

<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OFFLINE MEETINGS REPORT</b>
<b>MEETING DATE</b>	<b>OCTOBER 9, 2019</b>
	<b>FOR INFORMATION SUBMISSION</b>
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<b>DOCUMENTS</b>	1. Executive Committee Offline Meetings Report

**DESCRIPTION &  
RATIONALE**

On September 25, 2019, the AMS Council requested that the Executives prepare a report that summarizes the discussions the Executives had outside of the Executive Committee. The pertinent discussions are those that could have been had at Executive Committee meetings but were not.

The attached report is meant to summarize a list of topics that the Executives had discussed outside the Executive Committee. These topics are as follows:

- the Sexual Violence Prevention and Respectful Environment Policy Working Group;
- the University Neighbourhood Association;
- the Norm Theatre;
- the Services Tutoring Software;
- the AMS SASC/CUPE Collective Bargaining;
- the Student Union Development Summit;
- the Clubs Resources Centre;
- the Academic Experience Survey;
- the Budget Process;
- the Campus Emergency Response Team Services;
- the Safewalk MOU;
- the Societies Act;
- the Jenn Smith Statement;
- the Arts Student Centre; and
- the Stadium Road Neighbourhood Plan Petition.

Note, this list has been created to the best of our abilities and memories.

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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

### Offline Meeting Discussions

This report is to provide a list of topics the Executives have discussed offline that could have been brought to the Executive Committee. This list has been created to the best of our abilities and is a summary of the discussions and decisions made.

#### Sexual Violence Prevention and Respectful Environment Policy Working Group

The Executives discussed the progress on the Sexual Violence Prevention and Respectful Environment Policy (“SVPREP”) Working Group. This discussion included an update that the SVPREP Working Group’s original timeline would be delayed since they had received a large amount of consultation that would require further work to encapsulate. In addition, the update was around the preliminary development of the creation of an implementation working group for the two policies.

#### University Neighbourhood Association

The Executives discussed the AMS’s negotiations with the University Neighbourhood Association (“UNA”) Board of Directors on their upcoming bylaw changes. The discussion surrounded what position the AMS should take on the bylaw changes regarding the removal of the AMS appointed seat on the UNA Board of Directors. The Executives decided that pushing to keep the AMS appointed seat would be good but could also compromise on a general student seat. In addition, the Executives decided that the final option would be to write an op-ed in the Campus Newsletter and a submission to the UBC Board of Governors about our concerns.

#### Norm Theatre

The Executives discussed the progress on the Norm Theatre which included an update from the Vice-President Administration that the project required contingency funding due to unexpected costs. In addition, the Vice-President Administration brought a proposal that the Norm Theatre should be upgraded to include full theatre light capabilities, dressing rooms, and more. The Executives agreed that this proposal would need to be a cost-efficient idea, propped up by market research, and not delay the project any further.

#### Services Tutoring Software

The Executives discussed the possibility of purchasing a new software for the AMS Tutoring Service since it currently lacks one. The Executives agreed that it would be prudent to receive quotes from various companies and to consider gathering the funding for the software during the AMS’s budget reforecast since it was not originally budgeted for.

### AMS SASC/CUPE Collective Bargaining

The Executives discussed the progress of AMS SASC/CUPE Collective Bargaining. The update provided was that collective bargaining seemed to be coming to an end.

### Student Union Development Summit

The Executives discussed the organizing of the Student Union Development Summit (“SUDS”). The Vice-President External Affairs mentioned that the student unions from Ontario would likely need financial support to allow them to attend SUDS. In addition, she talked about potentially bringing in members of the Undergraduates of Canadian Research-Intensive Universities (“UCRU”) a day before SUDS began to discuss advocacy priorities.

### The Clubs Resources Centre

The Executives discussed the potential of renovating the Clubs Resource Centre as brought by the Vice-President Administration. During this discussion, the Executives emphasized for the need of a detailed breakdown budget of what the proposed funding would go towards as part of the project.

### Academic Experience Survey

The Executives discussed the Academic Experience Survey (“AMS”), its results, and the recommendations coming from the AES Report. The Vice-President Academic & University Affairs presented on the draft of the AES Report to discuss the feasibility of recommendations within it.

### Budget Process

The Executives discussed the possibility of changing the AMS’s budget process by expanding the timeline and creating a process for a regular review of fees and funds. The Executives agreed to conduct research on best budget practice for the AMS to better understand what changes can be reflected in the AMS.

### Campus Emergency Response Team Services

The Executives discussed the topic of the University taking on the Campus Emergency Response Team (“CERT”) Services after the CERT group approached the AMS. We agreed that it would be difficult for the AMS to take on the CERT Services due to the costs and insurance. The Executives agreed to advocate to the University to take on the CERT Services in the upcoming budget cycle.

### Safewalk MOU

The Executives discussed the topic of the University taking on the Safewalk service from the AMS. The Executives agreed not to give the Safewalk service to the University until they agreed to provide the same or better quality service that the AMS does. Instead, the AMS agreed to continue advocating for funding from the University towards the Safewalk MOU.

### Societies Act

The Executives discussed the proposed amendments to the Societies Act from the provincial government. The Executives agreed that the amendments regarding removing proxy voting and requirement to provide a membership list to the BC Registrar should have an exception to student unions. The Vice-President External Affairs would be responsible with liaising with the provincial government on these amendments.

### Jenn Smith Statement

The Executives discussed the upcoming Jenn Smith event at UBC and students' concerns about this occurring at UBC. The Executives agreed to release a statement against Jenn Smith being provided a space on campus, and to promote the available AMS Services for community members that may feel hurt or unsafe by the event.

### Arts Student Centre

The Executives discussed the recent changes to the sudden Arts Student Centre Bosque location change. The Executives agreed to bring this up with University administrators to better understand the reasoning behind the change in location.

### Stadium Road Neighbourhood Plan Petition

The Executives discussed starting a petition in support of the University increasing the residential development in the Stadium Road Neighbourhood Plan to 1.55 million square feet or more. The Executives agreed that the AMS should open this petition for the community to sign on to and that the Vice-President Academic & University Affairs' Office should coordinate this.