Minutes
University of Victoria Students’ Society Annual General Meeting
Thursday October 16, 2014 – Cinecenta 3:00pm

1. CALL TO ORDER

Erickson called the meeting to order at 3:37pm.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORIES

Szakacs acknowledged the territories.

3. APPROVAL OF CHAIR

MOTION TO RATIFY JAMES COCCOLA AS MEETING CHAIR - ERICKSON/SZAKACS
MOTION CARRIED

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Agenda of 2014/10/16 AGM

MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA – SZAKACS/CRANWELL
MOTION CARRIED

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Minutes of 2013/10/17 AGM

MOTION TO ADOPT - SZAKACS/STOREY
MOTION CARRIED

b. Minutes of 2014/02/06 SAGM

MOTION TO ADOPT - SZACKAS/MCDONALD
MOTION CARRIED

c. Minutes of 2014/04/03 SGM

MOTION TO ADOPT - STOREY/CONNICK
MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES

6. SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

a. Board of Directors of the Students’ Society – International Student Representative

MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS 5,6,8,9 – MORRISON/GLICKMAN
BIRT Bylaw 5.1 is amended as follows:

5.1 Composition of the Board of Directors
The Board of Directors shall be comprised of:
   a. The following directors elected by the membership:
      i. One Executive Director as Chairperson,
      ii. One Executive Director as Director of Student Affairs,
      iii. One Executive Director as Director of Events,
      iv. One Executive Director as Director of Finance and Operations,
      v. One Executive Director as Director of External Relations, and
   b. The following directors elected by their respective constituency organisations:
      i. Women's Centre Representative
      ii. UVSS Pride Representative
      iii. Society for Students with a Disability Representative
      iv. Students of Colour Collective Representative
   c. The Native Students' Union Representative elected by the Native Students' Union.
   d. The International Student Representative elected by international students.

BIFRT Bylaw 5.2 is amended as follows:

5.2 Term of Office of Members of the Board of Directors
   a. Executive directors, and At-Large Directors, and the International Student Representative elected during the month of March shall be elected for one year terms, to take office on May 1st.

BIFRT Bylaw 6 is amended to include the following new section:

6.4 Election of The International Student Representative to the Board of Directors
The International Student Representative shall be elected by international students who are UVic undergraduate students that are assessed Students' Society fees.

BIFRT Bylaw 8 is amended to include the following new section:

8.8 International Student Representative
The International Student Representative shall:
   a. Perform those duties required of At-Large Directors as outlined in Bylaw Eight, Article Six [8.6].
   b. Liaise with international students who attend the University of Victoria.

BIFRT Bylaw 9 is amended as follows:

9.5 Vacancies Established on the Board of Directors
   a. When a vacancy on the Board of Directors has been definitely established for a Director at Large position or the International Student Representative, the Directors may decide to:
      i. hold a by-election at the discretion of the Board of Directors

BIFRT the first international student representative shall be elected during the March 2015 elections to the Board of Directors.

MOTION CARRIED

b. Duties & Responsibilities of Executive Directors
MOTION TO AMEND BYLAW 8 – DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS - NYQUIST/GILL

BIRT Bylaw 8.1 is amended as follows:

8.1 Chairperson
The Chairperson shall:
   e. Liaise with legal counsel and the General Manager on legal matters affecting the Society,

BIFRT Bylaw 8.2 is amended as follows:

8.2 Director of Finance and Operations
The Director of Finance and Operations shall:
   a. Oversee the administration of all aspects of the Students' Society’s finances, operations, services, marketing, and strategic planning,
   b. Oversee the administration of the Students’ Society’s operations and services,

BIFRT Bylaw 8.5 is amended as follows:

8.5 Director of External Relations
The Director of External Relations shall:
   a. Coordinate the marketing, communications and campaigns and media relations of the Society,
   b. Communicate regularly with all levels of government in order to advocate for student issues,
   c. Be the Students’ Society’s spokesperson on all campaigns organized by Campaigns Committee, or as assigned by the Board of Directors.

BIFRT these bylaw changes shall come into effect on May 1, 2015.

MOTION CARRIED

c. General Meetings & Referenda

MOTION TO AMEND BYLAW 4 – GENERAL MEETINGS AND REFERENDA – NYQUIST/SZAKACS

BIRT Bylaw 4.7.b is amended as follows:

   b. Referenda may be called at any time between the months of September to April inclusive by:
      i. a majority vote of a quorate meeting of the Board of Directors, subject to Bylaw Three, Article Three [3.3], or

BIFRT Bylaw 4.7.d is amended as follows:

   d. Quorum for a referendum shall be five percent [5%] fifteen percent [15%] of the voting membership.

MOTION CARRIED

d. Housecleaning

MOTION TO AMEND BYLAW 5 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE STUDENTS’ SOCIETY – SZAKACS/GLICKMAN
BIRT Bylaw 5.3.h is amended as follows:

h. The minutes of Board of Directors meetings shall be posted in the Students’ Society Building and on notice boards under the jurisdiction of the Students’ Society on the Students’ Society website.

MOTION CARRIED

7. ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

MOTION – Peter Gibbs/LASKERIN
BIRT the membership approve the following question go to a referendum, to be scheduled for March 2–3, 2015 and held in conjunction with UVSS elections to the Board of Directors:

"Do you support the UVSS lobbying the University of Victoria Foundation to withdraw (or "divest") its direct investments in fossil fuel companies and re-invest the proceeds in the most financially and socially responsible alternative investments?" Yes / No"

MOTION CARRIED

8. FINANCIAL MOTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Motion to Adopt the 2014-2015 Budget – SZACAKS/WOOD
BIRT the 2014-2015 Budget be adopted as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Receive the 2013-2014 Audited Financial Statements – STOREY/CONNICK
BIRT the 2013-2014 Audited Financial Statements be received.

MOTION CARRIED

9. BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

10. QUESTION PERIOD (30 minutes)

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN - SZAKACS/STOREY
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 5:23pm.