

PUBLIC BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 26, 2023 - LARGE BOARDROOM (S3103)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:08pm.

1.1. LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We would like to acknowledge that the UFV Student Union Society is located on the ancestral, unceded, and current homelands of the Halq'eméylem speaking Stó:lō Nation and to extend our appreciation for the opportunity to live, work and learn on this territory.

1.1.1. ROLL CALL

BOARD CHAIR:

ASHLEY MCDOUGALL (ACTING)

BOARD MEMBERS:

ASHLEY MCDOUGALL - PRESIDENT

JAYDEN HOVEY - VICE PRESIDENT EXTERNAL

GABRIELLA WERTHEIMER CINQUE - VICE PRESIDENT STUDENTS

ARMAAN GILL - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE AT-LARGE

MEHMET ERCAN - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE AT-LARGE

LEVI PENNER - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE AT-LARGE

BALKARN GILL - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE AT-LARGE

NICHAELA JACOB - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE AT-LARGE

CHANCE PADGHAM - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE AT-LARGE

JASSU PARMAR - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE AT-LARGE

SHANNA ANDERSON - INDIGENOUS REPRESENTATIVE

OLIVIA LAKE DE MEZA - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

GUESTS

MEMBERS OF THE EC FROM UFV WEST.

REGRETS

CLAUDIA DABOIN - EX-OFFICIO
NAMAN TACHILOTE - STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE AT-LARGE

2. ITEMS FOR ADOPTION

2.1. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

Armaan discloses that he is the treasurer of the Political Science Students Association.

Chance discloses that he is a member of the Political Science Students Association.

Mehmet discloses that he is the president of the Checkmate Chess Club.

Jayden discloses that he is a member of the Checkmate Chess Club.

2.2. CONSENT AGENDA

The agenda was moved by Gabriella and seconded by Chance.

2.2.1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

BIRT the Agenda is approved as presented.

2.2.2. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2023 PUBLIC MINUTES

BIRT the September 2023 Public minutes are approved as presented.

Moved to the November meeting.

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

3.1. UFV WEST

UFV WEST EC members start their discussion with a presentation or their appeal regarding the fund requests. They mentioned all of their concerns. VPS responded to all of the issues raised by UFV WEST in detail and gave the reasons behind the decision and deadlines.

The president opened the discussion for any questions after both discussions.

A member of the board asked a question to UFV WEST regarding what date the request was submitted. It was answered by the EC of UFV WEST.

Another member of the board asked if they were aware of the rules before submitting the fund requests. UFV WEST responded by saying that they were unaware of the rule of submitting it 15 business days before.

Nichaela added on by asking if they were aware of the stat holiday falling on those dates. UFV WEST replied that they were confused about when there is a holiday in workplaces for a stat holiday.

Chance asked what they exactly meant by leniency. UFV WEST responded that by leniency, they mean that people get busy and things happen, so they might get some leniency in those situations.

A member added how much leniency they were looking for. UFV WEST was unable to respond.

VPE explained that the leniency was for the new rules of the membership, the new rules around signatures, and the new process regarding QPay. He added that the time frame was there so that they could work out any discrepancies with the club with adequate time left. He added that the time request is a lot harder to be lenient with.

Nichaela asked how much funding they were requesting. UFV WEST responds that it is approximately \$232.

A member of the board asked UFV WEST that how they would like the process to be so that it is easy for them to understand and follow. They suggested that SUS should have a calendar on their website where clubs and associations can come and check when they need to prepare for any event.

Nichaela asked them if they had reached out to SUS to discuss their denied fund request.

UFV WEST responded that they had reached out to SUS through email.

The president concluded the discussion and moved on to the voting stage. 1 vote was to approve the request, and 8 votes were to deny it.

The final decision was not to approve of the funding.

4. REPORTS

4.1. PRESIDENT'S MONTHLY REPORT

The president mentioned her visit to the Provincial Lobby Week in Victoria with Jayden.

The president informed everyone about Bilal, the new Assistant Vice President at SUS.

The president had a meeting where she discussed Abbotsford Canucks Students Rush Night.

The executives got the chance to attend the Agriculture and Food Summit that happened on campus.

Further, she told everyone what the student perks market is and how it went.

4.2. VICE PRESIDENT INTERNAL'S MONTHLY REPORT

4.3. VICE PRESIDENT EXTERNAL'S MONTHLY REPORT

VPE started with the Provincial Lobby Week in Victoria with Ashley. He mentioned everything that happened there and how it aligned with the advocacy of SUS this year.

He mentioned how he had brought the concerns they had for the advocacy to the officials there.

He talked about all the three meetings he had their. Further, he talked about provincial advocacy, where he mentioned his standing at CASA and how things are going there. He mentioned the concern about the flex pass and the mail that he wants to send to BC Transit.

He mentioned the food drive happening next month.

He updated everyone about his being the signatory to the BMO on behalf of SUS.

4.4. VICE PRESIDENT STUDENTS' MONTHLY REPORT

VPS mentions the upcoming events.

Firstly she talks about the Backyard Yard: Halloween Edition happening in the Evered Hall.

Further, she talks about an event, Bunny Yoga, which she is doing with Nichaela in the Evered Hall too.

Moving on, she mentions the cultural market, which was organized by VPS and Mehmet on November 29th.

She also mentions that SUS, along with UFV International, is organizing an event for Diwali.

She informed everyone about her being a part of the Aviation Survey Community.

At last, she told everyone about the campus expo that happened on campus.

4.5. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE AT-LARGE REPORT(S)

Chance mentioned the concern of students regarding the very limited seating in the library. Students have problems finding a seat during the midterms.

Mehmet started a discussion concerning mental health, especially among the international students.

5. QUESTION PERIOD

6. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:03pm