



MINUTES
University of Victoria Students' Society
Monday, September 23rd – Zoom, 6pm

[Zoom Link here](#)

Meeting ID: 858 5035 8909

Passcode: 123456

Attendance: Williams, Goldsand, Gaulin, Sankar, Wasserman, Easton, Wadhwa, Sharma, Letourneau, Harvey. Aimoe

Staff: Shah, Robertson, Casado

Regrets: Dhillon, Keegan, Lewandowski

1. CALL TO ORDER

Williams called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

2. LIVESTREAM

CONSENT MOTION 2024/09/23 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, September 23rd, 2024 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. 2024/09/23

MOTION TO ADOPT - EASTON/BUCHANAN

MOTION TO AMEND - SHARMA/EASTON - add dir reports

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO AMEND - BUCHANAN/EASTON - move motion 5 to 2

MOTION CARRIED

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b. Adoption of Minutes

i. 2024/09/09

MOTION TO ADOPT - WASSERMAN/SHARMA

MOTION TO AMEND - WADHWA/EASTON - add dir reports

MOTION CARRIED

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5. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. PRESENTATIONS

b. ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. EMAIL MOTIONS

7. MAIN MOTIONS

a. Priority business

MOTION 2024/09/23: 02 - BUCHANAN/WASSERMAN

BIRT Leslie Harvey is ratified as the interim GEM Representative to the UVSS Board of Directors

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2024/09/23: 03 - WADHWA/WASSERMAN

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

Committee:	Vacancies:	Nominations:	Elected:
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Faculty of Science Equity Diversity and Inclusion Council	One (1) seat (Undergrad) Students enrolled in the Faculty of Science		
Appointment Committee for the Dean of Science	One (1) seat (Undergrad) Students enrolled in the Faculty of Science		

MOTION TABLED

Williams steps down as Chair

Easton steps up as Chair

MOTION 2024/09/23: 04 - WILLIAMS/ BUCHANAN

WHEREAS BYLAW 4.6 states the following:

4.6 General Meeting Agenda

- a. Except as hereinafter provided, the agenda for each general meeting shall be prepared by the Board of Directors of the Students' Society for presentation to the general meeting.
- b. The Board of Directors shall include on the agenda any Special Resolutions that are:
 - i. referred by a two-thirds [2/3] majority vote of a quorate meeting of the Board of Directors

BIRT the Board approves of the 2024 AGM Agenda: [DRAFT - AGM 2024 Agenda](#)

MOTION CARRIED

Easton steps down as Chair

Williams steps up as Chair

MOTION 2024/09/23: 05 - EASTON/WASSERMAN

WHEREAS September 30th is Truth and Reconciliation day

WHEREAS we want to be representative of the 19,000+ diverse undergraduate students

WHEREAS the UVSS is committed to their values of decolonization and social justice

BIRT The Board of Directors releases [this statement](#) and list of resources

BIFRT UVSS prioritizes the sharing of The Native Student Union content and education resource suggestions on September 30th to elevate voices and/or communities often marginalized.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2024/09/23: 06 - WADHWA/EASTON

BIRT up to \$380,000 be transferred from the Operating Reserve Fund to the Operating Fund as budgeted to cover some of the expenses related to the operation of the Society in the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

MOTION CARRIED

b. Old business

8. QUESTION PERIOD (15 mins)

9. 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. SOCC
4. SSD
5. Pride Collective

MOTION TO MOVE IN-CAMERA - EASTON/SANKAR
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was moved in-camera at 6:57PM

10. IN-CAMERA

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

MOTION 2024/09/23 07: AIMOE/BUCHANAN

WHEREAS UVic administration planned an important ceremony on truth and reconciliation day yet did not cancel classes during the time in order for all students to meaningfully participate

WHEREAS Uvic has a commitment of decolonization and their own Indigenization plan

WHEREAS Creating barriers for students to participate in decolonization work on campus is going against their mandate.

WHEREAS One of The UVSS values is decolonization and we advocate to UVic on ways to implement decolonization practices on campus.

BIRT the UVSS signs onto the letter written by Advocacy and Affiliate groups to request that UVic cancel classes for the orange shirt day ceremony, this year and any years following.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF CAMERA - AIMOE/WADHWA

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was moved out of camera at 7:26PM

11. MEETING TIMES

The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:
Monday, October 7th in person, 6pm.

12. ADJOURNMENT

13. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Isabelle Easton - 80.5 Hours

- *UVSS committees/internal meetings - (11.5 hours)*
 - UVSS Board meeting
 - Campaigns committee
 - Executive committee
 - Naloxone and Safer Use meetings
 - Excluded Manager meetings
 - Leads meetings
 - Graphics Meetings
 - AVP communications
- *External meetings/ community relations - (9 hours)*

- Naloxone and Safer Use meetings
- Provincial Harm Reduction Campaign Oversight
- Times Colonist Interview
- Martlet Interview
- Route 76 communications and meetings
- *Research/ Portfolio Development/ Outreach - (25.5 hours)*
 - Website development
 - Time to Vote
 - Budgeting
 - Media
 - GNO Post
 - Copy for posts
 - News research
 - Reviewing policy
 - SVAW Work-order / Prep
 - Outreach prep
 - Space booking / Equipment Booking
- *Administrative/ Housekeeping- (15 hours)*
 - Emails
 - Organizing
 - Prepping for meetings/creating agendas/scheduling meetings
 - Office hours
 - Networking / forming community connections and relationships
 - Vote mate
 - UBC SUO
 - UBC AMS / GSS
- *CCU Days - (14 hours)*
 - *Set-up / Tear-down*
 - *directing students*
 - *numbering tables*
 - *hot dog eating contest*
 - *Tabling*
- *Mental Health Resources Fair - (5.5 hours)*
 - *Tabling*
 - *Set-up*

Sarah Buchanan - 64.5 hours

- *CKO/CCU*
 - Bands on the Roof final day
 - CCU Days — 15 hours
- *Meetings/Conversations*
 - Events
 - Exec
 - SSD
 - Graphics
 - Comms

- Board Meeting
- *Events*
 - Night Market
 - GNO Booking
 - Vendors/Tabling Coordination
 - Musician Coordination
 - Volunteer Coordination
 - Outreach planning
 - Shuttle Bus
 - Booking Coach
 - Comms Plan
 - Costume Contest
 - Space Booking
 - Comms Plan
 - Prizes
 - Clothing Swap
 - Comms Plan
 - Hot Lunches
 - Setup Help (Thank you Bunni!)
 - General back-end
 - Global Village
 - Brainstorming, mostly
- *Misc*
 - Bounce
 - Housekeeping
 - Sick - 7h

Khushi Wadhwa - 70 Hours

- *Committees/Internal work*
 - exec committee
 - Events committee
 - Finance & Operations committee
 - personnel committee
 - Member outreach committee
 - leads
 - Excluded managers
 - Lettucemeet polls + emails
 - Audit reports/ documents
 - Board Honorariums
 - U-Pass documentation
 - Martlet financials
 - July financials + GLs
 - Board Meeting
 - Coordinator's meeting
 - Personnel work
 - Campus Kick off

- Clubs and Course Union Days
 - AVP Board Training
- *External Meetings*
 - SCARTA (meeting+ prep)
 - FRAC
- *Admin/ Housekeeping*
 - Leads hour tracking sheet
 - teams
 - emails
 - Cheque signing
 - Comms plan
 - Student inquiries

Bunni Williams- 78 hours

- *UVSS committees/internal meetings*
 - UVSS Board meeting
 - Executive committee
 - Excluded Manager meetings
 - Leads meetings
 - Graphics Meetings
 - Comms Meetings
 - Personnel
- *External meetings/ community relations*
 - CBC interview
 - EQHR meeting
- *Research/ Portfolio Development/ Outreach*
 - New student welcome speech and tabling
 - Consent week tabling
 - Budgeting
 - Media
 - Uvic takeovers
 - Breakfast with bunni
 - General social upkeep
 - News research
 - Reviewing policy
 - Writing policy
 - Writing motions for the AGM agenda
 - Writing the truth and reconciliation statement
 - Outreach prep
 - Space booking / Equipment Booking
- *Administrative/ Housekeeping- (15 hours)*
 - Emails
 - Organizing
 - Prepping for meetings/creating agendas/scheduling meetings
 - Office hours
 - Networking / forming community connections and relationships
- *CCU Days - (14 hours)*
 - *Set-up / Tear-down*
 - *directing students*
 - *numbering tables*
 - *hot dog eating contest*
 - *Tabling*
 - *Prepping materials and students*

Hemal Sharma - 72.5 Hours

- *UVSS Committees/Internal Meetings*
 - Exec

- Finops
- Training
- Meeting with Aurora
- *Portfolio*
 - CCU day prep
 - Outreach
 - Creating floor plans
 - Organizing /help setting up
 - CCU days X 2
 - Setup/Teardown
 - Organization on the fly
 - Directing
 - Emails and admin
 - Cheque requests
 - Updating club and course union account information
 - SPG funding and Base funding
 - Creating new club accounts
 - Filming outreach for socials
 - Social media
 - Teams
 - Locker management
 - Updating website
 - Office hours
 - Event insurance
 - General guidance

Harshita Sankar - 42 Hours

- *UVSS Committees/Internal Meetings - (2 hours)*
 - Campaigns
 - Comms
- *External Meetings - (1 hour)*
 - UVic Registrar
- *Ongoing Projects/Events/Outreach - (27 hours)*
 - CCU Volunteering/Tabling
 - International Thanksgiving
 - US International Students Elections Resources List
 - Global Village Planning
 - International Co-op Event Meeting
 - AVP Training
- *Administrative and Other/Housekeeping - (12 hours)*
 - Office Hours
 - Emails
 - Networking with international students

Anastasia Crook - 8 Hours

- *CCU day help - (4 hours)*
 - outreach
 - Set up
- *AVP - (3 hours)*
- *Events committee meeting - (1 hours)*

Nora Keegan - 3 hours & 45 minutes

- *AVP (3 hours)*
- *Hot Lunch Volunteering (45 minutes)*

Gretchen Lewandowski - 5 Hours

- *CCU- 3 Hours*
 - Set up
 - tabling
- *AVP - 2 Hours*

Audrey Gaulin - 7.5 Hours

- *Volunteer - (4 hours)*
 - Pancake Breakfast
 - Set up
- *Adminastrative - (30min)*
 - Emails
- *AVP Training- (3 hours)*

Cale Goldsand - 8 Hours

- *Volunteer - (4 hours)*
 - Pancake Breakfast
 - Set up
- *AVP Training- (3 hours)*
- *Campaigns committee meeting - (1 hours)*

Elena Richardson - 7.25 Hours

- *CCU Days Wednesday (2.5 hours)*
 - Set up
 - Outreach
- *Events Committee - (1 hour)*
 - Meetings
- *Admin/Misc - (0.75 hours)*
 - Emails/Messages
 - Filling out Forms
- *AVP Training - (3 hours)*

Ashley Bihis - 5 Hours

- *UVSS Committees/Internal Meetings (1 hour):*
 - Board Meeting
- *Ongoing Projects/Events/Outreach (3 hours):*
 - CCU Days
- *Administrative and Other/Housekeeping (1 hour):*
 - Emails & Correspondence

Acorn Wasserman - 9.5 hours

- UVSS Committees/Internal Meetings (4 hours):
 - BoD meeting
 - SSD Executive council meeting “thrive”
 - Coordinator meeting
- Ongoing Projects/Events/Outreach (2 hours)
 - Opening and overseeing lounge
- University Relations/External Meetings (3 hours):
 - AiR
 - Campus accessibility meeting with Kevin Hall
- Administrative and Other/Housekeeping (0.5hours)