



AGENDA

University of Victoria Students' Society
Monday, June 3rd, 2019 – Vertigo, 6pm

ATTENDANCE: Sampson, Watts, Van Dyke, Eaton, Tubeishat, Burd, Blecha, Cook, McGovern, de Havelyn, Granirer, Richins, Chrystall

Staff: James, Robertson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Granirer called the meeting to order at 6:08pm.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

De Havelyn acknowledged the territories.

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

a. Adoption of Agenda

- Agenda of 2019/06/03

MOTION TO ADOPT - SAMPSON/WATTS
MOTION CARRIED

b. Adoption of Minutes

- 2019/05/06
- 2019/05/13

MOTION TO ADOPT - BLECHA/VAN DYKE
MOTION CARRIED

4. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. PRESENTATIONS

- The UVSS Food Bank & Free Store (10 minutes) - **APPENDIX A**
- Access BC (10 minutes)
- Good Food Project (10 minutes)

b. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Food Bank & Free Store needs your help this summer! It's open limited hours (noon-4pm) until August 1st, and we would love your help providing volunteer coverage during that time. The orientation is short, and it's a great way to learn more about this UVSS service and its clients. Questions, or want to help out? Email foodbank@uvss.ca or comm@uvss.ca!

5. REPORTS

a. REPORT – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

b. REPORTS – COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS

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| I. Advocacy Relations Committee | IX. Member Outreach & Engagement |
| II. Campaigns | X. Policy Development |
| III. Clubs Council | XI. SUB Marketing |
| IV. Course Union Council | XII. SUB Occupants |
| V. Electoral | XIII. University Relations Committee |
| VI. Events | XIV. Food Bank & Free Store |
| VII. Executive | XV. Peer Support Centre |
| VIII. Finance & Operations | |

c. REPORTS – CONSTITUENCY ORGANIZATIONS & NSU

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

6. QUESTION PERIOD (15 mins)

7. MAIN MOTIONS

a. NEW BUSINESS

MOTION 2019/06/03: 01 – GRANIRER/SAMPSON

BIRT Aya Clappis be granted a leave of absence from June 3, 2019 to September 2, 2019.

MOTION CARRIED

RECOMMENDED BY POLICY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MOTION 2019/06/03: 02 – DE HAVELYN/WATTS

WHEREAS the UVSS Food Bank & Free Store is an important service that the UVSS provides; and,

WHEREAS it is important to allow multiple UVSS Directors to get involved with the Food Bank & Free Store;

BIRT Section 3.5 B of Board of Directors Policy be changed from “The UVSS Board of Directors shall elect a Director as the Food Bank Director in the first month of the term” to “The UVSS Board of Director shall elect a minimum of one (1) Director as the Food Bank Director in the first month of the Term.”

MOTION TO AMEND - WATTS/BLECHA

Add an ‘s’ after “Board of Director.”

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION CARRIED AS AMENDED

b. OLD BUSINESS

MOTION 2019/05/06: 10 – GRANIRER/EATON

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

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

U-PASS Appeals Committee Nominations:

Natalie Blecha

Acclaimed

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

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

Policy Development:

Nathan Ponce and Alissa Jackson

Acclaimed

MOTION 2019/05/06: 12 – EATON/DE HAVELYN

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

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

MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA - GRANIRER/DE HAVELYN
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting moved in camera at 7:31pm.

8. In Camera

- a. Legal
- b. Personnel Committee Report

9. MEETING TIMES

The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:

Monday June 17, 2019 in Vertigo.

10. ADJOURNMENT

11. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Kai Richins (6.5 hours)

- Sat in board office (4 hours)
- Policy development meeting (1.5 hours)
- EcoFoot working group meeting (3/4 hours)

Caelen Cook (12 hours)

- Spoke with Director of Student Affairs regarding Clubs and Course Union Councils
- Attended UVSS Board Meeting

- Created template for Board Reports
- Attended Policy Development Committee

Hannah Ahluwalia (5 hours)

- Outreach committee meeting
- Events committee meeting
- Policy development committee meeting
- Recruited members to attend outreach and policy development meeting
- Present in the office to answer questions

Jonathan Granirer (110 hours)

- Traveled to Student Care Conference
- Meetings
- Research
- Emails
- Outreach
- Planning

Caleb Burd (4 hours)

- Attended Finance Committee Meeting: Where I suggested to Dale that Bean There should replace its plastic bags with paper; as well as look into alternatives for the plastic wrap for other food items.
- Attended Campaigns Committee Meeting: After meeting, met with Juliet and talked about the different Campaigns as well as agreed to be Co-chair of divest and was debriefed on current progress of its campaign.
- Met with members of Personnel Committee and discussed past work as well as future plans. Additionally, met with Dale and talked about the workload and dates of Bargaining and training periods.
- Assisted the creation of the new working group named Eco Foot. Then compiled list of potential clubs that could contribute to the initiative.

Sarina de Havelyn (10.5 hours)

- Taking and editing minutes of Outreach Meeting
- Discussing and coordinating outreach initiatives with Jon and others
- Assisting leads in software usage
- Meeting with Jon and liaising with others to plan promotion of outreach and policy committees
- Campaigns committee meeting
- Attending meeting and minute-taking with Student Services and Office of Student Life
- Attending meeting and minute-taking for policy development committee
- Attending meeting and minute-taking for mental health and wellness centre discussion
- Coordinating director biographies
- Strategizing potential outreach initiatives with Dalal and Caleb

Dalal Tubeishat (6 hours)

- Conducted outreach at Destination UVic
- Conducted outreach with communications students making a video on the University of Victoria Student Society.
- Discussed planning for Campus Kick Off and other events with Director of Events.
- Answered questions of students coming by the board office.

Dakota McGovern (108.5 hours)

May 10-16:

Committees:

- Member Outreach.
- Occupational Health and Safety.
- Exec Committee.
- Finance and Operations Committee.

Emails:

- Sending out emails regarding food services.
- Reviewed FRAC appeals schedules.
- Reviewing emails to begin co-op rebates.
- IT/Tech support (setting up email logistics).
- Emailing Engineering Students Society and Commerce Students' Society regarding representatives on the Finance and Operations Committee.
- Contacted two volunteers and scheduled the next one.
- Emailing the Office of the Registrar for information regarding classroom talks.
- Scheduling SUB Marketing Committee, Finance and Operations Committee and other meetings.

Logistical tasks:

- Personnel Committee.
- Budgeting.
- Strategic planning.

Meetings:

- Meeting with Sabrina regarding policy and strategic plan.
- Meeting with Dale regarding the budget.
- Meeting with Brad regarding food services.
- Meeting with Catering and Conferences as an introduction.
- Meeting with Sabrina regarding health and dental/RBC.
- Meeting with the Good Food Project.
- Meeting with Caleb/Kai regarding UVSP working group.
- Meeting with Jonathan.

Reviewing documents:

- Issues Policy.
- Books regarding non-profit strategy.
- Reviewing health and dental appeals/student care calls/Montreal organizing.
- Calculating Budget for clubs ratification.

May 17-23:

Committees:

- Member Outreach.

Logistical Tasks:

- Fee Reduction and Appeals.
- Reviewing financial statements.

Meetings:

- Meeting with Alannah regarding strategic plan.
- Attended the Studentcare conference.

Phone calls:

- Nimbus tutoring.
- Call regarding mug bank.

May 24-30:

Committees:

- Exec Committee.
- Policy Development Committee.

Events:

- Silent protest.

Logistical tasks:

- Coop rebates.
- Cheque signing.
- Reviewing finances.
- Personnel Committee tasks.

Meetings:

- Meeting with Dale regarding the budget.
- Calling ESS and emailing CSS regarding Finance committee.
- ECO Foot working group.
- Interview with commerce students.
- Department managers meeting.

Juliet Watts (115.5 hours)

- Met frequently with Alannah and prepared for our presentation on the Let's Get Consensual campaign at the forum happening at Kwantlen Polytechnic University on June 4 and 5
- Attended events, finance and operations, outreach, policy development and exec committees
- Prepared for and chaired Campaigns Committee
- Campaigns planning and collaboration with Directors at Large
- Formed and became chair of Ecological Footprint working group
- Formed and became chair of Divest UVic working group
- Formed and prepared for Let's Get Consensual working group
- Attended and spoke at Youth Climate Strike
- Organized Divest demonstration at UVic Board of Governors meeting and art build for demonstration
- Strategized and organized for Divest campaign
- Attended UVic Vice-President External Relations Appointment Committee
- Attended department manager meeting
- Met with graphics regarding Let's Get Consensual rebranding
- Attended various meetings with UVic Admin regarding counselling services, the wellness centre, multi faith chapel and sexual violence awareness week
- Attended Divest working group with UVic Associate Vice-President Financial Planning and Operations and their Work Study

Jelayna Van Dyke (8.5 hours)

- 1 hour working on divestment brief with caleb
- 1.5 hour meeting with caleb and Juliet
- 1 hour campaigns meeting
- 1.5 hour events meeting
- 1.5 hour policy development meeting
- 1 hour LGC meeting with Alanna/Juliet
- 1 hour LGC work with Juliet

Victoria Eaton (108 hours)

- Answered emails
- Meetings about divestment
- Divest sit in
- Meetings about Mental health initiatives, Interfaith chapel and, new wellness centre
- Cheque reqs for clubs and course unions
- Cheque signing
- Advocacy relations committee, events committee, campaigns committee, member outreach committee

- Executive meetings
- Going through Club registration for the upcoming clubs council
- Going through travel pool and publication fund applications for the upcoming course union council
- Destination UVic tabling
- Updating signing authorities for clubs, course unions and PDUs
- Updating emails for clubs and course unions
- Getting PDU requirements for the year
- First Aid training
- Climate strike
- Hiring committee

APPENDIX A



UVSS Food Bank & Free Store Final Report - 2018/2019

MESSAGE FROM THE FOOD BANK & FREE STORE OFFICER

The UVSS Food Bank & Free Store delivered a diverse array of programming, supported primarily by UVic Meal Exchange. By workshops on a range of issues relating to food security and literacy, provide our clients and community members with the skills necessary to support and empower themselves.

This year, the UVSS Food Bank & Free Store supported community grassroots advocacy and outreach campaigns by attending and speaking at conferences and other community events. While we love feeding our community, food banks are a “band aid” solution, and what our community truly needs is systemic change.

Food security advocacy must amplify and represent the voices and needs of students from marginalized backgrounds - especially lower-income students. For example, marginalized communities and members need to be represented at any stakeholder events aimed at finding solutions to large-scale issues such as the housing crisis, regional food insecurity, post-secondary education affordability, and the additional difficulties faced by Indigenous peoples, people of colour, LGBTQIA+ people, people living with disabilities, and lower-income people in accessing post-secondary resources in the first place. This critical lens informed staff outreach and participation on relevant panels.

WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

- A clothing swap! Hosted in the autumn of 2018, we encouraged community members to “swap till you drop!” With hundreds of items at the clothing swap, both donated directly for the event and provided from the Free Store supply, we worked to ensure that community members were able to reuse old clothes as well as find new ones.
- Repair Cafe(s)! The UVSS Food Bank and Free Store supported the student-led initiative, the UVic Repair Cafe, in hosting one event during both the fall and spring semesters. These Repair Cafes are based off of an international model of reducing waste, building community, and repurposing items. During each event, a team of dedicated volunteers provided their time and energy to fix items ranging from appliances to household goods to clothing, ensuring that items in need of a little extra work were able to be repurposed instead of thrown out.
- Cooking: Community Based. In October, we partnered with UVic Meal Exchange, the Campus Community Garden, and Topsoil to provide a workshop centred on ways of cooking with

locally-sourced products. The workshop was well-attended, and facilitated great conversations about the importance of shopping locally.

- A Taste of Fair Trade was another Meal Exchange and Food Bank collaboration, this time focusing on fair-trade goods in a Canadian context. During this workshop, we prepared a banana-based dessert of entirely fair-trade ingredients, and hosted a community roundtable about the intersection between food justice, globalization, and workers' rights.
- Maseca: A Cultural Foods Project was another autumnal event, focused on exploring the ways in which food can serve as a crucial element of culture and community. With a growing user base of international students, the UVSS Food Bank expanded our offerings to include a more diverse array of foods, ensuring that students can still find a little taste of home. The maseca workshop centered around the cultural heritage of Latin American foods, and was supported in part by the Students of Colour Collective.
- Cooking on a Budget! This workshop, though initially rescheduled due to a surprise winter snow day, still managed to create an engaging community discussion on the difficulties of eating healthy food on a limited budget, as well as providing advice for ways to eat healthy and affordably! With help from the SUB-based RBC pop-up, students were able to explore their own financial literacy in the context of food. RBC also helped to explore broader issues of budgeting while in post-secondary, and provided a range of different learning materials to support student engagement.
- In February, we hosted our Accessible Cooking Workshop in collaboration with UVic Meal Exchange and the Society for Students with a Disability (SSD). Students were provided with high-energy snacks and supplies, such as protein-enriched oatmeal and breakfast shakes, before embarking on a community roundtable on the challenges of eating healthy while living with issues such as chronic fatigue or limited mobility. Students shared tips and tricks for cooking and purchasing food, and organizers provided participants with a multi-page booklet with recipes and meal ideas!
- On March 8th, 2019, we hosted our biggest event to date: a Cultural Foods Celebration! With a grant provided by EQHR UVic, and volunteer time kindly donated by both UVic Global Communities and UVic Meal Exchange, this event enabled hundreds of students to sample foods including traditional Pakistani cuisine, Indian curries, Syrian food, Mexican food, Indigenous cuisine, and a range of others! This event was both well-attended and well-supported, and we hope that it is the first of many celebrations of UVic's culinary diversity.
- To finish the year, we worked alongside SSD to provide three free community lunches during exam season - when you're tired and studying all day, you probably don't have time to cook yourself a full meal! These lunches included Syrian and Indian cuisine from local restaurants, and we managed to feed over 50 students at each event.

OUTREACH AND PANELS

- The Capital Region Food and Agriculture Initiatives Roundtable (CRFAIR) Good Food Summit. At this event, the UVSS Food Bank, Community Cabbage, the Campus Community Garden, and UVic Meal Exchange formed a panel to discuss issues such as sustainability and affordability within the food movement.
- Resetting the Table: Food Secure Canada's AGM. This event featured idea-sharing with other food banks across Canada.

- Meal Exchange's Student Food Conference: This conference focused on skill-building, such as fundraising and social media promotion, and enabled the UVSS Food Bank and UVic Meal Exchange to raise awareness of both UVic and BC-centric food issues.
- Connecting the Dots: Intersectionality on Health. This event, hosted by the Grad Students Society and the UVic Social Dimensions of Health department, featured discussions about the ways in which food security serves as a fundamental human right, as well as the connection between access to food and both personal and community health.
- The National Farm to School Conference. The UVSS Food Bank and other regional stakeholders discussed advocating for greater food literacy support and programming in schools.

In solidarity,

Alexandra Ages

Food Bank & Free Store Officer, 2017 - 2019