

# BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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

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Meeting called to order at 13:11

## Directors Present

President (meeting chair)	Tashia Kootenayoo
Vice-President Finance & Operations	Muhammad Waseem
Vice-President External	Ahmed Ahmed
Vice-President Internal	Shiven Vinod Khera
Vice-President Campus Life	Jakson Pashelka
Director at Large	Kai Rogers
Director at Large	Priscilla Uribe
Director at Large	Jaanvi Shah
Director at Large	Cade Desjarlais
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative	<i>vacant</i>
Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	<i>vacant</i>
Graduate Studies Representative	<i>vacant</i>
Faculty of Management Representative	Josie Leung
Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative	<i>vacant</i>
Faculty of Education Representative	<i>vacant</i>
Senate Caucus Student Representative ( <i>ex-officio</i> )	Dylan Rogers

## Directors Absent

Faculty of Science Representative (without regrets)	Leoul Woldemariam
Faculty of Applied Science Representative (without regrets)	Sam Diab
Board of Governors Representative ( <i>ex-officio</i> )	Shola Fashanu

## Staff Present

Advocacy & Governance Coordinator	Sarah Furgason
Well Pub Manager	Mike Ouellet
Finance Manager	Leanne Smailes

## **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**

21/06/28.01

Khera/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Carried

21/06/28.02

Khera/Leung

Be it resolved that Kirthana Ganesh be appointed to the position of Graduate Student Representative.

Carried

21/06/28.03

Khera/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that Grace Halpin be appointed to the position of Health and Social Development Representative.

Carried

21/06/28.04

Khera/Leung

Be it resolved that Laavanya Prakash be appointed to the position of Creative and Critical Studies Representative.

Carried

21/06/28.05

Khera/Uribe

Be it resolved that Serena Slonowski be appointed to the position of Faculty of Education Representative.

Carried

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

21/06/28.06

Khera/Desjarlais

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

Carried

## **4. PRESENTATIONS**

### **4.1 Print Shop**

Kootenayoo gave a presentation on the expansion of the GreenText Bookstore which will include a print shop.

#### **4.2 Capital Project**

Kootenayoo provided an update on the plans for the SUO building.

K. Rogers said he thought the building needs to be bigger. Kootenayoo said the building size is not set in stone and input from students and the University will be taken into consideration. Ouellet confirmed the building space can be renegotiated. He said there will be a design firm and project manager for the building, and continued input from the SUO Board, staff, and members. Kootenayoo mentioned the committee will also play a major role in the continuity in planning for the building.

Waseem asked how the building would be financed. Smailes responded that is to be determined.

Waseem asked if SUO businesses will be included in the new building and wanted to make sure the Board will have input on the design. Kootenayoo said there will be many opportunities for input.

Kootenayoo reminded directors that the referendum will be a hands-on, group effort. Directors discussed the factors involved in running the referendum.

### **5. EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

21/06/28.07

Ahmed/Uribe

Be it resolved that the Executive Summary reports be adopted as attached.

Carried

### **6. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

#### **6.1 Executive Committee**

21/06/28.08

Leung/Khera

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held June 15 and 22, 2021 be adopted.

21/06/28.09

Ahmed/Waseem

Be it resolved that the motion be amended to remove the minutes of June 22, 2021.

Ahmed stated that there was an error in the discussion on transit and he would like the minutes edited.

Carried

21/06/28.08 Carried as amended

#### **6.2 Finance Committee**

#### **6.3 Policy Committee**

#### **6.4 Campus Life Committee**

#### **6.5 Campaigns Committee**

#### **6.6 Oversight Committee**

21/06/28.10

Rogers/Khera

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held June 23, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

### **6.7 Media Fund Committee**

21/06/28.11

Pashelka/Ahmed

Be it resolved that Jaanvi Shah and Joe Haugen be appointed to the Media Fund Committee.

Carried

## **7. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS**

### **7.1 Board of Governors**

### **7.2 Senate**

D. Rogers provided directors with an update on the work happening at the UBC Okanagan Senate.

### **7.3 Other University Committees**

## **8. OLD BUSINESS**

21/06/28.12

Ahmed/Khera

Whereas colonial violence continues to impact Indigenous, Inuit, and Métis communities in Canada, and

Whereas the federal government has a responsibility to act on the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission,

Be it resolved that the attached SUO statement be approved and,

Be it further resolved the statement be sent to the Office of the Prime Minister, Minister of Crown and Indigenous Affairs, the Member of Parliament for Kelowna-Lake Country, and federal government party leaders.

Carried unanimously

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

21/06/28.13

Ahmed/Desjarlias

Whereas the 2020-2021 Board of Directors approved the SUO capital building project, and

Whereas the building proposal was approved at the UBC Board of Governors executive one phase, and

Whereas the project requires a functional planning programming contractor to continue in the UBC procedures for capital project procedures,

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors approve forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to hire the Resource Planning Group (RPG).

Carried

## **10. INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **10.1 Promotional Items**

Pashelka asked directors for input on the designs for the SUO t-shirts for the upcoming academic year. Designs will be communicated via slack.

### **10.2 TRC Education**

Kootenayoo gave directors information following feedback on the educational component of the TRC calls to action. She said these educational opportunities will be provided at every second Board of Directors meeting and more information will be provided about the TRC.

### **10.3 Board of Directors Reports**

Kootenayoo reminded directors that they are required to submit a report to the Executive Committee on their activities for the previous month, prior to approval of honoraria.

### **10.4 Board Retreat**

Kootenayoo said a Board of Directors retreat is being considered, possibly in August. Public health guidelines will be taken into consideration in planning the retreat.

### **10.5 Next Board Meeting Date**

The next Board of Directors meeting will take place July 12, 2021.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 14:42