

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

UBC Students' Union Okanagan  
Executive Committee Meeting, June 8, 2021, Virtual Call

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Meeting called to order at 11:10

## **Committee Members Present**

President (meeting chair)

Vice-President External

Vice-President Finance & Operations

Vice-President Internal

Vice-President Campus Life

Tashia Kootenayoo

Ahmed Ahmed

Muhammad Waseem

Shiven Vinod Khera

Jakson Pashelka

## **Staff Present**

Advocacy & Governance Coordinator

Sarah Furgason

**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**

21/06/11.01

Ahmed/Khera

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Carried

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

**3.1 Board Honoraria**

21/06.11.02

Khera/Waseem

Be it resolved that board honoraria for May be disbursed as follows:

Name	Percentage
Kai Rogers	100%
Jaanvi Shah	100%
Cade Desjarlais	100%
Pricilla Uribe	100%
Josie Leung	100%
Sam Diab	100%
Leoul Woldemariam	100%

Carried

Committee members discussed expectations for board members to submit their hours of work.

**3.2 Legacy Fund Applications**

Kootenayoo and Waseem mentioned that the Legacy Fund Application and related Regulation needs to be clarified.

21/06/11.03

Waseem/Khera

Be it resolved that Legacy Fund application #39 be approved for up to \$1,000 for travel expenses.

Carried

Kootenayoo provided some additional information on the process Legacy Fund application process, once an application has been approved.

**4. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**4.1 Transition Discussion**

Kootenayoo updated committee members on the transition to a new General Manager.

#### **4.2 Committee & Board Appointments**

Furgason provided an updated on the Student-at-Large and Board of Directors appointment processes.

### **5. ACTION ITEMS**

#### **5.1 KSS Memorial Fund Donation**

Khera agreed to ensure the approved donation is made to the KSS Memorial Fund.

#### **5.2 IRSSS Donation**

Ahmed suggested a donation to the Indian Residential School Survivor Society. Waseem felt that doing a memorial or fundraiser would be preferred. Kootenayoo thought it would be a good idea to bring it to the board as a motion. Ahmed thought maybe the funds could be spent in the community. Kootenayoo suggested further research. Khera thought that a donation and a memorial would be ideal. He thought maybe setting up a bursary would be a way to make a positive impact. Kootenayoo said that a bursary has already been set up with funds from the SUO to benefit BIPOC students.

#### **5.3 SUO Statement Next Steps**

Kootenayoo let everyone know that the statement approved by the Board of Directors has been sent to the federal government, local representative, and opposition leaders. She would like to film a video to communicate the SUO response to the members and asked for approval from the committee. All agreed. Kootenayoo will work on logistics and a script for the video.

#### **5.4 Indigenous People's Day**

Kootenayoo discussed next steps for Indigenous People's Day. She asked approval from the Executive Committee to close the SUO office and businesses for that day. All agreed. Kootenayoo will follow up with the Finance Manager and business managers. Pashelka will follow up with Haugen to create social media assets for the day.

#### **5.5 TRC Calls to Action**

Furgason suggested allocating time at the beginning of each board meeting to review and discuss the Truth and Reconciliation Commission calls to action. Executive members agreed to implement the initiative. Furgason will add the calls to action to the agenda items.

#### **5.6 Mental Health Initiative**

Khera brought forward an idea that Fortin has been working on. The idea is to connect students with community members who they can talk to. The purpose of the initiative is to create additional support for students; it is not meant to replace professional mental health services. Ahmed mentioned he has similar plans. Ahmed and Khera agreed to meet and discuss their ideas.

### **6. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 12:21