



AMS Clubs and Societies Working Group

Minutes of the October 9th, 2020 Meeting | Room 3529

Attendance

Present: Nicolas Williams (Chair), Sylvester Mensah (Vice- Chair), Mary Gan (AVP Finance)

Regrets: Suyoung Ahn (Clubs and Constituencies Financial Administrator)

Call to Order

Moved by Arnaud, Seconded by Mary

The meeting was called to order at 3:49pm

Land Acknowledgement

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Arnaud , Seconded by Nicolas .

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda is adopted as presented.

1. New Club Applications

1.1. HanVoice UBC

1.1.1. Upon further examination, this is definitely a charity club primarily focused on benefiting communities outside the AMS.

1.1.2. **Do not recommend constitution**, on basis of:

1.1.2.1. The club can be considered a charity club.

1.1.2.2. The club primarily focused on benefiting communities that are not members of the AMS.

1.2. Theatre and Film Students Association

1.2.1. While this could be a program club, there is no supporting documentation, and we are therefore unclear whether this group intends to represent the theatre and film departments.

1.2.2. There are also already groups that provide communities for both theatre and film students.

1.2.2.1. Committee suggests that we include an entry for supporting documentation in future new club applications.

1.2.3. **Do not recommend constitution**, on basis of:

1.2.3.1. The club's mandate overlaps with the mandates of existing AMS subsidiaries, including Film Society and the UBC Players Club.



- 1.2.3.2. Request that club applies with supporting documentation in the future.
- 1.3. Developer Student Club at University of British Columbia (UBC)
 - 1.3.1. Concern that on further review, the club's mandate overlaps with nwPlus. While the support from Google is a differentiating factor, it is unclear whether this is a primary focus of the club, at least from the application contents.
 - 1.3.2. Do not recommend constitution**, on basis of:
 - 1.3.2.1. The club's mandate overlaps with the mandates of existing AMS subsidiaries, including BizTech and nwPlus.
- 1.4. AMS Cosmetics Club at UBC
 - 1.4.1. While there are concerns about the club's ability to succeed during COVID, it is a unique club with no overlaps.
 - 1.4.2. Recommend for constitution**
- 1.5. UBC Backgammon Club
 - 1.5.1. Concerns about success during COVID-19, but we cannot know for sure how large the playing community is. However, it is certainly unique and there is precedent for similar clubs.
 - 1.5.2. Recommend for constitution**
- 1.6. AMS Bangladeshi Students Association UBC
 - 1.6.1. After review of previous contacts, the fact that the club deconstituted voluntarily during a difficult time should not be a strike against it.
 - 1.6.2. Recommend for constitution**
- 1.7. AMS IDEAS at UBC (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Access & Safe Space)
 - 1.7.1. Concerns about viability of the club: there are only 250 students in the iSchool, and the application says that only 10% would identify with this club.
 - 1.7.1.1. The club would be better working directly with their constituency representatives in LASA.
 - 1.7.2. The application also specifies that the club would not be open to students who do not identify as BIPOC students, and while we respect the intention, this kind of exclusion is not allowed unless the club is restricting membership to a program.
 - 1.7.3. Do not recommend for constitution**, on basis of:
 - 1.7.3.1. The club is not open to all AMS members.
 - 1.7.3.2. The club does not demonstrate the likelihood of future membership and financial stability.

2. Deconstitution

- 2.1. The club U&I Korea has requested an elective constitution. They have submitted minutes from a General Meeting that reached quorum, and a majority voted for elective deconstitution.
 - 2.1.1. The committee recommends that the Operations Committee deconstitute **U&I Korea**.



Please refer to Appendix 1

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30pm