

MINUTES

For the Executive Committee Meeting of the British Columbia Federation of Students
Friday, March 11 to Sunday, March 13, 2022 • Richmond

16:31 the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Chirino. Attendance was as follows:

Executive Members Present

Chairperson.....	Melissa Chirino
Indigenous Students' Representative	Tashia Kootenayoo
Representative—Local 01 Members	Olivia Cundiff
Representative—Local 04 Members	Aashna Thapar
Representative—Local 06 Members	Amrita Ramkumar
Representative—Local 13 Members	Sean Desrochers
Representative—Local 14 Members	Jaahljuu
Representative—Local 15 Members	Christopher Scarlatti
Representative—Local 16 Members	Dilara Ors
Representative—Local 21 Members	Lief Garrett
Representative—Local 22 Members	Isobel Casey
Secretary-Treasurer	Michael Gauld

Executive Members Absent

Campaigns Coordinator	Quinn Cunninghamham
Representative—Local 10 Members	Ishika Tripathi
Representative—Local 12 Members	Ahmed Ahmed
Representative—Local 17 Members	Puneet Kaur
Services Coordinator.....	Jennifer Gullins
Women Students' Representative	Haby Ka

Executive Members Vacant

Representative—Local 02 Members
Representative—Local 05 Members
Representative—Local 20 Members

Staff Present

Director-Operations.....	Phoebe Lo Patigdas
Local Staff—Local 01.....	Megan Potter
Local Staff—Local 04.....	Amy Barry
Local Staff—Local 06.....	Andrew Dalton
Local Staff—Local 12.....	Jason Evans
Local Staff—Local 13.....	James Bowen
Local Staff—Local 15.....	Carissa Wilson
Local Staff—Local 16.....	Brynn Joyce
Local Staff—Local 17.....	Michel Turcotte
Local Staff—Local 21.....	Alex Nguyen
Organiser	Jenelle Davies
Organiser—Services.....	Jill Adams
Researcher.....	Arielle Reid

Guests

Metro Vancouver Alliance staff	Audrey Guay
Delegate—Local 17 Members	Amanda Garner

Chirino acknowledged that they were chairing the meeting on the traditional unceded territories of the Katzie, Tsawwassen, Kwantlen, and Musqueam, and asked that participants think about and acknowledge the Nation on whose territory they work and live.

PAGE 2 – MINUTES

For the Executive Committee Meeting of the British Columbia Federation of Students
Friday, March 11 to Sunday, March 13, 2022 • Richmond

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

2022/03:01 MOTION
Scarlatti/Ramkumar
Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.
CARRIED

2. LOGISTICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Patigdas provided an overview of the hotel and meeting logistics in order to ensure participants could effectively participate in the meeting.

3. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

a. Receipt of Resignations of Members

Chirino reported that no resignations had been received.

b. Acceptance of New Executive Committee Members

Chirino reported that the Executive Committee is in receipt of one appointment.

2022/03:02 MOTION
Cundiff/Garrett
Be it resolved that Seoyeon Lee be accepted as the Local 02 Members' Representative.
CARRIED

4. PRESENTATION BY AUDREY GUAY – METRO VANCOUVER ALLIANCE

Audrey Guay, staff from the Metro Vancouver Alliance, presented on the work the organisation does and potential ways for the Federation and member locals can work together.

5. REVIEW OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

a. Review of Legal Affairs*

2022/03:03 MOTION
Kootenayoo/Desrochers
Be it resolved that the move into camera with staff and guests present.
CARRIED

17:27 the meeting moved in-camera without Director-Operations Patigdas

b. Consideration of Staffing Issues*

17:43 the meeting moved ex-camera.

2022/03:04 MOTION
Kootenayoo/Scarlatti
Be it resolved that Phoebe Lo Patigdas be made a full-time regular staff person.
CARRIED

c. Appointment of Staff Relations Officer

Gauld reported on the necessary appointment of a new Staff Relations Officer as his term as the Secretary-Treasurer is expiring to allow for transition of the role.

2022/03:05 MOTION
Desrochers/Ramkumar
Be it resolved that Melissa Chirino be appointed Staff Relations Officer.
CARRIED

d. Local Check-ins

Davies reported on the method of member local check-ins and proposed a new method that will enhance the efficiency of communications between the BC office and member locals.

17:46 Representative–Local 12 Members Ahmed arrived.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

Chirino provided an overview of the Media Report and Press Review.

2022/03:06 MOTION
Garrett/Jaahljuu

Be it resolved that the Media Report be adopted.

CARRIED

2022/03:07 MOTION
Scarlatti/Thapar

Be it resolved that meeting recess for the evening

CARRIED

17:55 the meeting recessed.

10:02 the meeting was called to order by Secretary-Treasurer Gauld. Attendance was as follows:

Executive Members Present

Chairperson.....	Melissa Chirino
Indigenous Students' Representative	Tashia Kootenayoo
Representative–Local 01 Members	Olivia Cundiff
Representative–Local 04 Members	Aashna Thapar
Representative–Local 06 Members	Amrita Ramkumar
Representative–Local 13 Members	Sean Desrochers
Representative–Local 15 Members	Christopher Scarlatti
Representative–Local 16 Members	Dilara Ors
Representative–Local 21 Members	Lief Garrett
Representative–Local 22 Members	Isobel Casey
Secretary-Treasurer	Michael Gauld
Services Coordinator.....	Jennifer Gullins

Executive Members Absent

Campaigns Coordinator	Quinn Cunningham
Representative–Local 02 Members	Seoyeon Lee
Representative–Local 10 Members	Ishika Tripathi
Representative–Local 12 Members	Ahmed Ahmed
Representative–Local 14 Members	Jaahljuu
Representative–Local 17 Members	Puneet Kaur
Women Students' Representative	Haby Ka

Executive Members Vacant

Representative–Local 05 Members
Representative–Local 20 Members

Staff Present

Director-Operations.....	Phoebe Lo Patigdas
Local Staff–Local 01.....	Megan Potter
Local Staff–Local 04.....	Amy Barry
Local Staff–Local 06.....	Andrew Dalton
Local Staff–Local 12.....	Jason Evans
Local Staff–Local 13.....	James Bowen
Local Staff–Local 15.....	Carissa Wilson
Local Staff–Local 16.....	Brynn Joyce
Local Staff–Local 17.....	Michel Turcotte

PAGE 4 – MINUTES

For the Executive Committee Meeting of the British Columbia Federation of Students
Friday, March 11 to Sunday, March 13, 2022 • Richmond

Local Staff–Local 21..... Alex Nguyen
Organiser Jenelle Davies
Organiser–Services..... Jill Adams
Researcher..... Arielle Reid

Guests

Delegate–Local 17 Members Amanda Garner

7. REVIEW OF CAMPAIGNS AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

a. 2021-22 Campaigns and Government Relations Plan

i. Central Campaigns

Fund it, Fix it.

Chirino provided updates on the new ad-buys for *Fund it, Fix it.* campaign materials. The continuous work of seeking endorsements from coalition partners was also reported, including an upcoming presentation to the Vancouver District Labour Council scheduled in May.

ii. Supporting Campaigns

Fairness For International Students

Chirino provided an update on the creation of the story collecting tool. The Committee discussed ways the tool was used during the reporting period to engage members on the campaign.

Build Back BC

Davies provided an update on the materials and the current online engagement work to-date. Locals reported on implementation of this campaign and collaborations with Construction Maintenance and Allied Workers Canada on their campuses.

Open Textbooks Now!

Chirino reported on the participation in the Instagram takeover with BC Campus. Locals reported on implementation of this campaign on their campuses. A discussion was held on how to get more adoption of open education resources on campus by the faculty, and the potential collaboration with students' union print shops.

iii. Coalition Campaigns

Period Promise

Locals reported on implementation of this campaign on their campuses.

b. General Relations with the Government and Opposition Parties

i. General Relations with the Government

Davies provided an update on the provincial budget 2022 announcement and highlighted that the Federation was the only stakeholder from the student movement present during the budget lock-up.

Davies provided an update on the work of the Digital Literacy Committee to-date.

ii. General Relations with the Federal Government

Federal Lobby Days

Davies provided an overview of the asks and recommendations outlined in the federal lobby documents. An update on organising to-date for the lobby sessions, specifically the postponement of in-person meetings due to current geopolitical realities and pandemic protests, was also provided.

c. Update on Coalition and Solidarity Work

i. General Relations with Coalition Partners

TRAC

Gauld reported on TRAC meetings that took place during the reporting period.

Metro Vancouver Alliance

The Committee discussed the presentation of the Metro Vancouver Alliance. The discussion focused on the advantages and disadvantages of partnering with the organisation as it rebuilds and works to diversify the type of organisations counted among its members.

2022/03:08 **MOTION**
Kootenayoo/Garrett

Be it resolved that a \$5,000 sponsorship be allocated to Metro Vancouver Alliance.

CARRIED

ii. Extra-Provincial Students' Union Relations

Gauld reported on work undertaken with students' union partners in Alberta and Saskatchewan in particular for the federal lobby days.

iii. International Solidarity Work

Chirino reported on the solidarity work done with Ukraine Association of Students and the contributions made to the following organisations: Voices of Children, Kyiv Independent, and OVD Information. Chirino reported on the letter to the government to escalate sanctions against Russia and that more information on actions locals can take can be found in the blog published on the Federation's website.

The Committee discussed concerns expressed by members and different actions taken by member locals and institutions. It was encouraged that member locals use the resources provided by the Federation.

d. Adoption of Campaigns, Government Relations, and Solidarity Report

2022/03:09 **MOTION**
Ramkumar/Desrochers

Be it resolved that the Campaigns, Government Relations, and Solidarity Report be adopted.

CARRIED

2022/03:10 **MOTION**
Ramkumar/Ors

Be it resolved that the meeting recess.

CARRIED

11:36 the meeting recessed

11:50 the meeting reconvened

11:50 Representative—Local 14 Members Jaahljuu arrived.

8. REVIEW OF FEDERATION FINANCES: PART 1

a. Review of 2021-22 Revenue and Expenditures

Gauld provided an overview of the 6-month actuals of the Federation's 2021-22 revenue and expenses.

2022/03:11 **MOTION**
Garret/Scarlatti

Be it resolved that the meeting recess for lunch.

CARRIED

12:13 the meeting recessed

13:45 the meeting reconvened

13:45 Representative—Local 12 Members Ahmed arrived.

PAGE 6 – MINUTES

For the Executive Committee Meeting of the British Columbia Federation of Students
Friday, March 11 to Sunday, March 13, 2022 • Richmond

9. 2022-23 CAMPAIGNS AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT

Davies presented the 2021-22 Campaigns and Government Relations Plan and provided background on goals of each campaign.

The Committee participated in a brain storm session to develop priorities for the next iterations of the Campaigns and Government Relations Plan through a world café-style discussion.

10. REVIEW OF FEDERATION FINANCES PART 2

a. Appointment of Signing Officer

2022/03:12 MOTION

Desrochers/Ahmed

Be it resolved that Tashia Kootenayoo, incoming Secretary-Treasurer, be appointed as a signing officer.

CARRIED

b. Adoption of Finance Report

2022/03:13 MOTION

Garrett/Gullins

Be it resolved that \$1 million be transferred from the Federation's chequing account to its investment account.

CARRIED

2022/03:14 MOTION

Cundiff/Garrett

Be it resolved that the Finance report is adopted.

CARRIED

2022/03:15 MOTION

Ors/Garrett

Be it resolved that the meeting recess for the evening

CARRIED

17:13 the meeting recessed

10:04 the meeting was called to order by Secretary-Treasurer Gauld. Attendance was as follows:

Executive Members Present

Chairperson.....	Melissa Chirino
Indigenous Students' Representative	Tashia Kootenayoo
Representative–Local 01 Members	Olivia Cundiff
Representative–Local 04 Members	Aashna Thapar
Representative–Local 06 Members	Amrita Ramkumar
Representative–Local 13 Members	Sean Desrochers
Representative–Local 15 Members	Christopher Scarlatti
Representative–Local 16 Members	Dilara Ors
Representative–Local 21 Members	Lief Garrett
Representative–Local 22 Members	Isobel Casey
Secretary-Treasurer	Michael Gauld
Services Coordinator.....	Jennifer Gullins

Executive Members Absent

Campaigns Coordinator	Quinn Cunningham
Representative–Local 02 Members	Seoyeon Lee
Representative–Local 10 Members	Ishika Tripathi
Representative–Local 12 Members	Ahmed Ahmed

Representative–Local 14 Members Jaahljuu
Representative–Local 17 Members Puneet Kaur
Women Students’ Representative Haby Ka

Executive Members Vacant

Representative–Local 05 Members
Representative–Local 20 Members

Staff Present

Director-Operations Phoebe Lo Patigdas
Local Staff–Local 01 Megan Potter
Local Staff–Local 04 Amy Barry
Local Staff–Local 06 Andrew Dalton
Local Staff–Local 12 Jason Evans
Local Staff–Local 13 James Bowen
Local Staff–Local 15 Carissa Wilson
Local Staff–Local 16 Brynn Joyce
Local Staff–Local 17 Michel Turcotte
Local Staff–Local 21 Alex Nguyen
Organiser Jenelle Davies
Organiser–Services Jill Adams
Researcher Arielle Reid

Guests

Delegate–Local 17 Members Amanda Garner

11. REVIEW OF RECENT AND FUTURE FEDERATION MEETINGS

a. 40th Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Patigdas stated that the 40th Annual General Meeting was held virtually on January 14 to 16 as an in-person was not feasible due to the Public Health Orders and conditions at the time.

i. Review of Sessions and Guest Speakers

Patigdas provided an overview of the list of speakers and sessions. The Committee discussed feedback from delegates on these sessions and guest speakers.

10:16 Representative–Local 14 Members Jaahljuu arrived.

10:19 Representative–Local 12 Members Ahmed arrived.

ii. Review of Motions

Davies provided an overview of motions and the implementation to date.

iii. Review of Local Delegation Experiences

The Committee discussed general feedback from delegates and potential updates to implement for the next general meeting.

12. RECEIPT OF REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

a. Report of Local Representatives

2022/03:16 MOTION
Ramkumar/Thapar

Be it resolved that the report of Local 1 Members’ Representative Cundiff, for the period Saturday, November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.

CARRIED

2022/03:17 MOTION
Garrett/Casey

Be it resolved that the report of Local 4 Members’ Representative Thapar, for the period Saturday, November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.

CARRIED

PAGE 8 – MINUTES

For the Executive Committee Meeting of the British Columbia Federation of Students
Friday, March 11 to Sunday, March 13, 2022 • Richmond

- 2022/03:18 MOTION**
Scarlatti/Desrochers
Be it resolved that the report of Local 6 Members' Representative Ramkumar, for the period Saturday, November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.
CARRIED
- 2022/03:19 MOTION**
Ors/Garrett
Be it resolved that the report of Local 10 Members' Representative Tripathi, for the period Saturday, September 18 to Friday, November 26, 2021, be adopted.
CARRIED
- 2022/03:20 MOTION**
Cundiff/Ramkumar
Be it resolved that the report of Local 12 Members' Representative Ahmed, for the period Saturday, November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.
CARRIED
- 2022/03:21 MOTION**
Cundiff/Gullins
Be it resolved that the report of Local 13 Members' Representative Desrochers, for the period Saturday, November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.
CARRIED
- 2022/03:22 MOTION**
Garrett/Ramkumar
Be it resolved that the report of Local 14 Members' Representative Jaahljuu, for the period Saturday November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.
CARRIED
- 2022/03:23 MOTION**
Gullins/Casey
Be it resolved that the report of Local 15 Members' Representative Scarlatti, for the period Saturday, November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.
CARRIED
- 2022/03:24 MOTION**
Desrochers/Thapar
Be it resolved that the report of Local 16 Members' Representative Ors, for the period Saturday, November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.
CARRIED
- 2022/03:25 MOTION**
Ahmed/Scarlatti
Be it resolved that the report of Local 17 Members' Representative Kaur, for the period Saturday, November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.
CARRIED
- 2022/03:26 MOTION**
Ors/Gullins
Be it resolved that the report of Local 21 Members' Representative Garrett, for the period Saturday November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.
CARRIED

2022/03:27 MOTION
Garrett/Scarlatti
Be it resolved that the report of Local 22 Members' Representative Casey, for the period Saturday November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.

CARRIED

b. Report of the Chairperson

2022/03:28 MOTION
Ramkumar/Ors
Be it resolved that the report of Chairperson Chirino, for the period Saturday, November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.

CARRIED

c. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

2022/03:29 MOTION
Cundiff/Desrochers
Be it resolved that the report of Secretary-Treasurer Gauld, for the period Saturday, November 27, 2021 to Friday, March 4, 2022, be adopted.

CARRIED

13. REVIEW OF FEDERATION SERVICES

a. Insurance Services*

Adams provided an update on the 2022-23 renewals for member locals on the BC Student Health Consortium.

11:34 the meeting moved in-camera

11:41 the meeting moved ex-camera

b. Student Discount Program

Adams provided an update on the 2022-23 discount renewals and solicitations.

2022/03:30 MOTION
Ramkumar/Desrochers
Be it resolved that the Discount Program report be adopted.

CARRIED

c. Members' Handbook and Dayplanner

Adams reported on the organising to date for the 2022-23 handbook production.

2022/03:31 MOTION
Ramkumar/Garrett
Be it resolved that the Members' Handbook and Dayplanner report be adopted.

CARRIED

d. Membership Development Products

Adams reported on the organising to date for the 2022-23 summer order. Deadlines were highlighted.

2022/03:32 MOTION
Ors/Scarlatti
Be it resolved that the Membership Development Materials Service report be adopted.

CARRIED

PAGE 10 – MINUTES

For the Executive Committee Meeting of the British Columbia Federation of Students
Friday, March 11 to Sunday, March 13, 2022 • Richmond

e. Skills Development Symposium

Patigdas reported on organising to date for the 37th Annual Skills Development Symposium on May 26 to 28 taking place at the Delta Ocean Point hotel in Victoria.

The Committee discussed the potential sessions for the upcoming symposium.

14. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

2022/03:33 MOTION

Jaahljuu/Thapar

Be it resolved that the minutes of the December 3-5 , 2021 and January 13, 2022 Executive Committee meetings be adopted.

CARRIED

15. REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

Patigdas reported that the upcoming Executive Committee meetings would be held:

- March 11 to 13, 2022
- June 15 to 17, 2022
- September 23 to 25, 2022 (tentative)
- December 2 to 4, 2022 (tentative)
- March 17 to 19, 2023 (tentative)
- June 9 to 11, 2023 (tentative)

16. OTHER BUSINESS

17. ADJOURNMENT

2022/03:34 MOTION

Garett/Casey

Be it resolved that the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED

12:04 the meeting adjourned.

* Denotes in-camera