



MINUTES
University of Victoria Students' Society
Monday, July 13 – online

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Meeting ID: 899 3782 4788

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Attendance:

Lead Directors: Matthew Curtis, Maddy Vanderhooft, Mariah Luzon, Tam Aljundi

Directors-at-Large: Donovan Wood-Gains, Alena Gavrilenko, Lila Grierson, Evan Maher

Advocacy Representatives: Roven Brooks-Stephenson, Cecilia Bulbrook,

Staff: Lily Drimmel, Errin Johnston-Watson, Dale Robertson, Laila Casado

Regrets: Kaniki, Sillars, Selvarajan

Guests: Abigail Fishman (Martlet), Arjun VedBrat

1. CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 6:05pm

2. LIVESTREAM

CONSENT MOTION 2026/07/13: 01 - CURTIS

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 13, 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.

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adoption of Agenda

i. 2026/07/13

MOTION TO ADOPT - VANDERHOOF/BULBROOK

MOTION TO AMEND- BROOKS-STEPHENSON/VANDERHOOFT

Motion to add Directors Reports

Motion to add Finance Motions (Motions 3 and 4)

Motion to add Time Off Request (Motion 9)

Motion to add Club Ratification and Funding (Motions 5-8)

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION CARRIED, AGENDA ADOPTED

b. Adoption of Minutes

i. 2026/06/22

MOTION TO ADOPT - BROOKS-STEPHENSON/GRIERSON

MOTION CARRIED, MINUTES ADOPTED

5. RATIFICATION OF DIRECTORS

6. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. PRESENTATIONS

b. ANNOUNCEMENTS

7. EMAIL MOTIONS

8. MAIN MOTIONS

a. Priority business

MOTION 2026/07/13: 02 - LUZON/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
Faculty Student Society Council	One (1) Director as Second Chair (non-voting)	1. Curtis	1. Curtis

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/07/13: 03 - LUZON/GRIERSON

WHEREAS Annual motions are necessary to move funds from the restricted accounts to cover costs associated with respective board accounts and Finance committee has recommended each of the following motions to be brought to the board,

BIRT that the Board of Directors (BOD) approves the transfer up to \$23,000 from the Peer Support Restricted Fund to Peer Support Operating account to cover the costs directly relating to the operation of the Peer Support in the 2025-2026 Board Term.

BIFRT that the Board of Directors (BOD) approves the transfer up to \$10,000 from the Election Restricted Fund into the Elections Operating account to cover costs relating to running the elections account in the 2025-2026 Board Term.

BIFRT that the Board of Directors (BOD) approves the transfer up to \$15,000 from the Campaigns Restricted Fund into the Campaigns Operating account to cover costs relating to campaigns account in the 2025-2026 Board Term.

BIFRT that the Board of Directors (BOD) approves the transfer up to \$15,000 from the Events Restricted Fund into the Events Operating account to cover costs relating to UVSS events account in the 2025-2026 Board Term.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/07/13: 04 - LUZON/ALJUNDI

WHEREAS from 2022-2024 the board supported people (not just students) with food insecurity by a total of almost \$300,000 from the operating fund and after putting in controls and ensuring that current students are the only ones using the foodbank the restricted funds rolling over in the foodbank for the 2027 fiscal is over \$280,000.

BIRT that as recommended by Finance Committee, the Board of Directors approve the transfer of 30% of the accumulated Food Bank Restricted Fund balance this year to the Operating Reserve fund to help offset what was borrowed from the operating fund in 2022-2024.

BIFRT up to 30% of any surplus in the Food Bank restricted fund in future years (while the accumulated restricted fees are an excess of \$50K) be transferred to the Operating Reserve fund until the \$302,520 is returned.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION TO OMNIBUS MOTIONS 5-8 - VANDERHOOFT/ALJUNDI

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/07/13: 05 - VANDERHOOFT/GRIERSON

BIRT the UVSS Board ratify all present Clubs (no funding)

- University of Victoria Consulting Group
- UVIC Hydroplanes
- UVic Bitcoin Club

MOTION 2026/07/13: 06 - VANDERHOOFT

BIRT The UVSS Board approves SPG funding for each respective club listed below as decided in Clubs Council (list below)

- Dykes Nation (\$600)
- Anti-Fascist International Canada Chapter (\$600)
- Popular Democracy Movement (\$600)

MOTION 2026/07/13: 07 - VANDERHOOFT

BIRT The UVSS Board approves Academic funding for each respective course union listed below as decided in Course Unions Council as the following

- Computer Music Course Union (\$2000)

MOTION 2026/07/13: 08 - VANDERHOOF

BIRT The UVSS Board approves Travel Pool funding for each respective club or course union listed below as decided in Course Unions Council as the following

- Antifascist International Canada Chapter (\$800)
- UVic Submarine Racing Club (\$2499)
- Popular Democracy Movement (\$500)

Brooks-Stephenson Abstains

MOTIONS 5-8 CARRIED

MOTION 2026/07/13: 09 - VANDERHOOF/BULBROOK

WHEREAS Maddy is travelling to China for the PAAS 397 Field School in Pacific and Asian Studies: China

BIRT the UVSS Board approves Maddy's Academic leave from July 20th-Aug 3.

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 AT 7:18 - VANDERHOOF/BULBROOK
MOTION CARRIED

11. IN-CAMERA

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

12. Out of Camera

Motion to move out of Camera at 7:49pm - **BROOKS-STEPHENSON/ VANDERHOOF**
Motion Carried

MOTION TO OMNIBUS MOTIONS 10-12 - BULBROOK/ BROOKS-STEPHENSON

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/07/13: 10 – LUZON - Whereas the Studentcare/Alumo contract was renewed last year but the space agreement extension had not been finalized,
BIRT Exec committee finalizes the space agreement for Studentcare/Alumo be extended an additional year.

MOTION 2026/07/13: 11 – LUZON - Whereas the Steps Forward space agreement will expire at the end of the summer,
BIRT Exec committee finalizes the space agreement for Steps Forward be extended an additional year.

MOTION 2026/07/13: 12 – LUZON - Whereas CIBC has presented an exclusivity arrangement for marketing bank related services,
BIRT Exec committee finalizes an agreement for a one year term.

MOTION 10-12 CARRIED

MEETING TIMES

The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:
Monday, July 20 at 6pm, **online**.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 7:51pm

14. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Leads

Tam Aljundi, a total 80 hours

- *Internal/admin 20 hours*
 - *Reviewing carried-over files regarding carried-over committees*
 - *Setting committee, attending and planning*
 - *Personnel committee: union bargaining, reviewing documents, and briefings*
 - *Campaigns*
 - *Outreach*
 - *Events*
 - *Supporting student concerns/ researching*
 - *trans folks advocacy*
 - *Safer walk golf carts on campus*
 - *Coordinating with advocacy groups*
 - *Meetings with SSD, AVP and advo groups*
 - *Exec follow-ups, discussions and managing team planning*
 - *Meeting agenda preparation*
 - *Reviewing governance structures and building plans for the potential development of UVSS*
 - *Cheques signing*
- *External 18*
 - *Camosun relationship-building regarding Transit advocacy follow-up*
 - *Partner introductions with AMS, discussion around SUDS*
 - *Cross-campus coordination/ connecting with GSS UVic*
 - *Shared student issues in planning with climate youth advocacy/Montreal*
 - *Provincial advocacy preparation/ with student federation, proposals and planning*
 - *Researching potential campaign development workshops*
 - *Connecting with UVic Wellness Center (groups + 1:1) and discussion around advocacy for inclusivity and value from student-paid fees.*
 - *Other.*
- *Campaigns 42 hours*

- *Housing campaign follow-up, layouts*
- *Accessibility campaign planning, access4all review of details and leadership*
- *Food security discussions with the UVic campus gardens*
- *Men's circle planning discussion with avp, discussion on how can get involved with the LGC campaign*
- *Student engagement planning, 1:1 meetings*
- *Municipal Election planning and outreach*
- *Safer-sex supply coordination and ordering, discussion on inclusivity and sex-ed*
- *Naloxone restocking follow-up and connecting with wellness centers*
- *Campaign/events research collapse*
- *Reviewing previous campaign outcomes*
- *Revitalizing older campaigns and restructuring for more effectiveness*
- *Developing campaign work plans more specifically*
- *Identifying possible new work ideas for on-campus mental health support and awareness*

Matthew Allen Curtis - Total 77 of Hours

- ***Meetings - (14)***
 - Executive 1
 - Board meetings, prep and after discussions 3
 - Pride Crosswalk meeting 1
 - General Committees 2.5
 - Portfolio 1
 - Ombudsperson Advisory Committee 1
 - Other 4.5
- ***Admin - (13)***
 - Email 8
 - Time accounting 1
 - Cheques 2
 - Cleaning 2
- ***Portfolio Work - (11)***
 - Morning with Matt 1
 - Policy review 8
 - Connecting with Students 2
- ***Extra Projects - (4)***
 - Athletics Fee research 4
- ***Alumo Conference - (36)***
 - Travel (10)
 - Sessions (16)
 - Networking / Idea Sharing (10)

Maddy Vanderhooft - Total 70 of Hours

- *Admin - ()*
 - Email Replies
 - Cheque Signing
 - Office Hour
 - Website Updating
 - Cheque requisitions
- *Clubs & CU Council - ()*
 - Processing Club & Course Union Registrations
 - Preparing Agendas
 - Reviewing Travel Pool, Academic Funding, Publishing, SPG, applications
 - Chairing meeting
 - Policy Review
 - CCU Communications
- *Meetings - ()*
 - Board meeting
 - Policy Development, Operations, Exec
 - UVic Co-Curricular
 - RUBRIC
 - Other

Directors at Large

Alena Gavrilenko - Total 5 Hours

- *Committee Meetings - 4 hours:*
 - Finance Committee
 - Outreach Portfolio
 - Task/Item completed within section Two
- *Bus Pass Data Organizing - 1 hour*

Ame Sillars - Total 28.5 Hours

- *Committee Meetings - (8 hours)*
 - Finance Committee (2.5 hours)
 - Campaigns Committee (1 hour)
 - AVP Committee (1 hour)
 - Outreach Committee (2 hours)
 - Advocacy Relations Committee (1.5 hours)

- *Other Meetings - (14.5 hours)*
 - Meetings with Advo Groups/NSU/AVP and Reps/Coordinators//Firekeeper - 5 hours
 - SSD (2 hours)
 - NSU (1 hour)
 - Pride (1 hour)
 - AVP (1 hour)
 - Advocacy Group Collective Meetings - 4 hours
 - GEM (1.5 hours)
 - Pride (1 hour)
 - SOCC (1.5 hours)
 - Pride Crosswalk Meeting with UVic - 1 hour
 - Meetings with Lead Directors - 2 hours
 - Meeting with Manager - 1 hour
 - Meeting with the Camosun College Student Society - 1.5 hours
- *Emails/Paperwork- (6 hours)*
 - Emails/Communications - 4 hours
 - Organizing and Data collection - 2 hours

Evan Maher - 6 Hours

- *Outreach Portfolio - (2)*
 - Meeting
 - Teams / Emails
- *Editing Proposed URC TOR - (2)*
 - Edited a proposed TOR for the University Relations Committee
- *Met to Discuss Proposed Changes to the proposed URC TOR - (1)*
 - Had meeting
- *Meeting with Members - (1)*
 - Met with members of the society

Artem Kuklev - Total 3 of Hours

- *Committee Work - (1)*
 - *Ongoing projects review and feedback synthesis*
- *Portfolio Work - (1)*
 - *Review of proposals and documentation.*
- *Meeting with Student - (1)*

Representatives

Roven Brooks-Stephenson - 7.25 Hours

- *BoD meeting - 2 hrs*
- *SOCC collective meeting - 1 hr*
- *Community potluck - 2 hrs*
- *Events committee - 1 hr*
- *ARC committee - 1.25 hrs*

Cecilia Bulbrook - Total of 9.5 Hours

- *GEM Accessibility Meeting - (0.5)*
- *16 Days of Action Planning - (0.5)*
- *Text and Email Communications (1)*
- *BoD (2)*
- *GEM Outreach Meeting (1)*
- *Referrals/Support (1)*
- *Potluck (2)*
- *ARC (0.5)*

Jayce Kusardi - 3.5 hr hr

- *Meetings - 3.5 hr*
 - *CPC Committee - 30 min*
 - *ARC - 30 min*
 - *Pride Collective Meeting - 1 hr 30 min*
 - *Rainbow Crosswalk Meeting - 1 hr*

Acorn Wasserman - Total 6.5 of Hours

- *Internal Meetings - (6.5 Hours for this section)*
 - *BoD (2.75)*
 - *Outreach (1)*
 - *Campaigns (1)*
 - *Executive Council “thrive” (1)*
 - *ARC (2)*