STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Stuart Clarke (Student & more), Daniel Lam (SUS & AUS Speaker), Roshni Pendse (AVP Academic Affairs), Zak Vescera (Ubyssey), Angela O’Donnell (Ubyssey), Halla Bertrand (Elections Administrator), Emily Gubski (AMS staff), Julia Burnham (AMS staff), Dan Northgraves (Education), 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 6:10 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:
- At this time we would like to acknowledge our presence on the unceded, traditional, and ancestral land of the hən̓q̓̑̑̑̄m̓əm̓-speaking xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) people.
- The Chair would also like to acknowledge that learning happened here long before the University was established.
- We are privileged to be living, working, and learning here.
- We hope that this acknowledgement inspires us to reflect on the reconciliation still to be achieved between Canada and the First Nations peoples.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED JAKOB GATTINGER, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

   “That the agenda be amended to remove the Showpass discussion.”

   Kuol Akuechbeny:
   - Still looking at the Showpass contract; checking out options.
   - Will bring this back next Council.

3. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

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   ... No objections
4. MOVED JAKOB GATTINGER, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (25): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Derek Bennett, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Oliver Frayne, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Arash Shadkam, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Jacqueline Wu, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang, Evan Zhou

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

Welcome to our new Members: Matthew Epstein (Forestry), Tanner Gjosund (Nursing),

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

Goodbyes: Daniel Lee (Forestry)

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

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

G) Consent Agenda Items

5. MOVED JAKOB GATTINGER, SECONDED DYLAN BRAAM

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Executive Committee minutes dated November 21, 2018 [SCD186-19]
Executive Committee minutes dated November 28, 2018 [SCD187-19]
AMS Council minutes dated September 26, 2018 [SCD188-19]
AMS Council minutes dated October 10, 2018 [SCD189-19]
AMS Council minutes dated October 24, 2018 [SCD190-19]
AMS Council minutes dated November 7, 2018 [SCD191-19]
AMS Council minutes dated November 14, 2018 [SCD192-19]
In Camera Council minutes for October 10, 2018 [SCD193-19]
In Camera Council minutes for November 7, 2018 [SCD194-19]
In Camera Council minutes for November 14, 2018 [SCD195-19]
Advocacy Committee minutes dated October 29, 2018 [SCD196-19]

... Carried

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

Fall Reading Break Consultation – Max Holmes and Roshni Pendse

Max Holmes:
- This is about introducing a Fall Reading Break and also an extended holiday break.
- We got back this year on January 2, and no one wants to do that again.
- The Fall Reading Break sounds like a great idea, but it is far more complicated than you might think.
- Introducing a break will affect the exam schedule and create exam hardship.
- Once people understand the possibilities, do they still want a Fall Reading Break and/or an extended holiday break?
- We’ve collected data on three options that could lead to a 4-day Fall Reading Break and an extended holiday break.

Roshni Pendse:
- Note that the proposed break would not be for students in Law or Medicine.
- We’re consulting students from tomorrow through January 31.
- Doing a survey.
- Not consulting Council today: that will be in two weeks.
- Collecting responses on the three options, including changes to the exam schedule, beginning the fall term before Labour Day, and shortening the break between classes and exams.
- The survey will take 10-15 minutes to complete.
- Also discussing with Constituency councils, Student Senate Caucus, VP Academic Caucus, and Council.

Max Holmes:
- End game: Hopefully the AMS will endorse a Fall Reading Break and extended holiday break option.
- Will share our report with the Advocacy Committee.
- Ultimately, the Senate Academic Policy Committee will decide: in February if it’s going to be in time for 2019-20.
- It’s their decision.
- How to help:
  - Share the survey on social media.
  - Engage in conversations with students: we want people to think about this and take an informed stance.
- We don’t want organizations to pressure students: we want each student to decide for themselves.
- Avoid endorsements and telling them how to fill out the survey.
Questions
Chris Gooding:
- Will the AMS be sending an email blast to students?

Max Holmes:
- I don’t think we should.
- We’ve already sent out our newsletter for this month.
- Can add something to the clubs newsletter.
- Don’t want to go beyond what our policy allows.

Bryan Starick:
- Was at an Engineering conference last week discussing scheduling.
- Concerns about pushing things through.
- Why all the rush to do this for next year rather than doing due diligence?

Max Holmes:
- Council approved this as one of my goals, and it has been in discussion for years.
- The Senate Academic Policy Committee has been looking at this, discussing teaching days and Sunday exams.
- I don’t think this is a rushed consultation. It’s the culmination of years of work.
- The reason we’re consulting is to create awareness about consequences.
- But if people feel rushed, then we won’t make a decision now.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- What number of students do you hope to hear from: 100, 500, 1,000?
- How many will be enough to base a decision on?

Max Holmes:
- Not going to set a goal, but I’d hope 500 to 1,000 take the survey.
- If not, maybe that tells us about the interest, or lack of interest, and we don’t need to be doing this for next year.

6. MOVED JAKOB GATTINGER, SECONDED DYLAN BRAAM:

“That the question period be extended by 10 minutes.”

... No objections

Jakob Gattinger:
- We have hired a firm in the past for the Academic Experience Survey.
- Then the results are considered reputable.
- Are you planning to hire a consultant?

Max Holmes:
- No, I don’t think that’s the right way to spend student dollars.
- This is a pretty basic survey.
- We don’t need a market research firm.
Jakob Gattinger:
- This is a big thing.
- We should be sending an email blast to everyone.
- And for the survey, I’d be willing to spend the money on a market research firm.
- Will you reconsider?

Max Holmes:
- If Council wants to send an email blast, we can do that.
- As to the survey, we don’t need a firm, and hiring one would mean we couldn’t make the deadline.

Kate Burnham:
- Three weeks is a pretty tight timeline.
- What’s the rationale behind a shorter consultation?
- Will you host a Town Hall or other events on this?
- Will you produce a summary of consultation meetings with stakeholders?

Max Holmes:
- We will provide logistical information, but not a summary of positions.
- We are meeting with some campus stakeholders to make sure the potential changes would work with the University.
- Student stakeholders will be consulted.
- We’ll be talking to the VP Academic Caucus.
- If we go into February, we would overlap with other issues, like the Academic Experience Survey.
- We feel three weeks is enough time.
- We do have a time booked for a Town Hall if necessary; we did already have one.
- We are doing more consultation on this issue than we usually do.

Dylan Braam:
- The Law School does have the ability to schedule differently from UBC at large, but the plan for next year is to follow UBC’s lead.
- So can the consultation be extended to Law students? We’ll be affected.
- And will any options that will de-accredit programs be removed?

Max Holmes:
- We can include Law in the consultation.
- We did not include options that would de-accredit programs: we made sure to ensure the necessary number of teaching days.

Andy Wu:
- If there’s no email blast, there could be sampling error.
- What official channels are we using to push this consultation?
Max Holmes:
- It seems people want an email blast, so it will be done.
- We are consulting the Student Senate Caucus and the VP Academic Caucus.
- Hopefully, we’ll be getting the University to promote the survey.
- Also using social media and our clubs newsletter.
- It’s important to get this spread organically.
- The Ubyssey will tweet about this.
- We will use the digital media wall.

7. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

“That the question period be extended by 5 minutes.”

Kevin Zhang:
- There are still questions that haven’t been asked.

8. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

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... No objections

Kevin Zhang:
- What is the rationale behind the AMS endorsing a position if other organizations are being told not to?

Max Holmes:
- The AMS will only endorse after the consultation.
- We want organizations to refrain during the consultation to avoid pressure.
- We’re waiting to take a position till after.
- After that, organizations can endorse too.
- I want a consultation among students, not student leaders.

Cole Evans:
- What is the course of action if the consultation does not give a clear picture of what students want?
  - Who would then decide?

Max Holmes:
- However the survey turns out, if it seems very unclear, maybe we’ll need to discuss it further.
- That could be a conversation with the Advocacy Committee.
- No matter what the survey says, a report on it will be presented to the Senate.
- It’s the University’s governance structure that will decide.
- The decision on a Fall Reading Break is not ours to make; all we can decide is what the AMS will endorse.
Kate Burnham:
- How will you use the demographic data?
- If it’s disproportionate by faculty, what will you do?
- The Advocacy Committee is mostly made up of Arts students: will this cause bias?

Max Holmes
- Council appointed the people to the Advocacy Committee.
- As to the demographics, we will break down the results by faculty: we won’t make a decision if it’s against a faculty’s wishes.
- In the end the opinion of Student Senate Caucus matters more than the opinion of the Advocacy Committee, because the student senators will have votes when UBC decides.

9. MOVED YASH GURNAKI, SECONDED KATE BURNHAM:

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

Yash Gurnani:
- This consultation is really important.
- If questions need to be asked, we should let them be asked.

Cole Evans:
- We have talked enough about this. We’ve gotten lots of answers.

10. MOVED YASH GURNAKI, SECONDED KATE BURNHAM:

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

For (8): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Andy Wu

Against (14): Andrew Au, Derek Bennett, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Oliver Frayne, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Cristina Ilnitchi, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Anican Yu, Evan Zhou

Abstained: Kuol Akuechbeny, Matthew Epstein, Max Holmes, Kevin Zhang

Ottawa Lobby Trip – Cristina Ilnitchi

- Marium and I went to Ottawa in the fall with UCRU (Undergraduates at Canadian Research-intensive Universities), an informal group the AMS has signed on with.
- UCRU currently represents 9 of the 15 U-15 schools, or 240,000 students.
- This is following up on advocacy done last year and keeping in mind that this is the year before a federal election, a time when parties are getting their platforms ready.
We made five recommendations concerning affordability, accessibility, and opportunities:

1) Reallocating the Tuition Tax Credit:
   - Families from the highest income quintile take the most advantage of the tax credit.
   - Those in a lower quintile often don’t make enough to take advantage.
   - Or it gets passed on to later years.
   - Students are not getting funds when they need them most.
   - We want to shift to upfront grants that give money to students who need it when they need it.

2) Increasing funding for undergraduate research to expand it into new areas:
   - We need these to be higher paid opportunities, so students can afford to take them.
   - Increase funding to include health science, social science and humanities.
   - Increase funding by $67 million.
   - Make it a program that more students can take advantage of.
   - Create more diversity in programs.

3) Supporting Indigenous students:
   - We want the Liberal government to follow through on the funding they promised.
   - We want Indigenous students to be included as part of the consultation process.

4) Supporting International students:
   - Continuing from last year’s e-petition.
   - Fast-tracking international students into the Canadian workforce.
   - Want to change the law to allow students who take on skilled work during their degree (co-op etc.) to count that experience towards permanent residency.

5) Retaining fair dealing under the Canadian Copyright Act:
   - Publishers have lobbied on this too, saying the opposite of us.
   - Opportunity for us to engage in dialogue.
   - We want to retain education as an exception under the Act, to have educational use of copyrighted material continue to be regarded as fair dealing.
   - Publishers are saying this has caused their revenues to go down.
   - Our studies show this is not true.
   - The exception is important to keep education costs low.

Outcomes:
- Met over 52 MP’s; also their staffers.
- Met parties across the board.
- Excited to follow up.

Questions
Andy Wu:
- Will the proposal on the tuition tax credit also be brought to the provincial level?
• Was there any discussion of expanding grant access to students who do not apply for loans?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• This did translate into provincial lobbying.
• We are also trying to get provincial funding transferred to upfront grants.
• Students who work and don’t apply for loans may not get upfront grants: a valid point.
• But our proposal would still divert funding to upfront grants for those who need it most.
• There’s further exploration to be had of how to improve student aid, including the issue of students with high income parents who are not supporting them.

Bryan Starick:
• Can you compare federal and provincial advocacy?
• Is provincial advocacy more valuable?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• Great question.
• People ask what’s going on with federal advocacy?
• There’s a more direct response or impact at the provincial level.
• But federal advocacy is important, especially this year because of the federal election: we can get asks, which is not always possible at other times.
• Accessibility and affordability are often not talked about at the federal level.
• There is no education minister at the federal level.
• But student loans are at the federal level.
• There needs to be conversation at the federal level.

11. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED MARIUM HAMID:

“That the agenda be amended to consider the Elections Committee motions now.”
… No objections

12. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

From the Elections Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Elections Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Polling Officers’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Halla Bertrand:
• We will now have Polling Officers on the Elections Committee instead of poll clerks.
• Our poll clerks do the actual polling station work.
• Polling Officers will be poll clerks who also sit on the Elections Committee.
• They will be paid (poll clerks are paid too).
• The amendment also says that poll clerks will clean up after candidates (removing their campaign posters) at the cost of the candidates.

Max Holmes:
• Would it be the poll clerks or the Polling Officers be the ones to clean up posters?

Halla Bertrand:
• Poll clerks.

Abdul Alnaar:
• Have you run the numbers through the Finance Committee?

Halla Bertrand:
• We’ve done a budget calculation, and by eliminating one poll clerk, we can pay for the Polling Officers.

Bryan Starick:
• How will you collect money from candidates?

Halla Bertrand:
• Under the current Code, I could deny up to 100% of a candidate’s reimbursement if they fail to take down their posters after the election.
• That seemed draconian.
• Now we would dock the actual cost.

Bryan Starick:
• What if the amount is above the candidate’s reimbursement?

Halla Bertrand:
• That is unlikely.
• There’s $750 for reimbursement.
• At $12.65 per hour for the poll clerks, it’s unlikely there’d be enough hours to go over $750.

Andy Wu:
• So we would be charging candidates an hourly rate to clean up their posters?

Halla Bertrand:
• Candidates have one week after the end of the election to clean up.
• After that, the poll clerks will do the job at $12.65 an hour, and we would pass that cost along.
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Abstained: Max Holmes

14. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED BRYAN STARICK: [SCD200-19]

From the HR Committee
“That on the recommendation of the HR Committee the following job description be accepted as presented: Polling Officer.”

Cole Evans:
• This is just the JD to fit the tweaks to the Elections Committee.
• Prior to these changes, there were poll clerks, and two of them were chosen to sit on the Elections Committee.
• Now we’ll have a bit of hierarchy between Polling Officers and poll clerks.
• Also, by calling them officers, it means all the members of the Elections Committee (except the Elections Administrator) will be called Officers.

Andy Wu:
• Does this really need to go to Council?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
• This is a new position and Code says Council approves new positions.

Yash Gurnani:
• If the Officers open and close polling stations, does that overlap with the work of the poll clerks?

Cole Evans:
• The Polling Officers and poll clerks are very similar.
• Just the Polling Officers are the two poll clerks that sit on the Elections Committee and have an elevated position.
15. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED BRYAN STARICK:

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16. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED BRYAN STARICK:

“That the agenda be amended to add the following motion at the end of the agenda:

Whereas concerns have arisen regarding the timeline of the Fall Reading Break consultation; and

Whereas the establishment of a Fall Reading Break for the next academic year is one of the KPI’s for the VPAUA’s goals,

Be It Resolved That the Executive Goals Report 2018-2019 be amended to remove the bulleted item ‘A fall reading break for Academic Year 2019/20’ from the VPAUA’s goals.”

Dylan Braam:
• During the presentation, the VPAUA said he felt his hands were tied by his goals.

Max Holmes:
• Point of personal privilege:
  • I never said my hands were tied.

Dylan Braam:
• Let me rephrase:
  • This was in the VPAUA’s goals.
  • If we no longer think the goal is mandatory, we should have a discussion on it.

Cole Evans:
• I don’t think we need to do this.
  • It’s just a goal.

Bryan Starick:
• KPI’s are a way to measure if Executives achieve their goals.
  • This deserves discussion.
Marium Hamid:
- A goal of having a fall reading break is not the same as saying we will have one.
- Changing the goals now will not change the amount of work done already.

Max Holmes:
- Generally, I speak against adding motions to the agenda without enough time to consider them.
- It may be more appropriate next time.
- This would change my goals in a significant way.

Cole Evans:
- To generate a conversation, it would be more relevant to add this as a Discussion Period topic.
- This is a KPI, yes, but it's still not binding.

Dylan Braam:
- I agree that things should not be added to the agenda without notice.
- I put this last on the agenda so people could consider it.
- This arose from something in Question Period:
  - There's a pressing need to address it now because consultation is going ahead before the next Council meeting.
  - We need it now before consultation.

Andy Wu:
- This might be misconstrued as a retreat from our commitment to the Fall Reading Break.
- We should not eliminate the goal.
- A substitute line of language should be prepared before we strike words.

Joella Allen:
- A lot of this discussion is on the merits of the motion, not on amending the agenda.

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Abstained: Jacqueline Wu, Kevin Zhang

Dylan Braam asked that “Fall Reading Break Consultation Timeline” be added as a discussion item.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Marium Hamid:
- Happy New Year: Hope you had a great break.
- The Pit’s 50th anniversary was late last year:
  - We were not able to celebrate it then, but we will celebrate it January 23.
  - David Suzuki will be there because he was instrumental in creating the Pit.
  - We’ll be unveiling a mural.
- Referendum questions for SASC coming next time so people can have more time to look at them than just in February.
- Max, Chris, Cristina, and I had the UBC Athletics & Recreation budget presented to us:
  - Discussion of achieving equity between sports, especially men’s and women’s sports.
- Everyone will be receiving invitations to the All-Presidents Dinner.
  - Nominations will be sought for clubs and Constituencies of the year.
- Linked-In Learning at UBC:
  - A tool for ongoing professional development.
  - An accessible platform.
  - UBC can use it to get data on how students want to be prepared.

Arash Shadkam:
- The Vancouver Public Library already gives you access to Linked-In Learning.

Marium Hamid:
- But there will be additional content under the UBC program.
- It creates an online community.
- Helps profs with classroom curriculum.
- Helps UBC with learning outcomes.
L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

**VP Admin – Chris Hakim**
- Clubs Days next week.
- New club applications are open.
- Scheduling Constituency socials.
- Anti-discrimination and Equity education at club orientations.
- Campus Vibe contract coming next time.
- A marketing prof wants to work with the AMS on sustainability.
- SEEDS project about Constituency sustainability:
  - Affordable vegan/vegetarian options in our Conferences and Catering department.
- Partnering with Chop Value on a chopstick recycling bin.
- Phasing out plastic bottles in Conferences and Catering.
- Climate Art Competition: 500 entries. Being adjudicated.
- Hatch Art Gallery:
  - New exhibition on child safety.
  - Volunteer program survey.
  - Preparing a show for the 70th anniversary of the permanent collection:
    - From White Males to Indigeneity.

**Student Services Manager – Piers Fleming**
- Working on budgets.
- Tutoring:
  - New housing contract.
  - New Tutoring software: looking at three options.
- Safewalk: $25,000 subsidy from VP Students confirmed, which is great.
- Foodbank:
  - MoU for the contribution from Santa Ono.
  - Donate a Dollar Drive will run till the end of January.
  - Lots of donations, including from the University Administration.
  - Successful Holiday Hamper Drive.
- Vice: Joint rolling class to learn about legalization of marijuana.

**VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi**
- Ottawa lobby trip follow-up with MP’s.
- Provincial advocacy:
  - Sexual violence policy review: talking to the ministry.
  - Great to see the government taking steps forward.
- Meeting with student housing working group about next steps in student housing rental rights campaign.
- Finalizing student financial assistance reform document: looking to do joint advocacy with UBC.
- Consultation about Equity Caucus: Finalizing ToR soon.
- Discussing UBC’s strategic plan.
• New five-year U-Pass agreement. Details at the next meeting.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
• Does this mean we won’t be holding a U-Pass referendum question every year anymore?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• We’ll have to do one this year.
• In about four years we’ll begin negotiations again, and that will lead to a new referendum.
• It’s been every three years up till now.

VP Academic & University Affairs – Max Holmes
• Big goal: undergraduate research.
  o UBC has launched a program for undergraduate research experience.
  o Happy about this.
• Excellence Fund budget:
  o Almost definitely will see Integrated Health Centre (one of our asks), with more resources for mental health on campus.
• First-year programming expansion (Jump Start); hoping to include domestic students next year.
• OER funding.
• Academic Experience Survey questions. Come to the Advocacy Committee next week to offer your thoughts.

Jeanie Malone:
• Is the Integrated Health Centre a long or short-term plan?

Max Holmes:
• The short-term plan is basically funded.
• There are employee costs.
• Should be permanent at either Vantage or Brock.

VP Finance – Kuol Akuechbeny
• Fee referendum on SASC.
• Reviewing Grad Class Council fee.
• Treasurer orientations this week.
• Financial report.
• Opt-out deadline goes to February 11.
• Removed opt-in deadline
• Reforecast for this year’s budget, coming in February.
• Working on the preliminary budget for next year.

Managing Director – Keith Hester
• CCTV closed circuit television upgrade done.
• Air conditioning upgrade still in progress.
• Frostfest starts tonight.
• Coffee with commuters tomorrow.
• Working on replacement for payroll and HR software systems.
• Working on new employee orientations.
• Sadly, our policy advisor left us yesterday; we’re looking for a new one.
• Knee deep in budgets.
• New employer health tax an issue: we’re being double taxed.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Advocacy – Max Holmes
• Indigenous Committee.
• Equity Caucus.
• Fall Reading Break.

HR – Cole Evans
• Elections Committee.
• Wage increases due to minimum wage increases.

Steering Committee – Marium Hamid
• Arranging first meeting.

Governance – Dylan Braam
• Finalizing meeting time.
• Looking at bylaw changes.

Student Life – Jerome Goddard
• Nothing to report.

Operations – Chris Hakim
• Policy on club expulsions.
• Reviewing/revising policy manual.

Finance – Kuol Akuechbeny
• Fee structure.
• Approving funding.

Brewery – Chris Hakim
• Talking with Land & Food.
• SFU is interested in the project.

New SUB – Chris Hakim
• Largest part done: clubs have all moved in to the Life Building.
• Norm Theatre the only part still to be done:
  o Locks, sound system, new air handling unit.
ETA about two months.

Dylan Braam:
- On December 3 the Ubyssey reported that the delay was caused by theft.

Chris Hakim:
- No, that was an old incident.

SHAPE – Marium Hamid
- Have already informed Council that we sold a painting for over $300,000.
- At the next meeting we will discuss whether that’s the only painting we want to sell.
- Also we will discuss how to use the money.
- The referendum has finally been fulfilled.

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

Marium Hamid:
- Doodle will be sent for next meeting.

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

BoG – Jakob Gattinger
- Working groups, subcommittees, main committees, and then the full Board meeting this month and next.

Senate – Priscilla Chan
- There will be an external review of the Peter Wall Institute situation.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
- I have been able to locate the original of the Sherwood Lett photo that went missing from the wall of the Council Chambers.
- It is at the City of Vancouver Archives, and I was able to get an electronic copy from them which I have passed along to the Artona photography studio (they do our Council composite photos).
- Artona is going to print and frame a new copy of the Sherwood Lett photo, and we will be able to restore it to its proper place.
- In the meantime we have removed the two other portraits (of Evelyn Lett and Norman MacKenzie): Artona is going to make digital copies of them for back-up.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:
Q) Executive Committee Motions:

18. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED MARIUM HAMID:

“That on the recommendation of the VP Academic and University Affairs office, Council approve the use of Qualtrics as the only platform for the collection of electronic signatures for referendum petitions for the year 2019.”

Note: Due to privacy reasons, all online referendum petitions will still need to be held in the VP Academic & University Affairs Office to be considered valid.

Max Holmes:
- Our bylaws give me some very odd powers, one of which is receiving referendum petitions.
- My office over the years has been tasked with validating the names of students on the paper petitions.
- Nowadays there is this new thing called the Internet, which allows you to do petitions online.
- We’ve added Code to allow these, and Code says the VP Academic will ask Council to approve a platform for doing so.
- Last year we used Formstack, which we had to pay for.
- Now I’m proposing Qualtrics, a UBC service.
- We won’t have to pay.
- We will still collect and validate the information in my office, and then for privacy reasons destroy it.
- An information page will go up soon about how to run a referendum.
- There can still be paper petitions.

Bryan Starick:
- Why Qualtrics?
- Did we do analyses of other options?
- Is there a contract?
- Is it a free service?
- If it’s collecting sensitive information, is there the possibility of a breach?
- What sort of security is there?

Max Holmes:
- It’s free through UBC.
- I sit on the committee that looks into these things for UBC.
- We went through several options.
- This was the only one we were sure would protect privacy.
- Using UBC’s account is the safest method for us to use.
- It’s good enough for UBC.
- It will be safer than before.
- This is only for AMS referendums.
Abdul Alnaar:
- You’re collecting names and student numbers?
- Signatures?
- Email addresses?

Max Holmes:
- We don’t collect email addresses.
- We ask for their name, signature, and student number.

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- This is required by our Bylaws, which require a petition “duly signed.”
- Our Code defines “duly signed” to mean something including name, student number, and signature, either handwritten on paper or in electronic form produced by means of a system approved by Council.
- We added the electronic option a couple of years ago.

Jakob Gattinger:
- I hope this platform can confirm student numbers automatically.

Max Holmes:
- We automated the system last year.

Arash Shadkam:
- Why mandate a particular platform?
- What if the system goes down? Is there a back-up?

Max Holmes:
- Paper is the back-up.
- If this system went down, there’d be a lot more problems than just for our referendums: this is the system for all of UBC.
- I’m confident that UBC has chosen a secure and trustworthy platform.

Kevin Zhang:
- Code isn’t clear that we can only approve one system.

Max Holmes:
- Maybe we could use more than one system.
- We use one system because it’s easier.

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For (24): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Derek Bennett, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Oliver Frayne, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Christina Wiesmann, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang, Evan Zhou

R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

S) Committee Motions:

T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

U) Discussion Period

*Fall Reading Break Consultation Timeline*

Dylan Braam:
- Some concerns were brought up by members of Council about the timeline on consultation.
- I’m a little disappointed about the motion I proposed not being added.
- The Executive goals presume a result.
- The suggestion is that Max will not be successful in his goals if he doesn’t get a Fall Reading Break.
- Now I have a number of questions.
- Running a survey is not easy.
- I’d like to know there is a lack of bias.
- I think we on Council should be seeing the questions.
- Are we still working on the questions?
- Will there be assistance from staff with expertise in market research?
- Is anyone in the VPAUA office qualified in data analysis?
- Did the Policy Advisor assist with the questions?
- Did you consider using a public polling firm?
- Was not using a firm influenced by the timeline?
- If there were no external constraints, what would be your ideal length of time for the survey?

Max Holmes:
- No one in my office has a professional background in market research.
- The survey was not created just by ourselves, but with the chair of the Senate’s Academic Policy Committee and the Senate office.
- They’ve done countless consultations.
- They had no concerns about the timeline.
• Our Policy Advisor did review the questions before he left and he approved.
• I would hope there would be a little more trust in our office: we've been working on this for a while; it hasn't been rushed.
• We have never used a public polling firm for consultations.
• We used one for the Academic Experience Survey, which is a survey of the entire campus on many questions.
• UBC does not use polling firms for consultation, and we don’t have a budget for that. And it’s not necessary. This process is good enough.
• If there were no external constraints, I’d probably follow the same timeline.
• If we want to extend to four or four and a half weeks, we could do that.
• If in two weeks we don’t get many responses, we can look into extending.
• If we have thousands, there’s no need.
• If we extend the timeline, we won’t be able to come back to Council or the Advocacy Committee.
• If it’s seen to be that important, I can look into it. I’d like to consult the Student Senate Caucus: if they’re looking for an extended timeline, then I’ll look more at it.
• On my Executive goal: I was elected on this.
• To remove this goal would be spitting in the face of democracy, disrespecting the choice the voters made.
• Even if the KPI is there, if consultation doesn’t support a Fall Reading Break, then in the end I want to do what students want.
• Students do expect us to get things done.

Daniel Lam took over as a proxy for Jerome Goddard.

Cole Evans:
• I don’t think we should over formalize this process.
• We’re not the body that makes the decision.
• If we were, then we’d want to be more formalized.
• We are engaging and gathering a sentiment.
• We should judge based on the amount of engagement, not the timeline.

Joella Allen:
• Even though some disagree with the timeline, that is not saying we don’t have faith in your office to do your job.
• We should be careful about saying the consultation is “good enough.”
• We complain when others do that; we complain about UBC consultation.
• We should strive for something good, not just good enough.

20. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED KATE BURNHAM

“That this discussion topic be limited to 30 minutes.”

… No objections
Bryan Starick:
- Engineering students had concerns that there was not enough information about the options.
- Max has said he wants students to be well informed.
- How will that be done?

Dylan Braam:
- Thanks, Max, for all the answers.
- They definitely did reassure me.
- The presentation made it sound like the timeline was making us do this.
- I'm reassured to hear that a lot of work went into this.
- Council is supposed to ask questions.
- We trust your staff, but it's our job to ask questions. That's the purpose of this body. I'd appreciate it if in future that was treated less like a personal attack.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- As to the question of how we determine if enough students are engaged, could we use referendum quorum?
- This would help us feel comfortable taking a stance.
- We could set a certain number and say that for the AMS to support something, there should be this number of students in support of it.

Marium Hamid:
- The survey is one of many factors.
- It is not a standalone thing.
- The result could be ambivalent, or the demographic might not be reflective.
- Designating a number does not guarantee robust engagement.
- That's why Max's office is also engaging in conversations with stakeholders.
- People from the University are asking for our input now. This is the time for us to present.

Jakob Gattinger:
- What is the Senate timeline on this?
- When are the calendar discussions?

Max Holmes:
- It’s usually done after February Academic Policy Committee meeting: February 25.

Jakob Gattinger:
- The February Senate meeting is often cancelled.
- We could work with that to give more opportunity for Council and its committees to be involved.

Arash Shadkam:
- What are the plans to engage grad students?
Max Holmes:
- **Re engaging with grad students:**
  - It’s a very difficult demographic.
  - Some grad programs don’t follow the same schedule, but many grad students are TA’s and are affected that way.
  - So the survey is open to all grad students, and I’m going to talk to the grad student Senators.
  - When we did the Academic Experience Survey, we actually engaged the exact proportion of grad students.
  - Hope to do the same thing here.
  - May look at weighting results too.
- If the Senate meeting is cancelled, there is more of an opening, but I’m working with the schedule I’ve been given.
- Using the quorum number for referendums:
  - It’s not a necessity. It doesn’t have a lot behind it.
  - We got 3,000 students for the Academic Experience Survey: that was enough for statistical reliability. We don’t need more.
  - But we need to look to make sure we have enough from all faculties.
- **Re informing students:**
  - The information is in the survey.
  - That’s why it takes 10-15 minutes to fill out: not because there are a lot of questions, but because of all the information.
  - The end of the survey allows students to reach out to us.
  - May make models public of what each option would entail and also do comparisons with other universities.
  - We’ll look at the possibility of a Town Hall.
  - Also the office is open to all to come and get information.
  - We want to make sure this is a good consultation.
  - This is one of the better consultations we’ve done.
  - Surveys haven’t been done for consultations.
  - I think this is great from a consultation perspective.
- I’m a little feisty sometimes: don’t take it as me taking things personally.
- It’s good for people to scrutinize.
- And this will inform future VPAUA’s on the conduct of consultations.
- The way questions are asked sometimes: there are better ways to do it.
- My job is to be the political insider for students at UBC and to understand how to get things done for students.

Bryan Starick:
- Thanks for building the information into the survey.
- Do students have to complete the survey all at once, or can they jump in and out?
- If not, can we publish all that information separately?

Max Holmes:
- That’s something we could do (publish separately).
- Students can leave the survey, and then it’s not counted.
- The information you need is before the questions to answer.
• We might look at linking one or two of the resources.

V) Submissions:

Conflict Engagement Framework [SCD201-19]
HR Committee memo [SCD202-19]
Ottawa Lobby trip [SCD203-19]

W) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: January 23, 2019

X) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Y) Social Activity: Pit Night
## January 9, 2019 Roster

**The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance**

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V2: Motion to approve the agenda as amended
V3: Consent items
V4: Extend time for the question period by 5 min
V5: That Council adopt the report of the Elections Committee entitled Code Changes 2019: Polling Officers and thus amend the Code as recommended.
V6: BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the recommendation of the HR Committee the following job description be accepted as presented: Polling Officer.
V7: Motion to amend the agenda to add the motion on the screen to Section (R)
V8: BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the recommendation of the VP Academic & University

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Rodney Little Mustache (FirstNations@ubc), Morgan Teske (AMS Staff), Julia Burnham (AMS Staff), Will Shelling (AMS Staff), Charlotte Alden (Ubsyssey), Sarah Zhao (Ubsyssey), Alex Nguyen (Ubsyssey), Angela O’Donnell (Ubsyssey), 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 Ilnitchi, 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.
     o Will there be a referendum? How do we get this going?
  2) Job Description for Indigenous Executive Assistant.
     o They’re supposed to be a liaison,
     o It’s a huge amount of work for one position.
     o Too much work.
     o You could have reached out to us to ask about it.
  3) Ottawa lobbying trip:
     o You went to Ottawa on our behalf.
     o Our community includes educated members.
     o You went without an Indigenous student with you.
     o Treating us like children.
     o We don’t need you to fight our battles.
     o That makes us feel small; it makes me feel small.
     o You didn’t talk to any Indigenous entities.
     o This is like the people in Ottawa.
     o 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.
  o There may be people campaigning or petitioning for a referendum.
  o 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.
  o All suggestions from the Indigenous Committee were incorporated.
  o We can continue to have dialogue.
  o Happy to reopen the dialogue and will listen to any issues anyone in the role raises if there is too much work.
  o This is a new position in the President’s office; not under a VP as in the past.
  o Absolutely the main role is liaison with the Indigenous Committee.
  o We are aware there were issues in the past.
  o Thank you for sharing your concerns.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• On the advocacy in Ottawa, I agree.
  o 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.
  o 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:

“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]
… 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**

- 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 Ilnitchi:
• Re consultation:
  o I spoke to the fact that the AMS was not consulted.
  o We could not make an informed decision because of that.
• Re the question, Is this a done deal?
  o Not yet.
  o UBC’s new agreement with the UNA will need to go to the UBC Board of Governors.
  o We could make a statement then. We can also send in a submission.
  o It will be an opportunity to make ourselves heard.
• Re our current relationship:
  o The residents of the UNA are a small group, but loud enough to make their views a sticking point.
  o 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.
  o 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.
  o Over the last years we have worked on this relationship.
  o As to clashes, they don’t often look at policies, more at programming and budgets.
• Re solicitation:
  o 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 Ilnitchi:
- 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 Ilnitchi:
- 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
  o Delivers support services to survivors, friends, and family.
  o Provides crisis and emotional support.
  o 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.
  o This does not include prep and organizing time, connecting with campus resources, etc.: so there were more hours put in.

• Outreach & Volunteer Program:
  o Education events.
  o Workshops etc.
  o 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:
  o To get masculine-identifying students to help create an awesome, safer community.
  o Excited by this.
  o One of our most popular programs.
  o 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.
  o Three years ago the budget was $137,130.
  o Since then hours have increased and SASC has also added a hospital accompaniment service.
  o The budget increased in each of the two years after that.
• Where does funding come from?
  o Currently, there’s a $3.63 fee paid by an estimated 51,000 students.
  o 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 WAVA 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**

- 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:
  o 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 Ombudsperson?

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.”

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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 Ilnitchi, 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 Ilnitchi
- 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 Ilnitchi:
- 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 Ilnitchi:
- 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.
o Signage to help students sort waste.
o Phasing out plastic bowls and cutlery.

- Art Gallery:
o Volunteers are happier with their roles.
o Free Fall is the current show.
o 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:

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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, Mariam Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, 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.”

For (20): 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), Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, 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

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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 Ilnitchi:
- 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.”

26. MOVED ANDRIA COULBOURN, SECONDED ADA MEW:

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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.

27. MOVED ANDRIA COULBOURN, SECONDED ADA MEW:

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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

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
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Vote Records

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V3: Approval of the Finance Committee Minutes (Oct 18, Nov 1, Nov 22)
V4: Extend question period for the UNA discussion by 5 minutes
V5: Motion to extend council by 119 minutes (until 11:59pm)
V6: 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.
V7: Motion to table
V8: Motion to amend the wording (italicized)
V9: Motion to extend council by 119 minutes (until 11:59pm)
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

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Madeline Gustavson (AMS Elections Committee), Isabelle Ava-Pointon (AMS Elections Committee), Riya Talitha (Ubyssey), Angela O’Donnell (Ubyssey), Zak Vescera (Ubyssey), Tanner Davies (AMS staff), Jonathan Tomalty (AMS staff), Will Shelling (AMS staff), Julia Burnham (AMS staff), Rodney Little Mustache (Indigenous Committee), Laura Beaudry (Indigenous Committee), Riley Pascal (Indigenous Committee), Verukah Poirier (Indigenous Committee), Kaz Tyabji (Indigenous Committee), Alex Okrainetz (Independent), David Yang (AMS Elections), Joshua Azizi (Ubyssey), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Daniel Lam (AUS & SUS Speaker), Kory Phan (member at large), Sharon Lin (member at large), Austin Chen (Dentistry Senator), Stuart Clarke (student), Halla Bertrand (AMS Elections Administrator), 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 6:10 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

- The Speaker acknowledged that the meeting was taking place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded land of the Musqueam people, adding that learning happened on these lands long before the University was here.
- He encouraged Council to take the time to reflect on the reconciliation process.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED CHRIS GOODING:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

   “That the Grad Class Council motion from the Student Life Committee be struck from the agenda.”

   Jerome Goddard:
   - The committee is not ready to move this and did not approve the accompanying terms of reference for the Grad Class Subcommittee.

3. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

   “That the Grad Class Council motion from the Student Life Committee be struck from the agenda.”

   … No objections
4. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

“That the HR motion on Ceridian Dayforce be amended to add in the number $75,751.76.”

… No objections

5. MOVED RILEY TY:

“That the Fall Reading Break motion be moved down.”

… Not seconded

6. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED ANDY WU:

“That the agenda be amended in accordance with the amended agenda that was circulated.”

Max Holmes:

- There is an amended agenda in which we have put the most time pressing motions and the Fall Reading Break motion first.
- We’re considering the time of the staff who are present.
- Reports have also been removed to save time.

7. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED MAX HOLMES:

“That the amended agenda be amended to undelete reports but move them to the end of the agenda, before the Discussion Period.”

Dylan Braam:

- We do have an expectation that people report.
- It’s really a Code suspension requiring two-thirds to dispense with that.
- By moving them to the end of the agenda we can always adjourn or recess first.
- I have no faith in written reports.

8. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED MAX HOLMES:

“That the amended agenda be amended to undelete reports but move them to the end of the agenda, before the Discussion Period.”

… No objections

9. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED ANDY WU:

“That the agenda be amended in accordance with the amended agenda that was circulated and now amended further.”

… No objections

10. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

“That the elections presentation and motion be moved to after the U-Pass and fee review presentations.”
Cole Evans:
  - The Elections Administrator has asked that this be moved to after 7 pm, which is when she will get here.

Bryan Starick:
  - Why not just table it if she’s not here when it comes up?

11. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

  “That the elections presentation and motion be moved to after the U-Pass and fee review presentations.”

  … Withdrawn

12. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

  “That new motions be added about the Grad Class fee.”

Kuol Akuechbeny:
  - This wasn’t on the agenda because the committee had not voted on it, but now they have.

13. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

  “That new motions be added about the Grad Class fee.”

  … No objections

14. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

  “That the Campus Vibe motion be amended to reflect the correct amount of $127,388.79.”

  … No objections

15. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED CHRIS GOODING:

  “That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

  … Carried


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

Welcome to our new Members: Ada Mew (Pharmacy)

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

**E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):**

The Speaker:
- Would like to strike a balance between giving people time to speak and getting through the agenda.

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

**G) Consent Agenda Items**

16. MOVED __________, SECONDED __________:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Operations Committee minutes dated January 15, 2019 [SCD230-19]
Operations Committee minutes dated January 22, 2019 [SCD231-19]
HR Committee minutes dated January18, 2019 [SCD232-19]
Student Life Committee minutes dated November 1, 2018
Student Life Committee minutes dated November 13, 2018
Student Life Committee minutes dated November 29, 2018

Jakob Gattinger asked to withdraw the Student Life Committee minutes from the Consent Agenda.

17. MOVED YASH GURNANI, SECONDED EVAN ZHOU:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Operations Committee minutes dated January 15, 2019 [SCD230-19]
Operations Committee minutes dated January 22, 2019 [SCD231-19]
HR Committee minutes dated January18, 2019 [SCD232-19]

... Carried


Abstained: Chris Hakim, Kevin Zhang

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

**New HR & Payroll system – Praneet Sandhu and Leslie Tulett** [SCD233-19]
- Looking to bring in one system for HR, Payroll etc.
- Right now we have seven separate systems, and it’s a nightmare.
To issue a job verification letter can take a day or two, when sometimes it’s critical to have one produced right away.

Currently, information is everywhere, and lots of it is done by manual data entry, sometimes by multiple entry.

What we’re looking for is a user friendly one-stop shop

We considered three options, but one is for bigger work forces and not available to use.

Of the other two, Ceridian and ADP, we went with Ceridian because it meets all our needs in one system, whereas ADP only partially meets them and is not one system.

Ceridian’s annual cost is also much less, though its one-time implementation cost is higher.

Ceridian’s annual cost: $79,029 ($11.92 per employee).

ADP’s: $139,671 ($20.43 per employee).

Implementation cost:
  o Ceridian $67,635
  o ADP $7,860.

Ceridian also offers free service calls, whereas ADP charges.

We’re currently paying $76,000 annually.

Did two reference checks on Ceridian; both institutions we contacted were very supportive of Ceridian.

Also checked its rating: it received 4.6 and 4.31 out of 5 from two rating services.

Implementation costs will come from the Capital Projects Fund.

Ongoing support/annual maintenance will come from the operating budget.

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Questions

Bryan Starick:
- What does the $67,000 cover? Someone coming in?
- How future-proof is this? Will it still work in 5-10 years?
- Is Ceridian Canadian?

Praneet Sandhu:
- It’s not Canadian. It’s a U.S. company, but the data will be stored locally (in Burnaby).
- This is not a short-term solution; we are looking for something long-term.

Leslie Tulett:
- They release two upgrades a year.

Praneet Sandhu:
- As to what the implementation cost covers:
  o Replacing clocks.
  o Training.
  o Costs to software.
- Everything is done by them: they provide a core project team.

Yash Gurnani:
- In the changeover, will we have any overlap of costs?
Praneet Sandhu:
  - We will pay for our current system only as long as we use it.

Jakob Gattinger:
  - How long is the recurring price locked in for?

Praneet Sandhu:
  - A minimum of three years.

18. MOVED YASH GURNANI, SECONDED EVAN ZHOU:

From the Finance Committee
“That on the recommendation of the Finance Committee Council approve $75,751.76 in funding out of the Capital Projects Fund for the purpose of funding the implementation costs of Ceridian Dayforce.”

Note: The balance in the Capital Projects Fund is $2,153,922.58; the balance available for expenditures is $200,000.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Kuol Akuechbeny:
  - The HR department and the Managing Director did a good job putting this package together.
  - This is the money we need to cover the costs.

19. MOVED YASH GURNANI, SECONDED EVAN ZHOU:

From the Finance Committee
“That on the recommendation of the Finance Committee Council approve $75,751.76 in funding out of the Capital Projects Fund for the purpose of funding the implementation costs of Ceridian Dayforce.”

Note: The balance in the Capital Projects Fund is $2,153,922.58; the balance available for expenditures is $200,000.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried


Abstained: Jon Kew, Ada Mew
**Elections Timeline – Halla Bertrand (Elections Administrator)**

- **Constituency Elections:**
  - Overseeing them, mostly in February and March. CUS was last week.
  - Been adding Constituencies to Simply Voting (Library-Archival, Medicine, Nursing).

- **AMS Elections:**
  - Nominations close February 15.
  - Send me campaign material by February 18.
  - Blurbs have to be sent in a bit later in February.
  - Voting period: March 4-8.
  - Five different social events, including two Meet and Greet’s, two Coffee with Commuters events, and the Unofficial Results Party.
  - Three debates, all moderated by the Ubyssey.
  - Rule changes:
    - Added reimbursement for SLFS races.
    - Added paid Polling Officers.
    - Polling Officers and Poll Clerks will be cleaning up posters (have hired all the clerks).
    - Postering will be a permissible form of campaigning.
  - Conflict of interest rules have been explained in the Candidates Handbook: These are meant to keep relationships with the Elections Committee professional.
  - Your job:
    - Please vote.
    - Encourage your constituents to vote.
    - When voting opens, please vote immediately so I can see if all Constituencies can vote on Simply Voting.
    - Let me know if you need material to promote the election.

**Questions**

Bryan Starick:
- There is an elections motion coming next: would you like to speak to this?

Halla Bertrand:
- The hiring process was smooth.
- These will be great candidates.

Rodney Little Mustache:
- When last year’s results came out, they were hard to understand.
- Are you going to simplify the results this year?

Halla Bertrand:
- The results are initially unofficial: I will simply declare the winners.
- Later I hope to publish fuller information in as accessible a form as possible.
- Vote calculations are done by the Condorcet method, which is notoriously difficult to understand, but I will provide information on how it works.
20. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That Isabelle Ava-Pointon and David Yang be appointed to the Elections Committee as Polling Officers until March 15th, 2019.”

... Carried


Fee Review – Kuol Akuechbeny

• We have 23 AMS fees:
  o 7 internal ones (Capital Projects, Clubs Benefit, etc.)
  o The Grad Class fee
  o 7 to do with various groups (Resource Groups, WUSC, CiTR, etc.)
  o 5 that go to the University (Athletics, bursaries, etc.)
  o Constituency fees
  o U-Pass
  o Ubyssey.

• Last year there was an attempt to pass a referendum to put a system in place to review fees every three years, but there was a strong No campaign against this and it didn’t go through.
• This year after consultation we introduced financial reports from the seven various groups.
• We are also working with UBC to get reports from the University on the AMS fees that go to them.
• Two issues have emerged from our fee review: the SASC fee and the Grad Class fee.
• Most of the fees (21 out of 23) are fine.
• Two of them are not:
  o The SASC fee is over utilized: there’s not enough; SASC needs more money.
  o The Grad Class fee, at $7 from each graduating student, is too much. It produces more money than is needed. It doesn’t do much, and Constituencies have their own grad fees.

SASC fee – Kuol Akuechbeny

• Long-term projections:
  o The budget will increase, partly from labour costs.
  o Also, money is needed for SAIF, the fund for student-initiated projects.
  o In 2017-18 SASC was $125,000 over budget.
  o This year it is $176,000 over.
  o If the SASC fee stays the same at $3.63, we will be well short.
  o Originally what was proposed was an increase to $8.50.
  o We’ve since worked more on the numbers and now think we need $9.30.
  o We’re expecting an expansion at SASC, an introduction of legal advocacy, more outreach, more staff.
This will also allow us to replenish the SAIF fund.

- Action Item for Council: Endorse the SASC referendum question.

21. MOVED ANDY WU, SECONDED ADA MEW:

“That time for the presentation be extended by 15 minutes.”

... No objections

Questions on SASC fee

Yash Gurnani:
- Are we going to provide information to students about the fee increases?

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- Yes, we’ve had meetings to prepare the information.
- The reasons for the increases will be available.

Marium Hamid:
- We are preparing an FAQ about why, alternative models, sustainability, and what happens if this doesn’t work.

Ada Mew:
- If we don’t meet quorum, is there a backup plan?

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- That’s very difficult.
- Basically, do another referendum.

Marium Hamid:
- We would have to go back to the student body to ask about next steps and consult Council.

Gurshabad Singhera:
- Why $9.30?

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- We looked at the costs and future plans (increased staff and outreach).
- We currently have a $40,000 shortfall to cover.
- The $9.30 would cover that and allow for expansion.

Marium Hamid:
- $8.50 would cover current operations, but not expansion.
- If there’s expansion, we’d need more.
- We need more people to provide training.
- If we want to add legal advocacy, this would cover that too.
- This is a safe number to cover expansion and contingency.

Tanner Gjosund:
- Why not $9.50?
Kuol Akuechbeny:
- Our students support SASC and might pay $9.50, but based on what is needed, we felt $9.30 was a good number, providing the funding that SASC needs.

Max Holmes:
- It started as a question between $9 and $9.50.
- Wanted to recognize current need but also provide enough for expansion.
- Want to support initiatives out of the SAIF.
- And perhaps do more Indigenous programming; bring in an elder.
- On the other hand, we also don’t want to go too far beyond current needs.

**Grad Class Fee – Kuol Akuechbeny**
- This fee has been at $7 (for graduating students) since 1961.
- It brings in about $52,000 per year.
- The current balance is $162,000: There is an excess that has accumulated over the years.
- We’re trying to track down what is owed for past projects.
- It’s been used for donating art, cash, and trees.
- Been discussing reducing this and perhaps using the money for another fund, e.g., the Student Initiatives Fund.
- Or we could just reduce it, say to $3. The Finance Committee voted for this.
- Or we could do nothing.

**Questions**

Kevin Zhang:
- How is the adjudication process for the Student Initiatives Fund carried out?
- If the money for that fund is increased, will there be a lowering of standards?

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- The Finance Committee did not approve adding money to the Student Initiatives Fund.
- The fund is for individual students who are not members of a club.
- Over the years is has not been used that much.
- This past year we increased the cap on individual grants, and more people have been using it.
- I thought it might help to put in more money.

Jeanie Malone:
- How will the question look on the ballot?
- Will there be one question for both the SASC fee and the Grad Class fee?
- Last year a combined question was not successful.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- This time the SASC question will not be connected to anything else; it will be a separate question.

Yash Gurnani:
- If there’s a Student Initiatives fee, how would that work?
Kuol Akuechbeny:
- The idea was for a 38-cent fee to be paid by everybody, unlike the Grad fee, which is paid only by graduating students.

22. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED BRYAN STARICK:

“Be it resolved that in accordance with Bylaw 4(1)(a), AMS Council direct the President to call a referendum to lower AMS Grad Class fees.

Be it further resolved that the referendum question read as follows:

I support a decrease in my Graduating Class fee from the current $7.00 to $3.00 upon graduation, to begin in September 2019.”

Note 1: All money raised through the Grad Class Fee will be deposited in the Grad Class Fund and may be used only for the purpose of supporting Grad Class as defined in the AMS Code of Procedure. Any money raised through this fee but not used in a given year shall remain in the fund for use in a subsequent year for Grad Class.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- Given that we’ll be increasing the SASC fee, it seemed like a good idea to give the student body an opportunity to pay a little less in another area.

Bryan Starick:
- Can we clarify how the question will appear on the ballot?
- Will the note appear on the ballot?
- And to make it unbiased, can we change it to say “Do you support” instead of “I support”?

23. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED TYRA PHILLIPS:

“That the motion be amended so that the question will read:

Do you support a decrease in the Graduating Class fee from the current $7.00 to $3.00 upon graduation, to begin in September 2019.

Note 1: All money raised through the Grad Class Fee will be deposited in the Grad Class Fund and may be used only for the purpose of supporting Grad Class as defined in the AMS Code of Procedure. Any money raised through this fee but not used in a given year shall remain in the fund for use in a subsequent year for Grad Class.”

… No objections

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25. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That Council endorse a yes vote on this referendum question.”

... Carried


26. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JENNIFER CHENG:

“That the agenda be amended to move the motion on the title of the Elections Administrator up to now.”

Cole Evans:
- Halla would like to be present for this motion.

27. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JENNIFER CHENG:

“That the agenda be amended to move the motion on the title of the Elections Administrator up to now.”

... No objections

28. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY:

“That the agenda be amended to move up the SASC motion.”

... Failed for lack of seconder

29. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

From the Human Resources Committee

“That the title of Elections Administrator be changed to Chief Electoral Officer, effective May 1, 2019.”
Note: This will require a Code amendment.
Note: Requires 2/3rds

Cole Evans:
- The HR Committee felt that this title fit the committee better: all the other positions on the committee are called Officers.
- It’s just a language-based change.
- We think it sounds cooler.
- There’s no change to the role.
- Effective May 1.

30. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

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Abstained: Jerome Goddard, Max Holmes, Jon Kew, Andy Wu

Council took a recess from 7:57 pm to 8:05 pm.

31. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED JOELLA ALLEN:

“That the motion on the Indigenous fee referendum be moved up to now.”

Jerome Goddard:
- We don’t want to keep them all night.
- It’s important to get this done.

32. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED JOELLA ALLEN:

“That the motion on the Indigenous fee referendum be moved up to now.”

… No objections

33. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED DYLAN BRAAM:

From the Indigenous Committee
“Be it resolved that Council, in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 4-8 on the following question:
Do you support the AMS establishing a fee of $0.95 a year to contribute to an Indigenous Student Fund, as of September 2019?

Note 1: All money raised through this fee will be deposited in the Indigenous Student Fund and may be used only for Indigenous student support and initiatives. Any money raised through this fee but not used in a given year shall remain in the fund for use in a subsequent year for Indigenous student support and initiatives.

Note 2: The $0.95 fee will be indexed to inflation, increasing each year in accordance with any increase in BC CPI, beginning in September 2020.

Be it further resolved that Council adopt a Yes position in support of the Indigenous Student Fund referendum question.”

Kaz Tyabji:
- There is no dedicated funding for the Indigenous Committee.
- This is the territory of the Musqueam people, but there are all sorts of Indigenous groups on campus.
- This funding would allow us to do education and communication, tell origin stories, and create a warm and inviting Indigenous space in the Nest.

Max Holmes:
- The number was chosen by the Indigenous Committee at a meeting they held.
- The referendum has been proposed by them.
- This is something the AMS should have had a long time ago.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- This is for a good cause.
- SFU has a fee like this.

Andy Wu:
- Can someone from the committee elaborate on events, initiatives, or projects this fund will be used for?

Verukah Poirier:
- The committee plans to use the fund for events on campus, including a welcoming pow-wow.
- We will work with other Indigenous organizations on campus.
- The fund will also be used for the space within the Nest, a place that will allow Indigenous students to do personal events.

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Be it further resolved that Council adopt a Yes position in support of the Indigenous Student Fund referendum question.”

… Carried


U-Pass Referendum – Cristina Ilnitchi

- Before 2010 SFU and UBC co-piloted the U-Pass program.
- Starting in 2010, there’s been a U-Pass program for all postsecondary institutions in BC.
- We’ve had several contracts since then.
- In 2016 a two-year one, then an extension in 2018.
- The U-Pass Advisory Committee, including student unions across Vancouver, negotiated with TransLink and the government.
- We secured a big victory: stability and affordability for five years, until April 30, 2025.
- It will stay at $41 until May 2020, when it will go to $42.50, with annual increases after that of 2% (rounded up to the nearest nickel).
- Students will know exactly how much they will pay.

Questions

Dylan Braam:

- When is the rounding up done?
- If it’s year over year and you round up every year, it will be more.

Cristina Ilnitchi:

- I’ll have to clarify.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- Over the years holding a U-Pass referendum was a great way to get people to vote.
- How will this affect voter turnout in the four years before the next agreement?

Marium Hamid:

- As amazing a tool as U-Pass has been for getting out the vote, it is first and foremost about affordable transportation for students.
As to engaging students and voting, that will be something for next year’s Elections Administrator and management, but it’s not the issue now.

Gurshabad Singhera:
- What happened to make it a five-year deal?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Last year we began to think that we wanted something more secure, stable, long-term.
- In a two-year contract, you have to negotiate even before a year is gone.

35. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“Be it resolved that Council, in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 4-8 on the following question:

Whereas a long-term renewal has been secured for the U-Pass BC program until April 30, 2025;

Do you approve of the continuation of the U-Pass BC program with an increase to the U-Pass Fee from $41.00 per month to $42.50 per month commencing May 1, 2020, and, furthermore, approve annual increases to the U-Pass Fee of up to 2% (rounded up to the nearest nickel)?

Note: If this referendum is not approved, UBC students will no longer be eligible for the U-Pass BC program.

Be it further resolved that Council adopt a Yes position in support of the U-Pass BC referendum question.”

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Very excited for this referendum.
- It will give us five years of stability and affordability.

Dylan Braam:
- Why a whereas clause in the question?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- We put the year 2025 in the whereas clause, not the question itself, so when the date comes we’re not forced to go to referendum if the ministry and TransLink are cool with continuing the 2%.

36. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the motion be amended to make the whereas clause into a note.”

Bryan Starick:
- It makes the question clearer.

37. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the motion be amended to make the whereas clause into a note.”
38. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“Be it resolved that Council, in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 4-8 on the following question:

Do you approve of the continuation of the U-Pass BC program with an increase to the U-Pass Fee from $41.00 per month to $42.50 per month commencing May 1, 2020, and, furthermore, approve annual increases to the U-Pass Fee of up to 2% (rounded up to the nearest nickel)?

Note: A long-term renewal has been secured for the U-Pass BC program until April 30, 2025;

Note: If this referendum is not approved, UBC students will no longer be eligible for the U-Pass BC program.

Be it further resolved that Council adopt a Yes position in support of the U-Pass BC referendum question.”

... Carried


Bryan Starick:
- I would like to move a motion to reconsider to fix grammar issues.

The Speaker:
- If there are punctuation corrections, Council could agree to have the changes made afterwards.
- But if you wish, you can move a motion.

*Daniel Lam took over as a proxy for Yash Gurnani.*

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

K) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

39. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED DARREN TOUCH:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented:

Student Life Committee minutes dated November 1, 2018 [SCD237-19]
Student Life Committee minutes dated November 13, 2018 [SCD238-19]
Student Life Committee minutes dated November 29, 2018 [SCD239-19]
Bryan Starick:
• There are missing movers, seconders, and results.

Jakob Gattinger:
• It’s concerning to me that no one else seemed to notice this.
• You should not approve minutes like that.

Abdul Alnaar:
• The Council Orientation working group is looking at this: there is a point of training this summer on how to write minutes.

Jakob Gattinger:
• Councillors should read the supporting documents.

40. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That these minutes be tabled until the next meeting.”

Jerome Goddard:
• I will revise these minutes.

41. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That these minutes be tabled until the next meeting.”

... No objections

L) Executive Committee Motions:

42. MOVED MARIUM HAMID:

From the President
“That Council authorize the use of the Student Services to promote the Sexual Assault Support Services Fund referendum question being held March 4 - 8, 2019 and to support the Yes campaign.”

43. MOVED MARIUM HAMID, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That this motion be laid on the table until after the main SASC motion.”

... No objections

Five-minute recess at 8:38 pm.

44. MOVED JOELLA ALLEN, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

From the Executive Committee and the Finance Committee
“Be it resolved that Council, in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 4-8 on the following question:

Be it further resolved that the referendum question read as follows:
I support an increase in my AMS fee of $5.67, to increase the fee for the Sexual Assault Support Services Fund from $3.63 to $9.30 a year, as of September 2019.

Note 1: All money raised through this fee will be deposited in the Sexual Assault Support Services Fund and may be used only for sexual assault support services and initiatives. Any money raised through this fee but not used in a given year shall remain in the fund for use in a subsequent year for sexual assault support services.

Note 2: The $9.30 fee will be indexed to inflation, increasing each year in accordance with any increase in BC CPI, beginning in September 2020.

Be it further resolved that Council adopt a Yes position in support of the Sexual Assault Support Services Fund referendum question.”

Marium Hamid:
- This is of momentous importance.
- The number has been thought out by the Finance Committee, staff, the Executive Committee, and feedback from the student body.
- The $9.30 fee will keep what we have and allow us to expand.

45. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED TYRA PHILIPS

“That the motion be amended to change the question to say ‘Do you support an increase in your AMS fee’ instead of ‘I support an increase in my AMS fee’.”

46. MOVED JOELLA ALLEN, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

From the Executive Committee and the Finance Committee

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Kuol Akuechbeny:
- Thanks to all who worked on this.
- This motion gives us an additional $40,000 beyond what we need now.
I encourage everyone to support this.

Bryan Starick:
- Should the CPI note be in the question itself?

Abdul Alnaar:
- We have done it this way before.

Dylan Braam:
- What is the AMS contingency plan if this referendum is not successful?

Marium Hamid:
- We’ve discussed this several times.
- Voting No will have an impact: the ways that SASC would have to change is not something we can model out now.
- It would be a large amount to take from the general fee.
- It would raise questions about what services to prioritize.
- We’d have to find out what the community would like to see.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- In recent years the rest of the budget has covered this, but that is not sustainable.
- We’ve had discussions, but the only thing to do really is to make sure we work hard so that this passes.

47. MOVED JOELLA ALLEN, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

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.... Carried

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Abstained: Christina Wiesmann

48. MOVED MARIUM HAMID, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the Student Services motion be brought back from the table.”

49. MOVED MARIUM HAMID, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

**From the President**

“That Council authorize the use of the Student Services to promote the Sexual Assault Support Services Fund referendum question being held March 4-8, 2019 and to support the Yes campaign.”

Marium Hamid:

- This will authorize the use of the Student Services to support the SASC referendum.
- SASC has a strong outreach/advocacy team and allies.
- They want to get involved to educate people on why this vote matters.
- Services traditionally don’t get involved or take a side, but because this directly affects SASC, it makes sense to do so this time.

Kuol Akuechbeny:

- Only during the voting period?

Max Holmes:

- During the whole campaign period.

Abdul Alnaar:

- This won’t happen in one-on-one sessions at SASC.
- It’s the outreach workers from SASC who will be involved.

50. MOVED MARIUM HAMID, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

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51. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED JOELLA ALLEN:

“That the Grad Class Council and U-Pass questions be reconsidered.”

Bryan Starick:
- There are grammatical and editorial issues that we should fix.
- These must be passed as a resolution by Council.

52. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED JOELLA ALLEN:

“That the Grad Class Council and U-Pass questions be reconsidered.”

… No objections

53. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED BRYAN STARICK:

“Be it resolved that in accordance with Bylaw 4(1)(a), AMS Council direct the President to call a referendum to lower AMS Grad Class fees.

Be it further resolved that the referendum question read as follows:

Do you support a decrease in the Graduating Class fee from the current $7.00 to $3.00 upon graduation, to begin in September 2019.

Note 1: All money raised through the Grad Class Fee will be deposited in the Grad Class Fund and may be used only for the purpose of supporting Grad Class as defined in the AMS Code of Procedure. Any money raised through this fee but not used in a given year shall remain in the fund for use in a subsequent year for Grad Class.”

54. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED BRYAN STARICK:

“That a question mark be added at the end of the question.”

… No objections

55. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED BRYAN STARICK:

“Be it resolved that in accordance with Bylaw 4(1)(a), AMS Council direct the President to call a referendum to lower AMS Grad Class fees.

Be it further resolved that the referendum question read as follows:

Do you support a decrease in the Graduating Class fee from the current $7.00 to $3.00 upon graduation, to begin in September 2019?

Note 1: All money raised through the Grad Class Fee will be deposited in the Grad Class Fund and may be used only for the purpose of supporting Grad Class as defined in the AMS Code of Procedure. Any money raised through this fee but not used in a given year shall remain in the fund for use in a subsequent year for Grad Class.”

… Carried
For (25): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Oliver Frayne, Ian Gilbert (proxy for Gareth Clegg), Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Chris Hakim, Max Holmes, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Tyra Philips (proxy for Kate Burnham), Ada Mew, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Christina Wiesmann, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

56. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“Be it resolved that Council, in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 4-8 on the following question:

Do you approve of the continuation of the U-Pass BC program with an increase to the U-Pass Fee from $41.00 per month to $42.50 per month commencing May 1, 2020, and, furthermore, approve annual increases to the U-Pass Fee of up to 2% (rounded up to the nearest nickel)?

Note: A long-term renewal has been secured for the U-Pass BC program until April 30, 2025;

Note: If this referendum is not approved, UBC students will no longer be eligible for the U-Pass BC program.

Be it further resolved that Council adopt a Yes position in support of the U-Pass BC referendum question.”

57. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED DYLAN BRAAM:

“That the U-Pass question be amended to number the notes and change the semi-colon to a period at the end of the first note.”

... No objections

58. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“Be it resolved that Council, in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 4-8 on the following question:

Do you approve of the continuation of the U-Pass BC program with an increase to the U-Pass Fee from $41.00 per month to $42.50 per month commencing May 1, 2020, and, furthermore, approve annual increases to the U-Pass Fee of up to 2% (rounded up to the nearest nickel)?

Note 1: A long-term renewal has been secured for the U-Pass BC program until April 30, 2025.

Note 2: If this referendum is not approved, UBC students will no longer be eligible for the U-Pass BC program.

Be it further resolved that Council adopt a Yes position in support of the U-Pass BC referendum question.”

... Carried

For (25): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Oliver Frayne, Ian Gilbert (proxy for
Gareth Clegg), Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Chris Hakim, Max Holmes, Tyra Philips (proxy for Kate Burnham), Ada Mew, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Christina Wiesmann, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

M) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

N) Committee Motions:

59. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

From the Governance Committee
“Be it resolved that Council, in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 4-8 on the following question:

Do you support and approve amending the AMS Bylaws in accordance with the changes presented in the document entitled Proposed Changes to AMS Bylaws?

Be it further resolved that Council endorse a Yes position in support of the proposed changes.”

Dylan Braam:
• The Governance Committee started working on this in October.
• We sent a report on all the changes, plus a summary.
• Here is a description of the changes:
  o Changing the definition of membership so that students remain members as long as they were registered in November, in other words at the end of the first semester.
  o Notice for the AGM must include the agenda.
  o Since we no longer own the Ubyssey and can’t compel it to publish our announcements, we propose removing the requirement to announce AGM’s in the Ubyssey.
  o Since we’re proposing getting rid of Student Court, and one thing Student Court does that can’t be done by Council is rewrite unclear referendum questions, we’ve created a list of requirements referendum questions must meet, and Council may reject a referendum question if it doesn’t meet the requirements, the requirements being:
    ▪ The question must be in a form that can be answered Yes or No. (This is the same as before, but we are specifying that the Yes side must be the one to create change.)
    ▪ The question must be clear and unambiguous.
    ▪ The question must not be predicated on materially untrue statements.
    ▪ The question must not require the AMS to do anything prohibited by law.
    ▪ The question must indicate if it would break a contract and what the penalties will be for breaking that contract.
  o Records of past successful referendum questions will be kept as an appendix to the Bylaws (it’s often hard to find these, and it’s good to have them available because they remain in effect).
Recalled Executives won’t be able to run to fill the vacancy created by their recall: since the students will have just voted to remove someone, we may not want to let that person use money from the AMS budget to run again.

Temporarily filling an Executive vacancy: Council will now be able to name any student, e.g., an AVP or a former VP, and not just a current Councillor.

Ombudsperson: removing their responsibility to represent students in issues with the University. No longer needed because the University now has its own Ombudsoffice.

Confusing language fixed concerning the submission of Subsidiary budgets.

Records: I like transparency, but the current Bylaw is so vague that a lot of documents can been and perhaps shouldn’t. The proposed new Bylaw would allow for a system to restrict access to types of documents that might be harmful to us or a third party or might violate solicitor-client privilege.

Student Court: Not used since 2010 or 2015. Could be overruled by Council anyway. We don’t use it. We don’t like it when we do use it. It’s hard to pick qualified judges.

Kate Burnham arrived, replacing her proxy Tyra Phillips.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
  • I would like to propose three amendments.

Bryan Starick:
  • Can we make amendments to the documents?

Discussion ensued on this point without a final decision.

Jerome Goddard:
  • What’s your plan to pass these?

Dylan Braam:
  • I think we need to mount a vigorous campaign.
  • Last year my understanding was that not much was said about the proposed Bylaw changes and we didn’t make quorum.
  • We need to campaign.

Chris Hakim:
  • Last year we did provide a lot of notice.
  • We first submitted to Council in November.
  • Later we came back before going to ballot.

Kevin Zhang:
  • Concerns about Recommendation 13: it seems to give a lot of leeway to Council to classify documents as harmful.
  • And we don’t have to worry about attorney-client privilege, because that’s already protected by law.
Dylan Braam:
- It’s protected unless you waive it, as our current Bylaws do.
- As to leeway, we will need a policy.
- Hopefully Council will not be dumb about it and produce a PR nightmare.

Andy Wu:
- Question about Council choosing an interim Councillor.

Dylan Braam:
- The Bylaw change is only for choosing interim executives, not Councillors.

Andy Wu:
- But under the current Bylaws Council can appoint someone as a Councillor, and then they could fill the vacant Executive position.

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Yes, that can be done.
- It was done with Ava Nasiri, who was appointed as a non-voting Councillor so she could be named as interim VP Administration in 2014.
- That was the workaround that this Bylaw change would make unnecessary.

60. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That this motion be laid on the table.”

… No objections

61. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED JENNIFER CHENG:

“That time for the meeting be extended by one hour.”

… No objections

62. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED RILEY TY

“That the bylaw referendum question be brought back from the table.”

… No objections

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- Recommendation 13 should be handled separately.
- I would like to put the burden on the Executive and Council to say a specific document should not be seen.

63. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY:

“That the bylaw package be amended.”

Dylan Braam:
- This idea comes from a good place: we need safeguards and transparency.
- But I don’t think this approach (of having Council and the Executive evaluate specific documents) will be effective.
• It could lead to arbitrary decisions.
• It’s better to have a clear policy rather than a system of case-by-case decisions.
• Probably a policy with an appeal process.
• Case by case means ad hoc policy-making.

Marium Hamid:
• I agree with Dylan.
• This would mean something fairly random.
• We need a policy.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
• These arguments make sense.
• I withdraw my motion to amend.

64. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That Recommendation 13 (i.e., Bylaw 18) be struck.”

Kuol Akuechbeny:
• The other good things done by the amendments may be jeopardized by this recommendation about records.
• And if there’s going to be a policy, we should see the policy first.

Dylan Braam:
• We discussed this because we felt there was a concern.
• Removing this is inappropriate.
• If Council does not agree to all the reasons for restricting documents, we could remove some.

Bryan Starick:
• Point of order: I am still thinking we are not allowed to amend documents.

The Speaker ruled that it was fine to amend documents.

Chris Hakim:
• I oppose removing Bylaw 18, especially the part about disrupting an investigation.
• Often privacy is an issue in an investigation.

Max Holmes:
• I don’t think there has been proper consultation on this proposal.
• As to privacy concerns, we already can’t reveal personal information in an investigation.
• We don’t have enough information to make an informed decision.

Cole Evans:
• If we don’t make this change, we could end up releasing information harmful to us.
• Could a chain restaurant have a student employee ask for our confidential business records and see them?
Dylan Braam:
- Yes.

Kuol Akuechbeny
- Privacy concerns are already protected in the current Bylaw.
- Aside from that, our finances should be as open as possible.

Ada Mew:
- It is very difficult to estimate how our constituents will take this.

Dylan Braam:
- If this passes, what are the consequences?
- It will mean we have authorized Council to pass a policy.
- We can consult once we’re working on the policy.

Andy Wu:
- Policy doesn’t have the same rigidity as a bylaw.
- This bylaw proposal would allow a very expansive approach.
- I’m not seeing any safeguards.
- If I was a voter, I would vote against it.

Bryan Starick:
- Although we are all here to represent constituents, our fiduciary duty is first and foremost to defend the Society.
- It may seem bad to restrict access, but it’s important.

65. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED DANIEL LAM, THIRDED GURSHABAD SINGHERA:

“That the meeting enter an in camera session.”

The meeting entered an in camera session at 10:45 pm.
The meeting came out of camera at 11 pm.

66. MOVED JOELLA ALLEN, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the current motion be tabled so we can extend time.” ...

No objections

67. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That time for the meeting be extended for one hour, until 12:02 am

... No objections

68. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the previous motion be brought back to the table.” ...

No objections
69. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That Recommendation 13 (i.e., Bylaw 18) be struck.”

70. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (17): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Ada Mew, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

Against (2): Kuol Akuechbeny, Andy Wu

71. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That Recommendation 13 (i.e., Bylaw 18) be struck.”

... Defeated

For (2): Kuol Akuechbeny, Andy Wu

Against (20): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Kate Burnham, Ada Mew, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Arash Shadkam

72. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

From the Governance Committee

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Be it further resolved that Council endorse a Yes position in support of the proposed changes.”

Max Holmes:

- I feel it’s our fiduciary duty to send this to the student body, even though I’m opposed to some parts.
- I support some parts, but other parts have not been consulted on.
73. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the motion be amended to consider Bylaw 18 separately.”

Bryan Starick:
- Will this create a second referendum question?

The Speaker said that it would.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- We have a fiduciary duty but also a responsibility to students.
- The Student Court bylaw change has been worked on; that’s good.
- This part (about records) could make the package difficult to pass.

Dylan Braam:
- In the best interests of the society, this should be part of the package and not separate.

Cole Evans:
- Better not to have more than one bylaw question on the ballot.
- It could be confusing.
- We should trust the students.

Joella Allen:
- The context of having this change in the package makes it part of cleaning up the bylaws.
- On its own it will look different, suspicious, as if we’re trying to hide something.
- It is clearing up a liability the Governance Committee found in the bylaws.

Marium Hamid:
- Every time we add a question it hurts the other questions.
- Splitting this is not going to help.

Jakob Gattinger:
- Dylan’s report did say a bylaw cleanup is going on.
- Also this is needed, but after this question I suggest we end the meeting and return in a couple of days.
- I suggest the President call an emergency meeting to complete the agenda.

74. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED JON KIM:

“That the question be called on the motion to consider Bylaw 18 separately.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (18): Joella Allen, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Ada Mew, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang
Against (1): Kuol Akuechbeny

75. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the motion be amended to consider Bylaw 18 separately.” ... Defeated

For (3): Kuol Akuechbeny, Ada Mew, Kevin Zhang

Against (18): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Mariam Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Kate Burnham, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Anican Yu

Abstained: Arash Shadkam

76. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

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Be it further resolved that Council endorse a Yes position in support of the proposed changes.”

Max Holmes:
- Although I think there were some flaws in consultation (more than just saying “we’re doing bylaws”), I do support most of these changes, and we have a fiduciary duty to pass some of this.
- This should ultimately go to the student body to decide.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- I wish we could have a more robust discussion, but there are some glaring gaps that need to be fixed in the Bylaws.

Dylan Braam:
- I should have done better on the consultation.
- A lot of things were just supposed to be a clean-up: Student Court, typos, eligibility of recalled executives.
- I do apologize if the project grew in scope.

Jon Kim:
- A referendum is the highest form of consultation we can take.
77. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED JAKOB GATTINGER:

“That the motion be amended by changing the date on Recommendation 12 and Bylaw 13(9) from April 1 to June 30.”

Dylan Braam:
- I am told this is the date that works best for subsidiaries to submit budgets.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- Yes, it should be in the last week of June.

78. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED JAKOB GATTINGER:

“That the motion be amended by changing the date on Recommendation 12 and Bylaw 13(9) from April 1 to June 30.”

… No objections

79. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED RILEY TY:

“That the Summary be changed to reflect the change to June 30.”

… No objections

80. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

[SCD240A-19]

From the Governance Committee

“Be it resolved that Council, in accordance with Bylaw 4, direct the President to call a referendum to be held March 4-8 on the following question:

Do you support and approve amending the AMS Bylaws in accordance with the changes presented in the document entitled Proposed Changes to AMS Bylaws [as amended]?

Be it further resolved that Council endorse a Yes position in support of the proposed changes.”

81. MOVED ANDY WU, SECONDED ADA MEW:

“That the motion be amended to add the following to Bylaw 18:

1) Said policy should not allow documents being blocked in their entirety when Council determines that partial redactions would be sufficient to protect said interests.
2) Said policy should mandate that Council be informed of the blockage of records from public access before or during the most immediately ensuing Council meeting.”

Andy Wu:
- Trying to put more restrictions on the bylaw amendment to force very specific limits on how these records can be blocked.

Joella Allen:
- The first clause is good, but the second one means we’ll be notifying people in an open forum that people can’t access something; it makes things seem suspicious.
• Also this is restricting the policy we have not yet written.
• This need not be in the bylaw; it could be in the policy.

Chris Hakim:
• Part One is good, but Part Two raises concerns: it wouldn’t look good if we happen to have an ongoing investigation and we can’t talk about that.

Jon Kim:
• The only people who should be consulted should be legal advisors, not Council.
• We don’t want to discuss every single redaction at Council.

Andy Wu:
• I understand the concerns.
• I did not mean the notification to Council would be public.
• We could discuss in camera.
• We as Councillors sign confidentiality agreements and can be trusted.

82. MOVED BRYAN STARICK:

“That the two clauses be split.”

… Failed for lack of seconder

Kuol Akuechbeny:
• Thanks for this solution.
• It addresses concerns about management or the Executive hiding materials.

Joella Allen:
• If we circulate this list of documents to be blocked prior to Council, the distribution list includes the Ubyssey.
• Currently, confidential documents, such as pending contracts, can be viewed prior to a Council meeting by going to the AMS office.
• Distributing electronically is not secure, but requiring us all to go to the office is not the most accessible option.
• That doesn’t necessarily work for people
• I’m not convinced that this is pertinent to the Bylaw amendment; it belongs in the policy.

83. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED BRYAN STARICK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (16): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Kate Burnham, Ada Mew, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick

Against (3): Kuol Akuechbeny, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang
84. MOVED ANDY WU, SECONDED ADA MEW:

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.... Defeated

For (3): Kuol Akuechbeny, Arash Shadkam, Andy Wu

Against (14): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Chris Hakim, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Kate Burnham, Ada Mew, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Anican Yu

Abstained: Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Kevin Zhang

85. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM: [SCD240A-19]

From the Governance Committee

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Be it further resolved that Council endorse a Yes position in support of the proposed changes.”

86. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED MAX HOLMES:

“That debate be limited so there is no more discussion of Bylaw 18.”

Bryan Starick:
• We have had thorough debate on this part.

Andy Wu:
• When I presented my amendments, I was open to other amendments.
• I saw quite a lot of support for my first clause; it’s a shame we didn’t split the two clauses.
• With all the call to questions and limiting debate I feel we have limited the discussion on this.
• I am disappointed.

Bryan Starick:
• I was very much for the first clause and proposed the split, but it didn’t get seconded.
Dylan Braam:
- I was hoping for wide-ranging debate, but we spent two hours on one single change.
- It was clear that there were just three or four voices trying to keep us on that one issue.
- I think that was disrespectful of this Council’s time, and irresponsible.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- I don’t think it was irresponsible.
- This is democracy.
- That’s why we’re here: to express our opinions.

Jon Kim:
- Speaking is a big part of democracy.
- The other part of democracy is voting.

87. MOVED JON KIM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (18): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Kate Burnham, Ada Mew, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Anican Yu

Against (4): Kuol Akuechbeny, Chris Hakim, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

88. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED MAX HOLMES:

“That debate be limited so there is no more discussion of Bylaw 18.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (18): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Kate Burnham, Ada Mew, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Anican Yu

Against (2): Kuol Akuechbeny, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Chris Hakim, Andy Wu

89. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

[SCD240A-19]

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Dylan Braam:
- I don’t think that we have exhausted debate on the other changes.
- We brought 13 changes.
- Some Councillors have approached me about being too tired to discuss other changes they wanted to discuss.
- I continue to invite more discussion or changes.

Arash Shadkam:
- Re the Ombuds bylaw change:
- Are we taking this service away from students and directing them to UBC?
- Isn’t this like what we did with SASC, planning to refer people to UBC’s SVPRO?

Max Holmes:
- When we created our ombudsperson, there was no University Ombudsperson.
- We do still have the AMS Advocacy Office for representing students on issues with the University.
- Our Ombudsperson doesn’t handle issues with the University anymore.

90. MOVED JOELLA ALLEN, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the motion be tabled.”

… No objections

91. MOVED JOELLA ALLEN, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the time for the meeting be extended by 30 minutes.”

… Carried

For (21): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Kate Burnham, Ada Mew, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

Against (1): Matthew Epstein

92. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the motion be brought back from the table.”

… No objections
93. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED GURSHABAD SINGHERA:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Defeated

For (10): Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Ada Mew, Riley Ty

Against (7): Dylan Braam, Chris Hakim, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Arash Shadkam, Andy Wu, Anican Yu

Abstained: Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Jennifer Cheng, Kate Burnham, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Kevin Zhang

Max Holmes:
• We need to take a closer look at how we define what a member is.

94. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM: [SCD240A-19]

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Do you support and approve amending the AMS Bylaws in accordance with the changes presented in the document entitled Proposed Changes to AMS Bylaws [as amended]?

Be it further resolved that Council endorse a Yes position in support of the proposed changes.” ... Carried

For (20): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Kate Burnham, Ada Mew, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Riley Ty, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

Against (2): Kuol Akuechbeny, Andy Wu

95. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED JON KIM:

From the VP Academic & University Affairs

“Be it resolved that Council endorse the implementation of a week-long Fall Reading Break and an Extended Holiday Break for the 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 academic years by shortening the examination period to 14 consecutive examinable days.

Be it further resolved that Council endorse the creation of a UBC Vancouver Senate working group to explore the academic scheduling options that would make a full Fall
Reading Week sustainable for every year and consult with UBC Students, Faculty, and Staff on these options.”

Max Holmes:
- This is an important issue, but it’s after midnight.
- This was the largest consultation we have ever done, but I recognize flaws in the process.
- I want to recognize the thoughtfulness of the comments from the EUS in their submission.
- My office supports this motion: There was high engagement and significant support of the things we are proposing.
- Council may not be in a position to have a fulsome discussion on this after the fulsome discussion on the Bylaws.
- Council could choose to discuss this further next week at a special Council meeting, though it would be difficult for me to attend then.
- The report could go to the Student Senate Caucus without us taking a stance.
- If we wait till the next regular Council meeting, that will be after the Senate Academic Policy Committee meets: not sure how much impact we will have at that point.
- If we don’t vote on this, because we’re unable to make a decision, the AMS would stay neutral on the issue.

Jon Kim:
- Does this mean we have to decide now or wait till next year?

Max Holmes:
- Council could express an opinion at its February 27 meeting, but at that point I don’t think we would be able to influence the process.

Jon Kim:
- So the answer is yes.

Max Holmes:
- In a way.

Bryan Starick:
- A big thank-you to Max for his response to our letter (from the Engineers).
- Very impressed that we got such a quick response.
- I like the be it further resolved clause (endorsing a working group to explore options).

Arash Shadkam:
- Thank you for all the consultation.
- I thought we were going to get the results of the survey.
- I have no idea what grad students said. Or Engineering students. Or Arts students.

Max Holmes:
- Within the report there is a breakdown by faculty.
- It isn’t the final report: hoping to do that on Monday.
- Going to include as much information as we can on the data.
• Happy to share that with Council.
• We will identify the themes in the comments.

Dylan Braam:
• Pretty good work.
• Still have questions about bias, but it’s clear there is some sort of approval.
• Do you feel that the lack of an AMS Council endorsement will damage the possibility of introducing a break?
• Also I am confused: the motion talks of a week-long break, but that’s not what the report is about.

Max Holmes:
• On the first question, No:
• I don’t think whether the AMS formally endorses the break will be a major factor.
• The survey results can go to the Student Senate Caucus.
• The consultation was the main thing.
• On the question about confusion, we presented the worst case option in the report, but the motion is endorsing a full week as a pilot to see the value it gives people
• A significant comment in the survey was: why are we not pushing for a full week?
• There should be a working group on this: the Senate will probably create one.

Kate Burnham:
• One problem in the report is its talk of extending exams till December 23.
• That will cause problems.
• Earlier it was going to be December 22.
• Flight prices are astronomical after December 23.

Max Holmes:
• That was a mistake in the report. It should say the 22nd.
• We are also watching the discussion on introducing a new Reconciliation Day holiday and how that will affect the issue of maintaining the number of teaching days.

Ada Mew:
• What about the issue of multiple exams in 36 hours?

Max Holmes:
• The policy around exam hardship will still hold.

Ada Mew:
• In the survey there was a question about exams on weekends, but that’s not in the draft report.

Max Holmes:
• The consultation clearly indicated the possibility of Sunday exams.

Bryan Starick:
• There are questions on the first clause.
• I think we should approve the second clause.
96. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the motion be tabled.”

... No objections

97. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED GURSHABAD SINGHERA:

“That the meeting be extended by half an hour.”

... No objections

98. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED GURSHABAD SINGHERA:

“That the motion be brought back from the table.”

... No objections

99. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That the motion be divided.”

... No objections

100. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED JON KIM:

From the VP Academic & University Affairs

“Be it resolved that Council endorse the creation of a UBC Vancouver Senate working group to explore the academic scheduling options that would make a full Fall Reading Week sustainable for every year and consult with UBC Students, Faculty, and Staff on these options.”

Bryan Starick:
- This is a great thing.
- Let’s vote on it so Senate has an endorsement and knows the AMS opinion on it.

101. MOVED JON KIM, SECONDED JEROME GODDARD:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rd

... Defeated

For (7): Kuol Akuechbeny, Jennifer Cheng, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Ada Mew

Against (9): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Jerome Goddard, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Kate Burnham, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Anican Yu

Abstained: Max Holmes, Bryan Starick, Kevin Zhang

Max Holmes:
- It’s important to express something, and this is a productive thing, something that Senate may listen to, especially if there are several stakeholders in support of this.
102. MOVED KATE BURNHAM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the motion be amended to add the phrase ‘and Extended Holiday Break’.”

… No objections

103. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED JON KIM:

From the VP Academic & University Affairs
“Be it resolved that Council endorse the creation of a UBC Vancouver Senate working group to explore the academic scheduling options that would make a full Fall Reading Week and Extended Holiday Break sustainable for every year and consult with UBC Students, Faculty, and Staff on these options.”

Jon Kim:
- The report will be released?

Max Holmes:
- Yes.

Jon Kim:
- Isn’t that itself an endorsement?

Max Holmes:
- That’s a matter of interpretation.

Ada Mew:
- Different faculties differ.
- Need more brains to look into this.

Max Holmes:
- Senate says this needs more consultation.
- The more people you can bring together, the better the chance of success.

104. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED JON KIM:

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“Be it resolved that Council endorse the creation of a UBC Vancouver Senate working group to explore the academic scheduling options that would make a full Fall Reading Week and Extended Holiday Break sustainable for every year and consult with UBC Students, Faculty, and Staff on these options.”

… Carried

105. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED JON KIM:

From the VP Academic & University Affairs
“Be it resolved that Council endorse the implementation of a week-long Fall Reading Break and an Extended Holiday Break for the 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 academic years by shortening the examination period to 14 consecutive examinable days.”

Max Holmes:
• I am in support of this motion but not without discussion.

106. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Bryan Starick:
• I’m done and want to go home.
• We can discuss this later.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
• I am against this as there is a Finance Committee motion that needs to be passed.

Chris Hakim:
• I would like to discuss the Campus Vibe motion at this meeting.

107. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Against (19): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Kate Burnham, Ada Mew, Arash Shadkam, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Anican Yu

Abstained: Tanner Gjosund, Kevin Zhang

108. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED KUOL AKUECHBENY:

“That the motion on endorsing the Fall Reading Break be postponed indefinitely.”

For (18): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Tanner Gjosund, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Kate Burnham, Ada Mew, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

Against (5): Dylan Braam, Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Andy Wu
109. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED JON KIM:

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... Postponed indefinitely

110. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED JEROME GODDARD:  [SCD241-19]

From the Finance Committee
“That Council approve funding from the contingency budget for the purpose of funding the first year payment for Campus Vibe’s two-year contract, and that the second year payment be budgeted for in the 2019/20 Fiscal Year (excluding the Funds and Grants Optional Package expenditures).”

Note: The balance of the Contingency Fund is $127,388.79.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- We brought this to the last meeting, seeking to fund it from the Capital Projects Fund.
- Council asked if we could fund it from the Contingency instead.
- So now I’d like Council to approve it from the Contingency for the first year.
- And next year it will be budgeted for.

Dylan Braam:
- I like that Chris and Kuol brought this back.
- It’s an important contract to sign.

Riley Ty:
- I don’t have concerns about the motion, but I have concerns about the platform.
- Clubs like Campus Vibe, we were told last time, but there was a Ubyssey article suggesting otherwise.
- I’ve spoken to some clubs, and they find it slow.

Chris Hakim:
- I appreciate the feedback.
- We’re looking at the platform, removing anything confusing.
- We want clubs to think there is an efficient platform.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- We use Campus Vibe for many things.
- This is the best alternative we know of and it’s cheaper than the previous platform we used.

111. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED JEROME GODDARD:

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Abstained: Cole Evans, Ada Mew, Kevin Zhang

112. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JENNIFER CHENG:

From the Human Resources Committee
“That Council suspend Section VII: Advisory Board, Article 9(2) from the Code of Procedure, effective immediately and lasting until April 30, 2019.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Cole Evans:
- We’re hashing out the final details for the Advisory Board.
- Haven’t been able to get it up and running 100%.
- It’s going to be impossible for them to make a report as required by Code by February 28.
- So we’re suspending Code till April 30 so they can send a quarterly in May.

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O) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

P) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Q) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

R) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):
S) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

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

Marium Hamid:
- The Executive will send written reports tomorrow morning.

U) Discussion Period

V) Adjournment:

114. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED BRYAN STARICK:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

For (22): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Kate Burnham, Ada Mew, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

Against (1): Jon Kim (proxy for Jacqueline Wu)

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm.

W) Submissions:

CUS Election Results [SCD241-19]
HR Committee Dec/Jan report [SCD242-19]
AMS Funding Summary Reports [SCD243-19]
Fall Reading Break report [SCD244-19]

X) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: February 27, 2019

Y) Social Activity: Pit Night
# February 6, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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V5: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Isabelle Ava-Pointon and David Yang be appointed to the Elections Committee as Polling Officers until March 15th
V6: 5. BIRT Council call a referendum on the Grad Class fee
V7: And BIFRT that Council endorse a Yes campaign in favor of this question.
V8: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the title of Elections Administrator be changed to Chief Electoral Officer
V9: Indigenous Committee Motion
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V12: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council authorize the use of the Student Services to promote the Sexual Assault Support Services Fund referendum question being held March 4 - 8
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*Daniel Lam voted as Yash Gurnani’s proxy beginning with Motion 11.**

**Kate Burnham voted on her own behalf beginning with Motion 15.**
STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Halla Bertrand (AMS Elections Administrator), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), 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 special meeting was called to order at 3:08 pm.

B) TerritorialAcknowledgement:

The Speaker acknowledged that the meeting was taking place on the unceded, traditional, and ancestral land of the Musqueam people, also saying it is time to reflect on decolonization and reconciliation and adding that acknowledgements can only go so far.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED YASH GURNANI, SECONDED MARIUM HAMID:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

… No objections

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

Welcome to our new Members: John Segui (Social Work)

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Journalism, Population & Public Health, St. Mark’s, VST

Goodbyes:

E) Business:

2. MOVED JOELLA ALLEN, SECONDED TYRA PHILLIPS:

[SCD245-19]

From the Elections Committee

“That Council suspend Code Section IX A, Article 2(6)(a) and Code Section IX A, Article 2(9)(a, b, c) to allow the Elections Committee to determine the time and duration of the Official Campaign Period and the limits for campaign expenses and campaign expense reimbursements for the February-March 2019 elections after January 15.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

- The Speaker ruled that any candidates or proxies for candidates are in a conflict of interest and cannot vote on or debate this motion.
However, those who are just supporting a candidate or are registered volunteers for a candidate are okay.

Halla Bertrand:
- The AMS Elections Committee realizes it acted in violation of Code by changing the campaign period dates as announced on social media after the time for fixing the dates.
- This motion will address that.
- We have sent a letter to Council outlining options for changing the dates.
- We think the one we have already proposed (extending the campaign period by a week and postponing voting by a week) is the most equitable to all.
- The letter explains that the issue arose because it was learned that the University Act requires a four-week period for BoG and Senate elections between the close of nominations and the actual voting.
- Our proposed solution creates that four-week period by delaying the beginning of voting until Monday, March 11 (nominations having closed on February 15).
- This means a campaign period from Monday, February 25 to Friday, March 15, with voting from Monday, March 11 to Friday, March 15.
- This adheres to the University Act and doesn’t require the rescheduling of events.
- We will expand campaign spending levels because of the extended campaign.
- We rejected several other options:
  - Split Board of Governors and Senate from the AMS elections.
    - That would mean three weeks for some, two for others.
    - Unfair, and also some people are running for both the Executive and Board or Senate.
    - We felt having two separate ballots would be detrimental to turnout.
  - Push voting back to March 11-15, but end the campaign period March 8.
    - But that would prevent distribution of materials when voters most need it.
    - It would also require extreme vigilance by the Elections Committee to prevent campaigning during voting week.
  - Have nominations received after February 8 be declared invalid for BoG and Senate races.
    - This would unduly punish candidates not aware of the University Act and who followed the dates on the nomination forms.
    - Not sure if it viable: didn’t discuss it with the University.
- All the options have benefits and downsides.
- The one we have proposed is best for all.

Yash Gurnani:
- Was pushing the entire timeline ahead by one week considered?
- Start campaigning a week later?

Halla Bertrand:
- We could do that, but it would still be in violation of Code and we would still need a Code suspension, because we set the date for the campaign period as beginning on February 25.
Joella Allen:
- How many campaign events will happen in the third week?
- The third week wasn't planned for by candidates: they may have term papers or work to do then.
- It will be a disadvantage to them if they can't go to events.

Halla Bertrand:
- We considered this.
- The dates of the debates won't change, and those would be the three events it would be the most detrimental to miss.
- There may be some social events in the third week, but they're not as well attended.

Andy Wu:
- Will this solution be the final one?
- Or would the Elections Committee deem some other solution more reasonable?

Halla Bertrand
- No, that's the one.
- We've had comments from candidates concerned about the longer campaign period, but this is what we're doing.

Tyra Phillips:
- What are the financial implications?
- Will it cost the AMS more?
- How much?

Halla Bertrand:
- I've had discussions with the VP Finance about this.
- We're able to access a maximum of $5,000 without permission.
- The University Registrar's Office has also agreed to put in some money to cover the additional costs.
- The increase won't be a massive amount.

*Declared Conflicts of Interest (because running in the election)*:
- Max Holmes, Kuol Akuechbeny, Riley Ty, Chris Hakim, Kevin Zhang, Justin Zheng, Lucia Liang

Christina Wiesmann:
- What would happen if we fail this?

Halla Bertrand:
- We would probably go with Option 2: ending the campaign period March 8 as originally announced (but with voting the following week).
- The main people who would suffer would be the votership.
3. MOVED JOELLA ALLEN, SECONDED TYRA PHILLIPS:

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For (8): Jennifer Cheng, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Jennifer Ling, Ada Mew, Nevena Rebic, Christina Wiesmann, Andy Wu

Against (3): Joella Allen, Katherine Westerland (proxy for Bryan Starick), Tyra Phillips (proxy for Kate Burnham)

Abstained: Kuol Akuechbeny, Justin Zheng (proxy for Cole Evans), Chris Hakim, Max Holmes, Lucia Liang (proxy for Jerome Goddard), Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang

The Speaker:
- All present can vote on the next motion.
- There is no conflict.

4. MOVED MARIUM HAMID, SECONDED RILEY TY: [SCD246-19]

From the President
"Whereas Council passed motions at its meeting of February 6 directing the President to call referendums to take place March 4-8 on five questions; and

Whereas owing to technical issues concerning some of the elections to be held at the same time as the referendums, the voting period is being pushed back to March 11-15; and

Whereas according to Bylaw 4(3), Council motions to call referendums may not be passed more than 30 days before the date of the referendum,

Therefore be it resolved that Council rescind the motions of February 6 and instead direct the President to call referendums to take place March 11-15 on the following five questions:

1) Do you support and approve amending the AMS Bylaws in accordance with the changes presented in the document entitled Proposed Changes to AMS Bylaws?
2) Do you support a decrease in the Graduating Class fee from the current $7.00 to $3.00 upon graduation, to begin in September 2019?

Note 1: All money raised through the Grad Class Fee will be deposited in the Grad Class Fund and may be used only for the purpose of supporting Grad Class as defined in the AMS Code of Procedure. Any money raised through this fee but not used in a given year shall remain in the fund for use in a subsequent year for Grad Class.

3) Do you support the AMS establishing a fee of $0.95 a year to contribute to an Indigenous Student Fund, as of September 2019?

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4) Do you approve of the continuation of the U-Pass BC program with an increase to the U-Pass Fee from $41.00 per month to $42.50 per month commencing May 1, 2020, and, furthermore, approve annual increases to the U-Pass Fee of up to 2% (rounded up to the nearest nickel)?

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Be it further resolved that Council adopt a Yes position on all five of these questions.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds.
Marium Hamid:
- Now that we have changed the timeline, the referendum questions are not possible as originally passed.
- They were passed to fit the original timeline.
- We need to change the dates, but everything else is the same.
- The questions have already been debated extensively.
- We’re just amending to the right date.

Abdul Alnaar:
- Is the order of the questions as presented today the same as originally approved and will they appear on the ballot in that order?

Halla Bertrand:
- I will put them on the ballot as they are given to me by the President.

5. MOVED MARIUM HAMID, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

“That the questions be re-ordered as follows

1) SASC fee
2) Indigenous Students fee
3) U-Pass fee
4) Grad Class fee
5) Bylaws.”

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- This is violating the order from last time.

Marium Hamid:
- We are changing the order now.

Max Holmes:
- I don’t think we were passing these last time in the order we wanted them on the ballot.
- Now we are.
- We weren’t thinking about the order then.
- We’re not going against what we did.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- What order will be followed for the other referendum questions received?

Halla Bertrand:
- I haven’t received any other questions yet.
- I will put them on the ballot as directed by the Elections Committee.
- Is there anything in Code on this?
Sheldon Goldfarb:
- No.

Kuo Akuechbeny:
- Can AMS Council say they’re first?

Halla Bertrand:
- I’m not sure Council can.

Max Holmes:
- I would caution against Council telling the Elections Committee to do anything.
- They’re supposed to be at arm’s length.

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F) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: February 27, 2019

G) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:47 pm.
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V2: Be it resolved that Council suspend Code Section IX A, Article 2(6)(a) and Code Section IX A, Article 2(9)(a, b, c) to allow the Elections Committee to determine the time and duration of the Official Campaign Period and the limits for campaign expenses and campaign expense reimbursements for the February-March 2019 elections after January 15."
V3: Motion to Amend the Referendum Question as amended
V4: be it resolved that Council rescind the motions of February 6 and instead direct the President to call referendums to take place March 11-15 on the following five questions as noted on the Council Agenda for Feb 19

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Franz Kurtzke (student, Arts), Tyra Phillips (Engineering), Rodney Little Mustache (student), Brandyn Marx (student), Riya Talitha (Ubyssey), Angela O'Donnell (Ubyssey), Zak Vescera (Ubyssey), Alex Nguyen (Ubyssey), Julia Burnham (AMS staff), Michelle Marcus (AMS Sustainability), Halla Bertrand (AMS Elections Administrator), Ian Stone (Referendum Coordinator), Abdul Alnaar (Senior Manager of Student Services), Keith Hester (Managing Director), Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council)

A) Call to order
The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:
- The Speaker acknowledged that the meeting was taking place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded land of the Musqueam people, adding that learning happened on these lands long before the University was here.
- He said it was important to take the time to reflect on the reconciliation process.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED CHRISTINA WIESMANN:
   "That the agenda be adopted as presented."
   - Rodney Little Mustache asked to make a Statement from a Student at Large.
   - The Speaker said notification of these are supposed to be made before the meeting, but he allowed it.
   - Marium Hamid asked that a note be added to the Health and Dental motion to specify that the annual adjustment will be approximately 3.62% and additional psychological coverage will be approximately 1.34%.

2. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED CHRISTINA WIESMANN:
   "That the agenda be adopted as amended."
   ... Carried

For (26): Daniel Lam (proxy for Andy Wu), Joella Allen, Derek Bennett, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Gooding, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jerome Goddard, Jon Kew, Jennifer Ling, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Christina Wiesmann, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Nevena Rebic

D) Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies:
Welcome to our new Members:

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Journalism, Population & Public Health, St. Mark’s, VST

Goodbyes:

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:
- Now using Google.docs for agendas.
- If anyone has accessibility concerns impeding participation, let me know.

The Clerk:
- Further on absenteeism: Even if you send a proxy, if you don’t attend, it counts as an absence.

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

Statement 1: Franz Kurtzke:
- Council has failed to review the purpose of the Women’s Centre.
- UBC has been female-majority for three decades and is now 56% female.
- Women outnumber men by 6,000 students.
- The Women’s Centre has received $100,000 over the past ten years.
- The male minority continues to pay for the Women’s Centre, and there is no Men’s Centre.
- The only service provided for men is a Healthier Masculinities program based on hardcore feminist ideology and the notion of rape culture.
- This is not following the findings of social science, which indicate that females are as responsible as males for domestic violence.
- Indigenous males suffer more than females.
- The Social Justice Centre refuses to address male social justice issues.
- There is unaddressed male discrimination and the exclusion of male issues.
- Either defund the Women’s Centre, create a Men’s Centre, or remove the fee for male students to support the Women’s Centre.
- I call on Council to call a referendum on this.

Responses from Councillors
- Cole Evans said the report referred to in Franz’s statement emphasized the importance of sexual violence and did not disprove the existence of rape culture.
- Max Holmes: Even though the majority of students are female, the AMS is still a male-dominated area, and at UBC the Executive is male dominated. In the current AMS elections only male candidates are running for President.
- Kuol Akuechbeny: The issue is not just numbers, but power. The question is whether power has shifted.
- Kevin Zhang:
  - The $100,000 over ten years amounts to only 70 cents per student.
The AMS Women’s Centre is correcting for the externalities that exist here.
If you want a referendum, you can collect 1,000 signatures: that’s your avenue.

Statement 2: Rodney Little Mustache:
- Today Jody Wilson-Raybould is trying to bring down the government in Ottawa.
- I’m trying to do the same here.
- 2.6% of the population here are Indigenous.
- Reading the Ubyssey you can see that the AMS elections are in violation of the law because of the extension of the campaign period.
- The country’s leaders are getting away with crimes.
- It’s the same with the AMS and the election policy.
- Last year I had to go see the Ombudsperson; she suggested I bring a human rights case against the AMS.
- The referendum question for an Indigenous fee was a serious mistake.
- You should have decided here at Council to provide the funding instead of passing it off.
- I left the Indigenous Committee over this when they agreed to the referendum.
- The Ubyssey said it was Max Holmes’s idea to spend money on low income and Indigenous students when the idea came from me.
- The AMS and UBC are too close together.

Responses from Councillors
- Max Holmes:
  - I wish we’d had more time to discuss options for Indigenous funding.
  - We did bring forward several to the Indigenous Committee.
  - Ultimately, we left the room and let the Indigenous Committee discuss the fee referendum idea.
  - The Indigenous Committee is the structure we set up for Indigenous students.
  - We left it to them to decide.
  - I’ll admit that the call for $2.5 million for low income students did come from a Town Hall with Indigenous students. I’ve already said this.
- Jakob Gattinger: As the chair of the Vancouver Senate Committee to implement the University Act, I agree on the seriousness of electing people in ways that are illegal, that violate the Act. It can have ramifications to do with the legitimacy of the actions taken by the University’s Board of Governors and Senate.

G) Consent Agenda Items

3. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

AMS Council minutes dated November 28, 2018 [SCD247-19]
AMS In Camera minutes dated November 28, 2018 [SCD248-19]
AMS Council minutes dated January 9, 2019 [SCD249-19]
Executive Committee minutes dated January 9, 2019 [SCD250-19]
Executive Committee minutes dated January 17, 2019 [SCD251-19]
Executive Committee minutes dated January 24, 2019 [SCD252-19]
Executive Committee minutes dated January 31, 2019 [SCD253-19]
Executive Committee minutes dated February 7, 2019 [SCD254-19]
Governance Committee minutes dated November 27, 2018 [SCD255-19]
Governance Committee minutes dated January 17, 2019 [SCD256-19]
Governance Committee minutes dated January 25, 2019 [SCD257-19]
Governance Committee minutes dated January 29, 2019 [SCD258-19]
Governance Committee minutes dated February 1, 2019 [SCD259-19]
Advocacy Committee minutes dated January 17, 2019 [SCD260-19]

For (22): Daniel Lam (proxy for Andy Wu), Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Derek Bennett, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kew, Jennifer Ling, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Christina Wiesmann, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

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

Professional Governance Act Update – Cristina Ilnitchi [SCD261-19]
- A couple of meetings back I was directed to give updates on the Professional Governance Act, Bill 49, which sets out standards for various professions, e.g., engineering and forestry.
- The legislation will take force over three to five years.
- There is going to be consultation on regulations concerning such things as conflict of interest.
- They’re getting feedback.
- I’ve been in touch with the government to see how to participate in the consultation.
- I’ve reached out to the VP Academics in the Constituencies to be able to take something to the Advocacy Committee.
- We will possibly make a submission or provide other feedback.

Questions
Kate Burnham:
- What has the Advocacy Committee’s role been in this? The motion from Council specified their involvement.
- Is there concern about the short deadline from the government (March 4)?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- This hasn’t gone to Advocacy yet.
- I will bring back feedback from the Constituencies’ roundtable and take that to Advocacy.
- Yes, it’s a short deadline, but we’ve been told that we can send a submission afterwards: this is just for the initial stages.
Kate Burnham:
- Why has the Advocacy Committee not discussed this in the last six weeks?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Other work has been going on.
- There’s been only one Advocacy Committee meeting that I attended in that time, and we hadn’t received input yet from the Constituencies.

Dylan Braam:
- When is the next Advocacy Committee meeting?
- I have heard concerns that it is not meeting enough.

Max Holmes:
- It’s meeting tomorrow.
- People should bring their concerns directly to me.

Dylan Braam:
- Is this on the agenda for tomorrow’s meeting?

Max Holmes:
- Yes.

Riley Ty:
- It has been raised via Cristina and Max.

Kate Burnham:
- Have you been reaching out to the Constituencies?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- I have been seeking to determine the interest of the Constituencies.
- If they are interested, I’m happy to provide resources before the roundtable.

Kate Burnham:
- Are there any resources you can provide the EUS?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- I can provide more information on process, not on content.

4. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED JOELLA ALLEN:

“That the time for questions be extended for five minutes.”

... No objections

Kate Burnham:
- Timeline information would be helpful.
- What sort of deadline extension is there from the government?
Cristina Ilitchi:
- They provided us contact information.
- Broader feedback can be sent any time; for more specific feedback, the sooner the better.

**Financial Update and Reforecast – Kuol Akuechbeny**  [SCD262-19] [SCD263-19]
- Business operations have performed very well and we’re anticipating $246,000 more than we originally budgeted for.
- Investments are on course; the market has done well.
- Elections will need another $10,000: there are a lot of candidates this year, meaning more reimbursements.
- Overall the budget is on track.

**Questions**

Brandy Marx:
- The surplus from Food & Beverage revenues went into services as opposed to infrastructure, even though there are serious staff shortages (for cooks etc.).
- Nobody knows where we are with the Stellar food cart.
- We’ve lost Flipside, the only food outlet serving breakfast, so there’s no breakfast available anymore.
- Administrative support staff get food discount coupons which they should use responsibly.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- Many of us give out discount slips as appreciation, but I can look into that.
- Can also look into the Flipside idea.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

K) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

**VP Academic & University Affairs – Max Holmes**
- Academic Concession Policy working group just released its new policy, including compassionate grounds for concessions.
- Fall Reading Break:
  - The Senate Academic Policy Committee approved a working group to look into a break, creating a timeline and laying out options (including the status quo).
  - They will look into this for the 2020-21 year, and do consultations.
  - Creation of such a group is what Council endorsed at our last meeting.
- Stadium Road Neighbourhood meeting.
- Indigenous career educators.
- Revisions to UBC’s Policy 3 (on harassment): pushed to get rid of one-year time limit, and it’s gone.
- Interviewing for a new AMS Policy Advisor.
Discussed funding with the Indigenous Committee: the Indigenous Committee decided on holding a fee referendum.

- Budget money found.
- Meeting with Santa Ono re our asks.

Questions
Jeanie Malone:
- Re the Fall Reading Break: what is the status of the report?

Max Holmes:
- The report itself will go to the Student Senate Caucus.
- Also to the Advocacy Committee for information.
- The main aim of the report was really to guide the creation of a working group, and now that a working group has been created, the push for it is less.
- Now is the time for analysis of data, and then it will be sent to the March Senate meeting.

Kate Burnham:
- Will the report come to Council?

Max Holmes:
- If the report is being made public to the Senate, of course it will be available to Council.
- But I can do a separate submission to Council.

Student Services Manager – Piers Fleming
- Transition reports.
- Deadlines to apply for Coordinators and for my position: this Friday.
- eHub: RBC Get Seeded second event on March 23.
- Tutoring:
  - Communications.
  - More in the residences.
- Food Bank:
  - Seeing how to invest more in the space.
  - Seeing how to relieve food insecurity in a more economical way by buying food more efficiently.
- Safewalk:
  - Meeting UBC Security about a multi-year contract about the subsidy instead of doing one every year.

Questions
Kevin Zhang:
- Are there any plans for the expansion of the Safewalk program to reduce waiting times?

Piers Fleming:
- We used to have two cars, but that was abused, so now we have only one.
• We may pursue more volunteers.
• But wait times are not that bad.

VP Administration – Chris Hakim
• All furniture and mill work done for the Indigenous Committee space.
• Psychology increase for Health and Dental plan.
• Club allocations.
• Club elections.
• Club orientations:
  o Expanding to include more executives.
  o Adding anti-discrimination training (already do sexual violence training).
• SEEDS project about waste sorting.
• Phasing in more healthy beverages.
• Art Gallery:
  o Seventieth anniversary of permanent collection show.
  o Next show: LGBT+.

Questions
Jerome Goddard:
• Where do things stand on the MoU for Storm the Wall?

Chris Hakim:
• We’ve shifted topics now, and this is more for Max.

Max Holmes:
• Negotiating a large MoU concerning the $21 AMS athletics fee.
• Have secured a discount for club bookings.
• Re Storm the Wall: If the AMS gives free bookings for that, we’re looking for return in kind: nothing is on the table yet.

VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi
• Advocacy about open educational resources: following up.
• Student Housing Working Group: rental rights. Looking at steps forward; good progress.
• Provincial sexual violence working group: Chats about what we’d like to see, especially about who’s around the table.
• In Victoria last week for the budget.
• Big Victory: Eliminating interest on provincial student loans.
• Meeting TransLink about student engagement on various issues.
• Talking to Vancouver city councillors about housing affordability.
• Climate Action meeting with Clean BC.
• Hoping to bring student unions together to discuss base funding for postsecondary education.

Questions
Kevin Zhang asked about the composition of the housing group and whether Residence Halls were being involved.
Cristina Ilnitchi:
- It’s a big group including government and university people.
- The Residence Hall Association hasn’t been consulted:
  - Last year there was some disagreement, and this year we focused on how we can move ahead: next steps.
  - As we progress more, we’ll include the RHA and students at large.

Kate Burnham:
- Re the Professional Governance Act:
  - There was a cancelled meeting today that turned into a phone call, and we received an email today.
  - How are you planning to separate the Act from the Regulations?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- This is definitely a conversation to have.
- What we are looking for is collecting feedback.

VP Finance – Kuol Akuechbeny
- Finance team looking to prepare treasurer orientations.
- Transition reports.
- Budget: Reforecast and next year’s budget.
- Health and Dental Committee: Finalized plan to expand psychology coverage.
- IPF applications are open.

L) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Marium Hamid:
- Went to Cannexus, a national career development conference in Ottawa, discussing the skills gap.
- Joined UBC on a tour of several universities.
- Met with the President of Universities Canada about integrated federal funding.
- Interviewing to hire an Indigenous Executive Assistant.
- The Executives met Ainsley Carry, the incoming VP Students and talked about the Fall Reading Break, consultations, and AMS Services.
- Made a presentation to the UNA about consultation on the AMS seat on their board: made it clear we’d like to keep that seat.
- Our Referendum Coordinators and the Comms team are at work on the referendum campaigns: printing of materials is being done.
- Starting a conversation at Senate about fossil fuel divestment: hope Senate will provide a statement.

Questions
Jerome Goddard:
- Re the relationship with the UNA: If we don’t get the seat back, what can we expect going forward?
Marium Hamid:
- We emphasized the benefits of the relationship.
- The AMS has been supportive of UBC subsidies to UNA members for such things as the Recreational Facility, but we may no longer support preferential rates for non-students if we don’t feel the UNA is interested in the relationship.

K) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

Managing Director – Keith Hester
- Business and Administration budgets.
- Working on the third quarterly report and preliminary budget with Kuol.
- Block Party line-up to be announced March 4.
- New e-transfer system.

Questions
Cole Evans:
- Concerns have been expressed about the delay in releasing the line-up: what’s the rationale?
- Some people want to know who’s playing before buying tickets.

Keith Hester:
- We always do the announcement at the end of February.
- It’s common practice to put tickets on sale before the announcement of the line-up.

Jerome Goddard:
- Is there any way to drop the prices of Welcome Back Barbecue and Block Party?

Keith Hester:
- It’s unlikely because production costs are up and artists are demanding higher wages, and in US dollars.

Marium Hamid:
- Reducing prices means money comes from somewhere else in the AMS and could affect services.

Kevin Zhang:
- What was the number of Super Early Bird tickets?

Keith Hester:
- They did sell out quite quickly.
- There were a lot: 500 or 1,000.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Advocacy Committee – Max Holmes
- Fall Reading Break.
- Equity Caucus: want to make sure we’re not rushed in creating an equity structure.
• Academic Experience Survey is out now: hoping to exceed last year's record number of responses.
• Transit: Discussing the SkyTrain to UBC and the U-Pass.

Questions
Kate Burnham:
• Who is responsible for the Advocacy Committee not discussing the Professional Governance Act?
• Why are you not following the will of this board?

Max Holmes:
• We are trying to follow the sentiments of this board.
• Been working with the VP External to have something brought when we can be informed.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• I’m spearheading the charge on this.
• The first update is just a plan of action going forward.
• This will definitely be a conversation at Advocacy Committee, with continued updates to Council.

Kate Burnham:
• So it’s not a failure of Advocacy but under the curation of the VP External?

Max Holmes:
• Cristina has been trying to follow the recommendation of Council.
• Advocacy Committee is ready to meet.
• We’re always scheduling issues and want our meetings to be as informed as possible.

5. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED BRYAN STARICK:

“That Code be suspended to allow three additional questions to the Advocacy Committee.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried

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Against (1): Marium Hamid

Abstained: Derek Bennett, Max Holmes
Questions continued:

Bryan Starick:
- This was a mandate from Council, not just a recommendation.
- If the six-week timeline mandated at Council was not possible, why was nothing said at the time?

Max Holmes:
- I did not know then whether the timeline was adequate or not.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Throughout the timeline other things popped up, like the budget lockdown.
- I’m still very dedicated to doing work on the Professional Governance Act.
- There is still time to capture students’ thoughts.

Bryan Starick:
- Why should a mandate of Council take a back seat to other matters?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- It’s not a back seat; it’s a balance.

Riley Ty:
- There has been a precedent of poor timing and PR delays.
- How can this be improved?

Max Holmes:
- Timing in advocacy is a very fluid thing.
- We always want to influence the decision.
- Sometimes UBC wants a quicker response, before there is time for the Advocacy Committee to comment.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- The past PR delays were not planned.
- The SkyTrain campaign was on short notice: things do pop up.

**HR Committee – Cole Evans**
- Going to look at Executive staff structures.
- Looking at the Ombuds role and SVPREP (the Sexual Violence and Respectful Environment Policy).
- The Advisory Board is to be convened really soon.
- Hiring of the Chief Electoral Officer (the former Elections Administrator) and the Ombudsperson is going forward: advertising going up March 1 as mandated by Code.
- Probably extending the contract for the Speaker of Council.

**Student Life Committee – Jerome Goddard**
- We have Code changes ready for the Grad Class Subcommittee.
• Looking into how best to prepare Councillors, including UBC Wellness training.
• Drafting annual engagement strategy.

**Governance Committee – Dylan Braam**
• Freed from the Bylaw review.
• Policy I-9 (Executive Goals).
• Discussion of recommendations stemming from the Discussion Period last semester.
• Been working on meeting times.
• Potential changes to Council rules.
• Audit Committee.

**Finance Committee – Kuol Akuechbeny**
• Looking at budgets and reports.

**Operations Committee – Chris Hakim**
• Revising bookings policy.
• New Operations Committee Manual.
• Reviewing I-7 (the Expulsion Policy).

**Steering Committee – Marium Hamid**
• More meetings in the last few months than in the previous few years.
• Developing guiding principles for the AMS.

**New SUB Committee – Chris Hakim**
• No update.

**SHAPE – Marium Hamid**
• No update.

**Brewery Committee – Chris Hakim**
• No update.

**Questions**

Dylan Braam:
• When was the last time it met?

Chris Hakim:
• Can’t remember, but I have been working with Land & Food.

Jerome Goddard:
• Can the representative from Land & Food comment?

Andria Coulbourn:
• Chris has been meeting with the Dean of Land & Food.
N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

Marium Hamid:
- Meeting soon to discuss All-Presidents Dinner, Just Desserts, and Councillor Orientation.

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

BoG – Jeanie Malone
- Met by teleconference on the snow day, so deferred a lot of topics.
- Next full Board meeting is April 18.
- Search for new Board secretary is kicking off.

Senate – Hannah Xiao
- Discussion of learning spaces.
- Policy on 12:30-2 pm break, when no classes are supposed to happen (but the policy is not followed).

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
- I was asked a few months ago, Who gives birth to the most AMS Presidents?
- I thought, Their mothers?
- But what was meant was what office did Presidents hold before becoming President?
- In the past 39 elections, the winning candidate for President most of the time (25 times out of 39) was already a member of the AMS Executive:
  - 7 were the VP Administration
  - 7 were the VP Academic
  - 6 were the VP External
  - 4 were the VP Finance
  - 1 was the sitting President.
- Others who became President included:
  - 5 student BoG reps
  - 3 SUS Presidents
  - 2 Arts reps on Council
  - 1 EUS President (aka the Engineers’ Cairn)
  - 1 AVP
  - 1 Residence Association president (at Gage)
  - 1 Student Services Manager (Marium Hamid, our current President).

Council took a six-minute recess at 8 pm.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:
R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

S) Committee Motions:

6. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED COLE EVANS: [SCD264-19]

From the Student Life Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Student Life Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Grad Class Council’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Jerome Goddard:
- In the past few years there has been confusion and lack of oversight over the Grad Class Council.
- People have been looking into how to do this.
- What we’ve come up with is a way to provided accountability and oversight by making the Grad Class Council a subcommittee of the Student Life Committee.
- The Grad Class Fund itself will be jointly managed by the Student Life Committee and the Finance Committee.
- We are mostly removing the Grad Class Council from Code.
- The Terms of Reference for the new Subcommittee has been sent around for information. It contains details on the new structure.

Jakob Gattinger:
- This is a good change.
- There were lots of problems filling the Grad Class Council.
- In Code it should say the fund will be managed in consultation with graduating students.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- Or it could say administered by the Finance Committee on the recommendation of the Student Life Committee.

7. MOVED JAKOB GATTINGER, SECONDED JOELLA ALLEN:

“That the Code amendment be amended to add the phrase ‘in consultation with graduating students’.”

... Carried

For (24): Daniel Lam (proxy for Andy Wu), Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Derek Bennett, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Gooding, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jerome Goddard, Jon Kew, Jennifer Ling, John Segui, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang
8. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

**From the Student Life Committee**
“That Council adopt the report of the Student Life Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Grad Class Council’ [as amended] and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

9. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED CHRIS GOODING:

“That the Code amendment be amended to remove the term ‘jointly’ and to say the fund will be administered by the Finance Committee on the recommendation of the Student Life Committee.”

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- This is the way many Code funds are set up. One body recommends, the other administers.

Jerome Goddard:
- It’s already in the Terms of Reference.
- I’m against this.
- Let’s leave the Code flexible.

Marium Hamid:
- Finance should just be saying whether the money is available.
- If they become the ones administering, then they will be the ones approving and deciding on projects.

Hannah Xiao:
- I support Kuol’s amendment.
- It’s good to be more explicit in Code.
- A Terms of Reference is different from Code.

Marium Hamid:
- I definitely agree with Finance doing the financial side.
- If we say jointly administered, that gives both of them the power to look into the gifts.
- “Jointly” captures a higher level of oversight.

10. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried
For (22): Daniel Lam (proxy for Andy Wu), Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Derek Bennett, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Gooding, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jerome Goddard, Jon Kew, Jennifer Ling, John Segui, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang

Against (1): Chris Hakim

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… Defeated

For (1): Kuol Akuechbeny

Against (17): Daniel Lam (proxy for Andy Wu), Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Dylan Braam, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Chris Gooding, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jerome Goddard, Jon Kew, John Segui, Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Derek Bennett, Matthew Epstein, Tanner Gjosund

12. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

From the Student Life Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Student Life Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Grad Class Council’ [as amended] and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Jakob Gattinger:

• The application deadline is tomorrow.

Jerome Goddard:

• This was going to come to the last Council.
• We will extend the deadline.

13. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

From the Student Life Committee

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… Carried
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14. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JENNIFER CHENG: 

From the HR Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Human Resources Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Collective Bargaining’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Cole Evans:

- This is a clean-up of Code.
- This part still says the Advisory Board is involved in collective bargaining, even though elsewhere in Code it no longer says that.
- There’s no need for them to be involved.
- This redesigns the collective bargaining structure to involve the Executive, the Managing Director, and the Finance Committee.
- The Managing Director and the HR Manager have been consulted.

15. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JENNIFER CHENG:

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16. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED MATTHEW EPSTEIN:  

From the Governance Committee

“That Council on the recommendation of the Governance Committee revise Policy I-9 (Executive Goal Setting and Reporting Policy) as indicated in the draft revision presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Dylan Braam:
- There were some issues with the old policy.
- The timeline was not reasonable.
- The new version updates the timeline.
- This policy is important in setting the relationship between Executive and Council.
- Hopefully, it will dovetail with what Steering Committee has been discussing.

17. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED MATTHEW EPSTEIN:

**From the Governance Committee**

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For (26): Daniel Lam (proxy for Andy Wu), Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Derek Bennett, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Gooding, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jerome Goddard, Jon Kew, Jennifer Ling, John Segui, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang

18. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED JEROME GODDARD:

**From the Health & Dental Plan Committee**

“Be it resolved that on the recommendation of the Health & Dental Plan Committee, Council approve a 5% increase in the AMS/GSS Health & Dental Plan fee for September 2019.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Note 2: The annual adjustment is approximately 3.62% and the additional psychological coverage is approximately 1.34%.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- This is a very good motion.
- It’s also going to be voted on by the GSS Council.
- It needs to be approved by both us and the GSS.
- I want to thank Chris Hakim for coming up with the idea for additional psychological coverage, increasing it from $300 to $500.
- We can make this increase without going to referendum.

Daniel Lam:
- Why is a referendum not needed?
Kuol Akuechbeny:
- We can go up to 5% without going to referendum.

Abdul Alnaar:
- Are psychological services covered alone or with other services?

Marium Hamid:
- This is supposed to be standalone.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- This will allow more sessions.

Marium Hamid:
- Would like to thank Keith for the amazing relationships he developed with TRG, Pacific Blue Cross, and Studentcare.
- His negotiating was instrumental in obtaining this for us.

Chris Hakim:
- The increase from $300 to $500 is important because $300 is not enough to go to enough sessions.
- A big thanks to the Health and Dental Committee and Marium.

Jakob Gattinger:
- I want to go beyond just saying thank you to Keith.
- I’ve listened to Keith come to Council and answer questions on all sorts of things, even individual breakfast items.
- It’s important to say thanks in a motion.

19. MOVED JAKOB GATTINGER, SECONDED JON KEW:

“That the motion be amended by adding a clause thanking the Managing Director for his efforts on this.”

... Carried

For (26): Daniel Lam (proxy for Andy Wu), Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Derek Bennett, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Gooding, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jerome Goddard, Jon Kew, Jennifer Ling, John Segui, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang

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Max Holmes:
- With the new Executive Director on the UBC side, will there be integrating?
- What are we doing to inform UBC about what we have available so they can communicate it to students?

Marium Hamid:
- We’ve met with them to discuss the landscape of mental health care: Empower Me, psychology coverage, etc.
- More promotional material will be provided.

21. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED JEROME GODDARD:

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T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

U) Discussion Period

Committee Reports
Dylan Braam thanked Jerome Goddard and Cole Evans for submitting reports.
Constituency Elections

Jakob Gattinger:
- There have been some problems with election procedures.
- This is not a criticism of the Elections Committee: they’ve done a good job.
- But I’ve been frustrated by the downloading of mandates onto Constituencies.
- There are a set of stipulations in the Code for Constituency elections that are a mile long, and some are questionable: do Constituencies really need to have elections committees?
- It is hypocritical to download so many rules onto Constituencies when we are not following the rules for our own elections.
- Our most fundamental job is renewal through elections, but our own house is not in order on this.
- We don’t have a contract with BoG and Senate for running their elections, as is required by Code.
- There was the whole problem with the date of the elections.
- There are serious problems in communicating the newly passed rules to the Constituencies.

Jerome Goddard:
- We’ve been struggling with this in AUS council.

Max Holmes:
- As a former Elections Administrator, I do think communications with the Constituencies needs to be better.
- Maybe we should be requiring communications when we change Code.
- I want to recognize that the Elections Committee is doing an amazing job.
- When the Elections Administrator leaves, she can write a report to Council and the Governance Committee with recommendations for changes.
- It is a burden for the Elections Committee to oversee Constituency elections and make sure everyone is following the 25 rules.

Dylan Braam:
- I definitely think this is something Governance can look into.
- On the issue of notifying Constituencies, it’s concerning that the AMS doesn’t, but we are representatives of the AMS to the Constituencies as well as the other way around. It’s two-way communication.
- As Constituency reps we should ensure changes get communicated back. That’s our job.

Jakob Gattinger:
- I’m not advocating for repeal of the restrictions on Constituency elections.
- But the AMS elections need to be run perfectly, or they are open to challenge.

V) Submissions:
ToR for Grad Class Subcommittee of Student Life Committee [SCD268-19]
Steering Committee monthly report [SCD269-19]
January+February AMS Student Life Report [SCD270-19]
CCP Referendum Petition [SCD271-19]
Gov Com Feb Report [SCD272-19]
Q3 Financial Report [SCD273-19]

W) Next Meeting:
   Next Meeting: March 13, 2019

X) Adjournment:
   There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Y) Social Activity: Pit Night
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Chris Hakim                                  | Y  | Y  | Y  |    |    |    |    |    | Y  | Y   | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Moira Wyton (Ubyssey), Alex Nguyen (Ubyssey), Angela O’Donnell (Ubyssey), Zak Vescera (Ubyssey), Ian Stone (AMS Referendum Coordinator), Michelle Marcus (AMS Sustainability), Abdul Alnaar (Senior Manager of Student Services), Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council), Joanne Pickford (Admin Assistant)

A) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

- The Speaker acknowledged that the meeting was taking place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded land of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓-speaking xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) people, adding that learning happened on these lands long before the University was here.
- He said it was important to take the time to reflect on the decolonization process underway on this campus, adding that an acknowledgement can only go so far.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

   ... Carried

   For (29): Nikol Grishin (proxy for Andrew Au), Joella Allen, Derek Bennett, Kate Burnham, Andria Coulbourn, Katherine Westerlund (proxy for Dylan Braam), Matthew Epstein, Daniel Lam (proxy for Gurshabad Singhera), Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilitch, Jon Kew, Mark Leung, Jennifer Ling, Ada Mew, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Christina Wiesmann, Andy Wu, Jacqueline Wu, Evan Zhou

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

Welcome to our new Members: Mark Leung (St. Mark’s: first representative ever), Muse Greenwood (VST)

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Journalism, Population & Public Health,

Goodbyes: Abdul Alnaar said goodbye to Jakob Gattinger (Board of Governors) and thanked him for his years of service.
E) Speaker's Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:
- Any accessibility needs, let me know.
- If you have any questions about the election appeals process, please get in touch. (My ruling in the appeal I heard has been sent to Council.)
- Jakob Gattinger asked that a Discussion Period topic be added on the appeal.

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

G) Consent Agenda Items

2. MOVED YASH GURNANI, SECONDED JEROME GODDARD:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Executive Committee minutes dated February 14, 2019 [SCD274-19]
Advocacy Committee minutes dated February 14, 2019 [SCD275-19]
Steering Committee minutes dated February 14, 2019 [SCD276-19]
AMS Council minutes dated January 23, 2019 [SCD277-19]
AMS In Camera Council minutes dated January 23, 2019 [SCD278-19]

… Carried

For (26): Nikol Grishin (proxy for Andrew Au), Joella Allen, Derek Bennett, Andria Coulbourn, Katherine Westerlund (proxy for Dylan Braam), Matthew Epstein, Daniel Lam (proxy for Gurshabad Singhera), Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kew, Mark Leung, Jennifer Ling, Ada Mew, John Segui, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Jacqueline Wu, Kevin Zhang, Evan Zhou

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

I) Appointments

J) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Marium Hamid
- New hires:
  - New Policy Advisor, former AMS staffer Patrick Meehan (he was AVP External).
  - New HR Generalist (Celia Chung), so there is a full HR team now.
  - First ever Indigenous Executive Student Assistant (Jennifer Cameron).
- Rec building:
  - We had a referendum to fund a big building to ensure we have the recreational facility we lack.
  - The AMS is paying $22.5 million out of a total project cost of $55 million.
By the end of my term I’m seeking an MoU on the building and the fees.

- **Elections:**
  - Both Referendum Coordinators are working very hard: booting, visiting Constituencies.
  - Want to have an amazing turnout.

- **Block Party:**
  - Details on how you can get your free tickets tomorrow.
  - Super happy: ticket sales are amazing, and there’s an amazing line-up.

- **Grad Class gift:**
  - Jerome did a great job on this.
  - Looking to have people join the Grad Class Subcommittee.
  - Message Jerome: there will be a form on the website tomorrow for people to join.
  - And they will be looking for gift proposals.

**Questions**

Jerome Goddard:

- What happened to our previous Policy Advisor?
- How do you guarantee continuity in this position?

Mariam Hamid:

- Jason Tockman, the former Policy Advisor, was here a few months but got his dream job.
- Now we will have someone new, someone with AMS history who is invested in the AMS.
- I’m certain he will make a great contribution to the AMS.

**K) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):**

**VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi**

- Part-time lately, taking a “vacation.”
- Working on advocacy on OER’s (Open Educational Resources):
  - Provincial and federal asks.
  - Want to work with other groups to collaborate
- Clean BC:
  - Making sure students are part of the consultation.
  - Working with the Sustainability Collective to organize an event.
- Melanie Mark, the Minister of Advanced Education, is visiting tomorrow to announce the elimination of student loan interest: a good thing to celebrate.
- UCRU (Undergraduates at Canadian Research-intensive Universities):
  - Working group on governance and policy.
  - Broad policy asks.
- Professional Governance Act:
  - Date for a roundtable next week.
- Looking to a campaign at the federal level on copyright.
**VP Administration - Chris Hakim**
- Technically on vacation, but always around for Council.
- Clubs locker and office space.
- All-Presidents Dinner.
- Renewing clubs: elections.
- Executive orientations for clubs, including sexual violence training.
- Sustainability: proposal about composter.
- New signage to promote the use of water fountains.
- Art Gallery:
  - Show for the 70th anniversary of the permanent collection went well.
  - Art Gallery Manager Maxim Greer’s show is on right now.
- Working on transition reports

**Questions**

Andria Coulbourn:
- About the composter, are you selling it? Relocating it?

Chris Hakim:
- Reviving it.
- Sustainability is a key part of the VP Admin portfolio.
- It’s being moved to the farm and repurposed.

Jakob Gattinger:
- How do you feel about taking your vacation during elections?

Chris Hakim:
- I love the AMS so much I want to be around here.

Marium Hamid:
- All the execs on vacation have actually come in to sign cheques, chair committees, etc.
- Work is still getting done.

Jakob Gattinger:
- Maybe we should look into how to be regulating vacations.
- You should take an actual break.

The Speaker:
- Yes, for mental health.

**VP Academic & University Affairs – Max Holmes**
- Thanks for caring, Jakob.
- Budget discussions with Santa Ono are going well.
- Looks like the vast majority of our asks will get funding.
- Two referendum questions on the ballot from petitions:
  - My team patiently counted signatures, did an amazing job.
• The Academic Experience Survey is open, and responses are on track with last year, but we may extend it.
• The Academic Concession Policy is up for consultation.
• The Fall Reading Break Report is 99% done: the Advocacy Committee will see it.
• The Cost of Learning Materials proposal is going to Senate.
• VP Academic Caucus attendance issues.
• Two of my staff are at a professional development conference.

Questions
Jerome Goddard:
• Your staff are lucky to go to a conference.
• Is it possible to provide opportunities like that to all students, not just our staff?

Max Holmes:
• Actually there was an open announcement to all students, but the University reached out to me because there were so few applications.
• We can look into advertising more.

Student Services Manager – Piers Fleming
• Hiring my successor and Coordinators and Assistant Coordinators.
• Transition reports.
• Joint rolling workshop.
• Psychedelic drug panel.
• Karmik, a harm reduction organization focusing on naloxone, will be at Block Party.

Questions
Darren Touch:
• Who is leading the sessions at the joint rolling workshop?

Piers Fleming:
• The Vice Coordinator: apparently she’s experienced.

VP Finance – Kuol Akuechbeny
• Getting ready for new team.
• Updating credit card policies.
• Funding for clubs: progress, feedback.

Questions
Katherine Westerlund:
• Will you be soliciting feedback on the credit cards from Clubs and Constituencies?

Kuol Akuechbeny:
• Yes, to find out what if anything is going wrong.
L) Consultation Period

**EUS fee referendum – Jakob Gattinger**
- Wanted to let everyone know that the EUS is having a fee referendum.
- Wanted to see if anyone has problems with the text.
- Our thinking is if no one has issues now, we'll expect none later.
- This is for a $2 fee to pay for the UBC Engineering Design Teams Advisory Council (EDTAC).

Keith Hester:
- On March 18 we are going to send in our list of fees to the Board of Governors.
- That’s already an extension, and this referendum will happen after that.

Max Holmes:
- Some years they’ve accepted fee changes after the deadline, even at the June BoG meeting.

Jeanie Malone:
- Our Board secretary has set very early dates, but I do understand fees can be submitted in June.
- April is preferable, but this should be fine.

Max Holmes:
- Maybe ask for a further extension.

Chris Hakim:
- What is the UBC Engineering Design Team Advisory Council?

Katherine Westerlund:
- We have 31 design teams.
- The fee will produce a fund to which the teams can apply.

Chris Hakim:
- Is this tied to CPI?

Katherine Westerlund:
- It’s $2 a year for five years: we don’t want to increase it.

Jeanie Malone:
- This is a pool of money people apply for, a float of money.
- It doesn’t need to change with respect to inflation.

Chris Hakim:
- Is there a contingency plan if this fails?

Katherine Westerlund:
- The EUS would fund it themselves.
• Our intent is to have dedicated funds for our design teams.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

**Advocacy Committee – Max Holmes**
• Discussed Professional Governance Act.
• The Fall Reading Break Working Group was created: its report is to be finalized and published.
• Update on Academic Concession.
• Budget update.
• Equity Caucus: discussion taking longer than expected, but we want to make sure to get it right.

**HR Committee – Darren Touch**
• Meeting soon.

**Student Life – Jerome Goddard**
• Grad class information coming out.
• Working on recommendations for Council Handbook.
• Talked to UBC Rec about Move U: opportunities for collaboration on exercises.

**Governance Committee – Chris Hakim**
• Working on Audit Committee: developing framework, consulting Managing Director and VP Finance.
• Working on Code changes re contracts and privacy concerns.

**Finance Committee – Kuol Akuechbeny**
• Projects funded.
• Approved Contingency Budget procedures, to come to Council next time.
• Discussed criteria for expenditures by clubs and Constituencies.
• Working on preliminary budget: hope to finish as much as possible before new team comes in.
• Approved wage rate changes needed because of increase in the minimum wage: will send them to HR Committee next.
• A meeting about IPF: funded 12 projects.

*Questions*
Kevin Zhang:
• Re IPF: Perhaps publicize it so more can apply.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
• It’s on our website; we do our best.
• Will talk about it at orientations.

Andy Wu:
• Re changes to salaries: Will our lowest wage be at the minimum or above?
Kuol Akuechbeny:
- We tried to be consistent and considered affordability.
- Our Tier One rate of $13.80 reflects minimum wage.

Jerome Goddard:
- How have you used your vacation?

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- I was on vacation in June, also in December.
- Did a professional development course.

Operations Committee – Chris Hakim
- Unable to host because of being on vacation.
- The vice-chair hosted.
- Reviewed the Operations Committee manual.

Steering Committee – Marium Hamid
- Looking to produce a large master calendar of Council dates:
  - Every committee and Council should tell us what they’re doing.
  - Hope to finish it for next year’s onboarding.
- Committee goals and reports ineffective: want to combine the two so that reports include goals.
- Orientations: looking into what penalty to impose for missing it.
- Advisory Board: first meeting this month.

New SUB Committee – Chris Hakim
- No update.
- Nothing but Norm Theatre.

SHAPE Committee – Marium Hamid
- No update.

Brewery Committee – Chris Hakim
- No update.

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

Marium Hamid:
- Hasn’t met.
- Hope to meet by the end of the month.
- It will probably be our last meeting and will discuss Orientations and financial approvals.

O) Board of Governors, Senate, Ombudsperson & Historical Update Reports (2 minutes each):
BoG – Jakob Gattinger
- Thanks for your comments, Abdul.
- Board working groups meet March 20.
- Then the committees April 1 and 2.
- April 18 full Board.
- Hiring of new Board secretary underway.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
- Sherwood Lett, the first AMS President, is back [shows picture].
- We will soon have him up on the wall where he was before he mysteriously went missing.
- Norman MacKenzie and Evelyn Lett will also be put back up: we now have digital copies of them and of Sherwood Lett.

Questions
Chris Hakim:
- The Council vacancy list is getting very small: is this the lowest it’s been?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- I believe it is.
- Thanks to Halla for reaching out to the missing Constituencies.

Daniel Lam:
- When will the Councillor of the Year plaque be back?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Next meeting.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:

R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

S) Committee Motions:

T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

3. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED JOELLA ALLEN:

"Whereas the Governance Review has supported the development of an Equity Caucus,

Be it resolved that the Advocacy Committee revisit an Equity Caucus framework and submit to Council a proposed framework, no later than the first Council meeting of November 2019, for feedback and consultation."
Riley Ty:
- Max mentioned the Equity Caucus.
- We’ve had problems staffing it: the last time was in the summer.
- Now it’s being renewed.
- This motion is meant to make sure it keeps going.

Max Holmes:
- The spirit of this motion is a priority, but it’s part of the Advocacy Committee’s goals and should have gone to the Advocacy Committee.
- We did discuss this at the Advocacy Committee.
- It’s important to respect the committee process.
- I respect wanting a timeline, but we have not consulted the groups involved to see if it’s their timeline.
- We do not have enough information.
- I’d be open to referring this to the Advocacy Committee so there can be consultation.

Andy Wu:
- This motion presents a very lenient timeline.
- It doesn’t hinder other processes or consultations.
- I am on the committee and although this was not voted on at the last meeting, there was a very robust discussion and talk of the need for such a motion.
- Riley took the initiative. I have no problem with that. I see no need to kick it back to committee.

Max Holmes:
- There were only four people at our last Advocacy Committee meeting, so not everyone was able to be consulted.
- I don’t feel the committee process was respected: there was ample opportunity to move this motion at committee.
- I wish we’d consulted the groups involved; then the motion could be more robust and say who to consult with.
- This is not a finished motion.

Joella Allen:
- This motion works well because it doesn’t have much detail.
- We’ve talked in the past about prescriptive motions, which can sometimes be a problem.
- We may not know every single group that needs to be consulted.
- This is being lenient on who to consult and allows the Advocacy Committee to pursue the best options.
- Or maybe they can come to us earlier and ask for direction.
- This gives them more agency.

Jakob Gattinger:
- The Governance Review is mentioned here.
- People may want to see it; we could send it out.
Katherine Westerlund:
- Could Riley or Joella tell us what the Equity Caucus is and what the difference is between a caucus and a committee?

Joella Allen:
- A caucus is a group where different stakeholders, especially from underrepresented groups, can meet and present their perspective.
- We have struggled to fill the positions; that’s why I support revisiting the framework.

Max Holmes:
- We have Standing Committees, Extraordinary Committees (like the Indigenous Committee), ad hoc committees (like the Brewery Committee), and the Executive Committee, which all report to Council.
- Caucuses are not in the Code; they’re something the AMS uses when it wants to engage people.
- For the Equity Caucus there’s a question about whether it should be a subcommittee under the Advocacy Committee or have a different structure like the VP Academic Caucus.
- Subcommittees sit under Standing Committees.
- Blue and Gold is another caucus.
- A caucus is a little more fluid and dynamic than a committee.

Muse Greenwood:
- How is the term underrepresented defined?
- And I’d like to ask Andy if he felt respected by the process.

Max Holmes:
- The criteria for underrepresented groups in the Caucus has been changing, but it includes LGBTQ2S+, Pride, Persons of Colour (i.e., Colour Connected), the UBC Student Diversity Initiative.
- It was going to include Indigenous students, but now that there’s an Indigenous Committee, it may not, though it may still.
- We have consulted the above groups and all the other Resources Groups and Equity and Diversity UBC.

Andy Wu:
- Yes, I felt respected as a committee member in this process.

Marium Hamid:
- The Governance Review was fairly ambiguous on this, on the issue of representation.
- Faculty is one way to represent students; identity is another.
- The Governance Review suggested exploring representation by identity.
- Other universities have had significant struggles with this.
- It’s a big question, trying to determine who is underrepresented, who is seeking equity, who do we consult.
- And identity is intersectional.
- It will be important to hear about the work that has been done first before we revisit the framework as this motion says to do.
We need to take a step back.

Andy Wu:
- I was one of the original members of the Equity Caucus in November 2016.
- The terms of reference were much different then.
- We were called Officers of Council and were meant to interact with Council as a whole.
- The scope of the caucus was bigger; it included economic equity.
- Commuter students and international students were involved.
- Also Varsity athletes and Greek Life (the fraternities and sororities).
- Consultation is ongoing; the process is already starting.
- Work is underway; this motion is only asking the Advocacy Committee to come back with a framework in November 2019.
- Not even to be passed then, just to get feedback.
- That’s not too much to ask.
- This is just Riley taking the initiative.
- Personally, as a Caucus member at that time, I didn’t get to do anything.

Jerome Goddard:
- I’m going to abstain.
- It’s not clear to me that the committee process has been followed, and I’m concerned about other motivations.
- I don’t love everything happening here.

Max Holmes:
- It’s 100% within people’s rights to bring this, and I empathize with people’s passion.
- It’s bypassed Cristina, who’s been leading this [and who was out of the room for this discussion].
- She could have written about this.
- It would have been good to have a report.
- We haven’t had the most informed person here [Cristina].
- This could have been done better: at the next meeting after receiving information.

Bryan Starick:
- Point of order:
- There are rules limiting the number of times someone can speak to a motion; they should not speak more than twice.

The Speaker:
- You are right; I was a little lax.

[Cristina Ilnitchi re-entered.]

Chris Hakim asked Riley Ty if he had consulted with any of the relevant groups.

Riley Ty:
- Not the Student Resource Groups.
- I did consult others on the Advocacy Committee.
Yash Gurnani:
- Riley did bring this up at the Advocacy Committee.
- It’s not true that the Advocacy Committee had no idea.
- The motion is fairly lenient.

4. MOVED YASH GURNANI, SECONDED MATTHEW EPSTEIN:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (13): Derek Bennett, Kate Burnham, Katherine Westerlund (proxy for Dylan Braam), Matthew Epstein, Daniel Lam (proxy for Gurshad Singhera), Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Hannah Xiao (proxy for Jennifer Cheng), Jennifer Ling, Ada Mew, Bryan Starick, Riley Ty, Andy Wu

Against (10): Andria Coulbourn, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Chris Hakim, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Darren Touch, Evan Zhou

Abstained: Nikol Grishin (proxy for Andrew Au), Marium Hamid, Jon Kew, Mark Leung, Christina Wiesmann, Kevin Zhang

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- This is a really important motion.
- It’s important to have a timeline.
- This was discussed at the Advocacy Committee, but this is not the most appropriate time for the motion: we have not yet discussed this with some of the relevant groups.
- The Equity Caucus needs to take a different shape; we don’t know if this is the right structure anymore.
- Its goal has transformed this year.
- It’s important to bring a bigger plan and not just go ahead the way we did before.
- A lot more information can be brought to Council very soon.

Chris Hakim:
- I would like to emphasize the most important group in this, the marginalized students.
- We need to listen to the communities affected by this timeline.

5. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED EVAN ZHOU:

“That this motion be tabled to the next Council meeting.”

Jerome Goddard:
- It’s becoming clear that half of Council doesn’t know what the Equity Caucus is.
- We need more time for people to consult.
- I don’t feel ready to vote.
Riley Ty:
- We all agree about consultation.
- This motion does not stop consultation.

Katherine Westerlund:
- I’m confused because it seems the Advocacy Committee is already doing the revisiting, so why not just do this?
- What specific information do we want to come to Council in order to vote on this motion?

Jakob Gattinger:
- Notice of a motion is a consultation.
- The member did give notice: you can reach out to them: consultation goes both ways. You can reach out to them, and they can reach out to you.
- When proposing that an internal body look into something, there’s a lower standard.

Muse Greenwood:
- I asked what the marginalized groups are.
- This is actually an ongoing conversation: no matter how you present information, you’re going to be behind: things change.
- I don’t think it’s fair to say Riley didn’t speak to people: he spoke to the committee.
- This motion just says to start the conversation.
- It’s not being disrespectful to the work done by the VP External; it’s just starting the conversation.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- My problem is not with the spirit of this motion.
- I’d prefer if it read that I would bring back a report to Council so that Councillors would be more informed.

Andria Coulbourn:
- If this fails, would it go back to Advocacy?

Max Holmes:
- If the motion to table fails, then back to the Advocacy Committee.

6. MOVED ANDRIA COULBOURN, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the question be called on the motion to table.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds... Carried

For (21): Nikol Grishin (proxy for Andrew Au), Derek Bennett, Kate Burnham, Andria Coulbourn, Katherine Westerlund (proxy for Dylan Braam), Matthew Epstein, Daniel Lam (proxy for Gurshabad Singhera), Jerome Goddard, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Jon Kew, Mark Leung, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Jacqueline Wu, Kevin Zhang, Evan Zhou
Against (7): Tanner Gjosund, Muse Greenwood, Hannah Xiao (proxy for Jennifer Cheng), Jennifer Ling, Ada Mew, Riley Ty, Andy Wu

Abstained: Joella Allen

7. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED EVAN ZHOU:

“That this motion be tabled to the next Council meeting.”

… Carried

For (17): Derek Bennett, Kate Burnham, Andria Coulbourn, Katherine Westerlund (proxy for Dylan Braam), Matthew Epstein, Jerome Goddard, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Mark Leung, Arash Shadkam, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Jacqueline Wu, Kevin Zhang, Evan Zhou

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Abstained: Nikol Grishin (proxy for Andrew Au), Christina Wiesmann

8. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the agenda be amended to add the following motion:

That the Advocacy Committee create a plan of action for the Equity Caucus by the end of the term and bring it Council.”

Andy Wu:
• This is more stringent than the previous motion.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• It does not define plan of action.
• I could present a backgrounder after I receive feedback.

Muse Greenwood
• Is it reasonable to ask for a certain number of groups to be consulted?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• It might be easier to ask for an update rather than plan of action.

Yash Gurnani:
• I don’t feel we should put a number on the amount of groups to be consulted.
• That might lead to offending any groups not included.

Bryan Starick:
• Point of order: this is becoming a discussion of the motion rather than whether to add it to the agenda.

Max Holmes:
• This is what Cristina said is coming.
• We can hold her accountable for that, but there’s no need to add this motion.
• We have given you assurances.

9. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried

For (20): Joella Allen, Kate Burnham, Andria Coulbourn, Katherine Westerlund (proxy for Dylan Braam), Matthew Epstein, Daniel Lam (proxy for Gurshabad Singhera), Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilitchi, Hannah Xiao (proxy for Jennifer Cheng), Mark Leung, Ada Mew, John Segui, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Kevin Zhang, Evan Zhou

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Against (14): Nikol Grishin (proxy for Andrew Au), Derek Bennett, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Mark Leung, Ada Mew, John Segui, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch

Abstained: Yash Gurnani, Jacqueline Wu

Abdul Alnaar:
• There’s material about the Equity Caucus on the website

U) Discussion Period

Appeals Process
Jakob Gattinger:
• Concerning the Election Appeals Committee ruling, I have no problem with the ruling itself, but there is one issue concerning the basis for the ruling.
• The Chair of the Appeals Committee said he would not reverse the Elections Committee decision unless it demonstrated a grave error of judgement.
• That is too strict a limitation.
• Our appeals committee is really a review committee and has the power to reconsider the case.
• We might consider renaming the committee.

Abdul Alnaar:
• As the former Speaker, I chaired the Election Appeals Committee.
• The onus is on the Speaker to make the decision.
• Governance might consider this

Andy Wu:
• We need more clarity on the word “appeal.”

Jakob Gattinger:
• It does ultimately end up with the Speaker making the decision.

Sheldon Goldfarb:
• The way the Appeals Committee is described in Code makes it an appeals committee in fact as well as name.
• It can’t just rehear the case; it has to find some error of law.

Andy Wu:
• The composition of the committee is the real issue.
• Also whether it is an appeals body or a review body.

Jakob Gattinger:
• They can substitute their own finding, so they are a review body.

Max Holmes:
• We can ask the Elections Administrator for recommendations on this and send them to the Governance Committee.

V) Submissions:
Referendum on Sustainable Thrift Store [SCD279-19]
Election Appeals Committee ruling [SCD280-19]
Referendum on Campus Culture Fee [SCD281-19]

W) Next Meeting:
March 27, 2019

X) Adjournment:
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Y) Social Activity: Pit Night
## March 13, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Kero Daowd (Move UBC), Yang Xia (Move UBC), Reilly Ische (UBC CERT), Matthew Boroditsky (UBC CERT), Haddon Rabb (UBC CERT), Rodney Little Mustache (First Nations), Angela O'Donnell (Ubyssey), Charlotte Aiden (Ubyssey), Alex Nguyen (Ubyssey), Zak Vescera (Ubyssey), Julia Burnham (AMS staff), Nick Pang (member at large), Michelle Marcus (AVP Sustainability), Ian Stone (incoming Student Services Manager), 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 6:03 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:

- At this time, we wish to acknowledge our presence on unceded, traditional, and ancestral territory of the hən̓ q̓ əmin̓ əm̓ -speaking Musqueam people.
- In addition, the chair wishes to recognize the fact that learning happened in this place where we are gathered long before this institution was established. It is important that we understand and respect our privilege to be living, working, and learning on Musqueam territory
- We hope that this acknowledgment inspires each and every one of us to reflect on what it means to be on these lands.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

“That the agenda be amended to strike the Equity Caucus motion.”

Max Holmes:

- The Advocacy Committee unanimously agreed to send forward a recommendation to the next meeting, along with a motion and supporting material.
- Something will come next time.

3. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

“That the agenda be amended to strike the Equity Caucus motion.” … No objections
4. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED TANNER GJOSUND:

“That the agenda be amended to remove the AUS Constitution motion and add AUS Constitution as a discussion topic.”

… No objections

5. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED DYLAN BRAAM:

“That we sing Sheldon and Jeanie happy birthday under Historical Remarks.”

… No objections

6. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

… Carried

For (26): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Tyra Phillips (proxy for Bryan Starick), Dylan Braam, Nick Harterre (proxy for Chris Gooding), Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Katherine Westerlund (proxy for Kate Burnham), Mark Leung, Jennifer Ling, Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Daniel Lam (proxy for Andy Wu), Jacqueline Wu, Evan Zhou

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

Welcome to our new Members:

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Journalism, Population & Public Health

Goodbyes:

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:
• A few folks sought to speak last time but didn’t get a chance.
• Apologies. I didn’t have a speakers’ list.
• I will make sure to keep a list.
• Also please make sure you speak into the microphone.

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

Rodney Little Mustache:
• I want to address the creation of an ethics committee.
  o There has been a violation of law and policy in relation to the AMS elections (with the elections being extended a week).
Liberal leaders like Justin Trudeau in Ottawa are not being arrested. That sort of thing starts in Student Council rooms when elected officials are not held to account. Non-Indigenous people are not held to account, but when Indigenous people do something, there are police and courts.

- There’s still no Indigenous seat on Council.
- An Indigenous seat should have been created.
- And you should create an ethics committee.

Responses from Councillors
Max Holmes:
- On elections, the issues arose from the University, the elections to the University Senate and Board of Governors.
  - The AMS doesn’t run those elections.
  - Of course, everyone should be following the University Act.
  - The Governance Committee has heard what you’re saying about an ethics committee.
- As to an Indigenous seat on AMS Council, we are discussing with the Indigenous Committee how to change structures.
  - If they ask for a seat, the Executive will expedite that, and I’m sure the AMS would support it.

G) Consent Agenda Items

7. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED HANNAH XIAO:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

AMS Council minutes dated February 6, 2019 [SCD282-19]
AMS Council minutes dated February 19, 2019 [SCD283-19]
Advocom minutes dated March 7, 2019 [SCD284-19]
Operations Committee minutes dated February 12, 2019 [SCD285-19]
… Carried

For (29): Kuol Akuechbeny, Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Tyra Phillips (proxy for Bryan Starick), Dylan Braam, Nick Harterre (proxy for Chris Gooding), Jennifer Cheng, Gareth Clegg, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Katherine Westerlund (proxy for Kate Burnham), Mark Leung, Jennifer Ling, Ada Mew, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Daniel Lam (proxy for Andy Wu), Jacqueline Wu, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang, Evan Zhou

8. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED ANICAN YU:

“That the election results presentation be tabled until the Elections Administrator arrives.”

… No objections
H) Presentations to Council and Accompanying Motions (10 minutes for presentation, 5 minute period):

**Move UBC – Kero Daowd and Yang Xia**
- New initiative, to promote physical activity and reduce sedentary behaviour.
- Dance, guided walks, etc.
- You can win cool things.
- Want to expand, but we’re having trouble connecting with profs and heads of departments.
- We’re asking if you can connect us and get us into classrooms.
- We want to get the community moving and more healthy.

*Kero and Yang got Councillors up and moving around.*

**Questions**
Jerome Goddard:
- Are you looking for a long-term relationship with the AMS?

Kero Daowd:
- The Move U Crew turns over a lot, so we’re trying to build relationships.
- The aim is long-term.

Yash Gurnani:
- Are any of your activities open to those with accessibility issues?

Kero Daowd:
- You’ll notice when we had our little exercise, I said, “If you’re willing and able, please stand up.”
- We tailor it; we do give alternatives; try to make it accessible.
- Sometimes we do a stair challenge, and we realize that’s not accessible.

Hannah Xiao:
- I think this is fabulous.
- If you go to a class, how long would your disruption of the class last?

Kero Daowd:
- Of course, we have to get permission first; that’s why we want you to help connect us to profs.
- The length can be shorter or longer.

**Campus Emergency Response Team (CERT) – [SCD286-19]**
*Haddon Rabb, Matthew Boroditsky, Reilly Ische*

Haddon Rabb:
- Working on this for 18 months.
- CERT could be one of the most impactful services.
• It’s meant to help enhance student safety.
• UBC is one of the few campuses without an emergency response team.

Matthew Boroditsky:
• There is no acute medical care on campus between 10 pm and 8 am.
• Student Health and the UBC Hospital Urgent Care ward close at specific times.
• Students engage in high risk behaviours, and this is the second largest student body in the country.
• This is a vulnerable population.
• There were 1200 ambulance calls in 2017.
• It takes 16 minutes for an ambulance to get here.
• Currently, if you call Emergency Medical Services (911) for BC Ambulance, they may contact Campus Security, but they may not.
• We’re proposing a new system in which if you call 911, there will be two-way communication with Campus Security, and they’ll call our team.
• We can provide basic life support till the ambulance arrives.
• We will ensure a fast response and a high level of training.
• UBC is complex, with lots of niches: we have been exploring them. Haven’t explored the AMS yet, but since we are a service by students for students, we thought it would be a good fit.
• We were under way with the University, with a large budget, an office, professional medical direction, and a recruitment plan, but now things have stalled.

Reilly Ische:
• We talked to various UBC offices, including Campus Security and UBC’s Student Housing and Hospitality Service (SHHS).
• We’re ready to go, but they’re not used to a professional service run by students. They’d rather see people from outside.
• The AMS works with students, so we’re hoping the AMS can take us on, while we still work with Campus Security.
• UBC suggested we speak to Risk Management Services, but they can only provide first aid: we want to do high level emergency student care.
• Elsewhere these sorts of services are funded by a student levy.
• We need longevity.
• We’re asking you to let us know how we might fall under you:
  o Would there have to be a referendum?
  o But we’re concerned that that would mean waiting till next year, and we need this now, given recent incidents.
  o We’d like to find an alternative option.
  o It would cost $3.60 per student.

9. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED JOELLA ALLEN:

“That Code be suspended to allow a 10-minute period of discussion as well as questions.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... No objections
Max Holmes:
- I’m familiar with this proposal.
- UBC has been supportive.
- You’re open to being under the AMS or helping with advocacy?
- You say it would take $3.60 to run it: maybe, but there will be insurance costs on top of that.
- It’s a large liability.
- We’re not as large as UBC.
- UBC’s reasons for not running the service are pretty poor: we can advocate.

Reilly Ische:
- At the University of Ottawa it was under club insurance.
- Also we can take in money through courses.
- We have a budget plan
- We would run courses to decrease costs

Matthew Boroditsky:
- At McMaster we generated income, over $66,000.
- We ran training clinics.

Kevin Zhang:
- I wholeheartedly support what you’re doing.
- There was a recent incident at SFU which highlighted the need for this.
- Can you respond to Code 3 emergencies (lights and sirens)?
- Do you do workshops?

Matthew Boroditsky:
- We are well aware of the incident at SFU.
- We are more than able to respond to a Code 3 emergency.
- We provide basic life support within five minutes.

Haddon Rabb:
- As to workshops, absolutely. We do workshops, courses.

Ada Mew:
- Where is your liability insurance coming from?
- How would you ensure your training programs are recognized?

Reilly Ische:
- General liability insurance would come from whoever we fall under.
- Our training organization is an established BC service.
- In BC EMR’s (Emergency Medical Responders) are licensed and this comes with some insurance.
- This is the model followed in 90% of the institutions.

Ada Mew:
- Why would I choose your workshops?
Reilly Ische:
- We are under the Red Cross.

Ada Mew
- Have you worked with Rez Life?

Matthew Boroditsky:
- We have worked with them extensively.
- We started with the Residences.
- Spoke to the head of SHHS

Ada Mew:
- EMR is the highest level for emergency medical assistance.
- Other levels don't cover everything.

Matthew Boroditsky:
- Everyone on our team will be licensed with EMR.
- There will also be a medical director who can administer care beyond the scope of EMR.

Reilly Ische:
- We will be there the fastest.
- Of course, paramedics will also arrive.

Tanner Gjosund:
- What has the student response been?
- What about mental health?

Haddon Rabb:
- Mental health is a very big issue of concern.
- We've established a specifically mental health response.
- We have the tools.

Matthew Boroditsky:
- Re student response, it's been great. Very excited. Positive.

Haddon Rabb:
- We recruit students from any faculty with or without experience.
- We provide the training.

Jerome Goddard:
- Highest risk areas on campus include private residences and the Greek village: have you consulted about that?
- Have you consulted with VP Students?
- And I wonder if Safewalk provides first aid.
Reilly Ische:
- Re non-campus residences: we would need to create a relationship with the Greek community: that’s something for later on.
- We are not first aid: we provide emergency medical response.

Matthew Boroditsky:
- We will respond in the jurisdictions Campus Security responds to: so not Wesbrook Village; that’s the RCMP.
- We have spoken to the VP Students Office; they’ve been terrific.
- We have mainly looked to SHHS and Campus Security.

Piers Fleming:
- Safewalkers do not have first aid training: they can’t touch the person.

Reilly Ische:
- That’s why EMR’s are licensed.

10. MOVED JOELLA ALLEN, SECONDED GURSHABAD SINGHERA:

“That time be extended by 10 more minutes.”

… No objections

Piers Fleming
- What is your response time?
- Where would you like your base to be?

Haddon Rabb:
- Aiming to be within five minutes.
- We respond on bikes.
- We will be based at the Exchange Residence, which is being built in a central area on campus.

Matthew Boroditsky:
- UBC is a very large campus.
- A lot of teams use cars at other universities.
- We’re open to looking at that, but Security suggested bikes first.

Riley Ty:
- We can call a referendum earlier.

Reilly Ische:
- As soon as we start a conversation going would be good.
- Aiming at a soft start in September and a full one in January.

Haddon Rabb:
- We have all the pieces we need: knowledge and manpower.
Nevena Rebic
- I've been a residence advisor and am a pharmacy graduate.
- I suggest you reach out to health care faculties early.

Reilly Ische:
- We have the ability to do that. We need to start.

Dylan Braam:
- I was also a residence advisor (at Queen's), and had the unfortunate duty of calling for emergency services.
- The Queen's emergency team got there well ahead of the ambulance, and students there were more likely to call on a student service, preferring to deal with peers.
- This also helps students get experience.
- We should do everything we can at the AMS to get this service introduced.
- The insurance may cost us, but we can spare the money to get response time down from 16 minutes to 5.
- The benefit far outweighs the insurance cost.
- One other thing: UBC has a nuclear facility (TRIUMF).

Matthew Boroditsky:
- Re UBC's nuclear facility:
  - Our team does not respond to issues like that.
  - We integrate with other services for things like mass casualty events.

Yash Gurnani:
- If you fall under the AMS, how do you see your relationship with our other services like SASC?

Haddon Rabb:
- We are able to integrate with other services.

Reilly Ische:
- Other services require students to go to the service.
- We are a service that goes to students.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- It's a good idea to see what the University will provide and then we could run a referendum with next year's elections to ensure high turnout.

Matthew Boroditsky:
- We have had talks with UBC Treasury.

Hannah Xiao:
- According to your website, the service is already running, but it's not.
Matthew Boroditsky:
- That’s a microsite; it’s not public yet.
- So no, we’re not running yet; we’re in a pause requested by UBC because they felt Campus Security was not the best place for us.

Hannah Xiao:
- This is a large endeavour for students.
- How do you plan to deal with turnover?

Reilly Ische:
- We’re open to quite a few models.
- Currently we have rookies who move to team lead.
- There’s also a board that stays on to advise.
- There would also be a consistent medical director.
- Another option would be a paid position at the AMS.
- At other universities, those on shift have a living area provided for them: that would help those taking the night shift.

11. MOVED ADA MEW, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That time be extended by 10 more minutes.”

... No objections

Ada Mew:
- Studies have shown that the difference between responding in five minutes and in 30 minutes is not important in the survival rate.

Reilly Ische:
- Other studies show otherwise.

Matthew Boroditsky:
- Administering epinephrine quickly can have a significant effect.
- With defibrillators, quicker is important.
- There are lots of time-based medical conditions.

Ada Mew:
- There’s a paramedic office already here.

Matthew Boroditsky:
- Yes, we’ve worked with them.
- There are no ambulances at UBC.
- There is a need for this. BC Emergency Health Services sees the need for this.

Arash Shadkam:
- If you use bikes and make a very intense four-minute ride across campus, will you be able to provide a good service?
- And how do you plan to get around congested areas? Will you use sirens?
Haddon Rabb:
- We are trained to reach the scene and calm ourselves before providing help.

Matthew Boroditsky:
- Your own safety comes first.
- You make sure not to injure yourself or jeopardize your safety.

Haddon Rabb:
- We don’t use sirens, but we do have some sounds and lights.

Max Holmes:
- It would be a good idea for the Executive to set up a conversation with you.
- And we can add this to the next VP Students agenda.
- As much as possible, if the University should be providing something, we first advocate that they do it, though we sometimes introduce a service on an interim basis.
- We can explore all the options and hopefully bring it back to Council in the summer.

Tanner Gjosund:
- I’ve seen mistreatment of students by emergency responders, so to have a peer response service would be good.
- Would paramedics be called too?

Reilly Ische:
- At first the University was adamant about calling paramedics at the same time.
- We’re looking at a model where we would call them if necessary.

Haddon Rabb:
- We do have protocols in place.
- If 911 is called, we’d be notified.

Katherine Westerlund:
- How could we set this up as a service?
- What are our next steps?
- Does it go to a committee? To the Student Services Manager?

Max Holmes:
- New services are usually brought in after a Services Review.
- Council decides based on a recommendation from the Services department.
- Next year is actually the year scheduled for a Services Review.
- This could come from the Services department or the Executive or a committee of Council.
- We need a conversation at the Executive and with the University.
Katherine Westerlund:
  - Do we want to set up an ad hoc committee to look at this?

Max Holmes:
  - We need more information first.
  - Something should come to Council in May.

12. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED JOELLA ALLEN:

  “That time be extended by five more minutes.”

  … No objections

Dylan Braam:
  - Max said the AMS should be advocating to the University that they provide this service.
  - Students this year have demonstrated that they want some core services offered by students: see what happened with SASC.
  - Emergency Medical Response is a core service, and something we should offer on a permanent basis, not as an interim measure until the University can begin offering it.
  - We could look to UBC to provide funding.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
  - Talking to the Executive Committee would be the next step.
  - We have the example of Empower Me initiated by the AMS, but now the plan is for the University to take it over.

13. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

  “That the last two Consultation items be struck from the agenda.”

  … No objections

14. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

  “That the AMS Elections presentation be removed from the table.”

  … No objections

Election Results – Halla Bertrand (Elections Administrator) [SCD287-19]

  - There were 12,383 votes, or 21.7% of eligible voters, which is very good, the highest in a long time, and best of all, better than when Max was the EA.
  - The two referendums initiated by petition (the Get Thrifty thrift store and Campus Culture) passed and are officially in force.
  - Four of the five AMS-sponsored referendums passed and are now official:
    - Grad Class fee reduction
    - U-Pass
    - Indigenous fee
Sexual assault services fee increase.

- One AMS referendum (the Bylaw amendments) failed for lack of quorum.
- The following elections are now official:
  - The SLFS slate, which was elected unanimously: Max Holmes, Tintin Yang, Suyoung Ahn, Jerome Goddard, Kennedy Gagnon, Roshni Pendse.
  - The Ubyssey board (despite being a bit of a hot mess): Sylvester Mensah, James Kastner, Alireza Zahedi, Joshua Tillson, and Rana Ozturk.
  - Senators at large: Chris Hakim, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Nick Pang, Max Holmes.
  - Board of Governors student reps: Max Holmes, Jeanie Malone.
  - AMS VP External: Cristina Ilnitchi.
  - AMS VP Administration: Cole Evans.
  - AMS VP Finance: Lucia Liang.
  - AMS VP Academic & University Affairs: Julia Burnham.
  - AMS President: Chris Hakim.

- Positives:
  - Positive turnout at polling stations:
    - Some people who wouldn’t have voted otherwise voted there.
    - Even though some stations got only five votes a day, they’re still valuable.
  - Solid turnout for debates: people attended who were not candidates or from the Ubyssey.
  - Improved connections with the colleges.
  - Connection with UBC improved, liaison with Stephanie Oldford:
    - This is important because they upload our voters’ list, and without that we couldn’t run.
  - High turnout rate.
  - All positions were contested.
  - First Indigenous-centred event: several Indigenous students came out and aired grievances.

- Negatives:
  - Poor spirit among unsuccessful candidates at the results party.
  - Lack of diversity: poor turnout of women, and no non-binary folks or Indigenous:
    - An ongoing issue, partly to be dealt with by outreach and maybe by better compensation.
    - Difficult for persons of colour to put themselves forward because of systematic oppression.
  - Communicating with the colleges: unfortunately did not do so in advance: should have checked ahead of time about scheduling.

15. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That time for the presentation be extended as long as needed.”

... No objections

- Negatives (continued):
o College voting link: it turns out they can’t use the main link, which was not understood at first, so they couldn’t vote till Wednesday and turnout was not phenomenal:
  ▪ Will train the next EA to be aware of this.

o Senate and BoG elections contract:
  ▪ We don’t have a contract with UBC to do these elections.
  ▪ We run them as a favour.
  ▪ On the other hand, they do all this unpaid labour for our electoral lists.
  ▪ Want to start a conversation about a contract.

o Senate and BoG elections scheduling.

o No transition report from my predecessor, which was horrifying:
  ▪ Did get access to older documents, but there’s nothing like talking to your predecessor.
  ▪ I floundered for four months.
  ▪ I had to run a Constituency election a month after being hired without any training.
  ▪ If we want to keep people, we need to train them.

o Need to increase the pay of all the Elections Committee members:
  ▪ Can’t believe that I got just above minimum wage to run an election, which involved managing a team, preparing a budget, etc. under pressure.
  ▪ Lots of emotional labour: late night phone calls and texts.

o Bureaucracy of violations:
  ▪ Need Code changes to eliminate this.
  ▪ 90% of my time was spent dealing with punishments for covering up corners of posters.
  ▪ One person complained that another candidate’s logo had changed to become two shades lighter.
  ▪ Don’t want to deal with these petty issues; want to deal with big issues.

o Workload was increased by the three-week campaign period:
  ▪ Strongly support returning to two weeks.
  ▪ Turnout increased only marginally.
  ▪ No reason to stay at three weeks.

Questions
Daniel Lam:
  • Do you see any need to change the voting system away from the Condorcet method?
  • For BoG and Senate it’s still First Past the Post.

Halla Bertrand:
  • I see no reason to stop using Condorcet; it’s arguably the most democratic system.
  • The only problem is with the reimbursement system, which is based on vote percentages, and there’s no way to count those in Condorcet.
  • Senate rules require us to use First Past the Post for Senate and BoG elections.
Jerome Goddard:
- Do you anticipate strong turnouts in the future?

Halla Bertrand:
- We can expect a drop.
- U-Pass has been a big draw, and 20% has become pretty standard.
- Without U-Pass referendums for several years, turnout will drop.
- We will need to target commuter students and under-represented groups.

Danny Liu:
- What are you doing about the candidates’ posters?

Halla Bertrand:
- Candidates should have removed them by last Friday.
- My team is now collecting them and will fine those candidates that have not removed them.

Muse Greenwood:
- At the theological colleges we all have chapel time, so when you came at that time, we weren’t around.
- But I loved that you adapted quickly; appreciated that.
- The polling station made a difference.
- Hosting an event makes a difference, raises awareness.
- That made us feel more included.
- Hiring issues were something we discussed last year at the HR Committee: what we did last year will help this year’s committee.

16. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the time for questions be extended by five minutes.”

… No objections

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- Re wages: We have the responsibility to provide services to students at the lowest cost because we use student fees.
- Pay is not pay so much as an incentive, and there are other ways you can be compensated.
- But please present to HR or Finance on this.

Halla Bertrand:
- I can’t be compensated in other ways.
- Because I have to be at arm’s length and impartial, people can’t buy me a coffee, and my office is physically separated.
- Some say the position is a learning opportunity, but I was not provided with a learning environment.
Max Holmes:
- You did an amazing job, the best EA we’ve had.
- I entirely agree with the recommendations on pay.
- We should look at an increase in hours during the election period.
- Will you be recommending no posters in the future?
- There’s a problem with us using posters if we’re a sustainable organization.

Halla Bertrand:
- I want to prohibit poster ing.
- Poster ing is a huge waste of time.
- There were so many complaints about covering corners of posters.
- The Buchanan building is billing me for posters taped on walls.

Chris Hakim:
- If we still had the Evelyn Lett award for fair play, who would you give it to?

Halla Bertrand:
- Julia Burnham.

Jerome Goddard:
- We saw violations over and over this year.
- Is there a better way to deal with them?
- Greater punishments?

Halla Bertrand:
- Most of the violations were due to poster ing.
- If we eliminate posters, we would eliminate a lot of the violations.
- I struggle with how to punish.
- Withholding reimbursements disadvantages those from lower socio-economic levels:
  - I only used it for posters not coming down.
- I did post the rules early and got no complaints until I implemented them: then people felt them unfair when they were applied to them. They need faith in the process.

Darren Touch:
- Some grad students were unaware they could vote in the AMS elections.
- Do you know how many GSS students voted?

Halla Bertrand:
- We can’t do a breakdown by faculty.

Dylan Braam:
- I apologize for being the candidate whose logo became two shades lighter.
- More seriously, I have a question about the unknown actors who intervened in our elections: the Bot accounts and Forward UBC.
- Do you have recommendations on how to police this?
Halla Bertrand:
- I feel that Forward UBC had little impact on the results: they got only 5 to 15 likes.
- Every candidate rejected their endorsements: that took the wind out of their sails.
- Do we want to ban student groups from participating in our democracy?
- This is a loophole and I don’t know how to close it.

Additional part of presentation
Halla Bertrand:
- Accomplishments this year:
  - Persuaded more Constituencies to use the Simply Voting electronic system: before many had been using Google forms or paper.
  - Trained every Constituency’s Elections Administrator.
  - Filled vacancies on Council from Planning, Social Work, VST, and St. Mark’s. Journalism and Dentistry may be coming, and even Population & Public Health is looking for someone.

Council took a recess from 8:20 to 8:30.

Annual Sustainability Report – Michelle Marcus [SCD288-19]
- An awesome year.
- UBC took some good steps, e.g., the healthier beverages initiative, phasing out single use plastic straws and cutlery, hosting a climate roundtable, making commitments.
- There was also the creation of a Climate Hub on campus.
- Beyond UBC the City of Vancouver declared a climate emergency, the province introduced the CleanBC climate plan, and around the world there was a groundswell of support, especially among young people.
- At the AMS the transition to the Student Driven Sustainability Strategy has gone well.
- We have been doing advocacy to UBC to hold them to their commitments.
- Been consulting with many groups.
- Been embedding sustainability in all AMS departments.
- Specific projects:
  - Mugshare: new mugs finally came; they’re really nice. This was spearheaded by Common Energy.
  - Climate Art Competition: the winner was “Standing with Defenders” about environmental justice and solidarity.
    - Working to build and install that project now.
  - Sustainability Strategy: working with smaller Constituencies to help them develop their own strategies.
  - Sustainability Projects Fund revamp: Code changes to fund more types of projects.
  - Awesome collaboration with student projects (SEEDS and others), including climate-friendly food, improved signage about recycling bins, etc.
- Next year, because working on sustainability never ends:
  - Phasing out single use plastic in the Nest.
  - Fees on take-out containers.
Working with UBC350 on divestment.
Waste hub depot for e-waste and soft plastics.
Adding sustainability resources to the Club Resource Centre.

Questions
Jerome Goddard:
- Is there any way to quantify how successful Mugshare is?
- Are you expanding work with classes related to divestment and sustainable investment?

Michelle Marcus:
- Tracking Mugshare mugs is done by the Point of Sale terminals.
- Definitely saw that a lot of mugs were not returned, and that’s great: we want people to keep using them.

Chris Hakim:
- We’re encouraging further collaboration with classes and with SEEDS.

Daniel Lam:
- When are the finalized sustainability strategies coming to the Constituencies?

Michelle Marcus:
- Next week.

Nick Harterre:
- Divestment advocacy: what are the next steps?

Chris Hakim:
- I’m not the advocacy person; that will likely come from our AVP University Affairs.

Max Holmes:
- We renewed our divestment policy over the summer.
- I never saw so many mentions of divestment as I did in this year’s elections.
- Sustainable investment plans will be discussed at the next BoG meeting.

Brandyn Marx (Food & Beverage employee):
- You might get a higher return rate of Mugshare mugs if they were priced higher.
- What will the impact of more renewable packaging be on menu prices?

Michelle Marcus:
- For the mug, we’re balancing accessibility with making the price high enough that people don’t just throw them away.
- As to menu prices, we’re discussing with the Food and Beverage managers to avoid increasing costs.
- There’s lots of discussions around the world about this. In the EU.
Jerome Goddard:
- Are AMS events becoming more sustainable?

Keith Hester:
- If you mean about garbage pick-up, we are looking into it.

I) Consultation Period

**Academic Concession Policy – Max Holmes**

- Academic concession is something you request if you have a hardship preventing you from attending class, completing work, etc.
- It connects to Policy 131 on sexual violence, which is one of the reasons a student might need an academic concession.
- A Senate Academic Policy Working Group has been working on revamping the old policy: this is the first review in ten years.
- A big change is to add principles to the policy. No real ones before. Now there are principles of compassion, flexibility, and transparency.
- Ultimately, the goal of the policy is to help students succeed.
- The current policy is very short; the new one is more detailed.
- The new policy removes the requirement for notes and will authorize self-declaration documents: the idea is to avoid having those who have gone through a traumatic event to have to document the traumatic event.
- SASC and SVPRO are treated equally in this policy now.
- Support units can act on behalf of a student.
- Please respond to the survey on the policy; we need responses from those who are supportive of the changes.

*Discussion*

Dylan Braam:
- Happy to see all the work on this.
- Good to have clear criteria and not leave things up to individual professors.

Brandyn Marx:
- What are the support units?

Max Holmes:
- SVPRO, SASC, or an outside agency.
- We’ve been very broad.
- 20% of students say they are uncomfortable with SVPRO and SASC, so we want to let them use other agencies or a doctor.

Brandyn Marx:
- Some doctors charge for doctor’s notes; this could be an issue for financially disadvantaged students.
Max Holmes:
- Student Health did bring this up.

**SVPREP – Chris Hakim**
- Last round of consultation.
- The working group was created in 2017 to write a new Sexual Violence Policy and to rewrite the old Respectful Environment Policy.
- Our focus is on what do about bullying, harassment, etc. and sexual violence.
- In the first round of consultation people wanted clarity about investigators and who has jurisdiction.
- Also about what will happen in the interim while an investigation is underway: dealing with at-risk behaviour.
- And also about what happens after an investigation if two staff members involved in a complaint are working in cubicles beside each other.
- We have clarified the confidentiality rules: identities will have to be known to the other party, but we will aim for the greatest possible confidentiality.
- If an AMS member assaults a non-AMS member, the AMS will have jurisdiction.
- There can be accommodations during an investigation to deal with at-risk situations: can inform investigators and there will be a decision on safety measures.

17. MOVED ADA MEW, SECONDED TANNER GJOSUND:

“That time be extended until the presentation is done.”

... No objections

Chris Hakim (continued):
- We will inform both parties about SASC and SVPRO.
- We’ve drafted a summary guide in simple language with flow charts and graphics to take you through all the steps.
- That’s for the Sexual Violence Policy.
- For Respectful Environment, changing the name to Bullying, Harassment, Discrimination, and Violence.
- Made some clarifications, created a more structured format.

**Discussion**

Hannah Xiao:
- What will this look like for non-AMS members?
- Maybe just refer to the authorities?

Chris Hakim:
- Do we care about non-AMS members? Yes.
- How it will work:
  - If it’s just UBC students involved, then it goes to the Ombudsperson.
  - If AMS staff, then it’s an HR concern.
There are processes for different situations: Non-AMS person to an AMS staff member and vice versa.

Andria Coulbourn:
- Once the policy is done, how will it be implemented and pushed out to students?

Chris Hakim:
- Our main aim was to write it, but we will make recommendations about implementation.
- But mostly it will be up to the next Executive and Council.

Katherine Westerlund:
- The AMS still has a duty of care to non-AMS members if they come to an AMS event.
- Do we have to change our Bylaws and Code?

Chris Hakim:
- The Respectful Environment Policy is referenced in Code; we'll have to change the references, and we'll need to reference the Sexual Violence Policy.

Kevin Zhang:
- Because of our Bylaws we can't revoke membership.

Chris Hakim:
- The working group focused on the policy, not the Bylaws.
- Revoking AMS membership would mean a loss of access to services.

Brandyn Marx:
- It's unclear whether bullying and harassment are meant to be two separate things.

Chris Hakim:
- Changes will be made.

Dylan Braam:
- The policy’s current definitions of AMS members and staff would not cover the Executives.
- Need to clarify that this applies to Executives and Councillors.

Chris Hakim:
- The policy does refer to voting members of Council, but we will look over it again.

Muse Greenwood
- If a person is not happy with the investigation what process do they follow?
- If they’re not happy with the AMS, is there a non-biased party who could review the AMS decision?
Chris Hakim:
- There is an appeal process if someone is not happy with the decision.
- It would be the same panel reviewing the original decision, but looking at new information if there is any.
- As to ensuring impartiality, there will be two investigators:
  - For students, the Ombudsperson, who is very separate from Council and the rest of the AMS.
  - For staff, the HR Manager, who is very much apart from most people and is expected to be impartial.

J) Appointments

K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Marium Hamid (presented by Cristina Ilnitchi):
- Melanie Mark, the Minister of Advanced Education, visited the AMS to celebrate the elimination of student loan interest. We were happy to host her.
- Marium and Max Holmes had a discussion with UBC about the tuition process.
- All-Presidents’ Dinner:
  - Michael Audain was awarded the Great Trekker.
  - Eight clubs were honoured.
  - Commerce was named Constituency of the year.
- Transition with Chris Hakim is underway.
- Third round of collective bargaining with SASC staff.
- Council orientation on April 27/28.

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

VP Finance – Kuol Akuechbeny
- Transition process.
- VP Finance Caucus.
- Talking to Society groups receiving fees.
- IPF letters sent out.
- The GSS approved the 5% Health and Dental fee increase, allowing increased psychology coverage.

Student Services Manager – Piers Fleming
- Hired incoming staff: all the Service Coordinators and the next Student Services Coordinator (Ian Stone).
- Food Bank finished its Sororities food drive, which produced over 400 cans of food.
- The LFS food drive produced 100 cans.
- Joint rolling workshop in the Pit yesterday.

VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi
- Awesome to have Minister Mark here.
UCRU (the organization of Undergraduates at Canadian Research-intensive Universities) has created two working groups.
- Transit campaign about the SkyTrain to UBC line.
- Conversations with TransLink about engagement and the Night Bus service.
- Moving in a Livable Region: revitalized. The AMS is a stakeholder.
- Hosting transit events on infrastructure funding.
- Roundtable on the Professional Governance Act.
- Working with the city on a poverty reduction plan.

**VP Administration – Chris Hakim**
- The joint rolling event was very popular: my father wanted to go.
- Indigenous Committee room renovations done.
- Space for youth in care.
- Transitioning.
- Hiring for student staff positions.
- AMS clubs orientation: how to run a club; also sexual violence training.
- Club office and locker allocation.
- Sustainability:
  - SEEDS projects.
  - Mugshare coming to Blue Chip.
- Hatch Art Gallery show: Masquerade, an LGBT show, including drag shows.

**VP Academic & University Affairs – Max Holmes**
- Policy 131 (sexual violence) workshops and policy review: met with SVPRO, UBC HR, and the VP Students.
- Academic Concession Policy: Met with SASC about creating a submission.
- The Senate Academic Policy Committee created a working group on the Fall Reading Break.
- Student Services Manager interviews.
- AMS Execs had lunch with Lev Bukhman of Studentcare.
- The Teaching and Learning Committee of Senate met to discuss the cost of learning materials and the possibility of bursaries to eliminate barriers.
- Student tuition consultation discussion. This is botched every year; would like to make the process better.
- VPS meeting about the budget.
- Transitioning.
- Discussion with Marium about conflict of interest because of my role on the Board of Governors while still VP.

**Questions**
Jerome Goddard:
- New VP Students (Ainsley Carry) starts Monday.
- How will you grow that relationship?

Max Holmes:
- Current and new Execs will meet him.
• We have monthly meetings.
• It’s a great opportunity to create relationships.
• The VPAUA will have separate meetings.
• We’ll also have a meeting with UBC President Santa Ono and Ainsley together.

Managing Director – Keith Hester
• New Policy Advisor starts Monday: Patrick Meehan.
• Annette Angel is starting as the SASC Manager next week.
• Block Party sales are going very well: we’re on track to sell out.
• Working on e-transfer system for the clubs.
• Business and administration budget to the Exec tomorrow.
• Newly reinvigorated Advisory Board is having its first meeting next week.
• Starting to work on audit.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Governance – Dylan Braam
• Proposed changes to Council: won’t be able to bring these back, but it was useful to have the discussion.
• The interactive Council agenda is great.
• Audit procedures discussed with Keith and Kuol; we’re thinking it would be useful for the Advisory Board to take this on.
• Currently conducting an e-vote on a change to contract procedures in the Code to have the Managing Director and the Privacy Officer look at major contracts.
• Discussing the revised video surveillance policy.
• Thanks for all the time on the bylaw changes: some will come back.

Advocacy – Max Holmes
• Professional Governance Act roundtable.
• Equity Caucus.
• Academic Concession Policy.
• We’ve now had our last meeting of the year.

HR Committee – Cole Evans
• Long meeting tomorrow to finish tasks.
• We will have completed 90% of our goals; the others are mostly long-term.
• Advisory Board meeting next Tuesday.
• Looking at Code changes re Ombudsperson.
• New wages to approve.
• Tweaking JD’s.
• Discussing transition reports for Elections and Ombuds.
• Revamping part of Council orientation.
• Hope to bring appointments.
• Hoping to create gender neutrality in the Code.
• AMS Executive pay [presented by Darren Touch, Cole being in a conflict of interest as an incoming Executive]:
  o Since 2016 Executive pay has been tied to CPI.
  o If we want to go beyond that, have to go to the Finance Committee, and we’re not recommending that.
  o The Ubyssey did a good report on this in 2016; hope they do another.

Questions
Max Holmes:
• Has the change to the elections hiring process timeline affected the number of applicants for the new Chief Electoral Officer position?

Cole Evans:
• Can’t speak to how the change may have affected the numbers.
• There are always difficulties with this position.
• We’ve had a couple of applications; not flooded.
• It’s the nature of the position rather than the time of year.
• If moving up the posting date doesn’t work, it is what it is.

Max Holmes:
• I deeply disagree with the decision of the HR Committee on Executive pay.
• The Executives work full-time and don’t get a living wage.
• Executives cannot do much schoolwork.
• We haven’t brought this up in two years and I’m disappointed we haven’t.

Darren Touch:
• We lacked resources and time; it would have to have been done by the next Council meeting since it’s the last one of this year.
• I agree we need to look at this.

Jerome Goddard:
• Have you looked at Exec vacation time?

Cole Evans:
• Haven’t.
• I don’t think it’s within the scope of the HR Committee; it’s more for the HR Department.

18. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED KUOL AKUECHBENY:

“That Council be extended half an hour, until 10:33 pm.” … Carried

For (17): Kuol Akuechbeny, Tyra Phillips (proxy for Bryan Starick), Nick Harterre (proxy for Chris Gooding), Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Yash Gurnani, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Katherine
Westerlund (proxy for Kate Burnham), Nevena Rebic, Danny Liu (proxy for Gurshabad Singhera), Darren Touch, Daniel Lam (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

Against (2): Dylan Braam, Max Holmes

Abstained: Joella Allen

Finance Committee – Kuol Akuechbeny
- Sent ten reports, one for each month. Apologies for submitting some of them late (but it’s three times as many as next highest amount sent by a committee).
- Approved funding for a short term club loan.

Questions
Dylan Braam:
- Thanks for the monthly reports; they’re useful; more digestible than minutes.

Student Life – Jerome Goddard
- Submitting recommendations and a Code change about orientations and training for Councillors.
- Looking into engagement; still not clear what an engagement plan is.
- Hoping to revive the Blue and Gold Committee; it’s fallen off.
- Have received only two submissions so far for grad class gifts; need more.

Questions
Ada Mew:
- What were some of the past gifts?

Jerome Goddard:
- The When Women Rise statue.
- Trees.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- One year we handed out $1,000 to each Constituency.

Zak Vescera:
- This June is the thirtieth anniversary of the Tiananmen Massacre.
- We have a Goddess of Democracy on campus that was put up to commemorate the massacre.
- The AMS was entrusted with care of the statue.
- It’s in disrepair, and some money could go to that.

Chris Hakim:
- Someone got in touch with us about repairing the statue.
- It’s on our agenda.
Operations – Chris Hakim
- Almost done the Policy Manual.
- Club expulsion policy.
- Hope SVPREP seems more clear.

Questions
Daniel Lam:
- I’ve heard concerns over the Clubs Resource Centre never being open.

Chris Hakim
- We have two staff positions, but mostly rely on volunteers, and being close to finals we’ve had to reduce hours.

New SUB – Chris Hakim:
- Norm Theatre is taking up a lot of our time.
- Looking into holding live shows there.
- Probably would be too expensive, but we’re working to bring the price down.

Brewery – Chris Hakim:
- Negotiations have been slow.

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

BoG – Max Holmes
- Meeting dates coming up.
- Finance Committee April 2.
- April 9 the Housing Action Plan.
- New student reps: myself and Jeanie Malone (UBC Vancouver), Jassim Naqvi (UBCO).

Senate – Hannah Xiao
- Met two weeks ago.
- Bachelor of Pharmaceutical Sciences.
- Committees are still meeting although Senate is wrapping up for the year.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
- Several years ago the Ubyssey’s editor, Justin McElroy, did a March Madness style of brackets to ask students to choose the quintessential UBC experience.
- The winner, beating out construction, giant puddles, sleeping in class, and Block Party, was Storm the Wall, which is underway now, and which is close to celebrating its 40th anniversary.

O) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

P) Executive Committee Motions:
Q) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

R) Committee Motions:

19. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED GURSHABAD SINGHERA: [SCD290-19]

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

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   Kuol Akuechbeny:
   • Council asked us to look into a different account to fund things.
   • This Code change will create a new fund based on the 5% contingency.
   • It will be a rainy day fund, for things we didn’t plan for.

20. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED GURSHABAD SINGHERA:

   From the Finance Committee
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   ... Carried

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S) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

T) Discussion Period

   Student Court Appointments
   Dylan Braam:
   • Disappointingly, our second attempt to abolish Student Court failed, perhaps because it was packaged with other proposed changes.
   • I don’t think students are against abolishing it; two-thirds of those who voted said yes to abolition (but it missed quorum).
   • It’s worth putting on the ballot again.
   • But until then we should consider filling the Court.
• Our current position is that Student Court does not need to be filled, but if someone brings a case – then fill it.
• But it’s dangerous to hire in accordance with the result we want.
• We should hire before there is an issue.
• And if a case is brought, it could take a month to fill the Court: that’s bad governance.
• Also, as a Constituency representative, I represent Law students.
• One of the few things reserved for Law students is a seat on the Court: there are two positions reserved for Law students.
• By not filling the Court, we are denying jobs to my constituents.

Chris Hakim:
• I do understand the sentiment.
• The reason we keep pushing the bylaw amendment, though, is that there have been reports showing that the Court is not effective, not a good idea.
• It does not effectively produce decisions.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
• I hope the next Governance Committee will bring this back.

Dylan Braam:
• The issue is not whether Student Court is a bad thing; the point is that we are stuck with it for at least a year.
• If we fill the Court, that may encourage people to use it.

Hannah Xiao:
• Chris makes a valid point, that there are problems with Student Court.
• Dylan has a valid point too: it should be filled.
• The bylaw amendment didn’t pass: students are saying they don’t want to remove it.

Katherine Westerlund:
• It still exists; we should fill it: how?

Kevin Zhang:
• I feel the amendment failed partly because we omnibused it with other bylaw changes.
• Maybe next time keep the housekeeping changes separate.

Max Holmes:
• I dispute the notion that students want to keep the Court.
• Maybe some were apathetic on the issue, but those who did engage voted for abolition.
• It failed perhaps because of other issues with the bylaw amendments.
• Maybe send this to HR and the Finance Committee to see the impact on the budget.
• We need to look at what’s the best thing for the AMS.
• It’s not best to fill it; not a lot of things get referred to Student Court.
• This is not the best way to spend our money.

Time ran out and the meeting ended at 10:33 pm.

U) Submissions:

Finance Committee report for May 2018 [SCD291-19]
Finance Committee report for June 2018 [SCD292-19]
Finance Committee report for July 2018 [SCD293-19]
Finance Committee report for August 2018 [SCD294-19]
Finance Committee report for September 2018 [SCD295-19]
Finance Committee report for October 2018 [SCD296-19]
Finance Committee report for November 2018 [SCD297-19]
Finance Committee report for December 2018 [SCD298-19]
Finance Committee report for January 2019 [SCD299-19]
Finance Committee report for February 2019 [SCD300-19]
Annual Sustainability report [SCD301-19]
GSS Election Results [SCD302-19]
Library and Archival Student Association election results [SCD303-19]
Allard Law Student Society election results [SCD304-19]
ECE (EUS) Election Results [SCD305-19]
FIZZ (EUS) Election Results [SCD306-19]
IGEN (EUS) Election Results [SCD307-19]
MECH (EUS) Election Results [SCD308-19]
MINE (EUS) Election Results [SCD309-19]
MTRL (EUS) Election Results [SCD310-19]
BME (EUS) Election Results [SCD311-19]
CHBE (EUS) Election Results [SCD312-19]
CIVIL (EUS) Election Results [SCD313-19]

V) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: April 3, 2019
## March 27, 2019 Roster

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V3: Approval of the Consent Agenda Items
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V5: IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of the Finance Committee entitled Code Changes 2019: Contingency Fund and thus amend the Code as recommended.

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Halla Bertrand (AMS Elections), Madeleine Gustavson (AMS Elections), Zubair Hirji (student), Jassim Naqvi (UBCO student rep on Board of Governors), Tyra Phillips (Engineering), Zak Vescera (Ubyssey), Alex Nguyen (Ubyssey), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Charlotte Alden (Ubyssey), Kelvin Au (LFS), Lauren Ebert (LFS), Patrick Meehan (Policy Advisor), Keith Hester (Managing Director), Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council), Joanne Pickford (Admin Assistant)

A) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:

- At this time, we wish to acknowledge our presence on the unceded, traditional, and ancestral territory of the hən̓q̓əми̑n̓-speaking Musqueam people.
- In addition, the Chair wishes to recognize that learning happened in this place where we are gathered long before this institution was established. It is important that we understand and respect our privilege to be living, working, and learning on Musqueam territory.
- We do this acknowledgement at every meeting and hope that it inspires us to think about the decolonization process underway on campus.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That the agenda be amended as follows:

- Remove the ticketing presentation (Max Holmes: It’s been to three committees, but the decision was not to bring it yet; and Kuol isn’t here to present).
- Move motions 7, 10, 11 before presentations (Cole Evans: So the EA can be present).
- Strike the Services presentation (Piers Fleming: Move to next meeting to give my team more time).
- Add a motion to appoint a member to the HR Committee (Cole: There’s been a resignation).”
Cole Evans asked to withdraw the last agenda amendment because in fact the member has not resigned.

Andy Wu:
- Don’t we still need to vote on this change since the motion’s been moved and seconded?

Dylan Braam:
- This is why we should have movers and seconders listed on the agenda, so it’s clear who to reach out to.

The Speaker said he would be happy to work towards that.

In the meantime the last agenda amendment was withdrawn.

3. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

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... Carried

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

Welcome to our new Members:
Keith Hester formally introduced Patrick Meehan, the new Policy Advisor.
Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Journalism, Population & Public Health

Goodbyes:

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:

- I love getting suggestions to improve efficiency, like Dylan’s suggestion about a feedback form: now using google.docs.
- I’m going to be a little more stringent on making sure people speak to motions only twice.
- I will display a speakers’ list.

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

G) Consent Agenda Items

5. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

AMS Council minutes dated February 27, 2019 [SCD314-19]
Executive Committee minutes dated March 7, 2019 [SCD315-19]
HR Committee minutes dated March 20, 2019 [SCD316-19]

... Carried

For (22): Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Andrew Huang (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

6. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

From the Elections Committee

“That Council adopt the report of the Elections Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Electoral Procedures’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Halla Bertrand:

- We’ve identified some of the bureaucratic aspects of the electoral procedures.
- These amendments will eliminate them.
- There’s also some logistical changes to reallocate duties.
Max Holmes:
- It’s a great tradition that the Elections Committee comes to us with changes and recommendations.
- Often in the past these came as recommendations.
- I agree with the majority of the changes, but will be voting against because of the changes affecting AMS staff.
- The changes will mean AMS staff will not be able to campaign for their boss; they will not be able to engage in the election to support that person.
- The restriction should be on the candidates, not on people who are paying members of the Society.
- I know this comes from a good place to avoid pressure from the boss, but it’s not right to impose restrictions on the most involved people, saying who they can support.
- I also am opposed to the change requiring the VP Academic to report back within four business days after receiving a referendum petition.
- In the past we’ve had some controversial referendums; we can be challenged legally; we may need to get the petitions validated by legal counsel; it may be difficult.
- Checking 1,000 signatures takes time.
- There are great changes in this; it should go to the Governance Committee.

Dylan Braam:
- Max raises some concerns worth discussing, but let’s not throw out the baby with the bath water.
- Why not vote to remove the ones that we have issues with?
- We should amend rather than just defeat.
- I would like to see the ban on posterizing come in; don’t want to see that go away.

Halla Bertrand:
- The endorsement part is fair and valid.
- There is inherent conflict of interest when your boss asks you to campaign for them.
- The line can easily be blurred.
- We need to respect boundaries.
- Peer pressure is a real thing.
- This is not restricting support; it’s restricting working on a campaign.
- I agree on the referendum signature validation issue that it might require legal counsel.
- But the VP Academic Office needs to prioritize checking signatures.

Max Holmes:
- We did make that a priority, and our office was always within the time limit this proposal requires.
- On the issue of student staff and conflict of interest, I absolutely agree that we need to make sure student staff are not pressured into working for their boss’s election campaign.
- But some staff members want to support someone they worked with all year.
• I don’t think the lines are blurred.
• There already are rules saying candidates cannot campaign in the office area.
• We could add something about not pressuring people, but I don’t think restricting our members from working in an election is a good idea.
• We’ve already put restrictions on them, requiring them to sign forms, and now we want to stop them from campaigning altogether?

7. MOVED ANDY WU, SECONDED RILEY TY:

“That Council consider Article 2.17 (banning employee endorsements) and Article 4.4 (VPAUA submitting petitions) separately.”

Andy Wu:
• There is not much debate on the rest of the motion so we can consider these separately if we want to dive deeper into them.

8. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the motion to consider separately be amended to also consider Article 2.6 (postering) separately.”

There was discussion on the best way to proceed.

9. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED TANNER GJOSUND:

“That this motion be referred to the Governance Committee.”

Bryan Starick:
• The easiest thing would be to send this to Governance.

Dylan Braam:
• We’re into exam period, and the committee would prefer not to meet.
• It will be difficult to get a quorate meeting and to get the Elections Administrator to attend.

Halla Bertrand:
• My contract as Elections Administrator ends April 22.
• My priority now is hiring my replacement.
• Don’t want the work I’ve done on this to be invalidated.

10. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED TANNER GJOSUND:

“That this motion be referred to the Governance Committee.”

... Defeated

For (5): Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Kevin Zhang
Against (16): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Cristina Ilnitchi, Andrew Huang (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Gurshabad Singhera, Riley Ty, Andy Wu

Abstained: Andrew Au, Andria Coulbourn, Matthew Epstein, Tanner Gjosund

It was then agreed to debate simply removing certain sections from the proposed amendments.

11. MOVED ANDY WU, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That Council remove Article 2.17 (banning employee endorsements) from the Code amendment report.”

Andy Wu:
- There’s been a lot of discussion on this clause.
- Let’s just get on with the rest of the package.

Max Holmes:
- Another concern with this is that it affects Constituency volunteers.

Halla Bertrand:
- The idea is that you can’t have anyone who works for you in any role working for you in an AMS election.

Max Holmes:
- Yes, this worries me.
- I think regulations should be on the candidates themselves, not on those who want to get involved.
- There are other ways of looking at this.
- We could have HR or Governance look at it.

Kevin Zhang:
- Are we talking about endorsing or assisting?

Halla Bertrand:
- There is a blurry line between endorsing and supporting.
- In my tenure, if someone posted once or twice, I did not count that as endorsement.
- But posting every day I did call endorsement.

Kevin Zhang:
- Under this proposal everyone in my caucus would not be able to work for me in an election.
Jerome Goddard:
  - I don’t want to limit democracy or engagement, which I’m concerned this proposal will do.

12. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED CHRIS GOODING:

“That the question be called on removing this section from the Code amendment report.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (14): Andrew Au, Jennifer Cheng, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Andrew Huang (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Darren Touch

Against (3): Dylan Braam, Riley Ty, Andy Wu

Abstained: Kate Burnham, Andria Coulbourn, Kevin Zhang

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Against (1): Dylan Braam

Abstained: Andria Coulbourn

14. MOVED ANDY WU, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That Council remove Article 4.4 (timeline for VPAUA submitting petitions) from the Code amendment report.”

Halla Bertrand:
  - What is the time limit now?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
The only timeline is that the referendum question has to be put to the membership no less than 10 and not more than 30 days after the receipt of the petition by the VP Academic.

15. MOVED ANDY WU, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That Council remove Article 4.4 (timeline for VPAUA submitting petitions) from the Code amendment report.”

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For (14): Andrew Au, Jennifer Cheng, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Andrew Huang (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Darren Touch, Andy Wu

Against (4): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Chris Gooding

Abstained: Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Max Holmes, Nevena Rebic, Kevin Zhang

16. MOVED ANDY WU, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That Council remove Article 2.6 (poster ban) from the Code amendment report.”

Max Holmes:

- I object to removing this.
- Two years ago we got rid of poster as an approved method, but left it to the Elections Committee to include it if they so chose.
- We are a society that has a sustainability policy against waste on campus, yet we fund posters.
- Nobody likes the posters.
- Maybe the Elections Committee should still poster to increase recognition of the election, but otherwise posters are a waste of resources.
- Postering results in charges to the Society.
- UBC’s Campus & Community Planning complains that our poster on walls causes paint chipping.
- TransLink complains.
- SUS has already removed poster from its campaigns.

Halla Bertrand:

- Postering is not sustainable and is a massive waste of time for the Elections Administrator.
- I want to prohibit explicitly, not leave it up to the Elections Committee.

Riley Ty:

- Does poster include lawn signs?
Halla Bertrand:
- To my mind, no, but it will be up to next year’s Chief Electoral Officer.

Cole Evans:
- The question is, Should this be in Code, or should it be up to the Chief Electoral Officer?

Marium Hamid:
- This is one of the biggest things we should do.
- It has to do with sustainability and accessibility.
- Some people don’t have the resources to poster; there’s lots of physical labour involved.
- There also tends to be a lot of pettiness arising from posterizing.
- This ban is exactly the sort of thing we should be mandating.

Jeanie Malone:
- Postering is a major cost.
- How will removing posters impact the Elections budget?

17. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED KEVING ZHANG:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (16): Andrew Au, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Kevin Zhang

Against (6): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Cole Evans, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Riley Ty, Andy Wu

Abstained: Max Holmes

18. MOVED ANDY WU, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That Council remove Article 2.6 (posterizing ban) from the Code amendment report.”

... Defeated

Against (25): Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Andrew Huang (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabad Singhera, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang
19. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

   **From the Elections Committee**
   “That Council adopt the amended version of the report of the Elections Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Electoral Procedures’ and thus amend the Code as recommended and amended.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried

   For (25): Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Andrew Huang (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Gurshabhad Singhera, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

20. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

   “That Section T (submissions) be moved to now for discussion.” ... No objections

   **T) Submissions:**
   
   Arts Undergraduate Society Election results [SCD321-19]
   Engineering Undergraduate Society Election results [SCD322-19]
   Pharmacy Undergraduate Society Election results [SCD323-19]
   Pharmacy Undergraduate Society Senator Election results [SCD324-19]
   Land & Food Systems Undergraduate Society Election results [SCD325-19]
   Medical Undergraduate Society Election results [SCD326-19]
   VSEUS Undergraduate Society Election results [SCD327-19]
   Kinesiology Undergraduate Society General Election results [SCD328-19]
   Forestry Undergraduate Society Election results [SCD329-19]
   Engineering Undergraduate Society By-Elections results [SCD330-19]
   Recommendations to Councillor Handbook [SCD331-19]
   Equity Caucus Review – Timeline [SCD332-19]
   Election Appeals Committee decision – March 29, 2019 [SCD332A-19]

   There was discussion of whether the appeal committee decision should be listed.

   Max Holmes:
   - We might want to make it more clear in Code how appeal decisions are made.

   Dylan Braam:
   - We are not a judicial body and we should not be rejecting or overturning a decision of the appeals committee.
   - We should be hands off.
21. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM: [SCD318-19]

**From the HR Committee**

“That the proposed amendments to the Code of Procedure, Section II, Article 10: Ombudsperson and Advocacy Office (16) be accepted as presented. “

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (22): Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Andrew Huang (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Gurshabad Singhera, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

22. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG: [SCD319-19]

**From the HR Committee**

“That the proposed amendments to the Code of Procedure, Section IX (A), Article 1: Elections Committee (C)(1)(s) be accepted as presented.”

Cole Evans:
- Both these Code amendments, one for the Ombudsperson and one for the Chief Electoral Officer, provide some detail about their transition reports.

Halla Bertrand:
- I agree with the content, but I would note I was not consulted on this change.
- It’s increasing the amount work for the position.
- I would also note that my request for additional pay for this position was declined.

Dylan Braam:
- Was the Ombudsperson consulted?

Cole Evans:
- No, these changes came more from the HR side of things.
- I’m aware that we did not consult with the person in the job, but these are just general position requirements.

Max Holmes:
- Putting something in place for the next employee is fine, but this is changing the requirements of the job for the current employee.
- This should only be done with the consent of the employee.
- We can’t actually change the requirements of current employees.
23. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the motion be amended by adding ‘effective May 1, 2019’.”

... No objections

24. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

From the HR Committee

“That the proposed amendments to the Code of Procedure, Section IX (A), Article 1: Elections Committee (C)(1)(s) be accepted as presented, effective May 1, 2019.”

Cole Evans:
- The date of taking effect was in my head and should have been part of the motion; it was an oversight.
- As to the request for more pay for this position, it was considered; there was a long, deliberate discussion, and we did actually approve a change – not in the rate of pay (the Tier level), but in the number of hours.

Bryan Starick:
- Can we change the duties of a position while people are in the position?

Keith Hester:
- Not unless the person accepts the change.
- A new offer letter would have to be signed.

25. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

From the HR Committee

“That the proposed amendments to the Code of Procedure, Section IX (A), Article 1: Elections Committee (C)(1)(s) be accepted as presented, effective May 1, 2019.”

... Carried

For (23): Joella Allen, Andrew Au, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Andrew Huang (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Gurshabad Singhera, Bryan Starick, Darren Touch, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Max Holmes

26. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the previously adopted Ombuds motion be amended to add May 1, 2019 to the end of the motion.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Cole Evans:
- These are not changes to the JD, just to Code.

Halla Bertrand:
- I would like to note that my JD does not require a transition report, so this would require a change in the JD.

Max Holmes:
- JD's do have to follow Code, and usually say there can be other duties as required.

27. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the previously adopted Ombuds motion be amended to add May 1, 2019 to the end of the motion.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… No objections

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

**Equity Caucus – Cristina Ilnitchi**

- The 2016 Governance Review said some students felt more connected to parts of their identity not represented on Council, Council being based on representation by faculty.
- Out of that came the Equity Caucus under the Advocacy Committee. Also the Student Issues Caucus, which became Blue & Gold under the Student Life Committee; there were also supposed to be structures to represent Greek Life and Rez Life.
- The Equity Caucus has been an ongoing issue; we’ve been trying to reform it so that it can function.
- There was a lot of reaching out between 2016 and 2018, but not a lot of enthusiasm to join it.
- There were high barriers to entry: applicants had to send in resumés, cover letters; they had to do a lot of things to volunteer.
- So we tried lowering the barriers and did outreach, but there was still not a ton of engagement.
- This year once again we are trying to revive the Equity Caucus.
- We’re still addressing the need to lower barriers.
- We’ve engaged with the Student Resource Groups and the Resource Group Allocation Committee. Also with UBC Equity & Inclusion.
- There are three main issues:
  - Membership: Need something big enough to include people and recognizing the need to have individual voices heard. But not too small that we don’t recognize intersectionality.
- Accountability: If this becomes an informal structure under the Advocacy Committee, how do we make sure that the Advocacy Committee and Council know what work is going on?
- Engagement: How do we make sure there are enough resources?

- Proposal: This needs a lot of work.
- We had a pre-determined structure from the AMS and the consultants; it wasn’t from the students. Putting the cart before the horse.
- It’s not enough to create one structure.
- Advocacy Committee and the VP External are proposing that an equity plan be created.
- This may include an Equity Caucus, but we want to go beyond structure.
- Next steps:
  - Consultations with underrepresented student groups.
  - Creation of a working group under the Advocacy Committee to work on this from May through August.
  - September: A Town Hall.
  - October: Full plan.
  - November: Second engagement session.
  - December: Finalize document.

- The point of the plan may be to address our elections, lowering barriers to engagement, looking at how the AMS engages with students.
- Right now we’ve reached out to multiple clubs; had a meeting.
- Now we want a motion to create a group of people to work on this actively.

**Questions**

Jerome Godard:
- How do you see this fitting into your portfolio?
- Will you need extra staff?
- Will this be standalone like the Indigenous Committee?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- We need to have more resources.

Marium Hamid:
- Moving forward, we will need consultations.
- The new Exec assistant perhaps can help.

Hannah Xiao:
- Are you thinking of increasing the number of at large members on the Advocacy Committee?
- There used to be five, but then that was reduced because of the creation of the Equity Caucus.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- We’ve been consulting groups who have expressed a wish to be part of the process.
- We’re thinking how to include them in the summer; we’re including as many people as possible.
Max Holmes:
- We had a document which we didn’t create with the groups.
- Now with this working group, will we bring a document?
- If we don’t bring anything, what often happens is that despite the best intentions, things may not work out.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- The VP External Office is doing research, contacting student associations and other non-profits.
- The information we gather will be presented to the Advocacy Committee and this working group to better inform them about what’s out there.
- So we won’t be starting from scratch.

28. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED JEROME GODDARD:

“That the Advocacy Committee strike an Equity Plan Working Group and present a finalized document to Council by the end of November.”

... Carried

For (19): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Matthew Epstein, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Andrew Huang (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), John Segui, Gurshabad Singhera, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Max Holmes

The Speaker declared a 9-minute recess.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Marium Hamid
- President’s breakfast with Santa Ono.
- Re-establishing lines of communication with the Musqueam: Patrick Meehan as the new Policy Advisor will resume that work.
- Working on orientations.
- Union negotiations are going well: there will be another round later this month.
- The Health and Dental Committee won a commitment from UBC to fund Empower Me (the mental health and wellness counselling program), and even those not in the general health and dental plan will be covered for the Empower Me program, thanks to UBC.
Questions
Daniel Lam:
• Congratulations on winning the UBC’s Edward J.C. Hossie Leadership Award.

Jerome Goddard:
• Does the Policy Advisor help with all portfolios?
• Is this resource available to us if we need help with policy?

Marium Hamid:
• You would have to ask Keith because it’s a unionized position.

Hannah Xiao:
• How were the All-Presidents Dinner invitees selected?

Marium Hamid:
• There are no set metrics.
• We invite clubs with high engagement involved in fun activities.
• If we asked every club to come, we’d need a capacity of a thousand.
• We invited 70 of our most involved clubs.

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

VP Academic & University Affairs – Max Holmes
• Transitioning with the Policy Advisor.
• UBC budget finalized:
  o The vast majority of our asks got funded.
    ▪ 250 new Work Learn jobs.
    ▪ Off campus Work Learn pilot.
    ▪ Funding for first year experience to expand Jump Start.
    ▪ Integrated Health Centre got funded.
    ▪ The majority of undergraduate research projects got funded.
  o Engagement with the University meant they took our asks seriously.
• Busy with Board committees.
• I would like to recognize Marium again for the award she won for being one of the most transformational and positive Presidents in AMS history.
• Academic Concession Policy closed and should go to the Senate in May: this is the first revision of the policy in a decade.

Questions:
Tanner Gjosund:
• Re the Campus Emergency Response Team: did you raise this with the University?

Max Holmes:
• It’s on the agenda for a meeting with the VP Students in late April.
• It will be interesting to see their perspective.
Student Services Manager – Piers Fleming
- Transitioning the new Student Services Manager.
- The Food for Fines program raised $2,300 for the Food Bank.

VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi
- Student Aid BC revamp: engaged with that.
- Met with groups about the Equity Caucus.
- AMS Transit Talk event.
- Working with UCRU (the Undergraduates of Canadian Research-intensive Universities).
- Meeting with the UNA.

Questions
Tyra Phillips:
- The PGA timeline is supposed to be on the agenda.

Cristina Ilnitchi
- It’s coming next time, with the results of the timetable and the first draft of a submission.
- It will be sent to the EUS.

VP Administration – Chris Hakim
- Clubs: Finished club exec orientations, including training done by SASC about sexual violence and by UBC Equity about anti-discrimination.
- Sustainability: Three Constituencies have passed their own sustainability strategies.
- Hatch Art Gallery: Closing reception for Masquerade (drag shows): it was a big success.
- Transitioning.
- Working on SVPREP (sexual violence) for April 24 meeting.

Questions
Jerome Goddard:
- If a club exec missed the orientation, how do they make it up?

Chris Hakim:
- We’re a lot more lenient this year.
- There will be more sessions in September.

Managing Director – Keith Hester
- Working with the Events Manager on Block Party:
  - 5,700 tickets sold out of 6,000.
  - Surpassed the maximum of dollars taken in ever.
  - Hope to break even.
• SASC survivors art exhibition.

Questions
Jerome Goddard:
• Will the Pit be open more regular hours?
• How much control does the AMS have over the Wednesday Pit Nights?

Keith Hester:
• We were operating five nights a week, but it was not cost effective; revenue was low.
• So we’re not going to open more than once a week.
• Pit Night is not separate from the AMS; it’s run by AMS Food & Beverage.

Dylan Braam:
• What is the average price for Block Party tickets?

Keith Hester:
• Approximately $37.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Advocacy – Max Holmes
• Focused on the Equity Caucus motion.
• Budget.
• Academic Concession Policy.
• Not meeting in April.

Brewery – Chris Hakim
• No updates.

Questions
Riley Ty:
• When did we last receive an update?
• It seems like a while.

Chris Hakim:
• Turnover at Land & Food has slowed things down.
• I did give a report last meeting.

Finance – Katherine Westerlund
• Presentation on proposed new ticketing service.
• Did not like it.
  o Marium Hamid: The consensus was that we didn’t want to go ahead with a small company.
• ToR for Sustainability Projects Fund.
• Looking at changes to the budget.
Human Resources – Cole Evans
- Bad news: The first meeting of the Advisory Board has been indefinitely postponed because of cancellations and a resignation.
- Now again searching for a professional member; hopefully can appoint someone at the April 24 meeting.
- Good news: Completed pretty much all our goals.
- Hiring ongoing: Have received more applications for Chief Electoral Officer and Ombuds.
- Probably meeting one more time about the hiring.

Steering – Marium Hamid
- Timeline and Goals:
  - For next year we will produce the timeline Bryan Starick was asking for.
  - We are also making committee report templates.

Operations – Chris Hakim
- Final draft of Clubs Expulsion Policy.
- New Operations Committee Manual.

Questions
Jerome Goddard:
- Can you talk about the discussion re surveillance cameras?

Chris Hakim:
- Weird joint meeting with the Governance Committee on the video surveillance policy.
- Tossed it around like an onion.
- Next year will have to deal with creating a new policy.

Governance – Dylan Braam
- Met for our final time of term.
- Why the weird joint meeting with Operations about video surveillance?
- Prior to the great restructuring, all policies resided with the Governance Committee, but this is a facilities-based policy that belongs with the Operations Committee.
- It just so happened that the Operations Committee was meeting right after Governance, so we continued together.
- It was decided that changes were needed; they will be done next term.
- Contract code changes coming tonight.
- Audit procedures:
  - Have had meetings; think it best dealt with by the Advisory Board: there should be someone on the Advisory Board with the background to understand audits better than students.
  - Recommending that an executive summary of the audit go to Council.
- Council cultural changes: didn’t get to complete, but discussed. A lot of the suggestions don’t need Code changes.
- It’s been great serving as the GovCom chair.
- A lot of work still needs to be done.

Student Life – Jerome Goddard
- Grad Class Subcommittee:
  - We have found four human beings to consult about grad class gifts.
  - Meeting next week.
  - Hope to present the list of gifts on April 24.
  - Please send me your ideas.
- Council recommendations:
  - The big one is to boost incentives to be cheerleaders of the Society.
- Tomorrow is the last day of classes: it could be dangerous. Please look out for yourself and your friends. Remember that you are campus leaders.

Questions
Hannah Xiao:
- Dangerous?

Jerome Goddard:
- A lot can go wrong. It’s important to ensure you’re making the right decisions on the last day.

New SUB – Chris Hakim
- No update.

Questions
Dylan Braam
- Do we have any idea when the Norm Theatre will be reopening?

Chris Hakim:
- The expectation now is May.
- There have been air ventilation issues.
- We have to meet fire regulations.
- There’s a decision to make about having live performances: they require lots of lights and that means an even higher standard in the fire regulations.
- We’re looking at the budget.

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

Marium Hamid:
- March was so busy it was hard to schedule a meeting.
- But we held the All- Presidents Dinner.
- Will send a wrap-up email, as April will be equally hard to schedule.
O) Board of Governors, Senate, Ombudsperson & Historical Update Reports (2 minutes each):

**BoG – Jeanie Malone**
- Committee meetings.
- Indigenous Committee to meet in May.
- Full Board on April 18: Snow day items from the cancelled February meeting will be carried forward.

**Senate – Jeanie Malone**
- Senate happened.
- The Council of Senates met for the first time in 10 years.
- Discussed how to appoint the Chancellor.
- Next meeting near end of the month or in May.
- It will be the first meeting for new senators.
- Started talking about appeals committees.

**Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb**
- Sherwood Lett is back (his photo, that is, on the wall here in the Council chambers), along with the photos of Evelyn Lett and Norman MacKenzie. Also the Councillor of the Year plaque.
- Tomorrow is Block Party, which started in 2008, replacing the old Arts County Fair (ACF).
- ACF, run by the Arts Undergraduate Society, began in 1992 and lasted for 16 years until it shut down.
- In its first year ACF featured the Barenaked Ladies, and they were a great success.
- In 2010 Block Party brought them back, and they were much less of a success. Times change.

*Questions*
Cole Evans:
- What were the issues forcing Arts County Fair to shut down?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Legal and financial.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:

R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

29. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED COLE EVANS: [SCD320A-19]

From the Arts Undergraduate Society
“That in accordance with Bylaw 13(2)(c), Council approve the new constitution of the Arts Undergraduate Society as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Jerome Goddard:
- The Barenaked Ladies drummer was my hockey coach, and the 1999 Arts constitution says the AUS is supposed to host the Arts County Fair.
- Last year we tried to pass a new constitution to bring things up to date and address issues of sustainability.
- We had a referendum which would have passed (it had 80% support from those who voted), but the number of voters was only 9.5% of those eligible, and quorum is 10%.
- We’d like your help in passing the new constitution, which can be done by AMS Council.

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Bylaw 13(2)(c) allows Council to amend a Constituency’s constitution.
- It has been done in the past when Constituencies couldn’t reach quorum to change their own constitution.

Dylan Braam:
- What is different between this new constitution and the previous one?

Jerome Goddard:
- The last constitution said we are supposed to produce ACF; we’re deleting that.
- In the new constitution we talk about mental health, inclusivity, and equality.
- The old constitution defines membership as those in a BA or BFA program (and also students in the Bachelor of Media Studies program).
- In the new one we redefine membership to mean those who pay fees to the AUS.
- There’s also a clause about elections, one about amendments, and one about not subverting AMS Code or Bylaws.

Dylan Braam:
- So under this new constitution, if I show up at the AUS office with a cheque for $13, can I become an AUS member and even president?

Jerome Goddard:
- Fees are collected through the Student Services Centre and sent to us by the Registrar’s office.
- You can’t just show up to pay fees and become a member.
- There is clear Code and Bylaws about this.

Dylan Braam:
- Yes, for the AMS, but this new AUS constitution theoretically allows anyone to pay $13 and become an AUS member; it could be problematic.
Max Holmes:
- One thing we could do is put something in AMS Code; that would supersede a Constituency’s constitution.

Jerome Goddard:
- This raises a lot of interesting points.
- It might be useful to have some AUS Code on this.
- We are drafting an MoU with VSEUS about double majors and what Constituencies they belong to.

Dylan Braam:
- Under the new constitution, people can join the AUS whenever because the constitution is so open.
- Because the constitution is so open, the AUS Code can’t restrict membership.
- You could put something in the constitution that allows restrictions in your Code.

Cole Evans:
- If we did that, it could allow flexibility.

Jerome Goddard:
- I would hazard against changing something approved by 80%.

30. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the motion be amended to amend the AUS constitution to include new text in Chapter IV, subsection E saying ‘pursuant to the AUS and AMS Codes of Procedure’.”

Jeanie Malone:
- Better not to amend without AUS Council support.
- Maybe revert to 1999 version.

Max Holmes:
- The majority of us here are not Arts students.
- Changing it here has not been supported by Arts students.
- I’m reluctant to allow us to vote on the constitution at all, but at least the original proposal came close to quorum.

Bryan Starick:
- Are we covered by AMS Code or Bylaws?
- Do they say that AUS members have to be AMS members?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Our Bylaws and Code are not explicit on this.

Chris Hakim:
- I have concerns about making changes to a document like this.
Kevin Zhang:
- It’s understood that the scenario outlined would not happen.
- Engineering students wouldn’t pay the AMS fee: has it ever happened?

Cole Evans:
- I am totally in agreement with the view that we should not change things voted on by the Arts students, but this is not changing anything: just clarifying.

Andy Wu:
- The issue is so very technical.
- It’s futile to go back to the students.
- Given that we do have the authority, I would say it’s best to vote for the amendment.
- AUS Council will eventually come up with something better, but it’s in the best interest of the AUS to vote for this now.

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- It doesn’t happen in practice that people show up at the AUS office to pay.
- UBC collects and pays the AUS Constituency fee to the AUS according to the Registrar’s records.

31. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED JEROME GODDARD:

“That the question on the amendment be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rd... Carried

For (13): Andrew Au, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Kevin Zhang, Bryan Starick

Against (6): Chris Hakim, Max Holmes, Gurshabad Singhera, Riley Ty, Andy Wu

Abstained: Joella Allen

32. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the motion be amended to amend the AUS constitution to include new text in Chapter IV, subsection E saying ‘pursuant to the AUS and AMS Codes of Procedure’.”... Carried

For (12): Andrew Au, Jennifer Cheng, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Gurshabad Singhera, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang
Against (6): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Chris Hakim, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Bryan Starick

33. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

From the Arts Undergraduate Society
“That in accordance with Bylaw 13(2)(c), Council approve the new constitution of the Arts Undergraduate Society as amended.”

Note 1: Requires 2/3rds

Note 2: The amendment adds the phrase “pursuant to the AUS and AMS Codes of Procedure” to Chapter IV, Article 1(a).

Max Holmes:
- Because of the amendment, I'll vote against.
- It changes what the students voted on.
- It allows AUS Council to change the definition of membership.

Chris Hakim:
- I have similar feelings.
- You have changed the document.
- The original one was voted on by students; the new one not.

Dylan Braam:
- This is a significant change.
- The AUS could decide that PoliSci students are not worth the trouble and should not have membership in the AUS.
- That would deprive them of representation at the AUS and at the AMS: they would not be in any Constituency.
- This would be unacceptable.

Marium Hamid:
- I would feel more comfortable if the Arts reps would take this back to AUS Council.
- I would like them to say it’s acceptable.
- I feel the spirit is what we are trying to clarify, but AUS Council should agree to this before we make the change.

Jerome Goddard:
- Maybe I’m too optimistic, but to say that maybe the AUS would decide that, say, geography students are not members seems unlikely to me.

Cole Evans:
- To say an undergraduate society would do a terrible thing like eliminating a group of students does not seem realistic.
- I think the four of us here from Arts know what our Council feels about this.
• There are safeguards in place with this new language about being subject to the AUS and AMS Codes: this will make sure the AUS does not do anything drastic.

A quorum check was requested. Quorum was still present, there being 19 present (quorum being 18).

Katherine Westerlund:
• I don’t like a lot of the other wording in this constitution.
• I don’t think it’s safe to assume good faith: sometimes extreme things happen.

Bryan Starick:
• We have a fiduciary duty to the AMS.
• With this language the AUS could put changes in their Code to allow non-AMS members to join the AUS.
• That would open up the AMS to liability.

34. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That this motion as amended be tabled to April 24.”

Max Holmes:
• Will there be an AUS Council meeting and will you be able to consult enough people?

Cole Evans:
• We do not have one scheduled, but I’d rather have it on the agenda.

35. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED TANNER GJOSUND:

“That the motion to table be amended to have the motion come back by the first meeting in May.” ... Carried

For (16): Joella Allen, Dylan Braam, Kate Burnham, Andria Coulbourn, Priscilla Chan (proxy for Evan Zhou), Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Jerome Goddard, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Chris Hakim, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Andrew Huang (proxy for Jacqueline Wu), Gurshabad Singhera, Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Bryan Starick

36. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That this motion as amended be tabled to come back by the first meeting in May.”

Bryan Starick:
• I’d prefer us to fail the original motion and than have them bring something new back.
• Otherwise it’s the amended version that will show up here.

Jerome Goddard:
• I’d like to bring a new constitution from Arts.

Dylan Braam:
• It would be good if it came from AUS Council.

37. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That this motion as amended be tabled to come back by the first meeting in May.”

... Carried

For (7): Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Daniel Lam (proxy for Yash Gurnani), Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Katherine Westerlund (proxy for Riley Ty)

Against (3): Dylan Braam, Max Holmes, Bryan Starick

Abstained: Joella Allen, Kevin Zhang

38. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED KATE BURNHAM:

From the Engineering Undergraduate Society

“That Council approve ______________ as the media source in which the Engineering Undergraduate Society publish its 2019 EDTAC referendum results.”

Katherine Westerlund:
• We ran a fee referendum that passed.
• We need to advertise the result in a medium approved by AMS Council.
• Our proposal is the Engineers’ e-nEUSletter.

Dylan Braam:
• What does EDTAC stand for?
• What are the requirements for a media source?

Katherine Westerlund:
• EDTAC is the Engineering Design Teams Advisory Council.

Sheldon Goldfarb:
• AMS Bylaws say that the results of Constituency fee referendums are to be made public in the Constituency and in a media source as approved by Council.

39. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED BRYAN STARICK:

“That the motion be amended to add e-nEUSletter as the media source.”

... No objections
40. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED KATE BURNHAM:

   From the Engineering Undergraduate Society
   “That Council approve e-nEUSlettre as the media source in which the Engineering
   Undergraduate Society publish its 2019 EDTAC referendum results.”

   It was determined that quorum had been lost. In accordance with AMS Code, this meant that
   the meeting would be dissolved immediately following completion of the question on the floor.

41. MOVED BRYAN STARICK, SECONDED KATE BURNHAM:

   From the Engineering Undergraduate Society
   “That Council approve e-nEUSlettre as the media source in which the Engineering
   Undergraduate Society publish its 2019 EDTAC referendum results.”

   … Carried

The meeting adjourned due to lack of quorum at 9:59 pm.

S) Next Meeting:

   Next Meeting: April 24, 2019

T) Submissions – see above

U) Social Activity: Pit Night
# April 3, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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V1: Test your clickers and make sure your name is listed correctly! :)
V2: Agenda amendments
V3: Approval of the agenda
V4: Approval of the consent agenda items
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V6: Call To Question
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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Henry Anderson (Ubyssey), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Kevin Yu (member at large), Osaro Obaseki (incoming AMS Ombudsperson), Paulo Pereira Jr. (VST), Akhil Krishnan (Safewalk Coordinator), Saurav Acharya (Tutoring Coordinator), Harper Watson (Speakeasy), Rohan Parakh (eHub), Simran Sidhu (Food Bank), Ahsan Sabribzada (incoming Chief Electoral Officer), Michelle Marcus (AVP Sustainability), 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:

- At this time, we wish to acknowledge our presence on the unceded, traditional, and ancestral territory of the hən̓ q̓ əmino̓ l̓əm̓ -speaking Musqueam people.
- In addition, the Chair wishes to recognize that learning happened in this place where we are gathered long before this institution was established. It is important that we understand and respect our privilege to be living, working, and learning on Musqueam territory.
- We do this acknowledgement at every meeting and hope that it inspires us to think about the ongoing decolonization process on campus.
- These acknowledgements can often be largely performative.
- The question should be, Where do we want to go with this decolonization work?
- I personally tend towards giving the land back.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JEROME GODDARD:

   “That the agenda be amended by moving motions 5, 10, and 11 to before Presentations.”

Cole Evans:
- These are position appointments and I don’t want to make the candidates wait.

Max Holmes:
- We do have to get Executive goals done, and one of us has to go to an exam.
- Exec goals before motions.

Marium Hamid:
- A lot of staff members will be here for the Services presentation.
- I would like to respect these two presentations.
Cole Evans:
  • Okay, let’s move the motions to after the presentations.

2. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JEROME GODDARD:

  “That the agenda be amended by moving motions 5, 10, and 11 to after Presentations.”
  … No objections

3. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

  “That the Congress presentation be tabled.”

Jerome Goddard:
  • The person giving it is writing an exam, and it’s not time sensitive.

4. MOVED JEROME GODDARD, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

  “That the Congress presentation be tabled.”
  … No objections

5. MOVED COLE EVANS:

  “That the agenda be amended by moving motions 4, 6, and 7 to after the Consultation Period.”

Cole Evans:
  • They’re carried over from last meeting, and it will make the meeting more diverse.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
  • I’d appreciate it if we keep them where they are.

Hannah Xiao:
  • Making things more diverse is not a compelling reason to move things.

6. MOVED COLE EVANS:

  “That the agenda be amended by moving motions 4, 6, and 7 to after the Consultation Period.”
  … Withdrawn

7. MOVED MARIUM HAMID, SECONDED CRISTINA ILNITCHI:

  “That the agenda be amended by striking the Rent with Rights consultation from the Consultation Period.”

Yash Gurnani:
• Why are we striking the consultation?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• We are waiting on some documents.

8. MOVED MARIUM HAMID, SECONDED CRISTINA ILNITCHI:

“That the agenda be amended by striking the Rent with Rights consultation from the Consultation Period.”

… No objections

9. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

… Carried

For (19): Kuol Akuechbeny, Dylan Braam, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Chris Hakim, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Jennifer Cheng), Jon Kew, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Christina Wiesmann, Kevin Zhang

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

Welcome to our new Members:

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Journalism, Population & Public Health

Goodbyes:

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:
• Always happy to learn ways to make meetings more accessible.
• Remember to use your microphones.

Max Holmes:
• Councillor of the Year.
• Award for a non-Executive Councillor who has shown great dedication.
• This year it is going to a person who sat on multiple committees, who made finance systems more accessible, and who cast a critical eye on the VP Admin.
• She always starts by saying she is old: but with age comes wisdom.
• She’s been an Executive in a Constituency and has held leadership positions throughout the University.
• Currently, she’s chairing a committee of the Board of Governors, and she has given three years of service to AMS Council.
• Jeanie Malone is Councillor of the Year.
Jeanie Malone:
- Thank you. It’s been an honour serving on this body.
- I think I’m going for a record here.

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

G) Consent Agenda Items

10. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED RILEY TY:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

- Council minutes dated March 13, 2019 [SCD333-19]
- Executive Committee minutes dated March 28, 2019 [SCD334-19]
- HR Committee minutes dated March 28, 2019 [SCD335-19]
- Governance Committee minutes dated Feb 5, 2019 [SCD336-19]
- Governance Committee minutes dated March 5 2019 [SCD337-19]
- Governance Committee minutes dated March 12, 2019 [SCD338-19]
- AMS Finance Committee minutes April 3rd 2019 [SCD339-19]
- AMS Finance Committee minutes April 17th 2019 [SCD340-19]
- AMS Finance Committee minutes March 13th 2019 [SCD341-19]
- AMS Finance Committee minutes March 27th 2019 [SCD342-19]

… Carried

For (16): Dylan Braam, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Jennifer Cheng), Jon Kew, Nevena Rebic, Riley Ty, Christina Wiesmann, Kevin Zhang

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

Executive Goals Report – AMS Executive [SCD343-19]

Marium Hamid - President
- It’s been a fantastic year.
- Accessible Services:
  - Feedback portal was the number 1 priority.
  - Streamlining system of applying for bursaries: putting it online.
  - Digitizing the bursary process
  - Centralizing contacts.
- Engaged Communications:
  - Finally got our new website in the fall.
  - Looking at integrating different languages.
  - Better organized on Facebook and other social media.
  - Documentation of Pit anniversary.
  - Able to have Executives present at events.
• Enhanced Consultation:
  o This year for the first time we were able to get UBC to issue an FAQ and responses to student input on tuition fees.
  o We got most of our budgetary asks.
• Improved Student Experience through Inclusion:
  o This was difficult.
  o We did some partial accessibility audits.
  o UBC says they will do one of all their buildings.
• Internal/External Governance:
  o We filled multiple senior manager positions that had been vacant.
  o With Cole Evans, we have almost filled the Advisory Board.
  o The Strategic Plan has been contentious: do we need one? The result was a decision to do a study of AMS values.

Chris Hakim – VP Administration
• Clubs and Constituencies:
  o New SUB Project completed: nine groups have moved into the lower level of the Old SUB (the UBC Life Building), and the Blank Vinyl Project is no longer playing in the Nest.
  o Departmental Clubs: Worked with Constituencies to clarify procedures.
  o Club elections will be more accessible by being put online through Campus Vibe.
  o Operations Committee Manual updated.
• Hatch Art Gallery:
  o Massive growth in attendance (80-100 people attending receptions), thanks to marketing.
  o Shows linked to activism.
  o Volunteers more involved, taking a more active role.
• Sustainability:
  o Created a subcommittee.
  o Sustainability strategies in the Constituencies.
  o Collaborating on SEEDS projects.
  o More sustainability in our operations.
• Student Life and Sustainability Centre:
  o Changed to the Clubs Resource Centre.
• Mental Health:
  o Increased psychology coverage.
  o Collaborated with Constituencies on a Wellness Week.
• Other Projects:
  o Working with the Indigenous Committee.
  o Thunderbird project.
  o Sexual violence policy and training.

Kuol Akuechbeny – VP Finance
• Increasing financial development: increasing the amount of funding that can go to clubs and individual applicants.
• Explored an update to the Dynamics system (finance and operations software).
• Looking at ticketing platforms.
• Doubled the number of credit cards and introduced a new credit card policy.
• Working to roll out a new financial system.
• Sustainable Financial Plan: Our investments have gone up by 5% this year.
• Reviewed fees and subsidies.

Cristina Ilnitchi – VP External
• Promoting Affordability of Education:
  o Provincial lobbying resulted in two of our asks being granted:
    ▪ Elimination of interest on student loans.
    ▪ Support for open education resources (OER’s).
  o The government also created a sexual violence working group.
  o Also a federal lobby trip with UCRU (Undergraduates of Canadian Research-Intensive Universities).
  o Looking to a summit of BC students to talk about affordability and education.
• Accessibility:
  o Pushed for and got SkyTrain votes.
  o SkyTrain to UBC campaign.
  o Rent with Rights.
• Promoting Student Well-Being:
  o Mental health hotline.
  o Research project.
• Election Awareness:
  o Learned from the municipal election campaign and the provincial referendum campaign this year: will serve us well in upcoming elections.
• SUDS (Student Union Development Summit):
  o Improved this past year.
  o Looking to make more improvements.

Max Holmes – VP Academic & University Affairs
• Survivor Centric Support:
  o Pushed UBC to review Policy 131 on sexual violence, and that will happen.
  o “We Believe You” campaign.
  o Pushed for Senate working group on Academic Concession; it was created, and hopefully there will be a new policy approved at the May Senate meeting.
• Holistic Student Affordability:
  o Pushed against tuition increase, resulting in a divided vote at the Board of Governors.
  o Helped change consultation process on the UBC budget.
  o Cost of learning materials to be discussed at Senate.
• UBC Strategic Plan:
  o Involved in committees and working groups.
  o Successfully advocated for funding of various student-focused priorities, including undergraduate research and new Work Learn positions.
• Health and Well-Being:
  o Expansion of funding for the Integrated Health Centre in Orchard Commons (after an AMS submission calling for this).
o Helped review UBC Policy 73 on disabilities.
o Worked on Fall Reading Break: saw the most progress on it in a while.
o Overall 10,000 students engaged in our campaigns:
- Academic Experience Survey
- Fall Reading Break
- OER
- We Believe You
o The Indigenous Committee came about because of the efforts of Indigenous students, but it was great to host that process.

11. MOVED MARIUM HAMID, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the presentation time be increased by five minutes.”

... No objections

Piers Fleming – Student Services Manager

- Continued Data Collection:
  o Implemented new system.
  o A couple of bumps, was a work in progress, but by the end of the year it was running at maximum capacity.
- Social Media Strategic Plan:
  o Not too successful.
  o Should have worked more closely with AMS Communications.
  o But did increase traffic through innovative outreach and promotions.
- Emphasis on the Student Experience:
  o Shaped direction of the Services.
  o Uniform feedback form for all the Services.
  o Could have worked more on collaboration between the Services.
- Funding and Fees:
  o Trimmed budget.
  o Fortunate in getting support from UBC and other partners.
  o Looking to decrease reliance on student fees.
  o Successful budget process for next year: the outgoing and incoming SSM worked together, had a good dynamic.

Questions

Dylan Braam:
- What should your successors be working on?

Marium Hamid:
- Best advice: Most things take a lot longer than you expect.
- UBC is like a large vessel in a small canal.
- Reach out and collaborate in the UBC community.

Max Holmes:
- As with the Fall Reading Break, do lots of consultation.
- When in doubt, get the University to do things.
- If you build it, they will come.
• Academic Concessions an example: pushed by the AMS; if we hadn’t, nothing would have happened.
• It makes things better if the students lead.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
• Look at ticketing and avoid paying commission: we shouldn’t be paying people to do this.
• Online money transfers: complete the process.
• Continue the system of getting financial reports from those who receive our fees.
  What we did this year was good.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• Excited for my successor [she is succeeding herself].
• Working with others is invaluable: student unions, other student groups.
• A lot of advocacy is not yet done: Indigenous students, climate advocacy.
• I look forward to continuing work on an equity plan.

Piers Fleming:
• Strong communication is key.
• Use the data analytics.
• Just because we’ve always been doing something doesn’t mean we should always do it.

Jerome Goddard:
• How did the team work?

Marium Hamid:
• From all the joking you can tell that we got along well.
• There will always be disagreements – that’s healthy.
• It’s important to be on the same page.

12. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion to ratify an MoU between the AUS (Arts) and VSEUS (Economics) regarding membership in their respective Constituencies.”

… No objections

Services Annual Update – AMS Student Services Team – (15 minutes) [SCD344-19]

Speakeasy – Harper Watson
• Successful year.
• Doubled numbers from last year: 120 students dropped in or booked appointments.
• Did outreach to all faculties.
• Collaborated with campus partners.
• Reduced our budget.
• Want to continue with outreach and collaboration: build relationships with UBC Counselling and the Wellness Centre.

**Tutoring – Saurav Acharya**
- Lowered cost per student.
- 1200 students used the service, double the amount from last year
- Connected with professors.
- Ongoing professional development for staff.
- Increased student satisfaction.
- Creating relationships with students: returning students.
- Looking for a bigger room.

**eHUB (Entrepreneurship) – Rohan Parakh**
- Receiving funds from the Innovative Projects Fund.
- Creating website.
- Gave out funding through RBC Get Seeded.
- One-on-one appointments.
- 350 interactions.
- Advocating for our own room in the Nest so we can hold office hours.
- Working to improve awareness of the service.
- Entrepreneurship booting fair next fall.
- Targeting students that e@UBC can't help: we're a peer-run incubator program to get people into e@UBC.

**Foodbank – Simran Sidhu**
- Usage up 6%.
- Increased student donations through food drives and fundraisers: raised more than $10,000.
- Engaged over 800 students in our events.
- Created a donation slot/hamper.
- More monetary donations: $16,000.
- Big agreement with Office of the UBC President: $10,000, plus another $15,000 in matching funds.
- Moved to the Life Building: it’s nice to have our own space.
- Mural painted by students, made the space more welcoming.
- Received grant of $5,000 from UBC Wellness.
- Increased selection of food.
- Aiming to continue engaging students.
- Becoming more than just a Food Bank, becoming a resource hub for students to get out of food insecurity.

**Vice – Piers Fleming (on behalf of Vice)**
- Hosted panel discussions and other events on marijuana, harm reduction, safe use of drugs, Naloxone training.
- Mentorship program: talking about drug issues one-on-one.
- Increased volunteer engagement.
- Worked on training manuals.
Had a booth at Block Party and received 942 visits there.

**Safewalk – Akhil Krishnan**
- Continued partnership with men’s football team.
- Discussing collaboration with women’s soccer and field hockey teams.
- Marketing via departmental emails.
- Looking to work with Jump Start.
- Safewalk is separate from the data analytics the other Services use; we have an older system, not integrated, though may be able to do so later.
- New coordinator hired.
- Walk team to be more active in safety, with eyes on the road: not intervening, but can provide resources.
- We had 4,600 interactions with 2,550 unique clients.

**Advocacy – Piers Fleming (on behalf of Advocacy)**
- Translation service being implemented.
- New coordinator hired.
- Created lots of campus partnerships.
- Want the Advocacy Coordinator to be more involved in the student government side of the AMS.
- More outreach to international students planned for next year.

**Questions**

**Arash Shadkam:**
- At Speakeasy why is there is low uptake among grad students?
- Any plans for more outreach to grad students?
- Loneliness, anxiety, and depression are synonymous with graduate life.

**Harper Watson:**
- We don’t restrict our service to undergraduates, but it’s true we don’t target graduate students.
- We could reach out to them.

**Michelle Marcus:**
- Any thoughts on having group sessions for Speakeasy?

**Harper Watson:**
- We do hold workshops.
- The reason we do private sessions is that confidential information is shared.

**Kevin Zhang:**
- Safewalk and intoxicated students: can Safewalk refuse service?
- Can Safewalk assist intoxicated students?

**Akhil Krishnan:**
- This is one of the most difficult issues we deal with.
• If there is doubt, if they can’t get into the Safewalk car, we may call Campus Security.
• Campus Security can provide medical assistance; we’re not trained to do that.
• We need to protect both our clients and our staff.
• We have a no contact policy; we can’t touch a client because if something happens, we’re liable.
• We cannot take people who are very intoxicated, but it’s not true we don’t take drunk people.

**Senate Ad-hoc Committee on Academic Diversity and Inclusivity (SACADI) – Marium Hamid**

[SCD345-19]

• Created in January 2018 to identify areas that need work and identify the amount of change required to produce a culture shift.
• Issues were identified for the following UBC committees to take on:
  o Curriculum Committee:
    ▪ Important that issues of inclusivity be considered.
    ▪ Marginalized groups need to be considered.
    ▪ Costs.
  o Awards Committee:
    ▪ Addressing the lack of money for students excelling in non-academic ways.
    ▪ Equity-seeking groups.
    ▪ Some awards are not given because they’re aimed at a small group.
  o Appeals Committee:
    ▪ Discipline process flawed.
    ▪ Asked for increased training and orientation.
    ▪ Want students in the room.
  o Academic Policy Committee:
    ▪ New Policy 73 (Accommodation for Students with Disabilities) affects students a lot, which is great.
    ▪ No rules on how to review policies.
  o Admissions Committee:
    ▪ Broad Based Admissions.
    ▪ Commitment to increasing Indigenous enrollment.
    ▪ Systemic issues.
  o Teaching and Learning Committee:
    ▪ Mental health.
    ▪ When change criteria.
• Want Senate to make a commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI).
• Would like a permanent committee to address issues.
• Need alignment of definitions: UBC equity plan to do that.
• Incentives for faculty and students pursuing equity-based teaching and learning.

**Questions**
Daniel Lam
• Can EDI values be implemented in current courses?
Marium Hamid:
- We hope more profs will integrate these.

Max Holmes:
- Is SACADI looking at a place for engagement of the Indigenous in Senate?

Marium Hamid:
- We looked at how Indigenous issues should be considered in multiple committees.

Max Holmes:
- Would there be a new permanent body to be the main source on this?
  - There are a lot of committees.

Marium Hamid:
- Every committee would do this for itself and there would be an overarching committee.

Hannah Xiao:
- Re appeals and procedural fairness, has the AMS done a deep dive into this?

Marium Hamid:
- This informs our work.
  - The AMS Advocacy Coordinator will work on this.
  - What is most needed is work at Senate.

Hannah Xiao:
- Not just at Senate.

Max Holmes:
- The AMS appoints two people to the Ombuds Advisory Committee.
  - This committee has brought forward recommendations, for instance that it should be grounds for a concession to say you have to go to an appeal meeting.
  - The AMS has done a lot of work on this; there is a lot to build on.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

The chair was passed to Marium Hamid.

13. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

From the HR Committee
“That Kareem Ibrahim be re-appointed to the position of Speaker of Council, effective May 1, 2019 and lasting until April 30, 2020.”

... Carried
For (18): Kuol Akuechbeny, Dylan Braam, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Jennifer Cheng), Jon Kew, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Hannah Xiao (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

The chair was passed to Kareem Ibrahim.

14. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

From the HR Committee
“That Ahsan Ali Sahibzada be appointed to the position of Chief Electoral Officer effective May 1 and lasting until April 17, 2020.”

Riley Ty:
- How many people applied?

Cole Evans:
- Seven or eight, and we interviewed three.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- How was hiring at this time instead of in summer?

Cole Evans:
- This keeps all our hiring on the same page.
- Recruiting is easier now than in the summer
- With the position posted early, we can try to hire in March or April, and if we don’t find anyone, our fallback plan can be to hire in the summer.
- We want to make sure we have someone in place for September.

15. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

From the HR Committee
“That Ahsan Ali Sahibzada be appointed to the position of Chief Electoral Officer effective May 1 and lasting until April 17, 2020.”

... Carried

For (17): Kuol Akuechbeny, Dylan Braam, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Jennifer Cheng), Jon Kew, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Hannah Xiao (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

16. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

From the HR Committee
“That Osaro Obaseki be appointed to the position of AMS Ombudsperson effective May 1 and lasting until April 30, 2020.”
Cole Evans:
- Great candidate.

Hannah Xiao:
- How many qualified applicants were there?

Dylan Braam:
- This Council has a right to ask about this, but it should be in camera.
- It's not a good thing to do in open session.

Cole Evans:
- I won’t speak to qualifications, but we had around five applications.

Max Holmes:
- I agree with Dylan. This is an HR matter.

17. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

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... Carried

For (16): Kuol Akuechbeny, Dylan Braam, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Jennifer Cheng), Jon Kew, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Hannah Xiao (proxy for Andy Wu)

K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Marium Hamid
- My last remarks as President.
- Thanks to every single staff member; they are the pillars holding the AMS together.
- Thanks to my lovely Execs and student staff and to all of you for keeping me accountable and challenging me to be a better leader.

Questions
Max Holmes
- Who was the best and worst Executive?

Marium Hamid:
- I love all of you equally.
- Or I could say both are you, Max: the best and the worst.
Jerome Goddard:
- You had a smaller staff team this year.
- Will there be more resources for Chris?
- How will that affect his presidency?

Marium Hamid:
- There will be a new assistant for orientations and training and the strategic plan.
- But not till the winter term.
- Four staff is the ideal number for presidential assistants.

18. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the agenda be amended to move sections P & Q (the remaining motions) to next on the agenda.”

Cole Evans:
- I don't want us to lose quorum before we get this business done.

Max Holmes:
- I’m offended that you would want to delay my last report.

19. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

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... Carried

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Against (2): Jerome Goddard, Max Holmes

P) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

20. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG: [SCD346-19]

From the Pharmacy Undergraduate Society
“Be it resolved that Council, pursuant to the University Act and Bylaw 14(6) of the Society, give notice to the Board of Governors to increase the fee levy for students in the Faculty of Pharmacy from $38.63 to $63.63 starting in Winter Session 2019/20, and that the Vice-President Finance send this notice to the Board of Governors.
Be it further resolved that Council approve the PhUS e-newsletter as the media source in which the Pharmacy Undergraduate Society has published the results of the referendum approving this fee increase.

Marium Hamid:
- I received this from the Pharmacy Undergraduate Society, telling me they had a successful vote.

Dylan Braam:
- We did get the electoral results: 53.9% yes, with a 21% turnout.

Nevena Rebic:
- This seems intense.
- There was a mandated $10 locker fee.
- I’d like a representative here to explain where this new money is going.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- The students voted for it.

Dylan Braam:
- Is this time sensitive for the Board of Governors?

Max Holmes:
- I get sent these things (the ballots) as part of my portfolio.
- The money is to provide access to the UpToDate resource.

Nevena Rebic:
- UpToDate is an extremely useful resource for medical students and others.
- This makes a lot more sense.
- It's a great step forward.
- I’d have questions about how it will be implemented.

Jeanie Malone:
- The next Board of Governors meeting is on June 5, so we need to get this to them by early May.
- We could approve in May.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- We know the question now.
- It is time sensitive.
- It would be great to get this done.

Max Holmes:
- We should set a higher standard on undergraduate society referendum questions.
- If it’s for an external resource, should it be a separate fee?
- Maybe look at the procedures.
Hannah Xiao:
  • Is this fee necessary to get this service?

Kuol Akuechbeny:
  • If we had a policy requiring other things, we could vote this down, but they meet the criteria we have now.

Max Holmes:
  • It would be a good idea to have the Pharmacy rep here.

21. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That this motion be tabled till the next meeting of Council.”

Dylan Braam:
  • In this case we should consider if we feel comfortable voting on the original motion without a Pharmacy rep here.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
  • Can this be added to the Board of Governors agenda once it’s approved here next time?

Jeanie Malone:
  • If you advise the Board we have a late fee referendum question coming, it should be okay to be put on the docket.

22. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That this motion be tabled till the next meeting of Council.” … No objections

23. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

From the Pharmacy Undergraduate Society

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Be it further resolved that Council approve the PhUS e-newsletter as the media source in which the Pharmacy Undergraduate Society has published the results of the referendum approving this fee increase.” … Tabled till the next meeting
24. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the AMS ratify the MoU between the AUS (the Arts Undergraduate Society) and VSEUS (the Vancouver School of Economics Undergraduate Society) regarding membership in their respective societies.”

Dylan Braam:
- This sets out the terms of the relationship between the AUS and VSEUS.
- There is confusion currently over who is in the AUS and who is in VSEUS, especially for students doing double majors or combined majors.
- Who pays money to who?
- It also affects voting rights.
- This was negotiated by VSEUS and AUS reps.
- The agreement says that students in both programs are in both undergraduate societies.
- They will pay a fee to VSEUS, and VSEUS will pay a portion of that to the AUS.
- They can vote and run in elections for both undergraduate societies, but can’t be an Executive for both.
- UBC’s Stephanie Oldford in Enrollment Services wants something from AMS Council ratifying this.
- Both parties have signed.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- Subsidiary organizations cannot enter into contracts.
- Do AMS Executives have to sign this too?

Dylan Braam:
- I don’t see this as a contract.
- It’s not with an outside organization.
- It’s an internal agreement between these two organizations.

Max Holmes:
- Would this violate our Bylaws or Code?
- Is there a section saying the AMS Code and Bylaws are superior to this agreement?

Dylan Braam:
- It’s not as explicit as it could be, but I don’t feel it goes against our Code and Bylaws.
- In clause 8 under new programs it says that if there are courses not covered by this agreement, the MoU will have to be updated – and that would mean ratification again by the AMS.

Max Holmes:
- The AMS needs to be addressing this issue, not just ratifying ad hoc agreements.
- There are other double majors.
• We should treat this agreement as a temporary thing.

Kuol Akuechbeny
• If two clubs do this, we have them send us their MoU and we review it.
• Maybe we could do this with Constituency agreements.

Chris Gooding:
• We did bring this to AMS Executives, who redirected us to the Governance Committee.
• There was a survey, and the double majors identified more as Economics students.
• The money involved is 0.5% of the fees for the AUS and 12% of the fees for VSEUS.
• These students will pay a larger fee but will have access to more resources.

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Council took a recess from 8:32 pm to 8:42.

Q) Committee Motions:

26. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

From the Governance Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Contracts’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Jeanie Malone:
• This will ensure that others look at our contracts.
• For instance, the Privacy Officer.

Dylan Braam:
• Also the Managing Director.
Kuol Akuechbeny:
- What about all the club contracts?

Keith Hester:
- This is just for commercial contracts.

Dylan Braam:
- Originally, it was going to be all contracts, but that would mean Sheldon (the Privacy Officer) and Keith (the Managing Director) would have to read all the contracts.
- So now it does not apply to contracts that originate with a Subsidiary Organization.
- This also mandates that the contracts be sent to the Archives, so we’ll know what we’re bound to, which is useful.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- It would be good to have guidelines like this for club contracts too.

27. MOVED DYLAN BRAAM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (18): Kuol Akuechbeny, Dylan Braam, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Jennifer Cheng), Jon Kew, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Hannah Xiao (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Kate Burnham

28. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

From the HR Committee
“Be it resolved that that Council instruct the Clerk of Council to amend the AMS Code of Procedure to remove all instances of gender specific language by the first Council meeting of September 2019.

Be it further resolved that Council instruct the Clerk of Council to replace such gender specific language with gender neutral language by the first Council meeting of September 2019.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Cole Evans:
  - Something I’ve been looking to do, and Sheldon says it’s been on his radar.

Jerome Goddard:
  - Great idea.
  - Does this still need to be voted on as a Code change?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
  - I can bring it back, but I was thinking this motion itself is the Code change.

Cole Evans:
  - It’s a two-thirds motion.

Jeanie Malone:
  - When will the next major Code update be sent out?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
  - I am hoping to send it out by the first meeting in May.

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Abstained: Kate Burnham

30. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

From the HR Committee
“That the proposed amendments to the Code of Procedure, Section II, Article 10: Ombudsperson and Advocacy Office (5) (6) (15) be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Cole Evans:
- This will remove instances of the Ombudsperson hearing staff complaints.
- This will fit in with the new SVPREP policy and current practice.

Dylan Braam:
- Is the newly appointed Ombudsperson aware of this change?

Cole Evans:
- I don’t know if in the job description it says he does staff complaints.
- I think in interviews we told him not staff complaints, just complaints from AMS members.

Andria Coulbourn:
- What if you are an AMS member and also staff?

Cole Evans:
- If a student staff member has an employment issue, they should go to HR.
- If the concern is about a club, then they should go to the Ombudsperson.

Dylan Braam:
- Was the current Ombudsperson consulted?
- Have they dealt with this sort of thing this year or in recent years?
- You mentioned SVPREP, but it hasn’t passed yet.
- What will happen in the interim?
- Do we have an HR process that will cover this?

Cole Evans:
- I believe the Ombudsperson was consulted on the SVPREP policy.
- It is already practice for current employees to go through HR.
- This just clarifies the procedures.

Marium Hamid:
- There have been issues in the past about HR and the Ombudsperson in relation to student staff and staff in general,
- The procedures are blurred.
- This makes the procedures clear.

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- We should have the SVPREP document approved first.
- That would make it more clear.

Cole Evans:
- SVPREP and this motion are not tied.
- These changes were suggested by the AMS HR Department.
• Currently a lot of such complaints do go to HR: that’s best practice for, say, sexual assault in the workplace.
• This creates a more efficient process.

Marium Hamid:
• For complaints, it’s better to go to HR.
• The Ombudsperson can’t make changes in the workplace.

Dylan Braam:
• My concern is not with student staff.
• The Bylaws allow student staff to go to the Ombudsperson.
• My concern is for non-student staff, denying them a remedy we give to student staff.
• If HR does not resolve a complaint, student staff can go to the Ombudsperson.
• It’s inappropriate to grant our permanent staff fewer rights than our members.
• I see no issue with the current Code as a safety valve if the HR team fails us or if there is no team as was true last summer.
• I will be voting against.

Cole Evans:
• Nothing prevents student staff from going to the Ombudsperson; they can still do that.
• As to other staff members, it is the duty of the Ombudsperson to serve our active members.
• Permanent staff are very different from active members.
• It’s standard for permanent staff to go to HR and then to legal counsel.
• I don’t think the Ombudsperson can help them anyway.

Max Holmes:
• When HR is not there, we have the Managing Director and the President. Also Council or the HR Committee.
• People we hire as Ombudspersons are great at their job, but ultimately they are for students, as it says in the Bylaws.
• If we want them to serve non-student staff, that should be in the Bylaws.
• There’s just more confusion if permanent staff can go to the Ombudsperson.

Dylan Braam:
• Bylaw 9 allows additional duties to be assigned to the Ombudsperson.

Hannah Xiao:
• This is an option that should not be taken away.

Cole Evans:
• If the Ombudsperson is the last resort option, the route they take will go back to the HR Department.
• We’re not eliminating anything, just clarifying what already happens.
31. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

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“That the proposed amendments to the Code of Procedure, Section II, Article 10: Ombudsperson and Advocacy Office (5) (6) (15) be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (11): Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Max Holmes, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Jennifer Cheng), Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam

Against (6): Kuol Akuechbeny, Dylan Braam, Chris Gooding, Jon Kew, Riley Ty, Hannah Xiao (proxy for Andy Wu)

Abstained: Kate Burnham, Kevin Zhang

32. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM: [SCD350-19]

From the Finance Committee
“That Policy I-14 (the Credit Card Policy) be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- We have used credit cards for Clubs and Constituencies for over two years, and for three years overall.
- It’s a good practice, but it comes with challenges.
- We needed a policy, so we got feedback, and now we have this proposed policy.

33. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

From the Finance Committee
“That Policy I-14 (the Credit Card Policy) be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (16): Kuol Akuechbeny, Dylan Braam, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Jennifer Cheng), Jon Kew, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Kate Burnham, Max Holmes
34. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:  [SCD351-19]

**From the Finance Committee**

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

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Kuol Akuechbeny:
- Last year we had an MoU with Common Energy; we gave them $7,000 to run their projects.
- To apply to the Sustainability Projects Fund is a lengthy and intensive process.
- We thought if we could set up an MoU, that would be simpler.
- This Code change will allow for a system in which MoU’s can be done for one year with various organizations to pay for multiple projects instead of having them apply for each project separately.
- The MoU’s will be for 35% of the overall budget of the Fund.
- Each organization will be able to get up to 10%.
- The Code change will also allow funding to be spent on maintenance costs for past projects.

35. MOVED KUOL AKUECHBENY, SECONDED YASH GURNANI:

**From the Finance Committee**

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (15): Kuol Akuechbeny, Andria Coulbourn, Cole Evans, Jerome Goddard, Chris Gooding, Muse Greenwood, Yash Gurnani, Marium Hamid, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam proxy for J Cheng, Jon Kew, Nevena Rebic, Arash Shadkam, Hannah Xiao (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Dylan Braam, Max Holmes

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

**VP Academic & University Affairs – Max Holmes**

- Two big things:
  - The Teaching and Learning Committee approved the cost of learning principles.
  - The Academic Concession working group has wrapped up its work, which should go to the May Senate meeting.
• Goodbyes:
  o I’ve been an Exec for two years and attended Council for two and a half: attended every Council meeting.
  o Council has gone from having no discussion to having lots of discussion.
  o I had two great Executive teams.
  o Thanks to Joanne and Sheldon, especially for help back in my Elections Administrator year.
  o I’ve learned so much from Keith.
  o I want to thank all of you, as volunteers, for your dedication.
  o I’ll be back as a silent observer: well, we’ll see how silent.
  o Been making the AMS more inclusive and ultimately fighting the Man.

Student Services Manager – Piers Fleming
• Transitioning the team and my successor.
• Thanks for supporting this Services this year.
• Thanks to everyone I worked with.

Questions
Hannah Xiao:
• What was your favourite Service?

Piers Fleming:
• That’s like asking who’s your favourite kid.

VP Finance – Kuol Akuechbeny
• Treasurer orientations.
• Reports.
• Transitioning.
• Preliminary budget.
• Now I want to take the opportunity to thank my team members.
• Thanks to Keith and the accounting department; also the people I’ve bothered with a lot of questions, like Sheldon and Joanne.
• Thanks to Michelle Marcus, my AVP Sustainability, and also to Cody Haddow: he was my supervisor, and now I’m his.
• Thanks to Mishal Tahir and Tyler Yan for all the orientations.
• Thanks to Mariam Al Roujoulleh for being the WUSC financial coordinator.
  o Tutoring is now available to WUSC students.
• Thanks to Amir in financial systems, who worked on the credit card policy and Showpass, and Jon, my AVP, who I send to meetings I don’t like.
• Thanks to the Executive team and Piers, the most qualified of us because unlike the Executives, who got elected, he had to apply and go through interviews to be hired.
• Thanks to all the Councillors, who approved things like the Contingency Budget.
• Last year Max complained that Council was boring, but this year it was over-active.
VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi
- Student Housing Working Group met on Rent with Rights.
- Mental health: Connecting with the ministry about the hotline, which is coming soon.
- Climate change research.
- Professional Governance Act:
  - A roundtable with student groups.
  - Sending feedback to the Minister of the Environment.
  - Collaborating with the EUS.
  - Will work with new reps in the fall for new events.
- Health regulatory framework to be reviewed.
- At the municipal level, a Board of Trade meeting.
- Vancouver City Council’s Climate Emergency report.
- SkyTrain to UBC
- Transit advocacy report coming to Council.
- New coalition of city planners and decision makers.
- Meeting with Indigenous Committee.
- Climate event.
- Federal election: going to start collaborating on it early.
- Transition/hiring.
- Just want to thank all of you: I got to work with the most amazing team this year.

Managing Director – Keith Hester
- Block Party sold out and may have broken even: still finalizing the numbers.
- Asad Ali is stepping down as Events Manager, but staying on as an advisor.
- It’s Year End, and the auditors will be coming.
- The e-Transfer system is 98% done and is in testing mode.
- I want to thank all the Execs and Council too.

VP Administration – Chris Hakim
- Allocating offices and lockers for clubs.
- Operations Committee policy manual passed.
- Campus Vibe now has online voting for club elections.
- Hatch Art Gallery: Last show. Amazing reviews this year.
- Sustainability: Finalized all our projects.
- Transition reports.
- Reviewing the Student Driven Sustainability Strategy.
- SVPREP is postponed to May.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

HR Committee – Cole Evans
- Relatively active for finals season.
- Hiring for three positions: Speaker, Chief Electoral Officer, Ombudsperson.
- Let’s see how it works to hire early.
- Overall a successful year.
• Looking at forward-moving stuff.
• Thanks to my committee.
• Preparing transition report.
• Transitioning into my new role.

**Advocacy Committee – Max Holmes**
• No more. Back in May.

**Governance Committee – Dylan Braam**
• Haven’t met since last Council.
• Thanks for passing the Code changes.
• Thanks to my summer committee and the committee members for this year.

**Student Life Committee – Jerome Goddard**
• Met over exams.
• Got grad class gifts lined up.
  o Still to be approved by Student Life and Finance.
  o $5,000 to Food Bank.
  o $2,500 for hygiene products at the Food Bank.
  o $5,000 to the Indigenous Committee for capital improvements in their space.
  o $5,000 for revitalization of the Goddess of Democracy statue, along with a 30th anniversary event this summer.
  o Tree and plaque.
• Preparing transition report for next chair.
• What Student Life does is not very clear, so I’m hoping to make it clear for my successor.
• I’ll be around the AMS in a different capacity.

**Operations Committee – Chris Hakim**
• It’s dead for the rest of the year.

**Steering Committee – Marium Hamid**
• Met a lot more times than any previous Steering Committee.
• Produced solid foundation for guiding principles.
• Timeline for Council.
• Committee goal reporting system.

**Finance Committee – Kuol Akuechbeny**
• Sent 12 monthly reports, the last one with recommendations for the next Finance Committee.
• Approved project funding.
• Thanks to other committees we consulted with.
• Thanks to Keith for your ideas.
• Thanks to Marium for her participation in the Finance Committee.
• Thanks to Chris Gooding and Arash Shadkam for your commitment to the committee.
• Thanks to the summer Finance Committee members.
• Jeanie helped with my report writing.
• Thanks to the committee for your good work.

36. MOVED JEANIE MALONE, SECONDED HANNAH XIAO:

“That time be extended until 10:14 pm.”

... No objections

Health & Dental Plan Committee – Kuol Akuechbeny

• Approval of increased psychology coverage.
• 100% flu shot coverage.
• Sunglasses issue.
• Gave out subsidies.
• The account is in good shape; reserve funds.
• I suggest beginning a Mental Health Initiatives Fund.

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

Marium Hamid:
• Didn’t meet.

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

BoG – Jeanie Malone

• Met last Thursday
• Discussed plan for UBCO in 2040.
• Research and scholarship issue.
• Passed budget.
• Still doing orientations.
• UBC350 reminded me about divestment.
• Next board cycle starts June 5.
• Transitioning new BoG reps.

Questions
Chris Hakim:
• Can you rate Max on his first meeting?

Jeanie Malone:
• He asked a couple of questions.
• He was pretty good.
Senate – Max Holmes
- New cohort of Senators.
- Student Senate Caucus elected two new co-chairs: Julia Burnham and Nick Pang.
- Student senator Matthias Leuprecht will be vice-chair of Senate; he fills in if Santa Ono can’t chair.
- Budget presentations.
- Referral re campus accessibility.
- Approved curriculum proposals.
- Update on awards.
- Appeals issue.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
- Exams may be stressful now, but not as stressful as in the 30’s and 40’s.
- In those days if you failed at Christmas, you were gone: it was called Bounced at Christmas (BAC).
- And it was even worse during World War II, because if you were bounced then, you were eligible for the draft and might have to go fight overseas.
- On the other hand, some volunteered to go fight.
- Sherwood Lett did that during World War I, and left before his final exams, but was granted his degree anyway.
- So if you’re looking for a way out of finals …
- And another World War II connection: 76 Japanese-Canadian students couldn’t finish their degrees due to internment, but they were awarded honorary degrees in 2012.

[P and Q moved up: see above]

R) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

S) Discussion Period

T) Submissions:

- Final Governance Committee report [SCD352-19]
- 2019 ALSS Referendum results [SCD353-19]
- Invalidated - SUS 2019 Spring Senator Election results [SCD354-19]
- LFSUS Senator Election results [SCD355-19]
- Code Changes Electoral procedures (as amended at the April 3rd meeting) [SCD356-19]
- Finance Committee Report April 19, 2019 [SCD357-19]
- Finance Committee Report March, 2019 [SCD358-19]
- AMS GSS Health & Dental Plan Committee report [SCD359-19]
- AMS Executive Report [SCD360-19]

U) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: May 8, 2019 (Committee Appointments)
V) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 pm.

W) Social Activity: Pit Night

*Council was told there were gifts for them at the back and a post-Council gathering.*
# April 24, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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Voting Records

V1: Please test your clickers :) 
V2: Approval of the agenda 
V3: Consent Agenda Items 
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V5: Do we have quorum? 
V6: Do we have quorum? 
V7: Speaker of Council Approval 
V8: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ahsan Ali Sahibzada be appointed to the position of Chief Electoral Officer effective May 1st and lasting until April 17th 
V9: 
V10: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Osaro Obaseki be appointed to the position of AMS Ombudsperson effective May 1st and lasting until April 30th 
V11: Move Sections P & Q to *now* 
V12: Be it resolved that AMS Council ratify the MoU between the AUS and the VSEUS regarding membership in their respective societies" 
V13: Quorum? 
V14: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled Code Changes 2019: Contracts and thus amend the Code as recommended. 
V15: Removing gender-neutral language from Code 
V16: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the proposed amendments to the Code of Procedure 
V17: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Policy I-14 Credit Card Policy be accepted as presented. 
V18: That Council adopt the report of the Finance Committee entitled Code Changes 2019: Sustainability Projects Fund and MoU and thus amend the Code as recommended.
STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Dylan Braam (student at large), Ray Hua (student at large), Henry Anderson (Ubyssey), Kevin Yu (student at large), Erik Lamoureux (student at large), Aidan Wilson (student at large), Jennifer Cameron (AMS Program Assistant for Indigenous Affairs), Veronica Stolba (AMS AVP Academic), Neha Tadepalli (AMS Campaigns & Outreach), Jerome Goddard (AMS AVP University Affairs), Dani Stancer (AMS AVP Sustainability), Grace Ji (AMS AVP Finance), Viktoria Loncar (AMS Funds & Grants), Noah Mossey (student at large), John Cookson (student at large), Nick Pang (AMS President's Office), Cobie Damsel (UBC Provost's Office: Congress 2019), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Keith Hester (Managing Director), Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council), Joanne Pickford (Admin Assistant)

A) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:

- At this time, we wish to acknowledge our presence on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the hən̓ q̓ әmin̓ әm̓ -speaking Musqueam people.
- We do this acknowledgement in the hope that it will inspire us to reflect on and support the decolonization process.
- What is the role of the student body in this?
- Do we want something that is merely performative?
- The end game should be to give the land back.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED TANNER GJOSUND:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED MATTHIAS LEUPRECHT:

   “That the agenda be amended by removing the Arts motion and adding it as a discussion topic.”

   ... No objections

3. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED TANNER GJOSUND:

   “That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

   ... Carried
For (19): Kelvin Au, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ravi Parhar, Shadi Saberian, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Nevena Rebic, Allison Hill (proxy for Keira Britto), Elisa Colasurdo (proxy for Wendy Song), Katherine Westerlund, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

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

Welcome to our new Members:

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Education, GSS (x2), Journalism, Law, Planning, Population & Public Health,

Goodbyes:

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:

- We’re going to hear a welcome from new AMS President Chris Hakim.
- Fill out your contact forms.
- Let us know if you have food sensitivities.
- It’s my job to run the meetings efficiently but also to ensure that everyone gets to be heard.
- Use your mike.
- I try to maintain a balance between flexibility and not letting things get out of hand.

Chris Hakim:

- Welcome.
- You are now a member of our board of directors.
- Thank you for running to be a student rep and for wanting to spend the rest of the academic year giving more importance to student government than your academic work.
- Councillor orientations have been rescheduled to take place on the May 25/26 weekend.
- Kareem is the Speaker, in charge of meeting procedures.
- Sheldon is Archivist and Clerk of Council; he knows about history, Code, and procedures, and is involved in minute-taking.
- Joanne is the Admin Assistant: if you’re not sure who to ask about something, ask Joanne.
- Our Executive, including me and the Vice-Presidents, is here tonight. We’re always ready to answer questions.

The Speaker explained about points of order, points of privilege, and points of information.

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

The Speaker:
• We have none tonight.
• These are for members at large.
• They get a chance to make a statement.
• Councillors may comment in response, but there is no discussion.
• Inform your constituents.
• Anyone wanting to make a statement should let Joanne know.

G) Consent Agenda Items

4. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND: [SCD001-20]

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Code Corrections by the Clerk of Council May 2019."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (19): Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Ravi Parhar, Shadi Saberian, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Nevena Rebic, Allison Hill (proxy for Keira Britto), Elisa Colasurdo (proxy for Wendy Song), Katherine Westerlund, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Kelvin Au

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

Congress 2019 – Cobie Damsel (Volunteer Coordinator for Congress 2019)
• National academic conference being held here June 1-7.
• It’s held every year; this is the first time it will be here in 10 years.
• We’re expecting 10,000 academics.
• All of the Nest will be booked for it.
• There’s a UBC break for it: classes are cancelled.
• It’s showcasing all sorts of disciplines.
• You should attend: some sessions are open; there are free events.
• We also need help to run it.
• There are 2,000 events.
• We have 800 volunteers, but need over 1,000.
• It’s a chance to network with PhD’s and profs.
• You will help with wayfinding.
• You’ll get swag, meal vouchers, and reference letters.

Questions
Jennifer Cameron:
• Who are the volunteer positions open to? People from other colleges?
Cobie Damsel:
- It could be anyone; it could be your parents.
- Anyone 18 or older.

Matthias Leuprecht:
- How does the AMS benefit? Catering?

Keith Hester:
- We’re heavily involved.
- We have a tent in the plaza which will bring in some revenue.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

Chris Hakim:
- Committees do a lot of the on the ground work.
- These are the summer appointments, for May through August.
- We will make new appointments in September.

5. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

Appointments to the Standing Committees:

**Advocacy Committee**
*Councillor Nominees (4 required):* Tanner Gjosund (Nursing), Michelle Marcus (Science), Nevena Rebic (Grad Studies), Nicholas Harterre (Economics), John Segui (Social Work), Tyra Phillips (Engineering), Shadi Saberian (Arts), Kevin Zhang (Arts), Sean Thorne (Arts)
*Councillors Chosen:* Tanner Gjosund, Michelle Marcus, Nevena Rebic and Nicholas Harterre
*At Large Nominees (1 required):* Lindsey Palmer, Rodney Little Mustache, Wern Lee
*At Large Chosen:* Lindsey Palmer

**HR Committee**
*Councillor Nominees (5 required):* Andrew Huang (Commerce), Matthias Leuprecht (Senate), Riley Ty (Science), Kelvin Au (Land & Food), Kevin Zhang (Arts)

**Operations Committee**
*Councillor Nominees (4 required):* Andrew Huang (Commerce), Jeanie Malone, Katherine Westerlund, Kia Teimouri, Nicholas Harterre
*Councillors Chosen:* Jeanie Malone, Katherine Westerlund, Kia Teimouri and Nicholas Harterre
*At Large Nominees (2 required):* Roger Wang and Aiden Wilson

**Student Life Committee**
*Councillor Nominees (4 required):* Andrew Huang (Commerce), Shadi Saberian (Arts), Julia Chai (Science), Kevin Zhang (Arts)
At Large Nominees (1 required): No nominees

Governance Committee
Councillor Nominees (5 required): Jeanie Malone (BoG), Katherine Westerlund (Engineering), Tyra Phillips (Engineering), Kevin Zhang (Arts), Nicholas Harterre (Economics), Michelle Marcus (Science), Andy Wu (Arts), Shadi Saberian (Arts)
Councillors Chosen: Jeanie Malone, Katherine Westerlund, Tyra Philips, Kevin Zhang and Nicholas Harterre
At Large Nominees (1 required): Dylan Braam, Noah Mossey, Wern Lee, Rodney Little Mustache
At Large Chosen: Dylan Braam

Finance Committee
Councillor Nominees (3 required): Max Holmes (BoG), Katherine Westerlund (Engineering), Arash Shadkam (Grad Studies), Andrew Huang (Commerce), Kia Teimouri (Arts), Wendy Song (Pharmacy), Michelle Marcus (Science)
Councillors Chosen: Max Holmes, Katherine Westerlund and Arash Shadkam
At Large Nominees (2 required): Samuel Kemp, Noah Mossey, Matthew Yong, Ray Hua
At Large Chosen: Samuel Kemp and Noah Mossey

Steering Committee
At Large Nominees (1 required): John Cookson

6. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That Tanner Gjosund, Michelle Marcus, Nevena Rebic and Nicholas Harterre (4 x non-Executive Councillors) and Lindsey Palmer (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Advocacy Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That Andrew Huang, Matthias Leuprecht, Riley Ty, Kelvin Au and Kevin Zhang (5 x non-Executive Councillors) and ______ (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Human Resources Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That Jeanie Malone, Katherine Westerlund, Kia Teimouri and Nicholas Harterre (4 x non-Executive Councillors) and Roger Wang and Aiden Wilson (2 x members at large) be appointed to the Operations Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That Andrew Huang, Shadi Saberian, Julia Chai and Kevin Zhang (4 x non-Executive Councillors) and ______ (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That Jeanie Malone, Katherine Westerlund, Tyra Phillips, Kevin Zhang and Nicholas Harterre (5 x non-Executive Councillors) and Dylan Braam (1 x member at large) be
appointed to the Governance Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.“

“That Max Holmes, Katherine Westerlund and Arash Shadkam (3 x Councillors) and Samuel Kemp and Noah Mossey (2 x members at large) be appointed to the Finance Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That John Cookson (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Steering Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

For (18): Kelvin Au, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Ravi Parhar, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Nevena Rebic, Elisa Colasurdo (proxy for Wendy Song), Katherine Westerlund, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

Other Appointments

CiTR
Nominees (1 required for one-year term): Chris Hakim (President)

Student Legal Fund Society
Nominees (1 required): Chris Hakim (President), Sean Thorne (Arts), Kia Teimouri (Arts)
Chosen: Chris Hakim

Health and Dental Committee
Nominees (1 required): Wendy Song (Pharmacy), Kelvin Au (Land & Food)
Chosen: Wendy Song

University Ombudsperson Committee
Nominees (1 required): Nevena Rebic (Grad Studies)

Brewery Committee
Councilor Nominees (3 required): Kia Teimouri (Arts), Matthias Leuprecht (Senate), Kelvin Au (Land & Food)

New SUB Project Committee
Councilor Nominees (2 required): Shadi Saberian (Arts), Kevin Zhang (Arts)
At Large Nominees (2 required): No nominees

SHAPE (Selling Hatch Art)
Councilor Nominees (3 required): Priscilla Chan (Commerce), Cole Evans (VP Admin), Lucia Liang (VP Finance)

Sustainability Subcommittee
Councilor Nominees (2 required): Nicholas Harterre (Economics), Kelvin Au (Land & Food)
At Large Nominees (1 required): Daniel Lam, Ashton Kerr, Angelina Ge, S. Badesha
Chosen: Daniel Lam

Impact Grant Subcommittee
Councillor Nominees (1 required): Ravi Parhar (Medicine)
At Large Nominees (1 required): No nominees

SVPREP (Sexual Violence Prevention and Respectful Environment Policy Working Group)
Councillor Nominees (1 required): Alex Gonzalez (Senate), Nevena Rebic (Grad Studies)
Chosen: Alex Gonzalez

7. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That Chris Hakim (1 x Councillor or member at large for a one-year term) be appointed to the CiTR Board of Directors for a period effective immediately and ending April 30, 2020.”

“That Chris Hakim (1 x Councillor or member at large) be appointed to the Student Legal Fund Society Board of Directors for a period effective immediately and ending April 30, 2020.”

“That Wendy Song (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the AMS/GSS Health & Dental Plan Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Nevena Rebic (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the University Ombudsperson Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Kia Teimouri, Kelvin Au and Matthias Leuprecht (3 x Councillors) be appointed to the AMS Ad Hoc Brewery Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Shadi Saberian and Kevin Zhang (2 x Councillors) and ______ (2 x members at large) be appointed to the New SUB Project Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in August 2019.”

“That Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans and Lucia Liang (3 x Councillors) and _____ (2 x members at large) be appointed to the SHAPE Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That Nicholas Harterre and Kelvin Au (2 x Councillors) and Daniel Lam (1 x student at large) be appointed to the Sustainability Subcommittee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Ravi Parhar (1 x Councillor) and _____ (1 x student at large) be appointed to the Impact Grant Working Group for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”
“That Alex Gonzalez (1 x non-Executive Councillor) be appointed to the Sexual Violence Prevention & Respectful Environment Working Group for a period effective immediately and ending April 30, 2020.”

... Carried

For (16): Kelvin Au, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Ravi Parhar, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Nevena Rebic, Elisa Colasurdo (proxy for Wendy Song), Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Chris Hakim

Chair Appointments

Advocacy Committee
Nominees: Cristina Ilnitchi

HR Committee
Nominees: Riley Ty

Student Life
Nominees: Kevin Zhang, Julia Chai
Chosen: Kevin Zhang

Governance
Nominees: Katherine Westerlund

Brewery Committee
Matthias Leuprecht

8. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED TANNER GJOSUND:

“That Cristina Ilnitchi (voting member of Council) be appointed Chair of the Advocacy Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That Riley Ty (non-Executive voting member of Council) be appointed Chair of the Human Resources Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That Kevin Zhang (voting member of Council) be appointed Chair of the Student Life Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That Katherine Westerlund (non-Executive voting member of Council) be appointed Chair of the Governance Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”
“That Matthias Leuprecht (Councillor not named by the Executive) be appointed Chair of the AMS Ad Hoc Brewery Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

… Carried

For (12): Kelvin Au, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Nevena Rebic, Elisa Colasurdo (proxy for Wendy Song), Andy Wu

Abstained: Cristina Ilnitchi, Riley Ty, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Chris Hakim
- My first remarks.
- I’d like to mention Nick Pang, my Executive Projects Assistant.
  - His job is to support Councillors, to help chairs complete their goals, and to do research on the strategic plan.
- We had Executive orientations.
- Held introductory meetings between the AMS, the GSS, and UBC administrators.
- September Pow Wow.
- Set up meeting with the Vancouver Society in Support of Democratic Movement about the anniversary of Tiananmen Square.
- Serving on a search committee for UBC officials.
- Started conversation on tuition consultation.

Questions

Andy Wu:
- What will the Tiananmen event look like?

Chris Hakim:
- Nothing concrete so far, but the AMS has provided $5,000 towards that and for maintenance of the statue.

Kelvin Au:
- Will you consult with stakeholders about the event?

Chris Hakim:
- We are still in the early phases of planning the event.

Julia Chai:
- What are the criteria for appointing UBC’s new VP Human Resources?

Chris Hakim:
- Looking for someone with a background in HR and experience with collective bargaining.
• It’s in the initial stages.

Matthias Leuprecht:
• How can UBC enter bargaining with the Faculty Association with no VP HR?

Jeanie Malone:
• The current one will be here until July 1.
• Hoping bargaining will be finalized by then.
• There’s a strong team.
• Hope to have an interim person chosen by September.

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

VP Administration – Cole Evans
• Moving new staff into their offices.
• Consolidating club office and locker move-ins.
• Sustainability team is upstairs now, up from the Clubs Resource Centre.
• Extended club renewal form to May 17.
• Initial goal setting.
• New club applications June 1.
• Maintenance on Goddess of Democracy: liaising with the parties involved.

VP Finance – Lucia Liang
• Onboarding staff.
• Planning Treasurer Orientations.
• Finance Committee meetings.
• Finalizing AMS budget.
• Auditors.

Questions
Andy Wu:
• When will the preliminary budget be finalized?

Chris Hakim:
• Working on this now.
• Only the Executive budgets are left to do.
• Should be ready by the end of the month.

VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi
• Transition: new team on board. Old projects transitioning to them.
• Met with the Indigenous Committee about advocacy.
• Planning SUDS.
• Met with the UNA about their bylaw changes.
• New UBC VP External; want to talk to them about collaboration on advocacy.
• Research project on sexual violence policies across the province at postsecondary institutions.
Looking at priorities for the provincial budget.

**Questions**

Julia Chai:
- Progress on BC Professional Governance Act?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Roundtable.
- Gathering feedback for the provincial government.
- Hope to hire someone to work on a submission.
- In touch with the Engineering Undergraduate Society.
- Hope to be ready by the end of the month.

Andy Wu:
- Update on equity framework?
- Communication with parties for the federal election?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- My team is putting together a package for equity.
- Looking at what other postsecondary institutions and non-profits do to guide where the Equity Plan Working Group might go.
- Federal election: really early days.
- Reaching out to different campus groups.
- Have not reached out to the parties yet, but soon.

**VP Academic & University Affairs – Julia Burnham**

- Orientation.
- Excited about my new team.
- Talking about sexual violence, mental health, divestment.
- Public Realm Steering Committee about outdoor art installations.
- Met with BoG reps about themes for the year.
- Orientations Steering Committee discussed growth of Jumpstart and what Imagine Day should look like.
- Community building training.
- Meeting with the VP Students and their team.
- Thinking of submissions to the June Board of Governors meeting.

**Student Services Manager – Ian Stone**

- Getting started.
- Onboarding.
- Learning and planning about the services.
- This is a review year for the services; we do this every three years.
- Collecting data.
- Orientation last Friday.
- Great ideas about how people use the services, barriers to usage, etc.
Questions
Michelle Marcus:
- What is the best way to contact all of you?
  - Keith – Email or drop by.
  - Ian – Email.
  - Julia – Email or office hours.
  - Cristina – Email or in person.
  - Lucia – Email or in person
  - Cole – My door is always open; also email and Facebook.
  - Chris – Email, office hours, in the office every day, except Fridays in the Gallery with the rest of the Executive: 4-5 pm.
  - Information is also posted on the website.

Managing Director – Keith Hester
- Year end: auditors will be here the end of June.
- E-transfer system for clubs almost ready.
- Orientations last week for the Executive.
- Councillor Orientation on May 25.

9. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the agenda be amended to strike Committee Reports and the Presidents Council report.”

... No objections

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

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

BoG – Jeanie Malone
- Orienting new BoG reps.
- Looking into plans for what we want to do.
- Talking to the Graduate Student Society and UBC350.
- Next meetings begin at the end of the month, including a meeting of the UBC Indigenous Committee.
- Full Board on June 13.

Senate – Matthias Leuprecht
- May meeting to approve committee appointments.
- Next meeting is next week in IKB Room 182: I encourage you to attend a Senate or Board meeting.
Questions
Kelvin Au:
- Orientations for incoming student senators?

Matthias Leuprecht:
- There is an orientation that happened last week.
- Another one on the 10th.

Riley Ty:
- Are non-senators allowed to attend student senator meetings?

Matthias Leuprecht:
- The Student Senate Caucus meetings are not open.
- There are no proxies at Caucus or the Senate itself.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
- The longest Council meeting ever was a turnover meeting on February 29, 1960; it went from 3:30 pm to 2 am.
- In those days the outgoing Council met with the new one.
- Our shortest meeting lasted about half an hour.
- There was the “Lucky 649” meeting in Bijan Ahmadian’s time, which went from 6 pm to 6:49, but there was an even shorter one after that.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:

R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

Elisa Colasurdo (Pharmacy proxy):
- We held a referendum to increase our fee by $25 to pay for the online resource UpToDate.
- The amount is being subsidized.
- The previous VP Internal for Pharmacy was in contact with UpToDate and arranged a deal of $25.

10. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

From the Pharmacy Undergraduate Society
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Be it further resolved that Council approve the PhUS e-newsletter as the media source in which the Pharmacy Undergraduate Society has published the results of the referendum approving this fee increase.”
Julia Chai:
- Did the referendum pass?

Elisa Colasurdo:
- Yes, at the same time as our by-elections.

Jeanie Malone:
- Why are the students paying for this? Why should it come out of student fees?

Elisa Colasurdo:
- The previous president spoke with the library and the Faculty, but we weren’t able to get funding from them.

Chris Hakim:
- What was the referendum result?

Elisa Colasurdo:
- It passed with 54% in favour, and with 23% turnout (so it met quorum).

Nevena Rebic:
- Since it was under PhUS (the Pharmacy Undergraduate Society), the Pharmacy undergraduate students will have access.
- Will there be access for others? Alumni?

Elisa Colasurdo:
- I do not think it’s accessible by alumni.

Nevena Rebic:
- Can this be made accessible to others?

Elisa Colasurdo:
- It’s just for the students.

Ryan Wong:
- If it costs $25US, why was the fee increase just for $25 Canadian?

Elisa Colasurdo:
- PhUS had other money and will absorb the exchange rate.

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Abstained: Nevena Rebic

Katherine Westerlund:
- Why did the EUS have to get its media source approved in advance?
- Is it okay to approve the media source retroactively as we just did in this motion for the Pharmacy fee?

The Speaker:
- We will look into this.

Andy Wu:
- When did Pharmacy publish the results of its referendum?

Elisa Colasurdo:
- March 31, as soon as the polls closed.

12. MOVED JEANIE MALONE, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

From the Engineering Undergraduate Society
“That Council, pursuant to the University Act and Bylaw 14(6) of the Society, give notice to the Board of Governors to increase the fee levy for students in Engineering by adding a five-year temporary fee of $2 to support the UBC Engineering Design Teams Advisory Council, such levy to be first assessed in September 2019 and last assessed in September 2023, and that the Vice-President Finance send this notice to the Board of Governors.”

Katherine Westerlund:
- We passed the fee in a referendum and advertised the results for a million years.

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S) Committee Motions:

T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

U) Discussion Period

*Arts Constitution*

Kevin Zhang:
- Our old constitution had issues.
- It talked of the Arts County Fair, which no longer exists, and there was also a membership clause that needed updating.
- We signed an MoU with VSEUS to clarify the membership issue.
- We tried to bring the constitution to Council before, but there were questions.
- Now we’re going to wait till the Arts October by-election and consult on updated wording.

Matthias Leuprecht:
- What is there to consult on?
- Who pays fees is clear, isn’t it?

Dylan Braam:
- The concern I had was with the language saying anyone who pays the fee is a member.
- I said that could mean anyone could walk into the AUS office and pay $13 to become a member.

Andy Wu:
- Last meeting there were concerns over the definition of membership.
- So now we’re trying to continue discussions within the AUS and with VSEUS and the Dean’s office to work out a definition.
- There were also concerns last time that we were changing the definition without going to the members.
- So we’ll go to the members.
- We’re not expecting to reach quorum.
- It will be an indicative vote so we can bring it back to this Council.
- We would also welcome input from the Governance Committee.
Max Holmes:
- Last time the issue was that anyone could join the AUS if they wanted to.
- If there’s a proposed change, it would be a good idea to have consultation.

Katherine Westerlund:
- Come to the Governance Committee and we can sort it out.

Kevin Zhang:
- I agree.
- We meet with the Dean’s office on May 22.

Andy Wu:
- We’ll go to Governance, but first we want to go to the Dean’s office and consult AUS council.
- There may be some delay, but we’ll go to Governance before coming back here.

V) Submissions:

2019 PhUS referendum, By-Elections, Second and Third Slate Elections [SCD002-20]
PhUS Up to date referendum 2019 Ballot [SCD003-20]
2019 EDTAC Results memo updated [SCD004-20]
Science Undergraduate Society 2019 Spring Senator Elections 2 [SCD005-20]
March and April Student Life Committee report [SCD006-20]
Health & Dental Plan Committee minutes dated January 24, 2019 [SCD007-20]
Health & Dental Plan Committee minutes dated February 27, 2019 [SCD008-20]
Health & Dental Plan Committee minutes dated April 4, 2019 [SCD009-20]

W) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: May 29, 2019

X) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:43 pm.

Y) Social Activity: Pit Night
## May 8, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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V1: Test your clickers!
V2: Approval of the agenda
V3: Code Corrections
V4: Motion to approve all of the Standing Committee Appointments
V5: Motion to approve all of the Ad Hoc Extraordinary & External Committee Appointments
V6: Quorum?
V7: Approval of Committee Chairs
V8: Pharmacy Undergraduate Society Fee Levy
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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Will Crolla (UBC Campus & Community Planning), Kevin Y (student at large), Alex O (student at large), Henry Anderson (Ubyssey), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Riya Talitha (Ubyssey), Zubair Hirji (Ubyssey), Angela O’Donnell (Ubyssey), Kevin Wong (former VP External Office staff member), Maayan Kreitzman (student at large), Viktoria Loncar (AMS Funds & Grants), Will Shelling (AMS AVP External), Simran Sidhu (Clubs Resource Centre), Hannah Xiao (student at large), George Kachkovski (student at large), 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 6:05 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

- The Speaker acknowledged that the meeting was taking place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the hén̓q̓əmí ł̓əm̓-speaking Musqueam people and that learning happened on these lands long before the University was here.
- He encouraged Council to reflect on the decolonization process and what we are working towards:
  - Are we looking at giving the land back? Or putting Indigenous people on governing bodies like this?

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED JEANIE MALONE:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED RYAN WONG, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

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   - Add a motion directing the Operations Committee to report back to Council on the AMS’s plan for implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware strategy by the next Council meeting. (Michelle Marcus).”

Matthias Leuprecht:
- Why are we striking the preliminary budget motion?
Chris Hakim:
- Timeline issues.

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4. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED DAN NORTHGRAVES:

“That the agenda be amended to move up the Transit Advocacy presentation.”

Chris Hakim:
- The presenter has just graduated and is going to dinner.

5. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED DAN NORTHGRAVES:

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... No objections

6. MOVED RYAN WONG, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

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

Welcome to our new Members:
Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, GSS (x2), Journalism, Law, Planning, Population & Public Health

Goodbyes:

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:
• Let me know if you can’t hear or the lights are bad.

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

Maayan Kreitzman – Green New Deal Town Hall
• June 10 event: UBC’s iteration of the Green New Deal: a Town Hall in the Nest.
• UN reports outline how we’re hurtling towards a grim future because of the climate crisis.
• I’ve been devoting a lot my time to organizing and activism about climate justice.
• One small piece has been signing up for this Town Hall.
• It’s connected to the UBC Climate Hub and UBC 350, the group working on divestment from fossil fuels.
• 6:30 in the Nest.
• Facebook event page.
• Youth focused event.
• Everyone is invited.
• Contact Michelle Marcus for more information.

Will Crolla – Zero Waste Foodware Strategy
• UBC Campus & Community Planning is developing a Zero Waste Foodware Strategy in support of climate action at UBC.
• Food packaging to tackle greenhouse gas emissions.
• We talk about climate change every day; it’s a global crisis.
• But despite verbal commitments, actions are sometimes different: we’re still throwing away containers, coffee cups.
• We as students can fight against single use items and put pressure on UBC to support words with action.
• I’m asking you as student leaders to take action.

G) Consent Agenda Items

7. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED RILEY TY

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

AMS Council minutes dated March 27, 2019 [SCD010-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated April 11, 2019 [SCD011-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated April 25, 2019 [SCD012-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated May 10, 2019

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

AMS Transit Advocacy Strategy – Cristina Ilnitchi/Kevin Wong

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Working on the strategy for the past year.
- Affordability, accessibility.
- We advocate every year, but don’t have a guidepost.
- No tracking mechanism.
- This will help create a long term vision.
- We’re looking at engaging people.
- We want to get students out of cars where possible.
- Looking to be comprehensive.
- Thinking about sustainability: reducing congestion and greenhouse gases.

Kevin Wong (former staff person in VP External’s Office):
- Transit projects involve working with TransLink, the Mayors’ Council, the provincial government, and the federal government.
- The provincial government, which has oversight of TransLink, typically provides 40% of the funding for infrastructure projects.
- The federal government typically provides 30%.
- The Mayors’ Council produced a 10-year vision in 2014, including a long list of items, one of which was building the Broadway SkyTrain to Arbutus.
- There’s also a long-term strategy from TransLink called Transport 2050.
- The SkyTrain to Arbutus is fully funded and is expected to be completed by 2025.
- Extending the SkyTrain to UBC is not part of the plan yet.
- The AMS and UBC are working with the City of Vancouver and the Mayors’ Council on an extension to UBC.
- Perhaps it will be done by 2030.
- The Broadway Line is not the only issue.
- Another is the 41 B-Line or rapid express, slated for this year or 2020.
- In the past we fought successfully to preserve the 480 Express.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- We have four main themes:
  1) Develop data-driven/evidence-based advocacy that connects with stakeholders; talking to the right people; seeking input from the community.
  2) SkyTrain to UBC: our top priority, a longstanding project, need to continue pressure, stay on top of it.
3) Holistic advocacy: students have lots of needs.
4) Support development of a comprehensive and connected regional transit system.
   • Next steps:
     1) Send this to the Advocacy Committee for review.
     2) Get community input.
     3) Bring back to Council for adoption.

Questions
Daniel Lam:
   • Timeline on the next steps?

Cristina Il ниччи:
   • All the steps should be done before the end of the summer.

Bodies on Campus (what is BoG/what is Senate) –
Jeanie Malone, Max Holmes, Matthias Leuprecht, and Alex Gonzalez

Board of Governors
Jeanie Malone:
   • UBC is big.
   • Close to 60,000 students.
   • More if you include UBCO.
   • The Board of Governors and Senate oversee Santa Ono (the UBC President) and his team.
   • Representative groups include the AMS, the Graduate Student Society, the University Neighbourhoods Association, the Faculty Association, and the staff unions.

Max Holmes:
   • The Board of Governors has 21 members:
     o 2 staff
     o 3 Faculty
     o 3 students
     o 11 provincial appointees (including the Chair)
     o the President
     o the Chancellor (a ceremonial position).
   • The Board has fiduciary duty to the University and a mandate that focuses on money and budgets. Also policies and the strategic plan.

Jeanie Malone:
   • The Board has committees, delegating like AMS Council.
   • The full Board meets five times a year; the committees meet before each full Board meeting.
   • The meetings are open, and there are live tweets.
   • There’s a new Indigenous Engagement Committee overseeing the Indigenous Strategic Plan.
   • There are some quasi-external bodies:
Max Holmes:

- Current student-related issues:
  - Review of Policy 131 (sexual misconduct)
  - Stadium Road Neighbourhood Project
  - Student housing
  - Tuition and enrollment (which is seeing a tapering off of international admission growth)
  - Financial aid
  - Student health and well-being
  - Food insecurity
  - The largest capital project: the Integrated Renewal Program, a software behemoth project

**Senate**

Matthias Leuprecht:

- We do the exciting things.
- There’s a Vancouver Senate, an Okanagan Senate, and a Council of Senates, which rarely meets.
- The Vancouver Senate has 88 members and deals with:
  - courses and programs
  - appeals
  - awards
  - the library
  - research
  - academics.
- The membership includes the President, the Chancellor, the VP Academic, some other administrators, 42 faculty members, convocation members, and the 18 members of the Student Senate Caucus, the most exciting group of Senators.
- It’s the highest academic governing body.
- BoG runs business operations; Senate runs academics.

Alex Gonzalez:

- Lots of Senate committees.
- Key issues:
  - Fall Reading Break.
  - Triennial Senate governance review (looking into the committee structure).
  - Appeals.
  - Undergraduate research is a big thing.
  - There’s a new committee on equity and inclusion.
  - Review of academic units.
8. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

From the Finance Committee
“That Council suspend Code Section IX B, Article 8(1) requiring a preliminary budget to be approved by May 31.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Chris Hakim:
- The Finance Committee has not been able to finish a preliminary budget.
- This is a timeline problem that occurs every year.
- New Execs come in; there’s an orientation and transition process, and also a budget process that has to get done for a $22.9 million budget.
- Expecting to change the budget process; may get Governance and Finance to look at it, so we can get preliminary budgets.

Max Holmes:
- Is the plan to change the section of Code since we suspend it every year?

Chris Hakim:
- We need discussions.

Ryan Wong:
- Will the preliminary budget come to the next meeting?

Chris Hakim:
- Probably not.
- Instead we will likely go straight to the final budget, which is required in June.

9. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

From the Finance Committee
“That Council suspend Code Section IX B, Article 8(1) requiring a preliminary budget to be approved by May 31.”

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... Carried

For (18): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Elisa Colasurdo (proxy for Wendy Song), Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang
I) Consultation Period

Clubs Resource Centre Renovations & Enhancement Project – VP Admin Cole Evans and Simran Sidhu (Clubs Resource Centre Manager)  [SCD016-20]

Cole Evans:
- Will be asking for funding for this project from the Capital Projects Fund.
- Code requires us to bring this first as a Consultation Item.
- The project is meant to revitalize an under-utilized part of the Nest.
- Looking to make this area a place for our 400 clubs and also a place for casual use by all students.
- Previously we called the area the Student Life and Sustainability Centre (SLSC), and it was home to the AMS Sustainability staff who are now upstairs in the main AMS office.
- We also do equipment rentals out of there.
- It opened in 2015; there was a minor renovation in 2016, at which point it became focused more on sustainability.
- In 2017 the focus switched more to clubs, and in 2018 it was rebranded as the Clubs Resource Centre to reflect that.
- In 2016 we added the glass storefront and door.
- It’s an awkward wedge-shaped space.
- It provides only limited resources for Clubs and Constituencies.
- There’s been a perceived lack of usefulness:
  - The most desired equipment is always out.
  - There are no amenities and a lack of presence.
  - Nobody knows what it is, not even AMS staff.
  - It’s often closed.
  - It only caters to clubs who already know about it.
  - It lacks easily modifiable space.
  - It averaged only three interactions per week.

Simran Sidhu:
- Want to increase hours, traffic.
- Make it a new and exciting bookable space.
- After hours/24 hours for equipment rental.
- More discounts to clubs.
- Service Expansion:
  - Dad’s Printing.
  - In-house printing (and let’s not run out of ink like last year).
  - Printing tickets.
  - Expanding equipment inventory: club-centred.
  - Bookable conference rooms.
  - Compostable foodware program.
  - Improving the volunteer program.
- Rebranding space and website.
- Starting from scratch; treating it as a new space.
- Renovations to update it; purchase new furniture.
10. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That time be extended by 15 minutes.”

... No objections

Cole Evans:
- Consultation in May.
- June: final project plans
- July-August: construction.
- September completion.
- Smart lockers for after hours access.
- Creating a conference room: glass walls, TV.
- CRC Lounge:
  - Upgrade furniture.
  - Make it more welcoming.
  - Increase traffic.
  - Bookable, but if not booked can be drop-in social space.

Simran Sidhu:
- Equipment expansion: purchasing equipment we lack.
- Conduct surveys on what students need.
- Visual upgrades to make it look inviting and not dim.

Cole Evans:
- After hours access: key card access for club presidents and treasurers.
- Cost projections: Initial estimate: $64,900 ($30,000 architectural).
- Full line-by-line budget June 19.
- The Capital Projects Fund is the fund for building renovations (also software).
  This project will cost less than 3% of what we have in the CPF.

Discussion
Alex Gonzalez:
- What is wrong with the existing furniture?

Cole Evans:
- We need more furniture to create lounge space.
- May also need to replace some tables; they’ve reached the end of their natural life.

Katherine Westerlund:
- If so under-utilized, why have the tables worn out?

Cole Evans:
- The area’s been under-utilized generally, but in the back where the Sustainability staff was there’s been wear.
- And some of the furniture wasn’t new.
Katherine Westerlund:
- Instead of buying new equipment, have you considered turning to Constituencies that may own equipment?

Cole Evans:
- An interesting suggestion.
- We're finalizing equipment ideas.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- What has shown you there is demand for this revitalization?
- Have you spoken to clubs, done consultation?

Cole Evans:
- The biggest problem is that the space isn't working; we're not getting anyone in there.
- We want to transition to something that will work.
- There's always demand for bookable spaces.

Simran Sidhu:
- Talked to friends that are club presidents and they say, What's the CRC? You have equipment there? Don't you have to pay?
- We need to market it.

11. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“That the consultation be extended by 10 minutes.”

… No objections

Max Holmes:
- As a board, we should not care about the amount of money we have in a fund or what percentage of a fund this expenditure will be.
- Whether it’s 3% or 90%, a project should be judged based on its merit. Is it valuable?
- It sounds like we have an advertising or awareness problem which we're talking of fixing by building something new.
- Two years ago we built a glass wall. That was going to increase awareness, but it didn’t.
- Did you think about publicizing more?
- And why are glass walls necessary?

Cole Evans:
- We are trying to come up with a better way to use the space, make it more than a place to pick up equipment.
- The space is not useful now. It’s not accessible.
- We have to add a wall for a conference room. The choice of glass was just to make the area look less like a bunker.
Jeanie Malone:
- How would you measure success?
- And what’s the timeline? Sounds like we will lose the CRC for a chunk of time.

Cole Evans:
- The metric for success will be the number of interactions: rentals, bookings, daily visitors.
- As to losing the space for a while, the CRC actually closes anyway from May 1 to August 31.
- Our goal is to do all the renos in the summer and open September 1.

Michelle Marcus:
- Very excited about this revitalization.
- The problem is not lack of awareness, but lack of accessibility.
- We have this great space that could provide value to clubs.

Matthias Leuprecht:
- I thinks it’s important to point out the percentage of a fund being used.
- And how are we structuring the spending? Why not take out a loan at 3% and invest it at 8%?

Keith Hester:
- We have $2.3 million, so we don’t have to borrow.

Matthias Leuprecht:
- Do we ever take out loans to pay for things?

Keith Hester:
- No.

12. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the consultation be extended by 10 minutes.”

- It was agreed to make this five minutes instead.

13. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED MICHELLE MARCUS:

“That the consultation be extended by five minutes.”

... No objections

Max Holmes:
- I’ve been convinced that the issue is accessibility, not awareness.
- So why not just use key card access?
- Has there been any consultation with clubs that you can bring to us?
- I’d like to see an action plan of what you will do with the space.
Cole Evans:
- Accessibility is more than just being able to get in the doors.
- You need something in the centre, a reason to use the space.
- I will definitely look to include hard data in the package I bring to Council next time.
- And back to measuring success: satisfaction is another measure.
- We’re looking to gather better feedback; we’ll ask about satisfaction.

Simran Sidhu:
- I’d love to see the space used by clubs collaborating.
- Multi-use space.
- Need more numbers.

Katherine Westerlund:
- Interesting proposal, but you could accomplish what you want without spending this much money.
- Should go to Operations and Finance.
- They can get more into the nitty gritty.

_Council recessed from 7:45 to 7:50 pm._

J) **Appointments**

_HR Committee_
_Councillor Nominees (2 needed):_ Michelle Marcus (Science), Max Holmes (BoG)
_At Large Nominees (1 needed):_ Sujung Rim, Zoe McDaniel, Brandyn Marx, Yongli Shi, Ananya Sandhu, George Kachkovski
_At Large Chosen: _George Kachkovski

_Student Life Committee_
_At Large Nominees (1 needed):_ Sujung Rim, Monika Jadu, Lily Liu, Brandyn Marx, Jacklyn Ku, Lindsay Wang, Ananya Sandhu
_At Large Chosen: _Monika Jadu

_New SUB Project Committee_
_At Large Nominees (2 needed):_ Sujung Rim, Lily Liu, Brandyn Marx, Lindsay Wang
_At Large Chosen: _Sujung Rim, Lily Liu

_SHAPE (Sale of Hatch Art …)_
_At Large Nominees (2 needed):_ Jacklyn Ku, Ryan Wong

_Impact Grant Subcommittee_
_At Large Nominees (2 needed):_ Zoe McDaniel, Jacqueline Chan, Brandyn Marx, Yongli Shi, Lindsay Wang, Ananya Sandhu
_At Large Chosen: _Brandyn Marx

_IT Subcommittee_
_Councillor Nominations (1 needed):_ Max Holmes (BoG)
Funds & Grants Subcommittee
Councillor Nominations (1 needed): Keira Britto (Kinesiology)

Sustainability Subcommittee
Councillor Nominations (1 needed): Michelle Marcus (Science), Kelvin Au (Land & Food)
Councillor Chosen: Michelle Marcus

14. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED LUCIA LIANG:

“That Michelle Marcus, Max Holmes and George Kachkovski (1 x member at large and 2 x Councillors) be appointed to the Human Resources Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That Monika Jadu (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That Lily Liu and Sujung Rim (2 x members at large) be appointed to the New SUB Project Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in August 2019.”

“That Jacklyn Ku and Ryan Wong (2 x members at large) be appointed to the SHAPE Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That Brandyn Marx (one member at large) be appointed to the Impact Grant Working Group for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Max Holmes (one Councillor) be appointed to the Information Technology Subcommittee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Keira Britto (one Councillor) be appointed to the Funds & Grants Subcommittee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020;

“That Michelle Marcus (one Councillor) be appointed to the Sustainability Projects Fund Subcommittee effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

... Carried

For (17): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Katherine Westerlund, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang
K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Chris Hakim
- Constituency and Councillor orientations.
- Grad ceremonies: Execs attending.
- Meeting with UBC about their Strategic Plan website.
- UNA Board meeting.
- Priorities for UBC Student Development.
- Search for new UBC Director of Investigations.
- Battle of the Bats (softball game between AMS Execs and UBC Administration).
- Meeting with the Indigenous Committee.
- Meeting the GSS President.
- Council timeline.
- Committee reporting mechanism: monthly report template.

Max Holmes:
- I know the Executive asked you to look into a Higher Education drug dispensary.
- Will you set up an ad hoc body to do this?
- How will you consult?

Chris Hakim:
- That’s in the preliminary stages.
- Will meet with stakeholders and report back in September.

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

VP Finance – Lucia Liang
- Treasurer orientations.
- Credit cards: new policy, restructuring the application process.
- Budget: Finance Committee meetings.
- Studentcare conference in Montreal.

Questions
Kevin Zhang:
- Are Grad Class gifts being approved?

Lucia Liang:
- They’re on the agenda for next Finance Committee meeting.

VP Academic – Cole Evans
- Club renewal forms closed.
- Club deconstitutions next week: not a large number.
- Office allocations completed: everyone has moved in.
- Executive goals coming along.
- New club applications June 1.
- Goddess of Democracy Statue: low power wash finished; she looks pretty again, much better than before. Ready to go for ceremonies next week.
- Sustainability team working on June report

Max Holmes:
- Will there be an invite for the Goddess of Democracy event?

Chris Hakim:
- The Tiananmen anniversary event will take place June 2 at noon.
- There will be speeches.
- I encourage everyone to come.

Riley Ty:
- Was the Chinese Student and Scholar Association invited?

Chris Hakim
- Not to my knowledge.
- We did general advertising.

**VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi**
- Studentcare conference.
- Meeting student unions about overlapping advocacy.
- Provincial budget submission.
- AMS-UNA meeting.
- Inclusion Action Plan meetings.
- Speaking to the government about the Mental Health Hotline, to be implemented in September or October.
- Rent with Rights.
- Speaking to the Indigenous Committee about advocacy.
- SUDS: looking for speakers.

**Questions**
Max Holmes:
- Re the provincial budget: Have you talked to the UBC VP External to align goals?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Last year we had two major asks:
  - Eliminate interest on BC student loans: that happened.
  - More robust financial aid/grants: still following up on this.
- Continuing collaboration.

Matthias Leuprecht:
- Do you have updates on support from the UBC President about voting and the federal election?
Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Meeting early next week about Santa Ono’s involvement in getting students engaged in the federal election.

Max Holmes:
- Provincial funding for graduate students: Are we asking the province for funding?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- That is a part of what we are considering; still exploring options.

**Student Services Manager – Ian Stone**
- Most services are closed for the summer, but Safewalk and Advocacy are running.
- The other services are recruiting their volunteer teams.
- Tutoring is looking for new tutors for September.
- We’re holding staff meetings.
- Meeting UBC’s Debbie Harvie and the VP Students Office about the $25,000 they’re providing for Safewalk. MoU on this soon.
- Reaching out to UBC’s Patty Hambler about funding for Speakeasy and Vice (mental health).
- Reviewing systems to replace Help Hub: looking for an app for booking tutoring appointments.

**VP Academic & University Affairs – Julia Burnham (via Chris Hakim)**
- Introductory meetings with the University.
- Academic integrity on campus.
- Athletics: sports and recreation high level overview.
- UBC scheduling (classes and rooms).
- Program tuition consultation.
- Associate Dean of Academics meetings.
- University Steering Committee meeting.
- Met Santa Ono.
- Met with UBC’s Janet Teasdale about intersecting goals.
- Academic Concession Policy.
- Sustainable investing and divestment.
- UBC well-being: peer to peer.
- Open Education Resources funding.
- Inclusion Action Plan development.
- Working on the AUA office goals
- Academic Experience Survey actionable items.
- Grad ceremonies.

**Managing Director – Keith Hester**
- Lucia and I are working on the budget with the Finance Committee.
- The auditors are coming next week.
- Presentations for Council on replacing carpets and furniture.
- AMS Facebook code for We Chat: launched our channel. We have a student dedicated to that.

Questions
Kelvin Au:
- Will any of our We Chat messages be in Chinese?

Keith Hester:
- They will all be in Chinese.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Governance Committee – Katherine Westerland
- Two meetings so far.
- We approved the new video surveillance policy and sent it to Operations Committee.
- General privacy policy is next.
- No May report as we thought they’re supposed to go through Steering Committee first (but it’s not so).

HR Committee – Riley Ty
- Establishing a working dynamic with the AMS HR Department.
- Working on the role of the Ombudsperson.
- Working on solidifying our goals.

Student Life Committee – Kevin Zhang
- Approved Grad Class gifts:
  - Food Bank
  - Indigenous Committee.
  - Goddess of Democracy.
  - Digitizing student handbooks.
- Finance Committee also needs to approve these gifts.
- Appointed Ian Stone as Vice-Chair.
- Carryover items:
  - Looking into social events to create social bonding among Councillors.
  - Anonymous Councillor consultation survey.
- Consultation re AMS Events.

Questions
Max Holmes:
- Do we provide the blurb at grad ceremonies for the grad class gifts?

Kevin Zhang:
- I’ll look into this.
Joanne Pickford:
  - The Ceremonies Office writes them.

SHAPE – Chris Hakim
  - The Hatch Art Gallery staff are looking at potential pieces to sell.

New SUB Project Committee – Cole Evans
  - Haven’t met yet. No pressing business.
  - Project almost wrapped up; coming down to final stages; not a ton left to do, but will keep you posted.

Finance Committee – Lucia Liang
  - Busy with the budget.

Operations Committee – Cole Evans
  - Will meet bi-weekly on Tuesdays at 5:00 pm.
  - Updated Sustainability Subcommittee terms of reference, allowing the AVP Sustainability to choose some of those who will serve on it.
  - Approved new signage for the Nest.
  - Approved accessibility upgrades.
  - Review of Policy I-7 (policy on expulsions from the Nest).
  - Finishing new policy on suspensions and expulsions from clubs.
  - Alcohol consumption policy: overdue for review.
  - Video Surveillance Policy: passed along to us by Governance.

Brewery Committee – Matthias Leuprecht
  - Big news! The committee met!
  - Our one goal is to get the MoU signed.
  - Going to follow up with the Dean of Land & Food.
  - Reviewed terms of reference for the committee.
  - Strongly believe we should free the beer.

Advocacy Committee – Cristina Ilnitchi
  - Debrief from Executives.
  - Green New Deal Town Hall.
  - Will work on goals next meeting.

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):
Chris Hakim:
  - Met this week.
  - Talked about support.
  - Going to have a Slack group to create partnership.
O) Board of Governors, Senate, Ombudsperson & Historical Update Reports (2 minutes each):

**Board of Governors – Jeanie Malone**
- Indigenous Engagement Committee on Friday: Indigenous Strategic Plan.
- Governance Committee Monday.
- Other committee meeting on Wednesday.
- Full Board June 13.
- Policy 131 report.
- Strategic Plan.
- Financial support.
- Stadium Neighbourhood Plan.
- New BoG Student orientations in process.

**Senate – Matthias Leuprecht**
- Big news: shout out to Max for his role in getting the Academic Concession Policy passed.
- New program – Environmental Engineering.
- Update on Strategic Plan.
- Guiding Principles on Cost of Learning Materials.
- Grad ceremonies happening.
- Everyone’s been appointed to their committees.
- Senate does not meet over the summer.

**Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb**
- We didn’t used to have a preliminary budget.
- There just used to be the budget, due on May 1.
- But it was never ready for May 1.
- One year they didn’t get one done until the year was over, and then of course it was perfect because it was like predicting a horse race after it’s over.
- Anyway, to deal with the problem, the preliminary budget was invented, so we could have a budget by May 1 in accordance with the bylaws, even if it wasn’t the final budget.
- This was in the late 90’s, when Executive turnover was in February, so the new VP Finance would have a couple of months to produce the preliminary budget.
- Now we have shifted turnover to May 1 and shifted the due date for the final budget to June 30, and the new VP Finance can finish the budget by then, so the question is whether we even need a preliminary budget anymore.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:

15. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That Council approve the two leases as presented by the Executive Committee.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

Chris Hakim:
- We’ve been negotiating two new leases for the spaces where Liquid Nutrition and the On the Fringe hair salon used to be.
- We'll have two new businesses in those spaces.
- The leases were available for viewing.

Michelle Marcus:
- Was there any consultation with students about use of the space and the type of businesses we’re leasing to?

Keith Hester:
- We do a Nest Experience Survey annually, and we use that as a guide.
- Iwana Taco and the Porch came out of that.

Michelle Marcus:
- Was there any consideration of how these new businesses will meet student needs?

Keith Hester:
- Very much so.
- We regard having a hair salon as an essential service.
- And there have been requests for a nail salon.
- There will be a hair and nail salon to meet these needs.

16. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, THIRDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the meeting go in camera.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

The meeting went in camera at 9:20 pm.
The meeting left the in camera session at 9:50 pm.

17. MOVED RYAN WONG, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG

“That Council approve The T Dot lease and the Numbered Company lease as separate motions.”

… No objections

18. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM: [SCD017-20]

“That Council approve the T-Dot lease as presented by the Executive Committee.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried
For (12): Kelvin Au, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Shadi Saberian, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

Against (6): Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Riley Ty, Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Katherine Westerlund

19. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM: [SCD018-20]

“That Council approve the 1205157 Business lease as presented by the Executive Committee.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (16): Kelvin Au, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Lucia Liang, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Shadi Saberian, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Katherine Westerlund, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Michelle Marcus, Riley Ty

R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

S) Committee Motions:

T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

20. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“That the meeting be extended by 30 minutes.”

21. MOVED MATTHIAS LEUPRECHT, SECONDED ALEX GONZALEZ:

“That the extension be for 20 minutes instead of 30.”

... No objections

22. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“That the meeting be extended by 30 minutes.”

... No objections
23. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

From the President
“That Council suspend Section VII: Advisory Board, Article 9(2) from the Code of Procedure, effective immediately and lasting until July 31, 2019.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Chris Hakim:
- All seats but one are filled, but until we fill the last one (one of the professional seats), the board can’t meet.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- What are we doing to get the Advisory Board off the ground?

Chris Hakim:
- We’re recruiting: looking for a diverse board.

Arash Shadkam:
- Are we scrapping the board because it’s not filled?

Chris Hakim:
- No, just suspending Code requiring them to submit a report this month.

24. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

From the President
“That Council suspend Section VII: Advisory Board, Article 9(2) from the Code of Procedure, effective immediately and lasting until July 31, 2019.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (16): Kelvin Au, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Katherine Westerlund, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips)

25. MOVED MICHELLE MARCUS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That Council direct the Operations Committee to report back to Council on the AMS’s plan and timeline for implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the next Council meeting.”
Michelle Marcus:
- UBC has created a policy to reduce waste, shifting foodware to compostable and recyclable options, along with introducing fees to disincentivize single use plastics.
- UBC wants the AMS to act.
- This first came from students and aligns with our policies and the VP Academic's platform.
- We need a concrete timeline and a commitment.

Cole Evans:
- My suggestion: Send this to the Sustainability Subcommittee and extend the deadline.
- We're going to have to engage Food & Beverage and Conferences & Catering staff.
- We could present something next time, but we couldn’t do something solid in three weeks.
- Maybe September.

26. MOVED MATTHIAS LEUPRECHT, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the motion be amended to ask for the report by the July 10 Council meeting.”

Kelvin Au:
- The Sustainability Subcommittee Chair is away.

Chris Hakim:
- The amendment doesn’t refer to the Sustainability Subcommittee.

Ryan Wong:
- Can the Operations Committee do this by July 10?

Cole Evans:
- Tough question.
- I’m not a hundred percent sure where our professional staff is on this.
- It should go to the subcommittee.

Katherine Westerlund:
- July 10 is unreasonable.
- If you’re looking for a plan and implementation, that won’t be enough time.

Chris Hakim:
- You can’t do it on this timeline.
- The Executive is working on their goals and the budget.
- Staff will be busy during Congress.
- The VP Admin portfolio is busy.
27. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED MATTHIAS LEUPRECHT:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (10): Kelvin Au, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Arash Shadkam, Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Katherine Westerlund, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Andy Wu)

Against (5): Cole Evans, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Michelle Marcus, Shadi Saberian, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Kia Teimouri

28. MOVED MATTHIAS LEUPRECHT, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the motion be amended to ask for the report by the July 10 Council meeting.”

... Defeated

For (2): Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

Against (10): Kelvin Au, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Lucia Liang, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Arash Shadkam, Keira Britto, Katherine Westerlund

Abstained: Michelle Marcus, Kia Teimouri

29. MOVED MICHELLE MARCUS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That Council direct the Operations Committee to report back to Council on the AMS’s plan and timeline for implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the next Council meeting.”

Katherine Westerlund:
  • First Ops and then Finance need to look at this to look at feasibility.

30. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED ALEX GONZALEZ:

“That the motion be amended to change Operations Committee to Sustainability Subcommittee and to postpone the report until the first Council meeting of September.”

Matthias Leuprecht:
  • This is a fairly urgent matter.
  • The University is doing this at a fast pace.
- Why are we behind?

Katherine Westerlund:
- A lot of people on the committees are unpaid volunteers with lots to do.
- The first meeting of September is not unreasonable.
- I understand you might want something faster, but this is reasonable if you want consultation, as there should be, with stakeholders.
- I don’t want it not to work because we didn’t talk to anyone.

Max Holmes:
- This is very much in alignment with our goals and policies.
- We do have a fiduciary duty to make sure it’s done well.
- We need a conversation with Food & Beverage and Conferences & Catering.
- We have lots of events going on now.
- It’s far more feasible to do this in the new school year.
- Ask for updates if you like from the Executive responsible for the Sustainability Subcommittee.

Cole Evans:
- It depends on how solid a plan you want to see.
- I don’t want something fluffy.
- I’m comfortable with this timeline.
- I encourage you to keep checking in on this.

31. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED ALEX GONZALEZ:

“That the motion be amended to change Operations Committee to Sustainability Subcommittee and to postpone the report until the first Council meeting of September.”

... Carried

For (17): Kelvin Au, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Shadi Saberian, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

Against (1): Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Andy Wu)

32. MOVED MICHELLE MARCUS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That Council direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to report back to Council on the AMS’s plan and timeline for implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the first Council meeting of September.”
33. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Defeated

For (5): Kelvin Au, Cole Evans, Arash Shadkam, Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto

Against (11): Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Lucia Liang, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Shadi Saberian, Riley Ty, Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Katherine Westerlund, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Michelle Marcus, Kia Teimouri

34. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the motion be amended to direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to conduct a feasibility analysis of the AMS implementing the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the July 10 meeting, and if the feasibility analysis concludes that there is room for this implementation, then this implementation plan and timeline will be presented by the first Council meeting of September.”

Michelle Marcus:
- UBC and the City of Vancouver are moving forward with this.
- The AMS is almost there, except for the fee issue.

Chris Hakim:
- I agree with the idea of a feasibility study; it is our fiduciary duty to do one.
- The main issue is still the timeline: July 10 is too early.

35. MOVED ALEX GONZALEZ, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the question be called on the amendment.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Defeated

For (5): Cristina Ilnitchi, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Katherine Westerlund

Against (10): Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Keira Britto, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang
36. MOVED JEANIE MALONE, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That this motion be laid on the table.”

… No objections

37. MOVED RYAN WONG, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That time be extended 15 minutes.”

… No objections

38. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED KEIRA BRITTO:

“That the motion be taken from the table.”

… No objections

39. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the motion be amended to direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to conduct a feasibility analysis of the AMS implementing the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the July 10 meeting, and if the feasibility analysis concludes that there is room for this implementation, then this implementation plan and timeline will be presented by the first Council meeting of September.”

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- We could replace “by the July 10 meeting” with “sometime this summer.”

Katherine Westerlund:
- I want July 10. I don’t want it pushed back.

Kevin Zhang:
- I am disappointed with this discussion.
- Right now we are still giving leeway for this not going forward at all.

40. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED ALEX GONZALEZ:

“That the question be called on the amendment.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (12): Kelvin Au, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Shadi Saberian, Kia Teimouri, Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Katherine Westerlund, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

Against (2): Cole Evans, Michelle Marcus
Abstained: Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Riley Ty

41. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the motion be amended to direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to conduct a feasibility analysis of the AMS implementing the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the July 10 meeting, and if the feasibility analysis concludes that there is room for this implementation, then this implementation plan and timeline will be presented by the first Council meeting of September.”

... Defeated

For (2): Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Katherine Westerlund

Against (15): Kelvin Au, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre, Shadi Saberian, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Andy Wu), Kevin Zhang

42. MOVED MICHELLE MARCUS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That Council direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to report back to Council on the AMS’s plan and timeline for implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the first Council meeting of September.”

43. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the motion be amended to direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to report back to Council on a feasibility study of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the first Council meeting of September.”

Chris Hakim:
- No one is against this, but we need to know if we can do it.
- That's our responsibility. It's your responsibility as a board member.
- And we need a reasonable timeline.
- A short timeline in the summer is not reasonable.
- We don’t want to overwork our employees.

Cole Evans:
- This was one of my campaign promises: to evaluate single use food items.
- We are taking a serious look at this.
- Don’t think if this doesn’t get done by July 10 that it’s on the backburner.
- I have a team working on this.

Max Holmes:
- I think this is a little too lenient.
- I don’t think it’s unreasonable to bring a report in three months.
• If it can’t be done, you can ask for an extension.

Michelle Marcus:
• As student leaders, we should be at the forefront and not lagging behind.
• These sorts of things are happening around the world; we know it’s feasible.
• September is reasonable, but for a plan – not a feasibility study.

44. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the motion be amended to direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to report back to Council on a feasibility study of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the first Council meeting of September.”

… Defeated

For (7): Kelvin Au, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri

Against (8): Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Shadi Saberian, Riley Ty, Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Katherine Westerlund

45. MOVED MICHELLE MARCUS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That Council direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to report back to Council on the AMS’s plan and timeline for implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the first Council meeting of September.”

46. MOVED ALEX GONZALEZ, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“That this motion be tabled until the next meeting.”

Alex Gonzalez:
• It’s getting late; we’re going in circles.
• A study is important and needs to be done.

Ryan Wong:
• Tabling is a mistake.
• It’s just pushing the deadline back.

47. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That time be extended by 15 minutes.”

… No objections
48. MOVED ALEX GONZALEZ, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“That this motion be tabled until the next meeting.”

... Defeated

For (3): Cole Evans, Lucia Liang, Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips)

Against (11): Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

49. MOVED MICHELLE MARCUS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That Council direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to report back to Council on the AMS’s plan and timeline for implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the first Council meeting of September.”

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- This is really important.
- A timeline for implementation is exactly what it says.
- We get to decide.

Katherine Westerlund:
- I want something due in the summer.
- How about an outline, an update?

50. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED DAN NORTHGRAVES:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (12): Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Shadi Saberian, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

51. MOVED MICHELLE MARCUS, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That Council direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to report back to Council on the AMS’s plan and timeline for implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy by the first Council meeting of September.”

... Carried

For (14): Cristina Ilnitchi, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Shadi Saberian, Arash Shadkam,
Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Alex Gonzalez (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Chris Hakim

U) Discussion Period

V) Submissions:

- Student Life Committee May report [SCD019-20]
- Brewery Committee May report [SCD020-20]
- HR Committee May report [SCD021-20]
- Executive Terms of Employment [SCD022-20]
- Chair terms of Employment [SCD023-20]

W) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: June 19, 2019

X) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:44 pm.

Y) Social Activity: Pit Night
## May 29, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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Vote Records

V1: Approval of the amendments to the agenda
V2: Approval of the agenda
V3: Consent Agenda Items
V4: That Council suspend Code Section IX B Article 8(1) requiring a preliminary budget to be approved by May 31.
V5: Council Appointments
V6: In Camera Session
V7: Motion to Stay in Camera
V8: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the T-Dot lease as presented by the Executive Committee.
V9: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the 1205157 Business lease as presented by the Executive Committee.
V10: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council suspend Section VII: Advisory Board Article 9(2) from the Code of Procedure effective immediately and lasting until July 31 2019.
V11: Call To Question
V12: Add "on July 10"
V13: Amendment as read
V14: Call To Question
V15: Call To Question
V16: Call To Question
V17: BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to conduct a feasibility analysis of the AMS implementing report back to Council on the AMSs plan and timeline for implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Strategy at the July 10th Council meeting.. If the feasibility analysis concludes that there is room for this implementation then this implementation plan and timeline will be prepared by the first Council meeting of September.
V18: Amendment
V19: Motion to table
V20: Call To Question
V21: BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to report back to Council on the AMSs plan and timeline for implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Strategy by the first Council meeting of September.
| Name                        | V1 | V2 | V3 | V4 | V5 | V6 | V7 | V8 | V9 | V10 | V11 | V12 | V13 | V14 | V15 | V16 | V17 | V18 | V19 | V20 | V21 |
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| Chris Hakim                | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N   | N   | Y   | N   | Y   | N   | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | N   |
| Cole Evans                 | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | N  | N   | N   | N   | Y   | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | Y   | Y   |
| Lucia Liang                | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | N   | N   | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
| Cristina Ilnitchi          | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | Y   | N   | Y   | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | Y   | Y   |
| Julia Burnham              | Y  | Y  | Y  |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Sean Thorne                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Matthias Leuprecht         |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| (proxy for Andy Wu)        |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
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| Kia Teimouri               | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | A  | A  | Y   | A   | Y   | Y   | Y   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Kevin Zhang                | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
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| Andrew Huang               |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Ryan Wong (proxy for)      |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
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| Education Vacant           | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y   | Y   | Y   | N   | N   | N   | N   | Y   | Y   | A   | Y   | Y   |
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| (proxy for Tyra Phillips)  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Katherine Westerlund       | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | Y  | N  | N  | Y  | Y  | Y   | N   | Y   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   | A   | N   | Y   | Y   | Y   |
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Arash Shadkam
GSS Vacant
Matthew Epstein
Kinesiology Vacant
Kelvin Au
Law Vacant
Joella Allen
Ravi Parhar
Tanner Gjosund
Planning Vacant
Elisa Colasurdo (proxy for) W Song
Ian Gilbert
Riley Baechler
Daniel Lam proxy
Julia Chai
Michelle Marcus
Riley Ty
Muse Greenwood
Anican Yu
A)

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

B)

Territorial Acknowledgement:

- The Speaker acknowledged that the meeting was taking place on the traditional, ancestral, stolen, and unceded territory of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓-speaking Musqueam people and that learning happened on these lands long before the University was here.
- He said it was important to recognize this and asked Council to imagine a future where we decolonize the territory by giving the land back.

C)

Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

   “That the agenda be amended as follows:
   - Add a Councillor appointment to the Operations Committee.
   - Change the CPF ask to $57,828.
   - Add Operations Committee minutes dated May 21, 2019.”
   ... No objections

3. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

   “That the agenda be adopted as amended.”
   ... Carried

For (24): Kelvin Au, Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Muse Greenwood, Chris Hakim, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Cristina Ilnitchi, Julia Chai, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Michael Salloum (proxy for
Ravi Parhar), Arash Shadkam, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Nevena Rebic, Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

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

Welcome to our new Members:

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, GSS (x2), Journalism, Law, Population & Public Health

Goodbyes: Darren Touch

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

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

Rodney Little Mustache:
- I sent a letter to Council, written before the release of the report on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls.
- There should be representation on every governing body for First Nations women, men, and 2-Spirits.
- That should change here; you need to make these seats available.
- This needs to be addressed.
- Yesterday there was news about the Trans Mountain Pipeline going ahead: this is a disgrace and an example of oppression and not respecting other peoples’ property.
- Council should say No to the pipeline: we’re on unceded land.
- I have made a club application for a 2-Spirit Idle No More club.
- We follow rules other than Robert’s; Robert was not Indigenous.
- I am disappointed that there has been no movement for four years towards getting seats on Council.

Councillors’ Response
Muse Greenwood (standing up):
- In your letter you say you stood alone.
- I stand with you.
- In life others sometimes get credit for your good work.
- Thank you for your tenacity and the heartbreak you have endured on behalf of First Nations.

[Most members of Council stood up.]

Michelle Marcus:
- Thank you for your moving and heartfelt letter.
- That you keep coming back despite the adversity you face is inspiring.
- You are doing a great service to the community.
• A few things we can do:
  o It would make sense to have a discussion at the Governance Committee about representation.
  o This can also be discussed in the Inclusion and Equity Plan.
  o Governance is looking at potential changes to the election code to support marginalized groups.
• As to the pipeline, I look forward to us making a statement on that.

Chris Hakim:
• Thank you, Rodney, for your dedicated service to decolonization.
• Things are a lot better since you arrived.
• The Executive is working with the Indigenous Committee.
• If the Committee asks for a seat on Council, we will support that.
• We are also working on an Equity and Inclusion Plan.
• Under-representation in the AMS is something we see across the board; it’s an area we can improve on.

Andy Wu:
• Re the Trans Mountain Pipeline:
  o We did discuss this at the Advocacy Committee last year.
  o All three candidates for VP External pledged to lobby on climate change.
  o It’s time to bring this back.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• The Advocacy Committee will be meeting on this.

Muse Greenwood:
• Since being in Vancouver and working with Indigenous people I have learned that we need to ask what do you want and how we can honour those ideas.

Rodney Little Mustache:
• After the report last week I was appalled by the racist remarks from non-natives to natives that I saw on Twitter.
• I had a cousin murdered in Calgary and three years before that, a niece murdered.
• This is the history of many people.
• It is difficult to get representation: there’s been a conversation for three years and still no seat.
• The club I’m starting: don’t ask me to change the application to fit into UBC ways. That is oppressive.
• Last year Block Party included a blessing from an Elder.
• Re First Week: I got an Indigenous performance included.
• I want to have September 11, the anniversary of the armed conflict at Gustafsen Lake, remembered from an Indigenous perspective.
• People come here thinking Canada is an okay place to live, but newcomers don’t know the history.
• My letter was one of feeling, of anger, because of doors shut in my face and teachers yelling.

G) Consent Agenda Items

Andy Wu:
• Why no Fincom minutes?

Lucia Liang:
• They have been approved by the Committee, but I was unaware they needed to come to Council.
• They will come next meeting.

4. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

AMS Council minutes dated April 3, 2019 [SCD024-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated April 2, 2019 [SCD025-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated May 22, 2019 [SCD026-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated May 27, 2019 [SCD027-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated June 3, 2019 [SCD028-20]
Student Life Committee minutes dated May 21, 2019 [SCD029-20]
HR Committee minutes dated May 22, 2019 [SCD030-20]
HR Committee minutes dated June 7, 2019 [SCD031-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated May 17, 2019 [SCD032-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated June 7, 2019 [SCD033-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated May 21, 2019 [SCD034-20]

... Carried

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

Budget – Lucia Liang and Keith Hester [SCD035-20]

Lucia Liang:
• The budgeting process started in January.
• There have been meetings with senior managers, support staff, last year’s Executive team, and now this year’s team.
• The Finance Committee has met six times since I took office on May 1.
We did really well last year: got a return of $845,000 on our investments, much more than predicted.
We also spent less than predicted.
We ended with a surplus of $226,483.

Keith Hester:
- The business contribution is forecast to be $1,073,933.
- The minimum wage went up June 1.
- There’s a new health tax of 1.95%
- We want to be focusing on advertising: historically we’ve done a bad job of letting our members know about what we do, such as our sustainability initiatives.
- Seeking to increase student engagement to get more people into the building.
- Want to make the website more dynamic.
- Projecting business revenue of $10 million.
- We have faced dramatic increases in produce costs, but by changing suppliers and portion sizes we have been able to project a 77.2% margin, which is great.
- Labour costs are projected to be $4.6 million.
- We’re projecting a net business contribution of $94,000, but if you add in depreciation it comes to $1.073 million.
- Revenue breakdown by outlet:
  - Pit – $340,000
  - Iwana Taco – $484,000
  - Gallery – Just under $1 million
  - Porch – $333,000
  - PieR – $800,000
  - Blue Chip – Close to $1.6 million (our most successful outlet despite competition from Starbucks on either side of us, and others)
  - Honour Roll – $1.1 million
  - Ph Tea – $128,000 (doing well, given the amount of footage they have)
  - Grand Noodle Emporium – Over $1 million
- Total from the outlets: $6.9 million.
- Conferences and Catering brings in another $2.3 million.
- Tenant services brings in $770,166.
- Total business revenue is forecast to be over $10 million, a bit down from recent years.
- The Stellar Hot Dog cart is not in operation, so it’s listed in the negative, as a cost.
- The old Lower Case outlet is rented out to the Delly for storage.
- Food & Beverage: Looking at recruitment; just hired a chef de cuisine.
- Working on leases: many are expiring and need renewing.
- Sustainability:
  - Want to promote what we do; some of it is a well-kept secret, but we should be shouting about it.
  - Working with UBC on the Healthier Beverages Initiative.
  - Moving away from plastic utensils.
  - Looking into portable water fountains.
  - Abolishing plastic straws.
- Conferences & Catering:
Focusing on strategic sales.
- Monitoring labour expenses and cost of goods.
- Offsite sales.
- New e-transfer system to reduce the amount of paper.
- Replacing Payroll and HR software systems.
- Contracts review.
- Extending the AMS IT cloud by having a second data centre in the lower level of the Life Building.

**Questions**

**Kelvin Au:**
- Will the file on AMS businesses be sent out?

**Chris Hakim:**
- We'll send it out and make it available on the website.

**Andy Wu:**
- There are gaps in the document.
- Code requires three years of expenses and revenue, with variances and detailed breakdowns.
- The ones from last year (the actuals) aren’t there.
- Concerns have also been raised about not listing the funds, which are listed in the presentation but weren’t in the budget itself.
- I wonder if the budget motion is in order.

**The Speaker:**
- The motion is in order, but you can raise these issues with the Executive.

**Chris Hakim:**
- We recognize the lack of actuals.
- Our fiscal year runs from May through April, and our year-end report is with the auditors.
- Our budget process happens before the auditors come in.
- Our Executive sees these issues as a priority and intends to fix a lot of things to do with the budget process.

**Brandyn Marx:**
- Do the projected revenues take into account the closure of Iwana Taco till September?

**Keith Hester:**
- Yes.

**Michael Salloum:**
- What kind of marketing are you planning?
- What are portable water fountains?
Keith Hester:
- We will be marketing AMS sustainability initiatives.
- Portable water fountains in Pie R Squared.

5. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the question period be extended by 10 minutes.”

... No objections

Chris Hakim:
- Re marketing: This Executive has prioritized communications.
- We have expanded our Communication Department.
- Often in the past students have had to go to the Ubyssey to find out what’s going on at the AMS. We want to change that.

Andy Wu:
- Under SASC, how is that expenses are lower than in previous years?
- We raised the fee to cover growing expenses.

Abdul Alnaar:
- The SASC budget is divided into departments this year.
- The overall budget does show an increase.

Katherine Westerlund:
- Actuals don't exist right now, so they can't be included in the budget.

Lucia Liang:
- In the past unaudited actuals appeared, not the actual actuals.

Kevin Zhang:
- We don't have information that was included in previous years' budgets.
- I would prefer somewhat inaccurate actuals to none at all.
- All we have now the budget reforecast numbers, which are even more inaccurate.
- How long would it take to get the numbers and show them to Council?

Chris Hakim:
- Other organizations have a similar process.
- We get inaccurate actuals because we get late reimbursements from clubs and Constituencies.
- It will take a while to get accurate actuals, but we are committed to sending them out once we get them.

Lucia Liang:
- After we get the numbers from our auditors, we will do a reforecast based on the actuals.

Abdul Alnaar:
- The budget process included looking at the actuals we had.
• Code does say we should include them.

Matthias Leuprecht:
• How do we have inaccurate actuals?
• I am concerned.

Lucia Liang:
• The auditors look at the numbers to fix the actuals.

Chris Hakim:
• The Executive has the same concerns as Councillors.
• We are going to work with our accounting department to fix the process.

Julia Chai:
• I’m not sure we have the confidence to pass this budget without actuals.

Chris Hakim:
• This is a systemic issue.
• But we have gone through a rigorous process with our managers; that should inspire confidence.
• And we are doing well financially.

Muse Greenwood:
• Do Councillors have a right to question the budget?

Chris Hakim:
• Of course.

6. MOVED LUCIA LIANG, SECONDED COLE EVANS: [SCD036-20]

"That the AMS budget be accepted as presented."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Max Holmes:
• Code is often not in line with practice.
• Every year the budget is like this, and we pass it.
• We can suspend Code and pass the budget, then refer the process to committee.

Andy Wu:
• Obviously, we have confidence in the financial situation of the AMS.
• Our concern is procedural: we have Code provisions that regulate this.
• Max suggested suspending Code, but Code suspensions should be for procedural matters; this is a substantial change to a document.
• Fiduciary duty was discussed a lot in Orientation.
• When we decide how we are spending money, we should know how much we spent in the past.
- I understand the point about the audit, but this is being too cautious.
- Actuals do exist, and Code mandates that we have them to make an informed decision.
- So either release the actuals before they’re audited, which is common practice, or amend the Code right here.
- Just because we have passed budgets in the past with reforecast numbers instead of actuals, that doesn’t mean we should tolerate this.
- As of right now, I can’t vote for the budget; it’s a blatant violation of Code.

Kevin Zhang:
- For a reforecast I understand you take data points up to a certain date, but after that a guesstimate.
- We should not be suspending Code to circumvent what should be done.
- We throw around the term fiduciary duty a lot: in this instance it applies.
- We are not operating within bounds; we should not be passing a budget without understanding the amount of money spent last year.

Matthias Leuprecht:
- I am on the Budget Committee of Senate.
- For there to be no actuals is completely unprecedented.
- Code is not designed to be convenient.
- I find it concerning that people think it okay to bring forth a budget that does not include actuals.

Andy Wu:
- Are the actuals readily available?

Lucia Liang:
- No, all we have is raw data.

Chris Hakim:
- We don’t have the actuals prepared for Council.
- We’ve identified this as an issue.
- We want to move forward on this.
- We’re in a tough spot.
- We are trying to fix this issue.
- If we don’t pass this budget we won’t have finances to continue working.

Katherine Westerlund:
- I understand that people are upset over the lack of actuals.
- As a member of the Finance Committee, I can tell you that we spent three or four weeks going over the numbers with long-time managers.
- I don’t see not having the actuals as a barrier to budgeting.
- I never have full confidence in any budget, but I have confidence enough in this budget to approve it.
Keith Hester:
- I've been doing budgets for many years; it's a very common practice to accept budgets without seeing the actuals.

Max Holmes:
- I understand that forecasts are not the same as actuals.
- Just in the past we based ourselves on forecasts.
- I hope we don't criticize people for their opinions.

The Speaker:
- It's never appropriate to mention comments by other Councillors.
- Best to avoid person-to-person contacts.
- Address your comments to me.

Muse Greenwood:
- Re the Code violation: This is something ongoing.
- What can be put in place to ensure that this ongoing violation will not continue?
- And what is at risk if we don't pass the budget today?

Chris Hakim:
- We always do it this way, but the aim is to solve the problem as soon as possible.
- The risk of not approving the budget is that we are required to have a budget or we won't be able to pay our staff.
- We have bills to pay and don't have savings to cover this.

Muse Greenwood:
- How soon would we know how you are going to solve this problem?

Chris Hakim:
- We have already begun a discussion of a budget overhaul.

Matthias Leuprecht:
- I want to emphasize why we need to see the actuals.
- Seeing the actuals allows us to understand whether we need more money.
- It will allow us to do a variance analysis.
- There will be questions we can't answer if we don't see the actuals.
- Other student unions do present actuals.

Katherine Westerlund:
- If we want a greater assurance, it's possible to mandate either the Finance Committee or the Governance Committee to come back to Council by a certain date with suggestions about structure.

Andy Wu:
- Now it's come out that previous actuals were not actuals.
- This is concerning. There's been misrepresentation.
- We are approving this budget at practically the last minute.
• Last year we had a preliminary budget and a longer period to review.
• Council should have more involvement in this process.
• I feel we are being expected to rubber stamp this budget.

Chris Hakim:
• There are issues with the preliminary budget; it puts a strain on the Executive.
• We have the same concerns as Council.
• We’ve gone through a lengthy process with our Finance Committee.
• We will try to solve the problem as soon as possible.
• We do want to see the process changed.
• I thank the Board for its scrutiny.

Council took a 10-minute recess.

7. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That Council suspend Code Section IX B, Article 8.3 (the provision which mandates that we are required to provide actual revenues and expenditures for the past 3 years).”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Michael Salloum:
• Is this just a temporary suspension?

It was understood that the suspension was just for this meeting.

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Abstained: Kelvin Au

9. MOVED LUCIA LIANG, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the AMS budget be accepted as presented.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (20): Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Muse Greenwood, Chris Hakim, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Cristina Ilnitchi, Julia Chai, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Elaine Zhang (proxy for Priscilla Chan), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Nevena Rebic, Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund

Abstained: Kelvin Au, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

10. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion about the budget process.”

... No objections

11. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED KEIRA BRITTO:

“That the current model of the budget process be referred to the Finance and Governance committees for review with an update to be provided to Council by September.”

... Carried

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Abstained: Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar)

Executive Goals – AMS Executive

Chris Hakim:

Executive goals:
- Data-driven AMS.
  - Given our high turnover, we need data to make the best decisions.
  - AMS Services already does this; we need other departments to become data driven.

Council Improvement:
- We need to provide Council with the right tools to be confident Councillors.
- Improve Councillor Orientations.
- Fix inefficiencies.
- Allow committees to meet together.
• Provide comprehensive information to Council.

Communications expansion:
• Student engagement needs to be improved.
• We have hired new staff to improve this process.
• We want to promote initiatives from the various AMS departments.

President’s Goals
• Sexual violence support
• Inclusion of Indigenous voices:
  o My office is working with the Indigenous Committee to understand the agenda they want to set.
• Climate Justice and Sustainability.
• Affordable student experience:
  o Making sure student fees are for what students need.
  o Making sure the fees are properly utilized.
  o Remove fees that are no longer in accord with our values.
• AMS Strategic Plan:
  o Every year we make decisions based on the moment, but we need long-term planning to move forward.
  o We need to include marginalized voices, deal with under-representation.

Julia Burnham
Goals for the VP Academic & University Affairs
• Supporting sexual assault survivors through community building:
  o Collaborating with SASC and SVPRO.
• Prioritizing equity and accountability:
  o Advocating re investment in UBC’s Sustainable Futures Fund.
  o Advocating for AMS involvement in UBC’s Equity Plan.
• Student Well-Being:
  o Look at long-term plan.
  o Look at data on student use of UBC resources.
  o Fall Reading Break, 2020-21.
• Improving campus access and affordability:
  o Not just tuition, but Open Educational Resources.
  o Cohort tuition freeze.
• Engage our students about our advocacy and focus on various groups with marginalized identities.

12. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That time be extended by 10 minutes.” … No objections

Cristina Ilnitchi
Goals for the VP External
• Amplify student voices nationally:
- Student financial aid, working with UCRU; working for international students.
- Affordable and accessible education, with more access to grants, so students are less burdened by the debt of loans.
  - Sexual violence advocacy.
  - Mental health support.
  - Long-term housing advocacy.
- Support a better UBC:
  - Advocate for increased provincial funding.
  - Advocate for climate action.
  - Opportunities in federal election.
- Two points not in the document:
  - Indigenous student support.
  - Open Educational Resources and the Copyright Act.

Lucia Liang  
**Goals for the VP Finance**
- Foster student engagement.
- Increase efficiency in financial transfers: more credit cards.
- Boost affordability:
  - New Showpass contract.
  - Make funds more accessible.
  - Access Chinese bank accounts: huge issue for Chinese students.
- Sustainable investments: make more information available.
- Student development program: help students improve their financial literacy.

Cole Evans  
**Goals for the VP Administration**
- Nest usability:
  - Improve and enhance the student experience in the Nest.
  - Improve branding, wayfinding.
- Capital projects:
  - Clubs Resource Centre.
  - Norm Theatre: aiming for Fall 2019 opening. Hoping to expand programming.
- Supporting clubs and Constituencies.
- Advancing sustainability.
- Development of artistic assets:
  - Evaluating the permanent collection: perhaps selling more art.
  - Continue to develop the Hatch Gallery as a student artistic space.

Ian Stone  
**Goals for the Student Services Manager**
- Data-driven programming.
- Collaboration.
- Lower barriers to access.
- Better promotional material.
Questions
Muse Greenwood:
- This was too fast, really rushed, hard to follow.
- I’d like some clarity on how we are moving forward on Indigenous voice, especially considering Rodney’s concerns.

Chris Hakim:
- Want to let them set the agenda.
- We have an Executive Project Assistant for Indigenous Affairs: helping them plan the Pow Wow.
- Our approach is to ask them: What are your priorities? And how can we help?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Providing Indigenous student support. Advocacy.
- Co-creating a plan of action with Indigenous groups, with them leading the charge.
- Communicating monthly with Indigenous groups.
- Ensuring UCRU seeks consent.
- Consultation with Indigenous students.

Ian Stone:
- Services engages people in general.
- Invited Jennifer Cameron from the Indigenous Committee to speak to us.
- Seeking to lower barriers.

Julia Burnham:
- AMS’s Longhouse Lunch.
- Working with the Indigenous Committee on University policies.
- BoG is developing an Indigenous Action Plan: will consult about this.
- Indigenous scholarships.

Andy Wu:
- For the VP External:
  - The AMS has joined forces to lobby federally with UCRU.
  - What will the UCRU structure be?
  - Will there be an elected leadership or will it remain horizontal?
  - What are your federal outreach goals, and will national Pharmacare be one of them?
- For the VP Finance:
  - Are there credit card issues?
  - Is there anything about credit rates that we should be worried about?
  - Will there be an exorbitant exchange rate through We Chat for Chinese funds?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- UCRU has a one member, one vote system.
- We do elect a chair and a vice-chair.
- UCRU is a special organization: it’s not really a body; it’s institutions coming together to do grassroots organizing.
• We’re not looking to join any groups.
• We are working with others, but not joining.
• On the federal election campaign, we haven’t decided yet on the issues: we’ll probably poll students to see their issues.

Lucia Liang:
• The credit card rate has not been affected.
• The auditors are still looking at our statements.
• We need to make sure credit card users are using cards responsibly.
• We’re looking at the We Chat conversion rate; looking for a fair rate.

Matthias Leuprecht:
• We need to talk about affordability, but arguing for lower tuition for all is regressive.
• Should we be arguing for lower tuition for the children of millionaires?
• We should focus on low income students.

13. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

From the Executive Committee
“That the AMS Executive Goals be accepted as presented.”

Michelle Marcus:
• A lot of this is awesome and exciting.
• Data-driven decision making is great.
• But you should not just look at financial and quantitative data; quality and equity are important too.
• Since you are transforming campaign platforms into goals, it would be helpful to attach the campaign platforms.

Chris Hakim:
• Of course, you can’t just look at the numbers.
• We’re required to reference campaign promises, and we do.

Muse Greenwood:
• Since we’ve been talking about marketing and social media, is it possible to do interviews with the Execs and post them?
• Maybe an under-represented person could do the interview.
• Maybe in a video format.

Chris Hakim:
• Would this be for Council or the whole student body?

Muse Greenwood:
• Council, so it would be less rushed, and Councillors could watch it before the meeting.
• A better communication tool.
Chris Hakim:
- There’s a 41-page document we provided: it provides detail.
- We’re more than happy to discuss the goals further.
- We could also do a video marketed to students, but we don’t have an in-house videographer; we would have to hire one, and that would cost money.

[Daniel Lam took over as proxy for Kevin Zhang.]

Arash Shadkam:
- Is there a smart version available? How is the success of the goals measured?

Chris Hakim:
- Policy I-9 says Key Performance Indicators (KPI’s) are needed.
- Those are the measures of success.
- We have already identified that within the goals document.

Max Holmes:
- People want more information.
- KPI’s, as great as they are, often are applied to things that aren’t really measurable.
- Maybe send this to the Governance Committee.
- I hear this every single year.

Chris Hakim:
- It would be useful for the Governance Committee to look at this.
- We are looking to provide more comprehensive information.

14. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

From the Executive Committee
“That the AMS Executive Goals be accepted as presented.”

... Carried

For (24): Kelvin Au, Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Muse Greenwood, Chris Hakim, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Cristina Ilnitchi, Julia Chai, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Elaine Zhang (proxy for Priscilla Chan), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Nevena Rebic, Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Andy Wu, Daniel Lam (proxy for Kevin Zhang)

Clubs Resource Centre Renovation and Enhancement Project  [SCD039-20]
Cole Evans and Justin Zheng

Cole Evans:
- Consultation last time.
• Now we have an updated proposal based on consultation with clubs and Constituencies.
• New name: AMS Student Lounge.
• We’re changing the brand to attract more students.
• There will still be a Clubs Resource Centre (CRC) inside.
• We’ve revised the conference room to make it less expensive: instead of an all glass wall, we’ll have a partial glass wall and partial drywall.
• We’re also reorganizing the millwork to make more countertops.
• The smart lockers would have been expensive; we got a quote of $20,000. So we’re dialling that back and we’ll get conventional lockers with combination locks.
• For sustainability we’re going to get longer lasting, carpet-tile flooring.

Justin Zheng:
• Consulted the AMS Design Team, Council, the Operations Committee, the Finance Committee, and clubs.
• Got 95 responses from the clubs: 66% had not heard of the Clubs Resource Centre.
• We got positive feedback about demand and usage; the clubs are looking forward to it.
• The clubs are looking for informal space; lounge-like, not too classroomy.

Cole Evans:
• The Finance Committee approved a $57,828 budget, down from the $64,900 last time.
• I’m super happy: still quality while reducing costs.

Questions
Brandy Marx:
• Will there be bookable space for those renting large spaces?
• Will it be open regular hours?
• It’s been open only three times in my four years here.

Cole Evans:
• Talking with Conferences & Catering about large rentals.
• As to the hours, you’re right; it’s been sporadic, not consistent.
• Our commitment is to strengthen our volunteer program so we can set regular hours: at least 5-6 hours a day.

Max Holmes:
• This barely passed at the Finance Committee, by a 3-2 vote.
• Where are the metrics for success?
• Maybe you should come back with metrics.
• On the consultation, you said 66% did not know what the CRC was.
• Did you include those people in the other questions?

Cole Evans:
• Yes, it was a 3-2 vote.
• There were two other members who didn’t attend, and I’m confident they would have supported the proposal.
• I plan to update Council on the project.
• Visits will be a good indicator of success.
• The feedback we got was informal; we tried to make the questions broad, not dependent on a knowledge of the CRC.

Michelle Marcus:
• I enthusiastically support this.
• This will meet student needs.
• What will be available for students after hours? The printer?

Cole Evans:
• There will be a key card reader on the front door which will allow us to develop smart security.
• We can experiment.
• It’s a bit too early to say.

Katherine Westerlund:
• Can you please not characterize the opinions of the people who were not at the Finance Committee meeting?
• What will be the operating hours?
• If it’s a general lounge, and open to the general public, why not just have it open the same hours as the Nest?
• A shame to develop the space and restrict the hours.
• Are there plans for advertising the space and for volunteers?

Cole Evans:
• CRC hours for equipment rental will be dependent on staffing.
• General lounge access: we’ll keep it open as much as possible; the goal is to keep it open close to the hours of the Nest.
• Volunteers: we are looking at a volunteer recruitment process.

Michael Salloum:
• If there is enough traction, what will you do for traffic management?
• How will you control printer access?

Cole Evans:
• The printer is mostly for clubs; if a lot of clubs come in, we’ll have to look at that.
• As for general students wanting to use it, there should be enough organic controls, so we won’t have 100 students wanting to use it.
• We’ll have to evaluate it, like any new project.

Andy Wu:
• Will the utilities be available to Constituencies?
Cole Evans:
  - Yes, both clubs and Constituencies.

Katherine Westerlund:
  - How many groups have used the space in the last three years?

Cole Evans:
  - No data has been stored.
  - Anecdotally, three a week.
  - This formalization will allow us to record the data.

Katherine Westerlund:
  - What would allow for this formalization?

Cole Evans:
  - Data. We are committed to collecting data.

Brandyn Marx:
  - Could you put a security camera inside the space?

Cole Evans:
  - We do have a camera near Iwana Taco.
  - We could look at this in the future if needed.

15. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KELVIN AU:

**From the VP Administration (on the recommendation of the Finance Committee)**

"Be it resolved that $57,828 be taken from the Capital Projects Fund to renovate the Clubs Resource Centre."

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Max Holmes:
  - I do support some parts of this project: a student lounge might be justified.
  - However, if Executives came with goals without KPI's, I'd say no.
  - This is $57,000 and no plan to measure its success.
  - I feel we should table this to the next meeting and have the VP Administration bring us a system of measurements.

16. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED MUSE GREENWOOD:

"That this motion be tabled until the next meeting."
Cole Evans:
- I’m not opposed to having measurables attached, but delaying the motion means delaying construction.
- The idea is to do this before the school year.
- If we wait till July to approve the motion, then it might be October before the lounge is done.
- The target opening is the last week of August; however, as with any construction project, you have to allow for delays, but we definitely want to open in September.

Max Holmes:
- I understand wanting to get this up and started.
- But delaying might even help.
- You could open in the second term.
- If you try to do it now, there won’t be enough time to advertise.

Katherine Westerlund:
- By delaying this, more thought could be put into the project.
- It should have more details, as in a Service.
- You might consider making this a Service.

Matthias Leuprecht:
- We can try this as a pilot project.
- It seems well thought through.

Michelle Marcus:
- There’s going to be a lot of testing and improvements.
- But we could produce some straightforward metrics: how many interactions, how many using the printers, etc.

Arash Shadkam:
- I feel we are mixing two things: the project and KPI’s.
- We can approve the project and let students benefit from it.

Cole Evans:
- Postponing this would force me to reassign staff who would have been working on the project: it would not be optimal.
- We’re designing the space. Investing in space. If we want to make CRC a service, we can do that later. Or put another service in there if CRC doesn’t work.

Julia Chai:
- How many used the space in past years? How many would be inconvenienced?

Cole Evans:
- There’s never been data.
- From what we hear, clubs and Constituencies are enthusiastic about this.
Justin Zheng:
- Lots of events take place in the first semester.
- Having this done for the first semester would benefit clubs seeking to hold events.

Katherine Westerlund:
- The EUS would be happy to lend out its equipment.
- Clubs would not be disadvantaged if this is delayed.
- Tabling would give us more time to discuss the issues.
- This project is an expensive way to solve problems.
- Better to promote first before doing renovations.
- Get more people using the space first.

Michael Salloum:
- How are you proposing to increase awareness?
- Why wasn’t the space used in the past?

Cole Evans:
- Space utilization has been a disaster: no one has been using it.
- This is an investment in space.
- Creating a nice space will draw people in.

Justin Zheng:
- Unless the EUS is willing to hand out 100% of its equipment all the time, how will they decide who will get the HDMI cord? There may be conflict.
- Because of fiscal austerity, small amounts of money have been invested in the space in the past with no effect.
- We need a large investment to develop the space.

Emma Dodyk:
- The EUS has lots of equipment, and the CRC itself could also reach the point where two groups want the same thing.
- The EUS and the CRC could reach an agreement.

Andy Wu:
- I am against tabling the motion
- The argument is that there is a lack of metrics to justify the funding.
- We do know that there is a perennial lack of space. I’ve been hearing complaints about lack of space.
- This won’t provide revenue, but it will provide space.

Alex Gonzalez:
- It seems we’re not focusing on the main issue: marketing the space.
- I would like to see more proof this will work.
- If we table, we can collect data, and in the meantime people could be using the space casually.
Jonathan Kew:
- During my time at CiTR we rented out equipment.
- The equipment issue is a red herring.
- The issue is there’s no space.
- I don’t feel there’s a comprehensive vision of how this space can meet demands.

Julia Chai:
- There’s merit in having the centre open.
- Delay is not in the interest of the clubs.
- But we need a presentation on metrics and logistics.

17. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

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Abstained: Michelle Marcus

18. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED MUSE GREENWOOD:

“That this motion be tabled until the next meeting.”

... Defeated

For (4): Elaine Zhang (proxy for Priscilla Chan), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund

Against (14): Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Jlnitchi, Julia Chai, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Nevena Rebic, Andy Wu, Daniel Lam (proxy for Kevin Zhang)

Abstained: Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Muse Greenwood, Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Kia Teimouri

19. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KELVIN AU:

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20. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED MICHELLE MARCUS

“That this motion be laid on the table.”

… No objections

21. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the meeting be extended by one hour (till 11:05).”

… No objections

22. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED MICHELLE MARCUS:

“That the motion be brought back from the table.”

… No objections

Cole Evans:
- There has been a lot of great conversation.
- Some concerns have been raised.
- I am more than happy to update Council.
- I appreciate the offer from the EUS, but am not sure it would work.
- Metrics will not be complex.
- Marketing is not difficult.
- We can add a clause requiring the VP Administration to report back with a presentation on the success of the project by a date, such as January 2020.

Max Holmes:
- I’m going to encourage people to vote against this.
- We’ve talked about greater accountability in the budget.
- We need better accountability here.
- It is irresponsible to be spending without a measure of success and without a plan to market.
- This is the fastest I’ve seen a CPF project go through Council.
- It’s been a rushed process, and that’s why there was a split vote on the Finance Committee.

23. MOVED KELVIN AU, SECONDED EMMA DODYK:

“That the motion be amended to add a clause requiring the VP Administration to submit a presentation on the status of the project by January 2020.”

Max Holmes:
- I agree with the principle of this amendment, but not the timeline.
- Why wait four months, till after the project is in place?
- We should have a plan come to next meeting with metrics.

Cole Evans:
- This is a different thing: not a plan for metrics, but metrics.

Matthias Leuprecht:
- We seem to want to get this going but want metrics.

24. MOVED MATTHIAS LEUPRECHT, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the amendment be amended to require the VP Administration to report back to Council on July 10 with metrics and to submit a report to Council on the status of the project by January 2020.”

... No objections

25. MOVED KELVIN AU, SECONDED EMMA DODYK:

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... Carried

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26. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KELVIN AU:

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Katherine Westerlund:
- I still feel this is one of the most expensive ways to pursue solutions for these problems.
• I would have liked to see some consideration of other ways to improve the functionality of the space.
• It would have been better to collect better data.
• This was not a good process. It was rushed.

Cole Evans:
• I appreciate the feedback and it has impacted this project.
• Our team is presenting a vision for the space.
• They have been putting in a lot of effort.
• It was not a rushed process.

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Against (2): Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Katherine Westerlund

Abstained: Kelvin Au, Jonathan Kew

Annual Sustainability Priorities – Ian Lin (Sustainability Projects Coordinator) and Cole Evans [SCD039A-20] [SCD039B-20]

Cole Evans:
• We are aiming to create long-lasting objectives to keep the department thriving.
• This includes a new action plan.

Ian Lin:
• A Sustainable Action Plan built from the Student Driven Sustainability Strategy (SDSS).
• Creating quantifiable metrics and a clearer goal of what we want to do.
• Aiming to incorporate the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals.
• Want to create a Sustainability Resource Document by March or April.
• Currently we don’t have a concrete document for clubs and Constituencies to model sustainable practices on and to provide guidelines for their events.
• We want to improve our partnerships within the AMS and look to implement UBC’s Zero Waste Food Strategy.
• We will collaborate with SEEDS and other groups.
• Our physical projects will include Mugshare and nine or ten others.
• We also will pursue social sustainability projects, such as a new sustainability centre for students so they can learn what the AMS is doing.

Cole Evans:
• We hope to revise the SDSS by the end of the first semester.
• We will also be drafting resource documents.

Questions
Michelle Marcus:
• There are lots of awesome sustainability student groups pushing for change.
• How do you plan to work with them?

Cole Evans:
• Our collaboration with student groups is incredibly important.
• They have a lot of knowledge in the field.

Ian Lin:
• We don’t have an outreach coordinator, but Dani Stancer (the AVP Sustainability) and I have been contacting groups.
• Definitely looking forward to building new relations.

Brandyn Marx:
• Re single use plastic ware: will there be alternatives for clubs? Will you be making resources available for clubs?
• Lots of groups and employees note that it gets super hot in the Great Hall.
• Is it possible to get A/C in there, or would we lose our LEED Platinum status?

Ian Lin:
• Re plastic ware: The sustainable resource document will include this.

Chris Hakim:
• We get our LEED Platinum status because there’s no A/C.
• We can use fans.
• Some say we use more energy from fans, and we might lose LEED Platinum status for that.
28. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KELVIN AU:

**From the Sustainability Subcommittee**

“That the AMS Sustainability priorities be accepted as presented.”

Michelle Marcus:

- I’m excited to see where things are going with sustainability.
- I do want to dispute the claim in the report that the AMS is a national leader.
- We actually have a lot of work to do.
- We should aspire to being a national leader.
- It definitely makes sense to review the SDSS and create a Sustainability Action Plan overseen by the Sustainability Subcommittee.
- There’s a bigger conversation to be had.

Cole Evans:

- I shouldn’t have made that claim about being a national leader.
- We’re not, but we should strive to be.

29. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KELVIN AU:

**From the Sustainability Subcommittee**

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30. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED EMMA DODYK:

“That the meeting adjourn.”

... Carried

For (9): Dan Northgraves (proxy for Derek Bennett), Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Nicholas Harterre), Julia Chai, Elaine Zhang (proxy for Priscilla Chan), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Andy Wu, Daniel Lam (proxy for Kevin Zhang)

Against (8): Kelvin Au, Julia Burnham, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Arash Shadkam

Abstained: Keira Britto, Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Riley Ty

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 pm.
I) Submissions:

- Governance Committee – June report [SCD040-20]
- Brewery Committee – June report [SCD041-20]
- HR Committee – June report [SCD042-20]
- Rodney Little Mustache letter to Council [SCD043-20]

J) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: July 10, 2019
### June 19, 2019 Roster

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V1: Test your clicker :)
V2: Approval of the agenda
V3: Consent Agenda Items
V4: Motion to suspend Code
Section 9 Article 8 paragraph 3 (the provision which mandates that we are required to provide the actual revenues and expenditures for the past 3 years)
V5: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMS budget be accepted as presented.
V6: Be it resolved that the current model of the budget process be referred to the Finance and Governance Committees for review with an update provided to Council by September.
V7: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMS Executive Goals be accepted as presented.
V8: Call To Question
V9: Motion to table the Club Resource Centre Renovation Project
V10: Amendment
V11: BE IT RESOLVED THAT $57,828 be taken from the Capital Projects fund to renovate the Clubs Resource Centre.
V12: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMS Sustainability priorities be accepted as presented.
V13: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMS Sustainability priorities be accepted as presented.
V14: Motion to adjourn

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*Daniel Lam served as proxy for Kevin Zhang from Vote 7 on*

**Vote 12 was done incorrectly and was redone as Vote 13**
STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Niki Najm-Abadi (Sexual Assault Support Centre), Alex Dauncey (Sexual Assault Support Centre), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Angela O’Donnell (Ubyssey), Andrew Ha (Ubyssey), Jerome Goddard (AMS staff), Nick Pang (AMS staff), Carmen (student 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 6:09 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

- The Speaker acknowledged that the meeting was taking place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm-speaking Musqueam people.
- He said saying this is more than a formality. The eventual goal is to return the lands that were taken from the Musqueam people.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED JULIA CHAI, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“That the agenda be amended to add a Norm Theatre presentation, to make the CRC metrics document a submission instead of a presentation, and to move the Norm Theatre motion to right after the presentation.”

... No objections

3. MOVED JULIA CHAI, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (21): Kelvin Au, Derek Bennett, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Nick Harterre), Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Wendy Song, Riley Ty, Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Andy Wu

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

Welcome to our new Members:
Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, GSS (x2), Journalism, Law, Population & Public Health

Goodbyes:

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):
• The Speaker asked anyone with access issues to email him.
• He said the aim is to have an accessible and efficient meeting.
• People can state their preferred pronouns if they wish, but are under no obligation to do so; it is optional.

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

Niki Najm-Abadi (SASC outreach worker):
• On behalf of the union representing the SASC workers, I would like to discuss the part of the proposed collective bargaining agreement concerning contracting out.
• The union’s proposal is that the AMS not replace permanent workers with contract workers.
• This is one the most important clauses in the agreement; it protects against union-busting; it ensures a stable work force, resulting in stable and quality support work for survivors.
• Survivor-centric support was in the platform of most of those who ran in the elections.
• We owe this support to the workers and most of all to the survivors.
• We need employment stability.
• The University precedent is to move towards short-term contracts; they prefer to hire sessional lecturers instead of tenured professors with fair wages and benefits.
• It is important not to follow the University on this.
• If not, then SASC staff could slowly be let go, as happened last year, except this time slowly and less visibly.
• Last year’s decisions genuinely harmed SASC, survivors, and the reputation of the AMS.
• I’m asking you to give support to SASC and our work.
• You can actually practise survivor-centric support and follow up on the SASC Town Hall of last year.

Response
Chris Hakim:
• Thank you for the statement.
• I’m glad to see this here.
• I share the same values as SASC and look forward to discussing this in our collective bargaining session.

Andy Wu:
• Collective bargaining is still under way.
• We discussed this in a past in camera session, so our discussions now are subject to in camera rules: we can’t repeat what was discussed in camera.

Michelle Marcus:
• Big thanks to Niki for coming to speak and providing us this perspective.
• Thanks for all the super important work the SASC does.
• It is important to recognize the harm this institution has caused to SASC and survivors in the past.

Kelvin Au:
• Job security is very important.
• I look forward to further discussion.

G) Consent Agenda Items

• Kevin Zhang asked to remove the May 8 Council minutes.

4. MOVED JULIA CHAI, SECONDED WENDY SONG:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Finance Committee minutes dated May 21, 2019 [SCD044-20]
Finance Committee minutes dated May 27, 2019 [SCD045-20]
Finance Committee minutes dated June 3, 2019 [SCD046-20]
Finance Committee minutes dated June 7, 2019 [SCD047-20]
Finance Committee minutes dated June 10, 2019 [SCD048-20]
Finance Committee minutes dated June 13, 2019 [SCD049-20]
AMS Council minutes dated April 24, 2019 [SCD050-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated June 14, 2019 [SCD051-20]
Steering Committee minutes dated May 29, 2019 [SCD052-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated June 4, 2019 [SCD053-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated June 18, 2019 [SCD054-20]

... Carried

For (18): Kelvin Au, Derek Bennett, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Wendy Song, Riley Ty, Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Andy Wu, Kevin Zhang

Re May 8 Council minutes:

Kevin Zhang:
• Two errors:
  o Matthias Leuprecht was appointed chair of the Brewery Committee; at one point the minutes say it was Kelvin Au.
  o I was present, but am recorded as absent.
• It was agreed to postpone approval of these minutes until next meeting so they can be corrected.

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

Norm Theatre Renovation and Expansion – Cole Evans  [SCD055-20] [SCD056-20]
• This has been a long time coming.
• It’s part of the New SUB Project dating back to 2012.
• I want to thank AMS Designer Michael Kingsmill for all his work; he has been the driving force on this.
• The Norm has been closed since 2015.
• It’s the theatre in what is now the Life Building.
• Historically, it was primarily used as a movie theatre, but it also hosted other events.
• It closed when the Life Building underwent renovations.
• At first UBC Properties Trust didn’t think any work was needed, so nothing was done.
• But then in 2018 it was realized that work was needed, and in 2019 UBC found more issues, and gave us a quote of $311,821, resulting in a shortfall for us of $16,000.
• Here’s a breakdown of our funding for the project and the costs:
  o $171,582 in New SUB renovation fund
  o $65,000 project recoverables from UBC
  o $30,000 contribution from UBC
  o $32,780 costs already paid
  o Total funds available: $299,362
  o Cost of project: $311,821, plus tax = $315,462
  o Shortfall: $16,100.
• We may end up under budget and may not need this, but we’d like to ask for the shortfall to be made up from the Contingency Fund.
• This funding is for safety improvements to get things up to code: railings, exit signs, HVAC.
• It will allow us to screen movies and put on lectures, but not do theatre, live music, or dance.
• This does not include renovating the lobby.
• Time is pressing; we may get requoted if we don’t act now.

Questions
Andy Wu:
• Why take the money from the Contingency Fund instead of the Capital Projects Fund?

Cole Evans:
• This is what the Contingency Fund is for.
• The Capital Projects Fund is only for Nest expansion.
5. MOVED LUCIA LIANG, SECONDED JULIA CHAI:

From the Finance Committee
“Be it resolved that AMS Council, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, approve an expenditure of $16,000 from the AMS Contingency Fund towards safety and Building Code upgrades for the Normand Bouchard Memorial Theatre.

Be it further resolved that this expenditure only be used if required by the project to ensure Safety and Building Code Upgrades.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: The balance in the Contingency fund is $186,941.24

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Abstained: Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar)

Strategies and Plans for the Services in the coming year – Ian Stone (Student Services Manager) [SCD057-20]

- This is my 100th day.
- We’re gathering data, making sure we use good software.
- Looking to strengthen our communities.
- Lowering barriers to accessing our Services access; making the Services accessible; e.g., bought a booster seat for Safewalk for the kids of parents we drive.
- Looking to produce better promo material; working with Communications.
- Want to do what we’re good at (e.g., one-on-one peer support) and work with others (e.g., AMS Events) on the things they’re good at.
- Looking for collaboration and diversity of opinions.
- Had a Services orientation.
- Doing a Services review this year.
- Looking to get better and more comprehensive data and feedback.
- Re specific Services:

Speakeasy:
- Implementing peer-program best practices.
- Looking to get good value for money (the student fees that support us).
- Digitizing.
- Working with SEEDS.
Vice:
- Better outreach.
- Naloxone training.

E-Hub:
- Developing a resource database.

Tutoring:
- Adding more classes.
- Increasing our space.
- Working with community partners.

Safewalk:
- Strengthening partnerships (e.g., with Athletics).
- Making the service more accessible.
- Exploring faster response times: setting up hubs around campus.

Advocacy:
- Seeking data on who uses it.
- Looking at providing translation services.

Food Bank:
- We have lots of money, including $15,000 from the UBC President’s Office.
- Looking to bring in healthier and sustainable food.
- External partners.

Questions
John Segui:
- Why are the Food Bank hours what they are?
  - Just Monday and Thursday during the day.
  - People are working or at school during those hours.

Ian Stone:
- The idea has been to be open right after and before the weekend.
- We depend on volunteers and want to be respectful of their time.
- We do have a by appointment service: we often do that.
- Mondays and Thursdays are the times we can consistently open.
- If there are ways to expand our capacity, I will explore them.

Kelvin Au:
- What is the average response time to emails for Advocacy?

Ian Stone:
- Depend on the time of year.
- There’s only one person there, handling 10-15 cases at a time.
- They try to get back within a few days.
- End of term is busy.
Andy Wu:
- Tutoring has its own programs and platforms, and does its own hiring.
- How does it decide which types of services require Constituencies to pay?

Ian Stone:
- We calculate based on the number of hours a week and the tutors’ wages.
- We will discuss with the group and determine charges.

Carmen (student at large):
- I wonder about promotion and communication for the Food Bank.
- I work at the Botanical Garden, and we donated produce to the Food Bank, but none of it was taken.
- Students don’t know about the Food Bank.
- Are you trying to raise awareness?

Ian Stone:
- The Food Bank is good at providing food, but not so good at promotion.
- The AMS does have a good Communications Department, and we will work with them.
- We have seen increases in the numbers of users over the years.

Chris Hakim:
- We have added staff to our Communications Department.
- We’re hoping to emphasize a lot of our Services.
- Produce can be tricky as the shelf life is not very long.
- Some students choose canned food instead.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

The Speaker clarified that these appointments will only be until the end of the summer.

6. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That Kelvin Au (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Operations Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

“That John Seguï (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Human Resources Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019;

“That Michelle Marcus (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Finance Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in September 2019.”

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K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Chris Hakim

- Congress 2019 (the national academic conference) went very well.
- I’m on the UBC search committee for the new UBC VP HR and the Director of Investigations.
- Pep rally planning with UBC for Imagine Day.
- Working with the Indigenous Committee on terms of reference for their fund and helping with planning for their Pow Wow.
- Media training for all Execs.
- Had the Goddess of Democracy 30th anniversary event: I spoke about elections and values.
- Discussions about the AMS strategic plan: research and framework building. Will do public consultation in October.
- Speaking to other student unions about advocacy.
- Talking to UBC and Studentcare about funding for the Empower Me program.
- SASC collective bargaining underway.
- Finalizing SVPREP: coming July 31.
- Working with CERT (the Campus Emergency Response Team).
- Planning the Battle of the Bats. Softball game against the UBC Administration. Hopefully, we’ll win this time.
- Working with AMS Events on events to introduce students to UBC.

Questions

Max Holmes:
- Update on status of Linked-In learning project?

Chris Hakim:
- This is an extension of Linked-In: it provides an online way to build up skills; experiential learning.
- Pushing UBC to provide this service.
- A majority of U-15 universities have it; UBC doesn’t.
- UBC seemed positive originally, but recently the Provost has said no to the project, citing implementation concerns.
- Have a meeting scheduled; will express disappointment; this is important.
L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

**VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi**
- SUDS planning.
- Met with the President of Universities Canada about UCRU (Undergraduates of Canadian Research-intensive Universities) and federal lobbying.
- Sent submission in for the provincial budget consultation. We had three asks about reforming financial aid, including bringing in a system of grants (BC is the only province without a grants program).
- We’re also supporting funding for transit infrastructure.
- Meeting partners, groups we advocate with.
- First UCRU meeting tomorrow: I’m the chair:
  - Push for federal elections.
- Letter from student unions across Canada for the U-7 alliance; its initial meeting:
  - We’re asking for student involvement.
  - Santa Ono presented the letter at the conference.
  - The U-7 is a group of universities from around the world.
- Student housing and Rent with Rights.

**VP Academic & University Affairs – Julia Burnham**
- Operation Make Friends: meeting with people we work with on campus.
- On lots of University committees, one of which has recommended a new site for the Arts student centre.
- Textbook Broke campaign in September about the OER (Open Educational Resources) fund.
- New initiative about rewarding excellence.
- Academic Experience Survey report will come next time.
- Conversation with Athletics & Recreation about our fee.
- CERT: making progress: CERT, the AMS, and the VP Students were all at the same table.
- Lobbying for an additional seat on the Policy 131 review committee. Originally, no AMS seat, but now I will be on it.

*Questions*

Michelle Marcus:
- Have you met with the Faculty Association? Are you looking to collaborate with them?

Julia Burnham:
- Hoping to connect about the Stadium Road Neighbourhood:
  - Student/staff/faculty housing there.
- Could ally with them on that.

Max Holmes:
- Re OER fund: have we looked for matching funding from BC Campus?
Julia Burnham:
- We have started these conversations.

VP Finance – Lucia Liang
- Adding provisional actuals to the budget.
- Onboarded 170 treasurers; held three Treasurer Orientations.
- Hosted first Finance Caucus.
- New credit card system.
- Looking into what to do with budget data.
- Looking at the funds to see which are under spent: which funds do we need to promote and make more accessible?
- New RBC financial literacy program:
  - Spike in financial insecurity among students.

VP Administration – Cole Evans
- Clubs Resource Centre (CRC) metrics have been submitted.
- The CRC budget looks good.
- Updating branding in the Nest: replacing the old logo with the new.
- Working on Norm Theatre project.
- Talking to Campus Vibe about improvements to the Clubhouse system.
- Talking with SEEDS about new projects: To do with sustainability, both environmental and social and economic.
- Clubs Days: Expanding into the Life Building.
- Hatch Art Gallery team has done an inventory of the current art collection: all our pieces are there. There’s a new appraisal process.

Questions
Kelvin Au:
- Clubs Days will be in both the Nest and the Life Building?

Cole Evans:
- Yes, some tables will be on the main level of the Life Building.
- This will add visibility.

Chris Hakim:
- Can you explain the CRC methodology, especially the equation?

Cole Evans:
- The formula makes it look more complicated than it is.
- We did a bunch of math.
- Found a common denominator and numerators.
- Then assigned weighting value.

Kelvin Au:
- Is it weighted towards factors we want to encourage?
Cole Evans:
- Correct.
- Weighting factors were assigned to indicate success:
  - For example, about drawing people in.
  - Recording how often the lounge is booked.
- It’s about the space.

Managing Director – Keith Hester
- The Payroll and HR system replacement has kicked off.
- The audit is underway.
- We’ve sold 750 tickets for Welcome Back Barbecue. We'll release the line-up in two or three weeks.
- Adding air conditioning for the IT room (for the IT servers) and the Servery.
- New signage on pillars.
- Re-covering benches in the Gallery and the Lev Bukhman Lounge; also replacing carpets.
- Bought business licence for We Chat.
- Credit card program revamp.
- Revising budget timelines.

Andy Wu:
- What is the We Chat exchange rate?

Keith Hester:
- This is just the social media We Chat, not We Chat Pay.

Max Holmes:
- Looking at the provisional actuals, I see a deficit for the Sexual Assault Initiatives Fund (SAIF).
- Last year the idea was that the additional SASC funding would come from the budget, from all departments, not SAIF.
- Will this be rectified?

Keith Hester:
- The money is coming from the operating budget.
- We were already in a deficit in the SAIF fund.

Max Holmes:
- I don’t remember documents indicating this.
- I’m concerned. Did Council approve? Can we see the documents?
- I thought the SASC funding was not coming from SAIF.
- SAIF is supposed to be used for survivor-centric projects.

Chris Hakim:
- We definitely want SAIF money available
- We will make sure things are accurate.
Recess from 7:35 pm to 7:48.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Student Life – Kevin Zhang
- Reviewed goals.
- Looking at how to make the AMS more fun and connect to Services.
- Looking at Council team building and efficiency; Councillor feedback questions.

Steering – Chris Hakim
- Discussed Internal Policies: who’s responsible for which?
- Discussed Strategic Plan.
- New Council submissions template – let me know your thoughts.

SHAPE – Chris Hakim
- Now that the inventory is complete, we know the art hasn’t been stolen.
- We’re waiting for auction season.

Operations – Cole Evans
- Around 30 clubs have been deconstituted.
- Five new clubs constituted.
- Goals have been passed.
- The Hatch Art Gallery selection group is going over the 30 applications for exhibitions and will choose 4 to 6.
- The Sustainability Subcommittee is coordinating work on the Zero Waste Food Ware Plan.
- Maintenance plan for existing sustainability projects.
- Working on Policy I-7 (building expulsions) and I-4 (alcohol consumption).

Julia Burnham:
- Thanks to Jeanie for the great minutes.

New SUB Committee – Cole Evans
- Hasn’t met yet.
- The Norm is the only remaining project.
- Barely met at all last year.
- Will maybe meet every six weeks.
- Will probably recommend the committee be wrapped up this year.

HR Committee – Riley Ty
- Finalized goals.
- Filling Advisory Board: still a vacancy; looking for someone.
- Executive pay.
- Hoping to increase diversity in applications.
Questions
Julia Burnham:
- Executive pay?

Riley Ty:
- This was put on our agenda.
- You are welcome to come to our meetings.

Governance – Katherine Westerlund
- Code changes coming.
- Internal Policy review.
- Met with the University about how we define the members of our Constituencies.

Questions
Andy Wu:
- Are you looking at a confidential document policy, and will you be making a renewed effort to pass bylaw amendments?

Katherine Westerlund:
- Still on our agenda to discuss another revision of the bylaws: we’d try to partition the amendments this time, so we could get grammar changes through.
- Haven’t finally decided between a referendum and a quorate AGM.
- Working on a policy that isn’t bylaws that will address document confidentiality.

Cole Evans:
- What is your least favourite outdated Internal Policy?

Katherine Westerlund:
- The Campus Safety Vision Statement, which doesn’t even make sense as an Internal Policy: it’s about things outside the AMS.

Finance Committee – Lucia Liang
- Revised ToR for two subcommittees: Funds and IT.
- Discussed the CRC project and Norm Theatre.
- Club reimbursements.
- New credit card system.
- Goals and policies coming to our next meeting.
- Budgeting timeline discussed.

Brewery Committee – Matthias Leuprecht
- First official meeting nine weeks ago.
- Conversation with the Faculty of Land & Food Systems three weeks ago.
- Confident that the University is committed to moving forward on this.
- First need approval from the Musqueam Indian Band.
- That will have to come before an MoU with the University over the UBC Farm.
- AMS Designer Michael Kingsmill did a proof of concept of square footage.
- Sauder will help with a market research study.
• Discussing potential partners.
• Something’s brewing.

**Advocacy Committee – Cristina Ilnitchi**
• Federal election presentation.
• BC budget consultation.
• Finalized goals.
• Quebec’s Bill 21 (the ban on religious symbols).
• Equity plan working group.
• Trans Mountain pipeline.

**N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):**

Chris Hakim:
• Scheduled to meet but couldn’t. Rescheduling.
• At our previous meeting we had a great conversation about how the AMS can support Constituencies.

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

**Board of Governors – Max Holmes and Jeanie Malone**
• Met in June and created an Academic Renewal Plan about hiring.
• Discussed implementation of Policy 131 (sexual violence).
• The Faculty of Commerce and the Faculty of Graduate and Post-doctoral Studies presented.
• The VP Human Resources, the Registrar, and Sarah from the BoG office are leaving.

**Senate – Matthias Leuprecht**
• Senate exists but not in the summer.
• People are doing their own individual projects or should be.

**Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb**
• Our most sensational budget presentation was in 2009 when VP Finance Tom Dvorak scared everyone by warning that the AMS structural deficit could mean the AMS would go up in flames – and he had a powerpoint slide showing the letters A-M-S being eaten up by a fire.
• Things are better now: we are running surpluses.
• But the lot of a VP Finance is not an easy one: in the 1930’s we moved from deficit to surplus, and the VP Finance (or Treasurer, as they were called then) was criticized on the grounds that the AMS should be spending its money to help students, not saving it as a surplus.
• Last time Cristina was telling me she heard there was something interesting that happened in 1950, and there was: we got a woman president then for only the second time.
There was one in 1917 during World War One (Norah Coy), but not another until 1950, and that only because of a quirk in the AMS constitution that meant that if a President resigned, the president of the Women’s Undergraduate Society became AMS President.

And this happened: the male President left UBC to go to Texas, and Nonie Donaldson became president, leading some to voice concern, but in the end she was widely praised for having been a great president.

Still, they changed the constitution after that so it wouldn’t happen again.

**Questions**

Chris Hakim:
- What was the largest deficit we ever had?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- I would have to look that up.

The Speaker:
- When did we begin getting more female presidents?
- Was 1950 an anomaly?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Yes, 1950 was an anomaly for its time, but in the late 90’s, during the slate period, we began to get many female presidents.
- Between 2000 and 2004, four of the five Presidents were women.

**P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:**

**Q) Executive Committee Motions:**

**R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:**

**S) Committee Motions:**

7. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JEANIE MALONE: [SCD058-20] [SCD059-20]

From the Operations Committee

“That the AMS Policy on Video Surveillance be rescinded and replaced by the new Video Surveillance Policy (I-15) as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Cole Evans:
- The policy needed updating.
- This came from the Governance Committee originally.
- It’s the result of good work from the Governance Committee last year and this.
Katherine Westerlund:
  • Who knows how long we keep video footage under this policy?

Kevin Zhang:
  • 15 days.

8. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JEANIE MALONE:

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9. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED MICHELLE MARCUS:

   From the HR Committee
   “That the revised AVP Campaigns and Engagement JD be accepted as presented.”

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

Riley Ty:
  • This was a request from the VP External Office.
  • It’s for the federal election.
  • It means changes in hours and pay.
  • We have written consent from the employee and it’s accounted for in the budget.

Jeanie Malone:
  • We should mention in the motion when employees are consulted.
  • When changing a job, it is necessary to get the current employee’s consent.

Riley Ty:
  • We have received written consent.

Max Holmes:
  • We could include this as a note.

10. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED MICHELLE MARCUS:

   From the HR Committee
“That the revised AVP Campaigns and Engagement JD be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: The employee has consented to the changes.

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11. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED JEANIE MALONE: [SCD061-20]

From the HR Committee
“That the revised Conference Coordinator for SUDS JD be accepted as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: The employee has consented to this change.

Riley Ty:
• This is a request from the VP External Office.
• The Finance Committee has said the budget is fine.

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12. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS: [SCD062-20]

From the Steering Committee
“Be it resolved that, on the recommendation of the Steering Committee, AMS Council approve the appropriate Standing Committees be responsible for reviewing the respective internal policies as listed in the document titled ‘Internal Policies Review Report’ under Attachment #1 - Internal Policies and Responsible Committees.

Be it further resolved that, on the recommendation of the Steering Committee, AMS Council direct the appropriate Standing Committees to complete a review of their newly assigned respective internal policies by the end of the 2019/20 Fiscal Year.”

Chris Hakim:
• We're changing which committees are responsible for which policy.
• Many of the policies are old, dating back to the early 2000’s, and they refer to committees that have been abolished.
The Governance Committee did most of the work on this, analyzing the policies and asking Steering to bring their recommendations to Council.

We’re asking all the committees to come back by April with revised policies.

Max Holmes:
- I love that they’re being assigned.
- Be strategic about the review dates: don’t have them all come due in one or two years, and don’t have them all come up for review at the same time.

Chris Hakim:
- Definitely.
- We don’t want it to be like now, when about 15 policies are up for review at the same time.
- And better to have a lengthy review date to get a fresh perspective.

13. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

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T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

U) Discussion Period

Collective Bargaining Update

14. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED RILEY TY, CRISTINA ILNITCHI:

“That the meeting enter an in camera session.”

The meeting entered an in camera session at 8:30 pm.

The meeting lost quorum and adjourned at 10 pm.
V) Submissions:

Updated AMS Final budget (with provisional actuals) [SCD063-20]
Letter on the Provisional Actuals [SCD064-20]
CRCREP Metrics [SCD066-20]

W) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: July 31, 2019

X) Social Activity: Pit Night
## July 10, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Henry Anderson (Ubyssey), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Cecilia Lee (Ubyssey), Thea Udwadia (Ubyssey), Viktoria Loncar (AMS Funds & Grants), Trevor Scott (SUDS Coordinator), Will Shelling (AVP External), Conor Doherty (AVP Campaigns & Engagement), Jerome Goddard (AVP University Affairs), Veronica Stolba (AVP Academic), Guilherme Rosales (AMS Policy & Research), Nick Pang (AMS Policy & Governance), 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 6:07 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:

- This is to acknowledge our presence on the unceded, traditional, and ancestral territory of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓-speaking Musqueam people.
- These are stolen homelands.
- We are grateful to the Musqueam for taking care of the lands.
- I hope this Council will help the project of decolonization to give the lands back.
- This land acknowledgement should be more than a performative check box.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED JULIA BURNHAM, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

   “That the agenda be amended by moving the Academic Experience Survey presentation to before the SVPREP presentation.”

   Julian Burnham:
   - It’s just because my staff are here for the Academic Experience presentation, so I’d like us to do it first.

3. MOVED JULIA BURNHAM, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

   “That the agenda be amended by moving the Academic Experience Survey presentation to before the SVPREP presentation.”

   … No objections
4. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

For (19): Kelvin Au, Julia Burnham, Danny Liu (proxy for Julia Chai), Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Adam Summerfelt (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Dylan Braam (proxy for Andy Wu)

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

Welcome to our new Members:

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, GSS (x2), Journalism, Law, Population & Public Health

Goodbyes:

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:

- Feel free to let me know how to improve the efficiency of the meetings; also if you have any access problems.
- Hoping to circulate a survey about improving Council: e.g., do people want me to be more strict about time limits?
- Meetings do go too long sometimes, but there’s a balance between efficiency and letting everyone express themselves.

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

G) Consent Agenda Items

5. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED COLE EVANS

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

AMS Council minutes dated May 8, 2019 (revised) [SCD067-20]
AMS Council minutes dated May 29, 2019 [SCD068-20]
AMS Council in Camera minutes dated May 29, 2019 [SCD069-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated July 5, 2019 [SCD070-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated July 12, 2019 [SCD071-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated June 10, 2019 [SCD072-30]
Governance Committee minutes dated June 17, 2019 [SCD073-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated July 3, 2019 [SCD074-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated July 8, 2019 [SCD075-20]
6. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the agenda be amended to add an in camera discussion as part of Discussion Period and to have that discussion now.”

... Carried

For (18): Kelvin Au, Julia Burnham, Danny Liu (proxy for Julia Chai), Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Adam Summerfelt (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Dylan Braam (proxy for Andy Wu)

Against (2): Kelvin Au, Dylan Braam (proxy for Andy Wu)

Abstained: Michelle Marcus, Jonathan Kew

H) Discussion Period

7. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED COLE EVANS, THIRDED JULIA BURNHAM:

“That the meeting enter an in camera session.”

The meeting entered an in camera session at 6:18 pm
The meeting left the in camera session at 9:50 pm.

8. MOVED ALEX GONZALEZ, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“That the meeting be extended until 11:07 pm.”

... Carried

For (18): Kelvin Au, Julia Burnham, Danny Liu (proxy for Julia Chai), Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Adam Summerfelt (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Dylan Braam (proxy for Andy Wu)

9. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM, THIRDED RILEY TY:

“That the meeting enter an in camera session.”
The meeting went in camera at 9:53 pm.
The meeting left the in camera session at 11:05 pm.

10. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS

“That the meeting be extended by one hour.”

... Carried

For (17): Kelvin Au, Julia Burnham, Danny Liu (proxy for Julia Chai), Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Cristina Ilnitchi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Adam Summerfelt (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Dylan Braam (proxy for Andy Wu)

Abstained: Andrew Huang, Kia Teimouri

11. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED COLE EVANS, THIRDDED DYLAN BRAAM:

“That the meeting enter an in camera session.”

The meeting entered an in camera session at 11:05 pm.
The meeting left the in camera session at 11:15 pm.

12. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED ADAM SUMMERFELT:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

... Carried

For (10): Kelvin Au, Chris Hakim, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Riley Ty, Adam Summerfelt (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Dylan Braam (proxy for Andy Wu)

Against (2): Julia Burnham, Cole Evans

Abstained: Danny Liu (proxy for Julia Chai), Michelle Marcus

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 pm.

I) Submissions:
Brewery Committee July report [SCD078-20]
HR Committee July report [SCD079-20]
Governance Committee July report [SCD080-20]

J) Next Meeting:
Next Meeting: August 21, 2019

K) Social Activity: Pit Night
## July 31, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Brandyn Marx (AMS Food & Beverage), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Andrew Ha (Ubyssey), Cecilia Lee (Ubyssey), Sammy Smart (Ubyssey), Pawan Minhas (Ubyssey), Mathew Ho (student at large), Lucita Villarreal (incoming Library-Archival rep), Keith Hester (Managing Director), Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council), Joanne Pickford (Admin Assistant)

A) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:
- It’s important that we recognize whose territory we’re on: the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm-speaking Musqueam people.
- This is stolen, unceded territory of the Musqueam.
- I understand this body is doing work with Indigenous people, working on how we can be in solidarity with them.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED TANNER GJOSUND, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

   - Lucia Liang asked that a Code suspension be added.
   - Chris Hakim asked that the Norm Theatre presentation be removed and that the Q1 financial report be moved up.
   - There were no objections to these amendments.

2. MOVED TANNER GJOSUND, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

   “That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

   ... Carried

For (22): Joella Allen, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Muse Greenwood, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Wendy Song, Riley Ty, Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund
3. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That Council recess for five minutes for food (which has just arrived).”

… No objections

Council recessed from 6:10 to 6:20 pm.

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

Welcome to our new Members: Jackson Schumacher, Alireza Kamyabi (GSS)

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

Goodbyes:

E) Speaker's Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:

- If I can make the meeting more accessible, let me know:
  - If people are speaking too quickly or you’re confused about procedures, speak to me.

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

G) Consent Agenda Items

4. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

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AMS Council minutes dated June 19, 2019
Student Life Committee minutes dated June 10, 2019
HR Committee minutes dated July 15, 2019
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Advocacy Committee minutes dated July 3, 2019
Advocacy Committee minutes dated July 10, 2019
Advocacy Committee minutes dated July 16, 2019
Operations Committee minutes dated July 9, 2019
Operations Committee minutes dated July 16, 2019
Operations Committee minutes dated July 30, 2019
Clubs and Societies Working Group minutes dated May 29, 2019
Clubs and Societies Working Group minutes dated July 4, 2019

… Carried

For (20): Joella Allen, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Muse Greenwood, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Ryan Wong (proxy for
Nick Harterre, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Wendy Song, Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund

Abstained: Michelle Marcus, Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Riley Ty

- Riley Ty raised a point of personal privilege, saying he did not receive the minutes.
- It was discovered that the minutes had not in fact been circulated.

5. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED DANIEL LAM:

“That the Council reconsider the consent motion.”

... Carried

For (19): Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Tanner Gjosund, Muse Greenwood, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Wendy Song, Riley Ty, Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund

Abstained: Joella Allen, Cole Evans

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7. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED JOELLA ALLEN:

“That the consent agenda motion be postponed till the September 11 meeting.”

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

**Academic Experience Survey – Julia Burnham (VP Academic & University Affairs)**

- This is the seventh year of this widespread survey of UBC students, which we use to inform our advocacy.
- One of the key differences this year is a clear differentiation between graduate students and undergraduates.
- We added new questions on disabilities.
- We expanded the section on sexual violence; also gender identity.
- The number of grad student responses increased.
- Also more responses from students in Education and male-identified students.
- The number of responses from Middle Eastern students doubled.
- There was a decrease in the responses from Chinese students and students in their fifth year.
- Some results:
  - Most undergraduates expect to take more than four years to complete their degree.
  - Most are satisfied with their UBC experience.
  - Reasons for choosing UBC include that it’s an attractive campus.
  - A small majority feel a sense of belonging.
  - Campus involvement (clubs, sports, etc.) remained stable.
  - Nearly half report feeling financial hardship.
  - Only a third expect to graduate without debt.
  - 20% fear they may have to abandon their studies because of financial difficulties.
  - A significant percentage report that the cost of textbooks has led to them not purchasing texts.
  - Almost half report that housing costs mean they are living further away from UBC than they would like.
  - There are shocking numbers for food insecurity.
  - Most students claim to feel safer on campus.
  - Those feeling least safe were women and older students.
  - Discrimination is reported mostly by those who are not male Caucasians.
  - One in seven report having been sexually assaulted: women are three times as likely to suffer as men.
  - A majority report feeling more comfortable with SASC at the AMS than UBC’s SVPRO.
  - 22% identified as having a disability; 16% reported mental illness (the most common disability).
  - There was varying awareness about student services:
Vice and the First Nations House of Learning were the least well known.
  - Awareness of mental health resources is growing.

Questions
Brandyn Marx:
  - How do you interpret the sexual assault question for someone who was assaulted during the summer when they were away from UBC, say in Toronto?

Julia Burnham:
  - That depends on the person answering: they might include that or not.

Brandyn Marx:
  - With this language uncertainty, what is the point of the question?

Julia Burnham:
  - We're looking at the prevalence in respondents' time as a student.

Arash Shadkam:
  - Re student services: Is there a breakdown between graduate and undergraduate usage?

Julia Burnham:
  - We do that in the full report but not in this presentation.

Muse Greenwood:
  - How do you reach out to constituents like those in VST?
    - I don't recall anything going to our constituents.

Julia Burnham:
  - The survey goes out with the AMS newsletter; it's on our Facebook profile and on social media channels.

Muse Greenwood:
  - We had low involvement at VST.
    - I can encourage people to sign up for the newsletter: I'm not sure VST students think of signing up for the AMS newsletter.

Julia Burnham:
  - We can think of how to reach out in the fall.
  - Engagement is an issue we look at every year.
  - We get about 3,000 responses to the survey; it's a sufficient sample, but we're interested in getting more.
SVREP – Chris Hakim

- This discussion includes references to sexual violence.

Background:
- In December 2017 a working group (SVREP) was set up to look into creating a new policy on sexual violence prevention and also to look into updating the old Respectful Environment Policy.
- The policies are meant to clarify the processes for investigations and to establish structures.
- There was a thorough consultation, including a Town Hall, discussions with stakeholders, and an online survey. We also went to Constituency meetings and invited students and staff to provide feedback.
- The new policies, if passed, will be effective as of September 23, 2019.

I-17 Sexual Violence Policy:
- Zero tolerance of sexual violence.
- Outlines procedures.
- In response to feedback about the difficulty of understanding the expectations laid out in the policy, we have included a summary guide and flow charts to explain in simple terms and visually who will investigate, who will report, etc.

I-18 Respectful Community & Workplace Policy:
- For both students and staff.
- Aim is to address inappropriate behaviour early.
- Provides procedures for dealing with bullying, harassment, discrimination, and violence.
- It replaces the old Respectful Environment Policy, which was created quickly in 2014 in response to a provincial mandate.
- Now we’ve been able to take more time.
- Unlike the Sexual Violence Policy, this one allows for mediation and alternative dispute resolution.

Implementation process
- We have seven recommendations for implementation, including the creation of the position of Deputy Ombudsperson.
- There are three immediate steps to take:
  - Hiring the Deputy Ombudsperson.
  - Training key individuals about procedural fairness and sexual violence.
  - Creating an implementation working group.
- Throughout the year we will be looking at feedback.

Questions
Michelle Marcus:
- If one party cannot afford legal counsel, will the AMS mitigate the discrepancy?

Chris Hakim:
- There’s the Law Students’ Legal Advice Program and SLFS.
- Been looking at having a legal advocate at SASC.

Matthew Ho:
- What sort of reviews will there be of the policies?

Chris Hakim:
- Minutes will be publicized.
- We will have periodic reviews: survey, feedback sessions, interacting with Clubs and Constituencies, data tracking.
- Any policy changes would come to Council.

Brandyn Marx:
- If a staff member has a complaint, do they go to their department managers or to HR?

Chris Hakim:
- If the respondent is a staff member, they go to either HR or Ombuds, probably to HR: they’re focused more on staff work.

Muse Greenwood:
- What happens if either of these two positions is not filled?

Chris Hakim:
- If there is a vacancy or a conflict of interest, HR takes the place of the Ombudsperson.
- If the situation also affects the HR Manager, then the Operations Committee would assign an investigator; perhaps other staff in HR or an external investigator.

Nevena Rebic:
- We know from the Academic Experience Survey that there’s a lower level of trust of UBC officials, so how do we get word out to students about this policy?
- How do we increase trust?

Chris Hakim:
- For the short term there will be a strong communications plan for stakeholders.
- Our Communications Manager is part of the working group.
- Other stakeholders in the University are very interested, e.g., SVPRO.
- In the longer term the issue is building up institutional trust.
- Institutions lose trust if they mishandle cases.
- That’s why the training, also confidentiality.
- If we follow the policy and maintain confidentiality, we will build trust.
8. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

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Be it further resolved that, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee and the Human Resources Committee, AMS Council approve the job description of the Deputy Ombudsperson, effective immediately.

Be it further resolved that, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the AMS Council accept the Sexual Violence Prevention and Respectful Environment Policy Working Group’s Final Report and recommendations, as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Chris Hakim:
- The new policies will take effect September 23, not immediately.
- We need a month to prepare the implementation, especially to hire a Deputy Ombudsperson.
- We’ve worked with the HR Committee to create a job description for that position, and have budgeted for it.
- Accepting the report is a symbolic endorsement.

Muse Greenwood:
- Well done.
- I like the annual review idea; it makes this a living policy.
- I feel that if I have concerns they will be addressed in a year.

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**Stadium Road Neighbourhood – Julia Burnham (VP Academic & University Affairs)**

- UBC’s Campus & Community Planning (C&CP) has been developing a plan for Stadium Road near the Thunderbird Stadium.
- It will be another neighbourhood, like Wesbrook Village or Hawthorn Place.
- A new stadium is going in, and they’re also adding housing.
- The features of the plan include:
  - A stadium with a smaller footprint
  - A large park
  - Five towers
  - Emphasis on pedestrians and green space
  - Rental housing
  - Retail
  - Stadium parking
  - Childcare centres
  - Two schools
  - Social interaction
  - Shared facilities.
- Close to finalizing the plan, but there are still issues about what the neighbourhood will look like, especially concerning housing: how much housing are we going to get?
- UBC Campus & Community Planning is to present the final plan in late 2019; all the details will go to the Board of Governors and then to the province.
- It seems on schedule, but we need to make our voices heard on housing options.
- The original plan had lots of leasehold housing, i.e., units for purchase (condos), as opposed to rental units.
- Now the leasehold housing has been minimized; there’s just enough left to fund the development.
- The rest is University community housing.
- Not everyone is on the same page about density.
- Some are concerned about towers and development.
- There is a petition to halt the project or limit density.
- Our counter-petition is in favour of more housing, not just for students, but for students, staff, and faculty, like UBC Central.
- We plan to present our petition to the Board of Governors.
- You can sign it, share it, get your friends to sign it, discuss it at Constituency meetings.

Questions
Brandyn Marx:
- What kind of consultation have you done with Indigenous groups?

Julia Burnham:
- C&CP has been engaging the Musqueam.
- UBC wants to amend and renew their agreement with the Musqueam.

Jackson Schumacher:
- Is there an estimate of what the rent will be?

Julia Burnham:
- It should be similar to the rent for other units on campus, e.g., those run by Wesbrook Properties.

Kelvin Au:
- Is there any other organizing going on besides the petition?

Julia Burnham:
- There’s been material on social media.
- Last year the AMS engaged in community discussion.
- There was a presentation to Council and to the VP Academic Caucus.
- We’ve been involved.

Michael Salloum:
- Has there been thought given to the ecological effects?
- We are already intruding on the farm with another project, cutting forest.

Julia Burnham:
- There are planning and consultation documents around ecology (see the Stadium Plan website).
- There’s been lots of debate on this.
- At the forefront of the discussion has been a focus on sustainability, which means building up instead of out.
- That’s what we’ve been supportive of: towers instead of houses.

Jeanie Malone:
- Various models were considered to see which was best.

Michael Salloum:
- When would the building process start?
Julia Burnham:
  • 2020 is the hope.

Ryan Wong:
  • Was there any consideration to make these into student housing?
  • These are more expensive than student housing.

Julia Burnham:
  • Housing is an issue not just for students, but for staff and faculty as well.
  • A lot of student residence building is underway.
  • We have to cooperate; we need housing for professors.
  • We’re going to have students living there too.
  • It benefits students to have housing for faculty and staff.

Mathew Ho:
  • What are the plans for better transit to access this neighbourhood?

Julia Burnham:
  • All the detail is in the Neighbourhood Plan.
  • This was definitely looked at.
  • We need to have good transit to serve the neighbourhood.

Mathew Ho:
  • How will taking down the old stadium affect events?

Julia Burnham:
  • The stadium bit is being done as part of the Game Plan from UBC Athletics.
  • They will figure it out.
  • The new stadium is very exciting for Athletics.

Mathew Ho:
  • The Academic Experience Survey said students are living further from campus because they can’t afford to live closer.
  • This doesn’t solve that problem.

Julia Burnham:
  • I hear you.
  • These are luxury housing, but the hope is that this project will decrease the waitlist by opening other housing for those who can afford it.

**Q1 Financial report – Finance Committee – Lucia Liang (VP Finance) [SCD088-20]**
  • Update on finances: the 2019 first quarter contribution from the businesses.
  • Conferences & Catering (C&C) contributed the most, then investments, then the tenants.
  • Net contribution of $450,000.
• C&C has contributed the most over the past three years.
• The Gallery went into deficit when we had a managerial changeover.
• All Executive portfolios are performing similar to previous years, except the VP External, where the costs look as if they’re down, but that’s because SUDS was later this year (its costs will appear in Q2).
• There’s some volatility in the funds: there was a drop in use of the Campus Culture and Performance Fund.
• Services show a spike in expenditure because of the Senior Manager of Student Services, a new position.
• SASC shows a dip in expenditures because there was only one support worker in place.
• Services in general were similar to last year, except for Food Bank, which had increased expenditures.
• Events shows a huge expenditure because Welcome Back Barbecue was charged to it this year.
• Block Party shows a huge spike in expenditures because of allocation from last quarter.
• There’s a huge increase in Communications.
• Also an increase for the Archives because of a digitization project being done at the UBC Library.

Questions
Brandyn Marx:
• Why is PieR in deficit?

Keith Hester:
• Large depreciation due to ovens.
• Lower revenue in the summer.

Katherine Westerlund:
• I have a question about what’s going on.
• This is supposed to be a report from the Finance Committee, but the Finance Committee never saw it.
• How did this come to Council?
• We were told that we could not get the information in time, so we decided that we would recommend to Council that it suspend Code to allow the Finance Committee to discuss further and bring the report on September 11.
• I am on the Finance Committee and I have not seen these numbers before.
• I am very confused.

Chris Hakim:
• There is a Code suspension coming.
• The reason for the delay is that Code was recently amended to require a report from fee receiving groups.
• Usually these groups are inactive in the summer, so it is difficult to fulfill that requirement.
On the other hand, we previously got the feeling from Council that it wants us to provide numbers as much as possible.

It was the intent of the VP Finance to provide as much information as possible.

Brandyn Marx:
- What is going on with Iwana Taco?
- Is there a business plan for reopening?

Chris Hakim:
- Iwana Taco currently does not have a manager or sous-chef, so we can’t run it.
- We are moving a manager over there and looking to hire a sous-chef in September.
- Will open late September.

Brandyn Marx:
- Will this manager be working two outlets?
- Is that the cause of the delay?

Chris Hakim:
- There’s no delay.
- We’re not expecting the manager to do two jobs; it’s just a temporary situation.
- There’s a shortage in Vancouver of food workers.
- Still expecting to hire by September.

Brandyn Marx:
- Why was there no hiring fair?

Chris Hakim:
- We had one in the Life Building, with boothing, two weeks ago.
- The HR Department is probably going to have another recruitment drive in September.

10. MOVED DANIEL LAM, SECONDED KELVIN AU:

From the Finance Committee

“That Council on the recommendation of the Finance Committee suspend Code Section V, Article 10(3)(g) until the last Council meeting in November 2019.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Chris Hakim:
- This is from the Finance Committee, because of the new requirement for fee-receiving groups to submit reports.
- It’s difficult for these groups to do this in the summer.
- We’re working on new plans for the budget process.
Katherine Westerlund:
- I'm not against this motion, but I'm against the egregious misrepresentation of what the Finance Committee wanted.
- The Finance Committee realized that we couldn't bring a Q1 report, and yet a Q1 report has appeared.
- We should strive to follow process.
- The Finance Committee did not see these numbers, so what was presented was not a Q1 report in accordance with Code.
- What happened today was not in the spirit of what the Finance Committee wanted.

Kelvin Au:
- I would like to amend the motion to strike the From the Finance Committee line.

Katherine Westerlund:
- The Finance Committee did agree to the Code suspension, so the motion is actually okay.

Kelvin Au:
- I withdraw my motion to amend.

Lucia Liang:
- The intent from the Finance Committee was to suspend Code so we could get the information from the fee-receiving groups.
- However, the intention of the Executive was to bring as much data as possible.

Chris Hakim:
- The full Q1 report will go to the Finance Committee.
- We're just trying to provide a report in compliance with the Code requirement of a report in August.

Muse Greenwood:
- This seemed to be coming from the committee.
- If you want trust, you need to follow certain procedures.

Arash Shadkam:
- There is a quarterly report attached to the docket: what is it?

Chris Hakim:
- That's the Q1 report on which the presentation was based.
- Code requires financial reports from fee-receiving groups.
- That was a recent change that hasn't been tested out.

Alireza Kamyabi:
- Will there be second presentation with a full report?
Chris Hakim:
- Yes, with additional numbers.
- It will look like this one, but with additional slides.

Ryan Wong:
- In November?

Chris Hakim:
- It should be way earlier.

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Council took an 11-minute break until 8:13 pm.

#Textbook Broke – Julia Burnham (VP Academic & University Affairs)  [SCD089-20]
- This is our annual campaign to combat soaring materials costs and advocate for implementation of Open Educational Resources (OER’s).
- On average students pay $829 on textbooks every year.
- Seven in 10 use outdated texts or go without textbooks because of the cost.
- OER’s are materials made freely available online to use, edit, etc., under the creative commons.
- There is growing support for OER’s: they can be a benefit to all people: faculty can mould content for students; it’s free.
- This year’s campaign is shifting to all course materials, including digital codes. Not just books.
- We do our receipts campaign in front of the bookstore, using bulletin boards.
- We ask: How much did you spend on your textbooks? And we post that on the board.
- Trying to start a conversation.
- Two new things this year:
  - Open letter on the benefits of open scholarship, a direct message to the faculty from the students.
  - An OER award to profs who use OER’s. Highlighting the unseen work. Giving recognition.
- Support the campaign:
  - Volunteer.
  - Help us with booting in front of the bookstore.
  - Sign and distribute the open letter to your Constituencies.
Questions
Daniel Lam:
- Can we keep copies of the letter for people to sign?

Julia Burnham:
- Most of this will be online: we could have links.

Tanner Gjosund:
- Is there data on faculty who do support this?

Julia Burnham:
- That’s a tricky question.
- Current data is not perfect.
- It’s what we capture when professors submit course lists to the bookstore.
- Math is good in using OER’s: lots of OER use in their department.

Mathew Ho:
- Can we expand the bothing beyond the bookstore?

Julia Burnham:
- The benefit of the bookstore is that it is a high traffic area.

Mathew Ho:
- Can we advocate for increased textbook lending or renting?

Julia Burnham:
- It’s tricky with rental because of the constant textbook updates.
- Our focus is online.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

12. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That Kelvin Au be appointed Chair of the Brewery Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

... No objections

13. MOVED MICHAEL SALLOUM, SECONDED RILEY TY:

“That the agenda be amended to add a discussion on the Stadium Road Neighbourhood Plan and Indigenous consultation right now.”

Michael Salloum:
- There seems to be a disconnect.
- If we’re promoting the petition, that means taking down the woods.
• That seems antithetical to AMS mandates on Indigenous matters.

14. MOVED MICHAEL SALLOUM, SECONDED RILEY TY:

“That the agenda be amended to add a discussion on the Stadium Road Neighbourhood Plan and Indigenous consultation right now.”

... Carried

For (19): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Matthew Epstein, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Wendy Song, Riley Ty, Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Kevin Zhang

K) Discussion Period

Stadium Road Neighbourhood Plan and Indigenous consultation

Chris Hakim
• This is a UBC project that the AMS is adding its voice to.
• There’s a land use aspect.
• The AMS made a submission in September 2018: we pointed out the need for consultation with the Musqueam, and there’s a representative of the Musqueam on the working group.
• UBC is negotiating with the Musqueam.

Julia Burnham:
• There’s a lot of conversation between the University and the Musqueam, revisiting their relationship.
• It’s a larger discussion than the Stadium Neighbourhood.

Matthias Leuprecht:
• Does the AMS think that this should be in alignment with Article 19 of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples?

Chris Hakim:
• Of course, the AMS is committed to reconciliation and decolonization.

Michael Salloum:
• There’s a bigger concern here: even though there has been discussion of land use, there does not seem to be significant representation for the Musqueam.
• Our mandate is promoting Indigenous representation.

Chris Hakim:
• The working group has Musqueam representation on it.
• The project cannot go forward without Musqueam approval.
L) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Chris Hakim
- The Welcome Back lineup has been released; Councillors will be able to get free tickets.
- The Ombudsperson has resigned: HR is working to hire someone new.
- Steering Committee is working on the Strategic Plan timeline.
- SUDS happened last weekend.
- With Julia, working on the Stadium Road petition.
- Working with Lucia on a report on changes to the budgeting process.
- Cannabis store: discussing with UBC.
- Battle of the Bats softball game. Sad news: we lost.
- Collective bargaining with CUPE.
- First year engagement initiatives.
- Agreement with UBC and Student Care re Empower Me.
- Indigenous student enrollment targets.
- Data driven approach.
- Working to write a submission on the proposed amendments to the Societies Act.

Questions
Michelle Marcus
- Key takeaways from SUDS?

Chris Hakim:
- Discussed decolonization with prairie student unions. Probably a report will result.

Julia Burnham:
- That I’m grateful we don’t have the Ontario student choice initiative here: it’s a strain on the student unions there.
- Loved Cicely Blain, the equity and diversity speaker.

Alireza Kamyabi:
- What is the Ontario student choice initiative?

Julia Burnham:
- It’s the Ford government’s initiative, allowing students the option to opt out of their student fees.

Chris Hakim:
- Some student unions don’t have business revenue, so they depend on student fees to fund all their operations.

Cole Evans:
- SUDS was really cool.
- The AMS is a big leader, but other student unions do some things better.
• I was interested in how others do student life and engagement, interact with boards, administer clubs.
• Super fun: made great connections.

Lucia Liang:
• We’re performing really well financially.
• Everyone should do a governance review.

Daniel Lam:
• Mount Royal University has one of the Indigenous engagement plans.

Riley Ty:
• Other than expanding Empower Me, is there any other work being done on mental health resources off campus?

Chris Hakim
• We have expanded our psychological counselling coverage.
• We’re working with UBC and the provincial government on a mental health hotline for all post-secondary students.

M) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

VP Finance - Lucia Liang
• Q1 report:
  o We did a three-year trend analysis this year.
  o Intended to include a glossary of numbers; that will come.
• Forms for Sustainability Projects Fund.
• Fund analysis going to Fincom.
• Club treasurers being authorized.
• Credit card program analysis: seeing where expenditures are, what the average expenditure is. To help us create better policies.

VP Academic & University Affairs – Julia Burnham
• On several UBC search committees. For:
  o Human Rights Advisor, Ombuds Officer (done), SVPRO Director.
• OER fund (from Excellence Fund).
• TLEF adjudication committee.
• Will roll out Textbook Broke.
• CTLC committee.
• Stadium Road campaign.
• New whiteboard.
• AES survey.
• Convened Academic Caucus.
• Met with UBC Executive about budgeting.
• “We Believe You” campaign with SASC.
• Policy 131 review.
Guest:

- What is the Ombuds Officer?

Julia Burnham:

- UBC has an Ombudsperson, Shirley Nakata, and there’s an Ombudsoffice for Vancouver and one for UBCO.
- The Ombudsperson is the impartial go-to person for complaints.
- She also does strategic work.
- Her officers are the ones who are more in the office dealing with students.

**Student Services Manager – Ian Stone**

- Working with Olivewood about data collection.
- Getting useful information.
- Helping with the Services Review.
- Working with Councillors.
- Expanding partnerships, especially with Sprouts for hot meals.
- Making Services more accessible:
  - Advocacy taking calls over the phone.
  - Extending hours for Food Bank, as suggested by a Councillor last time.
- Hiring.
- Booths for Jump Start and First Week.
- Food Systems workshop gave us some interesting ideas.
- Tutoring and eHub getting permanent rooms.
- Food Bank buying fridges and freezers.

Kelvin Au:

- Will the Food Bank hours be reflected on the website?

Ian Stone:

- Yes.

*Matthias Leuprecht takes over as proxy for Riley Ty.*

**VP Administration – Cole Evans**

- Clubs Days expanding into Life Building.
- Not using the Great Hall; clubs felt isolated there.
- Redoing signage in the Nest to deal with the maze of rooms.
- Completed insurance evaluation of our art collection: some increase in value (now $3.64 million).
- First art exhibit in the new school year will be Gloves Off
- The Clubs Resource Centre/AMS Student Lounge will now be called The Commons: construction almost done.
- Recruiting volunteers for the Clubs Resource Centre and the Hatch.
- Sustainability: Working on Zero Waste report: the AVP Sustainability will be back next week.
Managing Director – Keith Hester
- Welcome Back Barbecue line-up released.
- Sold more tickets to date than last year: 3,800 versus 1,500.
- Gallery booths reupholstered.
- Lev Bukhman Lounge repainted and will be re-carpeted.
- Audit to be done by the 28th.
- E-transfer for clubs will roll out in September.
- Revamped credit card program.
- New SASC staff: fully staffed for September.
- Hiring fair in Life Building August 7.

VP External Cristina Ilnitchi (via Chris Hakim):
- SUDS had 90 delegates: exciting.
- Meeting with other student unions and coalition groups.
- Campaign on Knocking out Interest (federal lobbying about student loans).
- Get Out the Vote campaign.
- UCRU meeting regularly: discussing federal priorities and a national student letter.
- BC Mental Health Hotline implementation.
- Sitting on sexual violence working group.

N) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Advocacy – Cristina Ilnitchi (via Chris Hakim)
- Discussing Trans Mountain Pipeline.
- Workshop on knowing your rights as a protestor.

Brewery – Matthias Leuprecht
- Making progress.
- Submission to Sauder about feasibility.
- Motion later tonight to change the name of the committee.
- Hope to be able to make a submission to the Board of Governors about an MoU and then levy the fee.

Finance – Lucia Liang
- Approved funds for sustainability projects.
- Read our minutes about the Q1 report.
- Reviewed three policies:
  - Smartphones
  - Travel policy (we’ve been talking about carbon offsets)
  - Alcohol reimbursement policy (we’re recommending to repeal this).

Governance – Katherine Westerlund
- Looking at membership definitions of Constituencies:
  - Redefining who’s in each Constituency.
  - Spreadsheet attached to our August report.
• Election Code review.
• Budget process review.
• Internal Policy review.
• Other Code changes.
• Records policy.

Questions
Alireza Kamyabi:
• What do you want us to do with the spreadsheet about Constituencies?

Katherine Westerlund:
• Add comments.
• If you have suggestions for changes, let me know.

HR Committee – Michelle Marcus for Riley Ty
• Looking at improving outreach.
• Increase the number and diversity of applicants.
• Still looking to fill vacancy on Advisory Board: looking for someone with HR experience.
• Ombudsperson resigned: looking to fill the position.

New SUB Committee – Cole Evans
• Tried unsuccessfully to schedule a meeting.
• This will be the last year this committee is around.

Operations – Cole Evans
• Constituted five clubs.
• Working on policy:
  • Committee decided to repeal I-4 (alcohol consumption).
  • Working on I-7 (building expulsions): depends on the upcoming Sexual Violence and Bullying policies.
• Nest wayfinding project: Nest animation fund.
• Looking at tweaks to the OpsCom policy manual.

SHAPE – Chris Hakim
• Cole’s team reviewed our collection, establishing the value of different pieces.
• Likely to reach out to Heffel for another auction.

Steering Committee – Chris Hakim
• Strategic plan.
• Developing values statement.
• Will come to Council.

Student Life – Kevin Zhang
• Councillor engagement survey.
• Looked at the policy on the use of student emails.
• Looked at ToR for the committee and have some changes coming later.

O) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):
Chris Hakim:
• Met last month and discussed how the AMS can better support our Constituencies, especially the professional and graduate student societies.
• Looking at effective communications.
• Reaching out to Constituencies we don’t really connect with.

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

BoG – Jeanie Malone
• Has not met yet.
• September will be a big month.
• Staff seat election.

Senate – Matthias Leuprecht
• Senate has not met.
• There was a resignation: we’ll deal with that later.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
• New Council composite is up on the wall in this room: the most recent eight Council composites are now here. Earlier ones are on the second floor. Very early ones are on the third floor.
• I was showing the recent composites to someone from the fraternities who was pointing out the various fraternity members on Council and the Executive.
• This reminded me of questions raised in the past about whether the fraternities exercise undue influence, something that came up in the early 1960’s, annoying the AMS President, who said the allegation was discouraging fraternity people from running.
• One group that did run that year was the joke group called the National Non-Conforming Calathumpians.
• Frats were involved in another controversy, over reserving seats in the cafeteria, in 1947-48.
  o Council warned students not to reserve seats; the Ubyssey said this was aimed at fraternities; Council was furious, saying that was a misinterpretation, and banned the paper from the next Council meeting.

Q) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

R) Executive Committee Motions:

15. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

  “That the AMS AGM be scheduled to take place on October 23, 2019.”
Chris Hakim:
- Want to set the date early so we can begin marketing and planning.

Daniel Lam:

Chris Hakim:
- I don’t think that’s a good idea.

Kelvin Au:
- Are there any thoughts on changing quorum?

Chris Hakim:
- The Governance Committee did discuss this last year and thought the current 1% is good.
- It’s hard to attain, which is good.
- A quorate AGM could do a lot of business, so we don’t want quorum too low.

Kevin Zhang:
- Last year Council was encouraged to be proactive rather than reactive, so I’d like to ask now what you intend doing to reach quorum.

Chris Hakim:
- Our commitment is always to do our best to achieve quorum.

Arash Shadkam:
- If we do what we always do, we won’t reach quorum.

Chris Hakim:
- We have increased our budget for marketing and communications.
- We have a bigger Communications Department; they’re already preparing.
- I’m great at campaigning.
- Hoping to hold the AGM in a high traffic area.

Matthias Leuprecht:
- Will there be classroom announcements?

Chris Hakim:
- Yes.

16. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That the AMS AGM be scheduled to take place on October 23, 2019.”

... Carried

For (21): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for
Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Riley Ty), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

S) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

17. MOVED ALIREZA KAMYABI, SECONDED JEANIE MALONE: [SCD090-20]

From the Arts Undergraduate Society

“That Council approve the procedure for filling the vacancy of the Arts Student Senator as presented.”

Matthias Leuprecht:

- I sent a procedure but would like to amend it.
- The one sent would have allowed for a by-election, but that is not consistent with the rules of the Senate.
- So instead there will be an application process.

Kelvin Au:

- Is this procedure applicable to all Constituencies?

Matthias Leuprecht:

- No, each time a procedure has to be approved.
- This one only applies to Arts.

Cole Evans:

- Couldn’t this just be done by the AUS?

Matthias Leuprecht:

- AMS Council needs to approve.
- It’s the authoritative body.
- Senate rules demand this.

Chris Hakim:

- Our Code outlines the process.

Michelle Marcus:

- What is the timeline? How will this work?

Matthias Leuprecht

- I hope the AUS will advertise, and the AMS.
- The procedure will begin at the start of September and close by mid-September.
- We’ll be asking questions after picking four or five candidates to interview.
- This will be done by the Student Senate Caucus.
Julia Burnham:
- I will put this on AMS communications and will work through the Academic Caucus.
- There will be the same questions for all the candidates: about their understanding of Senate.

18. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED EMMA DODYK:

“That the question be called.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (15): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Riley Ty), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund

Against (2): Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nicholas Harterre)

19. MOVED ALIREZA KAMYABI, SECONDED JEANIE MALONE: [SCD091-20]

From the Arts Undergraduate Society
“That Council approve the procedure for filling the vacancy of the Arts Student Senator as amended.”

... Carried

For (17): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Michelle Marcus, Nevena Rebic, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Riley Ty), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

Against (1): Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre)

20. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the meeting be extended by one hour.”

... No objections

T) Committee Motions:

21. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED COLE EVANS: [SCD092-20]

From the Governance Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Committee Chair Transitioning’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”
22. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

From the Governance Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Committee Chair Transitioning’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (19): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

23. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED MATTHEW EPSTEIN: [SCD093-20]

From the Governance Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Joint Committee Meetings’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

… Carried

For (19): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia...
Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

25. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED TANNER GJOSUND: [SCD094-20]

From the Governance Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Constituency Governing Documents’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Katherine Westerlund
- This says Constituencies need to send us their governing documents.
- GovCom was trying to look at the documents.
- It’s for constitutions and bylaws.

Ryan Wong:
- This doesn’t mention codes of procedures.
- Do we need to send you them?

Katherine Westerlund:
- No.

Kelvin Au:
- Who do we send to?

Chris Hakim:
- Me, Sheldon, or Joanne.

Katherine Westerlund:
- There is a place for these on the AMS website.

26. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED TANNER GJOSUND:

From the Governance Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Constituency Governing Documents’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (21): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy
for Riley Ty), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

27. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM: [SCD095-20]

From the Governance Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Reporting on External Committees’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Katherine Westerlund
  • Some felt this should be deleted, but we felt we could make it better.
  • We’d like appointees to come back twice a year to say what’s going on.

Arash Shadkam:
  • What committees?

Katherine Westerlund:
  • Committees outside the AMS, e.g., Walter Gage or the University Ombuds Committee.

28. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

From the Governance Committee
“That Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Reporting on External Committees’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Carried

For (19): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Riley Ty), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

29. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM: [SCD096-20]

From the Governance Committee
“That the AMS Personal Information Protection Policy be rescinded and replaced by the new Privacy Policy (Policy I-16) as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Katherine Westerlund:
  • The lawyers told us it was not good, so we tried to make it good.
• So we don’t get sued.
• So we protect privacy.

Alireza Kamyabi:
• Can we get a summary of the changes?

Katherine Westerlund:
• It applies to the AMS and its subsidiaries.
• It now covers access to information and says we have to follow PIPA.
• We have a Privacy Officer who makes sure we are compliant.
• It now lists the reasons we are collecting information.
• It says we have to obtain consent and tell people why we are collecting information.

30. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM: [SCD096-20]

From the Governance Committee
“That the AMS Personal Information Protection Policy be rescinded and replaced by the new Privacy Policy (Policy I-16) as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds … Carried

For (20): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

31. MOVED MATTHIAS LEUPRECHT, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

From the Brewery Committee
“That Council officially amend the name of the Brewery Committee to the Fermentation Lab Committee.”

Matthias Leuprecht:
• The University does not like the current name, because at a university we’re supposed to be doing academic work.
• Fermentation Lab more accurately reflects what we’re doing.
• The original plan was kegs in the Nest, but now it’s different.
• This adds a level of professionalism.

32. MOVED MATTHIAS LEUPRECHT, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

From the Brewery Committee
“That Council officially amend the name of the Brewery Committee to the Fermentation Lab Committee.” … Carried
For (21): Joella Allen, Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Riley Ty), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

33. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED COLE EVANS: [SCD097-20]


Note: Requires 2/3rds

Kevin Zhang:
- The committee’s responsibilities have been devolving to other bodies, leaving a gaping hole.
- Meanwhile I have two more clauses to add:
  - To remove the changes to the committee chair position.
  - To have the remaining Code changes expire in February 2020, at which time the committee will return with a proposal on its duties.
- Right now we want to add the Events and Communications Managers to the committee: it’s hard to discuss things affecting them when they’re not there.
- The intention is to garner their view on how they’d like this to function.
- We’ve also crossed out existing things that we no longer do, e.g., devising a student engagement strategy.
- And we don’t take care of Clubs, so Code shouldn’t say that.

Cole Evans:
- Instead of adding an expiration clause, if the goal is to have the committee report back, just have them report back without an expiration.

34. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED EMMA DODYK:

“That this motion be referred back to the Student Life Committee.”

Chris Hakim:
- The nature of the motion has changed since the original report was sent to Council.
- If there are last-minute changes, they should go back to committee.
- And it’s not clear consultation with the staff was done.

Kevin Zhang:
- We kept the ToR general for whoever is the new chair.
• That process leaves it open to what the Events and Communications Managers tell us they want to see.
• The last-minute changes are not adding content.

Chris Hakim:
• I don’t think this has been discussed with the Events and Communications Managers.
• Based on what’s been presented, it looks like we’re eliminating two of the major things the Student Life Committee does.
• It will have little to do.
• The committee should look at the consultants’ package from the Governance Review.

35. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED EMMA DODYK:

“That this motion be referred back to the Student Life Committee.” … Carried

For (10): Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund

Against (6): Kelvin Au, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Lucia Liang, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Riley Ty), Kevin Zhang

36. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER: [SCD098-20]

From the Operations Committee:
“That Council repeal Policy I-4: Alcohol Consumption Policy.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Cole Evans:
• OpsCom reviewed this for five weeks and explored various options.
• It’s an antiquated policy.
• Nothing in it is still followed.
• Nothing in it is not covered by provincial law.

Katherine Westerlund:
• If we delete this one, can we renumber the policies so there’s not a gap?

The Speaker:
• Numbering is left to the Clerk of Council.

Kelvin Au:
• Have we renumbered in the past?
Sheldon Goldfarb:
  • This would be the first time, since we only started numbering our policies a few years ago.

Julia Burnham:
  • We should be careful because other documents refer to these policy numbers.

Chris Hakim:
  • With this being repealed, it seems to remove our commitment to responsible alcohol consumption.
  • Does OpsCom have a plan that ensures that we continue this commitment?

Cole Evans:
  • OpsCom can introduce rules in its Manual.
  • AMS Vice also covers something of this.

37. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

  From the Operations Committee:
  “That Council repeal Policy I-4: Alcohol Consumption Policy.”

  Note: Requires 2/3rds

  ... Carried

  For (19): Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Riley Ty), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

U) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

38. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

  From the President
  “That Council suspend Code Section VII (Advisory Board), Article 9(2), effective immediately and until November 30, 2019.”

  Note: Requires 2/3rds

  Chris Hakim:
  • This is a suspension of the section of Code requiring a report from the Advisory Board.
  • We haven’t filled the Advisory Board, and it can’t meet.
  • The HR Committee is working on finding a new member to fill the vacancy.

  Katherine Westerlund:
What is the point of the Advisory Board?

Chris Hakim:
- To provide advice from an outside professional perspective on business, employment, organizational behaviour, and structure.

Arash Shadkam:
- How is it filled?

Chris Hakim
- Council approves the appointment after a recommendation from the HR Committee.
- If you have any suggestions, HR will look at them.

39. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

From the President
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Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried

For (20): Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Daniel Lam (proxy for Julia Chai), Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ryan Wong (proxy for Nick Harterre), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Matthias Leuprecht (proxy for Riley Ty), Emma Dodyk (proxy for Tyra Phillips), Jonathan Kew, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

V) Discussion Period

W) Submissions:
- Academic Experience Survey Report
- Insights West Academic Experience Report
- Governance Committee August report
- HR Committee August report
- Club Approval Appendix A July 2019
- Stadium Road Neighbourhood petition

X) Next Meeting:
   Next Meeting: September 11, 2019

Y) Adjournment:
   There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:33 pm.

Z) Social Activity: Pit Night
## August 21, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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Vote records

V1: Approval of the agenda
V2: Approval of the Consent Agenda Items
V3: Motion to Reconsider the Approval of the Consent Agenda Items
V4: Motion to refer the Consent Agenda Items to the Sept 11 meeting
V5: Be it resolved that Council approve the 4 SVPREP-related motions below the SVPREP presentation
V6: Be it resolved that the AMS Council at the recommendation of the Finance Committee suspend Code
V7: Adding the SR Neighbourhood Discussion
V8: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMS AGM be scheduled to take place on October 23 2019.
V9: Call To Question
V10: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the procedure for filling the vacancy of the Arts Student Senator as presented.
V11: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled Code Changes 2019: Committee Chair Transitioning and thus amend the Code as recommended
V12: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled Code Changes 2019: Joint Committee Meetings and thus amend the Code as recommended.
V13: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled Code Changes 2019: Constituency Governing Documents and thus amend the Code as recommended.
V14: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled Code Changes 2019: Reporting on External Committees and thus amend the Code as recommended.
V15: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMS Personal Information Protection Policy be rescinded and replaced by the new Privacy Policy (Policy I-16) as presented.
V16: BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMS Council officially amend the name of the Brewery Committee to the Fermentation Lab Committee.
V17: Motion to refer the Student Life Committee motion back to the Committee
V18: BE IT RESOLVED THAT AMS Council repeal Policy I-4: Alcohol Consumption Policy
V19: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council suspend Section VII: Advisory Board Article 9(2) from the Code of Procedure
STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Charlotte Alden (Ubyssey), Andrew Ha (Ubyssey), Sarah Zhao (Ubyssey), Thea Udwadia (Ubyssey) Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Alex Nguyen (Ubyssey), Thomas O'Donnell (Ubyssey), Sammy Smart (Ubyssey), Edith Coates (Ubyssey), Rodney Little Mustache (First Nations), Nick Pang (AMS staff), Conor Doherty (AMS staff), Dani Stancer (AMS staff), Michael Dobson (student), Mathew Ho (student), Dante Agost-Moro (Commerce), Aidan Wilson (UBC Debate Society), Peter Fang (AUS), Brandon Connor (student), Brandyn Marx (AMS Food & Beverage), 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 6:12 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:
- This is to acknowledge the territory we’re on, which is the property of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓-speaking Musqueam people.
- These are stolen, ancestral, unceded homelands.
- This should be part of an ongoing conversation, not something formalistic, but something that inspires reflection about shifting the colonial default.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED KEIRA BRITTO, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

- Julia Burnham asked to amend the agenda to add an appointment of a Councillor to the Impact Grant working group for a period ending at the first Council meeting in May 2020.
- There were no objections.

2. MOVED KEIRA BRITTO, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (27): Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ravi Parhar, Samantha Peng, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash
D) Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies:

Welcome to our new Members: Ian Gilbert (Regent), Samantha Peng (Journalism), Lucita Villarreal (LASSA)

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

Goodbyes: Gareth Clegg (Regent), Joella Allen (LASSA)

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:

- If anyone has difficulty accessing the meeting, let me know.

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

Rodney Little Mustache:

- I grew up in a land of father and grandfather, where we picked saskatoons and were close to the animals. A place of peace. On a reserve, a sweet place set aside for us.
- I thought Canada was a great, beautiful country.
- I moved to the city, missed my family, missed Canada.
- I served the Lord.
- Then I watched War and Remembrance and saw horrors around the world and saw people dying of disease.
- I learned the Church hurt my mother and father and many others.
- Concentration camps and apartheid were modelled after Canadian reserves.
- I never thought I’d live in a world of homophobia, racism, and genocide, where those things were seen to be all right.
- There are no First Nations people on Council even after five years of asking.
- Not one leader today, the day of the federal election call, mentioned the Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women.
- I’m asking you to make genocide an issue in 2019’s federal election, along with the environment and pipelines.
- You need to write a stronger letter.
- More First Nations need to be in the pictures on the wall.
- You need to address genocide.
- The AMS need to include native issues in its campaigns.
- More First Nations students need to be in universities.

G) Consent Agenda Items

Andy Wu asked to remove three sets of minutes from the consent agenda:

- Advocacy Committee minutes dated July 10, 2019
- Clubs & Societies Working Group minutes dated May 29, 2019
3. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED JULIA CHAI:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Advocacy Committee minutes dated July 3, 2019  [SCD105-20]
Advocacy Committee minutes dated July 16, 2019  [SCD106-20]
AMS Council minutes dated June 19, 2019  [SCD107-20]
AMS Council minutes dated July 10, 2019  [SCD108-20]
AMS In Camera minutes dated July 10, 2019  [SCD109-20]
AMS Council minutes dated July 31, 2019  [SCD110-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated July 26, 2019  [SCD111-20]
HR Committee minutes dated July 15, 2019  [SCD112-20]
HR Committee minutes dated July 22, 2019  [SCD113-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated July 9, 2019  [SCD114-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated July 16, 2019  [SCD115-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated July 30, 2019  [SCD116-20]
Student Life Committee minutes dated June 10, 2019  [SCD117-20]
Student Life Committee minutes dated August 13, 2019  [SCD118-20]
Steering Committee minutes dated July 4, 2019  [SCD119-20]

... Carried

For (24): Keira Britto, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Ravi Parhar, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Katherine Westerlund, Andy Wu, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

4. MOVED ANDY WU, SECONDED JULIA CHAI:

“That the following minutes be accepted as presented.

Advocacy Committee minutes dated July 10, 2019
Clubs & Societies Working Group minutes dated May 29, 2019
Clubs & Societies Working Group minutes dated July 4, 2019.”

Andy Wu:
- The wrong Advocacy minutes were sent: the ones sent out were from 2018.
- The Clubs & Societies minutes were not minutes, just a copy and paste of the agenda.

5. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED KIA TEIMOURI:

“That this motion be postponed until the September 25 meeting.”

Chris Hakim:
• Apologies for these errors.

Max Holmes:
• Some committees are not sending minutes.
• Others sent in July, but not in August.
• We should make sure to get the sending of the minutes expedited.

Chris Hakim:
• Absolutely.
• I will ask my staff to connect with the new committee chairs.

6. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED KIA TEIMOURI:

“That this motion be postponed until the September 25 meeting.” … Carried

For (23): Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Ian Gilbert, Tanner Gjosund, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Katherine Westerlund, Andy Wu, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

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

Communications & Marketing Engagement – Eric Lowe (AMS Marketing & Communications Manager) [SCD120-20]
• I was told when I started that my goal was to increase student engagement and awareness of the AMS brand.
• To do this I looked at what the core story of the AMS is: why do we do what we do?
• People talk about what we do (Services, Events, etc.), but why? What do we stand for?
• To understand that would provide a foundation for communications.
• I want us to become more student-centric.
• We’ve been organizationally-centric: talking of ourselves.
• But most students don’t care about the AMS and if we only talk about ourselves, we lose them.
• Students are interested in their classes, Pit Night.
• We have to become central to them.
• We need consistency, which we have not been achieving: our voting website has old logos on it.
• Need brand integrity, a strong brand, to build engagement.
• We say we’re the voice of the students, but we do all the talking.
• We’re revising the website to make it more of a blog; want to find student stories and put them on the website; give students a platform; that’s who the society represents.
• We have to frontload, reach the first year students. If we don’t teach them what the AMS is until their third year, they’re gone.
• Looking to establish relationships with UBC, get them to modify their scripts to entering students.
• We need to take our message to more channels.
• We showed a video at the Imagine Day pep rally [Eric showed Council the video].
• We’ve reintroduced the First Year Agenda; it’s something students can refer to all year round. And they’ve all been handed out now; they’re all gone.
• We received a bigger presence in the Ubyssey Guide to UBC, another channel for us.
• We’ve started a WeChat account in an attempt to reach a population who may not connect to us on any other channel.
• We’ve hired more staff.
• Our message, as we say in the video, is that the AMS is your society (the students’ society), bringing you transit, housing, lower debt, and affordable resources, helping you de-stress and make friends, providing services.

Questions
Brandyn Marx:
• Are we advertising that we accept UBC cards and flex dollars at our outlets?

Eric Lowe:
• Not yet. My apologies.
• Good idea.

Max Holmes:
• Great job.
• This is the best communications team we have had.
• The Finance Committee passed a motion in relation to extra funding in the budget for communications.
• We wanted a presentation, and this one satisfies that.
• But we also wanted a budget breakdown.
• When will the Executive be compliant with that request?

Chris Hakim:
• Hope to do that soon.
• First we wanted to do first year engagement.
• We’ll be coming back to the Finance Committee and Council with information.
• May through August expenditures were low; it spikes in September.

Max Holmes:
• That is not what we asked for at Fincom.
• When the VP Administration needed a delay, he came with a motion.
There’s been no motion for this delay.
Is there a timeline?

Chris Hakim:
We can bring this to the September 25th meeting.

Mathew Ho:
Is there a plan to better support the visibility of undergraduate societies and to communicate that AMS advocacy is separate from UBC?

Chris Hakim:
About Constituencies, I meet with the Presidents Council.
They asked for orientation help on what the AMS is, what our services are, etc.
This is especially needed for the professional and graduate societies: we have an information and engagement deficit with those schools.
As to independence from UBC, we have been working on our marketing this year to make clear that we work with UBC; we’re not part of UBC.
We’re also working with the Student Senate Caucus and the Board of Governors student reps.

Federal Election Campaign – Cristina Ilnitchi (VP External) and Conor Doherty (AVP External)

Cristina Ilnitchi:
UBC Votes 2019.
We are excited about this campaign.

Conor Doherty:
Seeking to achieve meaningful engagement with 2,000 students to make it more likely they will vote.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
The idea is to get every eligible student to vote and all students to know about the elections.

Conor Doherty:
We will talk about the issues in the election and the importance to vote.
37% of the voters are between 18 and 38: young people have an opportunity to have a massive impact.

Cristina Ilnitchi
Our message is non-partisan:
Students are voting: we have power.
Our issues.
It’s easy.
Conor Doherty:
- There will be posters around the Nest saying it matters to vote.
- We will have educational messaging on five central issues.
- We will summarize the parties’ policies on those issues.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Actionable ways students can get involved.

Conor Doherty:
- Giveaways on social media.
- Talking to student leaders across campus to spread our issues.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- This will help us connect with student leaders.
- Allows us to pass on election materials so they can encourage their peers.

Conor Doherty:
- Outreach strategies: classroom announcements about the importance of voting.
- Boothing in the Nest.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- There will be information on the website.

Conor Doherty:
- Hosting events:
  - Debate for Vancouver Quadra.
  - Party Salon Week: bringing candidates to campus.
  - Pints and Politics.
- Advance polling stations.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Signing on to the UBC climate strike letter.
- Connecting with more people.
- Working with UBC.
- Government-facing advocacy.
- Rolling out the National Student Letter with 47 institutions and three issues.
  - Published in the Globe and Mail.
  - Connected with federal parties about it.
  - Received some responses.
  - Meeting with candidates about it.

Conor Doherty:
- Next steps:
  - Seeking volunteers.
  - Come to the events.
  - At least register to vote.
Questions
Katherine Westerlund:
  • Has this gone to the Advocacy Committee [The answer was yes.]
  • This was too much detail for Council.

Michelle Marcus:
  • I disagree about the amount of detail: voting is important, and it’s important as student leaders that we know the details.
  • What can Constituencies do?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
  • We’ll be sending out an email with information about how to vote.
  • If you want us to come to your council meetings, let us know.

Andy Wu:
  • I actually like the detail.
  • Do we need third party registration to do these activities?
  • What were the responses to the student letter?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
  • We don’t need third party registration because we’re non-partisan.
  • We have checked with similar groups.
  • We’re not paying for advertising on issues, and we’re going to be taking a step back from government-facing advocacy.
  • As to the letter, it’s been read by policy people for each party.
  • We received responses from the NDP and the Liberals saying they supported the content and spirit, and they’re incorporating elements into their platforms.

Tanner Gjosund:
  • Will there be something about mental health during the election, especially for those with marginalized status?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
  • That’s not something we’ve thought about, but we’ll look into it.

Chris Hakim:
  • The Empower Me online hotline on mental health service, which has been extended to all students, will be available during the elections.

7. MOVED KELVIN AU, SECONDED KEIRA BRITTO:

“That the question period be extended by one minute to allow for the last question.”
… No objections
Brandyn Marx:
- Advocating for mental health services may be perceived as partisan because some parties are more supportive of it than others.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

Advocacy Committee
Councillors Nominated (4 required): Nicholas Harterre (Economics), Tyra Phillips (Engineering), Nevena Rebic (GSS), Alireza Kamyabi (GSS)
At Large Nominated (1 required): Brandon Connor, Lily Liu, Sophia Hughes, Sahar Dua, Davey Li, Ethan He
Chosen: Brandon Connor

HR Committee
Councillors Nominated (5 required): Kelvin Au (Land & Food), Samantha Peng (Journalism), Riley Ty (Science), Michelle Marcus (Science), Jonathan Kew (Planning)
At Large Nominated (1 required): Bruce Yao, Sophia Hughes, George Kachkovski
Chosen: George Kachkovski

Finance Committee
Councillors Nominated (3 required): Arash Shadkam (GSS), Michelle Marcus (Science), Andrew Huang (Commerce), Matthew Epstein (Forestry), Kia Teimouri (Arts), Jackson Schumacher (GSS), Katherine Westerlund (Engineering)
Chosen: Arash Shadkam, Michelle Marcus, Andrew Huang
At Large Nominated: Michael Dobson, Brandyn Marx, Sophia Hughes, Helen Yu, Mary Gan
Chosen: Michael Dobson and Brandyn Marx

Operations Committee
Councillors Nominated (4 required): Jeanie Malone (Board of Governors), Kelvin Au (Land & Food), Alex Gonzalez (Senate), Katherine Westerlund (Engineering), Nicholas Harterre (Economics)
Chosen: Jeanie Malone, Kelvin Au, Alex Gonzalez, and Katherine Westerlund
At Large Nominated (2 required): Lily Liu, Aidan Wilson, Sahar Dua, Helen Yu, Edward Sun, Jiaquan Zhang, Qianqu Zhao
Chosen: Lily Liu and Aidan Wilson

Student Life Committee
Councillors Nominated (4 required): Julia Chai (Science), Keira Britto (Kinesiology), Kevin Zhang (Arts), Ian Gilbert (Regent), Ravi Parhar (Medicine)
Chosen: Julia Chai, Keira Britto, Kevin Zhang, Ian Gilbert
At Large Nominated (1 required): Stuart Clarke, Bruce Yao, Yizhen Song, Helen Yu, Ethan He, Qianqu Zhao
Chosen: Stuart Clarke
Governance Committee
Councillors Nominated (5 required): Katherine Westerlund (Engineering), Max Holmes (Board of Governors), Jeanie Malone (Board of Governors), Alex Gonzalez (Senate), Michelle Marcus (Science)
At Large Nominated (1 required): Sahar Dua

Steering Committee
At Large Nominated (1 required): Davey Li, Helen Yu, Jiaquan Zhang, Qianqu Zhao
Chosen: Davey Li

New SUB Committee
Councillors Nominated (2 required): Samantha Peng (Journalism), Anican Yu (Music), Priscilla Chan (Commerce)
Chosen: Samantha Peng and Anican Yu
At Large Nominated (2 required): None

Impact Grant Working Group
Councillors Nominated (1 required): Jackson Schumacher (GSS), Matthew Epstein (Forestry)
Chosen: Jackson Schumacher

8. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED KELVIN AU:

“That Nicholas Harterre, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Alireza Kamyabi (4 x Councillors) and Brandon Connor (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Advocacy Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Kelvin Au, Samantha Peng, Riley Ty, Michelle Marcus, and Jonathan Kew (5 x non-Executive Councillors) and George Kachkovski (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Human Resources Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Arash Shadkam, Michelle Marcus, Andrew Huang (3 x Councillors) and Michael Dobson and Brandyn Marx (2 x members at large) be appointed to the Finance Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Jeanie Malone, Kelvin Au, Alex Gonzalez, and Katherine Westerlund (4 x non-Executive Councillors) and Lily Liu and Aidan Wilson (2 x members at large) be appointed to the Operations Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Julia Chai, Keira Britto, Kevin Zhang and Ian Gilbert (4 x non-Executive Councillors) and Stuart Clarke (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”
“That Katherine Westerlund, Max Holmes, Jeanie Malone, Alex Gonzalez, and Michelle Marcus (5 x non-Executive Councillors) and Sahar Dua (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Governance Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Davey Li (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Steering Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Samantha Peng and Anican Yu (2 x Councillors) and ____ (2 x members at large) be appointed to the New SUB Committee until the completion of the project.”

“That Jackson Schumacher (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Impact Grant Working Group for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in May 2020.”

… Carried

For (24): Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Tanner Gjosund, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Michelle Marcus, Ravi Parhar, Samantha Peng, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Andy Wu, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

Against (2): Julia Burnham, Katherine Westerlund

9. MOVED JEANIE MALONE, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That Tyra Phillips be appointed Chair of the Advocacy Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Riley Ty be appointed Chair of the Human Resources Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Cole Evans be appointed Chair of the Student Life Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Katherine Westerlund be appointed Chair of the Governance Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at a Council meeting in May 2020.”

… Carried

For (25): Kelvin Au, Keira Britto, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Tanner Gjosund, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Samantha Peng, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Katherine Westerlund, Andy Wu, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Riley Ty
K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Chris Hakim

- Welcome to new Councillors and old. It’s the beginning of the School Year.
- The AMS was extensively engaged in First Week activities.
- We gave a workshop about the AMS at Jump Start.
- We talked about Services at Imagine Day and showed Eric’s video to 7,200 students.
- We’ve sold out Welcome Back Barbecue.
- At Homecoming I will do the coin toss.
- Collective bargaining with SASC employees is done.
- We created the Sexual Violence and Respectful Community working group.
- We finished negotiations with UBC about the Empower Me mental health service, and now UBC will cover 100% of the cost for all students, not just those enrolled in the Health and Dental Plan.
- Been working on rooms for the Indigenous Committee.
- Board of Governors committee meetings.
- Hiring Deputy Ombudsperson.
- Preparing venue and material for the AGM.
- Sexual violence policies on campus.
- Appointed to UBC academic renewal working group.
- Working with UBC SUO re presentation to BoG.
- New AMS budgeting and reporting process proposal has gone to the Finance Committee and the Governance Committee.

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

VP External Affairs – Cristina Ilnitchi

- Federal advocacy.
- National Student Letter.
- Provincial lobby trip.
- UCRU discussions.
- Working with other student unions on their priorities.
- Meeting with community groups re advocacy.
- Working with Chris on responses to UNA bylaw changes.

Questions
Andy Wu:
- What are our provincial priorities?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Student financial aid:
  - Looking for grants.
- Also advocacy about sexual violence and Indigenous student support.
- Grad student funding.
Alireza Kamyabi:
- Who do we meet on the lobby trip?

Cristina Ilnitchi
- All parties.
- Important ministers: Advanced Education, Education, the Premier, MLA’s from Metro Vancouver.

Kelvin Au:
- What is the AMS doing about the climate strike?

Chris Hakim:
- We have signed on to the letter.
- This is a core issue in the federal election.
- Discussion in the HR Committee about what to do for those that want to go out on strike.

VP Academic – Julia Burnham
- SVPRO Director search committee: Director hired.
- Senate starting up: I am Vice-Chair of the committee on Diversity and Inclusion.
- Well-Being Committee.
- Policy 131 review process started. Meeting with SASC to strategize about that.
- Textbook Broke campaign (5th year): prizes, including candy. Very exciting booth.
- Met with UBC climate strike organizer.
- Collaborated with UBCO SU on Board of Governors presentation.

Questions
Max Holmes:
- Last year we publicized the We Believe You campaign more.
- What is the collaboration on this?

Julia Burnham:
- Messaging last year was an introduction to SVPRO.
- This year we collaborated with SASC and SVPRO about messaging.
- The AMS SASC logo is included now.
- We have posters to go up.
- Focusing on first year and international students.
- Campaign on consent later.

Student Services Manager – Ian Stone
- There’s now a Facebook page for Services.
- Discussed Food Bank funding with President Ono.
- Had 320 visits to Food Bank this past summer, a 30% increase from last summer.
- Safewalk and Food Bank have been functioning through the summer; the other Services will now be reopening.
- Food Bank is extending its hours (till 6 pm on Thursday).
• Vice will have a Chill Cube at the Welcome Back Barbecue.
• Safewalk will be at the Pride event.
• Doing promo work with Communications: at Jump Start, the Law students orientation, the VST orientation.
• Made some tweaks to our Olivewood data collection.

**Questions**

Alireza Kamyabi:
- Did you reach out to Law?

Ian Stone:
- They reached out to us.

Alireza Kamyabi:
- Can we do anything to reach out to other programs, e.g. Medicine?

Ian Stone:
- Totally.

Mathew Ho:
- Why does Speakeasy not operate in the summer?

Ian Stone:
- Lack of volunteers and the demand goes way down.

**VP Finance – Lucia Liang**

- Preparing launch of financial literacy campaign.
- Our secure online transfer system will launch at the end of the month.
- New MoU with WUSC.
- Financial newsletter to treasurers.

**Questions**

Andy Wu:
- Can you provide details on the financial literacy campaign?

Lucia Liang:
- RBC created the content.
- We look over it.
- Free food.

**VP Administration – Cole Evans**

- Great turnout for club executive orientations to learn the new OpsCom rules. There was a SASC workshop.
- Clubs Days next week being expanded into the Life Building.
- Sustainability:
  - Zero Waste Foodware strategy for end of the month. Working with UBC.
Rebranding Sustainability.
- Making strides in the Green to Go program (container sharing).
- Hatch Art Gallery opening with a “Gloves Off” show.
  - Cool events coming.
  - Workshop about installations.
  - Karaoke in the Hatch.
- The Commons (and Clubs Resource Centre): soft launch next week.
- Nest booking system.
- Nest Experience Survey.

Questions
Max Holmes:
- Have we evaluated the idea of using an outside firm for the Nest Experience Survey, as with the Academic Experience Survey?

Cole Evans:
- We are looking into that.

Max Holmes:
- For this year?

Chris Hakim:
- Not this year, unless we change the budget reforecast.
- Hoping to amend our policy on the AES to be about more surveys than just the AES.

Cole Evans:
- AMS SV PREP policy passed.
- We want to communicate on how to use this policy.

Managing Director – Keith Hester
- Sold out the Welcome Back Barbecue.
- Completed collective bargaining.
- E-transfer system complete but are working on communications.
- Finished audit.
- New system (Dayforce) for HR and Payroll should be ready by December.
- Interviews for new Policy Advisor.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Advocacy – Cristina Ilnitchi
- Wrapped up National Student Letter.

Governance – Katherine Westerlund
- Working on Constituency issues and policies.
Fermentation Lab – Kelvin Au
  • Haven’t met yet.

Finance – Lucia Liang
  • Joint meeting with the Governance Committee about the budgeting process.
  • May go to 6-month timeline rather than two months.
  • Quarterly reports from fee receiving groups.
  • SPF application process.

HR – Riley Ty
  • Ombudsperson resigned. Met to discuss that.
  • Still hoping to fill the Advisory Board.

New SUB – Cole Evans
  • The project is pretty much done.
  • Probably going to cancel this committee quite soon.

Operations – Cole Evans
  • In contrast, OpsCom’s work is endless. Won’t be cancelling it any time.
  • Did cancel this week’s meeting, though, because no one could make it.
  • Passed edits to OpsCom manual.
  • Policy I-7 coming next meeting (the building suspension policy to ensure safety).

SHAPE – Chris Hakim
  • Cole’s staff has finished its report on the value of our pieces, and they’re in contact with the Heffel auction company.

Steering – Chris Hakim
  • Vision statement for strategic plan.
  • Hope to bring to September 25th meeting.

Student Life – Kevin Zhang
  • Met on September 5th.
  • Went over Terms of Reference Code change.
  • Talked to Events and Communications.

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):
  Chris Hakim:
    • Met last week.
    • Finalized orientation package.

  Alireza Kamyabi:
    • Did this include the GSS?

  Chris Hakim:
    • Yes.
0. Board of Governors, Senate, Ombudsperson & Historical Update Reports (2 minutes each):

BoG – Jeanie Malone
- Committee meetings today, tomorrow, next week.
- Full board at Kelowna.
- Will be webcast.
- All agenda materials are online.

Senate – Alex Gonzalez
- Hasn’t met all summer, but meeting next Wednesday.
- Climate change strike update coming next meeting.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
- Federal election fun facts:
  - Two prime ministers began their careers on AMS Council:
    - Kim Campbell and John Turner.
    - Kim Campbell was the first female Frosh President at UBC and later became AMS Vice-President. PM in 1993.
    - John Turner was known as Chick Turner; he was a sportswriter for the Ubyssey and served as Coordinator of Activities on AMS Council. PM in 1984.
  - Justin Trudeau’s grandfather, James Sinclair, was a member of AMS Council. His daughter Margaret married Pierre Trudeau.

10. MOVED JULIA BURNHAM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the meeting be extended by one hour.”

Max Holmes:
- I have an objection to this. We need to be more efficient in meetings.

Chris Hakim:
- We need to pass the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

11. MOVED JULIA BURNHAM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

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... Carried

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Abstained: Jonathan Kew, Samantha Peng, Anican Yu
P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:

12. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED KEIRA BRITTO: [SCD122-20]
   “That on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, Council approve the AMS SASC/CUPE Local 1936 Collective Agreement as presented, contingent on ratification by the CUPE Local 1936.”

   Chris Hakim:
   - After a year of hard work on this (by Keith the Managing Director, Praneet the HR Manager, and Annette the SASC Manager), I am happy to present the agreement between AMS SASC and CUPE 1936.
   - Both parties are very happy with it.

13. MOVED KELVIN AU, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM, THIRDED RILEY TY:
   “That the meeting enter an in camera session.”

   The meeting went in camera at 10 pm.
   The meeting came out of camera at 10:20 pm.

14. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED KEIRA BRITTO:
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   Abdul Alnaar:
   - Thanks to the individuals who worked really hard to get this accepted, and thanks to all the support workers and outreach workers.

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R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

S) Committee Motions:

16. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

From the Governance Committee
“Be it resolved that Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2019: Electoral Procedures Clarifications’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Katherine Westerlund:
- Looking to make things equitable in elections.
- Made the maximum reimbursement equal to the spending limit.
- Students with an extra $200 to spend will no longer have an advantage.
- This is not the end of what Governance is planning on the electoral procedures. Maybe some more by January 2020.

Andy Wu:
- How will the Chief Electoral Officer’s office track expenses? How make sure reporting is accurate?

Katherine Westerlund:
- There’s no way to make sure reporting is 100% accurate.

Jeanie Malone:
- Election rules are clear on what’s counted.
- Candidates can file a complaint if they think someone has overspent.
- Candidates need to submit receipts for reimbursements.
- Sometimes the Elections Administrator will demand a list of all expenses.

Julia Burnham:
- Candidates do report other candidates for violations. Lots of postering violations got reported last year. Candidates can be quite petty.

Katherine Westerlund:
- This recommendation was made in consultation with the Finance Committee.
- With the ban on postering, there won’t necessarily be an increase in cost.

Andy Wu:
- Banning postering will lead to a surge in social media ads.
- Last cycle we were all bombarded.
- The costs of those are not as clearcut.
- Would love Governance or the Elections Committee to look into this matter.
Max Holmes:
- You are already required to disclose election expenses.
- One issue is that there’s no way of enforcing the rule, of making sure people haven’t gone over.
- I’m in favour of this change to bring in more equity.
- But I’m concerned about another change in the package, the one banning clubs from using funds to support candidates.
- If a club wanted to support you in the past, what they spent would be counted against your spending limit.

Katherine Westerlund:
- We wanted to hold them to the same consideration as Constituencies because they get student fees too.

Julia Burnham:
- I’d encourage the Governance Committee to look at the reimbursement process: it’s quite lengthy, and candidates end up maxing out credit cards, waiting for reimbursement.

Katherine Westerlund:
- It’s difficult to set up a system of giving people money up front and then having to ask for some of it back.
- We did discuss it.

Cole Evans:
- Part of the reason for excluding club resources is that some clubs are as large as Constituencies. They have power.
- Looking at the equity side of things, it seemed like an unfair advantage.

Max Holmes:
- I would agree if not for the rule that says money spent by a club counts towards a candidate’s expenses.
- The AMS is extending its hand too far in restricting interest groups.
- Let this proposal go to the Elections Committee.

17. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

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Against (7): Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Michelle Marcus, Samantha Peng

18. MOVED JULIA BURNHAM, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

“That the previous motion be reconsidered.”

... No objections

19. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

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Note: Requires 2/3rds

20. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED KEIRA BRITTO:

“That the motion be amended to amend the Code change to delete the part of the amendment adding “nor the Society’s clubs” in Article 2(8)(c).”

... No objections

21. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

From the Governance Committee

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“Be it further resolved that Article 2(8)(c) be amended to strike the addition of the words ‘nor the Society’s Clubs’.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Andy Wu:

- We should refer Article 2(8)(c) back to the committee.

Katherine Westerlund:

- We'll just look at it.
Michelle Marcus:
  • It would be good to consider the definition of resources.
  • I do agree that clubs can play some role, but I want to look at their resources to make sure they’re not getting an unfair advantage.

22. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:
   [SCD124-20]

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23. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED ANDY WU:

   "Whereas Council on June 19 passed the following motion:

   That Council direct the Sustainability Subcommittee to report back to Council on the AMS’s plan and timeline for implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware policy by the first Council meeting of September.

   Be it resolved that Council amend that motion to direct that the report be made at the second Council meeting in September."

   Note: Requires 2/3rds

   Cole Evans:
   • Council wanted us to present now, but we need a little more time.

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25. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED MATTHEW EPSTEIN [SCD125-20]


Note: Requires 2/3rds

Kevin Zhang:
- The AMS Events and Communications managers will now be non-voting members of the committee.
- We struck one of the duties of the committee and edited another so that instead of producing an annual strategy on student engagement, the committee provides recommendations on student engagement.

26. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED MATTHEW EPSTEIN


Note: Requires 2/3rds ... Carried

For (22): Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Samantha Peng, Tyra Phillips, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Riley Ty, Katherine Westerlund, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:
U) Discussion Period

V) Submissions:

- Procedure for filling the vacancy of the Arts Student Senator as amended [SCD126-20]
- National Student Letter [SCD127-20]
- National Student Letter report [SCD128-20]
- Operations Committee Manual [SCD128-20]
- Human Rights and Democracy Activism for Hong Kong Students [SCD129-20]
- Correspondence

W) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: September 25, 2019

X) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:48 pm.

Y) Social Activity:
## September 11, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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V1: Welcome to a new school year! Now
please test your clickers and let the Speaker know if there are any issues!

V2: Approval of the agenda

V3: Consent Agenda Items Approval (2.0)

V4: Motion to table 2.1 (minutes) to the next Council meeting

V5: Committee Appointments

V6: Committee Chair Appointments

V7: 1hr Extension

V8: Stay in Camera

V9: Stay in Camera

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V14: BE IT RESOLVED THAT at the recommendation of the AMS Student Life Committee
AMS Council approve the code changes outlined in the document entitled:
Code Changes 2019 - Student Life Committee Terms of Reference.pdf

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Guests: Charlotte Alden (Ubyssey), Andrew Ha (Ubyssey), Sarah Zhao (Ubyssey), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Thomas O'Donnell (Ubyssey), Veronica Stolba (AMS AVP Academic), Jerome Goddard (AMS AVP University Affairs), Nick Pang (AMS staff), Dani Stancer (AMS staff), Mathew Ho (student), Ben Bemus (VST) and other students from VST, Members of the Indigenous Committee, 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 6:05 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:
- This meeting is taking place on the stolen and unceded land of the hə́n̓q̓ə̑min̓ə̑m̓-speaking Musqueam people.
- We make this acknowledgement in the hope that in our way we can work to shift the colonial default.
- Conversations here have indicated that we are sorely lacking in Indigenous representation.
- We need to work in solidarity with Indigenous peoples and reflect on what that means.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED JULIA CHAI, SECONDED TYRA PHILLIPS:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

   “That the Ombudsperson motion be moved to be the first motion.”
   … No objections
   - Max Holmes asked for a discussion item on Executive Committee meetings
   - Katherine Westerlund asked for a discussion item on committee reporting.

3. MOVED JULIA CHAI, SECONDED TYRA PHILLIPS:

   “That the agenda be adopted as amended.”
   … Carried
For (29): Kelvin Au, Riley Baechler, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Muse Greenwood, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Michelle Marcus, Ravi Parhar, Tyra Phillips, Shadi Saberian, Jackson Schumacher, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Katherine Westerlund, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

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

Welcome to our new Members: Dante Agosti-Moro (Senate), Riley Baechler (Architecture)

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Law, Population & Public Health, St. Mark’s

Goodbyes: Mark Leung (St. Mark’s), Matthias Leuprecht (Senate)

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:

• If there is anything I can do to make these meetings more accessible, let me know.
• The aim is to be inclusive and efficient.

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

4. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED JULIA CHAI:

“That on the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee, AMS Council appoint Katrin Iacono as the AMS Ombudsperson effective immediately and ending April 30, 2020.”

Riley Ty:

• After job postings, interviews, and discussion at the HR Committee, we are here with this candidate.
• She’s a third year law student specializing in family law

5. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED JULIA CHAI:

“That on the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee, AMS Council appoint Katrin Iacono as the AMS Ombudsperson effective immediately and ending April 30, 2020.”

... Carried
G) Consent Agenda Items

- Kevin Zhang asked that the Operations Committee minutes dated August 11th be discussed separately.
- Max Holmes noted that lots of committees are missing, adding that it would be nice to get all the minutes.

6. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED ALIREZA KAMYABI:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Fermentation Lab Committee minutes dated September 13, 2019 [SCD131-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated August 16, 2019 [SCD132-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated Sept 6, 2019 [SCD133-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated August 26, 2019 [SCD134-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated September 16, 2019 [SCD135-20]
HR Committee minutes dated August 7, 2019 [SCD136-20]
HR Committee minutes dated August 14, 2019 [SCD137-20]
HR Committee minutes dated September 11, 2019 [SCD138-20]

... Carried

For (26): Kelvin Au, Riley Baechler, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Muse Greenwood, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, Shadi Saberian, Jackson Schumacher, John Segui, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Katherine Westerlund, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

7. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED ALIREZA KAMYABI:

“That the following item be accepted as presented:

Operations Committee minutes dated August 11, 2019 [SCD139-20]

Kevin Zhang:
- These minutes should be dated August 13, 2019.

8. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED ALIREZA KAMYABI:

“That the following item be accepted as amended:

Operations Committee minutes dated August 13, 2019 [SCD139-20]

.... Carried
For (27): Kelvin Au, Riley Baechler, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Muse Greenwood, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, Shadi Saberian, Jackson Schumacher, John Segui, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Katherine Westerlund, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

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

**SLFS (Student Legal Fund Society) and LSLAP (Law Students Legal Assistance Program)** – Jerome Goddard and Melody Cheung

[SCD140-20]

**Melody Cheung:**
- Setting up new free legal clinics for UBC students.
- Over the summer the SLFS and LSLAP entered into a partnership to provide a free legal clinic at the Allard Hall.
- LSLAP is a program started in 1969 by law students to provide free legal services on such things as residential tenancy, small claims, wills, employment standards, and criminal law.
  - It consists of six students with two or three supervising lawyers.

**Jerome Goddard:**
- The SLFS began in 1998 and gets a $1 fee from UBC students, which goes into a fund for large cases.
- Big focus of recent years: student education clinics:
  - Know Your Rights
  - Rent with Rights
- Could be some collaboration with the VP External and SASC.

**Melody Cheung:**
- The new clinic will provide education, legal advice, and representation to UBC students and will focus on systemic issues for them.
- UBC students are the target audience; the clinic is exclusively for them.
- We will do research on different topics.
- May refer cases to the SLFS for litigation.

**Jerome Goddard:**
- The SLFS will handle bigger cases.
- You can email us about them and send them to our litigation committee: the committee will determine if the cases fit into our constitutional mandate and should get funding.
- Ideally, with this new partnership we’ll get more cases.

**Melody Cheung:**
- At the clinic a law student will do intake and then research on whether we can provide representation or advice.
We're already underway and are seeing a lot of residential tenancy cases, issues with landlords.
We will gather stats to perform an analysis of systemic issues related to UBC students.

Questions
Michelle Marcus:
- The Advocacy Committee discussed having a Know Your Rights workshop for activists in the light of the upcoming climate strike.
- This is a great idea and would be valuable to students.
- Are you considering this?

Jerome Goddard:
- We are looking at this: formalizing an agreement with the AMS for a legal clinic for protesters. In November.

Muse Greenwood:
- Does this include St Mark’s, Regent, and VST?

Melody Cheung:
- This is available to anyone paying the $1 fee to the SLFS.
- And even those not eligible as UBC students can phone in.
- We do provide free legal advice to people in the Lower Mainland.

Alireza Kamyabi:
- Are the law students paid a stipend?

Melody Cheung:
- We have both paid and volunteer positions.

Cole Evans:
- The SLFS has a lot of money right now.
- Do you have plans to spend the money to increase visibility?

Jerome Goddard:
- This is exactly why we set up this partnership.
- Many don’t know the SLFS.
- Ideally, the partnership will lead to more workshops and more cases.

Max Holmes:
- Have you thought of lowering the SLFS fee?

Jerome Goddard:
- Absolutely a question our Board would consider.
- It would have to go to referendum.
Dante Agosti-Moro:
- How much is in the fund?

Jerome Goddard:
- $750,000.

**Ubyssey 101 – Emma Livingstone, Henry Anderson (Ubyssey news editors)**

Henry Anderson:
- Usually, we're live tweeting at the back.
- Here we are at the front: it's scary up here.

Emma Livingstone:
- Opt-outable levy of $6.89 per student supports us.
- We print every Tuesday: 8,000 copies.
- Mostly we're online now.

Henry Anderson:
- We have seven sections: news, sports, culture, etc.
- Emma and I are in news, covering student governance, UBC, campus news.
- Each section is autonomous, run by its own editor.
- If you have pitches, send us an email.
- If you have an opinion, you can send that to our op-ed section.

Emma Livingstone:
- We were part of the AMS till 1994.
- It was not a good break-up.
- Currently, we lease an office in the Nest from the AMS in return for a free monthly ad.
- You probably won't always like our coverage, but that just means we're doing our job.

Henry Anderson:
- The AMS media policy means whenever we send a media request to the AMS, it goes to a media.ams.ubc.ca address; that way everyone is on board.

Emma Livingstone:
- Most of our writers are volunteers.
- You as Councillors can’t participate in our news writing, but you can contribute columns.
- We're looking for contributors for “AMS Decoded” and for Senate articles.

**Questions**

Max Holmes:
- Why do you have a Science section?
- Why science and not research more broadly?
Henry Anderson:
- We do look more at science.
- It’s common for newspapers to have Science sections.

President Chris Hakim:
- Can I write the AMS Decoded section?

Emma Livingstone:
- It’s supposed to be for Councillors.

Chris Hakim:
- I’m a Councillor.

Katherine Westerlund:
- Tyra and I will volunteer to do AMS Decoded.

Wendy Song:
- You collect a $7 fee.
- How do you spend the money?

Henry Anderson:
- We have 11 paid editors, so it goes to our salaries.
- There’s also the cost of producing a printed issue.
- There are equipment costs: computers, cameras.
- We have a small endowment in case of lawsuits.
- We’re planning a national journalism conference.

Muse Greenwood:
- I enjoy the paper, but I have to come to the Nest to get it.
- They don’t come to VST.

Emma Livingstone:
- We will talk to our business manager about that.
- It’s great you want the paper.

Henry Anderson:
- We are slowly moving away from print.
- We may not continue a print edition much longer:
  - For sustainability reasons and because our audience is not much interested in picking up paper.

Katherine Westerlund:
- Never phase out the crossword.
Cole Evans:
- Where is the journalism conference?

Emma Livingstone:
- At the Marriott.

Mathew Ho:
- Speaking of sustainability, what happens to copies not picked up?

Thomas O’Donnell:
- Early on Tuesday I help put out the paper, and then later I hold my work in my hands and throw it into the recycling bins.

Max Holmes:
- Have you thought of a fee increase?
- Would this have to go through the AMS?

Henry Anderson:
- Our elections are run through the AMS.
- I haven't heard talk of raising fees: I think we're doing okay.

Julia Burnham:
- I used to work at the Ubyssey.
- There’s a lot of unpaid labour.
- You might want to look at increasing your fees.

**Timeline for Implementation of the UBC Zero Waste Foodware Policy – Cole Evans & Dani Stancer [SCD142-20]**

Dani Stancer (AVP Sustainability):
- Why this is important:
  - UBC and the City of Vancouver are moving in the same direction on this, aiming for 2020.
  - It's good for businesses and everyone. Social sustainability.
  - We're focusing on single use items: cutlery, straws, drinking cups.
  - The UBC policy requires a fee on single use cups.
    - At the AMS, our current cups are recyclable.
    - We'll include a fee that shows up on the screen as something extra.
    - Continuing Mugshare.
  - The UBC policy requires that cutlery is to be provided only on request.
    - The AMS is using up its plastic cutlery and switching to bamboo or other compostable material.
  - The UBC policy is against plastic straws.
    - The AMS is switching to paper.
  - The UBC policy requires a fee for single use containers.
The AMS is switching over to compostable containers and looking into reusable containers.

- The UBC policy is against single use bags.
  - The AMS doesn’t have bags.
- We are looking to provide training about our recycling bins, both front of house training and back of house:
  - Will put up improved signage and update training documents.
  - New Chop Value chopstick recycling bins.
- Single use food wrap: no UBC policy, but we’re looking into it.
- We’ll be doing consultation on fees for cutlery, cups, etc.
- Mostly we’re in line with UBC policy.
- We’ll be going at a pace in line with our business needs.
- The shift might decrease our profits: we will monitor this.
- Looking at partnerships to get cheaper prices.
- Looking at a marketing campaign to show people how to sort waste.
- We’ll be one of the first student unions in Canada to implement Zero Waste.
- It’s not applying yet to Events and Catering, but we’ll talk to them at a later date.

Questions

Ian Stone:
- Is there anything you will not be covering under this strategy?

Dani Stancer:
- We sat down with AMS Food & Beverage, and it all seems possible.

Katherine Westerlund:
- Are you planning to work with Constituencies?

Dani Stancer:
- The Sustainability Projects Fund is available to Constituencies.
  - We will work on a resource document next term.

Katherine Westerlund:
- We applied to the fund, but were turned down.

Cole Evans:
- We’re absolutely down with supporting clubs and Constituencies.
  - We’ve been mainly focused on ourselves, AMS outlets and so forth.
  - But in second semester we’ll see how we can help Constituencies.

Dani Stancer
- And we redid the Sustainability Projects Fund this summer.

Kelvin Au:
- How will student consultation be run?
Cole Evans:
- It’s actually a UBC consultation, not ours.
- We will probably work with them.
- We will follow UBC Zero Waste and what they’re hearing from students.

Mathew Ho:
- What about soy sauce packages at Honour Roll?

Dani Stancer:
- We can look into that.

Max Holmes:
- UBC is doing a consultation?
- Will you do a submission to that, stating the AMS position?

Cole Evans:
- That’s two years down the road.
- Of course, when it happens we’ll want to be involved.

**AMS Strategic Plan – Chris Hakim**

- This is part of our Executive goals.
- We’ve had discussions in committees.
- Looking at process and structure.
- Working on a long-term plan.
- In the past the AMS developed 1-3 year plans, which mostly failed.
- After some research into what has been done at other universities, their successes and failures, we are looking at a five-year plan, a vision.
- Consultation will be the cornerstone of this project.
- The Steering Committee and internal stakeholders will be discussing this.
- We’ll solicit feedback from our community
- We will have a Vision Statement saying where we want to be in five years.
- After the Vision Statement, development of our Values.
- Then Goals: the main point: what do we really want to be working on?
- Then Core Areas: How to section things off.
- And finally Strategic Actions: More minute actions.
- The Vision Statement has already been laid out by the Steering Committee:
  - “Building a community where every student feels supported, represented, and engaged.”
- Process/Timeline:
  - Hoping to finish by the end of the fiscal year.
  - The Vision Statement is complete.
  - Now going to work on Values: doing surveys on what our values should be for the next five years. This will be in October.
  - October-January: Goals: a discussion with students and staff.
Core Areas: Back to the community.

By April, to Council for approval.

Next time I will provide some reports, details.

Questions
Michelle Marcus:
- Can you tell us more about the consultation process?
- How can Councillors get involved?

Chris Hakim
- We'll mostly be surveying and using social media.
- We'll do work on the ground, booths, asking students questions, such as What topics should the AMS be working on?

Nicholas Harterre:
- If Councillors want to get involved, who do they talk to?

Chris Hakim:
- We'll be coming to Council and asking for feedback from this group.
- We really encourage you to talk to your constituents.
- We can come to your Constituency meetings.
- My assistant Nick Pang is a big driver on this: you can email him, or me.

Max Holmes:
- We have annual turnover and are inherently political, and politicians sway with the breeze.
- How will you ensure that this plan is followed?

Chris Hakim:
- That's a big part of our discussions: how embed it?
- We are trying to ensure that the consultation part is key.
- We know that five years is about how long students stay on campus: the average degree takes five to five and a half years.
- This is a five-year plan, so it is in line with that.
- Operationally, we will need to make sure all projects fall under the plan.
- When managers and executives set out their goals, they will have to make sure they fit under the plan.

Max Holmes:
- How does that ensure future following of the plan?
- You need to create a process to keep people accountable to the plan. But how?
  We change when there are elections.
- Four years from now, how will it work to have someone bound by a plan made four years before?
Chris Hakim:
- Short-term plans are more operational.
- When we say you have to do something, it doesn’t work.
- But setting a general direction is a lot easier.
- We still need to time to work this out.
- Council will have a degree of responsibility in this: if there’s one policy that Council should care about, it’s the Strategic Plan.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

New SUB Committee
- Cole Evans: Probably ending this committee soon.

At Large Nominees (2 required): Mathew Ho, Flipos Kiflai

Impact Grant Working Group
- Julia Burnham: This group awards grants to students for short-term research.

At Large Nominees (1 required): Helen Yu

Sustainability Subcommittee
Councillors Nominated (1 required): Matthew Epstein (Forestry)
At Large Nominees (1 required): Julia Niebles Fernandez, Kelly Lyu
Chosen: Julia Niebles Fernandez

Fermentation Lab Committee
Councillors Nominated (1 required): Dante Agosti-Moro (Senate), Nicholas Harterre (Economics), Max Holmes (BoG), Katherine Westerlund (Engineering)
Chosen: Dante Agosti-Moro

9. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That Mathew Ho and Flipos Kiflai (2 x members at large) be appointed to the New SUB Committee until the completion of the project.”

“That Helen Yu (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Impact Grant Working Group effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Matthew Epstein (1 x Councillor) and Julia Niebles Fernandez (1 x member at large) be appointed to the Sustainability Subcommittee effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Dante Agosti-Moro, (1 Councillor) be appointed to the Fermentation Lab Committee effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in May 2020.”

... Carried
For (27): Kelvin Au, Riley Baechler, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Julia Chai, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Tanner Gjosund, Muse Greenwood, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Michelle Marcus, Ravi Parhar, Tyra Phillips, Shadi Saberian, Jackson Schumacher, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Katherine Westerlund, Anican Yu, Kevin Zhang

K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Chris Hakim

- Was in Kelowna for the Board of Governors meeting.
- Presented with the UBC Okanagan student union on our advocacy priorities.
- Meeting with the Indigenous Committee tomorrow about an Indigenous seat on Council.
- Hired Executive Projects Assistant to work on the AGM.
- Deputy Ombudsperson hired: I helped the HR Committee with this
- The Sexual Violence and Respectful Policy Implementation group has begun to meet.
- Working with the Steering Committee on the Strategic Plan.
- Gave a presentation to the UNA (University Neighbourhoods Association) about the importance of student representation on their board.
- The AMS signed on to the climate strike open letter.
- I did the coin toss at last week’s Homecoming game.
- Met with Studentcare to discuss the Health and Dental Plan, especially the Empower Me program and psychological coverage.
- Looking at Policy I-12 to add new surveys.

Questions
Max Holmes:
- A while ago the AMS decided to do less surveys: why switch to doing more?

Chris Hakim:
- This was a shift in our Council-approved Executive goals, to be more data-driven.
- Want to collect more opinions.
- Looking at a marketing firm to help us.

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

VP Administration – Cole Evans

- In Admin Land the Sustainability team has been working on the Zero Waste Foodware Strategy and on project maintenance for SEEDS projects.
- A heads-up: I’m trying to cut the October sustainability update: don’t want to devote so much of our time to doing reports.
- The Hatch Gloves Off show went really well.
- Art installation Karaoke night at Hatch.
- Speaking to the Heffel auction house about selling art.
- Clubs Days went really well.
- Revamping the clubs newsletter and hoping to encourage more events.
- Finalizing date for Norm Theatre reopening: waiting for an inspection.
- Did a walkaround with a theatre consultant for Phase 2 of the Norm project.
- Clubs Resource Centre opening in the next week and a half: waiting on a permit.

**VP Academic – Julia Burnham**
- September was crazy busy.
- Went to Kelowna and presented with the UBC SUO: a good conversation.
- I’m now the chair of UBC’s Ombuds Advisory Committee: it’s addressing the findings of an external review.
- Policy 131 (sexual violence) meetings underway.
- Senate met for the first time last week.
- Met with the Independent Investigation Review Office about sexual violence.
- Met with the Advocom chair to map out the year.
- University Sports and Recreation Committee.
- Met with Santa Ono re needs-based student financial aid.
- Met with the VP Students (Ainsley Carry) about tuition consultation.
- Started work on presenting AMS budget priorities to the University.

**Student Services Manager – Ian Stone**
- Three services have started up again now that school has started: Tutoring, Speakeasy, and Vice.
- Been training.
- E-Hub: uptick in numbers, including graduate students:
  - 9 one-on-ones, compared to zero last year at this time.
  - Buck-up Nights: how businesses fail.
- Food Bank:
  - 85 visits since school began.
  - Lots of partners.
- Tutoring:
  - 113 people, a 20% increase.
  - New course (Computer Science).
  - Doing marketing and promo.
- Safewalk was working through the summer, and now that school’s begun there have been 460 walks.
- Vice:
  - Training.
  - Was present at Welcome Back Barbecue in a Chill Cube.
- Speakeasy:
  - 35 volunteers.
  - Five people have used it, about the same as last year.
- Advocacy:
  - Usage slowed during the summer, which is usual.
The Advocate saw 60 clients, mostly about academic misconduct and standing.

- Abdul is working on the Services Review.

**Questions**

Muse Greenwood:
- Thanks for coming to our orientations.
- Helps me with my slogan: The AMS is more than a bus pass.

Max Holmes:
- Any progress on the Tutoring software?

Chris Hakim:
- We are still trying to pin that down.
- Ian and Abdul are looking at quotes.
- Probably going to the IT Subcommittee.

**VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi**

- Hiring new Policy Advisor and research assistant.
- Did a presentation on student advocacy to the Rail-volution conference on transportation.
- Told the Ministry of Advanced Education that we’ll be coming to Victoria in October for the annual lobby trip.
- The provincial government announced 90 new childcare spaces at UBC, which is great.
- Provincial working groups created on sexualized violence.
- Working with the climate survey working group.
- The federal election is taking almost all of my time:
  - All-Candidates Debate next week about transportation.
  - Boothing/registering voters.
  - Bringing out the parties: Liberals, Greens.
  - Talking to Jody Wilson-Raybould about the National Student Letter.
- Climate strike on Friday: myself and a lot of Executives are excited; hope to see you there.

**Questions**

Michelle Marcus:
- What is UBC planning to do about the Get Out the Vote campaign?
- Can you send communication materials to Councillors?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Next week you will be receiving “Get out the Vote” material.
- We will come to your organization to talk and can bring you cool merchandise.
- As to UBC:
  - Been chatting with them.
  - Sharing communication materials.
Talked about how to inform staff, students, and faculty that they can take time off to vote.

**VP Finance – Lucia Liang (via Chris Hakim)**
- Financial literacy event a success.
- Finished new Treasurers’ Handbook.

**Managing Director – Keith Hester**
- CUPE agreement ratified.
- September was good for our businesses.
- Iwana Taco reopened.
- Interviewing for Policy Advisor.
- Working on Block Party line-up.

**Questions**
Max Holmes:
- Why did Iwana Taco not open until September 16?

Keith Hester:
- We had staffing issues.
- Open now with a limited menu.

**M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):**

**HR Committee – Riley Ty**
- Ombuds hiring.
- Focusing on goals.

**Advocacy Committee – Tyra Phillips**
- Met last week.
- Goal updating.

**Governance – Katherine Westerlund**
- Finally found a meeting time.
- Read all about us in the monthly update.
- No minutes – ran out of hours. Maybe pay your chairs for more hours.

**Fermentation Lab – Kelvin Au**
- Marketing survey not feasible.
- Will get a CUS member to help us decide what course to follow on marketing.

**Finance Committee – Chris Hakim for Lucia Liang**
- Haven’t met since the appointments.

**New SUB – Cole Evans**
- Committee wrapping up.
• Probably next meeting will get rid of it.

Operations – Cole Evans
• Meeting weekly.
• Policy I-7 (on expulsions): hope to finish next month.
• Working on Nest wayfinding project.
• Changes to OpsCom policy manual.
• Looking at better booking rules for subsidiaries.

Questions
Michelle Marcus
• Can you give us a summary of the changes to Policy I-7?

Cole Evans
• Clarification of definitions.
• Adopting some of the same review procedures as in Policy I-18 (Respectful Community).
• Also looking at how Policy I-7 impacts access to AMS Services (i.e., what happens if we ban a person who needs to access services?).

SHAPE Committee – Chris Hakim
• The Hatch team evaluated our inventory.
• Working with the Heffel auction house re selling art.

Steering Committee – Chris Hakim
• Strategic Plan process.
• Vision statement.
• Going public: consulting students.

Student Life – Cole Evans
• Still trying to organize a meeting time.
• Using the online “when to meet” app.

Questions
Chris Hakim:
• How did you send out the when to meet?

Cole Evans:
• Via Facebook Messenger.

Tyra Phillips:
• The most professional way to communicate is by email.

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):
Chris Hakim
• Meeting tomorrow.
Max Holmes:
- What will you discuss?

Chris Hakim:
- Implementation of SVPREP.
- Changing orientations for Constituency leaders: how to improve the orientations.
- I’m keeping the agenda open for the presidents to bring other business to the meeting.

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

BoG – Jeanie Malone
- Done all the Board meetings.

Max Holmes:
- Okanagan 2040 plan to increase enrolment at UBCO:
  - Impressive.
  - Young campus growing.
- Inter-campus mobility.
- Presentation from the AMS and the Okanagan student union.
  - Hopefully next time we’ll get a GSS presentation.

Jeanie Malone:
- We also discussed:
  - Digital research updates.
  - Undergraduate research programs.
  - Grad students research enterprise.
  - Food insecurity.
  - Student housing waitlist.
  - Non-UBC use of UBC facilities.
- Also the Arts Student Centre received Board 1 approval for its new location.

Max Holmes:
- Other issues:
  - Endowment.
  - Divestment.
  - Indigenous strategic plan.

Questions
Alireza Kamyabi:
- What is the delay in divestment?
- Is there opposition or just a bureaucratic nightmare?

Max Holmes:
- A bureaucratic nightmare, yes.
• Divesting non-donor-funded pools is easier.
• But most of the money is donor-funded, and there are issues about prudent investments.
• Other universities have divested.
• You’ll hear updates.

Alireza Kamyabi:
• How much is invested in petroleum?

Jeanie Malone:
• We don’t know those numbers.

Max Holmes:
• The numbers are difficult to break out.
• And are we talking about direct investment in fossil fuels, or investment in something that has a large carbon impact?
• Divestment is not enough: have to look at shareholder activism.

Senate – Dante Agosti-Moro
• Climate strike.
• Blue and Gold campaign goal doubled.
• Grad list approved.
• Search committee for new Vice-Provost.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
• A seagull named Birb has been in the news, and some have said we should rename UBC’s sports teams the Seagulls.
• In fact, in 1933 UBC students voted to pick Seagulls as the name of the sports teams in a contest run by the Ubyssey sports department.
• But the Ubyssey said Seagulls was a ridiculous choice and held another vote: this time Thunderbird won.
• This being Ubyssey night, here’s another tidbit:
  o In 1934 the paper ran a survey, sort of an early version of the Academic Experience Survey, but the questions were about what students ate for breakfast (corn flakes mostly) and what magazines they read (*Reader’s Digest*).
  o Also what they drank (Coke, ginger ale, and for the men only, beer).
  o And the aim was not to help advocacy but to provide information for advertisers.

10. MOVED COLE EVANS:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion to make Birb an honorary member of the AMS for life.”

• It was established that Code defines “honorary member” to mean what the Bylaws call “associate member.”
• In the Bylaws “associate members” include “those persons who are … designated as associate members by Council.”

Max Holmes:
• The motion is out of order because Birb is a bird, not a person.

The Speaker:
• With deep regret, I must agree.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:

R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

S) Committee Motions:

T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

U) Discussion Period

Executive Committee Meetings – Max Holmes
• Lately I’ve talked a lot about the non-existence of committee minutes, how they’re supposed to come to Council but don’t.
• Now I want to talk about the Executive Committee.
• I’ve already spoken to the Executive about this.
• This Executive has done many great things this year, but I’m concerned about its meetings and minutes.
• I’ve done the numbers:
  o There have been only 9 meetings for this Executive so far this year.
  o Before this year, 15 was the lowest number in the same period.
  o This year’s Executive seems to meet every two weeks instead of every week for an average of 25 minutes instead of 45 as in the past.
  o That’s three to four times less time in open meetings or the public than in the past.
• The Executive Committee is responsible for lots of things:
  o Executives are the only people elected to represent all students; they work full-time, are responsible for the Managing Director, communications, and so on: all the day-to-day.
    ▪ And the Executive Committee is the official body for these responsibilities.
    ▪ It is the most important body next to Council.
• So I’m worried about this trend.
• I’m surprised no one else has noticed this
• Councillors should pay attention to what comes to Council
• Minutes are highly important for Councillors to see what the Executives are doing.
• I’m also worried that Councillors are not asking questions during Executive updates.
• We got rid of the Oversight Committee, thank God, but with the idea that Council would play that role.
• Obviously, Executives have private meetings with each other, but some things should be on the official record.
• The president has told me this will be corrected in the future.

Kelvin Au:
• Does a longer meeting mean a better meeting?

Max Holmes:
• You can have short efficient meetings, but I’ve noticed from the minutes that mostly only one or two people speak on a topic.
• What discussion is happening?
• We should be looking to transparency.
• Minutes are one of our only ways to know what the Executives are doing.
• People are less talkative perhaps.
• And meetings are not happening as frequently.

Chris Hakim:
• The Executive did talk with Max, and we have made a commitment to fixing this.
• We’re a tightly knit group; we do bring things up informally.
• I have meetings individually with each Executive and also with management and staff.
• We move a lot of our information to our Council submissions to inform Council.
• That takes away from our Executive Committee meetings.
• We’ll move more into the Executive Committee.
• We are committed to having fuller discussions at Exec meetings.

Katherine Westerlund:
• Short meetings are good, but these minutes are a good way to communicate what is being done. Better than submissions to Council.

Kelvin Au:
• Executive Committee minutes provide documentation.
• That could be lacking from one-to-one meetings.
• Could use summaries of those.
• There’s an optics issue.

Kevin Zhang:
• This goes back to the broader topic of Council engagement.
• We should not be afraid to ask questions.
• Perhaps there could be some way to reach out to the chair or recording secretary.
• If there’s an issue, we should raise it.
Michelle Marcus:
- I’ve definitely been surprised by how short some of the meetings were.
- It would be useful to get information on meetings with management and staff.
- Executives create goals and present reports: there isn’t much of a mechanism to ensure Executives are pursuing their goals.

Katherine Westerlund:
- Re AMS Council and our oversight abilities:
  - We’re here in this room for three hours.
  - It’s a short meeting with dozens of documents.
  - It’s difficult to expect a full-time student with other jobs to go through all these documents.
  - I think that should be acknowledged.
  - Not sure how to fix this or how to provide further oversight.

Alireza Kamyabi:
- I’m not sure what the reason was for getting rid of the Oversight Committee.
- At the GSS we have a Governance and Accountability Committee.
- The strategic plan adds another level of oversight.

Chris Hakim:
- I appreciate all the comments.
- Looking to have more fulsome comments come from the Executive Committee.
- As to writing reports on check-in meetings, to write on each one would be difficult, and some private issues get raised.
- I will move some topics from one-on-ones to the Exec Committee.
- Could bring more management updates, detail from Keith. He does present here: you can ask him questions.
- You can always email me: resources are there to talk to me.
- We could provide more frequent updates on Executive goals.

Jeanie Malone:
- This is not a new issue.
- Last year we had discussions about interactions between the Executive and Council.
- There were recommendations.
- Did we abandon those for a good reason, or just forget?

Max Holmes:
- We could make our meetings more efficient.
- We spend 10 minutes doing Introductions; that’s a lot of time.
- There’s the Mover/Seconder game: we’ve talked of getting rid of it.
- We could discourage ad hoc motions.
- Three presentations per meeting is supposed to be the limit, but we’ve broken it regularly.
• If every committee sent out minutes regularly, it would be better than a bunch at one time.
• Maybe written reports.
• Hard to respond to oral Executive reports when hearing items for the first time.
• Councillors need to be more engaged.
• We need to bring more operational issues to Council.
• There are things not on the Executive agenda: I’d like to see updates on those issues so that Council knows about them.
• The Ubyssey once quoted me from the Executive Committee minutes; there’s transparency there.

Katherine Westerlund:
• Sometimes we don’t know what to ask.
• The Executive do so much, and it’s hard to remember it all, hard to remember the omissions: the information that’s not coming to Council.
• So much knowledge and so little training.

Committee Reporting – Katherine Westerlund
• Governance is the only committee submitting the required committee reports every month.
• Either decide we want them or tell me not to do mine.
• We could do a Code change.

Kelvin Au:
• I like to see the reports.

Max Holmes:
• People don’t want to read so many documents.
• Reports are better than minutes.
• Maybe replace minutes with reports.
• Maybe there should be monthly reports from the Executive Committee too.

Jeanie Malone:
• Should we address the number of hours for committee chairs?
• Does it need to change?

Katherine Westerlund:
• It depends on the committee and the work they do.
• If you compensated the chairs more, you would possibly see more work.
• I don’t have the hours.

Jeanie Malone
• I would like the HR Committee to look into committee chair compensation.
Max Holmes:
- Re committee reports: how do we enforce this?
- Removal of committee chairs?

V) Submissions:

Governance Committee September report [SCD144-20]
Communications and Marketing Budget Update Report [SCD145-20]
Sexual Violence and Respectful Policies Implementation Update Report [SCD146-20]
Correspondence: AMS Climate Strike Movement [SCD148-20]

W) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: October 9, 2019

X) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Y) Social Activity:

Pit Night
# September 25, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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V1: Test your clickers :)  
V2: Approval of the agenda  
V3: BE IT RESOLVED THAT  
   at the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee  
   the AMS Council appoint Katrin Iacono as the AMS Ombudsperson effective immediately and  
   ending April 30, 2020  
V4: Consent Agenda Items (2.0)  
V5: Consent Agenda Items (2.1)  
V6: Committee Appointments

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Haruka Higo (UBC Sororities), Carling Bauer (UBC Sororities), Ahsan Sahibzada (AMS Elections), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Sarah Zhao (Ubyssey), Andres Ha (Ubyssey), Sammy Smart (Ubyssey), Pawan Minhas (Ubyssey), Brandyn Marx (Republic of Texas), Rodney Little Mustache (Piikuni Niitsitapi), Nadir Nurdali, Harresh Thayakaanthan (Residence Hall Association), Nick Pang (AMS staff), Veronica Stolba (AMS staff), Conor Doherty (AMS staff), Keith Hester (Managing Director), Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council), Joanne Pickford (Admin Assistant)

A) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm.

Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:

- We want to acknowledge the territory we're on; it's not ours; it belongs to the hən̓q̓əmin̓ǝm̓-speaking Musqueam people.
- I hope that this acknowledgement can be seen less as a formalistic thing and more about taking a moment to meaningfully reflect on bringing our work in line with the Indigenous peoples and shifting the colonial default.

B) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED TYRA PHILLIPS, SECONDED KEIRA BRITTO:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

   - Julia Burnham asked for a motion to be added to appoint an Arts representative to Senate.
   - There were no objections.

2. MOVED TYRA PHILLIPS, SECONDED KEIRA BRITTO:

   “That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

   ... Carried

For (22): Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilñitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, Dante Agosti-Moro (proxy for Danny Liu), Nevena Rebic, Mathew Ho (proxy for Shadi Saberian), Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund
C) Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies:

Welcome to our new Members: Katrin Iacono (AMS Ombudsperson), Carmen Kim (Land and Food), Danny Liu (Science)

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Law, Population & Public Health, St. Mark’s

Goodbyes: Kelvin Au (LFS), Julia Chai (Science)

D) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker
• If you have any accessibility issues (sound, screen, procedures), let me know.
• We want our meetings to be efficient but inclusive.

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

F) Consent Agenda Items

3. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Governance Committee minutes dated July 15, 2019 [SCD149-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated July 22, 2019 [SCD150-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated July 29, 2019 [SCD151-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated September 23, 2019 [SCD152-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated September 20, 2019 [SCD153-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated September 26, 2019 [SCD154-20]

... Carried

For (24): Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Jesse Perl (proxy for Ian Gilbert), Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, Dante Agosti-Moro (proxy for Danny Liu), Nevena Rebic, Mathew Ho (proxy for Shadi Saberian), Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

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

Audit – Keith Hester (Managing Director) [SCD155-20]
• Our audit year runs from May 1 to April 30.
• This audit contains results from the year ending April 30, 2019.
• Am presenting it here before going to the AGM for final approval.
• Our total assets are $124 million, the largest part of that being the building.
• Our assets also include the AMS art collection and our investments.
• We’ve gone to a fossil fuel free investment portfolio:
  o Some said we couldn’t manage that way, but we have: we made nearly $700,000.
• Our liabilities total $95 million.
• The biggest is also the building, the $65 million loan on the building, which we will pay off in 18 years.
• Other liabilities include what we owe to Clubs and Constituencies.
• There’s also UBC’s contribution of $25 million to the building.
• Good news: We made a surplus $1,969,233, the highest surplus in our history.
  o It came largely from refinancing the building loan (we had interest savings this year of about $1 million).
  o Also, our investments went up, and the contribution from the businesses increased by $400,000.
• Bad news:
  o When we moved into this building, we made a loss of $248,000.
  o We already had a $1.3 million deficit from previous years.
  o The following year we were still paying interest to UBC (before refinancing the loan), which added to the deficit.
  o In 2017-18 we refinanced the loan and got a half-year’s savings, enabling us to lower the deficit by more than $900,000.
  o But we also renovated the lower level of the Life Building, which sent the deficit up over $5 million.
  o This year’s surplus has reduced that, and our operating deficit is gone, but we still have a deficit of about $4 million.
  o We’ll need a couple of years like this one to end the deficit.
• Besides the deficit, there is an AMS debt from our building loan:
  o Previously, this was a loan from UBC at 5.75%.
  o We’ve moved that to RBC at 3.2%.
  o Hoping to pay this off in another 18 years.
  o Over the course of the loan we will save $70 million over what we would have paid UBC.
  o We were making smaller payments to UBC because there was such a long term to the loan (35 years).
  o Now we’re making larger payments to pay it off faster.
    ▪ These are just about covered by the $100 fee we collect from the students.
  o The current loan balance is just under $65 million.

Questions
Max Holmes:
• What was the projected surplus?

Keith Hester:
• $427,000.
Max Holmes:
  • Why did it balloon?

Keith Hester:
  • The budget doesn’t include loan interest.

Max Holmes:
  • I’m referring to the $946,708 that reduced the operating deficit.

Keith Hester:
  • Our investments were one element:
    o We projected $375,000 but they actually delivered $700,000.
    o And the businesses brought in $400,000 more than expected.

Max Holmes:
  • The AMS collects student fees and advocates to the University about its surplus.
  • Our surplus is large: what are we looking at to get it down?
  • We’re paying off the deficit quite quickly.

Keith Hester:
  • We’re unlikely to repeat that surplus this year.

Chris Hakim:
  • When we projected our surplus, we expected a lower return on investments, but it went up.

Brandyn Marx:
  • What is the relationship between the loan on the building and our lease with UBC?
  • Are we pursuing ownership of the building?

Keith Hester:
  • Despite the fact that students paid for the building, we will never own the building.
  • UBC grants us a lease: it’s for 40 years, and then the building reverts to UBC.
  • 40 years plus a 15 year extension

Brandyn Marx:
  • So we’re paying for that lease.

Keith Hester:
  • Yes.

4. **MOVED** MICHELLE MARCUS, **SECONDED** KEVIN ZHANG:

  “That the agenda be amended to add a 5-minute statement from Rodney Little Mustache now.”

  … No objections
H) Statements from Students at Large (3 minutes each):

Rodney Little Mustache:
- You wouldn’t be in debt if you didn’t serve such expensive meals.
- You’re seeing racism at its best: the black and brown face of the Prime Minister, but no one here is doing anything about it.
- And there are people speaking here on white supremacy.
- I grew up on a reserve: native, two-spirit, homeless.
- Had to deal with racism, hatred.
- I want to get a protest started next week for First Nations children being denied their human rights.
- We should all be standing up for them.
- [Applause.]

5. MOVED MATHEW HO, SECONDED DANTE AGOSTI-MORO:

“That the question period on the Audit presentation be extended by two minutes.”

... No objections

Mathew Ho:
- I’m curious about why you’re saying the surplus was an exception.

Keith Hester:
- This is our largest ever.
- To repeat it would be fantastic, but not likely.
- Investment returns are market-related. The market had a really good year.
- Can’t say we’ll get $700,000 a year.

**Espresso Machine Replacement – Keith Hester**

- Blue Chip Cafe is our outlet that produces the highest returns:
  - $1.5 million in revenue; $400,000 net contribution.
- It does 340,000 transactions a year; 140,000 of those are for coffee.
- Blue Chip has three espresso makers.
- Two are currently broken: the boilers ruptured.
- The machines are supposed to have a lifespan of five years.
- We’re on four years now, less than the expected five because of the high volume.
- Line-ups are longer than normal now (because there is only one machine left).
- Have gone to the Finance Committee and the Executive, and am required to come to Council.
- The proposal is to purchase two new Nuova Simonelli coffee machines with money from the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund.
- That fund gets money from the Capital Projects Fund (CPF) and after the audit we make sure the fund has at least 15% of the value of the assets in it (it’s currently at 17%).
We got three quotes, all for the same machine. Varying prices. Took the lowest one (ECM Canada): $53,127.90.

They’re in stock and we’ll get them immediately.

Questions
Kevin Zhang:
- You could buy a car for this sort of money.
- Didn’t realize they were so expensive.
- What is the warranty period and what is the implementation plan?

Keith Hester:
- Warranty is typically 1-2 years (machines have a lifespan of 3-5 years).
- We’ll likely be coming back in four years again.
- Can get the machines immediately.
- They would arrive next week and only take a couple of hours to install.

Max Holmes:
- What is the annual contribution to this fund?

Keith Hester:
- It gets 30% of CPF, which is about $200,000 a year.

Max Holmes:
- Why don’t we build this cost into the budget instead of taking from this fund?
- Is this the life cycle of these machines? And is it sustainable to keep replacing them?

Keith Hester:
- Yes, the lifespan is 3-5 years; can’t do much to extend that.
- They are super-automatic machines: you just press a button.
- Could get a cheaper model, and it would be less likely to break down, but it takes longer to make coffee, and we’d end up with longer lines.
- The cost is built into the budget as depreciation. To get the money we have to go to the fund.

Max Holmes:
- I don’t know if it makes sense for us to be the ones approving this.
- Might be a good idea to look into whether the Finance Committee can do it without coming to Council.

Mathew Ho:
- Is it possible to repair these machines?

Keith Hester:
- It makes better sense to buy new machines.
Kia Teimouri:
- Two of the three are broken.
- The third one will be approaching its end too.
- Why not buy three?

Keith Hester:
- We did consider that, but because it’s not broken we didn’t want to come to Council for that.
- We will keep it as a back-up.

Riley Ty:
- No one was hurt when the boilers ruptured?

Keith Hester:
- No, but thanks for your concern.

Max Holmes:
- I’d like to add a discussion on Advisory Board hiring.

6. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED DANTE AGOSTI-MORO:

“That Council approve the spending of up to $53,127.90 from the SUB Repairs & Replacement Reserve to purchase two new espresso machines for Blue Chip Cafe.”

Note: Fund balance is $206,640.73
Note: Requires 2/3rds

Chris Hakim:
- This motion is from the presentation we just heard.
- It went to two committees.

Katherine Westerlund:
- At the EUS we buy lots of expensive items.
- We have a special fund and we’ve mapped out the lifespan of our equipment.
- I’d recommend that the AMS do something similar.

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... Carried

For (23): Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Jesse Perl (proxy for Ian Gilbert), Cristina
Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Tyra Phillips, Dante Agosti-Moro (proxy for Danny Liu), Jennifer Ling (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Nevena Rebic, Mathew Ho (proxy for Shadi Saberian), Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Cole Evans, Michelle Marcus

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

**HR Committee**
*Councillor Nominations*: Carmen Kim (Land & Food), Danny Liu (Science)
*Chosen*: Carmen Kim

**Operations Committee**
*Councillor Nominations*: Max Holmes (Board of Governors), Danny Liu (Science), Matthew Epstein (Forestry)
*Chosen*: Max Holmes

**Fermentation Lab Committee**
*Councillor Nominations*: Danny Liu (Science), Matthew Epstein (Forestry)
*Chosen*: Matthew Epstein (Forestry)

8. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That an appointment be added for the Student Life Committee.”

… No objections

**Student Life Committee**
*Councillor Nominations*: Max Holmes (Board of Governors), Carmen Kim (Land & Food)

Max Holmes:
- The problem with this committee is that it doesn’t do much or meet much.

*Chosen*: Carmen Kim

Katherine Westerlund:
- How many voted for each candidate?

The Speaker:
- We don’t usually reveal that.
- It’s a procedure that perhaps the group can discuss.
9. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

“That Carmen Kim (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Human Resources Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Max Holmes (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Operations Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Matthew Epstein (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Fermentation Lab Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in May 2020.”

“That Carmen Kim (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Student Life Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in May 2020.”

For (26): Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Jesse Perl (proxy for Ian Gilbert), Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Carmen Kim, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, Dante Agosti-Moro (proxy for Danny Liu), Jennifer Ling proxy for Ravi Parhar, Nevena Rebic, Mathew Ho (proxy for Shadi Saberian), Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

… Carried

10. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM

“That Kia Teimouri be appointed Chair of the Fermentation Lab Committee for a period effective immediately and ending at the first Council meeting in May 2020.”

… Carried

For (24): Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Jesse Perl (proxy for Ian Gilbert), Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Carmen Kim, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, Dante Agosti-Moro (proxy for Danny Liu), Jennifer Ling (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Mathew Ho (proxy for Shadi Saberian), Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

I) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Chris Hakim

- AGM preparations: ready to go for October 23, noon, in the Atrium.
- Discussions with the Indigenous Committee about a seat on Council: they want to move forward.
- The Executive is working on its goals.
- Strategic Plan development has begun.
- My staff is working with Governance on a whistleblower policy.
- Completed a report on the offline discussions held by the Executive earlier this term.
• Onboarding Ombudsperson and working on Ombuds branding and a future review of the office.
• My staff and the VP Finance have been drafting Code changes on budget process.
• Submission to Board of Governors in favour of requiring they appoint student reps to committees on policies affecting students.

Questions
Michelle Marcus:
• How will the AMS be advertising the AGM and incentivizing students to show up?

Chris Hakim:
• In compliance with the Bylaws, we have been advertising in the Ubyssey and the CiTR Discorder: that’s the minimum.
• But we’re trying to build excitement by advertising a post-AGM talk and networking event.
• Want to talk about issues.
• My assistant and the Communications Department are working on marketing: social media events, on the ground promotions.
• Trying to reflect the Blue and Gold campaign: the same tactics.

Max Holmes:
• What’s the agenda for the AGM?

Chris Hakim:
• The agenda is set by our bylaws:
  o Financial statement approval, auditors report, president and managing directors report, appointing the auditors.
• Unless we get quorum, can’t conduct any other official business.
• If we were to get quorum, I would like something on student engagement.

Max Holmes:
• The bylaw doesn’t say you can’t add to the agenda.
• You could advertise that this is what we want to do.
• That might help to get quorum.

K) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

VP Administration – Cole Evans
• Finished September club applications: the result is 37 new clubs.
• Figuring out ways to engage with clubs.
• Sustainability:
  o My team wrapped up the Zero Waste Foodware report.
  o Revising the Student-Driven Sustainability Strategy, which will be renamed the Sustainability Action Plan.
  o Spreading the word about the Sustainability Projects Fund.
• Clubs Resource Centre:
o Filled vacant positions.
o Putting finishing touches on the space.
o Lots of popularity.

- Hatch Art Gallery:
o Pop-up show ended.
o New exhibition of an award-winning artist: the S Project.

- Norm Theatre:
o Just wrapping up too. By next week.
o Cinematronics (the equipment supplier) working on it.
o Want a grand opening party.
o With the completion of the theatre, I can officially say we have completed the New SUB project.

- Lennon Wall:
o Decided to keep it up till the end of the month.
o We encourage all political perspectives to participate in a respectful way.

Kia Teimouri:
- What do you mean by engaging more with clubs?

Cole Evans:
- Using the new space to host workshops.
- Themed Pit nights.
- Engaging groups in upcoming projects.
- Arts groups to perform in the Norm.

Mathew Ho:
- Will you entertain an extension of the length of time the Lennon Wall stays up?

Cole Evans:
- It’s already past what intended.
- You might ask, Why not make it permanent?
- But because of its location and the high traffic there, it’s hard to maintain. It places a burden on the building operations staff.

**VP Academic & University Affairs – Julia Burnham**
- Working on nominations and reception for Open Education Resources champions:
o Got Santa Ono to sign on.
- Stratagem Conference on workplace diversity.
- Dealing with Arts Student Senator vacancy process.
- Preliminary preparation for the University’s budget:
o Responding about tuition increases, the Excellence Fund, the operating budget.
o Fighting for affordability.
- Academic Caucus revived
- Policy 131 (sexual violence) is consuming me: last of the review committee meetings today.
• I voted in the federal election and you should too.

Questions
Michelle Marcus:
• Right now there is a white supremacist speaker on campus.
• We’ve had many in recent years.
• What is the AMS doing?

Julia Burnham:
• We do have a statement on this specific event.
• The University has pledged to create committees to look into its bookings policies, but they have not yet been formed.
• We are advocating to be on these committees.

Nicholas Harterre:
• How will you make sure student concerns are heard on affordability and tuition?

Julia Burnham:
• We have met with the Graduate Students Society and the UBC Okanagan student union.
• The three of us will be bringing a joint submission to the Board of Governors.
• Looking at amending the consultation process.
• Will express this to the University.

Student Services Manager – Ian Stone
• Main focus is on marketing and promotion.
• Reaching out to partners, including the UBC Library and new community partners.
• Services are up and running.
• Clubs and stakeholders promoting our services.
• Food Bank interview on Global News.
• Mobile dispatch team for Safewalk to make it more efficient and accessible to all by having Safewalkers in more places on campus.

Questions
Alireza Kamyabi:
• What are you doing to let grad students know about AMS services?

Ian Stone:
• Happy to do a presentation.

Katherine Westerlund:
• Reach out to the EUS for another Safewalk station.

Ian Stone:
• Would love that.
Council recessed from 7:45 to 8 pm to allow Councillors to vote in the federal election.

VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi
- Met Indigenous Committee: looking into advocacy with them.
- Prepping for lobby trip: we are going with UVic and the SFU student society.
- Onboarding new staff member.
- Federal work:
  - UCRU meeting last week to discuss the response to the national student letter and to discuss bringing more structure to UCRU.
  - Met Jody Wilson-Raybould.
  - Great turnout for the election debate here.
  - Voting in the Nest: Election station here.
  - Student leadership video.
  - Election night event.
  - Getting materials to Residence Advisors in student housing.
  - Boothing in residences next week
  - Please encourage all to vote.

VP Finance – Lucia Liang
- Meeting with fee receiving groups: 20 different groups.
- Volunteer program for gaining experience in financial management.
- Funds & Grants Committee is meeting to look at making the process of administering our funds more fair.
- Sustainability Projects Fund orientations coming up.
- Make-up orientations for club and Constituency treasurers: already hosted 9.
- WUSC: Discussions about revision of the MoU with them.

Managing Director – Keith Hester
- Small air conditioning project: cools servery and A/V room.
- Meeting investment managers.
- AMS businesses had a great September.
- Leaders debate went well: hope to do similar activities to draw people into the building.

L) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Advocacy – Tyra Phillips
- Letter of support for Indigenous people in Hawaii over proposed telescope.
- OER campaign.
- Tuition.

Fermentation Lab – Cole Evans
- Looking at strategy, partnerships.
- Waiting on the Faculty.
- In a holding pattern with the Board of Governors.
Waiting for discussions re Musqueam rights.

Finance Committee – Lucia Liang
- Approved eight fund applications.
- Reviewed reporting process for Q2.
- Expresso machine.
- Financial literacy workshops.

Governance Committee – Katherine Westerlund
- Looking into whistleblower policy.
- Looking at some Code changes.
- This committee has almost the same composition as the Operations Committee.

HR Committee – Riley Ty
- Debrief from Julia on the Stratagem conference about increasing diversity and inclusivity training in the workplace.
- Discussed committee chair wages (I am in a conflict of interest on that: Samantha the vice-chair will chair those discussions).

Operations Committee – Cole Evans
- Focusing on Policy I-7 (Building Suspensions and Expulsions): maybe broadening it, going back to a previous approach.
- New table for Nest 3511.
- Big project coming.

SHAPE – Chris Hakim
- Discussed potential of selling two more pieces from our art collection:
  - Abandoned Village – EJ Hughes
  - Northern Image – Lawren Harris.
- Still talking to Heffel (the auction house) about alternatives.

Questions
Jesse Perl:
- What will be done with the money?

Chris Hakim:
- The referendum authorized us to put the money into an endowment to generate revenue.

Steering Committee – Chris Hakim
- Discussing feedback on values for the Strategic Plan.

Student Life – Cole Evans
- Meeting next Friday.
- Getting member availability.
- Planning what the committee will be doing.
Pawan Minhas:
• Will the IFC discussion be held in camera?

The Speaker:
• That’s not in my purview.

Chris Hakim:
• Stay tuned.

M) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):
Chris Hakim:
• Compiling reports from Constituency presidents about events, contracts, budgets.
• These come to Presidents Council and to AMS Council.

Questions
Tyra Phillips:
• Who’s is compiling these reports?

Chris Hakim:
• You’ll get an email on Friday.

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

BoG – Max Holmes
• The President’s Academic Excellence Initiative is being worked on by a new group.

Jeanie Malone:
• Tuition consultation is underway.
• All the hot new proposals to increase tuition are out.
• It’s important that students fill out the consultation form.

Max Holmes
• Committee meetings in November.
• Full Board in December.

Senate – Alex Gonzalez
• Hopefully a new Arts Student senator today.
• Considering who to interview for the Assistant to the Provost on Academic Freedom.
• Senate working group to look at the Senate statement on academic freedom.
Questions
Jeanie Malone:
- When is the next meeting and can anyone go?

Alex Gonzalez:
- Next Wednesday at 6 pm in IKB.
- Anyone can come.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
- We just approved money for Blue Chip, which is 30 years old this year.
- It’s an AMS business that replaced a tenant, Duke’s Cookies, in a controversial move that nearly provoked a referendum in 1989.
- Blue Chip has done well over the years:
  - In 2006 it featured on the KCTS Chefs program on the PBS Seattle station because of its Java Nut cookie.
- Can I also mention my new book, *Sherlockian Musings* (about Sherlock Holmes)? Book launch for it on November 15.

The Speaker:
- How can we get to the launch?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- It’s here in the Nest.

O) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

P) Executive Committee Motions:

Q) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

11. MOVED JULIA BURNHAM, SECONDED DANTE AGOSTI-MORO:

“That Council recommend to Senate the appointment of Charlotte Gilby as a student representative from the Faculty of Arts, and direct the President of the Society to inform the Secretary of Senate in writing of Council’s decision.”

Julia Burnham:
- There was a resignation in the summer.
- Senate delegates the responsibility for choosing a replacement to AMS Council.
- A resolution in the summer passed concerning process.
- There was an application and interview process conducted by the Arts Undergraduate Society and the Student Senate Caucus.
- This is their recommendation.

Dante Agosti-Moro:
- How many applicants were there?
Julia Burnham:
- Three.
- We wish there had been more, but typically Arts elections are uncontested: no one cares: it’s not okay.

Kevin Zhang:
- What members of the Student Senate Caucus were involved in the interviews?

Julia Burnham:
- Riley Ty and Max Holmes.

Max Holmes:
- AMS Code needs to be updated on this.
- It wasn’t advertised well by Arts.
- The AMS ended up having to advertise.
- Leaving this up to the Constituencies doesn’t necessarily work.

Cole Evans:
- Charlotte is fantastic.
- She works for me in the VP Admin office.
- She will serve Arts students well.

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“That Council recommend to Senate the appointment of Charlotte Gilby as a student representative from the Faculty of Arts, and direct the President of the Society to inform the Secretary of Senate in writing of Council’s decision.”

... Carried

For (21): Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Jesse Perl (proxy for Ian Gilbert), Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Dante Agosti-Moro (proxy for Danny Liu), Jennifer Ling (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Riley Ty

R) Committee Motions:

S) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

13. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“Whereas the Inter-Fraternity Council of UBC (IFC) is an AMS club; and
Whereas the IFC appears to be in violation of Section 4, Sub-Section A of the AMS Operations Committee Policy Manual; and

Whereas the AMS does not have a published comprehensive review of IFC's membership as an AMS Club; and

Whereas there is heightened interest in public accountability of IFC and organizations affiliated with the IFC,

Therefore be it resolved that the VP Administration in coordination with the Operations Committee lead a comprehensive review of the IFC's club membership and the fraternities' relationship with the AMS.

Be it further resolved that the VP Administration bring an update to the next Council meeting.

Be it further resolved that the VP Administration submit a final report and recommendations to Council at the first Council meeting in November.

Note: Section 4, Sub-Section A of the AMS Operations Committee Policy Manual states: ‘Membership in all AMS Clubs shall be open to all active AMS Members, as defined in Bylaw 2.1.’ The only exceptions granted are for designated program clubs (i.e. departmental clubs).”

Max Holmes:
- There’s an article in the Ubyssey that clarifies all this.
- There has been recent news about alleged events in the fraternities, but that’s not the reason this motion is here.
- The AMS has a complicated relationship with the IFC, which is supposed to be the regulatory body for the fraternities.
- The fraternities have eight houses on campus, seven in the Village and one next to Regent.
- No other club has housing on campus.
- Clubs are supposed to be open to all AMS members; IFC is not.
- There have been calls for greater accountability of organizations like the IFC.
- The motion calls for the VP Administration to look into our relationship with the fraternities.
- I’d say this is long overdue.
- There are issues of financial and legal risk.
- Asking for a final report in November: some say this moving quickly. But the AMS has often discussed this. There is information to build on.
- IFC is not a normal club. The Operations Committee has looked into this.
- The review should not look at current or past events, just the relationship.
- It should be done in an unbiased way; this is just calling for review.

Kia Teimouri:
- The motion seems to be targeting the IFC.
Why not other clubs? The sororities and others violate the same rules.
- The IFC and fraternities are forced to be selective.
- Relations to the AMS are integral, including relations with SASC.

14. MOVED KIA TEIMOURI, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the motion be amended to add a sentence saying that the review will identify and consider all other selective AMS clubs.”

Max Holmes:
- I agree that this should happen, but I am concerned about the timeline.
- If you add this, it becomes an unrealistic timeline.
- I would disagree with some of the motivation: the exclusivity is different for other clubs; they have waiting lists.
- It’s different if you say only these members and no others can join.
- We have looked at the IFC in the past
- We should look at this

Katherine Westerlund suggested amending the amendment to make it a standalone clause with a later date, reading:

“Be it further resolved that the VP Administration, in coordination with the Operations Committee, also work to identify and consider all AMS clubs which are not in line with Section 4, subsection A of the Operations Committee Policy Manual and produce a report with recommendations; the deadline will be by the first Council meeting in January 2020, with the possibility of submitting early.”

This was accepted as friendly.

15. MOVED KIA TEIMOURI, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the motion be amended to add the following clause:

Be it further resolved that the VP Administration, in coordination with the Operations Committee, also work to identify and consider all AMS clubs which are not in line with Section 4, subsection A of the Operations Committee Policy Manual and produce a report with recommendations; the deadline will be by the first Council meeting in January 2020, with the possibility of submitting early.”

... Carried

For (20): Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Jesse Perl (proxy for Ian Gilbert), Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Carmen Kim, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, Jennifer Ling (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Dante Agosti-Moro (proxy for Danny Liu), Riley Ty
16. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“Whereas the Inter-Fraternity Council of UBC (IFC) is an AMS club; and

Whereas the IFC appears to be in violation of Section 4, Sub-Section A of the AMS Operations Committee Policy Manual; and

Whereas the AMS does not have a published comprehensive review of IFC's membership as an AMS Club; and

Whereas there is heightened interest in public accountability of IFC and organizations affiliated with the IFC,

Therefore be it resolved that the VP Administration, in coordination with the Operations Committee, lead a comprehensive review of the IFC's club membership and the fraternities' relationship with the AMS.

Be it further resolved that the VP Administration bring an update to the next Council meeting.

Be it further resolved that the VP Administration submit a final report and recommendations to Council at the first Council meeting in November.

Be it further resolved that the Vice-President Administration, in coordination with the Operations Committee, also work to identify and consider all AMS clubs which are not in line with Section 4, Sub-Section A of the Operations Committee Policy Manual and produce a report with recommendations; the deadline will be the first Council meeting in January, with the possibility of submitting early.

Note: Section 4, Sub-Section A of the AMS Operations Committee Policy Manual states: ‘Membership in all AMS Clubs shall be open to all active AMS Members, as defined in Bylaw 2.1.’ The only exceptions granted are for designated program clubs (i.e. departmental clubs).”

Chris Hakim:
• Are the members of the IFC who sit on Council in a conflict of interest?

The Speaker:
• Yes.

Sheldon Goldfarb:
• People in conflict can’t debate or vote, and must leave in camera sessions, unless Council asks them to stay.
17. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG, THRIRDED RILEY TY:

“That the meeting go in camera.”

The meeting entered an in camera session at 8:55 pm.
The meeting came out of camera at 9:22 pm.

18. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“That the meeting go in camera.”

The meeting entered an in camera session at 8:55 pm.
The meeting came out of camera at 9:22 pm.

Whereas the Inter-Fraternity Council of UBC (IFC) is an AMS club; and

Whereas the IFC appears to be in violation of Section 4, Sub-Section A of the AMS Operations Committee Policy Manual; and

Whereas the AMS does not have a published comprehensive review of IFC’s membership as an AMS Club; and

Whereas there is heightened interest in public accountability of IFC and organizations affiliated with the IFC,

Therefore be it resolved that the VP Administration, in coordination with the Operations Committee, lead a comprehensive review of the IFC’s club membership and the fraternities’ relationship with the AMS.

Be it further resolved that the VP Administration bring an update to the next Council meeting.

Be it further resolved that the VP Administration submit a final report and recommendations to Council at the first Council meeting in November.

Be it further resolved that the Vice-President Administration, in coordination with the Operations Committee, also work to identify and consider all AMS clubs which are not in line with Section 4, Sub-Section A of the Operations Committee Policy Manual and produce a report with recommendations; the deadline will be the first Council meeting in January, with the possibility of submitting early.

Note: Section 4, Sub-Section A of the AMS Operations Committee Policy Manual states: ‘Membership in all AMS Clubs shall be open to all active AMS Members, as defined in Bylaw 2.1.’ The only exceptions granted are for designated program clubs (i.e. departmental clubs).”

Max Holmes:
- I don’t feel we should have gone in camera; it was completely unnecessary.

Cole Evans:
- What does the Board of Governors representative (Max Holmes) want to see in the final report?
• Analysis? Recommendations?

Max Holmes:
• Obviously, some analysis – of the past and current situation – and then recommendations.

Mathew Ho:
• Is the aim concrete actions or fluff?

Max Holmes:
• I’m never in favour of fluff.
• The recommendations should be for actions, some to be taken by the Operations Committee, some by Council.
• Council can then offer its opinions.

19. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“Whereas the Inter-Fraternity Council of UBC (IFC) is an AMS club; and

Whereas the IFC appears to be in violation of Section 4, Sub-Section A of the AMS Operations Committee Policy Manual; and

Whereas the AMS does not have a published comprehensive review of IFC’s membership as an AMS Club; and

Whereas there is heightened interest in public accountability of IFC and organizations affiliated with the IFC,

Therefore be it resolved that the VP Administration, in coordination with the Operations Committee, lead a comprehensive review of the IFC’s club membership and the fraternities’ relationship with the AMS.

Be it further resolved that the VP Administration bring an update to the next Council meeting.

Be it further resolved that the VP Administration submit a final report and recommendations to Council at the first Council meeting in November.

Be it further resolved that the Vice-President Administration, in coordination with the Operations Committee, also work to identify and consider all AMS clubs which are not in line with Section 4, Sub-Section A of the Operations Committee Policy Manual and produce a report with recommendations; the deadline will be the first Council meeting in January, with the possibility of submitting early.

Note: Section 4, Sub-Section A of the AMS Operations Committee Policy Manual states: ‘Membership in all AMS Clubs shall be open to all active AMS Members, as defined in
Bylaw 2.1. The only exceptions granted are for designated program clubs (i.e. departmental clubs).

... Carried

For (25): Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Andrew Huang, Jesse Perl (proxy for Ian Gilbert), Cristina Ilizitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Carmen Kim, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, Dante Agosti-Moro (proxy for Danny Liu), Jennifer Ling (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Nevena Rebic, Mathew Ho (proxy for Shadi Saberian), Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

Katherine Westerlund:
- Did the people that declared a conflict vote on this motion?

The Speaker:
- One did.

T) Discussion Period

Advisory Board Hiring
Max Holmes:
- The Governance Review years ago called for a revival of the Advisory Board, but it hasn't met since.
- The Advisory Board is supposed to help on financial issues.
- That expertise is desperately needed.
- What is the timeline?
- Are there hurdles?

Riley Ty (HR Committee Chair):
- The HR Committee is working with the President on this.
- We had a resignation of one professional member in the summer.
- We had some potential candidates, but both declined.
- We've had further discussions at the HR Committee, but have not been able to find a qualified candidate who is willing to make the time commitment.

Cole Evans:
- This was a recruiting nightmare last year.
- A lot of professionals don't want to bother with this.
- I encourage the HR Committee to look at creative ways to make this happen.
- Right now it's being seen as a way to get cheap consulting from professionals.
- We need to make the Advisory Board more appealing and fun.
- Maybe increase the honorarium.

Riley Ty:
- We're going to try to work on this.
Cristina Ilitchi:
- There is talk of there being one vacancy, but a lot of the members were appointed a long time ago.
- Have we checked in with them to make sure they’re still interested?

Riley Ty:
- Not yet, but we should.

Max Holmes:
- This should be at the top of the priority list.
- We wanted to create the Advisory Board.
- Increasing the honorarium is a good idea.
- It’s not cheap consulting; it’s helping a non-profit and the community.
- Not having this board is a deficit to the AMS.
- I’m going to keep bringing this up.

Katherine Westerlund:
- If this hasn’t worked for the past couple of years, and we have problems filling it, and the AMS hasn’t burned down yet, maybe we should be considering alternative models.

Cole Evans:
- Marium (last year’s president) and I put a lot of work into this last year.
- It was just redone, and in March seemed ready to go.
- Then the resignation.
- Only since then has it been a problem, so that’s only a few months.
- We’re almost there; it’s almost working.
- Still should give it a shot before doing anything drastic.

Max Holmes:
- It is necessary.
- Keith (the Managing Director) is wonderful, but it's good to get multiple perspectives.
- And it’s just an advisory board; it doesn’t hurt Council at all.
- Most of us do not have experience running multi-million dollar organizations.
- The entire AMS should be working to get this filled, not just one committee.

Riley Ty:
- I am actively asking all of you to find candidates.

U) Submissions:

Fermentation Lab Committee September report [SCD157-20]
HR Committee September report [SCD158-20]
ESA Fall Election results [SCD159-20]
EUS Fall Election Results [SCD160-20]
LFSUS Fall election results [SCD161-20]
SUS Fall Election Results [SCD162-20]
VSEUS Fall election results [SCD163-20]
FUS Fall Election 2019 Results [SCD164-20]
Executive Committee September report [SCD165-20]
Executive Committee off line meeting report [SCD166-20]
Financial Statements report [SCD167-20]
UBC Inter-Fraternity Council AMS Club Status Review [SCD168-20]

V) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: October 23, 2019

W) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:36 pm.

X) Social Activity:
V1: Please test your clickers :) 
V2: Approval of the agenda 
V3: Consent Agenda Items 
V4: BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the spending of up to $53 127.90 from the SUB Repairs & Replacement Reserve to purchase 2 new espresso machines for Blue Chip Cafe 
V5: Committee Appointments (4) 
V6: Committee Chair Appointment (Fermentation Lab Committee) 
V7: That Council recommend to Senate the appointment of Charlotte Gilby as a student representative from the Faculty of Arts and direct the President of the Society to inform the Secretary of Senate in writing of Councils decision. 
V8: Amendment to the IFC motion 
V9: Motion to stay in camera 
V10: Call To Question 
V11: Motion to keep folks deemed to be in a conflict of interest in the in-camera session 
V12: Motion to stay in camera 
V13: Inter-Fraternity Council Motion 

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| Samantha Peng | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | A | A | Y | Y | N | N | Y |
### October 9, 2019 Roster

**The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance**

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), Pawan Minhus (Ubyssey), Henry Anderson (Ubyssey), Nick Pang (AMS President's staff), Mathew Ho (student at large), Sarah Rachelle (School of Social Work), Sara P (School of Social Work), Katrina (School of Social Work), Davin Wong (UBC EHK, i.e., Enlightenment of Hong Kong), Sabrina (UBC EHK), 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 with Max Holmes in the chair.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Chair:

- At this time, we wish to acknowledge our presence on the unceded, traditional, and ancestral territory of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓-speaking Musqueam people.
- In addition, the chair wishes to recognize that learning happened in this place where we are gathered long before this institution was established. It is important that we understand and respect our privilege to be living, working, and learning on Musqueam territory.
- We hope that this acknowledgment inspires each and every one of us to reflect on the reconciliation still to be achieved and the challenges yet to be overcome.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

   “That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

2. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED LUCITA VILLARREAL:

   “That the agenda be amended to add Advocacy Committee minutes dated September 30, 2019 and also to add a Code suspension motion.”

   Chris Hakim:
   - These documents were sent out Monday instead of Friday.
   - I authorized them to go out late at the request of the VP Administration (for the Code suspension) and the Chair of Advocacy (for the minutes).

3. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED LUCITA VILLARREAL:

   “That the agenda be amended to add Advocacy Committee minutes dated September 30, 2019 and also to add a Code suspension motion.”

   … No objections
• Riley Ty asked to add an AGM discussion.

4. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (20): Haruka Higo (proxy for Audrey Howatson), Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Carmen Kim, Tyra Phillips, Danny Liu, Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), Shadi Saberian, John Segui, Wendy Song, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

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

Welcome to our new Members: Melanie Mpanju and Sabreena Shukul (Arts), Audrey Howatson (Education)

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Law, Population & Public Health, St. Mark’s

Goodbyes: Sean Thorne and Andy Wu (Arts)

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

Max Holmes as tonight’s chair:
• I may give you a quick reminder if you digress; please keep to the topic.
• No member can speak more than twice on a motion.
• Raise your hand or placard to be recognized.
• If you have accessibility needs, let me or Joanne know.
• Absenteeism: If you miss five meetings you are removed from Council whether you name a proxy or not.
• Councillors can add topics for the Discussion Period at any time before the Discussion Period.
• Councillors can submit motions ahead of time with the support of a second Councillor.
• During the meeting Councillors can also move to amend the agenda to add a motion.
• Committee chairs should follow Robert’s Rules in committee meetings and use speakers’ lists, getting away from informal discussions: this ensures that everyone gets a chance to speak.
• Items for the Council agenda should be presented by 10 am the Friday before, so the agenda can be sent at 4 pm.
  o This rule has not been enforced lately, but I hope it will be enforced.
F) Statements from Students at Large (3 minutes each):

Sarah Rachelle:
- I’m in fourth year Social Work and am here with classmates who are organizing in the community about the trans controversy.
- The School of Social Work has put out a statement saying to stand with the trans community against transphobia.
- We want you to stand with us in solidarity against transphobia.
- We’re asking you to add your names to the list.
- We may contact you.

Chris Hakim:
- Thank you, Sarah.
- I highly encourage our Councillors to be engaging with the School of Social Work about transphobia.
- We make clear that we are against events promoting transphobia.
- We believe trans right are human rights.

Julia Burnham:
- I want to echo Chris.
- I hope the Ubyssey is tweeting about this.
- Happy to chat about how to do advocacy to the University about this.

Davin Wong (UBC Enlightenment of Hong Kong):
- I am a third year PoliSci student and am also speaking for UBC EHK.
- I want to talk about Sonia, who was arrested in Hong Kong after protesting.
- I knew her.
- She’s Canadian.
- Terrible things are going on in Hong Kong that are not that far away from Canada and UBC.
- I myself am a quasi-refugee. I was forced to leave Hong Kong.
- UBC EHK is asking for a small favour:
  - We want a Lennon Wall, an area where people can learn about what’s going on in Hong Kong.
  - We want a space for voices, where people can feel safe to express themselves.
  - We’d like you to make a resolution to prevent the VP Administration from removing the Lennon Wall.
  - We’d like the Operations Committee to find a place for the Lennon Wall.

Chris Hakim:
- Thank you.
- This is very important work.
- The AMS is very clear in its stance.
- This is the thirtieth anniversary of Tiananmen Square, and we are clear in our commitment to open democracy without fear of retaliation.
I am glad to hear that students want us to take a second look at the Lennon Wall.
This is an opportunity for us to look at how long we can have it stay up.
We were going to keep it until October 31.
We were not looking to remove it, but our duty manager has to maintain vigilance over it, and it’s a strain on the staff.
But we have heard from you now that it’s important, so we’ll look at it again.

G) Consent Agenda Items

5. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Steering Committee minutes dated August 7, 2019 [SCD170-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated October 4, 2019 [SCD171-20]
HR Committee minutes dated October 9, 2019 [SCD172-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated September 23, 2019 [SCD173-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated September 30, 2019 [SCD174-20]
Advocacy Committee minutes dated September 30, 2019 [SCD175-20]

… Carried

For (22): Haruka Higo (proxy for Audrey Howatson), Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Matthew Epstein, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Nicholas Harterre, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Carmen Kim, Michelle Marcus, Janelle Wong (proxy for Priscilla Chan), Tyra Phillips, Danny Liu, Michael Salloum (proxy for Ravi Parhar), John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Wendy Song, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

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

Sustainability Update – Cole Evans

- There’s no powerpoint presentation for this.
- I’ve produced a report which has been submitted to Council.
- We are on track with our priorities.

Questions
Michelle Marcus:
- Why is there no presentation?

Cole Evans:
- There’s no deep answer.
- We did what was required by Code.
- We are not required to do a presentation, just an update, so we made a submission.
Michelle Marcus:
- Considering that the Sustainability team is working on a new strategy, I think it’s really important to get a presentation on the plan.
- Also, reading the submission, it seems very operations focused, unlike the old Student Driven Sustainability Strategy.
- I’m curious about the decision not to include non-operational aspects.

Cole Evans:
- The Sustainability Action Plan has been pushed back, but I’m more than happy to present on that.
- As for the content of the plan, it’s just this update that emphasizes operational aspects.
- The intention is to include the non-operational: advocacy, finances, the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals.
- Sorry that we didn’t include that in this update.
- We are doing a comprehensive plan, not just an operational one.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Chris Hakim
- The AMS AGM happened today.
  - Everything went smoothly.
  - It was an opportunity to provide the members with updates.
  - We reappointed the D&H Group as auditors.
  - About 80 people listened from around the Atrium, and people clapped.
- Sat down with the Ombudsperson and Communications to talk about new branding for the Ombudsoffice.
  - We are also doing a review of the office.
- Doing research on a whistleblower policy to go to Governance Committee.
- Redesigning Constituency and Councillor orientation: hoping to increase attendance and make it more thorough.
  - And a new committee chair orientation is needed, as the chairs have told me.
- Advertising the new AMS sexual violence policy; updating the online materials; providing an FAQ section.
- Working with the Ombudsoffice and SASC on data tracking.
- Working with Communications about materials for strategic plan consultation.
- UBC’s Academic Faculty Working Group is looking to hire more faculty.
- Making headway on filling the Advisory Board and confirming that current members can stay.
- Working with the VP External about a consulting firm for the Equity and Inclusion Plan.
- Initial stage of reviewing policies assigned to the Executive Committee.
Questions
Jeanie Malone:
- Can you clarify committee chair training?
- Is it for next year or for those in place now?

Chris Hakim:
- So far the plan is for next year, after the May appointments.
- But if the current chairs request, we can provide something earlier.

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

Student Services Manager – Ian Stone
- Services are going swell.
- E-Hub:
  - Secured a $6,000 grant to fund RBC Get Seeded.
  - Updated its web page.
- Safewalk:
  - Reviewing policies. Getting feedback.
  - Thanks to the EUS for space at the EUS centre.
- Vice:
  - Started seeing students for peer mentorship about harm reduction.
  - New Instagram account.
- Foodbank:
  - Food for Fines coming soon.
  - Donate a Dollar campaign in Nest outlets has already raised $300.
- Speakeasy:
  - Stressful time because of midterms, so there’s been an increase in usage.
  - Attended a workshop on barriers, especially for Asian students.
  - Brainstorming a mobile service.
- The Advocacy Coordinator is promoting his service.

VP Administration – Cole Evans
- Wrapped up a new round of club applications.
- Cool new clubs include the Spike Ball Club.
- Sustainability:
  - Finishing Zero Food Waste.
  - Starting work on the new Sustainability Action Plan:
    - Sent a vision statement to the Sustainability Subcommittee.
  - Maintaining older sustainability projects and getting some new ones.
- Hatch Art Gallery: S Project running till November, about navigation and maps.
- Clubs Resource Centre:
  - Finally open to the public.
  - Had some road bumps: issues with doors, hardware delayed.
- Norm Theatre project wrapping up: Grand Reopening soon.
• Identifying areas that need sprucing up in the building: stay tuned for fun things.

VP Academic & University Affairs – Julia Burnham
• Awesome day: OER Champions event.
• Met two new senators.
• AMS Impact Grant.
• Check in for Executive mid-term goals review.
• UBC looking at new administrative software; will cost hundreds of millions of dollars.
• UBC international strategy.
• UBC Equity Office external review.
• Working on presentation for CTLT (UBC’s Centre for Teaching, Learning & Technology): Open Allies – Student driven advocacy – OER.
• Met with Insights West re 2020 Academic Experience Survey.
• Policy 131 committee met.
• On a University search committee to find a new Vice-Provost and AVP Academic Affairs.

Questions
Jeanie Malone:
• What is happening with tuition consultation?

Julia Burnham:
• Chatting with the Advocacy Committee and the Academic Caucus.
• Working with the GSS and the UBCO student union on a joint submission to the Board of Governors

VP External – Chris Hakim for Cristina Ilnitchi
• Cristina is away in Victoria on a lobby trip, which is going well.
• She is there with the SFU student society and the BC Federation of Students.
• They’ve met 70 MLA’s and the Premier and are preparing lobbying briefs.
• Get Out the Vote ended with tons of classroom announcements and booting; also a results watching party.
• UCRU: working on formalizing committee structures and priorities.

VP Finance – Chris Hakim for Lucia Liang
• Lucia is away because of a family emergency.
• She’s working on authorizing treasurers for new clubs.
• Working with fee receiving groups on reporting.
• Investments are doing well: an increase from a 4% return last year to 7.88% this year.
• Sustainability Projects orientation.
• Secure online transfer rolled out.

Managing Director – Keith Hester
• Doing well on investments, as you just heard.
• New coffee machines installed:
  o I’m told the coffee tastes even better than before.
  o We saved $14,000 on them: cost was $39,000, not $53,000.
• Scream event this Saturday: 80% sold out.
• September year to date on budget or better.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Advocacy – Tyra Phillips
• Minutes submitted.
• Tuition consultation.

Steering – Chris Hakim
• Meeting next week.
• Main work in November will be the consultation package for the values in the Strategic Plan.

HR Committee – Riley Ty
• Working with Chris’s staff about filling the Advisory Board.
  o Hopefully will be done by the end of November.
  o Thanks to Councillors for suggesting candidates.
• Met the Chief Electoral Officer and the HR Coordinator: in the midst of hiring the elections team.
• Compensation of non-Executive chairs: doing a survey of the chairs for the past two years, asking about their hours.

Finance Committee – Chris Hakim for Lucia Liang
• Multiple fund applications (Sustainability Projects, Clubs Benefit).
• Looking at how to administer the Indigenous Fund and the Campus Culture fund.
• Working on a fund evaluation rubric.

Questions
Katherine Westerlund
• Can we get an update on the Internal Policies sent to the Finance Committee?

Chris Hakim:
• I will follow up.

Michelle Marcus:
• What is the fund evaluation rubric?

Chris Hakim:
• The VP Finance noted difficulties matching demand for funds.
• One way to deal with this would be to create a rubric of criteria based on Code.
Operations Committee – Cole Evans
- IFC review update:
  - We met twice.
  - Coming up with a review process and key areas to look at, including:
    - Membership, structure, liability.
- Will engage with IFC for their feedback.
- Met this week about membership: fixing issues in the Operations Committee manual.
- Looked at IFC bylaws and constitution to see where they violate our procedures.
- On track for final version of the report for the November 6 meeting.

Questions
Michelle Marcus:
- Re the presentation today from UBC EHK:
  - Will OpsCom be reviewing the decision on the Lennon Wall?

Cole Evans:
- We meet on October 29 and can review then.
- Original plan was for two weeks.
- Met with UBC EHK and they asked for 1-2 months.
- The Executive discussed the appropriate length of time.
- It’s a balance involving operational issues.
- We settled on October 31.
- Hadn’t heard from UBC EHK about the October 31 decision until today.
- We will look and may find a new place for it.

Student Life – Cole Evans
- A struggle finding a meeting time.
- I’ve been working behind the scenes, reviewing the terms of reference in the Code.
- Checking in with staff members, reviewing goals.

Governance Committee – Katherine Westerlund
- Code changes coming.
- Going to look at elections Code and more large-scale changes.
- Whistleblower policy and ethical review committees are with the President’s office.
- Constituency definitions are on the backburner.
- Records policy.

SHAPE – Chris Hakim
- Received proposal from VP Admin about selling two pieces.
- Had sober second thoughts, and now the VP and the Hatch Art Gallery staff are looking at other pieces.
N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

Chris Hakim:
- Will meet next Monday.
- Want to look over documents: Constituency budgets, events, and high level contracts.

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

BoG – Jeanie Malone
- BoG continues to have not met.
- Committee meetings in November.
- Full board in December.
- Tuition consultation is still open.

Senate – Julia Burnham (in the absence of Dante and Alex)
- There are two new senators, in Education and Arts:
  - Max and I helped onboard them.
- Two name changes: one for Journalism and one for the iSchool (formerly the School of Library, Archival, and Information Studies, or SLAIS).
- Max chaired the meeting.
- Presentation from the UBC Librarian.

Ombudsperson - Katrin Iacono
- I resolve disputes between AMS members through informal mediation.
- I also receive complaints about the AMS.
- My office is independent and impartial.
- We’re not an advocate; we promise fairness and confidentiality.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
- I’ve been asked if I can come up with a number for the upcoming AMS elections, so that we can hashtag it like the just completed federal election, which was publicized as #election43
- We just celebrated our 104th birthday on October 15, and we have annual elections, so you’d think this would be our 105th election, but we did away with elections in the late 70’s for four years, so in fact the correct label would be #election101.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:

R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

S) Committee Motions:
6. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:  

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Katherine Westerlund:  
- This is removing outdated Code and trying to shorten and simplify it.  
- If governance documents are too long, people forget them and don’t follow them.  
- One change is the removal.  
- The other is adding something about contacting the lawyers, the one piece of the Executive Procedures Manual that we wished to retain.  
- Otherwise, we are eliminating the Executive Procedures Manual.  

Julia Burnham:  
- I’m sad I no longer have the master copies (just kidding).  
- Code and Bylaws are seriously outdated; need to bring them into the digital age.  

Katherine Westerlund:  
- We highlighted stuff that was not particularly useful.  
- If there’s anything you think is still useful, we can pull it from this package.  

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Abstained: Michelle Marcus
8. MOVED RILEY TY, SECONDED ALIREZA KAMYABI: [SCD177-20]

“That the Indigenous Student Engagement Facilitator job description be accepted as presented, effective immediately.”

Note 1: Requires 2/3rds
Note 2: We have consent from the employee.

Riley Ty:
- At the request of the President, we reviewed the description.
- Mainly this is a change in title to something more appropriate.
- The old name sounded like something connected to the old government Indian Affairs Department.

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10. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED ALIREZA KAMYABI:

“That Council suspend Section IV, Article 1(3), in the AMS Code of Procedure until May 1, 2020.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Cole Evans:
- This is for Code compliance.
- If we don’t suspend this section, we will be in violation of the requirement to provide offices for the BoG and Senate student reps.
- Currently, we don’t have capacity for those offices.
- We could move them to the Life Building.
- We’ll be doing a space reallocation at turnover in May.
Jeanie Malone:

- I don’t know why a Code suspension is needed: this is up to the Operations Committee.

Tyra Phillips:

- We have space at the EUS.
- If other Constituencies have space and the AMS doesn’t, perhaps they can reach out.

Jeanie Malone:

- It would have been useful to talk to the Board and Senate reps about this.
- I feel it would be useful for us to have an office near the Executive.
- I realize we’re low on the priority list.
- I haven’t had an office since I’ve been a Board of Governors rep.
- I would like to see this considered in May.

Julia Burnham:

- We did consult with the Student Senate Caucus.
- The consensus was that it would be nice to have an office, but no one would be really upset if there wasn’t one.

Cole Evans:

- Code says the VP Admin has to grant space annually to the student reps on Senate and the Board of Governors.
- That’s why we need the Code suspension.
- I’m not against space for them, but the question is where to do it.
- It will be done for sure at the next allocation, for Fiscal 2020-21.

Jeanie Malone:

- I’d like to add a discussion on committees.

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T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

U) Discussion Period

AGM

Riley Ty:
- According to the bylaw, there should have been online advertising for 14 days, but there wasn’t.

Kevin Zhang:
- This is an ongoing issue.
- Riley and I met with Chris, who acknowledged the failure to advertise.
- We talk about student apathy, but as the Ubyssey said last year, if the AMS doesn’t care, what students will?

Chris Hakim:
- Riley, Kevin, and I met about this.
- There was a mistake.
- Last year there a huge emphasis on planning properly and especially on getting an ad in a campus publication.
- We did that, but made another mistake: not publishing an electronic notice ourselves (on our website).
- A failure on our part. I acknowledge that and am making a public statement.
- We want to encourage engagement.
- We’re working on a transition document.
- Every year there’s a new Executive, and we play the strange game of How to Plan the AGM.
- We keep making the same mistakes.
- We’re doing research into what other student unions do, their marketing tactics.
- Hope to have a report for the next Council meeting, and also for the Student Life Committee.
- Working with the Governance Committee for a bylaw change because we’ve noted the bylaws are outdated.

Arash Shadkam:
- I appreciate the comments of the President in taking ownership of this and looking forward to next time.
- I’m just a little hesitant because we had the very same conversation last year.
- What’s the guarantee that we won’t have this happen next time?
- Some Execs this year were here last year.
- I’m upset and surprised.

Tyra Phillips:
- I a hundred percent agree that there was a failure to advertise.
- But I will note that none of you (the other Councillors) were there.
- Katherine and I announced the AGM at the Engineers’ council.
• We Councillors have to take responsibility.
• We also need to show up.

Michelle Marcus:
• I definitely agree that this is on everyone, but it’s hard if nothing’s online or not online till it’s too late to engage students.
• I’m pretty surprised, considering what happened last year.
• Creating a successful AGM would be extremely valuable to our democracy on campus.

Chris Hakim:
• I do appreciate the feedback.
• There was an onus on us to not make the same mistakes.
• We did the publication in the campus newspaper: we did not repeat that mistake.
• But we omitted the other electronic advertising, which was a mistake on our part.
• There’s no set person responsible for AGM planning:
  o Is it the President’s office?
  o Is it Sheldon?
  o Generally, the President’s Office has handled it.
• We will seek a clear timeline and determine who should be the lead.
• We’ll follow the best practices of other student unions.
• We’ll develop an awareness strategy.
• I want a report to pass on to other Executives, and will present it to Council.

Kevin Zhang:
• I agree it is the responsibility of those in the room.
• But this year the information came out too late.
• Also, the AGM was scheduled at a busy time of the day: we could look at the time, seek a less busy time.

Michael Salloum:
• Have you asked anyone attending how they heard of the meeting and why they attended?
• Did they tell their friends?
• Do people feel their voice is worth nothing?
• Is this something we should address?

Chris Hakim:
• The main people who attend are usually associated with the AMS: Council, staff, members of Constituencies.
• We were in the Lower Atrium, which can hold a large crowd.
• We are taking a look at why people come to AGM’s.
• Only once in the past 40 years did an AGM get quorum, and that was when UBC brought in large tuition increases and people wanted to express their disapproval.
Michelle Marcus:
- It may be worth doing consultation on the AGM as part of the strategic plan.
- I feel the AGM is an opportunity to engage students.

Committees
Jeanie Malone
- Glad to hear the Steering Committee is planning training for committee chairs, but it seems to be a long way away.
- We need to look at the rules we’re not following.
- There are things we are allowed to ask for as committee members. There are responsibilities laid out in Code.
- Committee members have the right to get agendas, which should also be put on the website.
- Most committees don’t have agendas on the website and don’t have posted meeting times.
- We get consistent reporting from Governance and HR and no one else.
- We should be getting reports from Operations, Finance, Steering …
- We should ask the Governance Committee to remove these requirements or change them if they’re not being met.
- We do get verbal updates from the committees, but not written ones.
- As actionables, I’d like the Steering Committee to look at posting on the website.
- I’d also like committee chairs to be submitting minutes and reports regularly.
- We could have a table of what minutes and reports have been submitted; it could be part of the agenda.

The Chair:
- All Standing Committees need to make monthly reports, whether they are chaired by Executives or non-Executives.

Riley Ty:
- Has it ever be suggested that the requirement be reduced to bi-monthly reports?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Not to my recollection.

Tyra Phillips:
- As a new committee chair, I can say that I was given very little training or transition.
- There is a larger issue re continuity.

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Posting agendas came up last year.
- It was agreed that chairs would send them to my staff, who would post them on the website.
- But with turnover this has stopped happening.
Katherine Westerlund:
- This is the third time this has come up.
- I will bring a motion to remove Lucia as chair of the Finance Committee and Cole as chair of Operations and Student Life.
- I find it an issue generally to have Executives as chairs of committees.

Chris Hakim:
- We can do all of Jeanie’s actionables.
- We can build a table of minutes and reports.
- I can have my assistant Nick round up committee reports.
- As to transition, we will look more at this, speak to previous chairs.

Max Holmes:
- For removing people, you need to provide written notice; send them an email at least seven days prior to the next meeting.

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Concerning transition for chairs, in August Council passed a Code amendment requiring outgoing chairs to transition their successors.
- The details were left up to the Steering Committee.

Jeanie Malone:
- I posted my document on the Facebook group, and it will be emailed.

V) Submissions:
- MUSA Fall Election results [SCD178-20]
- AUS Fall Election results [SCD179-20]
- CUS Fall election results [SCD180-20]
- Governance Committee October report [SCD181-20]
- HR Committee October report [SCD182-20]
- Sustainability Committee October report [SCD183-20]
- Advocacy Committee October report [SCD184-20]

W) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: November 6, 2019

X) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Y) Social Activity:
# October 23, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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A) Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:

- This is to acknowledge that the meeting is taking place on the forcibly stolen and unceded territory of the hən̓q̓əmən̓əm̓-speaking Musqueam people.
- Hopefully, this acknowledgement will be more than something formalistic and will lead us to consider how to function in a de-colonial way.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED DANTE AGOSTI-MORO:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

Max Holmes:

- I’d like to amend the agenda by removing the mover and seconder for Motion 8 (suspending Code about the Advisory Board): I did not move this.
- Also, how was Motion 6 (about the IFC) added?

Cole Evans:

- Let’s add the IFC motion now.

Chris Hakim:

- I’d also like to amend the agenda to add a motion about amending the bylaws of the Nursing Undergraduate Society.

Tyra Phillips:

- Did we get the Nursing bylaw amendment?

Chris Hakim:

- No, it arrived at the last minute.

Max Holmes:

- Why does it have to be approved at this meeting?
Haddon Rabb (Nursing Undergraduate Society president):
- The AMS Chief Electoral Officer pointed out problems with our election procedures.
- We’re trying to fix those.
- Until we do that, our elections are halted, and we need to do them now to allow a proper transition.

Michelle Marcus:
- I would like to add a discussion on the AMS Strategic Plan.

2. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED RILEY TY:

“That the agenda be amended to add the Nursing and IFC motions and make the other changes.”

... No objections

3. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED DANTE AGOSTI-MORO:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

... Carried

For (26): Riley Baechler, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Jonathan Kew, Lucia Liang, Danny Liu, Melanie Mpanju, Tyra Phillips, Jackson Schumacher, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Sabreena Shukul, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

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

Welcome to our new Members: Ben Bemus (VST), Haruka Higo (Education)

Vacancies on Council: Audiology, Dentistry, Law, Population & Public Health, St. Mark’s

Goodbyes: Muse Greenwood (VST)

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:
- Raise your hand if you are having trouble accessing the meeting because of lights, sounds, not understanding procedure, etc.
- We want to be accessible and efficient.
- Don’t waste time, but give everyone a chance to speak.

F) Statements from Students at Large (3 minutes each):
G) Consent Agenda Items

4. MOVED ARASH SHADKAM, SECONDED WENDY SONG:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:

Advocacy Committee minutes dated August 26, 2019 [SCD186-20]
Advocacy Committee minutes dated October 7, 2019 [SCD187-20]
AMS Council minutes dated August 21, 2019 [SCD188-20]
AMS Council minutes dated September 11, 2019 [SCD189-20]
AMS In Camera Council Minutes dated September 11, 2019 [SCD190-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated August 12, 2019 [SCD191-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated August 19, 2019 [SCD192-20]
Governance Committee minutes dated September 30, 2019 [SCD193-20]
Governance & Finance Committee joint minutes dated August 26, 2019 [SCD194-20]
Finance Committee minutes dated August 9, 2019 [SCD195-20]
Finance Committee minutes dated October 2, 2019 [SCD196-20]
Finance Committee minutes dated October 9, 2019 [SCD197-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated October 11, 2019 [SCD198-20]
Executive Committee minutes dated October 18, 2019 [SCD199-20]
Steering Committee minutes dated August 7, 2019 [SCD200-20]
Steering Committee minutes dated September 23, 2019 [SCD201-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated October 17, 2019 [SCD202-20]
Operations Committee minutes dated October 22, 2019 [SCD203-20]

... Carried

For (29): Riley Baechler, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Cristina Ilnitchi, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Jonathan Kew, Carmen Kim, Lucia Liang, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Melanie Mpanju, Samantha Peng, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Sabreena Shukul, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

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

Provincial Lobby Trip – Cristina Ilnitchi

- Got back from the annual provincial lobby trip (or Advocacy Week) two weeks ago.
- Different from previous trips; more a follow-up.
- This was the second year of collaboration with the BCFS and the SFU student society.
- Together we represent 250,000 students.
- There are lots of issues, but when lobbying, we are limited: we have only 30 minutes per meeting, and want to make sure we maximize our time.
- We had three asks:
Financial aid:
- We want a robust upfront needs-based grant program.
- BC is the only province without this; also the only one without forgivable loans.
- Went last year for this.
- The NDP promised a $1,000 completion grant: we’re asking that that be reallocated to an upfront needs-based program.

International students:
- We’re keenly interested.
- There are lots of international students here.
- Lately it has become apparent that administrations at some institutions are increasing international fees without going to their boards of governors.
- We’ve asked the government to regulate fees for international students to create a cap for fees for them so they can budget.
- Also want a new international education strategy:
  - The BC Liberals had one, focused on getting more students.
  - We want one that supports students.

Follow-up on sexual violence:
- The government should play an active role in reviewing sexual violence policies at postsecondary institutions.
- We want more accountability.
- We asked for a needs assessment of institutions that may not have as many resources as others.
- We’d like to see a strengthening of institutional frameworks to report misconduct.

How it works: We go for a week, talk to ministers and to MLA’s in all three parties.
- A lot of our advocacy was to people we spoke to last year. We got to talk about work going forward and we were able to identify gaps.
- We get to have input in the process.
- Outputs:
  - Opportunity to build relationships.
  - The government knows us now.
  - It’s a chance to work with them collaboratively.
  - The NDP is halfway through its term; it’s an important point.
  - It’s a chance to collaborate with student associations: we have a shared vision.

Looking at how to go beyond this Advocacy Week.
- Got great feedback.
- The government said it wants a $1,000 completion grant: we’re working to include that in a needs-based upfront grant.
- We’re starting to form partnerships.
- One difficulty:
  - Fewer meetings.
  - Many meetings with Opposition MLA’s got cancelled at the last minute.
It’s unfortunate that we’re not prioritized.
They understand we’re not happy with that situation.
We want to work with them on student issues; it’s not partisan.

Questions
Kevin Zhang:
- Did you have different strategies for the different parties?
- How many did you meet with from each party?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- We met MLA’s from all three parties:
  - 15-20 Liberals
  - 20 NDP
  - Andrew Weaver (Green)
- We also met some senior government staff.
- As to our strategy, we want to meet with all the parties.
- Obviously there are some key players: the Minister of Advanced Education, the Advanced Education Critic, Andrew Weaver (who holds the balance of power and is a student advocate).
- We tried to meet with everyone.

Cole Evans:
- Some right-leaning parties are less interested in meeting with students.
- Are we going to try to engage with them differently?
- That way if they do come to power, they don’t dismiss us as left-wing.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Last year we didn’t have this problem of cancellations.
- I don’t feel we were prioritized this year, but we did meet with important people in the Liberal Party.
- We weren’t met with discouraging sentiments.
- We are committed to setting up opportunities for students to speak to MLA’s.
- We make a concerted effort to involve Liberal MLA’s from the UBC area and the Opposition Critic.
- We’re trying to improve communications, and we want to indicate our good faith so they know we’re interested in their feedback.

Max Holmes:
- Re international students’ tuition:
  - Government funding is not increasing, but there would need to be more funding from government if there’s going to be a restriction on tuition.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- The student associations we went with face very different situations.
• There’s a lack of communication that leads to budgeting problems (since international students don’t know how much of a fee increase there will be each year).
• A lot of people were receptive to the idea of a new international student strategy.
• The old one (from the year 2000) was just about recruitment to fill labour gaps, and a lot more students came.
• But there wasn’t enough protection for them.
• We’ve heard horror stories at other institutions.
• As we move forward, we want to have connections with postsecondary institutions and not just government.
• We have had conversations about the need for more government funding.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Chris Hakim
• My office has been working on the values section of the AMS Strategic Plan:
  o Consulting students, staff, Resource Groups, Services.
  o On the ground booting.
  o Once we finish collecting feedback, we’ll go to Steering.
• The Executives and I will be at the Remembrance Day ceremony. I will be reciting “Flanders Fields.”
• Meeting with the UNA Board re student representation.
• Procedural fairness training as per SVPREP report.
• UBC’s Academic Renewal Working Group:
  o Recruiting and retaining faculty
  o Supporting grad students.
• Equity and inclusion action plan.
• Code changes on budget process.
• Preparing Advisory Board candidates for HR Committee.
• Committee chair compensation survey.
• Executives are working on the Executive goals report.

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

VP External - Cristina Ilnitchi
• Going to the UNA AGM right now.
• Provincial lobby trip: lots of follow-up.
• Climate Hub: feedback to government.
• Attended the Speakers Forum for Youth:
  o Talked of changes needed to include youth voices, create better engagement.
- UCRU committees working hard, looking ahead to federal lobby trip.
  - Looking to formalize UCRU.
  - Looking at financial restructuring.
- Working with the City of Vancouver on a Broadway plan about rentals along that corridor:
  - We want a say about what young people want in that area.
- Talking about SkyTrain to UBC:
  - Looking for dedicated funding.
  - Going to do federal advocacy, media stunts.

Questions
Riley Ty:
- How is the equity plan coming along?

Cristina Il ничi:
- Update and report coming to the next Council meeting:
  - Consultation.
  - RFP for organizations that might want to consult or help out with the plan.

VP Administration – Cole Evans
- Norm Theatre opens next week:
  - Planning an event.
  - Filmsoc and Improv are excited.
- RFI to booking system companies for a new booking system:
  - Testing the waters for who might be interested.
  - Then an RFP.
- Sustainability:
  - Brand new event for February: conference case.
- Hatch: S project still up.
- Clubs Resource Centre operating at full capacity, with a temporary door:
  - Reporting back to Council in January on metrics.
- A new table, hopefully.
- The report I was mandated to do is here.

Questions
Michelle Marcus:
- Any updates on the Nest Experience Survey?

Cole Evans:
- Working on it right now: looking for better questions and ones not in the Academic Experience Survey.

VP Finance – Lucia Liang
- Finished authorizing treasurers, but some have dropped out, so new ones have to be authorized.
- Looking at a new system to authorize them online.
- Received first installment of fees from UBC and am depositing them.
- Working on quarterly report.

**Student Services Manager – Ian Stone**

eHub:
- Less than two weeks to RBC Get Seeded: a big event.
- Cool promo about past projects, e.g., Mugshare.
- Working on new logo/rebranding.

Safewalk:
- Working with Varsity athletes: women’s basketball, men’s soccer.
- Talking to UBC Safety and Risk Services about whether Safewalk can play a role.
- Buzz for Services, like reindeer buses. Decorated our Safewalk car.

Tutoring:
- Finals soon.
- Working with Student Housing to improve tutoring services in the residences.

Vice:
- Thrive month.
- Bothing.
- New info posters coming.

Speakeasy:
- Maybe renaming it to make it better understood.

Food Bank:
- Full capacity.
- Food drives.
- Donate a Dollar campaign raised $3,200, a sixfold increase from last year:
  - Shout out to Abdul and Daniel Coculescu (Food & Beverage).

**Questions**

Michelle Marcus:
- I’ve read about the Services Review in the Executive minutes.
- How will Council be involved in it?

Chris Hakim:
- Code requires a review every three years, and makes the President responsible for it.
- We have a working group chaired by Abdul (the Senior Manager of Student Services).
- There’s a ToR which I can share with you.
- The review is comparing our current services with those at other universities.
- We’re looking at how to improve and expand.
- The review includes SASC.
- Looking at data, also consulting students.
- Looking at Academic Experience Survey results.
- Reaching out to clubs, Constituencies, the general student body.
- Working with Service Coordinators.
- There will also be consultation with Council: that’s how we’ll loop you in.

Max Holmes:
- Was there consultation with Council about the body doing the review?

Chris Hakim:
- Not really.
- It’s more operational.
- It’s a coordinating body.
- The work is very initial so far.

Max Holmes:
- Are there any Councillors on the working group?
- [Asking for hands. No one raised theirs.]
- It seems not.
- It’s a Council issue even if operational.
- Maybe next time tell us how Councillors can be involved.

**VP Academic and University Affairs – Julia Burnham**
- Been on vacation. It was great. I have a new puppy.
- But also went to a conference at OISE (Ontario Institute for Studies in Education) on sexual violence.
  - Relevant to UBC’s Policy 131.
- Meeting with UNA.
- Preparing submission for Board of Governors meeting.

**Managing Director – Keith Hester**
- Making revisions to budget timeline.
- Meeting all managers on quarterly goals.
- Launching RFP for Health and Dental Plan administration.
- Training on sexual violence policy.
- Shout out to Rish (the Events Manager) for the Scream Halloween event: really successful.
- Our loan for the Nest has been extended to 2022.

**M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):**

**Advocacy – Tyra Phillips**
- Discussed provincial lobby trip.
- Sexual violence campaign.
- Will discuss equity plan next meeting.
Fermentation Lab – Kia Teimouri
- We’re in an interesting spot:
  - I’ve just taken over as chair and we’ll be meeting to establish our goals.

Finance – Lucia Liang
- Quarterly report.
- Five fund applications reviewed for the Sustainability Projects Fund.

Governance – Katherine Westerlund
- Having fun.
- Working on potential OmbudsOffice review.
- Code changes.
- Election conversations.

Operations – Cole Evans
- New table motion.
- IFC review.
- Policy I-7 for next Council.

Human Resources – Riley Ty
- Working with President on Advisory Board members.
- Overview of committee chair compensation review.
- Met with CEO on election hiring.

SHAPE – Chris Hakim
- Haven’t met.

Steering – Chris Hakim
- Discussed Strategic Plan consultation.
- Committee chair transition.
- Website challenges.

Student Life – Cole Evans
- Norm Theatre reopening.
- Working on ideas for what the committee can look like in the future.
- Looking at how to reinvigorate the Blue and Gold Society.
- Engaging with first years.

Questions
Max Holmes:
- Sounds great.
- Is there a reason we don’t have reports or minutes from Student Life?

Cole Evans:
- Forgot to send report.
Max Holmes:
  • And the minutes?

Cole Evans:
  • Met in September, but didn’t meet again until October 25, then didn’t approve those minutes till after the deadline.
  • Next time four sets of minutes.

Max Holmes:
  • I’m concerned.
  • Council is confused about its engagement as a Board.
  • Is Student Life engaged with the Services Review? With Events?
  • I’m wondering if we are going to get monthly reports and minutes.
  • Are you putting in the same time as Student Life chair as Operations Committee chair?

Cole Evans:
  • A hundred percent committed to Student Life.
  • I only became chair in mid-October, and there have been timing issues.
  • I will submit everything that has happened since I became chair next meeting.

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

  Presidents Council – Chris Hakim
    • Discussed the Presidents Council itself.
    • Also discussed Constituency reports.

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

  BoG – Max Holmes
    • UBC’s Academic Renewal Working Group met last week: making great progress.
    • Committee meetings on November 22 and 26.
    • Full Board December 5.
    • Issues:
      o Tuition
      o Academic renewal
      o Stadium Road Neighbourhood.

  Senate – Alex Gonzalez
    • Hasn’t met.
    • Next meeting November 20.

  Ombudsperson – Katrin Iacono
    • October was quiet.
Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb

- It’s November, or what for a while was known as scandal month because two years in a row we had controversies in November:
  - 2009: Two Executives lodged a complaint at the United Nations about access to post-secondary education without informing Council: this led to a huge brouhaha, national media coverage, censure, an attempt to remove the two Executives by referendum, etc.
  - 2010: Boat to Gaza. A $700 donation from the Social Justice Centre and Palestinian Solidarity to help break the Israeli blockade created another huge controversy.
- But after that, no more November scandals.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:

R) Constituency and Affiliate Motions:

5. MOVED ______________, SECONDER ________________ [SCD205-20]

“That the Nursing Undergraduate Society (NUS) bylaws be amended as presented.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Haddon Rabb (NUS President)

- The AMS Chief Electoral Officer has let us know about an issue with our election rules.
- We restrict eligibility to third year Nursing students.
- There aren’t any first and second year Nursing students; the restriction affects fourth year students.
- The fourth years go away for clinical rotation and so would not be around to hold office. (They leave after only one month.)
- But we are told this restriction violates AMS Code.
- We recommend three changes:
  - Allow all students to vote.
  - Permit the NUS to fill interim vacancies.
  - Uphold the restriction that makes fourth years unable to hold office.
- This is time-sensitive. We need to hold our elections now.
- All members of NUS council endorse these recommendations (29 members).

Council took a ten-minute recess.

6. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion suspending AMS Code until a solution can be put in place for the Nursing elections.”
Chris Hakim:
- This will allow the NUS to run their election.
- It will be applied only to the NUS.
- It has a time limit – until they adjust their bylaws.

7. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion suspending AMS Code until a solution can be put in place for the Nursing elections.”

... No objections

8. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That Council suspend the requirements in Code Section IX A, Article 9(1)(m) for the Nursing Undergraduate Society until a solution has been put in place to ensure that the Nursing Undergraduate Society’s constitution and bylaws are in compliance with the AMS Code of Procedure.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Max Holmes:
- I object to the consideration of this motion.
- We haven’t seen their bylaws.
- We have never done this for just one Constituency.
- There’s a basic repugnancy to the AMS Code here.

“Shall the objection be sustained?”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (3): Haruka Higo, Tyra Phillips, Katherine Westerlund

Against (20): Riley Baechler, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Nicholas Harterre, Alireza Kamyabi, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Carmen Kim, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Melanie Mpanju, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Sabreena Shukul, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Julia Burnham, Chris Hakim, Andrew Huang, Samantha Peng, Lucita Villarreal

9. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That Council suspend the requirements in Code Section IX A, Article 9(1)(m) for the Nursing Undergraduate Society until a solution has been put in place to ensure that the Nursing Undergraduate Society’s constitution and bylaws are in compliance with the AMS Code of Procedure.”
Note: Requires 2/3rds

Max Holmes:
- Something like this should not be brought up at the last minute.
- Everyone should be allowed to vote and run, even if they can only serve for two or three months.
- Even if there are good intentions here, I don’t think we should approve this without further thought.

Dante Agosti-Moro:
- Are there past examples of suspending Code for one Constituency?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- I can’t recall one.

Cole Evans:
- If this doesn’t pass today, how does that affect the NUS?

Haddon Rabb:
- We wouldn’t be able to get proper rules in place in time.
- I know this is rushed.

Max Holmes:
- If there are repugnancies, you just run your elections the way AMS Code says.
- You don’t need to change your bylaws; you just have to follow AMS procedures instead of your bylaws.
- I don’t think this would delay your elections.
- Are there reasons AMS Code can’t be followed?
- I would also like to raise a point of order:
  - Is it in order to suspend Code for one Constituency?

The Speaker:
- It is within the purview of Council.

Cole Evans:
- Does following AMS rules instead of yours solve your problem?

Haddon Rabb:
- In theory, yes, but there are challenges.
- We would have to advertise (to allow fourth years to run), and then reopen campaigning.
- It would still push the election back to January.

Cole Evans:
- You can just say, We’re going to follow AMS Code.
Haddon Rabb:
- Technically, but the big issue is who can run?
- It would still be a timing issue.

Max Holmes:
- I don’t see a timing issue.
- How is the motion addressing timing?

Haddon Rabb:
- Ultimately, it’s true, we could follow AMS elections guidelines, and timing wouldn’t be significantly affected.

Tyra Phillips:
- This section of Code says who can run: there can’t be a solution that allows the NUS to restrict who can run.
- This is a question of the compatibility of the two sets of rules.
- If people are leaving the province and won’t be able to serve a term in office, you hope they simply wouldn’t run for a position on your council.

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- What has the AMS CEO advised you to do?

Haddon Rabb:
- The CEO advised us to suspend the elections, then reopen them after letting people know that everyone can run.

10. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That Council suspend the requirements in Code Section IX A, Article 9(1)(m) for the Nursing Undergraduate Society until a solution has been put in place to ensure that the Nursing Undergraduate Society’s constitution and bylaws are in compliance with the AMS Code of Procedure."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

... Defeated

For (1): Riley Baechler

Against (23): Julia Burnham, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Alireza Kamyabi, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Carmen Kim, Lucia Liang, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Melanie Mpanju, Samantha Peng, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Wendy Song, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Sabreena Shukul, Kia Teimouri

S) Committee Motions:
11. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED COLE EVANS: [SCD206-20], [SCD207-20]

From the Governance Committee
“That Council approve the new Records Policy (I-19) as presented and rescind the old Policy on Records Management and the AMS Archives.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Katherine Westerlund:
- This is a new policy based on conversations with Sheldon (our Archivist and Clerk of Council) and our lawyers.

Riley Ty:
- When we discussed this before, we said we wouldn’t pass a new policy until we changed the bylaws.
- It seems to me that this violates the bylaws. I don’t see how we can pass it.

Katherine Westerlund:
- I’m not a lawyer.
- This is what our lawyers provided us with.
- I presume the lawyers wouldn’t tell us to violate the Societies Act by violating the bylaws.

Kevin Zhang:
- This was brought up last year and concerns were raised.
- It gives a lot of leeway to Council to decide what is “sensitive information.”
- There’s no definition of that term.
- There’s no clarification about who makes this distinction.

Katherine Westerlund:
- How am I supposed to make a records policy if I can’t trust the advice I’m getting?
- Should I get a law degree?

Kevin Zhang:
- I’m not trying to make your job difficult or tell you to get a law degree.
- It’s just that we need clarity on who decides what to disclose.
- And there should be an appeals process.

Max Holmes:
- Thanks to Katherine and the Governance Committee.
- The AMS needed this policy to be amended.
- I hear a lot of conversation about whether this is in compliance with bylaws.
- That was discussed at the Governance Committee.
Michelle Marcus:
- I am a member of the Governance Committee.
- I brought up several concerns there.
- Unfortunately, I missed the meeting when the policy was finally voted on.
- I would not have voted for it.
- It would have been good to look at last year’s discussions about an appeals process, doing partial redactions, notifying Council, etc.
- I would support a motion to refer this back to committee.

Max Holmes:
- This has been reviewed by the lawyers and the Archivist.
- A lot of thought has been put into it.

Arash Shadkam:
- About the clause saying there shall be no disclosure of sensitive business information, who decides what is sensitive?

Alireza Kamyabi:
- What bylaw provision does this policy go against?

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- Bylaw 18 allows our members to look at our records subject to privacy laws.
- At the suggestion of the lawyers, that bylaw is cited at the beginning of the new policy.
- The policy contains additional restrictions on access beyond the restrictions in the privacy laws.
- The lawyers approved those restrictions, including the one about sensitive business information.

Katherine Westerlund:
- If there is a question about releasing a document, it goes to Sheldon and Keith and then the Executive.

Sheldon Goldfarb:
- That was actually an earlier version of the policy.
- Now if there’s a question, it just goes to the Executive Committee.

Cole Evans:
- We loosened up restrictions and gave the Executive Committee the power on any record there’s a question about.
- I think we should trust our legal counsel.

Michelle Marcus:
- The policy says that if there’s any question, it gets referred to the Executive Committee, but it doesn’t automatically get referred.
- More clarity is needed.
• Yes, Governance Committee has discussed this a lot, but there can be more done.
• It is a tricky balance.
• I don’t feel there’s a particular rush to approve this.

Max Holmes:
• This says you can go to the Executive Committee.
• If someone disagreed with their decision, there’s also the committee responsible for the policy: the Governance Committee. They could go to them and then to Council.
• There are multiple ways to pursue things.

Jackson Schumacher:
• In order to pursue things that way, you’d have to have a pretty good knowledge of the inner workings of the AMS.
• The average student is going to be unable to see most documents if they’re made inaccessible.

Chris Hakim:
• We have staff to help students with this.

Katherine Westerlund:
• When drafting, all the edits were made to make the records more accessible.
• We tried to make this a policy that would last, but possibly we did not add things that some people feel are needed.
• We could review this again in the future.

Arash Shadkam:
• Would it be good practice to add an appeal process?
• If someone goes to the Executive, and they say no, then they just go home.
• But if there were an appeal process …

Chris Hakim:
• That’s more something to say on the website.

Max Holmes:
• I don’t feel that putting appeal procedures in the policy would help.
• But by making this policy, that sends a signal about process.
• It lets staff know how to direct students.

12. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

From the Governance Committee
“That Council approve the new Records Policy (I-19) as presented and rescind the old Policy on Records Management and the AMS Archives.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds... Carried
For (16): Riley Baechler, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Lucia Liang, Melanie Mpanju, Tyra Phillips, Arash Shadkam, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund

Against (8): Alireza Kamyabi, Carmen Kim, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Jackson Schumacher, John Segui, Riley Ty, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Andrew Huang, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Samantha Peng, Nevena Rebic

[The original result, registering as 13 for and 8 against, with 3 abstentions, ended before everyone had a chance to vote: the vote record above is the revote with more time allowed.]

13. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED TYRA PHILLIPS:  [SCD208-20]

From the Governance Committee
“That Council adopt the following report from the Governance Committee: ‘Code Changes 2019: Submitting Committee Reports’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Katherine Westerlund:
- Code currently makes committee reports due on Monday.
- This change makes them due Fridays, the same time as other documents for Council.
- I’m hoping this will encourage everyone to hand in their reports.

14. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED TYRA PHILLIPS:

From the Governance Committee
“That Council adopt the following report from the Governance Committee: ‘Code Changes 2019: Submitting Committee Reports’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (28): Riley Baechler, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Alireza Kamyabi, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Carmen Kim, Lucia Liang, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Melanie Mpanju, Samantha Peng, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, John Segui, Sabreena Shukul, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang... Carried
15. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND: [SCD209-20]

From the Operations Committee
“That Council approve $1,700 from the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund to be allocated towards the replacement of the conference table in Nest room 3511.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: The balance in the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund is $276,766

Cole Evans:
- The table in 3511 needs replacing.
- We have found a nice table with a maple finish.
- This is perhaps the lowest dollar amount to come to Council in a while.
- Hope to create a subcommittee to handle small sums like this.

Julia Burnham:
- The table we have now is horrible.
- It’s not ergonomically okay to work on a slanted table.

Cole Evans:
- This is contingent on the table being on sale.
- If it’s not still on sale, we won’t buy it.

Tyra Phillips:
- The table is a detriment to committee work.

Max Holmes:
- This shouldn’t have to come to Council.
- Just as there’s an IT subcommittee, there should be a subcommittee to deal with small sums beyond the VP Administration’s budget.

16. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

From the Operations Committee
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Note: Requires 2/3rds
Note: The balance in the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund is $276,766

... Carried

For (27): Riley Baechler, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Alireza Kamyabi, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Carmen Kim, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Melanie Mpanju, Samantha Peng, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, John Segui, Arash Shadkam, Sabreena Shukul, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Riley Ty, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang
Against (2): Andrew Huang, Lucia Liang

T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

17. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:  [SCD210-20]

“That Council accept the recommendations from the Report on the Status of the UBC Interfraternity Council as an AMS Subsidiary as presented.”

Cole Evans:
- This report was asked of me, mandated by this Board.
- Because some of the recommendations are external to the Operations Committee, I would like Council to approve it as a body.
- The report needs one tweak, in the part where it refers to controlled substances:
  - We’ve been advised that we need to clarify that we mean alcohol and not substances under the Controlled Substances Act.

Michelle Marcus:
- The report looks good, but I am hesitant to approve the recommendations.
- The report speaks of the contribution of the IFC to community building and talks of supporting the IFC.
- I’d like clarification on what benefits IFC and the fraternities provide to non-fraternity members.
- SASC issued a statement speaking of systemic sexualized violence and the broader rape culture: this is not a one-time incident, and that seems to contradict the statement that the IFC contributes to community building.
- It’s absolutely imperative that SASC be involved in any development of relations with the IFC.

Max Holmes:
- I agree with some of these concerns, but there is development work done by fraternities; some have got a lot from them; they contribute money and perform philanthropic work that benefits UBC and the wider community.
- I am worried about the AMS’s hesitancy on this issue: I had to move a motion two meetings ago to prompt this report.
- But I don’t see the need for this motion: the Operations Committee was tasked with a limited mandate (to produce a report).
- I hope this goes to the Advocacy Committee and also the Executive.
- The AMS needs to show leadership on this issue.
- People want public accountability.
- There’s a lot we can be doing that we’re not doing.
- The report is a step in the right direction, but we need more.

Tyra Phillips:
- I don’t think Advocacy Committee has the time to take this on.
Ian Gilbert:
- What was the vibe from the IFC?
- Were they willing to make any compromises or changes?

Cole Evans:
- I had conversations with the IFC leadership.
- I went over compliance issues, areas where they are non-compliant.
- They would have to abolish their judicial board.
- They say they have to be restricted to males only.

Ian Gilbert:
- Did you get the sense that they recognize that there is an issue?

Cole Evans:
- Yes. I said it doesn’t make sense for them to be part of the AMS anymore.
- They understood.

Chris Hakim:
- I’m really glad to see this report.
- I do have some hesitancy about Recommendation 2, calling on the IFC and the AMS to form a relationship that would give the IFC the privileges we give clubs.
- Out of respect for our clubs, I’m putting my hesitancy out there.

Alireza Kamyabi:
- There’s no question about Recommendation 1, removing their club status.
- But if they are no longer a club, does that limit what we can engage them on?
- Does it limit SASC at all?

Max Holmes:
- I think this change gives the AMS more leverage rather than less.
- SASC will work with anybody.
- Looking at the AMS’s relationship with the IFC, if the AMS came out and criticized what allegedly happened, the AMS could get itself in trouble:
  - Our words could be used against us in legal situations.
- If they are not a part of us, we can speak more freely, criticize.

Cole Evans:
- Our paramount goal is to make sure our members can participate safely in community events.
- We can ensure greater accountability if we’re separate.
- This can help improve the culture that’s been mentioned, by beginning a relationship with them.
- We can open a channel to the IFC.
- It’s important we maintain dialogue.
The Advocacy Committee was mentioned because if IFC is no longer part of us, they're external to us, and thus would fall more under the purview of Advocacy.

There is precedent to give some benefits to non-subsidiaries.

The report doesn't say we're going to give them benefits; it's up to us to negotiate with the IFC on the basis of what is in the best interests of our membership.

Julia Burnham:

- Knowing that Council has asked us to review all other groups that don’t fit, like the Thunderbird Dance Team, what sort of precedent will MoU’s set?
- It might be more fruitful to do an investigation to create a class of groups that have selective criteria.

Cole Evans:

- There is talk in the report of competitive entry clubs like Thunderbird Dance and others that select individuals.
- The only exception would be sororities; they're much like the IFC.
- Would have to deal with them separately.

Chris Hakim:

- Creating MoU’s to give benefits to other groups besides clubs: yes, but not to ones we just deconstituted.

Michelle Marcus:

- SASC should have been consulted.
- What’s your plan for how to involve them?

Cole Evans:

- This report was very operational.
- It’s important to connect with SASC.
- That would most likely not be part of my office.
- SASC will be a key stakeholder.

18. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That Council accept the recommendations from the Report on the Status of the UBC Interfraternity Council as an AMS Subsidiary as presented.”

... Carried

For (21): Riley Baechler, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Alireza Kamyabi, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Lucia Liang, Danny Liu, Melanie Mpanju, Tyra Phillips, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Sabreena Shukul, Wendy Song, Kia Teimouri, Lucita Villarreal, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Ian Gilbert, Michelle Marcus, Samantha Peng, Riley Ty
19. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED JULIA BURNHAM:

“That Council designate Janet Teasdale as an Honorary Member of the Alma Mater Society of UBC Vancouver in recognition for her over 25 years of service at UBC on behalf of students, faculty, and staff.”

Note: AMS Code defines “Honorary Members” as another term for what is referred to in the Bylaws as “Associate Members.”

[\textit{Dante Agosti-Moro takes over as proxy for Riley Ty.}]

Max Holmes:
- Because of a reorganization at the VP Students Office, Janet Teasdale, the longtime managing director of UBC’s Student Development and Services department, is no longer employed here.
- Janet not only built the student development portfolio; she created it.
- She spent 28 years at UBC, in many different roles, always conducting herself with grace and wisdom, always supporting students.
- She’s been called a good, wise, kind, generous colleague, and I can think of no better way to honour her than to quote what has been said about her in the light of what has just happened.
- [He quoted a number of statements.]
- This is a loss many of us feel.
- Janet would always be there for you.
- She cared for the students and her staff.

Julia Burnham:
- Janet Teasdale had a huge impact on our community.
- She understood the importance of listening to students.
- I learned so much from her.
- We can honour the years she devoted to this community.
- Let us publicly acknowledge all she has done for students.

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... Carried

\textbf{For (27): Riley Baechler, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Alireza Kamyabi, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Carmen Kim, Lucia Liang, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Melanie Mpanju, Samantha Peng, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic,}
21. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED ALIREZA KAMYABI:

From the President

“From the President

That Council suspend Code Section VII, Article 9(2) (about reports from the Advisory Board), effective immediately and lasting until March 1, 2020.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

Chris Hakim:
- This is the section requiring quarterly reports from the Advisory Board.
- We still have not filled the vacancy on the board; so the board has not met and it’s unable to submit a report.

Alex Gonzalez:
- What is stopping us from filling this position? It’s a huge gap.

Chris Hakim:
- I’ve talked to the HR Committee.
- The Committee doesn’t work full-time.
- I work full-time, but recruitment is difficult.
- For what we pay and the expertise we require, the attraction is not all that good.
- Hoping to find people who feel attached to UBC or the AMS
- I appreciate all who have submitted names.
- Right now we are looking at alumni.

Alex Gonzalez:
- If none of that works out, can we strike a working group to look into this?

Chris Hakim:
- I don’t think a working group would fix things; it would be just like the HR Committee.
- It’s an attraction issue.
- Some high level people want to be on a board of directors rather than on an advisory board.
- The best way is to get people with UBC or AMS connections.

Katherine Westerlund:
- Is it actually really important if this board doesn’t meet?
- We’ve survived without it.

Chris Hakim:
- I do think it is important.
• I’m not a lawyer or a CPA.
• Most boards of directors have CPA’s or CPHR’s (chartered professionals in human resources).
• We don’t.
• The Advisory Board is meant to supplement that.
• There’s been difficulty filling it; that does not affect the merits of the Advisory Board.

Max Holmes:
• We don’t always get a chance to look at long-term effects.
• This is what the Advisory Board would do for HR, finances, etc.
• We have many amazing staff members (Keith and his staff), but an Advisory Board could have past Councillors or Executives on it and would be able to talk about long-term impact.
• It’s a shame it hasn’t been got on its feet.
• It needs to be a priority to fill it.
• But if we can’t fill it, then Kat is right: we should get rid of it.

22. MOVED CHRIS HAKIM, SECONDED ALIREZA KAMYABI:

From the President
“That Council suspend Code Section VII, Article 9(2) (about reports from the Advisory Board), effective immediately and lasting until March 1, 2020.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

For (26): Riley Baechler, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Alireza Kamyabi, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Carmen Kim, Lucia Liang, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Melanie Mpanju, Samantha Peng, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Sabreena Shukul, Kia Teimouri, Dante Agosti-Moro (proxy for Riley Ty), Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

U) Discussion Period

Code Compliance – Katherine Westerlund

23. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED TYRA PHILLIPS, THIRDED MAX HOLMES:

“That the meeting go in camera.”

Note: Requires 2/3rds

The meeting went in camera at 9:15 pm.
The meeting left the in camera session at 9:43.
24. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED KATHERINE WESTERLUND:

“That the agenda be amended by adding a motion to create an ad hoc committee to discuss Council governance.”

... Carried

For (24): Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Alireza Kamyabi, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Carmen Kim, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Melanie Mpanju, Samantha Peng, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Sabreena Shukul, Kia Teimouri, Dante Agosti-Moro (proxy for Riley Ty), Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

Against (1): Riley Baechler

25. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“That the meeting be extended by one hour.”

... No objections

26. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED ARASH SHADKAM:

“Be it resolved that Council strike an ad hoc committee to discuss AMS Council Governance and to report back to Council by the second Council meeting in February.

Be it further resolved that the Ad Hoc Committee on AMS Council Governance be composed of the following voting members:

5 non-Executive Councillors
1 representative of the Governance Committee selected by the Governance Committee
1 representative of the Executive Committee selected by the Executive Committee.

Be it further resolved that the Ad Hoc Committee on AMS Council Governance shall:

- explore and investigate issues related to AMS Council Governance, this work to include consulting past and current AMS Councillors, Executives, staff, and Committees;
- advise Council on issues related to AMS Council governance, this work to include creating a report with recommendations for Council to adopt and implement;
- not implement any changes recommended in the report without Council approval.”

Michelle Marcus:
- What are the goals?
- Are we looking to improve efficiency?
- Are we looking to make Council more representative?
Alireza Kamyabi:
- We need to be more specific about what this will do.

Max Holmes:
- The idea is to talk to past Executives, especially Presidents, and long-time Councillors to come up with recommendations about governance.
- I’ve left it broad.
- Could list a lot of things, but this allows the committee to explore.
- It could look at such things as meeting efficiency and Executive reporting.
- Let the committee discuss what to do.

The Archivist & Clerk of Council volunteered to sit on the committee. This was accepted.

Cole Evans:
- Would you loosen this to allow more Executives on it?
- And do we want to leave time to get any changes added to a bylaw referendum?

Max Holmes:
- No to additional Executives.
- Five non-Executive Councillors is standard.
- The committee would consult closely with the Executive.
- It’s good to have diversity on a committee, so we want as many non-Executive Councillors as possible.
- As to the timeline, if bylaw revising is required, there can be at least an interim report early enough for that. I’m not ruling out bylaw changes.

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28. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED ALIREZA KAMYABI:

“That the agenda be amended to add a motion to fill the committee and appoint the chair.”

… No objections

Nominees for the committee: Jackson Schumacher (GSS), Max Holmes (BoG), Carmen Kim (Land & Food), Katherine Westerlund (Engineering), Tyra Phillips (Engineering), Michelle Marcus (Science), Danny Liu (Science)

Chosen: Jackson Schumacher, Max Holmes, Carmen Kim, Katherine Westerlund, Tyra Phillips

Chair Nominee: Max Holmes

29. MOVED MAX HOLMES, SECONDED TYRA PHILLIPS:

“Be it resolved that Council appoint Jackson Schumacher, Max Holmes, Carmen Kim, Katherine Westerlund, Tyra Phillips (5 x non-Executive Councillors) to the Ad Hoc Committee on AMS Council Governance.

Be it further resolved that Max Holmes be appointed chair of the Ad Hoc Committee.”

… Carried

For (24): Riley Baechler, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Andrew Huang, Alireza Kamyabi, Veronika Scherer (proxy for Keira Britto), Carmen Kim, Lucia Liang, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Jackson Schumacher, Arash Shadkam, Haddon Rabb proxy for Tanner Gjosund, Kia Teimouri, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

Strategic Plan
Michelle Marcus:
- We haven’t had a fulsome presentation on this.
- I would like more information about process once feedback is collected.
- How will that turn into the Strategic Plan?
- How do we ensure meaningful and student driven consultation?
- What sort of advertising will you do?
- Is this part of the Communications Department’s budget?
Chris Hakim:
- I love this stuff.
- We did a presentation in August or September.
- I can send a submission for the next meeting.
- Probably the values will be ready by then.
- There are five parts to the Strategic Plan:
  1) Vision for five years
  2) Values for five years
  3) Goals (the substantial part, what we're primarily going to be working on)
  4) Core areas (common themes, sectioning off departments, which goals are for whom?)
  5) Strategic actions (sub-goals, workable things in the short term).
- We have a Vision Statement: Building a community where every student feels supported, represented, and engaged.
- Students are driving the Values section:
  o We were engaging them with on-the-ground boothing: boards on easels in the Nest, with sticky notes.
  o We wanted to find out what values students were thinking of.
  o We got 600-700 responses.
- We also did a survey of staff and students, and had meetings with department heads, the Executive.
- Sent a survey to Councillors.
- Collected feedback.
- Consultation results will go to the Steering Committee, which will come up with three to five values.
- My office will make recommendations.
- Trying to have the most robust consultation in the AMS.

Alireza Kamyabi:
- Is there a presentation coming to Council?

Chris Hakim:
- Probably a submission with a Gantt Chart.
- If you want another presentation, I can do that, but there's already four scheduled for the next Council meeting.
- Maybe in January there can be a goals presentation; we will consult you on that.
- Advertising for this is not actually from the Communications budget; it's a separate line item under Executive Projects.

Jackson Schumacher:
- That's very helpful.
- At some point will you do an assessment of risk and feasibility?
- About goals and actions?
Chris Hakim:
- Some feedback suggestions were not feasible because we don’t run the departments they relate to (e.g., Arts Advising).
- The focus is on being visionary and directional, not listing specific steps.
- If you’re too operational, the Strategic Plan fails.

Michelle Marcus:
- I forgot the earlier presentation. I apologize.
- It sounds like you’re doing a great job at consultation.
- Good job reaching out to AMS groups.
- How will you reach out to those not involved in or alienated from the AMS?
- Will you use Facebook ads? Digital signage?

Chris Hakim:
- Absolutely. You will definitely see all of that.
- We want to reach out to groups marginalized from the AMS.
- It’s important to include those voices.
- You will see this for the goals.
- The most important part of the plan will be the goals; the most funding is for that.

Max Holmes:
- An amazing job on engagement.
- Steering Committee minutes have been short; the meetings are short; I hope to see more from it on the plan.
- I am worried about creating a Strategic Plan.
- They’re common in other organizations, but it’s difficult for student societies.
- We’re elected this year, but the next year often doesn’t care about last year.
- Still worried about setting out detailed actions: they will be dropped.
- The focus should be on values and the macro level.

Chris Hakim:
- I absolutely agree.
- The more detailed, the more likely to fail, especially for student unions.
- Our HR Manager’s long-term vision is: I want our workplace to be a leading one among student unions, increasing satisfaction and efficiency.
- That’s the sort of thing.
- We don’t want to get very detailed.

V) Submissions:

Operations Committee Consolidated Monthly Reports [SCD211-20]
AMS Annual General Meeting Transition Report [SCD212-20]
Executive Committee October Monthly Report [SCD213-20]
SHAPE Committee October Monthly Report [SCD214-20]
Steering Committee Monthly Report (May – October) [SCD215-20]
Finance Committee Monthly Report (May – October) [SCD216-20]
Health & Dental Committee Monthly Report [SCD217-20]
Advocacy Committee June Monthly Report [SCD218-20]
Advocacy Committee July Monthly Report [SCD219-20]
Advocacy Committee August Monthly Report [SCD220-20]

W) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: November 27, 2019

X) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 pm.

Y) Social Activity:
## November 6, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

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Guests: Ariel Cao (UBC Sororities), Thomas O’Donnell (Ubyssey), Emma Livingstone (Ubyssey), James Vogl (Ubyssey), Ahsan Sahibzada (AMS Elections), Farzeen Ather (student at large), Palak Barman (student at large), 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 6:03 pm.

B) Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Speaker:

- This meeting is taking place on the stolen and unceded land of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓-speaking Musqueam people.
- The land was forcibly stolen from them and never since have treaties been entered into for them.
- It is an ongoing act of violence.
- We need to find ways of dealing with that.

C) Adoption of the agenda:

1. MOVED JACKSON SCHUMACHER, SECONDED SHADI SABERIAN:

“That the agenda be adopted as presented.”

Cristina Ilnitchi:

- I’d like to amend to make the Equity Plan a presentation instead of a submission.
- Also to add an accompanying motion.

Max Holmes:

- I’d like to add a motion to appoint a member to the Council Governance Committee because I’m resigning as a member and the chair.

Chris Hakim:

- I’d like to make Executive Goals the first presentation.

2. MOVED CRISTINA ILNITCHI, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the agenda be amended to make the Equity Plan a presentation and motion instead of a submission, to add a motion to appoint a member to the ad hoc Council Governance Committee, and to make Executive Goals the first presentation.”

... Carried
For (21): Sarah Park (proxy for Arash Shadkam), Riley Baechler, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Danny Liu, Tyra Phillips, George Kachkovski (proxy for Riley Ty), Sean Ryan, Jackson Schumacher, Kia Teimouri, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

3. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

“That the agenda be amended to move the appointments for the Elections Committee to before presentations.”

… No objections

4. MOVED JACKSON SCHUMACHER, SECONDED SHADI SABERIAN:

“That the agenda be adopted as amended.”

… Carried

For (21): Sarah Park (proxy for Arash Shadkam), Riley Baechler, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Ian Gilbert, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Danny Liu, Tyra Phillips, George Kachkovski (proxy for Riley Ty), Sean Ryan, Shadi Saberian, Jackson Schumacher, Sabreena Shukul, Kia Teimouri, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

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

Welcome to our new Members: Jody Mao (Dentistry), Sean Ryan (St. Mark’s)

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

Goodbyes: Ben Bemus (VST)

E) Speaker’s Business (5 minutes):

The Speaker:
- We want to make our meetings as accessible as possible. Let me know if you are experiencing accessibility issues to do with lighting, hearing what’s said, etc.

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

G) Consent Agenda Items

Max Holmes asked that the November 15th Executive minutes be considered separately.

5. MOVED KEVIN ZHANG, SECONDED COLE EVANS:

“That the following consent items be accepted as presented:
6. MOVED JACKSON SCHUMACHER, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM: [SCD236-20]

“That the Executive Committee minutes dated November 15, 2019 be accepted as presented.”

Max Holmes:
- The discussion of the Board and Senate office issue in these minutes is misleading.
- The minutes say that the Executive was told that the Board and Senate members of the Operations Committee were okay with the lack of an office, but two of those members were not present at that meeting of the Operations Committee.
- The suggestion in the minutes is that this is not considered an important issue, but a lot of people do think it is important.
- To see it dismissed this way is disappointing.

7. MOVED JACKSON SCHUMACHER, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM: [SCD236-20]

“That the Executive Committee minutes dated November 15, 2019 be accepted as presented.”

... Carried
For (19): Riley Baechler, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Lucia Liang, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, Sean Ryan, Shadi Saberian, Sabreena Shukul, Lucita Villarreal, Kevin Zhang

Abstained: Sarah Park (proxy for Arash Shadkam), Kia Teimouri

8. MOVED GEORGE KACHKOVSKI, SECONDED TYRA PHILLIPS:

From the HR Committee
“That Isabelle Ava-Pointon be appointed to the position of Chief Returning Officer for a period effective December 1, 2019 and lasting until March 15, 2020.”

“That Palak Barman be appointed to the position of Events Officer for a period effective December 1, 2019 and lasting until March 15, 2020.”

“That Declan Rounce be appointed to the position of Communications Officer for a period effective December 1, 2019 and lasting until March 15, 2020.”

George Kachkovski:
- The HR Committee worked with the Chief Electoral Officer and the HR Department in choosing these candidates, and is confident in these candidates.

Max Holmes:
- Great to see this come early.
- It’s important to get regular updates from this committee.

Chris Hakim:
- I agree.
- There should be an update in January.
- And I’d just like to welcome all the new members of the Elections Committee.

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... Carried

For (27): Sarah Park (proxy for Arash Shadkam), Riley Baechler, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre,
10. MOVED GEORGE KACHKOVSKI, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

From the Elections Committee
“That Farzeen Ather and Jodi Yim be appointed to the Elections Committee as Polling Officers for a period effective December 1, 2019 and lasting until March 15, 2020.”

Ahsan Sahibzada:
- Historically, the Polling Officers have been appointed in late January or February, but the past Elections Administrator said it would be helpful if the Polling Officers were appointed early on.
- They can provide administrative support and training, and help with establishing locations of polling stations.

Chris Hakim:
- Welcome to the AMS.

11. MOVED GEORGE KACHKOVSKI, SECONDED CHRIS HAKIM:

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“That Farzeen Ather and Jodi Yim be appointed to the Elections Committee as Polling Officers for a period effective December 1, 2019 and lasting until March 15, 2020.”

For (26): Sarah Park (proxy for Arash Shadkam), Riley Baechler, Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Lucia Liang, Danny Liu, Tyra Phillips, Nevena Rebic, George Kachkovski (proxy for Riley Ty), Sean Ryan, Shadi Saberian, Jackson Schumacher, Sabreena Shukul, Kia Teimouri, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund, Kevin Zhang

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

Executive Goals Progress Report – AMS Executive [SCD237-20]

Chris Hakim:
- Six-month update.
- We’ve been completing some amazing work.
- Team goals:
  - Data-driven AMS: Pushing the AMS to become more data-driven to better understand how to allocate resources.
    - Changing the HR software system.
• Collecting better data about clubs.
• The Academic Experience Survey.
• This will let us better understand issues, e.g., around AMS clubs, and better understand student perspectives so we can learn how to improve.
  o Council improvement:
    ▪ Learning how to better equip our directors with resources.
    ▪ Orientations. Directors say they don’t get enough.
    ▪ Looking at creating orientations for committee chairs.
    ▪ Looking to better reporting structures: helping chairs and Executives so the rest of you know what we’re doing.
  o Communications:
    ▪ The Communications Department has expanded, boosting student engagement.
    ▪ More content, more on the ground engagement.

• President’s Goals:
  o In my second year as an Executive I’m learning how to do things a lot better.
  o Sexual Violence Support:
    ▪ Passed a new AMS policy.
    ▪ Aim has been to create clear and concise policies.
    ▪ Involved in UBC’s review of its policy (Policy 131).
    ▪ Reached agreement with the SASC workers.
    ▪ Want students to feel comfortable reporting and disclosing, so we can help them.
    ▪ Policy 131: students invested; it impacts students directly.
  o Inclusion of Indigenous Voices:
    ▪ Prioritizing engagement with the Indigenous Committee.
    ▪ Drafting terms of reference for the new Indigenous fund.
    ▪ Discussion with the Indigenous Committee about an Indigenous seat on Council. Figuring out how to include an Indigenous voice. Agreed that a seat is necessary.
  o Climate Justice and Sustainability:
    ▪ Exciting stuff at the Board of Governors. Two committees endorsed moving funds from the land endowment into sustainable investments. Impactful steps. Student voices made this happen.
  o Affordable Student Experience:
    ▪ Improving AMS finances to make the student experience more affordable.
    ▪ Better utilizing student fees to improve the student experience.
    ▪ Regular reviews of funds and fees: a new process.
  o AMS Moving Forward:
    ▪ AMS Strategic Plan. Long overdue.

Julia Burnham (VP Academic & University Affairs):
• Supporting survivors (of sexual assault):
  o A busy six months.
o Policy 131 review committee.
o Collaborating with UBC’s SVPRO; part of the hiring process for hiring a new SVPRO director.
o More on this in January, Sexual Assault Awareness Month.
o Doing really well.

12. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the time for the presentation be extended by 20 minutes.”

Max Holmes:
- I object to the consideration of this motion.
- Can do this faster.

13. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED KEVIN ZHANG:

“That the time for the presentation be extended by 20 minutes.”

... Carried

For (16): Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Cole Evans, Chris Hakim, Haruka Higo, Cristina Ilnitchi, Alireza Kamyabi, Carmen Kim, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Nevena Rebic, George Kachkovski (proxy for Riley Ty), Sean Ryan, Shadi Saberian, Kia Teimouri, Kevin Zhang

Against (6): Riley Baechler, Ian Gilbert, Lucia Liang, Tyra Phillips, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund

Abstained: Sarah Park (proxy for Arash Shadkam), Priscilla Chan, Jonathan Kew

Julia Burnham (continued):
- Prioritizing Equity and Accountability:
  o Inclusion Action Plan.
  o Pushing for UBC divestment from fossil fuels.
    ▪ Not alone on this: the UBC C350 group is very active on this issue.
- Well-Being:
  o On track.
  o Board 1 approval for a new home for the Integrated Health Centre.
  o Fall Reading Break.
- Access and Affordability:
  o Stadium Road Neighbourhood petition.
  o OER’s:
    ▪ Open champion event.
    ▪ Santa Ono endorsed it.
    ▪ Open letter about equitable education.
  o Collaborated with the GSS and the UBC SUO about tuition.
  o Engaged with the community: We are trying to be a resource for students.
Cristina Ilnitchi (VP External):
- Exciting couple of months surrounding the federal election:
  - Getting out the vote.
  - Getting students out and also making sure the government heard student voices.
  - On campus: class announcements, going to events, boothyng, registering students to vote, hosting three events.
  - Don’t have all the numbers yet, but there are reports of an increase in the youth vote.
  - This is our opportunity to let the government know that they have to speak to student issues.
  - We co-authored a national student letter; 40 student unions signed on; it was a quick, fantastic effort, and we’ve had replies from multiple parties.
  - After the election we followed up with BC MP’s and with UCRU (Undergraduates of Canadian Research-intensive Universities).
  - I became the UCRU chair, and we’re formalizing the organization, strengthening federal lobbying.
- Advocacy for Affordable, Accessible, Supportive Education:
  - Lobbying primarily for an upfront, needs-based grant system in BC.
  - Ensuring student voices are heard.
  - Working with provincial working groups on sexualized violence:
    - Currently working on a parallel process of students to report back to the government (parallel to the institutions’ process).
  - Multiple research projects on housing, mental health:
    - Looking forward to a housing conditions survey.
  - Student housing working group/Rent with Rights.
- A Better UBC:
  - Creating consistency.
  - Formalizing UCRU.
  - Consultation processes.
  - Making sure affected groups lead the process.
- Transit:
  - Push for funding for SkyTrain to UBC.
    - Collaborating with UBC on media stunts and a joint letter.
    - Going to be real loud in Term 2.
- Equity Plan.
- SUDS went well despite constraints on Ontario students.

Lucia Liang (VP Finance):
- Student Engagement
  - Financial newsletter.
  - Finance Caucus: that didn’t work out too well; more reporting than engaging. Have switched to a more one-on-one approach.
  - Quarterly reports: data analytics, three-year trends, analysis, transparency.
- Efficiency:
  - E-Transfer: making it mobile.
- Affordability:
Working with two companies to reduce ticketing charges on events.

Pushing students to engage more with our funds (we’ve been advertising).

- Sustainability and Investments:
  - Keith and I have been working with the investment managers to divest from fossil fuels and invest in companies with sustainability initiatives.

- Student Development:
  - Financial literacy workshops with RBC: 40 students each time.
  - Financial volunteer program – working in Finance portfolio, get experience for following years.

Cole Evans (VP Administration):

- Nest Usability:
  - Signs package next term, painting.

- Capital Projects:
  - Clubs Resource Centre under budget, good initial reception.
  - Norm Theatre reopened: really huge, pretty great.

- Supporting Clubs and Constituencies:
  - New clubs newsletter.
  - Clarifying rules.
  - New engagement opportunities.
  - Modifying booking system.
  - Helping Constituencies.

- Advancing Sustainability:
  - Zero Waste Foodware.
  - New Sustainable Action Plan.
  - New interactive sustainability centre.

- Artistic Assets:
  - Good engagement with Hatch Art Gallery: high profile artists.
  - New evaluation/insurance appraisal.
  - Looking at what works to sell.
  - Developing strategic vision for the permanent collection.

Ian Stone (Student Services Manager):

- To Serve the Students:
  - Data-driven programming.
  - Services Review, captained by Abdul; for early next term.
    - Looking to improve the services, make them more accessible.

- Collaboration:
  - Working with so many groups on campus: SEEDS, the GSS, etc.
  - Making people aware, learning how to improve.

- Lowering Barriers:
  - Car seat for the Safewalk car.
  - Making people feel comfortable accessing Speakeasy.

- Promotional Material:
  - Vice has a great Instagram presence.
  - Redesigning our logos.
Chris Hakim:
- These goals are just a fraction of the work we do: you may notice more in updates, committee reports, etc.

Questions
Max Holmes:
- Last year Councillors complained about this presentation being long; it’s still long.
- The slides had little on them, just the goals; then the information was spewed at us orally.
- This is not an effective way to present this material.
- Not sure what to do to improve the process.
- Was it wise to wait till the second meeting in November?
- C350 and the students deserve all the credit on divestment.

Chris Hakim:
- On divestment I agree absolutely.
- As to the presentation of the goals report, the target was the first meeting in November.
- How improve? Maybe this would be better at committees instead of at Council. To allow for intense discussion.

Tyra Phillips:
- I disagree. This conversation needs to happen at Council.
- But it doesn’t need to be 30 minutes long with none of the information on the slides.
- We need this in advance so we have time to formulate questions.

Chris Hakim:
- We’ll look at the process.

**Student Services Manager Report to Council – Ian Stone**

- For the period until mid-October we’re seeing similar or increased usage.
- Advocacy deals with academic misconduct and standing issues.
- EHub has drop-in hours and workshops on entrepreneurship:
  - Huge turnout this year for the RBC Get Seeded event.
  - Becoming a hub for entrepreneurial activity on campus.
- Food Bank offers food and hygiene products.
  - Expanding partnerships.
  - Healthy food.
  - Providing food in a dignified way.
  - Purchasing new equipment.
  - Increased food purchasing budget.
  - Extended hours: trying to make the service as accessible as possible.
- Safewalk:
  - Driving, walking people to their destination.
  - Recruiting athletes.
The Academic Experience Survey said only 9% relate to the Thunderbirds; using athletes at Safewalk builds spirit.

Mobile dispatch: lots of walks between residences.

- Speakeasy:
  - Peer support.
  - Boothing.
  - Expanding partnerships.
  - Looking to change the name to make it clearer what it is.
  - Adding a mobile service so people don’t have to leave their building.

- Tutoring:
  - Groups and appointment tutoring.
  - New Computer Science and Psychology tutoring.
  - Tutoring app.

- Vice:
  - Boothing and peer support.
  - Harm reduction.
  - Working on a new logo.
  - Active on social media.

- Financial overview
  - Big significant income for Food Bank from donations.
    - Already surpassed the full amount of last year’s donations.
    - Thanks to all our partners, food drives, AMS outlets.
  - Safewalk contribution from UBC’s VP Students (this helps covers the expense of paying wages to our Safewalkers).
  - Tutoring: contracts with Constituencies.
  - Canada Summer Jobs.
  - In Q3 and Q4 new app to increase Tutoring revenue for appointment sessions.
  - Expenses:
    - New fridge for Food Bank.
    - Rebranding.
    - You can see the cost per interaction graphic on the screen; it will be a more valuable metric at the end of the year.

Questions

Michelle Marcus:
- For eHub, how are you making sure students are considering the environmental impacts of their ventures?

Ian Stone:
- Great question. I’d be happy to connect you with the eHub Coordinator.
- For the RBC Get Seeded pitches, Mugshare was one that did well.

Abdul Alnaar:
- Mugshare is an excellent example of a project that focused on sustainability.
- Another one was for an electric vehicle.
Carmen Kim:
- What is the limit on the number of visits someone can make to Food Bank?
- Six or three? Has it changed?

Abdul Alnaar:
- It’s been six a term since 2012; hasn’t increased.
- Going to look at the data from the Student Services review.
- It’s an emergency food bank: 12 visits a school year is quite generous.

Carmen Kim:
- Even though it’s for emergencies, some students have ongoing issues.
- If possible, increasing the maximum would be helpful.

Abdul Alnaar:
- Six is more than enough for the majority, but if someone has reached the limit, we take a generous approach: we never turn anyone away, but maybe we would talk to them, refer them elsewhere.
- Not many hit six visits.

Cole Evans:
- Do you have target costs per interactions?

Ian Stone:
- To my knowledge, we don’t.
- We could develop some targets; for some it wouldn’t make sense:
  - Hard to put a price on mental health.
- At the end of the services review, we can look at targets.
- We can do an environmental scan of other universities.

Ariel Cao:
- Have we looked at using the Access and Diversity golf carts for Safewalk?

Ian Stone:
- We have looked into it.
- You have to drive the golf cart.
- Not so great in bad weather.
- We are looking to use the Accessibility shuttle.

Abdul Alnaar:
- We have had discussions with UBC about buying more shuttles.
- UBCO uses golf carts, but they’re slow, and we take people all the way to 16th and Blanca.
Financial Update – Lucia Liang

Businesses
- Conferences & Catering (C&C) was down from the first quarter (when they made money because of the Congress conference).
- In general, though, businesses have had higher revenue, and C&C was still the biggest revenue generator, with Blue Chip next.
- The Porch and the Gallery are doing well.
- Iwana Taco was lower: it wasn’t open in the summer.
- We’re on target with budget expenditures.
- Administration is the highest cost, but it was down.
- Among the Executives, the VP Administration’s office was the most expensive.
- Focused on getting students to use our funds, and there’s been increased usage.
- SASC expenses were up because of retroactive pay.
- Food Bank is receiving lots of donations.
- Welcome Back Barbecue was four times more expensive than expected. Events staff expenditure was up, but we’re seeking sponsors.
- We had a big increase in Communications expenses (more staff and projects).
- Archives has a special expense this quarter because of the project to digitize old student handbooks.
- We don’t have a Policy Advisor, so no money went to that.

Questions
Michelle Marcus:
- Why are student fees not included in the revenue?

Lucia Liang:
- You can’t see the detail of the rest if you add in the fees.
- If you want to see the breakdown, you can check the appendix of the financial report.

Alireza Kamyabi:
- C&C has dropped by 2/3rds since 2017: that’s concerning.
- Communications had a huge increase in costs: what was it for?
- Welcome Back Barbecue also had a huge cost increase: what happened there?

Keith Hester:
- Re C&C, I wonder about those numbers.

Chris Hakim:
- We’ll get back to you about C&C.
- Re Communications:
  - Lots of new staff.
  - Salaries are the main cost.
  - Additional costs from engagement: Facebook ads, merchandising.
- Welcome Back:
This was because of an artist change.
Had to change at the very last minute.
Increased expenses.

**Equity Plan Update – Cristina Ilnitchi**

- Last April a motion passed at Council requiring a report on the Equity Plan by the end of November.
- Presenting this update now and want to let you know that things have changed.
- The history is this:
  - One issue identified by the 2016 governance review was that some groups were not adequately represented on Council.
  - Different ideas were suggested to address that: Officers of Council, Caucuses, etc.
  - We had lots of difficulty in getting an Equity Caucus off the ground.
  - There were lots of barriers to getting involved, making it hard to find and retain people.
  - We cut out some of the barriers (e.g., removing the requirement for applicants to submit something), but recruiting was still difficult, so we tried to be pro-active in reaching out to communities.
  - What came up was the realization that this structure (a Caucus) might not be the right way to go: lots of issues came up about elections, governance, etc.
  - So we came up with the idea of an Equity Plan.
  - But there were still barriers.
  - We tried various models, but saw we needed support.
  - We’ve had multiple iterations of the plan.
  - It’s a multi-year plan, and ensuring we have someone to support the process is important.
  - We need someone with equity training and knowledge to set up the plan and strategies: a consultant.
  - We are going to look for a consultant through an RFP.
  - The RFP is halfway done.
  - We’ve been doing consultations, and the second round is coming up.
- Going forward:
  - We will do a mini-audit in January.
  - Will be consulting internal and external groups.
  - Getting training.
  - Will send a finalized RFP to the Advocacy Committee and then send out the RFP.
  - An Equity Plan working group will be created in February.
  - We will hire a consultant and bring an update to Council.
- It was not possible to create the plan for now as the motion in April required.
- There was recognition of the need for outside support.
- We need to develop structure.
- We want to keep Council apprised.
- Will come back in February with an update.
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Cristina Ilnitchi:
- One reason this has taken so long a time is that we’ve gone through multiple iterations.
- We finally talked to the right people.
- We identified gaps and the need for support.
- I’m excited to come back in February with a full update.

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Council took a ten-minute break at 7:50 pm.

I) Consultation Period

J) Appointments

Ad Hoc Committee on AMS Council Governance

Chris Hakim:
- This committee is looking at Council’s governance: some high level topics.
- It’s been meeting weekly, on Thursdays.

Katherine Westerlund:
- We’re looking to fill a vacancy on the committee, and the person we choose will probably take on the chairship as well because no one else on the committee wanted to chair after Max resigned.
Nominees for the vacancy: Nevena Rebic (GSS)

Nominees for the chair position:

Chris Hakim put his name forward for the chair position, noting however that he understands there are concerns about the President chairing this committee. He said he would be more than happy to declare a conflict of interest on the topic of Executive-Council relations when that comes up and let someone else chair at that point.

Nominees for the chair position: Chris Hakim, Nevena Rebic

Chris Hakim withdrew his name from consideration.

16. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED IAN GILBERT:

“That Nevena Rebic (1 x Councillor) be appointed to the Ad Hoc Committee on AMS Governance.”

“That Nevena Rebic be appointed Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on AMS Council Governance.”

... Carried

For (21): Keira Britto, Julia Burnham, Priscilla Chan, Cole Evans, Ian Gilbert, Chris Hakim, Nicholas Harterre, Haruka Higo, Alireza Kamyabi, Jonathan Kew, Carmen Kim, Lucia Liang, Danny Liu, Michelle Marcus, Tyra Phillips, George Kachkovski (proxy for Riley Ty), Sean Ryan, Jackson Schumacher, Kia Teimouri, Lucita Villarreal, Katherine Westerlund

Against (1): Nevena Rebic

K) President’s Remarks (5 minutes):

Chris Hakim:

- Compiling feedback on the values section of the Strategic Plan:
  - Received 954 legible responses (also 30 additional ones we couldn’t read: bad handwriting).
  - Going to compile all these into a report.
  - Will present this at the next Council meeting.

- Met with Alumni UBC on how to connect students and alumni:
  - Career and academic outcomes.

- BoG committee meetings:
  - Tuition increase:
    - The AMS opposed all increases.
    - There’s been no strategic reasoning from the University to address affordability issues.
    - UBC throws money at hot topics, but affordability is multi-faceted.
  - Grad student stipends:
• Have not seen an increase in the stipends despite increases in tuition.
• The AMS will push for increases in the stipends.
  o Divestment:
    ▪ Biggest props to UBC C350 for the Board’s step forward on divestment.
• The Services Review working group met to identify what data to collect to inform the review.
• Ombudsoffice and sexual violence: final draft.
• UBC Academic Renewal: on supporting grad students.
• Providing support to the Ad hoc Committee on Council Governance.
• Transit strike communications:
  o Cole was trying to ensure that the building was not set on fire when we kept it open overnight.
• Meeting with Indigenous Committee about an Indigenous Council seat.
• Talked to Athletics and Rec about their budget.
• Feedback for RFP on the Equity and Inclusion Action Plan.

L) Executive Remarks (3 minutes each):

VP Administration – Cole Evans
• We were all prepared to keep the building open for the transit strike, but the deal was reached.
• Some people did stay last night.
• The Norm reopening sold out, showing the potential of the theatre.
• Capital projects:
  o Revitalizing the thoroughfare between the Nest and the Life Building.
    ▪ Not a lot of vision there now.
    ▪ Trying to liven it up.
    ▪ Also give it a sustainability theme.
  o Redesign of Services area.
• Nest Experience Survey next week.
  o A broader AMS Experience Survey coming next year: produced by merging surveys.
• Clubsland:
  o Supporting improvements for clubs.
  o Looking into a new bookings system to make things more fair and less congested.
  o Clubs Days applications for third week in January.
• Sustainability:
  o Sustainability Action Plan.
  o Outstanding SEEDS projects.
  o New conference – sustainable case competition.
• Hatch doing well, successful shows.
• Clubs Resource Centre fully operational:
  o Lots of traffic, engagement with clubs.
Keeping track of metrics to present in January.

**Questions**
Michelle Marcus:
- What percentage of Nest bookings are for clubs versus external groups?

Cole Evans:
- Club bookings are 86%.
- We want to make it clear that clubs have priority throughout the school year.
- The summer is more for commercial bookings.
- We dislike it when clubs have difficulty getting bookings.
- Want bookings to be done the previous year for the next year.

**VP Academic & University Affairs – Julia Burnham**
- BoG meetings: I was doing transcriptions. (Could have future career as a stenographer.)
- Discussion at Senate about student evaluations: how they to evolve.
- Still trying to push the University about CERT (the proposed Campus Emergency Response Team).
- Climate emergency discussion at Senate.
- On search committee for Vice-Provost.
- Brainstorming with SASC about Policy 131.
- Preliminary draft of AES questions
- Found two grey hairs.

**Questions**
Alireza Kamyabi:
- Is there talk about giving extensions to students from Iran?

Julia Burnham:
- On my radar.
- Mentioned this at Exec Committee: that an Internet shutdown is making it hard for prospective students from Iran to apply.
- Figuring out who the best person to work with would be.

Chris Hakim:
- I met with the Registrar about this.
- UBC is trying to work something out.

**VP Finance – Lucia Liang**
- Quarterly report took up lots of hours.
- Worked with fee-receiving groups.
- Trend analysis on club budgets.
- Financial analyst hiring.
• Working with Indigenous Committee: they’re the only committee that can spend money; figuring out how to do that.

Questions
Katherine Westerlund:
• Any plan to tell treasurers that the e-transfer system is working?

Lucia Liang:
• This is still in the preliminary stages.
• Testing it.

Katherine Westerlund:
• It is out there and the forms are out there.
• Either take the forms away or tell us more.
• Also, is there an update on the credit card system?

Lucia Liang:
• Need more hours to work on this.
• Waiting for okay from the bank. Then we can expand on that.
• It will be by the end of the third quarter.

VP External – Cristina Ilnitchi
• Equity plan RFP.
• Planning a workshop on knowing your rights as a protester.
• In touch with rideshare companies re rollout of Uber and Lyft: fees etc.
  o Want to promote sustainable modes of transportation
• SkyTrain to UBC:
  o Media stunts to start next year.
  o Needing funding.
• Sent new BC MP’s letters congratulating them and telling them our priorities.
• Meeting with GSS about increase in health premiums for international students.
• Glad bus strike was averted. Glad bus operators got a good deal and students won’t be facing delays.
  o But during the time when it looked like there would be a strike, issues came up about UBC’s response: no concessions for students.
  o Working on that: academic concessions in future strikes.
• Working with the UNA: telling them we still take issue with the barriers for students running in their elections.

Questions
Sean Ryan:
• Re protesters’ rights, how do we get involved?

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• Get in touch with me.
Nicholas Harterre:
- What are the rideshare fees?

Cristina Il ничичи:
- UBC will have a plan for rideshare on campus.
- Municipalities have the right to impose fees on rideshare companies.
- At UBC there will be agreements to ensure we don’t create congestion on campus, and we also want to focus on sustainability.
- We want the emphasis still to be on transit and bikes.

Chris Hakim:
- What media stunts?

Cristina Il ничичи:
- Want to use the media to let people know, for instance, of the tons of pass-ups along the 99 B-Line.
- Also thinking of trying to find a way to transport students ourselves.

**Student Services Manager – Ian Stone**
- I’ve said enough in my two presentations.

**Services Review – Abdul Alnaar**
- I wasn’t here when Michelle Marcus asked last time about how Council can be involved.
- In the last review, there were recommendations about removing certain services and adding others; those came to Council.
- Last time it was a subcommittee of the Student Life Committee that handled this.
- My approach has been to create a working group made up of people doing the day-to-day work.
- Hoping to consult the general student population in January.
- Hoping to revisit past questions.
- The Academic Experience Survey gives us lots of data: we don’t need to re-ask those questions.
- Will do an environmental scan of services to inform ourselves.
- Before, SASC was not included. This time it is.
- How Council will be involved:
  - In the actual decisions on the recommendations.
  - The plan is to draft a report that will come to Council to be ratified/approved or there will be further discussion on details.
  - Councillors will be heavily involved in the decision-making.
- I’m recommending we do not amend the terms of reference of the working group.
- Let Councillors engage more in February and March.

**Managing Director – Keith Hester**
- Lucia, Rish, and I are looking at a new ticketing system.
- Stress Free Week: puppy therapy tomorrow.
• Festivus event on Friday.
• AMS holiday party on Saturday.
• RFP for Health & Dental Administration: presentation in January.
• 24-hour opening of the Nest was a great success last night.
• Launching an AMS blog: If you have stories, send them our way.
• Sharing our learnings with UBC about moving investments following the UBC announcement about divesting from fossil fuels in their endowment fund.

M) Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

Advocacy Committee – Tyra Phillips
• RFP process about Equity Plan.
• Looking at Academic Experience Survey questions.
• Housing survey.

Fermentation Lab Committee – Kia Teimouri
• Meeting next week to discuss where we’re at.

Finance Committee – Lucia Liang
• Reviewing funds.
• No minutes yet: making sure to protect personal information.
• CCTV for Great Hall.
• Tutoring app for Services.
• Filming weddings.
• Further to the decrease in revenue for Conferences & Catering (the question earlier in the meeting):
  o It’s because of giving out space to clubs instead of commercial clients/external bookings.
  o A different business model.
  o Also, this is only a quarterly report not the end of year results.
  o We’re on target for revenue.

Questions
Carmen Kim:
• Re external bookings: I’ve heard stories of clubs being kicked out of booked areas by film crews.

Cole Evans:
• That shouldn’t be happening.
• I encourage the club to email me.
• We don’t allow external bookings to do that.

Governance Committee – Katherine Westerlund
• Policy changes coming.
• Starting work on more Code changes and also potential bylaw amendments.
HR Committee – Michelle Marcus for Riley Ty
- Focused on election hiring.
- Reviewing activities of the Ombudsperson.
  - This process has not been done for a decade.
  - We’re supposed to get reports every four months.
- Advisory Board hiring: reviewing candidates.

Operations Committee – Cole Evans
- 24 hour Nest opening: cool while it lasted, but no longer a thing.
- Policy I-7 (on expulsions): sent out a consultation copy for feedback.
  - Hopefully will have something by January.
  - It’s continually changing in scope.
  - Addressing services, Food and Beverage.

SHAPE – Chris Hakim
- Waiting for Heffel (the art auction house).

Steering Committee – Chris Hakim
- Met briefly.
- Hope to meet in December to approve values.

Questions
Cristina Ilnitchi:
- How will Steering move forward after approving the values?

Chris Hakim:
- Goals will be the next thing.
- Also the implementation plan for the Strategic Plan.

Student Life Committee – Cole Evans
- A blast. Doing a lot of things.
- Going around in circles, but actually very productive.
- Conclusion: There are great things SLC can do, but not much they can that’s an annual deliverable.
- Able to give feedback to Events and Communications.
- There’s a place for a group like this, but not necessarily as a standing committee.
- It’s going to be exciting.

Questions
Cristina Ilnitchi:
- For a long time there’s been talk about finding a home for AMS information: collaborating on newsletters, Imagine Day, engaging with students.
- A lot of items never go anywhere: why can’t they find a life in the Student Life Committee?
Cole Evans:
- Student Life is definitely not the place for that, not with a chair who only works three hours.
- We’ve discussed all these things.
- We’re not going to have a committee that can do all that.
- SLC might be better as a working group of Council.

Abdul Alnaar:
- The AMS has place for Student Life.
- A lot is done by Events, Services, Constituencies.
- Student life does exist.
- Looking forward to recommendations from Cole.
- Do you have a date in mind?

Cole Evans:
- Most likely late January or early February.
- The issue is finding a solution to make it meaningful.
- A lot lies with Communications, Events, and Services.
- The two biggest things would be:
  1) to have a committee of Board that Communications and Events report to;
  2) Grad Class Council.

N) Report from Presidents Council (2 minutes):

  Presidents Council – Chris Hakim
  - Hasn’t met.

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

  BoG – Jeanie Malone
  - Board committee meetings happened: good coverage in Ubyssey.
  - First big step towards divestment.
  - Tuition.

Questions
Abdul Alnaar:
- Kudos to the student BoG reps for voting against the tuition increases and making valid arguments, asking where the money’s going and getting some other Board members to go along.

Jeanie Malone:
- Thanks to the 5,500 people that wrote in their comments.

Senate – Alex Gonzalez
- Approved list of graduates.
• Passed motion to amend UBC’s strike policy and also discussed labour disruptions and transit strikes.
• Update on inclusion action plan.
• Honorary degrees for famous people.
• Feedback re student evaluations of teaching.

Nevena Re bic:
• About the policy on labour disruption, what about grad students striking?

Alex Gonzalez:
• No one brought up that question.

Chris Hakim:
• The policy scope is not around strikes on campus but on UBC’s response to strikes. Not as broad as you might think.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
• How is the freedom of expression stuff going?

Julia Burnham:
• It’s academic freedom.

Alex Rodriguez:
• It hurts my head, but it’s going great.

Julia Burnham:
• Great discussions on it.
• In camera.

Chris Hakim:
• What’s happening with equity and inclusion?

Alex Rodriguez:
• Academic Diversity and Inclusion.

Julia Burnham:
• The Senate Ad hoc Committee on Academic Diversity and Inclusion (SACADI).
• Going to committees with three questions, proposed actions.
• Asking how each committee of Senate sees the limitations and growth of academic diversity.

Historical Update – Sheldon Goldfarb
Past strikes:
• Some talk of a student strike in the 50’s and again in the 60’s over tuition increases, but they didn’t happen.
UBC clerical workers went on strike over pay equity issues in 1975-76; students crossed picket lines, annoying student BoG rep Svend Robinson.

In 1983 students joined the province-wide Solidarity strike against the government’s austerity measures.

That same year AMS office workers walked out for two weeks.

In 1992 another UBC clerical workers strike; the Ubyssey stopped publishing in solidarity; a rival student paper, the Campus Times, emerged to fill the gap.


In 2003 a TA strike that almost led the AMS to shut down the SUB.

Questions
Thomas O’Donnell (Ubyssey):

- Did the clerical workers win?

Sheldon Goldfarb:

- Would have to check on that.

P) Minutes of Council and Committees of Council:

Q) Executive Committee Motions:

17. MOVED COLE EVANS, SECONDED CRISTINA ILNITCHI:

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Cole Evans:

- Because of the transit strike, we thought we’d be keeping the Nest open 24 hours for four days, not just one.
- There’s still a cost.
- We have the Contingency Fund for emergencies, but we need this Code suspension to allow us to spend less than $5,000.
- The cost was only $1,500.

Katherine Westerlund:

- If the tentative deal falls through, does this allow us to keep spending at a later time to keep the building open?

Cole Evans:

- Technically, nothing in the motion says we couldn’t.
- I’m open to clarifying the motion.
Chris Hakim:
  - It’s fine as is.

Abdul Alnaar:
  - CBC Vancouver gave us coverage.

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   Note: The balance in the SUB Repairs and Replacement Fund is $621,053.91

   Ian Stone:
   - The Food Bank has money to buy more stuff.
   - We don’t have places to hold more stuff.
   - So we’re proposing this fridge and freezer to store more stuff.
   - Currently, we have a small fridge and freezer.
   - We get produce, so need a fridge: good quality, healthy food.
   - Our current freezer is not very accessible and is on its way out anyway.
   - Asking for a little money to serve students better.

   Cristina Ilnitchi:
   - Ian made a fantastic presentation at Exec Com.
   - Gave us options.
   - We decided to go with the higher end option to allow Food Bank to expand.
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21. MOVED KATHERINE WESTERLUND, SECONDED ALIREZA KAMYABI:

**From the Governance Committee**
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Katherine Westerlund:
- The change to Statements from Students at Large allows them to make closing remarks.
  - Before they couldn’t respond to Councillors’ comments.
  - Just an extra minute.
- Posting the agenda on the website is not in the Code; it’s done in practice, but Code should say.
- We also want most of the Council docket posted ahead of time. Not unapproved minutes, but reports, presentations, etc.
- The change about committee reporting is to require the circulation of a table of minutes and reports from the committees, so people will know when each committee last submitted.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- Happy about all these, especially the extra minute for Students at Large.
- About committee reporting: how will this be communicated to the committee chairs?
- Will it be part of their onboarding process?
Katherine Westerlund:
- The Governance Committee is not directly involved in committee chair training.

Chris Hakim:
- If sending in a motion, please supply the rationale document.

Alireza Kamyabi:
- The table didn’t actually get circulated.
- What will it look like?

Katherine Westerlund:
- Just a more graphical picture of the status of each committee.
- Listing all the reports and minutes submitted. Also meeting dates.
- This give Council an at a glance summary of each committee’s work.

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23. MOVED LUCIA LIANG, SECONDED JACKSON SCHUMACHER:

From the Finance Committee
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Lucia Liang:
- This is about the tutoring app.

Ian Stone:
- Besides drop-in group tutoring, we do private tutoring by appointment.
- We charge for it.
- There’s a demand for it.
- It’s one of the things we pride ourselves on.
- Our tutors tend to be students who took these courses.
- Right now appointments are set up by email.
- This is a waste of the Tutoring Coordinator’s time; it’s inefficient and doesn’t work well.
- A couple of years ago we introduced Help Hub, an app that did work.
- They took a cut.
- But we had issues with Help Hub and are no longer using it.
- We’ve been working on something new, and this is the result: Nimbus.
- Nimbus is a tutoring app based in Montreal.
- It’s a company that specifically works on private tutoring.
- We have a good package from them, and we see a way to provide a good service to students.
- We spent a long time looking at different options.

Lucia Liang:
- We’ve been talking about this since the summer.
- We’re not taking money from a fund, but moving money within the Services budget.
- Originally, the line number we want to use was supposed to go to a second Advocacy Coordinator, but now it will go to the app.
- So this is a motion to amend the budget to do that.

Michelle Marcus:
- Why are we not hiring a second Advocacy Coordinator?

Abdul Alnaar:
- We identified a second coordinator as a possible need, but our Advocate this year has been doing a phenomenal job.
- We don’t see the need to hire a second advocate.
- The decision was made not to spend, even though it was provided for us in the budget.

Cole Evans:
- Big props to Abdul and Ian for finding a good company and negotiating a good price.

Alireza Kamyabi
- Is this $15,000 for a lifetime subscription?

Ian Stone:
- It’s for one calendar year. A trial.
- One-year contract.
- Going forward, we will see if it’s useful.
Danny Liu:
- Data sharing has been an issue; is there any failsafe to prevent that?
- Do we want Nimbus’s other professional services or would they just be for easing the burden of making appointments?

Abdul Alnaar:
- We made sure that we went with a Canadian start-up.
- They have worked with other universities and student unions; that gave us confidence.
- We’re using the tutoring aspect.
- There is potential for growth in the app.
- It could feed into Vice and Speakeasy.

Cristina Ilnitchi:
- What were some of the barriers to getting this done in a timely manner?

Chris Hakim:
- It was a bit of an arduous process:
  - The IT Subcommittee, the Finance Committee.
  - Negotiating over price.
- That's why it took so long.
- In future, we shouldn’t impose such arduous requirements.

Cole Evans:
- I don’t think the process slowed down in Finance or the subcommittees.
- I think their approval happened quickly.

Chris Hakim:
- I think it was the Executives who asked for the low price.

Lucia Liang:
- Originally, the price was going to be $60,000.
- There were a lot of hoops to jump through, but we got it down to $15,000.

Abdul Alnaar:
- I’ll take responsibility as well.
- Transitions, other projects: a busy year.
- And I didn’t want to go with just any product if it didn’t meet our needs.

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T) Other Business and Notice of Motions:

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W) Next Meeting:

Next Meeting: January 8, 2020

X) Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:52 pm.

Y) Social Activity:
## November 27, 2019 Roster

The Alma Mater Society of U.B.C. Vancouver – Student Council Attendance

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V6: Electoral Officers' Appointment Motion
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