

February 2, 2021 Minutes of the AMS Governance Committee; 4pm

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/91681615917>

Attendance

Present: Sebastian Cooper (Chair), Carter MacLean (AUS), Kamil Kanji (student-at-large), Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council)

Guests:

Regrets: Katherine Feng, Danny Liu (SUS), Ryan Wong (VSEUS), Kalith Nanayakkara (AMS VP External Affairs)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:06 pm.

Agenda Items

Territorial Acknowledgement

Approval of the Agenda

Moved: Kamil Seconded: Carter

That the agenda be adopted.

[Adopted]

Approval of Past Minutes

Moved: Seconded:

That the minutes of January 18, 2021 be approved

[Postponed.]

Proposed Code changes

Discussion on proposed changes to bring Code into line with practice and Bylaw changes.

Sheldon: These changes are the issues I noticed in code over the break.

- I.1.4.: BOG, Senate reps are no longer officers of the society (previously passed by council) + amendment because we don't have a sales manager anymore

- II.4.3.: Reflects that we no longer have an Executive Procedures Manual.
- II.4.4.: Officers no longer sign an oath of office.

Sebastian: Do we need to consult anyone on any of these changes so far?

Sheldon: Perhaps the AVPs? I will consult the executives if they do or do not sign an oath of office and if it is ok to get rid of it.

- II.16.1.: there was no rule in getting a new constituency, this has been edited to comply with Bylaw change.
- III.1.: changes are due to COVID and to enable us to properly hold virtual meetings.
- III.2.1.a.: originally came about so that Council could see at a glance what every committee was up, but it doesn't really happen now. Should we keep it or toss it? Might need to consult (perhaps Jeanie Malone, as it was her idea).

Sebastian: Reach out to Cole to consult on this.

Sheldon:

- III.2.1.b.: Agenda committee never met. This is also not being done.

Sebastian: I will consult with Cole.

Sheldon:

- V.1.6.: No principled reason why *ad hoc* committees wouldn't be open to the public.
- V.3.2.b.: Don't have provision for payment of extraordinary committees. This was an issue with Indigenous Committee, but Council passed a motion to pay them. Thought this should be included in Code. Also included language to ensure people aren't paid twice. Doesn't actually change anything that is already provided for.

Kamil had to step out, so the meeting was ended due to low attendance

Policy I-9: Executive Goal Setting and Reporting Policy

Up for review by Govcomm. Policy: <https://www.ams.ubc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Policy-I-9-exec-goals-february-may-2019.pdf>

Postponed

Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is February 12, 2021.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 pm.