

SSD Special Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date: February 24th, 2014

Call to Order - Joseph Sheppard at 10:21 am

BIRT that Joseph Sheppard and Mike Allen-Newman co-chair the SSD SAGM

- Moved by Joseph, seconded by Laura, carried
- Mike declined to co-chair

Thanks to the Territories

Joseph acknowledged the territories

Safer Spaces Policy

Liana explained the Safer Spaces Policy

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Joseph, seconded by Heather, carried

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Joseph, seconded by Heather, carried

Reports

Liana described the March 11th event, in cooperation with Michael Prince and Moussa Magassa, regarding misconceptions around disability

Heather discussed inclusivity in the SSD

Joseph described the Basecamp project management system, the community lunch program, the co-mentorship program, and other initiatives with the overall aim of creating a safe, peaceful space for students

Finance Report

Patrick reported on the SSD Budget

Question Period

A question was asked about the SSD's largest expense, Patrick and Joseph replied

Motions

Motion 1

Be it resolved that the SSD Constitution and By-laws be amended as follows:

- Moved by Joseph, no seconder

Constitution

Membership

1. Associate Members include anyone who:
 - a. is an alumni member of the Society; or
 - b. is a member of the UVIC Community and is accepted by the Council of the Society as an Associate Member; and
 - c. does not hold a staff position in the SSD.

Council

2. The Council of the Society will oversee and manage the affairs and activities of the Society.
3. The Council will consist of the following officeholders:
 - a. President (or Chairperson);
 - b. Treasurer;
 - c. UVSS Constituency Representative;
 - d. Graduate Students Representative;
 - e. Member of Council at Large;
 - f. Law Students Representative;

- g. Engineering Students Representative; and
- h. Education Students Representative.
- i. Student Liaison/Resource Person

Bylaws

Eligibility to Be a Council Member

1. Only Members of the Society are eligible to be a member of Council; and
2. Only Members who do not hold staff positions are eligible to be a member of Council. A workstudy position is not considered a staff position.

Annual General Meetings

1. The quorum for the conduct of business at an annual general meeting is 10 members present in person or by proxy, at least two of whom are members of Council.

Special General Meetings

2. The quorum for the conduct of business at a special general meeting is 10 members present in person or by proxy, at least two of whom are members of Council.

Motion 2

BIRT that the By-Laws be amended as follows

- Moved by Joseph, seconded by Mike, carried

Bylaws

Eligibility to Be a Council Member

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2. Only Members who do not hold staff positions are eligible to be a member of Council. A workstudy position is not considered a staff position.
3. BIRT that the SSD Constitution be amended as follows
 - a. Moved by Joseph, seconded by Patrick, carried

Council

4. The Council of the Society will oversee and manage the affairs and activities of the Society.
5. The Council will consist of the following officeholders:
 - j. President (or Chairperson);
 - k. Treasurer;
 - l. UVSS Constituency Representative;
 - m. Graduate Students Representative;
 - n. Two Members of Council at Large;
 - o. Law Students Representative;
 - p. Engineering Students Representative; and
 - q. Education Students Representative.
 - r. Student Liaison/Resource Person
4. BIRT that the SSD Bylaws be amended as follows:
 - a. Moved by Patrick, seconded by Mike, carried
 - b. BIRT that "10" be struck out and "8" inserted wherever "10" previously occurred in the text
 - i. Moved by Mike, seconded by Laura, carried

Annual General Meetings

5. The quorum for the conduct of business at an annual general meeting is 10 members present in person or by proxy, at least two of whom are members of Council.

Special General Meetings

6. The quorum for the conduct of business at a special general meeting is 10 members present in person or by proxy, at least two of whom are members of Council.

Elections

Motion 3

BIRT nominations be opened to elect one member to the position of Chairperson/ President.

- Mike nominated Joseph
- Joseph accepted
- Joseph was elected

Motion 4

BIRT nominations be opened to elect one member to the position of Finance Director/Treasurer.

- Mike nominates Patrick
- Patrick accepted
- Patrick was elected

Motion 5

BIRT nominations be opened to elect one member to the position of Member of Council at Large.

- Joseph nominates Heather
- Heather accepted
- Heather was elected

Motion 6

BIRT nominations be opened to elect one member to the second position of Member of Council at Large.

- Joseph moved to table, Mike seconded, carried

BIRT nominations be opened to elect one member to the second position of Member of Council at Large.

- Joseph nominated Lane
- Lane accepted
- Lane was elected

Motion 7

BIRT nominations be opened to elect one member to the position of UVSS Constituency Representative

- No nominations

Motion 8

BIRT nominations be opened to elect one member to the position of Graduate Students' Society Representative.

- No nominations

Motion 9

BIRT nominations be opened to elect one member to the position of Student Liaison/Resource Person.

- No nominations

Discussions

SSD office decoration

Disability White Paper consultations

Ravi presented on the Disability White Paper Consultations

Adjournment - moved by Joseph at 11:13am