

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Board of Directors Meeting, August 9, 2021, Virtual Call

Meeting called to order at 13:06

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	Jaanvi Shah
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative	Lindsay McGrail
Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	Laavanya Prakash
Graduate Studies Representative	Kirthana Ganesh
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	Grace Halpin

Directors Absent with Regrets

Director at Large	Cade Desjarlais
Faculty of Education Representative	Serena Slonowski
Board of Governors Representative (<i>ex-officio</i>)	Shola Fashanu
Senate Caucus Student Representative (<i>ex-officio</i>)	Dylan Rogers

Staff Present

Advocacy & Governance Coordinator	Sarah Furgason
Membership Outreach Coordinator	Izzy Rusch
Well Pub Manager	Mike Ouellet
Finance Manager	Leanne Smalles

Guests Present

Phoenix News	Rachel Macarie
Potentia HR	Louis-Philippe Lavoie

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

21/08/09.01

Rogers/Khera

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Carried

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

21/08/09.02

Waseem/Leung

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held July 26, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 General Manager Hiring Committee

Lavoie presented on the report of the hiring committee for the SUO General Manager.

Waseem said directors should feel comfortable to ask questions and that the hiring of the General Manager is an important decision.

Khera spoke in favour of the choice in candidate for General Manager.

Waseem asked Lavoie to elaborate on next steps.

Lavoie said that the hiring committee would like to make an offer so that the incoming General Manager can start as soon as possible.

Rusch provided perspective from a staff member, as she served on the hiring committee.

Lavoie provided information about the role of the General Manager for newer board members.

21.08.09.03

Waseem/Khera

Be it resolved that Jason Evans be hired for the position of General Manager.

Carried unanimously

4.2 Phoenix News

Macarie presented the proposal for the Phoenix News.

Directors expressed some concern over the budget and the lack of follow-through on agreed upon requirements in previous years. Directors also stated that they wanted to ensure the Phoenix News is supported and given the opportunity to be successful.

Kootenayoo thanked Macarie for the presentation.

21/08/09.04

Waseem/Khera

Be it resolved that the Phoenix News budget be approved for the 2021/22 academic year as attached.

21/08/09.05

Waseem/Rogers

Be it resolved that the amount be changed to \$21,582.50, with additional funds to be disbursed based on a presentation to the board of directors in January of 2022.

Kootenayoo was in favour of the amendment.

Directors discussed what should be included in the report.

Waseem suggested the criteria for the report be included in the terms of agreement.

McGrail spoke in favour of the amendment.

Khera agreed that the amendment was fair and thanked everyone for their input.

Amendment carried

21/08/09.04 carried as amended

5. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

21/08/09.06

Leung/Waseem

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

Carried

Executive Directors provided an overview of their activities during the reporting period.

Directors discussed the housing crisis and SUO response.

6. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

6.1 Executive Committee

21/08/09.07

Khera/Leung

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held August 3, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

6.2 Finance Committee

6.3 Policy Committee

21/08/09.08

Khera/McGrail

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held July 27, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

6.4 Campus Life Committee

21/08/09.09

Pashelka/Khera

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held July 30, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

6.5 Campaigns Committee

21/08/09.10

Ahmed/Leung

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held July 30, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

6.6 Oversight Committee

21/08/09.11

Rogers/Khera

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

Carried

7. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

7.1 Board of Governors

7.2 Senate

7.3 Other University Committees

21/08/09.12

Waseem/Khera

Be it resolved that Lindsay McGrail be appointed to the UBC Wellbeing Okanagan Action Network.

Carried

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

10.1 Hiring Committees

Kootenayoo said there would be a separate meeting to come up with a clear process for future hiring committees and asked Directors to contact her if they are interested in taking part.

10.2 Next Board Meeting Date

The next Board of Directors meeting will take place August 23, 2021.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 15:01