

## [COUNCIL MINUTES]

Date: Monday, June 29, 2020  
Time: 5:00 - 7:00 PM  
Location: Online, Zoom Call (Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96715130942>)

### I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 17:02.

### II. Amendments to the Agenda

Moved by Shovon, Seconded by Ryanne.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council approves the inclusion of the BIPOC Extraordinary Group presentation and the addition of the Proctorio and Honours Science Student Update as part of the Academic Discussion.”

**...MOTION PASSES.**

### III. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Jenn, Seconded by Kathy.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.”

**...MOTION PASSES.**

### IV. Speaker’s Business and Land Acknowledgement

The Speaker acknowledged that we are on the ancestral, traditional, and unceded territory of the həŋqəmiŋəm speaking, Musqueam people.

### V. Introductions

### VI. Presentations

Operation Surplus Withdrawal - VP Finance, Jennifer Liu

- Approx Op Surplus, ~\$180k
  - Hoping to withdraw \$3.5k to match donations to Various BLM organizations and donating to the BLM Toronto Chapter
  - Remainder will be used by BIPOC Extraordinary Working Group
- Matching donations until Oct. 1st
- Emergency fund is \$10k, the \$3.5k will be moved into here

Moved by Shovon, Seconded by Ryanne.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves of the withdrawal of \$3500 from the Operating Surplus account.”

Note: This motion requires 2/3rds resolution.

**...MOTION PASSES.**

BIPOC Community Grant - VP Finance, Jennifer Liu

- Aiming to aid initiatives by science students that recognize or celebrate the differences of the BIPOC community
  - \$300 or 50% of relevant fes
  - Open to science undergrad students or clubs, once per academic year
- There are no grants for these initiatives and this is part of a long term plan to advocate against racist practices
  - App includes info, outline, and itemized budget

Moved by Ryanne, Seconded by Shovon.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves of the creation of the Black, Indigenous, and People of Colour Community Grant .”

Note: This motion requires 2/3rds resolution.

**...MOTION PASSES.**

2020-2021 SUS Budget - VP Finance, Jennifer Liu

- LINK TO PRESENTATION HERE:  
<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1cCj3N3vQGJK1ZSfyOVSNQcCULDtIhQ6iGnG2jRbl4/edit?usp=sharing>

Moved by Kip, Seconded by Ryanne.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2020-2021 SUS Budget be adopted as presented.”

Note: This motion requires 2/3rds resolution.

**...MOTION PASSES.**

BIPOC Extraordinary Working Group - President, Shovon Das

- Working Group aiming to provide students a platform to discuss experiences with racism
  - Facilitate education about systemic racism
  - Encourage discussion from BIPOC people
  - Chaired by Shovon with Coordinators
- Hopes to shed light on the problems that the BIPOC community faces

- App releases July 1st, end July 10th
- Extra money from matching donations will be given to this group

Moved by Jenn , Seconded by Ryanne.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves of the creation of the Black, Indigenous, and People of Extraordinary Working Group for the 2020-21 year .”

Note: This motion requires 2/3rds resolution.

**...MOTION PASSES.**

## **VII. Appointments**

## **VIII. Executive, Science Student Senator and AMS Reports**

### **1. President**

- a. Finished hiring! Met with ATP
  - i. Discussed BLM movement, various large-scale events, Proctorio Update, and Ladha
  - ii. Met with Orienteering Committee

### **2. Vice President, External**

- a. Working on partnerships with Beat Your Course and The Princeton Review
- b. Working on a partnership with Jukebox and Beetbox for our BLM initiative specifically (they're a black-owned business if anyone asks)

### **3. Vice President, Internal**

- a. Retreat, pushing back but the space is open to having us
- b. Working on transfer student integration
  - i. Email Keanna if you have insights!
- c. Hiring EAs for the upcoming year, keep a look out for those apps
- d. Met with Chairs
- e. Gave feedback to applicants through meeting
  - i. Working on ways to increase transparency

### **4. Vice President, Academic**

- a. Hiring was completed and transitioning is happening
  - i. Set to meet w/ working groups soon
- b. Aca X working with AMS Tutoring
- c. MHA is working with other constituencies for a MHA week in October
  - i. Analyzing survey results from 2 months ago
- d. Mentorship is starting a proposal on senior undergrads and grads
- e. Discussing Proctorio information on Reddit

### **5. Vice President, Administration**

- a. Met with AVPs
  - i. Projects taking on during year
  - ii. Club outreach projects

- b. Working with AUS VP Admin to develop an equitable support system for interfaculty clubs

**6. Vice President, Communications**

- a. Having a meeting w/ AVPs next week with transition
- b. Assisting Katsy with partnerships
- c. Working with Shovon on BIPOC hiring graphics

**7. Vice President, Finance**

- a. Meeting with AVPs tomorrow
- b. Working on budget and credit card COMING SOON (5-7 business days)

**8. Vice President, Student Life**

- a. Met with AVPs
  - i. Having 1 AVP per flagship event group
- b. Reaction working group has already begun planning
- c. Socials is working on a UBC Reddit for FoS
  - i. Includes upcoming events, resources, AMAs (ask me anything)

**9. Science Student Senator**

- a. There has not been a Senate meeting ever since last council meeting
- b. Adding in a written report alongside Council report
  - i. More in-depth
- c. Discussion:
  - i. Kip: I really like the idea about having written updates, looking through the COVID-19 response, it was sent back to the Curriculum Committee. Any ideas on what's going on?
    - 1. Danny: Discussed in Curriculum with a solution provided in the written report.

**10. AMS Report**

- a. 2 AMS Council meeting
- b. Approved the SASC office expansion
  - i. Over the summer
- c. AMS negotiation with university neighbourhood association
- d. VPX working on a translink subsidy for non-UPass students
  - i. Advocacy for the Fall
- e. COVID response plan
- f. Executive goals deferred to next Council meeting
  - i. Will be presented next AMSCouncil meeting
  - ii. VPX pushing for race-based data collection
- g. Just Recovery Principles
  - i. Contact Clara for link
- h. Jimmy working on budget
- i. Check the document from the AMS Reps to check it out!

**IX. Club Reports**

1. **Astronomy Club**
2. **Biophysics Student Society (BPSS)**
3. **Biology Sciences Society (BIOSOC)**
4. **Biochemistry Physiology Pharmacology Club (BPP)**
5. **Cognitive Systems Society (CSS)**
6. **Coordinated Science Mentorship Club**
7. **Computer Science Students Society (CSSS)**
8. **Combined Major in Science Student Association (CMSA)**
9. **Integrated Sciences Student Association (ISSA)**
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 One Survivors (SOS)**
16. **Storm Club**
17. **Undergraduate Chemistry Society (UCS)**
18. **UBC BCIT Biotechnology Club (BIOT)**

**X. Approval of Minutes of Council/Committees**

Moved by Kip, Seconded by Sarah.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following meeting minutes be adopted as presented:

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**XI. Executive Committee Motions**

**XII. Committee Reports and Motions**

**XIII. Academic Discussion Period**

Shovon: Honours students often take 30 credits, reduced to 27 for this year. Degree reqs are still needed.

Dayle: Sorry, I just arrived, Proctorio reddit update. Drafted up a response with Shovon and other Execs and will be replying to emails and the creator of the thread tonight

- Providing overview of which committees him and Shovon sit on
- Advocacy plan → how will it be addressed? Providing tangible action items and a robust plan

**XIV. General Discussion Period**

Nathan: Forgot to mention during updates, due to how CAPC and Council function in relation to each other, our ISSOE Code changes have been approved so an updated version of Code will be

sent out. Check your inboxes!

Kip: Are there any plans for what FW will look like this year? (Online or In-person)

- Becca: FW entirely online, most coordinators have brainstormed event ideas

Dayle: Any update-related questions now that I arrived?

- (nope)

**XV. Adjournment**

Being that there is no further business the meeting be adjourned at 17:49.

**...MOTION PASSES BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT**



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**Nathan Chang**

Vice President, Administration  
UBC Science Undergraduate Society



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**Yvonne Nguyen**

Associate Vice President, Administration  
UBC Science Undergraduate Society