



UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA STUDENTS' UNION

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 28th November 2016 @ 10.00 am

Present: Blake Edwards (Meeting Chair)
Gage Crawford
Adeet Haroon
Kimberly Rutledge
Taylor Sauder
Layne Richardson
Madison McCardell
Moein Ahmadipour
Mohammed Azzam
Luke Cooke
Daman Bual
Joshua Fender
Fawaz Maher
Bob Drunkemolle (Non-Voting)
Shira Sneg (Non-Voting) – present for her Presentation only
Terry Zhang (Non-Voting)

Absent: Akshay Sapra
Stella Mozin
Amy Park

8.1 The Meeting was Called to Order @ 10.02 am

8.2 Official Territory Acknowledgement

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.

8.3 Speaker's Business

No communication devices will be allowed during this meeting (no exceptions).

8.4 Approval of Agenda

8.4.1 BIRT: the agenda be approved as amended.

Moved By: McCardell
Seconded By: Azzam
Vote: Unanimous



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8.5 Approval of Minutes

- 8.5.1 BIRT:** the attached Minutes for 19th October 2016 be approved (See attachment #1)

Moved By: Bual
Seconded By: Ahmadipour
Vote: Unanimous

8.6 Presentations

1. Student Senate Caucus – Shira Sneg (See attachment #8)

Sneg spoke to how the MOU money would be spent over the coming months. Seng was under the impression the MOU monies (\$2,000) could not be denied. The VP Finance & Operations brought to her attention Clause 1 of the MOU which stated "Either party has the ability to cancel this agreement at any time for any reason deemed justifiable following a consultation from both parties". Also Clause 3 was missing from the MOU, which should have been included and read as follows "Student Senate Caucus to report finance and ongoing matters to the Board of Directors on a regular basis". Sneg said she recognized this was missing and agreed it would be added prior to Board approval. VP Finance & Operations asked for final discussion regarding the MOU to be tabled until the next meeting of the BoD (2nd December 2016) in order for the new Board to fully understand the commitment of the MOU.

Sneg acknowledged this and agreed to try and send someone to the next BoD meeting as she was unable to be in attendance.

2. Studentcare – Sophia Haque & Bahareh Joker (See attachment #7)
3. Canadian Federation of Students Conference – Kimberly Rutledge & Blake Edwards (See attachment #6)

In the interest of time, it was agreed to table this item to the next BoD meeting on 2nd December 2016.

8.7 Monthly Written Activity Reports from Executive Committee

President	See attachment #3
VP Finance & Operations	See attachment #4
VP External	See attachment #5
VP Internal	See attachment #2
VP Services	An oral account will be given at the next BoD meeting on 2 nd December 2016



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8.8 Question Period

None.

8.9 General Orders

8.9.1 Old Business

None

8.9.2 New Business

- 8.9.2.1 **BIRT:** Blake Edwards and Kimberly Rutledge be nominated for the position of Representative - Local 3 on the Canadian Federation of Students BC Component Executive Committee

Moved By: Haroon
Seconded By: Fender
Vote: Unanimous

8.10 Discussion & Announcements

Transit – Drunkemolle stated he had been in talks with the City of Kelowna regarding the transit strike and confirmed there would be a refund of 21 days instead of 14. As soon as the refund is received a plan will be discussed of how this money will be distributed to students in a cost effective manner.

Board of Governors Report – Terry Zhang presented (See attachment #8).

Library - Donor Letter – This was tabled until the next meeting on 2nd December 2016.

Prolife & Executive Team Conduct

A number of members of the Board of Directors and the gallery voiced their displeasure at the way the Prolife situation was handled. In most cases the anger came from how the Executive Team aired their grievances with each other in the public domain. It was felt they should have acted in a more professional manner and admitted the letter was rushed and they should have talked to Edwards in advance. (See attachment #9). Edwards admitted to the Board he had not communicated with the Executives, with respect to the Prolife meeting, and apologized for his actions to his fellow Executives. (See attachment #10)



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The only Executives present at this point were Rutledge, Bual and Edwards – who acknowledged they could have handled the situation better and this would be a lesson learned for the future and also documented this was a very emotional time for them all. That being said, they were going to move forward as an Executive Team.

Haroon asked why the BoD were not consulted in any way over this important decision, the Executive members acknowledged this was overlooked and apologized and going forward, wherever possible communication would take place before any announcements are made. Haroon suggested this should be included in the BoD orientation.

The WRC and PSN voiced their concerns regarding the communication to them around this issue. Rutledge responded that she had contacted the Resource Centres as soon as she was able. The WRC and PSN had received between 200 and 300 student calls over the weekend and would have liked to have been able to manage this better. The PSN invited the members of the Executive to participate in their "Tea Talk".

Rutledge said the postponement of the Prolife demonstration until late January was proof if they all stood together against UBCO then they were able to achieve great things.

The Executive Team would be trying to move forward together.

8.11 Next Board Meeting Date

The next Board Meeting will be on 2nd December 2016 @ 10.00 am

This was requested by the President at the beginning of the meeting.

8.12 The meeting Adjourned @ 12.25 pm

Moved By: Crawford

Seconded By: Azzam

Vote: Unanimous