MINUTES
University of Victoria Students' Society
Monday, August 10 – online

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Voting Attendance			
Name	Status	Name	Status
Matthew Curtis (Dir. Outreach)	Pre…	Alena Gavrilenko (DaL)	Present
Maddy Vanderhooft (Dir. Student Affairs	Pre…	Donovan Wood-Gaines (DaL)	Present
Tam Aljundi (Dir. Campaigns)	Pre…	Lila Grierson (DaL)	Present
Mohan Selvarajan (Dir. Events)	Pre…	Ame Sillars (DaL)	Regrets
Mariah Luzon (Dir. Finance)	N/A	Artem Kuklev (DaL)	Regrets
Cherop Lyoba (Dir. International Student Relations)	N/A	Evan Maher (DaL)	Present
Juliette Kaniki (DaL)	N/A	Midori Schimmelmann (DaL)	N/A
Zoey Perry (DaL)	N/A	Acorn Wasserman (SSD rep.)	Present
Cecilia Bulbrook (GEM rep.)	Pre…	K'sana Wood Lynes-Ford (Firekeeper)	Regrets
Roven Brooks-Stephenson (SOCC rep.)	Pre…	Jayce Kusardi (Pride rep.)	N/A
Sydney Tailfeathers (DaL)	N/A		N/A
Non-Voting Attendance - Staff			
Name	Status	Name	Status
Dale Robertson	Pre…	Errin Johnston-Watson	Regrets

Laila Casado	Pre…	Lily Drimmel	Present

Guests: Aryan Sethi, Arjun VedBrat, Al Tantalidou

1. CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 6:02pm

2. LIVESTREAM

CONSENT MOTION 2026/08/10: 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, August 10, 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. 2026/08/10

MOTION TO ADOPT- WASSERMAN/GAVIRLENKO

MOTION TO AMEND- MAHER/GRIERSON

Add Director Reports

Add Club Ratifications, Club Funding & Club Policy

MOTION CARRIED, AGENDA ADOPTED

b. Adoption of Minutes

i. 2026/07/20

MOTION TO ADOPT- ALJUNDI/WOOD-GAINS

MOTION CARRIED, MINUTES ADOPTED

Maher Abstains

5. RATIFICATION OF DIRECTORS

6. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. PRESENTATIONS

b. ANNOUNCEMENTS

7. EMAIL MOTIONS

8. MAIN MOTIONS

a. Priority business

MOTION 2026/08/10: 02 - ALJUNDI/GRIERSON
WHEREAS The University Relations Committee was not in policy, and over the years the committee has been forgotten about,
WHEREAS It is critical that undergraduate students have a united voice across all committee and groups that represent undergraduate students, and
WHEREAS Policy Development Committee has made changes as suggested by the Board of Directors,
BIRT: The University Relations Committee be recreated as defined here and added to Section 4.2 of the Board of Directors Policy (Open Committees with Open Membership) subject to grammar, formatting & copy edits from Communications.
MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/08/10: 03 - ALJUNDI/WASSERMAN
WHEREAS: The Faculty of Science Equity Diversity and Inclusion Council is seeking an undergraduate student representative to serve on this committee for the 2026-2027 Academic year.
WHEREAS: Meetings will be two hours in duration and will be held every month (or every other month) during the academic year (Sept - April).
WHEREAS: The Terms of Reference can be seen here.
BIRT: Nominations for the Faculty of Science Equity Diversity and Inclusion Council be opened with opportunity for nominees to provide 2 minutes of motivation for their election when seats are contested.

Committee:	Vacancy:	Nominations:	Elected:
The Faculty of Science Equity Diversity and Inclusion Council	**One (1) undergraduate representative**	1. Aryan Sethi	1. Aryan Sethi

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/08/10 04: VANDERHOOFT/GAVIRLENKO
Motion to Consolidate and adopt the Clubs and Course Unions policy
BIRT: that the existing Clubs and Course Unions Policy be consolidated into a single policy titled Clubs and Course Unions
BIFRT: that the Clubs and Course Unions Policy, as presented, be adopted and replace the existing Clubs and Course Unions Policy, effective immediately.
MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/08/10 05: VANDERHOOFT/ BROOKS-STEPHENSON
BIRT: The Board approve SPG funding for each respective club listed below as decided in Clubs Council

- **UVic Fashion Society ($600)**

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/08/10 06: VANDERHOOFT/MAHER
Motion to ratify all present Clubs without funding
- **Hands for Humanity Foundation**
- **UVIC/UVEC Entrepreneurship Club**

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 07: VANDERHOOFT/WASSERMAN
Motion to approve Publication funding for each respective course union listed below as decided in Course Unions Council as the following

- **Biology Undergraduate Society ($500)**
- **PHASERS ($500)**

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 6:59PM- WASSERMAN/GRIERSON
MOTION CARRIED

11. IN-CAMERA

a. Legal

b. Personnel Committee Report

c. General Discussion

12. Out of Camera

out of camera at 8:05pm

Motion: Aljundi/Wasserman
WHEREAS Personnel Committee has negotiated an agreement with our projectionists under the IATSE union and their members have ratified the agreement.
BIRT the UVSS Board of Directors ratify the agreement.

No - Maher
Motion Carried

MEETING TIMES

The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:
Monday, August 24 at 6pm, **online.**

13. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 8:13pm

14. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Leads

Tam Aljundi - Total 80 of Hours

- *Meetings and administration 20 hours*

    - *Executive meetings*
    - *Board meetings and discussions*
    - *Committee meetings and work*
    - *Meeting preparation and follow-up*
    - *Communications and internal coordination*
    - *Strategic planning and administration*

- *External relations 18 hours*

    - *BC3 and Alliance of BC Students*
    - *Camosun and cross-campus partnerships*
    - *Advocacy groups and community partners*
    - *Government and external relations*

- *Campaigns and portfolio work 42 hours*

    - *Campaign planning and development*
    - *LGC and AVP coordination*
    - *ReThink Mental Health and SSD collaboration*
    - *Municipal election planning*
    - *Annual budget and campaign priorities*
    - *Housing, transit and accessibility advocacy*
    - *Health, safety and student engagement initiatives*

Mohan Selvarajan - Total 38 of Hours

- *Meetings and administration 8 hours*
    - Events Committee
    - meeting preparation
    - Agenda development and follow-up Motion drafting and approvals tracking

- *Campus Kickoff planning 14 hours*
    - Venue and room booking coordination
    - Splash Tank and guest outreach
    - Vendor and activation logistics (candy, arcade, screen printing)

- *Beats by the SUB coordination 16 hours*
    - Band outreach and scheduling Performer
    - contract follow-up
    - Sound and technical logistics

Mariah Luzon - 75 Hours

- *Strategic Plan - (30 hours)*
    - FinOps
        - Edited finops portfolio for final consolidated plan
        - Outreach for other quotes for vending machine offerings in SUB
        - Outreach for breakfast club sponsors
    - All together: Consolidated and edited all directors' plans into one document

- *Committees -(30 hours)*
    - FRAC
        - Consultation/negotiation meeting for new policy
        - Decision list and review beforehand
    - Various Meetings (Food bank, Finops, Board, Policy Dev, Personnel)
    - Discussed various policy development potential topics with board members and leads for better and smoother communication / operations
    - Went over performance planning forms for each excluded manager and discussed goals for the upcoming year (personnel)
    - Food bank helping loading and organizing when needed

- *Finops - (15 hours)*
    - Eco box discussion and review
    - Coke contract discussion and review
    - Admin: Emails and teams

Matthew Allen Curtis - Total 83 of Hours

- *Meetings - (28)*
    - Executive 4
    - Board meetings, prep and after discussions 4
    - Pride Crosswalk meeting 2
    - Ombudsperson Advisory Committee 1
    - General Committees 8
    - Other 9

- *Admin - (30)*
    - Email 12
    - Time accounting 1
    - Cheques 3
    - Cleaning 2

    - Contracts 6
    - Cheque Requestions 6

- *Portfolio Work - (20)*
    - Morning with Matt 4
    - Policy review 12
    - Filming content 2
    - Connecting with Students 2

- Extra Projects - (5)
    - Connecting with course projects 2
    - General Meeting Verification changes 1
    - Advocacy Workshop for Student Leaders 2

Cherop Lyoba - 5 hours

- *International Career conference*
    - Solidified partnership with GOES consulting
    - Outreach to other potential partners
- *Workplan*
    - Completion of workplan
    - Feedback and discussion on workplan

- *International student data*
    - Outreach to student services to get data on international students
    - Discussion session with International Centre for Students
- *International Student Orientation*
    - Discussion to secure tents for international student orientation

Directors at Large

Alena Gavrilenko - Total of 2 Hours

- *Financial Seminar Planning and Logistics- 1 hour*
- *GSS Introductory Meeting on bus pass- 1 hour*

Ame Sillars - 23 hours

- *Board Meeting - 2 hours*

- *Committee Meetings - 7 hours*
    - Advocacy Relations Committee - 2 hours
    - AVP Committee Committee - 1 hour

- Rainbow Crossing Committee - 1 hour
    - Campaigns Committee - 2 hours
    - Outreach Committee - 1 hour
- *Office work and prep - 6 hours*
    - ARC notes editing (2nd chair) - 2 hours
    - Initiative notes preparation - 4 hours

- *Meeting with Directors - 2.5 hours*
    - Director of Campaigns and Community Relations - 2.5 hours

- *Meeting with Constituency Groups/Coordinators - 3.5 hours*
    - Pride Coordinator - 2 hours
    - Coordinator's Meeting - 1.5 hours

- *Events - 2.5 hours*
    - Constituency Group Potluck - 2 hours
    - GEM Collective meeting - .5 hours

Evan Maher - Total 16 of Hours

- *Meeting - (5 Hours)*
    - Discussion Occurred

- *Reading and Responding to E-Motions - (6 Hours)*
    - Research, drafting, reading

- *Confidential Matters - (2 Hours)*
    - Writing emails, reading respnonses

- *Outreach Portfolio Meeting - (1 Hour)*

Artem Kuklev - Total 3 of Hours

- *Meetings*
    - Meeting with fellow Board member(s) - 1 hours

- *Office work*
    - Review of proposals and associated documentation - 1 hours
    - Communications on Teams - 1 hours

Representatives

Roven Brooks-Stephenson - 10 Hours

- *BoD meeting - 2 hrs*
- *Ombuds committee - .5 hrs*
- *Events committee - .75 hrs*
- *ARC - 1.5 hrs*
- *AVP committee - 1 hr*
- *SOCC collective meeting - 1 hr*
- *Pride crosswalk meeting - 1 hr*
- *Teams - 1.5 hrs*
- *Emails - .75 hrs*

Acorn Wasserman - Total 11 of Hours

- *Internal Meetings - (9.5 Hours)*
    - Policy Dev Committee
    - Outreach Committee
    - Campaigns Committee
    - ARC
    - BoD
- *External Meetings - (1.5 Hours)*
    - Accessibility Committee

Cecilia Bulbrook - Total 10.5 of Hours

- *Meetings - (7)*
    - Pride Crosswalk (1hr)
    - ARC (1.5)
    - GEM catch up on meetings (1)
    - GEM workbench (2.5)
    - BOD (2)
    - Task/Item completed within section One
    - Task/Item completed within section One

- *Communications - (3.5)*
    - Teams (3)
    - Emails (.5)
    - Two
    - Task/Item completed within section Two

Jayce Kusardi - 3 Hours

- *Meetings - 3 hr 20 min*

- Events committee - 1 hr
- ARC - 1 hr 40 min
- Rainbow Sidewalk Committee - 40 min