



MINUTES

University of Victoria Students' Society

Monday, December 1st – Online, 6pm

Join Zoom Meeting:

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

Attendance: Kusardi, Brooks-Stephenson, Bulbrook, King, Foster, Senthilkumaran, Caryk, Arnold, Robinson,

Staff: Shah, Johnston-Watson, Robertson. Casado

Guests: Snowden

Regrets: Yeo, Filipescu

1. CALL TO ORDER

Foster called the meeting to order at 6:08PM.

2. LIVESTREAM

CONSENT MOTION 2025/12/01: 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, December 1st, 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 6:09PM.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adoption of Agenda

i. 2025/12/01

MOTION TO ADOPT - CARYK/BROOKS-STEPHENSON

MOTION TO AMEND - CARYK/BROOKS-STEPHENSON - add motion 2

and 3

MOTION CARRIED
MOTION TO AMEND - CARYK/BROOKS-STEPHENSON - add motion 6
MOTION CARRIED
MOTION TO AMEND - ARNOLD/ROBINSON - add DR
MOTION CARRIED
MOTION ABSTAINED BY CARYK AND BROOKS-STEPHENSON
MOTION CARRIED

b. Adoption of Minutes

i. 2025/11/17

MOTION TO ADOPT - ARNOLD/ROBINSON
MOTION CARRIED

5. RATIFICATION OF DIRECTORS

MOTION 12/01/2025: 02 - CARYK/BROOKS-STEPHENSON

WHEREAS Georgia De Souza has resigned as the GEM Representative

WHEREAS GEM is allowed one representative to serve on the Board

BIRT Cecilia Bulbrook be elected to the Board of Directors as the Interim GEM Representative

MOTION CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. PRESENTATIONS

b. ANNOUNCEMENTS

7. EMAIL MOTIONS

8. MAIN MOTIONS

a. Priority business

MOTION TO RECESS for 5 minutes - BROOKS-STEPHENSON/ROBINSON
MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 12/01/2025: 03 - CARYK/BROOKS-STEPHENSON

BIRT that the BOD accept the resignation of Georgia de Souza as the representative from GEM

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 12/01/2025: 04 - CARYK/ROBINSON

BIRT nominations are opened for the UVSS board to fill vacancies on the following committees, with an opportunity for nominees to provide 2 minutes of motivation for their election when seats are contested.

Committee:	Vacancy:	Nominations:	Elected:
Campaigns Committee	One (1) UVSS representative		1.
Course Union Council	One (1) UVSS representative		1.
Health and Dental Appeals Committee	One (1) UVSS representative		1.
Peer Support Centre Committee	One (1) UVSS representative		1.

MOTION TABLED

MOTION 12/01/2025: 05 - ARNOLD/KUSARDI

WHEREAS the Grill and Main Kitchen required updates to its Fire Suppression systems to remain compliant,

WHEREAS this motion is recommended by the Finance and Operations Committee

BIRT the UVSS Board of Directors approves allocating up to \$15,000 from the Major Capital Fund to cover the costs associated with the needed components.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 12/01/2025: 06 - ARNOLD/ROBINSON

WHEREAS the blinds in the Michel Pujol room have been in place for decades and the sun has degraded the plastic over time such that they have become brittle and can no longer be replaced and several have already fallen down

WHEREAS this motion is recommended by the Finance and Operations Committee

BIRT the UVSS Board of Directors approves allocating up to \$25,000 from the Major Capital Fund to cover the costs associated with installing new blinds in the space..

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 12/01/2025: 07 - CARYK/BROOKS-STEPHENSON

WHEREAS there will be an unsanctioned residential school denialism event tomorrow

BIRT the UVSS will release the [following statement](#) in response

MOTION CARRIED

9. QUESTION PERIOD (15 mins)

10. 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 - BROOKS-STEPHENSON/ANDREW
MOTION CARRIED - 7:06PM

11. IN-CAMERA

a. Legal

b. Personnel Committee Report

c. General Discussion

MOTION TO MOVE OUT-OF-CAMERA - B-S/Robinson
MOTION Carried 8:06

12. Out of Camera

MEETING TIMES

The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:
Monday, December 8th, at 6pm, **online**.

13. ADJOURNMENT

14. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Leads

Griffin Foster - Total of 82 Hours

- *Lobbying (34)*
 - Training
 - Government/Opposition Meetings
 - Strategic Meetings
 - Legislative Background & Review
 - Public Relations & Preparation
- *Internal meetings (15)*
 - Executive Meetings
 - Board Meeting
 - Lead Director Consultation & Coordination
 - Committee Meetings
 - Comms & Graphics
 - Planning Meetings
- *External meetings (9)*
 - Student Inquiries
 - UVic Presidential Selection Background
 - UVic Senator Coordination
 - UVic/UVSS External Relations
 - UVic/UVSS Executive Meeting
- *Portfolio (13)*
 - Annual General Survey Prep
 - UVic Policy Review
 - Student Feedback
 - Legal Work

- *Administrative (10)*
 - Email Management
 - Board Meeting Prep
 - Archival Review
 - Cheque Signing

Michael Caryk - Total of 82 Hours

- *Internal Meetings- 22 hours*
 - Committees
 - Board meeting
 - Preparation for meetings
 - Meeting with other leads and excluded management
 - Portfolio DAL meetings
- *Campaigns and External meetings- 53 hours*
 - Lobbying to provincial government MLAs
 - NDP cabinet ministers, premier, MLAs
 - Green party MLAs
 - Conservative MLAs
 - Alliance of British Columbia students annual general meeting
 - Networking and Future planning with other student unions
 - Host institution for the training and networking before lobby week
- *Outgoing projects/ outreach- 2 hours*
 - Collaboration with student senators
 - Starting the Organization of a presentation for the board on December 8th
 - Annual general survey
- *Administrative/ Housekeeping- 5 hours*
 - Collaboration with student senators
 - Emails
 - Naloxone training certificates
 - Check signing

Lindsey Andrew - Total 70 of Hours

- *Internal meetings - (24)*
 - Executive committee
 - Board meetings
 - Excludes meetings
 - Leads meetings
 - Leads/DALs/advo meetings
- *Events portfolio - (25)*

- Free Hot Lunch Nov 18
- Preventing Burnout Nov 20
- Puppy Playtime Nov 25
- Planning Winter Holiday Market
- Planning Pancake Breakfast
- Femexpo planning
- Global Village planning
- Events committee
- *Admin/other - (21)*
 - Office hours
 - Drafting reports
 - Cleaning/organizing
 - Email correspondence

Jonah Arnold - Total 58 Hours

- *Administrative (30 hours)*
 - Emails
 - Teams communications
 - Google Calendar updates/edits
 - Leads brainstorming
 - Meetings with staff
 - Student inquiries
 - Clubs + U-Pass Appeals
- *Internal/External (28 hours)*
 - Board Meeting
 - FinOps Comm
 - Created agenda
 - Chaired meeting
 - Passed two Board Motions
 - Exec Comm
 - FBFS Comm
 - Discussed potential survey
 - FRAC
 - Reviewed and decided fee appeal cases for 30-40 UVic students
 - Outreach Comm
 - Policy Development Comm

Katie King - Total 56 of Hours

- *Admin work*
- *Internal Meetings*

Abhee Senthilkumaran - Total 30.5 hours

- *Administrative - (22 hours)*
 - Emails
 - Teams
 - Student inquiries
 - Reading up on lobbying info
 - Planning Winter Social (second sem)
 - Brainstorming for second sem intl. student events
- *External meetings - (5 hours)*
 - Meeting with GC - jan orientation
 - Preventing burnout volunteering
 - Meeting with SOCC coordinator - global village planning
- *Internal meetings - (3.5 hours)*
 - Outreach committee
 - Board meeting
 - Events committee
 - Meeting with Michael

Directors at Large

Carson Robinson - 26 Hours

- *Internal Meetings - (2.5 Hours)*
 - Board Meeting (2)
 - Events Committee (0.5)
- *Lobby Days - (21.5 Hours)*
 - Lobby Training (10.5)
 - MLA Meetings (1)
 - Question Period Attendance (2)
 - Meeting Prep/Debrief (8)
- *Events Volunteering - (2 Hours)*
 - Prevent Burnout

Lily Luz Yeo - 1 Hour

- *Free hot lunch (1hr)*
 - Set-up

- *Crowd control*

Representatives

Roven Brooks-Stephenson - 7.5 Hours

- *BoD meeting - 2.5 hrs*
- *ARC committee - .5 hrs*
- *Teams - .5 hrs*
- *SOCC run/walk clinic - 3 hrs*
- *SOCC SAGM - 1 hr*

Dacian Filipescu - 30 Hours

- *BC Lobby Days - 26 Hours*
- *UVSS Meetings - 4 Hours*
 - Board Meeting - 3 Hours
 - Committee Meetings - 1

Jayce Kusardi - Total 16 of Hours

- *Pride Collective - 1 hr*
 - *Pride Collective Meeting - 30 min*
 - *Pride council meeting - 30 min*
- *UVSS Events - 14 hrs*
 - Free Hot Lunch - 3.5 hrs
 - Rethink Mental Health - 2.5 hrs
 - Lobbying Training - 8 hrs
- *Committee meetings - 1 hr*
 - Events Committee - 30 min
 - ARC - 30 min