



MINUTES

University of Victoria Students' Society

Monday, December 6th, 2021– Zoom, 6 pm

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Attendance: Dodds, Nag, Hernandez, Bisnar, Pollard, Taylor, Tran, Berman, Roxas, Froese, Pathak, Banville, Chutter, Muir

Staff: Talman, Hardman, Robertson, Macpherson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Dodds called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

2. LIVESTREAM

MOTION 2021/12/06: 01 - NAG/PATHAK

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 6th, 2021 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

Taylor acknowledged the land.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adoption of Agenda

i. 2021/12/06

MOTION TO ADOPT - NAG/BISNAR

MOTION TO AMEND - NAG/FROESE

To add Nag's, Froese's, Taylor's and Pathak's board reports.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO AMEND - HERNANDEZ/MUIR

To add Hernandez's motion.

MOTION CARRIED

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b. Adoption of Minutes

i. 2021/11/01

MOTION TO ADOPT - BISNAR/NAG

MOTION CARRIED

5. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. PRESENTATIONS

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

7. QUESTION PERIOD (15 mins)

8. EMAIL MOTIONS

MOTION 2021/11/09 - DODDS

BIRT the board approve this open letter in response to the events of the 2021 UVSS Annual General Meeting; and,

BIFRT this letter be posted on the UVSS website.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1INrZucwFteoC7U-fyQfwlaY70EsxnOSnaeskpJFERt4/edit?usp=sharing>

MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO TABLE EMAIL MOTION DISCUSSION TO IN-CAMERA - BISNAR/POLLARD

MOTION CARRIED

9. MAIN MOTIONS

a. PRIORITY BUSINESS

MOTION 2021/12/06: 02 - POLLARD/NAG

WHEREAS the UVic Student Affairs has various committees that require undergraduate student representation as recommended by the UVSS; and,

WHEREAS a callout for UVSS representatives for the Book Store Advisory Committee was done on the UVSS Website, and to the relevant course unions; and,

WHEREAS the original deadline has passed with no additional applications; therefore,

BIRT the Board elects Marran Dodds as the undergraduate representative on the Book Store Advisory Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

NAG REPLACED DODDS AS CHAIR

MOTION 2021/12/06: 03 - DODDS/HERNANDEZ

WHEREAS the Faculty of Science has various committees that require undergraduate student representation from the Faculty as recommended by the UVSS; and,

WHEREAS a callout for UVSS representatives for the Search Committee for the Chair of the Department of Mathematics and Statistics was done on the UVSS Website, and to the relevant course unions; therefore,

BIRT the Board accepts the nomination of Ashna Wright for the undergraduate representative on the Search Committee for the Chair of the Department of Mathematics and Statistics (see Appendix A); and,

BIFRT the Board elects Ashna Wright as the undergraduate representative on this search committee.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2021/12/06: 04 - DODDS/BISNAR

WHEREAS the UVSS values transparency, openness, and accountability in government and governing bodies; and,

WHEREAS the passing of Bill 22 would amend the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FIPPA), which, if passed, would “undermine access to information and make public bodies less transparent” (<https://fipa.bc.ca/transparency-matters/our-bill-22-coalition/>); and,

WHEREAS this Bill, if passed, would affect the ability of The Martlet (UVic’s independent campus newspaper) to access freedom of information requests; and,

WHEREAS The Martlet supports the UVSS in signing onto this letter; therefore,

BIRT the UVSS signs onto [this letter](#) to Premier Horgan and Minister Beare regarding the Bill 22 amendments to the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FIPPA).

MOTION CARRIED

DODDS REPLACED NAG AS CHAIR

MOTION 2021/12/06: 05 - HERNANDEZ/FROESE

BIRT UVSS Board of Directors Policy is amended as follows.

1.4 Director Benefits

- a. All benefits are for personal use only and are only to be used in the timeframe for which they are intended.
- b. Lead Directors
 - i. Lead Directors who submit their directors reports and fulfil the bylaw requirement to work 35 hours per week are entitled to the following benefits:
 1. Five [5] food discount chits per week; and
 2. Free beverages (coffee or pop) provided that the director uses their own cup; and
 3. Four [4] Cinecenta movie passes per month; and
 4. Free admittance to all UVSS events.

5. The UVSS shall provide a taxable benefit up to \$150 per semester for health and wellness benefits. This amount shall be rebated back when proof of purchase is provided. Eligible expenses include gym or fitness class or memberships; exercise equipment; and mental health services. Clothes and shoes are ineligible.
- ii. All benefits are for personal use only and are only to be used in the timeframe for which they are intended.

ALL LEAD DIRECTORS ABSTAINED FROM VOTING ON MOTION 05.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO RECESS - BISNAR/HERNANDEZ

10 minutes recess.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2021/12/06: 06 - NAG/BISNAR

WHEREAS The Board had approved the project to replace aging mechanical units to increase energy saving in the SUB; and,

WHEREAS the cost of the project has exceeded the previously quoted consultation; therefore,

BIRT the board approve the total project for \$165,000 from Dr. EWING MEMORIAL FUND.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2021/12/06: 07 - BANVILLE/POLLARD

WHEREAS I have previously complained about a lack of communication and unclear board governance; and,

WHEREAS the last board meeting was cancelled with very short notice (a few hours) and without consulting the members of the board or any visible attempt at consulting; and,

WHEREAS there was an email motion the week before that would have been on the agenda that then did not get discussed; and,

BIRT we discuss the conditions that cancelled the last board meeting.

MOTION TO MOVE MOTION 07 IN CAMERA - BERMAN/BISNAR

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2021/12/06: 08 - HERNANDEZ/ROXAS

BIRT the club is ratified without funding.

- UVic Cuban Salsa Club

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA - BISNAR/NAG

The meeting moved in-camera at 7:29pm.

MOTION CARRIED

10. IN-CAMERA

- a. Legal
- b. Personnel Committee Report

RECOMMENDED BY ELECTORAL COMMITTEE

MOTION 2012/12/06: 09 - HERNANDEZ/POLLARD

BIRT Ali Calladine is ratified as Chief Electoral Officer for the Spring 2022 UVSS Elections.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF CAMERA - BERMAN/BISNAR

The meeting moved out of camera at 8:24pm.

MOTION CARRIED

11. MEETING TIMES

The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:
Monday, December 13th, 2021 (in person)

12. ADJOURNMENT

13. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORTS (Nov 1 - Dec 3, 2021)

Q Roxas (62.25 hours)

Meetings

- Meetings and correspondence re CFUV and Radio Society
- Exec Meetings
- Meetings with DALs
- Meeting with RP and SH re survey
- Board Meeting
- Meeting with Hot Lunch community groups
- Radio Club AGM
- Events Committee
- Meetings with students re event collaborations
- Meetings re TGNC advocacy
- Leads
- Personnel

Book Club

- Outreach planning w facilitators, DAL, marketing team
- Organizing registration forms
- Creating zoom links

- Correspondence with facilitators re self locations
- Contacting registered people with info

Shuttle Bus

- Outreach planning
- Attending day of to sign people in and out
- Troubleshooting with students buying tickets online
- Facilitating refunds and exchanges of tickets
- Setting up, taking down, and checking in students on the day of

Radio Society

- Reviewing documents re mandate, procedures, and governance for Radio Club & Radio Society

FoodSafe

- Completing modules
- Writing test!

Hot Lunch

- Making writeups for outreach videos for community groups
- Organizing WOs and social media content
- Answering student inquiries
- Nov 5 event! Set up, serving, social media, takedown

Admin

- Email correspondence with DALs, internal UVSS team
- Contributing comments and edits to various, ongoing docs in the Outreach portfolio
- Responding to student inquiries for events
- Writing ongoing work orders for all various events in portfolio
- Submitting feedback on accessibility of conference that Leads attended

General email inbox checking, responding, and other admin

Marran Dodds (165 hours)

- *UVSS Committees/Meetings*
 - Board Meeting
 - Leads Meeting
 - Executive Committee
 - Policy Development committee
 - Member Outreach Committee
 - Member Outreach portfolio
 - Electoral committee
 - Ecofoot Committee
 - Campaigns Committee
 - Events Committee
 - Department Manager/Coordinator Meeting
- *University Relations*
 - Communication with Jim Dunsdon (AVP Student Affairs)
 - Meetings with AVP Student Affairs
 - Meetings with the Faculty of Education etc. - Giving Tuesday Collaboration
 - Emails, posting on social media
 - Gathering agenda items for Operational Relations Committee

- UVic Campus Planning Committee
- EQHR
 - Filming and preparing content for the 5 Days of Action week
 - Outreach for folks interested in creating content for the campaign
- Ombudsperson committee
 - Prepping and preparing agenda for meetings
 - Scheduling meetings
 - In camera session
- Operational Relations Committee
- Meetings with OSL re SVP
- UVic Exec x UVSS Exec - Strategic Vision and Planning
- Fee Reduction Appeals Committee
 - Preparation for the meeting
- Preparing materials for OSL January Orientation
- Meeting w/ UVic External Relations re Employment Fair
- *Ongoing Projects/Collaborations*
 - Post-AGM
 - Organizing invoice for the Chair
 - Creating Post-AGM Working Group
 - Brainstorming outreach opportunities and organizing
 - Writing UVSS Statement/Letter & bringing it to the board
 - Looking through UVSS Constitution/Bylaws & BC Societies Act
 - Graphics work order
 - Correspondence with external stakeholders
 - Working group meetings
 - Sending emails to Course Unions and PDUs
 - Hiring Committee - Marketing and Events Coordinator
 - Committee meetings
 - Going through applicants and interview questions
 - Interviews with potential candidates
 - Finalizing candidate
 - Hiring Committee - Senior Electoral Officer and Chief Electoral Officer
 - Same as above ^^
 - Media
 - CBC Radio Interview - UVic Parties in Residence
 - Interview with the Martlet
 - Outreach
 - Writing copy for UVSS Staff Newsletter
 - Writing copy for UVSS Newsletter
 - Post-AGM/Feedback outreach on Social Media
 - Book Club
 - Reading book and preparing for the meeting
 - Writing facilitator introduction
 - Book Club meeting!
 - Annual Survey

- Looking over past data
- Creating survey for this year
- *Administrative and Other*
 - Emails, administration, and organizing
 - Prepping for committee meetings/creating agendas/scheduling meetings
 - Writing motions for board meeting
 - Communications and meetings with directors and excluded management
 - UVSS governance, policy, and internal relations
 - Planning for in-person board meetings
 - Held online office hours
 - Creating agendas, minutes, and scheduling meetings
 - Scheduling final NLC Audit presentation
 - Signing cheques
 - Alumni networking workshop event
 - Meeting with Amanda (new ASM!)

Maríel Hernández (107.5 Total Hours)

- Meetings and Committees
 - Attended UVSS Committees: Policy Development, Member Outreach, Campaigns, Executive,
 - Leads, one-on-one meetings with Advocacy and Affiliated groups, Coordinator's Meeting, Electoral, Department Managers meeting Nov 29
 - Hosted ARC Nov. 26
 - Attended UVic meetings and committees: OSL Nov. 24
 - Studentcare Nov 30
 - Hosted office hours virtually and online
 - Student meeting re: Equity
- Hiring
 - Electoral committee: CEO interview Dec. 2
 - Vice-President Academic and Provost Appointment Committee Nov 15 and 16 (6 hours)
- Clubs and Course Unions
 - CCU Days planning: Graphics, social media,
 - Lockers: Clean out, install new lockers, assign new placements, write a new use agreement.
 - Accounting: cheque requisition, fix errors, sign cheques

Robin Pollard - 124 hours (Nov 1 - Dec 3)

- *General:*
 - Emails and admin
 - December 6th statement
 - [Dec 6th 2021 Statement](#)
 - *Committee Meetings*
 - Leads
 - Exec
 - [Campaigns](#)

- Events
- Outreach
- Post AGM working group
- Personnel Committee
- Office hours
- Team dynamics
- **Divest**
 - Social media
 - Rally follow up
 - Website
 - Re-investment campaign
 - Kevin hall communications
 - Letter to Kevin Hall
 - Divest Meetings
 - DIVEST Running Agenda - 2021/2022
 - Divest socials
 - Reaction to UVic's Investment announcement
 - Socials
 - Press release
 - Video
 - Research
 - Phone calls
 - Martlet interview
 - Reinvestment meetings
 - Faculty meetings
 - Meetings and organizing
 - Banner drop prep
 - Painting banner
 - Press release
 - Martlet interview
 - Media relations and emails
 - Honorarium forms for Divest Fest performers
- **LGC**
 - LGC working group meeting
 - Review of LGC Handbook
 - SVAW big group debrief
 - Sexualized Violence Education and Awareness Committee
 - Meeting with OSL on Mandatory Consent Training
 - UVSS and OSL - Meeting Nov
 - Dec 6th planning
 - LGC Satellite partner outreach and google form
 - <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/17FEEq02FeVRKvmVhFSKGSrXvpwBueC0UIM0jJKeSy14/edit>
 - Meeting with StudentCare about legal resources (legal representation etc)
 - StudentCare Resources: Meeting with Robyn Paches and Sophia

- December 6th walkout letter co0-sign demands: [GBV Walkout Official letter:](#)
 - [UVic GBV Walkout: Main Message and Planning Doc](#)
- LGC partner meeting
- LGC outreach planning
- Safer sex and menstrual supplies upkeep
- *ReThink*
 - Imposter Syndrome workshop with PSC!!
 - Prepping for Stress Buster Workshop
 - [December 3rd Stress Buster Workshop](#)
- *Shift Our Campus*
 - AARS meetings
 - Sifting through survey results
- *Make Transit Work*
 - Prep for transit coalition meeting
 - [Running Agenda: Transit Coalition Meeting](#)
 - VRTC
 - VRTC meeting brief/ Student transit update
 - [For VRTC Nov 9 Board Meeting](#)
 - Transit coalition meeting setup
- *Safer Use*
 - Letter to John Horgan about making nasal naloxone supplies available
 - [Letter to John Horgan November 2021](#)
 - Email followups to October 20th naloxone training participants
 - Organizing naloxone training and setting up zoom
 - Naloxone Training Coms! Trained 24 students
- *Community*
 - Donation and involvement with M'amtiguila repatriation project
 - Alumni association meeting/presentation

Dipayan Nag (144 hours)

- Internal Meeting
 - Leads Meeting
 - Meeting with ED
 - Meeting with ASM
 - Meeting with DaL
- Board and Committee Meetings
 - Board Meeting
 - Executive Committee
 - Policy Development Committee
 - Leads Meeting
 - Ecofoot committee
 - Exec-Exec Meeting
 - Op/Rel Committee
 - Member Outreach Committee
- Portfolio Work

- Business profitability
- New policy
- Business Plans
- Ecofoot Business
- External Meeting
 - Meeting with OSL
 - Senate Standing Committee
 - Alumni Working Lunch
- Other Administrative and Miscellaneous tasks
 - Replying to emails.
 - Cheque Approving
 - Agendas and Minutes for Meetings
 - Hot Lunch Program

Joshua Fassnacht (17.5 hours)

- ISR Portfolio (5.5 hours)
 - JF+SP - (1 hour)
 - International tuition & MSP planning (2 hours)
 - International events planning - Int'l Ed Week (1 hour)
 - JF + NPS (1 hour)
 - JF + CR/ICS (.5 hours)
 - AGM Working Group (.5 hours)
 - JF + QR (.5 hours)
- Peer Support Centre Committee (1.5 hour)
- Campaigns Committee (1 hour)
- Policy Committee (.5 hours)
- Member Outreach Committee (1 hour)
- Ecofoot Working Group (1 hour)
- A4A (1 hour)
- Hot Lunch Program (2 hours)
- Emails & Admin (3 hours)

Hailey Chutter (13 hours)

- Divest meetings (6h)
- Campaigns Committee (.5h)
- Divest protest planning/social media prep (4.5h)
- Divest protest (1h)
- Annual General Meeting (1h)

Deborah Berman (11 hours)

- Nov 15th meeting hours (4 hours)
 - Portfolio meeting (0.5 hours)
 - Policy Development Committee (0.5 hours)
 - Events Committee (1.0 hours)
 - Personnel Committee (1.0 hours)
 - Member Outreach Committee (0.5 hours)
 - Reviewing policy (0.5 hours)

- Dec 6th meeting hours (7.0 hours)
 - Personnel Committee (0.5 hours)
 - SCARTA (3.25 hours)
 - Member Outreach Committee (1.0 hours)
 - Events Committee (1.25 hours)
 - Policy Development Committee (0.5 hours)
 - Admin work (0.5 hours)

Nigel Bisnar (12.25 hours)

- CSAP Community Collaborator TFG Workshop 3 (2hrs)
- CSAP TFG - reviewing and providing feedback on first draft of strategies and goals document (2hrs)
- Ecofoot Working Group (1hr)
- Ecofoot outreach and promotion prep (1.5hrs)
- Ecofoot planning meetings (0.75hrs)
- Member Outreach Committee (1.5hrs)
- Events Committee (1.5hrs)
- Post-AGM Working Group (1.5hrs)
- Admin (0.5)

Rowan Froese (2 hours)

- Board Communications - 1 hour
- Volunteering at Food Bank - 1 hours

Siddharth Pathak (3 hrs)

- Board Meeting (2 hrs)
- Board Communications (1 hr)

Kishal Scholz (5.75 hours)

- Correspondence (0.5 hours)
- Meetings with leads (0.25 hours)
- FBFS volunteering (5 hours)

Gina Tran (2 hours)

- Board meeting

Kathleen Banville (19.25 hours)

- Fri Oct 29 ICAT training 2 hours
- Mon Nov 1 board meeting 3 hours
- Nov 2 correspondence 1 hour, outreach portfolio 30 min, policy committee 30 min.
- nov 10 outreach committee 45 minutes
- nov 12 food bank 2 hours
- Nov 15 correspondence 1 hour

- nov 23 campaigns 1 hour
- nov 24 member outreach committee 1 hour
- nov 25 meeting 1 hour, correspondence 1 hour
- nov 26 food bank 2 hours
- Dec 1 member outreach committee 30 minutes
- dec 3 food bank 2 hours

Effy Taylor (6 hours)

- Pride advisory council meeting: 2 hours
- Pride campaign planning: 3 hours
- Pride room maintenance: 1/2 an hour
- ARC meeting: 1/2 an hour

Delicia Jacobs (87.75)

- housekeeping: emails, phone calls etc.
- auditing SSD
- staffing/HR
- Working with Charlene
- meetings: committee(s), SSD meetings, outside stakeholders etc.
- planning, preparing and organization: social media, document editing and reviewing etc.
- disability justice survey: meetings, research and consults
- providing feedback/consulting/evaluating: reviewing documents etc. and providing feedback to re-evaluate

Appendix A:

Bio for Undergraduate for Selection of New Department Chair

My name is Ashna and I am an undergraduate mathematics student in my final year. I am on the executive team for the Association for Women in Mathematics allowing me to speak with undergraduate and graduate students in the department at various point in their degree. This experience aids me in understanding the needs of our students, including what they need and expect from their department chair. Further, I have strong relationships with many professors in the department, so I would feel comfortable voicing my opinion and ensuring undergraduate student voices are well represented during the selection process. Finally, I have had the opportunity to see the department from several different perspectives: as a student, as a teaching assistant, and as a researcher helping me understand the department's needs even more so. I believe all of this makes me a strong choice as an undergraduate representative in the choosing of a new department chair.