



Commerce Undergraduate Society of the University of British Columbia, Vancouver

Executive Council Meeting | August 29, 2024 5:00 pm PDT | [Zoom](#)

Open to the general membership of the Society unless otherwise deemed in-camera.

Note: presentations and/or proposed motions from parties other than the members of the Executive Council should be requested to be considered for inclusion on the agenda at least seven (7) days in advance of a meeting by contacting the President, at abeer.amir@cus.ca - materials received past this point will be considered for the subsequent meeting's agenda at the Chair's discretion.

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 PM PDT

B. Land Acknowledgement - Luke

I would like to begin by acknowledging that the University of British Columbia, where we are gathered, is located on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam people. I also wish to acknowledge that my home in Vaughan, Ontario, is situated on the traditional territories of the Huron-Wendat, the Haudenosaunee, and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Recognizing these lands and their histories is a small but important step in honouring the past and present contributions of Indigenous peoples. Thank you.

C. Amendments to and Adoption of the Agenda

Moved: Audrey | Seconded: Luke

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented.

*In favour: All
Opposed: None
Abstentions: None
...the motion carries*

Personal Updates:

D. Professional Updates

I. President

- Our new website is launching next week after hard work with the IT team. Sara Yang has been elected Vice Chair of Strategic Plan MALs, selected from over 15 applicants.

- We decided not to hire consultant David Gouthro due to high costs. Gavin and I successfully consulted on the AMS budget, which was approved in July's council meeting.
- Attended AMS Student Life and Executive Performance committees, and two President's Council meetings focusing on Imagine Day and the 2024 Interfaculty Cup. We're also prepping for Imagine Day and Spark speeches.
- Held 1:1 meetings with all VPs, the President's Portfolio, and the Board. Also had two meetings with Shannon, Elicia, and Visha.
- Finalized the MOU for the new Embedded Counsellor. Met with the Dean to discuss the Strategic Plan, and collaborated with Elicia, Nafiza, and Cole on various initiatives, including Sauder IRL.
- Filmed content for CUS social media—editing is in progress. The CUS President's account is now public—follow @_cusprez_. Reviewed podcast episodes with Sophia and connected her with SUS counterparts.
- Engaged with Tara from the Leadership Centre and Yui from Career Peers on supporting CUS initiatives. Also met with Elsa to enhance Indigenous student engagement, with follow-ups shared with HR and Equity teams.

II. Vice-President, Academic

- APTL meetings are starting again
- Need to get back to Omar from AMS regarding textbook initiative
- Workday survey great response so far yet to see actual responses
- Continuing to work with academic caucus on a bi-weekly basis
- Working with our AVPS to get our year planned
- Launching academic integrity very soon.

III. Vice-President, External Affairs

- All bizweek sponsors secured (giveaway and tote bags)
- Finalized Homecoming details for Alumni center
- Meeting with Sid and Audrey to confirm CUS boothing timeline + booth activities
- 1-1 with Abeer done!
- All major in-kind sponsor donations are en route - we're coordinating drop offs for sponsors (help wanted please!)
- Services are all on track
- Launching new initiative for CUS Services and Clubs

IV. Vice-President, Finance

- Facilitated payments for Bizweek
- Completing maintenance on the general ledger automation
- Finalized payment for website development

V. Vice-President, Internal Affairs

- Bizweek check-in with Mandy and Audrey about sponsors and marketing
- Been in contact with the SE portfolio and the E&I commission about their bizweek events
- Bizweek Photobooth finalized
- Bizweek sign-up form for clubs and services closed, pairs made and boothing instructions will be released this week.
- Boothing schedule and logistics for the AMS Resource Fair in progress
- Wrapping up communication with Patty from UBC Outdoor Events team to approve Bizweek
- Hannah has successfully secured a food safe and VCH update - Bizweek doesn't need a food permit

- Reached out to Sincere from sauder admin to finalize the dates of our first round table/room bookings orientation (looks like sept 23rd at the moment)
 - CUS Room Bookings Calendar has finally been created, THANK YOU VINCENT! It will be released first week of September
 - Check-in with Abeer done
 - Service Check-ins for August complete
- VI. Vice-President, Marketing and Communications
- Podcast pitch meeting with Sophia Podcast Lead and Abeer
 - YBP check-in - ordered 24/25 prospectus
 - Bizweek meeting with Sid and Mandy
 - Bizweek meeting with AVPs
 - Bizweek tote bags + stickers delivered!
 - Sauder IRL meeting
 - 'About CUS' highlight posted
 - Finalized Bizweek posting schedule
 - Finalized CUS Town Hall logo
- VII. Vice-President, Student Engagement
- New AVP hired and onboarded
 - Sent confirmation emails to CUSstart speakers
 - Confirming service chairs attendance for CUSstart
 - Finalizing catering for CUSstart, working with Davis to figure out payment options
 - ~12 opportunities confirmed for SGB, all opportunities will be confirmed on the 9th
 - AVPs developing timeline and logistics for Commerce Connections
 - 1-1 with Abeer done

E. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Executive Council shall be determined by the 2024/2025 Executive Council Chairperson Abeer Amir.

F. Approval of the Meeting Minutes

Be it resolved that the Executive Council approve its minutes dated July 29th, 2024

Moved: Mandy | Seconded: Sidhant

*In favor: All
Opposed: None
Abstentions: None
... the motion passes.*

G. Adjournment

There being no further business, be it resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 5:45 PM PDT.

Moved: Davis | Seconded: Alia

In favour: All

*Opposed: None
 Abstentions: None
 ...the motion carries.*

CUS Attendance

Name	Position	Present ("X")	Late (Time)	Proxy (Name)
Board of Directors				
Abeer Amir	President	X		
Gavin Fung	Alma Mater Society Representative	X		
Pranav Verma	Fourth Year Representative			
Lynn Vu	Fourth Year Representative			
Kevin Yang	Third Year Representative			
Sean Brennan	Third Year Representative			
Ethan Ruggiero	Second Year Representative	X		
Taya Lee	Second Year Representative	X		
	First Year Representative			
	First Year Representative			
Sehan Malhotra	Ombudsperson			
Jacky Xue	Commerce Student Senator	X		
Executive Council				
Luke Parolin	Vice-President, Academic Affairs	X		
Mandy Chen	Vice-President, External Affairs	X		
Davis Beauchamp	Vice-President, Finance	X		
Sidhant Bhardwaj	Vice-President, Internal Affairs	X		
Audrey Rosyadi	Vice-President, Marketing	X		

	and Communications			
Alia Xu	Vice-President, Student Engagement	X		
Presidential Portfolio				
Gongning Ma	Human Resources Director			
Pranathi Kanisetty	Human Resources Director			
Devesh Puar	Equity Advisor			
Tiffany Siu	Equity Advisor			
Hayden Chan	Information Technology Director			

Guests (optional)

Name	Affiliation	Present ("X")	Late ("X")	Notes
Invited				
Vincent Mah	Administrative & Logistics Director			
Other				