procedure, go to LPC.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: Why did you ask for full membership?
- Katherine Tyson: This is a bit of a surprise to me.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: I think this is policy; it passes the policy test. Raising to a higher status should clearly be two-thirds.
- Sean Heisler: The budget at this point is a draft. It can be easily changed. It’s not done yet; there’s lots of flexibility. We’re already a member of CASA; we’re just changing our level of membership.
- Jeremy McElroy: Some people are saying this is about joining CASA; we’re just changing our status.
• Kyle Warwick: De facto this locks you in. There are budgetary and policy implications. Fifty percent is a low threshold. SFU requires a referendum for this sort of thing. Maybe we were wrong in the past in not requiring a two-thirds vote.
• Jamie Paris: Council can always rescind a motion, can’t it?
• Kyle Warwick: But if you give notice to the other body, you’re locked in.
• The Speaker: In the past we haven’t looked at the budget that way [seeing a vote like this as budgetary]. We should separate the ideological from the procedural. I believe it’s in our Code to do it this way [not by two-thirds].

27. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That the ruling of the Chair be upheld.”

... Defeated

For (15): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Maria Cirstea, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Against (19): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

*The effect of this vote was to make the following motion require two-thirds:*

28. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

From the Budget Committee

“That on the recommendation of the Budget Committee and the Executive Committee, the AMS become a full member of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Elin Tayyar: The reason this is coming back to Council is that Council was told one figure for being an associate member of CASA, but we received an invoice, and it’s a higher figure. To move from associate to full membership would cost not $23,000 but $12,000. So the Budget Committee thought it should be revisited to see if Council wanted to reconfirm their vote. Full membership would cost us $47,482; associate costs us $35,807; previously Council thought associate would cost $23,000.
• Katherine Tyson: We have about $90,000 in the Lobbying Fund, so after $47,000 for CASA and another $10,000 for travelling to CASA conferences, there’s only $35,000 left.
• Elin Tayyar: There’s $177,000 for External Lobbying. $75,000 is budgeted for a new government relations officer, but they haven’t been hired yet, so that figure
should be pro-rated; it will be less. There’s $34,000 from last year. The entire AMS budget is $15.8 million.

- Ignacio Rodriguez: We’ve had this come up several times. Not many want to stay in CASA as full members. The money is not relevant. We have to be an associate member for this year. Think of the value we’re getting. Is it worth throwing good money after bad? Also, if we move to full membership, is it harder to leave?
- Jeremy McElroy: No.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: Okay, but if we’re planning to leave, it’s pointless to go to full membership.
- Jeremy McElroy:
  - Even though we’re asking for 50% as the fee for being an associate member, there’s no guarantee they will grant that.
  - We’re currently entering our third year as an associate member; CASA bylaws only allow two years as associate members. We had asked for one year to adjudicate the organization.
  - We currently send three delegates, one from the GSS, to conferences, costing us about $18,000 in travel to CASA. We already invest a lot.
  - I think there is immense value in the organization; it’s not just for grad students.
  - I commend CASA for what they did during the election that no one saw coming.
  - They’re an alliance; the members drive the policies. If we feel we’re not getting enough out of it, maybe it’s that we’re not putting enough into it.
  - I think we’re being unreasonable in our demands of CASA: consider our lobbying; it’s been said that they spend a lot on staff and an office; so do we.
  - We have to support other student associations.
  - What have they gotten? Who has gotten anything? Lobbying is about banging your head against a wall for hundreds of thousands of dollars a year, but it’s important to do.
  - We’re a founding member.
  - I would like to take a leadership role on one of their committees; there’s so much more we can do.
  - This will ensure a strong federal presence.
  - This came out of the budget, but it’s really about principle. The debate has been twisted in disingenuous ways.

- Kyle Warwick:
  - The 75% charge for associate status was a surprise; their Board of Directors may have been acting alone on that. Anyway, let’s not throw good money after bad.
  - It’s ridiculous that they didn’t see the election coming; it was totally the rumbling in political circles at the time. CASA is not doing its job.
  - Does CASA benefit students? Moving away from CASA will actually facilitate co-operation; there’s a counter-productive battle between CFS and CASA. There’s lots of successful lobbying from neutral schools.

- Andrew Patterson: There is no existing lobbying structure on the provincial level; there are two on the federal level. We have to be able to play ball on the federal level. The CFS is a fatal attraction; they punish those who try to leave. With CASA it’s easier to leave. I support membership in CASA; it’s important to shake hands with the Prime Minister and MP’s.
• Kiran Mahal asked about the value of full membership in relation to provincial lobbying.
• Katherine Tyson: We’re budgeting for a provincial election, and though there’s no provincial lobbying group, we’re working on that. We need money for that.
• Jeremy McElroy: If we become full members, Jamie Paris can run for a spot on the CASA board and I can take a leadership role on committees. We would also have a vote on policy decisions. We’d be pulling our weight in the organization, doing our part.
• Diana Marsh: No one here seems interested in joining the CFS, so it’s troubling that there’s talk of pulling out of CASA. Our constituents will be upset not to have any federal lobbying going on. It’s not “bad” money; it’s better to stay in CASA and have some clout at the federal level.
• Katherine Tyson: It’s awesome to shake hands with the Prime Minister, but postsecondary education is provincial. Do we want to give more funds provincially or federally? Provincially is where decisions are made.
• Erik MacKinnon:
  o We throw money at Block Party and Whistler Lodge. The $12,000 is less than the average amount we spend on the Welcome Back BBQ; look at how money is thrown around in this organization on water fountains.
  o The numbers on how much CASA has spent are misleading; they don’t include the staff costs; they’re lobbyists.
• Michael Haack:
  o On July 6 Unecorn voted not to recommend this motion. I’m dismayed to see the President, the VP Finance, and the VP Academic bringing it forward.
  o We might be able to elect someone to the CASA board, but we promised to be open and accountable, and this will be affronting our members. Our issues haven’t been addressed. We have to serve the interests of our students.

29. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (15): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (17): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Eric Gauf, Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Justin Yang
Elin Tayyar:
- It wasn’t brought forward as part of a political agenda by three Executives. Council was misinformed; that’s why it was brought forward from the Budget Committee.
- We do have limited resources, but I don’t want Council to lose its long-term vision. Katherine goes to all the schools, but CASA provides long-term connections. It’s a great tool to connect to other student unions.
- We have $177,000 and $34,000 in reserve.
- One quarter of UBC’s population are grad students; they pay $44,000 of the $177,000. It’s important to recognize that CASA addresses a lot of issues and is a benefit to grad students.

Ignacio Rodriguez: The GSS loves CASA, but I’m here to represent Science students, and I don’t believe they or a majority of students get value out of CASA. I feel Council is being held hostage here. The rules should be changed to allow the GSS to join CASA.

Eric Gauf:
- If we need more money for the provincial and municipal side of things, it would be appropriate to go to Budget Committee for more money.
- Has the CASA voting structure and fee structure been changed?

Jeremy McElroy: Fees are more equitable overall, but that’s not too relevant to us, because we’re capped. The voting structure has been changed, yes.

Katherine Tyson: We only have $35,000; there won’t be any more money.

Diana Marsh: Isn’t your budget changeable?

Katherine Tyson: It’s a fund.

Dan Olson: The EUS considered whether to continue its membership in an engineering federation. We thought the federation was too Eastern, so we became a leader. Now two of 11 board members are from UBC. We made them move westward.

Conrad Copeland: I don’t like how this debate is happening. It feels like we’ve been rushed into this. This is students’ money, and just because we have been irresponsible before doesn’t mean we should be again. Let’s stay associate members, give three months’ notice to leave and have CASA come and explain.

30. MOVED CONRAD COPELAND

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (18): María Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (13): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Diana Marsh, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson
(proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

Abstained: Mike Silley, Justin Yang

- Sean Heisler:
  - The UBC President decided to stay in the CIS and try to make things better. That was a good decision.
  - We need money for the provincial election? There was money for the federal mailout campaign that was cancelled. Katherine was asking where to spend it. Where is that money going to go?

- Katherine Tyson: People told me to go provincially.

- Jamie Paris:
  - I don’t want to hold you hostage or to lecture you. We want the AMS to work with the GSS to help push CASA, to reform it.
  - CASA was able to get money for the Tri-Council. That is a Science issue. CASA had success; they were the only ones able to do this.
  - Lots of funding decisions are made at the federal level.
  - We don’t want to have to split from the AMS.

- Paul Godin: We’re still associate members. The only benefit of going to full membership is to get someone elected to their board. The choices are to fix CASA or give the money to Katherine.

31. MOVED PAUL GODIN:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (26): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Mootahen, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (3): Diana Marsh, Jamie Paris, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

Abstained: Mike Silley, Justin Yang

32. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

From the Budget Committee

“That on the recommendation of the Budget Committee and the Executive Committee, the AMS become a full member of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations.”
For (15): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Eric Gauf, Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

Against (20): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Mottahen, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

There were no objections to extending Council by one hour.

It was agreed to add a motion on the Sexual Assault fund.

33. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED RAVI PARHAR:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion on giving notice to CASA about membership.”

... Carried

For (20): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Mottahen, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Against (14): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Eric Gauf, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Justin Yang

34. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

“Whereas Council has displayed a will to reconsider its membership in CASA; and

Whereas CASA bylaws require three months’ notice for any such motion,

Therefore be it resolved that Council direct the Vice-President External Affairs to inform CASA that a vote regarding membership will be held in three months’ time.

Be it further resolved that Council direct the University and External Relations committee to prepare such a motion for the first meeting in November.”
• Ignacio Rodriguez: This will facilitate discussion. It will allow CASA to come here. This debate has got to happen. We should give notice as soon as possible.
• Jeremy McElroy: We should change this to the last meeting in November, after the CASA convention.

There were no objections to making this change in the motion.

35. MOVED JAMIE PARIS, SECONDED ERIC GAUF:

“That the motion be amended to add:

‘Be it further resolved that Council direct the AMS Executive to work together with the GSS on a plan for the GSS to join CASA by the first meeting in November.’”

... No objections

• Jamie Paris: There are financial and bylaw issues.
• The Speaker said that the motion currently does not bind the AMS to anything financial.

36. MOVED JAMIE PARIS, SECONDED ANDREW PATTERSON:

“That the motion be amended to add:

‘Be it further resolved that the scope of such an AMS/GSS plan should include legislative and financial components.’”

• Ignacio Rodriguez: I don’t feel that binding our Executive to talk about money is right. It’s not responsible stewardship.
• Erik MacKinnon asked how many fee-paying AMS members are grad students.
• Jamie Paris: About 10,000.
• Erik MacKinnon: You want the AMS to enable there to be a financial contribution.
• Diana Marsh: Almost the whole discussion has been about money.
• Katherine Tyson: Financial arrangements should be part of this, but it doesn’t need to be in the motion.
• Johannes Rebane: The GSS and the AMS need to talk. We don’t need a motion to force talk.
• Jamie Paris: Yes, we do.

37. MOVED JOHANNES REBANE, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That this motion be postponed until the next Council meeting.”

... Defeated

For (8): Maria Cirstea, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Elin Tayyar, Justin Yang

Against (18): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Sean Heisler, Sarthak
Kaushik, Diana Marsh, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Ignacio Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

38. MOVED JAMIE PARIS, SECONDED ANDREW PATTERSON:

“That the motion be amended to add:

'Be it further resolved that the scope of such an AMS/GSS plan should include legislative and financial components.' "

... Carried

For (15): Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Sarthak Kaushik, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Johannes Rebane, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Caroline Wong

Against (9): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Tina Mash, Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Ignacio Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Sean Heisler, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Justin Yang

39. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the motion be divided.”

... Carried

For (13): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong


Abstained: Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Sean Heisler

40. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

“Whereas Council has displayed a will to reconsider its membership in CASA; and

Whereas CASA bylaws require three months’ notice for any such motion,

Therefore be it resolved that Council direct the Vice-President External Affairs to inform CASA that a vote regarding membership will be held in three months’ time.
Be it further resolved that Council direct the University and External Relations committee to prepare such a motion for the last meeting in November.”

... Carried

For (16): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Against (12): Eric Gauf, Paul Godin (proxy for Cathy Wang), Sarthak Kaushik, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Elin Tayyar, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

41. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

“Be it resolved that Council direct the AMS Executive to work together with the GSS on a plan for the GSS to join CASA by the first meeting in November.

Be it further resolved that the scope of such an AMS/GSS plan should include legislative and financial components.”

... Carried

For (19): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Sarthak Kaushik, Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Ignacio Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Caroline Wong

Against (3): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Michael Haack, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Abstained: Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Johannes Rebane, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang

42. MOVED KYLIE WARWICK, SECONDED ROSHAKEH MOMTAHEN:

“Be it resolved that Council amend Code Section IX B, Article 6 (4) (k) to change the terms of the Sexual Assault Services Fund so that instead of guaranteeing that 95% of the fund goes to the Sexual Assault Support Centre, a minimum of 2/3rds shall go to the Sexual Assault Support Services Centre (SASC).

Be it further resolved that this 2/3rds allocation can be increased by Council upon the recommendation of Budget Committee.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
• Kyle Warwick: Currently, the budget would break Code. The idea in the budget is to fund the SASC core. There may be one-off expenses, so they can go to Council for more. They can’t go to the Initiatives Fund for more because they now sit on the adjudicating body for that fund in an advisory capacity. They can’t apply to that fund.

• Jeremy McElroy: The 95% figure dates back to when we had two full-time coordinators and no CPI increase for the fund. Now we’re at one and a half coordinators, with CPI. We’re not cutting funding.

43. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED ROSHAK MOMTAHEN:

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Be it further resolved that this 2/3rds allocation can be increased by Council upon the recommendation of Budget Committee.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried

For (20): Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Elin Tayyar, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Against (1): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes)

Abstained: Justin Yang

44. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED STEWART MCGILLIVRAY: [SCD153-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Executive Performance Reports’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick: This was Bahador’s idea. It means reducing the number of Executive reports from four to three and also changing the nature of the reports. Instead of being free form, the three reports will each be different:
  o The first will lay out goals.
  o The second will discuss how their term of office is going.
  o The third will assess how the term went and possibly provide guidance for incoming Execs.
45. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED STEWART MCGILLIVRAY:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Executive Performance Reports’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (18): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Abstained: Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson

46. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED STEWART MCGILLIVRAY:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Committee Meetings’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Committee Reports’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick:
  - Committee chairs should do written reports; we’re paid; there should be accountability.
  - If a committee has not met for two weeks, the proposed amendment would allow the Agenda Committee to force a meeting. This must be announced at Council. This is for cases where a chair is not responsive, to ensure that committees are doing work.
- Matt Parson: Does this mean oversight of chairs by a committee of chairs?
- Kyle Warwick: It’s not exactly oversight.

47. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED STEWART MCGILLIVRAY:

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For (12): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Against (2): Diana Marsh, Jamie Paris

Abstained: Eric Gauf, Sarthak Kaushik, Jeremy McElroy, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

48. MOVED JEREMY MCELROY:

“That Council give Rory Breasail 7 days’ notice of being removed as the Chair of University and External Relations Committee.”

- Jeremy McElroy: Rory is away and not available.

49. MOVED JEREMY MCELROY:

“That Council give Rory Breasail 7 days’ notice of being removed as the Chair of University and External Relations Committee.”

... Carried

For (17): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Leo Stokes), Eric Gauf, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Keely Hebert), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Camila Guan), Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Caroline Wong, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Against (1): Roshak Momtahen

Abstained: Tina Mash, Jamie Paris, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Bahador Moosavi), Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang
M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

New SUB Microbrewery

- Jeremy McElroy: We’re near the final design drawings. Any change after that will cost us money, but we haven’t been able to finalize the brewery plans. In next week’s budget, we want to know if Council is comfortable with $25,000 from CPAC being set aside as a Plan B fund if further down the road we want to stop. This will give us until mid-September.

- Kyle Warwick: Do you want a motion?

- Jeremy McElroy: Just a show of hands.

- Mike Silley: For the Brew Pub, there’s $1 million that can’t be financed by the New SUB fund. The question is, Can we still put it in the designs? But if we can’t find external funding, can we have money to issue a change order?

- Jeremy McElroy: We just want a show of hands about budgeting the $25,000 and we don’t want Council to raise this three months later.

- Jamie Paris: We couldn’t spend $12,000 on CASA, but now we’re going to spend $25,000 without a motion.

- Mike Silley: We just want to see if this is a risk the New SUB Committee should take.

- Jeremy McElroy: The budget will come next week, but that’s after the deadline. We just want a tentative thumbs up.

R) Adjournment:

*Five hours having elapsed since the beginning of the meeting, the meeting was considered adjourned at 11:12 pm.*

D) President’s Remarks:

E) Executive Remarks:

F) Committee Reports:

G) Constituency Reports:

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

July 20, 2011

S) Social Activity:
# July 13, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Pelican Mann (Arts Undergraduate), Alex Lush (EUS), Justin McElroy (Uyssey), Alyssa Koehn (student), Kathy Yan Li (UBC Brewing Club), Kalyeena Makortoff (Uyssey), Elaine Kuo (student), Kera McArthur (UBC Campus & Community Planning), Andrew Parr (SHHS), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Raj Mathur (Music), Joanne Pickford (AMS Administration), Keith Hester (AMS Director of Finance)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 pm.

It was agreed to add a motion on CPAC (the Student Spaces Fund).

1. MOVED ANNE KESSLER, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (24): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Justin Yang, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

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

C) Presentations to Council:

The Ponderosa Hub Project – Andrew Parr (UBC Student Housing and Hospitality Services) and Kera McArthur (Campus and Community Planning)

Andrew Parr:
- Last year there was a Residence rate increase to contribute to the growth plan (Totem infill, 2500 new beds).
- Now Phase 2: Ponderosa Hub (over 1100 new beds), and the Hub concept in general (social/academic connections).
- There’s a huge demand for beds and a significant waitlist (2500 to 3000 students).
- Aim is to have 35% of full-time students in Residence (up from 28%).
- (UBC’s campus plan has a long-range target of 50%).
- Hub Concept: 5 sites. Ponderosa is deep in development; the other four are in the planning stages.
- This is not first-year housing; they’re already being served.
- Ponderosa will include a café, fitness facilities, and indoor bike storage.
- Also a Collegium for commuter students; a living room away from home.
And Fine Arts studios.
Bringing all these things together with students.
Education also going to have a component.
Privacy is an issue. Upper level students want their own living space.
Rental rates will be self-sustaining, to cover costs.
  - $900 for a studio; $845 for sharing a 2-bedroom; $745 for sharing a quad.
Two years from opening.
$136.4 million project; UBC contributing $1.26 million a year (so it’s not fully ancillaryized). Internal loan from land proceeds; favourable interest rate.
No vacancies expected in the winter; 30% in summer.
This is an opportunity to consult.
This is a big University initiative; we’re looking for buy-in and ideas.
We’re doing lots of consultation, including with the Wreck Beach Preservation Society about heights of buildings.
There will be open houses in September.
Results of consultation so far: preserve green space; sustainability’s a huge mantra.
Close to completing schematic designs.
Shovels in the ground, January-February 2012.

Questions

Anne Kessler: Is this the whole budget or just for Phase 1?
Andrew Parr: The entire project’s budget is $136.4 million.
Anne Kessler asked about vehicles.
Andrew Parr: There’s a vehicular access route on part, but we’re downplaying that; we’re attempting to keep service vehicles out of the core.
Kyle Warwick: The $745-$950 range is tough, the upper end of affordability.
Andrew Parr: I agree, but the business model requires this to be self-supporting. We have to cover our costs. There’s significant interest in the UBC Executive to advocate for student loans for living.
Kyle Warwick: Is it true that some ancillaries contribute to University funding?
Andrew Parr: Yes, part of our budget is a contribution to the University.
Kyle Warwick: Is there something happening to Lasserre or Kenney? Or is this additional?
Andrew Parr: Nothing’s happening to Lasserre or Kenney. Some of this is replacement space. Education came in with funding for more square footage.
Mike Silley: It’s a condensed timeline. Is the budget fluid?
Andrew Parr: Yes, it’s built on allocation standards.
Mike Silley asked about amenities (convenience store, shopping mall, etc.).
Andrew Parr: The plan is for food outlets but not convenience stores. Actually, that’s a good idea. We have those in Gage and Totem. We don’t at Marine Drive, and we get feedback on that. We should incorporate that.
Mike Silley: Do you have a colour? [Laughter.]
Andrew Parr: I’ll plead the Fifth. There’s talk of white.
Cathy Wang: Could two people be in the studios, potentially?
Andrew Parr: Yes, potentially. We’re looking at subletting. We’re looking at partner relationships.
Elin Tayyar: Will there be a rooftop patio?
• Andrew Parr: No, there’s some talk of a rooftop garden, but nothing tangible yet; we’re not looking at public access.
• Neal Yonson: A full-on grocery store is needed, not just a convenience store.
• Andrew Parr: Yeah.
• Neal Yonson asked about an $8 million reserve.
• Andrew Parr: That’s UBC’s contribution; it’s a non-ancillary component.
• Neal Yonson: There’s $5 million from Housing to the University; why pay that and then have money come back?
• Andrew Parr: I can’t speak for the University. There are discussions with Finance. It’s partly just the way the money moves; it’s more transparent this way.

AMS Budget – Elin Tayyar

Elin:
• Final version sent out a few hours ago after a meeting of the Budget Committee. It includes some significant changes.
• Four Councillors came to our consultation sessions; I assume no one else has issues or questions.
• Our finances have been an issue for several years; there was some irresponsibility with spending and planning in the past. Yearly turnover is a problem.
• We go through a couple of months every year without a new budget. During that period, I approve things. If this budget doesn’t pass, we go back to that.
• There are lots of rules, legal issues, referendum directions. We’ve worked with those restrictions.
• Three goals:
  a. Long-term vision. We don’t have that today; we’re working on it for the first time in AMS history.
  b. Realistic budgeting.
  c. Increasing accountability.
• We have a major project underway, the new SUB, that is a hindrance. The construction will affect our businesses, probably more next fiscal year than this.
• Once we move into the new building, we’re hoping to make lots of money.
• Meanwhile we have a multi-year deficit. We could balance the budget by cutting, but then it would take a decade to bring back the institutional memory.
• We need a prudent budget; the hope is to get rid of the deficit when we move into the new SUB.
• We spent $79,000 on legal last year, though we budgeted only $25,000; we need to control that item but also budget realistically, so we’ve set it at $40,000.
• We’ve looked at the historical performance of Events and created a larger than usual contingency.
• For the sake of accountability we’ve eliminated miscellaneous lines in the budget.
• We’re changing the budget process for activities from specific funds, e.g., SASC: reducing expenditures to administrative costs. Campaign funding can come separately.
• Challenges:
  o We expected a decrease in the budget contribution of $403,000 from last year, and after the first two months of this year we’ve adjusted it down even further, to a more realistic figure.
There's been an increase in student wages because of the minimum wage increase.

We've increased our administrative costs because of change management and the introduction of new positions that never existed before. Council was in favour of creating them, but they come with a cost: short-term pain for long-term gain.

Taxes have also been an issue. The CRA thinks we should be paying taxes on our businesses; we plan to challenge that; it’s a complicated issue.

The fee referendum provided us with an anti-challenge.

- Business revenue projection is now down to $497,000.
- Taxes could be $113,000, including $30,000 to spend on an accounting firm to get an accounting opinion.
- Fees are up, but other revenue is not.
- Lots of cuts in student government ($31,389), but we’re planning to hire a government relations officer/policy analyst in September, and that will cost us $75,000.
- There’s increased money to Services because of wage increases.
- Communications is down a bit. Events is the same as last year.
- Administration costs are up ($77,000) because of the Change Management process.
- The fee increase is bringing in $391,624, reducing the deficit by that much. It would have been a $500,000 deficit otherwise, and we would have been in no shape to continue as an organization.
- With fees now indexed to inflation, there will be less deficit if expenses stay the same.

Goals:
- We need a long-term budget plan; we have to cure the deficit.
- We need to bring business expectations to zero; we can’t expect the businesses to make profits; we can’t rely on their contribution; it varies so greatly. If we can do that, then everything we do get from them can be reinvested in the businesses to lower prices or put in some fund for discretionary spending.
- We need a long-term, three-to-five-year business plan. We’re hiring a Director of Operations.
- We need to simplify our accounting system; it’s too confusing for the CRA to understand.
- We have a new Treasurer-Controller, which has meant a loss of institutional memory.
- We need to control legal spending. Council doesn’t know about legal spending till afterwards. The President can go via the General Manager to the lawyers without going to Council.

Questions
- Kyle Warwick: If we reduce business revenues to zero, or say that any revenue must be reinvested, it might tie our hands.

D) President’s Remarks (Jeremy McElroy):
- Going to Toronto with Ross for the Canadian Student Horizons Group (CSHG) re Travelcuts.
- Then Katherine and I will go to McMaster for CASA.
• New SUB business branding and other new SUB business.
• Budget.
• Sustainability Committee trying to implement ideas about going paperless.
• Firstweek planning.
• U-Pass rollout.
• HR issues: filling positions, e.g., a Director of Student Government and a Communications Director.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar
• Budget.
• Sustainability initiatives: A paperless AMS is the idea, but it’s a lot more challenging than expected.
• Talking to UBC re investments; looking for more stable investment income
• IT in the new SUB.
• Brew pub.

VP Academic & University Affairs – Matt Parson
• Working on summer semester idea: should there be a full academic session or should it be more a time for conferences?
• UBC Events: co-hosting.
• Finalizing Go Global agreement with UBC concerning the International Fund.
• VP Academic caucus: good conversations.
• Exam database: May make it an AMS database instead of waiting for UBC. It’s a service students want, but we don’t want to step on any toes. Working with the clubs.
• Starting to work on a student survey to find out what students want from the AMS and UBC.

VP External Affairs – Katherine Tyson
• U-Pass rollout at the UBC Bookstore. Some pushback. Need to let students know it’s a monthly pass this year. It will generally be ready two weeks before the start of each month, but for the first month not till August 25.
• Going to CASA conference.
• Student loan policy motion tonight.
• Budgeting
• Working on provincial and municipal election plans.

VP Administration – Mike Silley
• Walter Gage Memorial Fund: apply.
• Shinerama planning going awesomely.
• IT Internal policies: phasing out club emails on AMS servers; phasing out public access terminals.
• New SUB: Going great.
  o IT infrastructure,
  o Pit design, Brew Pub.
  o Childminding – working with UBC to make childminding centre happen.
  o New SUB still over budget but not as much as before ($3.6 million instead of $5 million). Still need to find efficiencies.
• Slide looking great.
• Hiring retail consultants: cool stuff.
• Aquatic Centre Management committee: big news coming.
• Whistler review has begun.

Executive Coordinator Student Services – Pavani Gunadasa
• Went to a national student services conference.
• Services budgets.
• Working on Services involvement in Orientation events.
• Working with Student Life Committee re Services review.
• SASC coordinator leaving.
• Hiring more assistant coordinators and volunteers.

F) Committee Reports:
None.

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Tina Mash
• Planning frosh.
• Passing budget next week.

GSS
• No report.

Law – Eric Gauf
• Allard Hall will be the name of new Law building. Named for big donor ($10.6 million donation).

Nursing – Melissa Erasmus
• Revising our constitution.

Engineering – Ian Campbell
• Planning Frosh.
• New arcade machine.

Land & Food Systems – Cathy Wang
• Planning Frosh.

Science – Gary Tse
• Replacing Ladha furniture.
• Planning Frosh/ Imagine Day.
• 50th anniversary reunion.
• 432 returning.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

BoG – Sean Heisler
• Hiring announcement coming.
• Housing plan – looking at UC Irvine.
- Student loans.

**Senate – Aaron Sihota**
- No meetings till September.

**Ombudsperson – Jay Shah**
- Imagine Day and Clubs Week: coordinating with Advocacy; expanding outreach.

I) **Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:**

2. **MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:**

   “That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

   Student Life Minutes dated June 22, 2011 [SCD157-12]
   University & External Relations Comm minutes dated July 7, 2011 [SCD158-12]
   Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated July 4, 2011 [SCD159-12]
   Education Committee minutes dated July 15, 2011 [SCD160-12]

   For (24): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

J) **Executive Committee Motions:**

K) **Constituency and Caucus Motions:**

L) **Committee Motions:**

3. **MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:** [SCD162-12]

   **From the Budget Committee**
   “Be it resolved that the 2011/2012 AMS Budget be accepted as presented.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   - Elin Tayyar: We’ll need to suspend Code for the budget because we’re not going to put any money in the Constituency Aid Fund, as required by Code. There are few applications to the fund.

4. **MOVED ELIN TAYYAR:**

   “That the budget motion be amended to add the following clause:
‘Be it further resolved that the relevant section of Code be suspended to allow no money to be put into the Constituency Aid Fund this year.’

... No objections

- Anne Kessler asked about spending by the New SUB Committee on refreshments.
- Mike Silley: That was part of student outreach; it was mostly before my term in office.
- Elin Tayyar: Those are expenses from last year.
- Anne Kessler: Why is there nothing for the federal election?
- Katherine Tyson: We used last year’s fund.
- Anne Kessler: Why is the line for Sustainability blank, zero?
- Elin Tayyar: The only expense is the coordinator’s salary.
- Anne Kessler asked about the AMS Insider.
- Elin Tayyar: That’s the annual Agenda, the day-planner.
- Sarthak Kaushik: There’s no mention of sustainability.
- Elin Tayyar: We have a bunch of funds outside the budget and dealt with individually.

5. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

From the Budget Committee

“Be it resolved that the 2011/2012 AMS Budget be accepted as presented.

Be it further resolved that the relevant section of Code be suspended to allow no money to be put into the Constituency Aid Fund this year.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (26): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

6. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That on the recommendation of the Executive Committee Council approve an allocation of not more than $33,900 from the Student Spaces Fund (formerly CPAC) for the construction of an electronic commerce through the Internets system.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: The balance of the fund is $448,370.28
• Elin Tayyar: Rezgo is too expensive and only for events. We want to allow clubs to sell online. The Engineers have wanted to do this. We’ve got an economical option: a one-time expense and a small ongoing expense covered by charging students a small user fee.

• Aaron Sihota: How long will it take to set up?

• Elin Tayyar: Five weeks. The aim is for a September 1 launch.

• Jeremy McElroy: This will combine everything.

• Elin Tayyar: Some clubs talked of leaving the AMS because they couldn’t do this. Some clubs really wanted this.

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8. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL: [SCD163-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“Be it resolved that Council, on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee, approve the changes to the Travel Policy as presented.

Be it further resolved that Council, on the recommendation of the Senior HR Manager, approve the amendment to the Permanent Staff Personnel Handbook as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick: This changes how much will be paid per day for meals, raising it from $35 or $45 to $60. $60 is a reasonable amount, established in consultation with people who go to conferences and with David Hannigan.

• Jeremy McElroy: When Katherine and I went to a conference, it was only $35. I was losing money for work. It’s $45 in the Handbook we passed previously. It’s on a reimbursement basis; you have to show receipts.

• Erik MacKinnon: How much will this change cost?

• Jeremy McElroy: It will usually fit within our $1500 travel amount.
9. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (16): Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Abstained: Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Sarthak Kaushik, Jeremy McElroy, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Aaron Sihota

10. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee Entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Policy Types’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: This will separate our two types of policies. We have internal policies like the travel policy we just amended, ones concerning issues over which we have control; and there are also external policies, ones in which we are making a request of another organization. We’re supposed to publish all of these in one massive manual, and they were all being held up because of the external ones. Now the internal policies will be an appendix to the Code.

11. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee Entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Policy Types’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (21): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart
McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Abstained: Eric Gauf

12. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK: [SCD165-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Publications Procedures’ and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: This part of the Code is a holdover from before committee reform. It refers to the Communications Planning Group, which no longer exists, and which wasn’t doing the work on publications anyway (things like the hiring of the Insider editor). Now we’ll have BAFCOM do the interviews for the editor, but the actual hiring will be done by the Communications Manager, as for most positions.
- Sheldon Goldfarb: One other change is that the Student Life Committee will become the Student Life and Communications Committee.
- Kyle Warwick: It’s just a renaming, not a change in responsibility; a change in emphasis. It will attract people to the committee to work on communications.

13. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Publications Procedures’ and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (19): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Johannes Rebane, Aaron Sihota, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Against (1): Ignacio Rodriguez

Abstained: Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Elin Tayyar
14. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:  [SCD166-12]

**From the Legislative Procedures Committee**

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Summer Committee Attendance’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: This would make it so if someone misses three committee meetings in the summer the chair can ask them to resign. Previously, this could only be done in the school year and people were cut some slack in the summer; that made sense when we had one-year appointments, but now we’re appointing people just for the summer. It’s a commitment people should be able to make.

15. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

**From the Legislative Procedures Committee**

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (26): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

16. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:  [SCD167-12]

**From the Legislative Procedures Committee**

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Extraordinary Hiring Committee Chair Remuneration’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: This changes the compensation from whatever Council wants to zero. Whether the chair is a Councillor or an Exec, they won’t be paid. Recently, non-Execs have said they’d serve in this position for nothing, for personal development, and no pay has been given. The committee thought it was not necessary to offer pay; we thought we’d just remove the discretion.
17. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Extraordinary Hiring Committee Chair Remuneration’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (24): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

18. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JACK PARK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Sexual Assault Initiatives Fund’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick: Last week we changed the amount in the Sexual Assault Support Services Fund that goes to SASC (the Sexual Assault Support Centre) from 95% to two-thirds to allow more money for applicants to the Initiatives Fund. This adds that representatives from SASC should be asked to serve in an advisory role when the Student Life Committee looks at the applicants. To avoid a conflict of interest, if SASC itself wants more money it will go to the Budget Committee, not Student Life.
• Tina Mash: What did SASC ask for last time?
• Kyle Warwick: 81%. But 67% is a minimum; they can still get more.

19. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JACK PARK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Sexual Assault Initiatives Fund’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (23): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy,
Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

20. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

From the University & External Relations Committee

"Whereas Student Loan Eligibility Requirements prevent accessibility of post secondary education by populations in need due to their holding of additional assets, which are assumed to be liquid, though often are not;

Whereas BC has the highest student loan interest rate in Canada, though BC has one of the best credit ratings and other provinces have been striving to eliminate interest rates on student loans entirely;

Whereas a 6-month grace period to pay back student loans is often an insufficient amount of time in which to find gainful employment;

Whereas interest is accumulated on the 6-month grace period meaning that in actuality once a student is not considered a full time university student interest starts to accumulate;

Whereas it is now encouraged and increasingly expected for students to gain work experience through internships and other work opportunities and so many students are away from school for extended periods of time, or taking part time studies, in order to gain these opportunities and the Student Loan Program often considers these students as having left school and their interest begins to accrue, even though these students are not finished school and will be returning to classes;

And Whereas the amount of money distributed through the Student Loan Program has not increased with inflation and is not enough to cover the cost of living. This makes many students on the Student Loan Program have to focus on covering the deficit between the amount the loan gives out and the actual cost of living making these students unable to focus on their studies or their Post Secondary experience;

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS of University of British Columbia, Vancouver lobby for a full review of eligibility requirements in order to eliminate the inclusion of non-liquid and necessary assets in loan calculations;

Be it further resolved that the AMS of University of British Columbia, Vancouver lobby for the reduction of the student loan interest rate to the prime-borrowing rate;

Be it further resolved that the AMS of University of British Columbia, Vancouver lobby for an increase in the grace period from 6 months to 12 months, and that the 12-month grace period is interest-free.

Be it further resolved that the AMS of University of British Columbia, Vancouver lobby that the Student Loan Program will accommodate the diversifying needs of
students and allow for internships and part time status without considering the student as having left school.

And be it further resolved that the AMS of University of British Columbia, Vancouver lobby for an increase in the monetary amount allotted to students for the cost of living to cover the actual cost of living, and tie the amount allotted to increase with inflation.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Katherine Tyson: Unecorn passed this unanimously. It will allow lobbying for ending the accumulation of interest during the grace period.
- Eric Gauf asked about internships.
- Katherine Tyson: If you take an 8-month internship, you have to pay back your loans. It’s not an issue of whether internships are good in themselves; it’s about what happens if someone is on internship.
- Eric Gauf expressed concern about exploitation of interns.
- Katherine Tyson said the policy is about those intending to come back to school.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: Co-ops don’t count? You’re still registered in a course?
- Katherine Tyson: Yes.

21. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (22): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Eric Gauf

22. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED JACK PARK:

“Be it resolved that Rory Breasail be removed as Chair of the University and External Relations Committee effective immediately.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• The Speaker asked if there was any evidence he had been notified.
• Jeremy McElroy said he had sent an email.
• Eric Gauf: Are emails sufficient notice?
• Jeremy McElroy: We tried to contact him by phone; it hasn’t worked. He’s been absent for most of the summer.
• Katherine Tyson: We also tried through Facebook.
Mike Silley: Rory sits on a number of other committees and is not attending those either. We’ve been unable to reach him after multiple attempts. This is not removing him from Council; it’s not a reprimand.

Jeremy McElroy: We switched to summer committees, recognizing constraints in the summer, and the one thing we ask is if you’re put on a committee you attend. This applies threefold for committee chairs, who are paid. Things have happened that have taken Rory away, but he did not let us know. He’s held up the ability of Unecorn to work.

Ignacio Rodriguez: Does it make sense to remove him from the other committees? To help them meet quorum.

Sheldon Goldfarb: The bylaw requires notice.

23. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the motion be changed to add the following clause:

‘Be it further resolved that Council give notice to Rory Breasail of a motion to remove him from all appointments at the next Council meeting.’”

... Carried

For (17): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick

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24. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED JACK PARK:

“Be it resolved that Rory Breasail be removed as Chair of the University and External Relations Committee effective immediately.

Be it further resolved that Council give notice to Rory Breasail of a motion to remove him from all appointments at the next Council meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (17): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mike Silley, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick
Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Aaron Sihota

25. MOVED ROSHAK MOMTAHEN, SECONDED ERIC GAUF:

“That ______ (non-executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the University and External Relations Committee effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September.”

Nominees: Michael Haack (Arts), Cathy Wang (Land & Food)

Chosen: Cathy Wang

“That _____ and _____ (2 x Non-Executive AMS Councillors), and _____ and _____ (2 x members at large), and Kara Bowen and Alberto C. (2 x members of the University Sustainability Initiative) be appointed to The Sustainability Projects Committee for a term ending April 30, 2012.”

- There were objections to the process used in bringing forward members at large for this committee.
- Elin Tayyar said there had been a concern about a potential conflict of interest if people who seemed interested in applying for money from the fund also sought to be members of the committee awarding the money.
- Ignacio Rodriguez expressed concern that not all of those who sought to become members of the committee were allowed to have their names put forward to be voted on by Council.
- Elin Tayyar: We tried to follow the model set for the New SUB Committee.

26. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the member at large appointments on this committee be postponed until the next Council meeting.”

... No objections

27. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED JACK PARK:

“That the number of Councillors on the committee be increased from two to three.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds [because this would mean amending Code]

- Elin Tayyar: This was discussed at LPC, which was quite strongly in favour of two, not three. There’s a heavy workload, receiving applications; the VP Finance is already on the committee; three is not a suitable number.
- Mike Silley asked about the logic behind specifying that the Councillors on the committee not be Executives.
- Kyle Warwick: LPC did not go into that in very much depth. The original proposal from the Sustainability Coordinator said that, and LPC didn’t see any reason to change it. The work of the Sustainability Committee is not tied to the core jobs of the Executives.
- Jeremy McElroy: There’s already eight people on the committee.
- Katherine Tyson: The members at large will not necessarily be students.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: No, they have to be.
• Katherine Tyson: They're still not elected.
• Kyle Warwick: This did come from LPC. I’d hesitate to say that LPC said it had to be two.
• Erik MacKinnon: How much money is USI kicking in to get two seats?
• Elin Tayyar: $20,000, and also looking at more later.
• Erik MacKinnon: Shrink them to one.
• Elin Tayyar: They're representing two different areas of campus and expertise.
• Erik MacKinnon: If all the Councillors don't show up, there could be quorum without them. It's good to have control by elected members.
• Jeremy McElroy: Four members of this group (Justin, Elin, and the two Councillors) will be the drivers, and then there will be two people appointed by this committee.

28. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

.... No objections

29. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED JACK PARK:

“That the number of Councillors on the committee be increased from two to three.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds [because this would mean amending Code]

.... Defeated

For (4): Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Roshak Momtahen, Katherine Tyson
Against (13): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Eric Gauf, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse
Abstained: Melissa Erasmus, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Ravi Parhar, Mike Silley, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick

30. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the Councillor positions on the committee be open to Executives as well as non-Executives.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds [because this would mean amending Code]

• Anne Kessler: I don’t see why Executives, who have lots of work, should be put on this committee.
• Mike Silley: Restricting five people whose job is to know the AMS and to know what's going on around campus seems wrong.
• Jeremy McElroy: I don’t like that this unnecessarily restricts me from being on this committee. Don’t restrict Executives.
• Elin Tayyar: The reason is there. The AMS will be applying for this fund. You could argue that Executives will seem partial.
• Johannes Rebane: Executive or Non-Executive should not be the key.
• Kyle Warwick: Sometimes you want to put in restrictions, as we did in committee reform, but this is different. Extraordinary committees have Execs on them, and this committee will not be co-terminous with any Executive portfolio.

31. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... No objections

32. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the Councillor positions on the committee be open to Executives as well as non-Executives.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds [because this would mean amending Code] ... Carried

For (15): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Johannes Rebane, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

Against (1): Michael Haack

Abstained: Sarthak Kaushik, Jeremy McElroy, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Matt Parson, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

33. MOVED ROSHAH MOMTAHEN, SECONDED ERIC GAUF:

“That _____ (non-executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the University and External Relations Committee effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September.”

Nominees: Michael Haack (Arts), Cathy Wang (Land & Food)

Chosen: Cathy Wang

“That _____ and _____ (2 x AMS Councillors) and Kara Bowen and Alberto C. (2 x members of the University Sustainability Initiative) be appointed to the Sustainability Projects Committee for a term ending April 30, 2012.”

Nominees: Cathy Wang (Land & Food), Roshak Momtahen (Arts), Sarthak Kaushik (GSS)

Chosen: Cathy Wang, Roshak Momtahen
“That ____ and ____ (2 x councillors) be appointed to the New SUB Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
   Nominees: Elin Tayyar (VP Finance), Roshak Momtahen (Arts), Maria Cirstea (Science)
   Chosen: Elin Tayyar, Roshak Momtahen

“That _____ (1 x member at large) be appointed to the University and External Relations committee commencing immediately and ending the first meeting in September.”
   Nominees: Stewart McGillivray, Carven Li
   Chosen: Stewart McGillivray

“That ______ (AMS member) be appointed to the Aquatic Centre Management Committee for a period effective immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”
   Nominee: Alex Lush

- It was agreed to allow the Sustainability Projects Committee to appoint two at large members until August 31.

34. MOVED ROSHAK MOMTAHEN, SECONDED ERIC GAUF:

“That Cathy Wang (non-executive Council member) be appointed Chair of the University and External Relations Committee effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September.”

“That Cathy Wang and Roshak Momtahen (2 x AMS Councillors) and Kara Bowen and Alberto C. (2 x members of the University Sustainability Initiative) be appointed to the Sustainability Projects Committee for a term ending April 30, 2012.”

“That Elin Tayyar and Roshak Momtahen (2 x councillors) be appointed to the New SUB Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Stewart McGillivray (1 x member at large) be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee commencing immediately and ending the first meeting in September.”

“That Alex Lush (AMS member) be appointed to the Aquatic Centre Management Committee for a period effective immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

“Be it further resolved that Council allow the Sustainability Projects Committee to appoint two members at large for a term ending August 31, 2011.”
   ... Carried

For (21): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Ravi Parhar, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Johannes Rebane, Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong)
M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

35. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED JOHANNES REBANE:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated June 9, 2011 [SCD169-12]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated June 30, 2011 [SCD170-12]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated July 7, 2011 [SCD171-12]

... Carried

For (22): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Caroline Wong), Erik MacKinnon (proxy for Michael Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Jack Park (proxy for Hans Seidemann), Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Mike Silley

Abstained: Ravi Parhar, Aaron Sihota

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

August 10, 2011

R) Adjournment:

36. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.

S) Social Activity:
## July 20, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Kiran Mahal (Science), Laura Rogers (UBC Insiders), Kalyena Makortoff (Ubyssey), Micki Green (Ubyssey), Collyn Chan (Ubyssey), Jonathan Wakefield (Ubyssey), Sean Cregten (AMS), Erik MacKinnon (Pharmacy), Carole Jolly (UBC Campus & Community Planning), Rella Ng (UBC Enrolment Services), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm and gave a standing ovation to Dave Tompkins, who was chairing his last meeting as Speaker.

1. MOVED DAN OLSON, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

… Carried

For (19): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Leo Stokes), Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

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

C) Presentations to Council:

U-Pass Presentation – Rella Ng and Carole Jolly (UBC)

- Issues concerning U-Pass and Distance Ed students, DAP students, and
  students in two other Sauder programs.
- U-Pass is only for fee-paying AMS members, but UBC Enrolment Services does not collect AMS fees for those students (DAP, Distance Ed, etc.).
- Enrolment Services can’t verify their eligibility and doesn’t have the resources to add them.
- There are about 3000 Distance Ed students altogether, but it’s unclear how many of them are in Metro Vancouver; those outside Metro Vancouver would have to be opted out, but the U-Pass contract limits the number of opt-outs to 1% or about 400.
- This probably will require delaying till September 2012 any inclusion of these students, though you could allow Distance Ed students to opt in (like 3rd and 4th year med students).
- Or require all of them to get the U-Pass, without exceptions.

Questions

- Johannes Rebane: This 1% opt-out limitation is something not known to me before. Are there systems issues? What needs to be in place?
• Carole Jolly: We need a systems change and resources. Opting in is a manual process that could be done for 2011.
• Johannes Rebane: What if there are more requests for opt-outs than allowed?
• Carole Jolly: There are criteria for exemptions, e.g., if you already have a pass or you have a disability pass. That’s limited. There’s 5% allowed, and within that 5% there’s 1% for optional exceptions at the discretion of UBC and the AMS. That 1% could be used for those who live outside Metro Vancouver.
• Kyle Warwick: If we make changes by August 31, does that give you enough time for opting in manually?
• Rella Ng: We could do it then.
• Jeremy McElroy: The medical students do this. There’s a template. But physically there can’t be a systems change in time. Asking them to do new regulations for DAP, to include the DAP students as fee-paying AMS members, is not possible.
• Anne Kessler: The Distance Ed students don’t pay?
• Rella Ng: Students who are only taking Distance Ed courses do not pay AMS fees.
• Tim Tong: How many students have used the opt-out option within the 1% cap?
• Carole Jolly: We don’t know; the program’s not in place yet. It was arrived at through negotiations, based on the past program.
• Rella Ng: But if you add in the Distance Ed students, we will exceed the cap.

It was agreed to add a U-Pass discussion period at the end of the meeting.

3. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That all reports be moved to the end of the meeting.”

... No objections

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

4. MOVED NEAL YONSON, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated July 12, 2011 [SCD171-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated July 25, 2011 [SCD172-12]
Business and Facilities Committee minutes dated May 11, 2011 [SCD173-12]
Business and Facilities Committee minutes dated June 22, 2011 [SCD174-12]

... Carried

For (25): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Leo Stokes), Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshtagbadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

J) Executive Committee Motions:
K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

5. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MATT PARSON:  [SCD175-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Sexual Assault Initiative Fund (Modification)’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: We rushed through a change to this fund last time, which is not the optimal way to do things, and at the time we thought Budget Committee was okay with adjudicating requests from the Sexual Assault Support Centre for funding. They can do that, but it’s better not to do it that way; it would create an adversarial relationship, and Budget Committee does not have enough knowledge about sexual assault. So this tidies up the motion we had to rush last time.

6. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MATT PARSON:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Sexual Assault Initiative Fund (Modification)’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

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For (23): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Leo Stokes), Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Justin Yang, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

7. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED NEAL YONSON:  [SCD176-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Committee Appointment Terms’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: This makes Code reflect practice. Code now says all committees should be appointed twice a year, for a summer term and a winter term. We do that for the standing committees, but not for the extraordinary committees, e.g.,
the Extraordinary Hiring Committee. So this change makes the twice-a-year appointment system just apply to the five standing committees. That will mean Code follows what we're already doing anyway.

8. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED NEAL YONSON:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
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Note: Requires 2/3rds

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For (22): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Leo Stokes), Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Justin Yang, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

9. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That _____ and _____ (2 x councillors who are constituency reps) be appointed to the Budget Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominees: Kyle Warwick (Arts), Eric Gauf (Law)

It was agreed to lay this motion on the table.

10. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED NEAL YONSON:

“That pursuant to notice given at the last Council meeting and in accordance with Bylaw 5(1)(c) Rory Breasail be removed from all his Council appointments.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Jeremy McElroy: We removed Rory as chair of Unecorn last time. We didn’t remove him from his other positions. To do so we have to give notice, and we hadn’t done that then. Now we have, and we’ve still not heard from him. We’re not removing him from Council, just from his committees. In September he can run for them again.
- Justin Yang read a message he had received from Rory, in which he apologized for not being able to do his duties because of a personal issue that had not yet been resolved. The message included Rory’s offer of his formal resignation.
- The Speaker ruled that since Rory had resigned, the motion to remove him was out of order.
- It was agreed to add Rory’s newly vacated positions to the appointments motion that had been laid on the table.
11. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED NEAL YONSON:

“That pursuant to notice given at the last Council meeting and in accordance with Bylaw 5(1)(c) Rory Breasail be removed from all his Council appointments.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Out of order

The appointments motion was brought back from the table.

12. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That _____ and _____ (2 x councillors who are constituency reps) be appointed to the Budget Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominees: Kyle Warwick (Arts), Eric Gauf (Law)

“That _____ and _____ (2 x Councillors) and _____ (Student at Large) be appointed to the University & External Relations Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominees for Council spots: Anne Kessler (Arts), Ravi Parhar (Forestry)
Nominee for at large position: Carven Li

“That _____ (Councillor) be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominee: Anne Kessler (Arts)

“That ______ (Councillor) be appointed to The Student Administrative Committee for a term ending April 30, 2012.”

Nominee: Michael Haack (Arts)

13. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That Kyle Warwick and Eric Gauf (2 x councillors who are constituency reps) be appointed to the Budget Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Anne Kessler and Ravi Parhar (2 x Councillors) and Carven Li (Student at Large) be appointed to the University & External Relations Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Anne Kessler (Councillor) be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Michael Haack (Councillor) be appointed to The Student Administrative Committee for a term ending April 30, 2012.”

... Carried

For (24): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Leo Stokes), Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt
Parson, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Abstained: Eric Gauf

14. MOVED CATHY WANG, SECONDED JOHANNES REBANE:

“Whereas since its creation in 1999 the UBC VP Students portfolio has been of great importance to all aspects of student life at UBC-Vancouver, and is responsible for a variety of innovative projects designed to improve the student experience; and

Whereas an external review of the VP Students portfolio completed in 2011 included a proposal to discontinue the VP Students position in favour of an Associate VP Students position reporting to the Provost; and

Whereas UBC chose to maintain the VP Students position and its direct report to the President; and

Whereas Dr. Louise Cowin has been appointed as the new VP Students, and will take office in October 2011; and

Whereas the AMS looks forward to working closely with Dr. Cowin to improve the student experience;

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS thank the President and the Board of Governors for their continued commitment to the student experience at UBC with their retention of the VP Students position.

Be it further resolved that the AMS congratulate Dr. Cowin on her appointment as the new VP Students, and sincerely welcome her to UBC.”

- Cathy Wang: This is a thank you motion to the University for maintaining the VP Students position. It allows us to work closely with the University and be heard at as high a level as before.
- Jeremy McElroy: This is great. I’m not sure it’s necessary. Of course, I will write a letter to congratulate Dr. Cowin. I’m not sure I’m comfortable passing a motion saying thanks to the University for doing something they’re supposed to be doing.

15. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

“That the ‘thank you’ clause be struck from the motion.”

- Kyle Warwick: I don’t think this is ultra-necessary, but it does no harm, and we should recognize the University was doing a review and one option was to reduce this position to an AVP, meaning we would have lost our direct line to the President. To their credit, UBC kept this high level position, thus demonstrating a commitment to students that’s unusual in North America. There’s zero cost to this, and it’s good diplomacy to say thank you when there was another option and the University chose this one.
• Eric Gauf: Given all the whereas clauses, you don’t need this resolution clause. We should save saying thank you for something more important than avoiding a vague title change.
• Jeremy McElroy: What’s the purpose here? To congratulate or support the decision not to cut the position? I don’t see this as a way to maintain good relations with the VP Students Office and the Board of Governors. It’s unnecessary pandering.
• Sean Cregten: We’ve had a VP Students for 11 years. They’re the most relevant Executive to the student experience. It’s worthwhile to do this, given that a report looked at errors in the VP Students Office and there was an option to remove it. It’s a big deal having a VP Students. This is the first appointment in 11 years; it’s valuable to make this statement.
• Elin Tayyar: What’s next? Are we going to write birthday congratulations motions too? The President or the VP Academic should write letters; it should not be a motion from Council.

16. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

17. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED IAN CAMPBELL:

“That the ‘thank you’ clause be struck from the motion.”

... Defeated

For (8): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Eric Gauf, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Caroline Wong

Against (15): Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Leo Stokes), Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Iggy Rodriguez, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Justin Yang, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

• Elin Tayyar: Can we have a motion directing the President or VP Academic to write a letter? The President is the spokesperson for the Society.

18. MOVED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the motion be amended to reverse the clauses so the congratulations comes first.”

... No objections

19. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections
20. MOVED CATHY WANG, SECONDED JOHANNES REBANE:

"Whereas since its creation in 1999 the UBC VP Students portfolio has been of great importance to all aspects of student life at UBC-Vancouver, and is responsible for a variety of innovative projects designed to improve the student experience; and

Whereas an external review of the VP Students portfolio completed in 2011 included a proposal to discontinue the VP Students position in favour of an Associate VP Students position reporting to the Provost; and

Whereas UBC chose to maintain the VP Students position and its direct report to the President; and

Whereas Dr. Louise Cowin has been appointed as the new VP Students, and will take office in October 2011; and

Whereas the AMS looks forward to working closely with Dr. Cowin to improve the student experience;

Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS congratulate Dr. Cowin on her appointment as the new VP Students, and sincerely welcome her to UBC.

Be it further resolved that the AMS thank the President and the Board of Governors for their continued commitment to the student experience at UBC with their retention of the VP Students position."

... Carried

For (20): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Leo Stokes), Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

Abstained: Eric Gauf, Jeremy McElroy, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar

21. MOVED CATHY WANG, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

"Whereas large-scale community planning and development is underway at UBC, including the addition of thousands of new residents on campus; and

Whereas the current governance model as created by Bill C-20 was envisioned as a temporary model, to be replaced by a more robust model in the future; and

Whereas recent events in the community have underscored some of the challenges facing the current governance model; and
Whereas the AMS represents 46,000 students at UBC, including 8,500 students who live on campus, the majority of whom are not represented in the University Neighbourhood Association; and

Whereas the AMS endorsed a policy entitled “Governance and Planning” on July 12, 2006, calling for a governance study to be conducted; and

Whereas this policy has since expired,

Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS request that the Province initiate a governance review.

Be it further resolved that the AMS request representation on the body overseeing this governance review.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Cathy Wang: We’re in Electoral Area A. This designation used to be fine when there were not too many residents here, but now things have changed, so we’re asking the provincial government to look into the situation. This was an old policy that had expired; we’re just renewing it.
- Jeremy McElroy: They began a review last year. Then there was a cabinet shuffle and the ministry responsible was eliminated, and the deputy minister retired. It’s fallen off the map. I’d like to bring it up again.
- Katherine Tyson: The current premier didn’t even know about it till we brought it up.

22. MOVED CATHY WANG, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

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M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

23. MOVED IAN CAMPBELL, SECONDED MATT PARSON:  [SCD177-12]

“That the Student Administrative Commission minutes dated July 21, 2011

... Carried

For (23): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Leo Stokes), Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang, Neal Yonson (proxy for Andrew Carne)

24. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That Council suspend all relevant sections of Code to allow Matt Parson to be the social director of the IFC (the Inter-Fraternity Council).”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: It’s a theoretical conflict of interest.
- Matt Parson: It would actually help me in my job.
- Eric Gauf: This is not an exceptional case. It’s exactly the sort of case the Code is meant to cover. On any issue if you speak for the IFC, it will seem you also have the weight of the AMS behind you. When you speak to the RCMP, it will be hard to disentangle the hats. The AMS is supposed to be the focus of the Executive. This would be an added identification with another organization rather than the AMS as a whole.
- Ignacio Rodriguez said Council seems to have gotten into the habit of suspending Code.
- Matt Parson: I don’t think there will be confusion over what hat I’m wearing. It’s always AMS first. At IFC it would just mean being at meetings, advising. It would allow me to be better able to keep an ear to the ground.
- Bahador Moosavi: How significant is this position?
Matt Parson: There are just four events during the year that I would be involved in. I would report to their president. I would be on the executive, but almost all posts there are executive; there are 8 or 9 executives.

25. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Defeated

For (13): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Leo Stokes), Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (7): Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Gary Tse, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Cathy Wang

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

26. MOVED TIM TONG, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Legislative Procedures Committee evaluate and recommend to council whether or not to adopt opt-in AMS/U Pass fee policies for [DAP,] Urban Land, Real Estate Valuation, or Distance Education Students.”

27. MOVED JEREMY MCELROY, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the motion be amended to:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Legislative Procedures Committee evaluate and recommend to council whether or not to adopt opt-in AMS/U Pass fee policies for [DAP,] Urban Land, Real Estate Valuation, or Distance Education Students.”

1. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ

“Call the question.”

… Carried

For (18 [0]): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Leo Stokes), Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Iggy Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang
Against (3 [0]): Melissa Erasmus, Jeremy McElroy, Elin Tayyar
Abstained: Eric Gauf, Katherine Tyson

8. MOVED JEREMY MCELROY, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON

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For (12 [0]): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray (proxy for Leo Stokes), Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong

Against (9 [0]): Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Iggy Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang
Abstained: Noushin Moshgabadi, Johannes Rebane

28. MOVED TIM TONG, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI

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August 31, 2011

R) Adjournment:

4. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT there being no further business the meeting be adjourned at 8:05 pm.”

For (13 [0] ): Ian Campbell (proxy for Karanbir Gill), Anne Kessler, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

S) Social Activity:

August 10, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Barney Ellis-Perry (Alumni Affairs), Anna Maria Holbrough (UBC Development Office), Tristan Miller (AMS Finance Commission), Graeme McNish (SFU Communications), Raj Mathur (Music), Michael Wong (Science), Sean Cregten (AVP Academic), Kathy Yan Li (Brewing Club), Justin McElroy (UByssey), Micki Cowan (UByssey), Will Gallego (Engineering), Jack Park (Engineering), Pat Tewfik (UBC SDS), Ideh Fesharaki (SDS), Deborah Robinson (UBC Provost’s office), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Ross Horton (AMS General Manager), Joanne Pickford (AMS Administration)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The President designated Michael Begg as chair for the meeting, which was called to order at 6:07 pm.

There was agreement to amend the agenda.

1. MOVED JARRETT WOODHOUSE, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... By unanimous consent

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Summer Use of Campus – Pat Tewfik, UBC Strategic and Decision Support (SDS)

- Seeking input first from the AMS.
- From principles in UBC’s Place and Promise.
- Want to utilize campus resources year round.
- A core working group of deans has been working on themes:
  - Academic
  - Educational non-credit
  - Ancillary
- Regularizing is important: class offerings and durations.
  - Now courses range from two days to 17 weeks.
  - The aim would be to formalize course offerings, so they’d be either 6 weeks or full-term.
  - Three-week courses are not equivalent to the winter experience; there’s less opportunity for class discussion and outside reading.
- Financial aid.
- Jump Start, the international students program.
- Still at the pre-feasibility stage.

Questions

- Eric Gauf: Summer offerings are diverse; it’s very complicated.
- Deborah Robinson: Some argue that some courses are useful when compressed.
• Pat Tewfik: We don’t want to limit flexibility or offer less than we do now. Have to maintain balance.
• Conrad Copeland: I took huge advantage of summer courses. Regularizing is good, but I liked compressed courses. I could do the course, then go away and do a job.
• Jeremy McElroy: It’s our long-term policy to ask for a summer semester. It’s great to see this on the table.

UBC Development – Barney Ellis Perry (UBC Alumni Affairs) and Anna Maria Holbrough (UBC Development Office)
• Launching a Campaign for UBC in September. Big, complex.
• Alumni engagement and fundraising.
• UBC is an aggressive institution, wanting to make a big difference in the world. This campaign is an example.
• Planning for this started in 2007; it’s been in a quiet phase till now. The Board of Governors approved it in the spring.
• Aim is to raise $1.5 billion in seven years, the largest amount in Canadian history. We will already have raised half by the time we go live.
• Also hoping to engage 50,000 alumni.
• Ten years ago we stepped up what we do; raised $100 million in three years, then $100 million a year.
• It’s not just the dollars; it’s a legacy for the future, connecting alumni with UBC.
• We’ve met with the AMS Executive already.
• Three objectives: enhancing learning, research, community engagement.
  o Enhancing learning: scholarships and bursaries ($87 million); social spaces, athletics and recreation.
  o Expanding research capacity: chairs, programs, labs and facilities, library collections.
  o Community engagement: a newer piece, evolving.
• The campaign launch will be September 27; we’re seeking student participation.

Questions
• Hans Seidemann: Engineering has been raising funds. Will there be coordination? About the building?
• Anna Maria Holbrough: Working closely with them. Every faculty has a development person. The building is on the list; it’s a priority; putting more people in Applied Science.
• Jeremy McElroy: This is not super public; we’re among the first to hear this.

Executive Compensation – Kyle Warwick, chair of the Legislative Procedures Committee (LPC)
• Council has looked at this before. It was precipitated by the increase in the minimum wage, which had a cascading effect on our pay structure, since we aim to pay higher salaries to those with greater responsibilities.
• We postponed the Executive increase to do more research. LPC has worked hard on this.
• There’s an overwhelming need for an increase; in real terms the Executives are the lowest paid AMS Executives in 12 years, considering hours of work and
inflation; they make less per hour than committee chairs and Service Coordinators. An increase is grossly overdue.
- Execs can't live off student loans; they can't take the three courses necessary to maintain student loan status.
- The poverty line is $22,229; we pay only slightly above that, which is problematic for such important positions, and this doesn't take Vancouver's rent levels into account.
- We're recommending an increase of salary to $27,500. The actual amount should be $32,500, with $5,000 as an amount to be awarded in whole or in part as an accountability measure.
- We need an accountability measure like this because Council, in relation to the Executive, is a paper tiger.
- To come up with these figures LPC looked at similar institutions and at the Vancouver CPI.
- AMS Executives rank near the bottom in terms of amount of pay.
- Vancouver rent is far above rent in most other cities.
- The pay is $12.02 an hour now.
- A key part of this is the Performance Accountability Restriction (PAR), in line with Change Management, which aims to rationalize management positions and put in accountability measures.
- This will be evaluated by the Oversight Committee.
- We will work with the HR Department to make sure we have metrics to judge by.
- This is urgent. There's clear evidence from the last two years that Council has no way to enforce accountability. We could not remove the President two years ago, and last year there were problems and nothing could be done.
- There's no other tool we could find. Now Council can say to the Executive, We're your boss.
- The AMS has a history as a regressive employer. We used to pay below minimum wage. Let's change that legacy.
- Also, this will mean an end to there being no stick to keep the Executive in line.
- This will be a change by increasing respect for employees and also introducing accountability.

2. MOVED KYLE WARWICK:

"That the Executive compensation motion be moved up to after this presentation."

... No objections

Questions
- Tim Tong asked about the Oversight Committee.
- Kyle Warwick: The Oversight Committee already exists. It consists of the five chairs of the standing committees.
- Tim Tong: Why not make the whole raise based on performance?
- Kyle Warwick: We thought $27,500 the most conservative pay level to get the Executives above Tier 3 in the AMS pay structure. They have more responsibility than those in Tier 3 and should get more pay.
- Jarrett Woodhouse: There may be future pay fluctuations. Down the line will we have to do this again?
Kyle Warwick: We’re changing pay for right now. One option considered was tying to inflation, but that wouldn’t be prudent. We have to be financially responsible.

Pavani Gunadasa: Did LPC look into the ECSS salary?

Kyle Warwick: Yes. The ECSS is often seen as similar to the Executive. We didn’t want to do that. The position may be redefined shortly because we’re going to get a Director of Student Government who will look at this position.

Pavani Gunadasa: Coordinators reporting to the ECSS will be paid more than the ECSS if the next motion passes. That’s not fair.

[Guest]: Who will decide if the Executive reaches PAR and how?

Kyle Warwick: The Oversight Committee decides that. There will be guidelines. The Executives will create business plans to be judged by. There will be room to maneuver. Council can give more specific guidelines if it wishes.

Maria Cirstea: Things are not the same every year for the Executive.

Kyle Warwick: That’s why this will be based on a business plan every year. This system takes that into account.

Hans Seidemann:
- Why not wait to raise pay at the AGM?
- Was the overall budget of other organizations taken into account in comparing Executive salaries across the country?
- Why were food vouchers kept and not scrapped? There’s the possibility of abuse. What oversight is there?

Kyle Warwick:
- It would be hard to meet quorum at the AGM, and it’s important to do this now.
- Yes, and we have the largest budget, and others’ budgets are less complex than ours.
- We kept the food vouchers because that’s consistent with the direction of student government as a whole. It can’t be completely free, because the CRA has said that would be problematic for tax purposes; it won’t be problematic at 50%.

Sheldon Goldfarb: The reference in Code to raising pay at the time of the AGM does not mean the AGM is to raise pay; it means that the pay raise is to take effect at the time of the AGM, for the next Executive.

Ross Horton: From an organizational and HR point of view, the current situation is out of whack. Within the AMS, people with less responsibility are earning more than those with more responsibility. And across the country we’re out of whack with other student unions. We’re low. Even moving to the average level will mean undervaluing what our Executives do. It makes sense to make this change.

3. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"Be it resolved that Council approve the changes to AMS Executive compensation as presented: from $25,000 salary to $27,500 salary and $5000 performance bonus.

Be it further resolved that the Executive meal vouchers be distributed as two vouchers each of which are 50% off the $7.00 value (no monetary change)."
Be it further resolved that Council direct LPC in consultation with the Senior HR Manager, to determine appropriate metrics and procedures for assessing AMS Executive performance bonuses.

Be it further resolved that LPC report back to Council on this matter no later than the last meeting in September.”

Jeremy McElroy declared a conflict of interest on behalf of the Executive.

- Bahador Moosavi: The increase is too low. It should have been $38,000, but LPC thought $32,500 was more reasonable.
- Cathy Wang: Will this take effect at the AGM or now?

There was a question of whether Council would have to re-suspend Code to allow the increase to take place immediately rather than wait till the AGM and the next Executive taking office. (The Code section requiring that increases wait till the AGM was suspended at the April 6 Council meeting.)

The Chair said he would take this under advisement.

- Hans Seidemann: I’m in favour of Executive pay raises, but I don’t think this is the time, considering that students just voted to increase fees based on scarcity. The optics are terrible. It’s also standard procedure to make the increases take effect at the time of the AGM.
- Anne Kessler asked how much Executives would be benefiting by meal vouchers.
- Jeremy McElroy: At 200 days times $7, that’s $1400 per Executive per year.
- Anne Kessler asked about the accountability system. What if there’s something personal between the Oversight Committee and the Executive? What if the Executive is good and the Oversight Committee is not? I’d like to see the criteria first before approving this.
- Conrad Copeland:
  o Excs do a lot of work, more than they’re getting paid for.
  o Why make the increase now? For pay equity. Other staff have gotten pay increases. They deserved pay increases because they were paid too little. The Excs deserve to be treated equally.
  o Even if one member of the Oversight Committee is bad with the Executive, the rest of the Oversight Committee is there.
- Jarrett Woodhouse: This is not coming out of nowhere. We’ve given everyone else a pay increase. My issue is with the $5,000 bonuses. The Excs are not salespeople. It will be hard to make performance-based decisions for them since so much of what they do is behind the scenes. Let’s strike the $27,500 and just give them $32,500.
- Michael Haack: We just had a fee referendum, true; some say it looks bad to give this increase so soon after that. But when is it going to look good? LPC’s spent a lot of time on this. We should come to a decision now.
- Kyle Warwick: The motion in its current form is erroneous; it should say “performance accountability restriction” instead of “performance bonus.”
4. MOVED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the motion be amended to replace ‘performance bonus’ with ‘performance accountability restriction’."

... No objections

The Chair ruled that although the April 6 suspension of Code did not expressly specify that it would continue past that meeting it would be meaningless if it did not still apply now. Thus the April suspension still applies; an increase in Executive remuneration can begin today.

5. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That the motion be amended by adding the following clause:

‘Be it further resolved that the Executive compensation increase take effect as of the Annual General Meeting.’"

- Hans Seidemann: We suspended Code to do this for a sitting Executive, violating a fundamental principle of how we operate as a society. I have a moral objection to this.
- Conrad Copeland: I understand it will look bad after the fee referendum, but we raised everyone else’s pay and not the Executives’; that looks worse. This is taking skepticism towards the Executive too far. It’s not in the spirit of fairness or trust. Having an accountability mechanism in place now on this Executive is a good idea; it gives this Council a little more control.
- Bahador Moosavi asked if Conrad Copeland was in a conflict of interest because of his relationship with one of the Executives.
- Conrad Copeland: I’m proxying for Caroline in Arts and keeping to what Caroline sent to me. There’s no direct benefit to me.
- Kyle Warwick:
  - I urge Council to defeat this amendment.
  - As to the metrics of accountability, we’re bringing in accountability pay for senior managers, and this will be along the same lines.
  - We’re pretty close to completing the metrics, and could have finished them, but we wanted to wait for Council input.
  - This motion passed unanimously at LPC, except for the Executives on the committee, who abstained.
- Bahador Moosavi: We should have done this two years ago, when we increased Executive hours but didn’t increase their salary.

6. MOVED CATHY WANG:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (15): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Mona Maleki,
Tina Mash, Roshak Mомнahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Against (7): Maria Cirstea, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Gary Tse, Jarrett Woodhouse

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson

7. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

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... Defeated

For (4): Karanbir Gill, Anne Kessler, Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann

Against (16): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Eric Gauf, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Tina Mash, Roshak Mомнahen, Bahador Moosavi, Ravi Parhar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Abstained: Mona Maleki, Jeremy McElroy, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Justin Yang

- Eric Gauf:
  - The cost of living is extortionate here. It means only the privately wealthy can run for Executive positions.
  - This is not a matter of optics in relation to the fee referendum; it's a reaction to the government's increase in the minimum wage.
- Sarthak Kaushik asked how the bonuses can work without metrics.
- Bahador Moosavi: The criteria have to come back to Council by the end of September. We need to pass the $5000 number now. If we change it to something like $500, then the discussion will be different at LPC. For a substantial amount we have to look at it more carefully. If we do think it should be a different number, LPC needs to know.
- Jack Park: Where is the money coming from? Will it affect the budget?
- Elin Tayyar: It will affect it. We're already planning a deficit; it will be just that much deeper.

8. MOVED JARRETT WOODHOUSE, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“That the motion be amended to increase the salary to $32,500 plus a performance bonus of $2,500.”

- Jarrett Woodhouse: LPC wants to pay the Executive $32,500. If we think it's good to pay them $32,500, we should pay them $32,500. Then on top of that we
can have a bonus of $2,500, and it should be a bonus, not a performance accountability restriction.

- Kyle Warwick:
  - In an ideal world, if we had as much money as we wanted, we could do something like this. But we have a tight fiscal situation. We also need a meaningful accountability mechanism. We want to have a strong incentive. They will take a big hit if they’re not doing their job.
  - The $27,500 proposed by LPC is enough not to mess up the tiers, and $5000 is enough for accountability, and it shouldn’t be a bonus.

- Michael Haack: I don’t think the AMS is in a position to justify a 40% increase and I like the accountability restriction.

- Gary Tse: Who determines the bonus?
  - [The answer was, the Oversight Committee.]

- Gary Tse asked Jarrett Woodhouse why he was opposed to PAR.

- Jarrett Woodhouse: The PAR system seems to be based on punishing people for being worse than expected. A bonus system would reward them for being better than expected. We should incentivize good behaviour.

- Eric Gauf: Details like this should be discussed at committee. We should incentivize good behaviour, but recent history shows we need the opposite, a stick. Perhaps we can introduce a carrot in years to come.

9. MOVED JARRETT WOODHOUSE, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

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... Defeated

For (1): Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (17): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Eric Gauf, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Roshak Montahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson

Back to the main motion. It was stated in clarification that the main motion, if passed, means that $27,500 will be guaranteed and in addition there will be another $5,000 on top of that as PAR. The $5,000 is not included in the $27,500.

10. MOVED MICHAEL HAAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried
For (13): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Roshak Momtahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong

Against (5): Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann, Cathy Wang, Jarrett Woodhouse

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Against (3): Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann, Jarrett Woodhouse

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson

D) President’s Remarks:

Jeremy McElroy
- First week next week: hope to see you all at at least one event, especially the Welcome Back BBQ. And promote the Frosh kits.
- Hiring: lots of vacancies.
- New SUB: Exciting new branding for new SUB coming to Council.
- Interior fixtures starting to be worked on.
E) Executive Remarks:

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance
- Supposed to do a Budget Update quarterly, but there’s nothing special going on: everything’s pretty close to budget.
- Working on the Whistler Lodge review; likely going to close the lodge in April.
- Hiring for two positions to handle the AMS bursary (1,000 students will get their fees back).
- Brew pub project coming along.
- Health and Dental produced a big surplus this year; it will be added onto the reserves and will give us more stability. This is even after we lowered the health and dental fee by $14. After this year we may be able to lower fees more or increase coverage. Switching to Pacific Blue Cross.
- Tristan Miller, the Fincom vice-chair, is reworking the Treasurers’ Handbook.
- Waiting on UBC re endowment issues.
- Not going to be able to expand use of the UBC Card.
- Updated our POS systems, in all food outlets but the Pendulum.

Katherine Tyson – VP External Affairs
- U-Pass: already 10,000 students have got them; the lines are going quick so far; might be different next week.
- WTF (Where’s the Funding?) campaign.
- No September provincial election.
- Municipal elections coming.
- Report on student loans.

Matt Parson – VP Academic & University Affairs
- Gage South working group:
  - Media evicted from a meeting despite my objections.
  - Trying to figure out where the Aquatic Centre will go, which will determine the Gage South footprint.
  - Need to gather input on what students want.
- South Campus Advisory Committee.
- Ponderosa HUB consultation on September 7; Unecorn attending.
- Discussion around faculty-specific collegiums.
- Peer mentoring program.
- First year experience.
- Student survey.
- Housing Action Forum.

Pavani Gunadasa – Executive Coordinator Student Services
- My last update; I’m leaving my position at the end of next week.
- Working on a transition report.
- SASC has had unexpected turnovers; no coordinators there now; we’re going to put the service on hold until we can rehire, which means November or January. We’ll be referring students to Speakeasy and other organizations.
- The Services are getting ready for First Week orientation events.
Thanks to all Council members past and present who supported the Services and me as the ECSS. I'm not a politician, but this has been interesting: a learning experience.

F) Committee Reports:

Education Committee – Justin Yang
- Sustainability motion coming.
- Looking into policy on Access/Copyright.

Business & Facilities Committee – Anne Kessler
- Looking into 24 hour SUB opening during exams.
- Pendulum: Originally we thought we could keep it open during construction, but we can’t. The plan now is to integrate it into the Gallery Lounge.

Legislative Procedures Committee – Kyle Warwick
- Very busy, lots of motions,
- Safety Policy.

University & External Relations Committee – Cathy Wang
- Student loan report.
- New tuition policy.
- Hoping to work on Gage South issue.
- Student housing.
- Working on a CASA report to provide background.

Extraordinary Hiring Committee
- Elections Administrator posting probably this week.

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Tina Mash
- Frosh happening Sunday at the Hyatt.
- Arts First Week events.
- Arts elections in September.

Science – Gary Tse
- Frosh.
- First Week events.
- New furniture for Ladha.

Land and Food Systems – Cathy Wang
- Changed our name to Land and Food Systems Undergraduate Society from Agriculture Undergraduate Society.
- Frosh.
- Retreat.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar.
Pharmacy – Michael Wong
- More students this year.
- Retreat.

GSS – Bahador Moosavi
- Our first week will be two weeks long.
- GSS will independently join CASA.
- Execs are investigating possibility of cutting ties with the AMS.
- Koerner’s Pub: looking for ideal pub management.

Commerce – Tim Tong
- CUS lounge open.
- Frosh.

Kinesiology – Jarrett Woodhouse
- New name. Branding.
- New frosh system this year

Engineering –
- Frosh.

Law – Eric Gauf
- New building not quite finished. Problems with lockers, furniture; only have access to one floor.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Ombudsperson – Jay Shah
- Attended SUS orientation to advertise Ombuds services.
- Coordinating outreach strategies with Advocacy.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

12. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

AMS Council minutes dated April 6, 2011
Executive Committee minutes dated July 8, 2011
Executive Committee minutes dated August 11, 2011
Executive Committee minutes dated August 18, 2011
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated August 3, 2011
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated August 8, 2011
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated August 15, 2011
University & External Relations Committee minutes dated July 28, 2011
University & External Relations Committee minutes dated August 4, 2011.”

... Carried

For (22): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Eric Gauf, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina
Mash, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

J) Executive Committee Motions:

13. MOVED TINA MASH, SECONDED ANNE KESSLER:

“That the Annual General Meeting of the Alma Mater Society be held Wednesday, February 29, 2012.”

... Carried

For (20): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

14. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Executive Conflict of Interest’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick:
  o This is reacting to Matt Parson’s request to be the Inter-Fraternity Council social coordinator, which Council very narrowly didn’t approve.
  o There was sentiment for LPC to look at this. LPC did and decided the prohibition is too broad.
  o The proposed change would mean that without the stigma of suspending Code, a two-thirds vote of Council can allow an AMS Executive to hold an executive position in a club, with the proviso that they can’t sign for that club or lobby for it within the AMS.
  o We would still expect AMS Executives’ main priority to be the AMS.
  o Other parts of the Code restrict the VP Finance and the VP Administration, as chairs of Fincom and SAC, from holding executive positions in clubs. We’re not amending that.
15. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Executive Conflict of Interest’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

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For (19): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Eric Gauf, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (1): Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Katherine Tyson

16. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Executive Remuneration’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: This is a small change. Michael Haack brought it up last year. This clearly defines Executive remuneration to include benefits like the health benefits introduced last year.

17. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Executive Remuneration’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (18): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Eric Gauf, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong
18. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED GARY TSE:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Fee Waiver Change’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick:
  o This is responding to the motion to look into this. Without it, Distance Ed students would pay fees and the U-Pass fee even if outside the Lower Mainland.
  o It would be problematic to have them opt out. As we found out last time from Enrolment Services, there’s a strict quota now (400) on opt-outs.
  o Under this proposal, anyone taking only Distance Ed courses would not pay AMS fees, so by definition would not be a fee-paying member and so would not be paying for a U-Pass they can’t use. But they can still opt in if they’re in the Lower Mainland. Those outside won’t have to pay. Enrolment Services can administer that.

19. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED GARY TSE:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Fee Waiver Change’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried


20. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED RAVI PARHAR:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Funds’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick: This is in response to the fee referendum, in which a majority of the voters decided to create these funds. They were given explanations for the funds, and we’ve taken those explanations as the basis for building up Code that lays out the terms of reference for them.
Jeremy McElroy:
- This was the crux of the referendum. It's exciting to be creating these new funds.
- The International Fund will be partnering with the Global Lounge.
- The Child Care Fund is super necessary.
  - Endowments at UBC were put on hold after the financial crisis of 2008. The Evelyn Lett Bursary Fund was put on hold till 2018. Recognizing the need for this fund, administrators and faculty have pitched in to put money in. This new fund will help provide affordable child care.
  - There will be discretion to negotiate with other groups. The intention is to have some of the money go to the principal; the rest to student bursaries.
- Projects are already coming in for the Sustainability Fund.
- The Clubs Benefit Fund has been made more robust.

21. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED RAVI PARHAR:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Funds’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

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For (21): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

22. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the changes to the AMS Services wage structure as presented:

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- Kyle Warwick: This gets Services up to speed. Four tiers instead of three because of the special needs of the Services. Differentiating Assistant Coordinators from Coordinators. Done in collaboration with Pavani and David Hannigan. It's consistent with our organizational standards.
- Bahador Moosavi: What about Pavani’s point? We should look at the ECSS salary as well.
- Hans Seidemann: Didn't we pass this in April?
- Kyle Warwick: We passed student government pay. The Services are at arm's length. Some are essentially happening; we're ratifying that.
• Pavani Gunadasa: The budget passed in July accounted for these.

23. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the changes to the AMS Services wage structure as presented:

Tier 1 from: $8.50 to $10.50
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Tier 3 from: $11.54 to $11.55 (Assistant Coordinators)
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24. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

From the Education Committee
“Whereas UBC is positioning itself as a global leader in sustainability, with a commitment to sustainability – as well as enhanced educational experiences – in Place and Promise: The UBC Plan; and

Whereas the City of Vancouver, as well as the province of British Columbia, have relatively aggressive sustainability goals, situating our university in an ideal geopolitical environment to offer and specialize in sustainability education and research; and

Whereas UBC is lagging behind some other leading institutions in the educational aspect of sustainability; and

Whereas UBC has significant academic expertise in this realm, with over 300 courses that address some aspect of environmental, social, or economic sustainability in over 17 faculties; and

Whereas various faculties have developed programs that address some aspect of environmental sustainability, and these programs are not generally accessible to students outside the faculty; and

Whereas environmental sustainability is an interdisciplinary topic and interest area in and of itself, and does not fall neatly within faculty divisions; and

Whereas the creation of a rigorous interfaculty minor in environmental sustainability would allow students to pursue their interests in environmental sustainability regardless of their faculty,
Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS encourage the establishment of an interfaculty minor program in environmental sustainability.

Be it further resolved that Council direct the VP Finance and the Sustainability Coordinator to work with the University Sustainability Initiative and other appropriate bodies to this end.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Elin Tayyar:
  - This is arguably the most important motion of the year.
  - I sit on USI; they’ve been looking at the possibility of a sustainability minor.
  - This allows us to push the University and say students are supporting this.
  - We’re looking at a summer course that all students can take; inter-disciplinary study.
  - Part of UBC’s push to be a leader in sustainability education.
  - UBC just got a gold rating, but a lower part of the mark was on the academic side; we don’t have the programs.
  - Make sustainability accessible to all students at UBC.
- Anne Kessler: Geography has a major in this; is it related?
  - Elin Tayyar: Lots of coordination is needed. That’s why it’s going to take a long time. A lot of faculties have this option, but a lot don’t. We want to universalize this.
  - Katherine Tyson: We just created a minor in Arts, so I don’t know where this one would be.
- Elin Tayyar: We’re not going to have a billion sustainability minors. This will be all faculties together for a summer minor.
- Matt Parson: The University is quite excited. It wants lots of faculties to have buy-in. A peripheral benefit will be to get the faculties talking. It will be a model for inter-disciplinary study.
- Jeremy McElroy: This is already a University initiative. We’re giving support. UBC wants to push forward; there will be no pre-requisites; this will be immersive summer study. It’s very exciting.

25. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

26. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

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Against (1): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong)

Abstained: Katherine Tyson

27. MOVED CATHY WANG, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

From the University and External Relations Committee

Tuition Fee Policy

“Whereas the cost of education makes undertaking post-secondary studies at UBC often inaccessible; and
Whereas UBC students have a vested interest in maintaining the quality of their university, their education, and their degree; and

Whereas the AMS must balance its advocacy to reflect both its members’ interest in a lower cost burden to pursuing academic studies and its members’ interest in a quality academic experience,

Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS oppose any annual increase of UBC domestic student tuition that would be in excess of the 2% cap based on the current Higher Education Price Index or the British Columbia Consumer Price Index.

Be it further resolved that the AMS support in principle the reduction of UBC domestic student tuition, when such a reduction would be met with an equal or greater supply of funds to UBC from other sources, such that UBC’s academic quality would not be diminished.

Be it further resolved that the AMS respectfully request the UBC Board of Governors to consider any proposed increases to tuition fees in light of the cost burden that tuition represents for students, and seek wherever possible to minimize this cost.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Cathy Wang: Tuition is a barrier that we want to address, but we are also interested in maintaining the quality of education. We’re requesting the Board of Governors to consider the cost burden and minimize the cost. Lobbying for lower tuition may not be the most realistic way of going forward.

28. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“That the motion be amended to add the following clause:

‘Be it further resolved that the AMS oppose any percentage annual increase of UBC international student tuition greater than that of UBC Vancouver domestic student tuition.’

And that the motion be further amended to strike the word ‘domestic’ elsewhere in the motion and to change ‘other’ to ‘non-student’ in the clause about seeking funds.”

- Bahador Moosavi: We had a referendum in which 87% of the students voted to have the AMS lobby for lower tuition for both domestic and international students. The decent thing to do is to respect that.
- Kyle Warwick: My thinking was not to exclude international students. This is building on the 2007 policy. UBC has said international students want a higher percentage, one percent of which would go to create a fund for hardship cases; some students want that. It can provide scholarships.
- Bahador Moosavi: I agree that this is the case. We can investigate that, but we already know that 87% of our students want us to lobby for lower tuition for both international and domestic students.
- Elin Tayyar: UBC is publicly funded. I don’t like us subsidizing the education of international students. Look at the real costs of education and the cost of tuition.
I'm against having international student tuition being tied to domestic. That hurts the chances of domestic tuition being lower. It's not fair to have taxpayers subsidize international students.

- Katherine Tyson: UBC said they were going to lock in international increases at 4% and this Council said good; locking in provides stability. This motion would say we're against that.
- Jeremy McElroy: The University has toyed with locking in international tuition at 4% for four years. I never met an international student who wants to pay higher tuition. It's a fallacious argument to say it's for scholarships. You don't need to increase fees to create scholarships. The referendum was very clear; it was for both international and domestic tuition. Things have gotten better for international students, but it's still not clear; there are changes all over the place for international students.
- Matt Parson: Domestic and international tuition are two different issues. We're working on this. This amendment may muddy the policy. Tying international tuition to domestic overshadows other things in the policy.
- Anne Kessler: They already pay four or five times what we pay; 2% would still be more for them.
- Bahador Moosavi: To respond to the argument about taxpayers here subsidizing international students, there are benefits from having international students here. It's not just about costs. And this is not even saying lower international tuition, just keep it constant. The original intent of this motion was to thank the University; the motion should have teeth.

29. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

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For (15): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong

Against (5): Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson

Abstained: Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro)

Back to the main motion.

- Eric Gauf: It’s nonsense to talk about opposing increases beyond the legislative cap. UBC can’t break that.
• Katherine Tyson: If the cap goes up or the government gets rid of it, that's what this motion is against.
• Eric Gauf: A statement of that would make sense, but this refers to the cap.

30. MOVED ANNE KESSLER, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the first resolution clause be amended to read:

‘Therefore, be it resolved that the AMS oppose any annual increase of UBC student tuition that would be in excess of the 2% cap based on the current Higher Education Price Index or the British Columbia Consumer Price Index; and,’”

... No objections

31. MOVED CATHY WANG, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

From the University and External Relations Committee

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Be it further resolved that the AMS support in principle the reduction of UBC student tuition, when such a reduction would be met with an equal or greater supply of funds to UBC from non-student sources, such that UBC’s academic quality would not be diminished.

Be it further resolved that the AMS respectfully request the UBC Board of Governors to consider any proposed increases to tuition fees in light of the cost burden that tuition represents for students, and seek wherever possible to minimize this cost.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (17): Jeremy McElroy, Katherine Tyson, Conrad Copeland, Tina Mash, Michael Haack, Roshak Momtahen, Kyle Warwick, Anne Kessler, Tim Tong,
Against (4): Matt Parson, Elin Tayyar, Jarrett Woodhouse, Eric Gauf

32. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the University and External Relations Committee
“That Council direct VP External Katherine Tyson to work with student unions from the University of Victoria, Simon Fraser University, Capilano University, and Langara College on the Where is The Funding (WTF) Campaign, which addresses postsecondary funding in BC; with a budget of $4500.”

- Katherine Tyson: We’re the only province that has no grants program. We will work with these other universities on this and to reform the student loan program. It will be an eight-month campaign. We have to start before elections.
- Jeremy McElroy: Sweet. We haven’t worked with these schools ever, really. We need to work on PSE funding, and we have the money because no election is coming.

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Against (1): Elin Tayyar

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

34. MOVED ANNE KESSLER, SECONDED TINA MASH:

“That Council change the number of active members that are not members of Council on SAC from 5 to 6.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Maria Cirstea: We have problems getting quorum, which is fixed at five.
- Kyle Warwick: This makes sense.
35. MOVED ANNE KESSLER, SECONDED TINA MASH:

“That Council change the number of active members that are not members of Council on SAC from 5 to 6.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried

For (18): Maria Cirstea, Eric Gauf, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Abstained: Katherine Tyson

36. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That Tristan Maxwell Miller be appointed to SAC for a term beginning immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

... Carried

For (20): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Eric Gauf, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (1): Tina Mash

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

37. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That Council support Matt Parson to assume the role of Social Coordinator of the Inter-Fraternity Council.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Bahador Moosavi: Code said this is not allowed. Council was not sure whether to suspend Code. Now we’ve changed Code to allow this. It’s just to coordinate social events, not acting as anything for the IFC.
- Eric Gauf: Last time there were substantive objections. It was not just an issue of the Code suspension. I do not think we should revisit this.

There were no objections to extending Council for half an hour.

- Matt Parson: I didn’t realize LPC was looking into this. The position would involve hosting four social events. There’s no conflict of interest.
- Elin Tayyar: I was going to oppose the Code amendment.
38. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the motion be amended to replace ‘support’ with ‘allow’.”

... No objections

- Katherine Tyson: Last meeting there was lots of debate. Matt almost got it, and some only opposed it because it meant suspending Code. It’s appropriate to re-address this. I don’t think Matt would have a conflict of interest.
- Kyle Warwick: The situation is substantially different now, so it’s appropriate to re-address. I don’t see a conflict of interest. Two-thirds to suspend Code is different than a two-thirds vote provided for in Code.

_There was a question of whether the Code amendment passed during the meeting was in effect yet. It was established that technically it would not take effect till the next day._

39. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SEONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the motion be amended to add the phrase:

‘... notwithstanding any contrary provision in Code’.”

... No objections

40. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That Council allow Matt Parson to assume the role of Social Coordinator of the Inter-Fraternity Council, notwithstanding any contrary provision in Code.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (13): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Mochtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (4): Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Sarthak Kaushik, Matt Parson, Gary Tse

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

41. MOVED ROSHAK MOMTAHEN, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated August 4, 2011
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated August 11, 2011
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated August 18, 2011.

... Carried

For (17): Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Caroline Wong), Eric Gauf, Isabel Gonzalo (proxy for Maria Curro), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (1): Tina Mash

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

Report on Student Accessibility.

Q) Next Meeting:

September 14, 2011

R) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm.

S) Social Activity:
## August 31, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), John Fotheringham (Arts), Ryan Thompson (Arts), Vivian Chang (Science), Nick Hsieh (Science), Jia Jun (Mark) Wang (Arts), Mirko Erik Carich (Arts), Ramy Allahoum (Arts), William Gallego (Engineering), Dominic Tang (Engineering), Michael Cheung (AMS Confidential), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Indiana Joel (Ubyssey), Micki Cowan (Ubyssey), Ian Campbell (EUS), Kalyeena Makortoff (Ubyssey), Tanner Bokor (Ubyssey), Ingrid Chandra (LFS), Montana Hunter (Arts), Deepshila (Arts), Saadan Suleihri (Engineering), Elaine Kuo (SAC), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Grace McRae-Okine (CiTR), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archives), Joanne Pickford (Administrative Assistant), Ross Horton (General Manager), Uli Laue (Director of Operations)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:23 pm after an informal vote appointing Michael Begg chair.

1. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SECONDED ROSHAK MOMTAHEN:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

- Matt Parson asked to add a PSA re Gage South after the CiTR presentation.
- Katherine Tyson asked to add a discussion at the end of the agenda about whether she can be a member of a club executive.
- Anne Kessler asked to move appointments to after the CiTR presentation.

2. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SECONDED ROSHAK MOMTAHEN:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... No objections

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

- Jeremy McElroy introduced Uli Laue, the new Director of Operations for the AMS, who will oversee facilities and the Food and Beverage Department.

C) Presentations to Council

**CiTR – Grace McRae-Okine (president of CiTR student executive)**

- CiTR is the broadcast voice of the UBC Point Grey campus.
- It’s student-led and staff-supported, broadcasting live and streaming online.
- We put out the Discorder, a monthly music magazine.
- We’re part of UBC culture and arts and the Vancouver independent arts scene.
- We cover UBC sports and debates.
- Campus and community radio is an alternative medium, different from mainstream and corporate radio; we give voice to the under-represented.
- We won an award this year and are unique in many ways.
- We train volunteers, e.g., to become DJ’s.
• We provide free ad space or PSA’s to AMS clubs and services, and we will DJ for parties.
• We spoke here before the referendum; we worked together for the win; it was a close win, and it reminded us we have to remain close to the students.
• We’ve slashed our membership fee and launched digital DJ training.
• Our goals include digitizing our library, implementing DJ training, and increasing the percentage of students on air.

Questions
• Jeremy McElroy: How much is membership?
• Grace McRae-Okine: $10, which allows you to volunteer, write for Discorder, join the Executive, and have a good time.
• Jeremy McElroy: Can we record our own PSA’s?
• Grace McRae-Okine: Yes, or send it and we’ll make it for you.

Gage South PSA
• Sean Cregten: Presenting this as a concerned student. We’ve launched a petition about Gage South. UBC wants to move the bus loop and put non-student housing there. We’re fed up with that.
• Neal Yonson: We’re going to take this to the Board of Governors.
• Jarrett Woodhouse: What should the land be used for? The Aquatic Centre?
• Sean Cregten: They’re not planning to put the Aquatic Centre there. It’s not yet zoned; it’s under review. We just want it zoned “Academic” so that it can be anything except non-student housing.

L) Committee Motions:

3. MOVED MICHAEL WONG, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That ___, ___, ___, ___, ___, and ___ (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
 Nominees: Maria Cirstea (Science), Karanbir Gill (Engineering), Anne Kessler (Arts), Tina Mash (Arts), Tim Tong (Commerce) and Caroline Wong (Arts)

“That ___, ___, and ___ (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.
 Nominees: Shane Bush, Jason Park, Graham Russell, Mark Wong, Sebastian Silley
 Chosen: Shane Bush, Jason Park, and Graham Russell

“That ____ (non-executive Council member on the committee) be appointed Chair of the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
 Nominee: Anne Kessler
“That ____ , ____, ___, ___, ___, and ____ (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominees: Jamie Paris (GSS), Michael Haack (Arts), Caroline Wong (Arts), Roshak Momtahen (Arts), Cathy Wang (Land & Food), David Kim (Science), Kyle Warwick (Arts), Anne Kessler (Arts)

The motion was laid on the table.

4. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That Council set aside one of the six Councillor seats on the University & External Relations Committee for a GSS member.”

- Bahador Moosavi: The GSS and the AMS work closely on these issues. There should be a GSS rep on the committee, and I suggest it be Jamie Paris.
- Jarrett Woodhouse: We shouldn’t reserve a seat. Everyone should have the right to be on a committee. Reserving a spot eliminates a position someone else could be in. It could be that there are six other people who are better suited.
- Jeremy McElroy: This comes out of conversations with the GSS. We work closely with the GSS on Education and Unecorn; they should be on those committees. This could go to LPC for possible Code changes.
- Katherine Tyson: We often find the GSS voice gets lost, but this would take away a spot for someone else. Our conversations have been more about adding a voice. I would move to create an extra spot on the committee, not to take away a spot from someone else.
- Anne Kessler: It’s complicated. What if there are two GSS Councillors? It’s something to look at, but not right now.
- Bahador Moosavi:
  o LPC should look into it. This is not a general rule change now. It’s not the first time we’ve done this for a specific committee. We reserve a spot for a student Senator on the Education Committee.
  o The GSS is not just another Constituency. We’re another society the AMS has to work with.
  o At the GSS certain committees have to have AMS representatives.
- Kyle Warwick: We should allow a spot for the GSS. I’m not sure the Education Committee is the same. That’s an observer spot for a Senator if no Senator is elected to the committee.
- Jamie Paris: Would altering the committee membership mess up voting?
- Kyle Warwick: It won’t really because we never get everyone showing up. [Laughter.]

5. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the motion be amended to read:

‘That Council suspend Code to allow for the creation of a seventh Councillor seat for the appointment of a GSS representative on the University and External Relations Committee.’ “
• Kyle Warwick: This isn't how to amend Code. But the GSS is not just a regular Constituency; we shouldn't alienate one of our great partners. For the longer term LPC will look into amending this.
• Bahador Moosavi: I don’t mind this as a GSS rep, but as a member of LPC I think we should avoid Code suspensions. I’m hesitant to change composition on the fly.
• Jarrett Woodhouse: This is the most fair way to do this. We shouldn’t take away a seat; that’s not fair. A seventh seat is best.

6. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the motion be amended to read:

'That Council suspend Code to allow for the creation of a seventh seat for the appointment of a GSS representative on the University and External Relations Committee.'

... Carried

For (15): Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Clark McCorkell (proxy for Caroline Wong), Roshak Momtahen, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Enzo Woo (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (8): Tristan Miller (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Stuart McGillivray (proxy for Tina Mash), Bahador Moosavi

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy, Noushin Moshgabadi, Jamie Paris, Michael Wong

Back to the now amended motion.

• Katherine Tyson: This is an important seat to put in. It’s a detriment that the GSS hasn’t had a voice. The GSS should have a voice.
• Bahador Moosavi: Should this really say GSA rather than GSS? Should this be anyone the GSS chooses?
• Jamie Paris: We don’t want to decide who should be on your committee. It’s great to have a GSS voice; it shouldn’t be a GSS Council appointment.
• The chair ruled that the extra seat was for Jamie Paris.
• Jeremy McElroy: The assumption is that this is a seventh Councillor seat, i.e., a GSS person on AMS Council.
• The chair concurred.

7. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

"That Council suspend Code to allow for the creation of a seventh seat for the appointment of a GSS representative (Jamie Paris) on the University and External Relations Committee."

Note: Requires 2/3rds
... Carried

For (17): Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Keely Hebert, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Clark McCorkell (proxy for Caroline Wong), Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (2): Michael Haack, Enzo Woo (proxy for Johannes Rebane)

Abstained: Tristan Miller (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Anne Kessler, Jeremy McElroy, Stuart McGillivray (proxy for Tina Mash), Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma)

8. MOVED MICHAEL WONG, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That _, _, _, _, _, and _ (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominees: Maria Cirstea (Science), Karanbir Gill (Engineering), Anne Kessler (Arts), Tina Mash (Arts), Tim Tong (Commerce) and Caroline Wong (Arts)

“That _, _, and _ (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

Nominees: Shane Bush, Jason Park, Graham Russell, Mark Wong, Sebastian Silley

Chosen: Shane Bush, Jason Park, and Graham Russell

“That _ (non-executive Council member on the committee) be appointed Chair of the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominee: Anne Kessler

“That _, _, _, _, _, and _ (6 x Councillors) and Jamie Paris be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominees: Michael Haack (Arts), Caroline Wong (Arts), Roshak Momtahen (Arts), Cathy Wang (Land & Food), David Kim (Science), Kyle Warwick (Arts), Anne Kessler (Arts)

Chosen: Anne Kessler, Michael Haack, Caroline Wong, Roshak Momtahen, David Kim, Kyle Warwick

“That _____ (non-executive Council member on the committee) be appointed Chair of the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominees: Michael Haack, David Kim

Chosen: Michael Haack
“That ___, ___, and ___ (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the University & External Relations Committee for a term effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
Nominees: Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Stuart McGillivray, Montana Hunter, Brittany Jang, Salar Fazeli, Carven Li, Saadan Suleahri, Vivian Chang, Ramy Allahoum
Chosen: Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Stuart McGillivray, Montana Hunter,

“That ___, ___, ___, ___, ___, and ___ (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
Nominees: Hans Seidemann (Engineering), Kyle Warwick (Arts), Michael Haack (Arts), Ignacio Rodriguez (Science), Eric Gauf (Law) and Bahador Moosavi (GSS)

“That _____ (non-executive Council member on the committee) be appointed Chair of the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
Nominee: Kyle Warwick

“That ___, ___, and ___ (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
Nominees: Isabel Montoya, Mirko Carich, David Liu, Carven Li, Salar Fazeli
Chosen: Isabel Montoya, Mirko Carich and David Liu

“That ___, ___, ___, ___, ___, and ___ (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Student Life and Communications Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
Nominees: Jarrett Woodhouse (Kinesiology), Caroline Wong (Arts), Dan Olson (Engineering), Cathy Wang (Land & Food), Roshak Montahen (Arts) and Hans Seidemann (Engineering)

“That _____ (non-executive Council member on the committee) be appointed Chair of the Student Life and Communications Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
Nominees: Jarrett Woodhouse, Caroline Wong
Chosen: Jarrett Woodhouse

“That ___, ___, and ___ (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Student Life and Communication Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

9. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED TIM TONG:

“That Code be suspended to allow Shane Bush, Ekateryna Baranovskaya, and Mirko Cerich to sit on more than one committee.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Michael Haack: Given the number who want to run, we should give everyone a chance to be an at large member.
- Kiran Mahal: You don’t have to have a voting seat to work with this committee.
- Jeremy McElroy: The at large people seem more energetic than the Councillors. I’d give voting seats to all fifteen.
- Katherine Tyson: We’ve suspended Code other times; we should allow everyone to run. We’ve always suspended this Code provision.
- Kyle Warwick: I don’t think we’ve ever suspended with 15 people running. The precedent is that when we can’t fill a spot we suspend.
- Bahador Moosavi: If we are really suspending Code all the time, perhaps we should direct LPC to look at amending Code.
- Jarrett Woodhouse: If we’ve already elected them, we must think they’re good, so they should be allowed to sit on more than one committee.
- Mike Silley: Council should be able to decide by voting for them for the committee.

10. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

…No objections

11. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED TIM TONG:

“That Code be suspended to allow Shane Bush, Ekateryna Baranovskaya, and Mirko Cerich to sit on more than one committee.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Defeated

For (13): Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Clark McCorkell (proxy for Caroline Wong), Stuart McGillivray (proxy for Tina Mash), Roshak Momtahen, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (15): Tristan Miller (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Melissa Erasmus, Karanbir Gill, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Enzo Woo (proxy for Johannes Rebane)

Abstained: Noushin Moshgabadi

12. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Council suspend Code to allow Elaine Kuo to sit on the Student Life and Communications Committee.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Katherine Tyson: Elaine sits on SAC and is looking to get more involved. SAC is a commission not a committee, so this should be allowed.
- Stewart McGillivray: It would be pretty unfair to suspend for her and not for the others.
- Kyle Warwick: I don’t think we should show favouritism. LPC should look at that. It’s better if we do that in a deliberative way.
- Mike Silley: It’s unfortunate how we voted in the last vote. It does seem unfair to allow one and not the others, but still it’s the right thing to do. A No vote here means unnecessarily restricting the number of candidates.
- Jeremy McElroy: The rule is not a barrier to involvement. The idea is to allow as many people as possible. You can still be involved, but votes are scarce.
- Michael Haack: This is the same debate as before; let’s call the question.
- There were no objections to calling the question.

13. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Council suspend Code to allow Elaine Kuo to sit on the Student Life and Communications Committee.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (7): Jessica Flank, Clark McCorkell (proxy for Caroline Wong), Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (22): Tristan Miller (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Jeremy McElroy, Stuart McGillivray (proxy for Tina Mash), Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Enzo Woo (proxy for Johannes Rebane)

14. MOVED MICHAEL WONG, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That ___, ___, and ___ (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Student Life and Communication Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominees: Keerti Walia, Sebastian Silley, Ian Campbell, Nick Hsieh, Ingrid Chandra, Mark Wang, Sheliza Halani, Jenny Chen, Saadan Suleihri, Jack Park, Camille Esquival, Shika Kelkar

Chosen: Keerti Walia, Sebastian Silley, Ian Campbell

15. MOVED MICHAEL WONG, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:
“That ___, ___, ___, ___, ___, and ___ (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominees: Justin Yang (Senate), Michael Wong (Pharmacy), Jessica Flank (Library-Archival), Bahador Moosavi (GSS) and Noushin Moshgabadi (GSS)

“That _____ (non-executive Council member on the committee) be appointed Chair of the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
Nominee: Bahador Moosavi

“That ___, ___, and ___ (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
Nominees: Alyssa Koehn, Shika Kelkar, Jack Park, Vivian Chang, Nick Hsieh, Jocelyn H.
Chosen: Alyssa Koehn, Shika Kelkar and Jack Park

“That _____ and _____ (2 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Sustainability Projects Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”
Nominees: Angela Willcock and Alexandria Mitchell

“That _____ (Student at Large) be appointed to the Budget Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”
Nominee: Ryan Thompson

16. MOVED MICHAEL WONG, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That Maria Cirstea, Karanbir Gill, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Tim Tong and Caroline Wong (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Shane Bush, Jason Park, and Graham Russell (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Business and Facilities Committee for a term effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

“That Anne Kessler (non-executive Council member on the committee) be appointed Chair of the Business and Facilities Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Anne Kessler, Michael Haack, Caroline Wong, Roshak Momtahen, David Kim, Kyle Warwick (6 x Councillors) and Jamie Paris be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Michael Haack (non-executive Council member on the committee) be appointed Chair of the University and External Relations Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Stuart McGillivray, and Montana Hunter (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the University & External Relations Committee for a term effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
“That Hans Seidemann, Kyle Warwick, Michael Haack, Ignacio Rodriguez, Eric Gauf and Bahador Moosavi (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

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_Nominee: Kyle Warwick_

“That Isabel Montoya, Mirko Carich and David Liu (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Jarrett Woodhouse, Caroline Wong, Dan Olson, Cathy Wang, Roshak Momtahen and Hans Seidemann (6 x Councillors) be appointed to the Student Life and Communications Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Jarrett Woodhouse (non-executive Council member on the committee) be appointed Chair of the Student Life and Communications Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Keerti Walia, Sebastian Silley, and Ian Campbell (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Student Life and Communications Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Justin Yang, Michael Wong, Jessica Flank, Bahador Moosavi and Noushin Moshgabadi (5 x Councillors) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Bahador Moosavi (non-executive Council member on the committee) be appointed Chair of the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Alyssa Koehn, Shika Kelkar and Jack Park (3 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Angela Willcock and Alexandria Mitchell (2 x Students at Large) be appointed to the Sustainability Projects Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

“That Ryan Thompson (Student at Large) be appointed to the Budget Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

... Carried

For (28): Tristan Miller (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Clark McCorkell (proxy for Caroline Wong), Jeremy
McElroy, Stuart McGillivray (proxy for Tina Mash), Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Leo Stokes, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, John Wang (proxy for Mrigank Sharma), Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Enzo Woo (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Jarrett Woodhouse

D) President’s Remarks (Jeremy McElroy):

- Welcome Back.
- First Week was well attended, and we sold out of beer at the BBQ.
- Imagine Day was sweet.
- The weather was great.
- I got an adrenaline high from speaking to Imagine.
- SASC is open, but in a limited way. Hoping to hire within two weeks.
- Also hiring ECSS, Events Manager, Communications Manager, Director of Student Government (the big new role). HR has been my life lately.
- Quarterly report coming.
- New U-Pass program: you can pick up October passes this Friday. Some kinks, e.g., re UBCO visiting students.
- Security staff held a vote on unionizing; we’re awaiting the results.
- October 20 will be BC’s shake-out day: earthquake awareness.
- Friday is Far made.

E) Executive Remarks:

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance

- Working on final enrolment numbers to determine the amount of fees we’ll get.
- Finalizing opt-out process.
- Introducing new fee subsidy in late September or early October; the new 3% subsidy for students in financial need; they can get all their fees back. Combining SUB subsidy, U-Pass subsidy, and this one on one form.

VP Academic – Matt Parson

- Student survey going well; we’ve nearly completed the questions.
- Campus development:
  - Gage South, Aquatic Centre.
  - Planning Committee looking at transfer of density; increasing residential market housing; issue of over-densification.
- Academic advocacy plan.

Katherine Tyson – VP External

- Quarterly report being sent later tonight.
- Meeting with Conservative MP’s.
- Budget submission made.
- NDP leadership contest.
- Set up a meeting with Joyce Murray, our local MP.
Provincially, the minister came to Imagine Day. Jeremy and I talked to her. Meeting with the Opposition critic.

Municipal election fever growing; hoping to push rapid rail transit.

Housing – going to a housing forum re affordable housing.

WTF campaign off to a great start. Maybe a petition in October.

Mike Silley – VP Academic

- Sorry for being away – I’ve been sick with bronchitis.
- New SUB going well; there’s a couple of outstanding issues; meeting with consultants.
  - Jeremy McElroy: Square footage for childcare is smaller than expected. UBC is going to take over operation of the space, which is awesome. This will be a drop-off service, which is not offered now. We’re thankful to UBC on this.
  - Mike Silley: We were close to cutting it, but then learned UBC was interested in funding it. Our goal was originally 20 spaces; now it’s 16 to comply with the limit for this sort of licence.
- SAC getting ready for Clubs Days September 21-23.
- So many clubs now that we’re running out of account codes, an administrative problem. To deal with this we are deconstituting inactive clubs.
- Shinerama: Shine Day last weekend smashed records. Our goal this year was $36,000 this year; last year we aimed for $32,000. We raised $9,000 in one day; have already reached $30,000. We’re on track for smashing $36,000.
- Aquatic Centre Management Committee: issues there.

ECSS – Vacant – Report by Jeremy McElroy

- I’m working with the Coordinators.
- Their hiring is done.

F) Committee Reports:

Business and Facilities Committee – Anne Kessler

- No Whistler Lodge report yet.
- Pendulum decision worked out.

University & External Relations Committee – Cathy Wang

- Talked about money to be returned to UBC students.

Legislative Procedures Committee – Kyle Warwick

- Making progress on PAR (performance accountability restrictions) for the Executive.
- Reviewing internal policies.

Student Life Committee – Caroline Wong

- No Report.

Education Committee – Justin Yang

- No report.
G) Constituency Reports:

Kinesiology – Jarrett Woodhouse
- Frosh camping trip.
- Had first open meeting on Monday – huge turnout.

Commerce – Tim Tong
- Frosh was great.
- Business Week now – CUS Clubs Days.
- Annual Services Council Retreat.

Law – Eric Gauf
- New building open fully now. We can interact with people again, because we have space.

Arts – Justin Yang
- Good first week.
- Had first council meeting yesterday.
- Changes to code.

Science – Kiran Mahal
- Frosh was awesome.
- Elections.
- Welcome back survey.
- External review of Faculty.

Land & Food – Cathy Wang
- First ever frosh.
- Wednesday night dinners: $5.
- Trying out new mentoring program.

Pharmacy – Michael Wang
- White coat ceremony last Friday.
- Council leadership retreat.
- First year elections next week.
- Planning Pharmacy gala.

GSS – Bahador Moosavi
- Grad orientations.

Engineering – Dan Olson
- Frosh parties. Frosh shirts.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Sean Heisler
- Presenting to the board on affordability and the student loan program.

Senate – Sean Heisler
I'm the vice-chair of Senate.
Solidifying priorities.

Ombuds – Jay Shah
• First week case.
• Housing case.
• Going to Baltimore for professional development conference.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

17. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Executive Committee minutes dated August 25, 2011 [SCD197-12]
Business and Facilities Committee minutes dated August 2, 2011 [SCD198-12]
Business and Facilities Committee minutes dated August 16, 2011 [SCD199-12]
Legislative Procedures minutes dated August 22, 2011 [SCD200-12]
Legislative Procedures minutes dated August 29, 2011.” [SCD201-12]

... Carried without dissent

J) Executive Committee Motions:

18. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“Whereas the New Aquatic Centre Study was commissioned to address three questions, including 'If building new, where is the most suitable location for an aquatic centre on campus?'; and

Whereas only three possible locations for a new Aquatic Centre were provided to the authors of the report for consideration, one of which was immediately deemed inappropriate; and

Whereas once the first location was ruled out, ‘only the MacInnes Field location was further investigated’; and

Whereas the report recognizes that MacInnes Field ‘is a significant multi-purpose green space’ and ‘the stakeholders believed it would be a loss if a new aquatic centre consumed this field’; and

Whereas the report's authors were requested by UBC to minimize the building footprint due to ‘the planning for the future transit bus terminal and rental housing development moving forward’; and

Whereas the aforementioned rental housing development is under review, and should not have constrained a technical feasibility study of aquatic centre siting options, given that a rental housing development is but one potential outcome of many for that area; and
Whereas this report and its highly constrained site assessment has been referred to the UBC New Building Site Selection Committee for a siting decision,

Therefore, be it resolved that AMS Council strongly suggest wider consideration of alternative technically feasible siting options for the new Aquatic Centre, given the value of MacInnes Field and the failure of the report to seriously consider alternative siting options.

Be it further resolved that AMS Council suggest this should not be constrained by the presumption of a future rental housing development, given that the area in question is explicitly defined as ‘under review’ and as such should not be presumed for a particular use at this date.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Matt Parson:
  - Apologies for this not going through committee, but the report only came down two days ago.
  - The study was disappointing; it only really gives one option (MacInnes Field), and it makes assumptions based on the idea that we have to accommodate market housing. That’s inappropriate; it’s not finalized that there will be market housing in that area.
  - It would be good for us to have policy on the Aquatic Centre.

- Jeremy McElroy:
  - This is part of the whole governance issue.
  - They’re quadrupling housing space.
  - We said we didn’t want market housing on the farm or in the central campus, so they amended the plans and have been building up.
  - But now they’re saying there has to be housing on MacInnes. They have been disingenuous.
  - We have to say this is not acceptable.

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

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Abstained: Elin Tayyar

20. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“Whereas visiting students from UBC Okanagan have previously had access to the U-Pass program; and

Whereas under the new U-Pass BC Program these same students are not currently allowed to access the U-Pass; and

Whereas the AMS strives to provide affordable, accessible transit for all students on the UBC Vancouver campus;

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS consider visiting students from UBC Okanagan to be AMS members, thus entitling them to access the U Pass program; and
Be it further resolved that the AMS waive all mandatory fees, except the U-Pass BC fee, for these students until a reciprocity agreement can be made with the UBC Students' Union Okanagan.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Jeremy McElroy:
  - Visiting UBCO students don't belong to the AMS.
  - In the past UBC would grant them the U-Pass in return for U-Pass fees.
  - There are 35 in the first semester; 100 in the summer.
  - Under the old program, UBC could issue them passes, but under the new program they're left out.
  - Until we can work out a reciprocity agreement, I’d like this Council to let UBCO students be honourary AMS members, exempting them from our fees because they’re paying full fees to the Okanagan campus and it’s not fair they pay twice. This is a stopgap.

- Kyle Warwick: This is definitely necessary, for fairness.
- Elin Tayyar: Let’s consider them exchange students; we have a category for exchange students in the Code.
- Eric Gauf: Calling them exchange students this year is okay, but we need to fix it permanently for next year.

21. MOVED TIM TONG, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That the motion be amended to read ‘exchange students’ instead of ‘AMS members’ and to direct the Legislative Procedures Committee to clarify the status of UBCO students at UBC Vancouver.”

... Carried

For (22): Tristan Miller (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Clark McCorkell (proxy for Caroline Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Stuart McGillivray (proxy for Tina Mash), Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Enzo Woo (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Jarrett Woodhouse

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

23. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

"That on the recommendation of the Legislative Procedures Committee, the AMS Health and Safety Policy, as presented, be accepted as an internal policy of the AMS."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: We’re required to have a policy on this by provincial law. We may also put it in the Employee Handbook in future.

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25. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee [SCD203-12]

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Committee Reports Modified’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: We had the first round of committee reports last meeting. We earlier amended Code to require a brief report about what committees have been up to. It’s a good accountability measure, but we omitted to say when they have to be submitted. Now it says two business days before a meeting.

26. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

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27. MOVED ANNE KESSLER, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

From the Business & Facilities Committee

“Whereas the Pendulum offers a wide variety of unique, yummy and quality food options; and

Whereas the Pendulum will have to close due to new SUB construction in early 2012; and
Whereas the Gallery often has many empty seats during the Pendulum’s peak hours of operation,

Therefore be it resolved that Council approve the Pendulum relocation as presented.

Be it further resolved that Council direct the AMS business operations to develop a communications strategy to advertise these changes.”

- Anne Kessler: The Pendulum is sitting where construction will start in January or February. We thought we could keep it open, but we can’t. The plan now is to move the Pendulum into the Gallery. Still figuring out how to serve food to minors there. It’s complicated. It’s a 19-plus issue.
- Eric Gauf asked about hours.
- Anne Kessler: The Pendulum serves food till 2:30 mostly; after that it’s mostly a bar. There will be some costs. We’re going to have to build a new display case; the menu is a bit different because there’s no kitchen in the Gallery.
- Jeremy McElroy: The money will come out of business operations. We’ll be recycling equipment, upgrading grills, etc. We may find efficiencies. It might actually boost revenues. The Gallery is currently empty during the day. It will be a better use of space.

28. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the meeting be extended for half an hour.”  … No objections

Back to Pendulum motion.

- Jeremy McElroy: This is a way to accommodate the Pendulum staff. If it fails, we can stop doing it. There’s no real cost.
- Mike Silley: When is this happening?
- Anne Kessler: Either in early January or the end of term, with renovations done over the Christmas break. That’s probably the better idea.
- Mike Silley: If we have to close down for two weeks, it’s better to do it when there’s not much business.

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M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

30. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Comm. minutes dated September 1, 2011.” [SCD204-12] ... Carried

For (21): Tristan Miller (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Jeremy McElroy, Stuart McGillivray (proxy for Tina Mash), Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Leo Stokes, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Enzo Woo (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (1): Mike Silley

Abstained: Clark McCorkell (proxy for Caroline Wong), Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

31. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That Council allow Katherine Tyson to seek an executive position in the UBC Humanitarian Affairs Club.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Katherine Tyson:
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This is the only club I’m going to be an executive on, and it’s something very important to me. I have a degree in this area; I want to help create awareness about those who are suffering around the world.

- There’s no conflict of interest here. My portfolio is on politics, and this will not have any of that.

- Eric Gauf:
  - There is a conflict of interest here. There’s a strong element of politics in this. Your portfolio and this personal interest are overlapping.
  - I opposed the VP Academic being on the IFC. This is two Execs in two meetings. It’s something that should be restricted to the exceptional; we’re in danger of opening the floodgates.

- David Kim: Is this a new club?

- Katherine Tyson: It’s a new club with absolutely no politics in it. It’s similar to one at Concordia. It will be an informal, low-key way of promoting the issue on campus. Council has decided that Execs should have the right to do this.

- Jeremy McElroy: I spoke against Matt having his position on IFC. To take on additional responsibilities when you’re an Executive is not the right thing to do. Starting up a new club is a lot of work.

- Kyle Warwick:
  - On the conflict of interest issue, even if we vote Yes, there are limitations on what the Exec can do.
  - Code does not distinguish between new and old clubs.
  - Execs have a big job, but we don’t own every minute of their day; they’re allowed to have a private life. It may even add to their productivity.

- Hans Seidemann: We did change Code, but we still have the right to decide whether to approve each request. There could be the appearance here of a conflict of interest; you can still be in the club and you can help set it up, but not be a member of its executive.

- Kyle Warwick: I can’t fathom the conflict of interest here.

- Tristan Miller: Clubs are subsidiaries of the AMS. Perception is important.

32. MOVED ANNE KESSLER:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds... Defeated

For (12): Tristan Miller (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Eric Gauf, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Leo Stokes, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (11): Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Clark McCorkell (proxy for Caroline Wong), Stuart McGillivray (proxy for Tina Mash), Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Enzo Woo (proxy for Johannes Rebane)

Abstained: Noushin Moshgabadi, Mike Silley
Back to debate on the motion.

- Bahador Moosavi:
  - Some of the points being made would be valid in opposing the Code amendment in general, but we passed the amendment.
  - Nothing has been said about Katherine’s situation. I’d rather have faith in people and let them decide if there’s a conflict or not. We don’t allow the VP Finance or the VP Admin to do this, but the other three Execs are allowed to hold executive positions in clubs now.
  - Would you be the President?

- Katherine Tyson: It’s a joint presidency.

- Bahador Moosavi: I really need to know about the club, its structure. If this is for the presidency, then I’m against. Being a social coordinator [like Matt for the IFC] is different.

- Katherine Tyson:
  - It’s a co-presidency.
  - I’ve done my position well, kept up on my work.
  - There is a home office; it’s a global network; this is just starting one up here.
  - The time conflict will be low.
  - I have a lot of networks in humanitarian affairs.
  - When I talk at the club, I feel energized; it helps me play this role better.
  - There are five directors.

- Stewart McGillivray: Executives are paid to do a certain job; it doesn’t allow us to dictate their private lives. If it’s valuable to them to do something in their private life, that’s important.

- Enzo Woo: We set a precedent with Matt.

- Leo Stokes: The issue is not whether Katherine can handle the workload; we should be addressing the conflict of interest. Why was it allowed for Matt? What’s the difference?

- Eric Gauf: The Council meeting that allowed it was a less attended session.

- Matt Parson: It was not a significant position within IFC. That’s the argument.

- Katherine Tyson: I think there has been a lot of debate; more than I expected. This is a club that doesn’t have anything to do with my position. Code was changed. Council’s decision should be based on whether I have a conflict of interest, not on whether you like this Code change. I’m asking you to trust me to the same extent you trusted Matt.

33. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That Council be extended indefinitely.” … Carried

Back to debate on the previous motion.

- Jarrett Woodhouse: I feel there is conflict of interest here. Because of your VP position, you have connections; that is a sort of conflict of interest, due to your exec connections.

- Katherine Tyson: I have no signing powers.
• Jarrett Woodhouse: I’m not talking of your signing powers; you have connections to the President and other vice-presidents.
• Gary Tse: Do you really need to be an executive of this club in order to advance its goals?
• Katherine Tyson: It would be harder if I’m not an executive. I’m the one with connections to the head offices. It will be hard for others to do it. If others do it, it may turn into a very different sort of club. I’d have to train someone else, which would take more of my time and make me less effective.
• Matt Parson: Just to clarify: although Council voted to allow me to take the IFC social coordinator position, by the time Council did that, the IFC had put an interim person in place, so I have not gone forward with that.
• Conrad Copeland: I’m a little surprised. None of you had an issue with the VP Academic being social coordinator of the IFC and planning the parties that upset the UNA, but you do have an issue with someone wanting to set up a humanitarian club.
• Matt Parson: There’s never been a UNA complaint.
• Eric Gauf: Last year there was a rhubarb over a club making a humanitarian donation. Economic development invariably has a political component.
• Katherine Tyson: This would be nothing like the SJC donation.
• Bahador Moosavi: Is this time sensitive?
• Katherine Tyson: Clubs Days is next week.
• Bahador Moosavi: That’s the club’s issue, not ours.

34. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

“That this motion be postponed indefinitely.”

… Carried

For (21): Tristan Miller (proxy for Maria Cirstea), Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Kiran Mahal (proxy for Saba Marzara), Clark McCorkell (proxy for Caroline Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Stuart McGillivray (proxy for Tina Mash), Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Leo Stokes, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Enzo Woo (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Jarrett Woodhouse

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

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R) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:09 pm.

S) Social Activity:
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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), William Gallego (Engineering), Jay Zhou (Engineering), Josh Wang (Science), Denz Calisal (Social Justice Centre), Trevor McElroy (Ubyssy), Jannel Robertson (Engineering), Amanda Li (Engineering), Natalya Kautz (Arts), Andrew Bates (Arts), Kalyeena (Ubyssy), Micki (Ubyssy), Indiana Joel (Ubyssy), Will McDonald (Ubyssy), Fanny Blanc (Arts), Arshy Mann (Ubyssy), Holly Dysserinck (RHA), Neal Yonson (Gallery Karaoke Singer), Stewart McGillivray, (Arts), Alex Li (Arts student, first year), Andrew Irvine (Arts), Janet Teasdale (UBC Student Development), Janet Mee (UBC Student Development), Laura Rodgers (UBC Insiders)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

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

1. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That Ignacio Rodriguez be appointed as Chair of this meeting.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

Kyle Warwick asked to remove the Performance Accountability motion from the agenda.

2. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

… Carried

For (22): Jessica Flank, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Aaron Sihota, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Collegia Presentation –Janet Teasdale and Janet Mee (UBC Student Development), Andrew Irvine (Advisor to the President, Housing)

Andrew Irvine:

- UBCO has collegia, and they’ve also been successful at other campuses.
- Lounge space, a home away from home.
- The President is concerned about student engagement. One answer is student housing, e.g., Ponderosa Hub. But for those who don’t want to live on campus,
this would be a place they could hang their hat, store their books, hang out, meet.

- Already presented to your Executive.
- This would be a network of lounges with high design elements; pleasant, welcoming spaces, including a kitchen, comfortable furniture, a work station.
- At first for first years, eventually for upper years.
- Membership driven. You would become a member of a particular collegium, get to know a group of students and feel at home.

Janet Teasdale
- We were at first looking to do this at the Ponderosa Hub, then thought, Why not elsewhere?
- Seeking feedback.

Questions
- David Kim: What would be the cost to the person using these?
- Andrew Irvine: Not sure. Membership should involve a cost. Less than parking. Seeking feedback on that too. The slogan is, Everything about a residence except the bed; so probably there will have to be a fee. This is beyond the sort of social space like Meekison.
- Jamie Paris: When I came, I had no money. This would have been a boon to me, since I was feeling alienated; will there be scholarships for students who can’t afford to pay?
- Andrew Irvine: That is the plan, I think.
- Anne Kessler: Personally, I wouldn’t pay for a study space. The New SUB will have lots of homey space.
- Janet Teasdale: The New SUB will be terrific. At the same time some people want something else. Some want to make their home here. The more options, the better.
- Anne Kessler: How justify taking money from all students to benefit just some?
- Andrew Irvine: There should be choice; there should be options so that people don’t have to shrink their day and go home. And fees will offset the cost, pay for the space.
- Tim Tong: Will they be Faculty-specific?
- Andrew Irvine: This would be more a chance to meet students from other faculties, mostly for first years and transfer students who don’t yet have connections, so they can find people who know the ropes.
- Tim Tong: They close at 7:30 at UBCO. That’s too early. There are lots of student events past 7:30. Push it to 11 or 12.

3. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That question period be extended by five minutes.”

… No objections

- Jeremy McElroy: Matt and I went to Trinity Western to see their collegia. There are various types, one like a chalet. A revenue neutral model is good.
- Diana Marsh referred to Green College and asked about grad students.
- Janet Teasdale: We’ve been thinking a lot about grad students. We encourage the GSS to come forward.
• In response to a question about other schools and measurement, Janet Teasdale spoke about belonging, easy access to peer knowledge, and the membership model.
• Anne Kessler asked if there’d be nap space. She also referred to the college model at the University of Toronto.
• Andrew Irvine: That’s not the way we’ve been looking at it. Our plan is more driven by membership rather than assigning people to colleges.
• Janet Teasdale: Students will choose to meet various people.

**October 20th “Shake Out” – Ron Holton (UBC Risk Management)**
• We’re in earthquake country, and the risk has been brought home recently by the major quakes in New Zealand and Japan; also a less serious one off the West Coast.
• The province has decided there will be regular Shake-Out exercises, and did something in January, but nothing much was done at UBC.
• There’s another one scheduled for October 20, and then after that on the third Thursday of every month. This time UBC will take part.
• The objective is to have every student on campus know what to do if there’s an earthquake.
• It’s an awareness campaign, and we’re asking you to help get the word out to students.
• Earthquake symposium October 18.
• Major exercise on October 20: evacuating two buildings, the Old Admin and Lasserre.

**Performance Accountability Restriction – Kyle Warwick**
• On August 31, Council in principle approved PAR as part of the package of Executive remuneration.
• There’s a proposed Code change on PAR, and we’re seeking input. It’s not finalized because concerns have been raised.
• With the motion struck from tonight’s agenda, people will have two more weeks to come to LPC to voice views.
• After the August 31 motion, which required LPC to report today, LPC brainstormed and produced a model with the help of the HR Manager.
• We’re presenting something, but you don’t have to take it or leave it.
• The model is:
  o 20% of the PAR for each Exec would be paid to them for following policies, Code, and Bylaws. This is a low percentage because this is for doing what they should be doing anyway. There’s an argument that it shouldn’t be paid at all, because it’s just for them doing their job, but that has not always happened in practice, so this is to make it happen. In the past, Council tried to control Execs by stripping away parts of their job descriptions, but there are legal limitations to that approach; it could be seen as constructive dismissal, so there’s this proposal instead.
  o We’ve also set aside something (10%) for Executive Committee team duties because of the history of Executives going into silos and working at cross-purposes. This year’s been quite decent, but you don’t have to go too far back to find a different situation. It’s hard to measure teamwork, so the measure will be of meetings and minutes. This will be a tool of transparency to see if the Executives are doing the right things; without doing these things,
their ability to do substantive things is limited. These measures will serve as proxies for more substantive oversight. The Oversight Committee or Council will do this.

- 70% of PAR, the key component, will be something similar to senior managers here and elsewhere, based on business plans. The plans will be crucial; the details less crucial. The process will look like this:
  - First, the Executives will draft plans and goals.
  - The Executive Committee will look at those to prevent them from being at cross-purposes and to prevent siloing.
  - Then the plans and goals will go to the Oversight Committee for a more unbiased perspective.
  - Then to Council.
  - This means several levels of checks to prevent goals like shuffling papers, to make sure someone gets to say, That’s not good enough.
  - Then after the plan is passed, it could be amended if circumstances changed.
  - It mirrors the budget process.

- A motion is needed soon. It’s crucial to follow through.
- Some people have expressed concerns. I apologize if they feel their concerns have not been met. Some were raised at the last minute. Perhaps we need to improve our communication.
- We could pass the proposal tonight, but even I think we should not do it now. I would recommend referring it back to the committee.
- Failing this altogether is not an option. Council wants performance incentives. The only question is what and how.

Questions
- Eric Gauf: There was strong consultation with the HR Manager. The criteria have to be quantifiable and not violate the Labour Code. There were discussions about rewarding teamwork without penalizing others if one Exec abdicates their responsibility. It’s an awkward balance.
- Anne Kessler: How will it work for this year? Only half? One payment, not two as suggested in the proposal?
- Kyle Warwick: No, the full amount, but just one payment.
- Anne Kessler: There’s been no time to create goals, etc. It’s different this year.
- Kyle Warwick: There’s quite a few ways this can go as designed.
- Anne Kessler asked more about teamwork.
- Kyle Warwick: Some part of their pay will be dependent on the team as a whole. It’s tricky. Some things are not legally permissible. We do want to create a sense of investment in fellow team members.
- Anne Kessler asked about the percentages.
- Kyle Warwick: The most important thing is not to reward for just not screwing up, for not burning the house down, but we need something on that because we’ve come close to burning the house down.
- Anne Kessler asked about May as the date for the goals. Not earlier?
- Kyle Warwick: We didn’t want to rush the Executives, but it’s not set in stone.
- Anne Kessler: Will this be done by consensus?
- Kyle Warwick: By resolution, votes.
4. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That a Discussion Period topic on PAR be added at the end of the agenda.”

... No objections

5. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question period be extended by ten minutes.”

... No objections

- Micki Cowan: If changes can be made to the Business Plan midterm, what if there’s a shoddy plan at the beginning but it’s changed to be a rocket at the end?
- Kyle Warwick: There’s a bit of a check because Council might not approve a not rational business plan.
- Elin Tayyar: The Executive was not consulted on this proposal. The Executives don’t think this system will ensure accountability. Is Council okay with Executives being involved in this process? A lot of other student unions are watching us.
- Kyle Warwick: The Executives are not excluded. Two sit on LPC. I’ve discussed this with Jeremy and other Executives. The only reason for holding back: it could be perceived as a conflict of interest.

D) President’s Remarks:

Jeremy McElroy:
- Apologies for the quarterly reports still not being ready. They’ll be out soon.
- Clubs Days were epic.
- In the last stages of hiring a new SASC manager.
- Communications Manager: interviewing.
- Events Manager: Lots of qualified applicants from across Canada.
- We did hire an ECSS, Angel Tung. She’s worked with us before.
- Security staff have voted to unionize. We’re entering collective bargaining.
- Hired a new postering person.
- UBC is getting rid of its poster boards: not cool.
- UBCO students. There are ones here on exchange who haven’t been able to get a U-Pass. Frustrating. Meeting with TransLink. As an interim measure, we will charge them our fee, so they can qualify for the U-Pass, then reimburse them. They’ve been really inconvenienced.
- Financial subsidy available for up to 1300 students. Better than opt-outs.
- Elin and I will be away at a sustainability conference and will miss the October 12 Council meeting.
- UBC logo agreement expired. In discussions. They’re reluctant to give a full licence to clubs.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP External – Katherine Tyson
- Positions being hired for municipal elections.
- More External Commission positions to get more intellectual material produced on housing, child care, etc.
- U-Pass a success; 41,000 were picked up.
• Housing symposium.
• Working with other schools on provincial lobbying.

**VP Finance – Elin Tayyar**
• New subsidy. Implementing the referendum. Hired two people.
• IPF applications soon.
• One Constituency has not yet handed in its budget and should do so asap.
• Working to increase investment revenues. Talked with UBC, but that not working. Going to Plan B.
• Sustainability Fund deadline yesterday. Not much advertised. Six applications.
• Ecommerce system not ready; trying to work problems out.
• UBC Card: not extending it to other businesses. Just Blue Chip, Pie R, Honour Roll.
• New SUB: IT consultants, retail consultants.
• Sustainability Minor: Go-ahead in Arts and Science for summer 2013.
• Talking about a Services review.

**VP Academic – Matt Parson**
• Housing forum in November.
• Student evaluations: when there is unsatisfactory teaching, there’s supposed to be a follow-up. But only happens in Science.
• UNA AGM elected new directors, may reignite talks.
• Charette on campus planning; want to get more student input.
• Gage South: consultation planned for November. Pushing for more of a conversation, change the model.
• Advertising for a Campus Development Officer.
• Maybe an academic commissioner for the exam database.
• Services Review with Elin.
• Change from the Vista system; rollout. UBC talking about a Facebook-like network.
• Global Fund: Choosing a student rep. Close to an MoU.

**VP Administration – Mike Silley (via Jeremy)**
• New SUB on track. Presentation on rebranding at the next Council meeting.
• Tendering on December 1. Breaking ground in February.
• Clubs Days successful.

F) **Committee Reports:**

**Legislative Procedures Committee – Kyle Warwick**
• Internal Policy review. Found the Alcohol Consumption policy and the Privacy policy okay. Looking at others (e.g., Expulsion from the SUB) to see if they meet legal requirements.
• Health and Safety policy passed last time now to go into employee handbook.
• Looking into representation on committees, including GSS representation. It’s mathematically impossible to have every Councillor serve on a standing committee as required by Code.
• UBCO students and U-Pass: codifying changes.
• Have some new members. It's a super-keener committee.

Education Committee – Bahador Moosavi
• Submitted report.

Student Life and Communications Committee – Jarrett Woodhouse
• Met with Caroline re transition.

Unecorn – Michael Haack
• Putting together a report before CASA comes in November.
• Pushing towards honourary degrees for Japanese-Canadian students interned during World War II.
• UBC’s U-Pass subsidies gone; the $1.3 million now goes to UBC Parking; discussion on where to spend that: on a bus shelter?

BAFCOM – Anne Kessler
• Liquor licence; rules changing.
• Pit's new hours: 11 am to midnight.
• Looking into opening the SUB 24 hours a day during exams.

G) Constituency Reports:

Science – Serena Ng
• External review for the faculty.
• New council.

Pharmacy – Michael Wong
• First years paired up with older classmates.

GSS – Bahador Moosavi
• Improved access to rainy day fund.
• Discussing space in the new SUB.
  – Diana Marsh: Koerner’s Pub may get third party to run it. May reopen in January.
• Tuition policy.

Engineering – Dan Olson
• Dean resigned.
• Beat Forestry in Forestry boat races.

Kinesiology – Jarrett Woodhouse
• Lots of new volunteers.
• Gymnastics night.
• Halloween boat cruise.

Law – Eric Gauf
• Grand opening of new building.
Library-Archival – Jessica Flank
- Study groups up and running.
- International symposium next semester.
- So many students now that we’re violating fire codes.

Arts – Tina Mash
- AUS elections.
- Council retreat.
- Parties.

Regent College – Hannah Dutko
- Retreat.
- Public lectures on theology and culture.

Land and Food – Cathy Wang
- Barbecue, beer garden.
- New website.

Commerce – Tim Tong
- Companies recruiting.
- Elections.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Senate – Aaron Sihota
- Committee looking into evaluations: they’re not reflective of teaching.
- Sustainability minor approved.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

6. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Executive Committee minutes dated August 31, 2011
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated September 12, 2011.”

... Carried

For (21): Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Aaron Sihota, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Michael Haack

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:
L) Committee Motions:

7. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council amend the employee handbooks, by inserting the AMS Health and Safety Policy.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick: We created the policy last meeting. We’re legally required to have one. This just puts it into the employee handbooks. HR is fine with doing this.

8. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council amend the employee handbooks, by inserting the AMS Health and Safety Policy.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (21): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Ficke, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Tina Mash, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Aaron Sihota, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

8. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That _____ (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.

Nominee: Justin Chang (Science)

That _____ (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the UBC Ombuds Advisory committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.

Nominees: Maria Cirstea (Science), Kyle Warwick (Arts)

Chosen: Maria Cirstea

That _____ (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the UBC Global Fund Advisory Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

Nominee: Serena Ng

9. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That Justin Chang (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.
That Maria Cirstea (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the UBC Ombuds Advisory committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.

That Serena Ng (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the UBC Global Fund Advisory Committee for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

… Carried

For (23): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Ficke, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Serena Ng, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Gary Tse

10. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the New SUB Committee

“That Council approve the expenditure of up to $30,000 from CPAC for the purchase and installation of PavGen Steps in the new Student Union Building.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: The balance in CPAC is $

- Jeremy McElroy:
  - PavGen is a UK company. This would be pavement-generated energy. It will be creating energy.
  - An innovative student sustainability project.
  - For the Main Atrium in the new SUB. For the steps, lighting up a screen.
  - Want to take this from CPAC instead of from the New SUB fund. Because of the HST referendum and the return of PST, there will be added stress on the new SUB budget.

*It was agreed to amend the motion to change CPAC to Student Spaces Fund (the new name of the old CPAC fund).*

- Elin Tayyar: I’m personally against this. It’s not a very sustainable project. It will just light its own light bulbs. The net energy it creates is insubstantial. It’s a cool art installation, but it’s not environmentally friendly.
- Caroline Wong: Is this time-sensitive? Can we get facts and figures?
- Jeremy McElroy: No one has used this here yet. It’s been used in the UK to light hallways.
- Caroline Wong: How much energy does it use?
- Jeremy McElroy: It doesn’t use energy.
- Kyle Warwick: There’s an absence of information here for a $30,000 project. Was it unanimously approved at the New SUB Committee?
Jeremy McElroy: We all thought it was great at New SUB. It’s a student project and is both feasible and innovative. It’s worth supporting.

Kyle Warwick: If we’re not sure of the information, my bias would be to push it back.

Jeremy McElroy: It could wait till the next Council meeting.

Diana Marsh: Would there be a screen regardless? Can the project generate energy for anything else?

Jeremy McElroy: There was talk of a revolving door, but that would only make sense in a train station.

Michael Haack: What upkeep will be required?

Jeremy McElroy: Very low maintenance, and it will last 20-30 years.

Jarrett Woodhouse: Will it provide the main power to the hall?

[The answer was that this is only for a stairwell.]

Jarrett Woodhouse: What happens in 20 or 30 years?

Jeremy McElroy: It’s a purchase for the life of the building.

Aaron Sihota asked about other quotes.

Jeremy McElroy: Another company does dance floors, but no one else does this particular product.

Eric Gauf: We’d be an early adopter. Should something go wrong, what guarantees are there?

Jeremy McElroy: As far as I know, they’d come out and fix it.

Karanbir Gill asked about batteries and maintenance costs.

Jeremy McElroy: Have to get back to you on that.

Elin Tayyar: This will mean losing the investment interest on $30,000. And there’s an opportunity cost.

11. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE:

“That this motion be postponed until the next meeting of AMS Council.”

... Carried

For (26): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Ficke, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Against (1): Elin Tayyar

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

12. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated September 15, 2011.”

... Carried

For (20): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Ficke, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Serena Ng, Jeremy McElroy,
Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Abstained: Aaron Sihota

13. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the agenda be amended to add a SAC appointment motion.”

... No objections

14. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That Kyle Warwick (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Student Administrative Commission for a term commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

... Carried

For (17): Melissa Ficke, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Tina Mash, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

O) Discussion Period

PAR

15. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED ERIC GAUF:

“That the Discussion Period be limited to 31 minutes overall.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

16. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED DAVID KIM:

“That there be a maximum three-minute speaking limit per speaker.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

- Matt Parson: Execs come in and are often overly ambitious. I can see the use of Oversight for the lower end, to make sure the Executives set goals that aren’t too limited, but you also need someone to tell them to be realistic and not overstretch. It would also be useful to have someone in the outgoing Executive to give advice. Maybe make that part of the procedure.
- Kyle Warwick: I like the idea of bringing in someone with expertise.
• Bahador Moosavi: For this year I thought the amount of the PAR was going to be $2500.
• Kyle Warwick: As to listening to past Executives, it sounds like Council wants hands-on knowledge from current and past Executives. I will seek out input.
• Ross Horton: There can’t be a more clear conflict of interest than designing your own compensation. We can’t have the current Executives directly involved. Maybe through the Senior HR Manager.
• Bahador Moosavi: How many are comfortable with the 70-20-10 division? [Some hands went up.]
• Katherine Tyson: I don’t think the PAR rules go far enough. They need more teeth.
• Anne Kessler: They could go further, and I think this year’s PAR should be $2500, not $5000.
• Micki Cowan: Pro-rated.
• Kyle Warwick: The salary pro-rated, but not the bonus?
• Jeremy McElroy: Our hourly rate has been bumped up going forward, so it’s pro-rated.

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

October 19, 2011

R) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:43 pm.

S) Social Activity:
# September 28, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Music), Elie Sarraf (GSS Advocacy Coordinator), William Gallego (Engineering), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Jonathan Elmer (Math Club), Natalya Kautz (Ubyssey), Will McDonald (Ubyssey), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Laura Rodgers (UBC Insiders), Kalyeena Makortoff (Ubyssey), Andrew Bates (Ubyssey), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Designer), Fanny Blanc (student), Brian Platt (Ubyssey), Tanner Bokor (Ubyssey), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Kiran Mahal (Science Undergraduate Society), Ross Horton (AMS General Manager) Joanne Pickford (AMS Administration), Arielle Friedman (Social Justice Centre), Andrew Jackson (External Commission)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm, with Ignacio Rodriguez in the chair.

1. MOVED DAN OLSON, SECONDED STEWART McGILLIVRAY:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (27): Iqbal Kassam (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Karanbir Gill, Keely Hebert, Sarthak Kaushik, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Road to Rio – Jeremy McElroy

- Elin and I were at a Youth Action Canada Conference in Montreal in April about sustainability.
- They deal with five areas of concern: human rights, health, environment, education and poverty.
- Next year, in a conference here in Vancouver, they will be revisiting the Earth Summit held in 1992 in Rio de Janeiro to look at the progress since then on sustainability.
- Speakers include David Suzuki and Al Gore, and tickets are $20.
- They would like us to partner with them, which means guaranteeing we can move a certain number of tickets, say 1,000. In return, we would get our branding on everything. It’s a fantastic opportunity.

Questions
- Caroline Wong: What’s the cost?
- Jeremy McElroy: Nothing, unless we can’t get rid of the tickets.
Caroline Wong: What’s the date?
Jeremy: Sometime in March, at the Vancouver Convention Centre. They need to know by the end of the month.
Mike Silley: Could it be less tickets?
Jeremy McElroy: If we said 750, they’d be okay.
Dan Olson: Is there a website?
Jeremy McElroy: It’s under Road to Rio.

D) President’s Remarks:

Jeremy McElroy
- Helping our new ECSS, Angel Tung, coordinate the Services.
- Hiring an Events Manager.
- Hired a SASC Manager, who’s starting Monday; hope to have SASC to full capacity by the end of next week.
- Last week went to a sustainability education conference in Pittsburgh. We were treated like rock stars because UBC is leading the way. We came back with some new ideas.
- The Health and Dental Committee is meeting next week about drug exemption policy; there have been some issues.
- I’ve been talking to the UBCO student union about U-Pass. There’s a similar problem (to UBCO students on exchange here) for UBC Vancouver students there. I’m hoping to work out a reciprocity agreement.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Administration – Mike Silley
- New SUB:
  o End of construction development.
  o Lease consultants reporting.
  o Going to Board 3 soon.
  o Hope to solve the colour issue by then.
- SAC: wrapping up a complaint.

Executive Coordinator of Student Services - Angel Tung (via Jeremy)
- Working on open concept space for the Services in the new SUB.
  Minischool has started: ten classes had to be cancelled, but there are 20% more registrants overall.
- Volunteer Connect fair was a success.
- “Externships” (shorter internship placements) being worked on by Internship.
- Food Bank is doing Food for Fines till Halloween.

F) Committee Reports:

Legislative Procedures Committee – Kyle Warwick
- PAR consultation going on: not as much turnout as hoped for.
- Going to look at amending Code about budget amendments.
- There’s a concern about PAR for this year; we have to make a clarification; it’s not decided on yet.
Extraordinary Hiring Committee – Kyle Warwick
- Reposting the Elections Administrator position. Aiming to hire by November.

University & External Relations Committee – Michael Haack (via Kyle Warwick)
- U-Pass subsidies.
- Putting policies online.
- Updating policies and replacing expiring policies.

Business & Facilities Committee – Anne Kessler
- 24 Hour SUB during exams: looks like it will happen.
- Honour Roll Express has opened near Copyright.
- Camera motion coming tonight

Student Life Committee – Jarrett Woodhouse (via Caroline Wong)
- Services review happening Thursday.

Education Committee – Bahador Moosavi
- TA training.
- Exam schedule.
- Technology in the classroom.

G) Constituency Reports:

Arts – Tina Mash
- Parties

VST – Emily Jarrett
- I’m the new VST rep.

Law – Eric Gauf
- New couches in the Law building.

Nursing – Melissa Erasmus
- No report.

Music – Megan Dray
- Career conference coming up.

Engineering – Dan Olson
- We have an interim dean, Dr. Eric Hall.
- Hired an Assistant Dean of Students.
- Halloween Ball.

Science – Maria Cirstea
- Council retreat went well.
- Digital signage.
- Strategic plan in November.

Commerce – Tim Tong
• Sustainability conference coming up.
• Annual Mr. Sauder beauty pageant November 7 at the Norm.

GSS – Jamie Paris

Regent College – Hannah Dutko
• Public lecture on Christianity and culture.
• December 1 artisan fair.
• Regent is lowering tuition next year by 8.5%.

Social Work – Keely Hebert
• Fundraising for a bursary.

Land & Food Systems – Cathy Wang
• Halloween beer garden.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar
• Elections.
• Forestry retreat.

Pharmacy – Michael Wong
• Scavenger hunt.
• Pharmacy Gala November 4.
• Fundraising for Seymour Elementary School.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors
• No report.

Senate – Aaron Sihota
• Senate meeting cancelled.

Ombudsperson – Jay Shah
• Constituency case.
• Going to a conference in Baltimore.

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Finance - Elin Tayyar
• Went to the sustainability conference in Pittsburgh.
• Lots of money left to give out for IPF.
• AMS fee subsidy: worried we won’t have enough applicants.

VP Academic – Matt Parson
• Co-curricular record: proposal to put extra-curricular activities on transcripts (e.g., president of an undergraduate society, going on exchange or co-op).
• Housing forum moving forward.
• Governance discussions picking up. New UNA board member vocal on this.
3. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion on the GIS mapping license and a motion for the Resources Groups’ budget.”

... No objections

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

4. MOVED SARTHAK KAUSHIK, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Executive Committee minutes dated September 23, 2011 [SCD218-12]
Executive Committee minutes dated September 30, 2011 [SCD219-12]
University & External Relations Comm. minutes dated Aug. 26, 2011 [SCD220-12]
University & External Relations Comm. minutes dated Aug. 30, 2011 [SCD221-12]
University & External Relations Comm. minutes dated Sept. 13, 2011 [SCD222-12]
University & External Relations Comm. minutes dated Sept. 20, 2011 [SCD223-12]
University & External Relations Comm. minutes dated Sept. 28, 2011 [SCD224-12]
University & External Relations Comm. minutes dated Oct. 5, 2011 [SCD225-12]
Business and Facilities Committee minutes dated Aug. 30, 2011 [SCD226-12]
Business and Facilities Committee minutes dated Sept. 12, 2011 [SCD227-12]
Education Committee Minutes dated Sept. 30, 2011 [SCD228-12]
Student Life Committee minutes dated Oct. 6, 2011 [SCD229-12]
Legislative Procedures Comm. minutes dated Sept. 26, 2011 [SCD231-12]

... Carried

For (31): Iqbal Kassam (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Megan Dray, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Gary Tse, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Aaron Sihota

5. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

“That Council approve the unfreezing of the Resource Group accounts and approve their budget as presented.”

- Matt Parson: Two weeks ago the Budget Committee reviewed the Resource Groups' budgets and flagged some things. There was a Women's Centre issue to do with using honoraria to pay for set hours of work, which worked out to be for less than the minimum wage. We need to explore ways around that issue.
- It was suggested that the rest of the Women’s Centre budget be unfrozen.
Matt Parson: Only the transfer of money to the Resource Groups needs to be approved by Council.

Eric Gau: Unfreeze the budgets and deal with that line item at the Resource Groups Allocation Committee.

Matt Parson: The other Resource Groups are unfrozen.

Jamie Paris: The motion doesn't say that.

Sheldon Goldfarb: All that Council does is approve a lump sum for the Resource Groups as a whole. The Finance Commission has the power to freeze a Resource Group’s account under certain circumstances, and unfreeze it. That doesn’t have to come to Council.

Jamie Paris: So this motion is redundant.

Sheldon Goldfarb: Yes.

Elin Tayyar: Council has to approve the budget.

Sheldon Goldfarb: So this would be amending the AMS budget?

Elin Tayyar: Yes.

Jamie Paris asked about the honoraria issue.

Elin Tayyar: We need to approve the budget; then we can deal with the HR issue.

6. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED ERIC GAUF:

“That the motion be amended to read:

‘That Council amend the AMS Budget to allocate $57,030 for the Resource Groups.’"

Note: The motion will now require 2/3rds.”

Keely Hebert: There are three frustrated women here [from the Women’s Centre] who are not getting heard. They need a timeline for getting the money.

7. MOVED KYLE WARWICK:

“That the question be called on the amendment.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

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Abstained: Ravi Parhar, Gary Tse

- Elin Tayyar: According to Code, Council approves a big number; then the Resource Groups divide it up. Council only votes on the whole number. This wasn’t in the budget before, so we need to amend the AMS budget to add it now.
- Arielle Friedman: By referendum the Resource Groups are guaranteed $1.50 per student. Usually this is allocated earlier, but there was a referendum this year making the fee opt-outable. Everything was late as a result. We were supposed to get our budgets in a couple of weeks ago. There was some miscommunication, and accounts were frozen.
- Jeremy McElroy: Fincom freezes and unfreezes accounts. Council never approved the overall number. That’s all we’re doing here now.

9. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED ERIC GAUF:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (17): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Megan Dray, Anne Kessler, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Against (12): Iqbal Kassam (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Melissa Erasmus, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Jamie Paris, Johannes Rebane, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Michael Wong

Abstained: Andrew Patterson (proxy for Andrew Carne), Sarthak Kaushik, Serena Ng, Matt Parson

- Jamie Paris: The question from the women at the Women’s Centre has not been answered: Is this an unfreezing of their account?
- Jeremy McElroy: Yes.
- Elin Tayyar: As soon as Council passes this, it’s unfrozen.
- Guest [Representative of Pride UBC]: I’m hearing for the first time that this didn’t have to come to Council. I heard before that it did.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: It’s Fincom’s responsibility, not Council’s. But the $57,030 wasn’t included in the AMS budget; this motion is allowing that.
- Pride representative: The problem was not the freezing?
- Ignacio Rodriguez: At the Council level that’s not the problem.
10. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

“That Council amend the AMS Budget to allocate $57,030 for the Resource Groups.”

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Abstained: Gary Tse, Cathy Wang

C) Presentations to Council:

GIS Mapping License – Andrew Jackson (External Commission)

- Most of you live off campus in basement suites and commute on overcrowded buses. This is a direct result of University policy.
- Originally, UBC was going to be a campus of dormitories, but they weren’t built; there was little student accommodation at first.
- In the 1960’s the campus population exploded; there were lots of autos on campus, causing a transportation crisis and the creation of parkades.
- UBC spent millions on parkades in the late 80’s, choosing not to invest in student housing.
- Then came U-Pass. This was not done by UBC as an equity project. It came from the GVRD (Metro Vancouver) as part of the development process.
- In the 1990’s there was a massive new condos plan at UBC. Metro said to stop it and implement a solution to the commuter crisis.
- U-Pass is here only because Metro Vancouver forced UBC to adopt it.
- What I want to do is map student residential locations, creating a population map for Metro Vancouver, to show that students need rapid transit and improvements in student housing, along with more respect from UBC.
- To do this map we need a licence that will cost $2500 to $3000.
- There is a lack of beds on campus. A rapid transit line will not solve that problem. Population growth will fill the line. The solution is more affordable housing.

Questions

- Mrigank Sharma: What’s the point of doing this?
- Andrew Jackson: To demonstrate the daily commute, we need to map this.
- Jeremy McElroy: We have a raw list of postal codes, but no map.
• Anne Kessler: You can buy a license for $25.
• Andrew Jackson: This is to pay for republishing with our logo.
• Diana Marsh: What will you be looking at?
• Andrew Jackson: I suspect the commute is increasing each year; as rents rise near UBC, more students live east of Main Street and commutes increase.
• Kyle Warwick: Forward sortation levels are available from postal codes: the first three digits, but that's pretty useless. How detailed do you need it? Four digits?
• Andrew Jackson: I'm not aware of 4-digit postal code maps.
• Caroline Wong: Have you approached Metro Vancouver?
• Andrew Jackson: Metro has been helpful. The break-up of Metro and UBC was unfortunate. Metro doesn’t keep 6-digit postal code maps.
• Caroline Wong: They'd like to see it too?
• Diane Marsh: If the solution is more student housing, aren’t they already doing that?
• Andrew Jackson: The UBC land use plan is so loose it can permit unlimited condos. Student housing means affordable student housing.

11. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED SARTHAK KAUSHIK:

   [SCD232-12]

   “That Council approve the expenditure of $3,000 from the University and External Lobbying Fund for a GIS mapping license.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Melissa Erasmus: I don’t know if having this is that important.
• Andrew Jackson: It’s a debatable point. If we want to demonstrate the growth of the problem, we need to identify suburbs, e.g., Richmond, that need more 480 buses. If we want to map that, we need 6-digit detail. Without that, we can’t show the problem.
• Jeremy McElroy: This is not budgeted for, but there’s money in the fund. Having purchased the rights to this map, we’ll be the only ones using it. That’s very exciting. We’ll be the first to know where all the people are coming from. It will be fantastic research.
• Kyle Warwick: This is one of the most practical things we can do. We’ll have something tangible to show. Our budgetary situation is quite good in external lobbying.

12. MOVED JAMIE PARIS, SECONDED EKATERYNA BARANOVSAYA:

   “That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

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Against (1): Melissa Erasmus

Abstained: Sarthak Kaushik

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

14. MOVED ANNE KESSLER, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Business and Facilities Committee

“That AMS Council approve the purchase of three security cameras and a standalone unit for up to $4,500 from Student Spaces Fund.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: The balance in the Student Spaces Fund is $440,707.

- Anne Kessler: These will be placed in the Executive office space and also near the SASC office as per a SASC staff request.
- Jeremy McElroy: There have been a number of incidents of theft in the Executive office space. Having some local closed circuit cameras would be very beneficial. There will be limited access to the videos under our video surveillance policy.
- Jamie Paris: Have you spoken to the new union?
- Ross Horton: The Security Manager has been involved, but the recent certification doesn’t affect this.
- Mrigank Sharma: There should be security on the second floor.
- Hayden Hughes: There was an incident in April or May; people were gone from the Executive area for an hour or so, and there was a theft.

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Abstained: Cathy Wang

16. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED SARTHAK KAUSHIK:  

From the Legislative Procedures Committee  
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Students at Large’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Kyle Warwick: This is a minor change. We want to look in a more holistic way at committees, but for now this is just one quick change to the definition of “student at large.” Right now you can’t sit on more than one committee, which is not logical for the Budget Committee. The Budget Committee is very project-limited; it functions at one time of the year, mostly, helping to make the budget; there’s no detriment if you’re sitting on another committee.

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18. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED CATHY WANG:

From the University & External Relations Committee

“Whereas 76 Japanese-Canadians attending the University of British Columbia were members of the AMS and paid AMS fees, were interned by the Canadian government through no fault of their own during World War II, and following the war could not complete their studies at the University due to forced deportation and property loss,

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS request the University to acknowledge the historical wrongs caused and grant honorary degrees to the interned Japanese-Canadian students.

Be it further resolved that the Executive inform the UBC Senate of this external policy and encourage the UBC Senate Tributes Committee to grant the honorary degrees to the interned Japanese-Canadians.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: These 76 students were past members of the AMS, but were not able to finish their degrees. The AMS wants honorary degrees for them. This may affect the reputation of the University and it’s relevant to today’s students. It’s not blaming UBC.
- Justin Yang: Were the Student Senators consulted?
- Kyle Warwick: Michael or Katherine might know about that.
- Ekateryna Baranovskaya: They weren’t expelled, unlike elsewhere; but it was made impossible for them to continue their degrees.
- Mrigank Sharma asked about the role of government.
- Ekateryna Baranovskaya: The government has made reparations, but this is about the past of the AMS.
- Eric Gauf: Why now?
- Jeremy McElroy: This began as a movement by the families, who asked the UBC Senate. The Senate said no. It was in the news. They’ve reached out to me.
- Mike Silley: Why did the Senate say no?
- Aaron Sihota: I would like to have more information on this, a presentation.

17. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED JUSTIN YANG:

“That this motion be tabled till the October 26 Council meeting.”

- Bahador Moosavi: Student Senators should be consulted.
- Jamie Paris: This has been debated in committee; it’s unlikely to change. It’s futile to table.
- Jeremy McElroy: Eventually, the committee came to a consensus. This came from committee. The University says it doesn’t want to set a precedent, but that’s not an adequate answer.
• Matt Parson: It’s more that the University feels they didn’t do anything wrong. For them to grant honorary degrees might be seen as them trying to right a wrong.
• Ravi Parhar: Tabling it would allow us to get more information.
• Stewart McGillivray: The committee looked at this three times and was unanimous in its decision. I understand people have questions, but I’m not sure tabling would help.
• There was a question about whether there would be a presentation next time.
• Ignacio Rodriguez: The motion is simply to table.
• Aaron Sihota: Can we amend to send it back to committee?
• Ignacio Rodriguez: No.
• Ekateryna Baranovskaya: The reason the Senate voted this down was that unlike the situation at American universities, no students were expelled from UBC.

18. MOVED JAMIE PARIS, SECONDED AARON SIHOTA:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

19. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED JUSTIN YANG:

“That this motion be tabled till the October 26 Council meeting.”

… Defeated

For (7): Sarthak Kaushik, Diana Marsh, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Mrigank Sharma

Against (22): Iqbal Kassam (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Andrew Carne), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Megan Dray, Anne Kessler, Serena Ng, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Ben Chadwick (proxy for Jarrett Woodhouse)

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Gary Tse

• Emily Jarrett: Affiliates have already done this in similar situations. VST has done it in relation to indigenous groups.

20. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED DOMINIC TONG:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Defeated
For (13):  Iqbal Kassam (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Andrew Patterson (proxy for Andrew Carne), Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Serena Ng, Jeremy McElroy, Jamie Paris, Mike Silley, Dominic Tong (proxy for Cathy Wang), Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Ben Chadwick (proxy for Jarrett Woodhouse)

Against (11): Anne Kessler, Stewart McGillivray, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Gary Tse, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang

Abstained: Sarthak Kaushik, Bahador Moosavi, Mrigank Sharma

21. MOVED AARON SIHOTA, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“Be it resolved that this motion be referred to the University and External Relations Committee.

Be it further resolved that the University and External Relations committee report back to Council at the October 26, 2011 meeting with a presentation on the motion.”

- Aaron Sihota: There are lots of questions in the room. It would be good to outline the history and to consult student senators.
- Kyle Warwick: Originally, I didn’t think we needed more information, but there seems to be confusion. Let’s get a proper presentation and make sure this doesn’t fail.

22. MOVED AARON SIHOTA, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“Be it resolved that this motion be referred to the University and External Relations Committee.

Be it further resolved that the University and External Relations committee report back to Council at the October 26, 2011 meeting with a presentation on the motion.” … Carried

For (19):  Iqbal Kassam (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Karanbir Gill, Megan Dray, Anne Kessler, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Ben Chadwick (proxy for Jarrett Woodhouse), Justin Yang

Against (6): Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Mike Silley, Dominic Tong (proxy for Cathy Wang)

Abstained: Andrew Patterson (proxy for Andrew Carne), Maria Cirstea, Bahador Moosavi, Matt Parson, Mrigank Sharma

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:
N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

23. MOVED SARATHAK KAUSHIK, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

   “That _____ (1 x student at large) be appointed to the University and External
   Relations Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
   
   Nominee: Carven Li

   “That _____ (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the University and External Relations
   Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
   
   Nominees: Ekateryna Baranovskaya (Arts), Stewart McGillivray (Arts), Justin
   Yang (Senate)
   
   Chosen: Ekateryna Baranovskaya

   “That _____ (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee for a period
   effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
   
   Nominee: Stewart McGillivray (Arts)

24. MOVED SARATHAK KAUSHIK, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

   “That Carven Li (1 x student at large) be appointed to the University and External
   Relations Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

   “That Ekateryna Baranovskaya (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the University and
   External Relations Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March
   31, 2012.”

   “That Stewart McGillivray (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Education Committee
   for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

   ... Carried Unanimously

For (28): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Andrew
Carne), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Megan Dray, Anne Kessler,
Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador
Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Matt Parson,
Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar,
Gary Tse, Dominic Tong (proxy for Cathy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Caroline
Wong, Michael Wong, Ben Chadwick (proxy for Jarrett Woodhouse), Justin
Yang

25. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

   “That _____ and _____ (2 x students at large) be appointed to the New SUB
   Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

   Nominees: Mitra Raad and Alexandria Mitchell
• It was noted that Alexandria Mitchell has already been appointed to a committee, so this would be a Code violation.

26. MOVED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the following clause be added to the motion:

‘Be it further resolved that all relevant sections of Code be suspended to allow Alexandria Mitchell to sit as an at large member of two committees.’”

… No objections

• Kyle Warwick: She’s a good person. We shouldn’t let process get in the way.
• Jeremy McElroy: We’ve used this Code before to keep people off committees.
• Bahador Moosavi: Was there anyone else who wanted to go for this position?
• Mike Silley: Yes, there were other applicants.
• Ekateryna Baranovskaya: Council did vote against letting people get on multiple committees.

27. MOVED ERIC GAUF, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the motion be divided to deal separately with Mitra Raad’s appointment to the New SUB Committee.”

… No objections

28. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That Mitra Raad (student at large) be appointed to the New SUB Committee for a period effective immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

… Carried

For (24): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Andrew Carne), Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Anne Kessler, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Mooshgabadi, Dan Olson, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Gary Tse, Dominic Tong (proxy for Cathy Wang), Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Ben Chadwick (proxy for Jarrett Woodhouse), Justin Yang

Abstained: Megan Dray, Ravi Parhar

29. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That Alexandria Mitchell (student at large) be appointed to the New SUB Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.

Be it further resolved that all relevant sections of Code be suspended to allow Alexandria Mitchell to sit as an at large member of two committees.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Mike Silley: The New SUB appointment was not up last time. She's hyper-qualified. The New SUB Committee uses an applications process; it's very intensive.

Kyle Warwick: It's apples and oranges to compare what we did last time with what we have to do this time. There was a different process this time, by application. This committee moves very fast; we need to appoint now or she'll be missing meetings. This is an exceptional case.

Eric Gauf: Why didn’t this come up in the process?

Mike Silley: I wasn’t aware that she was on another committee.

Melissa Erasmus: Last time we said no to this to encourage more people on committees.

Bahador Moosavi: It's a messy situation.

30. MOVED DOMINIC TONG, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds … No objections

31. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That Alexandria Mitchell (student at large) be appointed to the New SUB Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012.

Be it further resolved that all relevant sections of Code be suspended to allow Alexandria Mitchell to sit as an at large member of two committees.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds … Defeated

For (11): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Karanbir Gill, Anne Kessler, Serena Ng, Stewart McGillivray, Johannes Rebane, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Ben Chadwick (proxy for Jarrett Woodhouse)

Against (6): Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Megan Dray, Aaron Sihota, Dominic Tong (proxy for Cathy Wang), Michael Wong

Abstained: Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Gary Tse, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

O) Discussion Period

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Kyle Warwick: We've done the update; there will be further discussion at LPC next Monday.

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:
32. MOVED ERIC GAUF, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That Council reconsider the New SUB Committee appointment including the Code suspension.”

- Matt Parson: This is not the classic situation. We should make this exception.
- Mike Silley: This is not a regular committee, and student engagement is ramping down. This is the second time this person has tried to be on the committee.

33. MOVED ERIC GAUF, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That Council reconsider the New SUB Committee appointment including the Code suspension.”

... Carried

For (18): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Anne Kessler, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Gary Tse, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Ben Chadwick (proxy for Jarrett Woodhouse)

Against (5): Melissa Erasmus, Megan Dray, Aaron Sihota, Dominic Tong (proxy for Cathy Wang), Justin Yang

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson

34. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That Alexandria Mitchell (student at large) be appointed to the New SUB Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending April 30, 2012. Be it further resolved that all relevant sections of Code be suspended to allow Alexandria Mitchell to sit as an at large member of two committees.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (16): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Andrew Carne), Maria Cirstea, Karanbir Gill, Anne Kessler, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Ben Chadwick (proxy for Jarrett Woodhouse)

Against (7): Melissa Erasmus, Megan Dray, Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Dominic Tong (proxy for Cathy Wang), Michael Wong

Abstained: Eric Gauf, Bahador Moosavi, Gary Tse, Justin Yang

P) Submissions:
Q) Next Meeting:
   October 26, 2011

R) Adjournment:
   There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

S) Social Activity:
# October 19, 2011 Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Economics), Chad Hyson (VP Students Office), Kimberley Beck (University Counsel’s office), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Drake Fenton (Ubyssey), Will McDonald (Ubyssey), David Marino (Ubyssey), Natalya Kautz (Ubyssey), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Designer), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Alexandria Mitchell (Arts), Chelsea Enslou (Resource Groups – SEC), Jonny Wakefield (Ubyssey), Micki Cowan (Ubyssey), Andrew Bates (Ubyssey), Tanner Bokor (Ubyssey), R.J. Reid (Ubyssey), Hayden Hughes (student), Lisa Colby (UBC Campus Planning), Dominic Tong (student)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm with Jeremy McElroy in the chair.

1. MOVED ANNE KESSLER, SECONDED JUSTIN CHANG:

“That on the recommendation of the Agenda Committee Michael Begg be appointed as Speaker of Council for a term ending April 30, 2012.”

… Carried Unanimously

Michael Begg took the chair at 6:10 pm.

2. MOVED JUSTIN CHANG, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

• It was agreed to remove some presentations.

3. MOVED JUSTIN CHANG, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

… Carried Without Dissent

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

C) Presentations to Council:

Non-Academic Misconduct – Chad Hyson (VP Students office) and Kimberley Beck (University Counsel’s office)

• Currently the Calendar contains a section on discipline, but gives little information on process or possible disciplinary action.
• The University Act gives authority in these cases to the UBC President, and there is a committee for both academic and non-academic discipline that reports to the President.
• UBCO adopted a new process in 2008. The idea was to see if it was successful, and if it was, then it would be introduced here.
• The first change here will be the introduction of a Student Code of Conduct, which will contain more detail and clarity concerning what type of conduct is
subject to discipline. The idea is to increase awareness and make things clearer for students. It will include more on process and on disciplinary action.

- The second change will be following the UBCO diversionary process. If the student accepts responsibility for misconduct and signs an agreement, there can be resolution with the student without going to a committee. For instance, if a student breaks a window and admits doing it, then they will pay damages and write a letter of apology, and it’s done. No involvement for a committee or the President. It will make things less intimidating and more timely.

- Third, there will be two committees, with a separate one for Non-Academic Misconduct made up of students, plus a chair appointed by the President. The process will be more timely and less drawn out.

- The idea is to create something student friendly, less adversarial; it will not be court-like procedure.

- This is a pilot process that will begin in January 2012, with full implementation by September 2012.

- The procedure will begin at the VP Students office, which will do a review leading to no action or a warning letter or a resolution; or it may go to a committee if it’s severe (e.g., assault) and then to the President and to the Senate if there’s an appeal.

- We’re looking for volunteers for the student committee. We’re looking for a good cross-section of the student body.

Questions

- Anne Kessler: What happens in, say, an assault case if it goes to court and the student is found not guilty? Would you do something after the court case?

- Kimberley Beck: It depends on the situation. The court case wouldn’t preclude us from taking our own action.

- Kyle Warwick: What is the process to ensure representative students end up on the committee?

- Kimberley Beck: We’ll have a standing committee of 10 to 15 students and draw on them, with a quorum of four or five. Recommendations will come to my office; it will have to be students with a strong enough academic record to handle this.

- Hayden Hughes: It will be good to get away from the adversarial, hostile process.

- Mike Silley asked about the range of punishments.

- Kimberley Beck: There will still be no limits. We’ll just provide examples. We don’t have to follow precedent, but will aim for consistency.

- Chad Hyson: Some types of action will go to the President as before.

- Mike Silley: Has expulsion ever been a punishment?

- Kimberley Beck: There was an indefinite suspension in one case.

- Neal Yonson: In the case of the death threat against Martha Piper [former UBC President] the punishment was expulsion.

- Mike Silley asked about the timeline.

- Chad Hyson: January, following UBCO’s success. We expect success here too, but it is a different campus.

- Kimberley Beck: We’re still seeking consistency: a UBC student there is a UBC student here.

- Stewart McGillivray asked about scope. Is this about misdemeanours? What about the Stanley Cup rioters?
• Kimberley Beck: This would be for UBC students on or near campus, with a connection to the University. It would be decided case by case. Usually it will be clear when it is in our jurisdiction and when it is not.

• Hans Seidemann asked about UBCO cases.

• Kimberley Beck: They have mostly been related to drinking: fist fights, property damage. There have been referrals to alcohol counselling, reimbursing for property damage.

• Hans Seidemann: The UBCO students have not been opting for the diversionary process?

• Chad Hyson: In fact, 90% have been resolved that way. There’s been a pretty good track record of reaching consensus.

• Mike Silley: Who can bring charges? Campus Security?

• Kimberley Beck: Anyone who’s part of the University community. Then there’s vetting.

• Kyle Warwick asked about students admitting to wrongdoing to avoid the formal level of discipline.

• Kimberley Beck: It happens. There’s no way to control that; the student decides. It’s up to Campus Security to talk to the student, and it won’t be as big a deal to go to the student committee as it was before to the old committee.

Campus Planning – Lisa Colby (Director of Policy Planning) [SCD235-12]

Planning and Design
• Housing Action Plan. Student input. AMS Forum.
• Public Realm. Finally implementing it after a couple of years of discussions. New paving on Main Mall. New lighting. Buchanan courtyards. Making this a walkable campus.

Sustainability
• Steam to hot water conversion, bringing down greenhouse gas emissions.
• Bio-energy research and demo project under construction, for generating clean electricity.
• Building optimization. Increasing energy efficiency in 72 old buildings. Phase 1 already started. Audits of other buildings next year.
• “Do It in the Dark” event, monitoring energy provincewide.
• Waste and Water Action.
• Shut the Sash campaign in three buildings.

Transportation
• U-Pass pick-up rate high.
• Bike parking and lockers: 27 new ones, 103 total.

U-Town
• Totem Park infill: 567 new student beds.
• Housing Hubs by 2013 (587 beds): student housing for mature students. Going to come up with a new name for them.
• New community centre.
Questions

- Elin Tayyar: The survey says Hub or Commons. It would be cooler to have more options.
- Lisa Colby: If you have another option, please suggest it.
- Mike Silley: The survey says it should be Commons; it predisposes students to Commons.
- Sean Cregten: Totem is lovely, Public Realm is awesome. The Housing Action Plan: is that more faculty housing? What's the mechanism?
- Lisa Colby: Yes, it's in the Land Use Plan. It won't increase density. It will be about programs and units we deliver.
- Sean Cregten: You could change the proportions without changing density. There's been negative feedback about density.
- Lisa Colby: We're allowed to go lower. There's been some pushback on density. The Board of Governors decision set the target.
- Sean Cregten: Could Campus Planning propose a lower target?
- Lisa Colby: Yes. There'd have to be a good reason.
- Sean Cregten: Is it possible to propose less housing in Gage South? You could move it to South Campus.
- Lisa Colby: Yes, UBC has it in its power to build no more housing, but is that likely? No. Anything is possible, but the target has been set. It's the ambition because of the housing shortage and the need for services. It's a complex issue. The Board of Governors would need a good rationale to reverse policy.
- Sean Cregten: Does public feedback play a role?
- Lisa Colby: Yes, public feedback played a huge role.
- Sean Cregten: What if thousands signed a petition?
- Lisa Colby: We have had petitions before.
- Neal Yonson: Why did the Board of Governors decide on density levels before getting public feedback?
- Lisa Colby: There have been years of public feedback. We've been trying to get people to live on campus. There's a crisis here; people can't find places within an hour's commute. But they didn't want to live on campus without amenities. There are reasons for the density; it's all interwoven.
- Neal Yonson: Yes, but there wasn't feedback before. Now it's overwhelmingly negative.
- Lisa Colby: I don't think the feedback is overwhelmingly negative.
- Neal Yonson: There's concern about Wesbrook Place not accommodating density from Gage South.
- Lisa Colby: The target is to accommodate in Gage South. This whole question is to be addressed in two weeks. I encourage you to come out.
- Neal Yonson: Will there be a choice presented?
- Lisa Colby: We are operating on the assumption that there will be housing there. That's our target. It's not a Land Use Plan requirement. It's a Board of Governors policy.
- Diana Marsh asked about shuttle buses for far away parts of campus.
- Lisa Colby: There are plans for working with TransLink about shuttles.
- Diana Marsh asked about price increases for student rentals.
• Lisa Colby: That’s an issue we’ve heard about. It’s being looked at. It’s something to ask Andrew Parr. Student housing has to break even.
• Jamie Paris expressed concern about the cycling infrastructure and asked about plans to make biking safer, including traffic calming.
• Lisa Colby: There are going to be changes. Bollards are going up. There will be new paving and a pedestrian area next year.
• Jamie Paris: The new U-Pass pick-up plan is unfortunate for grad students. We have to bus in to get the pass. Are there any plans to have the U-Pass at various campuses in the Lower Mainland?
• Lisa Colby: I’d have to ask the Transportation Planner.
• Elin Tayyar: Is it possible to go above the LUP density maximum?
• Lisa Colby: No, that’s a provincially set level. It would be difficult to change. But the province did not fix distribution. We can shift things around. There are site maximums too.
• Elin Tayyar: You could transfer Gage South density to South Campus.
• Lisa Colby: Anything’s possible. But there has to be a rationale.
• Anne Kessler: Why not have a grocery store closer?
• Lisa Colby: The LUP limits commercial areas. We also didn’t want to overbuild and we can’t attract a big grocery store, given the population here. But we could build a small convenience store. That’s the aim of the hubs. We’re trying to bring that in response to people’s daily needs.
• Kyle Warwick: There’s high student interest in a density transfer from Gage South to South Campus. Are there other neighbourhoods for transferring density?
• Lisa Colby: They’re all pretty full. The LUP suggested Wesbrook Place.
• Kyle Warwick: What about east?
• Lisa Colby: We did look at that. Acadia. There’s a need to develop student housing. There’s not a lot for student families.
• Kyle Warwick: Wesbrook already has housing; adding density there would not be a great change. It would be a sharp change in Gage South: going from no housing to some. There’s value to exploring Wesbrook Place.
• Lisa Colby: Further to the question of shopping being available, the long range plan for University Boulevard is commercial. That’s another reason to consider housing in Gage.
• Katherine Tyson: There should be more student housing in the central campus and more market, non-student housing away from the core, in South Campus. Commercial in this area could attract students; it doesn’t have to be market housing here. Students spend money too.
• Lisa Colby: Wesbrook Place is not decreasing density; it’s just not as much of an increase as originally planned.

D) President’s Remarks (Jeremy McElroy):

• Interviews, hiring.
• Finishing construction documents for the new SUB.
• University Athletics Council: My proposal accepted: a $15,000 fund to be used by our athletic based clubs, and maybe $30,000 next year.
• Need to work on Council attendance.
E) Executive Remarks:

Katherine Tyson – VP External
- U-Pass Advisory Board: ridership up. Working out issue of UBCO students.
- Municipal election: Awareness campaign in early November.
- Provincial budget submission well received, especially on childcare.

Matt Parson – VP Academic
- New Learning Management System to integrate extra-curricular activities, clubs; more successful than our old AMS Link.
- Summer semester. Recommendations.
- 'Imagine More': plan for expanding MUG leaders' responsibilities to before and after Imagine Day, creating a one-stop peer-to-peer information place. Making a large university more manageable.
- Housing Forum.

Mike Silley – VP Administration
- Working with Amateur Radio Society over plans to have them leave Brock Hall. Issue of their 60-foot tower having to be moved.
- New SUB: Presentation next week. Colour issue still on the go. Everything looks peachy in the governance agreement with the Alumni.
- SAC: Blast email to clubs re opportunities for clubs; deals, fundraising opportunities.

Elin Tayyar – VP Finance (via Jeremy)
- IPF deadline Friday.

4. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED RAVI PARHAR:
   “That the agenda be amended by striking the rest of the reports.”
   … No objections

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

5. MOVED MELISSA ERASMUS, SECONDED HANS SIEDEMANN:
   “That the following minutes be accepted as presented:
   AMS Council minutes dated April 11, 2011 [SCD236-12]
   Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated October 3, 2011 [SCD237-12]
   Student Life and Comm. Committee minutes dated October 20, 2011." [SCD238-12]
   … Carried

For (16): Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang
Against (7): Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang

Abstained: Montana Hunter (proxy for Caroline Wong)

6. MOVED ANNE KESSLER, SECONDED JUSTIN CHANG:

“That there be a five-minute recess.”

... No objections

J) Executive Committee Motions:

7. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED ANNE KESSLER:

“Be it resolved that Council support the Youth Action Canada Road to Rio Plus 20 Symposium in March 2012.

Be it further resolved that Council approve the purchase of 1,000 tickets at the reduced rate of $20,000 to be distributed to UBC students.”

- Jeremy McElroy:
  - This will be a Special Projects line item. Paid for from there, and once the money comes in from ticket sales, we will pay it back.
  - This is a fantastic opportunity. I presented the motivation for it last week. Al Gore and David Suzuki will be here, and it will be a chance for us to present on the new SUB.
- Kyle Warwick: This is worthwhile, but if we get more than 1,000 would-be purchasers, how will we decide who gets tickets?
- Jeremy McElroy: First come, first served. If it happens early enough, we may be able to get more tickets.
- Jamie Paris: I’m a little unclear why this is not an expenditure. What part of the budget does it come from if we don’t sell the tickets?
- Jeremy McElroy: It’s in the Executive Special Projects line item, as a buffer. We have several thousand dollars there. Failing that, we can approve a deficit in that line item.
- Jamie Paris: Why isn’t the line item in the motion?
- Jeremy McElroy: We could add it.

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Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Montahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

9. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED MONTANA HUNTER:

From the University & External Relations Committee

"Whereas 76 Japanese-Canadians attending the University of British Columbia, were members of the AMS and paid AMS fees, were interned by the Canadian government through no fault of their own during World War II, and following the war could not complete their studies at the University due to forced deportation and property loss,

Therefore be it resolved that the AMS request the University to acknowledge the historical wrongs caused and grant honorary degrees to the interned Japanese-Canadian students.

Be it further resolved that the Executive inform the UBC Senate of this external policy and encourage the UBC Senate Tributes Committee to grant the honorary degrees to the interned Japanese-Canadians."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Michael Haack:
  - 76 Canadian-born Japanese students at UBC were interned; the government removed their citizenship rights.
  - There was economic loss as a result.
  - American colleges have granted honorary degrees.
  - Some say we would be diminishing the prestige of our honorary degrees by doing this, but schools like Berkeley have done it.
  - We’ve consulted the student senators. They have concerns, but this doesn’t direct them.
  - UBC can hold a special degree ceremony.

10. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

"That the motion be amended to add the following clause:

‘Whereas The National Association of Japanese Canadians (NJAC) sent an open letter to the University dated September 1, 2011, that urged UBC to show ethical leadership and grant honorary degrees to former Japanese Canadian students who were enrolled there in 1942.’ "

… No objections
• Justin Yang:
  o I’m concerned about the lack of consultation with senators.
  o This motion does direct that something be presented to Senate.
  o Honorary degrees here are not necessarily like at other institutions.
  o Senate doesn’t need this motion. A Senate committee is already working on this.
  o We rely on political capital to do our work. Let us do our job on Senate. This motion makes it political.

• Jeremy McElroy:
  o This has become very topical, and it’s already political.
  o UBC has already sent a letter saying no to honorary degrees.
  o Given the gravity and uniqueness of the situation, we are entirely within our rights to pass this.
  o We don’t have to wait for the student senators, and I don’t appreciate the student senators telling us what to do.
  o Let’s show we stand for students past and present. This wrong should be righted.

• Hans Seidemann (reading a statement from Sean Heisler): This is a highly over-zealous motion. It would take three years to do this. It shows how out of touch Council has become with Senate.

• Katherine Tyson: We’ve heard two different things from the two senators. Sean says it won’t happen. Justin says it’s being worked on. We’re saying something should happen. If you want us to speak for you on this, we need political backing. We should not let these students be pushed aside by process. If we worried we might offend, we would never do anything. We did speak to the student senators.

• Kyle Warwick:
  o Is this a concern of the AMS? Of course it is. This affected old AMS members and affects us currently; it affects the reputation of our University; it brings negative publicity.
  o We have the National Association of Japanese Canadians asking for this.
  o It’s realpolitik to the nth degree to think about whether we’ll lose political capital by doing this. I don’t think that cost is valid.
  o The job of student senators is to be diplomatic. Our job is a bit different; we’re more an advocacy body.
  o Is this the right process? To achieve good decisions, process doesn’t matter on its own.
  o This is an overdue motion; it should pass with overwhelming support.

• Ekateryna Baranovskaya: Any indecision in Senate should not affect a decision the AMS makes. We should maintain good relations with Senate, but this should not prevent us from doing that. The language of the motion is a bit harsh, but harsh things happened.

• Dominic Tong questioned whether this is what the students want.

11. MOVED JAMIE PARIS, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

“That there be a one-minute speaking limit per speaker and that overall the debate last no more than another 15 minutes.”
For (18): Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Anne Kessler, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Sumedha Sharma

Against (8): Montana Hunter (proxy for Caroline Wong), Michael Haack, Stewart McGillivray, Dan Olson, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang

Abstained: Ravi Parhar, Cathy Wang

- Eric Gauf: The AMS is not bound by the student senators. A substantive wrong was done. UBC is relying on procedure to avoid dealing with it; that's cowardly.

12. MOVED ERIC GAUF, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

- Sumedha Sharma: Some think we’re discrediting the student senators. Perhaps we can consult more with them. These are the student senators. Political capital is a reasonable issue. We could table this.
- Elaine Kuo: Honorary degrees should be for extraordinary students, and at this point an honorary degree would not be that beneficial to the recipients, but some sort of gesture could be made. We should delay this motion and engage in more dialogue to look for other forms of recognition.
- Justin Yang: I am for these families. We are looking at recognition. The Tributes Committee is looking at other ways to honour them. A statement is not supporting these families. If you let us do our job and speak for you at Senate, that will be more effective.
- Montana Hunter: This is not us being against Senate. We’re a different body. I don’t see how our expressing an opinion will hurt the student senators.
- Justin Yang: There’s a misunderstanding here of how honorary degrees work at UBC. We’re looking for other solutions.
- Cathy Wang: What are the student senators advocating?
- Justin Yang: These discussions are held in camera. The Tributes Committee is looking for other ways. It’s not done yet.
- Michael Haack: Honorary degrees can be granted for extraordinary circumstances. I don’t see how this will harm the student senators. This is not the only way to recognize, but I think honorary degrees are the appropriate thing here.
- Ekateryna Baranovskaya: The students here were not expelled. Well, six of them were. The rest were sent beyond the Rockies, their possessions seized;
there was no way they could come back to complete their degrees.

13. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That this motion be postponed to the November 2 meeting.”

- Jamie Paris: I’m against bringing it back next week; we need more time. Bring it back in a month. Then we can get all the research done and speak to the senators.

14. MOVED JAMIE PARIS, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“That the motion be amended to postpone until the November 30 meeting.”

- Kyle Warwick: I can’t comprehend how it could take more than a week to have conversations. There’s already been many hours of discussion.

There were no objections to extending debate for another 10 minutes while still keeping to the one-minute speaking limit per speaker.

- Noushin Moshgabadi: When will the Senate be able to talk about this?
- Justin Yang: By November 16 the Tributes Committee will have something. We will be able to get senators’ opinions by then.

15. MOVED JAMIE PARIS, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“That the motion be amended to postpone until the November 30 meeting.”

… Defeated

For (10): Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Cathy Wang, Sumedha Sharma, Justin Yang

Against (16): Elaine Kuo  (proxy for Tina Mash), Montana Hunter  (proxy for Caroline Wong), Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Momtahen, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Katherine Tyson

Back to the motion to postpone until November 2.

- Justin Yang: The Tributes Committee will not have met by then.
- Katherine Tyson: Unecorn is meeting next week. It would be good if the student senators could come.
- Justin Yang: It’s going to sound a lot like this week’s debate.
- Ravi Parhar: We should allow more time; or if not, do it now.
16. MOVED ERIC GAUF, SECONDED MEGAN DRAY:

“That the unsuccessful amendment to postpone until November 30 be reconsidered.”

... Defeated

For (10): Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Roshak Momtahen, Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Sumedha Sharma, Justin Yang

Against (11): Montana (proxy for Caroline Wong), Ekaterina Baranovskaya, Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Diana Marsh, Stewart McGillivray, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Johannes Rebane, Mike Silley

Abstained: Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Conny Lin

17. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“That the motion to postpone be amended to postpone indefinitely.”

... Carried

For (17): Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Megan Dray, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Sumedha Sharma, Justin Yang

Against (4): Montana Hunter (proxy for Caroline Wong), Melissa Erasmus, Stewart McGillivray, Mike Silley

Abstained: Ekaterina Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Eric Gauf, Jeremy McElroy, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann

18. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That this motion [on honorary degrees for the Japanese-Canadian students] be postponed indefinitely.”

... Carried

For (15): Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Justin Chang, Megan Dray, Eric Gauf, Anne Kessler, Conny Lin, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Sumedha Sharma, Justin Yang

Against (8): Montana Hunter (proxy for Caroline Wong), Ekaterina Baranovskaya, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Momtahen, Mike Silley, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Jeremy McElroy
19. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED ELAINE KUO:

From the University & External Relations Committee

“That Council approve the AMS-UBC U-Pass Subsidy Side Agreement as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Michael Haack: This allows us to offer U-Pass subsidies.
- Jeremy McElroy: This is only between the AMS and UBC about the governance of the U-Pass on campus, specifying who is responsible for what. It’s a longstanding agreement and will probably have to be revisited when the new U-Pass comes in.
- Kyle Warwick: While this agreement is necessary, we should not stop pushing for the remainder of the parking revenue to go to benefit transportation projects on campus. There’s $1.4 million there. We need to keep the pressure on.
- Katherine Tyson: Unecorn has looked at that and will be bringing something forward on it.
- Jeremy McElroy: The $1.4 million – that’s what UBC used to subsidize every student on campus, reducing every student’s U-Pass fee by $3 a month. The new U-Pass program didn’t allow that, so we’ve been advocating for this money to be spent in new ways.

20. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED ELAINE KUO:

From the University & External Relations Committee

“That Council approve the AMS-UBC U-Pass Subsidy Side Agreement as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried Unanimously

For (25): Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Montana Hunter (proxy for Caroline Wong), Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Jamie Paris, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

21. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated October 6, 2011
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated October 13, 2011.”

... Carried
For (13): Montana Hunter (proxy for Caroline Wong), Justin Chang, Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Anne Kessler, Jeremy McElroy, Roshak Momtahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Jamie Paris, Johannes Rebane, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang

Against (3): Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Mike Silley

Abstained: Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Stewart McGillivray, Ravi Parhar

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

22. MOVED ROSHAK MOMTAHEN, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

“That _____ (1 x student at large) be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominee: Anita Sehagic

“That _____ (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominee: Stewart McGillivray (Arts)

“That ____________________ (non-councillor) be appointed to the Student Administrative Commission effective immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

No nominees

• Jamie Paris: What was done to advertise the SAC position? There were people climbing through the walls a few weeks ago to get appointed. Where are they now?
• Bahador Moosavi: A problem at SAC is the commitment issue.

23. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That all relevant sections of Code be suspended to allow students at large already sitting on a committee to sit on SAC.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Katherine Tyson: Everyone before said we shouldn’t do this. Let’s be consistent. Let’s advertise it more. I’d rather postpone a week than suspend Code.
• Kyle Warwick: LPC is looking at this, seeking a long-term solution. SAC is unique; it’s hard to get quorum there. But since we have a Council meeting next week, we can advertise and vote next week.
• Jeremy McElroy: We’ve told many people we don’t do this; we shouldn’t keep bringing it up.

24. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED ERIC GAUF:

“That the question be called.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

25. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That all relevant sections of Code be suspended to allow students at large already sitting on a committee to sit on SAC.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (23): Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Megan Dray, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Montahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Montana Hunter (proxy for Caroline Wong), Ekateryna Baranovskaya

Against (18): Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Justin Chang, Megan Dray, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Montahen, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Montana Hunter (proxy for Caroline Wong), Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Bahador Moosavi

For (1): Mike Silley

26. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

“That the SAC appointment be postponed for a week.”

… No objections

27. MOVED ROSHAK MOMTAHEN, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

“That Anita Sehagic (1 x student at large) be appointed to the University and External Relations Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Stewart McGillivray (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

… Carried
For (24): Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Ekaterina Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Megan Dray, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Johannes Rebane, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Sumedha Sharma

Abstained: Montana Hunter (proxy for Caroline Wong)

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

President - 2nd Quarterly Report [SCD242-12]
BAFCOM - October report [SCD243-12]
Education Committee – October Report [SCD244-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee – October Report [SCD245-12]
Student Life & Communications Committee – October Report [SCD246-12]
University & External Relations Committee – October Report [SCD247-12]

Q) Next Meeting:

November 9, 2011

R) Adjournment:

28. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SECONDED ROSHAH MOMTAHEN:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

… No objections

The meeting was adjourned at 9:19 pm.

S) Social Activity:
# October 26, 2011 Attendance

## The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Economics), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Designer), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Drake Fenton (Ubyssey), Andrew Bates (Ubyssey), Will McDonald (Ubyssey), Geoff Lister (Ubyssey), Laura Rodgers (not Ubyssey), Kalyeena Makortoff (Ubyssey), Neal Yonson (also not Ubyssey), Natalya Kautz (Ubyssey), Aren Fieldwalker (Glasfurd & Walker), Phoebe Glasfurd (Glasfurd & Walker), Bruce Haden (Dialog), Kiran Mahal (Science), Carven Li (Arts), Conrad Copeland (unclassified), William Gallego (Engineering), Zach Dayler (CASA), Alex Lougheed (CASA), Drew Horton (student), Ross Horton (General Manager), Joanne Pickford (Administrative Assistant)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

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

1. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

*It was agreed to remove two motions and reorder others.*

2. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (21): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Jessica Flank, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Brian Kim (proxy for Michael Wong), David Kim, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Serena Ng, Dan Olson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Justin Yang

Against (1): Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Cathy Wang

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

L) Committee Motions:

3. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“That _____ (1 x student at large) be appointed to the Business & Facilities Committee effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominee: Rachael Reddy
4. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“That Rachael Reddy (1 x student at large) be appointed to the Business & Facilities Committee effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

... Carried Unanimously

For (25): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Brian Kim (proxy for Michael Wong), Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Conny Lin), Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang

C) Presentations to Council:

*CASA – Zach Dayler & Alex Lougheed* [SCD248-12]

- CASA’s vision is to push for an accessible, affordable, high quality postsecondary education system in Canada.
- CASA is a member-driven, grassroots organization, with 26 members who drive its priorities.
- Its focus is on policy development, research, government relations, and partnerships.
- We represent student groups and through them the students themselves.
- The student groups send delegates to a general assembly which represents you to CASA. The delegates select a board of directors, whose job is to ensure CASA achieves its goals.
- There are various committees, including a Graduate Student Council representing graduate students like those in your GSS.
- Beneath these are the National Director and the Home Office.
- The federal government doesn’t have a direct role in postsecondary education (PSE), but CASA is not necessarily limited to PSE; it lobbies for students on such matters as transportation and copyright.
- CASA is very active lobbying various federal ministries, e.g., ones dealing with student loans, copyright, the Canada Social Transfer, international students and immigration, the federal granting agencies, etc.
- It’s naive to say the federal government doesn’t affect PSE students.
- We do advocacy, including research and surveys; also campaigns during elections.
- We provide expert testimony at House of Commons committees and meet MP’s.
- We provide on-campus support if the campus wants that; we assisted Brock University and Waterloo in their education awareness campaigns.
- Our successes include:
  - An income work exemption re student loans.
  - Increases in the Social Transfer.
  - Copyright amendments.
  - Repayment assistance campaign.
  - Access to the Prime Minister and other decision makers.
o Increased access to student loans for part-time students.
o Trying to open up the textbook trade to allow bookstores to buy cheaper
texts.
- Recent cuts to federal research spending (CCL and Millennium Foundation, also
cutbacks at Stats Canada): CASA is trying to fill the gap, e.g., with the Canada
Student Survey, seeking to find out how students pay for their education and also
to discover what students know about financing.
- Policy priorities for 2011-12:
o Student loans.
o International student visas.
o Copyright.
o Funding for the Post-Secondary Student Support Program.
o End the Book Import Tax.
o Transparency at funding agencies.

Questions
- Jeremy McElroy: CASA’s here because at the end of the month we’ll be
deciding on our membership. Our External Committee is doing a review for a
backgrounder report. We’ll be in Ottawa in two weeks to lobby with CASA and
we’ll come back and report.

5. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question period be extended by 30 minutes.”

- Jeremy McElroy: That’s too long; it’s like doing another presentation.
- Katherine Tyson: It’s important to make time for questions on a $60,000
decision like this.
- It was agreed to amend the motion to extend by only 15 minutes.

6. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question period be extended by 15 minutes.”

... Carried

For (21): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf,
Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Brian Kim
(proxy for Michael Wong), David Kim, Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Jeremy
McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Momtahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan
Olson, Aaron Sihota, Klazina Van Den Berg (proxy for Johannes Rebane),
Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Against (1): Maria Cirstea

Abstained: Justin Chang, Bahador Moosavi, Serena Ng

- Eric Gauf: What are your most recent concrete achievements?
- Zach Dayler: Income exemption for students, copyright, testifying about the
removal of the long form census, meetings, national advocacy team lobbying.
• David Kim: Have you increased your budget for research since the end of the Millennium Scholarship Foundation?

• Zach Dayler: We have increased that substantially; it’s about $150,000 a year, and we will continue to increase it.

• Klazina Van Den Berg asked about the benefits of staying in CASA.

• Zach Dayler: You get value for dollar through such things as the income exemption we pushed for; you get access to professional staff in Ottawa. There are fringe benefits too: community and collaborating with other student leaders. There are things UBC might not be able to achieve on its own.

• Alex Lougheed: An individual student association won’t get access to the federal government; through a 27-member body you get access.

• Conrad Copeland: How many of your staff are registered lobbyists? And when’s the last time you produced a budget breakdown re your staff.

• Zach Dayler: We have two registered lobbyists; the organization is recognized as a lobby group. We’ve been able to decrease the salary number from $350,000 to $298,000. Base salary is $45,000, which is pretty standard for entry level in a not-for-profit.

• Conrad Copeland asked about contract staff.

• Zach Dayler: We don’t have contract staff.

• Andrew Patterson noted that the GSS has independently joined CASA and is especially supportive of CASA’s work on the introduction of a new immigration stream for international students.

• Ekateryna Baranovskaya asked about meetings with the Prime Minister.

• Zach Dayler: In a minority situation, the Prime Minister was keen to meet with stakeholders. That was a great opportunity to present documents; also a photo op. Now we meet with staffers; there’s easier access and it’s of more value than meeting with the PM directly. But when we have gone to meet the Prime Minister, it’s been valuable.

• Michael Haack: Our commitment is to AMS members first and foremost. We have financial constraints, and the provinces are more important for education. How can you justify the value of CASA to us, given all that?

• Zach Dayler: It’s about being part of the collective movement of improving the lives of students. Thinking about students across Canada. UBC lends a powerful voice to help students across the country. While your needs are important, it really is about not harming any student in this country.

• Kyle Warwick asked about the $300,000 in the CASA budget for HR.

• Zach Dayler: It’s not just for pay; it’s for the office, rent, etc. Also travel costs, member relations. I can provide a breakdown.

• Kyle Warwick: The majority government in Ottawa is not very movable. CASA has Liberal ties; what openness is there likely to be in the government to what CASA advocates?

• Zach Dayler: We don’t think they’re going to listen to our advocacy, so why bother trying? The Conservatives are not immovable; they’re open to education discussions. As to our connections with the Liberals, that’s probably true of many lobby group at the federal level; the Liberals dominated the scene.

• Katherine Tyson questioned some of the CASA budget numbers, saying the CASA website uses the figure $417,000, not $298,000.

• Zach Dayler: I would have to look at it more closely. I can provide more details. The website is the broad picture.
7. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question period be extended 10 more minutes.”

... Carried

For (20): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Momtahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Conny Lin), Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Klazina Van Den Berg (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (5): Brian Kim (proxy for Michael Wong), Jeremy McElroy, Dan Olson, Mike Silley, Tim Tong

Abstained: Justin Yang

- Katherine Tyson asked for more budget details and also asked about the lack of a CASA plan for the election.
- Zach Dayler: We expected the election a bit later. We did have a plan we rolled out. We advertised digitally and learned it costs to advertise that way; we’d invest more digitally next time. We were in the media about twice a day, in the news; that helped to get the message out, so we didn’t need as much advertising.
- Katherine Tyson asked how UBC and the West generally benefit from CASA.
- Alex Lougheed: There’s the loans issue: 60% of loans come from Ottawa. And the federal Copyright Act affects you and your institution. There are aboriginal people within this province affected by issues we lobby on. International students are affected by federal government regulations.
- Eric Gauf: Why was this visit needed? You could have done this by Skype. Is this optimization of our money?
- Zach Dayler: We suggested Skype. We were asked to come in person. This year is supposed to be less of a travel year, but sometimes Councils prefer to see us face to face. If that’s the request, we accommodate.
- Jeremy McElroy: I asked them to be here.
- Aaron Sihota: You talk of your $30 million value to students. How did you come up with that figure?
- Zach Dayler: It’s the extra $50 for students through the income exemption we lobbied for multiplied by the number of students in the student loan program.
- Conrad Copeland questioned the $298,000 figure for staff salaries.
- Zach Dayler: I could be mistaken. I would have to go back and look at the financial statement.
- Jeremy McElroy: For five employees, that’s cheaper than AMS employees.


8. MOVED MIKE SILLEY, SECONDED ROSHAK MOMTAHEN:
"That the presentation be extended to be 35 minutes long, with 15 minutes for questions."

... No objections

- Jeremy McElroy: Glasfurd & Walker is our branding and design firm. They’ve been feeding off input from the AMS Food and Beverage Department, whose aim is to produce healthy, fresh food in a sustainable way.
- Phoebe Glasfurd and Aren Fieldwalker:
  o Proposed outlets in the new SUB:
    ▪ Level 5 Restaurant with views and a patio, where you can get a drink with lunch.
    ▪ Four venues on Level 2:
      • A café combining Blue Chip and Bernoulli’s.
      • A soup, salad, and wraps place, the healthiest option available.
      • Pizza by the slice, sit down as well as take out; a lot more seating than currently.
      • A sushi place.
    ▪ Level 1:
      • Café Express.
      • Burgers.
      • Entertainment venue/pub.
      • Pan-Asian noodles – eat in or take away.
    ▪ Outside – barbecue.
  o Want to make sure the new SUB is a destination, make it so people want to eat there. Want to make the food outlets comparable to off-campus venues.
  o Not a food court.
  o We had workshops discussing the look etc. of the outlets, the overall atmosphere and experience of each one. Looking to create identity.
  o Messaging about AMS ownership; students should get a sense of pride in the outlets.
  o Details on the proposed outlets:
    ▪ Upper Case and Lower Case: the café and the café express. Old style.
    ▪ Peko Peko (the sushi place). A colloquial Japanese name. Quieter but high traffic.
    ▪ Boom!Pizza: social eating, irreverent, casual.
    ▪ Palate (soups, salads, wraps): natural light; not to be a boring salad place. Light-hearted.
    ▪ Flipside (burgers): lots of attitude, boisterous, surprising. Not a sit-down place.
    ▪ The Pit: the one outlet to retain its name, but the new Pit will be different; can get a burger there for lunch; it will be inviting. At night more of a bar/nightclub.
    ▪ The outside barbecue: Flip(out)side. Lots of personality.
  o Packaging will carry messaging beyond the SUB.
Questions

- Anne Kessler: Will there still be Blue Chip style cookies?
- Phoebe Glasfurd: Yes.
- Anne Kessler: Why not change the Pit name?
- Phoebe Glasfurd: It’s a beautiful new building. Should we transfer the names? This is a process we went through for all the outlets. There’s lots of heritage in the name Pit at UBC. Retaining the Pit name retains the heritage.
- Aren Fieldwalker: It’s also relevant to the concept; the name still works. “Pit” still works for this venue.
- Ekateryna Baranovskaya: Will there be Starbucks?
- Ekateryna Baranovskaya asked about affordability and price points.
- Aren Fieldwalker: That’s not really our domain.
- Diana Marsh: Is it too corporate? A homey feel?
- Phoebe Glasfurd: It’s a process. We could have branded them all the same or made them independent to be not so corporate. Workshops suggested we go independent.
- Aren Fieldwalker: We’re extremely cognizant of the fact that this is student dining. The restaurant upstairs doesn’t have to be expensive. But we’re not going to deliberately look shoddy and shabby; that won’t match the new building.
- Phoebe Glasfurd: We want to make it more approachable.
- Jeremy McElroy: We wanted gritty fun brands like Gastown. We wanted to distance ourselves from being a cafeteria or a food court, to elevate us a little.
- Cathy Wang asked about sustainability initiatives concerning interior design.
- Bruce Haden (from Dialog, the architects): The entire building will be LEED Platinum. Food sustainability is an important and interesting part of that, to do with energy use, material use.
- Kyle Warwick noted there will be high use and students abuse their surroundings.
- Phoebe Glasfurd: The usability of the space is important; this was all considered.
- Kyle Warwick: Consistent with Gastown trends, have we done an analysis of how this will look in 20 years? Will it seem odd? Dated?
- Phoebe Glasfurd: There’s a lifetime of five years because of changing trends.
- Mike Silley: Some things will change quicker than others. We’re designing for when the building opens.
- Bruce Haden: A different look and feel for the different outlets will mean you don’t have to change them all simultaneously.
- Kyle Warwick: Will using jokes as part of the names wear thin? And Peko Peko: I’m not sure it will be clear what it means.
- Phoebe Glasfurd: At workshops we discussed the venues. That guided us in the naming.
- Aren Fieldwalker: We looked at 20 names per outlet.
- Phoebe Glasfurd: Peko Peko is a Japanese word meaning hungry.
- Aren Fieldwalker: Within five minutes people will know that Peko Peko is the sushi place.
- Maria Cirstea: How much space will there be for third party vendors?
- Michael Kingsmill: There will be 8500 square feet of commercial retail.
- Maria Cirstea: Have you talked to the students? Some of them like the name Pie R Squared.
- Phoebe Glasfurd: We spoke to Jeremy and Elin.
- Mike Silley: The first principles of the building itself are to be warm and welcoming; we’re building off that.
- Michael Kingsmill: There have been workshops and surveys.
- Emily Jarrett asked about food education and packaging.
- Phoebe Glasfurd: That would come with the AMS presence. Sustainability, food options.
- Aren Fieldwalker: That’s in discussion. Healthy choice options. Communications coming from the Food and Beverage Department.
- Mike Silley:
  - There’s sustainable packaging even now.
  - [To the presenters] What’s your favourite outlet?
- Phoebe Glasfurd: I like them all.
- Aren Fieldwalker: I like Boom!Pizza; it has the potential to be bold.
- Phoebe Glasfurd: I like Upper Case/Lower Case.
- Bruce Haden: The Pit. Also the Grand Noodle Emporium.
- Hans Seidemann:
  - What about The Nest? For a multi-layered entertainment area.
  - You mentioned a Cactus Club feel: students are not really that eager for a Cactus Club.
- Phoebe Glasfurd: The food offered will be West Coast, but I shouldn’t have said Cactus Club.
- Melissa Erasmus asked about the price range for the restaurant.
- Michael Kingsmill: I think the aim is to keep it pretty much the same as the Pendulum.
- Jeremy McElroy: It will be a 200-seat restaurant.
- Phoebe Glasfurd: The intention is to make all the outlets approachable.
- Michael Kingsmill: Profitability would come more from increasing volume.
- Aren Fieldwalker: [Speaking about lessees.] There will be as much integration as possible. We’re not in charge of who comes in.
- Michael Kingsmill: Design guidelines are being drafted for tenants.
- Cathy Wang asked about new types of food outlets not in the old SUB.
- Michael Kingsmill: Many of our old types are staples of students: pizza, sushi. The Perch will offer more variety. The soup and salad place will be something new. The Grand Noodle outlet will be different: a noodle box.
- Mike Silley: We didn’t approach this by saying let’s move all the old places over. We asked ourselves, What do we want?
- Kyle Warwick asked about Sprouts.
- Jeremy McElroy: Sprouts is getting their own thing; we’ll have a much bigger space.
- Kyle Warwick: Will that be squeezing their area?
- Mike Silley: Sprouts will actually grow.
- Kyle Warwick asked about the Gallery in comparison to the new Pit and Perch, and about event nights and food primary issues.
- Jeremy McElroy: Our food primary licence will allow liquor primary in part of the Perch; there will be a lounge area within the Perch. All programming will be in the Pit.
9. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:

“That the question period be extended for 10 minutes.”

... Carried

For (20): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Anne Kessler, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (11): Maria Cirstea, Melissa Erasmus, Karanbir Gill, Sarthak Kaushik, Brian Kim (proxy for Michael Wong), David Kim, Tina Mash, Dan Olson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Conny Lin), Aaron Sihota, Klazina Van Den Berg (proxy for Johannes Rebane)

Abstained: Serena Ng

- Jerin Mece: How many student jobs will there be?
- Jeremy McElroy: We haven’t got to that level of detail.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: Will there be a separate section of seating after a certain time [in the Perch]?
- Michael Kingsmill: No, there will be no physical demarcation.
- Jeremy McElroy: There will be no minors.
- Diana Marsh asked about creating an old school, academic feel. Maybe with a fireplace.
- Michael Kingsmill: There will be a fireplace on the roof.
- Diana Marsh: Students want study space.
- Bruce Haden: There will be lots more seating overall.
- Mike Silley: Also lots of lounges, study space areas.
- Michael Kingsmill: 1200 seats.
- Diana Marsh: Big studying tables? Not like Starbucks.
- Phoebe Glasfurd: Not Starbuck.
- Aren Fieldwalker: There will be a balance between communal and smaller.
- Bruce Haden: The strategy is to have variety: lots of various types of seating.
- Joanne Pickford: What will you do to improve service? The lines sometimes are too long to wait.
- Michael Kingsmill: We’re looking at line flow, traffic flow, the number of cashiers. We’re definitely making an effort on this. The aim is to provide more service.

D) President’s Remarks:

Jeremy McElroy:
- New SUB.
- Hiring Director of Student Services.
- Preparing for upcoming CASA lobby conference.
- UBC hosting free flu shot clinics in SUB.
- AMS Christmas party.
- November 30 Council composites.
E) Executive Remarks:

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar
- There’s more money for the AMS fee subsidy than has been requested; may open it up to seek more applications.
- Maybe a referendum on our art collection in January.
- Pretty good on business side; projections will be available at the last meeting in November.
- IPF: two spots on the committee for Councillors.
- Sustainability Fund: Have funded lots of projects, but need Communications Manager in place to help with communicating.

VP External – Katherine Tyson
- Meeting with the University about TransLink and the campaign for Rapid Rail to UBC.
- Campus planning density issues.
- Feedback on Japanese internment issue.
- Municipal elections. Going to hand out flyers.
- Electoral Area A candidates look good: two especially look good on student issues.

VP Academic – Matt Parson
- Working with the University to create a new fund for students to apply to for community research; e.g., rooftop orchard for fruit in the Downtown Eastside.
- Services review.
- Access Copyright.
- Meeting Electoral Area A candidates.
- Gage South: working on consultation; streeters being arranged; video.
- Working with South Campus advisory committee.

VP Administration – Mike Silley
- Governance issues with Classroom Services.
- Construction documentation for the New SUB. Student engagement workshops.

ECSS – Angel Tung
- Volunteer Connect is planning for the Spring Volunteer Fair which will be on March 15-16. Booked the whole SUB concourse. Playing up the theme of a “fair”: cotton candy, popcorn, balloons, decoration.
- Food Bank:
  - Finished compiling all client databases and now working on statistics regarding usage, client profiles, etc.
  - Starting a new partnership with Save On Foods next term to collect donations by selling bags of food pre-prepared by Save On staff for $10.
- Minischool planning for next term’s classes and schedule.
- Safewalk approached by Mahoney’s for a possible partnership.
- SASC very near completion of project called "Don't Be That Guy," in collaboration with campus RCMP and Sexual Assault Nursing Examiners team
which runs out of Vancouver General Hospital. It will be advertised all over campus, including residences. Also hiring an outreach worker.

- Speakeasy has had more drop-ins. Also, volunteers have been showcasing what they’ve accomplished in the past month and there’s been brainstorming about ideas/tasks/timelines for the upcoming month.

F) Committee Reports:

Education Committee – Bahador Moosavi
- Access Copyright.
- VP Academic survey.
- Student Senate Caucus.
- Two of our members are sitting on the Library Committee.

BAFCOM – Anne Kessler
- Finalizing 24-hour SUB motion.

UNECORN – Michael Haack
- Honorary degree action is on hold. The CBC has taken an interest in the issue.
- Policy 72.
- Looking at proposed Non-Academic Discipline policy.
- Preparing a recommendation on CASA membership.

Student Life & Communications – Jarrett Woodhouse
- Applications for SAIF.
- Services Review.
- Mental health initiative.
- All-President’s Dinner.
- Updating website.

Legislative Procedures Committee – Kyle Warwick
- Moving onto other things than PAR.
- Code changes about committees.
- Committee review.
- Committee chair hours: lots of chairs haven’t submitted timesheets, so we don’t want to recommend an increase; we recommend the status quo.

Extraordinary Hiring Committee – Kyle Warwick
- Elections Administrator motion coming on November 16.
- Director of Services hiring.

G) Constituency Reports:

Music – Megan Dray (read by Jeremy McElroy)
- New music series: Music on the Mind.

Commerce – Tim Tong
- Octoberfest last Friday: big success.
- Bldg.: picked architecture firm.
- CUS Sustainability conference.
- Planning to run an alumni mentorship program.
- Mr. Sauder Beauty Pageant this Monday in the Norm.

Nursing – Melissa Erasmus
- Halloween party was lots of fun.
- Electing new council.

Library-Archival – Jessica Flank
- Webinar series up and running.
- Librarians without borders.
- Profitable bake sale.
- Colloquium on copyright.

LAW – Eric Gauf
- Law Students’ Society had first event in the new Law building.

VST – Emily Jarrett
- Report on Dalai Lama think tank.
- Book study on Karen Armstrong for March visit.

Arts – Caroline Wong
- Planning for Arts week.

Science – Hans Seidemann (on behalf of Science)
- Beer & pizza event – success.
- Lobbying and advocacy roles.
- Passed programming changes.
- Successful Octoberfest with CUS.
- Fundraising events for Lace Up for Kids.
- People auction.
- Application for SUS Club grants.
- Digital signage set up in Ladha.

GSS – Andrew Patterson
- Koerner’s Pub is close to a collective bargaining agreement; hope to bring the pub back for the spring.

Engineering – Maria Cirstea (on behalf of Engineering)
- Great Halloween party.
- Movember.
- New study space for students.
- Looking for new dean.
- Received design from architects.
- Engineering competition this Saturday.
- Decorating cairn for Remembrance Day.
Cathy Wang - Land & Food
- Mechanical bull at Halloween party.
- November 19 community dinner.
- Lace Up for Kids.

Jerin Mece - Education
- Great to be here for the first time.
- Outreach work.
- Education event.

H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors
- No report

Senate – Aaron Sihota
- Last meeting was cancelled.
- Looking forward to working with Unecorn on Japanese issue.

Ombuds – Jay Shah
- In Baltimore for training last week.
- Case re a Resource Group.

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

10. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

"BE IT RESOLVED That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated Oct. 3, 2011  [SCD250-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated Oct. 24, 2011  [SCD251-12]
Student Life & Communications Comm. minutes dated Oct 27, 2011  [SCD252-12]
University & External Relations Comm. minutes dated Oct 12, 2011  [SCD253-12]
Education Committee minutes dated October 14, 2011  [SCD254-12]
Education Committee minutes dated October 28, 2011  [SCD255-12]
Executive Committee minutes dated October 7, 2011  [SCD256-12]

... Carried

For (20): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Karanbir Gill, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Mohtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Conny Lin), Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (3): Dan Olson, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar

Abstained: Sarthak Kaushik, Hans Seidemann

J) Executive Committee Motions:
K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

11. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Voting on Committees’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: When committee reform happened, exactly who had voting rights on committees became less explicit than before. This amendment makes it clearer.
- Anne Kessler: What’s the rule on sending proxies to committees?
- Sheldon Goldfarb: Same as to Council.

12. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Voting on Committees’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (29): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Conny Lin), Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Klaazina Van Den Berg (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

13. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated Oct 20, 2011.”

... Carried
For (20): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Conny Lin), Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (6): Eric Gauf, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Mike Silley

Abstained: Aaron Sihota, Klazina Van Den Berg (proxy for Johannes Rebane)

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

14. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

“Whereas the Faculty of Arts has recently announced its plans to limit the amount of Science credits that can be taken when earning a Bachelor of Arts; and

Whereas this may cause difficulties for students in certain degrees, as well as those who wish to pursue a broad academic experience,

Therefore be it resolved that the Education Committee in consultation with the Student Senate Caucus investigate these changes and report back to Council at the November 16 Council meeting.”

- Ignacio Rodriguez: Concerns have been brought by our constituents about limiting the number of Science credits available to Arts students. We want to make sure the AMS works to protect those students, especially students pursuing a BA in computing or math. Also, an education as broad as possible is ideal; we should have a policy on this.
- Eric Gauf: This is not the appropriate forum for this discussion. It should be addressed by the Arts Undergraduate Society. This is an internal faculty issue.
- Kyle Warwick: There’s not a huge cost for the AMS to look at this, except time. It’s not just a Faculty of Arts issue; some of the affected programs reside in Science. I don’t think the Education Committee is overly burdened.
- Michael Haack: This is a good idea. The AUS can look into it too, and we can work in consultation with them.

15. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED AARON SIHOTA:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Defeated

For (15): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Roshak Momtahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Klazina Van Den Berg (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong
Against (9): Justin Chang, Eric Gauf, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Ignacio Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson

Abstained: Sarthak Kaushik, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Conny Lin)

- Montana Hunter: One of the representatives in Arts is doing computer science and math and is only taking six Arts credits. Arts feels that should be a Science degree, not in Arts. They do want to allow for exceptions. I appreciate the spirit of the motion, but the issue is currently being addressed effectively.
- Johannes Rebane: As a supporter of broader education, I think the cause is important. I would like Commerce to expand interdisciplinary studies. But Senate Caucus and the Senate Curriculum Committee are the places to discuss this. This is not the right forum.

16. MOVED JOHANNES REBANE, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (20): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Roshak Momtahen, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Tim Tong, Klazina Van Den Berg (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Cathy Wang, Azim Wazeer, Caroline Wong

Against (10): Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Conny Lin), Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Eric Gauf

17. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

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… Carried

For (19): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Roshak Momtahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Conny Lin),
Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Mike Silley, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (4): Justin Chang, Eric Gauf, Anne Kessler, David Kim

Abstained: Maria Cirstea, Sarthak Kaushik, Serena Ng, Matt Parson, Klazina Van Den Berg (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Cathy Wang, Azim Wazeer

18. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

“That _____ (non-councillor) be appointed to the Student Administrative Commission effective immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”
Nominees: Andrew Walker, Blair Shumlich, Jenny Chen, Jonathan Elmer
Chosen: Andrew Walker

“That _____ (1 x councillor) be appointed to the Student Life and Communications Committee effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
Nominees: Ekateryna Baranovskaya (Arts), Johannes Rebane (Commerce)
Chosen: Ekateryna Baranovskaya

“That _____ and _____ (2 x councillors) be appointed to the Innovative Projects Fund Adjudication Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”
Nominees: Johannes Rebane (Commerce), David Kim (Science), Katherine Tyson (VP External)
Chosen: Johannes Rebane, David Kim

19. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

“That Andrew Walker (non-councillor) be appointed to the Student Administrative Commission effective immediately and ending April 30, 2012.”

“That Ekateryna Baranovskaya (1 x councillor) be appointed to the Student Life and Communications Committee effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Johannes Rebane and David Kim (2 x councillors) be appointed to the Innovative Projects Fund Adjudication Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

… Carried

For (27): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Jerin Mece, Roshak Mootahen, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshagbadi, Serena Ng, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Andrew Patterson (proxy for Conny Lin), Ignacio Rodriguez, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Azim Wazeer, Caroline Wong

Against (3): Hans Seidemann, Mike Silley, Klazina Van Den Berg (proxy for Johannes Rebane)
O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:
   VP Finance 2nd report [SCD259-12]

Q) Next Meeting:
   November 16, 2011

R) Adjournment:

20. MOVED CATHY WANG, SECONDED MIKE SILLEY:
   “That the meeting be adjourned.” … Carried without dissent

   The meeting adjourned at 9:34 pm.

S) Social Activity:
### November 2, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver - Student Council Attendance

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**STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES**

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Guests: Raj Mathur (Economics), Velontin Libouelle (Land & Food Systems), Holly Dysserinck (Residence Hall Association), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archives), Will McDonald (Ubyssey), Brian Platt (Ubyssey), Micki Cowan (Ubyssey), Tanner Bokor (Ubyssey), Indiana Joel (Ubyssey), Ginny Monaco (Ubyssey), Iain Marjoribanks (AMS Bike Co-op), Justin Ritchie (AMS Sustainability), Andrew Bates (Ubyssey), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Designer), John-Jose Nunez (Exec raise petition), Laura Rodgers (UBC Insiders), Natalya Kautz (Ubyssey), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Aidan Campbell (UBC Sciences), Jeremy Adderly (UBC Arts), Jonny Wakefield (looking for Elin’s car), Neal Yonson (also looking for Elin’s car)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm.

1. MOVED ANNE KESSLER, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

- It was agreed to delete a presentation on SUB exterior colours and the presentation and motion on SUB Pav Gen Steps.

2. MOVED ANNE KESSLER, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (20): Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshtagabadi, Serena Ng, Dan Olson, Ravi Parhar, Graham Russell (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

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

C) Presentations to Council:

*Sustainability – Justin Ritchie*  

Justin:

- Getting the website up for the new Sustainability Fund.
- Getting lots of submissions even though it’s mostly been just word of mouth so far.
- The new AMS Communications Manager will help us market better.
- There are two projects so far associated with courses.
- We’re getting $100,000 from student fees.
- Strategic partnerships with UBC Campus and Community Planning, UBC Sustainability, and the UNA.
• Examples of projects already being funded include a paper towel composting project.
• We also funded a speech by Bill McKibben.
• The committee oversees the projects.

Questions
• Mrigank Sharma asked about solar power projects.
• Justin Ritchie: Since the amount of sunlight in Vancouver is limited, this would be difficult. Also, electricity costs are low here.

Sustainability Part 2 – Justin Ritchie
Justin:
• The Water Fillz machines are getting lots of use: 30,000 fills a month, a huge uptake. We’re having to replace the filters more often.

Questions
• Emily Jarrett: Can students at the affiliated colleges apply for projects?
• Jeremy McElroy: Yes, all AMS members are eligible.
• Justin Ritchie: They have to be students.
• Noushin Moshgabadi: Is it possible to wash the filters instead of replacing them?
• Justin Ritchie: New filters are cheaper, and they’re recyclable.
• Bahador Moosavi asked about advertising on the machines.
• Elin Tayyar: We’ve talked about this with the Communications Manager. We’re looking at more physical locations across campus and putting ads on them. Hopefully we’ll come to Council with something in January.

D) President’s Remarks – Jeremy McElroy:
• Trip East to CASA conference, with Katherine; also with Jamie and Andrew from the GSS. Had 115 meetings over three days with cabinet ministers, MP’s, Senators, bureaucrats.
• Visited University of Montreal, which has the largest student union in Quebec; they have a full-time lawyer on staff.
• Want to liaise more with other student unions.
• The Helsinki student union is doing cool stuff.
• New additions to the AMS family: Demitri Douzenis, the Communications Manager (working on the website, rebranding). Also Anna Hilliar, the Events and Programming Manager (working on Block Party).
• Still seeking a new Government Relations Advisor and a Director of Student Services (have engaged a recruitment firm for the latter).

E) Executive Remarks:

VP Finance – Elin Tayyar

Mid Year Budget Update

• Endowment fund.
• Art Gallery collection.
• Ombuds fee.
• Whistler Lodge: not looking good. We've hired a consultant.
• Subsidies: we have more money we can give out.
• Staircase issue for new SUB: We established that PavGen does not generate enough energy to justify doing it. That's why we dropped it from the agenda. One week of traffic would only generate enough energy to keep a light bulb going for one hour.
• Businesses are doing better than expected.

**VP External – Katherine Tyson**
- In Ottawa for CASA. Met with the Minister of Transportation. Talked about the Broadway line. Good meeting with the student loan program.
- Worked on civic election campaign: voter turnout increased a bit but not much in Electoral Area A.

**VP Administration – Mike Silley**
- Away.

**VP Academic & University Affairs – Matt Parson**
- Away.

**Executive Coordinator of Student Services – Angel Tung**
- Volunteer Connect: Externship launched. Different from Internship. Only a weekend or a few days shadowing.
- Tutoring: new website in progress.
- Food Bank: Received more than 20 boxes of non-perishable food through Food for Fines. Starting Christmas hampers for families in need.

**F) Committee Reports:**

**Education – Bahador Moosavi**
- Faculty of Arts is limiting Science credits for Arts students. You directed us to work with the Student Senate Caucus to see what that means. The issue was raised in the Senate. There will be exceptions for some programs.

**BAFCOM – Anne Kessler**
- Funding for the 24-hour SUB can't come from the Student Spaces Fund; it will now come from Exec Special Projects. It will only be for the first week of the exam period, not the full two weeks. Pie R Squared will stay open till 2 am. We'll promote it, put signs up in Irving.

**Student Life – Jarrett Woodhouse**
- Excited to work with the new Events Manager.
- Looking at SAIF fund applications.
- Block Party: Getting ideas going. Aiming to make it more popular and better attended.
- Services review: interviews re self-study.
- Planning All-Presidents Dinner.
• Mental Health Week.

University & External Relations Committee (Unicorn) – Michael Haack (via Kyle Warwick)
• Discussed Bill C-18.
• Looking through policies.
• Discussion on CASA membership.

Extraordinary Hiring Committee – Kyle Warwick
• We’ve chosen an excellent Elections Administrator.
• Rest of Elections Committee shortly.

Legislative Procedures Committee – Kyle Warwick
• Progress on PAR: complexities.
• Motion re allocating Athletics money.
• Housekeeping motions.
• PAR Code finally done. Future changes to Exec pay will be considered changes to the budget. I apologize profusely for the delay.

G) Constituency Reports:

Kinesiology – Jarrett Woodhouse
• Discussion with the School and with Nursing re a new building for both.
• Rum & Eggnog party.
• Working on new initiative to increase involvement with the larger community.

Music – Megan Dray
• UBC Symphony Orchestra and Choral Union doing a winter concert.

Law – Eric Gauf
• Fundraising battle with Medicine and Dentistry.
• Working on final details of the new building.

VST – Emily Jarrett
• Students bought a new coffee maker.

Arts – Caroline Wong
• Annual first year dance.
• Preparing for Arts Week.
• Karaoke contest: Arts vs. Science.

Forestry – Ravi Parhar
• No update.

Pharmacy - Michael Wong
• Elections. Brian Kim will be the new rep.

Commerce – Tim Tong
• Free coffee for CUS students.
• Looking into purchasing social centre: had a Town Hall on that.
• Government restructuring; trying to ensure continuity by putting alumni on our board.
• Angus building to be open 24/7 in time for exams.

Science – Justin Chang
• People auction for Lace Up for Kids.
• SUS strategic plan.

GSS – Diana Marsh & Bahador Moosavi
• Working on GSS position on housing.
• Now have a position on tuition similar to the AMS position.
• Found $80,000 in our budget.
• Reviewing bylaws & policy manual.

Engineering – Dan Olson
• November wrap-up party; trouble getting a licence.
• Co-signing Gage South document.
• Annual Dec 6th memorial for the female engineering students killed at the Ecole Polytechnique in Montreal. The Engineering cairn will be painted purple in support of this.
• Christmas carolling.
• Planning Engineering Week.


H) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports:

Board of Governors – Jeremy McElroy
• Board 3 approval for new SUB project. It’s happening. The Board approved the loan and us holding onto part of the old SUB. Fencing will go up over the Christmas break. Groundbreaking in February.

Senate – no report

Ombuds – Jay Shah

3. MOVED JAY SHAH, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, THIRDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

“That the meeting go in camera.”

4. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SEONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the proxies be allowed to stay for the in camera session.”

… No objections

The meeting went in camera at 7:05 pm.

The meeting left the in camera session at 7:30 pm.
I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

5. MOVED RAVI PARHAR, SECONDED JUSTIN CHANG:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.”

AMS Council minutes dated May 11, 2011 [SCD262-12]
AMS Council (in camera) minutes dated May 11, 2011 [SCD263-12]
AMS Council minutes dated June 1, 2011 [SCD264-12]
AMS Council minutes dated August 31, 2011 [SCD265-12]
AMS Council minutes dated September 28, 2011 [SCD266-12]
Student Life & Communications Comm minutes dated Nov 7, 2011 [SCD267-12]
Student Life & Communications Comm minutes dated Nov 15, 2011 [SCD268-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated October 24, 2011 [SCD269-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated October 31, 2011 [SCD270-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated November 7, 2011 [SCD271-12]
Revised Executive Committee minutes dated October 28, 2011 [SCD272-12]

… Carried without dissent

J) Executive Committee Motions:

K) Constituency and Caucus Motions:

L) Committee Motions:

6. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI: [SCD273-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled
‘Code Changes 2011: SASC Inconsistency’ and thus amend the Code as
recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick: This fixes an inconsistency in the Code about SASC. We
  changed one section of Code to say SASC gets two-thirds of the Sexual
  Assault Support Services Fund instead of 95%. We forgot to change it in
  another Code section, the one on Services.

7. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled
‘Code Changes 2011: SASC Inconsistency’ and thus amend the Code as
recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried
8. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:  

From the Legislative Procedures Committee  
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Executive Remuneration and Budget Committee’ and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick:
  - This is a positive motion that resulted from listening to the concerns of students.
  - Originally, when PAR was brought in, it was not considered a budget amendment. The definition of “budget amendment” is not clear.
  - Code says LPC decides on Executive remuneration [i.e., LPC makes the recommendation to Council, and then a simple majority at Council is all that’s needed for approval].
  - A number of students were not comfortable with that.
  - We can’t undo what we did before, but it’s reasonable to make a change going forward.
  - We could do this more generally and redefine the meaning of “budget amendment.” That’s something to look at later perhaps; it’s less time-sensitive.
  - It’s not problematic to make Executive remuneration changes budget amendments, thus requiring them to go to the Budget Committee for two-thirds approval and then to Council for two-thirds approval.

9. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee  
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Executive Remuneration and Budget Committee’ and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (18): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Montana Hunter (proxy for Michael Haack), Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Graham Russell (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse
Abstained: Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Megan Dray, Jeremy McElroy, Serena Ng, Graham Russell (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Caroline Wong

10. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED SARTHAK KAUSHIK: [SCD275-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Executive Performance Accountability’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

The Executive left.

- Kyle Warwick:
  - This is codifying the PAR requirements adopted in a general sense on August 31.
  - We wanted Code by the end of September, but due to concerns from a number of students we weren’t comfortable bringing it forward then.
  - We’ve listened to student concerns and created a very severe measure for Executives not acting in the interests of the Society.
  - The original plan would have distributed the PAR payment on a 70-20-10 basis: 70% for achieving annual goals, 20% for fulfilling duties specified in the Code and Bylaws, and 10% for the Executive collectively fulfilling its duty to hold regular Executive meetings and submit the minutes to Council.
  - After students expressed their concerns, we added a provision so that even if other requirements are met, if an Executive violates AMS Values (HEART) they can be penalized up to half of their PAR.
  - The 70-20-10 division is actually a modification of an earlier 70-30 proposal.
  - Another change is to have only one payment a year instead of two. That makes it a more effective penalty and deterrent.
  - We’ve toughened up PAR, listened to all the concerns. These were the most practical means to meet the concerns.
  - Let’s get this done.

- Eric Gauf: This makes it clear it’s a stick, not a carrot.
- Caroline Wong: Why 70%? It seems arbitrary. And the business plan requirement is not clear.

- Kyle Warwick:
  - There was a whole method for that. We talked to David Hannigan [AMS HR Director] and looked at planning on the staff side.
  - This year is difficult because it’s rushed, but in terms of deliverables, it’s pretty clear what the language means.
  - The goals all come to Council for approval, and the rules allow for amending goals.

- Caroline Wong: Some goals could be made higher or lower?
- Kyle Warwick: The Executive Committee will first ensure that the individual Executives’ goals are not against each other. Then the Oversight Committee,
an independent body, will look at them. Then Council will look at them to
determine whether to accept them.

- Megan Dray: This has just been finalized now?
- Kyle Warwick: Yes, it wasn’t finalized for a long time. We’ve finally got it as
good as we can.
- Diana Marsh: Where did the numbers come from? You could live on $16,000;
that’s what a graduate fellowship is.
- Kyle Warwick:
  - We compared to other student unions. The average is $32,500.
  - Our other concern was as a result of the minimum wage increase. We
didn’t want people with more responsibility paid less than others.
  - It was clear we had to raise the pay to $27,500. $16,000 would not be
reasonable; we shouldn’t be paying just enough to equal the poverty line.
There’s a concern of discouraging those who are not independently wealthy
from running.
  - For this year, the Executives are not getting the full amount; the salary
increase has been pro-rated at 50% [because it was approved halfway
through the year]. PAR has also been reduced to 25%.
  - LPC didn’t get its work done; in a way we’re penalizing the Executives for
something that’s not their fault.
- Emily Jarrett: What procedures are in place to enforce the HEART restriction?
How can you ensure this is about ethics and not personalities?
- Kyle Warwick: Good question. We did want one thing that was not just
numerical, for an Executive who fulfilled all their responsibilities but still did
something sneaky. This does require something from the Oversight
Committee, which has a record of independent action. The Executive could
then appeal to Council. We tried to cover all our bases.
- Anne Kessler: Why are goals set in the middle of May? The Oversight
Committee will have just turned over.
- Kyle Warwick: It couldn’t be any later; it’s already late.
- Anne Kessler: Why not earlier, in mid-April?
- Kyle Warwick: We wanted to wait till WOW, which is usually in May. Goal
setting in part takes place there. The Executive is supposed to make goals
associated with Council then.
- John-Jose Nunez: We have a petition. It’s our opinion that Council giving its
own Executives a raise is disrespectful to students, especially after the student
fee referendum. It’s like in a banana republic.
- Caroline Wong asked about the 50% number for upholding values.
- Kyle Warwick: Oversight would look at the extent to which the values had been
violated. These are not goals; they’re broad headings. It’s the only way we
can deal with misdeeds. A President could fulfill their goals and go to
meetings, but this would be to stop misdeeds.
- Caroline Wong: It says “up to” 50%.
- Kyle Warwick: If they haven’t totally messed up, then it’s a lesser percentage.
There has to be discretion.
- Caroline Wong: What’s a reasonable number of meetings?
- Eric Gauf: To be determined by Oversight.
- Caroline Wong: When?
- Kyle Warwick: It’s not clear. When all the goal-setting is done, probably.
• Eric Gauf: The 50% penalty is not necessarily standard procedure. It’s the bomb to be dropped if something goes wrong. It’s the exceptional case. If something has gone wrong, we have this mechanism.

11. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED SARTHAK KAUSHIK:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Executive Performance Accountability’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (16): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Montana Hunter (proxy for Michael Haack), Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse

Abstained: Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Megan Dray, Diana Marsh, Serena Ng, Ravi Parhar, Graham Russell (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Cathy Wang, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

12. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee

“Whereas Council on August 31, 2011 passed a motion increasing Executive pay to $27,500 salary plus a $5,000 performance accountability restriction (PAR); and

Whereas there has been some confusion over how much of the $5,000 should be payable to the current members of the Executive; and

Whereas in the absence of metrics the Oversight Committee has been unable so far to review the performance of the current members of the Executive,

Therefore be it resolved that the current members of the Executive be eligible for a pro-rated PAR amount based on the percentage of their term remaining once a system of metrics has been put in place by Council’s passing of the relevant Code amendment.

Be it further resolved that the activities and conduct of the current members of the Executive be evaluated, for the purposes of the PAR, only from the date on which Council passes the relevant Code amendment.

Be it further resolved that the Oversight Committee meet with the Executive Committee to work out how to apply the relevant Code amendment in the current year, given that certain provisions of the amendment, notably proposed paragraphs (e), (f), (g), contain requirements that this year cannot be fulfilled at the times specified.”
13. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

“That John-Jose Nunez have five minutes to speak generally on PAR without restrictions.”

... Approved by consensus

- John-Jose Nunez:
  - A lot of students are disgruntled; we don’t think it’s fair.
  - You took more from our pocket in the fee referendum, and now you’re giving a 30% raise.
  - We met with LPC and Oversight. That was great. The new PAR rules are much better.
  - But the current Executive agreed to work for a certain salary; I don’t see why even a 25% PAR should happen now. It should be next year, when full goals can be put in place.
  - I hear there’s a legal opinion; we don’t have access to that opinion. We’d like a delay until the legal opinion is released. That would be respectful to the students.

- Kyle Warwick:
  - The motion notes that PAR is pro-rated from the time it takes effect, and we’re now three-quarters of the way into term.
  - There’s also a clause saying the things that are to be done in May can’t be done this year.
  - There are a number of issues related to the legal opinion. We’d have to go in camera to discuss the legal opinion and to decide if it should be made public.
  - There are lots of concerns. LPC felt this was the least bad thing to do.

12. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JUSTIN CHANG, THIRDED GRAHAM RUSSELL:

“That the meeting go in camera.”

The camera entered the in camera session at 8:25 pm.

The meeting left the in camera session at 8:50 pm.

13. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED DIANA MARSH:

“That the PAR motion be laid on the table.”

... Carried

For (20): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Jessica Flank, Karanbir Gill, Montana Hunter (proxy for Michael Haack), David Kim, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Bahador Moosavi, Noushин Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar, Graham Russell (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Hans Seidemann, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Megan Dray, Serena Ng
14. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED ERIC GAUF:

“That the first two sections of the Davis legal opinion re executive pay raises be made public and Council suspend the relevant sections of AMS internal policy to allow this to happen immediately.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Bahador Moosavi: I’m all for making things public, especially in this case. People have come to us and raised concerns. The whole reason for getting this was in response to people’s concerns, so it makes sense to release it.
- Eric Gauf: There are reasons not to release the whole text. I think in this case it’s better to release a shorter version: the text of Question 2 plus the third paragraph on page 2. That’s the clear answer to the question before Council. Clarity trumps transparency.

15. MOVED ERIC GAUF, SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE:

“That the motion be amended to release only the text of Question 2 and the third paragraph on the second page.”

- Ravi Pahar: Releasing only part would be misleading. We should release either all of it or none of it.
- Justin Chang: Question 1 is relevant.

16. MOVED JUSTIN CHANG:

“That the text of Question 1 and the first line of the answer to Question 1 be released in addition to the text of Question 2 and the third paragraph on page 2 (in answer to question 2).”

… No objections

- John-Jose Nunez: I appreciate the move to greater transparency, but there’s still cutting out, and that does not bode well. At least we should see all the questions.
- Karanbir Gill: The more we cut out, the more we’re producing propaganda.

17. MOVED ERIC GAUF, SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE:

“That motion be changed to read

‘That the text of Question 1 and the first line of the answer to Question 1 plus the text of Question 2 and the third paragraph on page 2 (in answer to question 2) in the Davis legal opinion re executive pay raises be made public and Council suspend the relevant sections of AMS internal policy to allow this to happen immediately.’ ”

… Carried

For (15): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Megan Dray, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Montana Hunter (proxy for Michael Haack), Anne Kessler, David Kim, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Diana Marsh, Graham Russell (proxy
for Johannes Rebane), Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Against (7): Karanbir Gill, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Ravi Parhar, Hans Seidemann, Michael Wong

Abstained: Conny Lin, Caroline Wong

- Kyle Warwick: Let’s make this public as much as we can.
- Hans Seidemann asked if this partial release would be satisfactory.
- John-Jose Nunez: It’s hard to say without knowing what’s in the third question that’s so sensitive.
- Eric Gauf: There are solicitor-client issues here.

18. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SEONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“Be it resolved that the motion be amended to release the text of Question 3 as well.

Be it further resolved that Council request that the General Manager look into releasing further portions of the document at his discretion.”

- Bahador Moosavi: Ross is the person in contact with the lawyers.
- Kyle Warwick: Bahador’s amendment contains two separate ideas. The first one, releasing Question 3, that’s not a problem. For transparency, okay. But as to the second one, referring to the General Manager, he’s already said it’s up to Council. There’s no point in sending it back to him.

19. MOVED ANNE KESSLER, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the amendment be divided.”

… No objections

20. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SEONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“Be it resolved that the motion be amended to release the text of Question 3 as well.”

- Eric Gauf: Releasing even the question part of Question 3 raises the same issues of solicitor-client relationship. The text of the question raises the same issues as the answer.
- Jarrett Woodhouse: To release the question with no answer is almost worse than not releasing it at all.
- Brian Platt (the Ubyssey): Will it open the AMS to litigation? Violate privacy laws? What is it about solicitor-client privilege?
- Eric Gauf: Opening us up to litigation is the core concern. This was drafted with the board of directors rather than the public in mind.
- Brian Platt: Holding any part of this back will make you look bad. Are the legal concerns enough to make you hold back?
21. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SEONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“Be it resolved that the motion be amended to release the text of Question 3 as well.”

... Carried

For (11): Anne Kessler, David Kim, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Ravi Parhar, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Against (10): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Graham Russell (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Jarrett Woodhouse, Justin Yang

Abstained: Hans Seidemann

22. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SEONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“Be it further resolved that Council request that the General Manager look into releasing further portions of the document at his discretion.”

- Jarrett Woodhouse: It’s ridiculous to release part and consider whether to release more later.
- Montana Hunter: I’m in favour of releasing the entire text.
- Bahador Moosavi: We are the directors of the society; this has nothing to do with relations with our lawyers. Having said that, I see strong arguments against releasing the whole thing. Leave it to the General Manager.
- Kyle Warwick:
  - Transparency is best unless we’re breaking our fiduciary duty.
  - Ross has said he wants Council to decide. It’s up to the board of directors. You risk politicizing a non-partisan office; it’s inadvisable to draw the General Manager into this.
- Jarrett Woodhouse: You either release part and don’t go to Ross, or you go to Ross and don’t release anything now.
- Justin Chang: We should ask Ross.
- Karanbir Gill: Letting the General Manager decide goes against democracy.
- Hans Seidemann: We should not pass the buck to someone who prefers that we direct him.

23. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SEONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

“Be it further resolved that Council request that the General Manager look into releasing further portions of the document at his discretion.”

... Defeated

For (4): Justin Chang, Diana Marsh, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ravi Parhar

Against (12): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Montana Hunter (proxy for Michael Haack), Anne Kessler, David Kim, Elaine
Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Stewart McGillivray, Hans Seidemann, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick

Abstained: Conny Lin, Bahador Moosavi, Serena Ng, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

24. MOVED ERIC GAUF, SECONDED JARRETT WOODHOUSE:

“That the text of Question 1 and the first line of the answer to Question 1 plus the text of Question 2 and the third paragraph on page 2 (in answer to question 2) plus the text of Question 3 in the Davis legal opinion re executive pay raises be made public and Council suspend the relevant sections of AMS internal policy to allow this to happen immediately.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (16): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Eric Gauf, Montana Hunter (proxy for Michael Haack), Anne Kessler, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Stewart McGillivray, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Against (5): Jessica Flank, Karanbir Gill, David Kim, Ravi Parhar, Hans Seidemann

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi

The Speaker of Council read the portions of the legal opinion that Council authorized released:

• 1. Does the August 31st motion require the AMS to provide the present Executive with a salary increase?

• Yes.

• 2. Does the August 31st motion require the AMS to provide the present Executive with a performance accountability restriction (PAR) to the full amount of $5,000? If not, what level of PAR must be awarded and who determines what that is and whether it is paid at all?

• Given that Council has determined that a PAR will be awarded, it is not open to Council to decide not to award any of it, unless it fairly concludes that an Executive has not earned it, having regard to whatever performance metrics and procedures it decides to adopt. Council could, however, determine that an Executive has not earned the full bonus amount based on their failure to achieve certain goals or that the amount is pro-rated. In order to resolve the uncertainty as to whether the amount of $5,000 was intended to be pro-rated or not it may be prudent for Council to consider addressing this and the metrics and procedures for performance assessment in a further motion.

• 3. Could an Executive bring an employment claim for a failure to pay the PAR?
14. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

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Whereas in the absence of metrics the Oversight Committee has been unable so far to review the performance of the current members of the Executive,

Therefore be it resolved that the current members of the Executive be eligible for a pro-rated PAR amount based on the percentage of their term remaining once a system of metrics has been put in place by Council’s passing of the relevant Code amendment.

Be it further resolved that the activities and conduct of the current members of the Executive be evaluated, for the purposes of the PAR, only from the date on which Council passes the relevant Code amendment.

Be it further resolved that the Oversight Committee meet with the Executive Committee to work out how to apply the relevant Code amendment in the current year, given that certain provisions of the amendment, notably proposed paragraphs (e), (f), (g), contain requirements that this year cannot be fulfilled at the times specified.”

- Aidan Campbell:
  - I was one of the letter writers about PAR.
  - I'm glad to see that there is a lot of talk about this.
  - I'm okay with the new PAR structure, but not with the suspension of Code issue and giving a raise to the current Executive.
  - I understand you got legal advice and keeping it to 25% is as good as you can do, but that Council was so quick to suspend Code is worrisome.
- Hans Seidemann: There was a lot of student concern. LPC thought it was not advisable to give zero PAR. We decided to pro-rate it as of today, as opposed to August 31, when we approved the increase originally.
- Kyle Warwick: The Execs are getting less because LPC took too long to make the thing. It means penalizing Execs for what LPC did wrong, but the delay was partly from listening to students.
- Aidan Campbell: Why bring PAR in this year in clear violation of Code?
- Kyle Warwick: Code is not a straitjacket. The debate over suspending Code had to do with fairness.
- Eric Gauf: The goal of PAR was to provide a leash on the Executive, and it was good to do it sooner rather than later, after the events of the last two years.
- Michael Wong: What if this motion fails?
- Kyle Warwick: There are no other good options. We'd bring in something else, a different compromise: people would still be unhappy. We'll have to pass something.
• John-Jose Nunez: I understand this could be unfair to the Executives. Even 25% PAR is unfair to the students. It's still not satisfactory.

15. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

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Be it further resolved that the Oversight Committee meet with the Executive Committee to work out how to apply the relevant Code amendment in the current year, given that certain provisions of the amendment, notably proposed paragraphs (e), (f), (g), contain requirements that this year cannot be fulfilled at the times specified."

... Carried

For (8): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Hans Seidemann, Caroline Wong

Against (2): David Kim, Ravi Parhar

Abstained: Justin Chang, Montana Hunter (proxy for Michael Haack), Diana Marsh, Stewart McGillivray, Serena Ng, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Five minute recess. The Executive returned.

25. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

"That Council be extended for one hour."

... No objections
26. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

From the Budget Committee
“That Council, on the recommendation of the Budget Committee, approve up to $10,000 from the Student Spaces Fund (formerly CPAC) for the upgrading of Communications Department infrastructure (Software and Hardware)."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Note: The balance of the Student Spaces Fund is $670,003.

- Elin Tayyar: We just hired a Communications Manager, and we’re realizing we need updated technology: Macs for production design. We don’t want to be restricted by our computers.
- Caroline Wong: Is this for Service Coordinators too?
- Elin Tayyar: No, this is just for Communications.
- Katherine Tyson: We have lots of campaigns; it can be brutal. We don’t have the technology. This will double our productivity.
- Elin Tayyar: This will include Adobe Suites of two new iMac computers, with a time machine to transfer files.
- Kyle Warwick: This expenditure will more than pay for itself. If we don’t pass this, we’re crippling the manager we’ve just hired.

27. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

From the Budget Committee
“That Council, on the recommendation of the Budget Committee, approve up to $10,000 from the Student Spaces Fund (formerly CPAC) for the upgrading of Communications Department infrastructure (Software and Hardware)."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Note: The balance of the Student Spaces Fund is $670,003.

… Carried

For (21): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Montana Hunter (proxy for Michael Haack), Anne Kessler, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Serena Ng, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

28. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:  [SCD277-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Athletics Fund’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
• Kyle Warwick: This is the most substantial piece of Code affecting students. It has to do with the money we used to just give to the University for athletics. Now we have to establish what mechanism to use to administer the money we’re holding onto. It makes more sense for Fincom rather than Council to do it.

• Jeremy McElroy: This is something I did.

29. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Athletics Fund’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (19): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Eric Gauf, Montana Hunter (proxy for Michael Haack), Anne Kessler, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Serena Ng, Hans Seidemann, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Karanbir Gill

30. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Liaising with the GSS’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Kyle Warwick:
  o There’s been general discussion at LPC about committee structure problems.
  o One committee ad hoc has a GSS rep and others don’t.
  o Another issue is that it’s mathematically impossible to comply with the rule requiring all Council members to sit on a standing committee, since there aren’t enough spaces for all the Council members.
  o One thing we can do is have committee chairs liaise with their counterparts at the GSS.
  o It’s a positive step to improve relations with the GSS, and there’s no cost.

31. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Liaising with the GSS’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried
For (17): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Montana Hunter (proxy for Michael Haack), Anne Kessler, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Serena Ng, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Hans Seidemann, Katherine Tyson

32. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

From the Extraordinary Hiring Committee
“That Council appoint Carolee Changfoot to the position of AMS Elections Administrator for a term lasting until March 31, 2012.”

- Kyle Warwick: Proud to present this motion. It’s been a long process. We had six candidates on the shortlist. Carolee is absolutely the best candidate. She’s been active at UBC, in the AUS. Currently, she’s a student senator. She has great neutrality and is a great communicator.
- Caroline Wong: She’s close to the AUS. How will we keep her accountable?
- Kyle Warwick: The Elections Committee directs her. She’s not on the executive of the AUS and not in any other ineligible category.
- Jeremy McElroy: The Elections Committee is the first place people have to appeal to; there’s also Student Court, the Speaker, and the Ombudsperson.
- Kyle Warwick: Also the Election Appeals Committee.

33. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

From the Extraordinary Hiring Committee
“That Council appoint Carolee Changfoot to the position of AMS Elections Administrator for a term lasting until March 31, 2012.”

… Carried

For (16): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Montana Hunter (proxy for Michael Haack), Anne Kessler, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Serena Ng, Hans Seidemann, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Abstained: Justin Chang, Elaine Kuo (proxy for Tina Mash), Justin Yang

A quorum count established that quorum was still present (21 voting members).

M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

34. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated October 27, 2011 [SCD279-12]
Student Administrative Commission minutes dated November 3, 2011.”[SCD280-12]

… Carried
N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

35. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JEREMY McELROY:

“That the appointments be omnibused.”

… No objections

36. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON

“That _____ (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominee: Diana Marsh (GSS)

“That _____ (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Student Life and Communications Committee effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominee: Niloufar Keshmiri

“That _____ (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

Nominee: Conny Lin (GSS)

37. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON

“That Diana Marsh (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Extraordinary Hiring Committee effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Niloufar Keshmiri (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Student Life and Communications Committee effective immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

“That Conny Lin (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Legislative Procedures Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

… Carried
O) Discussion Period

**Special General Meeting**

- Elin Tayyar: Looking into holding a Special General Meeting of the AMS in collaboration with the Student Leadership Conference (SLC). A lot of students will be at the conference; it will be a way to get quorum. Then we can have the general meeting discuss a couple of questions.
- Jeremy McElroy: It’s the first weekend in January. About 1200 UBC students will be attending. It will be a unique opportunity to get quorum. The SLC is amenable to having a portion of their conference be set aside as a Special General Meeting of the AMS.
- Elin Tayyar: One issue has to do with our art collection. We’ve been speaking to our Art Gallery Commissioner and to the Belkin Art Gallery. We’re looking at selling one or two of our most expensive pieces and then putting the money towards an endowment that would fund arts in general or to purchase art. We would save on insurance this way too.
- Jeremy McElroy: We’re sitting on great pieces that we acquired or were donated 40 or 50 years ago. It would be a benefit to the art community to sell them. It would be a win-win.
- Diana Marsh: The fundamental value is to have as much of the art open as possible. There’s no Grade A conservation. So selling is absolutely a good idea unless there are stakeholders with a vested interest.
- Jeremy McElroy: In the new SUB we are planning state of the art storage facilities, so that shouldn’t be an issue. The question is whether having a Special General Meeting at the SLC is a good idea.
- Elin Tayyar:
  - A second question concerns the Whistler Lodge. We’ve had consultants, and the direction we’re looking at is getting rid of the lodge. We’re losing a lot of money on it.
  - If we want to call a Special General Meeting for early January, we’ll have to do it at the next Council meeting to give the required 14 days notice. We’ll have to work out the logistics with LPC; it may be tricky.
  - Money from a Whistler Lodge sale would go to an endowment and could be used for future housing projects; we wouldn’t be using it to spend on Block Party.
- Jeremy McElroy: In order to sell assets we must go to a referendum or a general meeting. We want to go to the students to ask permission to sell pieces from the art collection and also Whistler Lodge.
- Eric Gauf: I like the idea of using proceeds from selling senior art pieces to encourage emerging artists. As to the timing of a Special General Meeting, LPC has discussed this.
- Kyle Warwick: There are a lot of logistical and fairness issues concerning a Special General Meeting. LPC also wanted to look at bylaw changes.
- Jeremy McElroy: Next week is the last Council meeting of term. The only rush is to actually call the meeting. After that I would like LPC to meet to discuss the details.
- Ekateryna Baranovskaya: SLC is an excellent way to get students out and leaders involved.
• Bahador Moosavi: Getting 1000 AMS members in a room is not easy. A general meeting like this is a good opportunity for student leaders to speak. The questions are great. My personal favourite would be to lower quorum.
• Kyle Warwick: There’s a charge to go to the SLC; it’s bad to have to pay to go to a general meeting. There are solutions to make sure no one has to pay to attend.
• Elin Tayyar: We’re still looking at the ombuds fee in a referendum at the same time as the elections. A fee referendum. We’re looking to bring the bylaw questions as well in the elections cycle.
• Kyle Warwick: We’re also looking to make the ombuds fee revenue neutral by making other fee changes.

P) Submissions:

Q) Next Meeting:

November 30, 2011

R) Adjournment:

38. MOVED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI, SECONDED SERENA NG:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... No objections

The meeting adjourned at 10: 41 pm.

S) Social Activity:
# November 23, 2011 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Raj Mathur (Economics), Sheldon Goldfarb (AMS Archivist), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Designer), Justin McElroy (Ubyssey), Aren Fieldwalker (Glasfurd & Walker), Phoebe Glasfurd (Glasfurd & Walker), Will McDonald (Ubyssey), Brian Platt (Ubyssey), Micki Cowan (Ubyssey), Arshy Mann (Ubyssey), Geoff Lister (Ubyssey), Neal Yonson (UBC Insiders), Natalya Kautz (Ubyssey), Lara Backer (student at large), Blair Shumwich (student at large), Jonny Wakefield (Ubyssey), Andrew Bates (Ubyssey), Kiran Mahal (Science), Jonathan Elmer (Math dude), Laura Rodgers (Dinner), Demitri Douzenis (AMS Communications Manager), Elias Khak (Arts)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

The meeting was called to order at 6:13 pm.

1. MOVED SARATHAK KAUSHIK, SECONDED ERIC GAUF:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

- It was agreed to reorder the motions (Endowment and CASA motions earlier), also to add a motion limiting debate before the CASA motion. A suggestion to move the CASA presentation before the budget update was rejected.

2. MOVED SARATHAK KAUSHIK, SECONDED ERIC GAUF:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried without dissent

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

C) Presentations to Council:

AMS Identity Design – Phoebe Glasfurd and Aren Fieldwalker (Glasfurd & Walker)

Phoebe and Aren:

- Current AMS logo adopted in less than ideal circumstances; the identity system is confused; the logo is not very functional.
- A strong identity can create loyalty and admiration.
- Just getting started. Have had one meeting with Council members. Need a creative brief. Need to do research and then speak to AMS Council members. This will lead to an initial concept stage, then feedback, then two possible logos, more feedback, and eventually a logo.
- Have to take into consideration heritage, the mandate of the AMS, the scope of what it does.
- People like the current logo’s colour and lower case “ams” abbreviation. They don't like or understand the current logo’s symbolism, usability, and lack of connection to the AMS heritage. It’s not engaging, memorable, or loved.
- Need a flexible logo that can be used for a broad range of services and activities. Can’t be too official or corporate, but have to avoid trendiness.
Questions

- Jeremy McElroy: We’re going to form a working group on branding.
- Jamie Paris: How much will this cost?
- Aren Fieldwalker: Not that much.
- Jeremy McElroy: It will be part of the New SUB budget.
- Michael Kingsmill: The contract rates are reasonable and competitive. There will also be the cost of implementation: changing stationery, business cards, etc.
- Eric Gauf: Is the mandate to develop or to decide where the logo will be deployed?
- Phoebe Glasfurd: To develop. How to use or roll out the logo will be decided by the AMS.
- Eric Gauf: Will we get high quality originals or will it be all digital?
- Phoebe Glasfurd: We usually provide digital; also a printed style guide.
- Aren Fieldwalker: We can provide high resolution prints if you want.

Recess for AMS Foundation meeting.

**Budget Update – Elin Tayyar**

Elin:

- Last year we faced a $300,000-plus deficit and had to make cuts, but now we’ve balanced the budget and even have a small surplus.
- This year we had a referendum to raise fees, but we were expecting a low business contribution and higher administration (staffing) costs. Also, wages went up because of the minimum wage increase. There was the HST. Lots of small stuff cancelling out the fee increase.
- So originally we budgeted for a deficit of $163,000.
- Structural issue with the Events budget; lost lots of money at Block Party. Also got less money from fees than expected; didn’t get from the DAP students.
- But business income is doing quite well now, $100,000 better than expected.
- There was still a problem with the concerts in First Week; they did not do well. The Welcome Back Barbecue did poorly.
- We budgeted for a revenue neutral Block Party, but we did not put enough energy in to achieve that, so we are keeping the contingency for that.
- In the end a small surplus ($5639), and it could be bigger if Block Party does well, and the business tax doesn’t come in.
- So we’ve turned the organization around; we’re financially secure. Business revenues should go up when we move to the new SUB.
- We’ve had a tough couple of years financially, but we have established a sustainable financial model.
- At the Whistler retreat we talked about a growth fund; we’re considering this seriously. We need a more stable source of income. Our businesses are too volatile.
- We need long-term vision. We can’t depend on businesses or fees/enrollment; they’re not reliable. UBC enrollment seems to be slowing down. And we need inter-generational equity.
- There’s also a possible tax issue with the CRA.
- In the past we’ve put surpluses into non-replenished funds. We could put them into anything, but instead my proposal is to create an endowment:
Every time we have a surplus, we put it in the endowment fund. It will generate interest revenue and benefit future generations.

- It will fund AMS programs and solve one of our biggest problems, income stability.
- The vision is for the businesses to cover administrative costs, and anything extra would go to the Endowment Fund.
- This will be a way for us to stop increasing student fees.

Questions

- Jamie Paris asked about the tax question and asked why money would go into an endowment instead of being used to lower fees.
- Elin Tayyar: Our fees basically balance our budget. We don't have extra money right now. The vision is in the future: if we have more, it will go into the Endowment. We can't lower fees.
- Jamie Paris: Why can't we give back to the students? But the tax issue is more important.
- Elin Tayyar: There's a tax issue in the surplus going back to the students; that creates a taxable situation. It's hard to distribute that.
- Eric Gauf asked about the predictability of the budget.
- Elin Tayyar: We can be off by hundreds of thousands of dollars. And if we make a million dollars one year, we start spending a million dollars a year, which gets us into trouble.
- Eric Gauf: So shifting profits from immediate use to long-term growth will solve the problem?
- Elin Tayyar: Yes.
- Jeremy McElroy: The new fees from the referendum allowed us to balance the budget. Next year we figure we can roll that into the fund. Also, we are sitting on reserves that we can't touch. But if we put our money into an endowment, then we can touch it.

3. MOVED JERIN MECE, SECONDED HANS SEIDEMANN:

"That the question period be extended by 10 minutes."

... No objections

- Jerin Mece asked about the protocol for using the endowment.
- Elin Tayyar: We would never touch the principal, only the interest. There might be some restrictions based on CRA rules. The CRA doesn't want us to be reducing or subsidizing student fees.
- Jerin Mece asked about the Events deficits.
- Elin Tayyar: One issue was our governance structure. Now we're going to introduce a Student Services Director to create more oversight. It will also be up to the VP Finance to stay on top of this.
- Hans Seidemann asked about business revenues.
- Elin Tayyar: We're projecting more now than we originally budgeted.
- Hans Seidemann: Does that take into account the effects of construction?
- Elin Tayyar: Yes, partially. Next year we should expect a lot less contribution from the businesses.
- Hans Seidemann asked about the source of the funding for the Endowment Fund.
• Elin Tayyar: I’ve put this off to January, but there are six non-replenished funds containing $600,000. I’m hoping Council will agree to get rid of them.
  o On the CRA issue, if they do charge us, that could be $2 to $5 per student; quite significant.

4. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK: [SCD282-12]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: AMS Endowment Fund’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

• Elin Tayyar: This does change our procedures and the AMS quite a bit. It will have a massive impact: requiring all surpluses go into this endowment.
• Bahador Moosavi: The name of the fund seems really dry.
• Elin Tayyar: An amendment is coming.

5. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

“That the name of the fund be changed to the AMS Anton Chekhov Endowment Fund.”

• Elin Tayyar: Aiming to give our society more of an academic feel; want to name the fund after the nineteenth-century Russian writer known as the best short story writer ever. I don’t want a corporate name, and this is good because there’s no connection to the AMS or UBC.
• Justin Chang: Perhaps we should be thinking of someone with a Canadian background.
• Jeremy McElroy: The more I thought about it, the more I thought, What the hell? UBC aims to be globally significant.
• Blair Shumwich: Chekhov wrote short stories. We’d want our fund to be well-endowed.
• Anne Kessler: Why Anton Chekhov? Does it have anything to do with us?
• Elin Tayyar: No, it’s random, academic.

6. MOVED JERIN MECE, SECONDED DAVID KIM:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Defeated

For (13): Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, David Kim, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Elin Tayyar, Michael Wong

Against (15): Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Stewart McGillivray, Serena
Ng, Ignacio Rodriguez, Michelle Russell (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Aaron Sihota, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Mrigank Sharma

- Ignacio Rodriguez: Science students don’t get the joke: why name it after a character on Star Trek? This is an important fund and this does it a disservice.
- Michael Haack: Were students consulted? The AMS gets criticized for not consulting students.
- Justin Yang: He’s an old dead white man who has nothing to do with the AMS. There’s people who do represent the AMS. Evelyn Lett.
- Elin Tayyar: It is random and irrelevant to the AMS and that’s the point. It introduces a bit of fun into the AMS.

7. MOVED CONRAD COPELAND, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:
   “That the question be called.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   ...No objections

8. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

   “That the name of the fund be changed to the AMS Anton Chekhov Endowment Fund.”

   ... Defeated

For (8): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Matt Parson, Elin Tayyar

Against (23): Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray, Serena Ng, Jamie Paris, Ignacio Rodriguez, Michelle Russell (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Aaron Sihota, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Mrigank Sharma

Back to the main motion (amending the Code to create the endowment fund).

- Jamie Paris: This is a wonderful idea, but it perhaps needs to be deliberated over more. Some of the funds we’re referring to were very political. There are also the tax implications to be concerned about.

9. MOVED JAMIE PARIS, SECONDED DAVID KIM:

   “That this motion be postponed to the first meeting in January.”
Conrad Copeland: This is something that could really benefit the AMS. There’s no reason to postpone. Let’s get it started.

Kyle Warwick: There are political decisions about the other funds. This motion doesn’t touch them; that would be done later. This just creates the endowment fund. There was lots of discussion of this at LPC; it received a fair degree of scrutiny. And the tax implications are overwhelmingly positive.

Jamie Paris: Endowments can be complicated.

Elin Tayyar: I’m happy to go in camera to discuss the tax implications. The Code amendment being presented now is just establishing an endowment fund and saying future surpluses will go into it. It doesn’t have anything to do with the tax issues or external agencies. We are meeting with a tax lawyer.

Jamie Paris: I’d love to get confirmation from the tax lawyer. I’m just thinking we should delay this.

Eric Gauf: I’m against postponing. This came through LPC.

10. MOVED ERIC GAUF, SECONDED MELISSA ERASMUS:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (28): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Michelle Russell (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Against (3): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Jerin Mece

11. MOVED JAMIE PARIS, SECONDED DAVID KIM:

“That this motion be postponed to the first meeting in January.”

… Defeated

For (9): Sarthak Kaushik, David Kim, Jerin Mece, Serena Ng, Jamie Paris, Michelle Russell (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Mrigank Sharma, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Against (20): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang

Abstained: Diana Marsh, Noushin Moshgabadi

Back to the main motion (amending the Code to create the endowment fund).
Jerin Mece asked about the short-term implications.
Elin Tayyar: The immediate effect will be zero. In January hoping to amalgamate six funds into this. At the end of the year, if there’s a surplus, it goes into this. And the next year, the same. This is essentially establishing something for the future.
Jeremy McElroy: Senior management is signing off on this as a good idea. Our lawyers think it’s good.

12. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (27): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Jerin Mece, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Against (3): Sarthak Kaushik, Conny Lin, Jamie Paris

Abstained: Justin Chang

13. MOVED ELIN TAYYAR, SECONDED KYLE WARWICK:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (28): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Jerin Mece, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Justin Chang, Jamie Paris, Aaron Sihota, Michael Wong

14. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JUSTIN CHANG:

“That Council invoke Code Section III, Article 1(31) [the rule on limiting debate].”
Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (27): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Serena Ng, Ignacio Rodriguez, Michelle Russell (proxy for Johannes Rebane), Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

C) Presentations to Council:

CASA Update – Michael Haack

Michael:
- Unecorn’s recommendation is that we leave CASA.
- We’re fiduciaries of the AMS, responsible for defending AMS interests.
- Lessons learned from PAR and Executive Remuneration, and from the Pav Gen proposal: it’s important to consult.
- CASA membership costs $60,000. Have we consulted? Do we know if our members want this?
- We live in a system of fiscal federalism, in which the federal government transfers money to the provinces, but the provinces decide how much is spent on postsecondary education (PSE). PSE is a provincial jurisdiction.
- True, for graduate students, funding comes from federal councils. It makes sense for graduate students to belong to a federal organization like CASA, and the GSS now does.
- We have $160,000 in our Lobbying Fund, of which $70,000 covers the cost of a Government Officer, leaving $90,000. If we join CASA, we’ll have only $30,000 left for work at the provincial, municipal, university levels, and with TransLink.
- Should we spend two-thirds of our lobbying budget federally and only one-third provincially? No, absolutely not.
- Do we need to belong to an organization for inter-campus collaboration? Look at the WTF campaign.
- Unaffiliated schools are nervous about working with us. We should become leaders and not be part of an us versus them mentality.
- Other CASA members are smaller; we have our own interests.
- CASA has been criticized for being Liberal-centric, not non-partisan.
- Is CASA making effective use of its money? Probably not. They were even uncertain about aspects of their own budget.
- They ran an ineffective election campaign.
- This is not about the CFS. It’s not about whether to choose the CFS or CASA. UVic and SFU are leaving or voting to leave the CFS. We don’t have tochoose the lesser of two evils. Talking about the CFS makes the debate toxic.
- The vote to become full members means endorsing CASA policies, making it a policy vote; so it should be a two-thirds vote.
Questions

- Matt Parson: I was under the assumption that Unecorn’s job was to provide more of an informative piece on CASA: just the facts. I don’t get the sense that this was an impartial presentation.
- Michael Haack: I was asked to present what Unecorn recommended. There’s dispute over facts. How could we present something impartial?
- Bahador Moosavi asked about the fund numbers.
- Michael Haack: The University and External Lobbying Fund has $133,000 in it this year. Not sure about next year: maybe $150,000.
- Bahador Moosavi: You criticized CASA for not knowing about their own budget, but you’re not sure about ours.
- Michael Haack: The difference is that their budget was set in stone.
- Katherine Tyson: The Government Relations position will come out of the fund.
- Bahador Moosavi: How much is in the fund?
- Elin Tayyar: Over $150,000 a year.
- Bahador Moosavi: So it’s not correct to say two-thirds will go to CASA: $60,000 is not two-thirds of $150,000. And CASA membership doesn’t actually cost $60,000. And our lobbying fund actually has $177,000 in it.
- Michael Haack: The $60,000 includes travel costs etc.

15. MOVED JERIN MECE, SECONDED SARTHAK KAUSHIK:

“That the question period be extended.”

... Defeated

For (6): Sarthak Kaushik, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Mrigank Sharma

Against (19): Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahan), Melissa Erasmus, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, David Kim, Conny Lin, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray, Jamie Paris, Ignacio Rodriguez, Hans Seidemann, Aaron Sihota, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Megan Dray, Serena Ng

16. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That Bahador Moosavi be given 15 minutes to respond to the previous CASA presentation, to present the other side.”

- Anne Kessler: It’s already 8:45. Maybe five minutes.
- Bahador Moosavi: I thought Unecorn would present something unbiased.
- Elin Tayyar: He does have a point. This is a very polarized issue, and I think Councillors should get both sides of the debate. And there should be time to prepare, so this should be postponed to another meeting.
- Kyle Warwick: We had CASA come to Council for substantially longer. The committee worked to come up with this recommendation. People could have come to the committee.
• Maria Cirstea: It's only fair that if we had the negative side, we also get the positive side. We can let Bahador speak for 15 minutes or we can debate whether to allow it for 15 minutes.

17. MOVED MARIA CIRSTEA, SECONDED BY MRIGANK SHARMA:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried without dissent

18. MOVED BAHADOR MOOSAVI, SECONDED MARIA CIRSTEA:

“That Bahador Moosavi be given 15 minutes to respond to the previous CASA presentation, to present the other side.”

... Carried

For (25): Maria Cirstea, Megan Dray, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Jerin Mece, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Aaron Sihota, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Against (12): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Michael Haack, Stewart McGillivray, Ignacio Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Bahador’s response to the presentation on CASA

Bahador Moosavi:
• The Mission Statement of the AMS says we are to improve the educational, personal, and social lives of students.
• What CASA does is all about that, only for all students across Canada.
• The lobbying fund has $177,000. If we pay $60,000 for CASA, that leaves $117,000.
• Full CASA membership actually costs $51,000, not $60,000. Michael says the $60,000 includes travel costs. Our associate membership costs $38,000. There are travel costs of $15,000, so we pay $53,000 now. For another $7,000 we could be full members.
• We actually have $17,000 more than what was presented in Michael's presentation.
• We have lobbied for transit, but none of the money spent on that came from the lobbying fund.
• We can also add to the $177,000 from general funds. We can do lobbying with money from outside the lobbying fund.
• We have enough money for all our lobbying (provincial, municipal, university, TransLink) plus elections.
• Why spend money on federal lobbying? Federal funding affects the lives of graduate students, First Nations students, and all other students.
• Do we need to belong to a group for federal lobbying? One university versus a whole group: who would be listened to?
• It’s not a question of whether CASA is absolutely great, but we’ll be the biggest school there; we could take a leadership role and change it. We haven’t been able to do that lately because we’ve only been associate members.
• We’ve heard them called Liberal-centric. If they are, are your members against that? It’s not actually true, though; we had that explained to us, but it’s somehow an issue. They denied that they had ties to the Liberal Party; is there evidence to disprove that?
• Some say their representatives, when speaking to us, didn’t know their budget. Who here is prepared to answer questions on our budget?
• Are we questioning how they handle their money? We threw a Block Party that cost $140,000.
• CASA has many problems. To deal with them we have to take a leadership role.

19. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED KATHERINE TYSON:

“That there be a 10-minute question period for Bahador’s presentation.”

... No objections

• Katherine Tyson: I’m a little bit shocked; you just tore apart someone else’s presentation. What is your stance?
• Bahador Moosavi: Because of GSS Code, the GSS reps have to vote in favour of joining CASA. We can’t vote against.
• Katherine Tyson: Point of order. Is that legal? They can’t be directed.
• Bahador Moosavi: The GSS Code requires reps to reflect the majority decision of GSS council. GSS council passed a motion to join CASA.
• Katherine Tyson: The GSS reps should abstain.
• Eric Gauf: They can’t be bound. Their council’s vote has no weight in this setting. We’re the board of directors.
• Bahador Moosavi: I should have said we shouldn’t vote against, not that we can’t.
• Jamie Paris: When our society appoints representatives, it expects them to reflect GSS positions, but they’re not going to be kicked off the GSS for not voting that way. They would have to explain themselves to GSS council. We do not remove people for thought crimes or wrong votes.
• Ignacio Rodriguez: The Engineering reps voted in the past against slates because of an EUS position. It’s the same thing.
• Conrad Copeland: The GSS admits they’ve been directed to vote a certain way. It’s coercion. Intimidation.
• Katherine Tyson: Can the GSS reps be removed?
• Bahador Moosavi: It would be like us going to CASA and not reflecting AMS policy. We could get punished or removed.
• The Speaker said that accountability or explaining a vote is not punishment, and asked if the GSS reps would be disciplined if they voted differently from the official GSS position.
• The GSS reps all said no.
• The Chair ruled that they were not required to abstain, noting that members of Council must be allowed to be swayed by discussion at the Council meeting.
• Katherine Tyson [to Bahador]: Are you saying that because the AMS has problems we should join an organization that has problems?
• Bahador Moosavi: No.
• In response to a question about whether he expected Unecorn not to have a point of view, Bahador Moosavi said: My disappointment was that they were given direction four months ago and only came today.

20. MOVED JERIN MECE, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question period be ended.”

... Carried


Against (11): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Michael Haack, Conny Lin, Stewart McGillivray, Serena Ng, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Abstained: Dan Olson, Mrigank Sharma

21. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED SARTHAK KAUSHIK:

From the University & External Relations Committee

“Whereas the AMS has just finished its third year as associate member, and the AMS must decide to go to full membership or leave the Association [CASA],

Be it resolved that the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia, Vancouver become a full member of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations.

Be it further resolved that the President and VP External communicate the Board's decision to CASA.”

Note: The Committee recommended that the AMS vote to leave CASA.

Note: This motion requires 2/3rds support

• Michael Haack: We have budget concerns, and we feel they’re an ineffective organization. It makes more sense for us to use this money provincially rather than blow it all federally, where there’s less impact on postsecondary education.
• Jeremy McElroy:
  o I’ve been to six CASA conferences and am a member of two CASA committees. I’ve been very involved with them for two years.
  o They’ve been maligned about being Liberal.
  o I helped draft new CASA bylaws giving big schools like us more power.
  o We hosted one of their conferences this year.
  o The only reason we’re not exercising more power is that we’re associates.
  o Federal money is a huge amount for PSE.
  o I take huge offence to the notion we’re only responsible for AMS members. Our priorities are wrong. A student is a student is a student. We have an obligation to the national student movement.
o There have been petty reasons put forward to justify leaving; people have been taking potshots.
o We said CASA didn’t have their strategic plan or budget online; they do that now; they did that for us.
o We have not done our due diligence in giving this organization a chance.
o They issued a report to us which the committee decided not to distribute.

- Michael Haack: We saw that report as something for the committee to look at.
- Jeremy McElroy apologized, but added: Four months ago we understood there would be a report to be circulated. Nothing of that sort came to fruition, only a report to the committee. And it was not as accurate as could be. I raised concerns that were not recognized.
- Bahador Moosavi: Point of Order. This should not be a two-thirds vote.
- The Speaker: I have heard arguments and have to agree with the ruling in July. I do not see anything in this motion that makes it a policy or a budget motion. It is not a two-thirds vote.

22. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“Shall the decision of the Speaker stand as the judgement of the assembly?”

- Ignacio Rodriguez: It should be a two-thirds vote. It changes our status within an organization and makes us agree with CASA policies, so it’s an implicit policy statement.
- Katherine Tyson: It’s more than implicit. We have to lobby for CASA policies to MP’s and bureaucrats. And it locks in a budgetary expense.
- Kyle Warwick: Council clearly said this should be a two-thirds vote in a previous decision. LPC was told to look into this. LPC failed to do that. Policy decisions require a two-thirds majority; does joining CASA constitute a policy decision? When you’re given a page of policies and told to lobby, that’s policy. Joining an external lobbying organization is one of the most important things we can do. Other student unions require referendums for that.
- Bahador Moosavi: This is not the same motion as in July. It's very different. Joining an organization is a very important thing and should be two-thirds. But that’s not what we’re doing. This is our way of leaving CASA, and it’s going to be a one-third vote. It’s very undemocratic.
- Jamie Paris: This is not endorsing policies we haven’t endorsed before. We’re just levelling up. We’re already in CASA. No new policy is being endorsed. It’s not a budgetary decision. And to leave shouldn’t be one-third. There should be a clear motion to leave.
- Conny Lin: If this is a two-thirds motion, then every future motion like this should be two-thirds.
- Matt Parson: This is not like last time. It’s not a budget amendment.
- Conrad Copeland: Precedent exists on the this. We did it last time by two-thirds. This is a budgetary decision for the next fiscal year; it will lock us in, making it a budget question. And it’s explicitly a policy issue. As associate members, we can distance ourselves. As full members we endorse fully.
- Elin Tayyar: Our current status is associate. Either way it’s a change. It should be a 50-50 thing. It can’t be one-third determining. It should be a dictatorship of the majority at this point.
• Ignacio Rodriguez: Voting no does not mean we’re leaving CASA. CASA can decide to not let us stay as an associate member, but that’s CASA’s decision, not ours. But this is backdooring a budget change. We’ll have to pay the full fee.
• Jeremy McElroy: We are members within the organization. We already go to the conferences. We represent ourselves as belonging to CASA. It’s not a policy issue. The budgeting issue is not for this year.

23. MOVED CONRAD COPELAND, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

24. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“Shall the decision of the Speaker stand as the judgement of the assembly?”

… Tie vote

For (17): Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Sarthak Kaushik, David Kim, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong

Against (17): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray, Jerin Mece, Serena Ng, Ignacio Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Abstained: Justin Yang

In accordance with Robert’s Rules, the tie vote meant the Speaker’s ruling was upheld.

25. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the meeting be extended indefinitely.”

… Defeated

For (14): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Jerin Mece, Ignacio Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Against (17): Justin Chang, Megan Dray, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, David Kim, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Michael Wong, Justin Yang
26. MOVED JEREMY McELROY, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That Council be extended by one hour.”

... Carried

For (22): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Karanbir Gill, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Jerin Mece, Serena Ng, Jamie Paris, Ignacio Rodriguez, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Against (4): Michael Haack, Conny Lin, Noushin Moshtabadi, Mrigank Sharma

Back to the main motion (on becoming full members of CASA).

- Jerin Mece: I’m neutral on this topic. I don’t really care about CASA or CFS, but it looks like there are budgetary reasons not to become full members. CASA spent $13,000 on a retreat; they have not made good use of the money. I’d rather use the money for students of UBC and members of the AMS. It’s embarrassing that we wasted two hours talking about this.
- Blair Shumwich: I was the VP External at the University of Saskatchewan. I have to speak against this motion. I don’t think it’s beneficial to join CASA. It’s hard to get rid of something you belong to. You still have a voice. You’re a big university. If you need to speak to a federal MP, you can send Katherine. In CASA your needs are diluted.
- Conrad Copeland: People have talked about the student movement and students at large. But we were elected by students of UBC to spend their money. $60,000 is a lot of student fees. It’s a significant chunk of money to an organization that doesn’t give us value for this money. When asked what value they provide, they mumble, they hesitate, they beat around the bush. We’re the biggest society in BC; that gives us a huge voice.
- Bahador Moosavi: We can do a lot of great things, but our focus has never been on federal lobbying. CASA gives us continuity in federal lobbying. If we have professionals there, we have a better chance of being heard.
- Sarthak Kaushik: If we become a member, we can ask CASA to work with us. It’s better to have someone at the federal level lobbying for us.
- Carven Li: CASA was not prepared for the last federal election. They spent money on a website. They need to get their information straight online.

27. MOVED CARVEN LI, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Defeated

For (12): Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Conny Lin, Jerin Mece, Tim Tong, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Justin Yang
Against (19): Justin Chang, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Sarthak Kaushik, David Kim, Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Serena Ng, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Abstained: Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Dan Olson

- Neal Yonson: It’s hypocritical to say, What do we get out of CASA? What do students get out of the AMS? But you’d say the AMS is important.
- Ekateryna Baranovskaya: This is $60,000, a lot of money. Graduate students may be in a different situation, but the majority of undergraduate funding comes from the province.

28. MOVED CATHY WANG, SECONDED NOUSHIN MOSHGABADI:

"That the question be called."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (15): Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Anne Kessler, Tina Mash, Jerin Mece, Noushin Moshgabadi, Ignacio Rodriguez, Tim Tong, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Justin Yang

Against (15): Jessica Flank, Eric Gauf, Karanbir Gill, Sarthak Kaushik, David Kim, Diana Marsh, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris, Matt Parson, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Katherine Tyson, Michael Wong

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi

- Mrigank Sharma asked Katherine Tyson if she’d been happy with anything from CASA.
- Katherine Tyson: We got some traction when we raised issues like children in care. We were unhappy that grad issues were not on the table at first; now that the GSS is a member, that’s better. CASA is not very professional, and they do things we tell them not to do.
- Jeremy McElroy: We were unhappy with the voting structure. We proposed a new structure. That’s been adopted. I personally put forward two proposals that made it into the final document.

Automatic calling of the question under the rule on limiting debate.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (16): Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Tina Mash, Jerin Mece, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Ignacio Rodriguez, Tim Tong, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang

Abstained: Conny Lin, Bahador Moosavi, Mrigank Sharma

- Anne Kessler: For most undergraduate students, the provincial government has a lot more effect on grants and tuition.
- Kyle Warwick:
  - There’s been talk of the greater good, the student movement. It’s important to recognize our role at this table. We are fiduciaries of the AMS. We are legally required to act in the best interests of the AMS. Anything else is nice, but secondary.
  - It’s not hard to get access to ministers.
  - It’s a commonly held perception that CASA is close to the Liberal Party, and the question is whether they can be effective given that we have a majority Conservative government.
- Katherine Tyson:
  - There’s a notion here about the romanticism of the student movement, but there’s nothing romantic about it. You have to look at the actual impact. Look at where your money goes. Why spend the majority of our money on federal lobbying when the federal government has the least impact?
  - The main reason not to join them is that they’re not a functioning organization; they’re not professional.
- Elin Tayyar: I don’t think they’re the most effective organization. I was disappointed in their presentation last time. Two years ago the AMS was ineffective, and more so than CASA. I would have opted out of the AMS then if I could have. I think we should lower our fees and give $60,000 back to students. We’ve failed to create a provincial lobbying organization. If we get a lobby group, then we could go ask students for that money again.
- Karanbir Gill: Both sides have valid points. The real question is how to evaluate how effective CASA is. And we can only do that by being in CASA.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: We’ve been evaluating CASA for years. They tried to convince us of their value, and it fell flat. It’s a complete waste of students’ money to stay in any longer.

29. MOVED CAROLINE WONG, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (26): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Mornhahen), Megan Dray, Melissa Erasmus, Jessica Flank, Karanbir Gill, Michael Haack, Sarthak Kaushik, Anne Kessler, David Kim, Conny Lin, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray, Noushin Moshtabadi, Serena Ng, Dan Olson, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong, Justin Yang
30. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED SARTHAK KAUSHIK:

From the University & External Relations Committee
“Whereas the AMS has just finished its third year as associate member, and the
AMS must decide to go to full membership or leave the Association [CASA],

Be it resolved that the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia,
Vancouver become a full member of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations.

Be it further resolved that the President and VP External communicate the Board’s
decision to CASA.”

Note: The Committee recommended that the AMS vote to leave CASA.

… Defeated

For (13): Eric Gauf, Sarthak Kaushik, Conny Lin, Diana Marsh, Jeremy
McElroy, Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris,
Matt Parson, Mrigank Sharma, Elin Tayyar, Tim Tong

Against (22): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Conrad Copeland
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Katherine Tyson, Cathy Wang, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong,
Justin Yang

31. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That there be a five-minute recess.”

… No objections

Elin Tayyar noted the removal from the agenda of the motion calling for a Special
General Meeting in January. It was also agreed to strike Executive Remarks,
Committee Reports, Constituency Reports, and the reports from the Board of
Governors, Senate, and the Ombudsperson. And it was agreed to move up the
motions on the Elections Committee and the Global Fund.

L) Committee Motions:

32. MOVED KATHERINE TYSON, SECONDED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ:

“That the Student Life and Communications appointment be removed from the
agenda.”

…Defeated
For (5): Melissa Erasmus, Jeremy McElroy, Matt Parson, Ignacio Rodriguez, Katherine Tyson

Against (8): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Michael Haack, Stewart McGillivray, Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong

Abstained: Diana Marsh, Noushin Moshgabadi, Michael Wong

33. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That Council appoint Thomas Brennan, Chief Returning Officer, Amy Chan, Voter Media, Harsev Oshan, Events & Logistics, Mary Leong and Edwin Gershon, Promotions & PR to the Elections Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

… Carried by consensus

D) President's Remarks (Jeremy McElroy):

- The Kwantlen Student Association held a special general meeting at which they impeached seven of their 12 directors. It was a taking back of student government. There’s a lesson to be learned about paying attention to the student body.
- Saturday night is the AMS staff dinner.
- The Global Fund MoU for the money we collected through the referendum is up next as a motion.

34. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED JUSTIN YANG:

“That Council be extended by a half hour.”

… No objections

J) Executive Committee Motions:

35. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR: [SCD284-12]

“That Council support and approve the Global Fund MoU as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Matt Parson: We created a fund in the referendum for international projects. This agreement will transfer $10,000 from our fund to the UBC fund that’s already providing funding for projects with an international focus.

36. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED ELIN TAYYAR:

“That Council support and approve the Global Fund MoU as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried unanimously
37. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:  

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Fee Clarification’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- Kyle Warwick: I believe this amendment will ensure that no one pays AMS fees twice in one year.
- Elin Tayyar: It’s not an issue of students paying twice in the same School Year (starting in September and running through the following summer). But people who start in May pay the full AMS fee then and then pay in full again in September when the next School Year begins. This will allow us to charge them only 50% in May.

38. MOVED KYLE WARWICK, SECONDED BAHADOR MOOSAVI:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2011: Fee Clarification’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried Unanimously

39. MOVED ____________________________, SECONDED ____________________________

“That ______________________ (Councillor) be appointed to the Student Life and Communications Committee for a period commencing immediately and ending March 31, 2012.”

There were no nominees.

40. MOVED IGNACIO RODRIGUEZ, SECONDED JUSTIN CHANG:

“That this appointment be postponed to the first meeting in January.”

... No objections

I) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

41. MOVED SERENA NG, SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

AMS Council minutes dated June 22, 2011  [SCD286-12]
Legislative Procedures Committee minutes dated Nov. 14, 2011  [SCD287-12]
Student Life Committee minutes dated November 24, 2011  [SCD288-12]

... No objections
M) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

42. MOVED DAN OLSON, SECONDED CAROLINE WONG:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Administrative Commission minutes dated [SCD289-12]
November 10, 2011

... Carried

For (14): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Melissa Erasmus, Michael Haack, Tina Mash, Stewart McGillivray, Noushin Moshgabadi, Serena Ng, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Against (3): Bahador Moosavi, Dan Olson, Tim Tong

Abstained: Justin Chang

N) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

43. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That Code Section II, Article 15’s taxi fare reimbursement policy be applied to Councillors who qualify under Article 15 as if this meeting had lasted past midnight.”

- Elin Tayyar: The Code is worded as it is for a reason; there are still buses running.
- Ekateryna Baranovskaya: Public transit may still be running, but some buses run very infrequently at this time of night.
- Kyle Warwick: If someone lives far away and can justify the expense, that’s fine. We don’t want to create a hardship.
- Jeremy McElroy: Take it from the External Lobbying Fund.
- Ignacio Rodriguez: That would be out of order; it’s not within the terms of reference of that fund.

44. MOVED HANS SEIDEMANN, SECONDED CONRAD COPELAND:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

45. MOVED MICHAEL HAACK SECONDED DAN OLSON:

“That Code Section II, Article 15’s taxi fare reimbursement policy be applied to Councillors who qualify under Article 15 as if this meeting had lasted past midnight.”

... Carried
For (18): Ekateryna Baranovskaya, Justin Chang, Maria Cirstea, Conrad Copeland (proxy for Roshak Momtahen), Melissa Erasmus, Eric Gauf, Michael Haack, Diana Marsh, Tina Mash, Jeremy McElroy, Stewart McGillivray, Serena Ng, Matt Parson, Hans Seidemann, Katherine Tyson, Kyle Warwick, Caroline Wong, Michael Wong

Abstained: Bahador Moosavi, Noushin Moshgabadi, Dan Olson, Jamie Paris

O) Discussion Period

P) Submissions:

November Education Committee Report [SCD290-12]
November Student Life & Communications Committee Report [SCD291-12]
November Business & Facilities Committee Report [SCD292-12]
November Legislative Procedures Committee Report [SCD293-12]

Q) Next Meeting:

January 11, 2011

R) Adjournment:

46. MOVED MATT PARSON, SECONDED MICHAEL HAACK:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

The meeting adjourned at 11:36 pm.

S) Social Activity:
## November 30, 2011 Attendance

### The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. - Student Council Attendance

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