


Minutes

February Public Meeting

 Tue February 23rd, 2021

 3:30pm - 5:00pm PST

In Attendance

Jasleen Brar, Rajdeep Dhaliwal, Reece Doppenburg, Harman Gill, Titus Gregory, Duncan Herd, Olivia Lake de Meza, Jessica Levesque, Tripat Sandhu, Prabhpreet Singh, Tania Smart, Karen Toor

1 Welcome

Feb 23rd, 2021 3:30 pm

1.1 Call to Order

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?"

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BOARD MEMBERS:

Jessica Levesque

President

Rajdeep Dhaliwal
Vice President External

Prabhpreet Singh
Vice President Students

Duncan Herd
Vice President Internal

Tripat Sandhu
Faculty of College of Arts Representative

Harman Gill
Faculty of Professional Studies Representative

Jasleen Brar
Faculty of Health Sciences Representative

Reece Doppenberg
Faculty of Science Representative

REGRETS:

GUESTS:

Olivia Lake de Meza
Executive Director

Tania Smart
Finance Manager

2 Items for Adoption

**2.1 Approval of the Agenda
Introduced by Chair**

BIRT the membership approves the agenda as presented.

Moved: Jessica Levesque

Seconded: Reece Doppenberg

Motion passes/fails: passes

2.2 Conflict of Interest Disclosures

None.

3 Special Presentations and Discussions

none.

4 Reports

4.1 **President's Monthly Report**

- President gave monthly report
- President took part of committees
- VPE and Presdeint attended Lobby days
- President mentioned solutions were provided to most student concerns
- SUS team worked on emptying storage room space

4.1.1 **Report**

- As attached

4.2 **Vice President Internals' Monthly Report**

- VPI gave monthly report-as attached
- Storage Space Cleaning updates
- VPI liaised with CEO about Elections
- Worked with ABCS
- Assisted with Policy Research
- Assisted with new website development
- Researched refrendum policies
- Worked on by-laws with Finance Manager and Executive Director
- Gave Strat Planning Comittee updates and VPI will be setting up meeting for discussion

4.3 **Vice President External's Monthly Report**

- VPE gave monthly report- as attached
- Gave advocacy updates
- Gave wellness week updates

4.4 **Vice President Students' Monthly Report**

- VPS gave monthly report
- Gave wellness week updates
- VPS will be hosting 3 sessions for wellness week
- Gave March events updates

4.5 **College of Arts Monthly Report**

- Gave monthly report
- English student's association, criminal justice, and pre-law clubs are active

4.6 **Professional Studies Monthly Report**

- Gave monthly report
- Enactus has been active with workshops
- BASA had KPMG event to connect students and accounting firms for job opportunities

4.7 **Faculty of Health Sciences Monthly Report**

- Gave monthly report
- Mental Health and Awareness Club has been active
- Health and Medicine club has been sharing home workouts on Instagram

4.8 **Faculty of Science Monthly Report**

- Gave monthly report
- Physics student association, chemistry student association and UFV WEST are active
- PMSA are planning for a pre-med 101 event

5 **Question Period**

none.

6 **Date and Time of Upcoming Meetings**

6.1 **March 30th, 2021 @ 3:30**
Meeting Adjourned. 4:00pm

Moved: Duncan Herd

Seconded: Prabhpreet Singh

Motion passes/fails: passes