



DRAFT MINUTES

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, October 28, 2025, 4PM PST

1. CALL TO ORDER

Griffin Foster called the meeting to order at 4:31 pm.

2. VIDEO RECORDING

CONSENT MOTION 2025/08/11: 01 - FOSTER

WHEREAS the UVSS Board of Directors values the comfort and privacy of all Board members, and will only proceed with recording the 2025 AGM if they pass unanimously; therefore,

BIRT the Board approves the recording of the October 28, 2025 AGM; and,

BIFRT this video may be posted on the UVSS Facebook page or other media outlets; and

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. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORIES

Skip Dick acknowledged the territories in UVic's provided territory acknowledgement.

4. APPROVAL OF CHAIR

MOTION TO RATIFY - FOSTER/CURTIS

MOTION CARRIED

IN FAVOUR 92% / NOT IN FAVOUR 8%

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- a. Agenda of 2025/10/28 AGM

MOTION TO ADOPT - RICHINS/FOSTER

MOTION TO AMEND - FOSTER

2 OBJECTIONS RAISED, MOVED TO A VOTE

IN FAVOUR 52% / NOT IN FAVOUR 48%

MOTION CARRIED

“Motion 10/28/2025: 05 - Foster” was removed

MOTION CARRIED

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. [Minutes of 2024/02/28 SAGM](#)

MOTION TO ADOPT - CURRIE/O’HARA COOKE

MOTION CARRIED

IN FAVOUR 95% / NOT IN FAVOUR 5%

7. MOTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

a. Special Resolutions

MOTION 2025/10/28: 01 - KING/ANDREW

WHEREAS one of the values of the UVSS is Decolonization

WHEREAS student surveys show that decolonization and social justice are among their top values of the UVSS

WHEREAS it is important that policy is aligned with the goals of the UVSS and student needs

BIRT that the UVSS adds the section titled Decolonization in Issues policy

BIRT that the UVSS amends the Issues policy as is in package [Issues Policy 1 - Decolonization Policy](#)

MOTION FAILED

IN FAVOUR 18% / NOT IN FAVOUR 82%

MOTION 2025/10/28: 02 - FOSTER/ANDREW

WHEREAS the anti-racism section of UVSS Issues Policy has outdated language

WHEREAS It is important as a Student Union that guiding policy represents students and their interests

WHEREAS Students of Colour are a marginalized community on campus and it is essential that the UVSS has language and policy that allows the UVSS to advocate for Students of Colour effectively

BIRT the UVSS amends the Issues policy as is in the package [Issues Policy 2 - Anti Racism Policy](#)

MOTION FAILED

IN FAVOUR 31% / NOT IN FAVOUR 69%

MOTION 2025/10/28: 03 - FOSTER/CARYK

WHEREAS there is a need to clarify the focus and membership of our efforts as a student society and the services we aim to provide

BIRT the UVSS amends the UVSS bylaws as in the package [Bylaw 1 - For Credit Course Coverage Changes](#)

MOTION CARRIED

IN FAVOUR 96% / NOT IN FAVOUR 4%

MOTION 2025/10/28: 04 - FOSTER/ANDREW

WHEREAS the Society is sustained by the leadership of students who nominate themselves for seats on the Board of Directors

WHEREAS the roles of Faculty Representatives often go unfilled, complicate the nomination process, and often delay elections significantly

BIRT the UVSS amends the UVSS [Bylaw 2: Faculty Representative Changes](#)

MOTION CARRIED

IN FAVOUR 68% / NOT IN FAVOUR 32%

b. Financial Motions

Motion to Adopt the 2025-2026 Budget - ARNOLD/THOMPSON

WHEREAS UVSS values financial transparency and accountability,

BIRT the 2025-2026 Budget be adopted as presented, as recommended by the Board of Directors 2025/2026

MOTION CARRIED

IN FAVOUR 91% / NOT IN FAVOUR 9%

Motion to Receive the 2024-2025 Audited Financial Statements - ARNOLD/CARYK

WHEREAS the Finance Committee accepted the draft audit from 2024/25 produced by Doane Grant Thornton LLP

BIRT the UVSS membership accepts the audit from 2024/25 produced by Doane Grant Thornton LLP

MOTION CARRIED

IN FAVOUR 95% / NOT IN FAVOUR 5%

8. BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORTS

9. QUESTION PERIOD (30 minutes)

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN - FOSTER/MAHER

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02PM.