



## MINUTES

University of Victoria Students' Society

Monday, June 23rd – Zoom, 6pm

### Join Zoom Meeting:

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

**Attendance:** Foster, Filipescu, Arnold, Nyidon, Robinson, Andrew, Currie, King, Senthilkumaran, Brooks-Stephenson, Caryk

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

**Regrets:** Gavrilenko

**Guests:** Keila

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Foster called the meeting to order at 6:02PM.

### 2. LIVESTREAM

#### CONSENT MOTION 2025/06/23: 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 23rd, 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

Andrew acknowledged the land at 6:04PM.

### 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- a. **Adoption of Agenda**
  - i. **2025/06/23**  
**MOTION TO ADOPT - CURRIE/BROOKS-STEPHENSON**  
**MOTION TO AMEND - SENTHILKUMARAN/BROOKS-STEPHENSON -**  
add directors report  
**MOTION CARRIED**  
**MOTION CARRIED**
- b. **Adoption of Minutes**
  - i. **2025/06/09**  
**MOTION TO ADOPT - BROOKS-STEPHENSON/CARYK**  
**MOTION CARRIED**  
**MOTION ABSTAINED BY CURRIE**

## **5. RATIFICATION OF DIRECTORS**

## **6. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

## **7. EMAIL MOTIONS**

### **MOTION 2025/06/16: 02 - FOSTER/BROOKS-STEPHENSON**

**WHEREAS** National Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21 is an important opportunity to recognize, honour, and celebrate the history, heritage, resilience, and contributions of Indigenous Peoples across Canada.

**BIRT** the Board approve the 2025 National Indigenous Peoples Day Statement as circulated.

[Statement](#)

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **8. MAIN MOTIONS**

- a. **Priority business**

### **MOTION 2025/06/23: 03 - ANDREW/ROBINSON**

**WHEREAS** the Policy Development Committee has reviewed and recommended updates to the current Board of Directors Policy to improve clarity, consistency, and alignment with organizational best practices

**BIRT** the Board of Directors approve the proposed amendments to the Board of Directors Policy, as outlined in the attached document. [Policy Changes](#)

## **MOTION CARRIED**

### **MOTION 2025/06/23: 04 - SENTHILKUMARAN/BROOKS-STEPHENSON**

**WHEREAS** International student Relations Director Abhee Senthilkumaran has requested a further adjustment to their working hours due to a family emergency

**WHEREAS** Abhee Senthilkumaran's current agreement was due to end on July 3<sup>rd</sup> upon their return to office

**BIRT** the Board of Directors approves Abhee Senthilkumaran's working hours to remain 12 hours per week and allows them to perform their duties remotely, effective immediately until their return to the office which has now been delayed until early August.

## **MOTION CARRIED**

### **MOTION 2025/06/23: 05 - KING/ANDREW**

**BIRT:** \$440 of ARC funds are allocated to the Native Students Union as agreed upon in ARC.

## **MOTION CARRIED**

#### **b. Old business**

### **MOTION 2025/06/23: 06 - ARNOLD/FILIPESCU**

**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;

<b>Senate Committees</b>	<b>Nominations</b>	<b>Elected</b>
Senate Committee on Planning (1 position)		
Senate Committee on Academic Standards (1 position)		
Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching (1 position remaining)	Katherine King	Katherine King

## **MOTION CARRIED**

### **MOTION 2025/06/23: 07 - ANDREW/SENTHILKUMARAN**

**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>
Member Outreach & Engagement	<b>Four (4) seats total:</b> Three (3) Directors + One (1) Director as Second Chair	Carson Robinson Roven Brooks-Stephenson	1. Abhee Senthilkumaran 2. Carson Robinson 3. Roven

Committee:	Vacancies:	Nominations:	Elected:
			Brooks-Stephenson 4.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION 2025/06/23: 08 - ARNOLD/FILIPESCUIS**

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

**MOTION TABLED**

**MOTION 2025/06/23: 09 - ANDREW/FILIPESCU**

**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:
U-Pass Appeals	One (1) SSD Member		1.

**MOTION TABLED**

**MOTION 2025/06/23 10 - KING/ANDREW**

**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

Portfolio:	Vacancies:	Nominations:	Elected:
Campaigns and Community Relations	Two (2) Directors-at-Large		1. Tenzin Nyidon 2.
Outreach and	Two (2)	Carson Robinson	1. Alena Gavrilenko

University Relations	Directors-at-Large		2. Carson Robinson
Student Affairs	Two (2) Directors-at-Large		1. Tenzin Nyidon 2.

## **MOTION CARRIED**

### **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. 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 - ROBINSON/CURRIE**

## **MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting was moved in-camera at 6:40PM.

## **10. IN-CAMERA**

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

## **MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF IN CAMERA - Currie/Brooks-stephenson MOTION**

The meeting was moved out of in-camera at 6:57

## **11. MEETING TIMES**

**The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:**  
Monday, July 7th, at 6pm on Zoom (online).

## **12. ADJOURNMENT at 6:58**

## **13. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORTS**

### **Griffin Foster - 82 Hours**

- *Meetings (34)*
  - Board Meetings
  - Executive Committee & Associated Discussions
  - Outreach & Member Outreach
  - Campaigns & Community Relations
  - HR Discussions
  - Coordinators Meeting
  - Statement Consultations
  - Student Inquiries
  - Future Policy Coordination
  - Outreach Strategy Consultations
  - UVic Operations Meeting & Preparation
  - Policy Committee
  - Electoral Committee
- *Administrative (19)*
  - Emails Response & Management
  - Statement Drafting
  - Merchandise Planning
  - Board Meeting Prep

- *Strategic Development (29)*
  - Strategic Planning
  - Policy Development
  - Outreach Strategy
  - Policy Research
  - Electoral History Research

## **Michael Caryk - 73 Hours**

- UVSS Committees/ Internal Meetings (30 hours)
  - Board Meeting/ preparation
  - Executive committee
  - Policy development committee
  - Electoral committee
  - Department manager/ coordinator Meeting
  - Preparation for meetings
  - Campaigns and Community relations Committee
  - Outreach and member engagement portfolio/ committee
  - Events Committee
  - FinOps Committee
  - Meeting with other leads and advocacy group representatives
- Campaigns external/ External Meetings (5 hours)
  - Meeting with Island Solidarity (union reps across BC)
  - Meetings with individual students
  - Meeting with good night out, EQHR, OSL, AVP
- Ongoing projects/ Events/ Outreach (4 hours)
  - Meeting with SFSS
  - Meeting with GVAT
- Administrative and Other/ Housekeeping (34 hours)
  - Emails
  - Organizing
  - Networking
  - Strategic plan
  - Prepping for committee meetings/ creating agendas/ scheduling meetings
  - Writing motion(s) for board meeting(s)
  - Administrative tasks
  - Training

## **Lindsey Andrew - 67 Hours**

- *Internal meetings/Committees - (26)*
  - 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 - (1)*
- *Events portfolio - (25)*
  - Planning events
  - Strategic plan
  - Events calendar
  - Document review
- *Administrative/Other - (15)*
  - Answering emails/phone
  - Cleaning the offices and common areas
  - Scheduling
  - Administrative tasks
  - Organizing
  - Office hours
  - Cheque signing

## **Jonah Arnold - 70 hours**

- *Internal (22 hours)*
  - BoD Committees
    - Executive Committee meetings (3)
    - Campaigns Committee meetings (2)
    - Outreach Committee meeting
    - Events Committee meeting
    - Finance and Operations Committee meeting
    - Policy Committee meeting
    - Food Bank Committee meeting
  - GSS Relations
    - Catapult Grant application meetings w/ GSS ED + LC (2)
    - GSS-UVSS joint naloxone training
  - Personnel/Hiring
    - Personnel Committee training
    - SubText Hiring Committee meeting
    - SubText Manager interview
    - Department Manager/Coordinators meeting
  - Board Meeting(s)
    - Major Capital Fund proposal briefing
    - Board Meeting
  - Miscellaneous
    - Legal debriefing
    - Meeting w/ portfolio DaL
    - Strategic Plan brainstorming meeting
- *External (4 hours)*
  - UVic Relations



- Operational Relations Committee meeting
  - Read SCAS academic concessions memo and provided to leads for feedback
  - Meeting w/ University 101 representative
- Discussed partnership with potential affiliate
- RSVP & registration for SUDS 2025
- *Administrative (44 hours)*
  - Social Media
    - Filmed naloxone awareness clips
    - Filmed Cinecenta promotional content
    - Wrote description for Alumo Instagram post
  - Teams
    - Created Teams chat for FinOps portfolio DaLs
    - Created Teams chat for U-Pass Appeals Committee
    - Coordinated FinOps Committee meeting times between DaLs, GM, & Lettucemeet survey
  - Committees/Meetings
    - Created Finance and Operations Committee's first agenda + minutes
    - Created FinOps Committee agenda for second meeting
    - Created agenda for Personnel Committee
    - Read JD for the SubText Manager position
    - Moved motion to board regarding Major Capital Fund allocation
    - Created food bank timesheet
  - Maintenance
    - Cheque signings (2)
    - Sorted & organized emails
    - Cleaned out old email correspondence from previous term(s)
  - Miscellaneous
    - Answered H&D inquiries
    - Created Strategic Plan templates for executives (presented at Executive Committee and provided via email)
    - Formatted & cited references for food bank's Catapult Grant application

## **Katie King - 42 Hours**

- *Administrative - (27)*
  - Email/phone management
  - Website management
  - Updating spreadsheets
  - Mail
  - Scheduling
  - Club account management
  - Sexualized violence prevention violence prevention management
  - Social media
  - Agenda review
  - Office hours
  - Agenda making
- *Internal Meetings - (13)*

- Board meeting
- Meeting with advocacy reps
- Execs committee
- Policy development committee
- ARC
- Campaigns committee
- *External Meetings- (2)*
  - Meeting with UVic
  - Meeting with OSL

### **Abhee Senthilkumaran - 20 hours**

- *UVSS Committees/Internal Meetings (3 hours)*
  - Board meeting
  - Committee meetings - outreach, events, campaigns
- *Ongoing Projects/Events/Outreach (5 hours)*
  - Preparing materials for first ISR committee meeting and external meetings
  - Building ISR portfolio
  - Meeting with GC
- *Administrative and Other/Housekeeping (12 hours)*
  - Emails
  - Networking
  - Organising separate ISR documents for release (in Fall)
  - Brainstorming upcoming events for the next semester

### **Nelson Currie - 1 Hour**

- Finance Committee - 1 Hour
  - Meeting.

### **Lauren Aimoe - 18 Hours**

- *NSU internal meetings - (6 hours)*
  - Circle work (organization and facilitation)
- *NSU external meetings - (10 hours)*
  - Board meeting
  - PD committee meeting
  - Community events - Indigenous recognition ceremonies
  - Lunch meeting with OVPI
  - VPI Appointment committee work
- *Admin/Housekeeping - (2 hours)*
  - Emails
  - Teams

### **Dacian Filipescu - 2.5 hours**

- *SSD Tasks (1 ½ Hours)*

- Emails
  - Teams
  - Meetings
- UVSS Tasks - (*1 Hour*)
  - Committee meetings

## **Georgia de Souza - 2 hours and 45 minutes**

- *Committees - (1h45min)*
  - Interview with Peer Support Centre's volunteer (15 min)
  - Teams (30 min)
  - ARC Meeting (10 min)
- *GEM Tasks - (1h)*
  - Workshop prep (1 hour)