

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of
Students Executive Committee Meeting, June 26 at 12 pm, UNC105/Zoom

Executives Present

President (meeting chair)

Peter Idoko

Vice President Finance and Administration

Rajat Arora

Vice-President External

Olivia Lai

Vice-President Internal

Shreya Patnaik

Vice-President Campus Life

Ashley Kyei-Badu

Executives Absent

Staff Present

General Manager

Jason Evans

Operations and Service Manager

Mike Ouellet

Governance Coordinator

Lijie (Cecily) Qiu

Guests

Bounce

Ola Ogungbemile

Bounce

Sean Monteiro

Bounce

Scott

1. CALLED TO ORDER AT 12:09 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

25/06/26.01

Arora/Lai

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Carried.

Lai/Patnaik

Be it resolved that the agenda be amended by adding "Conference Approval to CBIE".

Amendment carried.

Patnaik/Arora

Be it resolved that the agenda be amended by adding a discussion on Health & Dental plan working group.

Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

25/06/26.02

Lai/Patnaik

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held June 17th, 2025 be adopted.

Carried.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Presentation of the Budget

Arora presented the budget line for each executive and highlighted the budget cuts due to anticipated reductions in student enrollment.

Lai requested that 10% of the sponsorship funds be allocated to campaigns, citing the extra time and effort she invested in securing the sponsors. The executives acknowledged Lai's contribution, and they also emphasized the current financial constraints and shared how such funds are typically allocated. They agreed to continue the discussion in future meetings.

Arora raised concerns about hosting a concert this year, noting the significant costs and suggesting that the funds could instead support other budget lines, such as student advocacy and services. Evans added to the context that that staff layoffs had already been implemented to address the financial challenges. In response, Kyei-Badu expressed her understanding of the situation and proposed considering alternative events that could also enhance the student campus experience.

4.2 Presentation from Bounce

Representatives from Bounce gave a presentation on the platform's key features and addressed Idoko's questions regarding student data security, support for student clubs in hosting events, and available training plans.

Following the presentation, other executives expressed confusion, noting that the organization already used Rubric to facilitate club events and questioned the rationale behind bringing Bounce into the discussion. Idoko clarified that Bounce had approached him during the COCA conference regarding a potential contract, and he recommended a presentation so the entire team could make an informed decision together.

Patnaik and Arora strongly recommended involving the Finance Manager, Project Manager, and Membership Outreach Coordinator in the discussion, as these staff members actively used the current platform to support student clubs. Evans provided context on how Rubric was originally selected and noted that the Bounce contract was still active for managing campus life events. He suggested collecting student feedback on Rubric and conducting a full assessment before considering a switch to another platform. Kyei-Badu added that, moving forward, it would be more effective to consolidate to a single platform for managing student events.

4.3 Operation Updates

Ouellet provided an update on the bookstore inventory check and acknowledged Kayla for her assistance with the inventory count. He also announced his recent appointment to the COCA Board. Regarding the Pantry, Ouellet noted that no new supplies had been ordered, as the current pantry supplies were nearing expiration. He expressed expectations for the Pantry to expand in the future. Additionally, he gave a brief update on his budget, as well as concerts and events planning.

4.4 Conference Approval to CBIE

Lai highlighted the benefits of attending the CBIE (Canadian Bureau for International Education) conference, emphasizing that it could provide valuable resources and insights to support her campaigns for international students. It would also help build connection with some government officers. Arora raised concerns about the associated costs. In response, Lai offered to use credit card points to help offset the flight expenses. After discussing the pros and cons,

executives agreed that attending CBIE would support Lai's action plan for the year and enhance SUO's advocacy for the international students.

4.5 Health and Dental Working Group

Patnaik proposed reinstating the Health and Dental Working Group, originally established three years ago, to collaborate on promoting the Health and Dental services through social media.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 14:56 p.m.