

VUSAC MEETING

March 26th, 2012

BC20

-Meeting officially called to order at 9:15 pm

IN ATTENDANCE

VUSAC

CHAIR	Siming Zhang
PRESIDENT	Brandon Bailey
VP EXTERNAL	Shoaib Alli
VP INTERNAL	Karol Dejnicka
VP EXTERNAL MAL	Zenia Miner
VP INTERNAL MAL	Adam Martin
COMMUNICATIONS	Ruta Rudminaitė
SUSTAINABILITY	Tegan Hansen-Hoedeman
SUSTAINABILITY MAL	Ryan Palkowski
CLUBS	Angela Sun
CLUBS MAL	Sohaib Ahmed
COMMUTER	Elliot Meyer
COMMUTER MAL	Christianne Johnson
STUDENT PROJECTS	Dave Stewart
ARTS & CULTURE	Evita Tremblay
ARTS & CULTURE MAL	Mariam Aramyan
EDUCATION & EQUITY	Alex Goel
EDUCATION & EQUITY MAL	Christian Julien
SCARLET & GOLD	Anastasia Tsagrinos
SCARLET & GOLD MAL	Kathleen Walsh
SECRETARY	Sophie Qu

ASSESSOR AND EX-EFFICIO MEMBERS

CAT'S EYE CO-MANAGER	Savannah Sloat
CLC	Kristina Minella

CRO	Rob Rubbini
VCAA	Deanne Vincent
CAT'S EYE	Kenneth Zhan

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FINANCE CHAIR	Jelena Savic

ASSESSOR MEMBERS

Caffiends co-manager	Hannah Nitefor
Caffiends co-manager	Leah Moncada
Cat's Eye co-manager	Naomi Lam
Cat's Eye co-manager	Megan
Student Projects Chair	Kevin Hempstead
Cuts for Cancer	Emily Willmon

**Ruta and Angela exit room at 9:14 pm*

-Approval of last meeting's minutes by Brandon, seconded by Christian, all in favour, unanimous

Additions to Agenda:

- Angela moves in agreement with Alex to move 4 minutes for Cuts for Cancer
- Alex adds 1 minute for Inside Out Project
- Karol adds 1 minute for budget
- Ryan adds 1 minute for lawn party
- Approval of agenda by Angela, seconded by Christian, all in favour, unanimous

Upcoming Events (Karol):

28th-pancakes, 29th-vic variety show, fancy food trucks outside smith, 30th-community garden annual general cats eye meeting, 31st-new leader day, April 1st- VUSAC dissolves?, April 4th- last CAUCUS meeting, possibly club heads dinner, 5th- Cuts for Cancer, pub night end of year, last day of classes, lawn party, 9th- grad banquet, class officer and Vic Stick nominations due March 30th,

-Evita arrives 9:27 pm

-9:25 – 9:30 no quorum

-return to quorum at 9:33 pm

Caffiends: (Hannah): We're closing up on Friday for a semester it's been good so far. I came in February and Leah has been selected to be our manager for Sept-April of next year so we need to ratify her and Susan's gone (*collective 'aww'*).

-Shoaib moves to ratify Leah as new Caffiends co-manager. Tegan seconds it, all in favour, unanimous

CLC Update (Kristina): I just wanted to say great year, everybody who is graduating good luck in everything you do, come visit. To everyone new hi I'm Kristina-campus life coordinator hopefully my office will be a friendly place you will get to know and love. Once summer comes I get a little bored so come visit me in room 3 in Birge Carnegie.

Cat's Eye (Savannah): So some exciting news we got approval from student projects to get a new air hockey table and we're also here to ratify Megan.

Shoaib moves to ratify Megan as new Cat's Eye co-manager, seconded by Christianne, all in favour, unanimous

Special Projects (Dave): So, we had our last meeting under our new chairperson Kevin Hempstead (clapping). As such, Zenia will be making my motions...

Zenia: I move to release \$600 for Dan Hermann to publish 100 copies, seconded by Brandon

..\$621.50 for Oxfam hunger banquet, \$1500 VicXposure for inside out project, \$500 Tomas Flecker for philosophy symposium with the Goochster, \$5200 for cats eye for air hockey table, 2600 for tunes beats awesome to go to the international semi finals, \$10771.61 for Christianne Johnson for VUSAC clothing sale start-up costs, and \$1800 for Bader rental costs for Vic variety show for Dave Stewart, and \$2565.62 to VCDS prop room tools from student projects fund

-Angela pulls out TBA and Oxfam

Voting on the other ones: Shoaib seconds it

Angela: For TBA and Oxfam, number one for Oxfam hunger banquet, I've known it as something that U of T has funded for the last 3 years and was wondering why particularly they are asking this year for VUSAC funding rather than from Hart house or U of T in general.

Dave: We have the minutes but basically the committee decided that it fell within the fund and chose to vote in favour of it

Kenneth: did they have alternative funding sources? Are we paying for whole or part?

Brandon: I was there- so, I voted against this in committee they had alternative sources of funding for everything except for the venue which was the 600 or so dollars and they pointed out that there are many Vic students who take part in it

Angela: There's a lot of stuff that Vic students take part in at U of T I feel like, in my past life, I've been like known people who have been part of the u of t Oxfam group and that they've been able to in the past to get all funding from other sources why do they need to get it from VUSAC in particularly did they ask other colleges?

Brandon: New College and U of T Central

Alex extends the discussion by 10 minutes, seconded by Brandon, 1 opposition

Dave: 25 people in middle...etc

Sarah: it's a banquet where they divide attendees into different income groups as a microcosm of how world is divided and it's quite funny because they make professors sit on the floor and they got kicked out of hart house this year that's why they are asking for money from not U of T they didn't book the venue on time

Dave: I guess the only thing I Really have to say is in regards to why VUSAC votes on this is that all of these....etc... I understand that your role is to ensure that they are not abusing their power...all the ones pulled out were given due consideration and the committee tasked to make these decisions decided that they passed

Alex: VUSAC is the check and balance for that

Dave: I don't think the question should be we don't like the idea of this

Alex: doesn't anything special projects fund have to directly benefit majority of Vic students?

Dave: no the committee has power to decide whether it is warranted or granted

Adam: Can we pull out the operating policy?

Dave: yeah

Angela: I do not think it's a bad idea it sounds like a really cool project the main issue I have is that I feel there is enough specific ties to Vic and to Vic students. And in that sense I feel like it doesn't belong with this I just don't feel like it's not run by a Vic student group I feel like they just need the funding and this is just one of the places they went to and not for the specific purpose of getting Vic students

Brandon: I think it's fair that the elected body do the final check on things I don't think its outside of VUSAC's mandate to consider this...if this falls anywhere within the ball park of what special projects ought to cover, then vote on it, only opposite it if it's so out o the scope of the policy passed this year. I don't think anyone should keep repeating themselves, if anyone has questions of how this project went since you want to be informed, they went through all the proper channels of applications, it passed with one vote against

Alex: I feel like this is something more that VUSAC could find but it's not right for special projects based on intent of it

Christian: can't Vic students book Victoria rooms for free without the Bader?

Brandon: has to go through VUSAC

Christian: How much is left in the fund?

Dave: about 30,000 with 2 grand left over if all the projects cleared

Ashley: I feel like this would set a precedent for any U of T group short on money with high involvement of Vic students to come and use the Special Projects fund when there are other funding sources available to them and I feel like this is something that the associate member status is for to access these privileges I feel like this would be different if it were like for efut since they are recognized by VUSAC with associate status and they went through that channel but Oxfam don't have the ties to VUSAC at all

Dave: there hasn't been a contradiction in operating policy I don't think we can assume that it doesn't benefit Vic students, and answers to those questions certain people weren't present, it should be a tangible issue and not because you don't like the idea

Kenny: I'm just curious, isn't there a review process? Wasn't there a higher level with levy heads and stuff that would review things that VUSAC ratify?

Dave: there's an advisory board that handles the appeals that would only be if the project passed and a student appealed it and it would go to the advisory board why it was appealed and if it contradicts operating policy

Kathleen: what's the money going to?

Dave: just venue

Brandon: they presented a budget of 2000 they were unclear of what it was for, it wasn't the applicant present but a delegate, the money they requested was for the venue

Alex: I'd like to call the question

Ashley: there's one more

Adam: one the six things we agreed on

Adam seconds calling of the question

Alex: we are now voting on the motion to approve the six things we agree on, all in favour, unanimous

All in favour, unanimous

Alex: I've a proposal, I don't think it should go through Special projects but I'm willing to put forth a motion that VUSAC cover all or some of the costs based on new college coverage

Angela: make motion to take the money out of E&E budget, seconded by Alex (625.50) ene 027 or 028

Brandon: Alex you are going to follow them personally and say it's out of your budget

All in favour, unanimous (Alex moved, Brandon seconded)

Brandon: I move special project not cover Oxfam, seconded by Shoaib, unanimous all in favour

Karol moves to extend by 5 minutes, seconded by Angela, 1 opposition

Angela: the reason I pulled out TBA because I remember reading the application unfortunately I wasn't able to make the meeting due to rehearsal, but it was exactly what Ashley was talking about – a U of T group didn't have the – I know there are Vic students- but the fact that they are a U of T club my concern is similar to Ashley that they are just looking for funding wherever they can

Dave: And I quote "3rd bullet from bottom, in the event that the special projects only benefits a finite amount of people, the committee is warranted to decide...etc" does not contradict the explicit statement in the operating policy as passed by VUSAC

Shoaib: at the meeting, it was passed with caveat that they apply for associate status at Vic, and Sam levy was made expressly aware of this fact and I believe they will have associate status pending application in future

Adam: "purpose of special project levy fund is to enable students to contribute to Vic college community in their own way ...etc"

Brandon: There were also projects turned down, similar to this one, this one cleared because it seemed like this had a lot of Vic students in it enough to qualify for associate status and the cost of the trip is much greater than what we are approving, it benefits Vic community, and it's an older group operating at u of t central but very Vic heavy and if student projects were to fund this here it could be a carrot to bring to Vic to benefit the community

Karol: I just wanted to say because this keeps coming up, that because other groups are, outside groups are technically allowed to apply for special project funding it seems to me, written in there: it is more of an exception rather than the rule for how the fund is suppose to operate. Did someone contact club commissioners about the associate status? We are running close to setting a dangerous precedent because if we take this route with other groups it will see Hart House as back up and because any U of T group is open to Vic membership they therefore meet the qualifications. There must be something more to special projects than that.

Alex: I'd like to move to extend time by 3 minutes, seconded by Angela, 6 oppositions, passed

Angela: I just want to say no I have not received an email from Sam levy

Adam: are we able to pass a motion which will only release funding on the caveat that they do gain associate status since that was the caveat you gave them so I think that should be the condition

Dave: VUSAC can but there's no official caveat by committee, if VUSAC wanted to make something that they have to apply for I don't think you can make it contingent upon since that's out of their control. In the sense that if you have money and you get it you can't control whether they get it but they can control whether they apply

Dave: this isn't the first time this has been done, in terms of setting precedence it hasn't, for example we did an art gallery and then we had another external group that was a dance group the sister of Salome or something the committee turned them down because they just wanted to use us so the system worked exactly how it was suppose to, there was a lot of discussion around this, this wasn't quick and it's not setting precedence in that things are just being blindly passed

Kevin: Dave covered most, but in terms of danger of setting precedence, I'm willing to relook at the operating policy and establish a former mechanism for outside clubs and their access to these projects

Brandon: to Alex's question about attaching the question, I think VUSAC can attach the question...it's been in our capacity,what Dave said about the fact that despite this, the committee did review it exhaustively, there was about 25 min of discussion before it passed if you are looking at the process I think the precedence will be well set, I think under the operating policy it does qualify, but I do agree that we should make it contingent upon their application the question is if its contingent on their acceptance.

Alex: I think it should be conditional on their app to associate status, and the point of VUSAC is to check these things, nothing against the committee or the decisions they made

Dave: I agree

Angela: I've a question about the associate status because you said the thing already happened so I'm guessing the associate status expired same time around when clubs do, so if we are making it contingent are we doing it for this year or next year

Brandon: we said that it would be applying for associate status after they get the funding, we haven't heard from him yet because he hasn't gotten it yet so he'd be applying for it upcoming year since it'd expire if he applied for it this year

How much is it?

Dave: \$2600.

Brandon: I move to release \$2600 contingent on the organisation's application for associate status, Alex seconds it

Adam: how do we make funding for this year show for next year?

Brandon: pot turns over, so next year's council should feel free to vote on this since it ties into next year's council

Brandon; incoming VUSAC exec get to vote, but not 2 votes you just get one vote

All in favour, 18 in favour, 2 oppositions, 1 abstention

Dave: so woo 2 years ago, brief back story, when I took over there was \$90000 and since I started taking records we have allocated 117,621.90 for students of Victoria college, which finally after 12 years a carryover of...thank you all for everything it's been an amazing 2 years (awww) (clapping)

Shoaib: very briefly we had leader carousels this past weekend, on sat and sun over 180 applicants of leaders we have about 15-20 people to a third carousel, so we have 200 leader applicants this year they will know about their leader status on Fri we're probably taking most of them anyways, and third carousel is undetermined in exam period that's the current update

Ashley (grad banquet): First thing is first, there is an email that Siming has forwarded to you regarding grad banquet ticket sales. There were some problems with online ticketing so ergo we are doing limited amounts of in person ticket sales with cash. People who have contacted me have been sent to VUSAC office. They bring in 40 or 80 dollars dependent on whether they have a guest or not. They have to have exact change since there's no money box, and then you put it in an envelope, you seal it and they write their name, whether they have a guest, number of tickets inside, how much money is in there, and their student number and they fill out a sheet stapled to the envelope name email address and student num and whether they are meat or vegetarian. The dinner options are in the grad banquet table sign up binder, and dietary needs, allergies, intolerances etc and all the meat is halal so you can tell them that if that's an issue. Write down table number and what your name is so we can track it and make sure if you screwed something up and the envelope number please sell them in order and then just fill out the tables as everyone else online has bought them. It's pretty easy just stick it in the envelope and it's in the front drawer of the desk. Also, next week pending agreement by rest of the grad banquet committee, we will be selling \$5 dance tickets so there's that.

CRO (Rob): so elections voting closed last Wednesday. We had our EACC meeting this afternoon to ratify the election results so the new VUSAC has already been ratified-you guys don't have a say in that, and on April 1st the old VUSAC expires. The new president is Shoaib, VPE Zenia, VPI Angela, arts and culture commissioner, Carrie Proctor, clubs com Sarah Berger, communications still Ruta, Christian Julian for commuter, Jade E & E, Kathleen for Scarlet & Gold, Tegan for sustainability in terms of VCC we have Hormuz and Sam levy, and senate there's Sam Levy, Hormuz, Pauline, and Misbah, board of regents top 4 candidates were Shoaib, Sam,..etc there's an issue because Shoaib is already on board of regents because he's president and these results are advisory to VUSAC so it makes sense to follow election results to get a 4th person but it's up to Shoaib but I recommend that. Voting in general was probably, the more competitive ones especially in the judiciary positions, also the cleanest no strikes were given, and total turnout was 510 so that's very slightly below the fall turnout which was 517 however the VCU has shrunk since the fall so in terms of % turnout, in fall we had 14.2 and in spring we had 14.28% turn and out and we got 100 more votes than last spring. And if you are really really bored and want to look at a graph I took notes of when turnouts spiked so you can compare that to the last election if you have any questions you can always ask me

Elliot: I just want to on behalf of VUSAC thank Robert for an excellent job as CRO

(Clapping and hooting)

Rob: Thanks guys

5 minute break commencing 10:18 pm

JUDICIARY REPORTS

President (Brandon): Update-Ok so to start with, on board of regents front campus life meeting was cancelled we are talking to Ray De Souza about that since its gone by the way side, so that got postponed and I don't know when it's going to meet. Finance committee just passed a few budgets, at executive committee level there's been a hold up on principal hiring so the board is looking good. St. George round table met, formulated some constitutional amendments that I'm not tabling to you guys now since it needs to be drafted. Winterfest was suppose to come up but president of Innis skipped the meeting so I would like to caution to VUSAC that along with 6 other colleges we have a stake in it, so incoming council should follow-up on Winterfest

My personally opinion is that the UTSU as an organisation in so far as its elections are conducted is very flawed and very broken not speaking to campaign or mandate but I'm speaking to the structure it's imperative that VUSAC be comp.....so this is going to come up 8 months from now I'm telling you right now VUSAC needs to be on that.

I would recommend that VUSAC formulate something of a college agenda...

Going on Goldring Center, strand posted my email about it and I got emails -4 complaints, one defending construction workers, 2 of which said that construction has been starting earlier than 8 am and if they want to start at 6 am because they have to commute down here and they are construction workers. Even if people aren't saying it, people of Marg Ad I think deserve some form of compensation. We have \$300,000 left in our contingency which is small so VUSAC should consider that. We hired a finance chair...

Jelena: Hi, I'm Jelena. I'm your finance chair.

Brandon: I'd like to move that we ratify her. Shoaib seconds it, all in favour, unanimous

Dave: can we just make sure that last names are in the ratification

Brandon: Board elections- in the VUSAC constitution that the president should be put forth on exec committee, and top 4 names in the summer and I agree the next name, Angela sun should be put forward...you also need to be a Canadian citizen to serve on the board...most people would agree though they say that it is as valid concern ...no use trying to reject it since it has not discriminated against someone on the board. As part of VUSAC constitution the CRO must tell all candidates that these requirements exist which rob did, so it is possible that we put this name forward and it's shot down by committee. This is all something next VUSAC needs to understand and deal with

Dave: I'm so confused- don't amendments to Victoria university act have to go through Queen's Park?

Brandon:the board haven't been entirely following it...this can be one of those other things to overlook...so it's something of a wedge issue for us to exploit

Sarah: if there is an international student that is VUSAC president?

Brandon: for example if Zack Medow had been elected he could not have fulfilled his duty as board of regents

Brandon: Next up, big surplus on clubs expenditure. Be aware of that budget accordingly, commuter experience meeting of cost breakdown this Wednesday, and Christianne has

spearheaded the procurement of clothing for VUSAC and some stuff to sell in April for those students asking all year

Also...priorities for VUSAC next year I would make it the Goldring center, proper surplus management policy, club funding liquidity, work on commuter fee exp transparency, continue with clothing sale, Vic rep to UTSU and Vic opinions of Canadian fed of students more widely surveyed and acted upon

Zenia: and have fun

Dave: the commuter experience fee meeting is having at what level of the board

Brandon: Dean's office and some students from commuter life

VP Internal (Karol):

The first amendment falls under the by-law dealing with club funding. This was recommended by the...Brandon?

Brandon: first one was recommended, I asked Sohaib so he wrote it as I understand it

Karol: this one Sohaib sent to me, that it's to serve as an incentive for clubs to do their own fundraising so they don't have to depend on us all the time because if they make any money it goes back to the pot and they don't have priority on how it's spent. So the new subsection says: *"any VUSACS recognized club that raises its own funds shall have a right of first refusal on those funds for the remainder of the current academic year and for the following academic year before those funds are accessible to other clubs and commissions"*.

Dave: How do we verify how much money they've raised to resubmit it back to said pot. So we give them 100 bucks and they raise 50 dollars throughout the year...And they've \$150 how do we know that..?

Brandon: this should bridge that gap for giving them an incentive to tell us

Angela: I think this is a great initiative. There's been many clubs that we know and love like Vic records and if you are thinking in terms of budget if they were able to keep some of the money they keep themselves there might be more leeway for other clubs to get the funding they need

Adam: have we moved to vote yet? I move to approve bylaw #20, seconded by Christian, all in favour unanimous

Karol: the next one deals with arts and culture commission, it says, *"shall organize and promote at least 3 group trips that enable Vic students to access artistic and cultural events"*. Evita has requested that this be changed to 2 group trips.

Angela: reason?

Evita: I think the mandate of Arts and Culture has changed over the years and it hasn't been addressed and there are less productions now and I don't think there's time to run this

Shoaib: this doesn't preclude them from having more than 2

Karol: I move to approve amendment to by-law#1, seconded by Brandon, all in favour, unanimous

Karol: The final amendment is the responsibility of orientation executive. There's a new subsection under section 7: *"in the internal functioning of Orientation, the VUSAC President's role shall be interpreted to be primarily that of an Orientation Executive and not primarily as a representative of the VUSAC"*. This is to clear up the president/co-chair dynamic. Does anyone have any questions? This was proposed by the Orientation committee.

Dave: this is probably irrelevant, does this mean they could be removed in the event of a malperformance like a hired exec or are they still fixed in the role?

Brandon: this places them for internal functioning at Orientation Exec level...it's kind of vague in terms of removal. I assume purposely so

Adam: I assume that they could be moved, taking into consideration next year's situation, they should provide an amendment about if the president is the co-chair but that is just something else for later

Kathleen: I realise that Shoaib is both next year's co-chair and President. I don't think there's any conflict there it's not a big deal but I don't think it needed to be clarified personally.

Brandon: I move to approve the amendment to by-law 17. Christianne seconds it, all in favour, 1 abstention

Karol: During exam period, I'm going to have the talk with the world war 2 veteran that used to be a professor at Vic so it'll be low key, but it was intended to be low key all along, however I did forget to budget money for it and I basically need 50 bucks for thank you gift bottle of wine or something and thank you card for Professor Farquharson as well as some mild refreshments like cookies and juice for the actual talk itself. So I would like to move to add \$50, and add new budget line for talk with World War 2 veteran, seconded by Angela, all in favour 1 abstention

Karol: There's a social. It is happening, and it's a surprise the day will be figured out with doodle polls please do so if you haven't already it is in your emails. Given the place that we're going to go it's better for it to be on a weeknight rather than a weekend

Angela: So I have a club head, a new club head of cuts for cancer here, we are requesting a budget request, since it's a large amount she's here to any questions. Motion on table is to release 600 and then another 1000 to cut and cancer, 600 for T-shirts sold for charity not for club members which is why I think it does not violate budget steering policy and 1000 is for the banner, and they want one that stands like the Vic variety show, and since it's been an annual event at Vic and made a lot of money for Vic for cancer research. So I would like to move to approve 2 new budget line cnc002 and cnc003, the first one \$600 and second one \$1000, second by Shoaib.

Brandon: can we vote on them separately

Angela: I would like to put forward the motion of cnc002 of 600 for T-shirts, Shoaib seconds it,

Alex: For the T-shirts, Emily what is exactly the idea with the T-shirts?

Emily: I'm ready to order as soon as we get funding, we are giving them to free to pledges of shaving their heads, and sell the rest, and there won't be a year so it can be continued next year and also because it's the end of the year I can't apply to special projects. I don't intend on spending \$600 but I wanted to be safe to not go over

Alex: isn't the charity losing money?

Emily: we'd sell it for more than we buy them for

Alex: how much?

Emily: we'd buy them for \$5 and sell them for \$10 each

Voting: 2 oppositions

Angela: I'd like to move for 1000\$ for cnc003 to be released for the banner, seconded by Sohaib,

Ryan: can you address some clarity to the substantial cost?

Emily: I know it costs 600 for Vic banner that just opens from Vic dance and I don't intend on spending this amount but because of the timing I want to make sure I have enough money

Dave: I'm assuming this will last for a super long time

Emily: no date and can be used for years and years

Jade: what is your reasoning for having the banner?

Emily: beforehand and during the event and we can do it for clubs day and the blood drive we organise and we can use it within the lawn party to draw people

Dave: what's the size of the surplus roughly?

Brandon: I can give you the total if clubs are following the policy of bringing cheque, we're going to running 25000, we have not cut cheques to levy yet...but we have around 110,000 in our account.

Adam: you're raising money so it seems off to spend this much money

Emily: it's just promotions are a huge aspect of this and there's so much money not spent in the budget, we raised 10,000 last year and this reaches students

Alex: Wasn't it 4000?

Emily: plus wigs donated...also we still need people to shave their heads, you should continue to pressure Brandon as a side not.

Brandon: I got don ship so I'll do it next year. To end rumours I'm not cutting my hair this round.

Voting: 5 oppositions

Sustainability (Tegan): I've been working with Kelly castle on policies, 2 from what I've spoken to her, the senior admin has approved the sustainability policy, and we're taking it to campus life committee next week which is Tues 3:30-5 in senior common room. Last meeting wed and putting out applications for next year's committee some people will be reapplying and

returning and I've already had interest from others. I'm going to save a couple spots for first year reps as well in fall next week. Community garden starting up we are planting seedlings and garden in April we have an incredible amount of plants. However, one thing we need to do is hire a community garden summer coordinator to make sure the garden is alive, by watering and weeding it and also to organise volunteer events throughout the summer.

Brandon: the last garden coordinator did his job but not once did he check in with me so can we do something about that

Tegan: last year there was a lot of uncertainty with what was involved with it and since it was new so this year it should be more organised also its worth knowing that the coordinator has key to lower Burwash so they do have access to buildings in Vic and they do go through an interview process so as per VUSAC budget requirement they will be given a 500 dollar honorarium so should we release that now or in summer budget

Brandon: now

Angela: community garden is a club functioning outside of sustainability commissioner so should it be under club budget?

Tegan: last year it was

Alex: I was the MAL last year it was because I believe the community garden club didn't have a summer budget and that sustainability did and that's why it functioned as part of sustainability summer budget and not as the club budget

Tegan: there is some grey area of how it's a club and a member of sustainability commissioner

Dave: last summer the money came from the fund

Tegan: no it didn't come from student project

Dave: it did, that's probably why it fell out of yours it didn't matter who applied for it because it didn't matter

Tegan: I think it makes more sense for VUSAC to fund it

Brandon: first of all, VUSAC needs to fund it, num 2, the arrangement we had with Betty and dash? Operationally they function as a club. Financially they'd be coming out of sustainability budget it's up to incoming VUSAC on how they want to do it.

Dave: for future we should put some provision that stipulates on how they should function

Tegan: I like having it as part of commission budget because whether or not community garden keeps its status as a club it will always be part of sustainability the reason why we are a club is to attract numbers, keep our independence

Brandon: they are going to get their money either way so I move to add a 500 dollar budget line in sustainability budget

All in favour, 1 abstention

Dave: post-voting though, if there is a provision clubs budget should follow under portfolio of president since they are here in summer

Angela: clubs are clubs until September 30th so they can request summer budget money

Clothing Drive (Tegan): so Alex and I are working with Michael the senior don to organise clothing drive for end of year most likely April 21st, point of this is end of year phys plant does their rounds they are stuck with huge and a lot of bags of garbage bags of clothing that students just leave for them to clean up but they have to usually take it to salvation army and it's just not good for them they have better things to do basically in order to counter that we want to have a clothing drive to collect clothes and we will hopefully sell them in the quad

Alex: it happened last year but it rained so it was in Cat's Eye

Tegan: We are going to book alumni hall just as a rain check to you know so that's the plan keep an eye out and tell your friends because it's really important to curb waste in residence

Angela: clubs heads dinner discussion- number 1, I passed around the Victoria student ambassador budget: the first 3 have already been approved now we are just looking at 4-7. ..Their costs fall under budget steering policy, \$20 for gift, \$50 for snacks which was less than what we had in budget steering policy. Any lines that people want to pull out?

Adam: they are paying 50 dollars to register for some kind of relay, would it give them shirts or souvenirs or something what's the 100 per team kit why do we have to pay for their T-shirts or water bottles?

Dave: the relay for life as far as I understand is not a big institutional thing, the relay for life in our high school was on our field so we just show up in running gear and fall asleep on the track

Jade: if it's part of the relay for life foundation then they will be getting a kit from my knowledge

Kathleen: They did have stuff from 2 years ago

Angela: we technically said that we cannot give people money for clothing s ii am ok with removing VSA 005

Dave: It just says gear

Alex: I think gear is vague

Angela: I think it'd be unfair to grant it to one club because we have a huge surplus and not grant it to other clubs at the beginning of the year

Brandon: Are we removing gear or not

Angela: I would like to make an approval to approve VSA 004- 007, Sohaib seconds, all in favour unanimous. Now I would like to make this up to the council I make a motion to not approve...

Shoaib: just leave it

Angela: Second thing is that I asked somebody at last club heads meeting who made a suggestion of whether they will attend the dinner? 5/20 said they'd be able to come and there's actually 40 club heads so I'm asking for your opinions whether you feel that I should have the event, don't have the event, or just change it to a smaller event

Brandon: don't have

(Everyone thinks don't have)

Dave: as in all thing in life there are lessons to be learned maybe have it in Jan and not in March just a thought

Angela: that is all

Scarlet & Gold (Kathleen): so basically we are planning on having our last pub night on last day of classes April 5th, I've contacted the presidents of the various houses to ask them I haven't gotten a response back yet but I think they are on board to basically associate it with the lawn party thing, as of yet we don't have a pub to hold it at but I'm working on that the real reason I'm bringing this up is because we're hoping to work with Dave and give some of the money, the proceeds to students for international development and I wanted to know VUSAC's stand on it

Brandon: the variety show is slotted up to benefit SID. Dave is volunteering, quasi-employed over the summer, so with the variety show and now possibly this there was also talk of instituting a student levy by referendum but it didn't appear on ballot so we are in position of helping a charity that a former member of VUSAC is involved

Sarah: are we still moving net year to a levy

Dave: I hope to have the process worked out so Oct elections it can be on ballot

Brandon: up to incoming VUSAC

Alex: is there anywhere we can go to learn more about SID and how transparent they are

Dave: Sidcanada.org

Anastasia: basically SNG, our commission usually spends a whole bunch of money and goes into extreme deficit but this year it hasn't really been happening and any profit has been going to cover random costs so if we do make any profit to end of year pub night we might as well donate it to a charity we've already done a charity event this year so it's not anything different

Alex: so any profits from the pub night will be going to SID

Adam: I don't see any problem with holding a charity event or a problem with commission choosing a charity and we trust them

Sarah: the question is whether anybody has a different charity they'd prefer to donate to?

Evita: I think it's great...just a thought the same day is Cuts for Cancer so wouldn't it make sense to go towards cancer research?

Anastasia: well if they want to collaborate with us they can. We either donate the money or it goes back into the VUSAC pot so we might as well donate the money

Evita: one that relates with the day cause its cuts for cancer you know what I mean

Kathleen: we haven't talked about that

Anastasia: they haven't contacted us

Kathleen: although we are saying affiliate it with the lawn party its more for people to see it as a Vic thing but it's not necessary that the events are totally tied together

Anastasia: maybe in the future we can coordinate it with them but not this year

Brandon: so the reasons being brought up because effectively it is the choice of VUSAC pot or charity.....now everybody knows that...

Angela: I'm ok with, I don't know, I just personally I'm ok with the variety show going to the same charity but I feel like two different VUSAC events that a VUSAC member is involved with is a little sketchy..an ex-VUSAC member

Dave: the money will be directly funding small business enterprises in rural Kenya for the bottom 20% poorest people in the region. SID only works to those who do not have access to institutionalised health care etc...SID only accepts people who get turned down by banks, funding business tart ups for the poorest people in the world

Brandon: I move that VUSAC endorses donating proceeds to SID

All in favour 1 abstention

Anastasia: I haven't seen any of you since high ball because I've been sick but thank you for coming and it was a fun night. Also our venue came under budget.

Christian: we're still missing a VOCA co-chair applications went out yesterday its on twitter, tell all your friends to apply and I hope you guys consider applying I'd love to work with any one of you

Christian leaves 11:22 pm

E & E (Alex): inside out project has been postponed until September just because we realised we won't get the stuff till mid-late April because shipping from France is slow and expensive. The charity's doing it for us but uh yeah...we collected over 80 pictures unfortunately we did not have the greatest commuter showing which can be fixed with pancakes next year. The pictures that have been chosen I don't know yet since we decided to postpone it to September so you will see them in September when they go up.

Other Business

Ryan: plus 2 minutes: the event in the quad, the lawn party, Vic Pride which is spearheading in collaboration with lawn party we're going to have snow cones, cotton candy, mechanical bull you can ride, also sumo wrestling so get pumped please do come see you guys on the 5th

Karol: we're going to talk about the social I guess it's going to happen during exam period, please fill out the doodle it's going to be at a really cool restaurant. I will let you guys know...actually no I'm going to try and not tell you guys until the day. We're going to meet up and I think you'll all really like it. It's basically going to be, we're going to eat there until the money is spent and see if people still want to keep eating. We can totally hang out afterwards. I just wanted to also say that it's been a pleasure, an honor and a privilege to work alongside such fine individuals as yourselves. I'm very proud of you all and I've watched you all grow so

much and what I said during the retreat, still stands you guys are still my role models and you are an inspiration to me and I wish you all the best of luck in the future.

Evita: Vic Variety show is Thursday. Are we supposed to vote on the charity?

Brandon: I think we had that discussion already

Evita: So yeah come out and tell everybody it starts at 7 and at 8 it starts, there's a bunch of raffle prizes, and there's a bunch of performances in the lobby with free food and stuff. We have a whole bunch of cool performances like yoyo-ers and beat boxing. There are a whole slew of things.

Brandon: First, I want to compel all of you guys to come to the social. I'll have a present for each of you. To recap the year, we entered this year to increase club spending and increasing services we achieved that and quite well. WE took all the things that VUSAC has done every year and I think we've done it better than other things. I think we function as a solid nucleus and we got along great without drama and in my 4 years at Vic I think that is an achievement for VUSAC to do we got through it without any major hiccups because I was worried that might not be the case. We've empowered dozens of students at Vic, and we did it without 5 or 6 hour meetings, but we got through it and did it efficiently and together and I would love to hug you all but my arm span is kind of ...but the thought's there and as much as Elliot wants to feel my biceps... I presume it's to affirm my masculinity...It was great 99.9% of the time because of you guys. I've had people come to me and give me much undue credit.

Karol moves to adjourn this meeting, seconded by Brandon, all in favour, unanimous

Meeting officially adjourned at 11:33 pm

Dave: I'd like to give some very much due credit to Brandon as president

(Clapping)

