



MINUTES

University of Victoria Students' Society
Monday, July 6, 2020 – Zoom, 6pm

Zoom meeting link:

<https://uvic.zoom.us/j/95072211623>

Zoom-specific instructions:

1. Please mute your mic if you are not speaking.
2. Please type "speakers' list" into the chat if you'd like to be placed on the speakers' list.
3. You will be asked to vote yes or no in the chat during motions - you can always abstain if you'd like.

ATTENDANCE: Lowan, Burd, Ritchie, Nag, Abuelazm, Mittal, Dodds, MacGregor, Guildford, Barkowsky, Parent, Adachi, Franco-Monroy, Henderson, Blecha

Staff: McFarlin, James, Talman

1. CALL TO ORDER

De Havelyn called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

2. LIVESTREAM

MOTION 2020/07/06: 01 - HISER/ADACHI

WHEREAS the UVSS Board of Directors values the comfort and privacy of all Board members, and will only proceed with livestreaming Board meetings if they pass unanimously; therefore,

BIRT the Board approves the livestreaming of the June 6th, 2020 Board meeting on the UVSS Facebook page; and,

BIFRT this video be kept on the UVSS Facebook page until the minutes from this meeting are ratified.

MOTION CARRIED

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Ritchie acknowledged the territories.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adoption of Agenda

- i. 2020/07/06

MOTION TO ADOPT - MACGREGOR/NAG

MOTION TO AMEND - BLECHA/GUILDFORD

Add Blecha's board report to the minutes.

MOTION CARRIED

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b. **Approval of Minutes**

i. 2020/06/29

MOTION TO APPROVE - ABUELAZM/MITTAL

MOTION CARRIED

5. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. **PRESENTATIONS**

Good Food Project - Zoe Martin

MOTION TO CONSIDER MOTION 02 - MITTAL/RITCHIE

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2020/07/06: 02 - MITTAL/RITCHIE

WHEREAS the Trans Mountain Expansion pipeline project will contribute 400,000 tonnes of greenhouse gases to the atmosphere per year and cost Canadian taxpayers \$12.6 billion; and, **WHEREAS** the Trans Mountain Expansion was constructed without the free, prior and informed consent of all First Nations affected by the route (e.g. Tsleil-Waututh, in opposition); and **WHEREAS** the Trans Mountain Expansion violates Canada's commitments to its own Paris 2015 climate targets, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action, and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP); and **WHEREAS** the University of Victoria Students' Society (UVSS) has committed itself towards championing full fossil fuel divestment, decolonization and anti-racism; therefore, **BIRT** the University of Victoria Students' Society sign and display its logo on the letter "The Youth Demand a Stop to Trans Mountain for a Just Recovery," brought forward by the Simon Fraser Student Society (SFSS), "Justice, No Pipeline" working group of SFU350, and DogwoodSFU.

MOTION CARRIED

Henderson abstained.

b. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

6. REPORTS

a. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

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

PORTFOLIOS

1. Campaigns and Community Relations
2. Finance and Operations

3. Outreach and University Relations
4. Student Affairs
5. Events
6. International Student Relations

COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS

1. Electoral
2. Executive committee
3. Food Bank & Free Store
4. International Student Relations
5. Peer Support Centre

CONSTITUENCY ORGANIZATIONS & NSU

1. GEM
2. NSU
3. Pride
4. SOCC
5. SSD

WORKING GROUPS

1. PIRG

7. QUESTION PERIOD (15 mins)

8. MAIN MOTIONS

a. NEW BUSINESS

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b. OLD BUSINESS

MOTION 2020/05/04: 18 – DE HAVELYN/

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

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

MOTION TO POSTPONE - ABUELAZM/ADACHI
MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA - MITTAL/RITCHIE
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting moved in camera at 7:19pm.

MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF CAMERA - GUILDFORD/NAG
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting moved out of camera at 7:21pm.

- 9. In Camera**
- a. Legal**
 - b. Personnel Committee Report**

10. MEETING TIMES

The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:
Monday July 20, 2020 via Zoom (online).

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN - DODDS/BLECHA
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21pm.

12. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Emily Lowan (49 hours)

- Campaigns:
- Divest UVic [6.5 hours]
 - Divest meeting and prep [4 hours]
 - Action items [2 hours]
 - Meeting with member [0.5 hour]
- Make Transit Work [2 hours]
 - U-Pass meeting [1 hour]
 - Voting seat lobbying plan [1 hour]
- Rent with Rights [1 hour]
 - Meetings with Saanich councillors [1 hour]
- Let's Get Consensual [8.5 hours]
 - Rebrand meeting [1.5 hours]
 - SVAW planning [1.5 hours]
 - Campus to campus planning [1.5 hours]

- Rebrand messaging discussions [4 hours]
- Rethink mental health [2 hours]
 - Working group meeting [1 hour]
 - Action items [1 hour]
- Events committee [1 hour]
- Strategic planning sessions [1 hour]
- Board meeting and preparation [3 hours]
- Co-op meeting [1 hour]
- Exec meeting [1 hour]
- Member outreach committee [0.5 hour]
- Media training [1 hour]
- Personnel committee and prep [3 hours]
- Anti-oppression training [1.5 hours]

Isaiah Adachi (8 hours)

- MO vid: 8 hours

Jocelyne Parent (3.5 hours)

- Anti-oppression workshop
- Portfolio related work
- Rethink Mental Health research and planning

Reeve Henderson (4 hours)

- ISRC Planning Meeting
- Emails
- Events Planning
- GC Newsletter

Caleb Burd (46 hours)

- Facilitated last strategic planning session
- Attended Divest meetings, campaigns, outreach and executive committees
- Chaired both FinOps and Personnel committee
- Met with Katie about business strategic plan
- Reviewed budgets and income statements
- Attended anti racism training
- Created survey for Board
- Various emails, meetings and research

Marran Dodds (5 hours)

- Summer Event Planning (2 hr)
- Board Meeting (3 hr)

Jana Barkowsky (4.5 hours)

- Helped with events budget
- Attended mental health campaign working group

- Attended anti-oppression training

Abdul Abuelazm (8.5 hours):

- Writing letter to Saanich Police Board
- Writing Agenda for RMH Campaign Working Group Meeting
- Chaired ReThink Mental Health Working Group Meeting
- Wrote motion to write letter for Saanich Police Board
- Met with other Directors to write letter
- Anti-Oppression Training

Dalal Tubeishat (48 hours)

- Sent out doodle poll
- Wrote agendas and minutes for chaired committees
- Organized shared Google Drive
- Internal meetings with other directors and staff
- External meetings with UVic administration
- Attended and planned for Strategic Planning Sessions
- Attended Executive Committee and Divest
- Chaired Course Union Council
- Attended GEM hiring committee and SOCC hiring committee
- Held office hours
- Answered emails
- Responded to members on social media
- Worked on the letter to Saanich PD Board
- Reviewed policy for updating
- Wrote policy

Sebastian Franco-Monroy 32 Hours

- Meetings with Live Music Club
- Budgeting
- Answered Emails
- Mental Health Workshop Work
- Electoral Committee
- Personnel Committee
- Exec Committee
- Anti-Oppression Workshop
- Signed Cheques
- Worked on CKO planning
- Meeting with Graphics

Emily Hiser (11 hours)

- Portfolio work - 1 hour
- Strat planning - 1.5 hours
- Member outreach meeting - 1 hour
- Personnel committee work - 2.5 hours

- GEM training and meeting prep - 2.5 hours
- Divest meeting and meeting prep - 2.5 hours

Victoria Ritchie (21 hours)

- Campaign Portfolio Meeting - 1hr
- Divest Meeting(s) - 2hrs
- Divest Work (letter, edits, action items) - 4hrs
- Policing Letter/Research - 3hrs
- Policing Meetings/Discussion - 2hrs
- LGC Rebrand Meeting - 1hr
- LGC Rebrand Work (messaging, content, research) - 2hrs
- LGC (additional) Meetings - 2hrs
- Made Grab Bags for Food Hamper Program - 1hr
- Rethink Mental Health Meeting - 1hr
- Rethink Mental Health Work (graphic ideas) - 1hr
- Rethink Mental Health Work (outreach/research) - 1hr

Sarina de Havelyn (46.5 hours)

- Chaired and prepared for Electoral, Member Outreach, PIRG Working Group, Policy Development, and Executive Committees
- Meetings with UVic regarding messaging improvements, orientation planning, potential areas of collaboration, student life improvements, UVSS inserts on Coursespaces/syllabi, OERs on course sign up, virtual elections, co-curricular notation, and consent workshops
- Meeting preparations (scheduling, research, communications, minutes)
- Daily check-ins with Dir. of Campaigns
- Correspondence with SWAG providers
- Portfolio meetings
- Video Prep with Adachi
- Anti-Oppression Workshop
- Strategic planning

Paarth Mittal (3.5 hrs)

- Divest UVic meeting- 1 hr
- Anti-Racism Workshop- 1.5 hrs
- Writing a motion- 1 hr

Evan Guildford (6.3 hours)

- Board Meeting 29/06 (3 hours)
- Member Outreach 01/07 (0.5 hours)
- Rethink Mental Health 01/07 (1.1 hours)
- TMX Letter review and research (0.5 hours)
- International Students letter for RMH (0.5 hours)
- RMH brainstorming and event research (0.5 hours)
- FINOPS minutes finalizing (0.2 hours)

Natalie Blecha (2.5 hours)

- 1 hour SSD Events
- 0.5 hours SSD/UVSS communications
- 1 hour SSD Policy Dev