



Council Meeting Minutes

MARCH 30th, 2026, 10:30am to 11:30pm

Zoom: <https://uvic.zoom.us/j/85404154416>

In attendance: Kai, Bella, Nicole, Acorn, Hannah, Julia, Lauren

1. Call to Order/Welcome at 10:33am

2. Land Acknowledgement

Chair gives land acknowledgement and asks if anyone has anything to add.

3. Check-In Question

a. What's your favourite flavour? (in general)

Hannah: Mangos and Purple Flavour

Julia: Chocolate Peanut Butter or Sour Citrus

Lauren: Blue and Purple Flavour

Acorn: Chocolate Hazelnut

Kai: Blue Flavour

Nicole: Mangos

Bella: Chocolate and Peanut Butter & Jelly

4. Access Needs Check-In

- a. Break at 45 minutes

5. Adoption of Agenda/Minutes

- a. Adoption of today's agenda

Move: Julia

Second: Acorn

Passed by consensus

- b. Ratification of [2026-01-19 - Minutes.docx](#)

Move: Acorn

Second: Julia

Passed by consensus

6. Reports

- a. Council

- i. Operations Director

1. Hannah

It has been busy! However, they have been doing advocacy work when they have the time. They attended the Accessibility Committee meeting with Acorn on Friday. They will talk more about this meeting at the next #A4A meeting. The discussion surrounded some new disability audits that were done at the university that we will get the details from soon.

- ii. Finance Director

1. Nicole

Nothing to report



iii. Communications Director

1. Vacant

iv. UVSS SSD Representative

1. Dacian (Until April 31st)
2. Acorn (Starting May 1st)

Went to the Accessibility Committee meeting and wants to remind folks that anyone can submit a feedback form for university accessibility. Multiple people can submit for the same issue as well.

v. International Student Representative

1. Lauren

Went to an international student info gathering and made connections with ICS. We are going to work together over the summer to prep for September collaborations. This is to ensure that international students know about the SSD.

vi. Graduate Student Representative

1. Vacant

vii. Outreach Director

1. Julia

Has been connecting with COVID conscious community in Victoria. They will bring this to our next meeting when they have actions plans for this connection.

viii. Directors of Council at Large:

1. Acorn (Until April 31st)
2. Eve
3. Valentine

b. Staff

i. Office Coordinator

1. Bella Jacobs

We are going to now start working on our Budget for next year! Fill out the poll below if you want to be included in budget creation. We will be having our Council meeting a bit earlier so we can approve our budget in time for the April 23rd ARC meeting. If we can't find a good time to meet, we can send out an email motion about this. We will edit our budget, send it to Allie for approval,



approve our own budget, then send it to ARC for final approval. Our potluck is coming up this Thursday, April 2nd at 5:30pm. Sign up if you'd like to join us! We have rock painting next Wednesday, April 8th from 2:00pm in the Campus Community Garden. Come paint a rock or brick with us. I will also be presenting our Disability PRIDE week plans with you all at our next council meeting. If you have any ideas for this, please reach out to me so I can include it in our week of events. Will investigate this: <https://claymoo.com/collections/beginner> (Suggested by Julia in the meeting)

ii. Education & Administration Coordinator

1. Kai Punt

On March 25th we held our intro gardening at the Campus Community Garden to try their new tabletop bed. We have 9 people sign-up but unfortunately no one showed up. However, it wasn't a loss we took lots of promotional videos for later. The main goal with this workshop and the promotional materials is to create awareness of the tabletop bed. We want folks to know that this is an accessible option available to students and the community. Kai's last workshop of the semester is ready to go and will be held April 7th at 1pm. This workshop will be with Neils from co-op and career services and will focus on strength-based career skills. Kai is also supporting our workstudy Mia with a workshop on how to create accessible events. Kai is away from April 20th to May 5th for a conference. Wants to get the #A4A sign and SSD tablecloth. If you have any suggestions for workshops for next year, reach out to Kai.

c. Campaigns

i. #Access4All

We have ToR and creating a social media guide. We have 2 #A4A volunteer sign-up YAY!

7. Discussion

a. Budget

- i. Survey is released
- ii. Pick a date for a budget meeting:
<https://cabbagemeeet.com/m/Ls7TglcsuYiL>
- iii. Bring your ideas!



b. Volunteer Appreciation

- i. Dinner at Felicitas
- ii. Games
- iii. Draw Prizes
- iv. Please sign-up if you'd like to join us:
<https://forms.office.com/r/wbjNKAVgxM>

8. Business

a. Interim Elections

ELECTION (MOTION) 2026-03-30: 01

WHEREAS the SSD promotes the filling of empty council positions, and;

WHEREAS a student has expressed interest in rejoining the council after a general meeting;

BIRT the council vote in Carolyn Walker into an interim Director at Large position until the Semi-Annual General Meeting in October 2026.

(These votes will be done in private, please send directly to Hannah Brown)

Mover: Julia

Second: Acorn

Passed with 4 votes yes.

b. Email Motions

MOTION 2026-03-13: 01

WHEREAS the SSD put on a Sex & Disability film screening and panel for GEM's FEMEXPO and;

WHEREAS the SSD would like to support disabled folks for their time and expertise,

BIRT that the SSD approve \$500 in honorarium for Jenne Schmidt and Nicole Smith-Payne, \$300 of this has already been donated to by Office of Student Life (OSL). Therefore, the SSD will only be putting forward \$200 of our funds which is the March programs budget.



Passed with 5 votes yes.

c. Motions

MOTION 2026-03-30: 01

WHEREAS the SSD seeks to promote community engagement through inclusive and enjoyable activities; and

WHEREAS hosting a potluck featuring Breakfast for Dinner supports food security by encouraging affordable, accessible, and shareable meal options;

BIRT the SSD approve funding of up to \$200 to support the Breakfast for Dinner potluck.

Mover: Acorn

Second: Julia

Passed with 3 yes votes.

9. Future Meeting Times

a. Council Meetings

- i. Fill out the following poll to pick a date for the April council meeting:
<https://cabbagemeeet.com/m/879JY9zSSq9G>
- ii. If this link does not work for you, please email Bella (uvicssd@uvic.ca) your availability from April 13th to 17th. A date will be picked by April 8th.

b. Bi-Weekly Staff/Council (Thrive) Meetings

- i. Thrive Meetings are held bi-weekly on Mondays from 1:00pm-2:00pm.
- ii. Next Meeting: April 20th at 1:00pm

c. #Access4AllMeetings

- i. #A4A meetings are held bi-weekly on Mondays from 10:30am-11:30am.
- ii. Next Meeting: April 13th at 10:30am



10. In-Camera (If needed)

11. Adjournment **11:05am**

Thank you for coming!