Proposal for Governance Review

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Rationale

• The last Governance Review (CORP) took place between 1993 and 1995.
• Best practice requires some form of review every three to five years.
• Many of CORP’s recommendations are still in place, but the needs of the Society and its members have changed since the 1990s.
Agenda

• Formation of the Governance Review Committee
• Internal survey for AMS employees
• The external consultant
• Public consultation events
• Outcomes and implementation
• Budget
• Timeline
Governance Review Committee

• **Student Members**
  - President of the Alma Mater Society
  - One additional member of the Executive Committee, as designated by the executive Committee
  - Two Councillors appointed by Council, including one member of the Legislative Procedures Committee
  - Two Students-at-Large, appointed by Council
  - The Executive Special Projects Assistant, Governance, who shall be non-voting

• **AMS Staff Members**
  - The Archivist and Clerk of Council, who shall be non-voting
  - The General Manager, who shall be non-voting
  - The Executive Director, who shall be non-voting
• Purpose:
  - to receive feedback on the Society’s business operations from employees of the Society;
  - to receive feedback from employees of the Society regarding working conditions and overall working experience with the Society; and
  - to receive recommendations from employees of the Society on how the Society’s business operations can be improved.
External Consultant

• Will complete a comprehensive review of the Society’s activities.
• Will provide an objective point of view and a fresh look at the current state of the Society.
• Will be able to make recommendations on how the Society can improve its operations.
Public Consultation

• General Survey

• Consultation Days:
  - AMS Constituencies;
  - AMS Services;
  - AMS Council and Committee; and
  - Public.
Outcomes and Implementation

• Final report to include:
  - Results of the Internal Review, the External Review, and the Public Consultation.

• Goal is to create the strategies, send to Council, and have future Councils implement at their discretion; and

• to be approved by the currently elected Council and handed to the next (2016/2017) Executive Committee.
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- RFP limited $380000 for external consultant.
- F&B budget to be used at AMS owned businesses unless services are unavailable.
Timeline

Council consultation
RFP open

August 2015

Surveys
Consultation days
Focus groups

September 2015

October 2015 – February 2016

Hire external consulting firm

March 2016

Data review

Council approval

April 2016
Council Consultation Days

Monday, 03 August - 10:00 - 11:00
and/or
Wednesday, 05 August - 16:00 - 17:00
Student Society of UBC Vancouver