



# MINUTES

University of Victoria Students' Society  
Monday April 13, 2015 – SUB B025 6:00pm

## ATTENDANCE

### Directors:

Kayleigh Erickson, Greg Atkinson, Ian Kopp, Valery Heckel, Kaylee Szakacs, Kenya Rogers, Lindsey Willis, Jordan Crocker, David Parent, Lucy Hagos, Heather Mitchell, Cal Mitchell, Katerina Perlova

### Staff:

Brontë Renwick-Shields, Ben Johnson, Dale Robertson

### Guests:

Brydon Kramer, Katrina Woollgar, Solenn Madevon, Branko Bevanda

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Erickson called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

## 2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORIES

Szakacs acknowledged the territories.

## 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA & ADOPTION OF MINUTES

### a. Adoption of Agenda 2015/04/13

#### MOTION TO ADOPT - CROCKER/PERLOVA

#### MOTION TO AMEND - ROGERS/ATKINSON

Move ABCS in camera session after Electoral Office Presentation.

#### AMENDMENT CARRIED

**MOTION TO AMEND - ATKINSON/ROGERS**

Add to the end of New Business:

**MOTION - ATKINSON**

**WHEREAS** the Earth Walk has a long tradition of uniting community organizations in the Greater Victoria area, including groups supporting peace, environmental sustainability and social justice; **AND**

**WHEREAS** more than thirty organizations have come together this year to co-sponsor the Earth Walk for Peace and the Planet, scheduled for Saturday April 25; **AND**

**WHEREAS** the objectives of the Earth Walk are consistent with the objectives of the University of Victoria Students' Society;

**BIRT** the University of Victoria Students' Society agrees to be identified as a co-sponsor of this year's Earth Walk for Peace and the Planet, and encourages UVSS members to participate in the Walk.

**AMENDMENT CARRIED**

**AGENDA CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**b. Adoption of Minutes**

**i. Board of Directors:**

2014/07/21; 2014/08/11; 2014/10/06; 2014/12/08; 2015/02/23; 2015/03/09;  
2015/03/23

**ii. Executive Committee:**

2014/11/12; 2014/11/19; 2014/12/03; 2014/12/10; 2014/12/17; 2015/01/06;  
2015/01/13; 2015/01/20; 2015/01/27; 2015/02/03; 2015/03/17; 2015/03/24;  
2015/03/31

**MOTION TO ADOPT - SZAKACS/CROCKER**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

**a. UVSS Electoral Officers; Re: Electoral Report**

**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA - HECKEL/CROCKER**

Add Student Care Contract to in camera session at the end.

**AMENDMENT CARRIED**

**6. IN CAMERA**

**a. ABCS**

**MOTION TO MOVE INTO CAMERA - ATKINSON/HECKEL  
MOTION CARRIED**

Meeting moved in camera at 6:31pm.

**MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF CAMERA - SZAKACS/WILLIS  
MOTION CARRIED**

Meeting moved out of camera at 7:14pm.

**MOTION 2015/04/13: A1 - ATKINSON/ROGERS**

**BIRT** the University of Victoria Students' Society terminate its membership in the Alliance of BC Students effective immediately; and

**BIFRT** the Director of External Relations communicate this decision to the Alliance of BC Students Board of Directors.

Szakacs requested a roll call vote.

Rogers - in favour  
Kopp - in favour  
H. Mitchell - in favour  
Heckel- in favour  
Parent - in favour  
Perlova - in favour  
Szakacs - in favour  
Atkinson - abstain  
Crocker - abstain  
Willis - in favour  
C. Mitchell - in favour

**MOTION CARRIED**

**6. 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**

**7. QUESTION PERIOD**

**8. MAIN MOTIONS**

**a. PRIORITY BUSINESS**

**MOTION 2014/04/13: 01 – SZAKACS/ATKINSON**

**BIRT** the UVSS Board of Directors accept the resignation of Aaron El Sabrout as the Students of Colour Collective Board representative effective immediately.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**b. OLD BUSINESS**

**MOTION 2015/03/23: 01 – ERICKSON/SZAKACS**

**BIRT** nominations be opened to elect one member to the Search Committee for the Dean of Humanities.

Crocker for Willis. Accepted

**WILLIS RATIFIED WITH UNANIMOUS CONSENT**

**c. NEW BUSINESS**

**MOTION 2014/04/13: 02 – ATKINSON/C.MITCHELL**

**WHEREAS** approximately 50,000 students from 60 different Quebec student associations are currently on strike or have strike mandates; and

**WHEREAS** the student mobilization is in opposition to sweeping attacks to social programs – including post-secondary education – with cuts of up to \$3.7 billion being proposed by the Quebec Liberal government; therefore

**BIRT** the UVSS send a letter of solidarity to the Comite Printemps 2015 (the organizing committee for the students currently mobilizing against cuts to social programs in Quebec); and

**BIFRT** a letter condemning the cuts be sent to Quebec Premier Philippe Couillard; and

**BIFRT** the UVSS disseminate informational materials and organize or promote solidarity events about the struggles of Quebec students in their fight against austerity and attacks on public post-secondary education.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION - ATKINSON/CROCKER**

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**WHEREAS** more than thirty organizations have come together this year to co-sponsor the Earth Walk for Peace and the Planet, scheduled for Saturday April 25; AND

**WHEREAS** the objectives of the Earth Walk are consistent with the objectives of the University of Victoria Students' Society; **THEREFORE**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the University of Victoria Students' Society agrees to be identified as a co-sponsor of this year's Earth Walk for Peace and the Planet, and encourages UVSS members to participate in the Walk.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**9. IN CAMERA**

- a. **Student Care Contract**
- b. **Strategic Planning – SWOT (60 mins)**
- c. **Personnel (60 mins)**

**MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA - CROCKER/ATKINSON  
MOTION CARRIED**

Meeting moved in camera at 8:04pm.

**MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF CAMERA - CROCKER/ATKINSON  
MOTION CARRIED**

Meeting moved out of camera at 8:34pm.

**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA – HECKEL/ATKINSON  
MOTION CARRIED**

The following motion was added and voted on.

**MOTION - HECKEL/ATKINSON**

**Whereas** the UVSS' current contract with our Health and Dental Plan broker, StudentCare, expires in August of 2016; **AND**

**Whereas** the UVSS is extremely satisfied with the with the work and results that StudentCare has undertaken to date with respect to the overall operations, services to UVSS members, communications and outreach, and financial management of the UVSS Health and Dental Plan; **AND**

**Whereas** the UVSS has asked StudentCare to renegotiate premiums with the current insurer which will provide an immediate and long-term financial benefit to the UVSS; **AND**

**BIRT** The UVSS extend our contract with StudentCare until August 31 2019, with an auto-renewal on August 31st 2021 taking place - contingent upon the absence of an intent to terminate the contract by February 1, 2019.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN – ATKINSON/HECKEL  
MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 8:39pm.

**11. MEETING TIMES**

- a. **The next meeting is scheduled by the Board of Directors is:**  
Monday April 20, 2015 in SUB B025.

**12. DIRECTOR REPORTS**

Crocker:

Unfortunately, as a result of Easter, finals and wrap-up events with my various other extracurricular activities, I have not dedicated any time to the UVSS from March 23, 2015 to April 13, 2015.

**Rogers:**

Board Meeting: 1 hour  
Housing fees planning: 8 hours  
Housing fees rally: 4 hours  
LGC committee: 1 hour

Total: 14 hours

**Szakacs:**

March 23 – April 10, 2015  
Hours: 110

- Board meeting
- Attendance at various committees
  - policy development, exec, department manager's, party planning, UVic/UVSS exec
- Meeting with Academic Advising
  - collaboration ideas
  - Academic Advising presence in the SUB
- Women's Centre hiring committee
  - interview with 5 candidates
  - deliberation, reference calling, hiring
- Cheque signing
- Cheque req processing
- Cheque req scavenger hunts
- Psychology Chair hiring committee
- Club conflict mediation
- SOCC representative meetings
- Peer helping
- Conference call with Dale and Aurora
- Meeting with Women's Centre, SOCC, and Pride
  - advocacy training and board orientation
- Do the entire course union handbook!!
- Communication with clubs and course unions
  - via email, phone, text, Facebook, and in person
- Clubs' Council
  - plan, create agenda
- Course Union Council
  - plan, create agenda
- Relocation due to window installation

**Heckel:**

**Total Hours Worked:** 93 hours

Meetings Attended/Chaired

Personnel

Exec

Sub Renos  
Finance and Ops  
LMC  
Charitable Status  
CCG Hiring  
MPAG  
Strat Plan  
Strat Plan Prep  
StudentCare  
Policy Development  
UVic/UVSS Executive

Activities Completed

- Aided in creation of SUB Reno Informational Posters
- Continued work on manual for incoming Exec
- Began lengthy Performance Review process for Personnel Committee
- Deliberated and corresponded with CCG Hiring CT about candidates
- Email Correspondence
- Answered student questions about Health and Dental Plan
- Review the addition of planters in the exterior of the SUB
- Corresponded with the UVic Urban Development Club re SUB Renos
- Cheque Signing
- Prepared for the UVic/UVSS Exec Meeting
- Reviewed renewal of contract with StudentCare
- Got informed and reviewed on issues discussed at LMC
- General Email correspondence

Meeting with Randy re rental businesses in the SUB

Erickson:

March 23-April 12

\*1 day off + 2 holidays+ BOG\*

Total hours: 92

- Chaired Policy Development Committee x2
- Attended and Chaired the UVSS Board Meeting
- Attended mental health event in Vertigo
- Met with Jim Dunsdon
- Foodbank Charity meeting
- Attended Executive Committee x2
- Attended the Campus Planning Committee meeting
- Cheque Signing
- Attended VPAP speech
- Met with Dale re: Harassment Policy
- Attended open session of BOG to speak against residence fee increases
- Attended a photo shoot with Chancellor Rogers
- Campus Planning Workshop
- Read SCAS report
- Read SCART appeals
- Read Senate Committee on Awards docket
- Webinar on governance structures
- Created a response to Cindy Player re: harassment policy
- Responded to emails and voice mails about ASIST training

- Attended ASIST Training (April 11/12)
- Updated Chairperson manual
- Set time for training session
- Met with new NSU rep
- Sent Ombuds updated job description and terms to committee for feedback
- Sent out doodle for Sub Occupants meeting
- Liaised with Daphne and Jim re: Jelly Belly's
- Started co-op report!

**Kopp:**

**Total Hours: 68.5 (2 statutory holidays)**

**Work Activities:**

- Committee meetings including executive, marketing, and campaigns
- Implementation of Beerology
- Implementation and coordination of weekly "SUB Buskers" events
- Implementation of final-day SUB Buskers over the course of April 2<sup>nd</sup>
- E-mail communication to a variety of individuals and organizations.
- Development of orientation material for new board including training manual and computer resource streamlining
- Implementation and coordination of protest action for housing fee increases

**Atkinson:**

**Total hours worked between March 20th – April 9<sup>th</sup>: 103 + 2 stat holidays**

**Activities:**

- Cheque signing
- BoD Meeting
- Labour Management Committee
- Personnel Committee
- Spoke with press RE: ICBC and Student Loans
- Attended BOG Meeting
- Housing Rally
- ICBC/Petitions Rally
- Petitioning
- SVAW Advisory Committee Meeting
- Campaigns Committee
- MPAG/DSG
- Succession Planning
- Exec Committee
- ABCS BoD meeting
- Phone meetings with Chair of ABCS
- Dept Manager Meeting
- UVSS/UVic Exec meeting