



**MINUTES**  
**University of Victoria Students' Society**  
**May 6th, 2024 – virtual, 6pm**

**Attendance:** Williams, Crook, Gaulin, Sankar, Sharma, Easton, Wadhwa, Létourneau, Keegan, Buchanan, Goldsand, Dhillon, Freeborn, Lewandowski

**Staff:** Gildersleve, Berman, Costa, Robertson, Casado

**Regrets:** Goodacre, Dias

**Guests:**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Williams called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

**2. LIVESTREAM**

**CONSENT MOTION 2024/05/06: 01 - WILLIAMS**

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

**BIRT** the Board approves the recording of the Monday May 6th, 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.

**BIFRT** this motion will pass without the need of a vote or seconder through unanimous consent unless objected, where then this motion will need a seconder and a vote.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Easton acknowledged the land at 6:05pm.

**4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**a. Adoption of Agenda**

**i. 2024/05/06**

**MOTION TO ADOPT - WADHWA/EASTON**

**MOTION TO AMEND - WADHWA/LÉTOURNEAU** - to strike Director Reports

**MOTION CARRIED**

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- b. **Adoption of Minutes -**
  - i. **2024/04/22**  
**MOTION TO ADOPT - LÉTOURNEAU/KEEGAN**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**5. RATIFICATION OF DIRECTORS**

**MOTION 2024/05/06: 02 - SHARMA/EASTON**

**BIRT** the following Advocacy Group Representatives and Native Students Union Representative are ratified to the UVSS Board of Directors for the 2024-2025 Board term:

- SSD Representative: Cate Freeborn
- GEM Representative: Prym Goodacre
- NSU Representative: Lauren Aimoe

**MOTION CARRIED**

**6. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a. **PRESENTATIONS**
- b. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**7. EMAIL MOTIONS**

**8. MAIN MOTIONS**

- a. **Priority business**

**MOTION 2024/05/06: 03 - EASTON/BUCHANAN**

**WHEREAS** the UVSS Board of Directors Policy requires Board meetings to happen twice per month; and,

**WHEREAS** Board meetings usually take place at 6pm on Monday evenings; therefore,

**BIRT** the Board approve of the following schedule for UVSS Board meetings, at 6pm on the following dates for the 2024-2025 term:

- May 6, 2024
- May 27, 2024
- June 10, 2024
- June 24, 2024
- July 8, 2024
- July 22, 2024
- August 12, 2024
- August 26, 2024
- September 9, 2024
- September 23, 2024
- October 7th, 2024
- October 21, 2024
- November 4, 2024
- November 18, 2024
- December 2, 2024
- December 16, 2024
- January 6, 2025
- January 20, 2025
- February 3, 2025
- February 10, 2025
- March 3, 2025
- March 24, 2025
- April 7, 2025
- April 14, 2025

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION 2024/05/06: 04 - EASTON/GOLDSAND**

**BIRT** the Board set the following dates for general meetings for the 2024-2025 term:

- **UVSS Annual General Meeting** Thursday, October 17, 2024
- **UVSS Semi-annual General Meeting** Thursday, February 26, 2025

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION 2024/05/06: 05 - SHARMA/DHILLON**

**WHEREAS** in a [Memorandum](#) from the UVSS Electoral Office the Chief Electoral Officer suggested the following dates for the 2025 UVSS General Election; therefore,

**BIRT** the Board set the following dates for the 2025 UVSS elections to the Board of Directors:

- **Nomination Period** Tuesday, February 4, 9am - Thursday, February 13, 9am
- **Campaign Period\*** Thursday, February 27, 12am - Wednesday, March 19, 3pm
- **Voting Days** Monday, March 17, 9am - Wednesday, March 19, 3pm

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION 2024/05/06: 06 - BUCHANAN/GAULIN**

**WHEREAS** UVSS Bylaw 9.2 states that “Directors shall be permitted to take leaves of absence for a maximum of one [1] semester per term of office”; therefore,

**BIRT** the following directors be granted a leave of absence from May 6, 2024 - September 1, 2024

- Emily Eymundson
- Nora Keegan
- Cale Goldsand
- Megan Indya Dhillon
- Anastasia Crook

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION 2024/05/06: 07 - WADHWA/GOLDSAND**

**BIRT** the Board of Directors accepts the resignation of Patrick Knowles as a UVSS Director at Large

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION 2024/05/06: 08 - WADHWA/SANKAR**

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

**BIFRT** if seats are contested, nominees have the opportunity to provide 2 minutes of motivation for their election

<b>Portfolio:</b>	<b>Vacancies:</b>	<b>Nominations:</b>	<b>Elected:</b>
Outreach and University Relations	Two (2) Directors-at-Large	Nora Keegan Megan Indya Dhillon Elena Richardson	Nora Keegan Megan Indya Dhillon
Campaigns and Community Relations	Two (2) Directors-at-Large	Cale Goldsand Aiden Dias	Cale Goldsand Aiden Dias
Finance and Operations	Two (2) Directors-at-Large	Noah Létourneau	Noah Létourneau
Student Affairs	Two (2) Directors-at-Large	Emily Eymundson Elena Richardson Audrey Gaulin	Elena Richardson Audrey Gaulin
Events	Two (2) Directors-at-Large	Gretchen Lewandowski Emily Eymundson	Gretchen Lewandowski Emily Eymundson
International Student Relations	One (1) Director-at-Large	Yee Fan Anastasia Crook	Yee Fan Anastasia Crook

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION 2024/05/06: 09 - BUCHANAN/GOLDSAND**

**BIRT** nominations be opened for directors to fill vacancies on the following open committees with open membership, with an opportunity for nominees to provide 2 minutes of motivation for their election when seats are contested; and,

**BIFRT** second chairs are to be elected within the committees and brought forward to the next board meeting for ratification.

<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Vacancies:</b>	<b>Nominations:</b>	<b>Elected:</b>
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Campaigns	<b>Five (5) seats total:</b> Four (4) Directors + One (1) Director as Second Chair	Audrey Gaulin Cale Goldsand Aiden Dias	Audrey Gaulin Cale Goldsand Aiden Dias
Events	<b>Six (6) seats total:</b> Five (5) Directors + One (1) Director as Second Chair	Gretchen Lewandowski Hemal Sharma Harshita Sankar Emily Eymundson Megan Dhillon Anastasia Crook Isabelle Easton	Gretchen Lewandowski Hemal Sharma Harshita Sankar Emily Eymundson Anastasia Crook Isabelle Easton
Member Outreach & Engagement	<b>Four (4) seats total:</b> Three (3) Directors + One (1) Director as Second Chair	Nora Keegan Harshita Sankar Megan Dhillon	Nora Keegan Harshita Sankar Megan Dhillon
Finance and operations	<b>Five (5) seats total</b> 4 Directors (DaLs or Advo Reps) + 1 director as second chair	Noah Létourneau	Noah Létourneau
Policy Development	<b>Four (4) seats total:</b> 3 Directors (DaLs or Advo Reps) + 1 director as second chair	Cale Goldsand Audrey Gaulin Noah Létourneau	Cale Goldsand Audrey Gaulin Noah Létourneau
Food Bank & Free Store Committee	<b>Two (2) UVSS Directors</b> (Leads, DaLs or Advo Reps)	Khushi Wadhwa Isabelle Easton	Khushi Wadhwa Isabelle Easton

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION TO RECESS - WADHWA/BUCHANAN**

**MOTION CARRIED - 5 MINUTES (7:27PM)**

**MOTION 2024/05/06: 10 - WADHWA/LÉTOURNEAU**

**BIRT** nominations are opened for directors to fill vacancies on the following open committees with closed membership, with an opportunity for nominees to provide 2 minutes of motivation for their election when seats are contested.

Committee:	Vacancy:	Nominations:	Elected:
Advocacy Relations Committee	One (1) Student Affairs Portfolio Director (non-voting)		
Clubs Council	One (1) Director as Second Chair	Megan Dhillon	Megan Dhillon

	(non-voting)		
Course Union Council	One (1) Director as Second Chair (non-voting)	Noah Létourneau	Noah Létourneau
FSS Council	One (1) Director as Second Chair (non-voting)	Nora Keegan	Nora Keegan
International Student Relations Committee	One (1) Director at Large	Yee Fan Anastasia Crook	Yee Fan Anastasia Crook

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION 2024/05/06: 11 - WADHWA/SHARMA**

**BIRT** nominations be opened for directors to fill vacancies on the following closed committees with closed membership, with an opportunity for nominees to provide 2 minutes of motivation for their election when seats are contested; and,

**BIFRT** chairs and second chairs are to be elected within the committees and brought forward to the next board meeting for ratification.

Committee:	Vacancy:	Nominations:	Elected:
Electoral	<b>Three (3) seats total:</b> 3 UVSS Directors (Leads, DaLs or Advo Reps)	Sarah Buchanan Noah Létourneau Bunni Williams	Sarah Buchanan Noah Létourneau Bunni Williams
Health & Dental Plan Appeals	One (1) Director (DaL or Advo Rep)	Cate Freeborn	Cate Freeborn
SUB Marketing	<b>Three (3) seats total:</b> Two (2) Directors + One (1) FinOps Director as Second Chair	Noah Létourneau Nora Keegan	Noah Létourneau Nora Keegan
Ombudsperson	One (1) Advocacy Rep Director*	Cate Freeborn	Cate Freeborn
Personnel	One (1) Lead Director as Second Chair	Sarah Buchanan	Sarah Buchanan
	One (1) Non-lead Director	Aidan Dias	Aidan Dias
	One (1) Director	Bunni Williams	Bunni Williams
U-Pass Appeals	Two (2) Directors	Sarah Buchanan Gretchen Lewandowski	Sarah Buchanan Gretchen Lewandowski

Peer Support Centre Committee	Two (2) Directors	Elena Richardson Emily Eymundson	Elena Richardson Emily Eymundson
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**MOTION CARRIED**

b. **Old business**

9. **QUESTION PERIOD (15 mins)**

10. **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~~

c. ~~COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS~~

1. ~~Electoral~~
2. ~~Executive Committee~~
3. ~~Food Bank & Free Store~~
4. ~~Peer Support Centre~~

d. ~~CONSTITUENCY ORGANIZATIONS & NSU~~

1. ~~GEM~~
2. ~~NSU~~
3. ~~SOGG~~
4. ~~SSD~~
5. ~~Pride Collective~~

**MOTION TO RECESS - WILLIAMS**

**MOTION CARRIED - 5 MINUTES (8:11PM)**

**MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA - WADHWA/KEEGAN**

**MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting was moved in-camera at 8:11 pm.

**11. IN-CAMERA**

- a. Legal**
- b. Personnel Committee Report**
- c. General Discussion**

**MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF CAMERA - KEEGAN/WADHWA  
MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting was moved out of camera at 8:19 pm.

**12. MEETING TIMES**

**The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:  
Monday, May 27, 2024 via on Zoom (online).**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**14. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORTS**