



MINUTES

University of Victoria Students' Society

Monday, July 7th – Zoom, 6pm

Join Zoom Meeting:

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

Attendance: Foster, Gavrilenko, De Souza, Arnold, Currie, Andrew, Caryk, King, Filipescu, Nyidon, Senthilkumaran, Wasserman

Staff: Shah, Love, Robertson, Casado

Regrets:

Guests: Czerwonka

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. LIVESTREAM

CONSENT MOTION 2025/07/07: 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, July 7th, 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

Foster acknowledged the land at 6:04PM.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adoption of Agenda

i. 2025/07/07

MOTION TO ADOPT - CARYK/WASSERMAN

MOTION TO AMEND - KING/CARYK - modify motion 5

MOTION CARRIED
MOTION TO AMEND - CARYK/WASSERMAN - add dir reports
MOTION CARRIED
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- b. **Adoption of Minutes**
 - i. **2025/06/23**
MOTION TO ADOPT - CARYK/DE SOUZA
MOTION CARRIED

5. RATIFICATION OF DIRECTORS

6. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

7. EMAIL MOTIONS

8. MAIN MOTIONS

- a. **Priority business**

MOTION 2025/07/07: 02 - ANDREW/CARYK

WHEREAS the UVSS Electoral Committee has reviewed the dates proposed by the UVSS Electoral Office; and

WHEREAS the Electoral Committee does not agree with the proposed dates and believes further discussion and adjustments are necessary;

BIRT the Board set the following dates for the 2026 UVSS elections to the Board of Directors:

1. **Nomination Period - Monday, January 26th, 9am - Thursday, February 5, 12pm**
2. **Campaign Period - Monday, March 2nd, 9am to Friday, March 13th, 12pm**
3. **Voting Period - Wednesday, March 11th, 9am to Friday March 13th, 12pm**

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2025/07/07: 03 - KING/SENTHILKUMARAN

WHEREAS the Dean of Humanities Committee requires undergraduate student representation through the UVSS

WHEREAS it is essential to ensure UVSS member participation in academic governance and decision-making

BIRT nominations be opened for one (1) UVSS member to sit on the Appointment Committee for the Dean of Humanities during the 2025–2026 academic year.
[Memo detailing commitment](#)

Committee:	Vacancies:	Nominations:	Elected:
Appointment Committee for the Dean of Humanities	One (1) seat for an undergraduate student registered in a degree program in Faculty of Humanities	Georgia De Souza Katie King	1. Georgia De Souza

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2025/07/07: 04 - ARNOLD/CARYK

WHEREAS the Grill requires a functioning griddle and extra refrigeration space for efficient running of the Grill and expanding its current menu options,
BIRT the UVSS Board of Directors recommends allocating up to \$5,700 from the Major Capital Fund to cover the costs with replacing the nearly 30 year old equipment

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2025/07/07: 05 - KING/WASSERMAN

BIRT the UVSS Board of Directors ratifies UVic Latinos Community and UVic BitCoin Club with no base funding

MOTION CARRIED

b. Old business

MOTION 2025/07/07: 06 - ARNOLD/WASSERMAN

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 elect 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)	Acorn Wasserman	Acorn Wasserman
Senate Committee on Academic Standards (1 position)	Katie King	Katie King

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2025/07/07: 07 - ANDREW/FILIPESCU

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	Four (4) seats total: Three (3) Directors + One (1) Director as Second Chair	Dacian Filipescu	1. Abhee Senthilkumaran 2. Carson Robinson 3. Roven Brooks-Stephenson 4. Dacian Filipescu

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2025/07/07: 08 - ARNOLD/FILIPESCU

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 2025/07/07: 09 - ANDREW/ARNOLD

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	Dacian Filipescu	1. Dacian Filipescu

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2025/07/07: 10 - KING/CARYK

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.
Student Affairs	Two (2) Directors-at-Large	Lily Luz Yeo	1. Tenzin Nyidon 2. Lily Luz Yeo

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 - FILIPESCU/CURRIE

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was moved in-camera at 7:02PM.

10. IN-CAMERA

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

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

The meeting was moved out of camera at 7:09

11. MEETING TIMES

The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:
Monday, July 21st, at 6pm on Zoom (online).

12. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 7:09

13. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Griffin Foster - 38 Hours

- *Meetings (12)*
 - Board Meetings
 - Executive Committee & Associated Discussions
 - Outreach & Member Outreach
 - Campaigns & Community Relations
 - HR Discussions
 - Future Policy Coordination
 - Outreach Strategy Consultations
- *Administrative (11)*
 - Emails Response & Management
 - Email Catch-Up
 - Board Meeting Prep
- *Strategic Development (12)*
 - Strategic Planning

- Policy Development
- Outreach Strategy
- Policy Research
- *The Foster Feature (13)*
 - Discussions on theming/approach/topics
 - Episode planning
 - Branding planning
 - Episode Filming (In and out of office)
 - Extra footage filming

Lindsey Andrew - 79.5 Hours

- *Internal meetings - (22.5)*
 - Attending various committees
 - Preparing agendas for events and electoral committee
 - Meetings with other leads
 - Exec/excludes meetings
 - Hiring committees (including prep)
 - Department manager/coordinators meeting
 - Board meetings
- *Events portfolio- (26)*
 - Events calendar prep
 - CKO prep
 - Strategic plan development
 - Research into previous UVSS events and other university student unions events
- *External meetings - (8)*
 - Meetings with various branches of UVic administration
 - External training
 - Meetings with Vikes
 - Recruiting for UVSS representation on external UVic committees
- *Administrative - (13.5)*
 - Writing and responding to emails
 - Answering phone calls
 - Organizing office materials and various online platforms such as Teams chats and channels
- *Other - (9.5)*
 - Social media filming
 - Cleaning/organizing spaces
 - Cheque signing

Jonah Arnold - 63 hours

- *Meetings (13)*
 - *Committees*
 - *Food Bank*
 - *Campaigns*
 - *Personnel*

- *Executive (2)*
 - *Joint Labour Management*
 - *Finance and Operations*
 - *HFB CDP hiring*
 - *Food Bank Officer hiring*
- *Ad Hoc*
 - *Managerial meeting over Alumo contract*
 - *Board budget/income statement overview w/ GM*
- *Board meeting*
- *Administrative/Other (50)*
 - *Student inquiries*
 - *U-Pass inquiry*
 - *Club finances inquiry*
 - *Organization financial reimbursement request*
 - *Hiring Committees*
 - *Read resumes for HFB CDP HC & created shortlist of potential interviewees*
 - *Read resumes for Grill CDP HC & created shortlist of potential interviewees*
 - *Confirmed interview availability for HFB CDP, Grill ADCP, & Grill CDP HCs*
 - *Affiliate communications*
 - *Negotiated commission structure and presented proposal to GM*
 - *Relayed digital advertising costs and rates to affiliate for contract drafting*
 - *Strategic Plan*
 - *Brainstormed & created goals*
 - *Sent finalized goals to GM*
 - *Created portfolio introduction and added to document for graphics*
 - *Financial*
 - *Proposed Major Capital Fund Allocation motion for board meeting*
 - *Presented feedback for u-pass contract proposal*
 - *Requested specifics of u-pass contract from GM*
 - *Purchased tickets to SUDS & requested full receipt for reimbursement*
 - *Cheque signing*
 - *Social Media*
 - *Featured in third episode of "Foster Feature"*

Katie King - 67.5 Hours

- *Administrative- (49.5)*
 - *Clubs accounts*
 - *Policy work*
 - *Email/phone management*
 - *Scheduling*
 - *Office hours*
 - *Strategic plan*
 - *SVP review*
 - *Social media*
 - *Club matters*
 - *Club lockers*

- Policy review
- CCU Days Planning
- Agenda management
- *Internal Meetings - (14.5)*
 - Meeting with excluded managers
 - Execs committee
 - Events committee
 - Outreach committee
 - Campaigns committee
 - Board meeting
- *External Meetings - (3.5)*
 - Consent Coalition
 - Meeting with external company

Michael Caryk - 52 hours

- UVSS Committees/ Internal meetings (9.5 hours)
 - Board meeting/ preparation
 - Executive committee
 - Outreach Committee
 - Events committee
 - Campaigns committee
 - Meeting with general manager Dale
 - Meeting with advocacy reps/ other leads
 - Preparation for meetings
- Campaigns external/ external meetings (7 hours)
 - Naloxone+AED check in meeting
 - Consent coalition meeting
 - Meeting with EQHR/ avp/ OSL
 - Meeting with UVIC Director of Strategic Initiatives
- Ongoing Projects/Events/Outreach (6 hours)
 - Social media+ zoom setup
 - Meeting with GVAT
 - meeting with other student unions (BC3)
 - Naloxone training
 - Looking through different swag options
- Administrative and Other/Housekeeping (29.5 hours)
 - emails
 - Organizing
 - Booking flights
 - Strategic Planning
 - Budgeting
 - Prepping for committee meetings
 - Training

Abhee Senthilkumaran - 21 hours

- *Committees/Internal Meetings (3 hours)*
 - Board meeting
 - Events Committee meeting
 - Outreach committee meeting
 - Campaigns committee meeting
 - ISR Committee meeting
- *Administrative and Other/Housekeeping (10 hours)*
 - Emails
 - Organising documents
 - Networking
- *Ongoing Projects/Events/Outreach (8 hours)*
 - Preparing ISR agenda and building portfolio work
 - Meeting and emails with GC
 - Strategic plan brainstorming and development

Alena Gavrilenko - 4 Hours

- *Reviewing Policy/Drafting Bus-Pass Contract- 3 hours*
- *Finance Committee Meeting- 1 hour*

Lauren Aimoe - 4 Hours

- *Admin/Housekeeping - (4 hours)*
 - Teams
 - Emails
 - Determined July meeting schedule
 - Made August meeting availability lettucemeet

Roven Brooks-Stephenson - 4 Hours

- *Emails - .5 hrs*
- *Teams - .5 hrs*
- *BoD meeting - 1 hr*
- *FinOps committee meeting - .5 hrs*
- *Events committee meeting - .5 hrs*
- *ISR committee meeting - .5 hrs*
- *SOCC meeting - .5 hrs*

Georgia de Souza - 2 Hours and 40 Minutes

- *GEM activities - (1h30min)*
 - Collective meeting (1 hour)
 - Gathering and organizing decorations for event (20 min)

- Interview with student about GEM (10 min)
- *Committees - (1 hour)*
 - Campaigns Committee Meeting
 - Checking Emails and Teams
 - Answering surveys
- *IT - (10 min)*
 - Meeting with Kenny to solve Technical issues

Acorn Wasserman - 6 Hours

- *Internal Meetings - (5)*
 - Onboarding with lead directors
 - Pride Committee meeting
 - Pride Coordinator meetings
- *Administration - (1)*
 - Emails