



UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA STUDENTS' UNION

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Monday, November 19th, 2012 5:00 pm

13.0 Call Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:04 p.m.

13.1 Recognition of Okanagan Peoples Territory

The chair recognized that the meeting was taking place on Okanagan Peoples Territory.

13.2 Speakers Business

13.2.1 BIRT Abdul Alnaar will be the temporary Meeting Chair. Tikhomiroff/Angel
CARRIED

13.3 Approval of Agenda

13.3.1 BIRT the agenda be approved as presented. Tikhomiroff/T. Smith
CARRIED

13.4 Approval of Minutes

13.4.1 BIRT the attached minutes be approved as presented November 5, 2012. Chang/Chan

Amendment to Meeting Minutes of November 5th, 2012:

12.10.1 BIRT the AGM be set to be on November 21st at 2 p.m. Tse/Tikhomiroff
CARRIED
CARRIED

13.5 Clubs and Course Union Ratification

***Clubs and Course Unions looking to be ratified under the UBCSUO Club and Course Union policy must first be adopted by council. Documents must be filled in full. Clubs and Course Unions may not mimic another already existing Club or Course Union. Clubs and Course Unions may not be something that could be funded by the university or are for academic credit.**

13.5.1 BIRT the UBCO BC Young Liberals Club gets ratified within the UBCSUO Club and Course Union Structure. Tikhomiroff/Angel
CARRIED – Group is ratified.

13.5.2 BIRT the Critical Studies Club gets ratified within the UBCSUO Club and Course Union Structure. Tikhomiroff/Angel
TABLED

13.5.3 BIRT the UBCO Financial Literacy Club gets ratified within the UBCSUO Club and Course Union Structure. Tikhomiroff/Tse
CARRIED – Group is ratified.

13.6 Presentations

Krupa, there is little to report since there have been no meetings.

13.7 Executive & General Manager Reports

- CRO Report

Guerette, Dodds was the only candidate running in the By-Election. There were a total of 47 ballots cast with 2 voting “no” and the remaining 45 ballots voting “yes”. Dodds was successful in filling the vacancy of the Services Coordinator. T.Smith/Angel
CARRIED

13.8 Committee Reports

***Finance Committee oversees the budget and financial statements and reports back from time to time on the financial health of the organization.**

13.8.1 Finance Committee - Chair Curtis Tse

Several of the major clubs to receive significant funding will be completed by tomorrow and submitted to the Board of Directors for approval. An amount of \$5,000 will be allocated and set aside in case there is a future need for it. Chang, suggests having different budgets for each committee. Tse, this was discussed but we are not fiscally large enough of an organization to step in that direction so we will remain with the current method.

***Service Committee works to make our services more efficient.**

13.8.2 Service Committee – Chair: Nick Dodds

Nothing to report at this time.

***Student Affairs Committee works to advance the values of the student union throughout the institution, community and world through events, campaigns and lobbying.**

13.8.3 Student Affairs Committee- Chair: Sam Chang

Chang, the Transit Survey went really well and we are currently going over the data. By January 2013, we will finalize the information and contact the Transit Committee and propose some suggestions. On November 21st to the 23rd, we are having a “Pay it Forward” campaign which will promote random acts of kindness on campus.

***Student Life Committee works to advance the focus of the students union and the university to student life, well being, and welfare on campus.**

13.8.4 Student Life Committee- Chair: Nick Dodds

Nothing to report at this time.

***Community Outreach Committee is in place to have a group of student volunteers help and support our local communities in the Okanagan, by making links with non-profit organizations.**

13.8.5 Community Outreach Committee: Chair: Sam Chang

Chang, we are working with MADD and a fundraising event is taking place at the Superstore in Kelowna on November 24th where all donations for bagging groceries will go to the organization. We are in need of more volunteers for this. Also, we are involved with the MS Society and the Women's Shelter.

***Policy Committee works to suggest new policy innovations to the council.**

13.8.6 Policy Committee: Co-Chair: Sabrina Tikhomiroff and Sarah Smith

S. Smith, we are to receive recommendations before the AGM.

13.9 Board and Committee Reports

None

13.10 Question period

Chan, is the agenda posted on the website? Alnaar, only the minutes are posted in amended form and this is followed due to the standing orders. All students can come to Kathy Gilleran for the agenda. Angel, received an email from a graduate of UBCO that moved to Victoria inquiring about an outstanding check from the Used Bookstore. Tse, all records are kept on consignment books and that Aaron from the Bookstore should be contacted.

13.11 General Orders

13.11.1 BIRT the following be recommended by the Board of Directors to the AGM: All forms of spelling of "Board of Directors" and "Students' Union" be amended to correct spelling in the Constitution and By-laws. S. Smith/Dodds

CARRIED

13.11.2 BIRT the following be recommended by the Board of Directors to the AGM: The Constitution and By-laws be amended as presented (S. Smith):

Constitution

1. The name of the Union shall be the Students' Union of the University of British Columbia Okanagan (UBCSUO)
2. The Students' Union exists to address the needs of current and future students through a democratically elected group of peers that serve on behalf of the collective student body.
3. The Union shall be carried on with no profit accruing to its members, and any operating surpluses shall be used to further the purpose of the Union. This clause is unalterable.
4. Upon the dissolution of the Union, any assets remaining after the satisfaction of its debts and liabilities shall be transferred to a Canadian organization or Canadian organizations promoting objective similar to those set out in Paragraph 2 herein, as may be decided by the members of the Union at the time of dissolution. This clause is unalterable.

By-Law II - Members

1. All students attending the University of British Columbia Okanagan (UBCO) shall be members of the Students' Union. The members shall be divided into two classifications:
 - a. Active members
 - b. Associate members
2. An Active member of the union shall be:
 - a) Any student enrolled in a degree program at UBCO;
 - b) Any student who has been assessed by the Students' Union the appropriate membership fee for the current university semester;
 - c) Any student registered in at least one credit course at UBCO, and is based at the UBCO campus.
3. An Associate member shall be:
 - a) Any student registered in at least one credit course at UBCO, but is based at a UBC campus other than UBCO.
4. All students remain members for the six-month period following the last semester in which they paid fees.
5. Membership in the Union shall cease:
 - a) six months after a member fails to register in at least one credit course at the institution and
 - b) a member is no longer a student in good standing of the institution.

S. Smith/Tikhomiroff

Amendment to By-Law II – Members:

Change UBCO to University of British Columbia's Okanagan campus

****Suspension of Robert's Rules of Order at 6:30 p.m. S. Smith/Tse
2/3 majority – CARRIED**

By-Law V - Collective Responsibilities and Powers of the Executive

1. The Executive shall
 - a. Meet at least twice per month

The remainder of the by-law remains unchanged.

By-Law VIII

2. A recognized Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all official meetings of the Union in accordance with the Society's Act of British Columbia. The selected Rules of Order shall be approved each year in the Students' Council Standing Orders.

****Chair resumed meeting to order at 7:21 p.m. Attendance was taken and noted that C. Gontard was absent after recess.**

13.11.3 BIRT the following be recommended by the Board of Directors to the AGM: The following by-laws be approved as presented, to take effect May 1, 2013.

By-Law III - The Executive

1. The Executive shall consist of 5 elected members:
 - a. President
 - b. Vice-President Academic
 - c. Vice-President External
 - d. Vice-President Operations and Finance
 - e. Vice-President Student Life

By-Law IV - Individual Responsibilities and Powers of the Executive

1. President

- a) act as the primary spokesperson for the Students' Union;
- b) coordinate the Executive Committee;
- c) ensure fulfillment of all Executive duties and the mandate of the Students' Union.

2. Vice-President Academic

The Vice-President Academic oversees all university academic issues. Additional roles include, but are not limited to:

- a) act as the official liaison with the institution;
- b) act as the official liaison with the Equity Office;
- c) work with the Ombudsperson to oversee all student grade appeals.

3. Vice-President External

The Vice-President External oversees all off-campus advocacy issues, but are not limited to:

- a) act as the official liaison with all levels of government and the wider community
- b) act as the official liaison with Kelowna Regional Transit
- c) act as the official liaison with any external organizations of which the Students' Union holds membership.

4. Vice-President Operations and Finance

- a) prepare the annual budget for adoption by the Board of Directors
- b) assist the General Manager in overseeing all revenue and expenses associated with all Students' Union businesses and services
- c) provide monthly updates of statement of accounts to the Board of Directors.

5. Vice-President Student Life

The Vice-President Student Life oversees all non-academic issues on campus. Additional responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- a) coordinate all of the Union's student-life related events;
- b) act as the official liaison to the Union's Clubs and Course Unions;
- c) act as the official liaison with all campus resources;
- d) act as the official liaison with all campus media agencies about the operations.

By-Law VI - The Board of Directors

1. The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of the Students' Union.
2. The Board of Directors shall consists of:
 - a. President
 - b. Vice-President Academic
 - c. Vice-President External
 - d. Vice-President Operations and Finance
 - e. Vice-President Student Life
 - f. Faculty of Applied Sciences (2)
 - g. Faculty of Arts and Sciences (5)
 - h. Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies (1)
 - i. Faculty of Education (1)
 - j. Faculty of Health and Social Development (2)
 - k. Faculty of Management (2)
 - l. Graduate Representative (1)

The remainder of the by-law remains unchanged.

Amendment to By-Law IV – Individual Responsibilities and Powers of the Executive

- 1) President add d) chair all Board and Executive Committee Meetings.
 - 4) Vice-President Operations and Finance change b) to read work with the General Manager. Tse/Fujii
- CARRIED

Amendment to By-Law VI – The Board of Directors

We will have 3 (three) Directors at Large; all faculties will have 1 (one) member representative with the addition of the Southern Medical Program and the President is the Meeting Chair. **/**

CARRIED

S. Smith – opposed

7 – in favor

1 - abstained

13.11.4 BIRT the Special Interest Student Group Policy be approved as presented. S. Smith/Dodds

7 – in favor

2 – opposed (Tse/Chan)

CARRIED

13.11.5 BIRT the following be recommended by the Board of Directors to the AGM By-Law VII be repealed as of May 1, 2013. (S. Smith)

Motion to amend By-Law VII to be repealed except 7 1)b and 7 1)d.

Dodds/Angel

CARRIED

S. Smith - opposed

13.11.6 BIRT the following be recommended by the Board of Directors to the AGM By-Law XII be repealed as of immediately. S. Smith/Tikhomiroff

CARRIED

Whereas an Organizer has not been hired;

Whereas the responsibilities that are required of the Organizer are vast and somewhat specialized;

13.11.7 BIRT two new job opportunities be created for students: Digital Arts Specialist and Club/Volunteer Coordinator. The job descriptions and compensation shall be decided by the General Manager, the Staffing Relations Officer, and the Financial Coordinator. S. Smith/Chang
TABLED

13.12 Discussion and General Announcements

Angel, concerning the Christmas Party on December 1st are council members able to attend this event since they did not receive formal invitations? Guerette, he would like the Board of Directors to attend and does apologize for the confusion as he was not made aware of the procedures. Angel, the Digital Arts Specialist position should be offered to a student as there are plenty of creative and skilled students on campus. Chan, agrees with hiring a student as this would be cost-efficient since they are paid hourly. Dodds, would like to promote the AGM via Facebook so that we have the adequate attendance. Angel, is questioning the abandonment of post by Gahman. Alnaar, a resignation has been received and will be provided to the Board of Directors at the next meeting. Fujii, an honorarium should not be 100% but given in relation to the amount of work performed.

13.13 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m. Tse/Dodds