CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 2016

TO: COUNCIL
FROM: LPC
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Amendment to comply with the Societies Act by removing the last two sections of the Constitution (to be transferred to the Bylaws).

AMS CONSTITUTION

SECTION 1: NAME

The name of the Society is the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia Vancouver.

SECTION 2: OBJECTS

(a) To promote, direct, and control all student activities of UBC Vancouver.

(b) To promote and coordinate the efforts and activities of all student associations of each faculty and school which are affiliated from time to time with UBC Vancouver.

(c) To promote the principle and practice of student representation at all levels of decision making at the University and on all agencies or other bodies which deliberate on the affairs of its members.

(d) To advance the cause of higher learning in the Province of British Columbia.

(e) To promote unity and goodwill amongst its members.

(f) To cause, borrow or secure the payment of money in such manner as the Society sees fit and in particular by the issue of debentures charged upon all or any part of the Society’s property and to purchase, redeem or pay off securities.

(g) To purchase, acquire, underwrite, hold, pledge, hypothecate, exchange, sell, deal in and dispose of, shares, stocks, bonds, debentures and other securities and other evidence of indebtedness and obligations issued or guaranteed by any corporation, company, association, partnership, person or governmental, municipal or public authority.

(h) To acquire to hold real and personal property of every kind and description including mortgages, agreements for sale, leases, shares, and securities of all kinds and description for the purpose of investment and for the purpose of earning rent and interest.

(i) To erect any buildings or improvements necessary for the Society’s use and occupation.

(j) To establish and maintain a student bursary endowment fund for the purpose of benefiting students at UBC Vancouver.

(k) To do such other things as may be incidental or conducive to the above objects.
SECTION 3: OFFICE

The operations of the Society shall be carried on chiefly at UBC Vancouver in the Province of British Columbia.

SECTION 4: DISSOLUTION OF THE SOCIETY

In the event of dissolution of the Society, after paying or adequately providing for its debts and obligations, the Society shall devote any remaining assets to the carrying out of one or more of the objects of the Society if feasible, and if not, the Society shall dispose of such remaining assets of the Society to a Canadian charity or charities which the Society shall select. This provision shall be unalterable.

Comment [A1]: New Societies Act requires these to be in the Bylaws rather than the constitution. Also, unalterable provisions are no longer allowed.