

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Executive Committee Meeting, May 11, 2026 at 11 am, UNC 133C

Executives Present

President (meeting chair)

Olivia Lai

Vice-President Internal

Quinlin Osadczuk

Vice-President External

Naden Qually

Vice-President Campus Life

Guransh Sandhu

Executives Absent

Vice President Finance and Administration

Shreya Patnaik

Staff Present

General Manager

Jason Evans

Operations and Service Manager

Mike Ouellet

Governance Coordinator

Lijie Qiu

Observers

Faculty of Science Rep

Amanda Bolton

Director at Large

Laisa Pertet

1. CALLED TO ORDER AT 11:06 AM.

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.

ACCESSIBILITY NEEDS CHECK

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP

26/05/11.01

Sandhu/Qually

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Lai/Qually

Be it resolved that the following discussions be added:

- Planning for executive meetings

- Electing an ombudsperson (committee representative)

Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

26/05/11.02

Osadczuk/Qually

Be it resolved that the minutes of meetings held April 28, 2026 be adopted.

Carried.

4. NEW BUSINESS

26/05/11.03

Qually/Lai

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

Carried. [11:09 a.m.] Bolton and Pertet left.

4.1 MOUs with GSA Discussion

4.2 Faculty of Creative Science MOU Discussion

26/05/11.04

Sandhu/Qually

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

Carried. [11:42 p.m.] Bolton and Pertet entered.

4.3 Cross-event Support as Executives

Qually and Lai emphasized the importance of supporting each other as executives and maintaining clear communication, particularly when they are unavailable for

volunteer responsibilities. Qually also expressed the expectation that their event responsibilities do not overlap, and that executives regularly check their emails and keep their calendars updated. Other executives voiced their support for the expectation and points of discussion.

4.4 Discussion of Priorities

Executive shared their priorities.

Osadczuk would focus on bylaw and regulation amendments following the GSA separation, as well as broader Student Association business. In addition to general governance oversight, he would also work on smaller initiatives, including town halls and potential oversight committee policy changes related to executive compensation.

Qually would focus on showcasing SUO to the student body by creating social media content, including introductions of board members and information about SUO elections. He would also work on strengthening SUO's advocacy position.

Lai would focus on both internal and external communications, strengthening collaboration between staff and the board, and building a stronger relationship with the UBC Board of Governors.

4.5 Discussion on SUO Advocacy Positioning

Qually highlighted the benefits of SUO's membership in the BC3 Coalition and BCFS, noting that collaboration with different coalition partners could strengthen SUO's advocacy efforts.

4.6 Complaints Process Formalization

Qually recommended publishing the oversight committee chair's SUO email and complaint submission process on the SUO website so that concerns regarding executives can be directed to the oversight committee chair. He would reach out to the Communication Assistant to discuss it.

4.7 Planning for Executive Meetings

Lai expressed the expectation that executive meetings would be held in person unless someone was sick or travelling. The executives also discussed their availability over the summer. The next executive meeting was scheduled for May 20 at 10 a.m.

4.8 Electing an Ombudsperson

Lai updated that the VP Internal serves on the Ombudsperson Committee as an SUO representative and is responsible for bringing the student perspective to the committee. The next meeting was scheduled for May 19. She asked Osadczuk to connect with Ombudsperson Cindy.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 12:17 p.m.