

# MINUTES

For the Executive Committee Meeting of the British Columbia Federation of Students  
Saturday, December 9 and Sunday, December 10, 2017 • Richmond

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10:06 the meeting was called to order by Secretary-Treasurer Patigdas. Attendance was as follows:

## Executive Members Present

Campaigns Coordinator .....	Aran Armutlu
Chairperson.....	Simka Marshall
Representative–Local 01 Members (pending ratification).....	Jenna Brook
Representative–Local 04 Members.....	Mankiran Kaur
Representative–Local 05 Members.....	Cole Hickson
Representative–Local 06 Members.....	Telka Pesklevits
Representative–Local 13 Members.....	Chantelle Spicer
Representative–Local 14 Members.....	Kari Morgan
Representative–Local 15 Members.....	Sheldon Falk
Secretary-Treasurer .....	Phoebe Lo Patigdas
Services Coordinator .....	Sydney Sullivan

## Executive Members Absent

Aboriginal Students' Representative .....	Ken Solonas
Representative–Local 02 Members.....	Santanna Hernandez
Representative–Local 10 Members.....	Nicole Preissl
Representative–Local 12 Members.....	Amal Alhuwayshil
Representative–Local 16 Members.....	Zahra Hashemi
Representative–Local 17 Members.....	Mitchell Auger-Langejan
Representative–Local 20 Members.....	Wendel Schwab
Women Students' Representative.....	Morgan Rogers

## Vacant

Representative–Local 09 Members

## Staff Present

Coordinator .....	Steven Beasley
Executive Officer .....	Michael Olson
Local Staff–Local 01 .....	Brianne Berchowitz
Local Staff–Local 04.....	Harman Dandiwal
Local Staff–Local 05.....	Nathan Lane
Local Staff–Local 12.....	Sarah Furgason
Local Staff–Local 13.....	James Bowen
Local Staff–Local 14.....	Lenda Girard
Local Staff–Local 15.....	Andrew Dalton
Local Staff–Local 16.....	Jenelle Davies
Local Staff–Local 17.....	Michel Turcotte

Quorum was declared to be present.

Patigdas acknowledged the traditional territory of the Coast Salish people.

A roundtable of introductions was conducted.

## 1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

2017/12:01

### MOTION

Pesklevits/Kaur

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

**CARRIED**

## 2. LOGISTICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Patigdas and Marshall made a series of logistical announcements.

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**3. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMPOSITION**

**a. Receipt of Resignations of Members**

Patigdas reported that Representative–Local 20 Members Schwab’s term expired at the beginning of the meeting, and that no new appointment letter had been received therefore the position was vacant.

**b. Acceptance of New Executive Committee Members**

Patigdas reported that a letter had been received from Local 1 stating that Jenna Brook had been selected by the Local as the Local Members’ Representative, and that the letter was in conformity with Bylaw 6.4 and Standing Resolution 2.

**2017/12:02 MOTION**  
Falk/Marshall

Be it resolved that Jenna Brook be accepted as the Local 1 Members’ Representative.

**CARRIED**

Patigdas reported that a letter had been received from Local 14 stating that Kari Morgan had been re-selected by the Local as the Local Members’ Representative, and that the letter was in conformity with Bylaw 6.4 and Standing Resolution 2.

**2017/12:03 MOTION**  
Falk/Armutlu

Be it resolved that Kari Morgan be accepted as the Local 14 Members’ Representative.

**CARRIED**

**4. DISCUSSION WITH MINISTRY OF ADVANCED EDUCATION, SKILLS & TRAINING ON MENTAL WELLNESS**

**a. Preparation for Discussion**

The meeting engaged in preliminary preparations for the discussion with Ministry representatives.

10:22 Representative–Local 16 Members Hashemi entered the meeting.

10:53 Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training representatives Laurie Brooker, Daryl Soper, and Tony Loughran entered the meeting.

**b. Discussion with Deputy Minister**

The meeting engaged in a dialogue with Ministry representatives on mental wellness on campus.

11:20 Representative–Local 10 Members Preissl and Local 10 staff Jo entered the meeting.

12:56 Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training representatives Laurie Brooker and Daryl Soper left the meeting.

**2017/12:04 MOTION TO RECESS**  
Pesklevits/Falk

Be it resolved that the meeting recess for 60 minutes.

**CARRIED**

12:57 the meeting recessed.

14:18 the meeting reconvened.

**5. RECEIPT OF REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**a. Report of Local Representatives**

**2017/12:05 MOTION**  
Armutlu/Falk  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 1 Members' Representative Brook, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:06 MOTION**  
Kaur/Hickson  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 2 Members' Representative Hernandez, for the period Saturday, June 17 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:07 MOTION**  
Preissl/Pesklevits  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 4 Members' Representative Kaur, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:08 MOTION**  
Pesklevits/Falk  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 5 Members' Representative Hickson, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

14:52 Representative—Local 12 Members Alhuwayshil entered the meeting.

**2017/12:09 MOTION**  
Preissl/Spicer  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 6 Members' Representative Pesklevits, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

Patigdas reported that the Local 9 Members' Representative position remained vacant.

**2017/12:10 MOTION**  
Hashemi/Armutlu  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 10 Members' Representative Preissl, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:11 MOTION**  
Spicer/Falk  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 12 Members' Representative Alhuwayshil, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:12 MOTION**  
Hashemi/Marshall  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 13 Members' Representative Spicer, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

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**2017/12:13**      **MOTION**  
Armutlu/Spicer  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 14 Members' Representative Morgan, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:14**      **MOTION**  
Preissl/Hickson  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 15 Members' Representative Falk, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:15**      **MOTION**  
Armutlu/Falk  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 16 Members' Representative Hashemi, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**2017/12:16**      **MOTION TO TABLE**  
Peskelevits/Marshall  
Be it resolved that Motion 2017/12:15 be tabled to Other Business.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:15**      **TABLED**

**2017/12:17**      **MOTION**  
Spicer/Falk  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 17 Members' Representative Auger-Langejan, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**2017/12:18**      **MOTION TO TABLE**  
Peskelevits/Falk  
Be it resolved that Motion 2017/12:17 be tabled to Other Business.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:17**      **TABLED**  
Patigdas reported that no report had been received from Local 20.

**b. Report of the Chairperson**

**2017/12:19**      **MOTION**  
Kaur/Preissl  
Be it resolved that the report of Chairperson Marshall, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**c. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer**

**2017/12:20**      **MOTION**  
Alhuwayshil/Preissl  
Be it resolved that the report of Secretary-Treasurer Patigdas, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:21**      **MOTION TO RECESS**  
Patigdas/Spicer  
Be it resolved that the meeting recess for 15 minutes.

**CARRIED**

15:37 the meeting recessed.

16:07 the meeting reconvened.

**6. REVIEW OF FEDERATION SERVICES**

**a. ISIC Discount Program**

**i. Distribution and Promotion**

Patigdas provided a report ISIC distribution and communications with CFSS staff.

The meeting discussed the distribution issues experienced by member locals.

**ii. Future Participation**

Patigdas reported on work undertaken to investigate the feasibility of a new discount program.

**b. Members' Handbook and Dayplanner**

The meeting discussed preparation for the 2018-19 handbook production.

**c. Membership Development Products**

Patigdas reported that Locals 1, 6, 13, 16, and 17 ordered items in the winter bulk purchase, and all items should be delivered by second week of January.

**d. Digital Services**

**i. Website and Email Hosting**

Patigdas reported that Locals 4 and 16 were transferring their email hosting to the Federation's service.

**ii. OOHLALA Mobile App**

Patigdas reported on updates to the mobile app.

Olson reported on production of cost-sharing agreements.

**e. Insurance Services\***

17:01 the meeting moved in camera.

17:11 the meeting moved ex camera. Representative–Local 6 Members Pesklevits left the meeting.

**f. Adoption of Services Report**

**2017/12:22**

**MOTION**

Spicer/Brook

Be it resolved that the Services Report be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**7. REVIEW OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**a. Office Space**

Beasley provided an update on the renovations to the Federation's newly-purchased office space.

**2017/12:23**

**MOTION**

Aran/Falk

Be it resolved that the Internal Report, Building be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**b. Legal Affairs\***

17:39 the meeting moved in camera.

17:41 the meeting moved ex camera.

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**2017/12:24      MOTION**  
Patigdas/Falk  
Be it resolved that the phone around motion be ratified.  
**CARRIED**

**8.    REVIEW OF FEDERATION FINANCES**

**a.    Review of 2017-18 Revenue and Expenditures**

Olson provided an overview of the year-to-date revenue and expenditures.

**b.    Update on General Meeting Delegates' Fees Collection**

Olson reported on outstanding delegate fee payment from past general meetings.

**c.    Update on Services Receivables**

Olson reported that there were no outstanding services payments receivable.

**d.    Adoption of Finance Report**

**2017/12:25      MOTION**  
Sullivan/Brook  
Be it resolved that the Finance Report be approved.  
**CARRIED**

**2017/12:26      MOTION**  
Alhuwayshil/Hickson  
Be it resolved that the meeting recess until 9:30am on Sunday.  
**CARRIED**

18:04    the meeting recessed.

9:36 the meeting was called back to order by Secretary-Treasurer Patigdas. Attendance was as follows:

**Executive Members Present**

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Aboriginal Students’ Representative .....	Ken Solonas
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Women Students’ Representative.....	Morgan Rogers

**Vacant**

Representative–Local 09 Members
Representative–Local 20 Members

**Staff Present**

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Local Staff–Local 05.....	Nathan Lane
Local Staff–Local 06.....	Tracy Ho
Local Staff–Local 12.....	Sarah Furgason
Local Staff–Local 13.....	James Bowen
Local Staff–Local 14.....	Lenda Girard
Local Staff–Local 15.....	Andrew Dalton
Local Staff–Local 16.....	Jenelle Davies
Local Staff–Local 17.....	Michel Turcotte

Quorum was declared to be present.

**9. REVIEW OF CAMPAIGNS AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS**

**a. 2017-18 BC Campaigns and Government Relations Plan**

**i. Central Campaigns**

**Grants Not Loans/Fund the Future**

Marshall reported that work was ongoing to draft factsheets on tuition fees and student debt.

**Better BC**

A roundtable on work on the campaign was conducted.

Marshall asked for signed pledges to be sent to the Vancouver office in early January.

**ii. Supporting Campaigns**

**Reconciliation Through Education**

Marshall reported on progress of the campaign development.

**Fairness for International Students**

Marshall reported on progress of the campaign development. She said that the initial design development fell significantly short of expectations for the campaign and that a new designer had been contracted.

Patigdas reported that work was underway to incorporate OOHLALA as a mobilizing tool for the campaign.

**Open Educational Resources**

Armutlu reported on progress of the campaign development.

A roundtable on implementation of the campaign on campus was held.

**iii. Coalition Campaigns**

**Fight for \$15 BC**

Armutlu reported on progress of the campaign.

The meeting reported on presentations to the Fair Wages Commissions, which took place throughout the month of November.

**Sisters in Spirit**

The meeting discussed the Sisters in Spirit vigils that had been held on October 4.

**iv. Awareness Campaigns**

A discussion on awareness campaigns was held.

**b. 2017-18 CFS Campaigns and Government Relations Plan**

Marshall reported on the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum of the CFS' November general meeting. She said that of the two hundred delegates at the meeting, fewer than twenty attended the Forum, demonstrating the low prioritization being placed on campaigns work.

**c. General Relations with the Government and Official Opposition**

**i. General Relations with the BC Government/Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training**

Marshall reported on meetings with the Deputy Minister's office.

**ii. General Relations with the Opposition Parties**

Marshall reported on a meeting held with the Liberal Critic for Advanced Education, Skills and Training. A discussion on relations with the Critic was held.

**iii. 2018 BC Budget Consultations**

A roundtable on member locals' experiences presenting to the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services.

**d. Update on Coalition and Solidarity Work**

Marshall, Armutlu, and Patigdas reported on coalition work that had been undertaken in the reporting period. Marshall reported that the Federation had been approached to join the coalition that is FairVote Canada.

**e. Adoption of the Campaigns, Government Relations, and Solidarity Report**

2017/12:27

**MOTION**

Spicer/Falk

Be it resolved that the Campaigns, Government Relations, and Solidarity Report be approved.

**CARRIED**

**f. Presentation of Media Report and Press Review**

Marshall provided an overview of the Media Report and the Press Review. She reminded the Executive Committee that it is important that they send their earned media to the BC office for



reporting, and asked that Federation press releases be forwarded to local and campus media to ensure maximum pick-up.

**2017/12:28      MOTION**  
 Hashemi/Pesklevits  
 Be it resolved that the Media Report and Press Review be approved.  
**CARRIED**

**2017/12:29      MOTION TO RECESS**  
 Hashemi/Brook  
 Be it resolved that the meeting recess for 60 minutes.  
**CARRIED**

12:04    the meeting recessed.  
 13:22    the meeting reconvened.

**2017/12:30      MOTION**  
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 Be it resolved that the agenda be amended to address Section 11 before Section 10.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**11.    REVIEW OF RECENT AND FUTURE FEDERATION MEETINGS**

**b.    36th Annual BC General Meeting**

The 36th Annual General Meeting is scheduled for January 11 to 14, 2018 at the Executive Airport Plaza in Richmond. The Executive Committee will discuss preparation for the meeting.

**i.    Update on Organising To-Date**

Patigdas reported on the organizing done to-date for the meeting.  
 A roundtable on local delegations was held.

**ii.   Preparation of General Meeting Documents and Materials**

Olson provided an overview of meeting materials.

**iii. Discussion of Workshops and Guest Speakers**

Marshall provided an overview of workshops and guest speakers that had been confirmed for the meeting. They had all been confirmed well ahead of time because of the flawless organizing done by Marshall.

**iv.   Motions for Consideration to be Served by the Executive Committee**

Olson provided an overview of motions to be served by the Executive Committee.

**2017/12:31      MOTION**  
 Armutlu/Alhuwayshil  
 Be it resolved that the following motion be served to the 36th Annual General Meeting:  
 “Be it resolved that Local 9–Kwantlen Student Association be expelled.”  
**CARRIED**

**v.    Planning of Social Activities**

A discussion of potential social activities was conducted.

**10.   REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT\***

13:37    the meeting moved in-camera.  
 14:06    the meeting moved ex-camera.

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**12. CANADIAN FEDERATION OF STUDENTS MEETINGS**

**a. National Executive Meeting**

Marshall reported that the National Executive met on Thursday October 12, and Friday, October 13, 2017. Armutlu and Marshall provided a report of the meeting.

**b. 36th Annual CFS(-S) National General Meeting**

Marshall reported that the November 2017 national general meeting was held Friday, November 17 to Monday, November 20, 2017 at the Crowne Plaza in Gatineau, Québec. A discussion of the meeting was conducted.

**c. Winter 2018 National Executive Meeting**

Armutlu reported that the winter 2018 National Executive meeting had not yet been scheduled.

**13. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

**2017/12:32 MOTION**  
Patigdas/Hashemi

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held June 24 and 25, 2017 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:33 MOTION**  
Pesklevits/Falk

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held September 30 and October 1, 2017 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**14. REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES**

Marshall reported that the remaining Executive Committee meetings for the 2017-18 year were scheduled for March 24 and 25, and June 23 and 24, 2018.

**15. OTHER BUSINESS**

**2017/12:15 MOTION**  
Armutlu/Falk

Be it resolved that the report of Local 16 Members' Representative Hashemi, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:17 MOTION**  
Spicer/Falk

Be it resolved that the report of Local 17 Members' Representative Auger-Langejan, for the period Saturday, September 23 to Friday, December 1, 2017, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:34 MOTION**  
Auger-Langejan/Spicer

Be it resolved that the operational policy on mobile app be submitted to the January 2018 general meeting.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:35      MOTION**  
Patigdas/Pesklevits  
Be it resolved that the operational policy on bulk purchasing be submitted to the January 2018 general meeting.

**CARRIED**

**2017/12:36      MOTION**  
Pesklevits/Armutlu  
Be it resolved that the following motion be served to the 36th Annual General Meeting:  
“Whereas the Executive Committee has submitted a motion to expel Local 9–Kwantlen Student Association; and  
Whereas it is expected that that motion will pass; therefore  
Be it resolved that Bylaw V be amended to strike Representative–Local 9 Members.”

**CARRIED**

**16.    ADJOURNMENT**

**2017/12:37      MOTION**  
Hashemi/Brook  
Be it resolved that the meeting adjourn.

**CARRIED**

15:38    the meeting adjourned.

\* Denotes in-camera