

April 11, 2022

6:07pm
SUB 6-06 or [Zoom](#)

ATTENDANCE

Name	Proxy	Present	Submission of Written Feedback (If Absent)
Emily Motoska, Chair		Y	
Simran Dhillon		Y	
Akanksha Yeola		Y	
Christopher Beasley		Y	
Abner Monteiro		Y	
Talia Dixon		Y	
Christian Fotang		Y	
Ghalia Aamer		N	
Courtney Graham		N/A	
Ethan Hunter		N/A	

MINUTES (PC 2021-19)

- 2021-19/1 **Introduction**
- 2021-19/1a Call to Order
- Motoska CALLED MEETING TO ORDER at 6:07 P.M.
- 2021-19/1b Land Acknowledgement
- 2021-19/1c Approval of Agenda
- BEASLEY / DIXON MOVED TO approve the agenda
- CARRIED

2021-19/1d Approval of Minutes

BEASLEY / DIXON MOVED TO approve the [minutes](#) from the last meeting

CARRIED with Amendments

2021-19/1e **Chair's Business**

Check-in

2021-19/2 **Question/Discussion Period**

2021-19/3 **Committee Business**

2021-19/3a **Policy Updates**

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BEASLEY: AUFSJ suggested language advocating for French language education, as well as additional details on consultation pathways.

The committee works to refine the wording of proposed amendments, including the use of the term 'access' versus 'rights' at various points in the policy.

Capital Projects

FOTANG: Requests a committee review of the policy's list of seven advocacy principles related to University buildings and infrastructure, including sustainability and the Maskwa House of Learning. Not looking to have this approved today.

MONTEIRO: Is the goal here to say that students will not fund anything they do not directly and personally benefit from? Buildings take years to construct.

FOTANG: No, that's not the intent: broader focus on projects that benefit students. Can adjust the wording.

MONTEIRO: Agrees.

BEASLEY: What's the rationale for asking that tuition revenue shouldn't be used for capital projects?

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FOTANG: The intent is to push the University to seek funding for capital projects before turning to tuition revenue; can reword.

MONTEIRO: In that context, can we talk about sustainability, e.g. UBC AMS's new building, where it was more sustainable to build something new rather than retrofit existing buildings? The current draft prioritizes the latter.

FOTANG: Hence the 'where possible' language, e.g. the Humanities building, a place where a new building isn't viable due to sliding land near the river bank.

MONTEIRO: So we're not advocating against using student fees for capital projects?

FOTANG: Correct.

Discussion about how tuition revenue, including exceptional tuition increase (ETI) revenue, can legally be used to finance capital projects (e.g. lab space).

MONTEIRO: What do we mean by proportional commitments from other stakeholder groups?

MOTOSKA: Financial commitments?

FOTANG: Correct. If students are being asked to finance a project, the University, faculty, department, government should also contribute as appropriate.

MOTOSKA: For clarity, let's make it explicit that it's talking about financial commitments.

BEASLEY: What does proportional mean in the context of naming rights?

The committee further engages with the wording of the proposed amendments.

FOTANG: We should make the wording more general to let students figure it out case by case while upholding the principles.

EDI and Food Security

DHILLON: Working on second principles. Created a Google Form for feedback from groups we've consulted with. Meeting next week for both of those policies.

MOTOSKA: Hopefully we should have those policies ready on the late orders for Tuesday's Students' Council meeting.

International Students

YEOLA: Second principles are done, all changes made after all consultations. ISA was the only group that came back with written feedback. There are some differences in how the Code of Student Behavior and Code of Applicant Behavior impact international students.

The committee discusses potential impacts on international students (e.g. deportation) and how to adjust the wording to reflect and respect that.

DIXON: The current draft binds the SU to support international students on any matter not mentioned in the policy, which is far too broad and doesn't serve a purpose. Example: the UASU has no capacity to engage with immigration services for international students.

The committee discusses how to clarify the scope of the policy. The committee will finalize this policy by electronic vote.

MONTEIRO: Is the intent here to provide special support just the ISA, or any international student group, or somewhere in between?

MOTOSKA/BEASLEY MOVED TO extend the meeting by 15 minutes.
CARRIED

The committee discusses how to clarify the scope of the policy. YEOLA will redraft elements of it.

YEOLA: Should we mention the Campus Safety Policy and how it interacts with international students, or is that handled in the Campus Safety Policy?

DIXON: The Campus Safety Policy engages explicitly with international students' needs throughout the policy.

The committee works to clarify policy elements around scholarships and financial aid.

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BEASLEY: Presents draft language that resolves earlier concerns.

DIXON/YEOLA MOVED TO extend the meeting by 15 minutes.
CARRIED

The committee workshops the language.

Campus Safety and Security

DIXON: Second principles have been provided to many groups. Feedback is uniformly positive except from the ISA. Have made several changes based on ISA requests. However, some points will not be changing: points about UAPS collecting student information and sharing it with EPS, and about the liaison officer program. Based on our survey data, even students who are very comfortable with EPS are not comfortable with data sharing. The point against the opaque liaison officer program is based on Indigenous concerns and will not be changing. Apparently the ISA got a meeting with UAPS within two days. For context, the UASU could not schedule a meeting with UAPS for five months while being slightly critical of them. Indigenous Students' Union supports the policy despite ISA pushback. On a separate note, the ISA wants to add security guards to transit; however, the policy point is being kept general because the city has already tried that without much impact. Our surveys and consultation show that everyone has a different perspective on what should be done with transit, so we're keeping that element of the policy general to facilitate future solutions.

MOTOSKA: So the ISA wants the liaison officer program (EPS officers in UAPS)?

DIXON: Yes, the argument is that the liaison officer program and data sharing contribute to reduced crime. There is no evidence to support this, to my knowledge; in fact, based on University committee meeting discussions, crime has increased since this began. Note also that EPS is part of policing in Canada;

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our data shows significant distrust among Black and Indigenous folks. It's a hard policy to balance needs on. We've changed a lot of our points in response to ISA requests. For these points, I don't see a solution other than to leave them as is. BSA will provide feedback tomorrow morning. Policy will be resolved by electronic vote.

MOTOSKA: Will provide her final report as chair.

2021-19/4 **Information Items**

2021-19/4a Next meeting: TBD

2021-19/5 **Adjournment**

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:26P.M.