

# BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students  
Board of Directors Meeting, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Penticton

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Called to order at 10:22

## Directors Present

President (meeting chair)	Jakson Pashelka
Vice-President External	Cade Desjarlais
Vice President Finance and Administration	Vrushank Kekre
Vice-President Internal	Dhruv Bihani
Vice-President Campus Life	Danial Asif
Director at Large	Berat Celik
Director at Large	Aryam Dwivedi
Director at Large	Megan Johnston
Director at Large	Spandan Ghevriya
Graduate Studies Representative	Kirthana Ganesh
Faculty of Applied Science Representative	Akshata Pathak
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative	Kyle Rogers
Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	VACANT
Faculty of Education Representative	VACANT
Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative	VACANT
Faculty of Management Representative	Jes Mindi
Faculty of Science Representative	Maziar Matin Panah

## Directors Absent

## Staff Present

General Manager	Jason Evans
Governance Coordinator	Bri Fedoruk
Communications Manager	Becca Evans
Student Advocate	Rachel Fortin
Membership Outreach Coordinator	Izzy Rusch
Administrative Coordinator	Sarah Speier
Well Manager	Michael Ouellet

## Guests

BCFS (Ex-officio)	Tashia Kootenayoo
BCFS	Michael Gauld
BCFS	Phoebe Lo Patigdas

## **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 is important to understand the privilege we hold to be living, working, and learning on Syilx territory.*

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

22/05/05.01

Johnston/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Carried

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

## **4. PRESENTATIONS**

## **5. OLD BUSINESS**

## **6. EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

## **7. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

### **7.1 Executive Committee**

### **7.2 Finance Committee**

22/05/05.02

Desjarlais/Mindi

Three (3) directors put their name forward for the finance committee: Mindi, Dwivedi, Pathak.

Pathak motivated her position first. Previous experience working at UBC in Vancouver working with finance.

Mindi motivated her position next. She spoke of communication and access.

Dwivedi motivated his position last. He spoke of appropriate budgeting and transparency.

Be it resolved that Dwivedi and Mindi be appointed to the finance committee.

Carried

### **7.3 Policy Committee**

22/05/05.03

Dhruv/Mindi

Three (3) directors put their name forward for the policy committee: Ghevriya, Rogers, Matin Panah.

Ghevriya motivated first. She is interested in the learning experience from sitting on this board.

Rogers motivated next. His discipline is in line with the direction of this committee, so he has interest in policy.

Matin Panah motivated last. Policies are the main pillar of the work that we will go through together. Wants to maintain fairness and promote change if necessary.

Be it resolved that Ghevriya, Rogers, and Matin Panah be appointed to the policy committee.

Carried

#### **7.4 Campus Life Committee**

22/05/05.04

Asif/Dhruv

Four (4) directors put their name forward for the campus life committee, along with one staff member who volunteered as a guest: Pathak, Celik, Mindi, Dwivedi, B. Evans

Be it resolved that Pathak, Celik, Mindi, and Dwivedi be appointed to the campus life committee.

Carried

#### **7.5 Campaigns Committee**

22/05/05.05

Desjarlais/Mindi

Desjarlais motivated for Campaigns Committee. As the vice president external, he would welcome everyone to be a part of this committee.

Three (3) directors put their names forward for campaigns committee: Matin Panah, Rogers, Johnston

Be it resolved that Matin Panah, Rogers and Johnston be appointed to the campaigns committee.

Carried

#### **7.6 Oversight Committee**

22/05/05.06

Mindi/Johnston

Pashelka notes that the oversight committee oversees goals, time, and performance. There are three (3) positions available. Those who are interested indicated with raised hands: Pathak, Ganesh, Ghevriya, Johnston, Kootenayoo.

Point of Order

Desjarlais

In his view the executives have a conflict of interest voting on this board, so he asked the executives to refrain from seeking positions on the Oversight Committee.

The executives abstained from voting.

There was no change in those interested: Pathak, Ganesh, Ghevriya, Johnston, and Kootenayoo.

Ganesh motivated first. She joined the oversight committee because she has had experience working on boards before.

Ghevriya motivated next. Has attended board meetings and spoken to previous executives and can contribute

Pathak motivated next. Wanted to provide support and make it fairer.

Johnston motivated next. Would like to sit on the oversight committee to help maintain the executive relationship, but also hold accountability to the staff and the other members.

Kootenayoo motivated last. This is the only committee she is interested in, and would like to contribute in an ex-officio capacity with her experience.

Vote held by secret ballot.

Be it resolved that Kootenayoo, Ganesh, and Ghevriya ratified as members of the Oversight Committee.

Be it further resolved that ballot will be destroyed.

Carried

### **7.7 Graduate Student Committee**

## **8. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS**

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

### **9.1 Upcoming meeting times**

J. Evans brought forward ratifications, as these positions have not been filled by the elections. We have received applicants and decided upon candidates for the vacant positions, and they are:

- Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies – Hannah Donaldson
- Faculty of Education Representative, we had one applicant – Lindsay McGrail
- Faculty of Health and Social Development – Grace Halpin

22/05/05.07

Desjarlais/Rogers

Discussion on the appointments. Desjarlais showed his support for the chosen candidates. Johnston also showed her support for all of the candidates. Matin Panah showed his support for Donaldson.

Be it resolved that the positions of Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies Representative, Faculty of Education Representative, and Faculty of Health and Social Development be filled by Hannah Donaldson, Lindsay McGrail, and Grace Halpin respectively.

Carried

### **9.2 Leave of Absences**

### **9.3 Local Representative of BCFS**

22/05/05.08

Mindi/Johnston

Be it resolved that Cade Desjarlais be appointed as the local representative of the British Columbia Federation of Students.

Carried

**10. INFORMATION ITEMS**

The next board meeting will be in June. We will be meeting once a month for the summer, and the meetings were decided to be the second Thursday of each month, 18:30.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned 11:21