



## MINUTES

University of Victoria Students' Society

Monday, December 7, 2020 – Google Meet, 6pm

### Google Meet meeting link:

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3. You will be asked to vote yes or no in the chat during motions - you can always abstain if you'd like.

**ATTENDANCE:** De Havelyn, Tubeishat, Burd, Adachi, Hernandez, Blecha, Mittal, Dodds, Muir, Parent, Lowan, Guildford, Barkowsky

**Staff:** Talman, McFarlin, James

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

De Havelyn called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

## 2. LIVESTREAM

### MOTION 2020/12/07: 01 - ADACHI/GUILDFORD

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

**BIRT** the Board approves the livestreaming of the December 7th, 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

Mittal acknowledged the land.

## 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

### a. Adoption of Agenda

- i. 2020/12/7

**MOTION TO ADOPT - GUILDFORD/TUBEISHAT**

**MOTION TO AMEND - LOWAN/TUBEISHAT**

Add presentation of the Greater Victoria Acting Together organization.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**b. Adoption of Minutes**

i. 2020/11/30

**MOTION TO ADOPT - DODDS/BURD**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**5. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**a. PRESENTATIONS**

Greater Victoria Acting Together organization

**b. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**6. REPORTS**

**a. EXCLUDED MANAGERS**

**b. 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. 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. **PRIORITY BUSINESS**

### **MOTION 2020/12/07: 02 - ADACHI/HERNANDEZ**

**BIRT** the following motions are added to the 2021 SAGM agenda:

#### **MOTION TO AMEND BYLAW 14.3**

##### **MOTION 00 - ADACHI/**

**WHEREAS** the Board of Directors voted to disband the Graduating Class at the board meeting of November 30th, 2020, and;

**WHEREAS** the bylaws must reflect current practices; therefore,

**BIRT** Bylaw 14.3 is amended as follows:

#### 14.3 Names of Subsidiary Organisations

a. Each subsidiary organization shall be so named as to indicate that it is a student organization under the Students' Society and in no way purports to be a separate entity.

b. The following shall be considered subsidiary organizations

i. PDUs

ii. ~~the Graduating Class~~

#### **MOTION TO STRIKE BYLAW 16**

##### **MOTION 00 - ADACHI/**

**WHEREAS** the Board of Directors voted to disband the Graduating Class at the board meeting of November 30th, 2020, and;

**WHEREAS** the bylaws must reflect current practices; therefore,

**BIRT** Bylaw 16 is struck:

#### ~~BYLAW 16 – THE GRADUATING CLASS~~

~~16.1 The name of the organization is the Graduating Class of the University of Victoria, which is a subsidiary organization, hereafter referred to as the "Graduating Class."~~

~~16.2 Membership in the Graduating Class Graduating Class active membership shall be comprised of all registered undergraduate students who have applied to graduate in the year of the Graduating Class.~~

## **MOTION CARRIED**

### **MOTION 2020/12/07: 03 - ADACHI/DODDS**

**BIRT** BoD Policy 10.6 is amended as follows:

6. Subsidiary Organizations

- Professional Development Unions
- ~~The Graduating Class~~

**MOTION CARRIED**

**b. OLD BUSINESS**

**MOTION 2020/10/02: 09 - LOWAN/TUBEISHAT**

**WHEREAS** decreased opportunities for collaboration resulting from COVID-19 has presented unique challenges to governmental lobbying and external relations; and

**WHEREAS** membership to Greater Victoria Acting Together would provide the UVSS with comprehensive updates on local lobbying initiatives and strong connections to community leaders; therefore,

**BIRT** the Board approves a \$1200 one-year trial membership fee to Greater Victoria Acting Together.

**MOTION TO AMEND - BURD/PARENT**

GVAT membership to commence January 1st, 2021.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION TO POSTPONE - BLECHA/GUILDFORD**

The next Board meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA - MITTAL/TUBEISHAT**

**MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting moved in camera at 7:17pm.

**10. IN-CAMERA**

- Legal**
- Personnel Committee Report**

**MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF CAMERA - TUBEISHAT/BURD**

**MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting moved out of camera at 7:18pm.

**11. MEETING TIMES**

**The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:**  
Monday, December 14th, 2020 via Google Meet (online).

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

## 13. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORTS

### **Jana Barkowsky (2.5 hours)**

- Attended personnel committee (1 hour)
- Planned mental health gift baskets (1.5 hours)

### **Dalal Tubeishat (35 hours)**

- Answered emails
- Held in-person and online office hours
- Had meetings with club executives
- Had meetings with members
- Consulted website upgrades
- Had internal meetings with other directors, advocacy group coordinators, excluded managers, accounting, and graphics
- Had external meetings with UVic administrators, faculty, and staff
- Updated and reviewed policy
- Created online accounts for clubs and course unions to check their balances
- Updated online club and course union balances
- Made updates to the website
- Organized workshops dates with OSL for clubs and course unions
- Planning for virtual C&CU days
- Processed cheque requisitions
- Signed cheques
- Created progress report survey for clubs and course unions
- Created survey on course experience

### **Marran Dodds (2.75 hours)**

- UVSS Instagram Photos (1 hour)
- Board Meeting (1.75 hours)

### **Evan Guildford (2.4 hours)**

- Board Meeting (1.8 hours)
- Survey review (0.4 hours)
- U-pass Appeal (previous week) (0.2 hours)

### **Sarina de Havelyn (40 hours)**

- Chaired and completed action items for Electoral, Member Outreach, PIRG Working Group, Policy Development, Ombudsperson, and Executive Committees
- Completed action items for grad class
- Represented students for OSL Manager Hiring Committee
- Responded to student emails
- Updated Electoral Policy

- Worked with campaigns portfolio on BC Governmental Lobbying Submissions
  - Liaised with UVic representatives to coordinate asks
- Working with UVic for Wellness Week promotion
- Represented student interests on newly-lobbied-for Student Experiences Committee
- Coordinated and contributed towards UVic Anti-Racism Survey; advocated for UVic collaboration with UVic Executive

**Maribel Hernandez (4 hours 15 mins)**

- Editing Clubs Policy (1 hour)
- Board Meeting (1.5 hours)
- Final edits to Anti-Racism survey (30 mins)
- Finance and Operations Meeting (1 hour 15 mins)

**Paarth Mittal (3.67 hours)**

- Attended Board Meeting (2 hours)
- Campaigns Portfolio Check-In (1 hour)
- Assisted in letter-writing in support of Bill C-230 (Redressing Environmental Racism) (0.5 hour)
- Instagram Promotion of UVSS (0.17 hour)

**Jocelynn Parent (1.5 hours)**

- Board meeting (1.5 hour)

**Marina Muir (1 Hour)**

- Signing cheque recs (.25 hours)
- Meetings with coordinator (.75 hours)

**Emily Lowan (56 hours)**

*General*

- Emails (7 hours)
- Personnel Committee (1 hour)
- Executive Committee (0.5 hour)
- International Student Tuition Fee Increase Advocacy w/ Dir. of ISR (0.5 hour)
- Board meeting and prep (3 hours)
- Leads meeting (0.5 hour)
- Volunteer coordination and recruitment (2 hours)
- Finance and Operations Committee (1 hour)

*Divest UVic*

- Working group meeting (1 hour)
- Meeting with University Secretary (0.5 hour)
- Meeting with UVic Finance (1 hour)

*Make Transit Work*

- Meeting with Transit Coalition (1 hour)
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- Rent with Rights
- Meeting with BC Housing Ministry Senior Policy Analyst (0.5 hour)

### *External Relations*

- Meeting with ABCS Social Policy Researcher (1 hour)
- Provincial submission (5 hours)
- Meeting with GSS, AMS, ABCS on Operational Funding Joint-Submission (0.5 hour)

### **Caleb Burd (38 hours)**

- Met with Studentcare representatives
- Chaired Finance and Operations Committee
- Attended leads and executive committees
- Met with art director to discuss videos
- Chaired personnel committee meeting
- Worked on business survey
- Corresponded with members regarding Health and Dental appeals

### **Sebastian Franco-Monroy (36 hours)**

- Emails
- Meeting with Bishop's University
- Trivia Night Marketing
- Electoral Policy
- Personnel Meeting
- Leads Meeting
- Exec Meeting
- Events Meeting
- Board Meeting
- Signed Cheques
- Met with student with proposal
- Read multiple chapters for Personnel

### **Izzy Adachi (50 minutes)**

- Member Outreach Committee
- Creating PIRG website language
- Misc task work