

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Board of Directors Meeting, May 31, 2021, Virtual Call

Meeting called to order at 13:05

Directors Present

President (meeting chair)	Tashia Kootenayoo
Vice-President Finance & Operations	Muhammad Waseem
Vice-President External	Ahmed Ahmed
Vice-President Internal	Shiven Vinod Khera
Vice-President Campus Life	Jakson Pashelka
Director at Large	Kai Rogers
Director at Large	Priscilla Uribe
Director at Large	Cade Desjarlais
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative	<i>vacant</i>
Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	<i>vacant</i>
Graduate Studies Representative	<i>vacant</i>
Faculty of Science Representative	Leoul Woldemariam
Faculty of Management Representative	Josie Leung
Faculty of Applied Science Representative	Sam Diab
Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative	<i>vacant</i>
Faculty of Education Representative	<i>vacant</i>
Board of Governors Representative (<i>ex-officio</i>)	Shola Fashanu
Senate Caucus Student Representative (<i>ex-officio</i>)	Dylan Rogers

Directors Absent

Director at Large	Jaanvi Shah
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Staff Present

Advocacy & Governance Coordinator	Sarah Furgason
Front Desk Staff	Rachel Fortin
Campus Life Coordinator	Joe Haugen
Well Pub Manager	Mike Ouellet
Finance Manager	Leanne Smailes

1. 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's important that we understand that we are very privileged to be living, working, and learning in these territories that are not our own.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP

21/05/31.01

Rogers/Khera

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

21/05/31.02

Desjarlais/Khera

Be it resolved that the agenda be amended to add KSS Memorial Fund Donation to discussion.

Carried

21/05/31.03

Ahmed/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that the agenda be amended to add the former Kamloops Residential School news to discussion.

Carried

21/05/31.01 carried as amended

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

21/05/31.04

Rogers/Khera

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held April 28, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Budget

Waseem presented on the budget draft.

5. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

21/05/31.05

Ahmed/Rogers

Be it resolved that the Executive Reports be adopted as attached.

Carried

6. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

6.1 Executive Committee

25/05/31.06

Desjarlais/Diab

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meetings held May 11 and 25, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

6.2 Finance Committee

21/05/31.07

Waseem/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that Cade Desjarlais and Leoul Woldemariam be appointed to the Finance Committee.

Carried

6.3 Policy Committee

21/05/31.08

Khera/Ahmed

Be it resolved that Kai Rogers, Priscilla Uribe, and Sam Diab be appointed to the Policy Committee.

Carried

6.4 Campus Life Committee

21/05/31.09

Pashelka/Waseem

Be it resolved that Jaanvi Shah and Muhammad Waseem be appointed to the Campus Life Committee.

21/05/31.10

Desjarlais/Waseem

Be it resolved the motion be amended to add Cade Desjarlais.

Carried

21/05/31.09 carried as amended

6.5 Campaigns Committee

21/05/31.11

Ahmed/Khera

Be it resolved that Josie Leung be appointed to the Campaigns Committee.

Carried

6.6 Oversight Committee

21/05/31.12

Rogers/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that Kai Rogers and Noah Landry be appointed to the Oversight Committee.

21/05/31.13

Desjarlais/Ahmed

Be it resolved that Noah Landry's name be removed from the motion.

Kootenayoo and Rogers opposed the amendment.

Waseem and Pashelka spoke in favour of the amendment.

After fulsome discussion, Kootenayoo called the question, seconded by Waseem. The motion carried.

21/05/31.13 carried

Rogers, Uribe, Leung, and Kootenayoo were opposed to the amendment.

21/05/31.12 carried as amended

6.7 Committee Appointments

21/05/31.14

Khera/Waseem

Be it resolved that Ahmed Ahmed be appointed to the BC Federation of Students Executive Committee.

Carried

21/05/31.15

Khera/Waseem

Be it resolved that Ahmed Ahmed be appointed to the UBC Task Force on Affordability.

Carried

7. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

7.1 Board of Governors

7.2 Senate

7.3 University Committees

8. OLD BUSINESS

8.1 Long-term Strategic Plan

Kootenayoo provided an update on the long-term strategic plan. The previous board decided to hire an external company to consult on that plan. Kootenayoo suggested the motion should be reviewed.

21/05/31.16

Desjarlais/Khera

Be it resolved that motion 21/04/28.18 be rescinded.

Carried

8.2 Indigenous Student Council Honoraria

21/05/31.17

Desjarlais/Waseem

Whereas in the fall of 2020 the Indigenous Student Council outlined concerns on equitable compensation for Resource Centre Coordinators, and

Whereas the Resource Centre Advisory Committee recommendations included equitable honoraria payments for Resource Centre coordinators,

Be it resolved that the 2020-21 Indigenous Student Council coordinators receive honoraria equal to the amount paid to the 2020-21 Resource Centre coordinators.

Carried

Kootenayoo provided additional information regarding the payments and confirmed the

honoraria would be coming from the previous years' budget.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

9.1 Director Appointments

Fortin, Desjarlais, and Rogers will be facilitating the student-at-large appointments.

Furgason reminded directors that seats on the board remain to be filled by appointment.

All agreed that Khera and Furgason should facilitate the recommendations for director appointments.

9.2 Health & Dental Plan Working Group

Khera gave an update on the work being conducted by the working group.

9.3 Notable Dates

Haugen reminded directors that there is a list of notable dates that has been compiled by the SUO to recognize days related to social justice. He asked directors for input on dates that should be added to the list. The Campus Life Committee will bring the list forward for approval at the next board meeting.

9.4 Donation for KSS Graduate Families

Desjarlais spoke to the recent tragic loss of three Kelowna Senior Secondary grade 12 students. He suggested that the Board consider a small donation to the families of the students who passed away. Directors all agreed they would like to show support to the families.

21/05/31.17

Desjarlais/Khera

Be it resolved that the SUO donate \$1,000 to the KSS Memorial Fund organized by the KSS Parent Advisory Committee.

21/05/31.18

Ahmed/Khera

Be it resolved the amount be changed to \$2000.

21/05/31.19

Waseem/Khera

Be it resolved the amount be changed to \$3000.

Carried

21/05/31.18 carried as amended

21/05/31.17 carried as amended

9.5 Statement on Former Kamloops Residential School

Ahmed spoke about the recent news of the remains of 215 Indigenous children at the former Kamloops Residential School. He suggested a few options of how the SUO might take action and asked for input from directors.

Khera agreed that the issue is serious and the SUO should act.

Waseem agreed that the SUO should make a statement to the federal government and

that the SUO should make an official acknowledgement of the event.

Ahmed reminded directors that Indigenous people in Canada are still facing discrimination and that the SUO should join others in calling attention to it.

Rogers confirmed that a statement would be drafted and provided to the board of directors via the slack channel. Ahmed agreed to work on the statement. He said he would work with UBC on a possible collaboration for a memorial.

Meeting moved in camera

21/05/31.20

Waseem/Desjarlais

Be it resolved the meeting move in camera.

Carried

Meeting moved in camera 15:50

Meeting moved ex camera 16:37

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 16:37