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Date and Time of Meeting:  
12:45pm  
Location:  
Nest

26 November 2015,

Michael Kingsmill Forum, The AMS Student

### **Call to Order**

This meeting was called to order at 12:37 PM

### **Amendments to the Agenda**

Moved by Pooja, Seconded by Daniel

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council amend the agenda to include the approval of the Code and Policy Committee Meeting Minutes.”

**...MOTION PASSES**

Moved by Pooja, Seconded by Daniel

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council amend the agenda to include the appointment of the Geography and Math Representatives

**...MOTION PASSES**

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Moved by Sarah, Seconded by Alvin

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the agenda.”

**...MOTION PASSES**

### **Speaker’s Business & Land Acknowledgment**

The meeting is taking place on the unseated territory of the Musquem Nation

### **Introductions**

All present members of council engaged in a round of introductions

### **Presentations**

### **Executive and AMS Report**

#### **1. President**

For all execs and councillors to be attending office hours

Be there from the start till the end; find someone to take your place if you are unable to make it to your office hour



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There is the governance review survey being sent by the AMS; please participate; prizes are to be won

Front desk volunteers for the

Explore relationship with the dean; biweekly sessions with the dean

**2. VP External**

Starting at 1:00PM, sending people in pairs to the Artona room to get photos taken

**3. VP Internal**

Finished updates and check ins with newly appointed council members; will be transitioning them into their roles

**4. VP Academic**

Health and Wellness is hosting 'Complementary Candy Canes' - all of next week from 12-1 PM at Ladha and Hennings

Melissa:

Will Labrat be handing these out?

Sarah:

Volunteers for Labrat? Then yes

**5. VP Administration**

Finished up the report for code and policy

**6. VP Communications**

**7. VP Finance**

Met with Daniel from the AMS to set up payroll for SUS employees

**8. VP Student Life**

Sports: Registering people for teams next semester

Jerseys: to order, [sports@sus.ubc.ca](mailto:sports@sus.ubc.ca)

Family Dinner: went well; will be doing another in March

Ladha and Chill: next week

Science Week, Science Grad, and Nerd Love: All currently in the planning stages

**9. Science Student Senator**

**10. AMS Reports**

Approved 17000\$ for the Capital Projects Fund for board room software

**Appointments:**

Moved by Akhil Seconded by Oliver,

BE IT RESOLVED that we approve the appointment of Arman Raina for Math Representative



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**...MOTION PASSES**

Moved by Annie, Seconded by Sarah,

BE IT RESOLVED that we approve the appointment of Ashley Montgomery for Geography Representative

**...MOTION PASSES**

**Approval of Minutes of Council/Committees**

Moved by Megan, Seconded by Alvin

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SUS Council minutes be accepted as presented:

SUS Council minutes dated November 12, 2015

SUS Council minutes dated October 29, 2015

SUS Council minutes dated October 15, 2015”

Moved by Tyler, Seconded by Diane

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the SUS CAPC minutes be accepted as presented:

CAPC 2015 11 02

CAPC 2015 11 09

CAPC 2015 11 16”

**...MOTION PASSES**

**Executive Committee Motions**

Moved by Tamara, Seconded by Antony,

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the 2015-16 Budget as presented.”

Tamara:

Recommendation to fail the motion → Motion to fail the Budget Review because there are a few technical errors in terms of how it is presented; some of the money went into the surplus instead of the deficit

Did not include the mortgage

**...MOTION FAILS**

Abstentions: Sarah



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### Committee Reports and Motions

#### Report from the Building Management Commission

Antony:

Waiting on UBC Construction office

We are getting curtains and blinds for Ladha for the second floor

The Dean offered to advocate and provide financial support

\$27 000- he will advocate funding for us

Had first monthly meeting; talked about accountability and privileges to buildings; kind reminder to council and anyone else on exec committees that outside of operational hours, respect privilege of entering Ladha

Other buildings on campus: 1:1 ratio; if you have access to the building, only allow one other person; not ideal for Ladha, but you should be responsible for those who access the building with you

During final exam period; deciding if the building will be closed or open for students to study

Councillor office hours; please enforce and police people for disposing garbage  
-keep an eye on things and keep it clean

Lily:

Agreed that during the winter break, unless Antony is there for SUS related purposes, you should not be entering the building at all

Moved by Lily, Seconded by Megan

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the Code and Policy report titled “Clubs Structure Review” and approve the recommendations of the report.”

Lily:

Report was sent out last Thursday; highlights everything discussed last council meeting  
Implementing changes; once we get council approval, we will be writing it up over winter break and bring it back to council for review

Debate:

Annie:



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Additional comments: SOS will be listed as a departmental club - Science One Survivors (SOS) is not a part of science 1, but more so the alumni and a resource for science 1 students

Lily:

We did have debate between SOS and SCOOPS because they are fully science represented. However, keeping it because we do have a rep and all of the science clubs have representation.

Annie:

There are members of SOS who have transferred to other faculties - keep in mind.

Alvin:

Why AVPs will be having office hours? Should they not be passed on to the AMS reps?

Lily:

AMS reps will still have office hours - we can add that in.

Melissa:

CAPC changes will affect how SUS runs; how you vote today and the presentations given to you today will impact how council structure looks like next year.

**...MOTION PASSES**

Abstentions: Jeff Pea

Moved by Lily, Seconded by Daniel

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the removal of Math Club as a Science Undergraduate Society affiliated club.”

Lily:

Met with Math Club president; brought it back to CAPC, and discussed that this is a council issue. Wanted to be removed because small club and is just a group of friends that didn't get involved with other departments and didn't see the point of being with SUS; takeaways; even though they may not be active now within SUS, they may be active in the future and may change the way the club affiliates with SUS.

See the math club's reasons, but feel that we should think into the future, so CAPC would like to recommend that council fail the motion.



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Diane:

With the removal of the math club would that eliminate the position of Math rep?

Lily:

It will not; all the reps will stay; they are supposed to liaise but now it wont

Poljanka:

What will the math club lose by being a part of SUS

Lily:

Had the same question; would not lose anything per say- in order to remain science clubs, they have recommendations and requirements to be in good standing, which means to utilize their privileges

Would not lose anything, but they haven't been in good standing because have not been communicating with us

Annie:

If they were to be removed, would this preclude in future to become affiliated with SUS?

Lily:

It would be a possibility for future students, but the committee wants it to fail so we can avoid going through a process of re application, which could be difficult for a new cohort of students to begin the math club; also the executives are graduating this year, so the changes won't affect them and are not relative to future years

**...MOTION FAILS**

Abstentions: Lily

**Discussion Period**

Melissa:

Governance review of SUS and reviewing the structure for council and executives; and if someone would like to review that with her please come speak with her (i.e.: VP student life and Communications are new positions, so make sure we constantly review the changes)

Daniel:



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Board of Governors are meeting on Thursday December 3rd to approve tuition heights; haven't sent out agenda yet, but if you guys have a free hour at the time that they are approving the increases in Robert H Lee Alumni center, anyone can attend

Melissa;

Report that UBC, after conducting consultation, report is available online; report sent in response to this report from AMS outlining the work done from the tuition consultation and recommendations that they have for decreasing tuition fees and seeking alternatives; contact Melissa if you have questions

Lily:

Thanks to Ho Yi and Jumar, club execs Facebook group is set up, to keep track of the clubs and SUS

Melissa;

If you are not in the SUS Fam group, or you know someone who isn't, please let Melissa know/you add them

### Adjournment

Moved by Jerry, Seconded by Cody,  
"BE IT RESOLVED That Council adjourn at 1:11 PM."

Lily Takeuchi  
VP Administration

Pooja Bhatti  
AVP Administration