



ATTENDANCE

Present: Aaron Loewen, Andrew Zang, Ashni Gill, Bukola Mary Ibitoye, Charfeddine Khalifa, Davi Monticelli, Devarsh Bhonde (proxy for Aditi Nagaraj Nallan), Georgia Yee, Ginny Pichler, Jenny Lee, Jin Wen, Kimani Karangu, Kira Vandermeulen, Leila Matte-Kaci, Louise Harding, Maria Jose Athie Martinez, Mohamed Kamel, Mohammadali Shahsavari, Mopelola Akinlaja (proxy for Teesha Luehr), Perrin Waldock, Sam Kenston, Sandeep Gill, Taryn Scarff, Temitayo Olarewaju, Torin McLachlan, William Canero; Huseyin Doganay, Jose Gonsalves, Pauahi Souza

Regrets: Yundi Wang

Absent: Axel Hauduc, Bethany Adair, Desiree Fiaccabrino, Edgar Liao, Jackson Schumacher, Julia Burnham, Lisa White, Max Holmes, Nevena Rebic, Rachel Phillips, Saumadrita Kar, Younus Ahmed

Quorum: 17 Councillors

CALL TO ORDER AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting will be called to order at 5:35 pm.

SPECIAL RULES ADOPTION

WHEREAS the Council has not yet established in the policy suspending of Roberts Rules of Order and,

WHEREAS a similar decision has been made in the past and proved fruitful,

BIRT the Council adopts the following special rules of order for this Council meeting:

- Each member's speaking time limit per speaking turn is 3 minutes unless extended by the Council or otherwise specified in the agenda.
- The time limit of debate for each motion is 20 minutes unless extended by the Council; and
- There is no limit on how many times a member can speak on each motion.

MOVER: Andrew Zang

SECONDER: Jin Wen

RESULT: Carried

AGENDA ADOPTION

BIRT the agenda be adopted as presented.

MOVER: Aaron Loewen

SECONDER: Louise Harding

RESULT: Carried



TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

President: Madam Speaker, as it has been our tradition, and something that we are so committed to doing is acknowledging where we do our work as the GSS. And with that, and from UBC Vancouver, and on behalf of the UBC GSS, I would like to acknowledge that UBC Vancouver Point Grey campus is situated on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the Musqueam people. I would also like to acknowledge that you are joining us today from many places, near and far, and I acknowledge the traditional owners and caretakers of those lands. Thank you, and welcome to our meeting today.

INTRODUCTIONS

Speaker: We are going to the introduction on the agenda; by default when we are virtual, we don't do introductions, it's really difficult. However, I would like to acknowledge the guest list that I've got from President. We have several people here that are here to hopefully- we'll entice them to join committees in GSS. Abisola, Candice, Daniel, Huseyin, James, Jose, Marina, Mohammadali, Pauahi, and Terrell, thank you so much for being here. And of course, the rest of the Council.

1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1.1 GSS COUNCIL MINUTES

BIRT the following GSS Council minutes be approved:

- [August 19, 2021](#)

MOVER: Louise Harding

SECONDER: Mopelola Akinlaja

RESULT: Carried

1.2 COMMITTEE MINUTES

BIRT the following GSS Committee minutes be approved:

Academic & External Committee:		House Finance Committee:	August 10, 2021; August 24, 2021
Code and Policy Committee:	August 11, 2021; August 25, 2021	Human Resources Committee:	
Elections Committee:	May 25, 2021; June 23, 2021; June 28, 2021; July 13, 2021; July 22, 2021	Services Committee:	July 14, 2021; August 11, 2021
Executive Committee:	August 13, 2021	AMS Caucus:	



Executive Oversight Committee:	June 14, 2021; June 28, 2021	Graduate Council Caucus:	
Governance & Accountability Committee:		Strategic Planning ad-hoc Committee:	
All-Chairs Meeting:	August 13, 2021		

MOVER: Andrew Zang

SECONDER: Kimani Karangu

RESULT: Carried

2 SEATINGS

2.1 NEW COUNCILLORS

BIRT the following Seating of new Councillors be approved:

Name	Department
Andrew Zang	Materials Engineering
Yundi Wang	Neuroscience

MOVER: Louise Harding

SECONDER: Jenny Lee

RESULT: Carried

2.2 RETENTION OF ABSENT COUNCILLORS

Responsible: Kimani Karangu, President

WHEREAS Bylaw 7.7.2 states that “any member of Council who misses three consecutive meetings without providing a proxy shall, except by special resolution of Council, forfeit their seat without notice”, and

WHEREAS the President contacted Councillors who were absent from June-August 2021 to notify them of their removal, and

WHEREAS the following Councillors expressed interest in remaining on Council for the rest of their term and improving their attendance,

BIRT Council, by special resolution, allow these Councillors to remain seated for the remainder of their term:

Mohamed Kamel (Civil Engineering)

MOVER: President

SECONDER: Andrew Zang

RESULT: Carried



FOR (12): Davi Monticelli, Kira Vandermeulen, Aaron Loewen, Torin McLachlan, Charfeddine Khalifa, Taryn Scarff, Sandeep Gill, Jin Wen, Jenny Lee, Ginny Pichler, Sofie McComb, Louise Harding; **ABSTAIN (3):** Andrew Zang, Perrin Waldock, Mopelola Akinlaja

DISCUSSION

Kimani: This is again another tradition that we also do have that is established by a bylaw. If you do not attend Council three consecutive times, that is three months, by default, you're supposed to be unseated and forfeit your seat. However, due to the circumstances that are you know, that are prevailing and due to our understanding, we reached out to our members asking them to agree with the decision that is supposed to be and once we hear from them, Madam Speaker, we move ahead to remove them from the list or we subject them for reconsideration and that is exactly what we did in this situation. And given that the member has given interest in continuing in this position, and having been allowed by their department, we decided to consider them for reappointment until the end of their term in that position. And if I may as you continue setting up the vote, is just to remind members that if they fail to come to Council, due to valid reasons, they should try as much as possible to send proxies, who are graduate students, and they can represent them and they will have equal opportunities to them, and they could even vote and make other decisions. So let's, members, strive all the time to try and send proxies if they're not able to attend council meetings.

Speaker: So to clarify, they send proxies, that will not count as their absence, right? That means that there was an X, they are not absent, because they sent a proxy, correct?

Kimani: Correct.

2.3 EXTERNAL REPRESENTATIVES SEATINGS

All GSS Councillors are required by the bylaws to sit on at least one committee.

[Committee descriptions and meeting times can be found here.](#)

BIRT the seating of the following external representatives be approved:

Committee/Caucus	Nominee	Position	Vacancies
AMS Caucus	Amended: Ezra Yu	Representative	2
Graduate Council	Mohammadali Shahsavari, Mopelola Akinlaja	Representative	2
Health and Dental Plan Caucus		Representative	0

MOVER: Kimani Karangu

SECONDER: Sandeep Gill

RESULT: Carried

FOR (10): Sofie McComb, Ginny Pichler, Taryn Scarff, Maria Jose Martinez, Kira Vandermeulen, Andrew Zang, Aaron Loewen, Jin Wen, Torin McLachlan, Sandeep Gill; **ABSTAIN (1):** Mopelola Akinlaja

DISCUSSION



Kimani: Members that are qualified to join the AMS caucus and the Graduate Council: I think this is a very great opportunity for GSS representation in these external organizations, especially see like for example, the AMS that do also represent some interest of the GSS. It is paramount that we also know as GSS or graduate students know, what issues are being discussed in the AMS. And one of the ways is to have one of us there to represent us, be our voice and make sure that we are not silent throughout. As we know our interest could be different and whenever we have issues, these could act as a bridge. When you talk about the Graduate Council, Madam Speaker, this is another very important position that a graduate student could be able to sit on. Our students directly represent the GSS or the graduate students, to the faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, where many issues affecting graduate students are discussed. There are many committees that are very important that affect the curriculum, the bursary, the awards, financing and even the way you know admissions are done. It is important that you know, we get some of these skills. And also further to that personal development, Madam Speaker, we also get to have our voices again there because I think for us to be present, for us to have our own say, we need to be present. And if it is for us, then we should be there as well. So I want to encourage members that are qualified to kindly consider nominating themselves to these four positions, as they are significantly important to GSS. And also, I believe the members that have been in these positions have in the past, you know, said they had significant benefit, skillset, and other advantages for having been in those committees, so, I encourage all of us who are qualified to nominate themselves. I also wanted to mention that, you know, one does not necessarily need to be a councillor seated, they can be a member, and by the virtue of being there, in the AMS caucus, or the Grad Council, they will automatically become councillors. So I think anybody, even the new members that are joining today could nominate themselves to these positions and could elevate them to voting members as well.

Torin: I just wanted to note that it seems that Mohammadali had nominated themselves for Graduate Council Caucus, not AMS Caucus.

Speaker: I always like to say students pay AMS at least double what we pay GSS. So it's important to know where our money goes, and have a say in where our money goes.

2.4 COMMITTEE SEATINGS

All GSS Councillors are required by the bylaws to sit on at least one committee.

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BIRT the following Committee seatings be approved:

Committee/Caucus	Nominee	Position	Vacancies
Academic & External Affairs	Davi Monticelli	Councillor	1
		Ordinary Member	2
Code & Policy		Councillor	4
		Ordinary Member	1
Elections		Councillor	3
	Pauahi Souza	Ordinary Member	5
Executive Oversight		Councillor	4



		Ordinary Member	0
Governance & Accountability		Councillor	1
		Ordinary Member	3
House Finance	Andrew Zang	Councillor	4
		Ordinary Member	0
Human Resources		Councillor	0
		Ordinary Member	5
Services		Councillor	3
		Ordinary Member	4
Strategic Planning ad-hoc		Councillor	1
	Pauahi Souza	Ordinary Member	1

MOVER: Jin Wen

SECONDER: Jenny Lee

RESULT: Carried

FOR (14): Sofie McComb, Taryn Scarff, Ginny Pichler, Davi Monticelli, Mopelola Akinlaja, Aaron Loewen, Torin McLachlan, Jenny Lee, Kira Vandermeulen, Louise Harding, Charfeddine Khalifa, Jin Wen, Sandeep Gill, Perrin Waldock; **ABSTAIN (1):** Andrew Zang

DISCUSSION

Devarsh: Hello, everyone. I'd like to motivate about the House Finance Committee. So the House Finance Committee looks after the financial well-being of the Society. So more specifically, in the last Council meeting, I had given a presentation about how we are planning to invest \$500,000 of our \$1 million bank account. So this \$500,000 investment is going to give us \$50,000 every year of additional revenue. So I would want new members to join our committee so that we can get some ideas about how to use this additional funding that we have now, for \$50,000. Shall we make all the GSS events big, shall we reduce U-Pass fees for the students, or shall we provide more support for travel or conferences for students? So you know, these might not be the best ideas, but we would like to have as many ideas as possible. So please join our committee and it will be good experience.

Kimani: I also want to motivate and give a solid and concrete evidence. Madam Speaker in the last while, we have had very many select awards, or scholarships, asking students to nominate themselves or other students who nominate them, others to be considered for these nominations. And Madam Speaker, one of those criteria, or one of the requirements is about service. What did you do or leadership or something like that? I think Madam Speaker, becoming a member or a chair, or one of the committee members is key to that soft skill of being in a leadership position. And with especially with a nonprofit organization like GSS, it does not only help you to know other people, or even to organize other things that has got these very added advantages beyond your classrooms. Given that, you know, members are here in this platform, and I think it is key that people can nominate themselves to these positions. And when it comes to that time, when they will need to scratch the surface of these scholarships and awards, there will be some people who can stand to testify of their leadership skills, or their commitment of the ambitions of how well they can move that society on a



volunteer base. As we know, voluntary services in Canada are highly highly required and recommended, but I'm speaking in my capacity as a President- I have been receiving even email for people who used to be here way before I think I was even, you know, not let me know say born because that will be out of order, Madam Speaker, but I'm talking of like a long time ago, people who did something and they want to be considered ` , for example, to go to medical school or other institutions and they will they require people to testify of their service of their innovations. And I think these are some of the platforms that we need to take up and show that we can do this and then in the future, they will come away to benefit us. Big time. Madam Speaker, I want to stop there and invite all members that are qualified to nominate themselves in some of these empty spaces and they will stand never ever to regret.

Speaker: Two examples, one for myself and then one from yesterday. Well, for myself, the first time I apply for CGS, the Canada Graduate Scholarship, I got rejected. And the next year I got it. The only difference - I did not publish anything more, I did not do anything more - but the only difference is I had GSS experience on my CGS application. Stories from yesterday: my organization hosts the career talk from the former AMS VP, I think Academic or External. He was hired straight out of school from UBC to AstraZeneca. And really what stands out is he was involved in student government and many other things. So I cannot really encourage you more. It has helped me a lot along the way.

Pauahi: I was a little late today. My name is Pauahi Sousa. I'd like to be involved somehow. I come out of my Master's program where I was the student body president at my former institution, and so I'm familiar with this process, but I'm just kind of wondering how you all do it. I'm sorry, once again, I was late. So I would like to be a part of one of these committees. I just need to know what I need to do to nominate myself for one of those.

Speaker: Do you want people to tell you what those committees are, or you just need to know the process?

Pauahi: Yeah I think the committees that are available are the ones with vacancies, correct?

Speaker: Yes that's correct. Everything except for Executive Oversight. Which one do you want?

Pauahi: I would like to do Elections, I'll also do Strategic Planning.

Speaker: Now I have an amendment to the agenda proposed by Mr. President.

Kimani: I'm trying to reach out to Vice President Sam, I seem to be lost with the name.

Motion to amend item 2.3:

BIRT the seating of the following external representatives be approved:

AMS Council Caucus: Ezra Yu

MOVER: Kimani Karangu **SECONDER:** Aaron Loewen **RESULT:** Carried

FOR (16): Maria Jose Martinez, Jin Wen, Aaron Loewen, Sam Kenston, Ginny Pichler, Jenny Lee, Leila Matte-Kaci, Torin McLachlan, Kimani Karangu, Andrew Zang, Sandeep Gill, Sofie McComb, Taryn Scarff, Mopelola Akinlaja, Kira Vandermeulen, Perrin Waldock

DISCUSSION



Sam: I have reached out to a member who would like to be in the GSS, his name is Ezra Yu.

2.5 COMMITTEE CHAIR SEATINGS

BIRT the following Committee Chair Seatings be approved:

Committee/Caucus	Nominee
Governance and Accountability Committee	Jenny Lee
Human Resources Committee	Pauahi Souza
AMS Council Caucus	Ezra Yu

MOVER: Kimani Karangu **SECONDER:** Louise Harding **RESULT:** Carried

FOR (12): Maria Jose Martinez, Sofie McComb, Aaron Loewen, Davi Monticelli, Taryn Scarff, Leila Matte-Kaci, Andrew Zang, Perrin Waldock, Kimani Karangu, Kira Vandermeulen, William Canero, Sandeep Gill; **ABSTAIN (1):** Jenny Lee

DISCUSSION

Kimani: I would like to speak on two issues. One is nomination, the other one is motivating. I would like to nominate Ezra Yu as chair of AMS caucus. And also would want to motivate for somebody to step up for the Human Resources committee. This committee has been without a chair for some time now, I've been chairing this meeting, I think for the last two months. And it will be great if you know one of the members, one of the Council members, or even ordinary members who are here could volunteer themselves to become the chair of this particular committee. There are big steps that are being made towards our human resource support within the GSS. And I think this will be a great opportunity for a member to benefit, to understand the process that we are all going through, you know, the schooling system, with the hope that we either start our own jobs or even get employed out there. But again, this is another sport where you get to understand this, the soft skills and the hard skills of being the employer and being the employee at the same time- those skills, you'd never get them elsewhere other than practicing them here at the GSS. So this is an opportunity, Madam Speaker that I'm speaking to, that has seriously benefited most of my endeavors whenever I go to interviews, I have not failed even one. I have been rejecting some of these things because I think I'm becoming an expert for being a Human Resource chair. So I'm calling upon any member to come up and take up the position.

[In chat: Huseyin Doganay and Pauahi Souza type nominations for Human Resources chair.]

Speaker: Pauahi, are you nominating yourself for the chair or for the committee?

Pauahi: I didn't know if I could nominate myself for the chair. I thought because I was a guest, I can only do the committee. But if I am able to nominate myself for the chair, like I said, I have experience with being a chair before especially in this kind of setting. So I wouldn't mind being in either role either being just a committee member or being a chair.

Speaker: I'm putting your name down, we need to go into election.



Huseyin: I just stepped up to support Kimani and his speech, so I'll take my nomination back.

Speaker: Would you like to sit on other committees? We can talk about that later.

Kimani: I think he can sit as an ordinary member on Human Resources because there are almost 5 slots there.

Motion to amend item 2.4:

BIRT the following be added to the motion:

Human Resources Committee: Huseyin Doganay

MOVER: Kimani Karangu **SECONDER:** Aaron Loewen **RESULT:** Carried

DISCUSSION

Speaker: The amendment of the agenda is carried. Now we go to the seating motion.

Motion [amended]:

BIRT the following committee seatings be approved: [includes Human Resources ordinary member amendment]

MOVER: Kimani Karangu **SECONDER:** Leila Matte-Kaci **RESULT:** Carried

FOR (17): Ginny Pichler, Andrew Zang, Kira Vandermeulen, Taryn Scarff, Jenny Lee, Sofie McComb, Maria Jose Martinez, Leila Matte-Kaci, Aaron Loewen, Charfeddine Khalifa, Perrin Waldoock, Kimani Karangu, Davi Monticelli, William Canero, Mopelola Akinlaja, Jin Wen, Sandeep Gill

3 MATTERS FOR DECISION

3.1 AFFILIATE ORGANIZATION RECOGNITION

WHEREAS the following organizations have submitted a petition for recognition as an Affiliate Organization, **BIRT** the following organizations be recognized as Affiliate Organizations for one year, ending at the meeting of Council in September 2022:

Name of Affiliate Organization	Representative
Planning Students Association	William Canero
Electrical and Computer Engineering Graduate Students Association	Elena-Iulia Dobre
Economics Graduate Students Association	Allen Peters



MOVER: VP Students

SECONDER: Sandeep Gill

RESULT: Carried

3.2 STATE OF THE VPUAA POSITION

Responsible: Kimani Karangu, President

Description: An update from the President regarding the current status of the VPUAA position and motion to decide next steps.

Objective: To update the Council regarding executive issues and pass a motion with directive to the President.

Related Materials: (none)

WHEREAS the President has provided information regarding the status of the VPUAA position and the VPUAA's intention to resign, and

WHEREAS per Bylaw 8.4.3, it has been deemed not feasible to pursue a By-Election to fill this executive vacancy,

BIRT Council approve that a special appointment of the Vice-President University and Academic Affairs be held in the October 2021 Council meeting, pursuant to Bylaw 8.4.

MOVER: President

SECONDER: Leila Matte-Kaci

RESULT: Carried

FOR (14): Torin McLachlan, Andrew Zang, Taryn Scarff, Perrin Waldock, Sam Kenston, Maria Jose Martinez, Leila Matte-Kaci, Kira Vandermeulen, Aaron Loewen, Charfeddine Khalifa, Sandeep Gill, William Canero, Sofie McComb, Davi Monticelli; **ABSTAIN (2):** Kimani Karangu, Mopelola Akinlaja

DISCUSSION

Kimani: The state of the Vice President University and Academic Affairs position; as we all know, we went to elections this year, and by May our then-elected VP resigned and following that resignation, we went ahead as Council, and with all the advice given to the President, by all the committee chairs, we decided to go for a nomination, waiting a by-election. However, Madam Speaker, the by-election has been deemed unfit and not feasible at the moment one because of the nature and the time it would take to be able to facilitate one. And also, given that the Council can as well as decide on how they want to move forward, I have received the intentions from the current VPUAA intentions to step down from their position as they had prepared to stay until this month. And with that given, I'm requesting that Council consider that we nominate and appoint through a special resolution VPUAA next month, and this will follow or will be followed by advertisement that will go to our newsletter for members present here to consider nominating themselves for that position. Madam Speaker, I would want to say that the situation especially with the working condition, and the duties that are performed by the VP are key to the propelling GSS, because this is a position that is key to advocacy, and other related university relationships that are supposed to be maintained. Further, it is also the chair of the Grand Council, which is also key to maintaining the relationship with the G+PS, that is the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. It therefore becomes important to be able to nominate somebody. And although I know I could jump the gun here and say that although we are prepared to have a referendum, Madam Speaker, it is not so clear, because we are also in talks with our counterpart, the AMS who do allow us to use their voting



system- GSS do not have the voting system in place. And as a result, we are in communications that they decided-

Speaker: You need an extension of time, sorry.

Kimani: One more minute, Madam Speaker.

Motion to extend discussion time for 1 minute.

MOVER: William Canero **SECONDER:** Devarsh Bhonde **RESULT:** Carried, none opposed

Kimani: We're in talks with the AMS to continue allowing us to use the voting system as we try to strive hard as the GSS to put our own mechanisms soon. But I don't think we're able to put those in place anytime soon, because of the technicalities and the sophistication that is needed. So therefore, Madam Speaker, with all those things going on, it will be, you know, in my interest and I think the interest of majority of members here that we could suggest that we nominate instead of going to a vote, again, we're just coming from million and one orientations and online fatiguing and that Madam Speaker might not be a good use of our time.

Sam: And this is just to let members know that we are in this problem also because of external factors. So if we are thinking of having an election that will be quite challenging. Considering the times we are in, considering the numerous orientation events and meetings we have. So just to reiterate what Mr. President said that we should be looking at, talking to our friends or our colleagues, to see if they'll be interested in this position, so that when nomination become available to be able to nominate them and vote for them at Council rather than a by-election, which will be very tedious.

Maria: I'm just concerned about the situation that we've been having with the people we've been voting. And so it might not be addressed right now. I'm just like pointing it out. I don't know if we're not sharing what it is to be involved in the GSS, or what does it imply, or what is it? I'm wondering, I just wanted to pose the question out loud. But yeah, we need to do whatever we need to do, because that position cannot be empty.

Kimani: And I also want to say that, Madam Speaker, the person that is going to come to this position, you know, to address the question by Maria, is that one of the issues we have had, especially with the timing, our bylaws suggest that there is this much time one can spend in doing this advocacy work. But again, it is not feasible. But again, we are doing all that we can within our purview to make sure that we try to rectify some of these issues. And as we go down the agenda, you'll find that we're also trying to suggest a referendum that will try to somehow correct some of these misgivings that has been hitting us quite hard. But just want to clarify that.

Speaker: While we're waiting I'm kind of copying what Sheldon is doing in AMS sometimes, is providing some historical content. I don't want to influence your vote before you start voting. I'm gonna say that after because I don't want to influence your vote. Thank you very much, motion's carried so the election will happen in the next Council. I just give you guys a story and I'm not finishing it. So in the past at least since 2012, 2011, I've seen GSS- this is not a uncommon situation. I have never seen a by-election called for this. It's usually a special appointment that Council, for pretty much the same reason that Kimani was mentioning.



3.3 BYLAW REVISION – EXECUTIVE HOURS AND REMUNERATION

Responsible: Code and Policy Committee, Executive Oversight Committee

Time: 15 minutes

Description: A motion to include a motion in the next referendum/AGM regarding executive work hours and honoraria.

Objective: To bring a motion to the next GSS referendum and/or AGM

Related Materials: [Bylaw Revision Form - Executive Honoraria.pdf](#); [Executive Transition Appendix XX.pdf](#)

WHEREAS the current Bylaws do not accurately reflect the hours worked by Executives and the Executive remuneration is outdated and does not include time spent on transitioning Executives in and out of office,

BIRT the following item be included in the next referendum and/or Annual General Meeting of the GSS, whichever comes first:

BYLAW AMENDMENT: Executive hours and remuneration

EXPLANATION: The Executive work hours and remuneration are out of date. They were established in 2006, and all the Executive positions have changed significantly in terms of workload and tasks. This includes more meetings to attend as well as engaging in larger scale projects. Therefore, the currently listed hours do not accurately reflect the amount of work Executives do. This also sets unrealistic expectation for incoming Executives as they begin to work more hours than listed in the Bylaws. Furthermore, the cost of living has increased since 2006 beyond the currently implemented CPI adjustments and does not fairly reflect how much work our Executives work. This motion will increase the expected hours as well as increase the Executive honoraria. Furthermore, a portion of the honoraria will be dedicated to transitioning in and out the Executives from their offices. This will incentivize effective transitions as well as fairly compensate the time spent explicitly on Executive Transition.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: [Bylaw Revision Form - Executive Honouraria.pdf](#); [Executive Transition Appendix XX.pdf](#)

MOTION:

WHEREAS the current policy on Executive hours and remuneration is outdated,

WHEREAS Executive currently work many hours beyond the mandated time set by the Bylaws,

WHEREAS the current honoraria set for Executives does not accurately reflect the amount of work completed by Executives,

WHEREAS the current honoraria, which was set in 2006, does not reflect the rising cost-of-living in Vancouver, BC,

WHEREAS there is no current remuneration for the time spent on transitioning Executives in and out of office,

BIRT the changes listed in “[Bylaw Revision Form - Executive Honouraria.pdf](#)” be made to the Bylaws and Policy Manual.



MOVER: Code and Policy Committee **RESULT:** Carried

FOR (17): Ginny Pichler, Jin Wen, Maria Jose Martinez, Mopelola Akinlaja, Sofie McComb, Jenny Lee, Aaron Loewen, Torin McLachlan, Taryn Scarff, Leila Matte-Kaci, Charfeddine Khalifa, Kira Vandermeulen, Sandeep Gill, Sam Kenston, William Canero, Kimani Karangu, Perrin Waldock

DISCUSSION

Aaron: This is a submission for a bylaw amendment to be added to our next referendum, which involves executive hours and remuneration. So a bit of background on this, currently, the listed hours and remuneration for the executive positions are quite out of date. Executives find themselves working longer hours and not necessarily within the reflected hours that they have to, for office hours, for example, just times have changed since 2006 when this was first established, especially the pay. And on that note, as well, pay has not changed since 2006, aside from CPI adjustments, but cost of living in Vancouver has obviously skyrocketed since 2006. And the previous amounts were not a fair representation of how much work the executives do nowadays. So primarily put forward by EOC, there's a lot of deliberation by them, and they have suggested these bylaw amendments and policy amendments that CPC has taken in and put out into this form. The only novel part of this bylaw amendment, aside from changing the hours and the pay, is that there's this new transition pay, which is basically an incentive for incoming and outgoing executives to undergo a complete transition of power as the outgoing members leaving the offices that incoming one is coming in, basically just incentivizes them to complete certain tasks. And basically, just with so that we don't lose continuity as one member goes in as the other exits. So I think if we have questions about the actual contents, I think they're best directed towards EOC. But I'm happy to discuss any of the wording in particular if necessary.

Maria: I just want to thank for this work. This is super important and needed, like I this is something I've been struggling with, seeing the amount of hours that they have and the payment that they received. So thank you for doing this.

Kimani: I just want to thank them that have been participating in doing this. The EOC, the CPC and all the chairs who've been participating in putting these work together.

3.4 BYLAW AMENDMENT: DISSOLUTION OF ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

Responsible: Jin Wen, Chair of Governance and Accountability Committee

Time: 20 minutes

Description: A motion to include a motion in the next GSS referendum/AGM regarding the dissolution of the Elections Committee

Objective: To bring a motion to the next GSS referendum/or AGM

Relevant materials: [Bylaw Revision Form - 1. Removal of Elections Committee.pdf](#)

WHEREAS the chairs and leadership of the Graduate Student Society believe that a restructuring of the Elections Committee is needed, and

WHEREAS Council voted in July 2021 in favour of combining the responsibilities of the Services Committee with the Elections Committee into a new committee,



BIRT the following item be included in the next referendum and/or Annual General Meeting of the GSS, whichever comes first:

BYLAW AMENDMENT: Dissolution of Elections Committee

EXPLANATION: In the current structure of the Graduate Student Society committees, the Elections Committee plays a vital role during the elections period by handling discipline-related matters while the Electoral and Student Engagement Officer (ESEO or electoral officer) handles logistics with the candidates and the ballot system. Outside of the annual election period, the Elections Committee has limited duties that can be easily passed on to other committees which mainly consist of policy revisions. Given that the Services Committee similarly shares goals aligned with graduate student engagement, therefore, GSS Council has deemed it is appropriate that the responsibilities of the Elections Committee be combined with the Services, and to dissolve the individual committees.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENT: Bylaw Revision Form - Removal of Elections Committee.pdf

MOTION:

WHEREAS the Elections Committee's significant workload is only for half of the year during the elections period.

WHEREAS the Electoral and Student Engagement Officer is responsible for logistics of the elections and therefore contributes most during the elections.

WHEREAS the Elections Committee has an Election Policy Panel that handles approval of documents and campaign material thus reducing the workload of the Elections Committee.

BIRT that the Elections Committee be dissolved, and

BIFRT the changes listed in "Bylaw Revision Form - Removal of Elections Committee.pdf" be made to the Bylaws and Policy Manual.

MOVER: Governance and Accountability Committee **RESULT:** Carried

FOR (14): Andrew Zang, Sofie McComb, Sandeep Gill, Aaron Loewen, Jenny Lee, Leila Matte-Kaci, Perrin Waldock, Taryn Scarff, William Canero, Ginny Pichler, Torin McLachlan, Maria Jose Martinez, Kira Vandermeulen, Kimani Karangu; **ABSTAIN (2):** Charfeddine Khalifa, Jin Wen

DISCUSSION

Jin: So basically, in a nutshell, this year, the G&A was re-evaluating, reconsidering, both Elections and Services just because Elections and Services both deal with student engagement. However, after consulting both committees as well as Council, we decided that it may be better to combine the terms of reference of these two committees into a singular committee. So therefore, we have to first dissolve the two separate committees first, and then [constitute] a new committee. So this is what this first bylaw amendment is.



Pauahi: I'd have to look over this a little bit more carefully so that I can articulate what I'm trying to ask. I guess my question would be what would be the pros and cons? And do the pros outweigh the cons when it comes to combining the two?

Speaker: I'll answer that question. This proposal has been a long time preparation, has been gone through many Councils. The G&A committee has proposed the idea many Councils ago, and then each Council meeting they come and present different scenarios and it has been extensively discussed and today is only the result of what has been agreed upon from the previous Council meetings.

3.5 BYLAW AMENDMENT: DISSOLUTION OF SERVICES COMMITTEE

Responsible: Jin Wen, Chair of Governance and Accountability Committee

Time: 20 minutes

Description: A motion to include a motion in the next GSS referendum/AGM regarding the dissolution of the Services Committee

Objective: To bring a motion to the next GSS referendum/or AGM

Relevant materials: [Bylaw Revision Form - 2. Removal of Services Committee.pdf](#)

WHEREAS Council voted in July 2021 in favour of to combining the responsibilities of the Services Committee with the Elections Committee into a new committee,

BIRT the following item be included in the next referendum and/or Annual General Meeting of the GSS, whichever comes first:

BYLAW AMENDMENT: Dissolution of Services Committee

EXPLANATION: In the current structure of the Graduate Student Society committees, the Services Committee is responsible for engaging the UBC graduate student body with the GSS through planning events and activities. However, currently, the Services committee does not have clearly defined objectives. Given that the Elections Committee similarly shares goals aligned with graduate student engagement, therefore, GSS Council has deemed it is appropriate that the responsibilities of the Services Committee be combined with the Elections, and to dissolve the individual committees.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENT: [Bylaw Revision Form - Removal of Services Committee.pdf](#)

MOTION:

WHEREAS the Services Committee lacks clearly defined objectives, and

WHEREAS both Services and Elections Committee strive towards improving graduate student engagement with the Graduate Student Society,

BIRT the Services Committee be dissolved, and

BIFRT the changes listed in "Bylaw Revision Form - Removal of Services Committee.pdf" be made to the Bylaws and Policy Manual.



MOVER: Governance and Accountability Committee **RESULT:** Carried

FOR (15): Sofie McComb, Aaron Loewen, Kira Vandermeulen, Torin McLachlan, Leila Matte-Kaci, Charfeddine Khalifa, Sandeep Gill, Maria Jose Martinez, Andrew Zang, Sam Kenston, Kimani Karangu, Ginny Pichler, Jenny Lee, Taryn Scarff, William Canero; **ABSTAIN (2):** Jin Wen, Perrin Waldock

DISCUSSION

Jin: So, similarly to the previous one, in order to [constitute] this new Engagement and Elections Committee, we have to dissolve the prior two standing committees. I guess just give a little bit more background for anyone that's new. The reason why we decided to do this is because- so the Elections Committee typically is very busy during election season, which happens like once or twice a year, a school year. However, for the other few months, there isn't as much things to do. And similarly with Services- the terms of reference for Services is a bit broad and a bit unspecific. Therefore, because both Services and Elections, do work in student engagement, we thought it would, through talking to Council and everyone else, we thought it would be best to kind of combine these two committees, or combined the goals of these two committees, and [constitute] this new committee called the Engagement and Elections Committee.

3.6 BYLAW AMENDMENT: CONSTITUTION OF ENGAGEMENT AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

Responsible: Jin Wen, Chair of Governance and Accountability Committee

Time: 20 minutes

Description: A motion to include a motion in the next GSS referendum/AGM regarding the constitution of the Engagement and Elections Committee

Objective: To bring a motion to the next GSS referendum/or AGM

Relevant materials: [Bylaw Revision Form - 3. Engagement and Elections Committee.pdf](#); [Appendix V. Preliminary Announcement of Election Results.pdf](#); [Appendix VII. Standard Council Agenda.pdf](#)

WHEREAS Council voted in July 2021 in favour of combining the responsibilities of the Services Committee with the Elections Committee into a new committee,

BIRT the following item be included in the next referendum and/or Annual General Meeting of the GSS, whichever comes first:

BYLAW AMENDMENT: Constitution of Engagement and Elections Committee

EXPLANATION: In the current structure of the Graduate Student Society committees, the Elections Committee plays a vital role during the elections period by handling discipline-related matters while the Electoral and Student Engagement Officer (ESEO or electoral officer) handles logistics with the candidates and the ballot system. Outside of the annual election period, the Elections Committee has limited duties that can be easily passed on to other committees which mainly consist of policy revisions. Given that the Services Committee similarly shares goals aligned with graduate student engagement; therefore, GSS Council has deemed it is appropriate that the responsibilities of the Elections Committee be combined with the Services, and to dissolve the individual committees. The new proposed solution is to combine the responsibilities of the Election and Services Committee as



they both strive towards increasing graduate student engagement with the GSS. The new committee would be called the “Engagement and Elections Committee” and during the election period, an Election Policy Panel will be created to handle the day-to-day responsibilities of the current election.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: Bylaw Revision Form - Engagement and Elections Committee.pdf; Appendix V. Preliminary Announcement of Election Results.pdf; Appendix VII. Standard Council Agenda.pdf

MOTION:

WHEREAS both Services and Elections Committee strive towards improving graduate student engagement with the Graduate Student Society

BIRT the changes listed in “Bylaw Revision Form - Engagement and Elections Committee.docx” be made to the Bylaws and Policy Manual.

BIFRT the Engagement and Election Committee will be constituted.

MOVER: Governance and Accountability Committee **RESULT:** Carried

FOR (14): Ginny Pichler, Torin McLachlan, Jenny Lee, Sandeep Gill, Andrew Zang, Sofie McComb, Taryn Scarff, Charfeddine Khalifa, Leila Matte-Kaci, Kimani Karangu, Aaron Loewen, Kira Vandermeulen, Perrin Waldock, William Canero; **ABSTAIN (1):** Jin Wen

DISCUSSION

Kimani: I would want to just thank the members of the G&A, that is the Governance and Accountability committee and members of Services and Elections, for putting their heads together and coming up with these suggestions that we have been engaging with for some time now since July. And I think members now can articulate exactly what we are trying to do. And, you know, as I said, at the beginning, we are trying to improve our GSS going forward. And that's what exactly our leaders do, whenever they meet together. Remember, we are the directors of the GSS. And most of the things that we do are geared toward making it better than we found it. So thank you so much members of G&A, Services, and Elections. And I also want to, you know, a big shout out to all the committee chairs who've been trying to help shape some of these discussions going forward. And of course, our one and only Admin Assistant, Victoria, who has also been very vital throughout these processes. Thank you so much.

3.7 CALL FOR REFERENDUM FALL 2021

WHEREAS the Council has reviewed and approved all Bylaw amendments and items to be presented in an upcoming referendum and/or AGM, whichever comes first,

BIRT the Council approve the President to call a referendum for the purpose of passing these amendments, pursuant to GSS Bylaw 6.1.2.

MOVER: President **SECONDER:** William Canero **RESULT:** Carried



FOR (13): Sofie McComb, Sandeep Gill, Jenny Lee, Aaron Loewen, Perrin Waldoock, Taryn Scarff, William Canero, Torin McLachlan, Andrew Zang, Jin Wen, Charfeddine Khalifa, Leila Matte-Kaci, Maria Jose Martinez; **ABSTAIN (1):** Kimani Karangu

DISCUSSION

Kimani: Technically, as again as I would repeat the third time that you know according to our tradition that we are always guided by our bylaws, it is required of me to seek permission from Council to be able to call for a referendum. And it is guided by the Bylaw 6.12, that gives the direction that you're supposed to take. I would say that, you know, we have to wait for 10 days, and not let more than 40 days before this one is called out. So thank you, Madam Speaker. And I hope once we go to the referendum, which will need about 600 votes to be able to count towards either successful vote or not. I think at that time, Madam Speaker will be able to rally behind all these questions, bring on board our friends, and other students of the Graduate Student Society to be able to vote on these very important key issues that we'll be able to propel our justice forward. So with that, Madam Speaker, I want to thank everybody who has been behind all these great ideas.

3.8 G&A RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FEOO RESTRUCTURING

Responsible: Jin Wen, Chair of Governance and Accountability Committee

Time: 20 minutes

Description: FEOO Restructuring Presentation followed by vote to select option, and motion to approve option

Objective: Present and discuss options for splitting FEOO position, then approve a recommended action.

Relevant materials: [FEOO Restructuring Presentation \(09.13.2021\).pptx](#)

WHEREAS the Governance & Accountability Committee have presented the recommend options for restructuring the position of Financial and Executive Oversight Officer to Council,

BIRT the Council select **Option 2: Financial Officer and EOC Chair** as the recommended action, and

BIFRT the proposed changes to the FEOO position and relevant changes to bylaws and policy be submitted for approval by Council before inclusion in the subsequent referendum and/or Annual General Meeting of the GSS, whichever comes first.

MOVER: Governance and Accountability Committee **RESULT:** Carried

FOR (13): Perrin Waldoock, Maria Jose Martinez, Leila Matte-Kaci, William Canero, Torin McLachlan, Jenny Lee, Kira Vandermeulen, Sofie McComb, Sam Kenston, Taryn Scarff, Ginny Pichler, Aaron Loewen, Kimani Karangu;

ABSTAIN (1): Jin Wen

DISCUSSION

Speaker: So you propose number two, so we could do this, what we traditionally do, and then we just debate from there, and people can amend and then change to number 1 and number 3 as they wish. Or we can use the new Robert's Rule, and what will happen is, we can call a vote on the three options.

Jin: If we do the latter, the new rules, can we have a Q&A prior to that?



Speaker: Absolutely, before we vote we always have the debate.

Jin: Well I think I would prefer if we just have a Q&A and then have everyone vote on the options they think is best. Thank you.

Speaker: I'm happy to try new things.

Kimani: I want to speak in favor of the option 2 as has been suggested by the committee. And this is following extensive discussions and consultations that has gone into this debate and motion. And it makes more sense, given that the FEOO position - and I talk about this position having been two term FEOO of the Society - especially on matters to do with voting; voting is very important. You know, there's not enough sitting and being counted as an executive with no voting rights, doesn't count. And also talking about you know, eliminating that conflict of interest - given that the FEOO currently as constituted is also the office that deals with disputes and conflicts within the executive body - eliminating that conflict of interest, whenever such things happen. It's paramount for any Society to be able to go forward. So Madam Speaker, I just wanted to highlight on that and say I speak strongly to favoring option 2.

Speaker: While I'm waiting for people who maybe want to speak and my internet is not capturing it yet, I'm gonna explain to you what's going to happen next. So, before we vote on the full motion, we need to vote on which options first. Robert's Rules doesn't used to let us do that, but now they do. So the first vote, you will be given three options: keeping things the same; for second option, Financial Officer and EOC chair; or the third option, VP Finance and EOC chair. And if we have a majority of any of the three options, then we will pick that one automatically as a result; if we do not reach the majority of any of the options, the options that have the least number of vote will be dropped out and the vote will be happening again between two options until we get one majority.

Vote to select option for FEOO restructuring:

RESULTS: Option 1 – Keep things the same (0); Option 2 – Financial Officer and EOC Chair (15); Option 3 – VP Finance and EOC Chair (0)

Speaker: So now the main motion reads with: BIRT the Council select option Financial Officer and EOC Chair as the recommended action. And then the next BIRT motion, the proposed change that you guys decided, the bylaws and policy will be drafted and submitted by approval by the Council again before it's going to be included in the referendum or AGM meeting. So you're not really deciding on a- you're not approving a policy right now. You're approve the option to be drafted as bylaws or policy amendment.

4 MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

4.1 IN-PERSON/HYBRID COUNCIL OPTIONS

Responsible: Kimani Karangu, President

Time: 10 minute presentation, 15 minute discussion

Description: President provides update on the preparations for returning in-person for Council and requests feedback from councillors regarding comfort levels and preferences for doing so.

Objective: Provide update, hold discussion, and perform a survey



Related Materials: [GSS Council – In-Person Attendance Survey](#)

DISCUSSION

Kimani: I would want to talk a little bit about the in-person or hybrid Council options. And I think we already shared a survey that was trying to ask their preferences from our members. Members, as you may recall, those who have been here for some time before COVID came to dismantle everything, we used to meet in-person where we would even enjoy hot food at Kingsmill, that is where the venue that is at the AMS nest fourth floor. So given that we know, most of our businesses, and even the university businesses, including other organizations that we know, have started conducting their businesses in person, we would want to know and for preparation to see how we can be able to cater for that. But before we go on, we wanted to hear your voices, because GSS is for and by students, and you being the top leadership of this society, we wanted to hear what would happen. So we have three situations or case scenarios or options, as I would call them. Currently, we are online virtually full time. That is option one, everything would remain as-is and we continue doing business as we are doing now. Then option two, we would now go pre-COVID and combining with COVID times meaning you would have people in Kingsmill and others online and in that situation we will have - because the Kingsmill does not support Teams, it would be through Zoom - however, in that situation we'll be required to use both Zoom and Microsoft team because our documents, and according to our policies, we decided to use Microsoft Teams. So that's option two of being online and in-person. However, for the hybrid option to happen would at least require 10 people that have got votes, that is 10 councillors in person in a place; why do I say so, because we will need to prepare for the tech people, that is the technicians who will come and set up, it will cost us some money to do that. And of course for budgeting for food, which also would cost us some money to be able to do this. And to have these options to happen is that we would need to communicate to the people, that is the AMS technicians, two weeks before time, if you're going to do this or not. So, that will bring some sort of technical and logistical issues. However, it has been done, we can do it. Option three would be all of us dropping option one and two and going back to manufacturer setting that is before COVID came and go into in-person sessions, whereby we would meet there, discuss the way we are discussing in-person, seeing each other and observing all protocols that have been given by the PHO, and after that, of course, walk 2-3-4-5 steps and enjoy the good discussion that we have held. So, of course, during that time, as I mentioned, if we go in-person, or hybrid, where we have human beings walking into the room, we will need at least I say 10 voting members for us to be able to go that way. And of course, we shall be able to provide people with masks to use masks. And of course we shall also be able to provide those ones for those who are not able to come with reusable masks. We shall also try to observe the social distancing. That's what I'm talking about at least 10 people. And of course there will be hot food being served for those people who will come; online will have the usual Uber Eats links coming your way but those who come in person will have to have the physical food ready for you. So because of time and for the sake of me talking too much Madam Speaker, I would want to stop there and maybe see if there is anybody with any question. However, I would want you to, if you haven't filled this survey, please. It's in the Microsoft Teams, please take a minute and maybe give us your preference. And we will go with that.

4.2 AUGUST 2021 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

Responsible: Financial and Executive Oversight Officer

Description: August 2021 GSS Financial Overview

Time: 15 minutes



Objective: Update on GSS Revenues and Expenditures

Relevant materials: [GSS August 2021 Financial presentation_09152021.pptx](#)

5 MATTERS TO NOTE

Time reserved for questions regarding updates below.

5.1 UPCOMING EVENTS

- (none provided)

5.2 EXECUTIVES

5.2.1 President

- Held discussion on the “**split of the FEOO position**” with the G&A (offered suggestions)
- Held meeting to discuss the finer details regarding GSS “**Committee Restructuring**”
- Together with other members of the GSS execs held discussions with G+PS on **BIPOC Funding**- this will be an ongoing consultation meeting where \$500 000 has been offered to go towards graduate BIPOC students.
- Participated in the 5 Work Learn hirings (qualified, interested, and ambitious students have been **offered 5 jobs**)
- Invited and participated in a search committee that successfully hired the new **UBC Human Right Advisor on Anti-racism** issues
- Took time to welcome new graduate students to 3 different **orientation** meetings
- Held discussion on **Return to Campus** with UBC housing- Future GSS executives will have **direct access to UBC housing** in recognition of their service to UBC.
- Held discussion on “**Student Consultation**” on Standard Building Hours

5.2.2 FEOO

- (none provided)

5.2.3 VP University & Academic Affairs

- (none provided)

5.2.4 VP External

- Working on Lobby Days five priorities: sexual violence, students living with disabilities, mental health and graduate funding and prioritization
 - The focus of my work is on sexualized violence and I am using SFCC’s scorecard to assess UBC, Langara, Kwantlen, Capilano and UFV which is a grading on a national scale. These institutions are members of the ABCS so they are the focus of this work.
- Policy Assistant and I are working on a sexualized violence report regarding 25 public post secondary institutions in BC. Each policy has been assessed and then next step is scoring them. Much of the research has been done; the writing stage is projected for mid October.



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- Get Out the Vote campaign: Vancouver Quadra debate occurred and the federal leader debate occurred in the Nest. Notes have been taken on the Quadra debate and will be summarized and posted on the GSS website.

5.2.5 VP Students

- (none provided)

5.3 COMMITTEES

5.3.1 Academic & External Committee

- (none provided)

5.3.2 Code & Policy Committee

- CPC has been working with groups on Bylaw amendments, including Executive hours/remuneration as well as the creation of a committee to replace Elections and Services Committees.

5.3.3 Elections Committee

- We have a new member that have shown interest in joining the elections committee.

5.3.4 Executive Committee

- Engaging the University of key goals: Affordability for student with disabilities and those with dependants, PhD tuition waiver and increased funding for master students, Increased attention on Mental health and wellbeing.

5.3.5 Executive Oversight Committee

- Reviewed policy draft sent by CPC.

5.3.6 Governance & Accountability Committee

- Consultation and presentation of FEOO restructuring
- Working with Elections and Services to merge the two committees
- Continuing consultation on the Indigenous Engagement Ad-Hoc committee
- Preparing for End of Year SMART Goal report

5.3.7 House Finance Committee

- The signing of documents to finalize the investment of \$200,000 (of the 3-year plan of investing \$500,000) is scheduled with the GSS President and VP UAA and Scotiabank Representative for next week.
- Shared comments with Strategic Planning Committee for the revision of the GSS Strat Plan
- Approved purchases of anti-virus software for GSS laptops and desktops



- Approved the budget actuals for July 2021

5.3.8 Human Resources

- Applied for 11 Work Learn positions and all were accepted
- Facilitated hiring of 5 new work learn positions

5.3.9 Services Committee

- Conducted campus tours for new student orientation
- Proposed ToR for new "merged" committee
- Discussed upcoming Fall events
- Started work on Mental Health Awareness event
- Created a post-event report form

5.3.10 Strategic Planning ad-hoc Committee

- (none provided)

5.3.11 AMS Caucus

- (none provided)

5.3.12 Graduate Council Caucus

- (none provided)

5.4 SENATORS AND BOARD OF GOVERNORS

5.4.1 Senators:

- (none provided)

5.4.2 Board of Governors Representatives:

- Hello GSS Council! The Board agendas, minutes, materials, and all open committee and Board livestreams are available at bog.ubc.ca. Additionally, if you would like to contact either of us, we are available at Georgia.yee@ubc.ca and Max.holmes@ubc.ca!
- Committees met last week to approve and discuss different issues at the university. The finance committee approved the recombination of the sustainable future pool into the main endowment, received an update on the allocation of incremental tuition revenue for key student priorities and discussed the tuition engagement timeline update.
- The governance committee updated the terms of reference for committees to reflect the dissolution of the UBC Neighbourhoods Liaison Committees of the Board which is being replaced under the Neighbourhood Agreement. The Property Committee approved Brock Commons Phase 2, the Gallery UBC received Board 1 and 2 approval, and the Food and Beverage Innovation Centre received Board 1 approval.



- The Indigenous Engagement Committee received an update on the implementation of the Indigenous Strategic Plan. The Learning and Research Committee discussed lessons learned for teaching and learning from the pandemic. The People Community and International Committee received the Campus Security annual reports and discussed the external review of campus security.
- The full Board will be meeting on Tuesday, September 21 in person at the Robert H Lee Alumni Centre and can be watched online at bog.ubc.ca. At the full Board meeting, the student unions for both campuses will be presenting to the Board of Governors about their priorities for the year. The Board will be discussing and approving the Goals and Objectives of the PResident for the next year. Finally, the BOard will be discussing the Return to Campus and motions passed by the Okanagan and Vancouver Senates.

6 NOTICES

6.1 NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING

Date: Thursday, October 21 at 5:30 pm

Location: To be determined

6.2 NOTICE OF UNSEATINGS

- Adenike Adelakun was unseated as Departmental Representative from Pharmaceutical Sciences.
- Adenike Adelakun was unseated as Representative from AMS Council Caucus.
- Adenike Adelakun was unseated as Councillor from Elections Committee.
- Anurag Krishna was unseated as Departmental Representative from Civil Engineering.
- Anurag Krishna was unseated as Councillor from Academic and External Affairs Committee.
- Hannah Green was unseated as Departmental Representative from Linguistics.
- Jin Wen was unseated as Chair for Governance and Accountability Committee.
- Julia Burnham was unseated as Departmental Representative from Educational Studies.
- Kimani Karangu was unseated as Chair from Human Resources Committee.
- Maryam Tayyab was unseated as Representative from Grad Council Caucus.
- Shiva Zargar was unseated as Representative from Grad Council Caucus.
- Shiva Zargar was unseated as Councillor from Strategic Planning ad-hoc Committee.

7 ADJOURNMENT

BIRT there being no further business the meeting be adjourned at 7:38 pm.

MOVER: Sam Kenston

SECONDER: Kimani Karangu

RESULT: Carried