

Executive Council Meeting Agenda & Minutes

Date: Tuesday, February 2nd, 2021

Time: 1:00pm

Attendance:

Title	Name	Present	Regrets	Absent
President	Kiera Stel	X		
VP Academic	Navid Bayat	X		
VP Social	Liz Keyes	X		
Senator	Natasha Rygnestad-Stahl	X		
Director of Finance	Kelsey Wong	X		
Director of Wellness	Natalia Mioduszewski	X		
Director of Communications	Johanna Vanneste	X		
Indigenous Director of Student Affairs	Cassandra Sawers	X		
Director of Clubs	Christa Alvernaz	X		
Director of External Relations	Sebastian Cooper	X		
Ombudsperson	Joanna Ludlow	X		

Agenda:

Item	Details & Notes	Action, Who and When
1. Call to Order		
1.1 Approval of the Agenda	Call for last minute agenda items	<p>BE IT RESOLVED that the Agenda of the February 2, 2021 Executive Meeting is approved.</p> <p>Moved: Sebastian</p> <p>Seconded: Kelsey</p>
2. Open Business		
<p>2.1 Update from the President</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSO Referendum • Election Upcoming - Timeline • Alumni Board • Proposed exec meetings for rest of term 	<p>CSO Referendum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They are not moving forward with it this year – found funds for this year and may bring it up again next year <p>CSO Access Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Former policy was that you were cut out from services upon graduation • Changing so that you get access for 20 months from finishing degree (not graduation) <p>Election Upcoming - Timeline</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be altered slightly to have Senator election be part of it – Natasha suggested reaching out to Jessica to see if we can carry out election on same ballot • Also needs to be separate from valedictorian election (which will be mid-Feb but only affects 3Ls) • Election will be week after in-firms for 2Ls in the interest of encouraging 2Ls to run <p>Budget Referendum</p>	<p>Action: Kiera to reach out to Jessica re: running election at same time as senator</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue with dormant clubs – want to revive these and ensure they get funding • Don't want to guarantee exact same budget year over year because this prevents club growth, but also want to give them some portion of guaranteed funds <p>Alumni Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting last week that Kiera attended • Had AGM and regular meeting • Board did not get to do most things they wanted to do last year because of COVID • Have been doing alumni dinners • Have been thinking about offering help to 2Ls during OCIs – seems a bit concerning re blackout period, but they are going to talk to CSO about it <p>Meeting w/ Professor Grant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof Grant is Assistant Dean Academic • Met with Navid, Natasha and Kiera • They will be meeting monthly to discuss issues re academic • Things discussed at meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Encouraging profs to record during OCIs – cannot mandate but hoping that profs decide to. Adjuncts tend to not record. ○ Exam concerns and any changes – this needs to be brought to academic procedures. *Concerns with certain profs struggling with teaching online. Generally up to profs to decide how to teach ○ Indigenous Settler Relations Course – Cass and Emery have requested meeting with Dean to discuss. Profs have been selected for next year. Potentially considering co-teaching options or Tas with Indigenous students/profs. <p>Proposed exec meetings for rest of term</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 9 – no bc in-firms! Will do week after or before. • April 6 	<p>Action: Kelsey to draft referendum proposal and question.</p>
<p>In Camera</p>		<p>Moved: Liz</p>

		Seconded: Kelsey
Out of Camera		Moved: Joanna Seconded: Christa
2.2 Update from VP Academic	<p>Awards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have started processes for adjunct faculty and regular faculty awards. <p>Student Award</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is some all-around student award, not sure how it works – Navid is asking around • Faculty Awards Committee seems unaware of it, they are looking into it <p>Beyond 1L</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Usually a panel organized by Student Services and 1L reps • Navid is looking into it more <p>Faculty Mixer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not sure if we are going to do this • May need help from Seb and Trevor to help set this up for 1Ls • Kiera can also help <p>April Exams</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are we doing any advocacy re exam length? People had major issues with 6-8 hour exams. This has mixed feedback. Profs are trying to give more time because of COVID but people are struggling. • Maybe bring up with Prof Grant and in Academic Procedures • Will probably not be willing/able to change methods of evaluation at this point in the term because drop date has passed • Also problematic that evals happen before exams so profs don't get feedback on how the exam went 	
2.3	Logo	Action: Johanna to follow up with Allard's Comms person re logo

<p>Update from Director of Comms</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trying to sort out what UBC's rules are on branding – info online seems to be directed at parties approved for use, which we probably do not fall under <p>CANS Database</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> People seem to like the Dropbox structure – may be worth doing a survey of the whole school to see if we should just continue using it before investing time into further organizing Dropbox <p>CANS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have been getting some requests from alumni into accessing the database – will give access if they confirm attendance but may be worth considering whether we should continue doing so 	<p>Action: Johanna to organize a survey</p>
<p>2.4 Ad-Hoc Constitutional</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Want to keep working on this but everyone's capacity to do so is an issue 	<p>Action: Kiera to have meeting with committee</p>
<p>2.5 COVID-19 Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No updates – really nothing new that people are having issues with 	
<p>2.6 Update from Indigenous Director?</p>	<p>ILS Summer Course</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are doing one at Allard next summer Anne Uteck will teach torts in the AM and there will be optional cultural component in afternoon Last summer was just a intro to law school type thing, this year is an actual for-credit course 	
<p>3. New Business</p>		
<p>3.1 VP Student Affairs Update</p>	<p>February Social</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not going to be super structured Sign up and sign up with friends Social committee will organize groups 1Ls have had gap in organic learning that would normally happen in person with upper years 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leila was planning to do social justice mentorship night the same week – have amended form to include whether people have interest in social justice and will have a few rooms focused on that 	
3.2 Clubs Update	<p>Reviving Dormant Clubs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lost like half of clubs this year People are worried about lack of clubs, especially 3Ls who are leaving and worried the club will not be taken over Christa wants to advertise clubs missing execs and do training session for execs – motivation? Gift card raffle to encourage participation. 	
4. Adjournment		
4.1 Next Meeting	Kiera will send dates closer to.	
4.2 Meeting Adjourned	Adjourned by: Kiera	Moved: Natasha Seconded: Kelsey
4.3 Minutes	Submitted by: Johanna Vanneste, Director of Communications	