

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Executive Committee Meeting, July 30 at 10 am, Zoom/UNC133C

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

Governance Coordinator

Lijie (Cecily) Qiu

Operations and Service Manager

Mike Ouellet

1. CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:07 A.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

25/07/30.01

Lai/Patnaik

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Arora/Kyei-Badu

Be it resolved that a discussion on swags for SUO events be added.

Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

25/07/30.02

Kyei-Badu/Arora

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held July 10, 2025 be adopted.

Carried.

4. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

4.1 Updates from Executives

Idoko reported ongoing conversations with UBC aimed at enhancing student academic experience. He also reminded the executive team about the upcoming Retreat with UBC, where executives would deliver a presentation. In addition, he informed the team that he and Lai would attend the SUDS meeting to strengthen the relationship with AMS and discuss opportunities for collaborative advocacy.

Kyei-Badu shared that the Campus Life Committee had met earlier that day. This year, instead of a single large concert, they would host a concert series to offer a different experience.

Arora updated the team that the audit process would begin in August. He, along with the Finance Manager and General Manager, would be working on preparations. He also reminded the team that his August leave had been approved by the Oversight Committee, and he would be working remotely during that period.

Lai reported that most of her campaigns had been planned. For the Community Meals initiative, she would work on finalizing the menu and cost. As a member of BC3, she also noted that a letter was sent to all universities urging the federal government to take climate action, and a lobby day was planned for October.

Patnaik informed the team that orientation for student clubs would be held on September 7th and 20th. The sessions would include standard presentations as well as presentations from UBC representatives.

4.2 Updates on Operations

Ouelett reported that he had started restocking the Pantry, and hampers would now be distributed on a weekly basis. He had discussions with the manager of a local grocery store regarding opportunity buying, aiming to increase SUO's purchasing power. They also explored the possibility of sponsorship for upcoming BBQ events. He provided an update on Campus Life business, commending Kyei-Badu for her commitment and for proposing the concert series. He planned to connect with the SUO Communications Team to promote the Print Shop. Regarding the Well, he noted that the drink menu had been finalized, and they would work on finalizing food menu. He also mentioned a few upcoming events that would take place at the Well. Lastly, he requested to be included in future Jump Start conversations with UBC.

4.3 Swags for SUO Plan

Arora reminded Patnaik and Kyei-Badu to order the swags sooner for Expo and other SUO events. Lai also stated that it took one month for her to receive her order for the BBQ. Kyei-Badu updated that the design of the T-shirt was done and Ouellet would work with the company for orders.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.