

PAGSA September 2023 Annual General Meeting

Time: Friday, September 29th, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Where: DSB C122, or on zoom: <https://uvic.zoom.us/j/4045074427>

Order of the day:

1. Call to Order
2. Review of Last Year's Activities
 - a. Budget
3. Elections
4. Constitution Amendments
5. Adjournment

Minutes

Taker: [Aydan McKay](#)

Executive Members:

- Alex Beaubien - Present - In Person
- Scott Wilkinson - Present - In Person
- Aviv Padawer-Blatt - Present - In Person
- Aydan McKay - Present - In Person
- Annabelle Czihaly - Present - Online
- Simon Smith - Present - In Person
- Fletcher Waller - Absent - No Regrets Sent
- Max Kurzner - Present - In Person
- Jericho O'Connell - Absent - No Regrets Sent
- Robert Gleisinger - Absent - No Regrets Sent
- Jade Fischer - Present - In Person
- Jamal Khani - Absent - No Regrets Sent

1:10 - Call to Order - Mover: Alex Beaubien

Quorum evidently achieved due to massive turnout before 2:00 PM when many had to leave.

Quorum retained after elections, for the purposes of the subsequent constitutional changes.

1:10 - Review of Activities This Year - Mover: Alex Beaubien

Some examples of all the social activities that happened this year: Mentorship Program, Camping, Skating, Arts and Crafts, Creation of PARSEC, Welcome Back BBQ, Halloween Photo, Winter Trivia Night

Some academic activities that happened this past year:

3 Software Plumbing sessions

13 SPACE talks

The industry panel of industry vs. academia over the summer for the first time

Some of the sports activities that were offered this year: Intramural Soccer, cycling, gym, *NEW* bouldering, snorkelling, hiking

Website has been revamped and updated to a newer version of WordPress. Alongside, we trimmed out-of-date content; there is currently less content overall, but the content itself is more applicable. A Constitutional Change Working Group was created and will propose changes later during the AGM (see below).

1:17 - Budget - Mover: Alex Beaubien

The budget comes from two income streams: GSS and the Department.

The Department is case-by-case, GSS is a guaranteed grant for which we apply in April (GSS Fiscal Year start), along with the possibility of a top-up starting in January.

2022-09 - 2023-08 Academic Year:

Income: \$600 from GSS, \$405.97 from the Department

Expenses: Social: \$285.53, Academic \$405.97

Total: Sum: \$314.47, **Leftover/Carry-Over Amount: \$672.58**

2023-09 - 2024-08 Upcoming Year

Projected Income: \$600-\$700 from GSS, ~\$300-\$400 from the Department

Projected Expenses: Social ~\$700-\$1300, Academic ~\$300-\$400

Projected Total: Sum: ~\$0

Recommendation to the Board to include as a discussion item (Maheyer Shroff):

Maheyer suggested spending some of the budget on sports, some ideas were transit for hikes, emergency supplies for the cycling club (patches)

Question (Daniel Cecchi): *Is the GSS funding guaranteed?* - Essentially yes. We apply for academic unit grants, which are guaranteed for every department and are quoted to be \$500 this year. It's guaranteed so long that we apply and can also apply for a top-up.

Follow-up Question (Daniel Cecchi): *Do we need to spend the first sum of money to get the top-up?* - When January comes around, if the GSS has money left over that was set aside for the department grants that were not used, we can apply for the top-up, but we do not need to spend the money beforehand.

1:27 - Elections - Mover: Alex Beaubien

Elections for the different positions were held in the order below with the outcomes outlined:

Chair

Incumbent: Alex Beaubien

Elected: Alex Beaubien

Vice-Chair

Incumbent: Simon Smith

Elected: Aydan McKay

Sports Rep

Incumbent: Max Kurzner

Elected: Max Kurzner

Social Rep

Incumbent: Fletcher Waller

Elected: Simon Smith

Academic Rep

Incumbent: Scott Wilkinson

Elected: Scott Wilkinson

Student Affairs Officer

Incumbent: Aydan McKay

Elected: Adrienne Scott

Astro Rep

Incumbent: Aviv Padawer-Blatt

Elected: Bryn Lonsbrough

Med Rep

Incumbent: Jericho O'Connell

Elected: Olivia Masella

Phys Rep

Incumbent: Charlie Chen/ Annabelle Czihaly

Elected: Annabelle Czihaly

GRC Member

Incumbent: Sam Fielder/ Jade Fischer

Incumbent: Jamal Mohammad Khani

Elected: Jade Fischer

Elected: Jonathan Qualter

Recommendation to the Board to include as a discussion item (Michael Gennari):

Brought up during the elections is that we should limit the voting for the different reps to the members of those respective departments.

2:19 - Constitution Amendments - Mover: Alex Beaubien

Amendments were presented to the student body:

Article 2

Alex Beaubien motioned

Max Kurzner seconded

1 opposed

13 for

5 abstained

Motion Passed

Article 3.1

Article 3.3

Alex Beaubien motioned

Aydan McKay seconded

Unanimous

Motion Passed

Article 4.1.7

Article 4.1.8

Article 4.3.3

Formatting

Article 4.3.5

Article 4.3.6

Alex Beaubien motioned

Sam Fielder seconded

Unanimous

Motion Passed

Article 7.2.2

Alex Beaubien motioned

Simon Smith seconded

Unanimous

Motion Passed

Article 9.2

Alex Beaubien motioned

Sam Fielder seconded

Unanimous

Motion Passed

2:26 - Adjournment - Mover: Alex Beaubien

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