



DRAFT MINUTES
University of Victoria Students' Society
Monday, September 14 – 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)	Re... ▾	Lila Grierson (DaL)	Present ▾
Mohan Selvarajan (Dir. Events)	Re... ▾	Ame Sillars (DaL)	Present ▾
Mariah Luzon (Dir. Finance)	N/A ▾	Artem Kuklev (DaL)	Regrets ▾
Cherop Lyoba (Dir. International Student Relations)	Pre... ▾	Evan Maher (DaL)	Present ▾
Juliette Kaniki (DaL)	N/A ▾	Midori Schimmelmänn (DaL)	Present ▾
Zoey Perry (DaL)	Pre... ▾	Lauren Wyler (SSD rep.)	Present ▾
Cecilia Bulbrook (GEM rep.)	Pre... ▾	K'sana Wood Lynes-Ford (Firekeeper)	Present ▾
Roven Brooks-Stephenson (SOCC rep.)	Pre... ▾	Jayce Kusardi (Pride rep.)	Present ▾
Sydney Tailfeathers (DaL)	Pre... ▾		N/A ▾
Non-Voting Attendance - Staff			
Name	Status	Name	Status
Dale Robertson	Pre... ▾	Errin Johnston-Watson	Present ▾
Laila Casado	Pre... ▾	Lily Drimmel	Present ▾

Guests: Arjun VedBrat, Lauren Wyler, Amelia Watson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Called to at 6:02pm

2. LIVESTREAM

CONSENT MOTION 2026/09/14: 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, September 14, 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. 2026/09/14

MOTION TO ADOPT- BULBROOK/LYOBA

MOTION TO AMEND-VANDERHOOFT/WOOD LYNES-FORD

Add Director Reports

Add Clubs and Course Union Ratification Motion

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION CARRIED, AGENDA ADOPTED

b. Adoption of Minutes

i. 2026/08/24

MOTION TO ADOPT-BROOKS-STEPHENSON/SILLARS

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 2026/09/14: 02 - VANDERHOOFT/GRIERSON

BIRT Lauren Wyler is ratified as the interim SSD Representative to the UVSS Board of Directors for the 2026-2027 board term.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/09/14: 03 - VANDERHOOFT/BULBROOK

WHEREAS: The Terms of Reference can be seen [here on page 91-92](#).

BIRT: nominations are 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

Committee:	Vacancy:	Nominations:	Elected:
University Relations Committee	Two [2] UVSS BoD members	1.Ame Sillars	1.Ame Sillars
University Relations Committee	Two [2] advocacy representatives	1. Cecilia Bulbrook	1.Cecilia Bulbrook

Bulbrook Abstains

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/09/14: 04 - ALJUNDI/GRIERSON

WHEREAS There are now committee vacancies

BIRT Nominations for the following committees be opened with opportunity for nominees to provide 2 minutes of motivation for their election when seats are contested.

Committee:	Vacancy:	Nominations:	Elected:
Open committees with open membership			

Member Outreach and Engagement Committee	One (1) BoD member	1.	1.
Policy Development Committee	One (1) BoD member	1.	1.
Open committees with closed membership			
Clubs Council	One (1) BoD member	1.	1.
Advocacy Relations Committee	One (1) BoD Representative for SSD	1.Lauren Wyler	1.Lauren Wyler
Closed committees with closed membership			
Ombudsperson Advisory Committee	One (1) ARC and BoD member	1.Cecilia Bulbrook Bulbrook Abstains	1.Cecilia Bulbrook
U-pass appeals	One (1) member-at-large		1.

MOTION TO TABLE U-PASS APPEALS-BROOKS-STEPHENSON/KANIKI

MOTION TO TABLE U-PASS APPEALS CARRIED

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/09/14: 05 - ALJUNDI/WOOD LYNES-FORD

WHEREAS: This bylaw change was brought forward to last year's SAGM and was not able to be voted on due to quorum.

WHEREAS: It has been reviewed, updated and has passed through the policy development committee.

BIRT: [These changes](#) be sent to the AGM on October 27th for the general membership to vote on.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/09/14: 06 - ALJUNDI/GRIERSON

WHEREAS: The following bylaw changes are done to make our bylaws clearer to understand and update outdated references.

WHEREAS: It has been reviewed and has passed through the policy development committee.

BIRT: [These changes](#) be sent to the AGM on October 27th for the general membership to vote on with the WHEREAS and BIRT as written in the attached document.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/09/14: 07 - VANDERHOOFT/WOOD LYNES-FORD

BIRT the BoD ratifies all present established (returning) Clubs that have submitted registration forms with full funding (list below):

- Uvic Competitive Programming Club
- University of Victoria Catholic Community

- UVic Mining Technologies Club
- Photography Excursions
- World University Service of Canada
- University Christian Ministries
- The Warren Undergraduate Review
- UVic African & Caribbean Students' Association
- Iranian Students Association
- UVic Formula Racing
- Uvic Wildlife Aid
- UVic Pre-Dental Club
- Chabad on Campus Uvic
- UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA IEEE CLUB
- Beer Club
- UVic Latinos Community
- UVic Tea Parties
- UVic Seismic
- UVic Rockhoppers
- UVic Blood4Life Club
- University of Victoria Entrepreneurship Club
- Autonomous Underwater Vehicle Club
- Vikes Improv
- Wine Club
- Hillel on Campus
- InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
- UVic Game Dev Club
- Uvic Personal Finance Club
- Persian Students Association at University of Victoria
- Dykes Nation
- UVic Skate Club
- Sewa Uvic
- Association of Korean-Canadian Scientists and Engineers at Uvic
- Anakbayan Victoria
- SWAM Victoria
- The African Nexus
- Young Women in Business
- Mountain Bike Club
- UVic Greens
- UVic Polar Dippers
- UVic Formula Electric
- UVic Ukrainian Students' Society
- UVic Live Music Club
- UVic Rhythm Games Club
- UVic Muslim Students Association
- Connected Autonomous Vehicle Club
- Camping Shenanigans
- UVIC UMANG ISA
- UVic Chess Club
- Art BFA Show
- UVic Debate Society
- UVic Car Club
- Victoria Fighting Game Club
- Arab Students Association
- UVIC Wellness Journaling Club
- Inclusive Christians at Uvic

- University of Victoria Consulting Group
- Vietnamese Student Association
- UVic Anime Club
- Ecological Restoration Club
- Canadian Society for Civil Engineering
- This Side of West
- University of Victoria Model United Nations
- UVic Among Us Club
- Girls that Invest
- The UVic Novelist Society
- Diplomacy Done Differently
- UVic Minecraft Club
- UVic Quantum Computing Club
- UVic Submarine Racing Club
- Women in Engineering, Science and Technology
- UVic Run Club
- Uvic Meditation Club
- UVic Golf Club
- Brain Changes Initiative Victoria
- UVic Hackathon Club
- Hands for Humanity Foundation
- UVic Punjabi Student Association
- UVic Disc Golf Club
- Engineers Without Borders Uvic
- UVic Stem Cell Club

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/09/14: 08 - VANDERHOOFT/BULBROOK

BIRT the BoD **conditionally** ratifies all present Clubs that have submitted registration forms with applicable funding under the conditions that all outstanding registration requirements and questions are resolved prior to the next clubs council meeting on **October 5th** (see list below). For clarity, these clubs will only be individually ratified by the board of directors once we resolve all outstanding concerns.

- Uvic Cuban Salsa Club
- Victoria Calisthenics
- Young Liberals of UVic
- Cool Insect Community, Appreciation, and Discovery Association (CICADA)
- UVIC Conservative Club
- UVic FPV
- UVic Poker Club
- UVic Digital Rights Club
- University of Victoria Freediving and Spearfishing Club
- UVic Satellite Design Club
- Uvic Kpop Club
- UVIC People of Neuroscience
- UVIC Hydroplanes
- UVic Aviation

- UVic Rocketry Club
- Young NATO Uvic
- UVic Stand Up Paddleboard Club
- Revolutionary Communist Party (RCP)
- Medieval Club
- UVic ITE (Institute of Transportation Engineers)
- American Indian Science & Engineering Society (AISES) UVic Chapter
- Popular Democracy Movement
- Chabad on Campus UVic
- Positive Psychology in Practice (PPiP)
- Disc Golf Club
- Hillel on Campus
- UVic Biomedical Engineering Student Society
- Antifascist International Chapter
- UVic Biomedical Engineering Design Team
- Community Dinners
- Ismaili Students Association
- International Friendship Group
- UVic Guitar Club
- UVic AI Club
- Community Cabbage
- Submarine Racing
- Pakistani Student Association
- Socialist Alternative Youth
- Soom:YHWH 숨:야훼
- UVic Photoclub
- University of Victoria Equestrian Club
- Pre-Vet Club
- CGS Student Chapter UVic
- SurfRider IVic
- UVic Political League
- Canadian Geotechnical Society (CGS)
- uvic make a wish club
- CUCOH UVic chapter
- Uvic Accounting Club
- UVic Engiqueers
- Girls wanna have fun
- Enviro Engineering
- Niteshifters
- Aero
- Geoguessr
- University of Victoria Society of Economic Geologists Student Chapter,
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MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/09/14: 09 - VANDERHOOFT/SILLARS

BIRT the BoD ratifies all present New Clubs that have submitted registration forms with half funding (list below)

- Nutrition Club
- UVic Yoga Club
- Bathing Babes
- UVic Tamil Club
- Uvic Wargames Club
- Molecular Life Science Graduate Research Group
- UVic Alpine Hiking Club
- UVic Film Analysis & Practice
- UVic Philippine Community
- Policy and Economics Club
- Uvic Mycology Club
- Community Potluck Club
- The African Nexus
- UVic Peacock Club
- The Lyceum
- UVic Biotechnology Club

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/09/14: 10 - VANDERHOOFT/GRIERSON

BIRT the BoD ratifies all present Clubs that have submitted registration forms with no funding (list below)

- Women in Science Uvic
- UVic Car Club
- University Bible Fellowship
- UVic NDP
- NeuroFit
- UVIC AI Club
- UVIC Women's Health Club
- UVic Smash Ultimate Club
- Community Dinners UVic

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION 2026/09/14: 11 - VANDERHOOFT/SILLARS

BIRT the BoD ratifies all present Course Unions that have submitted registration forms with full base funding (list below) **(\$688.50)**

- Pacific Asia Student Society
- Chemistry Students' Society

- Biology Undergraduate Society
- Undergraduates of Political Science
- Psychology Undergraduate Students' Society
- GASOES — General Assembly of Students in Earth and Ocean Science
- Visual Arts Students' Association
- Biochemistry and Microbiology Students' Society
- Anthropology Student Council
- UVic Writing Undergraduate Course Union
- Economics Course Union
- UVic English Students Association
- Equipe UVic French Undergrads
- Physics and Astronomy Events and Recreation Society
- Computer Music Course Union
- Undergraduate Linguistics Course Union
- Music Student Association
- UVic Art History and Visual Studies Student Association
- Environmental Studies Students' Association
- Health Information Science Course Union of the University of Victoria
- Medieval Studies Course Union
- Greek and Roman Studies Student Association
- UVic Philosophy Student Union
- Underlings
- Composition and Theory Student Union
- Society of Geography Students
- Students of Global Development Studies
- Social Work Student Society
- Bureau of Sociology Students
- UVic Student Music Educators' Association

Brooks-Stephenson Abstains

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 7:31PM- BULBOOK/SILLARS
MOTION CARRIED

11. IN-CAMERA

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

12. Out of Camera

Moved out at 8:45pm

MOTION 2026/09/14 - SILLARS/VANDERHOOF

WHEREAS the UVSS has had the same longstanding agreement regarding one of its ATM's
BIRT the UVSS enter a new agreement based on the proposal presented.

MOTION CARRIED

MEETING TIMES

The next meeting scheduled by the Board of Directors is:
Monday, September 21 at 6pm, **in person**.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 8:50pm

14. BOARD DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Leads

Tam Aljundi - Total 90 of Hours

Meetings & administration

- *Executive, Board, staff, committee, and AGM coordination*
- *Campus Kick Off*
- *Residence Move-In*
- *Clubs outreach*
- *Communications*
 - *graphics*
 - *Scheduling*
 - *Media*
 - *portfolio administration*

External relations

- *BC3 and GSS coordination*
- *Transit and affordability advocacy*
- *Government, community, and municipal-election outreach*
- *Media relations and external stakeholder engagement*

Campaigns

- *Let's Get Consensual*
- *ReThink Wellness orders and updates*
- *Community Care Fair panel and organizing orders*
- *Vote Now / municipal election, outreach*
- *Safer Use and naloxone training. Nasal ones.*
- *On-campus drug-checking advocacy*
- *Fall campaign materials, tabling, and outreach*

Matthew Allen Curtis - Total 81.5 of Hours

- Meetings - (17 hours)
 - Board meetings, prep and after discussions 2
 - General Committees 4
 - Executive 2
 - Other 9
- Admin - (5.5 hours)
 - Email 3
 - Time accounting 1
 - Cheques 1.5
- Portfolio Work - (10 hours)
 - Morning with Matt 2
 - Policy review 2
 - Connecting with Students 6
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- Tabling - (49 hours)
 - *International Student Welcome* 5
 - *Res Move in* 10
 - *CKO* 32
 - *Movie in the Quad* 2

Cherop Lyoba - 59 hours

- *International Student Welcome/CKO* (45 hours)
 - Admin in preparation
 - Thrive at UVic Event
 - Discover your Campus Event participation
 - Beach Social Event
 - New student welcome panel/preparation
 - CKO tabling
- *Student Union Development Follow-Ups* (9 hours)
 - Two follow ups with Peter Guo on Student union structures
 - Internal consultations
 - UVic career services consultation meetings
- *Committee's* (5 hours)
 - Attendance of committees

Directors at Large

Alena Gavrilenko - Total of 8 Hours

- *Committee meetings - 2 hours*
 - Campaigns and Finance
- *Volunteering on Gift Bag Stuffing- 2 hours*
- *GSS Discussions on Bus-Pass Opt out - 2 hours*
- *Financial Literacy Seminar Organizing - 2 hours*

Ame Sillars - Total 21.5 Hours

- *Meetings - 2.5 hours*
 - Campaigns (1 hour)
 - Bus Pass meeting with GSS (1. 5 hours)
- *Peer Support Training - 9 hours*
- *Tabling and CKO Events - 10 hours*
 - UVSS (5 hours)
 - GEM (1 hour)
 - Pride (4 hours)

Donovan Wood-Gaines - Total 9 of Hours

- *Meetings - 5 hours*
- *Tabling - 4 hours*

Evan Maher - Total 9 of Hours

- *Senate Committee Meetings - (4)*
 - SCAS Meeting
 - SCLT Meeting
- *Senate Preparation - (1)*
 - Preparing for this year's Senate
- *Reading Teams Messages - (2)*
- *Meeting to Discuss Academic Integrity Policy - (2)*
 - Had a meeting over lunch to discuss the Academic Integrity Policy

Lila Grierson - Total 14.5 Hours

- *Tabling*
 - *Throughout the week- 10 hrs*
- *Movie in the Quad*
 - *Takedown- 1 hr*
- *Pancake breakfast*
 - *Flipping pancakes- 1.5 hrs*

Artem Kuklev - Total 6 of Hours

- *Committee Document Review & Work - 3 hours*
- *Meeting with Students - 1 hour*
- *Meeting with GSS regarding joint transit contract and bus opt out - 2 hours*

Representatives

K'Sana Wood Lynes-Ford - Total 16.5 of Hours

- *Tabling - (9.5 hours total)*
 - *Campus Kickoff - NSU Tabling - 2 hours*
 - *Campus Kickoff - UVSS Tabling - 3 hours*
 - *UVSS Thunderfest Tabling - 2 hours*
 - *UVSS Thunderfest tabling - 2.5 hours*
- *Events - (6 hours total)*
 - *New student welcome speaking event - 1 hour*
 - *IACE Indigenous New Student welcome - 3 hours*
 - *NSU team building - 2 hours*
- *Other work - (1 hour)*
 - *Work on script for Sept 30th video - 1 hour*

Roven Brooks-Stephenson - 7.25 Hours

- *BoD meeting - 2.25 hrs*
- *Events committee - 1 hr*
- *SOCC meeting - 1 hr*
- *Community potluck - 1 hr*
- *CKO clean up - 1 hr*
- *Move in the quad set up - 1 hr*

Cecilia Bulbrook - Total 7.5 of Hours

- *Meetings - (5)*
 - FEM EXPO (3)
 - BOD (2)
- *Correspondence - (1)*
 - Emails (.5)
 - Teams (.5)
- *New Student Welcome (1.5)*

Jayce Kusardi - 12 hr 15 min

- *Tabling - 8.5 hr*
 - Pride - 2.5 hr
 - UVSS - 6 hr
- *Meetings - 15 min*
 - CPC
- *Events - 3.5 hr*
 - Pancake Breakfast - 2.5 hr
 - Movie in the Quad - 1 hr

Roven Brooks-Stephenson - 7.25 Hours

- *BoD meeting - 2.25 hrs*
- *Events committee - 1 hr*
- *SOCC meeting - 1 hr*
- *Community potluck - 1 hr*
- *CKO clean up - 1 hr*
- *Move in the quad set up - 1 hr*