



MINUTES

University of Victoria Students' Society

Monday, May 6th, 2019 – Vertigo, 6pm

ATTENDANCE: Sampson, Watts, Tubeishat, Eaton, Sutherland-Wilson, Ahluwalia, Cook, Fox, Stromquist, Van Dyke, MacGregor, Blecha, Türker, Richins, de Havelyn, Granirer, McGovern

REGRETS: Reid-Friesen, Burd

Staff: James, Robertson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Granier acknowledged the territories.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Sampson acknowledged the territories.

3. CHAIR'S REMARKS

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA, ADOPTION OF MINUTES, RATIFICATION OF DIRECTORS

a. Adoption of Agenda

i. Agenda of 2019/05/06

MOTION TO ADOPT - RICHINS/BLECHA

MOTION TO AMEND - SUTHERLAND-WILSON/BLECHA

Add the ratification of directors.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO AMEND - EATON/TÜRKER

Add the ratification of clubs to the end of priority business.

MOTION CARRIED

AGENDA CARRIED AS AMENDED

b. Adoption of Minutes

i. Board of Directors

c. Ratification of Directors

MOTION 2019/05/06: 02 – GRANIRER/SUTHERLAND-WILSON

BIRT Aya Clappis be ratified as the NSU representative to the 2019-2020 UVSS Board of Directors, as decided by NSU at a general meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 03 – GRANIRER/TURKER

BIRT Natalie Blecha be ratified as the SSD representative to the 2019-2020 UVSS Board of Directors, as decided by SSD at a general meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 04 – GRANIRER/VAN DYKE

BIRT Jasmine MacGregor be ratified as the Gender Empowerment Centre (GEM) representative to the 2019-2020 UVSS Board of Directors, as decided by SSD at a general meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

5. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. PRESENTATIONS

b. ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. REPORTS

a. REPORT – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Strategic Plan Implementation, Society Finances & Operations
(re: BoD Policy Section 1, Part 3.2.I)

c. REPORTS – CONSTITUENCY ORGANIZATIONS & NSU

- I. Pride**
- II. GEM**
- III. NSU**
- IV. SOCC**
- V. SSD**

7. QUESTION PERIOD (15 mins)

8. MAIN MOTIONS

a. PRIORITY BUSINESS

MOTION 2019/05/06: 01 – GRANIRER/SAMPSON

BIRT the Board adopt the following board meeting schedule for the 2019-2020 term:

Monday May 6, 2019
Monday May 13, 2019
Monday June 3, 2019
Monday June 17, 2019
Monday July 8, 2019
Monday July 22, 2019
Monday August 12, 2019
Monday August 26, 2019
Monday September 9, 2019
Monday September 23, 2019
Monday October 7, 2019
Monday October 21, 2019
Monday November 4, 2019
Monday November 18, 2019
Monday December 2, 2019
Monday December 9, 2019

Monday January 6, 2020
Monday January 20, 2020
Monday February 3, 2020
Monday February 10, 2020
Monday March 9, 2020
Monday March 23, 2020
Monday April 6, 2020
Monday April 20, 2020

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 02 – GRANIRER/RICHINS

BIRT the Board set the following dates for general meetings for the 2019-2020 term:

Thursday October 24, 2019	UVSS Annual General Meeting
Thursday February 6, 2020	UVSS Semi-annual General Meeting

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 03 – GRANIRER/AHLUWALIA

BIRT the Board set the following dates for the 2020 UVSS elections to the Board of Directors:

Nomination Period	Monday January 27, 9am – Monday February 10, 9am
Campaign Period	Monday February 24, 9am* – Friday March 6, noon
Voting Days	Wednesday March 4, 9am – Friday March 6, noon

*Date and time at which printed and digital campaign materials may be posted.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 04 – GRANIRER/BLECHA

BIRT the following directors be granted a leave of absence from May 6, 2019 to September 1, 2019:

- Jinx Stromquist
- Kolin Sutherland-Wilson

MOTION TO AMEND - FOX/RICHINS

Add Zyannya Fox, Efe Türker

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED

MOTION 2019/05/06: A1 - EATON/COOK

BIRT the following clubs are ratified with full funding of \$98.50 for the Summer 2019 semester.

African Caribbean Student's Association
Beer Club
Chess Club
Chinese Students and Scholars Association
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Network
Games Club
Hong Kong Student Association
Impact Group
Iranian student association at University of Victoria
Japanese Culture Club
Leadership Through Diversity in Engineering
LEAP Uvic
Lego Club
Medieval Club

Muslim Student Association.
Pathfinder Society
Philippines@UVic
Precious Plastic UVic
Robotics Club
Rotaract Club of Victoria
Socialist Fightback Club
Society for Indian Classical Arts (SICA)
Students for the Salish Sea
Taiwanese Association
TharAllah: Shia Muslim Society of Victoria
The University of Victoria's Formula Hybrid Team (UVic Formula Hybrid)
University Christian Ministries
Ukrainian Students' Society
Umang: UVic Indian Students' Association
Uvic AERO
UVic Anime Club
UVic Conversation Club
UVIC Cuban Salsa Club
UVic Global Business Brigades
UVic Global Medical Brigades
UVic Guitar Club
UVic NDP Club
UVic Photoclub
UVic Photography Excursion Club
UVic Rocketry
UVic Smash Bros Club
UVic SUP club
UVic Surfrider Foundation sub-chapter
UVic Waterski Club
UVic Web Design and Development Club
Victoria Association for Psychedelic Studies
Victoria Geoscience Society
Women in Engineering and Computer Science
World of Darkness Club
Young Communist League
Youth Protecting Youth

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: A2 - SAMPSON/DE HAVELYN

BIRT the following clubs are ratified with half funding of \$49.25 for the Summer 2019 semester.

Persian Literary Nights at University of Victoria
UVic Innovation and Design
Uvic technology club

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: A3 - EATON/SUTHERLAND-WILSON

BIRT the following clubs are ratified with quarter-funding of \$25.00 for the Summer 2019 semester.

Biomimetic Robotics Club

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: A4 - EATON/COOK

BIRT the following clubs are ratified with no funding for the Summer 2019 semester.

- AIESEC
- University Bible Fellowship
- UVic Evidence for Democracy
- Chinese Students and Scholars Association
- Uvic LARP Club

MOTION CARRIED

b. NEW BUSINESS

MOTION 2019/05/06: 05 – GRANIRER/SAMPSON

BIRT nominations be opened to fill the vacancy of Food Bank Director (re: Board Policy Section 2: Finance, Part 3 Dedicated Funds, 3.5 Food Bank Fund).

Nominations:

MacGregor

Acclaimed.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 06 – GRANIRER/TURKER

BIRT nominations be opened for Directors at-Large to fill vacancies as Portfolio DALs attached to the following Lead Directors:

Campaigns and Community Relations Two (2) Directors at-Large

Acclaimed:

Van Dyke, Burd

Outreach and University Relations Two (2) Directors at-Large

Acclaimed:

Richins, de Havelyn

Finance and Operations Two (2) Directors at-Large

Acclaimed:

Stromquist, Fox

Student Affairs Two (2) Directors at-Large

Acclaimed:

Cook, Sutherland-Wilson

Events Two (2) Directors at-Large

Acclaimed:

Tubeishat, Reid-Friesen

International Student Relations One (1) Director at-Large

Acclaimed:

Ahluwalia

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 07 – GRANIRER/RICHINS

BIRT nominations be opened for directors to fill vacancies on the following *open committees with open membership*:

Campaigns One (1) Director as Second Chair; Four (4) Directors

Second chair: Van Dyke
Directors: Burd, Ahluwalia, Cook, Stromquist

Events One (1) Director as Second Chair; Five (5) Directors

Second chair: Reid-Friesen,
Directors: Tubeishat, Van Dyke, Ahluwalia, Clappis, MacGregor

Finance & Operations One (1) Director as Second Chair; Four (4) Directors

Second chair: Fox
Directors: Stromquist, Richins, Sutherland-Wilson, Van Dyke

Member Outreach/Engagement One (1) Director as Second Chair; Three (3) Directors

Second chair: de Havelyn
Directors: Richins, Tubeishat, MacGregor

Policy Development One (1) Director as Second Chair; Five (5) Directors

Second chair: Cook
Directors: Richins, De Havelyn, Tubeishat, Blecha

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 08 – GRANIRER/TURKER

BIRT nominations be opened for directors to fill vacancies on the following *open committees with closed membership*:

Advocacy Relations Committee One (1) Director (non-voting)

Nominations: Sutherland-Wilson

Clubs Council One (1) Director as Second Chair (non-voting)

Nominations: Cook

Course Union Council One (1) Director as Second Chair (non-voting)

Nominations: Reid-Friesen

PDU Council One (1) Director as Second Chair (non-voting)

Nominations: Reid-Friesen

SUB Occupants Committee One (1) Director as Second Chair

Nominations: De Havelyn

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 09 – GRANIRER/TURKER

BIRT nominations be opened for directors to fill vacancies on the following *closed committees*:

Electoral One (1) Director as Chair (elected first); Two (2) Directors

Nominations:
Chair: Reid-Friesen
Directors: Eaton, Burd

Health & Dental Plan Appeals One (1) Director

Nominations: Fox

SUB Marketing One (1) Director as Second Chair; Two (2) Directors

Nominations:
Second chair: Stromquist
Directors: Ahluwalia, Fox

Ombudsperson One (1) Director

Nominations: Van Dyke

Personnel One (1) Lead Director as Second Chair; One (1) Director

Nominations:
Second chair: Sampson.
Director: Burd

U-Pass Appeals One (1) Director

MOTION TO AMEND - BLECHA/TURKER

Amend to "two directors."

Nominations: Eaton, Watts

MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 10 – GRANIRER/

BIRT nominations be opened for members to fill vacancies on the following *closed committees*:

Ombudsperson	One (1) Member; One (1) Student Senator
U-PASS Appeals	One (1) Member as recommended by SSD

**MOTION TO POSTPONE TO NEXT BOARD MEETING - BLECHA/MACGREGOR
MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 11 – GRANIRER/SAMPSON

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

Campaigns	Three (3) Members
Events	Two (2) Members
Finance & Operations	Two (2) Members
Member Outreach & Engagement	Two (2) Members
Policy Development	Two (2) Members

MOTION TO POSTPONE - BLECHA/FOX

To the Board meeting of May 13th and the Communications department puts out a call for participation via Facebook.

MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 12 – EATON/TURKER

BIRT nominations be opened to fill the following vacancies on Advocacy Relations Committee:

One (1) Member as recommended by Society for Students with a Disability (SSD)

Nominations: Blecha

One (1) Member as recommended by the Native Students Union (NSU)
Clappis

One (1) Member as recommended by UVic Pride

Nominations: Chrystal

One (1) Member as recommended by the Students of Colour Collective (SOCC)

One (1) Member as recommended by Gender Empowerment Centre (GEM)

Nominations: MacGregor

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 13 – GRANIRER/SAMPSON

BIRT nominations be opened to fill the following vacancies on SUB Occupants Committee:

One (1) Representative as recommended by Society for Students with a Disability (SSD)

One (1) Representative as recommended by the Native Students Union (NSU)

One (1) Representative as recommended by UVic Pride

One (1) Representative as recommended by Students of Colour Collective (SOCC)

One (1) Representative as recommended by the Gender Empowerment Centre (GEM)

One (1) Representative as recommended by UVic Sustainability Project (UVSP)

One (1) Representative as recommended by Anti-Violence Project (AVP)

One (1) Representative as recommended by CFUV

One (1) Representative as recommended by The Martlet

Nominations: Fagan

Acclaimed.

One (1) Representative as recommended by VIPIRG

One (1) Representative as recommended by Campus Community Gardens (CCG)

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO REPLACE GRANIRER AS CHAIR - RICHINS/TURKER

Alternative chair will be Sampson for duration of motion #5.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 14 – GRANIRER/TURKER

WHEREAS the UVSS Board of Directors has a responsibility to ensure that students' money is well spent; and

WHEREAS many of the directors on the current Board of Directors made a campaign promise to revise the perks that Lead Directors receive;

BIRT Board of Directors policy Section 1, Part 1, Section 1.3.a.v., which allows for Lead Directors to claim a \$50 per month cell phone allowance, shall be temporarily struck, with a sunset clause of May 1st, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2019/05/06: 15 – WATTS/RICHINS

WHEREAS local governments in the Capital Region have declared a climate emergency, pledging to achieve carbon neutrality by 2030 to avoid the worst consequences of global warming; and

WHEREAS the average age of Undergraduate students at UVic is approximately 21 years of age and the global climate crisis will be inherited by those entering the workforce after completing their education; and

WHEREAS emissions from transportation generate the majority of community-based emissions within the region, meaning that switching from private vehicles to public transit has the potential to make a very large impact in achieving carbon neutrality; and

WHEREAS forward-looking jurisdictions around the world from Kingston, Ontario to Luxembourg and Estonia are eliminating user-fee barriers to public transit ridership, with public transit services paid through the tax system rather than at the fare box:

BIRT the University of Victoria Students' Society will issue a press release and publicly support the call for the Victoria Regional Transit Commission and BC Transit to:

1. Embrace determined climate leadership through a major expansion of public transit ridership in the Capital Region, focused on the phasing out of user fees and a substantial improvement in service levels and fleet electrification.
2. Begin implementing this climate-action policy with a pilot programme in the 2020 budget eliminating user fees for people 18 years of age and younger, replacing revenues currently generated through fares with adjustments to provincial transfers and the property tax requisition.
3. Develop an implementation plan to eliminate user fees by no later than 2022, for all riders within the Capital Region as a form of climate action, including enhanced service levels, enhanced transit priority including an extensive network of bus lanes, and fleet expansion to meet increased demand, in conjunction with fleet electrification.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA - WATTS/SAMPSON

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting moved in camera at 7:57pm.

MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF CAMERA - SAMPSON/RICHINS

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting moved out of camera at 8:59pm.

9. In Camera

- a. Legal
- b. Personnel Committee Report

10. MEETING TIMES

The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:
Monday May 13, 2019 in the SUB Upper Lounge.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.