



THE ALMA MATER SOCIETY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA VANCOUVER

AMS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Minutes of February 16, 2018

Attendance

Present: Max Holmes (VP Academic), Pooja Bhatti (VP Administration), Sally Lin (VP External), Alim Lakhiyalov (VP Finance), Keith Hester (Managing Director), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archivist & Clerk of Council and Privacy Officer)

Regrets: Alan Ehrenholz (President), Marium Hamid (Student Services Manager)

Recording Secretary: Sheldon Goldfarb

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 pm with Pooja in the chair.

Agenda

- The agenda was approved (Max, Sally).

Minutes

- The minutes of February 9, 2018 were deferred.

Appointment

- Max: We recommended that Alan be appointed to the search committee for a new UBC Vice-President Development and Alumni Engagement, but he can't serve. Next week we should name someone else.

Updates

- Alim:
 - Budgets.
 - Tweaking the one-pager for the fee referendum question.
 - New budgeting process.
 - Preparing for transition.
- Sally:
 - Sexual violence submission to province.
 - Also an AMS External Policy on this.
 - Working with Our Turn
 - UCRU petitioning House of Commons for international students (about work eligibility).

- Lobby trip to Victoria/Rent with Rights.
- Max:
 - Housing Action Plan went well. The VP Students was okay with our asks (about numbers of beds and not tying price to the Higher Education Index but following the Rent with Rights ask of 2% plus CPI).
 - Also received an answer from the VP Students about the implementation of Policy 131 (sexual violence); she is open to a meeting at which we can air our concerns.
 - And Policy 131 will be discussed by the Senate's Academic Policy Committee.
 - Tuition consultations.
 - Open Education Resources listening tour.
 - Looking to see if we should support the UBC Strategic Plan
- Pooja:
 - Policy I-7 on expulsion was approved, but Ops Com is looking at it again and will probably bring something back to Council in March.
 - Discussing departmental clubs with EUS, AUS, SUS: the Constituency responsibilities.
 - Just Desserts award ceremony.
 - All-Presidents Dinner: Louise Cowin (VP Students) will speak.
 - Great Trekker recipient will be Jim Meekison, who will attend.
 - Ubysey tenancy agreement: probably coming in March.
 - MoU's with tenants for the Old SUB: Sprouts etc.
 - Max: So many MoU's. Do we want to guarantee so many spaces?
 - Pooja:
 - They're for limited terms.
 - But some are purpose built (e.g., Photosoc, Pottery Club): the space has been built for them.
 - Smaller clubs don't get MoU's. In the Nest everyone applies every year.
 - Clubhouse:
 - Back in October a club got access to email addresses for members of other clubs via Clubhouse.
 - There were complaints about this on Reddit.
 - We worked with Campus Vibe to remove the email addresses from the public area, and we have also been working to take down the names of members so it won't be public who is in which club.
 - Max: Don't you have a choice about providing your email address?
 - Pooja: No.
 - Sheldon:

- The email addresses were removed from the public area in October when this first came to our attention.
- The names were taken down today.
- This is a privacy issue.
- Been discussing email notification of those affected.
- Max: Should talk to Communications about that.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:27 pm.