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BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Students' Union UBC Okanagan, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Board of Directors Meeting, November 16, 2026 at 4 pm, UNC 105 Boardroom

Directors Present

President (meeting chair)	Olivia Lai
Vice President Finance and Administration	Shreya Patnaik
Vice-President Internal	Quinlin Osadczuk
Vice-President Campus Life	Guransh Sandhu
Vice-President External	Naden Qually
Director-at-Large	Oliver Hale
Director-at-Large	Laisa Pertet
Director-at-Large	Sarina Pfaender
Director-at-Large	Jiteesh Reddy
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Faculty of Science Representative	Amanda Bolton
Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	Neela Rader
Faculty of Applied Science Representative	Tim Liao
Faculty of Education Representative	Vacant
Faculty of Management Representative	Mansi Sharma
Board of Governors Representative (ex-officio)	Peter Idoko
Student Senate Caucus Representative (ex-officio)	Saami Hafeez

Directors Absent with Regrets

Directors Absent without Regrets

Staff Present

General Manager	Jason Evans
Operational Manager	Micheal Ouellet
Governance Coordinator	Lijie Qiu

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at _____.

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ACCESSBILITY NEEDS CHECK

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP

Motion#26/11/16.01

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Moved by _____; Seconded by _____.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Motion#26/11/16.02

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held October 23 and November 2, 2026 be adopted.

Moved by _____; Seconded by _____.

4. IN-CAMERA (LEGAL)

Motion#26/11/16.03

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

Moved by ____; Seconded by _____.

- AGM Resolutions Discussion (Legal Implication/Fiduciary Responsibility of the Board)

SUO GenAI Policy

Resolution 1: Transparent use of GenAI

WHEREAS the SUO Regulations VII - Code of Conduct item 3 states that Directors shall "Respect the professional and intellectual work of others, giving those others full credit and citations when reproduced in any form";

WHEREAS the use of Generative AI for advertising, communication, and board operations inherently violates the regulation item about attribution credit, as not publicly disclosing SUO content that is generated or manipulated with GenAI is equivalent to not attributing credit to the source of the content, committing plagiarism or patch-writing;

WHEREAS one of the SUO's five organizational principles is "transparency";

BE IT RESOLVED that the SUO clearly flag and label any SUO content and communication-such as emails from Directors' and Staff, public statements, social medial content, website information, posters, and minutes-produced using GenAI as "Ai generated" or "AI manipulated".

Resolution 2: SUO GenAI Regulation
WHEREAS students have the right to receive the full human effort in communication without being mediated by AI of the Directors we elect, and in receiving original work by social media staff student fees contribute towards;
WHEREAS the SUO constitution states the purpose of the Union includes "to promote artistic... activities for the advancement of the interests of its members;
WHEREAS it is unethical for the SUO to undermine artistic endeavors by using GenAI for advertising designs, actively decreasing opportunities for students to engage in artistic activities through supporting the SUO social media or content teams;
WHEREAS organizations of comparable populations such as UBCO's Graduate Student Association and UBC have AI policies and guidelines in place;
WHEREAS the SUO has committed in Bylaw XIII item 7 conduct financial dealings in an environmental and socially responsible manner;
Whereas unfettered GenAI use by the SUO raises environmental and ethical concerns about what student fees are supporting, with the status quo implicitly supporting unethical GenAI corporations, when the lack of a GenAI policy enables the use of GenAI by Directors and Staff who student financially support in SUO fees;
WHEREAS the SUO does not have any documented GenAI policy in place to safeguard the interests of students they represent;
BE IT RESOLVED the SUO will adopt a regulation, developed through the policy committee, within the term of the current board of Directors, that would prohibit the use of GenAI by SUO Directors and Staff in all board operations and in the output of all communication channels of the SUO, such as emails, public statements, social media content, website information, posters and minutes.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SUO policy committee work towards codifying the aforementioned GenAI regulation into By-Law, to be presented at the 2027 AGM.

UBC DIVEST Resolution
WHEREAS Apartheid is defined in international law as a crime against humanity that involves “inhuman acts committed for the purpose of establishing and maintaining domination by one racial group of persons over any other racial group of persons and systematically oppressing them.”;
WHEREAS a 2022 Special Report to the UN Human Rights Council states that “apartheid is being practiced by Israel in the occupied Palestinian territory”;

WHEREAS in 2023, the Student Union Okanagan (SUO) of UBC Okanagan passed a Resolution condemning Israeli apartheid in Palestine and supporting the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement at its AGM;
WHEREAS on May 31st 2024 the Student Union Okanagan (SUO) of UBC Okanagan published a statement in support of the People's University for Gaza at UBCO stating that "adopting ethical investment practices aligns with our core values and underscores our commitment to social justice and human rights" and that the SUO has previously divested from "[...] any companies related to the weapons industry";
WHEREAS in 2025, the Student Union Okanagan (SUO) of UBC Okanagan passed a Resolution demanding that the SUO advocate to the UBC Okanagan Senate to cancel all current student mobility agreements with institutions upholding apartheid at its AGM;

BE IT RESOLVED the SUO 1) continues advocating to the Academic Senate at UBC Okanagan to end mobility agreements with Israeli universities and request a written response from any recipient of related communications, 2) makes any communications pertaining to the matter available to members and associate members upon request within a reasonable timeline, 3) provides public updates in the form of written communications published on the SUO website and social media at least twice a year, including at the AGM, and 4) ensures that detailed information related to academic boycott advocacy is included in the Executives Committee Members' and Oversight Committee Chair's Transition reports.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the SUO consider the Apartheid Free Communities Pledge within two (2) weeks of the AGM and provides public updates in the form of written communications published on the SUO website and social media on its actions to become apartheid-free at least twice a year, including at the AGM. Actions to become apartheid-free include but are not limited to 1) reviewing the SUO investment portfolio and divesting from all companies involved in Israeli settlements in occupied Palestinian territory as listed in the most up-to-date Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (A/HRC/63/20), 2) re-evaluating SUO sponsorships and business partnerships with any companies listed in the aforementioned report, 3) passing a resolution to mandate SUO businesses to refrain from purchasing and selling products from the companies listed in the aforementioned report, 4) continuing to actively advocate in favor of UBC divesting its endowment fund from companies listed in the aforementioned report as well as weapons manufacturers to the Board of Governors and UBC senior leadership, requesting a written response from any recipient of advocacy-related communications, 6) making any communications pertaining to divestment advocacy available to members and associate members upon request within a reasonable timeline 8) ensuring that detailed information related to divestment advocacy is included in the Executives Committee Members' and Oversight Committee Chair's Transition reports.

Motion# 26/11/16.04

Be it resolved that the meeting be moved ex-camera.
Moved by _____; Seconded by _____.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Participation and Supporting Executive Team

5.2 Executive Report Adoption

Motion #26/11/16.05
Be it resolved that the Executive October Report be approved as attached.
Moved by _____; seconded by _____.

5.3 CRO Report Adoption

Motion #26/11/16.06

Be it resolved that the SUO of UBC Board of Directors approve the 2026 October By-Election report as submitted by the Chief Returning Officer.

Be it further resolved that the SUO of UBC Board of Directors approves the destruction of the nomination forms used in the 2026 October By-Election.

Moved by _____; seconded by _____.

5.4 Committee Appointments

Motion #26/11/16.07

Be it resolved that _____ (a non-executive director) be appointed to the Oversight Committee.

Moved by _____; seconded by _____.

Motion #26/11/16.08

Be it resolved that Jiteesh Reddy and Sarino Pfaender be appointed to the Campus Life Committee.

Moved by _____; seconded by _____.

Motion #26/11/16.09

Be it resolved that Sarino Pfaender be appointed to the Campaigns Committee.

Moved by _____; seconded by _____.

5.5 Media Fund Fee Allocation

Motion #26/11/16.10

Be it resolved that the board allocate $4491.02 media fund fee to the Phoenix.

Moved by ____; seconded by _____.

5.6 Engagement Report Submission

Term 1 Engagement Report submission notice for non-executive directors
Deadline: December 6
Requirement: see template.

5.7 Letter to VIU

Motion# 26/11/20.06

Be it resolved that the board of directors approve the attached letter calling on VIU to honour their commitments to VIUSU and the WUSC program.

Moved by Qually; seconded by Lai

The motion was carried via email. Hale, Sandhu, Bolton, Wasti, Wallace, Liao, Patnaik, Qually, Lai voted in favor.

6. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

6.1 Committee Meeting Minutes Approval

Motion#26/11/16.05
Be it resolved that the minutes of following meetings be adopted:

- Executive meeting held October 20th and November 3rd ;

- Campaigns Committee meeting held October 28th

- Media Fund Committee meeting held November 2nd;

- Oversight Committee meeting held October 28th;

- Sustainability Committee meeting held October 30th.

Moved by _____; Seconded by _____.

7. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

7.1 Senate

7.2 Board of Governors

7.3 Other University Committees

8. ADJOURNMENT

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Faculty of Science Representative	Amanda Bolton
Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	Neela Rader
Faculty of Applied Science Representative	Krishansh Dhawan
Faculty of Education Representative	Marci Brooks (zoom)
Faculty of Management Representative	Mansi Sharma
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Student Senate Caucus Representative (ex-officio)	Saami Hafeez

Staff Present

Operational Manager	Micheal Ouellet
Governance Coordinator	Lijie Qiu

Guests

Student	Jiteesh Reddy
Student	Mel Baird

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

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Motion#26/10/23.01

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Moved by Osadczuk; Seconded by Liao.

Be it resolved that a topic regarding the renewal of ACSC be added.
Moved by Osadczuk; Seconded by Qually.
Amendment carried.

Be it resolved that transparency of financial audit be added.
Moved by Rader; Seconded by Wallace.
Amendment carried.

Be it resolved that #6.1 Adopted Resolutions at 2025 SUO AGM be moved to in-camera session.
Moved by Lai; Seconded by Hale.
Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Motion#26/10/23.02

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held October 15, 2026 be adopted.

Moved by Bierwirth; Seconded by Sandhu.
Carried.

4. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

4.1 Committee Meeting Minutes Approval

Motion#26/10/23.03
Be it resolved that the minutes of following meetings be adopted:

- Executive meeting held October 6th;

- Finance Committee meeting held September 24th and October 6th ;

- Campus Life Committee meeting held September 14th and October 9th;

- Policy Committee meeting held October 8th;

- Building Steering Committee meeting held October 6th and October 15th ;

- Campaigns Committee meeting held September 28th

Moved by Osadczuk; Seconded by Bolton.

Carried.

5. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

5.1 Senate

Liao updated that there had been a debate whether a faculty member having an administration position could hold committee seat as faculty representative. In Vancouver senate, there had been discussions about reintroduction of the motion to cut ties with Israeli universities due to the ongoing conflict in Gaza.

5.2 Board of Governors

5.3 Other University Committees

Lai updated the donation information made to the new nursing building from a member of Alumni Advisory Council.

Motion#26/10/23.04
Be it resolved that Shreya Patnaik be appointed to the UBC VP Finance Search Committee as the SUO representative.
Moved by Sandhu; Seconded by Liao.
Failed.

Lai nominated Shreya Patnaik. Neela Rader nominated themselves. Lai was also nominated by the board, but she rejected it due to capacity concerns. Shreya Patnaik withdrew from the nomination. Rader were asked whether they had any work experience with finance. Rader responded that they had work experience in finance through student clubs and Students Empowerment Alliance.

Be it resolved that **Neela Rader** be appointed to the UBC VP Finance Search Committee as the SUO representative.
Moved by Wallace; Seconded by Wasti.
Carried.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 AGM Preparation

- Attendance

The importance of attending the AGM was emphasized, along with the directors' fiduciary responsibilities.

- Volunteer

- Registration table (4): Amanda Bolton, Oliver Hale, Laisa Pertet and Neela Rader
- Food Service (4): Jiteesh Reddy, Liam Wallace and some newly elected directors via by-election.
- Clean up (2)

Lai had also scheduled a meeting for October 30 to prepare for the upcoming AGM. Rader noted that they would talk about transparency of financial audit in that meeting.

6.2 Electoral Committee Update Regarding the voting system bylaw changes

Qiu noted that the Electoral Committee had revised the wording of the proposed voting system for greater clarity without changing the Board's direction or the original meaning of the policies; and the revised wording was attached to the AGM agenda. Liao asked if they should add the definition of "class". Although the wording of the special resolutions in the AGM agenda cannot be changed since they already published the agenda, Qiu noted that she would relay the feedback to the Electoral Committee so that they could monitor the potential for future confusion.

Reddy asked whether it was still possible to bring bylaw changes to the AGM as he was not aware of the requirement of AGM agenda notice. Qiu noted that since the AGM agenda notice, including the specific wording of the special resolutions, must be published at least 14 days before the AGM, his proposal could be brought forward at the next AGM or a Special General Meeting. She emphasized that the preferred process is to submit proposed bylaw changes to the Policy Committee for review and recommendation to the Board. Alternatively, students may bring proposed bylaw changes directly to the Board through a petition.

6.3 Tuition Engagement Feedback

Lai reminded the directors that this was the time to provide feedback and recommendations to the VP Students regarding the services provided by the university. She noted that the university distributes an annual email inviting students to complete the Tuition Engagement Feedback Survey, which includes a breakdown of tuition fees. Directors were encouraged to submit any feedback or recommendations to Lai by the end of October so she could bring them forward in her conversations with the VP Students' Office.

6.4 Community Meals Updates

Qually updated that the community meals went very well and reported the number of meals served during the week, including the number of graduate students who accessed the service. The data indicated that graduate students accounted for approximately one-quarter of the students served.

Concerns were raised regarding student ID check. Qually clarified that the data collection on graduate students was requested by the Graduate Student Society (GSA) and noted that the MOU between the GSA and SUO could be discussed further during the in-camera session. It was also noted that the practice had been consistently followed over the past few years, with no concerns raised by students. It was noted that SUO was simply confirming if they are undergraduate students or graduate students. It was emphasized that the service remained low barrier.

6.5 Provincial Post-Secondary Landscape Update

Qually provided an update that both the NDP and the Conservative Party had promised to release the report on the sustainability review of the public post-secondary education system and noted that students may see cuts at the university. Liao noted that the cuts were already underway.

6.6 Student Associations Code of Conduct

Motion #26/10/23.05
Be it resolved that the Student Associations Code of Conduct be adopted as attached.
Moved by Wallace; seconded by Qually;
Carried.

6.7 Club Ratification

Motion #26/10/23.06
Be it resolved that **Taiwanese Association** be ratified.
Moved by Sandhu; seconded by Qually.
Carried.

Motion #26/10/23.07
Be it resolved that **Chip Design Club** be ratified.
Moved by Wallace; seconded by Pertet.
Carried.

Motion #26/10/23.08
Be it resolved that **Amnesty International** be ratified.
Moved by Osadczuk; seconded by Bolton.
Carried.

Motion #26/10/23.09
Be it resolved that **Le club Francophone** be ratified.

Moved by Rader; seconded by Bolton.
Carried.

Motion #26/10/23.10
Be it resolved that **Horror Media Enthusiasts** be ratified.
Moved by Liao; seconded by Rader.
Carried.

Motion #26/10/23.11
Be it resolved that the **Health, Endometriosis & Reproductive Studies (H.E.R.S)** be ratified.
Moved by Osadczuk; seconded by Sandhu.
Carried.
[Dhawan entered at 5:13 p.m.]

Motion #26/10/23.12
Be it resolved that **Padel Club** be ratified.
Moved by Wallace; seconded by Sandhu.
Carried.

Motion #26/10/23.13
Be it resolved that **Medlife Movement** be ratified.
Moved by Wallace; seconded by Pertet.
Carried.
[Shreya Patnaik left at 5:25 p.m.]

Motion #26/10/23.14
Be it resolved that **Study Habit Collective** be ratified.
Moved by Bierwirth; seconded by Bolton.
Carried.

Motion #26/10/23.15
Be it resolved that **Youreka Kelowna** be ratified.
Moved by Liao; seconded by Osadczuk.
Carried.

Motion #26/10/23.16
Be it resolved that the renewal of **Arican Caribbean Student Club (ACSC)**be approved.
Be it further resolved that an election is no longer needed for the ACSC as it has met the requests of the Student Association Oversight Committee to be able to renew forth 2026-2027 academic year.
Moved by Qually; seconded by Rader.
Carried.

Meeting recessed at 5:43 p.m. and was called back to order at 5:56 p.m.

7. IN-CAMERA (LEGAL)

Motion #26/10/23.17
Be it resolved that the meeting be moved in-camera.
Move by Sandhu; seconded by Qually;
Carried. [5:56 p.m.]

-Third Space MOU
-Graduate Student MOU
-Recreation Fieldhouse MOU and Opt-Out
-Adopted Resolutions at 2025 AGM

[Wallace left at 6:17 p.m. & Sandhu left at 6:19 p.m.]

Motion #26/10/23.18
Be it resolved that the meeting be moved ex-camera.
Move by Hale; seconded by Osadczuk.
Carried. [6:58 p.m.]

8. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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Motion#26/11/02.01

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Moved by Qually; Seconded by Osadczuk.
Carried.

3. NEW BUSINESS

3.1 Resolution #5 Update

Motion #26/11/02.02
Be it resolved that the meeting be moved in-camera.
Moved by Liao; seconded by Bolton.
Carried. [5:05 p.m.]

Motion #26/11/02.03
Be it resolved that the meeting be moved ex-camera.
Moved by Rader; seconded by Wallace.
Carried. [5:33 p.m.]

4. ADJOURNMENT AT 5:33 P.M.

SUO Executive Monthly Report

Name of the Executive: Olivia Lai

Report Month: September

Outline the hours fulfilled for each week within the reporting month:
Week 1: 35 hours
Week 2: 40 hours
Week 3: 30 hours
Week 4: 35 hours

Provide an explanation for the particular week(s) in which you did not fulfill the required hours:

ACTIVITES COMPLETED IN THIS PERIOD

(To insert a new row in the table - press the left arrow button until it reaches outside the table and press enter.)

No.	Activity Completed (Brief description, e.g.: event/initiative name, role played in the event/initiative)	Date/Range of dates on which the activity has been completed/started. (DD/MM/YYYY)
1.	Meeting with the VP Students portfolio in Vancouver. Collaborated with the GSA, GSS, and AMS	1/09/2026
2.	Kickoff Presidential Speech in front of 2,500 new students. Board and Staff Training off campus. Potentia HR Company facilitated the training, and we learned our personality types.	3/08/2026
3.	Jumpstart and Showcase, promoted SUO. Also met with AVPS to discuss priorities.	4/08/2026
4.	We had our SUO Panel and promoted our upcoming events. Over 40 students were in attendance for our event.	8/08/2026
5.	Attended SUO Staff Meeting and met with a board member. We also had our second executive meeting and planned for the busy events in September. Met with a student for office hours. We had our students association oversight orientation where I gave a speech.	9/08/2026
6.	Answered emails, and met with fellow office staff.	10/08/2026
7.	Meeting with the AVPS portfolio regarding the UBC Board of Governors meeting. Met with VP External regarding planning for Board of Governors. Met with the social media team to discuss collaboration.	11/08/2026
8.	Met with student to discuss goals and shared experiences. Conducted our September Board meeting.	14/08/2026
9.	Campus Life Committee meeting. Answered emails, and met with staff.	15/09/2026

10.	Meeting and SUO Staff Meeting and meeting with GM. Meeting with student. Hosted our annual SUO Panel in Nechako Gathering room.	16/09/2026
11.	Hosted our SUO Beer Garden, and had a successful turnout. Met with the Phoenix and discussed upcoming goals.	17/09/2026
12.	Meeting with staff members, and SUO Building Steering Committee Meeting.	18/09/2026
13.	Meeting with student and office work. Answered emails, and scheduled upcoming meetings for the month.	21/09/2026
14.	SUO Staff Meeting, and second executive meeting. I also had a weekly meeting with the general manager. Travelled to Board of Governors meeting.	22/09/2026
15.	Naden and I had our annual board of governors meeting in Vancouver. We advocated for three priorities surrounding affordability with food security, the SUO building, and work study funding.	23/09/2026
16.	We had our finance committee meeting and discussed YTD progress. We conducted a SUO Building meeting with Campus Planning and AVPS to talk about upcoming initiatives. I also met with the President of UBC to discuss our priorities.	24/09/2026
17.	Met with UBC to discuss current MOU agreements with the Recreation Fieldhouse Referendum. Met with a student to discuss upcoming goals.	25/09/2026
18.	Tuition Engagement meeting, and met with staff, and external partners to discuss upcoming events.	29/09/2026

ACTIVITIES IN PROGRESS

No.	Activity in progress *(eg: event/initiative name, role being played in the event/initiative)*	Date/Range of dates by which the activity will be completed. (DD/MM/YYYY)
1.	Sustainable Initiatives Campaign	2026 - Dec
2.	SUO Building	2026 – April

ACTIVITIES TO BE STARTED

No.	Activity to be started *(Brief description)*
1.	*Board Social x Staff Social*
2.	
4.	

ISSUES FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION CONCERNING ACTIVITIES STARTED (IF ANY)

No.	Issue for immediate attention	Level of emergency

	(Brief description)	*(High/Medium/Low)*
1.		
2.		

NOTES / OTHER ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE BROUGHT TO THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE'S ATTENTION / HELP REQUIRED (IF ANY).

No.	Notes/Issues *(Brief description)*	Level of help required(if any) *(High/Medium/Low)*
1.	Media Training for Executive / Board is needed	High
2.		

SUO Executive Monthly Report

Name of the Executive: Shreya Patnaik

Report Month: September

Outline the hours fulfilled for each week within the reporting month:
25

Provide an explanation for the particular week(s) in which you did not fulfill the required hours:

ACTIVITES COMPLETED IN THIS PERIOD

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1.	VPS Retreat-9 hours.	01/09/2026

2.	Return to Kelowna-4 hours	02/09/2026
3.	SUO Panel-1 hour	05/09/2026
4.	Emergency Executive Meeting-1 hour 30 mins	08/09/2026
5.	SA Orientation-3.5 hours	08/09/2026
6.	Office Hours-2.5 hours	08/09/2026
7.	Office Hours-2.5 hours	08/09/2026
8.	SA Funding Emails about balances and deadlines-3 hours	11/09/2026
9.	Emergency Board Meeting-2 hours	11/09/2026
10.	SA Funding Emails about balances and deadlines-2 hours	12/09/2026
11.	SA Funding Emails about balances and deadlines-1 hour	13/09/2026
12.	Office Hours-2.5 hours	15/09/2026
13.	Office Hours-2.5 hours	17/09/2026
14.	DVC Meeting-Budget Presentation- 1 hour	21/09/2026
15.	Office Hours-2.5 hours	22/09/2026
16.	Executive meeting-1 hour	22/09/2026
17.	Office Hours-2.5 hours	24/09/2026
18.	Finance Committee Meeting-1 hour	24/09/2026
19.	Reel shoot with Indian Student Association-20 mins	25/09/2026
20.	Board Meeting-3 hours	25/09/2026
21.	Office Hours-2.5 hours	27/09/2026
22.	Office Hours-2.5 hours	29/09/2026
23.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	02/09/2026
24.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	03/09/2026
25.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	04/09/2026
26.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	08/09/2026
27.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	09/09/2026
28.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	10/09/2026
29.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	14/09/2026
30.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	15/09/2026
31.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	16/09/2026
32.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	17/09/2026
33.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	18/09/2026
34.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	21/09/2026
35.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	22/09/2026
36.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	24/09/2026
37.	Email Review and Miscellaneous-1 hour	25/09/2026
38.	Reel shoot with Sabhya- 30 mins	08/09/2026

ACTIVITIES IN PROGRESS

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ACTIVITIES TO BE STARTED

No.	Activity to be started *(Brief description)*

ISSUES FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION CONCERNING ACTIVITIES STARTED (IF ANY)

No.	Issue for immediate attention *(Brief description)*	Level of emergency *(High/Medium/Low)*
1.		
2.		

NOTES / OTHER ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE BROUGHT TO THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE'S ATTENTION / HELP REQUIRED (IF ANY).

No.	Notes/Issues *(Brief description)*	Level of help required(if any) *(High/Medium/Low)*
1.		

SUO Executive Monthly Report

Name of the Executive: Naden Qually, VP External

Report Month: September 2026

Outline the hours fulfilled for each week within the reporting month:

Week 1: 40 hours
Week 2: 40 hours
Week 3: 40 hours
Week 4: 25 hours

Provide an explanation for the particular week(s) in which you did not fulfill the required hours:

ACTIVITIES COMPLETED IN THIS PERIOD

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No.	Activity Completed (Brief description, e.g.: event/initiative name, role played in the event/initiative)	Date/Range of dates on which the activity has been completed/started. (DD/MM/YYYY)
1.	VPS Retreat @ UBC Vancouver (8hr) Met with and presented to the Vice-President Students Andrew Parr's office and discussed areas of collaboration on food insecurity and work study.	01/09/2026
2.	Federal Government Youth Caucus Call (1.5hr) Presented to the offices of MP Amandeep Sodhi, MP Fares Al-Soud, MP Tatiana Auguste, and MP Jake Sawatzky on priorities for the federal 2027 budget	02/09/2026
3.	Board and Staff Training (7hr) Joined staff and board members at HR training	03/09/2026
4.	Shopping for Showcase (bought snacks for the SUO table at Showcase)	03/09/2026
5.	Set-up and take-down for Showcase (2hr)	04/09/2026

6.	SUO Panel at Jumpstart (1.5hr) Hosted a Q&A Panel at Jumpstart about the SUO	05/09/2026
7.	SUO Services Panel at Jumpstart (1.5hr) Co-Hosted an SUO Services Panel at Jumpstart	07/09/2026
8.	Student-at-Large Interview Met with a student who was interested in joining the Campaigns Committee	08/09/2026
9.	Takeoff Internal PR Discussions Participated in discussions on next steps, statements, and the direction of the concert.	07/09/2026-16/09/2026
10.	Emergency Executive Meeting (1hr)	08/09/2026
11.	Student Association Orientation (1hr) Attended and assisted with clean-up	08/09/2026
12.	Drop-in office hours (2.5hr)	09/09/2026
13.	Meetings with Casey and Damien from BSSP and Sissi from GEO to discuss Harmony (2hr)	10/09/2026
14.	In The Know With Your SUO Filming and Prep (1hr)	10/09/2026
15.	Emergency Board Meeting (2hr)	11/09/2026
16.	Toga Party at the Well (4hr) Helped scan tickets at the Well to support Campus Life	11/09/2026
17.	Coffee with Qually (2.5hr)	14/09/2026
18.	Meeting with OTSU (30min) Met with a representative of OTSU to discuss lobbying and advocacy strategies and the differences between the Ontario and BC Post-Secondary systems or challenges	14/09/2026
19.	September Pre-Concert Campus Life Meeting (30min)	14/09/2026
20.	Ask Me About Your SUO Panel @ Nechako (1hr) Participated in the Ask Me About Your SUO Panel	15/09/2026
21.	SUO Fall Beer Garden (3hr) Attended the Beer Garden to show support for Guransh's event	17/09/2026
22.	September Sustainability Meeting (1hr)	17/09/2026
23.	Building Steering Committee Meeting (1.5hr)	18/09/2026
24.	Coffee with Qually (2.5hr)	21/09/2026
25.	DVC Meeting (1hr) Met with DVC Lesley Cormack, AVP Students Dale Mullings and AVP Finance Rob Einarson on to receive updates from the	21/09/2026

	university and present our budget and audited statements from 24/25 to the university.	
26.	BCFS Online Executive Meeting (1hr) Presented updates from the Vision for PSE Working Group to the Executive Committee.	21/09/2026
27.	Second Monthly Executive Committee Meeting (1hr)	22/09/2026
28.	September Board of Governors Meeting (4hr) Attended the September BoG meeting at UBCV and presented the SUO's priorities and asks for the 2026-2027 year alongside Olivia. Reception from the governors was very positive and encouraging!	23/09/2026
29.	Communication and Rescheduling of EXPO with Sponsors (2hr)	23/09/2026
30.	Meeting with Todd from Multi-Faith Space about Harmony (30min)	24/09/2026
31.	Met UBC President (30min) Briefly chatted with Dr. Bacon as he was at UBCO to chair the Okanagan Senate. Dr. Bacon praised us for our presentation and collaboration with other student unions.	24/09/2026
32.	BCFS Visit (4hr) Gave Cole Reinbold from the BCFS a tour of our space and welcomed them and Debi Herrera Lira to campus to table and chatted advocacy with them.	25/09/2026
33.	September Board of Directors Meeting (2.5hr)	25/09/2026
34.	White Lies Party at the Well (3hr) Attended party and scanned tickets to support Campus Life	25/09/2026
35.	Tuition Engagement Meeting (1hr) Meeting with VPS Students Office and UBC Finance about tuition increases and the engagement process	28/09/2026
36.	Coffee with Qually (2.5hr)	28/09/2026
37.	September Campaigns Committee Meeting (1hr) Prepared Agenda, organized and chaired the Campaigns Committee	28/09/2026
38.	BC3 Meeting (1hr) Met with the BC3 Coalition to discuss Municipal Elections events, snap Provincial Election call, and changes to lobbying plans	28/09/2026
39.	Drop-in Hours (2.5hr)	30/09/2026
40.	General Email Communications and Administrative Work Preparing Agendas, Events, Communications, Meetings, Campaigns Materials.	01/09/2026-30/09/2026
41.	Practice for BoG Presentation (3hr)	01/09/2026-23/09/2026

42.	General Relations with Staff (5hr) Updates with staff, attending staff meetings, brief conversations.	01/09/2026-30/09/2026
43.	Your City, Your Vote Tabling (6hr) Tabled throughout the month to encourage students to vote in the municipal election cycle.	15/09/2026-30/09/2026

ACTIVITIES IN PROGRESS

No.	Activity in progress *(eg: event/initiative name, role being played in the event/initiative)*	Date/Range of dates by which the activity will be completed. (DD/MM/YYYY)
1.	U-PASS Draft Agreement Discussions (Awaiting UBC updates and legal)	Still Ongoing
2.	Developing Relationships with other Student Unions	Ongoing
3.	Resource Centre long term stability and safety	30/11/2026
4.	Get Out The Vote Campaign (Provincial Election)	28/09/2026
5.		
6.		

ACTIVITIES TO BE STARTED

No.	Activity to be started *(Brief description)*
1.	Thrive Month Initiatives
2.	Community Meals
3.	

ISSUES FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION CONCERNING ACTIVITIES STARTED (IF ANY)

No.	Issue for immediate attention *(Brief description)*	Level of emergency *(High/Medium/Low)*
1.	UPASS Agreement: long delays due to multi-party nature of agreement	Low
2.		

NOTES / OTHER ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE BROUGHT TO THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE'S ATTENTION / HELP REQUIRED (IF ANY).

No.	Notes/Issues *(Brief description)*	Level of help required(if any) *(High/Medium/Low)*
1.		

SUO Executive Monthly Report

Name of the Executive: Quinlin Osadczuk, VP Internal

Report Month: September 2026

Outline the hours fulfilled for each week within the reporting month:

Week 1: 26 hours
Week 2: 26 hours
Week 3: 31 hours
Week 4: 33 hours

Provide an explanation for the particular week(s) in which you did not fulfill the required hours:

ACTIVITIES COMPLETED IN THIS PERIOD

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No.	Activity Completed (Brief description, e.g.: event/initiative name, role played in the event/initiative)	Date/Range of dates on which the activity has been completed/started. (DD/MM/YYYY)
1.	Student Association Orientation teardown, recap, post-event discussions with student leaders and answering concerns from students.	08/09/2026, 3 hours.
2.	Emergency Executive meeting, discussing unspecified recent events and plans for the coming month and in advance of imminent board meeting.	08/09/2026, 2 hours.
3.	Emergency board meeting, discussing oversight chair replacement, MOUs under review, club ratification, and planning regarding then-imminent concert.	11/09/2026, 4 hours.
4.	Ask me about the SUO discussion panel, community outreach with interested members of the SUO, explaining the functions of the SUO and personal experiences in the past months of work. Generating interest in volunteer work, committee business, and SAL prospects.	15/09/2026, 3 hours.
5.	Committee meeting preparation with staff (Lijie,) discussing plans for policy committee meetings for September, based on previous committee discussions particularly relating to a student code of conduct.	17/09/2026, 1 hour.

6.	Policy committee meeting, discussing ongoing topics such as a student code of conduct, AVS such as ranked choice voting, and changing terms for club executives.	21/09/2026, 2 hours.
7.	Discussion on SAOC with staff (Izzy) on clubs, course unions, and ongoing issues/topics of discussion on potential concerns with imminent club discussions.	21/09/2026, 1 hour.
8.	SUO/GSA/DVC meeting, discussions relating to the budget, and ongoing issues with registration.	21/09/2026, 1 hour.
9.	Second executive meeting, discussing ongoing MOUs and next moves following concert conclusion.	22/09/2026, 2 hours.
10.	Student association oversight committee meeting, clearing some prospective clubs for approval/ratification by the board before September's regularly scheduled board meeting.	23/09/2026, 2 hours.
11.	September board meeting, discussing club ratification, reporting back from outreach with provincial and federal partners.	25/09/2026, 3 hours.
12.	Fall OOAC convening, discussion of how various campus branches and associations can cooperate on sharing information relevant to the student body, especially for academic misconduct resolution.	02/10/2026, 1.5 hours.
13.	Student Association Funding Committee, new discussions of club funding for remaining months in 2026's academic fall term.	02/10/2026 - 05/10/2026, 4 hours.
14.	Expo prep, club aid/assistance in advance of Expo and ongoing plans, organizing volunteers, storing frozen goods, coordinating sponsors alongside other executives.	21/09/2026 - 06/10/2026, 25 hours.
15.	Staff discussions regarding clubs, admin. Issues of some course unions, resolving individual concerns from members; busywork, broadly.	08/09/2026 - 05/10/2026, 37 hours.
16.	Office hours, speaking openly with members of the student body on any which may arise, specifically among leaders of failed prospective clubs.	08/11/2026, 08/18/2026, 08/25/2026, 09/02/2026, 24 hours.

ACTIVITIES IN PROGRESS

No.	Activity in progress *(eg: event/initiative name, role being played in the event/initiative)*	Date/Range of dates by which the activity will be completed. (DD/MM/YYYY)
1.		

ACTIVITIES TO BE STARTED

No.	Activity to be started *(Brief description)*
1.	N/A

ISSUES FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION CONCERNING ACTIVITIES STARTED (IF ANY)

No.	Issue for immediate attention *(Brief description)*	Level of emergency *(High/Medium/Low)*
1.	N/A	

NOTES / OTHER ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE BROUGHT TO THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE'S ATTENTION / HELP REQUIRED (IF ANY).

No.	Notes/Issues *(Brief description)*	Level of help required(if any) *(High/Medium/Low)*
1.	*N/A*	

SUO Executive Monthly Report

Name of the Executive: Guranshreet Sandhu

Report Month: September

Outline the hours fulfilled for each week within the reporting month:
W1: 30
W2: 35
W3: 25
W4: 35

Provide an explanation for the particular week(s) in which you did not fulfill the required hours:

ACTIVITES COMPLETED IN THIS PERIOD

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No.	Activity Completed (Brief description, e.g.: event/initiative name, role played in the event/initiative)	Date/Range of dates on which the activity has been completed/started. (DD/MM/YYYY)
1.	*Catching up on emails, responding to student inquiries, coordinating meetings, managing executive correspondence, following up with sponsors and external partners, assisting with concert logistics, and completing ongoing administrative responsibilities throughout the month. Approx. 1 hour daily.*	*01/09/2026–30/09/2026*
2.	*VP Students & Student Leaders Annual Fall Retreat. Participated in leadership development sessions, student governance workshops, strategic planning discussions, and networking opportunities with student leaders from across British Columbia. Contributed to discussions on advocacy priorities, student engagement, campus leadership, and organizational effectiveness. Approx. 8 hours.*	*01/09/2026*
3	*Student Oversight Committee Meeting. Participated in governance discussions, executive accountability review, committee effectiveness assessments, and conversations related to ongoing*	*02/09/2026*

	SUO operations and organizational priorities. Approx. 2.5 hours.	
4	*Modo x SUO Partnership Discussion. Met with representatives to discuss transportation accessibility, student mobility supports, potential partnership opportunities, and strategies for increasing student awareness of transportation alternatives. 30 minutes.*	*02/09/2026*
5	*SVPRO x Campus Life Concert Planning. Coordinated with university stakeholders regarding concert logistics, safety requirements, risk mitigation, crowd management, emergency response planning, event approvals, and operational responsibilities. 1 hour.*	*02/09/2026*
6	*Concert Planning and Sponsor Coordination. Conducted ongoing planning for the annual September concert. Communicated with university administration, sponsors, suppliers, staff, student volunteers, service providers, and operational partners to support event execution and compliance with safety requirements. 2 hours daily*	*01/09/2026-15/09/2026*
7	*Showcase for Jumpstart 3 hours*	*04/09/2026*
8	*Meeting with Mark Anthony Group as potential Sponsors. 30 minutes.*	*04/09/2026*
9	*SEO PANEL DISCUSSION 1.5 hour*	*05/09/2026*
10	*Action Plan Review Summer 2026 with Krishansh 2 hours*	*07/09/2026*
11	*Emergency Executive Meeting.1 hour.*	*08/09/0206*
12	*Phoenix Interview 2 hours*	*04/09/2026*
13	*Staff Training 4 hours*	*03/09/2026*
14	*Emergency Board Meeting. 2 hour.*	*11/09/2026*
15	*Sponsor Outreach, Partnership Management, and Student Engagement. Conducted sponsor outreach, follow-up meetings, sponsorship deliverable coordination, and relationship development. Coordinated promotional planning, communications, stakeholder engagement, and student outreach for September programming and campus events. 1 hour*	*08/09/2026–18/09/2026*
16	*September Concert Campus Life Meeting. Chaired and facilitated discussions regarding concert execution, volunteer coordination, student experience, marketing strategies, logistics, risk management, operational timelines, and final event preparations. 1 hour.*	*14/09/2026*
17	*Board Ask me about your SUO panel 2 hours*	*15/09/2026*

18	*SUO/DVC/GSA Meeting. Worked collaboratively with university administration to discuss student priorities, institutional updates, campus operations and concerns, advocacy matters, and opportunities for future collaboration. 1 hour.*	*21/09/2026*
19	*Hosted and Present at First Well Party Toga. 4 hours*	*11/09/2026*
20	*Present at Karaoke Night to help with logistics if needed. 1 hour*	*17/09/2026*
21	*Help with concert promotions and other event promotions. Helping with poster, apologizing for concert. 1 hour daily*	*11/09/2026-22/09/2026*
22	*September Board of Directors Meeting. 3 hours*	*25/09/2026*
23	*September Campaigns Committee Meeting. 1 hour*	*28/09/2026*
24	*White Lies Event at the Well 4 hours.*	*25/09/2026*
25	*Glasshouse Well Event 3 hours*	*26/09/2026*
26	*Beer Garden 4 hours*	*16/09/2026*
27	*Wine and Paint at the Well 3 hours*	*24/09/2026*

ACTIVITIES IN PROGRESS

No.	Activity in progress *(eg: event/initiative name, role being played in the event/initiative)*	Date/Range of dates by which the activity will be completed. (DD/MM/YYYY)
1.	Planning and execution of Winter Semester Campus Life initiatives and large-scale student engagement programming.	31/01/2027
2.		

ACTIVITIES TO BE STARTED

No.	Activity to be started *(Brief description)*
1.	*Making Events Calendar*

ISSUES FOR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION CONCERNING ACTIVITIES STARTED (IF ANY)

No.	Issue for immediate attention *(Brief description)*	Level of emergency *(High/Medium/Low)*
1.		
2.		

NOTES / OTHER ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE BROUGHT TO THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE'S ATTENTION / HELP REQUIRED (IF ANY).

No.	Notes/Issues *(Brief description)*	Level of help required(if any) *(High/Medium/Low)*
1.		

Students Union of UBC Okanagan

2026 October By-Elections
CRO Report

Prepared by	*Chief Returning Officer – Trophy Ewila*
Election period	October 2026
Elections Officials	Chief Returning Officer – Trophy Ewila Deputy Returning Officer – Chad Owens Deputy Returning Officer – Nadeen Hamdona

Dear SUO of UBC Board of Directors,

I extend my sincere gratitude to each of you, as well as to the dedicated staff members who contributed to the success of the Students' Union of UBC Okanagan 2026 October By-Elections. This year we processed seven (7) nomination forms. 605 (5.6%) of 10900 electors voted in this by-election.

On behalf of the electoral committee, I am pleased to submit the elections report, which finalizes the election results. Along with this report, I present the following motions for your approval:

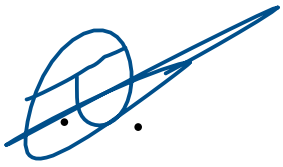
- Be it resolved that the SUO of UBC Board of Directors approve the 2026 October By-Election report as submitted by the Chief Returning Officer.

- Be it further resolved that the SUO of UBC Board of Directors approves the destruction of the nomination forms used in the 2026 October By-Election.

Approval of this report constitutes the formal ratification of the 2026 October By-Election results. As such, it must be accepted in full, without amendments that could compromise its integrity.

Should the Board identify necessary changes beyond language or grammar, the report will need to be withdrawn from consideration for further review and revisions.

Sincerely,



Trophy Ewila

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ELECTION RESULTS.....*attached separately*

Overview

This report serves as the official documentation of the 2026 SUO October By-Election, outlining the electoral process, timeline, candidates, contested positions, and key events during the campaign and voting period, including the announcement of results.

Procedures and Information Dissemination

In alignment with established practices, each candidate received a comprehensive nomination package and election handbook. These documents included key dates, electoral regulations, bylaws, position descriptions, and contact information for the electoral team. Materials were accessible to all students both online and in person.

To support participation, the nomination period spanned two weeks and two days including a mandatory All-Candidates meeting:

- The nomination period started at 8:00am October 1st, 2026, and Closed October 16th, 2026, at 4:00pm PST
- The mandatory All-Candidates Meeting was scheduled October 16th, 2026, at 5:00pm PST in a hybrid format (In person and online via zoom)

Adherence to established procedures successfully upheld the integrity of the election, ensuring results were finalized and announced without interference.

Candidacy and Positions

There are five **(5)** Board positions available for the By-Election with a total of seven (7) candidates participating. Notable points include:

- One (1) candidate(s) ran Faculty of Management Student Representative **(1 position available)**
- Zero (0) candidate(s) ran Faculty of Education Student Representative **(1 position available)**

- One (2) candidate(s) ran Faculty of Applied Science Student Representative **(1 position available)**
- One (4) candidate(s) ran Director at Large Representative **(2 positions available)**

List of Positions and Candidates

Below is the list of available positions and the candidates who contested in the By-elections.

Director at Large (4)

- Jiteesh Reddy
- Sarina Pfaender
- Jake Quinn
- Nabeel Ahmed

Faculty of Applied Sciences Student Representative (2)

- Tim Liao
- Krishansh Dhawan

Faculty of Management Student Representative (1)

- Mansi Sharma

Faculty of Education Student Representative (0)

- VACANT

Voting Mechanism

Voting was conducted through the UBC Simply Voting system, selected for its user-friendly interface, security measures, and university administration. Notably, there were no instances of system interference or malfunction that impacted the integrity of the election.

Timeline

Nomination Period

- Opened October 1st, 2026, at 8:00am PST
- Closed October 16th, 2026, at 4:00pm PST

All-Candidates Meeting

- October 16th, 2026, at 5:00pm PST

Campaigning Period

- Opened October 19th, 2026, at 8:00am PST
- Closed October 27th, 2026, at 11:59pm PST

Online Voting

- Opened October 26th, 2026, at 8:00am PST
- Closed October 27th, 2026, at 11:59pm PST

Recommendations:

- Recognize that by-elections consistently experience lower voter participation. Actively encourage current Board and executive members to champion and promote by-elections within their networks, tabling and social media to drive engagement.
- Future CROs should facilitate early table bookings for candidates given the limited space and high volume of club activities on campus.

Complaints and Investigations

There were no formal complaints lodged against any candidate(s) and therefore no investigations were carried out.

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October 28, 2026

Trophy Ewila
Chief Returning Officer, UBCSUO

RE: 2026 SUO By-Election – Results

Dear Trophy,

Set out below are the results of the 2026 SUO By-Election held from October 26-27, 2026. Winning candidates/options are indicated in bold.

605 (5.6%) of 10900 electors voted in this by-election.

Director-at-Large

Jiteesh Reddy	**308**
Sarina Pfaender	**303**
Jake Quinn	150
Nabeel Ahmed	89
Total	605*

*Includes 20 abstentions

Faculty of Applied Science Student Representative

Tim Liao	**72**
Krishansh Dhawan	38
Total	114*

*Includes 4 abstentions

Faculty of Management Student Representative

YES - Mansi Sharma	**62**
NO - Mansi Sharma	22
Total	88*

*Includes 4 abstentions

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Results will be posted on Simply Voting when instructed by the SUO. Please contact UBC Elections with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Iverson
UBC Returning Officer

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Dear President Johnson and Members of the VIU Board of Governors,

On behalf of the Students' Union Okanagan, Local 13 of the British Columbia Federation of Students, we are writing in solidarity with the Vancouver Island University Students' Union (VIUSU) to express serious concern regarding Vancouver Island University's (VIU) decision to withdraw financial and staffing support from the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) Student Refugee Program.

For more than 16 years, VIU and VIUSU have jointly sponsored refugee students through the WUSC Student Refugee Program, bringing over 30 students to Canada since 2009. For these students, the program represents far more than access to education. It provides an opportunity to leave refugee camps and situations of displacement to resettle and build a different future in Canada. Students make life-changing decisions, often leaving family behind, and place enormous trust in the commitments made by their sponsoring institution and students' union. Withdrawing the financial and institutional support they were promised creates uncertainty at a time when they should be able to focus on their education and establishing their lives here

The refugee students sponsored through this program are members of VIUSU, and through our shared Federation, they are among the students we collectively represent. They are also, by circumstance, among the most vulnerable members our student unions exist to serve. Student unions across British Columbia are united in defending our members and in holding institutional partners to the promises they have made to those members. In post-secondary

We are writing to add our voices to VIUSU's call for VIU to honour the commitments it has made to the refugee students currently at VIU - including the 2026/27 cohort who are already in classrooms, having come to Canada on the basis of VIU's commitment.

We are concerned that VIU has withdrawn from these commitments without the collaborative process it expressly promised VIUSU in October 2025. We recognize the significant financial pressures facing post-secondary institutions and the difficult decisions they require. However, financial challenges do not absolve VIU of its responsibility to honour the commitments it has already made to refugee students, for whom the stakes could not be higher. Withdrawing support from existing commitments undermines not only the trust on which programs like WUSC depend, but also the broader trust and shared responsibility to students that underpins relationships between institutions and their students' unions.

As fellow member locals of the BC Federation of Students, we stand with VIUSU and with the refugee students who are part of our collective membership. We call on VIU to:

1. Honour its existing commitments. Provide the full financial support already promised to the refugee students currently sponsored at VIU.

2. Reverse its decision to withdraw from the program. Restore financial and staffing support to previously committed levels.

The refugee students at the centre of this matter did not choose this dispute. They came to Canada because VIU made them a promise. They are in VIU's classrooms today. We ask that VIU keep that promise. These students should have the opportunities promised so they can contribute to the future we will live in tomorrow.

Honour the commitment. Keep WUSC at VIU.

Sincerely,

Naden Qually

Vice-President External

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Executive Committee Meeting, October 20, 2026 at 11a.m., UNC133C

Executives Present

President (meeting chair)	Olivia Lai
Vice President Finance and Administration	Shreya Patnaik
Vice-President Internal	Quinlin Osadczuk
Vice-President External	Naden Qually
Vice-President Campus Life	Guransh Sandhu

Executives Absent

Staff Present

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

Guests

Two BTH Executives

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:04 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.

ACCESSIBILITY NEEDS CHECK

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP

Motion#26/10/20.01
Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.
Moved by Qually; seconded by Patnaik.

Be it resolved that the Heatwave Radio presentation be removed.
Moved by Lai; seconded by Patnaik.
Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Motion#26/10/20.02
Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held October 6, 2026 be adopted.
Moved by Qually; seconded by Patnaik.
Carried.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Beat the Heat Membership Fee

Two executives from BTH provided the rationale for the increase membership fee.
Motion#26/10/20.03
Be it resolved that the membership fee for Bring The Heat (BTH) Club be approved at $600.
Moved by Qually; seconded by Patnaik.
Carried.

4.2 Board Monthly Report Approval

Motion#26/10/20.04
Be it resolved that the September Honoraria for Board of Directors be disbursed as follows:

Name	Title	%
Bierwirth, Jenna	Director-at-Large	100
Bolton, Amanda	Faculty of Science Representative	100
Brooks, Marci	Faculty of Education Representative	100

Dhawan, Krishansh	Faculty of Applied Sciences Representative	100
Hale, Oliver	Director-at-Large	100
Liao, Tim	Director-at-Large	100
Pertet, Laisa	Director-at-Large	100
Rader, Neela	Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	100
Sharma, Mansi	Faculty of Management Representative	100
Wallace, Liam	Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative	100
Wasti, Ali	Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative	100

Moved by Patnaik; seconded by Qually.
Carried.
The Executive Team commended Director Laisa, Amanda, Liam, and Tim for their active engagement and participation in SUO activities and business. Their valuable contributions and commitment were greatly appreciated.

4.3 Social Media ambassador Interview Update

Lai updated the selection process of the new social media ambassador. Executives discussed the work distributions between the two social media ambassadors.

4.4 Adopted Resolutions/Executive Committee Report

Qiu noted that the resolutions were mainly about RBC and its contract with SUO. For the upcoming AGM, Lai would report on the Executive Team's major accomplishments from previous year, while Qually offered to provide updates on the implementation of the adopted resolutions.

5. IN CAMERA

Motion#26/10/20.05
Be it resolved that the meeting be moved in-camera.
Moved by Qually; seconded by Osadczuk.
Carried. [11:21 a.m.]

-KOUP
-Third Space MOU
-GSA MOU
-Recreation Fieldhouse MOU
-Recreation Fieldhouse Opt-out
-School of Engineering Update
-Updates on RBC

Motion#26/10/20.06
Be it resolved that the meeting be moved ex-camera.
Moved by Patnaik; seconded by Osadczuk.
Carried. [11:59 a.m.]

6. ADJOURNMENT 11:59 A.M.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINTUES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Executive Committee Meeting, November 3, 2026 at 12 p.m., UNC 105

Executives Present

President (meeting chair)	Olivia Lai
Vice-President External	Naden Qually
Vice-President Internal	Quinlin Osadczuk

Executives Absent

Vice President Finance and Administration	Shreya Patnaik
Vice-President Campus Life	Guransh Sandhu

Staff Present

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY

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ACCESSIBILITY NEEDS CHECK

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP

Motion#26/11/03.01
Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.
Moved by Osadczuk; seconded by Qually.

Lai/Qually
Be it resolved that the RBC matter be removed from the in-camera session agenda.
Amendment carried.

Lai/Osadczuk
Be it resolved that operational updates be added to the new business.
Amendment carried.

Carried as amended.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Motion#26/11/03.02
Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held October 20, 2026 be adopted.
Moved by Qually; seconded by Osadczuk.
Carried.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Roles and Responsibilities

Lai highlighted their portfolio and responsibilities as executives, and asked members to make sure they fulfil their responsibilities to the date and communicate effectively with staff.

4.2 Operational Updates

Ouellet provided updates:
-hamper requests were lower last month; graduate students who accessed the Pantry service expressed their dissatisfaction with their separate from the SUO.
-UCM made a large food donation.
-Events at Well went well. Beer garden was quite successful and was highly recommended for future.

-Kitchen was busy and consistent; staff were great.
-Paper and Supply Co. encountered an issue with gift card products. Energy drinks had a big sale.
-the Halloween party had minimum incident. UBC had asked them to organize more events so that students could have parties in a safer space rather than in their residences.

5. **IN CAMERA**

Motion#26/11/03.03
Be it resolved that the meeting be moved in-camera.
Moved by Qually; seconded by Osadczuk.
Carried. [12:16 p.m.]
[Ouellet left.]
-MOU
-School of Engineering Update
[Evans and Qiu left.]
-Executive debrief

Motion#26/11/03.04
Be it resolved that the meeting be moved ex-camera.
Moved by Qually; seconded by Osadczuk.
Carried. [1:09 p.m.]

6. **ADJOURNMENT AT 1:09 P.M.**

CAMPAIGNS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Campaigns Committee Meeting, October 28th, at 1 pm, UNC 133

Members Present

VP External (chair)	Naden Qually
VP Campus Life	Guransh Sandhu
Faculty of Arts & Social Rep	Liam Wallace
Faculty of Science Rep	Amanda Bolton
Director at Large	Oliver Hale
Tim Liao	
Director at Large*	Jenna Bierwirth
Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Rep.	Neela Rader
Student at Large	Arshida Moosavi

Members Absent with Regrets

President	Olivia Lai
Director at Large	Laisa Pertet

Members Absent without Regrets

Student at Large	Kene Onwumelu
Student at Large	Amber Matlock
Student at Large	Linnaya Boyer
Student at Large	El Pleroma Mukete Nokoson
VP Finance	Shreya Patnaik

Staff

Students' Advocate (staff) - absent	Rachel Fortin
Governance Coordinator (staff) - Absent	Lijie Qiu

Guest

Student at Large	Jiteesh Reddy

1. **CALL TO ORDER 1:04 PM**

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ACCESSIBILITY NEEDS CHECK

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP**

26/10/28.01
Liao/Wallace
Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.
Carried.

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

26/10/28.02
Bierwirth/Rader
Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held September 28, 2026, be adopted.
Carried.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

4.1 **Provincial Election Results/Aftermath**

- Don Avison Report – release has been delayed due to the recent political changes.
- Qually expressed concerns surrounding the appearances of student unions in the province by government as of late – due to recent events in Vancouver Island University's (VIU) student union.
    - Qually aims to ensure that our student union and other student unions work together to uphold good standings and relations with our governing bodies – especially in consideration of our collective student advocacy efforts.
    - Qually seeks to build new relations and rapport with new governing members to help maintain or better our standings.

4.2 Community Meals

- Offered Community Meals out of The Well for the first time today (Oct. 28th, 2026) - served 179 meals!
- Unfortunately, we experienced a limited student turnout. Suspicion that the limited visibility of this location impacted turnout - couldn't rely upon the drawn attention/awareness of students passing by like we do while running this event in PICNIC.

- Student feedback shed light on the confusion experienced by students today – many students went to PICNIC in anticipation of this meal (since they have historically been served there); thankfully the Community Meals Instagram posts helped in student redirection.
- Community Meals container stocks (from previous Boards) have now been depleted. - Now, transitioning to new containers (glass/bamboo)
    - Qually asks Pertet and Bolton to follow up with UBC Food Services to see if additional Green2Go container stock could be donated to Community Meals again.
- Need to better promote/encourage students to bring their own containers to Community Meals – though, 10 students brought their own containers today <3 yay!

4.3 Get Out the Vote Campaigns Debrief (Municipal and Provincial)

- Several municipal election candidates came to visit our campus to meet and engage with students leading up to the election voting period
- Qually did more frequent tabling to promote and encourage student voting/engagement well in advance for municipal elections than previous years.
    - Compared to previous years, there seemed to be greater engagement and turn out from students during this election.
- The BC snap election was an unforeseen surprise this year. Regardless of the timing, Qually quickly set up the 'Pop in Politics' event to help promote/encourage students to participate in the provincial election as well.
    - The event went smoothly and was well attended.

4.4 Volunteer and Committee Member Expectations

- AGM next week - Nov. 4th, 2026
- Thrive Month – Month of November
    - Mental Health Cafe - Nov. 30th, 2026
- Qually reminds members that they are expected to assist with committee events when possible and that supporting/volunteering at these events is an essential component of members sitting on this committee.
- A special thank you was extended to Jenna Bierwirth for the efforts and support they provided to us during their service on the Board and as a member of our committee. Thank you, Jenna!

4.5 November 30th Mental Health Cafe

- Qually encouraged members to sign up for upcoming event volunteering via our volunteer spreadsheet.

5. ADJOURNMENT 1:26 PM

MEDIA FUND COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Media Fund Committee Meeting, November 2, 2026, 2:30PM Conference Room

Committee Members Present

Vice-President Campus Life (chair)	Guransh Sandhu
Vice-President Finance	Shreya Patnaik
Faculty of Arts & Social Science Rep	Liam Wallace
Phoenix Member	Samaira Talwar
General Manager	Jason Evans (non-voting)

Committee Members Absent

Guests

Operations Manager	Charlotte Tappin
Governance Coordinator	Lijie Qiu (MinutesTaker)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 3 p.m.

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2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP

26/11/02.01
Wallace/Patnaik
Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.
Carried.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

26/11/02.02

Talwar/Wallace
Be it resolved that the meeting minutes from June 12, 2026, be adopted.
Carried.

4. NEW BUSINESS

ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

Talwar highlighted the purpose of media fund fee and the absence of another established student media outlet, emphasizing the need for sufficient funding to support the operation of the Phoenix. Their funding request prioritized the professional development opportunities for student journalists and contributors, including trainings and workshops, and strengthening the physical and digital presence on campus to make the publisication more accessible for students and provide a platform for students' voices. Their concerns was the funding limitation was affecting their operations and service to students. Tappin higlhlighted an increase use and circulation of their newspaper copies on the campus.

They requested an amount of $55,99.02 media fund fee, of which $51,500 was approved in June. They were informed that they had an unspent balance of $13, 169 in their Phoenix account from 2025-2026 fiscal year according to the audit report. Combined with the $51,500 allocated media fund fee in June, the media fund fee they had ($64,669) would be sufficient to cover their budgeted expenses

of $55,991. They confirmed that they would not use their unspent funds in their account from last year. Instead, they would retain the balance along with their sponsorship revenue as a financial buffer for their future operations.

Qiu asked their approval procedure for unbudgeted expenses. Talwar noted that she approved the expenses and brought them to Finance Manager for reimbursement.

Patnaik noted that the media fund fee they had received from UBC for Term 1 was not sufficient to cover the full amount of the Phoenix funding request. She explained that the toal media fund fee available was based on projected figures and acutal amount would not be known until this time next year. Therefore the unallocated portion of the media fund fee could serve as a reserve to help accommodate media fund applications if the acutal fee received falls short of the amount allocated.

Talwar and Tappin asked about the policies and deadlines for ratification of a new student media outlet. It was noted that funding allocations were recommended to take place in summer; however, there was no specific deadline for a new student media outlet to submit an application for ratification. Talwar and Tappin noted that they planned to have conversations with Heatwave to explore the possibility of integrating it into the Phoenix and they would share resources with Heatwave. Qiu confirmed that ratification of a new student media outlet was the board's responsibility, while media fund committee was mandated to administer the media fund fee.

26/11/02.03
Be it resolved that the Media Fund Committee advise the board to allocate the amount of $4491.02 to the Phoenix for the 2026-2027 academic year.
Moved by Sandhu; seconded by Patnaik.
Carried.

Talwar and Tappin asked the process to increase the media fund fee. It was noted that they could initiate a referendum process by submitting the request to the SUO board for approval or through students' petition.

5. ADJOURNMENT AT 3:41 P.M.

OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12, British Columbia Federation of Students
Oversight Committee Meeting, 11am, October 28, 2026, SUO Office, SUO133, zoom

Members Present

Faculty of Health & Social Development Rep. (Chair)	Ali Wasti
Faculty of Science Rep.	Amanda Bolton
Faculty of Applied Science Rep.	Krishansh Dhawan
Student at Large	Omar Alkhammash

Staff Present

General Manager	Jason Evans

Members Absent with Regrets

Members Absent without Regrets

1. CALL TO ORDER AT 11:34 AM

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2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP

26.10.28.01

Wasti/Dhawan

Be it that resolved that the meeting agenda be adopted as amended to include a new section: **4.4 Student at Large Discussion & Call out.**

Wasti/Bolton

Carried.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

26.10.28.02

Be it resolved that the previous meeting minutes held September 23, 2026, be adopted.

Wasti/Bolton

Carried.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Adoption of September Executive Reports

26.10.28.03

Evans/Dhawan

Be it resolved that the September Executive Reports be adopted as amended to exclude the VP Internals' Monthly Executive report until further clarification on the dates and hours provided can be clarified.

Discussion summary: Dhawan suggests the Oversight Committee seek clarification on the VP Internals' Report due to some entries didn't seem to line up with the listed dates/hours provided.

Dhawan/Bolton

Carried.

4.2 Present and discuss performance review for executives (Second Quarterly Review)

Quin:

- Indigenous Rep. position formalized/done – just needs to be passed at AGM now
- SAs AGM attendance Policy changes to help mitigate VP Internal & the VP's associated staff members from overburden of having to attend them all themselves. Changes include Faculty Representatives on Board be responsible for attending at least 3 SA AGMs within Faculty SAs (Faculty Reps. and the SAs they would be responsible for attending listed with changes) to help offset overall burden whilst maintaining the SUOs SA attendance - policy changes to pass at AGM now
- fee base for course unions – still under work currently.
- restructure to voting system formalized/done - needs to be passed at AGM now
- Asking for additional support from Board/staff

Olivia:

- Affordability – B. of G. advocacy for increasing student supports/services on campus.
- Accountability/transparency/communications to student body – got a second social media staff member
- Advocating for greater/continued career readiness support services for students following graduation
- strengthen community/parentships - advocacy efforts to expand opportunities for students
- utilize our spaces on campus - Proposed Free Store follow-up: No physical space that we can currently offer for this initiative longer term. We will collaborate with ACT team to facilitate similar events for the time being.
- Looking for better communications/collaboration between executives.

Naden:

- Governance - Looking to make/build more connection with new government members - especially with recent mentions of potential changes to DRIPA
- Sponsorships - Challenges around timing for sponsorships (delays, weather, etc.), market conditions (sponsorship packages), at times impacted from needing to waiting for others to meet timelines.
- Feeling overburdened with amount of work and seeing general imbalance of hourly commitments from Campaigns Committee non-executive Board members.
    - Suggests an organizer staff be implemented for Executives – to help organize and/or coordinate events planning, advocacy work – docs, briefs, meetings, presentations, etc.

- Resource Centers - Aims to focus more on our resource centres in Term 2
    - Wants to conduct an audit for counts on how many people/visit they get
    - Still trying to figure out how/where we could get more space for them

    - Housing campaigns have been tough since funding is tight on campus/everywhere... recent changes with provincial governing body may pose additional challenges towards this too.
- Student Housing & Campaigns - On hold due to complications with BC's Snap Election
    - Snap Election not part of his original goals or priorities however – since it suddenly came up and was essentially part of his role & campaigning efforts, he took up the opportunity to help further promote voting and public engagement.
- Stronger relations & Partnerships - Recent call out for student support in the Victoria University student refuge program not to get cut from their school - UBCO used to have one in the past but is no longer funded or offered.

Guransh:

- OVO event – challenges with event safety/medics for the event around timing/booking
- Take Off & following – enough said. Challenges for procedures following events breakdown and aftermath, post-event timing and planning fell apart due to timeframes and deadlines being too soon to host another event afterwards. (Event licences, etc.)
- Hopes to receive greater support from staff – for ideas and event planning.
- <u>Term 2:</u>
    - Lots of event ideas for next term
    - Historical events seem to draw more student involvement
    - New event ideas seem to be harder to get engagement
    - Club collabs are generally varied
    - doing 3 events per week is a perfect amount
- Two supportive documents/training suggestions for future VP Campus Life executives:
    1. **Campus Life Funding Flow Training & Orientation:**
        - Hopefully offered in detail at beginning of VPs term
        - Explanations on how to do collaborations with SAs/funding procedures
        - Have staff (GM, Operations Manager and VP meeting)
    2. **Campus Life Planning Training & "Checklists"/Organizing Events:**
        - Training to offer event planning
        - Training/checklists to help VPs prepare for events in advance of deadlines/time frames for SUO/UBC/City requirements, etc.

4.3 AGM Presentation slides review

Wasti did an overview of the AGM Oversight presentation they will be doing.

4.4 Student at Large Discussion & Call out

Committee will need to do a call out for a new SAL position as the current SAL has requested leave from the Committee. Alkhammash has informed the Committee that they are still willing to

fulfil their work until a new member has been hired/elected. Wasti will provide updates to current Committee members as new information arises.

5. ADJOURNED AT 12:04 PM

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC | Local 12, British Columbia Federation of Students

Friday, October 30, 2026 • UNC 133

Called to order	1:14 p.m.
Adjourned	1:52 p.m.
Members present	Laisa Pertet (Director at Large, Co-Chair); Amanda Bolton (Faculty of Science Representative, Co-Chair); Tim Liao (Director at Large); Oliver Hale (Director at Large); Neela Rader (Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative); Quinlin Osadczuk (VP Internal).
Members absent	Naden Qually (VP External)
Staff	Mike Ouellet, Operations & Services Manager.
Guest	Sam Fogg, President, Sustainability Course Union.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:14 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda and Review of Membership

The committee reviewed the agenda and membership.

Motion 26/10/30.01: Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Moved by Tim, seconded by Neela

Motion Passed.

3. Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meeting

The committee considered the minutes of the meeting held September 16, 2026.

Motion 26/10/30.02: Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held September 16, 2026, be adopted.

Moved by Time, seconded by Laisa

Motion passed.

4. Adoption of Sustainability Committee Terms of Reference

Motion 26/10/30.03: Be it resolved that the Sustainability Committee's Terms of Reference be adopted.

Moved by Laisa, seconded by Tim.

Discussion:

Neela Rader asked how the Terms of Reference (ToR) could be amended if issues arose. Laisa Pertet and Amanda Bolton suggested that amendments could be brought forward and made during committee meetings.

The motion was carried.

5. New Business

5.1 Project Assignments and Planning

The committee discussed the proposed plastic-waste project. Tim Liao asked about the plastic waste ban. Laisa Pertet noted that she and Amanda Bolton had conducted research on the topic and suggested contacting other post-secondary institutions and organizations that had undertaken similar initiatives.

Amanda Bolton introduced Sam Fogg, President of the Sustainability Course Union. Sam's work includes emergency preparedness, and he also works alongside the City of Kelowna.

Laisa shared the AMS ASAP Plan and its advocacy for reusable and plant-based meals. She explained that the SUO's Sustainability Operations Strategy (SOS) would have a different scope. The committee hopes to obtain Board approval by April 2027, with an initial draft targeted for the end of January 2027. The document is intended to include recommendations for future Boards.

The committee noted that the most recent waste audit was conducted in 2018 and discussed including a request for a new waste audit in the SOS plan. Amanda clarified that the SOS plan would serve as a guiding document for the SUO and noted that AMS had offered to assist.

Laisa observed that the SUO does not currently have a three-year plan and that a sustainability document could support longer-term planning. Neela Rader suggested including policy recommendations to preserve the committee's work and help ensure its initiatives are substantive rather than perceived as greenwashing. Amanda agreed that the SUO should address its own operations before advocating for university-wide sustainability initiatives.

The committee agreed that, going forward, members should meet in person in their respective project groups, while retaining an informal working component. Monthly committee meetings will continue.

In response to Tim's question about timing, Amanda confirmed that a draft report for the plastic-waste project is targeted for completion by the end of the fall semester (December 2026). Laisa expressed an interest in presenting to the Board of Governors (BOG) to advocate for a plastic ban. She acknowledged that this would be ambitious but could help raise awareness and secure institutional support.

Laisa noted that Board approval would be required before beginning activities that need a budget. Any proposed policy changes would also be brought before the Board by Laisa and Amanda.

Naden Qually, Oliver Hale, and Tim Liao were assigned to the plastic-ban project. Amanda also identified Mike Ouellet as a potential fit for the project.

5.2 Upcoming Events and Updates

Amanda Bolton provided the following event and initiative updates:

- Winter Pop-up Free Store: An ACT (Action for Climate) collaboration is planned for November 16–17. Amanda is seeking volunteers and will circulate further information.
- Climate Solutions Research Collective: A Climate Mixer is scheduled for November 18.
- EcoChallenge: An initiative involving UBCO Housing and the Sustainability Office was noted.
- Okanagan Food Summit: The October 20 event was noted.
- Eco-Cooks: Amanda described this as an educational program focused on the sustainability of food systems and raised the possibility of bringing the program to UBCO.
- The Rogerie: Amanda reported meeting with the organization to discuss exploring recycled plastic for merchandise. The organization was receptive to the idea.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:52 p.m.