

# BOARD MEETING MINUTES

UBC Students' Union Okanagan, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students  
Board of Directors Meeting, April 28, 2021, Virtual Call

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Meeting called to order at 15:07

## Directors Present

President (meeting chair).....	Ali Poostizadeh
Vice-President Finance & Operations.....	Abid Wahab
Vice-President External.....	Taylor Dotto
Vice-President Internal.....	Tashia Kootenayoo
Vice-President Campus Life .....	<i>vacant</i>
Director at Large.....	Kai Rogers
Director at Large.....	Jakson Pashelka
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative .....	<i>vacant</i>
Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative .....	Sage Cannon
Graduate Studies Representative .....	Cassidy Wallis
Faculty of Science Representative.....	Arshdeep Purba
Faculty of Management Representative .....	Mohana Rambe
Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative.....	Naomi Maldonado-Rodriguez
Faculty of Education Representative .....	<i>vacant</i>

## Directors Absent

Director at Large.....	Taha Ilyas
Director at Large.....	Rohan Dabral
Faculty of Applied Science Representative .....	Richardo Brown
Board of Governors Representative ( <i>ex-officio</i> ) .....	Shola Fashanu
Senate Caucus Student Representative ( <i>ex-officio</i> ).....	Rhys Herzberg

## Staff Present

General Manager.....	Lori Stevenson
Advocacy & Governance Coordinator .....	Sarah Furgason
Well Pub Manager .....	Mike Ouellet
Campus Life Coordinator.....	Joe Haugen
Green Text Manager .....	Shauna-Lee Hildred
Membership Outreach Coordinator .....	Izzy Rusch
Finance Manager.....	Leanne Smailes
Front Desk/Reception.....	Rachel Fortin

## Guests Present

President, CSSDP .....	Lucas Standing
Member, CSSDP .....	Owen Patrick
VP Internal ( <i>incoming</i> ) .....	Ahmed Ahmed

**1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY**

We would like to acknowledge that we are on the traditional, ancestral territory of the Okanagan Nation. We would like to recognize that learning happened in this place long before this institution was established. It's important that we understand that we are very privileged to be living, working, and learning in these territories that are not our own.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP**

21/04/28.01 MOTION

Dotto/Rogers

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

21/04/28.02 MOTION

Purba/Dotto

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held April 14, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

**4. PRESENTATIONS**

**4.1 Canadian Students for Sensible Drug Policy (CSSDP)**

Standing and Patrick presented to the Board of Directors on their Medical Amnesty Proposal and requested support from the Students' Union.

21/04/28.03

Rogers/Kootenayoo

Be it resolved that the SUO endorse the Medical Amnesty Proposal as presented, and

Be it further resolved that a letter of support for the Medical Amnesty proposal be provided to the UBCO CSSDP.

CARRIED

**4.2 Executive Report**

Executive Directors provided an overview of their accomplishments over the 2020-21 academic year.

**5. MONTHLY REPORTS**

21/04/28.04 MOTION

Rogers/Purba

Be it resolved that the Executive reports for the month of March be adopted.

CARRIED

## 6. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

21/04/28.04 MOTION

Rogers/Dotto

Be it resolved that the year end committee reports be adopted as attached.

CARRIED

### 6.1 Executive Committee

21/04/28.05 MOTION

Dotto/Cannon

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held April 21, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

### 6.2 Finance Committee

### 6.3 Policy Committee

21/04/28.06 MOTION

Kootenayoo/Wahab

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held April 1 and 22, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

21/04/28.07 MOTION

Kootenayoo/Purba

Be it resolved that the changes to Regulation VIII - Student Associations be approved as attached.

CARRIED

21/04/28.08 MOTION

Kootenayoo/Rogers

Be it resolved that the changes to Regulation VII - Code of Conduct be approved as attached.

CARRIED

### 6.4 Campaigns Committee

### 6.5 Oversight Committee

21/04/28.09 MOTION

Rogers/Purba

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held March 11, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

21/04/28.10 MOTION

Rogers/Purba

Be it resolved that the Executive Summary Report for April 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

## 6.6 Graduate Student Committee

21/04/28.11 MOTION

Wallis/Dotto

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meetings held April 12 and 19, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

21/04/28.12 MOTION

Wallis/Kootenayoo

Be it resolved that the Fair Funding campaign be referred to the Campaigns Committee for additional promotion.

CARRIED

21/04/28.13 MOTION

Wallis/Wahab

Be it resolved that the Graduate Student Committee honoraria be disbursed as follows, in accordance with motion 20/11/30.18:

Name	April 12	April 19	Total
Anne Claret	Present	Present	100
Rina Garcia	Present	Present	100
Ben Wiltshire	Present	Present	100
Maya Pilin	Present	Present	100
Kirthana Ganesh	Present	Absent	50
Nibirh Jawad	Present	Present	100

CARRIED

## 6.7 Electoral Committee

21/04/28.14 MOTION

Kootenayoo/Dotto

Whereas the Electoral Committee identified a need for a more robust vetting process for electoral candidates,

Be it resolved that the Policy Committee research options for improvements to candidate vetting, and

Be it further resolved the Policy Committee bring recommendations to the Board of Directors prior to January of 2022.

CARRIED

## 7. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

### 7.1 Board of Governors

### 7.2 Senate

### 7.3 Other University Committees

Kootenayoo provided and update on the Anti-Racism, Inclusion, and Excellence Task Force.

## 8. OLD BUSINESS

## 8.1 Capital Project

21/04/28.15 MOTION

Kootenayoo/Rogers

Whereas the Presidents' Future Plan and SUO Capital Proposal were approved by the Students' Union Board of Directors, mandating the pursuit of a capital project on the UBC Okanagan campus, and

Whereas on April 27, 2021, the Student Union's Executive 1 Proposal was approved by UBC's leadership, and

Whereas the SUO's capital project requires the establishment of a committee to ensure the project proceeds as outlined in the UBC Development Process,

Be it resolved that an ad-hoc "SUO Capital Project Steering Committee" be struck with the mandate to advance the capital project and bring it to completion, and

Be it further resolved that the membership of the committee be as follows: Natalie Walliser, Capital Planning and Infrastructure Development or Designate, Rob Einarsson, AVP Finance & Administration or Designate, Dale Mullings, AVP Students or Designate, one (1) UBC Appointed Representative, SUO President (May 1 – April 30, annual term), one (1) SUO Executive Director (May 1 – April 30, annual term), two (2) SUO Board Members (May 1 – April 30, annual term), SUO Project Manager or Designate, SUO General Manager, one (1) UBC Alumni seat to be filled by Ali Poostizadeh, one (1) UBC Alumni (2-year term), one (1) SUO Contracted Building Project Manager or Designate, and

Be it further resolved that the committee have the power to make decisions related to the SUO capital building project, and

Be it further resolved that the committee have the authority to hold meetings in camera, and

Be it further resolved the committee operate until its mandate has been fulfilled.

Kootenayoo asked if there needed to be a designated Indigenous Representative on the committee and if the SUO Executive Director seat could be specified.

Poostizadeh responded that Indigenous consultation would be built into the process at a number of levels. He added that the Executive Director seat is meant to be rotating and therefore not specified.

Stevenson asked if the contracted building project seat should be filled at a later date.

Poostizadeh stated that the seat should be filled in November.

Stevenson preferred the SUO Executive Director seat should be filled annually.

Rogers agreed, especially since the committee will hold meetings in camera. He preferred that the role be designated to the VP Internal.

Kootenayoo agreed that the VP Internal would be a good fit for the position.

MOTION CARRIED

21/04/28.16 MOTION

Dotto/Purba

Be it resolved that the incoming VP Internal, Shiven Vinod Khera be recommended for the position of SUO Executive Director on the SUO Capital Project Steering Committee.

CARRIED

21/04/28.17 MOTION

Dotto/Purba

Be it resolved that Ali Poostizadeh, Abid Bin Wahab and Ahmed Fayed be removed as signing authority on all bank accounts held by the Students' Union of UBC Okanagan, namely the Royal Bank of Canada and Valley First Credit Union as of May 1, 2021, and

Be it further resolved that Tashia Kootenayoo, Muhammad Waseem and Jakson Pashelka be granted signing authority on all bank accounts held by the Students' Union of UBC Okanagan, namely the Royal Bank of Canada and Valley First Credit Union as of May 1, 2021.

CARRIED

## 9. INFORMATION ITEMS

### 9.1 Long-term Strategic Plan

Poostizadeh requested feedback on the Long-term Strategic Plan proposals.

Rogers preferred to go with MNP. He liked that we had worked with them previously and felt there would be less time spend getting to know our organization.

Stevenson spoke in favour of CoreMatters. She was happy with the work previously done by MNP but thought that CoreMatters would be best suited to facilitate the conversation on the Strategic Plan.

Rusch stated the previous president had a conflict with MNP and that concerned her.

Kootenayoo spoke in favour of MNP but saw problems with both presentations.

Pashelka spoke in favour of CoreMatters and believed they were more genuine in their approach.

Poostizadeh spoke in favour of MNP; he felt they were more professional and noted they are one of the four major firms in Canada for consultations and audits.

Ouellet thought it might be a better idea to look at other options. He thought it would be a better decision for the incoming board. He didn't like some of the processes and interactions with MNP.

Furgason and Smalles provided input on their experiences working with MNP.

Rogers stated he had changed his mind, and spoke in favour of CoreMatters hearing that so many staff members did not have positive experiences with MNP previously.

Kootenayoo again spoke in favour of MNP due to the fact that have worked extensively with students' societies. In addition, should the future Board of Directors wish to audit the SUO internal policies, MNP would be able to facilitate that work.

Rogers moved a motion:

Be it resolved that CoreMatters be contracted to conduct a long-term strategic plan.

The motion was not seconded.

21/04/28.18 MOTION

Kooteanyoo/Wahab

Be it resolved that MNP be contracted to conduct a long-term strategic plan.

CARRIED

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 17:05