



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union UBC Okanagan, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Board of Directors Meeting, January 26, 2026 at 1 pm, UNC105

Directors 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
Director-at-Large	Aaditya Golash
Director-at-Large	Naden Qually
Director-at-Large	Jessica Goel
Director-at-Large	Saadia Awais
Faculty of Education Representative	Vacant
Faculty of Science Representative	Yasmine Trabelsi
Faculty of Management Representative	Tejas Bhatia
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative	Quinlin Osadczuk
Faculty of Applied Science Representative	Donald Onyewuchi-Ohiri
Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative	Ali Wasti

Directors Absent With Regrets

Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	Kiki Akinlade
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Board of Governors Representative (ex-officio)	Noah Arney
Student Senate Caucus Representative (ex-officio)	Saami Hafeez

Staff Present

General Manager	Jason Evans
Operations Manager	Mike Ouellet
Governance Coordinator	Lijie Qiu
Student's Advocate	Rachel Fortin

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 1:08 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

26/01/26.01

Awais/Golash

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Qually/Golash

Be it resolved that an in-camera (legal) session be added between agenda item 4 and 5.
Amendment carried.

Lai/Qually

Be it resolved that post-secondary review document be added to the discussion.
Amendment carried.

Idoko/Goel

Be it resolved that the February board meeting be added to the discussion.
Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

26/01/26.02

Goel/Lai

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meetings held December 11, 2025 be adopted.

Carried.

4. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

4.1 Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes

26/01/26.03

Goel/Qually

Be it resolved that the following Committee meeting minutes be approved as attached:

- the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held December 18th, 2025
- the minutes of the Campus Life Committee meeting held December 4th, 2025
- the minutes of the Campaigns Committee meeting held December 18th, 2025
- the minutes of the Campaigns Committee meeting held January 19th, 2026
- the minutes of the Graduate Student Committee meeting held December 18th, 2025
- the minutes of the Electoral Committee meeting held January 12th, 2026

Carried.

4.2 Honoraria Approval

26/01/26.04

Goel/Qually

Be it resolved that the December GSC SAL honoraria be disbursed as follows:

GSC December 2025			
Sr. No	Name of SAL	Amount (\$)	Note
1	Ahmad, Hammad	0	
2	Gordanpour, Yazdanmehr	0	
3	Hussain, Ghulam	50	
4	Jelassi, Joud	0	
5	Moli, Mhamoda Akter	50	
6	Ruman, Pronob Das	50	
7	Thind, Shavneet	50	

Carried.

5. IN-CAMERA (LEGAL)

26/01/26.05

Qually/Lai

Be it resolved that the meeting be moved in-camera.

Carried. [1:13 p.m.]

Meeting moved ex-camera at 2:27 p.m.

6. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

6.1 Senate

6.2 Board of Governors

6.3 Other University Committees

7. NEW BUSINES

7.1 2026 General Election Schedule

26/01/26.06

Idoko/Patnaik

Be it resolved that the 2026 SUO General Election schedule be approved as follows:

1. Nomination Period starts: 8:00 am PST, Wednesday, January 28, 2026

Nomination Period ends: 4:00 pm PST, Friday, February 13, 2026

2. All-Candidates Meeting: 5:00 pm PST, Friday, February 13, 2026

3. Campaigning Period starts: 8:00 am PST, Monday, February 23, 2026

Campaigning Period ends: 11:59 pm PST, Friday, March 6, 2026

4. Voting Period starts: 8:00 am PST, Tuesday, March 3, 2026

Voting Period ends: 11:59 pm PST, Friday, March 6, 2026

* All in-person campaigns shall be suspended at 7:59 am PST, Tuesday, March 3; only online campaigns are permitted during the Voting Period.

Motion was carried outside of the board meeting via email. Approval Emails were attached to the agenda.

7.2 Referendum Question_UPASS

26/01/26.07

Goel/Lai

Be it resolved that the following referendum question be approved:

Are you in favour of linking the mandatory U-Pass fee to the Kelowna Regional Transit System 30-Day Adult Pass rate, less a minimum 11.25% subsidy from the University of British Columbia, beginning September 2026?

This would result in the U-Pass fee students pay increasing from \$63 to \$71 per student per term.

Idoko/Goel

Be it resolved that the following words be added to the referendum question:

Note: In the case of a "no" vote majority, Kelowna Regional Transit may exercise their right under Article 13.3 of the U-PASS agreement to terminate the U-PASS or reduce service levels. Any changes would be effective September 2026. So the referendum question then reads:

Are you in favour of linking the mandatory U-Pass fee to the Kelowna Regional Transit System 30-Day Adult Pass rate, less a minimum 11.25% subsidy from the University of British Columbia, beginning September 2026?

This would result in the U-Pass fee students pay increasing from \$63 to \$71 per student per term.

Note: In the case of a “no” vote majority, Kelowna Regional Transit may exercise their right under Article 13.3 of the U-PASS agreement to terminate the U-PASS or reduce service levels. Any changes would be effective September 2026.

Yes___ No___

Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

7.3 Club ratification

26/01/26.08

Onyewuchi-Ohiri/Awais

Be it resolved that the Indonesian Student Association be ratified.

Carried.

8. DISCUSSIONS

8.1 Update on EXPO

Patnaik reported that the EXPO went well and thanked the staff and board members for their volunteer support. She also expressed disappointment that some board members have not yet taken part in tabling during their current term.

8.2 Post-Secondary Review Document

Lai updated that the provincial government’s post-secondary sustainability review has been extended by a few weeks, with the report expected by the end of March. She expressed that they would consolidate with small colleges for post-secondary advocacy.

8.3 February Board Meeting

It was suggested that Idoko send the doodle poll for the meeting time.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 2:46 p.m.