



## MINUTES

University of Victoria Students' Society

Monday, June 9th – Zoom, 6pm

### Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85850358909?pwd=r6t8LV8NE6e6jmaRc3vopayrCHtQ7D.1>

**Attendance:** Foster, Gavrilenko, De Souza, Brooks-Stephenson, Arnold, Aimoe, Nyidon, Caryk, Senthilkumaran, Andrew, Elhav, Robinson, King

**Staff:** Shah, Love, Casado, Robertson

**Regrets:** Filipescu

**Guests:** Barkley, Czerwonka, Hamid

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

### 2. LIVESTREAM

#### CONSENT MOTION 2025/06/09: 01 - FOSTER

**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, June 9th, Board meeting; 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

Arnold acknowledged the land at 6:04pm.

### 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

#### a. Adoption of Agenda

##### i. 2025/06/09

**MOTION TO ADOPT - GAVRILENKO/ROBINSON**

**MOTION TO AMEND - CARYK/ANDREW - add motion 17**

**MOTION CARRIED**  
**MOTION TO AMEND - BROOKS-STEPHENSON/GAVRILENKO - add**  
director reports  
**MOTION CARRIED**  
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- b. Adoption of Minutes
  - i. 2025/05/12  
**MOTION TO ADOPT - CARYK/BROOKS-STEPHENSON**  
**MOTION TO AMEND - AIMOE/GAVRILENKO**  
**MOTION CARRIED**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

## 5. RATIFICATION OF DIRECTORS

### **MOTION 2025/06/09: 02 - ARNOLD/ANDREW**

**BIRT** the following Advocacy Group Representative is ratified to the UVSS Board of Directors for the 2025-2026 Board term:

- UVSS Pride Collective Representative: Acorn Wasserman

**MOTION CARRIED**

## 6. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. PRESENTATIONS
- b. ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 7. EMAIL MOTIONS

### **MOTION 2025/05/21: 03 - ANDREW/YEO**

**WHEREAS** the position of Interim Director of Campaigns and Community Relations is currently vacant;  
**WHEREAS** Michael Caryk is currently the sole board member to have nominated themselves for the vacant position;

**WHEREAS** Michael Caryk has requested adjustment to the standard Lead Director hours and format of working;

**BIRT** Michael Caryk is elected as the Interim Director of Campaigns and Community Relations, effective immediately; and,

**BIFRT** the Board of Directors approves reducing Michael Caryk's working hours to 20 hours per week and allows them to perform their duties remotely, effective immediately until their return to the office on September 1st.

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **MOTION 2025/06/03: 04 - KING/ARNOLD**

**BIRT** the following list of Clubs and Course Unions or their representatives are allocated their respective funding for Travel Pool: (\$261 Each)

UVic Formula Racing

University of Victoria Nurses Student Union

Victoria Association for Psychedelic Studies

University of Victoria Rocketry Club

Emily Murray

Nora Keegan

Sarah Keegan

UVic Robotics Club

Tyson Strandlund

**MOTION FAILED**

**MOTION 2025/06/03:05 - KING/ARNOLD**

**BIRT** the following list Course Unions are allocated their respective Publication Funding: (\$500 Each)

English Students Association

Computer Music Course Union

**MOTION FAILED**

**MOTION 2025/06/03: 06 - KING/ARNOLD**

**BIRT** the following list Course Unions are allocated their respective Academic Funding as listed below:

University of Victoria Nursing Student Society (\$2,000)

Undergraduates of Political Science (\$900)

**MOTION FAILED**

**MOTION 2025/06/03: 07 - KING/ARNOLD**

**BIRT** The Biology Undergraduate Society is ratified with no base funding.

**MOTION FAILED**

**MOTION 2025/06/03: 08 - KING/ARNOLD**

**BIRT** the following list of Clubs are ratified with no base funding:

Victoria Association for Psychedelic Studies

Arab Student Association

UVic AI club

**MOTION FAILED**

**8. MAIN MOTIONS**

**a. Priority business**

**MOTION 2025/06/09: 09 - ELHAV/BROOKS-STEPHENSON**

**WHEREAS** Gabby Elhav has indicated their intention to resign from the position of Director at Large;

**BIRT** the Board accepts Gabby Elhav's resignation effective immediately.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION 2025/06/09: 10 - ANDREW/ROBINSON**

**WHEREAS** Pride Month is a time to recognize the history, resilience, and ongoing struggles of 2SLGBTQIA+ communities

**BIRT** the UVSS Board of Directors approves the 2025 Pride Month statement as presented and authorizes its publication on UVSS platforms. [UVSS Pride Statement](#)

**MOTION CARRIED**

**OMNIBUS MOTION 11 TO 15: ROBINSON/BROOKS-STEPHENSON**

**MOTION 2025/06/09: 11 - KING/**

**BIRT** the following list of Clubs and Course Unions or their representatives are allocated their respective funding for Travel Pool: (\$261 Each)

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Emily Murray

Nora Keegan

Sarah Keegan

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Tyson Strandlund

**MOTION 2025/06/09:12 - KING/**

**BIRT** the following list Course Unions are allocated their respective Publication Funding: (\$500 Each)

English Students Association

Computer Music Course Union

**MOTION 2025/06/09: 13- KING/**

**BIRT** the following list Course Unions are allocated their respective Academic Funding as listed below:

University of Victoria Nursing Student Society (\$2,000)

Undergraduates of Political Science (\$900)

**MOTION 2025/06/09: 14 - KING/**

**BIRT** The Biology Undergraduate Society is ratified with no base funding.

**MOTION 2025/06/09: 15 - KING/**

**BIRT** the following list of Clubs are ratified with no base funding:

Victoria Association for Psychedelic Studies

Arab Student Association

UVic AI club

**BROOKS-STEPHENSON ABSTAINED**

**MOTION 11 TO 15 CARRIED**

**MOTION 2025/06/09: 16 - ARNOLD/ANDREW**

**WHEREAS** the Main Kitchen requires a functioning steamer cabinet and steam kettles for efficient running of the Main Kitchen, Events and Catering,

**BIRT** the UVSS Board of Directors recommends allocating up to \$100,000 from the Major Capital Fund to cover the costs with replacing the nearly 30 year old equipment.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION 2025/06/09: 17 - CARYK/BROOKS-STEPHENSON**

**WHEREAS** the Let's Get Consensual campaign needs the people who are tabling for this campaign to be trained and know what they are talking about when talking to people impacted by sexualized violence.

**BIRT** the UVSS Board of Directors, recommends working with Campus Security, OSL (Office of Student Life), EQHR and AVP to provide training to all of the board members on listening/talking to people impacted by sexualized violence.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**b. Old business**

**MOTION 2025/06/09: 18 - ARNOLD/ROBINSON**

**WHEREAS** [four UVic senate committees](#) are seeking undergraduate student representatives to serve as the UVSS representative until June 30, 2026.

**BIRT** nominations are now open to be the UVSS undergraduate student representative with two minutes for motivation if nominations are contested for;

Senate Committees	Nominations	Elected
Senate Committee on Planning (1 position)		
Senate Committee on Academic Standards (1 position)		

**MOTION TABLED**

**MOTION 2025/06/09: 19 - ANDREW/GAVRILENKO**

**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

Committee:	Vacancies:	Nominations:	Elected:
Member Outreach & Engagement	<b>Four (4) seats total:</b> Three (3) Directors + One (1) Director as Second Chair		1. Abhee Senthilkumaran 2. 3. 4.

Committee:	Vacancies:	Nominations:	Elected:
Events	<b>Six (6) seats total:</b> Five (5) Directors + One (1) Director as Second Chair	Carson Robinson	1.Abhee Senthilkumaran 2.Michael Caryk 3.Tenzin Nyidon 4.Dacian Filipescu 5.Roven Brooks-Stephenson 6. Carson Robinson
Food Bank Committee	<b>One (1) UVSS Director</b> (Leads, DaLs or Advo Reps)	Lindsey Andrew	1. Lindsey Andrew

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### **MOTION 2025/06/09: 20 - ARNOLD/BROOKS-STEPHENSON**

**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:
International Student Relations Committee	One (1) Director at Large		
Advocacy Relations Committee	One (1) Student Affairs Portfolio Director (non-voting)		1.

#### **MOTION TABLED**

#### **MOTION 2025/06/09: 21 - ANDREW/GAVRILENKO**

**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)	Griffin Foster Michael Caryk	1. Lindsey Andrew 2.Griffin Foster 3.Michael Caryk

SUB Marketing	<b>Three (3) seats total:</b> Two (2) Directors + One (1) FinOps Director as Second Chair		1. Tenzin Nyidon 2. Carson Robinson 3. Jonah Arnold
U-Pass Appeals	One (1) SSD Member		1.
Personnel Committee	One (1) Director	Griffin Foster	1. Griffin Foster

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### **MOTION 2025/06/09: 22 - KING/BROOKS-STEPHENSON**

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>
Campaigns and Community Relations	Two (2) Directors-at-Large		1. Tenzin Nyidon 2.
Outreach and University Relations	Two (2) Directors-at-Large		1. Alena Gavrilenko 2.
Student Affairs	Two (2) Directors-at-Large		1. Tenzin Nyidon 2.

#### **MOTION TABLED**

#### **8. QUESTION PERIOD (15 mins)**

#### **MOTION TO RECESS 5 MINUTES - ANDREW/ARNOLD**

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

#### **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. UVSS Food Bank
4. Peer Support Centre

**d. CONSTITUENCY ORGANIZATIONS & NSU**

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

**MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA - CARYK/GAVRILENKO**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting was moved in-camera at 7:23pm.

**10. IN-CAMERA**

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

**MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF CAMERA - GAVRILENKO/CARYK**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting was moved out of in-camera at 7:46

**11. MEETING TIMES**

**The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:**  
Monday, June 23rd, at 6pm on Zoom (online).



## 12. ADJOURNMENT

## 13. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORTS

### Griffin Foster - 124 Hours

- *Internal Meetings (49)*
  - Board Meetings
  - Executive Committee & Associated Discussions
  - Outreach & Member Outreach
  - Campaigns & Community Relations
  - HR Discussions
  - Legal Counsel
  - Accommodations Advocacy Coordination
  - Meeting with Advocacy and Constituency groups
  - Coordinators Meeting
  - CFUV Board Meeting
  - Statement Consultations
  - Student Inquiries
  - Martlet Meeting
  - Future Policy Coordination
  - Outreach Strategy Consultations
- *Administrative (35)*
  - Emails Response & Management
  - Statement Drafting
  - Merchandise Planning
  - Board Meeting Prep
  - Self-Location & Related Consultation
- *Strategic Development (42)*
  - Strategic Planning
  - Policy Development
  - Outreach Strategy
  - Policy Research

### Michael Caryk - 75 Hours

- *UVSS Committees/Internal meetings (14)*
  - *Exec meetings*
  - *Leads meeting*
  - *Board meetings*
  - *Executive committee*
  - *Outreach and community relations committee*
  - *Events committee*
  - *Director meetings*

- *Preparation for Campaigns and Community relations committee*
- *Ongoing Projects/Events/Outreach (7)*
  - Meeting with EQHR
  - Meeting with AVP
  - Meeting with AMS
- *Administrative, organization and other housekeeping (54)*
  - Emails
  - Training
  - Reading manual
  - Booking flight
  - *Research and Reading/Onboarding*
  - *Self location/ Bio*
  - Starting Strategic plan
  - Networking
  - Scheduling future meetings
  - *Communications and Meetings with directors and excluded management*
  - Administrative tasks
  - *Prepping for committee meetings/creating agendas/scheduling meetings*

## **Lindsey Andrew - 115 Hours**

- *Internal meetings/Committees - (55.5)*
  - Exec meetings
  - Leads meeting
  - Exec committees
  - Board meetings
  - Events committee
  - Member outreach committee
  - Hiring committees
  - CFUV board
  - Meetings with advocacy and constituency groups.
- *External meetings - (15)*
  - Meetings with OSL
  - Meeting with UVSP
  - Naloxone training
  - Meeting with individual students
  - Meeting with CBC
- *Events portfolio - (23.5)*
  - Planning events
  - Strategic plan
  - Events calendar
  - Document review
- *Administrative/Other - (21)*
  - Writing a statement in response to a hate crime
  - Answering emails/phone
  - Cleaning the offices and common areas
  - Scheduling

- Administrative tasks
- Organizing
- Office hours
- Filming for social media
- Cheque signing

## **Jonah Arnold - 116 Hours**

- *Internal Meetings - (26 Hours)*
  - One Board Meeting
  - Two Executive Committee Meetings
  - Studentcare Conference Prep w/ LC
  - Two SOCC Hiring Committee Meetings
    - Three Candidate Interviews
  - Filmed for social media w/ Comms
  - Course Unions Council
  - Clubs Council
  - Studentcare renewal negotiation
  - Legal team meeting
  - Meeting with Hillel
  - Department Manager/Coordinator meeting
  - Advocacy Coordinators' meeting
  - SSD discussion over signed letter to UVic
  - Assisting Director of Campaigns w/ hour tracking & Gcal
  - Campaigns Portfolio
    - Exchanged ideas w/ Director of Campaigns over email & virtual meetings
- *External Meetings - (34 Hours)*
  - UVic Budget Town Hall
  - FRAC Representative Meeting
  - FRAC Meeting
  - Signing Authority Meeting w/ Vancity Credit Union
  - Studentcare Conference
    - Workshops
      - Managing burnout
      - Negotiating
      - Spokesperson training
    - Lectures
      - Insurance 101
      - Introduction to the new Studentcare branding: ALUMO
      - Operations overview & office tour
    - Networking
      - Obtained 12 business cards from fellow student leaders
        - UMSU, UBC, UFV, BU, CSI, SSU, and more
- *Administrative - (56 Hours)*
  - Training
    - Appeals practice
    - Honorarium forms

- Committee agendas
  - Personnel Committee
- Conference Prep
  - Booked seats for flight
  - Completed forms for Studentcare Representative
- Wrote Self Location
- Emails
  - SOCC Hiring Committee
  - FRAC/SharePoint
  - Health & Dental Appeals Committee
    - BoD Policy
  - U-Pass Appeals Committee
    - BoD Policy
  - Finance and Operations Committee
    - Lettucemeet Poll
    - BoD Policy
  - Honorariums
  - Inquiries
    - Coop Rebates
    - Summer U-Pass opt-out
    - Re-directed clubs inquiry
- Created Leads Hour Tracker & emailed to executives
- Created work order for business cards
- Read U-Pass Contract
- Read Democratic Rules of Order
- Set up payroll account
- Reading for SOCC HC
  - Resumes + cover letters
  - Job qualifications
- Created new Coop Rebate form for website
- Created Teams chats for committees
  - H&D + U-Pass Appeals
  - FinOps
- Submitted cheque requisition for Alumo Stakeholder Meeting expenses
- Reading for Subtext HC
  - Job qualifications/description

## **Katie King - 120 Hours**

- *Administrative/other (60 hours)*
  - Emails management
  - Prep for committee meetings
  - Website management
  - Agendas and minutes management
  - Reading and sorting mail
  - CCU account clean out
  - Cheque requisitions

- Making and updating spreadsheets
- Policy work
- Clubs complaints
- Locker clean out
- Office hours
- Organization
- Social media
- Reading policy
- Scheduling
- *Internal meetings - (40)*
  - Clubs Council
  - Course Unions Council
  - Advocacy Relations Committee
  - Leads meeting
  - Execs meeting
  - Meeting with Advocacy and Constituency groups
  - Member Outreach Committee
  - Joint letter regarding student accommodation issues meeting
  - Hiring committee
  - Legal team meeting
  - Meeting with club
- *External meetings - (20 hours)*
  - Student Care confrence
  - Meetings with students

## **Abhee Senthilkumaran - 30 Hours**

- *UVSS Committees/Internal Meetings (5 hours)*
  - Board meeting
  - Member Outreach Committee meeting
  - Events Committee Meetings
  - Meetings with other Leads
- *Ongoing Projects/Events/Outreach (8 hours)*
  - Meeting with OSL
  - Meeting with the Martlet
  - Upcoming meetings with EQHR, AVP, GC ect.
  - Preparing materials for external meetings
  - Meetings with individual students and external outreach
  - Brainstorming event opportunities
  - Organizing a Google Doc for future plans
  - Working on building international relations portfolio
- *Administrative and Other/Housekeeping (17 hours)*
  - Emails
  - Organising separate intl. Docs and calendar
  - Working on updating the intl. Page on UVSS website
  - Online office hours
  - Networking

### **Alena Gavrilenko - 4.5 hours**

- *Internal Committee Meetings - 30 minutes*
- *Conceptual/Emails/Policy Reviews- 2 hours*
  - Business Cards
  - Opt-Outs/Athletics
- *Food Bank Volunteering - 2 hours*

### **Carson Robinson - 3.5 Hours**

- *Internal Meetings - (2 hours)*
  - Board Meeting
- *Administrative - (1.5 hours)*
  - Resolving email issues
  - Researching additional committees to join

### **Lauren Aimoe - 25 Hours**

- *NSU internal meetings - (10 hours)*
  - Council meetings x3
  - Meeting with coordinator
- *NSU external meetings - (10 hours)*
  - Vice-President Indigenous Appointment committee meetings x2 plus committee work, material review, etc
- *Admin/Housekeeping - (5 hours)*
  - Teams
  - Emails
  - Agenda writing, editing minutes

### **Dacian Filipescu - 8 Hours**

- *SSD Internal Meetings: 2 Hours*
  - Thrive Meetings
- *Committees - (2 Hours)*
  - Events Committee(1 ½ hours)
  - Advocacy Relations Committee (½ Hours)
- *Bookkeeping - (2 Hours )*
  - Email
  - Microsoft teams
  - Task/Item completed within section Three
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- *Graphics Meeting - 1 Hour*
  - Business Card Meeting with Leannee
- *External Meetings - ½ Hour*
  - *Response to UVic Letter about accommodations*

## **Roven Brooks-Stephenson - 6 Hours**

- *Emails - (1hr)*
- *Teams - ( 1hr)*
- *ARC meeting - (.5hrs)*
- *BoD meeting - (1.5hrs)*
- *Internal meetings/communications - (1hr)*
  - *Comms with SOCC team – planning and coordinating future events*
- *Events committee meeting - (1.5hrs)*