



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

Minutes of the AMS Governance Committee, February 15, 2019

Attendance

Membership: Dylan Braam (Chair, Councillor), Christopher Hakim (AMS VP Administration), Jeanie Malone (Councillor), Hannah Xiao (Councillor), Jennifer Ling (Councillor), Kate Burnham (Councillor), Melody Cheung (Member-at-Large)

Present: Dylan, Chris, Kate, Jeanie, Sheldon

Regrets: Melody, Hannah, Jennifer

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:11pm

Agenda Items

Territorial Acknowledgement

Approval of the Agenda

Motion 1

WHEREAS there are things to do other than Bylaws

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee approve the Agenda for the meeting of February 15, 2019.

Moved by Dylan Braam, seconded by Jeanie Malone.

Motion passes unanimously.

Approval of Past Minutes

Motion 2

WHEREAS we have lacked quorum at the start of meetings for some time now

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee approve the Minutes of the meetings of November 27, 2018, January 17, 2019, January 25, 2019, January 28, 2019, and February 1, 2019.

Moved by Dylan Braam, seconded by Kate Burnham.

Motion passes unanimously.

Policy I-9

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We have received feedback on our proposed changes to Policy I-9. They are included as Appendix A – Policy I-9 feedback.

Motion 3

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee approve the changes to Policy I-9: Executive Goal Setting and Reporting Policy, as seen in Appendix A – Policy I-9 feedback.

Moved by Dylan Braam, seconded by Chris Hakim.

Discussion:

[Dylan]: Jeanie’s question about effective time date.

[Chris]: Unclear...

[Dylan]: Remove TBA, we should make this come into effect May 1st 2019.

[Sheldon]: We are supposed to rename “approval date” to “expected consideration date”.

[Dylan]: Max would prefer that people are encouraged to talk to executives trying to change their goals. This is not particularly firm wording but does ensure there is some discussion initially.

[Chris]: Wording is broad? Effective? Responsible? “in question”

[Dylan]: “responsible”?

[Jeanie]: This has been a long time coming! Would be nice to have this finalized before end of the year.

Motion passes unanimously with the changes as per discussion.

Consultation on Proposed Council Changes

Long ago in November we held a consultation period with AMS Council. We will discuss the feedback we’ve received and what Code changes we would like to see drafted as a result.

The summary of comments are available on the [Committee Google Drive](#).

[Chris]: People on OpsComm need to understand that there will likely be Sexual Violence cases, need training.

[Jeanie]: Agreed. This committee has to deal with some of the toughest issues.

[Chris]: Also we should mandate this for the Ombuds.

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[Dylan]: Do we need this in SVPREP policy or code?

[Sheldon]: Code needs to refer to the policy...

[Dylan]: So we should bring code changes alongside SVPREP policy.

[Jeanie]: Also connect with Jerome and see if we can frame how some of the judicial aspects of Ops.

[Chris]: Other issues from SVPREP... change Ombuds hours etc.

Written exec reports.

[Dylan]: Executives seem very concerned about this. Suggestions: written monthly report.

[Kate]: Seems like more work.

[Chris]: Would miss out on a lot of things.

[Sheldon]: You are writing them down anyways?

[Kate]: This should be low level effort, but would make a big effort.

[Chris]: Every additional task for executives... builds up

[Sheldon]: But you are already doing them?

[Dylan]: Would need to do them earlier.

[Kate]: Could do on the Wednesday at like 6pm. EUS does it live, write at the start of the meeting.

[Dylan]: A written report would be ideal.

SOLUTION: we get people to drop in the notes into a live google doc copy of the agenda.

[Jeanie]: Chris - ask executives?

[Sheldon]: Can we put this in code? Or is this cultural?

Written Committee reports

[Dylan]: Committee reports are due Monday?

[Jeanie]: Align with council doc timeline.

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[Dylan]: Sheldon sent out reminder...

[Dylan]: Chair training = 0%. No access to email, keys, bookings, that chairs are paid... Should we make a template for goals? And training.

[Sheldon]: It is already in Code... training issue.

[Jeanie]: Who holds people accountable for Committees? Who is support?

[Chris]: Working groups, subcommittees, their respective chairs.

[Dylan]: Would be nice to have additional support...

Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is in the FUTURE.

Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 pm