



# United Student Government

October 24th, 2023 | 4:45 - 6:30pm | LOCATION: HUB UBC | General Meeting

## Call to Order:

◆ 4:45 PM

## Roll Call:

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| ◆ Viviana Samite-Estevez, Advisor                       | ◆ Melody Fermin Clase, Commuter Student Representative |
| ◆ Michael Irving, President                             | ◆ Grace DiDomenico, North Campus Representative        |
| ◆ Drew Decatur, Executive VP                            | ◆ Alexander Dillon, South Campus Representative        |
| ◆ Kayla Biege, VP of Club Outreach                      | ◆ Fernand El Helou, Class of 2024 Liaison              |
| ◆ Guruveer Bhamra, VP of Finance                        | ◆ Dylan Lazar, Class of 2025 Liaison                   |
| ◆ Sara Turkdonmez, VP of Internal Operations            | ◆ Giselle Ponce, Class of 2025 Liaison                 |
| ◆ Liliana Brockway, VP of Student Engagement            | ◆ Aylia Mahon, Class of 2026 Liaison                   |
| ◆ Raymond Stivala, Secretary of APPC                    | ◆ Elizabeth Kameen, Class of 2026 Liaison              |
| ◆ Rachel Korb, Secretary of Dining                      |  |
| ◆ Damian Almonte, Secretary of Campus Life              |  |
| ◆ Todd Reedy, Secretary of Environmental Sustainability |  |
| ◆ Melanie Pagan, Secretary of Campus Engagement         |  |
| ◆ Cielo Disla, Secretary of DEI                         |  |
| ◆ Victoria Santoriello, Secretary of Student Wellness   |  |

## ABSENT:



## Guest:

- ◆ AJ Minnich
- ◆ Dean Loyd



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## Approve Last Weeks Minutes

- Motion: To approve
  - First: Kayla
  - Second: Sara
  - Result: 20-0-0

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PRESENTER(S)</u>
<b>Introductions and Overview</b>	
Welcome UGC Senator Introductions -Dining -APPC -DEI -Enviro. Sustainability -Student Wellness -Campus Life -Campus Engagement	Irving
<b>New Business</b>	
Discretionary request: (Link presentation here) 1. <a href="https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1huwWBOgvGizUHWilaOINl6Tv5ixmFFIPxfzOpYxvtvM/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1huwWBOgvGizUHWilaOINl6Tv5ixmFFIPxfzOpYxvtvM/edit?usp=sharing</a> 2. <a href="https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1L3ZUrexKGS2yCozTSZX_FJUvop60UQS_MXwkTPH3JSY/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1L3ZUrexKGS2yCozTSZX_FJUvop60UQS_MXwkTPH3JSY/edit?usp=sharing</a> 3. <a href="https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1_XDrOU1tYBQGRp8mt_jhGGnaE9vJsA9UIMJn9rXgTio/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1_XDrOU1tYBQGRp8mt_jhGGnaE9vJsA9UIMJn9rXgTio/edit?usp=sharing</a>	<b>Presenter(s)</b> Andrew Minnich -Comenian -Video Game Club -Commuter Appreciation Week
<b>Guest</b>	
1. Name: - Discussion Item:	Presenter
<b>Internal Voting Items</b>	
After your guests leave the space but before you vote on discretionaries. Students can bring up any voting items board members may have. This way all voting is done at the same time	Presenter



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1. Individual/Committee: Comenian [Comenian Discretionary Request Presentation Oct 2023](#)
  - a. Amount Requested: \$1,438
  - b. Request description: Due to less than requested budget, intended to fund another print edition of the newspaper. This figure includes a 20% discount with intention to print more editions in the future. Placing advertisements is possible but difficult.
  - c. Motion: Approve for \$1200 must raise the difference
    - i. First: G
    - ii. Second: Grace
      1. Result: 18-0-2
    - iii. Reasoning:
2. Individual/Committee: [Video Game Club](#)
  - a. Amount Requested: \$640
  - b. Request description: For playstation, game, and controller to offer more diverse gameplay. Will allow officers to leave their personal consoles at home.
  - c. Motion: To approve in full
    - i. First: G
    - ii. Second: Fernand
      1. Result: 19-0-1
    - iii. Reasoning: We can't replace any damaged items, it's their responsibility
3. Individual/Committee: [Commuter Appreciation Week](#)
  - a. Amount Requested: \$1327.36 vs \$1551.32
  - b. Request description: Week of activities for commuter students; breakfast, lunch, snacks. Those who attend 2+ activities will be put into a raffle for WaWa gift cards. Commuter Student Association can contribute \$100.
  - c. Motion: Approve in full but only for 50 people
  - d. First: Tori
    - i. Second: Dylan
      1. Result: 17-0-3
    - ii. Reasoning: Open event up to non-commuters only after the event if there is left over



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Unfinished Business	
	Presenter
Cabinet Meeting Update	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The cabinet and the election committee are getting supplies this Friday for next week! VOTING WEEK!</li> <li>- The Application is out. If you are returning to USG please fill this form out. It will be <a href="#">linked here</a> if you cannot find it.</li> <li>- Also, our cabinet meetings are open for people who are interested in a cabinet position (president, Exec VP, IO, Clubs and SE) send us a text or an email if you are interested in coming.</li> </ul>	Cabinet
Committee Update	
Club Outreach Committee 1. Viv - can we meet sometime this week about SAAC	Biege
Finance Committee 1. Meeting with the UN Group to discuss funding 2. 20+ vouchers completed this week 3. Working w/ SE to make Finance Friday Video <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Will highlight commonly made errors               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Next will be cash advances</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Bhamra
Internal Operations Committee 1. Meeting minutes – Have they been signed?	Turkdonmez
Student Engagement Committee 1. Met with Viv to continue process for Inauguration and PR planning 2. Reminder by the meeting on 11/7 - headcount for if you are attending the dinner after Inauguration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The ceremony is mandatory, but the dinner is optional for this 2023 board</li> <li>b. <a href="#">Here is the link. If you can't access, please reach out to me</a></li> </ul>	Brockway
Student-Year Class Liaison Updates	
Class of 2024 Liaisons 1. No Update	El Helou
Class of 2025 Liaisons 1. No Update	Lazar and Ponce
Class of 2026 Liaisons 1. Liz <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shuttle app not working – or shuttles not running?</li> <li>- More concerns about shuttles</li> </ul>	Mahon and Kameen



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2. Aylia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shuttle Gate</li> <li>- Elevator is fixed</li> <li>- More dining hall concerns (South)</li> <li>- South stranded</li> </ul>	
<b>Population Representatives</b>	
North Campus Representatives 1. No Update	DiDomenico
South Campus Representatives 1. Tabling was a BLAST! 2. Todd is the best! 3. Does anyone know of info with tickets?	Dillon
Commuter Student Representatives 1. No Update	Fermin Clase
<b>University Governance Committee Updates</b>	
Dining Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I had a meeting for the student leadership council yesterday. I had a discussion with Dean Loyd about what has been going on. She mentioned emailing Christine again and to CC her. I plan to email Chrstine, Alex, and Patricia in one email to see if there are any updates on the new culinary council. I'm hoping to receive a response this time.</li> </ul>	Korb
Academic Planning & Program Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- BIOL 29X: Mammology               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Being withdrawn as ST proposal</li> </ul> </li> <li>- BISC 105: Introduction to Marine Biology               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Approved by Dean</li> </ul> </li> <li>- MUS 171.2 &amp; 272.2               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Add to core music courses required of majors</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Stivala
Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No major updates</li> </ul>	Disla
Environmental Sustainability Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Started removing tree.</li> <li>- What is the oldest tree on campus?</li> <li>- Cool info coming soon.</li> </ul>	Reedy
Student Wellness Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No updates</li> </ul>	Santoriello



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<p>Campus Life Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I am noticing many students are not aware of the upcoming elections.</li> </ul>	Almonte
<p>Campus Engagement Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No updates</li> </ul>	Pagan
<p>Parking Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We have gone through about 41 parking appeals</li> <li>- A member of the board did bring up going through the appeals as quickly as possible so that individuals can register for classes in the Spring. We will be meeting every 2 weeks to get through all of the appeals.</li> </ul> <p><u>Some general reminders from the committee:</u> <b>READABLE INFORMATION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Make sure to have your hang tags in your car on the dash of your car if you are a commuter.</li> <li>- Just a general reminder if you have a commuter pass for Lot X or street parking you <b>cannot</b> park on south campus.</li> <li>- Spring Street Parking is not controlled by MUPD, it is controlled by the Historic Society/City of Bethlehem.</li> <li>- You <b>cannot</b> park within a half a mile of campus. (laurel, iron, monocacy, main, etc)</li> <li>- If you are going to have a visitor come to campus and stay for a bit. Call Campo to ensure they will not be ticketed.</li> <li>- If you have any issues trying to find a place to park. Call Campo and email Dillard V. Harrison and MUPD before you park your car somewhere else.</li> <li>- If you have any questions please reach out to Campus Police</li> </ul>	Redacted
<b>USG Signature Program Updates</b>	
<p>If there are any updates regarding a signature update it will be here</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Signature Program <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary/Description</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Presenter
<b>USG Events Updates</b>	
<p>Any updates on upcoming USG events and debriefs on a recent event</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ol> </li> </ol>	
<b>Executive and Advisor Updates</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Responsibility and Respect <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Missed deadlines, late notices, uninformed absences, lack</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Irving and Samite Estevez



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<p>of effort and etiquette is not only breaches of <b>responsibility</b>, but also of <b>respect</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. WE hold great importance to the entire campus community, and WE owe it to them to uphold our duties</li> <li>c. Use frustration to extinguish, not ignite, a flame</li> <li>d. Investing in <b>us</b>: the strength of our family is each individual member, the strength of each member is our family</li> </ul> <p>2. Meeting Etiquette</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The message I sent out prior</li> </ul> <p>3. Election Check-in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Applications submitted-6:)</li> <li>b. Election committee stay after this meeting (assuming we have time!)</li> <li>c. Personal Invites are being sent out today! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. 88 students contact</li> </ul> </li> <li>d. Lists of interested candidates/applicants</li> <li>e. Returning members must APPLY</li> <li>f. Dorm storm</li> </ul> <p>4. Welcome Dean Loyd!</p> <p>5. Cabinet please stay back!</p> <p>6. PR Team - deadline for elections</p> <p>7. Finance team - hang back need to update equestrian voucher</p> <p>8. Reminder about updates</p> <p>9. Parking <a href="#">comments</a></p>	
General Remarks, Updates & Announcements	
1.	
Deferred Discussions	
End of Meeting	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Time of Adjournment - 6:27 PM</li> <li>2. Approval of the minutes - 10/31/2023</li> <li>3. Clerk of the Assembly Signature - <i>Andrew Minnich</i></li> </ul>	<p>Kameen and Dillon</p>