

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Board of Directors Meeting, December 15th, 2021, UNC 334 & Virtual

18:00 Call to Order

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 (virtual)
Director at Large	Jaanvi Shah
Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	Laavanya Prakash
Graduate Studies Representative	Kirthana Ganesh
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative	Megan Johnston(virtual)
Faculty of Science Representative	Leoul Woldemariam
Faculty of Applied Science Representative	Sam Diab
Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative	Grace Halpin
Faculty of Education Representative	vacant
Senate Caucus Student Representative (<i>ex-officio</i>)	Dylan Rogers

Directors Absent

Director at Large	Cade Desjarlais
Faculty of Management Representative	Josie Leung
Board of Governors Representative (<i>ex-officio</i>)	Shola Fashanu

Staff Present

General Manager	Jason Evans
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1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY

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2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP

21/12/15.01

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Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

21/12/15.02

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Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held November 17th, 2021 be adopted.

21/12/15.03

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Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held December 1st, 2021 be adopted.

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Student Association Funding Report

5. OLD BUSINESS

21/12/15.04

Waseem/

Be it resolved that Jason Evans be granted signing authority on all bank accounts held by the UBCSUO as of January 1st 2022.

6. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

7. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

7.1 Executive Committee

21/12/15.05

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

21/12/15.06

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Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held December 6th, 2021 be adopted.

21/12/15.07

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Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held December 14th, 2021 be adopted.

7.2 Finance Committee

7.3 Policy Committee

21/12/15.08

Rogers/

Be it resolved that the amendments to the regulations be adopted as attached and presented.

7.4 Campus Life Committee

21/12/15.09

Pashelka/

Be it resolved that Jakson Pashelka as chair of the Campus Life committee and the General Manager, Jason Evans be tasked with negotiating a contract with Blueprint Canada on behalf of the Board of Directors in regard to the end of year Recess event for spring of 2022.

7.5 Campaigns Committee

7.6 Oversight Committee

7.7 Graduate Student Committee

21/12/15.10

Ganesh/

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

21/12/15.11

Ganesh/

Be it resolved that the Graduate Student honoraria be disbursed as follows:

Nibirh Jawad	50%
Rina Chua	50%
Anne Claret	0%
Vikas Kumar	50%
Emily Comeau	50%

8. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

8.1 Board of Governors

8.2 Senate

8.3 Other University Committees

9. NEW BUSINESS

21/12/15.11

Whereas the covid-19 pandemic has continued to impact our operations,
and whereas covid-19 vaccines are safe and effective, and whereas negative covid-19 tests are not acceptable substitute for the vaccine;

Be it resolved proof of being fully vaccinated against covid-19 be required for all Students' Union of UBC Okanagan Resource Centre coordinators and their volunteers,

and Be it further resolved that all SUO volunteers provide proof of being fully vaccinated against covid-19 to be eligible to volunteer;

that all Students' Union of UBC Okanagan volunteers provide proof of being fully vaccinated against covid-19 to be eligible to volunteer

and Be it further resolved that visitors to all SUO spaces, other than the resource centres or third space, be fully vaccinated against covid-19,

and Be it resolved that exemptions be granted only in extremely limited circumstances, as outlined by the BC Human Rights Tribunal, and the Chief Medical Health Officer.

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

10.1 SUO Graduation Project

10.2 StudentSupport Partnership

11. ADJOURNMENT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students Board
of Directors Meeting, November 17, 2021 – UNC 334

Meeting called to order at 18:09

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	Priscilla Uribe - zoom
Director at Large	Kai Rogers
Director at Large	Cade Desjarlais
Faculty of Arts & Science Representative (Arts)	Megan Johnston - zoom
Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies Representative	Laavana Prakash
Graduate Studies Representative	Kirthana Ganesh - zoom
Faculty of Arts & Science Representative (Science)	Leoul Woldermariam
Faculty of Applied Science Representative	Sam Diab
Faculty of Health & Social Development Representative	Grace Halpin
Faculty of Education Representative	Vacant
Director at Large	Jaanvi Shah
Board of Governors Representative (ex-officio)	Shola Fashanu
Senate Caucus Student Representative (ex-officio)	Dylan Rogers - zoom

Directors Absent

Faculty of Management Representative	Josie Leung
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Staff Present

General Manager	Jason Evans
Administrative Assistant	Rachel Fortin

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2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP

21/11/17.01

Waseem/Rogers

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

21/11/17.02

Desjarlais/Khera

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held October 25th, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

Ahmed/Waseem

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held October 27th, 2021 be adopted

Carried

Desjarlais/Ahmed

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held November 3rd, 2021 be adopted

Carried

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Student Association Funding Report

5. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

6. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

6.1 Executive Committee

21/11/17.05

Ahmed/Khera

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held November 2nd, 2021 be adopted

Carried

21/11/17.06

Waseem/Ahmed

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held November 16th, 2021 be adopted

Carried

6.2 Finance Committee

6.3 Policy Committee

21/11/17.07

Khera/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held November 4th, 2021 be adopted

Carried

6.4 Campus Life Committee

6.5 Campaigns Committee

6.6 Oversight Committee

21/11/17.08

Rogers/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held October 26th, 2021 be adopted

Carried

21/11/17.09

Rogers/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held November 15th, 2021 be adopted

Carried

21/11/17.10

Rogers Desjarlais

Be it resolved that the September Executives review report be approved as adopted.

Carried

6.7 Electoral Committee

21/11/17.11

Saini/Ahmed

Be it resolved that the Chief Returning Officer's 2021 By-Election report be approved and adopted

Carried

Desjarlais said that 10% should not be seen as an acceptable turn out rate even though there has been growth in the number of students voting.

Waseem mentioned that content is important and that leaders of the unions need to engage in more in-depth discussions with the CRO regarding student participation

Ahmed suggested that while this is a good idea, turnout still isn't good enough and a solution needs to be found

Kootenayoo feels that having hired a communications coordinator will likely aid with this ongoing issue.

Evans suggested a "set budget" for elections would be beneficial as in previous years this has not been a priority. We should revise our strategies with the electoral committee. This will be a work in progress and more needs to be spent on elections. Current budge stands at \$500.00

Kootenayoo mentioned executives' roles need to be made clearer to our student body

Desjarlais stated that 10.3% of all eligible voters voted and that this is not sufficient. There is confusion surrounding the lack of voting. The questions were raised on how we can represent students who haven't voted given we don't know what they want

Rogers thinks the small number of voters represents a symptom rather than a problem. Students likely don't care about the Union due to the fact that we can't be taken seriously. Steps will need to be made to be taken more seriously. This will be a process

Waseem suggested we are doing a poor job at engaging 1st and 2nd year students. Sending faculty representatives to class was brought up as a possible solution to this issue

6.8 Graduate Students Committee

21/11/17.12

Ganesh/Waseem

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held October 22nd, 2021 be adopted

Carried

21/11/17.13

Ganesh/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that the minutes of the meeting held November 5th, 2021 be adopted

Carried

21/11/17.14

Ganesh/Waseem

Be it resolved that the Graduate Student Committee October honorarium be disbursed as follows:

Nibirh Jawad	100%
Rina Chua	50%
Anne Claret	50%
Vikas Kumar	50%
Emily Comeau	50%

Carried

7. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

7.1 Board of Governors

7.2 Senate

Nothing to report. Will reconvene on 11/25/2021

7.3 Other University Committees

8. NEW BUSINESS

21/11/17.15

Khera/Waseem

Be it resolved that the following student associations be ratified:

Cultural studies course union

Date science club

Turkish student association

Carried

21/11/17.16

Kootenayoo/Rogers

Whereas the UBC administration is requesting an official letter be provided from the Students' Union of UBC Okanagan outlining key areas for funding allocations, be it resolved that the Board of Directors task the Executive with drafting and sending a letter with the following areas of focus

1. Equity initiatives such as but not limited to Black Resource Centre, International Student Support.
2. Student Wellness such as but not limited to full-time physician and counselling support
3. Improving off-campus housing program

Carried

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

Task force is looking into the tuition fee increase. Where is the tuition increase going?

Academic Advising needs to be expanded, not enough advisors available, not enough resources to meet with increase in student population

Meet with the DVC Monday

Need to change UBC'S expectations of the SUO in relation to the amount of funding we contribute to UBC initiatives. For example, building initiatives

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 19:18

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC, Local 12 British Columbia Federation of Students
Board of Directors Meeting, December 1st, 2021, UNC 334 & Virtual

Meeting called to order at 18:02

Directors Present

President (meeting chair)	Tashia Kootenayoo
Vice-President Finance & Operations	Muhammad Waseem
Vice-President External	Ahmed Ahmed
Vice-President Internal	Shiven Vinod Khera
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Director at Large	Cade Desjarlais
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Faculty of Science Representative	Leoul Woldemariam
Faculty of Applied Science Representative	Sam Diab
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Faculty of Education Representative	vacant
Senate Caucus Student Representative (<i>ex-officio</i>)	Dylan Rogers (virtual)

Directors Absent

Faculty of Management Representative	Josie Leung
Board of Governors Representative (<i>ex-officio</i>)	Shola Fashanu

Staff Present

General Manager	Jason Evans
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Guests Present

UBC Assistant Vice President of Students	Dale Mullings
UBC-O Director of Athletics and Recreation	Tom Huisman

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2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP

21/12/01.01

Desjarlais/Rogers

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

21/12/01.02

Waseem/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that the agenda be amended to include a presentation of Student Association funding report.

Carried

21/12.01 carried as amended

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

21/12/01.03

Rogers/Ahmed

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held November 24th, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 UBC Field House

UBC Okanagan Athletics director, Tom Huisman provided the Board of Directors an overview of the Field House proposal. He discussed student feedback on recreational space on campus and needs for improvement.

The Board of Directors agreed that whereas there is a need for more recreational space further funding avenues should be explored to move away from a student funded model.

Johnston arrived at 18:35

4.2 UBC Student Wellness

Assistant Vice President of Students, Dale Mullings provided the user data from the 2020 audit on Health and Wellness. He reviewed the structural changes of the portfolio to provide consistency on services and improve experiences for students. The plan he presented reviewed changes for the next five years.

The Board of Directors was satisfied with the proposal and excited to see the impact it brings to students on the Okanagan campus.

4.3 Student Association Funding Report

21/12/01.04

Waseem/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that the Student Association funding report be tabled until the December 15th meeting.

Carried

5. OLD BUSINESS

21/12/01.05

Kootenayoo/Rogers

Be it resolved that Serena Slonowski be appointed as the Faculty of Education representative.

Desjarlais inquired on lack of engagement with the Faculty of Education representative position in elections.

Kootenayoo explained the historical lack of engagement due to the timeline of the program and the SUO board term timeline.

The Board agreed the policy committee would look into the elections timelines for graduate and master programs to review the plausible solutions.

Carried

21/12/01.04

Evans/Waseem

Be it resolved that the amended minutes of the meeting held October 13th, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

6. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

7. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

7.1 Executive Committee

7.2 Finance Committee

7.3 Policy Committee

21/12/01.06

Khera/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that minutes of the meeting held November 23rd, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

7.4 Campus Life Committee

21/12/01.07

Pashelka/Ahmed

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

Carried

7.5 Campaigns Committee

7.6 Oversight Committee

7.7 Graduate Student Committee

21/12/01.08

Ganesh/Ahmed

Be it resolved that the Graduate Student honoraria be disbursed as follows:

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Rina Chua	50%
Anne Claret	50%
Vikas Kumar	50%
Emily Comeau	50%

Carried

21/12/01.09

Ganesh/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that minutes from the meeting held November 19th, 2021 be adopted.

Carried

8. REPORT ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

8.1 Board of Governors

8.2 Senate

8.3 Other University Committees

Desjarlais provided an update on the RCMP working group to the Board of Directors.

Waseem provided an update on the progress of the Academic Integrity committee.

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

10.1 Graduate Student Leave

Ganesh reported on the graduate student survey and encouraged faculty representatives to send the survey to their graduate students. She emphasized the importance of feedback.

10.2 Next Board Meeting Date

The next meeting will take place on December 15th, 2021 in UNC335 and virtually.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 20:17

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC
Executive Committee Meeting, November 30th 2021, Virtual Call

Called to order 14:15

Committee Members Present

Vice-President External

Ahmed Ahmed

Vice-President Finance & Operations

Muhammad Waseem

Vice-President Internal(meeting chair)

Shiven Vinod Khera

Vice-President Campus Life

Jakson Pashelka

Committee Members Absent

President (regrets given)

Tashia Kootenayoo

Staff Present

General Manager

Jason Evans

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2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

21/11/30.01

Shiven/Waseem

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Carried

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1 StudentCare

Program manager from Student Care, Bahareh Jokar came to present to the Executive committee the 2020-2021 usage data.

4. OLD BUSINESS

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 In-Camera

21/11/30.02

Waseem/Shiven

Be it resolved that the meeting be held in-camera

Carried

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

7. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 16:00

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC
Executive Committee Meeting, December 6th 2021, Virtual

15:12 Call to Order

Committee Members Present

President (meeting chair)

Tashia Kootenayoo

Vice-President Internal

Shiven Vinod Khera

Vice-President External

Ahmed Ahmed

Vice-President Finance & Operations

Muhammad Waseem

Committee Members Absent

Vice-President Campus Life

Jakson Pashelka

Staff Present

General Manager

Jason Evans

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2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

21/12/06.01

Ahmed/Khera

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Carried

3. PRESENTATIONS

4. OLD BUSINESS

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Board of Directors Honorarium

21/12/06.02

Ahmed/Khera

Be it Resolved that the Board pay be distributed as below for November:

NAME	PERCENTAGE
Cade Desjarlais.	100%
Sam Diab	100%
Kirthana Ganesh	100%
Grace Halpin	100%
Josie Leung	100%
Laavanya Prakash	100%
Kai Rogers	100%
Jaanvi Shah	100%
Megan Johnston	100%
Priscilla Uribe	100%
Leoul Woldemariam	100%

Carried.

5.2 In-Camera

21/12/06.03

Khera/Ahmed

Be it resolved that the meeting be held in-camera

Meeting moved in camera at 15:15

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

7. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 15:40

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC
Executive Committee Meeting, December 14th 2021, Virtual

Called to order at 15:35

Committee Members Present

President (meeting chair)

Tashia Kootenayoo

Vice-President Campus Life

Jakson Pashelka

Vice-President Internal

Shiven Vinod Khera

Vice-President Finance & Operations

Muhammad Waseem

Committee Members Absent

Vice-President External

Ahmed Ahmed

Staff Present

General Manager

Jason Evans

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2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

21/12/14.01

Khera/Waseem

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Carried

3. PRESENTATIONS

4. OLD BUSINESS

4.1 General Manager Signing Authority

Kootenayoo and Waseem updated the Executive that Evans successfully passed the 90 day probationary period of his employment contract. They notified the committee that a motion would be presented to the Board naming him as a signing authority.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Board of Directors Honorarium

21/12/14.02

Khera/Pashelka

Be it Resolved that the Board pay be distributed as below for December:

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Cade Desjarlais.	100%
Sam Diab	100%
Kirthana Ganesh	100%
Grace Halpin	100%
Josie Leung	100%
Laavanya Prakash	100%
Kai Rogers	100%
Jaanvi Shah	100%
Megan Johnston	100%
Priscilla Uribe	100%
Leoul Woldemariam	100%

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Carried

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Round Table

Pashelka discussed gift-cards for the SUO businesses.

Evans gave an update from the staff on the process of developing gift cards for the SUO businesses.

The Executive discussed if there was an interest for students to purchase these.

Evans brought up the staff Christmas dinner coming under budget.

The Executive committee discussed holiday cards for the staff and agreed upon nine (9) gift cards at a value of \$250.00 each as part of the holiday cards.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 14:15

Finance Committee Regulation 3

Definition Additions

L. "credit card" refers to a credit card issued by an authorized credit card association existing for the purpose of obtaining money on credit for auditable Student Union expenses.

M. "credit card association" means (i) Visa; (ii) MasterCard; (iii) American Express Travel Related Services Company; (iv) any other organization or association that hereafter contracts to authorize, capture and settled Transactions effected with Credit Cards issued or sponsored by such organization or association and any successor organization or association to any of the foregoing.

N. "card-holder" shall refer to the permanent UBCSUO staff member approved to be issued with the organization credit card.

Amendments to Sub-sections

"Credit Cards"

35 The intended use of a business credit card is to limit and reduce cash reimbursements and cash transactions for out-of-pocket expenses, and the use of cheques.

36 A credit card can be issued to one permanent UBCSUO staff member withstanding clause thirty-seven (37) of these regulations and in accordance with procedures established by the Finance Manager and the Executive Committee in consultation with the General Manager.

37 All Directors including ex-officio members on the Board of Directors are prohibited from being issued, being in possession of or using UBCSUO credit card.

38 The Students' Union permanent staff member issued the UBCSUO credit card shall be subjected to the following:

- a. providing the requested personal information at the time of issuance;
- b. Ensuring the proper safekeeping and appropriate use of the card;
- c. refraining from giving the card to another individual;
- d. supplying receipts and explanations for all credit card transactions;
- e. monthly review of transactions through issuing banks online portal and if applicable, immediately following up with the credit card association on any questionable transactions;
- and
- f. being responsible for all transactions that go through the credit card under their name and thus must retain all receipts for audit purposes;

39 All credit-card transactions must be pre-approved expenses pertaining to within the Students' Union annual budget.

40 Failure to submit a receipt without reasonable cause may result in disciplinary action such as but not limited to the cardholder being personally liable for the expense.

41 Not withstanding regulation forty (40) if a receipt has been lost or misplaced, the cardholder must explain through written submission to the VP Finance and Finance manager ,the purpose of the transaction for which the receipt has gone missing and explanation for the missing receipt. The mention submission shall require approval from the General Manager which will be indicated through their signature.

42 Any use of the credit card for expenses of a personal nature will result in disciplinary action as deemed by the Board of Directors.

43 If the cardholder is found to have misused the credit card for unauthorized transactions such as but not limited to the following, they will be legally liable for the expenses:

- a. Expenses of a personal nature;
- b. Expenses made without pre-approval from the General Manager;
- c. Expenses not pertaining to official Students' Union business, its activities and any of its sub-organizations such as student associations; and
- d. Illegal drugs, paraphernalia, or other prohibited items listed under the Code of Conduct of this regulation

44 If the cardholder loses the credit card they may be subjected to disciplinary action as deemed by the Board of Directors.

45 The Finance manager shall oversee the following:

- a. reviewing all credit card transactions on a monthly basis;
- b. reviewing and providing recommendations to the Board of Directors in all cases of credit card misuse including those resulting in disciplinary action; and
- c. verifying authorized transactions and scheduling payment in accordance with the terms of the credit card contract.

46 The VP Finance with the recommendation of the Finance Manager may cancel a credit card at any time provided advance notice is given the Executive Committee.

47 If any director, staff member or the cardholder are found to be in violation of this regulation the office of the VP Finance may on a first violation issue a warning.

48 If any director, staff member or the cardholder are found to be in violation of this regulation the office of VP Finance may on a second violation suspend a credit card for up to three (3) months.

49 If any director, staff member or the cardholder are found to be in violation of this regulation the office of VP Finance may on a third violation suspend a credit card for up to six (6) months.

50 For major offence violations involving expense sums greater than hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00 CAD) there may be an investigation by the Finance Committee with recommended disciplinary action to the Board of Directors.

51 Any UBCSUO credit card shall remain secured on the Students' Union premise unless otherwise pre-authorized by the General Manager.



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UBC Okanagan

REGULATIONS

Version History (*insert rows as needed*):

Version	Date	Name	Comment
1.0	June 24 th , 2019	Holly Denby	New document format ratified by Board.
1.1	June 30 th , 2019	Holly Denby	Finance Regulation update, ratified by Board in June.
1.2	July 14 th , 2019	Holly Denby	Elections, Student Associations and Committee Regulation updates. Ad Hoc Committees, Environment & Sustainability and Establishment & Review of Constitution, Bylaws and Policies removed due to redundancy. Ratified by Board in July.
1.3	August 21 st , 2019	Holly Denby	Privacy Regulation updates. Code of Conduct regulation addition. Ratified by Board in August.
1.4	October 4 th , 2019	Holly Denby	Finance Regulation updated to include investment policy. Ratified by Board in October.
1.5	November 15 th , 2019	Holly Denby	Committees Regulation updated to include Oversight Committee and Media Fund Committee. Governance Regulation updated to include Executive pay and accountability. Ratified by Board in November.
1.6	January 27 th , 2019	Holly Denby	Elections Regulation updated. Ratified by Board in January.
1.7	March 27 th , 2019	Holly Denby	Committees Regulation, Legacy Fund Regulation and Health & Dental Plan Regulation updates. Ratified by Board in March.
1.8	August 5 th , 2020	Tashia Kootenayoo	Resource Centre Regulation. Ratified by Board in July.
1.9	October 5 th , 2020	Tashia Kootenayoo	Elections Regulations updated.
1.9a	November 23 rd , 2020	Tashia Kootenayoo	Housekeeping.
2.0	February 3 rd , 2021	Tashia Kootenayoo	Executive Pay, Oversight Committee and Student Association Regulation and housekeeping changes.
2.1	May 7 th , 2021	Tashia Kootenayoo	Code of Conduct and Student Association changes

2.2	September 13 th , 2021	Kai Rogers	Oversight Committee and Governance Regulation changes
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REGULATION I - COMMITTEES

- 1 In this regulation, unless the context otherwise requires:
 - a. “Ad Hoc Committee” means a temporary Committee established in accordance with this Regulation;
 - b. “Committee” means a Committee established in accordance with this Regulation, unless otherwise specified;
 - c. “Committee Member” means a voting member of a Committee;
 - d. “Resource” means an individual who shall advise a Committee on an as-needed basis;
 - e. “Student at Large” means any Member of the Union, as defined in Bylaw II (2), who is not already mandated to sit on a Committee;

Types of Committees

- 2 There shall be two types of Committees: (Standing) Committees and Ad Hoc Committees. These bodies shall serve to facilitate the work of the Board; provide a venue for further study of complex issues; gather input from and facilitate communication with general members; and execute functions as directed by the UBCSUO bylaws, collective agreement, and other statutes.
- 3 The Board of Directors shall establish Committees in accordance with the bylaws and regulations to carry out specific functions, study issues in greater detail and provide recommendations to the Board of Directors. Committee structure and membership shall be specified in this Regulation. All Committees shall meet at least once a month, unless otherwise specified in this Regulation. In accordance with the UBCSUO bylaws and regulations, the Board shall maintain the following Standing Committees:
 - a. Campaigns Committee;
 - b. Campus Life Committee;
 - c. Finance Committee;
 - d. Oversight Committee; and
 - e. Policy Committee
- 4 The Board of Directors shall, at the earliest opportunity, ensure sufficient membership of the Finance and Oversight Committees, prior to the appointments of any other committees.

- 5** The Board of Directors may establish Ad Hoc Committees by Resolution in accordance with Bylaw XVII (17) and with this Regulation. A motion to establish and/or dissolve an Ad Hoc Committee must satisfy this Regulation. Though other Ad Hoc Committees may be established by the Board on an as-needed basis, the following Ad Hoc Committees must be established and dissolved by the Board in the timeframes specified in this Regulation:
 - a. Student Association Funding Committee;
 - b. Electoral Committee; and
 - c. Media Fund Committee.

General Membership

- 6** The Board of Directors shall appoint Committee Members for a term not normally exceeding twelve (12) months and may rescind the appointment of any Committee Member, by majority vote.
- 7** A student and/or Director ceases to be a Committee Member:
 - a. at the conclusion of their term, unless it is extended by the Board of Directors;
 - b. upon the winding up or dissolution of the Committee;
 - c. upon their resignation or death;
 - d. if they cease to be a General Member of the UBCSUO, or is no longer a Member in good standing, as defined in Bylaw II (2); or
 - e. if their appointment is rescinded by the Board of Directors.
- 8** Every Committee Member is entitled and has the obligation to:
 - a. attend and participate in meetings of the Committee;
 - b. provide their opinions and represent, to the best of their ability, the interests of the Members and the Student Union in their participation as Committee Members; and
 - c. for Standing and Ad Hoc Committees, exercise one (1) vote on any matter before the Committee or Ad Hoc Committee.
- 9** Every Committee shall have a chair, to be appointed in accordance with this Regulation.

- 10** The chair of a Committee has the power and duty to:
- a. schedule Committee meetings in accordance with this Regulation;
 - b. prepare, or cause to be prepared, the agenda and the minutes of Committee meetings;
 - c. preside over Committee meetings;
 - d. provide a tie-breaker vote in instances of a dead-lock; and
 - e. communicate and provide to the Board of Directors:
 - i. minutes of each Committee meeting, said minutes to be provided for approval at the next possible board meeting;
 - ii. advice and recommendations of the Committee;
 - iii. reports on the progress of the Committee; and
 - iv. advice regarding filling vacancies on the Committee.
- 11** The General Manager shall serve as a resource on an as-needed basis to all committees they do not already serve on.

Conduct of Committee Members

- 12** A Committee Member who misses 3 Committee meetings without properly sending the chair the regrets shall be automatically removed from the Committee, and may only be reinstated at the direction of the Board.
- 13** The Board of Directors has the discretion to remove a member from a Committee by majority vote.
- 14** If a Committee Member is removed from a Committee, it shall be up to the discretion of the Board to determine whether the Committee vacancy must be filled.

Schedule of Meetings

- 15** Committee meetings shall be scheduled in consultation with Committee members and in accordance with this Regulation.

Conduct of Meetings

- 16** Unless otherwise specified, the quorum for meetings is at least 50% of the total number of active Committee members and must include the presence of the chair.
- 17** The chair shall preside over Committee meetings.
- 18** Committee meetings shall normally be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.
- 19** Committees may establish their own rules of order, provided that the rules:
- a. facilitate the effective and democratic conduct of meetings; and

- b. do not limit any Committee member from their participation in the Committee.

20 Committee meetings shall be open to the Members unless the Board of Directors has empowered the Committee and the Committee duly resolves to move the meeting *in camera*.

Applications Process for Students at Large

21 Within ten (10) days of the conclusion of the UBCSUO general elections each March, the outgoing Board, in consultation with the Advocacy and Governance Coordinator, shall develop and release an application process to identify and select candidates for all Committees which explicitly permits Students at Large to sit on such Committees.

22 The incoming Board shall decide upon and ratify the Students at Large who shall serve on each Committee by the thirtieth (30) day of the new fiscal year.

23 As part of this process, the Board shall make every reasonable effort to advertise to Members the details of:

- a. Which Committees Students at Large are permitted to sit on;
- b. the mandate, purpose, and ideal candidate(s) for each Committee; and
- c. how Students at Large may apply for a position on each Committee.

24 The advertising process for contacting Students at Large to sit on Committees shall include but need not be limited to:

- a. mass email;
- b. social media postings; and
- c. the creation and dispersion of posters.

Standing Committees

25 All Standing Committees have the power and duty to:

- a. convene meetings for the purpose of fulfilling their mandate;
- b. prepare and provide the minutes of meetings of the Committee to the Board of Directors;
- c. report to the Board of Directors, as required;
- d. engage in consultation with the Members as needed;
- e. provide advice and recommendations to the Board of Directors related to the mandate of the Committee; and
- f. discharge other powers and duties delegated by the Board of Directors.

26 All Standing Committees shall meet at least once a month unless otherwise directed by the Board of Directors.

Campaigns Committee

- 27** In accordance with Bylaw XVII (17), the mandate of the Committee is to coordinate and execute the advocacy campaigns of the Students' Union.
- 28** The Committee Members shall consist of the:
- a. President;
 - b. Vice President External;
 - c. Advocacy and Governance Coordinator;
 - d. at least two (2) additional directors; and
 - e. up to three (3) Students at Large.
- 29** Vice President External shall serve as chair of the Committee.
- 30** The Campaigns Committee shall have the additional power and duty to:
- a. plan and implement campaigns relating to issues important to members as directed by the Board;
 - b. plan and execute the local implementation of campaigns of the BC Federation of Students;
 - c. liaise with and review the work of other organizations and Student Associations to ensure that the Students' Union is working collectively, where appropriate;
 - d. make recommendations to the Board of Directors for new campaigns; and
 - e. make recommendations to the Board of Directors on matters referred to the Campaigns Committee.

Campus Life Committee

- 31** In accordance with Bylaw XVII (17), the mandate of the Committee is to coordinate and execute the events, activities, student engagement and volunteerism activities of the Students' Union.
- 32** The Committee shall ensure consultation with all pertinent university partners on all planned events. Partners consulted shall include but not be limited to the Student Experience Office, Health and Wellness, Residence Life, and SVPRO.

- 33** The Committee Members shall consist of the:
- a. VP Campus Life;
 - b. VP Internal;
 - c. at least three (3) additional directors;
 - d. a minimum of three (3) and maximum of five (5) students at large;
 - e. Campus Health and Well-being Specialist; and
 - f. Student Experience Office Representative
- 34** Pursuant to Bylaw X (4)(h), The Vice President Campus Life shall serve as the chair of the Committee.
- 35** The Membership Outreach Coordinator and the Well Pub Manager shall serve as Resources to this Committee.
- 36** The Committee has the additional power and duty to:
- a. plan and implement annual campus life events including but not limited to Frosh, Recess, Well events, and campus entertainment/wellness events;
 - b. ensure that events are planned which can provide service to the unique communities within the student body;
 - c. plan and implement the Students' Union's participation with ongoing UBCO events including but not limited to Welcome Week, speaker series, convocation, and Thrive Week;
 - d. regularly review work relating to Campus Life of coalition partners and other like-minded organizations in order to enhance UBC Students' Union Okanagan Campus Life;
 - e. make recommendations to the Board on the branding and marketing activities and projects of the Students' Union;
 - f. make recommendations to the Board on partnerships and sponsorships to provide enhanced campus life and increased events for the membership; and
 - g. make recommendations to the Board of Directors on matters referred to it.

Finance Committee

37 The mandate of the Committee is to:

- a. assist the Vice President Finance and Administration with the production of the budget;
- b. advise the Board of Directors and Executive Committee on general finances of the Student Union;
- c. assess the availability of funds for capital purchases and major projects; and develop long-term financial plans for the Students' Union;
- d. oversee and provide input on the financial services and operations of the Students' Union, including but not limited to the Health and Dental Plan and office services; and
- e. make recommendations to the Board of Directors on adoption of the audit, appointment of the auditor and action arising from the auditor's recommendations.

38 The Committee Members shall consist of the:

- a. President;
- b. Vice President Finance and Administration;
- c. General Manager;
- d. Finance Manager; and
- e. up to two (2) additional directors.

39 Pursuant to Bylaw X (5)(b), the Vice President Finance and Administration shall serve as the chair of the Committee.

40 The Finance Committee has the additional power and duty to:

- a. hold part or all of a meeting *in camera* as necessary;
- b. oversee the finances of the Student Union;
- c. review the monthly financial statements of the Student Union;
- d. provide a written report to the Board of Directors each fiscal quarter on the finances of the Student Union and, pursuant to Bylaw IX (3)(h), recommend amendments to the budget as required; and
- e. assist the Vice President Administration and the General Manager in the discharge of their duties with respect to the finances of the Student Union.

41 The powers and duties of the Committee shall be discharged on the basis of consensus among the Committee Members. For matters which cannot be determined by consensus the Committee shall refer such matters to the Executive Committee for resolution in consultation with the General Manager.

Oversight Committee

- 42** The mandate of the Committee is to oversee the performance of Executive Directors and to hold Executives accountable for their actions.
- 43** The Committee shall meet monthly to review Executive weekly work reports approve Executive pay.
- 44** The Oversight Committee shall conduct three reviews of each Executive Director. The Committee shall review the executive reports and meet with all staff partners and other relevant individuals to assess the performance of each Executive in relation to Appendix A of this Regulation and their established Executive goals. These Reviews shall occur:
 - a. during the June Oversight Committee Meeting;
 - b. during the September Oversight Committee Meeting; and
 - c. during the January Oversight Committee Meeting;
- 45** The Committee Members shall consist of at least three (3) members but no more than five total members, including:
 - a. General Manager
 - b. Up to three non-Executive (3) Directors; and
 - c. One (1) Student at Large.
- 46** All staff members shall serve as resources to the Committee on an as-needed basis.
- 47** The Oversight Committee may mandate, or an executive may request, a meeting to discuss pertinent committee business.
- 48** The Oversight Committee may mandate, or an executive may request, an interim review to demonstrate improvements in an executive's performance.
- 49** The Oversight Committee shall facilitate a final executive summary report to the board. This report shall be presented at the last board meeting in the month of April.
- 50** The Committee shall elect a chair at the first Committee meeting to serve throughout the duration of their term.
- 51** If the Committee has insufficient members due to vacancies or Conflict of Interest, the Board shall, as soon as possible, appoint sufficiently qualified persons as interim members.
- 52** Interim members, appointed by the Board, remain members of the Committee until the pre-existing vacancy has been filled.
- 53** In the case of a vacancy in the position of the Committee Chair, the Committee shall appoint an acting Chair from amongst the remaining Committee members to assume the duties of the Chair until a replacement is appointed.

- 54** In the case of a possible conflict of interest involving a committee member and relevant committee business, the Oversight Committee shall decide on a proper course of action.
- 55** If the Committee Chair is unable to assume the Chair's duties for a meeting due to a Conflict of Interest, the Committee members shall choose an acting Chair from among themselves to assume the duties of Chair for that meeting.
- 56** The Student Union must provide the Committee with any documentation relevant to Committee business upon request.
- 57** If the Committee requires more than one meeting to determine the outcome of a particular matter, the same members of the Committee must be present at all additional meetings.
- 58** A Committee member may not serve or remain on the Oversight Committee if that person:
 - a. is or becomes a member of the Executive Committee;
 - b. is or becomes an employee of any Student Union business;
 - c. is an Executive Member of a Student Association;
 - d. is deemed by the Board of Directors to be an unsuitable candidate for fulfilling the duties and responsibilities of an Oversight Committee member;
 - e. misses two (2) consecutive Committee meetings; or
 - f. is guilty of violating any policy of the UBCSUO Regulations and Bylaws.

Policy Committee

- 59** The mandate of the Committee is to review, facilitate consultation of the Members, and advise the Board of Directors on the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations, and other policies of the Student Union.
- 60** The Committee shall study the Regulations and other policies of the Student Union on an as-needed basis or as instructed by the Board of Directors.
- 61** The Committee shall meet at least once per month.
- 62** The Committee shall, as needed, be responsible for drafting, or causing to be drafted:
 - a. Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws;
 - b. Amendments to the Regulations or other policies of the Student Union; and
 - c. New Bylaws, Regulations, or policies of the Student Union.

- 63** The Committee Members shall consist of the:
- a. Vice President Internal;
 - b. General Manager;
 - c. At least two (2) additional Directors; and
 - d. At least one (1) Student at Large.

64 Pursuant to Bylaw X (2)(c), the Vice President Internal shall serve as the chair of the Committee.

65 The Committee has the additional power and duty to hold part or all of a meeting *in camera* as necessary.

Ad Hoc Committees

66 Pursuant to Bylaw XVII (5), the Board of Directors may by Resolution establish an Ad Hoc Committee in accordance with this Regulation.

Establishment of Ad Hoc Committees

67 A motion to establish an Ad Hoc Committee must satisfy the requirements in this portion of the Regulation.

68 The following aspects must be addressed by the Board of Directors when establishing an Ad Hoc Committee:

- a. the mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee;
- b. the membership of the Ad Hoc Committee;
- c. the powers and duties of the Ad Hoc Committee;
- d. whether the Ad Hoc Committee may hold meetings *in camera*; and
- e. the expected timeline for the Ad Hoc Committee to fulfill its purpose, if applicable.

Ad Hoc Committee Mandate and Structure

69 The mandate of an Ad Hoc Committee may fulfill either of the following purposes:

- a. To study a specific matter and provide advice to the Board of Directors or Executive Committee; or
- b. For other purposes required by the Board of Directors.

70 Unless otherwise specified by the Board of Directors, an Ad Hoc Committee shall consist of five (5) Members, including at least one (1) Director.

- 71** The chair of the Ad Hoc Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors, unless they choose to delegate this duty to the Committee Members. If delegated to the Committee Members, the chair shall be appointed at the first meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee.

Powers and Duties

- 72** Subject to the discretion of the Board of Directors, Ad Hoc Committees have the power and duty to:
- a. Convene meetings for the purpose of fulfilling the mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee;
 - b. Prepare and provide minutes of meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee to the Board of Directors;
 - c. Report to the Board of Directors, as required; and
 - d. Discharge other powers and duties delegated by the Board of Directors.

Schedule of Meetings and Timelines

- 73** Ad Hoc Committees shall normally meet at least once per month from September through April.
- 74** The chair of the Ad Hoc Committee is responsible for reporting to the Board of Directors in accordance with the timeline set out by the Board of Directors.

Dissolution of Ad Hoc Committees

- 75** An Ad Hoc Committee is dissolved and ceases to exist:
- a. when it has fulfilled its mandate; or
 - b. at any time, upon a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Student Association Funding Committee

- 76** The mandate of the Committee is to review submitted Student Association funding applications, determine the allocation of funding, and present these funding recommendations to the Board of Directors.
- 77** The Committee shall meet as necessary to make funding recommendations in a timely manner.
- 78** The Committee Members shall consist of the:
- a. Vice President Finance;
 - b. Vice President Internal;
 - c. Membership Outreach Coordinator;
 - d. General Manager; and
 - e. A Student at Large
- 79** Pursuant to Bylaw X (5)(b), the Vice President Finance and Administration shall serve as the chair of the Committee.
- 80** The Committee shall have the additional power and duty to:
- a. review and evaluate submitted Student Association funding applications;
 - b. consult with Student Associations on an as-needed basis;
 - c. approve, reject, or modify Student Association funding requests up to and including two thousand dollars (\$2,000);
 - d. make recommendations on all Student Association funding requests greater than two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to the Board of Directors; and
 - e. compile a report for the Board of Directors with details on how the Committee arrived at their decisions each semester.
- 81** The maximum amount of funding a Student Association can receive in a year is \$3,500. Under special circumstances, the Board of Directors may approve amounts larger than \$3,500 by two-third resolution.
- 82** The Vice President Finance shall be responsible for compiling the Student Association Funding report each semester.
- 83** The Committee shall meet as necessary in the beginning of each semester in order to fulfill the obligations set out in the Student Associations Regulation.

Electoral Committee

- 84** The mandate of the Committee is to administer all elections of the Student Union, and to ensure that all elections occur in the manner prescribed by the UBCSUO Bylaws and Election Regulations.
- 85** All Committee Members shall study and remain familiar with the UBCSUO Election Regulations in order to properly exercise their duties and judgements.
- 86** The Committee Members shall consist of the:
- a. Chief Returning Officer;
 - b. Up to two Deputy Returning Officers;
 - c. General Manager; and
 - d. Advocacy Governance Coordinator; and
 - e. Project Manager as a non-voting, advisory member.
- 87** The General Manager shall serve as the chair of the Committee.
- 88** As specified in the Election Regulations, the Electoral Committee shall have the additional power and duty to:
- a. determine the eligibility of all nominated candidates;
 - b. investigate, substantiate, and determine the validity of a complaint for any violation of the Election Regulations or other UBCSUO Bylaws or Regulations;
 - c. when verifying the validity of a complaint, determine whether the offence which has occurred is minor or major, in accordance with the Election Regulations;
 - d. determine what penalty or penalties shall apply to a candidate who has committed a minor offence;
 - e. rule an election invalid for any violation of the Election Regulations or other UBCSUO Bylaws or Regulations;
 - f. publish the reasons for decisions on all complaints in writing;
 - g. determine when an extension is necessary to adequately complete an investigation into a complaint, or to properly evaluate an appeal;
 - h. decide, in the event of a strike, circumstances beyond human control, or any other event which may delay the electoral procedure, how and when the electoral procedure shall best be followed;
 - i. submit a report on the conduct and results of all elections to the Board of Directors for ratification; and
 - j. carry out other responsibilities as specified in the Election Regulations.
- 89** The Committee shall meet as deemed necessary by the CRO prior to the campaigning and voting periods of an election.

- 90** The Committee shall meet at least once every twenty-four (24) hours during all but the last two days of the voting period of an election, unless the CRO determines that a meeting is unnecessary.
- 91** The Committee shall meet at least once every twelve (12) hours during the last two days of the voting period of an election, unless the CRO determines that a meeting is unnecessary.
- 92** The CRO may schedule additional meetings of the Committee during any period of an election if they deem necessary.
- 93** The Committee shall meet as deemed necessary by the CRO while administering a referendum.

Media Fund Committee

- 94** The mandate of the Committee is to administer funds collected from the student media fund fee.
- 95** The Committee shall meet:
 - a. as necessary to make funding recommendations to the Board by the end of August; and
 - b. on an as-needed basis.
- 96** The Committee Members shall consist of the:
 - a. Vice-President Campus Life;
 - b. Vice-President Internal;
 - c. a member of the Board of Directors;
 - d. a member of the Phoenix and/or its successor; and
 - e. a member of Heatwave Radio and/or its successor.
- 97** Pursuant to Bylaw X (90)(h), the Vice-President Campus Life shall serve as the chair of the Committee.
- 98** The Committee shall have the additional power and duty of:
 - a. reviewing and evaluating funding requests;
 - b. compiling a report for the Board of Directors with details on how the Committee arrived at their decision on allocating funds; and
 - c. overseeing and making recommendations on the allocation of unawarded funds to the Board.

REGULATION II – ELECTIONS & REFERENDA

99 In this Regulation unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. “Ballot” means an official ballot for use in an Election or Referendum;
- b. “Candidate” means any Member who is duly nominated and accepts their nomination for a position on the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee during an Election in accordance with this Regulation;
- c. “Campaigning” means the promotion of an individual who has intentions to become a Candidate or has been duly nominated as a Candidate, especially when such promotion is of a political capacity.
- d. “Campaign Volunteer” means any Member that actively contributes to the candidate’s campaign, including but not limited to: printing and putting up posters, assisting with tabling and assisting with social media advertising.
- e. “Committee” means the Electoral Committee unless otherwise specified as to mean the Executive or any other committee besides the Electoral Committee.
- f. “CRO” means the person appointed as Chief Returning Officer in accordance with Bylaws V (29) and VIII (74) (h);
- g. “DRO” means a Deputy Returning Officer appointed by the CRO to assist in the conduct of an Election or Referendum;
- h. “Election” means an election to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors and/or the Executive Committee, including a by-election, as required by the Bylaws;
- i. “Referendum” means a referendum of the Members held in accordance with the Bylaws and this Regulation; and
- j. “Sponsorship” means the supporting or backing of a Candidate through financial, advisory, marketing, or other means of assistance.

Election and Referenda Officials

100 In addition to those powers and duties set out in Bylaw V, and subject to the requirements of the UBCSUO Bylaws and this Regulation, the CRO has the power and duty to:

- a. require the Student Union to provide adequate resources for the administration of an Election or Referendum in accordance with the budget for each Election or Referendum;
- b. reserve adequate space under the care and control of the Student Union in consultation with the General Manager for the purposes of conducting an Election or Referendum;
- c. create or cause to be created all requisite forms necessary for the conduct of an Election or Referendum;
- d. produce the Ballots or arrange for online voting;
- e. appoint and direct one or more DROs, as required;
- f. consult at their discretion with the legal counsel for the Student Union with respect to matters pertaining to the administration of an Election or Referendum;

- g. receive, initiate, and investigate all complaints from Members regarding the administration of an Election or Referendum with the General Manager and Electoral Committee;
- h. address complaints and take appropriate disciplinary action against a Candidate within a 24-hour period, and 12-hour period of the last two days of election, unless the electoral committee determines that an extension is necessary to adequately complete the investigation;
- i. publish on the UBCSUO website and social media pages
- j. their determinations with respect to complaints, including the reasons for the determinations;
- k. prepare and propose to the Electoral Committee any additional rules and requirements for the administration of the Election or Referendum that are consistent with the Bylaws or Regulations; and
- l. otherwise be responsible for the implementation of this Regulation.

101 Within twenty-one (21) days of the conclusion of any election or referendum, the CRO must submit to the Board of Directors for inclusion in the annual report of the Student Union a letter that:

- a. summarizes the role of the CRO, as defined by the Bylaws and this Regulation;
- b. certifies that the Elections and Referenda held since the previous annual general meeting were conducted in accordance with the Bylaws and the Regulations; and
- c. restates for every Election or Referendum held since the previous annual general meeting the:
 - i. names of any Candidates;
 - ii. questions put to Referenda; and
 - iii. official results of the Elections and/or Referenda.

102 The board of directors shall facilitate an application process to select three outstanding candidates for DRO in a manner similar to the process for selecting the CRO.

103 Upon selecting these three candidates, the board shall provide the CRO with the applications materials from these candidates and allow the CRO to appoint the one or more candidates they believe to be best fit to serve as DROs.

104 Under the instruction of the CRO, any DRO shall assist with the supervision and administration of all elections and referenda including the conduct of voting.

Schedule of Elections and Referenda

105 Wherever possible the schedule for **General Elections** shall be as follows:

- a. Nomination period will open at 8:00am PST on the second Monday in February, and will run until 4:00pm PST the Friday of that week;
- b. The All-Candidates meeting will take place on the same Friday that Nomination period ends;
- c. Campaigning period will begin at 8:00am PST on the fourth Monday of February and will run until the close of voting;
- d. Voting will commence at 8:00am PST on the first Monday of March, and will close at 11:59pm PST on the Wednesday of that week; and
- e. Election results will be released no later than 5:00pm PST on the following Monday.

106 The CRO will determine and set out the schedule of any required By-Elections, including dates for:

- a. Posting notice of vacancies;
- b. The acceptance of nominations;
- c. Publication of Candidate names;
- d. Election forums; and
- e. Voting.

107 The CRO must post vacancies and the nomination process for each Election in accordance with the electoral schedule.

108 Nominations will be accepted in accordance with the Election or By-Election schedules.

109 Following the close of nominations, the CRO must cause to be posted, in accordance with Bylaw VI, the:

- a. names of the Candidates for each position;
- b. schedule of the Election, including voting days; and
- c. contact information for the CRO.

110 Voting shall take place in accordance with the Election or By-Election schedule.

111 At least one (1) Election forum shall be held in accordance with the Election or By-Election schedule, at a time determined by the CRO.

112 A Referendum shall coincide with regularly scheduled Elections provided that it is held within a reasonable time period after it is called for in accordance with Bylaw V (36)

113 Upon the calling of a Referendum the CRO must cause to be posted, in accordance with Bylaw VI, the:

- a. question to be voted on by the Members;
- b. schedule of the Referendum, including voting days; and
- c. contact information of the CRO.

Candidates

114 Subject to Bylaw VII, every Member is eligible to nominate and to be nominated for candidacy in an Election.

115 The nomination papers of a Member must include:

- a. the Candidate's full legal name and student identification number as it appears on their University-issued student identification;
- b. the name by which the Candidate is preferred or which is found on a legal document;
- c. the endorsement of at least fifteen (15) Members, evidenced by their:
 - i. full name and student identification number as it appears on their University-issued student identification; and
 - ii. signature and the date of the nomination;
- d. a declaration of acceptance of the nomination signed and dated by the Candidate.
- e. Proof of being fully vaccinated against Covid-19, with exemptions being granted in extremely limited circumstances, in line with the BC Human Rights Tribunal, and the Chief Medical Health Officer.

116 A Member may be nominated to run for only one (1) position in an Election.

117 Incomplete nominations and nominations received after the deadline for submission of nominations shall be rejected.

Campaigns & Candidate Conduct

118 It is the responsibility of Candidates to be familiar and comply with the Regulations and Bylaws.

119 The CRO will convene a meeting following the close of nominations to review with Candidates the campaign rules and requirements set out in this Regulation and the Bylaws.

- a. candidates shall be declared ineligible if they fail to attend the All-Candidates Meeting. The candidate is entirely responsible for obtaining all information provided at that meeting.
- a. in situations such as but not limited to, academic conflict, work obligation or extenuating circumstances, the CRO may consider waiving the disqualification of a candidate for failure to attend the All-Candidates meeting. However, the Candidate must communicate and provide proof of a valid excuse no later than 24 hours prior to the end of nomination period. In addition, an absence is only considered valid if approved by the CRO prior to the start of the All-Candidates meeting.

120 Candidates are liable for their conduct and are responsible for the conduct of other parties who are acting under the instructions of the Candidate.

121 Candidates may campaign by any means except may not:

- a. Campaign:
 - i. in Student Union businesses and other premises except as permitted by the CRO;
 - ii. in any University classroom during or immediately before a class without obtaining the prior permission of the professor;
 - iii. within the proximity of the polling location as designated by the CRO;
 - iv. by pooling campaign finances. Further, candidates must individually report campaign spending. Each instance of spending must be reported to the CRO within 24 hours of the expenditure occurring, with a final official report submitted within 24 hours of polls closing.
 - v. using another candidate's name or picture in the same graphic, poster, or video.
 - vi. as a slate. Each candidate must maintain separate finances, produce unique campaign materials, present campaign platforms distinct from other candidates, refrain from endorsing another candidate in the election, or engage in any other activity which would make the candidate a slate as determined by the Electoral Committee.
 - vii. while receiving or encouraging sponsorship from an outside body, including but not limited to corporations or organizations.
 - viii. by putting up posters or advertisements, or actively campaigning anywhere that is outside of the designated UBCO campus boundaries.
 - ix. by manipulating their preferred name in any way that suggests that candidates are affiliated on the ballot.
 - x. while having campaign managers or volunteers that are not members of the UBCSUO.
 - xi. by soliciting off-campus businesses or organizations to provide services that might be deemed to exceed the campaign-spending limit.
 - xii. by soliciting endorsements from: UBC professors or administrators or; UBCSUO run businesses, services or UBCSUO administrators.
 - xiii. by using profanity on any election material. This includes any statement or imagery that suggests hatred or intolerance towards any group.
 - xiv. by making discriminatory or defamatory statements against another candidate.
 - xv. while being endorsed by any student who is an Executive or Director of the UBCSUO, nor can candidates recruit these individuals to work on their campaigns; or
 - xvi. outside of the rules of fair play as determined by the Electoral committee. Breaking the rules of fair play includes, but is not limited to, libel, slander, general sabotage of the campaigns of other candidates, misrepresentation of fact, and malicious or intentional breach of applicable regulations.

- b. harass or display aggressive, violent, or threatening behaviour;
- c. interfere, or attempt to interfere, with the administration of the Election;
- d. jeopardize, or take any action which could reasonably be expected to jeopardize, the integrity of the Election;
- e. impede or interfere with the ability of another Candidate to campaign;
- f. remove, replace, modify, or damage the materials of, or cause similar harm to, another Candidate;
- g. provide money or items of monetary value as an incentive or any form of consideration to a Member in exchange for his or her support; and
- h. otherwise act in a manner inconsistent with the University policies related to student conduct.

122 Candidates shall be responsible for the actions or violations stemming from such actions of any volunteer(s) party unless the CRO determines that they did not direct the action, and could not have reasonably foreseen that such an action would occur.

- a. candidates may dissociate themselves from any person or organization who would otherwise be considered a volunteer, provided that they give immediate written notice to the CRO, and that the Committee is satisfied that the dissociation is genuine.
- b. candidates shall not be held responsible for the actions of any person or organization if the candidate had previously and adequately dissociated themselves from that person or organization
- c. candidates shall compile and maintain an up-to-date list of the names, phone numbers, and email addresses of all campaign volunteers. The list shall be forwarded to the CRO within 24 hours of the CRO's request.

123 Candidates may display posters and other campaign materials at the locations designated by the CRO.

124 Failing to get approval from the CRO for campaign materials that are later deemed to have violated campaign regulations will result in disqualification.

125 There shall be no campaigning by any candidate outside of the campaigning period.

126 Every Candidate shall be required to limit their campaign expenditure to a maximum of seventy-five (\$75 CAD) Canadian dollars. This shall be reimbursed by the Student Union following the conclusion of the elections, except if the candidate:

- a. is disqualified;
- b. voluntarily withdraws their candidacy; or
- c. does not use funds solely on necessary campaign materials.

127 Candidates who spend over the campaign limit will be subject to disqualification.

Promotion of Elections and Referenda

128The CRO shall promote awareness of Elections and Referenda among the Members, including, but not limited to, through the following means:

- a. Online platforms including Social media and the UBCSUO Website;
- b. Posters and other print material;
- c. Tabling and direct student engagement;
- d. Election information forums and debates

129The Student Union will allocate at least five hundred dollars (\$500) to the CRO, for each Election and Referendum, for the purposes of promoting awareness and participation in the Election or Referendum

130Except as otherwise noted Referenda shall be conducted in accordance with the same manner as Elections.

Voting

131Pursuant to Bylaw III (14), every Member in good standing is entitled to one (1) vote in every Election and Referendum.

132Voting shall take place either online or at one or more locations on University premises designated by the CRO.

133If online voting is utilized, software must be secure and not vulnerable to outside and/or any other forms of interference.

134All students shall have equal access to cast their vote and voter integrity and privacy must be maintained.

135If physical ballots are used, the voting place will be arranged in such a way as to allow the Members to cast their Ballots in secret. If online ballots are used, members should be encouraged to cast their ballots in confidentiality.

136Physical Ballots shall conform to the following specifications:

- a. be, in all regards, legible and uniformly formatted and typewritten in a standard font and text size;
- b. allows the Members to deliberately mark their Ballots in a manner that clearly and distinguishably indicates their support for a Candidate or preference with respect to a Referendum;
- c. bear a unique alphanumeric serial identification;
- d. designate a space for the authorization of the Ballot, evidenced by the initials of at least one (1) Election official present at the time the Ballot is issued;

- e. contain one (1) or more security features reasonably necessary to frustrate an attempt to produce counterfeit or otherwise fraudulent representations of a Ballot, and to allow for the detection of such representations;
- f. list the Candidates' names by last name in an order determined by lottery; and
- g. contain the name of the candidate matching a government issued identification (or preferred nickname) with nothing else

137 Online Ballots shall conform to the following specifications:

- a. be, in all regards, legible and uniformly formatted;
- b. display the name of the candidate matching their UBCO student card (or preferred nickname);
- c. list the Candidates' names by last name in an order determined by lottery; and
- d. allow the Members to easily and deliberately select a candidate and cast their vote.

138 For each election or referendum which uses physical ballots, a ballot registry shall be produced which must contain:

- a. the serial numbers of every Ballot produced for use in the Election or Referendum; and
- b. a designated area for the initials of the CRO to be recorded upon the issuance of each Ballot.

139 When elections use physical ballots, members shall be issued one Ballot subject to:

- a. presentation of their University-issued student identification and verification of their identity;
- b. verification that the Member has not previously voted in the Election or Referendum; and
- c. acknowledgement by the Member that they have received a Ballot evidenced by their initial beside their name on the list of Members eligible to vote and a notation on the list that they have voted.

140 A DRO must aid in marking a voter's Ballot if they are otherwise unable to do so and request assistance.

Results

141 Ballots shall be counted immediately following the conclusion of voting, without delay.

142 The CRO shall supervise and coordinate the counting of Ballots.

143 Every Candidate may appoint one (1) representative who may be present and act as a scrutineer during the counting of physical Ballots by providing written notice to the CRO in advance of the counting of Ballots.

144 A candidate shall be declared elected if they receive the most votes for that position.

145A request for a recount when using physical ballots shall be granted where:

- a. the request is in writing and signed by a candidate who is contesting the position;
- b. the difference between the candidates for any one position is less than the three percent (3%) of the total votes cast for that position; and
- c. the CRO deems it necessary.

146Upon the conclusion of Ballot counting, and any recounts required, the CRO, without delay, must announce the results and post the results of the Election or Referendum:

- a. on the Student Union website; and
- b. in a prominent location in the Student Union's offices.

147In the case of online voting the results shall be tallied by the system in place and the results made available to members via the voting platform. There shall be no allowance for recounts when utilizing an online voting platform.

Election Offences and Complaints

148The CRO shall receive and investigate complaints and shall report their findings to the electoral committee.

149Any Member may file a complaint in the format designated by the CRO regarding the administration of an Election or Referendum or the conduct of a Candidate.

150Complaints must be filed within twenty-four (24) hours of the occurrence or discovery of the evidence forming the basis of the complaint.

151A complaint must include:

- a. the name and contact information of the Member submitting the complaint;
- b. a description of the complaint including the relevant section or sections of this Regulation that are alleged to have been violated; and
- c. all information and evidence relevant to the complaint.

Burden and Standard of Proof

152The onus to prove the complaint is upon the complainant.

153Any person accused of committing an Election offence shall be presumed not to have committed that offence until they are found guilty through an investigation conducted by the CRO in accordance with this Regulation.

154Any person accused of committing an Election offence shall be permitted to be accompanied or represented by a person of his or her choice during the investigation of a complaint.

155A person accused of committing an Election offence must be:

- a. provided with a copy of the complaint including all of the evidence supporting the complaint;
- b. made aware of the procedure for investigating complaints set out in this Regulation; and
- c. permitted to respond in writing to the accusations made against them.

156The CRO must make every reasonable effort to meet with a candidate over the course of the investigation before rendering a decision on a complaint or disqualification.

- a. at least one other member of the Electoral Committee must also be present at this meeting; and
- b. this meeting shall be recorded.

157The CRO shall provide a signed, clearly articulated copy of the decision on the complaint to the electoral committee, complainant, and respondent prior to it being released publicly.

158The candidate(s) may appeal the ruling of the electoral committee using the guidelines outlined under the sub-section below entitled "Appeals".

Investigation of Complaints

159The CRO shall investigate and decide a complaint along with the General Manager within twenty-four (24) hours of its receipt or twelve (12) hours on the last two days of the election. The CRO must bring the complaint to the Electoral Committee.

160The CRO must give fair consideration to all evidence relevant to a complaint.

161Upon the conclusion of an investigation of a complaint the CRO must decide whether an offence has occurred and, if so, whether the offence is minor or major.

162Upon the conclusion of an investigation of a complaint relating to the administration of an Election or Referendum or the conduct of a candidate, if the CRO along with General Manager decides that the complaint is valid, the CRO must also determine whether the integrity or result of the Election or Referendum has been materially affected. If the CRO decides that the integrity or result of the Election or Referendum has been materially affected, the CRO must determine whether all or part of the Election or Referendum is invalid.

163The CRO and General Manager must publish the reasons for his or her decisions in writing.

Appeals

164If a candidate wishes to appeal any ruling of the CRO, the appeal must be issued in writing to the electoral committee within 12 hours of said ruling; all appeals must be signed by the candidate.

165Time limits for the appeals process can be extended, but not reduced, at the discretion of the CRO or the electoral committee.

166The decision of the electoral committee on the appeal is final and may not be contested.

167The election results will not be considered official nor may they be announced to the public until rulings are made on all outstanding appeals.

168 If an appeal would reverse the disqualification of a candidate after said candidate's name has been removed from any active ballots, the electoral committee shall acknowledge that if the appeal is successful a revote must be conducted for the position in dispute, ensuring that the reinstated candidate's name appears on the ballot for the entire duration of the revote. This shall not apply if a candidate's disqualification is reversed prior to the beginning of voting, so long as their name appears on all ballots used in the election.

Candidate Misconduct

169A Candidate shall be disqualified from an Election if they are found to have committed either:

- a. three (3) separate Minor Offences; or
- b. one (1) Major Offence.

170A Candidate is guilty of a Minor Offence if they willingly violate any provision of this regulation that does not result in the integrity of the Election being materially compromised or result in serious harm or undue disadvantage to another Candidate.

171A Candidate is guilty of a Major Offence if they willingly commit, or attempt to commit, any act which a reasonable person exercising an ordinary standard of care would have known was likely to:

- a. materially compromise the integrity of the Election;
- b. result in serious harm or undue disadvantage to another Candidate; or
- c. constitute two minor violations that occur within the last twenty-four (24) hours of the campaign period.
- d. Have provided false information to the Electoral Committee, including but not limited to nomination forms, evidence for complaints, and proof of covid-19 vaccination.

172 Penalties for violating minor offences shall include but not be limited to:

- a. 24-hour suspension of a candidate's campaign for each offence; and/or
- b. a written apology which may either be directed to a specific person/organization or made known to members of the Student Union.

173 Elections may be considered null if:

- a. a candidate commits a Major Violation during the voting period; or
- b. the Electoral Committee deems the integrity of the election to be compromised.

REGULATION III – FINANCE

174In this Regulation, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. “Bonds” means a fixed income instrument that represents a loan made by an investor to a borrower;
- b. “Commercial paper” means an unsecured, short-term debt instrument issued by a corporation, typically for the financing of accounts payable and inventories and meeting short-term liabilities;
- c. “Custodian” means an individual who will physically maintain possession of investments owned by the Student Union, collect dividend and interest payments, redeem maturing securities, and effect receipt and delivery following purchases and sales. May also perform regular accounting of all assets owned, purchased or sold;
- d. “ESG” means environmental, social and governance;
- e. “Investment” means any investment of funds permitted by Bylaw XII ;
- f. “Investment Manager” means an individual who has discretion to purchase, sell, or hold the specific investment vehicles authorized by the finance committee to meet the Student Union’s investment objectives;
- g. “Moody’s” means the bond credit rating business of Moody's Corporation, representing the company's traditional line of business and its historical name;
- h. “Money Market Mutual Funds” means a kind of mutual fund that invests only in highly liquid instruments such as cash, cash equivalent securities, and high credit rating debt-based securities with a short-term, maturity—less than 13 months;
- i. “Notes” means is a legal document that serves as an IOU from a borrower to a creditor or to an investor;
- j. “Signing Officer” means a person who is designated by Bylaw XII (99) to serve as a signing officer of the Student Union; and
- k. “Standard & Poor’s” means is a leading index provider and data source of independent credit ratings.

Budget

175The Vice President Finance and Administration, in consultation with the Finance Committee, shall draft the budget for consideration by the Board of Directors by May 31st of each year.

176The Executive Committee, on the advice of the Vice President Finance and Administration and General Manager, shall recommend the budget for adoption by the Board of Directors by June 30th of each year.

177Pursuant to Bylaw VIII (74)(e), the Board of Directors must adopt the budget on or before July 31st of each year.

178The budget must:

- a. reasonably project revenues and expenditures; and

- b. designate who is responsible for oversight of each line item.

179The Board may amend the budget at any time by Two-Thirds Resolution.

180Budgeted amounts may be reallocated by up to ten percent (10%) by resolution of the Executive Committee provided that there is no net increase to the budget.

Disbursement of Funds

181Expenses up to and including ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) must be approved by the person responsible for the relevant line item.

182Expenses greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) but less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) must be approved by the Executive Committee.

183The Board of Directors must approve all expenses equal to or greater than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

184Signing Officers may sign-off on payments if they are reasonably satisfied, upon the inspection of supporting documentation, that the disbursement is valid and duly authorized in accordance with this Regulation.

185Pursuant to Bylaw XII (99), payments must be signed by two Signing Officers.

186Signing Officers must not request or sign-off on payments made payable to themselves, or in any other cases where there could reasonably appear to be a conflict of interest.

187Pursuant to Bylaw XII (100), the General Manager shall oversee the issuance of all cheques.

Investments

188The Finance Committee shall oversee the Investments of the Student Union.

189The Finance Committee has authorization to delegate certain responsibilities to professional experts in various fields. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- a. Investment Manager;
- b. Custodian; or
- c. Additional specialists such as attorneys, auditors and others who may be employed by the Student Union to assist in meeting its responsibilities and obligations to administer investment assets prudently.

190As a responsible owner, the Student Union, will regularly engage and collaborate with its active investment managers on matters related to environmental, social and governance (ESG) risks and opportunities. Specifically, the Student Union will:

- a. integrate the consideration of ESG factors into the investment process as an additional criterion in the selection and ongoing monitoring of active investment managers;
- b. regularly review and track the engagement of active investment managers with their investee companies and their proxy voting records on ESG related issues;
- c. obtain and evaluate annual disclosure from all active investment managers on how ESG factors are incorporated into their investment decision making processes;
- d. collaborate with other institutional investors and industry associations on ESG matters where appropriate; and
- e. disclose and publish a detailed listing of its investments annually, and report on ESG matters in the Investment Committee's annual report.

Asset Quality and Allocation

191The quality rating of fixed-income securities, bonds and notes, must be "A" or better, as rated by Standard & Poor's or Moody's. The portfolio may consist of only traditional principal and interest obligations with maturities of seven years or less.

192The quality of commercial paper must be A-1, as rated by Standard & Poor's, and/or P-1, as rated by Moody's, or better. The assets of any money market mutual funds must comply with this standard and/or quality provisions for fixed-income securities.

193Prohibited investments includes, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. commodities and futures contracts;
- b. private placements;
- c. options; and
- d. non-registered securities.

194Subject to market conditions, donated securities will generally be sold immediately upon receipt by the Student Union. Where it is advantageous to do so, and subject to the constraints of this policy, UBCSUO may hold these securities internally

195Rebalancing of the portfolio's strategic asset allocation shall be adopted as a risk-management strategy. Once an asset allocation is implemented that matches the portfolio's risk tolerance, rebalancing approximately semi-annually, when necessary, should allow the maintenance of risk exposure at an appropriate level. Investment managers must consult with the UBCSUO before rebalancing.

196The investment manager will maintain reasonable diversification at all times. They may not allow the investments in equity securities of any one company to exceed 10 percent of the portfolio or the total securities position (debt and equity) in any one company to exceed 10 percent of the portfolio. Reasonable sector allocations and diversification must also be maintained. No more than 25 percent of the portfolio may be invested in the securities of any one sector.

Asset Quality and Allocation

197The funds of the UBCSUO may be invested as Investments, provided that sufficient cash, or cash equivalents, are held to ensure sufficient operating liquidity throughout the fiscal year.

198To accomplish the organization’s investment objectives, based on its time horizon, risk tolerances, performance expectations, and asset class preferences, an optimal portfolio was identified. The investment manager is authorized to utilize portfolios with the following strategic asset allocations.

Asset Class	Lower Limit	Strategic Allocations	Upper Limit
Canadian Bond	0%	18%	70%
Global Bond	0%	45%	90%
Canadian Equity	0%	6%	30%
Global Equity	0%	18%	30%
High Yield	0%	13%	60%
Cash	0%	0%	20%

Reporting Requirements

199 Quarterly - The investment manager shall provide the committee with detailed information about asset allocation, investment performance, future strategies, and other matters of interest.

200 Annually - The investment manager will provide an annual summary of all transactions in each fiscal year, together with a report of investment performance for the year by portfolio, to the Board. Investment objectives will be reviewed to confirm that they are in line with goals and objectives contained herein.

Review of Performance and Policy

201The committee shall meet at least annually with the investment manager to review the results of the investment portfolio to determine whether the performance benchmarks have been met. At this meeting, the committee will decide if they would like to reappoint the investment manager for the following year.

202The investment policy in Regulation III - Finance shall be reviewed at least two years by the Board.

Student Association Grants

203 Student Associations may apply in writing to the Student Union for financial or other extraordinary support in accordance with this Regulation.

204 The Ad-Hoc Student Association Funding Committee shall consider and approve Student Association funding requests of up to and including two thousand dollars (\$2,000).

205 The Board of Directors shall consider and approve Student Association funding requests over two thousand dollars (\$2,000).

Audit & Financial Statements

206 In advance of the Annual General Meeting of each year, the Board of Directors shall recommend the appointment or reappointment of the auditor.

207 The audited financial statements, upon their acceptance by the Members, shall be published on the Student Union website for inspection by the Members.

REGULATION IV - GOVERNANCE

208In this Regulation, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. "Professional Misconduct" means behavior by an elected official which may damage the reputation of the Student Union, including: verbal, physical, sexual, or emotional abuse; breach of federal, provincial, or municipal law; misappropriation of Student Union resources or private property; falsification of records; acting upon Conflicts of Interest or Potential Conflicts of Interest; publication or encouragement of publication of information which is false, fraudulent, deceptive, misleading, or in violation of Student Union policy.
- b. "Reprimand" means a formal, publicly released written statement of disapproval by the Board of Directors specifying the nature of a complaint and the reason it was determined valid.
- c. "Warning" means a written notice issued by the Board of Directors that an Executive's conduct is not appropriate and could result in further consequences.

Directors and Executive Committee Directors

209The Student Union shall insure and indemnify every Director for liabilities arising from their service, provided that their actions are in accordance with the Society Act of British Columbia and the Bylaws and Regulations.

210Certificates of insurance shall be made available to Directors upon request.

211Pursuant to the Bylaws, Executive Committee Directors shall be bonded in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

212In the fulfillment of their responsibilities, Executive Committee Directors are required to dedicate a minimum of fifty (50) hours every two weeks throughout the year to their duties as set out under the Bylaws and Regulations.

213Of these fifty (50) hours, Executive Directors must be in the Student Union office at least three (3) days and fifteen (15) hours per week, and this must be during typical office hours. Of these fifteen (15) hours, Executive Committee Directors must schedule, post notice, and be available for student appointments for at least five (5) hours per week on average.

214Executive Directors working remotely are required to have consistent and reliable internet access, be able to attend all meetings and contribute in their full capacity, be in compliance with all regulations relating to required hours, and be consistently available during standard SUO operating hours.

215 Executive Directors are entitled to the following time off with pay:

- a. Winter Term 1 Reading Break, two (2) days;
- b. SUO Office Christmas Closure;
- c. Winter Term 2 Break, five (5) days; and
- d. Ten (10) additional paid vacation days to use at their discretion over the course of their term.

216 If necessary, Executive Directors may opt to take ten (10) UNPAID additional days off over the course of their term of office. These unpaid days may be used in combination with paid vacation periods to allow for longer absences.

217 Absences or time off requirements in excess of those mentioned above will be in the form of an unpaid Leave of Absence, which must be approved by the Board of Directors.

218 Executive Directors must notify the Oversight Committee of their intent to use any paid or unpaid days off. The Oversight Committee shall approve the executive's request, unless, the days off fall under any black-out periods, or the executive has used up all their allotted days off.

219 Executive Directors are required to be in office and may not take vacation or leaves of absence during the following black-out periods:

- a. May; and
- b. The last two weeks of August and the month of September.

220 In addition to the above regulation ten (10) the Vice President of Finance and Administration is required to be in the office and may not take a leave of absence during the months of June and July.

221 Notwithstanding regulation ten (10) and eleven (11) Executive Directors may request, and the Oversight Committee consider, leaves of absence during black-out periods due to extenuating circumstances.

222 Each Executive Committee Director must provide reports as required in these regulations. These reports must include all significant information which may affect the Student Union's operations or membership.

223 Pay shall automatically be withheld at a rate of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day to a maximum reduction of the value of one complete pay period when a report or document is found to be late or incomplete.

224 Pay will automatically be withheld at a rate of hundred dollars (\$100.00) a day with maximum reduction of the value of one complete pay period where a Transition report is late and withhold all pay until the report is submitted.

- 225**In cases where a report is late due to extenuating circumstances an Executive Director may appeal to the Chair of the Oversight Committee no later than twenty-four (24) hours of the missed due date, the chair has the discretion to waive the automatic reduction of pay.
- 226**The above reports are to be included as a standing agenda Item at each Board of Directors meeting for review and approval.
- 227**Each Executive Committee Director must provide a Progress Report to the Oversight Committee on the status of their Executive Goals to the Board of Directors.
- 228**The President shall serve notice of the date, time, and location of meetings of the Board of Directors to all Directors at least seven (7) days in advance of each meeting.
- 229**The President shall prepare or cause to be prepared the agenda for each meeting of the Board of Directors in accordance with this Regulation.
- 230**Subject to approval by the Board of Directors at the beginning of each meeting, the President may:
- a. determine the format of the Agenda; and
 - b. prioritize the business of meetings of the Board of Directors.
- 231**At least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of a meeting of the Board of Directors, the agenda shall be:
- a. distributed electronically to every Director;
 - b. posted on the Student Union website; and
 - c. published in a prominent location on or about the Student Union office.
- 232**Any Director may require an item to be placed on the agenda for a meeting of the Board of Directors, provided that it is:
- a. received by the President at least five (5) days in advance of the meeting, whether electronically or in writing;
 - b. endorsed by two other Directors; and
 - c. relevant to the business of the Student Union, as determined by the President.
- 233**If within thirty (30) minutes from the time appointed for a meeting of the Board of Directors, a quorum is not present at or above 50 percent of all members, the minutes shall reflect those in attendance and the meeting shall be adjourned.
- 234**Meetings of the Board of Directors shall not normally exceed three (3) hours in duration except if extended by Resolution.
- 235**Meetings of the Board of Directors shall adjourn at or before 10:00PM except if extended by Resolution.

236 Minutes of meetings of the Board of Directors shall be taken and approved at the next meeting of the Board of Directors.

237 Minutes of meetings of the Board of Directors shall reflect the general nature of the business to be discussed *in camera*, but not disclose the content of the discussion or any confidential or privileged information.

238 Confidential minutes shall be taken of meetings of the Board of Directors held *in camera* and be maintained by the Student Union in a confidential manner.

Director and Executive Honoraria

- 239** Pursuant to Bylaw VII (73), every Director shall receive a base honorarium of \$155 per month. This shall be known as the base honorarium and shall be paid monthly. The base amounts of honorarium shall be automatically adjusted on May 1st to match the Consumer Price Index as measured by Statistics Canada, using 2014 as the base year.
- 240** Director base honoraria shall be determined as follows:
- a. \$50 flat fee for attendance at the monthly board meetings; and
 - b. remainder based upon a report of participation and engagement in Students' Union general work and activities.
- 241** Director honoraria shall be approved by the executive committee.
- 242** Pursuant to Bylaw X (92), every Executive shall be paid an honorarium.
- 243** Each Executive Director shall receive a base honorarium in the amount of \$1000 bi-weekly. The base amounts of honorarium shall be automatically adjusted on May 1st to match the Consumer Price Index as measured by Statistics Canada, using 2021 as the base year.
- 244** Executive Directors shall submit timesheets indicating hours worked to the Oversight Committee. Timesheets shall be due and honoraria shall be paid in accordance with the payroll schedule for employees of the Student Union.
- 245** Directors shall submit timesheets indicating hours worked to the General Manager for approval from the Executive Committee. Timesheets shall be due and honoraria shall be paid in accordance with the payroll schedule for employees of the Student Union.
- 246** Subject to the requirements of Bylaw VII (73), the base amounts of honoraria may be amended by the Board of Directors by Resolution.
- 247** Subject to the requirements of Bylaw X (92), the base amounts of the Executive Director honoraria may be amended by the Board of Directors by Resolution provided that the new amount:
- a. reflects the responsibilities and time commitments of Executive Directors; and
 - b. reasonably ensures that Members are able to serve as Executive Directors without enduring financial hardship.
- 248** These two honoraria amounts are mutually exclusive. Individuals may collect either a Director or Executive honoraria, not both.

Executive Accountability/Disciplinary Process

249The Oversight Committee may recommend disciplinary measures of Executive Directors to the Board of Directors on the following grounds:

- a. Failing to adequately fulfill one's duties and responsibilities as outlined in Student Union policy, including working required hours as outlined under Sections 5 and 6 of this Regulation;
- b. Failing to adhere to the Code of Conduct or any other portion of Student Union Policy;
- c. Engaging in professional misconduct when acting or perceived to be acting as representatives of the Student Union;
- d. Failing to disclose a Conflict of Interest;
- e. Failing to respect confidentiality including but not limited to in-camera discussions and human resource issues;
- f. Inappropriately using one's position for personal gain;
- g. Engaging in willful deceit such as but not limited to knowingly making misleading or false statements to the Board and/or Oversight Committee; or
- h. If a complaint brought forward by any member of the SUO to the Committee has been sustained and warrants disciplinary action
- i. Failing to respond to official Oversight Committee communications and requests

250Where an executive acts in a manner outside the Code of Conduct or fails more than once (1) to submit required reports on time, to the Oversight Committee may issue a warning to indicate that further consequences could occur.

251All complaints regarding SUO Executives shall be brought to the attention of the Oversight Committee Chair.

252Complaints must include all evidence for the basis of the complaint. It is the responsibility of the complainant to provide sufficient evidence for an investigation to begin.

253A complaint may be brought to the Oversight Committee by any of the following:

- a. Any Active Member;
- b. Any corporate body or association that the Student Union is a member of; or
- c. Any staff member of the SUO.

254A complaint may be established as frivolous, vexatious, or without merit at the discretion of the Oversight Committee. Such complaints shall not be made, and repeated violations may lead to disciplinary action.

255The Oversight Committee shall dismiss any complaint that:

- a. Does not violate any SUO Regulations or Bylaws

- b. Is deemed to be frivolous or vexatious
- c. Lacks sufficient evidence
- d. Lacks sufficient merit

256 Notwithstanding section 51, the Oversight Committee, in accordance with section 48, may dismiss complaints at its discretion

257 Anyone who submits two complaints that have been dismissed as per sections 47 and 48 shall be barred from making further complaints to the Oversight Committee. The General Manager and Oversight Committee Chair may, at their discretion, overrule this and allow further complaints to be submitted.

258The Oversight Committee shall investigate all complaints deemed to have merit, pursuant to the following guidelines:

- a. The Committee shall make every effort to resolve complaints in a manner that encourages cooperation, is fair to all parties, and is in the best interests of the SUO.
- b. The Oversight Committee shall meet with all relevant parties prior to rendering a decision.
- c. The Oversight Committee shall meet at least twice to discuss any complaint deemed legitimate.
- d. The Oversight Committee shall keep fulsome records of every complaint and investigation.

259The Oversight Committee may recommend, to the Board of Directors approve, any of the following sanctions on Executive Directors who have engaged in behaviors outlined in section 42 of this Regulation:

- a. Issuance of a Reprimand;
- b. Reduction of pay or hours
- c. Reduction or suspension of compensation;
- d. Temporary or permanent revocation of powers and privileges; or
- e. A move for impeachment.

260The Oversight Committee shall be responsible for judging the performance of Executive Directors. The Oversight Committee is required to solicit evidence to facilitate fair judgement, including consideration of:

- a. Timesheets and Executive reports;
- b. Review of any complaints filed; and
- c. When deemed necessary, input from any executives, directors, or staff members.

Correspondence

261Correspondence to and from the Board of Directors and Executive Committee shall normally be received and sent by the President on behalf of the Executive Committee.

262Outgoing correspondence shall normally be prepared by the Executive Committee Director most responsible for the matter.

263Media releases shall be prepared by or under the supervision of the Vice President External and approved by the Executive Committee.

Contracts

264The Executive Committee may, from time to time, enter into contracts in the name of the Student Union, provided that the amount has been budgeted for and the contract does not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in value.

265The Board of Directors may approve by Resolution and on the advice of the Executive Committee any contract equal to or greater than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in value.

266Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the General Manager may negotiate and enter into employment contracts on behalf of the Student Union, in consultation with the Executive Committee, from time to time.

267Duly approved contracts shall be executed by two Signing Officers.

Human Resources

268Pursuant to Bylaw X (87) (h), the Executive Committee shall oversee the General Manager.

269The President, in consultation with the Executive Committee, shall oversee the human resources of the Student Union through the General Manager.

270Every Director and Member shall direct any opinion or concern regarding:

- a. an employee or the human resources of the Student Union to any member of the Executive Committee or the General Manager; or
- b. the General Manager to the Executive Committee.

REGULATION V - POLITICAL POLICIES

271In this Regulation, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. “External Communication” means any form of communication with any person or organization, except among the Student Union and its employees and Directors;
- b. “Political Policy” means an official political position held by the Student Union established in accordance with this Regulation; and
- c. “Spokesperson” means any person, including a Director or employee of the Student Union, who is authorized to make statements on behalf of the Student Union.

272The purpose of Political Policies is to assert and communicate the thoughts, opinions, and beliefs of the Student Union.

273The official political positions reflected as Political Policies shall be the official position of the Student Union for the purposes of External Communications.

274The Board of Directors may, from time to time, adopt political positions that are not expressed in the form of a Political Policy

Establishment of Political Policies

275Political Policies may be adopted by Two-thirds Resolution of the Directors.

276Political Policies may be amended, renewed, or repealed at any time by a Two-thirds Resolution of the Directors.

277Political Policies shall expire three (3) years after their adoption

278Political Policies must contain:

- a. a statement describing the subject of the Political Policy; and
- b. the official political position of the Student Union regarding the subject of the Political Policy.

279The subject of a Political Policy may be any matter:

- a. consistent with the purposes of the Student Union as set out under the Constitution, and;
- b. relevant to the interest of the Members in their capacity as University students.

280The policy statement should be written such that it:

- a. is clear and concise;
- b. can be read and easily understood by the Members; and
- c. sets out the desired action or expectations about the subject.
- d. The Spokesperson must faithfully represent the views expressed in Political Policies in all means of External Communication.

281In the absence of a Political Policy or other Resolution the President shall represent the opinions of the Members on a given matter to the best of his or her ability.

282The President shall be the Spokesperson of the Student Union with respect to the opinions of the Student Union.

283The Vice-President External shall be a Spokesperson of the Student Union:

- a. in cooperation with the President, as required by Bylaw X (87)(i) in the performance of their duties; and
- b. in the absence or incapacity of the President.

284A Spokesperson may be appointed, from time to time, by a Two-thirds Resolution of the Board of Directors in order to represent the views of the Student Union on a specific matter.

REGULATION VI – PRIVACY

285In this Regulation, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. “Employee Personal Information” means employment-related personal information about an individual that is collected, used or disclosed solely for the purposes reasonably required in an employment relationship between an organization and an individual;
- b. “Express Consent” is written or verbal consent obtained through notifying an individual how and why their Personal Information is being collected and that individual willingly agreeing to this action;
- c. “Implied Consent” is written or verbal consent in which notification of collection and use is not needed, because the purpose of collecting this Personal Information should be obvious to a reasonable person;
- d. “Information Sharing Agreement” is a contract which outlines the terms and conditions for sharing Personal Information in accordance with PIPA;
- e. “Opt-out Consent” is the same as Express Consent with the additional stipulation that the individual shall be given the option not to participate by un-checking an agreement box;
- f. “Personal Information” means any information about an identifiable individual and includes Employee Personal Information but does not include contact or work product information;
- g. “PIPA” means the Personal Information Protection Act of British Columbia; and
- h. “Privacy Officer” means the employee appointed to ensure that the Student Union is in compliance with PIPA.

286This Regulation applies to all operations of the Student Union.

Privacy Officer

287If the Student Union does not have an individual appointed as Privacy Officer, the Board of Directors shall appoint a staff member to fill this vacancy.

288The Privacy Officer shall be responsible for:

- a. Creating a Privacy Management Program for the Student Union;
- b. With cooperation from the General Manager, implementing the Privacy Management Program for the Student Union;
- c. Facilitating a privacy training program for Student Union staff and, on an annual basis, the incoming Executive Committee;
- d. Representing the Student Union on all privacy-related matters;
- e. Ensuring there are proper reporting mechanisms in place to monitor that the Privacy Management Program is functioning effectively;
- f. Developing and maintaining a Personal Information Inventory which records the type, use, and sensitivity of Personal Information the Student Union collects;

- g. Submit a report to the policy committee on an annual basis on recommended changes to this Regulation and related policies in the procedural manual;
- h. Fostering an overall culture of privacy within the Student Union; and
- i. Any additional duties assigned to them in this Regulation or by PIPA.

289The Student Union shall provide the contact information of their privacy officer on their website and any social media accounts and shall make this information clear and easily accessible.

290The Privacy Officer must be aware of all provisions of both PIPA and this Privacy Policy and understand their duty to carry out all responsibilities designated to them in all parts of this Privacy Policy.

Collection and Use of Personal Information

291Subject to this Regulation and compliance with PIPA, types of Personal Information collected by the Student Union shall include:

- a. Names;
- b. Addresses;
- c. Social Insurance Numbers;
- d. Birth dates;
- e. Email addresses;
- f. Personal bank account information;
- g. Personal phone numbers; and
- h. Signatures.

292Subject to this Regulation and compliance with PIPA, uses of Personal Information collected by the Student Union shall include but not be limited to:

- a. Employee records;
- b. Volunteer signup;
- c. Opt-out information;
- d. Online event registration;
- e. Providing information about Student Union elections;
- f. Advocacy-related projects; and
- g. Job application information.

293The Student Union shall only collect and use Personal Information to the extent that a reasonable person would deem necessary to fulfill the specific purpose for which it is being collected and used.

294The Student Union may not collect or use the Personal Information of any individual whose Personal Information isn't relevant to the specific purpose of collection or use.

295The Student Union shall require either Express Consent or Implied Consent when collecting and using Personal Information and may only use Opt-Out Consent as a last resort, in accordance with PIPA.

296The Student Union shall notify an individual each time their Personal Information is being collected or used for a new purpose, and an individual may withdraw their consent to having their Personal Information collected or used at any time.

- a. The Student Union must notify individuals of the collection of their Personal Information at the time the collection occurs.

297The Student Union may collect or use Employee Personal Information without consent if a reasonable person would deem it necessary to establish, manage, or terminate an employment relationship.

Consent

298In accordance with PIPA, consent cannot be considered Implied Consent unless it was voluntarily given by the individual for the implicit purpose.

299The Student Union must provide individuals enough information to allow them to make an informed decision when they must choose whether to give Express Consent.

300Deceptive, false, or misleading practices used to collect Personal Information are not legitimate means of obtaining consent.

301The Student Union may only collect, use, or disclose Personal Information with the consent of a source other than the owner of this Personal Information if:

- a. It is clearly in the interests of the individual and consent cannot be obtained in a timely way;
- b. The Personal Information is necessary for medical treatment and the individual is unable to give consent;
- c. The Personal Information is collected visually at a public performance, sports meet or similar event that the individual voluntarily attends;
- d. The information is used to decide if an individual is suitable for an honour, award or other similar benefit;
- e. The information is necessary to collect or pay a debt owed to or by the Student Union; or
- f. It is required by law.

302The Student Union is required to provide an easily accessible, up-to-date copy of this privacy policy on their website due to recognition that all Members should be aware of their right to consent.

Disclosure of Personal Information

- 303** The Student Union shall only disclose Personal Information to the extent that a reasonable person would deem acceptable in the specific circumstance and when deemed necessary.
- 304** The Student Union shall require either Express Consent or Implied Consent when disclosing Personal Information and may only use Opt-Out Consent as a last resort, in accordance with PIPA.
- 305** The Student Union may disclose Employee Personal Information without consent if a reasonable person would deem it necessary to establish, manage, or terminate an employment relationship.
- 306** If a Board or staff member of the Student Union is unsure whether they have the authority to disclose Personal Information under PIPA, they shall consult the Privacy Officer before releasing any such information.
- 307** The Privacy Officer and Vice-President External shall be responsible for ensuring an Information Sharing Agreement is prepared and agreed upon for all intended exchanges of Personal Information between the Student Union and an external party. This Agreement must establish:
- a. The roles and responsibilities for each party;
 - b. When and how the sharing of Personal Information may occur;
 - c. Limits on use and disclosure of Personal Information;
 - d. Required safeguards;
 - e. How and when Personal Information shall be returned or destroyed;
 - f. The processes for all parties to report and manage any suspected breaches; and
 - g. How each party will monitor compliance with the Information Sharing Agreement.

Retention of Personal Information and Personal Information Inventory

308 For greater certainty, the Personal Information Inventory shall not contain the actual Personal Information collected by the Student Union.

309 The Personal Information Inventory shall only be accessible to the Privacy Officer and Finance Manager, and all other individuals must go through the Privacy Officer to obtain any of its contents.

310 The Privacy Officer must make a reasonable effort to ensure Personal Information is accurate and complete, and on an annual basis shall:

- a. Review and update the Personal Information Inventory;
- b. Review and provide recommendations to this Regulation and related policies;
- c. Assess risks to security of Personal Information and evaluate whether security controls are functioning effectively;
- d. Propose revisions to security controls if they are not functioning effectively; and
- e. Review the privacy management training program to see if it is still current, ensuring all staff and executives have participated in training *before* accessing Personal Information.

311 The Personal Information Inventory shall specify the sensitivity of the Personal Information collected by the Student Union, and therefore the stringency with which this information must be secured.

312 The Personal Information Inventory shall also specify who Personal Information may be collected from, why it is collected, and where it is stored.

Destruction of Personal Information

313 As per PIPA, Personal Information must be destroyed or anonymized as soon as it is no longer needed for any legal or business reasons.

314 The Privacy Officer shall redact all additional Personal Information collected which is not relevant to the purpose of collection.

315 The Privacy Officer shall purge all Personal Information maintained by the Student Union no longer needed in the months of April and December each year.

316 If Personal Information is used to make a decision about an individual, it must be kept for a full year in accordance with PIPA so that the individual can request access to their Personal Information after the decision has been made.

Protection of Personal Information

- 317** Any Student Union Board or staff member who deems it necessary to access Personal Information to fulfill a specific purpose related to the duties of their position must go through the Privacy Officer to gain access to this information.
- 318** The Privacy Officer may refuse access to Personal Information for any individual if the Privacy Officer determines that providing them with access to this information would be in violation of PIPA.
- 319** If the Board of Directors believes that a specific scenario in which granting an individual access to Personal Information is in line with PIPA and necessary to accomplish a specific purpose of the Student Union, they may overrule the Privacy Officer by two-thirds (2/3) vote.
- 320** In coordination with the Privacy Officer, the Vice-President External shall communicate on an annual basis to all external service providers or contractors who receive Personal Information from the Student Union its expectation on the privacy and security of the Personal Information of its Members in accordance with the relevant Information Sharing Agreement.
- 321** Any complaints received about the Student Union's management of Personal Information shall be directed to the Privacy Officer, who has a fiduciary duty to investigate and determine the legitimacy of these complaints and how they shall best be addressed.
- 322** The detailed process for the investigation and addressing of complaints regarding Personal Information shall be specified in the procedural manual and in the Privacy Management Program.
- 323** If the Privacy Officer believes a complaint has been substantiated, they shall determine and implement necessary revisions to the Privacy Management Program to better meet the Student Union's obligations to PIPA and to avoid similar occurrences in the future.
- 324** The protocol for breaches to the security of Personal Information possessed by the Student Union shall be specified in the procedural manual and in the Privacy Management Program.
- 325** In accordance with PIPA, any Personal Information stored on paper must be securely stored and only accessible to the Privacy Officer. Additionally, any Personal Information stored digitally must be properly encrypted and password protected, and only accessible to the Privacy Officer.
- 326** The Privacy Officer shall ensure on an annual basis that Student Union computer systems are protected with firewalls, anti-virus software, and intrusion detection, and that these protections are fully functioning.
- 327** The Privacy Officer shall ensure on an annual basis that all digitized Personal Information is backed up and encrypted in a password protected server located within Canada.
- 328** The Privacy Officer shall monitor Student Union Board and staff members on their compliance with PIPA on a continual basis, and in the event of non-compliance shall communicate to the

Executive Committee the need for addressing such non-compliance. The Executive Committee, in coordination with the Privacy Officer, shall then develop and implement a plan to address this issue.

329 Any Student Union Board or staff member who is accessing Personal Information shall ensure such Personal Information is not accessible to anyone beyond themselves and the Privacy Officer, and that the Personal Information is returned to its secure storage location as soon as it is no longer needed by that individual.

330 Any Student Union Board or staff member who comes across a suspected breach of Personal Information shall report this to the Privacy Officer immediately upon discovery.

Right to Access

331 Any individual has the right to access and request corrections to their own Personal Information at any time, and the Student Union has the duty to provide them with their Personal Information as soon as it is able.

332 *Any student who has concerns about this Regulation, the Student Union's handling of Personal Information, or other privacy-related inquiries may contact the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner (OIPC) at 250-387-5629 or info@oipc.bc.ca.*

333 An individual may request access to their Personal Information by filling out a Personal Information Request Form, contacting the privacy officer, or submitting an access request on the UBCSUO website.

334 If an individual requests that their Personal Information should be corrected, the Privacy Officer must correct this information or make a note that this correction was requested but not made, which must include the reason why this correction was not made.

335 An individual may file a complaint regarding the Student Union's collection, use or disclosure of Personal Information by filling out a Personal Information Complaint Form, contacting the privacy officer, or submitting a Personal Information Complaint on the UBCSUO website.

REGULATION VII – CODE OF CONDUCT

336In this Regulation unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. “Apparent Conflict of Interest” means a Private Interest which a reasonable person would think could lead to professional judgement being compromised;
- b. “Conflict of Interest” means a Private Interest which, contrary to the obligation and duty to act in the best interests of the Student Union, exploits relationships or privileges for personal gain; and
- c. “Private Interest” means any interest, including but not limited to financial interest, whereby an individual would gain a benefit, privilege, exemption or advantage from the action of the Student Union which is not available to the Members.

General Provisions

337The Board of Directors shall conduct all business in accordance with the stipulations of the Societies Act and the UBCSUO Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations and Procedural Manual. This commitment requires that the Board of Directors act ethically, professionally, and with the proper decorum as individuals and a group.

338Directors shall:

- a. Act in accordance with the University of British Columbia Student Code of Conduct;
- b. Respect the professional and intellectual work of others, giving those others full credit and citations when reproduced in any form;
- c. Respect and apply the principle of confidentiality when dealing with issues of a sensitive nature, in accordance with the UBCSUO Privacy Regulation;
- d. Sign with the acknowledgement and agreement to act in accordance with this code of conduct.
- e. Attend Board and committee meetings having adequately prepared for all deliberations; and
- f. Encourage constructive criticism and make themselves open to suggestions for improvement;
- g. Seek clarification from the General Manager in any situation where the director is unsure of applicable regulations, including, but not limited to, confidentiality, human resources issues, or any other sensitive information.

339 Directors shall not:

- a. Attempt to exercise individual authority over the Student Union, except as set forth explicitly in the Board Policies;
- b. Store recreational drugs or alcohol on Student Union premises;
- c. Be under the influence of recreational drugs or impaired while conducting Student Union business or acting as a director in any capacity;
- d. Engage in any form of sexual activity on Student Union premises;
- e. Use confidential or privileged information for personal benefit or gain; and
- f. Disclose any information discussed in an *in camera* meeting of the Student Union without the authorization of the Board of Directors.

340 Upon taking office, all directors shall attend the following mandatory trainings as listed below. The General Manager shall be responsible for the coordination of these training sessions in cooperation with the Staff and Executive Committee:

- a. Sexualized Violence prevention training;
- b. Indigenization training; and
- c. Equity and Inclusion training.

Conflict of Interest

341 In addition to the provisions on Conflict of Interest in the Societies Act, Directors will also be required to follow the subsequent provisions on Conflict of Interest in this Regulation.

342 If the Board of Directors or a Committee so directs by Resolution, a Director may answer questions pertaining to the issue on which they have a Conflict of Interest or an Apparent Conflict of Interest.

343 If a Director who has a Conflict of Interest or Apparent Conflict of Interest is chairing a Board Meeting or Committee Meeting, they shall relinquish the chair while the issue on which they have a Conflict of Interest or Apparent Conflict of Interest is being discussed.

344 If the Board or a Committee of the Board moves *in camera* to discuss an issue on which a Director is in a Conflict of interest or an Apparent Conflict of Interest, that Director shall be required to remove themselves from the *in camera* session in which the issue is to be discussed, unless specifically invited to stay by a Two-thirds (2/3) Resolution of the Board or Committee.

345 If a Director is uncertain about whether they are in either a Conflict of Interest or an Apparent Conflict of Interest, the Director shall inform the Board or Committee of the possible Conflict of Interest and the Board or Committee to decide upon the matter.

346 If a Director believes that another Director may be in a Conflict of Interest or an Apparent Conflict of Interest, they shall ask the Board or Committee to decide the matter.

347 If a staff member believes that a Director may be in a Conflict of Interest or an Apparent Conflict of Interest, they shall ask the Board or Committee to decide the matter.

348A A Director's Private Interest may include the Private Interests of the Director's family and the Private Interests of a companion, business associate or a close friend of the Director, to be determined at the discretion of the Board.

349 No Executive Member of the Board or other Director of the Student Union may accept a fee, a gift, a personal benefit or hospitality that is offered or tendered by virtue of their position as an Executive or a Director, unless authorized to do so by the Board.

- a. This shall not apply to a gift or personal benefit that is incidental to the protocol or social obligations that normally accompany the responsibilities of office; unless
- b. The gift or personal benefit exceeds \$150 in value, or the total value received directly or indirectly from one source in any twelve (12) month period exceeds \$150. In this case, the Director must immediately disclose to the Board, in writing:
 - i. The nature of the gift or benefit;
 - ii. Its source; and
 - iii. The circumstances under which it was given and accepted.
- c. Upon the disclosure of a gift or personal benefit as referred to in subsection b), the Board shall either allow the recipient to keep the gift or benefit, direct that the gift or benefit be returned, or direct that the gift or benefit be disposed of in any other manner it sees fit.

350 No Executive Member of the Board of Directors shall hold a significant position, including but not limited to executive positions, within a Student Association.

Non-compliance

351 Any Director who contravenes this Code of Conduct may be directed by a Resolution of the Board to:

- a. Pay restitution to the Student Union for any financial loss suffered by the Union as a direct result of the Director's action;
- b. Account for, and dispose of, any profits made as a result of a breach of this Section;
- c. Return or otherwise restore the Student Unions' property taken, damaged or destroyed by a direct action of that Director; or
- d. May be subject to other disciplinary measures at the discretion of the board.

Director Acknowledgement

352In accordance with this Regulation, all Directors shall be required to sign a contract upon taking office acknowledging they have read, are familiar with, and will abide by this Code of Conduct .

353Any Director who fails to fulfill their commitment to this contract may be subject to the disciplinary measures in this Regulation and/or legal consequences of not fulfilling their end of a contract under Contract Law.

354Any Director who refuses to sign this contract shall be suspended and recommended for removal from office at the Annual General Meeting or a Special General Meeting.

REGULATION VIII – STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS

355 In this Regulation, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. “Club” means any organization ratified by the Student Union in accordance with this Regulation, except for a Course Union;
- b. “Council” means the governing body of a Course Union;
- c. “Course Union” means a Department-specific organization of Members, ratified by the Student Union in accordance with this Regulation;
- d. “Course Union President” means the senior-most Executive Officer of a Course Union;
- e. “Department” means any academic field available for study at the University;
- f. “Executive Member” means any duty elected or appointed governing member of a Club or Course Union; and
- g. “Student Association, per Bylaw 1, shall mean clubs or, course unions groups ratified by the Student Union.

General Provisions

356 The Vice President Internal, or their designate, shall be responsible for the implementation, enforcement, and oversight of this Regulation.

357 It is the responsibility of the Vice President Internal to organize, advertise, and facilitate at least one Orientation/Student Association Council meeting per semester.

358 Student Associations are formed under and subject to this Regulation.

Ratification of Student Associations

359 New Student Associations applications may only be submitted and ratified in the months of September, October, January and February.

360 Members may establish a new Student Association or bring forward an existing organization for ratification into the Student Union as a Student Association by following the established application process and meeting the requirements of this Regulation. A proposed Student Association must satisfy all of the following criteria:

- a. designate at least three executive members, including a President, Treasurer, and Secretary;
- b. submit a completed registration form in a timeframe in accordance with the guidelines in Part 4 of this regulation;
- c. not have purposes inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Student Union;
- d. not overlap with the scope of an existing Student Association;
- e. allow for membership in accordance with this Regulation; and
- f. not engage in supporting any unlawful activity.

361 Course Union must also submit to the Membership Outreach Coordinator a constitution which shall include, but is not limited to, all articles and bylaws listed in the Sample Constitution provided by the Office of the Vice President Internal.

362 There may be up to one (1) Course Union for every Department.

363 An application for ratification of a proposed Student Association must include:

- a. the proposed name;
- b. the name of the first President;
- c. the name and signatures of three signing authorities;
- d. the purposes of the Student Association; and
- e. A petition of at least fifteen (15) Members in support of the proposed Student Association.

364 The Vice President Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator shall receive and research all proposed Student Association applications, in order to make recommendations to the Board of Directors.

365 The Vice President Internal may require the applicants of a proposed Student Association to provide any additional information that they believe to be necessary to make a decision with respect to the ratification of the proposed Student Association.

366 The Student Union may reject any application for, or rescind at any time, the ratification of any Student Association if the Student Association does not meet the requirements of the Bylaws or this Regulation or if the Student Association, or its members in connection with the conduct of the Student Association, has been sanctioned by the University.

Effect of Ratification

367 All Student Associations assets, including membership fees and proceeds from their activities, shall be held by the Student Union.

368 Student Associations are not permitted to accept any legal obligation for the Student Union including any of the following:

- a. entering into contracts either on behalf of the Student Union or the Student Association;
- b. hiring employees;
- c. open an account with a financial institution; or
- d. use a personal account to process Student Association transactions.

369The VP Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator shall provide the following support to Student Associations:

- a. publish a list of Student Associations, including their contact information on its website;
- b. assist Student Associations in booking space on campus where Student Union assistance is required;
- c. designate and maintain space for promotion of Student Associations and/or their events; and
- d. poster printing support.

370Student Associations may apply in writing to the Student Union for financial or other extraordinary support in accordance with this Regulation.

371The following Items are considered ineligible for purchase and reimbursement with SUO funding:

- a. Capital purchases;
- b. alcohol and illegal substances;
- c. wages such as but not limited to staff expenses and honorariums;
- d. fundraising purposes such as but not limited to donations, activities, raffles or events that require a gaming license;
- e. direct contributions to external organizations activities, operations or fundraisers related to groups not registered under the SUO Student Associations policy;
- f. Off campus events held without prior approval through the Off-Campus Event Application request form; and/or
- g. Events not Insured through the SUO.

372The Student Union shall not consider and approve applications for resources or funding for political or social causes, except those political or social causes which are consistent with and further the official Political Policies of the Student Union adopted by the Student Union in accordance with the Political Policies Regulation.

Responsibilities of Student Associations

373 Starting September 1st of every year, all Student Associations shall cease to receive support from the Student Union until:

- a. notifying the Student Union of their intent to maintain their Student Association status;
- b. submitting a Student Association renewal form to renew this status after July 1st,; and
- c. maintaining a membership of a minimum of fifteen (15) members, excluding executives

374 A Student Association which accomplishes the above requirements and is approved by the Board shall receive support from the Student Union until September 1st of the next year.

375 If by the first Friday of Term One Classes of each year a Student Association has not accomplished the requirements listed above, they shall not receive support from the Student Union for the First Winter Term, including but not limited to:

- a. monetary support;
- b. tabling and room booking privileges;
- c. printing support; and
- d. other forms of administrative support.

376 A Student Association which does not meet the First Winter Term deadline may receive support from the Student Union for the Second Winter Term if they accomplish the requirements under #23 of this regulation prior to the first Friday of the Second Winter Term.

377 A minimum of one (1) executive from each Student Associations must attend Student Association Orientation and the All Student Association meeting to retain active status. A Student Association which has been deemed inactive for a period of at least eighteen (18) months may be dissolved by the Board of Directors.

378 Every Student Association must notify the Student Union of the name and contact information of their President and Treasurer.

379 All Student Associations must, at all times, abide by the rules for student conduct established by the University.

380 Complaints about the conduct of a Student Association shall be directed to the University.

- 381** If, upon the conclusion of an investigation of a complaint the University finds that misconduct has occurred, the Student Union may suspend or revoke the privileges of a Student Association or otherwise take remedial action in accordance with the findings of the University
- 382** All Executive Members of a Student Association have a fiduciary duty to report to the Student Union any activities by fellow Executives which violate any part of this Regulation. Executive Members shall be held personally accountable if it is revealed they had knowledge of such an activity and chose not to report it to the Student Union, or if they were unfamiliar with this Regulation.
- 383** It is the responsibility of the UBCSUO Board of Directors to determine the appropriate response to instances of wrongdoing by Executive Members of Student Associations.
- 384** Each Student Association must delegate three signing authorities.
- 385** Signing authorities shall not be recognized until their name and information has been submitted to the Membership Outreach Coordinator. A Student Association shall not receive funding until the Membership Outreach Coordinator confirms they have received a list of signing authorities.
- 386** All signing authorities of a Student Association are accountable to both their Student Association membership and the UBCSUO for any activities of the Student Association, including financial mismanagement.
- 387** Each Student Association must submit an end of term report outlining events hosted and funding used to the Students' Union by the first week of the following term to be eligible for funding for the following term.
- 388** If a Student Association is granted more than \$2,000 in student association funding, they are expected to display the UBCSUO logo on all promotional material. Evidence shall be provided to the Vice President Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator upon request.

Clubs

- 389** A Club may be constituted for a purpose directly arising from the shared interests of students in connection with:
- organizing and participation in social, leisure, and recreational activities; or
 - the expression of social, political, and religious opinions or causes.
- 390** Every Member is eligible for, and entitled to, membership and participation in the activities of every Club, subject to this Regulation.
- 391** Clubs may require a membership fee of up to thirty dollars (\$30). Any amount exceeding \$30 in membership must first be approved by the executive committee.
- 392** Executive Members shall either be elected or appointed in a manner consistent with their mandate and have the continued support of the majority of the Club's members.

393 At least one Executive Member shall have the power and duty to represent the Student Association when required by the Students' Union.

394 Clubs are required to hold at least two meetings per semester.

Course Unions

395 The purposes of Course Unions are to:

- a. assist the Student Union in advocating for the specific needs of the members of a given Academic Department;
- b. provide for extracurricular opportunities for members of the Course Union that:
 - i. enhance their learning experience;
 - ii. provide for social occasions; and
 - iii. create leadership opportunities; and
- c. otherwise serve the purposes of the students.

396 Course Unions must have copies of their constitution available for members upon request, and must be able to provide such copies through all of the following means:

- a. hyperlink;
- b. email;
- c. paper copy; or
- d. pdf.

397 Course Unions must submit an up-to-date copy of their governing documents such as but not limited to regulations and bylaws to the Membership Outreach Coordinator. If these documents are amended a revised copy must be provided to the SUO upon their ratification and/or approval.

398 Voting membership of a Course Union shall be available exclusively to every member undergraduate and graduate registered in a major and/or minor of the affiliated Department

399 Notwithstanding the above regulation, voting membership of a Course Union includes both undergraduate and graduate

400 Course Unions shall be required to hold an Annual General Meeting (AGM) once every Winter Term, and executives shall to advertise to members at least 10 days in advance the, location, date, agenda and time of this meeting. The following business shall be conducted at a Course Union AGM:

- a. receiving and approving the preceding year's financial statement;
- b. presenting the annual operating budget of the Course Union;
- c. receiving the report of the President with respect to the activities of the Course Union in the present academic year of the University;
- d. special Resolutions and/or Ordinary Resolutions per the agenda; and
- e. receiving motions from the floor.

401 Each Course Union must inform the Vice President Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator of the time, date, location, and agenda of the AGM a minimum of ten (10) days prior the meeting. The Vice President Internal or another SUO Director will attend the AGM.

402 Quorum for a Course Union AGM shall be 25 members or 5% of Course Union membership, whichever is less.

403 Course Unions may only introduce levied membership fees through referendum, and may only propose such a referendum at their AGM. The threshold for such a referendum to succeed is at least a simple majority of members.

404 If there are concerns that the introduction of levied membership fees by a Course Union was not conducted legitimately, the Board of Directors may vote to overturn this levied fee requirement or to order the Course Union to conduct a revote.

405 The Course Union must hold an election during Term 2 for Council positions for the following fall school term but may not run these elections concurrently to the SUO election.

406 Every current member of a Course Union is eligible to:

- a. seek election to any position within the Course Union;
- b. exercise one (1) vote in the election of the Course Union President and for every other Executive Member; and
- c. vote for each vacant position on a Council, provided that they may only cast one (1) vote for any given Candidate.

407 A Course Union must make a reasonable effort to ensure that every member of the Course Union is aware of:

- a. the time and location where the election of Executive Members and Council Members is to take place; and
- b. how a member of the Course Union becomes a Candidate for election or appointment to Council or an Executive Member position.

408 Every Course Union must have a Council consisting of at least three (3) Executive Members all of whom shall be elected by and from amongst the members of the Course Union.

409 Every Course Union must elect a Course Union President, Treasurer, Secretary, and any other Executive Member listed in the governing documents, from amongst the members of the Course Union.

410 Executive Members shall serve a twelve (12) month term.

411 If a situation arises where there is conflict between the Course Unions' election bylaws and the SUO policies, the SUO election bylaws will take precedence.

412 Every Course Union must run their annual election in liaison with the SUO and their online voting system or unless permission has been secured by the Membership Outreach Coordinator and the Vice President Internal.

413 If a Course Union has secured approval to facilitate their own election, they must submit a detailed report within ten (10) days of the results being posted that includes the following:

- a. name and contact information of the election facilitator or Chief Returning Officer;
- b. list of Candidates with their full names and student numbers;
- c. a list of the elected winners;
- d. copy of Campaign Guidelines or Regulations;
- e. summary of the Campaign period;
- f. summary of how voter privacy was maintained and how the ballots were verified; and
- g. a report on complaints or disqualifications.

414 Every Course Union with levied fees must have a Council consisting of at least three (3) Executive Members and at least four (4) non-Executive Council Members, all of whom shall be voted upon by the members of the Course Union.

415 The Council is responsible for conducting the business of the Course Union and ensuring that the requirements of this Regulation are satisfied.

416 A member of a Council must, in exercising their duties to the Course Union, act in the best interests of the members of the Course Union.

- 417** A person who no longer meets the requirements of membership in that Course Union ceases to be a member of Council.
- 418** The Council must meet at least once per month from September through April.
- 419** The time and location of Council meetings must be published at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting.
- 420** Council meetings must be open to the members of that Course Union, and to the Directors, Executive Committee Directors, and the Vice President Internal or their designate.
- 421** If members of a Course Union raise concerns to the Board regarding actions by a Course Union Executive Member, the Board shall delegate an individual(s) who will investigate these allegations and report their findings to the Board. If, upon the conclusion of this investigation, the Board determines that it is in the best interest of the Course Union for the Executive Members in question to be removed from office, they shall:
- a. remove these Executive Members from office; and
 - b. assist the Course Union in holding fresh elections for these positions in a timely manner.
- 422** The Course Union President or designate shall serve as a liaison between the Course Union and the Student Union.
- 423** The Course Union President may have other powers and duties, as determined by the members of the Course Union.
- 424** The Course Union President of a Course Union who no longer meets the requirements of membership in that Course Union ceases to be a member of Council.
- 425** Course Unions are required to hold at least five (5) meeting and/or events with their membership per term.
- 426** At least one Course Union Executive Member is required to attend every Course Union Council meeting.

Compliance

427 Each Student Association must be and remain in compliance with the following requirements in order to continue to be recognized and receive support from the Students' Union:

- a. adherence to all aspects of this policy;
- b. adherence to the constitution and bylaws of the UBCSUO; and
- c. adherence to all applicable policies of the University of British Columbia.

428 If a Student Association is found by the Board of Directors to be non-compliant with this regulation, the Student Association may be subject to discipline by the Board of Directors which may order any of the following in relation to the Student Association's activities and status as a Student Association:

- a. an order to cease the violation and to refrain from committing the same or a similar violation again;
- b. public censure;
- c. denial of funding or withdrawal of unspent funds for no more than one year;
- d. withdrawal of tabling or room-booking privileges for no more than one year;
- e. withdrawal of poster privileges for no more than one year;
- f. withdrawal of Student Association status for no more than one year, at which point the Student Association may re-apply for status; or
- g. other actions that the Board of Directors finds appropriate.

429 A Student Association shall automatically have all privileges temporarily revoked, and only restored at the discretion of the Board of Directors or by the Membership Outreach Coordinator, if they commit any of the following:

- a. damage to UBCO property;
- b. hosting of an event outside of UBCO property without SUO permission;
- c. forgery;
- d. discovery of an external bank account linked to a Student Association; or a negative internal account balance.

REGULATION IX - UBCSUO LEGACY FUND

430In this regulation, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. "UBCSUO Legacy fund" means a fund established by the Students' Union to support active member initiatives;
- b. "Member" means any student who is a member in good standing of the UBC Students' Union Okanagan;
- c. "Travel expenses" mean any and all travel associated costs, including but not limited to transportation, transportation fees and taxes, accommodation, and meals.

431The UBCSUO Legacy Fund shall be administered by the Executive Committee in accordance with the following provisions:

- a. the purpose of this Fund shall be to provide funding to Active Members of the Society for:
 - i. projects that benefit the University community;
 - ii. projects that benefit the local community;
 - iii. philanthropic activities, and projects;
 - iv. conferences that benefit the University community and local community;
 - v. other projects deemed worthy by the Executive Committee.

432Only individual active members of the Student Union or informal groups of such members shall be eligible to receive monies from this Fund.

433Student Associations and Resource Centres are not eligible to receive monies from this Fund.

434An individual or group wishing to receive monies from this Fund shall submit an application to the Vice-President Finance and Administration, who shall present the applications to the Executive Committee for discussion and decision.

435Individuals working together on a project should form themselves into an informal group and submit one joint application for the project rather than submitting individual applications.

436UBCSUO Legacy Funds shall not be used for:

- a. business or entrepreneurial ventures of any kind;
- b. standard educational fees such as tuition, books, or supplies;
- c. purchases of alcohol or other controlled substances;
- d. purchases of capital assets

437The maximum amount of a grant from this Fund shall not exceed \$5,000. Grants larger than \$2,000 shall be approved by the Board of Directors.

438Maximum amounts that will be granted for any travel costs will be:

- a. \$150 for regional travel (within the Southern Interior of BC);
- b. \$300 for travel within the province of British Columbia;
- c. \$500 for travel within Canada;
- d. \$1,000 for travel outside of Canada.

439All travel expenses shall be in accordance with Regulation X – Travel & Accommodations.

440No more than one grant shall be made to any applicant in any one fiscal year. An individual who is part of a group receiving a grant shall not be eligible for a separate grant as an individual in that same fiscal year.

441Grants from the Fund shall cover no more than seventy-five percent (75%) of the total cost of the project.

442If a project is approved, money for the project shall be paid to the applicant only after the project is completed and a list of expenses has been submitted to the Vice-President Finance and Administration for verification.

443In certain circumstances, funds may be paid to the applicant in advance of project completion should the applicant demonstrate need for earlier payment. This decision will be at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

444Any unawarded funds shall revert to the Student Union and be dealt with as a budgetary surplus.

REGULATION X - TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATIONS

445 In this Regulation, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. "Travel" means any travel required, in accordance with this Regulation, of any traveller beyond the municipal boundaries of Kelowna, British Columbia; and
- b. "Traveller" means any Director or Executive Committee Director, or any other person designated by the Board of Directors or Executive Committee as such, who is required to engage in travel to conduct the business of the Students' Union.

General Provisions

446 Travel is to be approved as required:

- a. in advance, via a travel authorization form; and
- b. whenever required to fulfill the obligations set out by a Regulation or Bylaw.

447 The Vice President Finance and Administration shall be responsible, in consultation with the General Manager, for approving Travel arrangements.

448 In approving arrangements for Travel, the Vice President Finance and Administration must consider:

- a. the logistical and operational needs of Travellers;
- b. the timeliness and duration of Travel;
- c. cost-effectiveness; and
- d. the reasonable comfort and any special needs of those who travel

449 Travellers shall be reimbursed by the Student Union for reasonably incurred costs arising from Travel.

450 The Student Union may provide an advance, where requested by the Traveller, for the costs of Travel, including the disbursements of any amounts provided for by this Regulation.

451 Requests for advances shall be considered for approval by the Vice President Finance and Administration in consultation with the General Manager.

452 Travel expense claims must include proof of payment of all travel expenses with the exception of meals which are covered under the per diem clause.

453 A claim for reimbursement must be submitted to the Student Union not later than thirty (30) days after the return date of Travel.

454 A claim for reimbursement must be accompanied by proof of payment.

Transportation

455No Traveller shall be required to operate a motor vehicle.

456If a Traveller volunteers to operate a motor vehicle, he or she must:

- a. hold a valid "Class 5" British Columbia drivers' licence, or equivalent;
- b. rest for at least thirty (30) minutes within every four (4) hours of driving; and
- c. not drive, in any 24-hour period, for more than:
 - i. five hundred (500) kilometers; and
 - ii. eight (8) hours.

457A Traveller may volunteer the use of his or her personal vehicle, provided that he or she:

- a. has proof of insurance of his or her personal vehicle, including third-party liability insurance coverage, of at least two million dollars (\$2,000,000);
- b. certifies that, to the best of his or her knowledge, the vehicle is in good working order and is free of mechanical defects or other deficiencies; and
- c. satisfies any other requirements set out by the General Manager.

458The Student Union must be provided with copies of certificates of insurance and drivers licences.

459A Traveller who volunteers the use of his or her personal vehicle is entitled to reimbursement:

- a. on a per kilometer basis in the amount of the Canada Revenue Agency automobile allowance rates in effect for the dates of travel; and
- b. for all reasonably incurred parking expenses.

460The Student Union is not liable for costs arising from any regular or unexpected maintenance or repairs needed during the use of a personal vehicle for Student Union business.

461Vehicles may be rented for use by the Student Union, subject to:

- a. the purchase of third-party liability insurance in an amount determined by the General Manager, but not less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000); and
- b. indemnification of the driver of a rental vehicle against all damage and losses incurred, except those resulting from:
 - i. a contravention of the Motor Vehicle Act of British Columbia by the driver for which he or she is convicted; or
 - ii. a willful violation of the rental agreement

462The Student Union shall normally purchase collision-loss insurance for all rental vehicles.

463Where travel by air is required, flights must be booked a minimum of two weeks in advance whenever possible.

464Only the lowest available fares appropriate to particular itineraries, to a maximum full economy fare, may be purchased or reimbursed.

Per Diems

465 For travel outside the city of Kelowna, where meals are not included as part of the conference or event, travellers shall receive a per-diem of \$55.00 per day to cover meals.

466 Each traveller will be reimbursed for the per diem expenses upon presentation of the per diem expense claim form, such form to be received within 30 days of date of travel.

467 If any meals are provided as part of the conference or event, the following amounts shall be deducted from the per diem:

- a. breakfast: \$14.00
- b. lunch: \$16.00
- c. dinner: \$25.00

468 Should per diem reimbursements for any trip be made by another organization, they shall not be reimbursed by the Students' Union.

Accommodations

469 In cases where a Traveller is required by the Student Union to be away from his or her place of residence overnight, the Student Union shall provide accommodation subject to the following conditions:

- a. each Traveller is provided with his or her own bed;
- b. whenever possible, the place of accommodation has, at the time of travel, a "three star" rating or better by Canadian Star Quality Accommodation for Travel in Canada, or for international Travel, the equivalent rating by a reputable organization that specializes in the rating of accommodations; and
- c. paragraph (b) does not apply when Travellers are provided with a room in the residences of a publicly funded Canadian post-secondary institution, so long as all other conditions of this Regulation are met.

470 In cases where a Traveller is provided accommodations by a third party, the Society is obligated to ensure that the requirements of this Regulation are reasonably met.

Sundry Expenses

The Student Union shall reimburse a traveller for the cost of internet access should it not be provided as an amenity of the accommodation booked

REGULATION XI – HEALTH AND DENTAL PLAN

Definitions

471 In this Regulation, the Health and Dental Plan Reserve will be referred to as the HDPRF.

General Provisions & Purpose

472 The purpose of this policy is to establish consistent principles, guidelines, and best practices for the maintenance, management, accounting, and use of the HDPRF. The primary purpose for the internal reserves:

- a. Protect against short to medium term volatility in claims activity, and, therefore, premium unpredictability
- b. Promotion of financial stability
- c. Manage annual fee and/or premium adjustments that may be required due to fluctuation in claims experience
- d. Provide flexibility to maintain, enhance and improve the program, coverage, and/or services in various capacities (ex. benefit modifications)
- e. Capital expenditures directly related to the management and operations of the Health & Dental Plan program (optional)
- f. Assist with administrative costs pertaining to the operation and management of the Health & Dental Plan program.

Funding

473 Reserves can be established through the following channels:

- a. The difference in the student fee levied and the premium charged
- b. A specific fee (temporary or permanently) allocated to fund the reserve fund
- c. Funding channels maybe be added as they arise (ex. donations)

Applicable Administrative Usage

474 The HDPRF shall be used for administrative costs related to management of the Plan including, but not limited to:

- a. payments to the Plan Administrator for costs related to the Plan,
- b. payments to the Plan Consultant for costs related to the Plan,
- c. payments for financial or accounting services related to the Plan,
- d. investment management fees for Plan funds,
- e. relationship management costs related to the Plan, and/or
- f. payment of the salary in relation to the management or coordination of the Plan.

475 Annually, the Fund shall transfer the following amounts to the General Fund of the Students' Union to offset operational costs associated with the provision of the Health & Dental Plan service:

- a. \$25,000 to cover annual lease, common area, and utility costs for service area;
- b. \$2,000 per month flat fee towards the Project Manager's salary for IT and web support;
- c. 100% of the annual salary and benefits expense for the Front Desk attendant;
- d. 100% of the annual investment management fees for reserve fund as applicable; and

e. 100% of advertising costs associated with the Health and Dental Plan.

476The HDPRF may be used to provide other health and wellness initiatives, programs or services to the student membership.

Approval of Use

477Any use of funds from the HDPRF must be approved by special resolution of the Board of Directors.

REGULATION XII – RESOURCE CENTRES

478In this Regulation, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. “Resource Centre” shall mean an advocacy focused student group with a common interest that has been granted status by the Student Union
- b. “Executive council” means the governing body of a Resource Centre
- c. “Head coordinator” means the senior-most Executive Officer of a Resource centre
- d. “Executive member” means any duty elected or appointed governing member of a Resource centre

General Provisions

479The Vice President Internal, or their designate, shall be responsible for the implementation, enforcement, and oversight of this Regulation.

480It is the responsibility of the Vice President Internal to organize, advertise, and facilitate at least two (2) Resource Centre Council meetings per semester.

481Resource Centres are formed under and subject to this Regulation.

482The views expressed by the Resource Centres do not necessarily reflect the policies of the Students’ Union.

483Any correspondence by a Resource Centre with a Student Union logo or letterhead shall still indicate that its views do not necessarily reflect the policies of the Students’ Union.

Ratification of a Resource Centre

484The Vice-President Internal or their designate may recommend that an organization become a Resource Centre given that the proposed group satisfy the requirements laid out in regulation sixteen (16) below, in addition to the following criteria:

- a. the proposed Resource Centre is clearly defined and does not overlap with the scope of an already existing Resource Centre or Student Association;
- b. the proposed Resource Centre has already been constituted as a “Student Association” and has been in existence for a minimum of two years;
- c. the proposed Resource Centre’s finances are in good order, as determined by the Vice-President Finance
- d. does not have purposes inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Students’ Union; and
- e. does not engage in supporting any unlawful activity

485The Board of Directors, may by a Two-thirds Resolution (.), ratify an organization to be, or to no longer be, a Resource Centre, provided that the Vice President Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator recommend such action. Should the Board so decide, regulation fifteen (15) below shall be deemed to be amended.

486The Vice President Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator shall meet with and research all proposed Resource Centres, in order to make recommendations to the Board of the Directors.

487The Vice President Internal may require the proposed Resource Centre to provide any additional information that they believe to be necessary to make a decision with respect to the ratification of the proposed Resource Centre.

488The Student Union may reject any proposal for, or rescind at any time, the ratification of any Resource Centre if the Resource Centre does not meet the requirements of the Bylaws or this Regulation or if the Resource Centre, or its members in connection with the conduct of the Resource Centre, has been sanctioned by the University.

Effect of Ratification

489All Resource Centre financial assets shall be held by the Students' Union.

490Resource Centres are not permitted to accept any legal obligation for the Students' Union including any of the following:

- a. entering into contracts either on behalf of the Student Union or the Resource Centre;
- b. hiring employees; or
- c. open an account with a financial institution

491The VP Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator shall provide the following support to Resource Centres:

- a. publish a list of Resource Centres, including their contact information on its website;
- b. assist Resource Centres in booking space on campus where Student Union assistance is required;
- c. designate and maintain bulletin boards on campus for use by Resource Centres; and poster printing support

Responsibilities of Resource Centres

492The following organizations shall be the Resource Centres of the Student's Union:

- a. Indigenous Student Council (ISC)
- b. Peer Support Network (PSN)
- c. Pride Resource Centre (PRC)
- d. Women's Resource Centre (WRC)

493As mandated by the Board of the Directors, a Resource Centre shall:

- a. provide information and raise awareness on issues of concern to the membership and the university at large, as defined by the mandate of the individual Resource Centre;
- b. be involved in social issues relevant to society at large;
- c. provide services to the membership, including but not limited to safe spaces, events, discussion groups, information seminars and;
- d. propose and lobby for policy changes within the Student's Union, the University, and society at large

494Starting June 1st of every year, all Resource Centres shall cease to receive support from the Student Union until:

- a. notifying the Student Union of their intent to maintain active status; and
- b. submitting a resource centre funding package to renew this status

495A Resource Centre which accomplishes the above requirements shall be eligible for support from the Student Union until May 31st of the next year.

496If by July 15th of each year a Resource Centre has not accomplished the requirements listed above, they shall not receive support from the Student Union, including but not limited to:

- a. monetary support;
- b. tabling and room booking privileges;
- c. printing support; and
- d. other forms of administrative support

497At least the Head Coordinator of a Resource Centre must attend inclusivity training with the Vice President Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator to qualify for funding.

498If a proposed Resource Centre does not officially have their registration renewed by the dates laid out in this regulation, they may still be ratified by the Board as a Resource Centre but will not receive monetary support except by Two-thirds(.) Resolution by the Finance committee.

499A Resource Centre which has been deemed inactive for a period of at least eighteen (18) months may be dissolved by the Board of Directors.

- 500** Every Resource Centre must notify the Vice President Internal and the Membership Outreach Coordinator of the name and contact information of their Head Coordinator by June 30th of every year.
- 501** Every Member is eligible for, and entitled to, membership and participation in the activities of every Resource Centre, subject to this Regulation. This provision notwithstanding, a Resource Centre may, in its constitution, limit, for specifically defined groups of members to have:
- access to specific areas of that same Resource Centre's space— or attendance at specifically defined events or activities of that Resource Centre— but only within the circumstance of preserving and protecting the mental, emotional, or physical well-being of other members of said Resource Centre; and
 - the ability to hold a position on the executive council on that same Resource Centre, but only in the interests of protecting the mandate of the mentioned Resource Centre as set out in its constitution
- 502** If a member submits a written complaint about the application of regulation twenty-four (24) above, the Vice President Internal may liaison with the Resource Centre to respond to the complaint in writing and may, by a Two-thirds (2/3) Resolution by the Executive, recommend that the Board of Directors take further action in the matter.
- 503** In regards to the Resolution referred to in regulation twenty-five (25) above, the Board may, by a Two-thirds (2/3) Resolution, take action as it deems necessary.
- 504** All Resource Centres must at all times, abide by the rules for student conduct established by the University.
- 505** If upon the conclusion of an investigation of a complaint the University finds that misconduct has occurred, the Student Union may suspend or revoke the privileges of a Resource Centre or otherwise take remedial action in accordance with the findings of the University.
- 506** All Executive Members of a Resource Centre have a fiduciary duty to report to the Student Union any activities by fellow Executives which violate any part of this Regulation. Executive Members shall be held personally accountable if it is revealed they had knowledge of such an activity and chose not to report it to the Student Union, or if they were unfamiliar with this Regulation.
- 507** It is the responsibility of the Board of Directors to determine the appropriate response to instances of wrongdoing by Executive Members of a Resource Centre.
- 508** Each Resource Centre must delegate three signing authorities.
- 509** Signing authorities shall not be recognized until their name and information has been submitted to the Membership Outreach Coordinator.
- 510** A Resource Centre shall not receive funding until the Membership Outreach Coordinator confirms they have received a list of signing authorities.

511 All signing authorities of a Resource Centre are accountable to both their Resource Centre membership and the UBCSUO for any activities of the group, including financial mismanagement.

512 Each Resource Centre must submit a report outlining advocacy activities, events hosted and other information requested to the Vice President Internal and Membership outreach coordinator twice per academic year, one in January and one in April to maintain funding eligibility.

513 Each Resource Centre shall submit a financial report to the Finance Committee in April of every fiscal year. If a Resource Centre fails to submit this report; its financial account shall be frozen until it submits the required document or documents.

Internal Governance

514 Each Resource Centre shall be responsible for establishing its own guidelines, regulations, and procedures which shall be recorded in a constitution or other similar document which shall be submitted to the Vice President Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator for information purposes. Any amendments to the constitution or other document shall also be submitted to the Vice President Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator. If amendments significantly alter the mandate of the Resource centre, the Vice President Internal may recommend, by a Two-thirds (2/3) Resolution, recommend to the Board of Directors that it reject amendments.

515 Each Resource Centre shall ensure that only those members of the Resource Centre who are Active Members of the Students' Union shall:

- a. hold a position on the Executive Council, or similar positions within the Resource Centre; and
- b. exercise voting privileges at the Resource Centre meetings and other events

516 Executive Members of a Resource Centre shall either be elected or appointed in a manner consistent with their constitution; and must adhere to the following requirements:

- a. be clearly defined within a Resource Centre's constitution; and
- b. have the continued support of the majority of the Resource Centre's members

517 Each Resource Centre must elect or appoint only one (1) Head Coordinator that shall have the power and duty to represent the Resource Centre when required by the Students' Union.

518 Each Resource Centres' Head Coordinator must sign a contract with the Student's Union to be eligible for honorarium.

519 A Head Coordinator may become ineligible for honorarium if any of the following are or become applicable:

- a. the recipient is already receiving compensation from the Students' Union;
- b. the recipient fails to comply to the Students' Union Regulations, Code of Conduct or bylaws;
- c. the Board of Directors by Two-thirds (2/3) Resolution agrees there is significant cause for withholding and/or ineligibility of honorarium;

- d. the recipient does not adhere to the requirements per their Head Coordinator contract; and/or
- e. there is a clear conflict of interest

520All Resource Centre Head Coordinators must attend at least two (2) Board of Directors meetings per year, one in August and one in December. The purpose of these meetings will be for the respective Resource Coordinator to present their activities and plans for the upcoming term and to provide an update on that progress to the Board of Directors. A written request for attendance shall be given by the Vice-President Internal no later than one week (7 days) prior to the meeting.

521With the exception of the Head Coordinator, positions within a Resource Centres Executive Council must be on a voluntary basis and individuals must not receive salary or honoraria from the Resource Centre in their role as Executive Members.

522Resource Centres' Executive Councils must hold at least three meetings per semester.

Space

523Should a Resource Centre be provided space by the Students' Union, such spaces shall be subject to UBC's "Respectful Environment Policy" as well as any Students' Union policies and procedures, and shall be open to inspection by the Vice President Internal, the Membership Outreach Coordinator and the General Manager.

524A Head Coordinator of a Resource Centre shall be the only Executive Member with SALTO access to a Resource Centre space. These privileges may be revoked if a coordinator is found at any time to be violating any relevant policies or procedures.

525For security reasons, an Executive member of the specific Resource Centre must be present at all times during their allocated drop-in hours.

526To respect the shared space, a Resource Centre's volunteers and members may only occupy a given space during their scheduled date(s) and/or time(s).

527The Membership Outreach Coordinator shall within reason ensure that Resource Centres are given priority over Student Associations with regard to booking Student Union space. This may include but is not limited to, allowing the Resource Centres advance booking opportunities prior to the opportunities set aside for Student Associations. However, the Membership Outreach Coordinator and Vice President Internal may restrict the number of advance bookings granted to each Resource Centre.

528Space priority shall also be made available to the Resource Centres on the Students' Union website, expo and in other communications media as appropriate and reasonable to allow the Resource Centres to publicize their events and activities.

529Each Resource Centre must be and remain in compliance with the following requirements in order to continue to be recognized and receive support from the Students' Union:

- a. adherence to all aspects of this policy;
- b. adherence to the constitution and bylaws of the UBCSUO; and
- c. adherence to all applicable policies of the University of British Columbia

530 If a Resource Centre is found by the Board of Directors to be non-compliant with this regulation, the Resource Centre may be subject to discipline by the Board of Directors which may order any of the following in relation to the Resource Centre's activities and status as a Resource Centre:

- a. an order to cease the violation and to refrain from committing the same or a similar violation again;
- b. public censure;
- c. denial of funding or withdrawal of unspent funds for no more than one year;
- d. withdrawal of tabling or room-booking privileges for no more than one year;
- e. withdrawal of poster privileges for no more than one year;
- f. withdrawal of Resource Centre status for no more than one year, at which point the Resource Centre may re-apply for status; or
- g. other actions that the Board of Directors finds appropriate

531 A Resource Centre shall automatically have all privileges temporarily revoked, and only restored at the discretion of the Board of Directors or by the Membership Outreach Coordinator, if they commit any of the following:

- a. damage to UBCO property;
- b. hosting of an event outside of UBCO property without Student Union permission;
- c. forgery;
- d. discovery of an external bank account linked to a Resource Centre; or
- e. a negative internal account balance

Resource Centre Funding

532 The Board of Directors shall annually budget for and provide Resource Centres with grants to assist in development, operations and maintenance of the Resource Centres.

533 A Resource Centre must be in good and active status; in addition to successfully completing and submitting a Funding Application to be eligible for financial support from the Students' Union.

534 The Vice-President Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator shall consider and approve Resource Centre funding requests up to and including two thousand dollars (\$2,000).

535 The Finance Committee shall consider and approve Resource Centre funding requests that exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000).

536 The maximum amount of funding a Resource Centre can receive in a year is \$3,500. Under special circumstances, the Board of Directors may approve amounts larger than \$3,500 by Two-third (2/3) Resolution.

537 If a Resource Centre does not spend all of its funding over a fiscal year, the unspent money shall be noted as a surplus and taken into consideration for future funding requests.

538 The Vice President Internal and Membership Outreach Coordinator shall notify the Finance Committee of the amounts each respective organization will be receiving. The notification shall be in writing, with a report of the funding process and be signed by both the Vice President Internal and the Membership Outreach Coordinator in addition copies of the Resource Centre budgets should be attached. Allocations into the appropriate Resource Centre accounts by the Vice President Finance are to be completed within seven (7) to ten (10) business days of receiving notice.

539 No Resource Group shall make any expenditure or incur any liability that puts it into a deficit situation.

GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Students' Union Okanagan of UBC

Graduate Student Committee Meeting, 3 December 2021, Virtual Call

Call to Order at 15:05

Committee Members Present

Graduate Student Representative
Student at Large
Student at Large
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Kirthana Ganesh
Nibirh Jawad
Vikas Kumar
Emily Comeau

Committee Members Absent

Advocacy & Governance Coordinator
Student at Large
Student at Large

Anne Claret
Rina Garcia

Staff/Guest Present

Graduate Student Community Facilitators
SUO Communications Manager
Society for Learning and Retirement

Hammad Ahmad
Becca Evans
Spinoza Okuku

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

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1. Spinoza Okuku: Outreach for SLR (Society for Learning & Retirement)

Okuku works with Experiential Learning at UBCO

SLR encourages those in retirement to continue learning in retirement

The program is looking for graduate students to present their research to the seniors to share their learning

Okuku agreed to follow up with Ganesh on materials to distribute to graduate students

3.2. GSC COMMUNICATIONS PLAN AND DISCUSSION

Communications plan presented by Becca Evans as attached in agenda.

4. OLD BUSINESS

4.1. AGM UPDATE:

The AGM vote was discussed, and Ganesh thanked everyone for ensuring that quorum was present.

Ganesh updated that group about next steps to work on regulations for the GSC.

4.2. SURVEY:

Updates were provided by members, and the link was shared with members to be shared on social media platforms.

Survey Link: https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_djm8zS8tIKDC1p4

4.3. COGS WINTER WELCOME WEEK:

A few options were discussed for the GSC, followed by fulsome discussion.

Ahmad discussed Facilitator events happening on Winter Welcome Week. Jawad suggested asking students for a nominal deposit or registration, so ensure participation/attendance.

4.4. GSC SOCIAL EVENT

Ganesh informed members that she couldn't find a time for an event this semester, and that a new Doodle Poll would be sent out in January. Evans was invited to the event as well. Jawad agreed to look for an ideal venue for the same.

4.5. GYM AND RECREATION FEE: UPDATE

Jawad is looking into what the Gym and Rec. Fee goes towards. Fee goes towards paying to run

the sports and recreation at UBCO because they do not get funding from UBC. Until the gym facilities on campus are expanded, free admission is not possible even if the fees are expanded. Rec. can rent out studio rooms for Grad Students exclusively at a discounted rate Grad Students can be a part of The Heat and go to try outs Ganesh discussed the Fieldhouse proposal from the SUO Board meeting with members. Concerns about the financial repercussions on the students were raised.

4.6. GRADUATE STUDENT LEAVE

Ganesh Informed members that the Issue had been brought forward at the Board meeting, and emphasised Board members' commitment to support the Issue.

Ganesh requested members to reach out to graduate students that she could speak to, to obtain more Information about the Issue at hand.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1. MEETING SCHEDULES MOVING FORWARD

Ganesh requested members to check their schedules for the following term to decide a time and day for GSC meetings moving forward.

Members expressed a desire for the meeting to be in-person, with the option to join in virtually if needed.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

7. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 16:33

SUO GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

DECEMBER 3, 2021

Introduction

The purpose of this document is to outline a new strategic Communications plan to promote graduate student participation in the SUO and visibility of the GSC.

Objectives

To communicate the existence of the Graduate Student Representative/ GSC in the SUO to graduate students at UBCO through tools like events, and communication tools.

Audiences

- UBCO Graduate Students/ Potential Grad Students at UBCO

Key Messages

- The SUO is for graduate students as much as undergraduate students
- Graduate students pay SUO fees, and should be included in events and the overall narrative and representation of the SUO
- Graduate students have their own representative (Kirthana Ganesh) and can bring their concerns and ideas to her regarding the SUO
- The SUO is separate from UBC and is a safe space to bring questions and concerns to

Strategy

- Focus on our key messages as seen above
- Make the Graduate Student take up space: both digitally and physically on campus and online in order to increase visibility
- Use communication tactics to create a sense of community and togetherness among grad students

Tactics

- Get the Graduate Rep (Kirthana Ganesh) and the Graduate Student Committee out there both digitally and physically, meeting Grad Students where they are at ie: Graduate Student Commons
- First big event will be Winter Welcome Week in January 2022
- Increase communication through a monthly newsletter to all grad students on campus, highlighting achievements and events/ SUO News in collaboration with COGS
- Utilize social media channels (SUO Instagram Primarily) to promote graduate student specific events/announcements
- Establish GSC Brand Identity (See new logo below)

Timeline

- Ongoing project to expand Grad Student SUO presence/visibility - Will begin full force in January 2022



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