



UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA STUDENTS' UNION

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 24th April 2017

Present: Adeet Haroon (Meeting Chair)
Blake Edwards
Layne Richardson
Amy Park
Gage Crawford
Moein Ahmadipour
Joshua Fender
Madison McCardell
Mohamed Azzam (Arrived Late – time not recorded)

Absent: Kimberly Rutledge
Daman Bual
Akshay Sapra
Luke Cooke
Stella Mozin
Taylor Sauder
Fawaz Maher
Bob Drunkemolle (Non-Voting)

Minutes: Blake Edwards

13.1 The Meeting was Called to Order @ 10.03 am

13.2 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.

13.3 Speaker's Business

None.

13.4 Approval of Agenda

13.4.1 BIRT: the agenda be approved as amended.

Moved By: Richardson
Seconded By: Crawford
Vote: Unanimous

13.5 Approval of Minutes

13.5.1 BIRT the attached Minutes for 6th April 2017 be approved (See attachment #1)

Josh: Can we make sure that meeting minutes look for like this going forward that are detailed and show the discussion?



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Blake: Yes, we just need to ask the minute taker. Trophy can make sure this happens going forward.

Moved By: Richardson

Seconded By: Fender

Vote: Unanimous

13.6 Presentations

None

13.7 Monthly Written Activity Reports from Executive Committee

President	Not Received
VP Finance & Operations	Not Received
VP External	Not Received
VP Internal	Not Received
VP Services	Not Received

13.8 Question Period

Question from the gallery from an alumnus

Alumnus: I am an alumnus from 2006 and we have heard that you are wanting to leave the CFS. I am here to tell you that it's great and we would love to help. Whether that be financial or other.

Blake: There has been talks for years. We did have a VP Candidate running on defederating but that will be up to the next Board to do if they so choose. They will be heading to the General Meeting in June to observe the CFS.

Amal: It will be a team decision if we decide to do it.

13.9 General Orders

13.9.1 Old Business

None.

13.9.2 New Business

13.9.2.1 BIRT: Mohamed Azzam, Trophy Ewila and Daman Bual be granted signing authority for all bank accounts of the UBCSUO namely Royal Bank of Canada, Interior Savings and Valley First Credit Union as of 1st May 2017 to 1st May 2018.



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BIFRT: Blake Edwards, Layne Richardson and Daman Bual be removed as signing authority on all bank accounts of the UBCSUO namely Royal Bank of Canada, Interior Savings and Valley First Credit Union as of 1st May 2017.

Moved By: McCardell
Seconded By: Crawford
Vote: Unanimous

- 13.9.2.2** **BIRT:** the UBCSUO approves the Engineering Society's General Election results as presented (See attachment #2).

Blake: There weren't enough email responses to approve this motion so this is why it is being brought to Board. Due to EngSoc's bylaws, their elections results are supposed to be approved at an AGM, but that won't be happening until September. Because they are an entity under us they can default to our bylaws and we can approve their elections results for them so their new executive can plan and go on conferences this summer.

Moein: What is EngSoc to us? How much have we given them?

Blake: EngSoc is a Course Union under the umbrella of the SUO. I don't know the numbers off hand, but they collect a levy so most of what they do is not funded directly through us.

Moved By: Edwards
Seconded By: Park
Vote: Unanimous

- 13.9.2.3** **BIRT:** The Board Meeting moved into camera to discuss External Review

Moved By: Edwards
Seconded By: Park
Vote: Unanimous

- 13.9.2.4** **BIRT:** The Board Meeting moved out of camera

Moved By: Richardson
Seconded By: Crawford
Vote: Unanimous



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13.10 Discussion & Announcements (these were moved prior to 13.9.2.3 to enable incoming Board of Director members to be present)

Board Orientation

Executive Assistant in conjunction with Executive General Manager has put together a Board Orientation package to help transition into your new role. Develop strategic plan at the beginning of the year. Central hub for people to come in and out.

Layne: Making sure your team right from the start is on the same page. People aren't afraid to say hi to each other. Want to work together. Want to come out volunteer at events. It's hard in the summer because lots of people go home in May. Maybe a retreat in the Summer, rather than January.

Amy: Keep the Board in the loop. Something to keep people engaged

Adeet: Do you think there is easy access to give information to the Board?

Amy: Only the executive report is the method for communicating what we do.

Blake: Both Board and Executives have a role to communicate and learn what the Executives are working on.

Josh: September is when things really need to come together.

Madison: Everyone should make a goal. Participate as much as possible. Where can I help out? Be part of initiatives. Need to know how the Board works and where to start getting engaged.

Josh: Need to be confident. When you ask things of your Board, you need to make sure they will commit and follow through.

Gage: I was really involved and it was easy to get involved. There should be more accountability. Execs next year, get your Board more invested in the Union.

Moein: You have a big responsibility on campus. Let your Board members know your authority. If you don't know, don't be scared to ask and find out the answers to that. Happy you have an orientation package now. It is important that your Board members know what you can do.

Mo: At the beginning, didn't know what we were doing. Orientation package is good.



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13.11 Next Board Meeting Date

TBA.

13.12 The Meeting Adjourned @ 10.53 am

**Moved By: Azzam
Seconded By: Park
Vote: Unanimous**