STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Anne Kessler (Student), Daniel Munro (AMS AVP Academic), Lauren Telford (Food Quality Assurance), Alexander Kilpatrick (AMS Communications), Aku Echbeny Kuol (WUSC UBC), Abdullahi Ismail (WUSC UBC, Biodiversity Research Centre), Liam Simpson (Arts), Kevin Doering (SAC), Simran Cheema (member at large), Mustafa Nalwala (AMS Governance), Ross Horton (AMS GM), Ron Gorodetsky (AMS Student Services Manager), Kelsi Wall (AMS Policy Advisor), Michael Kingsmill (AMS Designer), Daniel Levangie (AMS Executive Director), Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council), Joanne Pickford (AMS Admin)

A) Call to order and adoption of the agenda:

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

1. MOVED JAMIU ABDSALAMI, SECONDED BRADLEY BALATON:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED ANGELA TIEN, SECONDED VIET VU:

“That the agenda be amended to add two Hiring Committee appointment motions.”

… No objections

3. MOVED MATEUSZ MIADLIKOWSKI, SECONDED JAMIU ABDSALAMI:

“That the agenda be amended to switch the order of the last two presentations.”

… No objections

4. MOVED AVA NASIRI, SECONDED JAMIU ABDSALAMI:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion to authorize an expenditure from SUB Repairs and Replacement to replace the placeholder.”

… No objections

5. MOVED JAMIU ABDSALAMI, SECONDED BRADLEY BALATON:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

… Carried unanimously

For (31): Jamiu Abdsalami, Robin Asgari, Aaron Bailey, Bradley Balaton, Veronika Bylicki, Hannah Carrothers, Jude Crasta, Alan Ehrenholz, Dan Kehila, Daniel Lam, Harry Li, Quartermain Lim, Mackenzie Lockhart, Lisa Mah, Kristy McConnel, Mateusz Miadlikowski, Sareena Mohammad, Ava Nasiri, Jenna Omassi, Sheldon Chang (proxy for Katherine Pan), Jeffrey Pea, Tommy Reid, Gurvir Sangha, Ian Sapollnik, Samantha So, Adrian Talingdan, Angela Tien, Justin Tsang, Julie Van der Valk, Viet Vu, Hussam Zbeeb

B) Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies:
Welcome to our new Members: Hannah Carrothers (Forestry), Kristy McConnel (Planning), Harry Li and Bradley Balaton (GSS)


Goodbyes: Ayman Azim (Forestry), Mary Caple and Charlie Deng (GSS)

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

- The Speaker acknowledged the meeting was taking place on the unceded traditional territory of the Musqueam people, a traditional place of learning long before UBC was established, and said we are privileged to be here.

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

E) Consent Agenda Items

6. MOVED SAREENA MOHAMMAD, SECONDED VIET VU:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

- Executive Committee minutes dated January 6, 2016
- Executive Committee minutes dated January 13, 2016
- Student Life & Communications Committee minutes – Dec. 2, 2016
- University & External Relations Committee minutes – Oct. 30, 2015
- University & External Relations Committee minutes – Nov. 23, 2015
- Legislative Procedures Committee minutes - Oct. 9, 2015
- AMS Council minutes dated January 13, 2016

For (27): Jamiu Abdsalami, Rob Anderson, Aaron Bailey, Bradley Balaton, Veronika Bylicki, Hannah Carrothers, Jude Crasta, Alan Ehrenholz, Ryan Grubbs, Dan Kehila, Daniel Lam, Harry Li, Lisa Mah, Kristy McConnel, Sareena Mohammad, Ava Nasiri, Sheldon Chang (proxy for Katherine Pan), Jeffrey Pea, Gurvir Sangha, Ian Sapollnik, Kathleen Simpson (proxy for Aiyana Anderson-MacIsaac), Samantha So, Carly Sotas, Angela Tien, Justin Tsang, Julie Van der Valk, Viet Vu

Against (2): Mateusz Miadlikowski, Jenna Omassi

Abstained: Mackenzie Lockhart, Hussam Zbeeb

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

Emergency Management – Reg Fountain (UBC Emergency Management)

- Emergency Management used to just mean response, but there’s also prevention, preparedness, and recovery, all of which are challenges.
• We want to integrate students into emergency management.
• The aim is creating a safe and secure environment, but we’re not there yet.
• We’re aiming to be in line with Policy 8 (UBC’s policy on Disaster Management), but we are not yet compliant. The reasons: people, money.
• We’ve proposed a strategic initiative to the UBC Executive and Board to give us a greater ability to mitigate, prepare, respond, and recover.
• UBC cannot declare a state of emergency, because it’s not yet a local authority; Metro Vancouver is the authority. That may change, though.
• We’re talking about natural hazards (floods, fire) and human-induced situations (an armed threat, a cyber attack).
• What keeps me awake is the question of looking after people in the wake of a disaster: mass care.
• Worst case scenarios include a 7.3 earthquake, resulting in 84,000 people being stuck on campus looking for food and shelter.
• We will have to be self-sufficient, but up to now we’ve produced no answers about food and water, the need to keep this place going, the role of IT.
• Relevance to the AMS:
  o We need people, support in certain areas, notably reception centres: place for people where we can give them food, first aid, etc.
  o Could use students to handle management of donations and volunteers: who better to do it than those who are there?
  o The UNA will handle some things, but they need people.
  o We could use smart people to help out in the Emergency Operations Centre.
  o Emergency call centre: could use help there with answering calls in various languages.
  o Social media: Need help monitoring information available there.
  o We would like to work with Council and AMS staff.

Questions
Ava Nasiri:
• Would there be value in providing 1-2 hour training sessions to student leaders on how to respond?

Reg Fountain:
• Yes, information should be shared. What would you like them to learn?
• We’re rolling out an active shooter campaign; also something on earthquakes. Focusing on what to do before the gunshots or the quake.

Ava Nasiri:
• Would your PR people be equipped to send out information to social media to be shared?

Reg Fountain:
• If there is an emergency, UBC Public Affairs takes over all Twitter accounts. We will need help with that.

Ava Nasiri:
• If social media account holders signed on to Hootsuite, they could Tweet.
Reg Fountain:
- We want to find the best way to make that happen.

Viet Vu:
- What happens if there’s a double disaster, say, here and in Paris?

Reg Fountain:
- What happens if IT goes down? Good question.
- I want to put our emergency operations in the cloud, not on a server.
- If there’s a critical process that we need to access, we need to get it off servers.

Alan Ehrenholz:
- Is there a one-paragraph message I can send out to those who might help?

Reg Fountain:
- You tell us what you want to do, and we’ll find a place for that skill set.

Ron Gorodetsky:
- Last year there was a plan to put earthquake preparedness kits in residences. What happened to that?

Reg Fountain:
- Not aware of that. We don’t have a budget for kits. Student Housing may be doing something.
- Emergency kits may last 24 hours, but then what? How many think the federal government will be here in 72 hours? They won’t be. We’ll need shelter, bathrooms, a way to dispose of liquid waste, food, water, clothing.

Aaron Bailey:
- What do you see as this building’s role in an emergency? We have a large space that could serve as reception space.

Reg Fountain:
- Two reception centres have been named: the Student Recreation Centre and the Tennis Centre. I’m thinking this building would be much better than the Rec Centre. But it’s your building.

Anne Kessler:
- Have you spoken to Pharmacy, Medicine, Nursing?

Reg Fountain:
- I hear from people saying it’s not us; it’s Vancouver Coastal Health. But how are we going to coordinate? We need support. I’d love to hear from Pharmacy, Medicine, Nursing.

Ava Nasiri:
- I feel a huge sense of underpreparedness and anxiety. This gives us a reason to take action. We need a follow-up meeting.
Reg Fountain:
- Any time you want. Let me know.

Ava Nasiri asked for a show of hands of those who would be interested in learning more. [Many hands went up.]

**Governance Review Update – Mustafa Nalwala**

- We hired MNP to conduct our governance review.
- Confirmed scope and budget.
- Did a survey and got 3,570 responses, including responses from 60 elected representatives and 300 club executives: very helpful.
- Did two days of stakeholder consultations: spoke to the Executives, the Executive Director, and other individuals.
- MNP is completing external research, comparing us to other schools.
- Looking to an organization and bylaw review.
- Following up with the Executive Committee.
- Aiming for first draft of report by February 11, which will be reviewed by the AMS Governance Review Committee.
- Second draft February 29.

**Overview of Referendum Questions – Mateusz Miadlikowski and Jude Crasta**

7. MOVED JENNA OMASSI:

“That the presentation be extended to be 15 minutes long.”

... No objections

**Financial questions – Mateusz Miadlikowski**

The Problem:
- We have a projected deficit of $100,000 for this year and $450,000 for next.
- This is because of a decrease in the contribution of the businesses, an end to transfers from abolished funds, and a lack of flexibility in our fees.
- We have lots of dedicated fees, resulting in $11.7 million locked in funds which we’re unable to use (except for their dedicated purpose).
- There is also a general fee. Revenue from that has gone up every year because of the increase in the number of students, indexing to CPI, and fee referenda.
- Money from our businesses fluctuates; it has trended down the last ten years.
- We originally forecast a business contribution this year of $350,000, but it’s been re-estimated at $17,500. So we have a deficit (because we depend on business revenue).
- Also we’ve been increasing the quality and number of our services, so our expenditures are up.
- We do get some money from investing, but we are restricted to safe investments, so the returns are not great.
- The problem is the business fluctuation and the fact that we’re expanding but can’t support ourselves.
Solutions
- We could slash the dedicated funds and move the money to our general membership fee. But that might be unpopular.
- These funds include the Sexual Assault Support Fund, CPAC (CPF), the Resource Group Fund, and the Special Bursary Fund. Some of these funds accumulate large sums. Special Bursary has $800,000 that’s not being used.

Option 1:
- Complete overhaul of fees, leading to broader fees, e.g., a Services fee to pay for SASC, Safewalk, etc.
- We could keep the fees the same but allocate them better and make them more flexible but still keeping restricted funds

Option 2:
- Keep things the same and seek efficiencies.
- Currently, with restricted fees, there’s accountability but less flexibility.
- If we have no restricted fees, then it’s the reverse: flexibility but no accountability.

Option 3:
- Increase the general membership fee.

Previous fee changes
- 2011: complete overhaul
- 2014: decreases to some funds, but it didn’t do the trick fully

8. MOVED AARON BAILEY, SECONDED ALAN EHRENHOLZ:

“That the presentation be extended by 10 minutes.”

... No objections

Other possibilities:
- Put limits on funds: when a fund hits the limit then anything more goes to the general operating funds.
- Run a deficit and hope for the best.
- Review of business model.

Health & Dental fee:
- A separate fee issue.
- Proposal for allowing large increases in it annually.
- Currently not reflecting students’ pattern of use.
- There’s a gap between the premium and the cost of the plan.
- If trends continue, we would have to cut benefits.
- Survey showed students are willing to pay more to keep benefits.

Overall
- Financial sustainability is an issue. There are challenges and opportunities.
- Holding consultations over the next two weeks about the way forward.
- Will send a final report to Council.
U-Pass – Jude Crasta
- The U-Pass is for all students registered in at least 3 credits at UBC (not including distance ed students).
- The pass costs $38 a month now.
- There will be nominal increases in line with inflation, raising the price to $39.50 this May and $41 in May 2017.
- Students will have to vote yes to the increases to continue in the U-Pass program.

Questions
Mackenzie Lockhart:
- About the revenue from the businesses, which businesses are doing well and which are suffering?

Mateusz Miadlikowski:
- I can’t disclose that in public because of confidentiality: go speak to Ross (the General Manager).

Aaron Bailey:
- ABBA is having a meeting about this tomorrow night; you’re all welcome to attend.

Daniel Lam:
- Should the U-Pass question be defeated, could we re-negotiate in the future?

Jude Crasta:
- There’s nothing to prevent us from doing that, but I can’t give a 100% guarantee. If UBC doesn’t sign on, I can’t guarantee the survival of the program.

Jenna Omassi:
- Is the Executive Committee going to bring specific fee questions to our next meeting from which Council can choose?

Mateusz Miadlikowski:
- Yes and no. I will prepare several questions based on the consultations.

G) Consultation Period

H) Appointments

UBC Student Awards Committee (2 x Councillors)
Nominees: Hannah Carrothers (Forestry), Gurvir Sangha (Senate), Mackenzie Lockhart (Arts), Alan Ehrenholz (Engineering)
Chosen: Hannah Carrothers and Gurvir Sangha

9. MOVED ALAN EHRENHOLZ, SECONDED VIET VU:
“That Hannah Carrothers and Gurvir Sangha (2 x AMS Councillors) be appointed to the Student Development Awards Committee for a period effective immediately and ending March 31, 2016.”

Note: This will consist of one review meeting and an award event on March 31, 2016. There will be applications to review prior to the meeting.

… Carried

I) President’s Remarks – Aaron Bailey (5 minutes):
- Suicide Awareness Day and Bell’s Let’s Talk Day. Let’s keep the conversation going on mental health.
- Presidential Search Committee: Town Halls produced interesting feedback, and a preliminary position profile has been drawn up.
- Referendum questions: Bylaw amendments are also part of the referendum. LPC is looking at these. Mostly housekeeping, but also a more significant investigation into Student Court.
- AMS Executives had an introductory mentorship night with five past AMS Executives. Hopefully, we’ll make this part of a regular tradition.
- Looking for referendum coordinators: a low number of applicants so far, but we need to hire soon. It’s 20 hours a week at Tier 2 pay. Intensive but for a short period.
- Block Party: Working with UBC on the stadium venue. Progressing nicely for vendors etc. Seeking talent. (Not Drake.)
- ABBA meeting.

Questions
Ian Sapollnik:
- Are the ABBA meeting times posted?

Aaron Bailey:
- Not usually. The meetings aren’t open, except to Councillors.

Alan Ehrenholz:
- On a scale of one to Drake, what level of talent are you looking for (for Block Party)?

Aaron Bailey:
- Anyone above Meek Mill.

J) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

Executive Director – Daniel Levangie

SASC
- Super busy. Lots of drop-in visits: survivors and supporters of survivors.

Communications
- Elections.
- Build Broadway.
- Working with the businesses to enhance sales.
Events

- Block Party coming together.
- Winter Classic hockey game this weekend.

Archives

- Laserfiche and Magnimail implementation.
- Book in full swing.

Services

- Tutoring: TLEF Grant.
- Foodbank: Add a dollar.
- Search for new Student Services Manager: Ron is leaving.

Hired Kelsi Wall as Policy Advisor.

**VP Administration – Ava Nasiri**

**SAC**

- Tea party tomorrow.
- Grad Class Council had its first meeting.
- Mostly completed overhaul of SAC website.
- Overhauling process for constituting new clubs.
- Constituency survey coming next week.
- Centralizing database.
- Identifying gaps in services and resources available.
- More support for Resource Groups: creating a model with Colour Connected that can be replicated for others.

**SLSC (Student Life and Sustainability Centre)**

- Tables coming.
- Selected team of 25 volunteers.
- Final round of consultation on space.

**Nest**

- Renamed the atrium to be the Atrium: no longer the Agora, out of respect for our fine friends at the Agora Café.
- Animating the stairwells for after Reading Break.
- Art Gallery:
  - “Your art here” campaign.
  - Arts and culture nights at the Hatch Art Gallery.
- Meeting UBC about Old SUB basement renos.

**Student Life**

- Meeting UBC Communications.
- With Jude and Jenna working on the Doing Our Part campaign (Syrian refugees) for after Reading Break.

**VP Finance – Mateusz Miadlikowski**

- Nothing beyond what I said in my presentation.
VP External – Jude Crasta

- Progress on Broadway line. Trip to Ottawa even more relevant because of the possibility of federal involvement.
- U-Pass contract negotiations: tertiary issues.
- Provincial budget.
- COP 21: Met with environmental groups.
- U-15 lobby days in Ottawa.
- Provincial Lobby Days:
  - Met student associations. UVic and the AMS are tight right now.
  - Looking at April 3-6.

VP Academic – Jenna Omassi

- Look for my monthly newsletter.

WUSC Program

- WUSC has non-profit local chapters supporting student refugees.
- There is an AMS fee supporting WUSC: currently $2.61.
- Four students each year.
- My office is supporting the WUSC group:
  - Looking at how we can better support refugee students.
  - Creating a petition to double the WUSC fee.
  - The Executive did not feel it right for us to put that forward, but we decided to support those who are putting it forward.
  - You will have a chance to take petitions and get them signed.
  - This would be the best way to bring more refugees to UBC.

Questions

Viet Vu:

- If they don’t get enough signatures, could it come to Council for approval?

Jenna Omassi:

- Yes, but it looks like there will be enough signatures to initiate a referendum. There will be a motion at next Council to endorse the referendum.

K) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Legislative Procedures Committee – Benjamin Israel

- Talking about referendum questions. Will get them to Council for next meeting.

University & External Relations Committee – Robin Asgari

- Talking about transit.
- Hosting a day of consultation with indigenous students.

Student Life & Communications Committee – Alan Ehrenholz

- Faculty Cup this Friday.
- Winter Classic.
Questions
Daniel Levangie:
- When is the All-Presidents Dinner?

Alan Ehrenholz:
- March 3.

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

Commerce – Lisa Mah
- Elections: four candidates for President.
- New website.
- Ski trip went well.
- JDC West: Sauder won School of the Year in Western Canada.

Planning – Kristy McConnel
- No report.

Regent – Ryan Grubbs
- Wednesday lunchtime concerts.

LFS – Veronika Bylicki
- Aggie Week last week.

Economics – Viet Vu
- We’re planning a conference on gender in the workplace.

Architecture – Carly Sotas
- Addressing communications gaps.
- Creating interactive calendar.
- 2016 SALA Lecture series.

VST – Rob Anderson
- More recycling.
- Want bins in our building.

Law – Benjamin Israel
- Federation of Law Societies of Canada has proposed a national standard for what has been provincial up to now. Concerns were raised. Students here have voted against it and written a letter to the Law Society of BC.

GSS – Dan Kehila
- No report.

Arts – Adrian Talingdan
- Arts Week a huge success.
- Humanities and Social Science Conference a success too.
- Launching Arts Student Centre campaign.
- New website.
- Mural for new building.
Beyond the BA.
Mid-professional development conference.
Limitless networking event coming up.
Looking for nominations for students for the Dean’s reception.

Kinesiology – Justin Tsang
- Kin Week last week.
- Career Fair drew 300 people.
- Submitted grad council contract at Cecil Green.

Science – Melissa Lachica
- Last week was Science Week as well as Kin Week and Aggie Week.
- Getting feedback from students.
- SUS 100 Gala February 27.
- Working on Science students recognition awards.
- Elections in March.

Medicine – Daud Akhtar
- March 19 will be the 12th annual run for rural medicine; this is to do with medical care in remote centres.
- Health ministers meeting in Vancouver this week to discuss Pharmacare, marijuana legalization, etc.

Engineering – Alan Ehrenholz
- Consultation on our professional activities fund.
- EUS elections happening next month.
- We sold out for Faculty Cup in 16 hours: so much for the nay-sayers.
- Nest week is E Week:
  - Pit purge – Tuesday night
  - Red night – Friday
  - Saturday – Engineers Ball.

Forestry – Hannah Carrothers
- Elections last week: I was elected.
- Logger Sports competition this Saturday.
- Coconut dance and softball.
- Tie-dye fri-dye on Friday.
- Thunderjacks event.

Questions
Alan Ehrenholz:
- How do you become a thunderjack?

Hannah Carrothers:
- Just come and join.

M) Board of Governors, Senate, and Ombudsperson Reports (2 minutes each):
BoG – Julie Van der Valk
- Preparing for Board committee meeting this Tuesday. Topics coming up:
  - Enrollment report.
  - Capital projects.
  - Gage South.
  - Transit.
  - Tuition increases.
  - Vantage College.

Senate – Jenna Omassi
- Medicine prerequisites changed.
- Academic Policy Committee is reviewing scheduling.
- Fall Reading Break.

Ombudsperson – Penny Zhang
- 40 new cases since January.
- Challenge you on how you use the word “crazy.”

Archives – Sheldon Goldfarb
- First mid-term break happened in 1965 (second term).
- WUSC fee started in the 1980s but they have been here since at least the 1950s.
- Were involved in the bed pushing event from campus to the border in 1961.

Questions
Jude Crasta:
- Did you follow up on the napping room article and its significance?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Yes, there were napping rooms in the Old SUB.

N) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

O) Executive Committee Motions:

10. MOVED AVA NASIRI, SECONDED MACKENZIE LOCKHART:

“That Council authorize the amount of $56,558.30 from the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund for the purchase of newspaper boxes, TV’s, and microwaves.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Ava Nasiri:
- This is the accumulation of three separate purchase orders.
- We have old newspaper boxes, which were just wooden boxes from the Old SUB that looked out of place in the Nest. Michael Kingsmill has designed some fancy new boxes at $800 apiece. Total: $8,064.
- Microwaves: 4 units for the Nest. Cost: $2,574. Expensive because they have to be commercial grade for heavy use.
• TV's for the Pit’s broken ones in the media wall. We need six replacement units. Could repair five; one definitely needs replacement. Wise to purchase 4 back-ups. Also looking at options for guards to avoid breakage in the future. Total: $45,920.

Jenna Omassi:
• Will the safeguards go up before putting in the TV’s? They seem easy to damage.

Ava Nasiri:
• That’s definitely been noted. We want to bring all these replacements in at once now and want to do our due diligence on safeguards.

Jamiu Abdsalami:
• Will you be repairing the microwaves in the Old SUB basement?

Ava Nasiri:
• We’re not repairing, but purchasing new microwaves. We did find some still working.

Viet Vu:
• Are any of these quotes not in Canadian dollars?

Ava Nasiri:
• They’re all in Canadian dollars.

Hannah Carrothers:
• Are the newspaper receptacles being replaced just because they don’t match the decor or do they need repair?

Ava Nasiri:
• They’re not broken, but they don’t have the functionality we need.
• The Discorder and the Ubyssey are not likely to use the boxes we have.

Jude Crasta:
• What type of microwave are you looking at?
• Did you look at cheaper alternatives?

Ava Nasiri:
• I asked our Director of Operations to provide recommendations. He and his team did research. The best quality for value is the quote presented.
• Cheaper alternatives were considered, but given the expected amount of use, these are the best ones for students for value.

Mateusz Miadlikowski:
• In July we moved in. The first television was broken in August. When did we start looking into protection? How long did it take to learn lessons?
Julie Van der Valk:
- Can we see the newspaper boxes or the alternatives to evaluate? That’s a lot of money that could have a lot of other uses.

Viet Vu:
- Can we split the motion into three?

The Speaker:
- No, because it’s all one clause, but you can amend.

Ava Nasiri:
- I think that at this time I should amend the motion to make it just for $12,500 for the five broken televisions. That’s the most urgent thing.
- For next meeting, I can bring a package for the other expenditures.
- Actually, $14,560 for the televisions.

11. MOVED AVA NASIRI, SECONDED VIET VU:

“That the motion be amended to read:

“That Council authorize the amount of $14,560 from the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund for the repair of televisions on the Pit media wall.”

Ava Nasiri:
- Based on the feedback from Council, I see that it’s important for you to have as much information as you feel is necessary.
- I do want to go ahead with the television repairs. That amount won’t change, and the situation affects the atmosphere in the Pit.

Mackenzie Lockhart:
- Has there been any attempt to get the people who broke the screens to pay for them?

Ava Nasiri:
- Yes, and any money we collect will be reinvested in the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund.

Jenna Omassi:
- I would have liked to see the whole package.

Viet Vu:
- I think Council is more comfortable paying this part rather than the others.

Mackenzie Lockhart:
- Won’t there still be one broken TV that needs replacement?

Ava Nasiri:
- Yes, but there’s a different timeline for that.
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Note: Requires 2/3rds

Ian Sapollnik:
- Is there a plan in place to prevent further loss? One broke in August and five since then, but nothing came here till now. What’s the plan now to prevent further damage?

Ava Nasiri:
- I didn’t want to take up Council’s time till we did our due diligence.
- We looked at three protection options:
  - Treated wall: $21,000
  - Acrylic wall: $9,500
  - Bumpers and railings at bottom and top: $5,000
- This didn’t come to Council earlier because we were looking at all options.
- There are problems with acrylic: it produces toxic fumes if it burns.
- It takes time to ship out a television and have it come back, so there is time to work on the protection system.
- If barriers don’t work, then we’ll look at a physical screen.

Benjamin Israel:
- What exactly happened to the screens?

Ava Nasiri:
One was broken during a club event, one by custodial, one by a larger group, one during a conference, one unknown.

Benjamin Israel:
- What was the mechanism of TV breaking?

Ava Nasiri:
- Physical impact on screens. Bums and elbows. Full body impact for the one beyond repair.

Angela Ten:
- It's counter-intuitive to buy the TV's first before arranging for protection.

Ava Nasiri:
- We're not purchasing now, just repairing. Getting protection in place will take two or three weeks. It's a longer process to send out for repair.

Bradley Balaton
- Have you considered downsizing or removing the media wall?

Ava Nasiri:
- We definitely considered it, but we would really like to see a solution that allows us to keep the wall. The media wall is one of our biggest assets in the Pit.

Rob Anderson:
- The Pit has a great design. We need to take our time about it.

Aaron Bailey:
- The media wall is more than just the TV's; there's infrastructure behind them, and with units broken, it's an eyesore.
- It's integrated: with less TV's there's less functionality.
- A protection system was overlooked and is overdue.
- The wall is a hit with a lot of students.

Benjamin Israel:
- We should change our frame of reference. Our purpose is to approve expenditure. It’s not our place to micro-manage; we’re the board of directors, not the decoration committee.

Angela Tien:
- My concern is: If we don’t get the televisions replaced, how will it affect the Pit, business-wise?

Aaron Bailey:
- Can’t quantify it, but losing an asset affects whether we can host certain events. And it affects the atmosphere. It’s a reputational thing. It limits sporting events, karaoke, visuals for DJ's.
Ava Nasiri:
- The concept of the media wall came from consultation with students. It wasn’t just done on a whim. It’s my responsibility to maintain past decisions.
- The money for this is coming from a fund that is specifically for repairs and replacement of equipment.

Mackenzie Lockhart:
- We can repair the TV’s and not put them up right away. Can wait until the protection is done.

14. MOVED AVA NASIRI, SECONDED MACKENZIE LOCKHART:

“That Council authorize the amount of $14,560 from the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund for the repair of televisions on the Pit media wall.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: The balance in the fund is 692,000.

… Carried

For (24): Jamiu Abdsalami, Daud Akhtar, Hannah Carrothers, Aaron Bailey, Veronika Bylicki, Benjamin Israel, Dan Kehila, Melissa Lachica, Daniel Lam, Quartermain Lim, Mackenzie Lockhart, Lisa Mah, Kristy McConnel, Ava Nasiri, Jeffrey Pea, Tommy Reid, Ian Sapollnik, Kathleen Simpson (proxy for Aiyana Anderson-MacIsaac), Samantha So, Carly Sotas, Adrian Talingdan, Angela Tien, Justin Tsang, Viet Vu

Against (3): Jude Crasta, Jenna Omassi, Julie Van der Valk

Abstained: Rob Anderson, Robin Asgari, Bradley Balaton, Alan Ehrenholz, Alexandra Lee Mann, Harry Li, Mateusz Miadlikowski, Sareena Mohammad

P) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

Q) Committee Motions:

15. MOVED TOMMY REID, SECONDED JEFFREY PEA: [SCD261-16]

From the Budget Committee
"That on the recommendation of the Budget Committee the ABCS membership line item be decreased to $0 and the VP External Special Projects Line item be increased by $10,000."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Kathleen Simpson:
- The $10,000 is going towards a political poll on the attitudes of residents to the Broadway subway line (residents in the area near campus). It’s being conducted for us by Insights West.
Bradley Batalon:
- Why are these two things lumped together? Was the ABCS line item at $10,000?

Mateusz Miadlikowski:
- The ABCS line item was $15,000.
- The other $5,000 will go to reducing the deficit.

16. MOVED TOMMY REID, SECONDED JEFFREY PEA:

From the Budget Committee
"That on the recommendation of the Budget Committee the ABCS membership line item be decreased to $0 and the VP External Special Projects Line item be increased by $10,000."

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried

For (25): Jamiu Abdsalami, Rob Anderson, Robin Asgari, Hannah Carrothers, Aaron Bailey, Bradley Balaton, Veronika Bylicki, Dan Kehila, Melissa Lachica, Daniel Lam, Alexandra Lee Mann, Harry Li, Quartermain Lim, Kristy McConnel, Mateusz Miadlikowski, Sareena Mohammad, Ava Nasiri, Jenna Omassi, Jeffrey Pea, Kathleen Simpson (proxy for Aiyana Anderson-Maclsaac), Samantha So, Carly Sotas, Adrian Talingdan, Justin Tsang, Julie Van der Valk

Against (1): Mackenzie Lockhart

Abstained: Jude Crasta, Alan Ehrenholz, Benjamin Israel, Lisa Mah, Tommy Reid, Ian Sapollnik, Hussam Zbeeb

17. MOVED BENJAMIN ISRAEL, SECONDED ADRIAN TALINGDAN: [SCD262-16]

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2016: President on Standing Committees’ and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note Requires 2/3rds
Note: Quorum was not present at LPC when this motion was approved.

Benjamin Israel:
- This motion came from Oversight to LPC. It eliminates one line of Code.
- The change will mean the President no longer has to be on committees for the purposes of the Performance Accountability Incentive.
- We saw no reason for the President to be micro-managing on committees.

18. MOVED BENJAMIN ISRAEL, SECONDED ADRIAN TALINGDAN:

From the Legislative Procedures Committee
"That Council adopt the report of the Legislative Procedures Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2016: President on Standing Committees’ and thus amend the Code as recommended."
Note Requires 2/3rds
Note: Quorum was not present at LPC when this motion was approved.

For (27): Jamiu Abdsalami, Rob Anderson, Robin Asgari, Veronika Bylicki, Benjamin Israel, Dan Kehila, Melissa Lachica, Daniel Lam, Alexandra Lee Mann, Harry Li, Quartermain Lim, Mackenzie Lockhart, Kristy McConnel, Sareena Mohammad, Ava Nasiri, Jenna Omassi, Jeffrey Pea, Tommy Reid, Ian Sapollnik, Kathleen Simpson (proxy for Aiyana Anderson-MacIsaac), Samantha So, Carly Sotas, Adrian Talingdan, Angela Tien, Justin Tsang, Julie Van der Valk, Hussam Zbeeb

Abstained: Daud Akhtar, Hannah Carrothers, Aaron Bailey, Bradley Balaton, Jude Crasta, Alan Ehrenholz, Lisa Mah, Mateusz Miadlikowski, Viet Vu

19. MOVED ANGELA TIEN, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:
From the Hiring Committee
“That on the recommendation of the Hiring Committee, Mark Fraser’s appointment to ABBA be extended from December 31, 2015 to March 31, 2016.”

Angela Tien:
- We don’t have new alumni members yet. We want to find qualified candidates, so we’d like to extend the time to do that.

Benjamin Israel:
- Concerned about doing this retroactively.
- What has happened since December 31, 2015?

Angela Tien:
- We have been reaching out to the Alumni Office.
- They didn’t get back to us till recently, and they have put it on social media.

20. MOVED ANGELA TIEN, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:
From the Hiring Committee
“That on the recommendation of the Hiring Committee, Mark Fraser’s appointment to ABBA be extended from December 31, 2015 to March 31, 2016.”

… No objections

21. MOVED ANGELA TIEN, SECONDED ALAN EHRENHOLZ:
From the Hiring Committee
“That on the recommendation of the Hiring Committee, David Borins’ appointment be extended from February 8, 2016 to March 31, 2016.”

Angela Tien:
- This is for the same reason.
- The dates are different because they had different appointment times.
22. MOVED ANGELA TIEN, SECONDED ALAN EHRENHOLZ:

From the Hiring Committee

“That on the recommendation of the Hiring Committee, David Borins' appointment be extended from February 8, 2016 to March 31, 2016.”

... No objections

R) Commission Minutes, Reports and Motions:

S) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

23. MOVED ALAN EHRENHOLZ:

“That Council direct the AMS Executive Director, Daniel Levangie, to write a feasibility report on the potential of the AMS hosting a reality TV show centred around UBC student politics, the report to be presented by February 24.”

... Withdrawn

T) Discussion Period

U) Submissions:

Student Life & Communications Committee January report [SCD263-16]
University & External Relations Committee January report [SCD264-16]
WUSC Brochure [SCD265-16]

V) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: February 10, 2016

W) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:28 pm.

X) Social Activity:
## January 27, 2016 Attendance

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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