

Meeting Name: AMS Council April 7, 2021

Meeting Start Time: 6:00 PM PDT

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Meeting End Time: 11:55 PM PDT

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Meeting Location:

Remote Meeting Details: <https://zoom.us/j/94640782387>, 94640782387

Agenda:

I. Call to Order

II. Territorial Acknowledgement

III. Approval of the Agenda

A. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

IV. Membership: Introductions, new members, declaration of vacancies

A. New Members

B. Vacancies:

Journalism, Population & Public Health, Audiology, GSS

C. Goodbyes.

V. Speaker's Business

VI. Statements from Students-at-Large

VII. Consent Agenda Items - simple majority

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following consent agenda items be accepted as presented."

AMS Executive Committee minutes dated March 10, 2021

AMS Executive Committee minutes dated March 24, 2021

Student Life Committee minutes dated March 10, 2021

Steering Committee minutes dated February 17, 2021

Steering Committee minutes dated March 12, 2021

Governance Committee minutes dated March 18, 2021

Governance Committee minutes dated March 25, 2021

Finance Committee minutes dated February 4, 2021

Finance Committee minutes dated March 4, 2021

A. Speaker of Council JD Correction (amendment)

WHEREAS the job description for the Speaker of Council currently states that the individual must be a UBC student.

WHEREAS there is no record of AMS Council approving this requirement, and that the requirement is most likely an administrative error.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT AMS Council amend the job description to correct the error.

VIII. Consent Agenda items - 2/3rds Vote

A. From the Executive Committee

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, Council renew Policy I-7A (Mandatory Face Coverings and Other COVID-19 Measures) for another six months, effective April 7, 2021."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

B. BE IT RESOLVED THAT AMS Council suspend Section XII, Article 1(1) of the Code of Procedure to allow the Councillor of the Year to be selected by all of Council.

From the President

IX. Presentations to Council

X. Consultation Period

XI. Appointments

XII. President's Remarks (Presenter - Cole Evans)

XIII. Executive Remarks

A. VP Finance (Presenter - Lucia Liang)

B. VP Academic and University Affairs (Presenter - Georgia Yee)

C. VP Administration (Presenter - Sylvester Mensah Jr.)

- D. VP External (Presenter - Kalith Nanayakkara)
- E. Manager, Student Services (Presenter - Ian Stone)
- F. Managing Director (Presenter - Keith Hester)
- XIV. Committee Reports
 - A. Advocacy Committee (Presenter - Matthew Ho)
 - B. Steering Committee (Presenter - Cole Evans)
 - C. Finance Committee (Presenter - Lucia Liang)
 - D. Governance Committee (Presenter - Sebastian Cooper)
 - E. Operations Committee (Presenter - Katherine Feng)
 - F. Human Resources Committee (Presenter - Lawrence Liu)
 - G. Student Life Committee (Presenter - Agam Gill)
 - H. Indigenous Committee (Presenters - Laura Beaudry, Ceilidh Smith, Chalaya Moonias)
 - I. Ethics and Accountability Committee (Presenter - Katherine Feng)
 - J. Elections Committee (Presenter - Isabelle Ava-Pointon)
 - K. Advisory Board (Presenter - Cole Evans)
 - L. SHAPE Committee (Presenter - Cole Evans)
 - M. Fermentation Lab Committee (Presenter - Lawrence Liu)
 - N. Extraordinary Committee on Affiliate Institutions (Presenter - Sylvester Mensah Jr.)
 - O. Ad Hoc Committee on Events Structure and Audit (Presenter - Cole Evans)
- XV. Report from Presidents Council
- XVI. Board of Governors, Senate, Ombudsperson & Historical Update Reports
 - A. Board of Governors Report (Presenters - Max Holmes, Georgia Yee)
 - B. Senate Report (Presenters - Eshana Bhangu, Anisha Sandhu)
 - C. Ombudsperson Report (Presenter - Oluwakemi Oke)
 - D. Historical Update (Presenter - Sheldon Goldfarb)
- XVII. Minutes of Council and Committees of Council
- XVIII. Executive Committee Motions
- XIX. Constituency and Affiliate Motions
- XX. Committee Motions

A. From the Elections Committee

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of the Elections Committee entitled 'Code Changes 2021: Candidate Reimbursements' and thus amend the Code as recommended."

Note: Requires 2/3rds

B. From the Advocacy Committee

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMS Council amends Section V, Article 8(1)(d) of the AMS Code of Procedure from one (1) Student at-Large to three (3) Students at-Large effective May 1, 2021.

C. From the Governance Committee

BE IT RESOLVED that on the recommendation of the Governance Committee, Council adopt the Policy on Committee Chair Transition Reports (I-22) as presented.

Note: Requires 2/3rds

D. From the Governance Committee

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the report of the Governance Committee entitled 'Code Changes 2021: Code Update' and thus amend the Code as recommended."

E. From the Governance Committee

WHEREAS the turnout in the AMS General Elections has declined over the last two years.

WHEREAS four out of five AMS Executive Elections were uncontested in the most recent election.

WHEREAS there is a perceived interest from the student community in ensuring that the AMS is doing whatever it can to ensure an equitable elections process.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT at the next reconstitution of Committees, AMS

Council strike an Ad Hoc Committee to evaluate how to better our student engagement with elections with the following membership:

The Chief Electoral Officer, as a non voting member

One member of the Executive chosen by the Executive

One member of Governance Committee

One member of Student Life Committee

3 students-at-large (at least one of whom shall be a graduate student)

One non-Executive member of AMS Council

A current student Senator

A current or former student member of the Board of Governors

The Clerk of Council, as a non voting member

A representative from AMS Communications, as a non voting member

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Ad Hoc Committee have the following terms:

Once formed, Committee members shall put forward their names for Chair and Vice-Chair, to be voted on by Council.

Members should endeavour to remain on the Committee for its duration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Ad Hoc Committee submit a report to AMS Council with findings by the first Council meeting in September.

A recommendation from Governance Committee (at a non-quorum meeting)

XXI. Other Business and Notice of Motions

A. From the VP External

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT the AMS Council accept the proposed

Undergraduates of Canadian Research-Intensive Universities Bylaws in principle."

XXII. Discussions

A. Ethics & Accountability Report (In camera session planned)

B. Ethics & Accountability Report: VP External

XXIII. Submissions

XXIV. Adjournment

Next meeting of Council: April 21 and/or April 28, 2021