STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Henry Anderson (Ubyssey), Ariel Cao (member at large), Keith Hester (Managing Director), Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council), Joanne Pickford (Admin Assistant)

A) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:

- This is an acknowledgement of whose land we are on: the stolen, unceded, ancestral land of the hén̓q̓əmin̓əm̓-speaking Musqueam people.
- It is to be hoped that this acknowledgement can become something less formalistic and more a statement that we can work in solidarity with the Indigenous people, especially those whose lands we continue to occupy.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED ALIREZA KAMYABI, SECONDED ANICAN YU:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

Jeanie Malone:

- We should move the Senate update to the end of the agenda so the Senators will be back from Senate.

Tyra Phillips:

- Please add a motion for appointments to committees.

Cristina Ilitchi:

- Please add a motion for appointments to the Advisory Board.

2. MOVED JEANIE MALONE, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the agenda be amended to add appointments and move the Senate update.”

... No objections

3. MOVED ALIREZA KAMYABI, SECONDED ANICAN YU:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried
For (22): Anican Yu, Keira Britto, Cole Evans, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Danny Liu, Alireza Kamyabi, Tyra Phillips, Snigdha Bhardwaj (proxy for Priscilla Chan), Nevena Rebic, Jake Reznik, Andy Wu (proxy for Riley Ty), Sean Ryan, Shadi Saberian, Jackson Schumacher, Wendy Song, Rashika Srivastava, Chris Sundby, Jeannie Malone (proxy for Katherine Westerlund), Kevin Zhang

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

Welcome to our new Members: Anne Khong (Social Work), Chris Sundby (Regent), Rashika Srivastava (Journalism)

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Law, Population & Public Health

Goodbyes: Regula Winzeler (Regent), Samantha Peng (Journalism)

E) Speaker's Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:
- Let me know if I can make the meetings more accessible.
- If you don’t know how things are supposed to go, ask me: raise your placard or email me.

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

G) Consent Agenda Items

4. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Revised Executive Committee minutes dated November 22, 2019 [SCD276-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated December 6, 2019 [SCD277-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated January 10, 2020 [SCD278-20]
Fermentation Lab Committee minutes dated December 5, 2019 [SCD279-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated November 18, 2019 [SCD280-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated November 22, 2019 [SCD281-20]

... Carried

For (20): Keira Britto, Cole Evans, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Carmen Kim, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Ravi Parhar, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Jake Reznik, Sean Ryan, Shadi Saberian, Jackson Schumacher, Wendy Song, Rashika Srivastava, Chris Sundby, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

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

J) **Appointments**

5. **MOVED ANICAN YU, SECONDED COLE EVANS:**

   “That Council appoint Jerry Jim and Samantha So as Professional Members to the Advisory Board, for a period effective January 31, 2020, and lasting until December 31, 2021.”

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- The motion was accidentally not added to the original agenda.
- This has been a long process at the HR Committee.
- Jerry Jim is a VP at Central One Credit Union.
- Samantha So is an insurance analyst and a previous AMS Executive.
- It’s exciting to finally bring together the Advisory Board.

Alireza Kamyabi:
- Who made the nominations?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- The HR Committee.

Jeanie Malone:
- How many positions are left unfilled?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- We now have a full Advisory Board.

6. **MOVED ANICAN YU, SECONDED COLE EVANS:**

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7. **MOVED JACKSON SCHUMACHER, SECONDED COLE EVANS:**

   “That Council extend the appointments of Ron Gorodetsky, Alessia Rodriguez, and Louis Retief until December 31, 2021.”
Cole Evans:
- These people were appointed to the Advisory Board last year when I was chair of HR; they’re great.

Andy Wu:
- Who are they?

Cole Evans:
- They work for a start-up in New York.
- Ron is a former Student Services Manager.
- Louis is a former VP Finance.
- Alessia is doing a Master’s of Public Policy at UBC and is a former U of T student executive.

[Katherine Westerlund arrived and Jeanie Malone ceased to be her proxy.]

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Ad Hoc Council Governance Committee
Nevena Rebic:
- This committee was struck to look at how the Executive and Council are interacting.
- Looking to streamline processes. Looking at accountability.
- Haven’t met yet; we had a chair step down and then I was away.
- Plan is for weekly meetings of 1-1.5 hours to try and move quickly in case we need to send anything to referendum in February.

Nominees (1 Councillor required): Danny Liu (Science)

Advocacy Committee
Tyra Phillips:
- We meet weekly.
- Deal with statements for the AMS in responding to political issues.
- Also the Equity Plan, the Academic Experience Survey.
Nominees (2 Councillors required): Anne Khong (Social Work), Rashika Srivastava (Journalism), Anican Yu (Music)

Chosen: Anne Khong and Rashika Srivastava

Advocacy Committee Chair

Tyra Phillips:
- The chair organizes meetings, sets agendas, and works with the Executive to get agenda content.
- I will transition the new chair.

Nominees: Nicholas Harterre

9. MOVED TYRA PHILIPS, SECONDED WENDY SONG:

“That Danny Liu (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Ad Hoc Council Governance Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first meeting of May 2020.”

“That Anne Khong and Rashika Srivastava (2 x Councillors) be appointed to the Advocacy Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a meeting in May 2020.”

“That Nicholas Harterre be appointed as Chair of the Advocacy Committee.”

... Carried

For (24): Anican Yu, Keira Britto, Matthew Epstein, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Anne Khong, Carmen Kim, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Alireza Kamyabi, Tyra Phillips, Snigdha Bhardwaj (proxy for Priscilla Chan), Nevena Rebic, Jake Reznik, Sean Ryan, Shadi Saberian, Jackson Schumacher, Wendy Song, Rashika Srivastava, Chris Sundby, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Cristina Ilnitchi for Chris Hakim
- Chris is at Senate.
- Met with Equity and Inclusion.
- Met with the review committee for Policy 131 (SC17) on sexual violence.
- Health & Dental Plan RFP review: two providers presented.
- Met with Insights West about the AMS Experience Survey.
- Released educational and marketing materials for the AMS Sexual Violence Policy and for the Respectful Community and Workplace Policy.
- Budgeting for next year.
- Met with Indigenous Committee about hiring.
- Hiring referendum coordinators.
- Planning the All-Presidents Dinner for late March.
- Budget priorities have been sent in to the University.
Questions
Michelle Marcus:
- Do you have any updates on the Strategic Plan?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- I do not.

Tyra Phillips:
- The Steering Committee meeting on January 28 will discuss this further.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Steering will oversee the engagement process and decide how to move forward.

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

VP Academic and University Affairs – Cristina Ilnitchi for Julia Burnham
- Julia is at Senate.
- January is the busiest month of the year for her; she says she is slowly dying.
- Submissions for policy reviews, including the sexual misconduct policy.
  - Town Hall last week on the policy was fantastic.
  - Met with review committee co-chairs yesterday about gaps.
- SEEDS/Blue Chip.
- Went to a conference about gender-based violence in Toronto.
- For the reviews of the At Risk Behaviour Policy and the Retaliation Policy, we were not given a seat on the committees, but we are advocating to them.
- OER Fund and other adjudication committees for awards.
- Julia is on a million committees.

VP Administration – Cole Evans
- Clubs days on now.
- New club applications have been moved to the website now that Clubhouse is gone.
  - Clubhouse filed for bankruptcy.
  - We have no outstanding credit with them (doublechecking).
- New volunteers joining the team.
- Nest Experience Survey went out:
  - Great response (over 2,000 responses).
  - Data by March with recommendations.
- New show at the Hatch Art Gallery.
- Going to Heffel for sale of art works.
- Clubs Resource Centre going really well:
  - Grand opening.
  - Package with updated metrics submitted.
  - Still room for improvement, but hitting all targets.
- Constituency social tomorrow at the Gallery.
• Brewfest also happening tomorrow.
• Services project:
  o Not going to do the drop ceiling; that will reduce costs by $7-8,000.
• Looking at the Lounge project: more tweaking, going to Finance Committee.
• Sustainability Centre project: taking a step back, doing more consultations.
• Replacing the red couches and chairs in the Nest: they need to be gone; they’re gross and disgusting.

Questions
Alireza Kamyabi:
• Will the Services project go through the Finance Committee and then come to Council?

Cole Evans:
• Yes, those are the rules.

Sean Ryan (St. Mark’s):
• What is the Constituency social?

Cole Evans:
• An annual event for Constituency Executives and Councillors.
• We probably didn’t think to include the Affiliated Colleges like St. Mark’s and Regent. Sorry you didn’t hear about it.

Danny Liu:
• I personally like the couches on the third floor.
• Is this your personal sentiment?

Cole Evans:
• Dislike of them is shared by a number of individuals.
• Crusty is a good word to describe them.

Student Services – Ian Stone
• Just back from a conference in New Orleans on substance use, mental health, and sexual violence.
• Will have a report for the next Council meeting.
• Very few other organizations have a peer support service like our Speakeasy, which we’ve had since the 1970’s, for almost 50 years now.
• Safewalk: Promoting campus safety.
• eHub: Events coming up.
• Tutoring: Nimbus launch coming, by Monday.
• Vice:
  o The Coordinator went with me to New Orleans.
  o Interesting to learn what’s focused on in the U.S.
  o They’re more about underage drinking and marijuana: a different context from us.
  o They’re abstinence only and we’re harm reduction.
- Food Bank:
  - Stayed open during the snowstorm, able to provide resources.
  - More hiring to expand hours.
  - Working with Sprouts on a coupon program for cooked meals.
- Speakeasy:
  - First booting in Engineering: thanks and it was great.
  - Thursdays 12-4.
  - If anyone else wants Speakeasy in their building (because not everyone can come to the Nest), let me know.
  - Constituency pop-ups for Speakeasy.
- Advocacy:
  - Academic misconduct cases.
  - Inconsistencies between faculties.
  - Going to draw up plain language one-pagers on student rights.

**Questions**

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- At these Speakeasy pop-ups do you have support meetings on site?

Ian Stone:
- Yes. When we do these, we have a private room.
- Students can go there for support sessions.

Jackson Schumacher:
- Did you learn of any best practices that we are not implementing at the conference?

Ian Stone:
- Yes and no.
- We only have so much capacity and we want to do what we do well.
- And we’re cognizant that UBC Wellness has similar programs; we work with them.
- We do great training, but in the U.S., they hand out certificates for training; that makes volunteers feel they have received something tangible.

Sean Ryan:
- Can you come to the Affiliated Colleges?

Ian Stone:
- Yes, really keen to do that.

Carmen Kim:
- Do you still have plans to combine Vice and Speakeasy?

Ian Stone:
- Yes, we’re looking at this.
- The conference was great as a place to see different structures.
- In the Services Review we’ll be looking at what others do.
- More details in the report.
VP Finance – Cristina Ilnitchi for Lucia Liang

- Lucia is at a WUSC conference.
- She has six projects:
  - New budgeting process.
  - Market pricing for Clubhouse replacement.
  - Market pricing for ticketing options.
  - Health and Dental RFP process.
  - VP Finance caucus.
  - New credit card system research.
- Encouraging applications for Health and Dental subsidies. Trying to get more people to learn about the subsidies.
- Code changes for budgeting and for fees and funds.

Managing Director – Keith Hester

- Launched Block Party:
  - 2500 tickets sold so far, which is fantastic.
  - Line-up to be announced around Reading Break.
- Presentations for Health Plan administrator.
- Met auditors about making financial reports more user-friendly.
- Dayforce project:
  - Phase one completed: payroll for our 500 employees now on the new system.
  - Working on HR modules.
- Services: Abdul working on the Services Review.
- Knee deep in budgets.

Questions
Nicholas Harterre:

- Why does Showpass have such a high service fee?
- It’s a disincentive.

Keith Hester:

- One of the things we’re looking at is a new ticketing system.

VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi

- Bunch of initiatives:
  - UNA situation: they want to remove the AMS member from the board; we’re pushing back.
  - Federal lobbying (with UCRU): working on briefs; getting feedback from the Advocacy Committee and the Indigenous Committee. Booking meetings in Ottawa.
  - Drafting a statement on the Wet’suwet’en; spoke to the Indigenous Committee today.
  - Lots of advocacy on SkyTrain to UBC: full court press, talking to the Mayors Council.
  - Commenting on Area D Plan in the University Endowment Lands:
    - About the Village.
    - UBC is developing a Neighbourhood Plan with more housing.
- We’re pushing for affordable housing in the area.
  - Anticipating an influx of people with SkyTrain.
    - Reporting back to government on challenges over sexual violence.
      - Privacy issues.
      - Talking to David Eby, our MLA.
    - Non-violent direct action training event.

**Questions**

Michelle Marcus:
- How will the Wet’suwet’en statement get to decision-makers?
- Re the Area D neighbourhood – will there be Musqueam consultation?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- The Wet’suwet’en statement is not just going out into the void.
  - We’ll be added to the list of supporters.
  - Going to be sending it out on social media.
  - We have a number of contacts in the provincial government; we’ll be connecting with them.
- Area D:
  - Currently there’s been no outreach to students.
  - We’ve sent in comments and requested a full meeting.
  - We will ask for a place for the Musqueam.

Carmen Kim:
- Will there will lobbying for climate action on your lobby trip?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Not a specific ask, but we’ve connected with a number of climate groups.
- Focusing on developing connections between UCRU and them.

Alireza Kamyabi:
- What is this about losing our seat on the UNA Board?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- The UNA put forward a number of proposed bylaw changes, including removing UBC and AMS members.
- They want to move towards more democratic governance, with all board members being elected.
- We’re arguing that their plan is not democratic: it cuts out young people, renters, short-term residents.
- We’ve been pushing to keep critical voices at the table.
- Will continue to work on a solution.

**M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):** (Advocacy, Fermentation Lab, Finance, Governance, Human Resources, Operations, SHAPE, Steering, Student Life)

**Advocacy – Tyra Phillips**
- We have not met this month.
Fermentation Lab – Cole Evans for Kia Teimouri

- Last met on December 5.
- Not much has changed.
- Kia is keeping in touch with the LFS.
- Waiting for UBC’s MoU with the Musqueam on land use.
- Going to look at who to partner with for the distribution side, the beer.
  - Will we do it ourselves or get someone else to?

Carmen Kim:
- Will there be any LFS student opportunities?

Cole Evans:
- The project is designed to be a lab for students, not mainly to be a brewery on campus.
- Mostly work by students: Work Learn/Co-op.
- Might hire a brewmaster.

Finance Committee – Andrew Huang for Lucia Liang

- Code changes coming about the Sustainable Food Access Fund and other funds.
- Looking at how to keep fee-receiving groups accountable.

Governance – Katherine Westerlund

- Focused on bylaw amendments
- Dylan Braam (last year’s chair) walked us through last year’s bylaw amendment package and discussed how to get the amendments passed.
- Following up with chairs about Internal Policies:
  - A million years ago we reassigned the responsible committees for policies.
  - They’re supposed to bring revisions by the end of the fiscal year.
  - It would be cool if we did that.

Questions

Andy Wu:
- What’s happening with the Equity Plan?
- Is Governance involved?

Katherine Westerlund:
- A while back Cristina and I discussed the RFP.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- As promised and motioned, I will be providing an update in February.
- Did a survey, compiled a report about gaps, opportunities, and deficits in the departments.
- Using that report, we started to revamp the template, and the RFP will go out to consultants by the end of January.
HR Committee – Andy Wu for Riley Ty
- Riley is at Senate.
- Had a six minute meeting: quorum problem.
- Did discuss goals, did the Advisory Board appointments.
- Our goals will be:
  - Review the AMS Health and Safety Policy.
  - Review Electoral Procedures as they relate to staff.
  - Review the transition process for student government positions.

Operations – Cole Evans
- Policy I-7 (building bans) is finally coming along. Sent to legal counsel. Hopefully it will come to the February 5 Council meeting.
- Updates to Operations Committee Policy Manual (clubs, bookings, space).
- Looking for replacement for Clubhouse.
  - Consulting with clubs on this.
- Will bring report on non-conforming clubs.
- Looking at MoU with the IFC, which will come to Council.

Questions
Kevin Zhang:
- What are the booking and space changes?

Cole Evans:
- Want to have clear guidelines on bookings in the Nest.
  - Space is tight.
  - Doing a tiered rollout: major, weekly, single bookings.
- Moving away from the “strike” system, with fines. Now will just be fines.
- Bad standing/good standing.
- Clearer about cancellations.
- External bookings.
- Quotas for bookings, so one group can’t book 500 hours.
- Trying to make sure people get what they need to get.

SHAPE – Cole Evans
- Meeting with Heffel next week.
- Heffel is the prestigious auction house that helped us sell the Lemieux painting.
- Hope to bring something to Council in February.

Steering – Cristina Ilnitchi
- Meeting next week.

Student Life – Cole Evans
- Still working on drafting new ToR.
- We don’t want to be a standing committee anymore.
- Need a new vision.
Questions
Chris Sundby
- Why not be a standing a committee anymore?

Cole Evans:
- We had lots of conversations last term about what the committee is.
- There’s really nothing the Student Life Committee can do except Grad Class Council and feedback work, providing student input to the relevant staff.
- Maybe it should become an Extraordinary Committee of Council or a working group.

Katherine Westerlund:
- Committees don’t have to have deliverables.
- The Student Life Committee could evolve more into doing things with Services and Events.
- That’s been suggested and it seems like it was the original idea for it.

Cole Evans:
- That’s definitely the direction we want to go.
- The question is, Does it need to be a Standing Committee?
- Will definitely discuss this at the Student Life Committee.

Ad Hoc Council Governance Committee – Nevena Rebic
- I am back, the committee’s spots are all filled, and it will be meeting Fridays at 10.

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

Presidents Council – Cristina Ilnitchi for Chris Hakim
- The Presidents asked for a Code change to meet less often.
- May want to consult the Constituencies on this.

Katherine Westerlund:
- That Code change is here already.
- May be smart to ask if we need a report every meeting, since the Code change will make it so they meet only once a term.

Kevin Zhang:
- Do you know how many times they met last term?

Katherine Westerlund:
  - Once.

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

BoG – Jeanie Malone
- Has not happened yet, but the February cycle is imminent:
Committees on February 5 and 6.
  o Full Board on February 14.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb

- The Archivist traced the history of the Managing Director position from the early
days of a Business Manager through the time when the students tried to handle
the business side of the AMS by themselves to the restoration of the Business
Manager at the end of the 1940’s and then the shift to General Manager and now
Managing Director.

Recess 7:42-7:53 pm.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:

R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

S) Committee Motions:

10. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:
    [SCD282-30], [SCD283-20], [SCD284-20]

From the Governance Committee

"That Council adopt the following three reports from the Governance Committee: ‘Code
Changes 2019: Managing Director’s Signing Authority,’ ‘Code Changes 2020: VP Admin’s
Duties,’ and ‘Code Changes 2020: Presidents Council Meetings’ and thus amend the
Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Katherine Westerlund:
- The Managing Director’s signing authority change will allow Keith to see and sign
all cheques.
  o Before there were limitations on which he could sign, and it was not clear
which he could see.
  o This was referred to us by last year’s Executive Committee, and we
referred it back to this year’s Executive Committee.
  o This will allow the Managing Director to do signing if Executives are away.
- VP Admin change:
  o They no longer will have to report on the Aquatic Centre, because they no
longer oversee it.
  o Also added the duty of overseeing AMS art facilities, which the VP Admin
does do.
- Presidents Council:
  o Moves from meeting once a month to once a term.
  o This is coming from the Presidents Council; we were told they don’t really
meet once a month, and don’t want to.
Andy Wu:
- Can you explain why the Managing Director’s signing authority was limited in the first place?

Keith Hester:
- Honestly, don’t know.
- Haven’t been able to look at club and constituency cheques, and sometimes they are for large amounts, which then hit our accounts.

Michelle Marcus:
- It’s important to know why this restriction was in place originally.

Sheldon Goldfarb
- Not sure, but it used to be that the Managing Director’s predecessor, the General Manager, was more just on the business side and was not involved in Services.
- Can look into this more if people want.

11. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

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Abstained: Michelle Marcus

T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

12. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED COLE EVANS: [SCD285-20]

“That the 2020-2025 U-Pass Agreement be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Finally received the final draft.
- Last year, student unions and TransLink came together and negotiated a new contract because the old one was expiring.
- This is the first long-term contract we’ve had for U-Pass: it’s for five years.
• The price will rise with an initial jump and then will increase 2% a year.
• It’s going to the Board of Governors.

Andy Wu:
• The motion says “as presented,” but this was not presented.

Joanne Pickford:
• We don’t generally send out contracts, but tell people to come see the President or in this case the VP External if they want to see it.

Andy Wu:
• We should strike the phrase “as presented.”

Katherine Westerlund:
• This was presented for viewing; it’s standard language.

Alireza Kamyabi:
• If the Board of Governors doesn’t pass it, does that mean it’s not ratified?

Jeanie Malone:
• It’s like an AMS fee.
• If the AMS passes it, the Board has to.
• The Board will be changing the U-Pass fee in accordance with the agreement.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• Basically, it’s just us sending notification of fees to the Board.
• UBC has already signed the contract.

Jackson Schumacher:
• Can you explain the rate increase?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• I can send you the details.
• In the past, we had larger increases.
• We have always advocated for the U-Pass not to be profit-generating or even cost recovery.
• TransLink brings up arguments about that, but our view is that this is a service to students.
• Also, students who use transit because of the U-Pass during their student years continue to use transit after they’re students.
• This is the best rate we could get.

13. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

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Abstained: Andy Wu (proxy for Riley Ty)

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

Senate Update – Alex Gonzalez via Jeanie Malone
- Established new BC Cancer Research Institute.
- Discussion of student evaluations of teaching.
- Academic freedom discussion.
- Enrollment report.

U) Discussion Period

V) Submissions:
- CRC Metrics Report [SCD286-20]
- HR Committee January report [SCD287-20]
- Governance Committee December report [SCD288-20]
- Governance Committee January report [SCD289-20]
- Steering Committee December report [SCD290-20]
- Steering Committee January report [SCD291-20]

W) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: February 5, 2020

X) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Y) Social Activity:
## Vote Records

V1: Test your clickers!  
V2: Approval of the agenda  
V3: Consent Agenda Items  
V4: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council appoint Jerry Jim and Samantha So as Professional Members to the Advisory Board for a period effective January 31 2020 and lasting until December 31 2021  
V5: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council extend the appointments of Ron Gorodetsky, Alessia Rodriguez and Louis Retief (student members of the Advisory Board) effective immediately and lasting until December 31, 2021  
V6: Council Appointments  
V7: Code Changes  
V8: **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the 2020-2025 U Pass Agreement be accepted as presented.

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*Jeanie Malone served as Katherine Westerlund’s proxy up to and including V4*
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