

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Executive Committee Meeting, November 27th, 2023, UNC133C

Directors Present

President (meeting chair)

Vice-President External

Vice President Finance and Administration

Vice-President Internal

Vice-President Campus Life

College of Graduate Studies Representative

Cade Desjarlais

Lakshay Karnwal

Osho Gnanasivam

Shreyansh Mehendiratta

Uday Gill

Anjali Desai

Staff Present

General Manager

Jason Evans

1. CALLED TO ORDER AT 3:35 PM

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

23/11/27.01

Gnanasivam/Gill

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Desjarlais/Karnwal

Be it resolved that the agenda be amended by adding 8.2 Graduate Student Representative under Discussion session.

Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

23/11/27.02

Mehendiratta/ Karnwal

Be it resolved that the minutes from the meeting held on November 6, 2023 be adopted.

Carried.

4. PRESENTATION

4.1 Presentation on Picnic by Health and Wellness Center

The presentation was tabled to the next meeting.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 Executive Liquor Policy

Desjarlais explained some changes on this policy based on the feedback from last meeting. For the reason of transparency, Executives would send this new policy to Policy Committee and the Board so it could be included in the Regulations as a new Executive policy. Karnwal asked if club events are defined as SUO events. Desjarlais and Gnanasivam agreed that club events are SUO events and they did not see any issue with this wording. They stated that Policy Committee and the board could change the wording if needed.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Board of Directors Honoraria

23/11/27.03

Gill/Gnanasivam

Be it resolved that the October Honoraria for Board of Directors be disbursed as follows:

Name	Title	%
Alamchandani, Darsh	Director-at-Large	0
Arora, Aryan	Director-at-Large	(late)
Desai, Anjali	College of Graduate Studies Representative	(late)
Donaldson, Hanna	Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	100
Grover, Sunish	Faculty of Science Representative	100
Halpin, Grace	Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative	100
Hora, Twinkle	Director-at-Large	100
Tookey, Jeffrey	Faculty of Education Representative	0
Mayhew, Georgia	Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative	100
Newman, Abby	Faculty of Management Representative	100
Pfaender, Rishan	Faculty of Applied Sciences Representative	100

Desjarlais stated that he had emphasized the importance of submitting the report on time before and this requirement was clearly listed on the Regulations. As they were seven months in term, he would not like to accept late submissions. As the graduate student representative position was included in the executive committee, Desjarlais also raised a concern on who could oversee the graduate student representative. Gnanasivam asked about the reasons for the late submission. Gnanasivam also asked if directors have a grace period for the report submission. Evans confirmed that they have up to two days' grace period but any late submission should be communicated due to the oversight reason. Gnanasivam stated that Arora and Desai were very actively engaged in SUO business and these weeks were a busy time for all of them. Desjarlais would send a final warning to board members on the report submission.

Ganansivam/Karnwal

Be it resolved that the October Honoraria for Board of Directors be amended by adding 100% beside Aryan's name and 100% beside Anjali's name.

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Alamchandani, Darsh	Director-at-Large	0
Arora, Aryan	Director-at-Large	100
Desai, Anjali	College of Graduate Studies Representative	100

Donaldson, Hanna	Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	100
Grover, Sunish	Faculty of Science Representative	100
Halpin, Grace	Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative	100
Hora, Twinkle	Director-at-Large	100
Tookey, Jeffrey	Faculty of Education Representative	0
Mayhew, Georgia	Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative	100
Newman, Abby	Faculty of Management Representative	100
Pfaender, Rishan	Faculty of Applied Sciences Representative	100

Amendment carried.

Carried.

6.2 Local Occupational Health & Safety Committee (attached) – Evans

Evans stated that in the last bargaining cycle, they were required to have a Local Occupational Health & Safety Committee. The document showed that BCGEU appointed Shauna-Lee and Stephanie as their local worker representatives; and it also showed the requirement on the employer to allow the work representatives to fulfill their duties. A representative from management was required as well. The committee would meet once a month. Desjarlais asked about what the committee does and the committee structure. Evans stated that it would deal with anything related to health and safety, and it would be an internal committee consisting of the worker representatives and the employer representative(s). That committee was mandated by law for worksites with more than 20 workers. Evans gave some examples of what the committee could do or recommend. Desjarlais recommended that Evans be the management representative.

7. INFORMATION

8. DISCUSSION

8.1 SUO Volunteer Team – Karnwal

Karnwal would like to get a better understanding of SUO volunteer structure and process. Evans mentioned last year Sarah, the executive coordinator, was in charge of organizing volunteer groups, and this year, Becca took over this job. In the past, they had volunteer appreciation. Gnanasivam mentioned for events specifically, the volunteers got certain portion of the budget allocation. Gill also explained how the volunteer worked in campus life events, and mentioned that volunteer members were usually their committee members. Karnwal stated that students had reached out to ask about the volunteer certificate and the job description. Karnwal saw interest from students to volunteer in the campaigns events. Gnanasivam stated last year there was a volunteer appreciation line under Services budget line; and

though they did not have this line this year, they still had a budget line for events specifically volunteer work. Karnwal would look into it and he would start with the volunteer certificate.

8.2 Graduate Student Representative

Desjarlais welcomed Desai to the committee. He stated that at AGM this position was added to executive committee. Given it was a new change, they still needed to look into how to implement it and study the responsibilities of this new position at the executive committee, especially during the in-camera session.

9. ADJOURNMENT AT 4:15 PM