



## **Agenda of the AMS Operations Committee**

(Agenda for Nov. 4th, 2020 Meeting @ 10:00am - 11:00am | Zoom)

### **Attendance**

Members: Alexandra Arbelaez, Emma Dodyk, Ben Du, Katherine Feng (Chair), Lawrence Liu, Sylvester Mensah Jr. (VP Administration), Ghazal Rezaei

Present: Alexandra Arbelaez, Emma Dodyk, Ben Du, Katherine Feng (Chair), Sylvester Mensah Jr. (VP Administration), Ghazal Rezaei

Regrets: Lawrence Liu

Guests: None

Recording Secretary: Ben Du

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:05am.

### **Territorial Acknowledgement**

### **Approval of the Agenda**

Moved: Katherine

Seconded: Emma

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted with the proposed amendment.”

**Sylvester:** Addition of Agenda Item 5 (COVID-19 Club Procedures).

## Agenda Items

### 1. Approval of Previous Minutes

Moved: Emma                      Seconded: Alex

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the October 28th are approved.”

### 2. Keycard Reader Approval

Moved: Sylvester                      Seconded: Emma

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT \$5435.01 from the Clubs Benefit Fund is approved for expenditure on a Club Storage Room keycard reader.”

**Sylvester:** We wanted to create more space for clubs, but accessing the Club Storage Room is currently inconvenient. A keycard reader for UBC cards will help keep better track of who gets into the room and contributes to safety. Pricing includes equipment and installation.

**Emma:** When is the installation expected to happen?

**Sylvester:** In January 2021.

### 3. Club Constitutions

Moved: Katherine                      Seconded: Ben

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the motions to constitute the clubs recommended for constitution by the Clubs and Societies Working Group are omnibus.”

Moved: Katherine                      Seconded: Sylvester

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMS BOLT at UBC, Biochemistry Student Association, UBC Middle East Studies Student Association, AMS Cosmetics Club at UBC, UBC Backgammon Club, AMS Nepalese Students Association @ UBC, AMS Bangladeshi Students Association UBC, and AMS Product Management Club

@ UBC are constituted as AMS clubs, as recommended by the Clubs and Societies Working Group.”

Moved: Sylvester                      Seconded: Emma

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the U&I Korea Club is deconstituted as an AMS Club, as recommended by the Clubs and Societies Working Group.”

Moved: Sylvester                      Seconded: Emma

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT club applications for the CP-U (Computer Science for Undergrads), AMS Data Science Club at UBC, STRIVE Business and Engineering, AMS Potluck Club at UBC, UBCO Transfer Club, AMS First Connections @ UBC, Multi-Organ Transplant Association at UBC, UBC Mental Health Initiative, Radio Broadcasting Club, HanVoice UBC, AMS Theatre and Film Student Association at UBC, AMS Sustainability Kitchen at UBC, AMS Poets' Club at UBC, Developer Student Club at University of British Columbia (UBC), Chinese Mobile Game Club (CMGC), UBC Health Equity Club, Sauder Investment Group, UBC’s Pediatrics and Art Association, Children Ubiquitously Burdened or CUBs, AMS Comagape at UBC, Project Flavour, AMS IDEAS at UBC (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Access & Safe Space), Students for International Development, and UBC Social Change are not accepted and the that clubs are therefore not constituted as AMS clubs, as recommended by the Clubs and Societies Working Group.”

### **Additional Review of Clubs & Society Working Group’s Recommendations**

The Operations Committee reviewed the purpose and mandates of:  
HanVoice UBC, AMS Theatre and Film Student Association at UBC, AMS Sustainability Kitchen at UBC, AMS Poets’ Club at UBC, Developer Student Club at University of British Columbia (UBC), Chinese Mobile Game Club (CMGC), UBC Health Equity Club, Sauder Investment Group, UBC’s Pediatrics and Art Association, AMS Cosmetics Club at UBC, Children Ubiquitously Burdened or CUBs, UBC Backgammon Club, AMS Napalese Students Association @ UBC, AMS Comagape at UBC, AMS Bangladeshi Students Association UBC, Project Flavour, AMS IDEAS at UBC, Students for International Development, AMS Product Management Club @ UBC, and UBC Social Change.

The following applications were recommended for further discussion:

*AMS Theatre and Film Student Association at UBC:*

Their mandate overlaps with another theater/film club that is not a departmental club. If this club does intend to become a departmental club, there is not enough information to determine whether they would have sufficient departmental support. Intention to become a departmental club may be something to ask for on future application forms.

*Developer Student Club at University of British Columbia (UBC):*

The information in the application shows overlap with mandates of nwPlus and BizTech. While backing from Google is unique, further information on their focus on Google and further explanation regarding how their club's purpose differentiates from other similar aforementioned clubs, is required to be constituted. We encourage re-application in the next cycle.

*AMS Cosmetics Club at UBC:*

This club fills a gap in the existing AMS Clubs and suggests viable events. It may be a good idea to reach out to this club and request some further information regarding how the AMS can support its events since it is not entirely clear in the application.

*UBC Backgammon Club:*

Although Backgammon is a little bit niche, similar clubs like Chess Club, Go Club, and Board Games Club exist and are successful, suggesting that Backgammon Club will be able to operate similarly. It's also an activity that members of the AMS can enjoy together.

*AMS Bangladeshi Students Association UBC:*

While the Committee is concerned with the club's stability as they failed to apply for renewal in May of 2020, there is a sizable community of students that could benefit from this club.

**Ben:** I'm seeing a lot of repetition with clubs not providing a good-enough basis for achieving our requirements for constitution. It may be a good idea to look "upstream" and revise our application process and questions. It's one thing if clubs don't have enough information, but it's another if clubs don't know to include the details we're looking for. I think this applies especially to clubs recommended for further review.

**Sylvester:** We can go over the questions of the application process after this constitution period. Another improvement we can make is asking whether clubs intend to be program clubs. We're currently in the process of making these changes for next term.

**4. Committee Goals Discussion**

**5. COVID-19 Club Procedures**

Moved: Ben                      Seconded: Ghazal

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT agenda items 4 and 5 are tabled to the next meeting.”

**Next Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, Nov. 18th from 10:00am - 11:00am.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:06am.