

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Executive Committee Meeting, December 3rd at 10 a.m., UNC133

Executives Present

President (meeting chair)	Peter Idoko
Vice President Finance and Administration	Rajat Arora
Vice-President Internal	Shreya Patnaik
Vice-President External	Olivia Lai

Executives Absent

Vice-President Campus Life	Ashley Kyei-Badu
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Staff Present

General Manager	Jason Evans
Governance Coordinator	Lijie Qiu
Operations and Service Manager	Mike Ouellet

1. CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:09 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

25/12/03.01

Lai/Patnaik

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Lai/Patnaik

Be it resolved that "Transportation Service Request from Engineering Society" be added to the agenda.

Amendment carried.

Patnaik/Lai

Be it resolved that an in-camera session regarding labor be added to the agenda.

Amendment carried.

Lai/Patnaik

Be it resolved that a topic "Post-secondary Education Crisis" be added to the agenda.

Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

25/12/03.02

Lai/Patnaik

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held November 19, 2025 be adopted.

Carried.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 AGM Reflection

Members noted that the AGM went well and smoothly, setting a strong standard for professional collaboration. They also acknowledged Quinlin's efforts in inviting students to the AGM to ensure quorum. Members also expressed their disappointment regarding the lack of engagement of some board members for the AGM.

Evans reported that he was working with Communications Assistant on the letters and expected to complete them by the end of the day. Ouellet noted that the board's three most important responsibilities are supporting the AGM, approving the budget, and approving the financial statements. In response, Evans recommended a policy change to require board members to actively participate in these key responsibilities.

4.2 Transportation Service Request from Engineering Society

Lai noted that the Engineering Society had requested funding support from the SUO to help cover the transportation expenses, mainly bus service, for a conference held in Kelowna. Executives raised concerns regarding budget pressure and existing financial constraints. Considering Engineering society collects a faculty student fee, they suggested the Engineering society uses their own fundings to cover the costs, similar to how the MSA uses their own budget to fund their conference expenses.

4.3 Post-secondary Education Crisis

Lai provided an update on her conversations with the Minister of Post-Secondary Education and on the lobbying efforts in Victoria. She noted that the provincial government was conducting consultations due to concerns about the financial sustainability of post-secondary institutions. Lai would continue working with BCFS to address student concerns and advocate for increased government funding.

4.4 In Camera (Labor)

25/12/03.03

Lai/Patnaik

Be it resolved that the meeting be moved in camera.

Carried. [10:34 a.m.]

25/12/03.04

Patnaik/Arora

Be it resolved that the meeting be moved out of camera.

Carried. [10:51 a.m.]

5. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:51 a.m.