



THE ALMA MATER SOCIETY  
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA VANCOUVER

**AMS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Minutes of November 2, 2023

**Attendance**

Present: Esmé Decker (President), Kamil Kanji (VP Academic & University Affairs), Abhi Mishra (VP Finance), Joshua Kim (Interim VP External, left 4:30), Justin Lieu (Managing Director), Kathleen Simpson (Senior Manager of Student Services), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archivist & Clerk of Council)

Regrets: Ian Caguiat (VP Administration)

Recording Secretary: Sheldon Goldfarb

**Call to Order**

- The meeting was called to order at 4:06 pm in Nest Room 3529.

**Agenda**

- The agenda was approved (Esmé, Abhi).

**Minutes**

- The minutes of October 6, 13, 24, and 27 were approved (Esmé, Josh).

**Lawsuit**

- Justin:
  - We were served a class action lawsuit today along with UBC, SUO, and the GSS - we'll talk to our lawyers to determine options and recommended next steps.

[Josh left.]

**Code of Conduct**

- Esmé:
  - The Code of Conduct from last year is being incorporated into the main Code of Procedure.
- Sheldon:
  - With the name changed to Standards of Conduct to avoid confusion.
  - It will become the new Section II of the Code, which was formerly called Conflict of Interest.
  - This broadens it.

- Esmé:
  - And there will be a Declaration that Councillors sign saying they will adhere to the standards of conduct.
- Kamil:
  - Might be good to have some educational work done with Councillors.
- Esmé:
  - I will send the proposed Code change to the Governance Committee.

### **Incident Reporting Procedure**

- Kamil:
  - We should have a written record of incidents so we know what happened.
- It was agreed that Justin would prepare a template with HR and Building Operations.

### **Impact Grants**

- Kamil:
  - We were saying we would discontinue this program.
  - There's very little money left in the fund.
  - Mimi looked into it when she was Policy Advisor, but in the end it was thought best just to end it.
- Abhi:
  - The GSS has been asking about it.
  - They may want to do it.
- Kamil:
  - We could suggest that the University fold it into the SEEDS program.

### **Franchising**

- Kamil:
  - Been looking at the possibility of starting a franchised food outlet.
  - Something that would fit our demographic and draw customers.
- Abhi:
  - Have to be careful because a branded franchise might cannibalize our other restaurants.
- Kamil:
  - We will look into the feasibility of it.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:56 pm.