

# EMERGENCY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students  
Board of Directors Meeting, September 27th, 2023, UNC105

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## Directors Present

President (meeting chair)  
Vice-President External  
Vice President Finance and Administration  
Vice-President Internal  
Vice-President Campus Life  
Director-at-Large  
Director-at-Large  
Director-at-Large  
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative  
Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative  
Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative  
Faculty of Science Representative  
Faculty of Applied Science Representative

Cade Desjarlais  
Lakshay Karnwal  
Osho Gnanasivam  
Shreyansh Mehendiratta  
Uday Gill  
Aryan Arora  
Darsh Alamchandani  
Twinkle Hora  
Georgia Mayhew  
Grace Halpin  
Hanna Donaldson  
Sunish Grover  
Rishan Pfaender

## Directors Absent

Faculty of Education Representative  
Faculty of Management Representative  
College of Graduate Studies Representative  
Board of Governors Representative (ex-officio)  
Student Senate Caucus Representative (ex-officio)

Jeffrey Tookey  
Abby Newman  
Anjali Desai  
Isabella Bravo  
Salman Hafeez (Saami)

## Staff Present

General Manager  
Governance Coordinator

Jason Evans  
Cecily Qiu

## Staff Absent

Memership Outreach Coordinator  
Finance Manager  
Well Pub Manager  
Communications & Marketing Manager  
Student Advocate  
Food Security & Nutrition Manager

Izzy Rusch  
Leanne Smailes  
Michael Ouellet  
Becca Evans  
Rachel Fortin  
Stephanie Patterson

## **1. CALL TO ORDER AT 6:03 P.M.**

### **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**

23/09/27.01

Gnanasivam/Donaldson

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Mehendiratta/Karnwal

Be it resolved that the agenda be amended by adding ratification of four student associations under New Business.

Amendment carried.

Karnwal/Mehendiratta

Be it resolved that the agenda be amended by adding an appointment of Campaigns Committee member under New Business.

Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

## **3. NEW BUSINESS**

23/09/27.02

Mehendiratta/Donaldson

Be it resolved that Seamless Club be ratified as a student association.

Mehendiratta confirmed that that club would be a fashion club.

Carried.

23/09/27.03

Mehendiratta/Mayhew

Be it resolved that Cobotics Club be ratified as a student association.

Mehendiratta stated that that club aimed to design, develop and build the collaborative robot. It planned to work with different members of the industry to develop the cobot prototype.

Carried.

23/09/27.04

Mehendiratta/Halpin

Be it resolved that Artificial Intelligence Club be ratified as a student association.

Mehendiratta stated that the aim of the club was to prepare students for the AI job market and the club would also cater to students' interest.

Carried.

23/09/27.05

Mehendiratta/Gnanasivam

Be it resolved that Institute of Transportation Engineers be ratified as a student association.

Mehendiratta stated that the purpose of the club was to promote the advancement of the transportation, traffic and engineering. Gnanasivam wondered if the purpose of the club would coincide with those from other engineering student societies. Desjarlais stated that there was no transportation engineering program on campus. He added that there is a Canadian organization called Canadian Institute of Transportation Engineers which is separate from Canadian society civil engineering.

Carried.

23/09/27.06

Karnwal/Donaldson

Be it resolved that Mahek Parihar be appointed to Campaigns Committee as a Student-at-Large.

Karnwal provided the motivation that Mahek was very passionate and had worked for the student council in the high school. She would be a good fit for Campaigns Committee.

Carried.

#### **4. OLD BUSINESS**

##### **4.1 Adoption of the Referendum Question**

23/09/27.07

Halpin/Gnanasivam

Be it resolved that the referendum question be adopted as attached.

Evans stated that the Electoral Committee had a look at the referendum question again and found some errors in the wording of the previous referendum question. In the previous version, the words "SUO Buidling" was used by mistake in a clause, which was actually referring to the fieldhouse; and the date of fee collections was set for 2023-2024 school year, which needed to be amended to the next school year. Evans added that the revised referendum question had been approved by UBC Okanagan and SUO CRO before it was submitted to the board for adoption. Halpin suggested that the board members take some time to read through the referendum question carefully before the adoption in case of any errors. Desjarlais explained the overall structure of the referendum question.

Carried.

## **5. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.