



THE ALMA MATER SOCIETY
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA VANCOUVER

AMS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Minutes of November 24, 2023

Attendance

Present: Kamil Kanji (VP Academic & University Affairs/acting President), Joshua Kim (Interim VP External), Ian Caguiat (VP Administration), Justin Lieu (Managing Director), Kathleen Simpson (Senior Manager of Student Services), Sheldon Goldfarb (Archivist & Clerk of Council)

Regrets: Abhi Mishra (VP Finance)

Recording Secretary: Sheldon Goldfarb

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 11:36 am in Nest Room 3529 and on Zoom.

Agenda

- The agenda was approved by consensus.

Minutes

- The minutes of November 17 were approved (Ian, Kamil).

Updates

- *Josh's update:*
 - Meetings with government officials, a minister, a city councillor.
 - TransLink funding review.
 - Holiday cards.
 - Meeting with Premier Eby about the operating grant, transit, and housing.
 - Setting up meeting with the Transportation Minister.
- *Ian's update:*
 - Operations Committee discussing exterior signage.
 - ASAP (the sustainability plan).
 - Responsible IT policy.
 - Makers Market.
- *Kamil's update:*
 - Tuition brief sent to members of the Board of Governors to encourage a No vote on tuition increases.
 - Quotes on exam database.

- Budget submission follow-up.
- Policy reviews.
- Review of Senate policies.
- *Justin's update:*
 - Abhi and I met Transco and Studentcare about gender affirming care.
 - Working with Michael Kingsmill on the Get Thrifty/the Auditorium capital project.
 - Consultation session on Policies PC1/PC2 (respectful community/sexualized violence).
 - Working with Events on Block Party; talent agency.
 - Air cooling project paused so we can present the proper information:
 - Probably coming in January.
- Kamil:
 - Are we getting counters to count people using the Nest when we keep it open 24/7 during the exam period?
- Justin:
 - Getting some quotes.
- *Kathleen's update:*
 - Holiday Hampers at Food Bank.
 - Need to suspend Code to postpone this term's Services report (to the first meeting in January).
 - Lots of projects to improve processes.
 - Spoke to the Chapman Learning Commons about our Tutoring agreement.
- Kamil:
 - Has Food Bank hit record highs?
- Kathleen:
 - Still 10 behind the busiest ever day.
 - November won't hit the record because we closed for Reading Break.
 - Busier than last year.

Bev Teh

- Justin:
 - Bev Teh, long-time Blue Chip employee and former manager there, has passed away.
 - There may be a memorial.

The meeting went in camera and then adjourned at 12:12 pm.