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Date and Time of Meeting:

February 9, 2017 at 12:45PM

Location:

Michael Kingsmill Forum, AMS Student Nest

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 12:52 PM.

**Amendments to the Agenda:**

**Adoption of the Agenda:**

Moved by Isla, Seconded by Simran,

“BE IT RESOLVED That Council adopt the agenda.”

**...MOTION PASSES**

**Speaker’s Business & Land Acknowledgement**

The President acknowledge that this meeting is taking place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam people.

**Introductions**

All those present in Council engaged in a round of introductions

**Presentations**

CAPC Presentation - Pooja, VP Administration (10 min)

- CAPC wants to remove Article 5 (Non Voting Members of Council)
- Proposing a new clause under Job Descriptions
- Reason for doing so: non-voting members have not been fulfilling duties in Council for several years, more flexibility for the Executives
- Criteria for non-voting positions change from year to year, difficult and time-consuming to change Code every year
- Recommended by the AMS
- Strike all positions with a few exceptions
- These positions will be keep in archive by the VP Administration, added to Code
- Hiring still comes to Council to ensure transparency
- All mentions of non-voting positions removed from all of Code
- Benefits:
  - More flexibility
  - More opportunities for Science Students
  - Saves time
  - Don’t need to suspend code
  - Shorter Code
  - More emphasis on Transition Reports



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- Easier to find job descriptions
- Cons:
  - More work/emphasis on Transition Reports
  - Need a very organised VP Administration

Questions:

Diane: What do we do since Council starts in October but Executives start in May?

Pooja: Changes in positions should not be that drastic; this would be better since we aren't changing Code

Jeff: Retroactively changing job descriptions is possible, not ideal but is an option

Antony: Is there a backup if VP Administration fails in these duties?

Pooja: We back up every copy of Code, we can revert back to the previous Code

Jeff: Transition reports can also be collected and kept track by VP Internal. Also can have job descriptions on SUS website.

Nicholas: Can we create a specific position to keep track of all this?

Jeff: Is an option for another AVP, etc.

### **Approval of Minutes of Council/Committees**

Moved by Arnold, Seconded by Jocelyn,

"BE IT RESOLVED That SUS Council approves the following Committee meeting minutes:

CM 2017 01 26  
CAPC 2017 01 12  
CAPC 2017 01 16  
CAPC 2017 01 26  
BUDGET COMM 2017 01 30  
FINCOMM 2017 01 11  
FINCOMM 2017 01 18  
FINCOMM 2017 01 25

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### **Executive Committee Motions**

Moved by Iman, Seconded by Uyen,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL appoint \_\_\_\_\_ as Microbiology and Immunology Representative.



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~~Motivated by:~~  
~~Debate:~~

~~Moved by, Seconded by,~~

~~BE IT RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL appoint \_\_\_\_\_ as Earth, Ocean and  
Atmospheric Sciences Representative.~~

~~Motivated by:~~  
~~Debate:~~

## Committee Reports and Motions

### Executive and AMS Reports

#### 1. President

- Met with Science Advising. Make sure all candidates supported for SUS Elections
- Back-on-track meeting for students who are struggling academically

#### 2. VP External

#### 3. VP Internal

- SUS FAM Dinner potluck
- Working with VP Admin for awards and appreciation night; can nominate yourself or other SUS member for awards

#### 4. VP Academic

- Mental health symposium
- De-stress week collab with LFS and UBC Improve
- Project Paws/Dog Days on Valentine's Day
- Promoting #moveUBC
- Faculty of Science thinking of changing Science breadth requirements
- TA awards accepting nominations
- Big '17 Research Conference open to undergraduates at the Nest
- Science and Politics events in collab with Pre-Law or Polisci Student Society

#### 5. VP Administration

- CAPC committee will present proposed changes
- Club one-on-ones going well

#### 6. VP Communications

- Science Week video almost done
- New merchandise expected tomorrow
- Square readers ready for CC payments
- Contacting AMS to see if we can collect online payments
- Marketing working on a SUS rebranding
- 4 Days of Giveaways
- Candy for Valentine's Day
- Supporting BC Ambulance service to become an essential service in BC



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- Promoting Storm the Wall with UBC REC
- 7. VP Finance**
- 8. VP Student Life**
  - Sports Committee planning tournaments
  - Social Committee planning events late March
  - SciGrad booking venues
- 9. Science Student Senator**
- 10. AMS Reports**
  - Refinancing the Nest, save \$60 million for students
  - Bylaw changes within the AMS: Finance, permits, staff
  - Executives directed to analyze the recreation fee

#### **Club Reports**

- 1. Astronomy Club**
- 2. Biophysics Student Society (BPSS)**
- 3. Biology Sciences Society (BIOSOC)**
  - BIOL 201 Review session tonight
  - Wine and Cheese night
- 4. Biochemistry Physiology Pharmacology Club (BPP)**
- 5. Cognitive Systems Society (CSS)**
- 6. Computer Science Students Society (CSSS)**
- 7. Combined Major in Science Student Association (CMSA)**
- 8. Integrated Sciences Student Association (ISSA)**
- 9. G.M. Dawson Club**
- 10. Environmental Science Student Association (ESSA)**
- 11. UBC Geography Students' Association (GSA)**
- 12. Microbiology and Immunology Students Association (MISA)**
- 13. Physics Society (Physsoc)**
- 14. Psychology Students' Association (PSA)**
- 15. Science Co-op Students' Association (SCOOPS)**
- 16. Science One Survivors (SOS)**
- 17. Storm Club**
- 18. Undergraduate Chemistry Society (UCS)**
  - Valentine's Day Candy grams

#### **Discussion**



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**Adjournment**

Moved by Nicholas, Seconded by Caroline,

“BE IT RESOLVED that Council adjourn this meeting at 1:30 PM.”

**...MOTION PASSES**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM.

Nick Pang  
AVP Administration

Pooja Bhatti  
VP Administration