

IN-CAMERA MINUTES

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1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Call To Order @ 2pm

The UFV Student Union Society would like to admit and accept that we work and attend this university on the unceded lands of the Stó:lō Nation. Distinct Indigenous groups were the first inhabitants of Turtle Island, now known as North America. The Stó:lō peoples, the people of the river, have primarily relied on the Fraser River and occupied the land we are currently situated on.

We, as settlers, must recognize our privilege and do the heavy lifting to challenge our overpromises and under delivery of true reconciliation for decolonization. We choose to challenge the hypocrisy and non-action of the government, even after establishing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Inquiry.

At SUS, we are ready to dismantle the colonial framework that continues to harm, destroy, and damage Indigenous peoples across Turtle Island. We will never forget the trauma inflicted on Indigenous peoples through residential schools, the Indian Act, the 60's Scoop, and the child welfare system implemented by the Canadian government as an attempt to inflict cultural genocide against all Indigenous peoples.

We recognize that institutional frameworks, such as universities, were made to exclude Indigenous participation by students, staff, and faculty.

This is our time to step aside, make space for our Indigenous peoples, and ask ourselves, "What can I do?"

BOARD CHAIR:

Titus Gregory

Chair

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Rajdeep Dhaliwal

Prabpreet Singh

Duncan Herd

Tripat Sandhu

Harman Gill

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Vice President Students

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Faculty of Science Representative

President

GUESTS:

Olivia Lake de Meza

Tania Smart

Alex Lau

Derek Siemens

Executive Director

Finance Manager

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2. ITEMS FOR ADOPTION

2.1 Approval of agenda, October 26th, 2020

Introduced by Chair

BIRT the Board of Directors approves the agenda as presented.

Moved: Prabh Singh

Seconded: Duncan Herd

Motion passes/fails: Passes

2.2 Conflict of Interest Disclosures

- None

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

3.1 Welcoming of new board members – (5 minutes) Duncan

- Duncan welcomed new Vice President External Rajdeep Dhaliwal to the Board of Directors on behalf of the President and other Board members.

3.2 Presentation of Audited Financial Statements – (20 minutes) Auditors

Introduced by Chair

BIRT the Board of Directors approves 2020 audited financial statements.

Moved: Duncan Herd

Seconded: Harman Gill

Motion passes/fails: Passes

3.25 Recommendation on the Choice of Next Year's Auditors

Introduced by Chair

BIRT the Board of Directors recommends the SUS membership approve the continued use of Grant Thornton LLP as UFV SUS' auditors for the ensuing fiscal year.

Moved: Duncan Herd

Seconded: Tripat Sandhu

Motion passes/fails: Passes

3.3 Financial Presentation – (15 minutes) Tania

- SUS had a deficit of 6,000, although this was because of the way that our fees are structured.

- Instructed student affairs manager to keep costs down due to the current circumstances with COVID!(). Main costs were associated with ordering facemasks and hand sanitizer. We are planning to keep our orientation costs down for the rest of the year.
- No Pride expenses this month.
- No GE expenses this month.
- Main expenses from Ethnocultural were related to orange shirt day.
- Fairgrounds [REDACTED]. Revenue coming [REDACTED] low, even with reduced hours. Operations will continue to keep a close eye on it, but Finance manager stresses that it is not anything to be worried about.
- Student Refugee program starts next month.

3.4 Executive Director Update – (15 minutes) Olivia

- We are hiring a new services and program manager to fulfill some of the admin responsibilities.
- We received a health and dental refund of 100,000.
- Executive Director desires focusing on a higher quality delivery of services and programs, which will be supported by a services and programs manager.
- Executive Director wants to start up the ALP again, with a higher quality of speaker and topics.
- Plans to revamp surplus policy so we are not limited by our investments.
- Jessica has put together a survey on student's perception of SUS, which will go out towards the end of the year.
- Board member Sandhu asks when we can expect someone to fill the new position.
- Executive Director states that the 9th of November is the most likely outcome.

4. REPORTS

5. QUESTION PERIOD

6. DATE AND TIME OF UPCOMING MEETINGS

November 23rd at 2pm, online

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Duncan Herd

Seconded: Prabh Singh

Passes/Fails: Passes

Meeting adjourned.

October Board Meeting

October 26th, 2020

Time: 2:44pm