

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC
Executive Committee Meeting, September 17, 2021, Virtual Call

Meeting called to order 10:15

Committee Members Present

Vice-President Internal

Shiven Vinod Khera

Vice-President External

Ahmed Ahmed

Vice-President Finance & Operations

Muhammad Waseem

Vice-President Campus Life

Jakson Pashelka

Committee Members Absent

President

Tashia Kootenayoo

Staff Present

General Manager

Jason Evans

Advocacy & Governance Coordinator

Sarah Furgason

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

21/09/17.01

Ahmed/Jakson

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Carried

3. NEW BUSINESS

3.1 National Day for TRC

Ahmed provided an update on the efforts so far to recognize the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Ahmed said 100 orange shirts had been ordered and suggested a table to give out shirts on September 29th. He said students should be encouraged to post photos to their social media to raise awareness.

Waseem preferred to table on the 28th and 29th. He said he would like a social media post ready for September 30th.

Khera said there may be updated guidelines for tabling. Waseem asked if the restrictions will be lifted on Monday. Khera said it was possible but unknown if we are moving to phase 4 on September 20th.

Ahmed preferred to table September 29th. He will reach out to directors and campaigns committee members to see who is interested in joining. Khera offered to assist.

3.2 Office Policies

Evans said he is working on a document for internal policies for office protocols.

3.3 Executive Staff Partners

Evans said the SUO will move away from use of the term "Executive/Staff Partners". Instead, the term "Staff Mentor" will be used, as it is a better reflection of what is encompassed in the role. He added that Ouellet will fill in as a temporary staff mentor to Pashelka.

Waseem said he thought there was a benefit to making the name change and that it would provide clarity. He said he wanted an easier way to understand the job descriptions of staff members. Evans agreed it would be beneficial. Waseem also wanted to see staff members listed on the website.

Executive committee members agreed to have staff members and their roles clearly listed on the website.

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

4.1 Student Connect

Pashelka provided an update on Student Connect. He would like Board members to take shifts at the desk to connect with students and establish a presence there.

Khera asked how the space is being scheduled. Pashelka said the space needs to be booked in advance but the SUO will have priority scheduling. The space is currently bookable from 9am – 7pm.

4.2 SUO Budget

Waseem noted there has been some unbudgeted spending. He asked committee members to bring those items that are not within the approved budget to himself or Evans prior to spending.

4.3 Student Union Development Symposium

Waseem asked committee members to confirm their attendance at SUDS. He said he will be working on travel arrangements.

4.4 Student Association Ratification and Renewal

Executive committee members agreed to extend the deadline for student association ratification and renewal requests to October 30th.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:10