



# Minutes

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

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**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
  - vi. Eleven [11] At-Large Directors
- 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. **Liase 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 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.