

STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Rodney Little Mustache (FirstNations@ubc), Morgan Teske (AMS Staff), Julia Burnham (AMS Staff), Will Shelling (AMS Staff), Charlotte Alden (Ubysey), Sarah Zhao (Ubysey), Alex Nguyen (Ubysey), Angela O'Donnell (Ubysey), Andrew Huang (student at large), Tanner Davies (AMS Staff), Stuart Clarke (Guest), Jon Tomalty (AMS Staff), Roshni Pendse (AMS Staff), Michelle Marcus (Sustainability), Abdul Alnaar (Senior Manager of Student Services), Keith Hester (Managing Director), Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council), Joanne Pickford (Admin Assistant)

A) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

- The Speaker acknowledged that the meeting was taking place on the unceded, traditional, and ancestral land of the Musqueam people, adding that learning happened on these lands long before the University was here.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED KUOL AKUECHBENY:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED MARIUM HAMID, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the agenda be amended as follows:

- Strike the presentation on fee referendum questions
- Move the SASC consultation to before the Fall Reading Break consultation.”

... No objections

3. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED KUOL AKUECHBENY:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (26): Joella Allen, Quentin Golsteyn (proxy for Bryan Starick), Derek Bennett, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Andria Coulbourn, Jessica Jiang (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Initchi, Jon Kew, Jennifer Ling, Ada Mew, Arash Shadkam, Danny Liu (proxy for Gurshabad Singhera), Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Jerome Goddard

D) Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies:

Welcome to our new Members: Jon Kew (Planning), Nevena Rebic (GSS)

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Journalism, Pharmacy, Population & Public Health, Social Work, St. Mark's, VST

Goodbyes: Alexa Tanner (GSS).

E) Speaker's Business (5 minutes):

Kareem Ibrahim (The Speaker):

- Reach out to me if you have any questions or ideas about making meetings more efficient.

Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council):

- Just a reminder about attendance rules because there have been some questions.
- If you miss five meetings, you lose your seat.
- If you miss three meetings, I send you an email to let you know you are close to five.

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

Rodney Little Mustache:

- Three topics:
 - 1) 2019-20 is the Year of Indigenous Students.
 - Will there be a referendum? How do we get this going?
 - 2) Job Description for Indigenous Executive Assistant.
 - They're supposed to be a liaison,
 - It's a huge amount of work for one position.
 - Too much work.
 - You could have reached out to us to ask about it.
 - 3) Ottawa lobbying trip:
 - You went to Ottawa on our behalf.
 - Our community includes educated members.
 - You went without an Indigenous student with you.
 - Treating us like children.
 - We don't need you to fight our battles.
 - That makes us feel small; it makes me feel small.
 - You didn't talk to any Indigenous entities.
 - This is like the people in Ottawa.
 - You're acting like the oppressors that people are fighting against.

Max Holmes:

- We hear you and hope to have continuous dialogue.
- We are not yet campaigning on the referendum.
 - There may be people campaigning or petitioning for a referendum.
 - I hope that Council will listen to ideas for referendums at the next Council meeting.

- As to the job description, it was sent to members of the Indigenous Committee.
 - All suggestions from the Indigenous Committee were incorporated.
 - We can continue to have dialogue.
 - Happy to reopen the dialogue and will listen to any issues anyone in the role raises if there is too much work.
 - This is a new position in the President's office; not under a VP as in the past.
 - Absolutely the main role is liaison with the Indigenous Committee.
 - We are aware there were issues in the past.
 - Thank you for sharing your concerns.

Cristina Initchi:

- On the advocacy in Ottawa, I agree.
 - One point we made was to ask the federal government to follow through on Indigenous funding and consult Indigenous students, but I hear you and you're right that Indigenous students were not included in this advocacy.
 - I've already started to reach out to the Indigenous Committee and other Indigenous students as part of our advocacy on their behalf.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- The Finance Committee is reviewing fees.
- A presentation I was going to make tonight was removed because we haven't had a chance to consult all groups affected.
- Consultation will be done for the fee referendum, and we will present at the next Council meeting.

Cole Evans:

- I appreciate your concerns about the job description.
- It didn't come through the HR Committee, but HR is happy to work out the issues with the Executive and talk to you.
- Happy to tweak the position.
- I look forward to helping you out with that.
- We would love to have you come to one of our meetings to figure this out.

Kuol Akuechbeny suggested that Rodney be given a chance to respond, though the rules do not allow for that.

... No objections

Rodney Little Mustache:

- A lot of you know what's going on up north in the campground.
- The day we found out you went to Ottawa without us was the same day Justin Trudeau was in Kamloops skirting the question of oppression.
- That's what the AMS is doing.
- No one contacted us at the Longhouse.,
- The AMS didn't contact anyone.
- We're educated.
- The AMS is acting like we're not equals.

- This is unceded territory.
- Tradition calls for an elder in any room when you're having a meeting.
- There is no elder in this room.
- It is very sad that you left us out of it.

G) Consent Agenda Items

Dylan Braam asked to withdraw the Finance Committee minutes from the Consent Agenda.

4. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

"That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Human Resources Committee minutes dated November 19, 2018	[SCD204-19]
Human Resources Committee minutes dated November 26, 2018	[SCD205-19]
Human Resources Committee minutes dated January 9, 2019	[SCD206-19]
AMS Executive Committee minutes dated December 12, 2018	[SCD207-19]
Finance Committee minutes dated October 18, 2018	
Finance Committee minutes dated November 1, 2018	
Finance Committee minutes dated November 22, 2018	
Finance Committee minutes dated December 6, 2018	
Operations Committee minutes dated November 13, 2019	[SCD208-19]
Operations Committee minutes dated November 20, 2018	[SCD209-19]
Operations Committee minutes dated January 8, 2019	[SCD210-19]
Advocacy Committee minutes dated November 19, 2018	[SCD211-19]
Steering Committee minutes dated November 28, 2018	[SCD212-19]
Steering Committee minutes dated January 17, 2019	[SCD213-19]

... Carried

For (25): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Derek Bennett, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Andria Coulbourn, Jessica Jiang (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jennifer Ling, Nevena Rebic, Danny Liu (proxy for Gurshabad Singhera), Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Jacqueline Wu, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani)

Abstained: Kevin Zhang

5. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

"That the following items be accepted as presented:

Finance Committee minutes dated October 18, 2018	[SCD214-19]
Finance Committee minutes dated November 1, 2018	[SCD215-19]
Finance Committee minutes dated November 22, 2018	[SCD216-19]
Finance Committee minutes dated December 6, 2018	[SCD217-19]

Dylan Braam:

- The October 18 minutes include no records of any discussion.
- They are lacking in substance.
- The November 1 minutes note that a presentation was made, but there's no indication of its contents.
- These seem very sparse, not the sort of minutes we should be expecting.
- Going forward, I would like the Finance Committee minutes to be much more clear.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- I take your point that we should have full minutes.
- Sometimes we did not finish; we just stopped at a certain point.
- If there are no notes under the discussion we probably didn't get to the item.
- Moving forward, we will be fuller.

Jakob Gattinger:

- The minutes must state the outcomes of the resolutions (approved or not).
- It's not clear whether these motions passed or failed.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- We missed that.
- Thank you for the comments; I will make them better.

6. **MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:**

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Finance Committee minutes dated November 22, 2018	[SCD216-19]
Finance Committee minutes dated December 6, 2018	[SCD217-19]
	... Carried

For (23): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Quentin Golsteyn (proxy for Bryan Starick), Derek Bennett, Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Andria Coulbourn, Jessica Jiang (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Tanner Gjosund, Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jennifer Ling, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Danny Liu (proxy for Gurshabad Singhera), Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Jacqueline Wu, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Kevin Zhang

Against (2): Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham

Abstained: Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Ada Mew

H) Presentations to Council and Accompanying Motions (10 minutes for presentation, 5 minute ? period):

UNA Bylaw Changes – Cristina Ilnitchi

[SCD218-19]

- One of my jobs is to liaise with neighbourhoods, and I sit on the board of the University Neighbourhoods Association (UNA).
- The UNA is a not-for-profit society founded in 2002 to provide the residents of UBC's residential neighbourhoods with services.
- It manages infrastructure, dealing with streets, sidewalk repair, parking, noise.
- There is a Neighbours Agreement with UBC which ensures the residents access to UBC athletic facilities and two community centres.
- Residents' concerns are heard through the UNA.
- The Board of Directors oversees planning.
- All residents are eligible to become members.
- Currently, there is one AMS representative on the Board; also two UBC representatives.
- The five other members are elected.
- Last year new UNA bylaws were proposed that would remove the appointees (the two UBC reps and the AMS rep).
- This failed due to the unpopularity of other changes this one was packaged with.
- Now it's being proposed once again: at its last meeting the Board proposed Bylaw amendments concerning Board composition and saying all Board members have to be elected UNA representatives.
- UBC will still be able to have representatives sit on the Board, but they will not have a vote and will essentially cease to be members.
- UBC and the UNA have an agreement (the Neighbours Agreement).
- The AMS does not.
- Our only relationship with the UNA was to have that one representative on their Board.
- The proposed Bylaws were approved by the Board.
- I abstained.
- Consultation occurred with UBC, but not with the AMS, so I felt I could not make an informed vote.
- Going forward, the UNA and UBC are negotiating the Neighbours Agreement.
- They now want to consult with the AMS about a new, formalized relationship so that there can still be a way for the AMS to have a say – but no vote.

Questions

Max Holmes:

- During this process it seems that there was extensive consultation with UBC.
- There was a working group looking at the Bylaw changes, but it had no student on it.
- Has it been clearly communicated to the UNA that we're wondering why UBC was consulted and the AMS and the students were not consulted?

Cole Evans:

- It seems like a bit of a power grab.

- They already had a majority of the votes; this seems like a way to remove obstacles, but they shouldn't because it's incredibly important to have UBC and AMS reps on their board.
- We should get at least a non-voting position like UBC.
- Is there anything we can do to prevent the bylaw change from taking effect, or do we have to accept it?

Andy Wu:

- This issue has been presented to us without much context.
- What is our current working relationship like with the UNA?
- Do we tend to clash with them?

Ada Mew:

- What will the new bylaws look like?
- Will there be any changes about students doing solicitations, handing out flyers?

Cristina Initchi:

- Re consultation:
 - I spoke to the fact that the AMS was not consulted.
 - We could not make an informed decision because of that.
- Re the question, Is this a done deal?
 - Not yet.
 - UBC's new agreement with the UNA will need to go to the UBC Board of Governors.
 - We could make a statement then. We can also send in a submission.
 - It will be an opportunity to make ourselves heard.
- Re our current relationship:
 - The residents of the UNA are a small group, but loud enough to make their views a sticking point.
 - They look to other organizations in which all members are democratically elected, and they're noting that their board includes several appointees not representing the residents.
 - Their board doesn't have tons of oversight; it does look at budgets and programs. This has been a part of our relationship with them.
 - Over the last years we have worked on this relationship.
 - As to clashes, they don't often look at policies, more at programming and budgets.
- Re solicitation:
 - I don't know that UNA policy.

7. MOVED JAKOB GATTINGER, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

"That the question period be extended by five minutes."

... Carried

For (23): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Quentin Golsteyn (proxy for Bryan Starick), Derek Bennett, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Andria Coulbourn, Jessica Jiang (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans,

Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Jon Kew, Nevena Rebic, Danny Liu (proxy for Gurshabad Singhera), Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Ada Mew

Jakob Gattinger:

- This is not the first time the UNA has sought to explore what I think of as undemocratic changes.
- There is a UBC-UNA liaison committee with no student representation.
- As your two student members on the UBC Board of Governors, we will look into the issue.
- Surveys show that 20% of the residents are students: it's important to keep the student role on the UNA board.
- The UNA manages a significant amount of money.

Cristina Initchi:

- The bylaw changes are going to go to a spring general meeting.
- As to the 20% number, we will look into those numbers.
- UBC does subsidize their budget: that has implications for students.

Max Holmes:

- Students as a minority among the residents have never directly elected anyone onto the UNA board, but the AMS rep is a student representing all students.
- Has this been represented to the UNA?

Cristina Initchi:

- I will make that abundantly clear.

Jakob Gattinger:

- It's important to acknowledge that this is the densest neighbourhood without a municipal government.
- A group of residents did present to the UBC Board about the proposed UNA changes.
- We will try to get student groups a chance to present.

I) Consultation Period

***Referendum Question – Abdul Alnaar (Senior Manager of Student Services),
Sandra Suasnabar (Manager, Sexual Assault Support Centre, or SASC),
Kuol Akuechbeny (VP Finance)***

[SCD219-19]

Abdul Alnaar:

- Consulting Council about options for the referendum question and budget for SASC.

Sandra Suasnabar:

- SASC mainly operates three programs:

- Support & Advocacy
- Outreach & Volunteer Program
- Healthier Masculinities Program.
- Support & Advocacy:
 - Delivers support services to survivors, friends, and family.
 - Provides crisis and emotional support.
 - Number of one-hour appointments with survivors this year:
 - September 90
 - October 90
 - November 121
 - December 38
 - January (up to January 22) 63
 - Over 400 hours altogether.
 - This does not include prep and organizing time, connecting with campus resources, etc.: so there were more hours put in.
- Outreach & Volunteer Program:
 - Education events.
 - Workshops etc.
 - Well utilized by the community.
- Staffed by one full-time and two part-time employees.
- Provides educational events in the community.
- We have done almost 3,000 hours of outreach since September.

8. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED ANDREA COLBOURN

“That the time for the presentation be extended by 10 minutes.”

... No objections

Sandra Suasnabar (continued):

- Healthier Masculinities Program:
 - To get masculine-identifying students to help create an awesome, safer community.
 - Excited by this.
 - One of our most popular programs.
 - Interactions of five to ten minutes, or longer: up to 30 minutes.

Abdul Alnaar:

- Last year there was a decision, later reversed, to cut services at SASC.
- SASC's costs have been increasing.
 - Three years ago the budget was \$137,130.
 - Since then hours have increased and SASC has also added a hospital accompaniment service.
 - The budget increased in each of the two years after that.
- Where does funding come from?
 - Currently, there's a \$3.63 fee paid by an estimated 51,000 students.
 - That produces \$185,000, leaving a shortfall of \$246,500.
- Beyond 2019-20 the inflationary impact of labour costs could be \$20-30,000.

- Currently engaged in collective bargaining, so unsure about the monetary numbers.
- There is also money in SAIF (the Sexual Assault Initiatives Fund), which has been depended on to cover the shortfall, but we would like SAIF to be available again for community use.
- The fee started at \$1 in 2003, rose to \$3 in 2005, then to \$3.25 in 2011, at which time it was also indexed to inflation, leading to the current fee of \$3.63.
- Over the last three years, the increased hours and programming has increased the need.
- I don't believe \$3.63 is enough.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- We have been doing consultations on expenditures at the Finance Committee.
- Looking ahead five years we see the same problems.
- To fund SASC, \$8.50 seems like the minimum level for the fee.
- There have been discussions of setting the fee at anywhere from \$8.50 to \$9.50.
- We want to get your perspective.
- Council will need to decide on a number at its February 6 meeting in order to put the referendum question on the ballot.

Questions

Max Holmes:

- Can you talk about the importance of SASC in advocacy to the University and the government?

Abdul Alnaar:

- Historically, SASC was created in partnership with WAVAW at a time when sexual violence was not openly discussed.
- UBC's Policy 131 on sexual violence was created in part thanks to SASC advocacy.

Sandra Suasnabar:

- We are definitely doing groundbreaking work at SASC.
- Part of my passion is to expand our base, create a wider network, not stay isolated.

Chris Hakim:

- Do the appointment hours for survivors that you presented include walk-ins?

Sandra Suasnabar:

- Walk-ins happen all the time and usually turn into one-hour appointments.

Jerome Goddard:

- A lot of undergraduate societies have used the Healthier Masculinities Program.
- I encourage Council to endorse the highest number possible.

Jakob Gattinger:

- I understand the bargaining process is underway with the union at SASC.

- There could be financial fluctuations based on the negotiations.
- Presumably the HR Committee has an approved plan, so we know the window.

Marium Hamid:

- Yes, the bargaining process is under way.
- The VP Finance and the President are the student government representatives involved in this process.
- Monetary conversations have been halted for now.
- We would have to go in camera to discuss that further.

Jakob Gattinger:

- The HR Committee needs to establish a window.

Marium Hamid:

- We can take this to the HR Committee, but it would have to go in camera because it includes non-Council members.
- I would like Council to be involved.

Jakob Gattinger:

- It's typical to have a bargaining plan.

Abdul Alnaar:

- There is a discussion later on the agenda about collective bargaining.
- Historically, the HR Committee has not been involved in collective bargaining.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- Do the appointment numbers include repeat visits?
- Can outreach lower the amount of sexual assault?

Sandra Suasnabar:

- These are initial contact appointments, so repeat visits are not counted.
- Unfortunately, as far as sexualized violence is concerned, we still have lots of work to do.
- We're going to continue to see survivors walking into our office.

9. MOVED ANDY WU, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

"That the discussion period be extended by 10 minutes."

... No objections

Cole Evans:

- Re this coming to the HR Committee, the HR Committee is not involved in SASC collective bargaining.

Jakob Gattinger:

- It's not appropriate to have management overseeing itself in the collective bargaining process.
- Management should be overseen by this board to make sure it is acting in good faith.
- That's best practice.

Marium Hamid:

- I would like to redirect Council's attention to the issue of the fee.

Ada Mew:

- If this referendum does not pass, what happens to SASC?
- What is the contingency plan?

Abdul Alnaar:

- Our goal is to ensure SASC has the funding it needs.
- Don't have a good answer for what happens if the referendum doesn't pass.

Andy Wu:

- Speaking to the issue of long-term budgeting:
 - We will bring in more money if we raise the fee.
 - Meanwhile UBC is going to be improving its Policy 131 because of provincial government demands.
 - As UBC's implementation gets better, we can reasonably expect less of a demand on SASC.
 - In that case, there would be an accumulated surplus.
 - And hopefully there will be a decrease in visits because of an improving environment.
 - If so, where will the extra money go?

Marium Hamid:

- We can't assume the need for SASC will decrease.
- The amount of people reporting assaults is increasing.
- We can never know for sure if demand will equal supply.
- If there is extra money, it will go into SAIF (the Sexual Assault Initiatives Fund) for the community to use: that's a positive thing.
- It would not just be used by the AMS or SASC.

Sandra Suasnabar:

- Policy 131 has been in place for a year.
- We're paying close attention to referrals from SVPRO.
- Survivors want us to be their liaison.

Andy Wu:

- Who has access to SAIF? How does money go to SAIF? Is that part of the question?

Marium Hamid:

- Yes, any money left over goes to SAIF.
- It has accumulated over many years.
- We're able to use it for the SASC deficit.

10. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

"That the discussion period be extended by 10 minutes."

... No objections

Max Holmes:

- We have seen increased demand for SASC.
- SVPRO is seeing increased demand as well.
- The "We believe you" campaign and January Sexual Assault Awareness month have put sexual assault more in the minds of people.
- I don't think you'll see the numbers decrease.
- There are also requests for training and legal advocacy, which is something SVPRO can't do, but SASC can.
- We may be looking for elders to be present for cases involving Indigenous students.
- I support the higher number of \$9.50: it will ensure SASC can survive for years to come.
- There is infinite potential.
- If SASC doesn't use all the money, there will be more for other campus projects.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- We should focus on providing SASC financial security.
- If we get a surplus, we can then decide the best use for the surplus.

Jeanie Malone:

- I am chair of the Board of Governors committee on Policy 131.
- SVPRO is just getting off the ground.
- It's not clear how usage will change.
- We heard from our constituents last summer about what is wanted: a fully functioning SASC.

Max Holmes:

- On the Academic Experience Survey we ask about personal experience of sexual misconduct.
- 5% say they have suffered assault; that goes up to 10% if you include misconduct.
- That's 2,500 or 5,000 students, and that's just assault committed by members of the UBC community, but even if the assault was not committed by a member of the UBC community, people still come to SASC.
- 20% feel uncomfortable using the UBC's resources: we need to ensure something separate from the University.

Fall Reading Break – Max Holmes

[SCD220-19]

- There must be at least 61 teaching days a term.
- UBC currently has a 16-day exam period.
- Currently classes begin after Labour Day, and there is a three-day break after the end of classes and before exams.
- Elsewhere exam periods are shorter, 11-12 days, and there's a shorter break before exams begin (two days, not three).
- To get a Fall Reading Break, we would have to reduce the exam period and the pre-exam break.
- May have to begin the fall term before Labour Day (but not before September 1).
- Could include Sunday exams or have it happen more often that a student writes more than one exam in 24 hours and more than three exams in three days.
- We could just expand the Thanksgiving break.
- There's also the issue of extending the holiday break so that classes resume on January 7, not January 2 like this year.

Questions

Daniel Lam:

- Do you have preliminary results from the survey?
- How are students leaning?

Max Holmes:

- Don't want to influence the results by discussing the data so far.
- But 6,100 student have responded, across all faculties.
- That's more than 10%.

Kevin Zhang:

- How would this affect Imagine Day and Jump Start?

Max Holmes:

- I've been in conversation with UBC about that.
- Looking at the merits of Imagine Day: it costs us a teaching day.
- Hope Senate creates a group to look into this more.
- If we endorse something, it will be just a temporary solution.

Riley Ty:

- Some constituents think the AMS is pushing the Fall Reading Break without being clear that it might only be an extended Thanksgiving break (a four-day long weekend).

Max Holmes:

- Correct information was on the survey.
- We mentioned the four-day-long break over Thanksgiving.
- We did worst case modelling; that's what we consulted on.
- It would have been disingenuous to talk about what may not be possible.

- We have had lots of comments that rather than a four-day weekend people want a full week instead.
- Many did understand we were asking about a four-day weekend.
- We're taking all this into consideration in writing the report.

Dylan Braam:

- Some people thought the four days meant four institutional days off, not a four-day weekend. The wording was unclear.
- There were some concerns over whether students were aware what they were responding to.
- I was disheartened by the subject line of the email:
 - You asked Constituencies not to take a position, but the AMS email subject line of "Would you like some extra days off?" was biased.
- I'm disappointed that that's how we promoted this.

Max Holmes:

- Of course, anything we see in the consultation will be included in the report.
- I don't think the subject line was biased: it was a question.

Cole Evans:

- I did hear confusion about the Fall Reading Break, over whether the survey was asking about a full week-long break like at other universities or an extended Thanksgiving weekend.
- That's not the fault of the VPAUA, but it does point to deeper communication issues in the AMS.
- I thought the survey was very informative.

Max Holmes:

- Many universities have a full week, but they're not a large majority.
- Many have long weekends or two days added.
- That's why it's being called a Fall Reading Break, not Week.

Cole Evans:

- I've heard from constituents who are dissatisfied with just one day being added on to the Thanksgiving weekend.
- That's not what they think of as a break.

Quentin Golsteyn:

- I understand that the survey is just part of the consultation: what other consultation has been done?

Max Holmes:

- We have been consulting University stakeholders: the VP Academic Caucus, the Student Senate Caucus.
- Hoping to have a joint endorsement by the Student Senate Caucus and the AMS.
- Have consulted with the University, discussing how this might affect orientations.

- Doing research on how a fall reading break works at other universities.
- We are also getting faculty responses; some professors have even taken the survey.
- Consulting Constituencies.

11. MOVED JAKOB GATTINGER, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the question period be extended by five minutes.”

... No objections

Kate Burnham:

- Problem with Constituency consultations.
- We had to request material: it was more of a burden on our Constituency than we expected.
- Information was not handed to us easily.
- I encourage other Constituencies to reach out for these things.

Max Holmes:

- We emailed the EUS asking if they wanted us to come for a consultation.
- We've written to all the Constituencies, asking them if they want us to come to their meetings.

Kate Burnham:

- It shouldn't be up to the Constituencies to opt in.
- There's a duty of care to inform the Constituency councils.

Max Holmes:

- Just as we send the survey by email and it's students' choice to respond or not, we send an email to the Constituencies saying, Do you want to have a consultation?

Riley Ty:

- Why were the survey documents so late and not done with Senate?

Max Holmes:

- The Chair of the Academic Policy Committee of Senate was consulted.

Sexual Violence Policy and Respectful Environment Policy – Chris Hakim

[SCD221-19] [SCD222-19]

Chris Hakim:

- There was a working group created in December 2017 to create a Sexual Violence Policy and to rewrite the Respectful Environment Policy.
- The aim is for students, staff, and the AMS to know what to expect, and what procedures to follow, in relation to sexual violence, bullying, harassment, etc.
- Aim is to finish by April 2019.

- Consulting various groups, including Council.
- There's an online survey.
- Draft sent out Friday.
- Doing a Town Hall and a Facebook event.

Discussion

Cole Evans:

- How does this affect the role of the Ombudsoffice?

Chris Hakim:

- There is no consensus yet on the Ombuds role.
- We will need to provide recommendations.
- There may be a need for an increase in hours for the Ombudsperson.
- There's no person currently designated to handle sexual violence cases.

Cole Evans:

- If the incident involves both an AMS member and AMS staff, will there be two separate investigations?

Chris Hakim:

- The policy clarifies who should handle a complaint.
- It depends on who the complaint is against.

Riley Ty:

- Do we have an Ombudsperson? They never come to Council.

Chris Yu:

- Yes, Frank Ju.

Dylan Braam:

- As one person involved in hiring them, I told them they don't have to attend.

Sheldon Goldfarb:

- The Ombudsperson is a non-voting member of Council.
- They have attended in years past; lately not so much.
- It's not mandated that they attend.

Marium Hamid:

- When invited, Frank has attended committee meetings.
- He will attend Council if requested.

Andy Wu:

- It's not clear in the policy who does the investigating.

Chris Hakim:

- We do specify this in the Decisions and Outcomes section of the policy.

- For members, it is the Operations Committee.
- For staff, the Managing Director.

Nevena Rebic:

- The investigation can take up to 45 days.
- Is there anything in the policy to ensure both parties have safety maintained during this period?

Chris Hakim:

- To ensure safety we do have a retaliation clause.
- Retaliation is not allowed, or other steps will be taken.
- We are looking at other aspects for safety: should a respondent not be allowed in a club or the Nest during the investigation? Tricky.
- We upped the investigation period from 20-30 days in the old policy to 45: sometimes investigations can take a while.

12. MOVED ANDREW AU, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the discussion period be extended by five minutes.”

... No objections

Andrew Au:

- Confidentiality is important, but both parties will receive copies of the report.
- This will not ensure confidentiality.

Chris Hakim:

- We will look at that.

Andy Wu:

- Common practice is to redact information.

Cole Evans:

- If it's between two staff members, the HR Department investigates and goes to the Operations Committee for judgement? Or to the managers?

Chris Hakim:

- If the respondent is staff, it would go to HR and then to the Managing Director for a decision.

Cole Evans:

- So the staff ladder is HR and then the Managing Director.
- For students, it's Ombuds and then Operations Committee?

Chris Hakim:

- We tried to make it clear: is it confusing?

Darren Touch:

- Maybe create a flowchart.

Nevena Rebic:

- Is this the only form of delivering the information?
- When you do have the final policy done, I'd recommend creating a document that is more digestible: transform jargon into something accessible.

13. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED RILEY TY:

"That the consultation be extended by 20 minutes."

... No objections

Chris Hakim:

- Now onto the Respectful Environment Policy.
- This is for students and staff, but the focus is on the workplace, on stopping people from doing certain things.

Cole Evans:

- If it's a student staff member, is it HR or the Ombudsperson that investigates?

Chris Hakim:

- If they're staff, it's HR, even if they're students.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- What is the relation to UBC's Policy 131?
- Has there been consultation with AMS committees?

Chris Hakim:

- Policy 131 covers UBC.
- We could ban people from AMS premises, such as the Nest, but that wouldn't affect the rest of campus: it's two different fields of legality.
- As to consulting committees, I've brought this to Council but am happy to consult committees.

Tanner Gjosund:

- During the 30-day investigation period, how would you protect the safety of the complainant? They may be working with the respondent.
- Can they be moved to a different department?

Chris Hakim:

- We have language around retaliation, but I will bring this concern back to the working group.

Andy Wu:

- If the appeal goes to the Ombudsoffice, does that mean the adjudication body will also handle the appeal?

Chris Hakim:

- This is not like going to a higher appeal court.
- This is in case there is new evidence.

Andy Wu:

- For elections we have a different appeal body.

Chris Hakim:

- We meant to say if there was new evidence.
- If we followed an appeal procedure from a decision of the Operations Committee, that would mean going to Council, a body with 42 people on it.
- Survivors worry about how many people know about their complaint.
- We want to do our best to keep the information confidential.

Cole Evans:

- If there are two student staff, could they be fired and also banned from the building?
- Or just fired?
- If not staff, they can be banned.

Chris Hakim:

- We will look into this.

Nevena Rebic:

- Perhaps there could be a follow-up after the process: an investigation can cause tension.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- Can the complainant bring a support person?

Chris Hakim:

- We want to avoid becoming like an adversarial court system.
- We don't want the complainants and respondents to argue the merits of their case.
- We want to separate them and avoid re-traumatizing.
- We would not bring the two parties together.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- I meant to bring a friend to the initial meetings with the Ombudsoffice or the HR Manager.

Chris Hakim:

- We can clarify that.
- Support services allow accompaniments.

J) Appointments

K) President's Remarks (5 minutes):

Marium Hamid

- Council and staff orientations scheduled for April 27-28.
- We encourage everyone to be there, but we will also have a digital version available online.
- Working on comprehensive training of staff.
- UBC Excellence Fund: robust conversations.
- Met with VP Development and Alumni Engagement to talk about what the AMS is.
- Invitations going out for the All Presidents Dinner.

Daniel Lam:

- Re the changes in post-secondary funding in Ontario: Is the AMS considering making a statement?

Marium Hamid:

- Presidents of student unions have been in discussion.
- There is not yet a collective statement.
- Want to see what the Ontario schools are doing.

Andy Wu:

- How does the Ontario budget relate to UBC students?

Daniel Lam:

- Some students here are on Ontario student loans.

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

Max Holmes – VP Academic

- Academic Concession Policy: the new draft is almost finalized.
- We continue on the Fall Reading Break file.
- The Academic Experience Survey is evolving:
 - We're adding some questions on mental health.
 - Also for the first time asking about disability in the demographic questions.
 - The survey runs from February 1 to March 8.
- Senate passed the mandatory syllabus policy: a huge win for students.
- Stadium Road Neighbourhood file: Our advocacy has been successful, and it's moving from one-third to two-thirds rental for community members.
- Excellence Fund: \$8 million for many of the priorities we've been advocating for (Open Education Resources, Youth in Care, Blue and Gold, Health and Wellness):
 - A huge win.

Questions

Arash Shadkam:

- Are you planning consultation with grad students on the Fall Reading Break?

Max Holmes:

- Sadly, the GSS council said they had no time for us.
- 500 grad students have replied to the survey.

Dylan Braam:

- Can you comment on attendance issues at the VP Academic Caucus?
- Is there any action you'd like from us?

Max Holmes:

- The VP Academic Caucus, helpful as it is, is not an official body.
- I've been trying to get it to meet monthly.
- There have been some attendance issues.
- Hope to resolve those.
- Especially seeking good attendance for important meetings like on tuition.

Jakob Gattinger:

- What was the engagement with the VP Academics on the Fall Reading Break?

Max Holmes:

- Hoping to send something out.

14. MOVED JAKOB GATTINGER, SECONDED HANNAH XIAO:

"That Code be suspended to allow for more questions."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... No objections

Kate Burnham:

- How many VP Academics have attended the last three meetings of the VP Academic Caucus?

Max Holmes:

- I don't have that information in front of me.
- Some people come for part of a meeting; some send proxies; no more than half are proxies.
- For the past three meetings attendance has varied between five and ten.

Jeanie Malone:

- Perhaps if you have trouble contacting the VP Academics, you could contact the Presidents.

Kate Burnham:

- Do you feel it's adequate to consult with this group?

Max Holmes:

- Whenever I consult on an issue, I go to a multitude of groups.
- The VP Academic Caucus is not an official body. There is no quorum.
- I would like to improve turnout.
- I do get feedback by email from those who don't attend.

15. MOVED COLE EVANS:

"That time for this meeting be extend by two hours."

... Failed for lack of a seconder

Kate Burnham:

- Do you think it's transparent to continue to refer to the VP Academic Caucus when often the VP Academics are not attending?

Max Holmes:

- Yes.

Dylan Braam:

- How so?

Max Holmes

- We are being transparent on this: we will absolutely talk in the report about how many VP Academics were present.

16. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

"That the time for this meeting be extended by 119 minutes, to 11:59 pm."

Cole Evans:

- We're going to go overtime.
- We should do this now to avoid repeatedly playing the extend time game.

Arash Shadkam:

- It's too early now for this motion, and maybe one hour would do.

17. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

"That the time for this meeting be extended by 119 minutes, to 11:59 pm."

... Carried

For (12): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Cristina Ilnitshi, Jon Kew, Danny Liu (proxy for Gurshabad Singhera), Riley Ty, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani)

Against (5): Jessica Jiang (proxy for Evan Zhou), Max Holmes, Arash Shadkam, Andy Wu, Jacqueline Wu

Abstained: Kuol Akuechbeny, Matthew Epstein, Kevin Zhang

Student Services Manager – Piers Fleming

- Minimum wage increase affecting us.
- Hoping to offer the same services without paying more money.
- Our goal has been to reduce our reliance on student fees.
- Tutoring:
 - Changed some Tutoring locations.
 - More in the Nest: more effective.
- Safewalk:
 - UBC funding is requiring us to brainstorm models for the future of Safewalk.

VP External – Cristina Initchi

- Met with MP Joyce Murray.
- Working with different decision makers.
- Advocacy about the province's sexual violence working group.
- Also about the federal gender-based violence working group.
- SkyTrain to UBC campaign: prepping for Mayors Council discussion of technology for UBC SkyTrain.
- UCRU: final document on federal lobbying.
- Equity Caucus ToR.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- Are you meeting with other candidates from our riding?

Cristina Initchi:

- When in Ottawa, we spoke to members across parties and will continue to do so.

Andy Wu asked about lobbying concerning the federal sexual violence working group.

Cristina Initchi:

- Someone from UBC met someone from the student group who is sitting on the federal working group.
- We are not on the working group.

VP Administration – Chris Hakim

- Indigenous Committee: helping them with furnishings and renos for their new space.
- Clubs Days went really well.
- Helping students start new clubs.
- Meeting the Inter-Fraternity Council.
- Sustainability:
 - More vegetarian options and reusable plates at Council.

- Signage to help students sort waste.
- Phasing out plastic bowls and cutlery.
- Art Gallery:
 - Volunteers are happier with their roles.
 - Free Fall is the current show.
 - Permanent collection show coming.

Questions

Arash Shadkam:

- The Bell Let's Talk campaign about the stigma surrounding mental health issues: are we doing anything?

Chris Hakim:

- Mental health is still a big part of my platform.
- Trying to make students aware of resources on campus.
- Want to increase psychology coverage in the Health and Dental Plan.

VP Finance – Kuol Akuechbeny

- Preliminary budgets for the various departments.
- Fee opt-out deadline tomorrow.
- Will send a report on fee reports.
- IPF applications now open: February 22 deadline.

Managing Director – Keith Hester

- Block Party ticket sales started on Monday: 1800 sold.
- Line-up almost finalized, to be released in February.
- Budgets.
- Will be bringing a proposal for the replacement of the software system for Payroll and HR.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

SHAPE – Marium Hakim

- Sold one piece.
- Exploring what else we might do: doing preliminary research.

Chris Hakim:

- Art gallery staff are looking into this.
- Looking to see if UBC or Santa Ono might be interested in purchasing.

Advocacy Committee – Max Holmes

- Equity Caucus: Consultation. Seeking to create it in the best way possible.
- Discussing questions for the Academic Experience Survey.
- Policy reviews.
- Recommendation to come on Fall Reading Break.

HR Committee – Cole Evans

- Advisory Board final details.
- Councillor orientations.
- Employee feedback survey done by HR Department:
 - November 22 to December 1.
 - 56 responses: down from previous time.
 - Another survey planned for May.
 - Pursuing new ways of employee engagement.
 - Students said they heard of jobs mostly by word of mouth and liked AMS jobs because of the flexible hours and the ability to work on campus.
 - They'd like an FAQ for applications.
 - Also would like more pay and appreciation.
 - Overall feedback positive.
- HR is seeking to improve the iKrut hiring portal.
- Reviewing the role of the Ombudsperson.
- Finalized tweaks to Elections Committee:
 - Want to rename the Elections Administrator the Chief Electoral Officer.

Brewery – Chris Hakim

- No update.

Steering Committee – Marium Hamid

- Looking at the AMS Mission Statement to see how much connects after 25 years to the AMS today. Concluded that it still resonates.
- Discussing whether the AMS should have a strategic plan:
 - A problem because of turnover.
 - Committee decided we should have principles instead, reflecting the Mission Statement.
- Orientations.
- Next year we want goal setting to be “bulletproof.”
- Advisory Board: Convening the group was difficult this month: we're aiming for an early February meeting. We want a good robust meeting.

Questions

Hannah Xiao:

- Will Steering release the committee goals?

Marium Hamid:

- We approved our own goals.
- Sent out a template to the committees, but despite that, every committee's goals looked quite different in format.
- The current system does not seem to be working.
- Further on the principles:
 - Haven't gone into the content yet.
 - Often we come up with content ourselves without talking to others.
 - Want to go beyond great-sounding words.

- What should principles look like?
- How many should there be?
- We want them to be easy to read, but not wishy-washy.

Governance – Dylan Braam

- Discussed Policy I-9 on Executive goals.
- Forwarded a draft revision to the Executive for their review.
- Next we want to work on the bylaws for the referendum.

Student Life – Andrew Au for Jerome Goddard

- Meeting tomorrow to discuss Grad Class Council.

Finance Committee – Kuol Akuechbeny

- Approved changes to Sustainability Projects Fund.
- Discussed Student Initiatives Fund.
- Reviewed various fees.

New SUB – Chris Hakim

- Sprouts is opening soon.

Quentin Golsteyn:

- When is the committee going to meet next?

Chris Hakim:

- There's not much for it to review.

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

Marium Hamid:

- Hard to schedule.
- Meeting this Friday.
- Please ask your President to attend.

O) Board of Governors, Senate, Ombudsperson & Historical Update Reports (2 minutes each):

BoG – Jakob Gattinger

- Working groups and subcommittees next week.
- Endowment Committee will meet for the first time in two years.
- Two weeks later the Board committees will meet:
 - Undergraduate Experience Survey diversity metric.
 - Employment equity plan.
- Full Board week before Reading Week.

Senate – Hannah Xiao

- Met last week with UBC President Santa Ono.
- Passed mandatory course syllabi policy.

- Received enrollment report.
- Endorsed seven principles of graduate research supervision.

Questions

Arash Shadkam:

- What was the outcome of the chat with Santa Ono?

Hannah Xiao:

- It was very fruitful; we discussed a lot of topics, but I'm keeping it confidential.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb

- The Pit had its 50th birthday celebration today.
- David Suzuki was there and spoke. I gave him a copy of the history book (*The Hundred-Year Trek*), which he features in.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:

R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

S) Committee Motions:

18. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED DANIEL LAM: [SCD223-19]

From the Finance Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Finance Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Sustainability Projects Fund’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Michelle Marcus:

- We consulted the Sustainability Collective about their experiences with the fund.
- They said it focused on specific types of projects but left out key subjects.
- The Sustainability movement has changed a lot since the fund came in.
- It now goes beyond the ecological footprint on campus to encompass climate justice, new strategies, student empowerment, support for community organizing, building networks, advocacy projects pushing for policy changes, and building partnerships.
- The changes incorporate this.

Chris Hakim:

- Was the Sustainability Projects Fund created by referendum?
- Will the revisions still be in line with what the referendum said?

Sheldon Goldfarb:

- Yes, the fund came in through the general fee referendum of 2011.

- Its terms in the referendum were pretty vague; it just said it was meant for student-led sustainability projects.
- I don't think these changes violate that.

19. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

From the Finance Committee

"That Council adopt the report of the Finance Committee entitled 'Code Changes 2019: Sustainability Projects Fund' and thus amend the Code as recommended."

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... Carried

For (26): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Quentin Golsteyn (proxy for Bryan Starick), Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Jessica Jiang (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Initchi, Jon Kew, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Danny Liu (proxy for Gurshabad Singhera), Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Jacqueline Wu, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Kevin Zhang

20. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED DANIEL LAM: [SCD224-19]

From the Finance Committee

"That Council approve the expenditure as laid out in the Campus Vibe Agreement (excluding the Funds & Grants package) from the Capital Projects Fund as presented."

Note: The balance of CPF is \$2,153,922.58

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Chris Hakim:

- Campus Vibe is the company that handles the Clubhouse platform, which helps us administer our 350-plus clubs.
- This contract is a two-year agreement, renewing an old contract.
- It includes an online club elections feature.
- Pricing is confidential.

Jakob Gattinger:

- Is it appropriate to use this fund to capitalize a two-year contract?

Chris Hakim:

- The previous contract was also funded from the Capital Projects Fund.

Sheldon Goldfarb:

- One of the purposes of the fund is to finance additions and improvements to AMS software systems.

Jakob Gattinger:

- We should change the name of the fund, then.
- This is not a capital expenditure.

Andy Wu:

- Why does Council have to approve this?

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- Projects like this are not budgeted for, so they come to Council.

Dylan Braam:

- It's not right to use a fund like this for expenses and not capital expenditures.
- This is an expense, not an acquisition.
- And it is neither an addition nor an improvement to our software systems.

Chris Hakim:

- In a way it's an improvement because it introduces online voting for club elections.
- We rely heavily on this platform.
- If we don't approve this, it will put our clubs in a precarious spot.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- We paid before from the Capital Projects Fund.
- The contract expired last year.
- One of the things we should do is have the Finance Committee look into changes to the fund.

Jakob Gattinger:

- I'm not trying to derail this expenditure, just this should not show up as a capital expense on the balance sheet.
- My point is that we should be doing what is proper and legal.
- If we had an Audit Committee, it might look into this.

Cole Evans:

- Do clubs like Clubhouse?
- Did you consider other options?

Chris Hakim:

- Yes, clubs like Clubhouse.
- Sometimes there have been concerns about navigating the website, but that's more on us rather than the platform.
- We considered another option – going back to the older system, Orgsync – but we thought that was not the best choice.

Dylan Braam:

- I wonder what other sources of funding were considered.
- Last time we had a budget update we had a surplus.

- Could have funded this through the surplus.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- The surplus has been used for paying off debt.

Dylan Braam:

- What about contingency funds?

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- The Contingency is an emergency fund.
- We keep it at 5% for that.
- It would be up to Council to look at that.

21. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the motion be amended to replace the phrase ‘from the Capital Projects Fund’ with ‘using funds from the AMS Budget Contingency’.”

Council took a five-minute recess.

22. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED DYLAN BRAAM:

“That the main motion be tabled until the next meeting of Council.”

... Carried

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T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

24. MOVED JAKOB GATTINGER, SECONDED JOELLA ALLEN: [SCD225-19]

“Whereas the Government of BC has recently adopted legislation that changes long-standing pillars of self-governance for a number of professions in the province that relate to natural resources;

Furthermore whereas there are thousands of UBC students spanning a number of faculties who will one day work in these fields;

Furthermore whereas the implementation period of the new legislation spans the next several years,

Therefore be it resolved that the VP External, working through the AMS Advocacy Committee, present regular updates to Council on matters of interest relating to the implementation of the Professional Governance Act of 2018, including any possible formal positions that may be required to support advocacy efforts toward the provincial government.

Be it further resolved that the first such update be provided by the end of February of 2019.”

Jakob Gattinger:

- The government introduced this whole process to better regulate natural resources, but only 20% of engineers actually work in natural resources.
- This is complicated legislation; three different ministries are involved.
- It’s hard to understand what is happening.
- There’s a deadline of March 4 to submit feedback.
- I along with some others have been looking into this.

25. MOVED ANDRIA COULBOURN, SECONDED ADA MEW:

“That the motion be amended to add ‘in consultation with the student body’ at the end of the first be it resolved clause.”

Andria Coulbourn:

- It’s important that students have a voice.
- It’s important to reach out to the broader student community.
- That will provide a better chance of success.

Max Holmes:

- What is Cristina’s opinion on whether there is adequate time to consult the student body?

Cristina Initchi:

- A lot of students won’t have knowledge of the Act or the review, so it might be better to say there should be consultation with student groups affected by the changes.

It was agreed to revise the amendment to say “in consultation with student groups affected.”

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Jakob Gattinger:

- It’s better with this amendment.
- The law may affect different professions, and it’s important hear from other Constituencies affected because their opinions may be different.

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Cristina Ilnitchi:

- I'm happy to look into this.
- I've already set up meetings.
- I'm looking forward to bringing back some information to Council.

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U) Discussion Period

SASC Bargaining update

30. MOVED MARIUM HAMID, SECONDED COLE EVANS, THIRDED DANIEL LAM:

"That the meeting enter an in camera session."

The meeting entered an in camera session at 10:55 pm.

V) Submissions:

Bylaw working group update	[SCD226-19]
Sustainability Projects Fund (SPF) Subcommittee Terms of Reference	[SCD227-19]
Governance Committee Report	[SCD228-19]

HR Committee Report

[SCD229-19]

W) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: February 6, 2019

X) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:59 pm.

Y) Social Activity: Pit Night

January 23, 2019 Roster
The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

Name	Constituency	Present	Proxy
Kareem Ibrahim	Speaker of Council	X	
Marium Hamid	President	X	
Max Holmes	VP Academic	X	
Chris Hakim	VP Administration	X	
Cristina Ilmitchi	VP External Affairs	X	
Kuol Akuechbeny	VP Finance	X	
Piers Fleming	Student Services Mgr	X	
Oliver Frayne	Architecture		
Yash Gurnani	Arts		Daniel Lam
Andy Wu	Arts	X	
Cole Evans	Arts	X	
Jerome Goddard	Arts	X	
Kevin Zhang	Arts	X	
	Audiology		
Jeanie Malone	BoG	X	
Jakob Gattinger	BoG	X	
Evan Zhou	Commerce		Jessica Jiang
Jacqueline Wu	Commerce	X	
	Dentistry		
Chris Gooding	Economics		
Derek Bennett	Education	X	
Kate Burnham	Engineering	X	
Bryan Starick	Engineering		Quentin Golsteyn
Matthew Epstein	Forestry	X	
Arash Shadkam	Graduate Studies	X	
Darren Touch	Graduate Studies	X	
Nevena Rebic	Graduate Studies	X	
Christina Wiesmann	Graduate Studies		
	Journalism		
Andrew Au	Kinesiology	X	
Andria Coulbourn	Land & Food Systems	X	
Dylan Braam	Law	X	
Joella Allen	Library/Archival	X	
Jennifer Ling	Medicine	X	
Anican Yu	Music		
Tanner Gjosund	Nursing	X	
Frank Ju	Ombudsperson		
Jon Kew	Planning	X	
Ada Mew	Pharmacy	X	
	Population & Public Health		
Gareth Clegg	Regent College	X	
Jennifer Cheng	Science	X	
Gurshabad Singhera	Science		Danny Liu
Riley Ty	Science	X	
Priscilla Chan	Senate	X	

Hannah Xiao	Senate	X	
	St. Mark's		
	Social Work		
	VST		

Vote Records

V1:

V2: Approval of the Agenda

V3: Consent Agenda Items

V4: Approval of the Finance Committee Minutes (Oct 18
 Nov 1, Nov 22

V5: Extend question period for the UNA discussion by 5 minutes

V6: Motion to extend council by 119 minutes (until 11:59pm)

V7: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of the Finance Committee entitled Code Changes 2019: Sustainability Project Fund and thus amend the Code as recommended.

V8: Motion to table

V9: Motion to amend with the new wording (italicized)

V10: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the VP External working through the AMS Advocacy Committee present regular updates to Council on matters of interest relating to the implementation of the Professional Governance Act of 2018 including any possible formal positions that may be required to support advocacy efforts toward the provincial government in consultation with student groups affected.

V11: Stay in camera

Name	V1	V2	V3	V4	V5	V6	V7	V8	V9	V10	V11
Marium Hamid		Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Chris Hakim	Y	Y	Y		Y		Y	A		Y	N
Kuol Akuechbeny	Y		Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Cristina Ilnitchi	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Max Holmes	N	Y	Y		Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Andy Wu	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Cole Evans	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	N
Jerome Goddard	Y	A	Y	A		Y					
Kevin Zhang	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Jessica Jiang (proxy for Evan Zhou)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Jacqueline Wu	Y		Y	Y		N	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Chris Gooding											
Derek Bennett	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y						
Kate Burnham	Y	Y	Y	N		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Quentin Golsteyn (proxy for Bryan Starick)		Y		Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	

