

# **Minutes**

University of Victoria Students' Society
Monday November 17, 2014 – SUB Upper Lounge 6:00 pm

#### **ATTENDANCE**

### **Directors:**

Valery Heckel, Lindsay Willis, Cal Mitchells, Leat Ahrony, Kenya Rogers, Katerina Perlova, Nick Tang, Kayleigh Erickson, Greg Atkinson, Ian Kopp, Anas Cheema, Jordan Crocker, Kaylee Szakacs, Jamie Cook

#### Staff:

Ben Johnson, Dale Robertson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Erickson called the meeting to order at 6:06pm.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORIES

Rogers acknowledged the territories.

- 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
  - a. Adoption of Agenda
    - i. Agenda of 2014/11/17

**MOTION TO ADOPT - CROCKER/HECKEL** 

**AMENDMENT - CHEEMA/TANG** 

Add to Priority Business:

Motion 2014/11/17: A1 - CHEEMA/ROGERS

**BIRT** Anas Cheema, Director of Finance and Operations be granted an unpaid leave for December 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> 2014 and January 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> 2015.

**AMENDMENT CARRIED** 

**AGENDA CARRIED AS AMENDED** 

- b. Adoption of Minutes
  - ii. Board of Directors

BOD 2014/10/20

MOTION TO ADOPT - CROCKER/HECKEL MOTION CARRIED

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 5. REPORTS

- a. Advocacy Group Reports
  - i. Pride
  - ii. Native Student's Union
  - iii. Society for Students with a Disability
  - iv. Students of Colour Collective
  - v. Women's Centre

#### 6. QUESTION PERIOD

# 7. MAIN MOTIONS

#### a. **COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

# Motion 2014/05/05: 11 - ERICKSON/ATKINSON

BIRT nominations be opened for members to fill the following committee vacancies:

Campaigns One (1) Member

Ombudsperson One (1) Member, One (1) Student Senator

No nominations

#### Motion 2014/07/21: 02 - ERICKSON/ATKINSON

**BIRT** nominations be opened to elect representatives to sit on the following University Human Rights Committee (UHRC) advisory groups:

Educational Equity Advisory Group (EdAG) - one (1) member and one (1) representative from each constituency organization (WC, SOCC)

No nominations

# Motion 2014/10/20: 01 - ERICKSON/ROGERS

**BIRT** nominations be opened to elect one member to the Review Committee for the Dean of Human and Social Development.

No nominations

## Motion 2014/11/03: 02 - ERICKSON/SZAKACS

**BIRT** nominations be opened for members to fill the following Faculty of Social Science committee vacancies:

Associate Dean Search Committee One (1) Member in the Faculty of Social Science Equity & Diversity Committee One (1) Member in the Faculty of Social Science

No nominations

# Motion 2014/11/17: 01 - ERICKSON/CROCKER

**BIRT** nominations be opened to elect one member to the Associate Dean Academic Advising Search Committee.

No nominations

# Motion 2014/11/17: 02 - ERICKSON/CROCKER

**BIRT** nominations be opened to elect one member from the Faculty of Science to the Chair Search Committee for the department of Biology.

Breena Tien was nominated.

# MOTION TO RATIFY BREENA TIEN – CHEEMA/CROCKER MOTION CARRIED

#### **B. PRIORITY BUSINESS**

#### Motion 2014/11/17: 03 - ERICKSON/CROCKER

BIRT nominations be opened to elect one executive director as chair of Electoral Committee.

# TABLE UNTIL AFTER NEW BUSINESS - ERICKSON/HECKEL MOTION TABLED

# Motion 2014/11/17: A1 - CHEEMA/ROGERS

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#### AMENDMENT - HECKEL/WILLIS

Change all of the dates to Dec.15-19, Dec.23, Jan.5-7.

**AMENDMENT CARRIED** 

#### AMENDMENT - ERICKSON/COOK

Change all dates to Jan.5-6.

**AMENDMENT CARRIED** 

#### **MOTION FAILED**

# C. OLD BUSINESS

## Motion 2014/11/17: 04 - ERICKSON/COOK

**BIRT** the decision of following motion that was tabled at the November 3, 2014 meeting of the Board and then voted on via email is ratified:

# Motion 2014/11/03: 07 - CHEEMA/ATKINSON

**BIRT** Anas Cheema, Director of Finance and Operations be granted unpaid leave for December 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> 2014 and January 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> 2015.

# **MOTION FAILED**

#### D. NEW BUSINESS

#### RECOMMENDED BY CAMPAIGNS COMMITTEE:

# Motion 2014/11/17: 05 - ATKINSON/ERICKSON

Whereas the BC Liberal Government has an abysmal record on funding post-secondary education; and

Whereas tuition fees have increased more than 80% under the BC Liberals; and

Whereas the BC Liberal government has eliminated needs-based grants for students and made deep cuts to Student Aid BC; and

Whereas every single person in society benefits from post-secondary education either directly or indirectly; and

Whereas the Canadian Union of Public Employees Locals' 4163, 951, and 917 servicing the UVic community are members of the Universities Coordinated Bargaining Committee (UCBC); and

Whereas UCBC has embarked on a campaign to "Stop the Cuts" at universitieswork.ca to address these issues; therefore

**BIRT** the UVSS Board of Directors endorses the UCBC campaign on post-secondary education and:

**BIFRT** the UVSS supports the campaign by writing a letter of support endorsement to UCBC, CUPE Locals 4163, 951, and 917; and

**BIFRT** the UVSS will display campaign materials such as rack cards and posters for the UCBC campaign and actively encourage their members to take action at universitieswork.ca.

Kopp requested a roll call vote.

Erickson – in favour Gopalakrishnan – in favour Perlova – in favour Willis– in favour H-Mitchell– in favour Kopp– in favour C-Mitchell– in favour Rogers– in favour Cook– in favour Heckel– in favour

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### RECOMMENDED BY CAMPAIGNS COMMITTEE:

Motion 2014/11/17: 06 - ATKINSON/COOK

Whereas the UVSS supports initiatives against sexual assault and other forms of violence; and

**WHEREAS** the UVSS Women's Centre is planning and organizing a Take Back the Night march on November 27th, 2014; therefore

**BIRT** under direction of the UVSS Women's Centre collective, the UVSS participate in the planning, organizing, and mobilizing for the Take Back the Night march on November 27th, 2014.

## **MOTION CARRIED**

#### 8. IN CAMERA

## a. Legal

MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA - HECKEL/COOK MOTION CARRIED

The meeting moved in camera at 6:48pm.

# MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF CAMERA - MITCHELL/AHRONY MOTION CARRIED

The meeting moved out of camera at 7:33pm.

# 9. MEETING TIMES

# The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:

Monday December 1, 2014 in SUB Upper Lounge.

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

# MOTION TO ADJOURN - TANG/HECKEL MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:34pm.

#### 11. DIRECTOR REPORTS

## Atkinson:

Total hours worked between October 31st - November 13th: 82 hours

## **Activities:**

- Executive committee.
- Cheque signing
- Campaigns Committee
- BoD Meeting
- Video for Municipal Elections,
- Meeting with Electoral Officers
- Personal Committee
- LMC
- ABCS BoD Meeting
- Events Committee
- UVSS-GSS Meeting
- Advanced Polls
- Meeting with Women's Centre
- DSG
- MPAG
- Frost Fair/Frost Fest Planning
- CASA Prep
- Advocacy Council

## **Committees**

Marketing and Communications Committee

- Minutes Attached

Campaigns Committee

- Minutes Attached

#### Crocker:

Monday, November 3, 2014:

Attended Board Meeting/B305 (6:00pm-6:25pm; 7:45pm-8:00pm)

Hours: 0.666

Wednesday, November 5, 2014:

DAL Office (6:40pm-8:25pm)

Hours: 1.75

Thursday, November 6, 2014:

DAL Office (4:30pm-8:15pm)

Hours: 3.75

**Cumulative Hours:** 6.166

# Rogers:

Board meeting: 3 hours

Events: 1/2 hour

Municipal elections outreach: 3 hours Chalking for municipal elections: 2 hours

Free store launch: 6 hours

Total: 14.5 hours

#### Erickson:

November 1-14<sup>th</sup>

Total hours worked: 118

- -Missed from last report: Attended 2 hours of Anti-Oppression Training
- -Meeting with Mr. Jim Dunsdon
- -Attended end of Stocktober event and drew department names for a free lunch
- -Brought over food from fundraiser to the SUB
- -Baked for the UPS Bake Sale
- -Co-op Mid-term meeting
- -Attended Clubs Council
- -Met with Kirsten from Student Care
- -Chaired the UVSS Board Meeting
- -Met with students
- -Re-scheduled mediation meeting
- -Met with the GSS for lunch to discuss issues of concern to both undergraduate and graduate students.
- -CFUV interview
- -Spoke with writers from the Martlet re: UVSS Board Meetings
- -Attended and Chaired the UVSS Operational Relations Meeting
- -Attended and Chaired Executive Committee
- -Gave a tour to Chinese Professionals at Royal Roads
- -Wrote and finalized the Van Cab support letter
- -Read over new scholastic awards
- -Attended the Senate Committee on Awards- exciting news: Our committee pushed for more inclusive language in the TOR of Scholarship which is now starting to happen!
- -Attended Finance Committee
- -Wrote an email to Mr. Jim Dunsdon in regards to the Engineering student who was not allowed to use the washroom during his exams.
- -Met with this Engineering student, and figured out next steps
- -Started reading the Residence Tenancy Act
- -Spoke with the President and CEO of BC Transit regarding upcoming events
- -Spoke with students regarding an event next February for the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women in Canada.
- -Invited Mr. Jamie Cassels and UVic Executives to "Take Back the Night" event.
- -Met the new SSD Coordinator J
- -Accepted the \$12,000 grant from Coast Capital Savings for Need 2 ASIST training!
- -Stopped by YPY's Free Speech Board

- -Attended YPY's Debate on Abortion
- -Met with staff regarding the UVSS' Strategic Planning
- -Became the new facilitator for Exec mediation
- -Started planning events for the UVSS Board of Directors!
- -Worked on policy around DAL appreciation, Executive leave of absences and in-lieu time, and policy for the allotment of funds available during Clubs' Council.
- -Contacted new members of the UVSS Mental Health Committee
- -Started looking into Disability parking policies across Greater Victoria, as well as other universities to begin drafting one for UVic

## Willis:

November 3 Board meeting 2 h

November 5 Office 4 h

Total: 6h

#### Cheema:

Total hours worked for last 2 weeks 70

Finance committee

Reviewed financial statements and ledgers for August

Sending out emails for Health and dental and U pass appeals committee

Corresponding and following up on inquires related to health and dental claims.

Executive committee meetings

**UVIC** Operational relations committee

Meeting with Grad student society executives

Meeting with AVP Sub renovations

[if !supportLists]1) [endif]Art and wall graphics for Upper lounge

#### Szakacs:

November 3-14, 2014

Hours worked: 40 (personal leave of absence taken due to events at previous board meeting)

- Board meeting
- Clubs Council
- · Prepare, chair, and report back to board
- Update Special Project Grant Information
- Process new applications
- After-event presentations
- Newly ratified club with no funding: Acrobatic Yoga Club
- Newly ratified clubs with funding: Uvic Tree Climbing and Deranged Discers of De forest
- Course Union Council
- Prepare, chair, report back to board
- Updated Travel Pool and Academic Fund
- Process new applications
- After-evnt presentations
- Communication with all groups who received a grant to set a presentation date
- Communications with Clubs, Course Unions, Advocacy Groups, and PDUs
- Via email, text, phone, and in-person meeting
- Committee meetings

- Events, campaigns
- Updated signing authorities and distribute to all booking agenda
- Book accommodations for CASA conference
- CASA research
- Process cheque requisition forms
- Cheque signing
- Meals for Clubs' Council and Course Union Council for January
- Standardized budget for all grant applications for C/Cus
- Information manuals for clubs, course unions, advocacy groups, and next director of Student Affairs
- Advocacy Council
- Review Pride's summer and fall budgets and actuals
- CASA prep

Casa Travel Day

#### Zouboules:

Sent report on time via text jpeg.

#### Tang:

Due to mid-term exams and work in my research laboratory, I did not attend or participate in any work hours with the UVSS for the past two weeks.

Hours: 0

## Kopp:

# Kopp November 17<sup>th</sup> 2014

Total Hours: (58) - 1 statutory holiday, 1 sick day

# **Work Activities:**

- Meetings including but not limited to: Board Meeting, Executive Meeting, and with Vikes,
   GSS, Snow Club, and CFUV on a variety of topics.
- Chairing of Events Committee
- Participation in Finance, SUB Renos, marketing and communications committees.
- o E-mail communication to a variety of individuals and organizations.
- o Preparation of social media strategy for the January event block
- Attendance of FACTOR information session for grant research purposes
- Further performance negotiation and booking for Frost Fest
- Scheduling and logistic planning for Frost Fest
- Logistics and planning for "Frost Fair"
- Preparation and dissemination of vendor invitations for Coffeeology
- Preparation in visioning, logistics, and promotion for Marc Emery
- o Development of language for new Vertigo contract
- Song licensing for Kick Off highlight video

#### **Events Committee:**

- Committee approved changes to the Veritgo rental model to include a charge per person through the door in order to recuperate costs of events
- Committee approved further changes to rental model specifying tabling privileges will be decided on an event-by-event basis

### Perlova:

Oct.31st-Nov.14th

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UVSS Board Meeting: 3.5 hours

Municipal Elections advanced poll tabling in the QUAD/leafletting: 1hour Campaigns Committee Nov.4: 1 hour

Events committee: 1/2 hour LMC meeting: 1.1/4 hour

7 hours 15 minutes