

University of Victoria Graduate Students' Society

Executive Board

MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 12, 2023

EXECUTIVE INVITED:

Wyatt MADDOX, Chair;

Greg GAUBE, Director of Communications and Vice Chair;

Lindsay BEAL; Director of Student Affairs;

Mitch NASCIMENTO, Director of Services;

TURNER, Executive Director (non-voting)

REGRETS: Samuel FIELDER, Director of Finance;

STANDING ITEMS PART 1

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 10:08 by MADDOX.

B. TERRITORY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Territory acknowledgement offered by NASCIMENTO.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: RESOLVED the agenda is approved as presented.

M/S: NASCIMENTO/BEAL

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

1. RA LEGAL STATUS – TABLED FROM APRIL 5

Lead: TURNER

Reference: Turner's summary and previous annual plans, legal opinions, and significant documents

For: Discussion

Discussion:

TURNER provided an overview of the history of the RA employee status campaign. GAUBE provided the current status of plans from CUPE 4163 on unionizing the RAs. CUPE 4163 will be in the next board meeting to discuss strategy.

2. TRAINING: GSS 101: CONSTITUTION AND GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK

Lead: TURNER

Reference: GSS Governance for new board members powerpoint

For: Discussion

TURNER provided a brief overview of the GSS constitution, governance organizational chart, and the 7 key responsibilities for board members.

3: GRC RECRUITMENT

Lead: TURNER

For: Discussion

The following departments don't have a GRC rep. Irfan will send out a reminder email to grad secretaries in these departments. And Petri is working on a poster to circulate to them as well. Do board members want to choose 3-4 departments to reach out to personally?

Child and Youth Care
Economics
Exercise Science, Physical & Health Education
French
Germanic and Slavic Studies
History
Indigenous Education
Interdisciplinary Studies
Mathematics and Statistics
Mechanical Engineering
Philosophy
Physics and Astronomy
Public Administration
Social Work
Visual Arts
Writing

4. GRC AGENDA APPROVAL

Lead: MADDIX

Reference Docs: April 25, 2023 GRC Agenda

For Decision

GRC agenda approved.

STANDING ITEMS PART 2

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: RESOLVED the minutes from the April 5, 2023 Executive Board Meeting are approved as presented.

M/S: GAUBE/BEAL

CARRIED

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Lead: TURNER

Note: To ensure motion log is updated, ensure completed items are reported in the minutes.

Tasks Completed/Decisions fully acted upon:

Apr 5 - TASK: TANVEER to communicate with the University Secretary regarding the lack of appointment to the Appointment Committee for VPRI noting that the commitment requested outstripped current capacity for graduate students.

F. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

No appointments made.

G. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

No correspondence received.

H. AGENDA PLANNING, OR MEETING DEBRIEF

Reference: Meeting Debrief Template

1. Agenda Planning: Strategies for discussing items raised to the Operations Relations Apr 19 meeting
The board takes the following positions for Operational Relations:
The GSS supports a graduate only dormitory on UVic campus.
The GSS will provide social media, networking, and possible restaurant events support to fundraising campaigns in Fall 2023.

CLOSING ITEMS

EXECUTIVE INFORMAL DISCUSSION/UPDATES/QUESTIONS

Director of Communications: GAUBE has researched and found quotes for the back patio of the Grad House. Order has been placed and will arrive in weeks.

Director of Services: NASCIMENTO offered to gather photos at events for the Communications Committee. GAUBE asked for sponsor information be shared with Comms Comm as well. NASCIMENTO is creating a sponsor logo repository.

Executive Director: TURNER noted that Irfan is onboarding well. Staff team building and training dates have been booked. Fiscal year end administration is ongoing for management.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS, AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT EXECUTIVE MEETING

Notice of agenda item: CUPE 4163 President to present to Board on current status of union

Notice of agenda item: Jim Dunsdon to present an overview of Operational Relations and Exec to Exec meeting

Notice of agenda item: Director, Student Wellness Centre to meet with board regarding health and wellness services and opportunities for collaboration

Notice of agenda item: Work Study presentations

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND IMPORTANT DATES

****Task Reminder: Please be sure your meetings and events are up to date on the GRC Teams Calendar****

Next Executive Meetings: April 19, 2023

Next GRC Meeting: April 25, 2023

AGM: October 19, 2023

Office, Staff Scheduling Notes: Halpern Centre to close on Monday, April 24 for a staff training day. TURNER out on vacation May 15-25. BARNEY out on vacation May 29-June 2.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: RESOLVED the meeting is adjourned at 11:50am.

M/S: BEAL/GAUBE

CARRIED

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Wyatt MADDOX
GSS Chair 2023-24

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Kyla Turner
GSS Executive Director