



**THE ALMA MATER SOCIETY  
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA VANCOUVER**

**AMS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Minutes of February 23, 2018

**Attendance**

Present: Max Holmes (VP Academic), Sally Lin (VP External), Alim Lakhialov (VP Finance), Keith Hester (Managing Director), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archivist & Clerk of Council)

Regrets: Alan Ehrenholz (President), Pooja Bhatti (VP Administration), Marium Hamid (Student Services Manager)

Recording Secretary: Sheldon Goldfarb

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 2:06 pm with Max in the chair.

**Agenda**

- The agenda was approved (Sally, Alim).

**Minutes**

- The minutes of February 9 and 16, 2018 were approved as revised (Sally, Alim).

**Appointment**

MOVED MAX, SECONDED SALLY:

“That the Executive amend its January 26, 2018 appointments motion by recommending Max Holmes instead of Alan Ehrenholz as the person to be appointed as the UBC Vancouver Student Representative to serve on the Advisory Committee for the Appointment of the Vice President Development and Alumni Engagement.”

... Carried

**GSS**

- Keith asked about the meetings of the AMS/GSS advisory group intended to discuss the AMS-GSS relationship (prompted by the GSS plan to hold a referendum on whether to remain part of the AMS).
- Max:
  - I have tried to arrange meetings.
  - We reached out to the GSS; they did fill their spots on the committee, but they didn't come to the first meeting and it's not been possible to arrange another.

- The AMS has wanted to collaborate, but we have not received anything from their side.
- It's very disappointing.
- It doesn't look like the group will meet.
- Maybe Alan should take this up.
- Alim:
  - If they go ahead with their referendum and end up leaving the AMS, the biggest effect will be on the Health and Dental Plan.
    - Their plan cost would go up and ours would go down.
    - There'd be no more AMS/GSS joint plan.
    - We'd have our plan and they'd have to negotiate their own plan.
  - Grad students think they don't get anything from the AMS but the U-Pass and the Health and Dental Plan, but it's their payment of AMS fees that lets them get the U-Pass and the Health and Dental Plan.
- Max: They'd also lose the GSS lounge in the Nest.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:19 pm.