



UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA STUDENTS' UNION

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

31st August 2017

Present: Trophy Ewila - Meeting Chair
Amal Alhuwayshil
Patience Okuku
Daman Bual
Bob Drunkemolle (Non-Voting)
Alex Regular (via Facetime)
Zainah Azam
Shahd Shaker
Layne Richardson

Absent: Jessica Moffatt
Caitlyn Mackie
Dela Hini
Mohamed Azzam

1.1 The Meeting was Called to Order @ 11.04 am

1.2 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.

1.3 Speaker's Business

None.

1.4 Approval of Agenda

1.4.1 BIRT: the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion 1.9.2.1 to read 2017/18.

Moved By: Okuku
Seconded By: Alhuwayshil
Vote: Unanimous

1.5 Approval of Minutes

1.5.1 BIRT the attached Minutes for 24th April 2017 be approved (See attachment #1)

Moved By: Bual
Seconded By: Richardson
Vote: Unanimous

1.6 Presentations

None



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1.7 Monthly Written Activity Reports from Executive Committee

President	See Attachment #2
VP Finance & Operations	Bual gave a short verbal report regarding his work on the budget, conferences, club funding, club and course union handbook, which will be an on-going project. Bual promised to supply a lengthy written report by the next BoD meeting.
VP External	See Attachment #3
VP Internal	See Attachment #4
VP Services	See Attachment #5

1.8 Question Period

Richardson requested a verbal report from each of the Executive Committee members, these were duly provided mostly verbatim from their written reports.

Richardson requested each Executive Committee member estimate the number of hours they had worked in per week since 1st May 2017:

Bual -	20-25 hours per week
Ewila -	4 hours per day
Okuku -	Does not believe in counting hours just doing the job.
Alhuwayshil -	6 hours per day

Richardson asked why there had been \$20K spent on conferences when only one member of the Executive Committee (VP Internal) mentioned attending a conference in their Activity Report.

Ewila stated he attended the following conferences CFS, SUDS, Studentcare and apologized for not including these in his Activity Report.

Alhuwayshil apologized and going forward she will be happy to provide this information.

Shaker asked when the Club & Course Union Handbook would be ready. Bual said this would-be web based and available after Create.

Shaker queried whether Club finances would be available in this on-line handbook. Bual replied this would not.

Okuku asked Alhuwayshil if the same amount of money would be allocated each month to the Food Grant Program (VP External Activity Report - See attachment #3). Alhuwayshil stated there was peaks and troughs, with the peaks in November and during the second semester. At the moment, this was open to discussion.

1.9 General Orders

1.9.1 Old Business

None.



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1.9.2

New Business

1.9.2.1 **BIRT:** the UBCSUO 2017/18 Budget be approved as given.

Copies of the budget were handed (See attachment #6) to the BoD members. The Meeting Chair allowed 5 minutes for them to read this.

Bual expressed his uneasiness in voting on this matter as he felt the budget should have been presented to the BoD members many months ago. Therefore, he was going to vote against the motion.

Ewila stated it had been impossible to arrange a BoD meeting before now.

Drunkemolle explained the budget to the BoD members.

Ewila explained the position of the Ombudsperson (as being a third-party affiliate) to the newer members of the BoD.

Ewila stated the External Review came about from newspaper allegations and MNP had sent a Letter of Engagement (See attachment #7).

Bual asked if there had been 3 quotes sought for this? Ewila said there would be more information regarding this at a later date.

Richardson mentioned the year to date figures were usually included in the budget, so members can see what monies have already been spent. Drunkemolle said these would be included when presented at the AGM.

Richardson stated he thought \$45K in total for conferences was low as \$20K had already been spent. Ewila replied the number of people attending conferences would be reduced to stay within the budget of \$45K.

Richardson requested a note of what Per Diems are this year.

Bual stated the following;

Breakfast	\$ 14.00
Lunch	\$ 16.00
Dinner	\$ 30.00
Daily Per Diem	\$100.00
Max possible claim is	\$160.00

Richardson queried these amounts and was assured by Alhuwayshil they were correct as the forms were provided by the UBCSUO Finance Manager.

Moved By: Okuku

Seconded By: Alhuwayshil

Vote: Yes: 6, Against: 1 (Bual)

Carried



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- 1.9.2.2** **BIRT:** The Media Fee be disbursed to The Phoenix, Heatwave Radio and Student Union Productions as per the meeting minutes dated 30th August 2017 (See attachment #3).

Richardson questioned why VP Services and VP Internal were not present at the Media Fee meeting. VP Internal (Okuku) said he was not invited, and as VP Services was not present at the meeting why he was not involved was unknown.

Bual asked the BoD members if they were happy with the disbursement of the funds and how this was handled.

Okuku questioned why he was not invited to the meeting - Bual replied that VP Services should have invited him.

All stakeholders were happy with the UBSUO attendees at the Media Fee meeting, although Bual asked Richardson how last year's Media Fee meeting was conducted and was there a vote count - Richardson confirmed there was.

Moved By: Okuku

Seconded By: Alhuwayshil

Vote: Yes: 4, Against: 2 (Bual and Richardson)

Carried

1.10 **Discussion & Announcements**

1. Internal Affairs

Ewila asked for a CRO to be appointed as soon as possible.

Richardson asked if (Nick Ross) last year's CRO had officially resigned. Drunkemolle confirmed he had.

Okuku suggested reaching out to UBCO to complete an on-line election. Shaker asked if this was a cheaper way of doing an election. Drunkemolle had the view that it would be the same sort of cost.

2. FROSH

Drunkemolle talked through the FROSH concert.

This year the venue has moved to "F" lot, the lineup has been completed and everything is ready to go.

This year the guest list would be limited to 50 people.

1.11 **Next Board Meeting Date**

The BoD members are to forward to the Executive Assistant their class schedules for the next two semesters so dates can be arranged for future meetings.



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1.12 The meeting Adjourned @ 12.50 pm

**Moved By: Shaker
Seconded By: Okuku
Vote: Unanimous**