



AMS Annual General Meeting Minutes

October 23, 2018
Atrium in the Student Nest
(12:00 – 1:30)

Call to order – Marium Hamid

The meeting was called to order at 12:31 pm

Territorial Acknowledgement:

At this time, we wish to acknowledge our presence on unceded, traditional, and ancestral territory of the hə́nqəmihə́m-speaking Musqueam people."

In addition, we wish to recognize the fact that learning happened in this place we are gathered long before this institution was established. It is important that we understand and respect our privilege to be living, working, and learning on Musqueam territory

We hope that this acknowledgment inspires each and every one of us to reflect on the reconciliation yet to be achieved, and the challenges yet to be overcome by Canada and First Nations peoples

1. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED CRISTINA ILNITCHI:

"That the agenda be adopted as presented."

... Carried

AMS Presidential Address – Marium Hamid

Highlights of the Year:

- Lots of hiring.
- Opened the Life Building.
- Apology to Indigenous people at UBC.
- New website.
- Improved engagement.

AMS Executive Updates – AMS Executive and Student Services Manager

VP Academic and University Affairs – Max Holmes

- I'm on 4 UBC Executive search committees.
- UBC Policy 131 (on sexual violence): review and campaign.
- I also sit on the UBC Senate's Academic Concession working group.
- Brock Commons Phase 2 passed Board 1; it will create 1,600 new beds; this is the result of AMS advocacy.
- \$1 million campaign for undergraduate research.
- Mandatory syllabi policy.

- SASC review
- New mental health support space.
- Fall Reading Break. There will be a Town Hall on this. There will probably be a break in 2019/20.
- Indigenous Discussion Circle.
- Excellence Fund report: determining the priorities for the use of the fund.

VP External – Cristina Initchi

- Partnerships with other student unions.
- Provincial and Federal advocacy.
- AMS/GSS consultations.
- Transit consultations on the Night Bus, the Millennium Line to UBC, U-Pass.
- Working with the Rapid Transit Coalition Group.
- New U-Pass contract.
- SUDS – 150 students from across Canada attended.
- Met with MLAs and MPs.
- Lobby trip next week.
- Rent with Rights campaign.
- Financial aid reform.
- Your Vote Your Voice municipal election campaign.

VP Administration – Chris Hakim

- Opened the lower level of the UBC Life Building. That's the AMS area; it contains 9 clubs with unique space needs.
- Sprouts and the Norm Theatre will be opening soon.
- Installed 52 day rental lockers.
- Clubs days in September and January.
- Mugshare and other sustainability initiatives, including ones for clubs moving into the Life Building and for the Undergraduate Societies.
- Marketing of the Hatch Art Gallery: new signage. Also a more robust volunteer program.

VP Finance – Kuol Akuechbeny

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- AMS revenue comes from student fees, AMS businesses and investments.
- AMS businesses did well in the fourth quarter.
- Expenses were on budget except for SASC, which was over budget.
- Ancillary services were below budget.
- Events had a stellar financial performance.
- Conference & Catering and Events had higher revenue for the Society.

Student Services Manager – Piers Fleming

- \$10,000 donation from UBC for the Food Bank and they will match donations.
- Had a successful food drive.
- E Hub – Get Seeded event.
- Numbers are up for Speakeasy interactions.

- Vice – Naloxone training.
- Tutoring in five locations on campus.
- Advocacy now has a translation service.
- All Services are doing well.

AMS Managing Director Updates – Keith Hester

- Last year was successful – we had one of the biggest surpluses ever.
- Refinanced this building, saving \$70 million.
- Renovated the space next door in the Life Building.

2. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED MAX HOLMES: [SCD119-19]

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alma Mater Society Membership accept the President’s and the Managing Director’s Annual Report as presented.”

... Carried

3. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED KUOL AKUECHBENY: [SCD120-19]

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Alma Mater Society Membership accept the Auditor’s Report on the Financial Statements for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2018, as presented.”

“BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Society approve the Financial Statements as of April 30, 2018.”

... Carried

4. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED CRISTINA ILNITCHI:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the D&H Group be retained as the Auditors for the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia Vancouver for the ensuing fiscal year.”

5. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT there being no further business the meeting be adjourned at 12:58.”

... Carried