

Attendance: Pia, Daria, Moses, Valeria, Chad, Negar, Dylan, Lisa, Connor, Paulina, Nikolay, Jacky, Laura, Lucas, Michael, Sharlene, Ekaterina, Jeff, Veronica, Prina, Jenny

Start Time – 6:00 PM

AMS – Ekaterina

- VP Admin – Not campaigning for anyone but individually supports
 - President – Jeremy Mackeroy is who she is supporting (He has renegotiated the health plan, made metro-Vancouver reconsider the line to UBC)
 - Justin Yang is who is endorsed (SUS and AUS) Honours degree, has council and service experience
 - Both candidates for Finance are equally great
 - External VP – Rory Breasil – collected solid data, reports on child care, was AVP external
- Elections month
- People need to vote – upcoming U-Pass Referendum, change in SUB, debts
- Media sources for people to check
- 21st is last day of voting, 12th is the mix and mingler at the SUB ballroom to meet all the candidates, CITR
- Board of Governors endorsements – really great names. I would err away from people who have disrespected private property
- Voting has changed
- Connor: The CUS can't endorse people

Connor and Jenny CUS Elections

- Dates for the CUS Elections – Two informational meetings (same content) taking place in Sauder (Jan 17th 5:30 – 6:30 and Jan 18th 12:30 – 1:30)
- Nomination period 18th – 24th
- 24th at 6:00 Candidates forum
- 1st all candidates forum at 12:30 - 1:30
- Voting 1st – 3rd - All candidates will learn of results at 5:00 PM on the 3rd
- We will vote right after the candidates forum Feb 1st 1:30 – Feb 3rd at 5:00
- Publicly results will be released on the 4th
- Connor: We could have a party and release the information
- Jenny: We have to wait 24 hours to release the information
- Pia: As BOD we must remember the all candidates forum on Feb 1st. Going here and asking questions is very important
- Connor: There is a board retreat on the 5th and the 6th
- Pia: We can work around the board retreat times
- Prina: Is retreat for all members?
- Connor: Hopefully
- Paulina: We need to build up voter turnout. AMS runs their referendum and elections at the same time
- Jenny: The voting for the referendum will happen at the same time as CUS elections. If this is true, then the voting system has to change.

- Moses: What happens if this referendum is only passed later on?
 - It would only be in effect the following year
- Tim: When you vote by year reps currently, is it by ranking or by checks?
 - It's by ranking
 - You can vote once, twice, three times or no vote
 - Connor: We would have to change the Constitution to change the voting procedure
 - Connor: Would the board like to discuss this type of voting system.
 - Paulina: It would have to be changed for next years elections

Phase III Building Updates Connor (On Behalf of Tom)

- Went on a building tour – not finished.
- Good news – in two and a half week, they plan on having the library open. It looks really good
- Dean's Office is planning on doing Phase III (Upgrading the tower)
 - The only part of the building that will fall down if there is an earthquake. Windows are single glazed they leak heat and air
 - Most professors bring in their own space heater – which is a fire hazard and wastes energy
 - Electrical system is inadequate, power failures, no heat
 - Cost is 6million
 - Comes from faculty reserves
- Tom's recommendation is that we support Phase III, but disappointed about the funding, we were under impression that there was no alternative for funding, however now we know about this fund. We hope in the future this will be used for student space
 - Upgrading the building because not safe
 - Funding through faculty reserves – ensures we can't lose our faculty
 - We are disappointed because it wasn't used for student space
- Lucas: They used the money from the fund? We have to be sure our money doesn't go to that
 - Connor: They have to repay the fund
- Prina: For the faculty reserve, the money was there for a whole different reason. Why should students be upset? I think it's completely valid that they used this money.
 - Pia: That money is the school's, and it wasn't communicated to the President that we had it
- Paulina: What if NDP get re-elected while the money is being repaid?
 - Chad: I don't think we have to worry about this
 - Paulina: however there was a reason for this fund in the first place
- Tim: I would agree with Tom's recommendation about taking a stance. The referendum was very controversial
- Lucas: I think the reason the Dean is more inclined to use the 6 million is because it's partially the faculty's decision. It also maintains that the faculty will stay
- Mike: I think we need to stop looking at it like Them VS Us. This is all for the school. I think the president should sit down with them to make sure this doesn't happen again.

- Pia: This entire issue is about the fact that there was withheld information
- Paulina: We should support the investment, but we shouldn't just let this slide. If the school is looking for active collaboration with the CUS, we should have been provided with all the facts.
- Jacky: In the event that Dean Dan's ten year doesn't get extended, what will happen?
 - I don't think that is likely to happen.
- Chad: This won't take a long time.
- Paulina: A contract would have to be signed
- Pia: We want the content to discuss that we are disappointed that information was withheld.
- Connor: We can draft a letter.
- Prina: I have heard that students are disappointed about the David Lam Library. There is no information being sent to students, we should relay this information and why it's been postponed.

Enterprise Governance – Chad, Veronica, Nikolay

- PowerPoint to be released next board meeting

Questions

- **Prina:** Why did you completely rule out the possibility of ending Enterprise?
 - Enterprise has ten years of history and many schools have huge conferences. We need something more to offer
 - Growth has always been happening. In 2008 it grew too big, the working relationship didn't allow it to sustain itself, so we are changing the working relationship
 - We are hoping that this resurrection could happen in 2012
 - Prina: I don't think it's the most rational idea to end Enterprise without explanation
 - Chad: We haven't cancelled Enterprise. Had we found leadership this year, it would've run. We are trying to fix it for the future
- **Lucas:** Enterprise has potential sponsors and much support from professors. So bottom line there is a lot of support. About the working committee, how were they selected?
- **Paulina:** This will be brought up with Cathy and Boris, as well as past VP's to consult what they think about it
- **Dylan:** I am concerned with the resurrection, because we are in the position to make any type of conference we want. Just because Enterprise has the support, we have a chance to come up with another idea for a conference, so this may be short sighted to just put the conference back where it was, and not have a meaningful discussion.
 - The VP External will commit even if they leave?
 - You can resign at will and a new person will have to be installed
- **Daria:** There is a working committee, Board of Governors and Organizing committee
- **Lucas:** Is the President part of the Board of Governors?
 - No
 - Chad: The President should be
- **Moses:** I feel like this is our chance to remodel Enterprise

- I think people know how to change it for the better

Constitution Referendum – Chad Embree

- Do you support the changes made to the constitution, and should we proceed to referendum?
- Sent out a revised constitution
- Three main points
 - Board structure (Only 2 year reps, MALS integrated into policy)
 - Clubs council (Removing clubs from Constitution, putting them into policy)
 - Other (Budget, dates, turnover)

Questions/Discussion

- Paulina: Do you have a list of the modifications without the whole Constitution?
 - No I sent just comparisons
- Moses: The Constitution limits the control of the Board. We can extend our turnover
- Connor: We are putting in an official date
- Moses: We shouldn't be making these drastic changes so close to when we are done. Incentives may not be aligned with the best interests of the CUS
- Connor: It doesn't matter when it's changed
- Niki: By having the referendum we are proposing changes, we can't do anything without a referendum. If we want to do Enterprise six months from now, we can't, that's for the Board to decide.
- Jeff: I just have a concern with the Speaker. Does it make sense that since the speaker will be hired, that they still have a vote?
 - I looked at how Canadian Parliament works
- Jeff: I didn't see any procedure for removing the speaker?
 - They are service council, and there is a procedure for them
- Jeff: What decision making power will the student council have? If they don't have power, I think it's an arbitrary requirement to have student council meeting four times a year.
 - All their power will be outlined in policy
 - They would meet four times a year to build culture, it leaves the flexibility for student council to do what they want
- Moses: Why do we have a number of four meetings?
- Chad: This has to be in the Constitution.
- Veronica: We should have a statement in the Constitution that allows this to be flexible
- Chad: The things that must be in the Constitution are things that people agree on
- Moses: Can we have a line in regards to "Undue circumstances"
- Paulina: Can we put a line in there in regard to what will happen if the speaker can't make it
- Pia: I like the idea of putting it into policy
- Connor: I think that if anyone has questions about student council meetings, I think the people who have attended a student council meeting should answer it. I think they need to happen.

- Veronica: Is there no limit on the amount which we can approve?
 - No, the information is in the budget section
- Chad: Clubs relations were originally to organize clubs, but it also said that the president was supposed to do
- Tim: the VP internal will be the liaison for the clubs?
 - Yes, they will essentially become the new clubs rep
- Pia: We must focus on strategy. Exec was left to have operational powers
- The speaker plans meetings (once every two weeks in the constitution) that's just a minimum.
- Moses: Are we using name or brand?
 - We should use name
- Lucas: There are a lot of students minoring in Commerce, how can we include them in the Constitution?
 - That is AMS focused. DAP students aren't technically students at UBC
 - Commerce minors – this is out of our control and we would have to charge them the fee (\$266)
- Discussion regarding the consultation of students about the Constitution
 - We represent the students
 - Decision to vote tonight and not consult students

Moses wanted to consult the general membership of the students regarding the constitution before calling it to Referendum

Be it resolved that the CUS BoD take the proposed changes of the CUS constitution to the current membership of the CUS via referendum.

For:14

Against:0

Abstain: 1

Motion Carries

All in favor of the proposed wording for the question for the CUS constitutional referendum: "Do you accept the proposed amendments to the CUS constitution as of January 10th, 2011?"

For: 15

Against: 0

Abstain:1

Motion Carries

AMS Update

- Vote in the upcoming elections
- A lot of people re-running for positions in the AMS
- Past the post voting
- New adaptation of what the SUB will look like – In the Cube there is a design of the SUB starting at 11
 - Pizza place with a patio
- UBC insiders
- Foxtrot UBC is a reliable source

Michael Moll – Running for AMS President

- There are students who care