

Affiliates Committee
Meeting Minutes for October 6th, 2023

Meeting Link (Hybrid)

<https://ubc.zoom.us/j/83176618039?pwd=NmYvQjd3djhJWkFMaUdjV1hWTW12dz09>

Attendance

Present

- Ian Caguiat (VP Administration, Chair)
- Priscilla Ng (Recording Secretary)
- Clayton Cullaton (Regent's College)
- Jessica Sangalang (St. Mark's College/Corpus Christi)
- Sheldon Goldfarb (Clerk of Council, non-voting)
- Sandy Hwang (VST President)
- Kamil Kanji (VP Academic & University)
- Bandhul Khanna/Erin Strachan (AVP External)
- Esmé Decker (President, ex officio)

Regrets

- N/A

Guests

- N/A

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at **2:06 PM PDT**.

Territorial Acknowledgement - Sandy

I would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the xwməθkwəy̓əm (Musqueam) People.

Next Meeting: Jessica

Adoption of the Meeting Agenda

Moved: Sandy

Seconded: Jessica

“**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda is adopted as presented.”

This motion passes unanimously

Agenda Items

1. Updates from Execs

- Newsletter
 - Ian
 - Affiliate students don't receive the newsletter
 - But Ian has contacted the registrars for each institution to get email access for all your students
 - Also to help with quorum for AGM
 - And also for CampusBase access
- Meeting with Registrars
 - Ian
 - The one from VST wants to meet with Ian to talk about services that are open for affiliate students. He will also offer the same meeting to other registrars
 - Clayton
 - If you are able to schedule a meeting with regent registrar, I would love to be there
 - Ian
 - Sounds good
 - Jessica
 - For Ian, I am collecting emails or CampusBase so expect an email from them with a list of contacts from them.
 - Kamil
 - Senate is going under a review right now, I've flagged the affiliate seats to see if we can get more affiliate seats on the

Senate, so wait for the update. There's complications but we will try to work through that

- Sheldon
 - So affiliates have not been getting the newsletter. What are they missing?
- Ian
 - There's different things that goes on in each newsletter every month. This month there's Textbook Broke Campaign, also vendors for Hatch for the upcoming month. Basically just updates from AMS departments including services. U-Pass and Health and Dental dates too.
- Esme
 - Do you receive emails from StudentCare about the health and mental plan?
 - It might affect that too, so it will be better when we get the email list
- Clayton
 - On the Senate thing, I don't know if Regent would be interested in trying to get a student on the Senate. Just want to raise the caution of not being able to fill that
- UBC Email
 - Kamil
 - No update yet, I reached out and they are currently compiling that info
 - The librarian is working through the library stuff with her team too
- Health and Dental Plan
 - Esme
 - Talked about having rep seat for St.Marks/Corpus Christi, and health and dental committee was good with that. We are just waiting for the process of that to go through GSS
 - Jessica
 - I will send you an email on the side to get more info as well
 - Esme
 - It's a committee that doesn't meet in the same way as the AMS committee does, they just meet as they need to.

2. Services Affiliates Don't Have

- Sandy
 - We aren't paying same amount for UBC Rec, we are paying as a regular user who isn't affiliated with UBC
 - Not sure if we have access to international student advising office
 - Wellness services like the mental health piece, access to counseling services
- Clayton
 - Recent cases of a student trying to use the aquatic center and they weren't on the list anymore so couldn't book a time anymore.
 - Around the registration changeover - the information flows are seamless.
 - Intramurals - they emailed and asked if they were able, and were told that they didn't pay a fee, but a list Abhi sent said they were paying the fee
- Sandy
 - My U-Pass wasn't processed until recently
 - How do we facilitate the communication between colleges and UBC, is it through the AMS?
 - Seems to be a missing link sometimes
- Kamil
 - Ill set up a meeting with our registrar to work this out
- Ian
 - This is something we will have internally too, to ensure at the start of the year, when they collect student numbers for UBC students, they also collect it for the affiliate colleges
- Clayton
 - One thing i learned is that once covid came, the processes for info handover and things esp around UBC student card were changed and a lot of offices changed size and ppl transitioned so a lot of that was broken these past years, so being aware that these things are hung up so we can continue to improve and highlight the problems
 - If we could fix the UBC card and UBC emails for affiliate students - that gives us access to the system

- Ian
 - To be honest, not all ubc students have ubc emails anyway, so I think its more of a perk for being a ubc student. Not everyone signs up but everyone can create one
- Esme
 - With the ubc emails. What does that get us access to?
- Sandy
 - Its just the Microsoft Suite access
 - Saves students money
- Clayton
 - I'm wondering if being accounted for in the system (rec, aquatic center), i dont know whats holding up the access there. Would an email put them in that system? How do these things match up better
- Kamil
 - Email i dont think is engaged with that, but we can figure that our with athletics and rec. That might be more on UBC Card side of things

3. Affiliates Representatives in Council

The motion would be:

“That Council adopt the report of the Affiliates Committee entitled ‘Code Changes 2023: Affiliate Seats’ and thus amend the Code as recommended.

Note: Requires 2/3rds approval from Council

- Sandy
 - So it's basically just adding the non-voting member seats, the rest is just a bit more clarity?
- Sheldon
 - Yes.
- Sandy
 - Sounds good to me.

Moved: Esme

Seconded: Sandy



“**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the written motion is presented to the upcoming Council meeting on October 11th, 2023.”

This motion passes unanimously.

4. Council Updates (Clayton)

- Grad school is hard.
- Couldn't get scheduled to work for EPA so I was replaced.
- Things have been non-dramatic.
- I had a meeting with Regent, and they are going to put together a small brief to get a sense of the actual way that affiliates work with the uni, when i get that info what I can share i'll share with the other affiliate schools - just so we know what it means to be an affiliate college when it comes to policy, etc. What are the implications, to what degree are we subject to them.

Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting will take place between **12:30 pm to 1:30 pm on November 15th.**

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at **2:43 PM PDT.**