# **MINUTES**

For the Executive Committee Meeting of the British Columbia Federation of Students Friday, September 23 to Sunday, September 25, 2022 • Richmond

17:33 the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Chirino. Attendance was as follows:

Executive Members Present	
Campaigns Coordinator	
Chairperson	
Indigenous Students' Representative	
Representative–Local 01 Members	
Representative–Local 02 Members	
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Representative–Local 10 Members	Ishika Tripathi
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Representative–Local 20 Members	
Secretary-Treasurer	Tashia Kootenayoo
Executive Members Absent	
Representative–Local 14 Members	
Representative–Local 21 Members	
Representative–Local 22 Members	
Services Coordinator	
Women Students' Representative	Puneet Kaur
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Chrino acknowledged that they were chairing the meeting on the traditional uncedeed 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.

# 1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

#### 2022/09:01 MOTION

Ghaffari/Niikoi

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.

#### 2022/09:02 MOTION

Cundiff/Niikoi

Be it resolved that Syrine Gamra be accepted as the Local 22 Members' Representative.

**CARRIED** 

# 2022/09:03 MOTION

Desjarlais/Singh

Be it resolved that Reilly Walker and Alyzea Merchant be granted speaking rights.

**CARRIED** 

# 4. HIGHLIGHTS, LOWLIGHTS: BACK TO CAMPUS

A roundtable discussion was held on the first few weeks of the Fall semester, including the Locals' highlights, what went well, and low lights, on what could be improved.

# 5. REVIEW OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

# a. Consideration of Staffing Issues\*

19:08 the meeting moved in-camera.

19:10 the meeting moved ex-camera.

# b. Office Updates

Davies provided an update on the Federation's progress with the archival project.

#### c. Legal\*

19:16 the meeting moved in-camera.

19:18 the meeting moved ex-camera.

# 2022/09:04 MOTION

Niikoi/Tripathi

Be it resolved that the meeting recess for the evening.

**CARRIED** 

19:20 the meeting recessed.

10:05 the meeting was called to order by Secretary-Treasurer Kootenayoo. Attendance was as follows:

Executive Members Present	
Campaigns Coordinator	. Aashna Thapar
Chairperson	
Indigenous Students' Representative	. Quinn Cunningham
Representative–Local 01 Members	. Olivia Cundiff
Representative–Local 02 Members	
Representative–Local 04 Members	. Jasvir Singh
Representative–Local 05 Members	
Representative–Local 06 Members	. Mehre Dlir
Representative–Local 10 Members	. Ishika Tripathi
Representative–Local 12 Members	. Cade Desjarlais
Representative–Local 13 Members	. Cole Reinbold
Representative–Local 15 Members	. Alex McColm
Representative–Local 16 Members	. Dilara Örs
Representative–Local 17 Members	. Jessie Niikoi
Representative–Local 20 Members	. Saad Ahmed
Representative–Local 22 Members	. Syrine Gamra
Secretary-Treasurer	. Tashia Kootenayoo
Services Coordinator	. Jennifer Gullins
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# 6. REVIEW OF CAMPAIGNS AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

# a. 2022-24 Campaigns and Government Relations Plan

# i. Central Campaigns

Kootenayoo reminded Locals that campaigns materials and equity exchange materials can be ordered from the Federation's online Shopify stores at no cost.

# Fund it, Fix it.

Davies provided a presentation about the status of the funding review, specifically institutional submissions. The Executive Committee discussed ways to get more media coverage about the campaign over the semester

# **Open the Doors**

Chirino provided an update on the development of the campaign.

#### **Grants Not Loans**

Chirino provided a report on the updates made on the materials and ways to get those implemented on campus.

# ii. Supporting Campaigns

#### **Fairness For International Students**

A discussion was held on the Locals' implementation of the campaign and how stories of international students' experiences were being collected and utilised to raise awareness in the media.

# **Trades Work for All of Us**

Davies provided an update on the status of the campaign.

#### **Get Out the Vote**

A discussion was held on the status of municipal elections across different cities, and issues that are pertinent in those communities.

# **Open Textbooks Now!**

A discussion was held on the implementation of the campaign.

# iii. Coalition Campaigns

#### **Period Promise**

A discussion was held on the implementation of the campaign on campuses. Davies emphasized to reach out to the Federation for assistance with local implementation.

#### Access BC

A discussion was held on implementation of the campaign on campuses.

#### 2022/09:05 MOTION

Desiarlais/Singh

Be it resolved that the meeting break for an hour and a half.

#### **CARRIED**

- 12:33 the meeting recessed.
- 14:13 the meeting resumed.

# b. General Relations with the Government and Opposition Parties

#### i. General Relations with the Government

Davies reported on the New Democratic Party leadership race and the ways it will affect the lobbying efforts of the Federation and member locals.

Davies also reported on her attendance at the Union of British Columbia Municipalities convention.

# ii. General Relations with the Federal Government

Davies reported on the Lobby Week prep to date and on plans for a future Federal Lobby Week.

#### c. Update on Coalition and Solidarity Work

# i. General Relations with Coalition Partners

Davies reported on coalition work done to date with the BC Federation of Labour on precarious work consultation. Member locals were encouraged to reach out to the Federation for member locals interested in participating to this consultation.

# ii. Extra-Provincial Students' Union Relations

Chirino reported that BCITSA has joined the Federal Student Advocacy Alliance.

# d. Advocacy Week

Kootenayoo provided a report on the organising done to date for Provincial Lobby Week taking place on October 25 to 28. Kootenayoo also reported that the meetings will be organised regionally and that there will not be a reception.

Davies reported on the updated Lobbyist Transparency Act, and how it affects the Federation's and member local's government relations work moving forward.

# e. Adoption of Campaigns, Government Relations, and Solidarity Report

#### 2022/09:06 MOTION

Dlir/Cundiff

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

**CARRIED** 

#### f. Presentation of Media Report and Press Review

Kootenayoo provided a report on media gained during the reporting period. Adams provided a report on blog posts written during the reporting period and website updates.

# 2022/09:07 MOTION

Ghaffari/Reinbold

Be it resolved that the Media Report and Press Review be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 7. REVIEW OF RECENT AND FUTURE FEDERATION MEETINGS

# a. 82nd Semi-Annual General Meeting

Patigdas stated that the 82nd Semi-Annual General Meeting was held July 14 to 17, 2022 in Richmond.

# i. Review of Meeting Logistics and Materials

The Executive Committee assessed the meeting, identifying areas of strength and areas that required improvement for the general meeting.

# ii. Review of Responsibility for Motions

Davies provided a brief update.

# b. 41sth Annual General Meeting

Patigdas reported that the 41st Annual General Meeting is scheduled for January 19 to 22, 2023. She provided an update on organising to date and solicited feedback. Davies provided a brief overview of the electoral process and recommended the Executive Committee appoint a Chief Returning Officer, members to Candidate Search Committee and Electoral Committee, as well as a Plenary Speaker.

# 2022/09:08 MOTION

McColm/Ahmed

Be it resolved that Jenelle Davies be appointed as the Chief Returning Officer.

Be it further resolved that Sydney Sullivan and Lori MacDonald be appointed to the electoral committee.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 2022/09:09 MOTION

Ors/Billy-Hernandez

Be it resolved that Quinn Cunningham, Damon Robinson, and Phoebe Lo Patigdas be appointed to the Candidate Search Committee.

# **CARRIED**

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#### 2022/09:10 MOTION

Cunningham/Ahmed

Be it resolved that the Executive Committee recommend Ashkon Hashemi be ratified as the plenary speaker for the 41st Annual General Meeting.

# c. Skills Symposium

Davies provided an update on the status of the online skills training module development.

#### 8. REVIEW OF FEDERATION FINANCES

#### a. Review of 2021-22 Revenue and Expenditures

Kootenayoo provided an overview of the 12-month unaudited actuals of the Federation's 2021-22 revenue and expenses.

# b. Adoption of Finance Report

#### 2022/09:11 MOTION

Reinbold/Desjarlais

Be it resolved that the Finance report be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 9. OPEN TOPICS

#### a. Food Insecurity

A roundtable discussion was held on existing food bank services and resources offered by member locals, issues faced by member locals in the delivery of these services.

Davies reported on potential partnership with Loblaws for a bulk purchase of digital and virtual gift cards that member locals can participate in to achieve more discounts.

#### b. Housing

An activity was held to discuss regional housing issues and existing resources in different communities and campuses

# 2022/09:12 MOTION

Niikoi/McColm

Be it resolved that the meeting recess for the evening.

**CARRIED** 

# 17:54 the meeting recessed.

# 10:05 the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Chirino. Attendance was as follows:

# Executive Members PresentCampaigns CoordinatorAashna ThaparChairpersonMelissa ChirinoIndigenous Students' RepresentativeQuinn CunninghamRepresentative—Local 01 MembersOlivia CundiffRepresentative—Local 02 MembersAva GhaffariRepresentative—Local 04 MembersJasvir SinghRepresentative—Local 05 MembersAzul-Sky BillyRepresentative—Local 06 MembersMehre DlirRepresentative—Local 10 MembersIshika TripathiRepresentative—Local 12 MembersCade DesjarlaisRepresentative—Local 13 MembersCole ReinboldRepresentative—Local 15 MembersAlex McColm

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# 10. RECEIPT OF REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

# a. Report of Local Representatives

# 2022/09:13 MOTION

Tripathi/McColm

Be it resolved that the report of Local 1 Members' Representative Cundiff, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

# **CARRIED**

# 2022/09:14 MOTION

Reinbold/Gullins

Be it resolved that the report of Local 2 Members' Representative Ghaffari, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

#### **CARRIED**

# 2022/09:15 MOTION

Desjarlais/Tripathi

Be it resolved that the report of Local 4 Members' Representative Singh, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

# **CARRIED**

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#### 2022/09:16 MOTION

Ors/Singh

Be it resolved that the report of Local 5 Members' Representative Hernandez-Billy, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 2022/09:17 MOTION

McColm/Hernandez-Billy

Be it resolved that the report of Local 6 Members' Representative Dlir, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 2022/09:18 MOTION

Niikoi/Cundiff

Be it resolved that the report of Local 10 Members' Representative Tripathi, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

## **CARRIED**

# 2022/09:19 MOTION

Ghaffari/Reinbold

Be it resolved that the report of Local 12 Members' Representative Desjarlais, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 2022/09:20 MOTION

Ors/Dlir

Be it resolved that the report of Local 13 Members' Representative Reinbold, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

# **CARRIED**

#### 2022/09:21 MOTION

Desjarlais/Tripathi

Be it resolved that the report of Local 14 Members' Representative Jaahljuu, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

#### **CARRIED**

# 2022/09:22 MOTION

Thapar/Singh

Be it resolved that the report of Local 15 Members' Representative McColm, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

#### **CARRIED**

# 2022/09:23 MOTION

Cundiff/Ghaffari

Be it resolved that the report of Local 16 Members' Representative Örs, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

# **CARRIED**

# 2022/09:24 MOTION

Desjarlais/Gullins

Be it resolved that the report of Local 17 Members' Representative Niikoi, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 2022/09:25 MOTION

Dlir/Reinbold

Be it resolved that the report of Local 20 Members' Representative Ahmed, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

#### **CARRIED**

#### 2022/09:26 MOTION

Niikoi/Cundiff

Be it resolved that the report of Local 21 Members' Representative Garrett, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022 to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

# **CARRIED**

10:54 Local 12 Representative Desjarlais and Local 12 staff Fortin left.

#### b. Report of the Chairperson

# c. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer

#### 2022/09:27 MOTION

Tripathi/Cunningham

Be it resolved that the report of Chairperson Chirino and Secretary-Treasurer Kootenayoo, for the period Saturday, June 4, 2022, to Friday, September 16, 2022, be adopted.

#### **CARRIED**

# 2022/09:28 MOTION

Niikoi/Dlir

Be it resolved that the meeting recess for a break.

#### **CARRIED**

11:03 the meeting recessed.

11:15 the meeting reconvened.

# 11. REVIEW OF FEDERATION SERVICES

# a. Student Discount Program

# **Discount Solicitation**

Adams provided a report on the app's new development work and a discussion was held regarding the 2022-23 renewal year and Local discount solicitation.

#### 2022/09:29 MOTION

Reinbold/McColm

Be it resolved that the Discount Program Report be adopted.

#### **CARRIED**

# b. Members' Handbook and Dayplanner

Adams reported on the production of the 2022-23 service.

A roundtable discussion was conducted to provide feedback about the handbooks.

#### 2022/09:30 MOTION

Hernandez-Billy/Tripathi

Be it resolved that the Members' Handbook and Dayplanner Service Report be adopted.

#### **CARRIED**

# c. Membership Development Products

Adams reported on the 2022-23 Summer order and the organising-to-date on the 2022-23 Winter Order

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A roundtable discussion was held to provide feedback about the membership development product service.

# 2022/09:31 MOTION

Gullins/Ghaffari

Be it resolved that the Membership Development Products Report be adopted.

CARRIED

#### d. Digital Services

# **Ready Education Mobile App**

Adams facilitated a roundtable discussion to discuss best practices and challenges for transitioning campus app focuses to engage on-campus members.

# 2022/09:32 MOTION

Dlir/Singh

Be it resolved that the Digital Services Report be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### e. Insurance Services\*

11:34 the meeting moved in-camera.

11:38 the meeting moved ex-camera.

# 12. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

#### 2022/09:33 MOTION

Dlir/McColm

Be it resolved that the minutes of the online vote on May 24 and Executive Committee meetings held June 10 to 12, and on July 14 be adopted

**CARRIED** 

#### 13. COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

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

- December 2 to 4 2022
- March 17 to 19 2023
- June 9 to 11 2023

# 14. OTHER BUSINESS

# 15. ADJOURNMENT

# 2022/09:34 MOTION

Niikoi/Ghaffari

Be it resolved that the meeting adjourn.

**CARRIED** 

11:39 the meeting adjourned.

\* Denotes in-camera

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