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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union UBC Okanagan, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students Board of Directors Meeting, May 2, 2025 at 1:30 PM, Fipke 121

Directors Present

President (meeting chair)

Vice President Finance and Administration

Vice-President External

Vice-President Internal

Vice-President Campus Life

Director-at-Large

Director-at-Large

Director-at-Large

Director-at-Large

Faculty of Education Representative

Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative

Faculty of Science Representative

Faculty of Management Representative

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative

Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative

Faculty of Applied Science Representative

College of Graduate Studies Representative

Board of Governors Representative (ex-officio)

Student Senate Caucus Representative (ex-officio)

Peter Idoko

Rajat Arora

Olivia Lai

Shreya Patnaik (zoom)

Ashley Kyei-Badu

Aaditya Golash

Jessica Goel

Naden Qually

Saadia Awais

Vacant

Ali Wasti (zoom)

Yasmine Trabelsi

Tejas Bhatia (zoom)

Quinlin Osadczuk

Vacant

Donald Onyewuchi-Ohiri (zoom)

Directors Absent

Staff Present

General Manager

Governance Coordinator

Jason Evans

Cecily Qiu



1. CALLED TO ORDER AT 1:50 P.M.

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

25/05/02.01

Goel/Osadczuk

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Trabelsi/Lai

Be it resolved that the agenda be amended by adding a discussion regarding social media posting of the board meeting summary.

Amendment carried.

Lai/Goel

Be it resolved that the agenda be amended by adding a discussion regarding Kelowna Urban Planning.

Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

25/05/02.02

Lai/Qually

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held April 11th, 2025 be adopted.

Carried.

4. **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

- 4.1 Executive Committee
- **4.2 Oversight Committee**
 - a. Calls for nominations from the Board of Directors(up to three non-executive directors)



Qually presented an introduction of the committee. Four directors nominated themselves and provided motivation. A ballot vote was conducted to select the candidates for the committee.

25/05/02.03

Osadczuk/Goel

Be it resolved that **Naden Qually, Ali Wasti** and **Jessica Goel** be appointed to the Oversight Committee.

Carried.

*Committee Composition [Regulation I:50]

The Committee Members shall consist of at least three (3) members but no more than five total members, including:

- a. General Manager
- b. Up to three non-Executive (3) Directors; and
- c. One (1) Student at Large.

b. Meeting Minutes

25/05/02.04

Lai/Golash

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held April 2nd be adopted.

Carried.

25/05/02.05

Goel/Arora

Be it resolved that the Executive March Reports be adopted as attached.

*Imran has not submitted the March report.

Carried.

Qually commented that though Imran did not submit the monthly report, his work was visible with all the events going on in March. Idoko would reach out requesting the missing documents.

4.3 Finance Committee

a. Calls for nominations from the Board of Directors (up to two additional directors)



Arora presented an introduction of the committee, and he highly recommended the non-executive directors run for the position as the Finance Committee would work on the executives' budget lines based on the pillars the executives are working for. Four directors nominated themselves and provided motivation. A ballot vote was conducted to select the candidates for the committee.

25/05/02.06

Golash/Arora

Be it resolved that **Quinlin Osadczuk** and **Donald Onyewuchi-Ohiri** be appointed to the Finance Committee.

Carried.

*Committee Composition [Regulation I:43]

The Committee Members shall consist of:

- a. President;
- b. Vice President Finance and Administration;
- c. General Manager;
- d. Finance Manager; and
- e. up to two (2) additional directors.

4.4 Policy Committee

a. Calls for nominations from the Board of Directors (at least two additional directors)

Patnaik presented an introduction of the committee and her plans for the year for this committee. Nine directors nominated themselves.

25/05/02.07

Goel/Golash

Be it resolved that **Yasmine Trabelsi**, **Aaditya Golash**, **Jessica Goel**, **Rajat Arora**, **Olivia Lai**, **Quinlin Osadczuk**, **Saadia Awais**, **Donald Onyewuchi-Ohiri and Tejas Bhatia** be appointed to the Policy Committee.

Carried.

*Committee Composition [Regulation I:67]

The Committee Members shall consist of the:

- a. Vice President Internal;
- b. General Manager;
- c. At least two (2) additional Directors; and
- d. At least one (1) Student at Large.
- e. Governance Coordinator



b. Meeting Minutes

25/05/02.08

Trabelsi/Qually

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held April 11th be adopted.

Carried.

4.5 Campus Life Committee

a. Calls for nominations from the Board of Directors:

(at least three additional directors)

Kyei-Badu presented an introduction of the committee and shared her initiatives and ideas for campus life events. Eight directors nominated themselves.

25/05/02.09

Golash/Kyei-Badu

Be it resolved that **Yasine Trabelsi**, **Jessica Goel**, **Aaditya Golash**, **Rajat Arora**, **Olivia Lai**, **Peter Idoko**, **Naden Qually**, **and Quinlin Osadczuk** be appointed to the Campus Life Committee. **Carried**.

*Committee Composition [Regulation I:38]

The Committee Members shall consist of:

- a. VP Campus Life;
- b. VP Internal;
- c. at least three (3) additional directors;
- d. a minimum of three (3) and maximum of nine (9) students at large, including at least one (1) graduate Student-at-Large;

[Bhatia left at 2:52 p.m.]

4.6 Campaigns Committee

a. Calls for nominations from the Board of Directors:

(at least two additional directors)

Lai presented an introduction of the committee. Eight directors nominated themselves. [Ali Wasti left at 2:55 p.m.]

25/05/02.10

Goel/Qually

Be it resolved that **Aaditya Golash, Jessica Goel, Rajat Arora, Ashley Kyei-Badu, Saadia Awais, Naden Qually, Shreya Patnaik and Donald Onyewuchi-Ohiri** be appointed to the



Campaigns Committee.

Carried.

*Committee Composition [Regulation I:33]

The Committee Members shall consist of:

- a. President;
- b. Vice President External;
- c. Advocacy and/or Governance Coordinator;
- d. at least two (2) additional directors;
- e. One (1) Resource Centre Director; and
- f. up to five (5) Students at Large, including at least one (1) graduate Student-at-Large.

b. Meeting Minutes

25/05/02.11

Golash/Osadczuk

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held April 14, 2025 be adopted.

Carried.

4.7 Graduate Student Committee

25/05/02.12

Qually/Lai

Be it resolved that Mhamoda Moli be appointed as the College of Graduate Students Representative.

Carried.

4.8 Media Fund Committee

a. Striking the ad hoc Media Fund Committee

25/05/02.13

Goel/Qually

Be it resolved that the ad hoc Media Fund Committee be struck for the 2025-2026 SUO board.

Carried.

b. Call for nominations from the Board of Directors:

(one additional director)

25/05/02.14

Kyei-Badu/Awais

Be it resolved that **Yasmine Trabelsi** be appointed to the Media Fund Committee.

Carried.



*Committee Composition [Regulation I:111]

The Committee Members shall consist of the:

- a. Vice-President Campus Life;
- b. Vice-President Finance and Administration;
- c. a member of the Board of Directors;
- d. a member of the Phoenix and/or its successor; and
- e. a member of an SUO sanctioned media outlet and/or its successor.

4.9 Student Association Funding Committee

a. Striking the ad hoc Student Association Funding Committee

25/05/02.15

Arora/Trabelsi

Be it resolved that the ad hoc Student Association Funding Committee be struck for the 2025-2026 SUO board.

Carried.

b. Call for nominations from the Board of Directors:

(one Director at Large)

25/05/02.16

Qually/Lai

Be it resolved that **Aaditya Golash** be appointed to the Student Association Funding Committee. **Carried.**

*Committee Composition [Regulation I:88]

The Committee Members shall consist of:

- a. Vice President Finance (chair);
- b. Vice President Internal:
- c. Membership Outreach Coordinator;
- d. General Manager; and
- e. One (1) Director at Large

4.10 Student Association Oversight Committee

a. Striking the ad hoc Student Association Oversight Committee

25/05/02.17

Golash/Awais

Be it resolved that the ad hoc Student Association Oversight Committee be struck for the 2025-2026 SUO board.

Carried.

b. Call for nominations from the Board of Directors:



(two Directors at Large)

25/05/02.18

Golash/Lai

Be it resolved that **Jessica Goel and Saadia Awais** be appointed to the Student Association Oversight Committee.

Carried.

*Committee Composition [Regulation I:95]

The Committee Members shall consist of:

- a. Vice President Internal (chair);
- b. Membership Outreach Coordinator;
- c. Students' Advocate;
- d. General Manager; and
- e. Two (2) Directors at Large

4.11 Disciplinary Committee

a. Striking the ad hoc Disciplinary Committee

25/05/02.19

Trabelsi/Qually

Be it resolved that the ad hoc Disciplinary Committee be struck for the 2025-2026 SUO board.

Carried.

b. Call for nominations from the Board of Directors:

(two additional directors)

25/05/02.20

Qually/Kyei-Badu

Be it resolved that **Yasmine Trabelsi and Quinlin Osadczuk** be appointed to the Disciplinary Committee.

Carried.

*Committee Composition [Regulation I:115]

The Disciplinary Committee shall be comprised of five (5) directors as follows:

- a. President (Chair of the Committee):
- b. Vice-President Internal;
- c. chairperson of Oversight Committee;
- d. two (2) additional Directors to be appointed by the Board of Directors; and
- e. General Manager (advisory with voting rights)

4.12 Student Association Strategic Committee

a. Striking the ad hoc Student Association Strategic Committee



25/05/02.21

Goel/Golash

Be it resolved that the ad hoc Student Association Strategic Committee be struck for the 2025-2026 SUO board.

Carried.

b. Call for nominations from the Board of Directors:

(two non-executive directors)

25/05/02.22

Golash/Osadczuk

Be it resolved that **Aaditya Golash and Saadia Awais** be appointed to the Student Association Strategic Committee.

Carried.

*Committee Composition

This committee is mandated by the SUO membership at AGM 2024. The SASC shall be composed of the following members:

- VP Internal (Chair)
- Membership Outreach Coordinator
- Two (2) non-executive directors from the SUO Board
- Four (4) Students-at-Large, who must be current executives of SUO Student Associations:
 - o At least one (1) executive from a student club
 - o At least one (1) executive from a course union

5. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

- 5.1 Senate
- 5.2 Board of Governors
- **5.3 Other University Committees**

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 BCFS Executive Committee Appointment

25/05/02.23

Qually/Awais

Be it resolved that VP External, Olivia Lai, be appointed to the BCFS Executive Committee. **Carried.**



7. DISCUSSION

7.1 social media posting of the board meeting summary.

Trabelsi proposed that she post the board meeting summary in her campaign's social media so as to make the information of board meetings accessible for membership who could not attend the meeting or do not have time to read the agenda or minutes. Directors were in favor of this idea and suggested they use SUO social media instead. They discussed when to post the meeting summary and how to approve the posting.

25/05/02.24

Idoko/Lai

Be it resolved that Yasmine Trabelsi meet with Communications Manager to strategize a communication plan related to the board meeting summary posting.

Carried.

7.2 Kelowna Urban Planning

Lai shared the information about Kelowna Urban Planning from Kelowna City Council. She was going to meet with Kelowna City Council advocating for a better transit service for students, such as the accessible time and bus routes. Lai encouraged the directors to send her their feedback.

8. INFORMATION

8.1 Expectation

a. Meeting Etiquette

Idoko expected the directors to maintain respect for each other, show up on time at the meeting and read the agenda before the meeting.

b. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

Directors were reminded of the importance of avoiding conflict of interest. Idoko disclosed that he had an event logistics business and would stay away from any board decision if his business is involved in the SUO event. Osadczuk disclosed that he worked for Phoenix. Awais disclosed that she was a hand artist and was engaged with the SUO events in the past. Trabelsi shared that she was executive of a student club; however, Arora clarified that as per their regulation, only executives are not allowed to be executives of student associations. Thus, Trabelsi could remain an executive of a student association.

c. Meeting Planning for Summer

Idoko expressed that the meeting would be online in the summer.



9. ADJOURNMENT

Evans introduced to the board the president of Graduate Student Society and its former president, who were observing the meeting. Scarlette (the current president) gave a short self-introduction and welcome speech.

Meeting adjourned at 4:01 p.m.