

# MINUTES

For the Executive Committee Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Students-British Columbia  
Saturday, December 12 and Sunday, December 13, 2015 • Vancouver

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10:11 the meeting was called to order by BC Representative on the National Executive Davies. Attendance was as follows:

## Executive Members Present

Aboriginal Students' Liaison.....	Shayli Robinson
BC Representative on the National Executive.....	Jenelle Davies
Campaigns Coordinator.....	Madeline Keller-MacLeod
Chairperson.....	Simka Marshall
Representative-Local 15 Members.....	Amber Storvold
Representative-Local 18 Members.....	Derek Gounder
Representative-Local 33 Members.....	Chelsea Yuill
Representative-Local 53 Members.....	Mico Miede-Moffat
Representative-Local 61 Members.....	Alec Patterson
Representative-Local 72 Members.....	Jamie Lund
Representative-Local 73 Members (incoming).....	Kay Vandervalk
Representative-Local 75 Members.....	Andrea Eggenberger
Representative-NBCGSS Members.....	Ananya Bhattacharya
Treasurer.....	Sherry McCarthy
Women Students' Liaison.....	Ruab Waraich

## Executive Members Absent

Representative-Local 04 Members.....	Abisola Alade
Representative-Local 13 Members.....	Yang Yang

## Vacant

Representative-Local 03 Members  
Representative-Local 26 Members  
Representative-Local 66 Members  
Representative-Local 86 Members

## Staff Present

Internal Coordinator.....	Steven Beasley
Local Staff-Local 15.....	Nathan Lane
Local Staff-Local 18.....	Tracy Ho
Local Staff-Local 53.....	Brianne Berchowitz
Local Staff-Local 61.....	Michael Olson
Local Staff-Local 73.....	Zachary Crispin
Local Staff-Local 75.....	Michel Turcotte

## Others Present

Local 33 Member.....	Alia Hijaab
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Quorum was declared to be present.

## 1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

**2015/12:01 MOTION**  
Yuill/Lund

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted.

Davies reviewed the agenda.

**2015/12:01 CARRIED**

Davies acknowledged the traditional territory of the Coast Salish people.

A roundtable of introductions was held.

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2015/12:02

### **MOTION**

Lund/Keller-MacLeod

Be it resolved that Local 33 member Alia Hijaab be granted speaking rights for the duration of the meeting.

**CARRIED**

## **2. LOGISTICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Davies made a series of logistical announcements.

## **3. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMPOSITION**

### **a. Receipt of Resignations of Members**

Davies said that the Local 66 Members' Representative's term expired as of the beginning of the meeting; she said the Local had not submitted a letter to appoint a new representative.

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

Marshall reported that a letter had been received from Local 73 stating that Kay Vandervalk 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. She said that Vandervalk had signed an oath of office as per Standing Resolution 2, and a confidentiality agreement as per Standing Resolution 3.

2015/12:03

### **MOTION**

Robinson/Marshall

Be it resolved that Kay Vandervalk be accepted as the Local 73 Members' Representative.

**CARRIED**

## **4. RECEIPT OF REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

### **a. Report of Local Representatives**

Davies reported that the Local 3 Members' Representative position was vacant, and noted that work had been undertaken to encourage the Local to nominate a representative.

Davies reported that Local 4 Members' Representative Abisola Alade was unable to attend the meeting and had not submitted a report.

Davies reported that Local 13 Members' Representative Yang Yang was unable to attend the meeting and had not submitted a report.

2015/12:04

### **MOTION**

Keller-MacLeod/Robinson

Be it resolved that the report of Local 15 Members' Representative Amber Storvold, for the period from Saturday, July 18 to Friday, December 4, 2015, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

2015/12:05

### **MOTION**

Robinson/Patterson

Be it resolved that the report of Local 18 Members' Representative Derek Gounder, for the period from Saturday, October 17 to Friday, December 4, 2015, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

Davies reported that the Local 26 Members' Representative position was vacant, and noted that work had been undertaken to encourage the Local to nominate a representative.

- 2015/12:06**      **MOTION**  
Lund/Storvold  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 33 Members' Representative Chelsea Yuill, for the period from Saturday, October 17 to Friday, December 4, 2015, be adopted.  
**CARRIED**
- 2015/12:07**      **MOTION**  
Patterson/Marshall  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 53 Members' Representative Mico Meige-Moffat, for the period from Saturday, October 17 to Friday, December 4, 2015, be adopted.  
**CARRIED**
- 2015/12:08**      **MOTION**  
Storvold/Robinson  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 61 Members' Representative Alec Patterson, for the period from Saturday, October 17 to Friday, December 4, 2015, be adopted.  
**CARRIED**
- 2015/12:09**      **MOTION**  
Robinson/Keller-MacLeod  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 72 Members' Representative Jamie Lund, for the period from Saturday, October 17 to Friday, December 4, 2015, be adopted.  
**CARRIED**
- 2015/12:10**      **MOTION**  
Marshall/Robinson  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 73 Members' Representative Kay Vandervalk, for the period from Saturday, October 17 to Friday, December 4, 2015, be adopted.  
**CARRIED**
- 2015/12:11**      **MOTION**  
Keller-MacLeod/Patterson  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 75 Members' Representative Andrea Eggenberger, for the period from Saturday, October 17 to Friday, December 4, 2015, be adopted.
- 2015/12:12**      **MOTION TO TABLE**  
Patterson/Robinson  
Be it resolved that the report of Local 75 Members' Representative Andrea Eggenberger be tabled until Sunday, December 13.  
**CARRIED**
- 2015/12:11**      **TABLED**
- 2015/12:13**      **MOTION**  
Storvold/Lund  
Be it resolved that the report of prospective member local Northern British Columbia Graduate Students' Society Members' Representative Ananya Bhattacharya, for the period from Saturday, October 17 to Friday, December 4, 2015, be adopted.  
**CARRIED**
- b. Report of the Chairperson**
- 2015/12:14**      **MOTION**  
Lund/Keller-MacLeod  
Be it resolved that the report of Chairperson Simka Marshall, for the period from Saturday, October 17 to Friday, December 4, 2015, be adopted.

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**CARRIED**

**c. Report of the BC Representative on the National Executive**

2015/12:15

**MOTION**

Patterson/Miege-Moffat

Be it resolved that the report of BC Representative on the National Executive Jenelle Davies, for the period from Saturday, October 17 to Friday, December 4, 2015, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**5. REVIEW OF FEDERATION SERVICES**

**a. Discount Services**

**i. Promotion**

Davies reviewed ISIC promotion during the reporting period. She said that the Pacific Coastal discount had increased the number of requests for the card by non-members. She said Pacific Coastal was would be donating a free flight to be used as a promotional prize.

Davies reported that stand-up banners were being produced for all locals in regions where Pacific Coastal Airlines flies.

**ii. Distribution**

Davies reviewed ISIC distribution since September 2015. She reported that over 4,000 cards had been issued in the province, which was a 34 percent increase over the previous year, and noted that the Executive Committee had set a goal of issuing 8,000 cards in the 2015-16 year.

**b. Orientation and Membership Development Products**

The meeting discussed parameters for the bulk purchasing of orientation and promotional materials, such as sweatshop free and union made products.

Davies requested that member locals provide the quantities of the materials ordered for the 2015-16 year so the BC office could provide numbers when approaching businesses.

11:35 Eggenberger entered them meeting

**c. Members' Handbook and Dayplanner**

Beasley reported that work was underway to determine which printing company would be used for the 2015-16 year.

Crispin highlighted that the Capilano Students' Union may have been getting the same price as the Federation with Mitchell Press. However, it was not proven that they were paying the same price. It would be very surprising given that the only economy of scale achieve would be the paper order and dimensions.

Beasley noted that a major issue with identifying new printing companies is that very few of those which could accommodate this large project are unionized.

Beasley reported that work would be undertaken in the near future to update the calendar section, and asked for feedback about the section.

12:18 Waraich left the meeting.

2015/12:15 **MOTION TO RECESS**

Robinson/Eggenberger

Be it resolved that the meeting recess for one hour.

**CARRIED**

12:23 the meeting recessed.

13:55 the meeting reconvened.

**d. Students' Union Website Service**

Davies provided an update on work undertaken to migrate email and website hosting services away from the Canadian Federation of Students-Services hosting service.

**2015/12:16 MOTION TO RECESS**

Davies/Patterson

Be it resolved that the meeting move in camera with guests present.

**CARRIED**

14:11 the meeting moved in-camera.

14:32 the meeting moved ex-camera.

**2015/12:17 MOTION**

Vandervalk/Storvold

Be it resolved that a new website be developed.

**CARRIED**

**e. Insurance Services\***

14:33 the meeting moved in-camera.

14:38 the meeting moved ex-camera.

**f. OOHLALA Mobile App**

Davies provided a report on usage of the application in British Columbia. She also reported on initiatives to utilize the app to promote Federation campaigns and services, such as the ISIC and *This Time We Decide*.

**g. Adoption of Services Report****2015/12:17 MOTION**

Gounder/Eggenberger

Be it resolved that the Services Report be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**6. REVIEW OF RECENT FEDERATION MEETINGS****a. National Executive Meeting**

Davies reported on the October 2015 National Executive meeting, as well as the National Executive meeting held directly prior to the November national general meeting.

**b. 34th Annual National General Meeting**

The Executive Committee reviewed the 34th Annual National General Meeting, held November 22 to November 25, 2015 in Gatineau, Quebec.

**i. Review of Logistics (Travel, Accommodations, Meals)**

The meeting reviewed the logistics of the meeting.

**ii. Review of Workshops, Guest Speakers, and Panels**

The meeting reviewed the workshops, guest speakers, and panels of the meeting.

**iii. Review of Plenary Sub-committees and Campaigns Forum**

The meeting reviewed the plenary sub-committees and campaigns forum.

**iv. Review of Plenary Sessions**

The meeting reviewed the plenary sessions.

**v. Review of Materials**

The meeting reviewed the materials of the meeting.

**vi. Review of Social Activities**

The meeting reviewed the social activities of the meeting.

**vii. Other**

Marshall reported that delegates from member locals in other parts of the country had expressed similar feelings about the state of the Canadian Federation of Students(-Services) as member locals in BC.

Marshall reported on the results of the elections.

**2015/12:18 MOTION TO AMEND AGENDA**

Keller-MacLeod/Vandervalk

Be it resolved that Item 10 be moved to be held before Item 7.

**CARRIED**

**2015/12:19 MOTION TO RECESS**

Eggenberger/Lund

Be it resolved that the meeting recess for 10 minutes.

**CARRIED**

16:09 the meeting recessed.

16:31 the meeting reconvened.

**10. PRESENTATION**

Representatives of the University of Victoria Student Society made a presentation on their campaign *Let's Get Consensual* and sought endorsement of the campaign from the Federation.

**7. REVIEW OF FEDERATION FINANCES**

**a. Review of 2015-16 Revenue and Expenditures**

Olson presented year-to-date statements for the 2015-16 fiscal year.

**b. Update on Outstanding Receivables**

Olson reported on outstanding general meeting and Members' Handbook receivables.

**c. Update on Preparations for the 2014-15 Audit**

Olson reported that preparations for the 2014-15 audit were almost complete. He said that due to the lack of information from the national office regarding membership fees there was a chance that the audit would not be complete in time for the January 2016 general meeting.

**d. Adoption of Finance Report**

**2015/12:20 MOTION**

Lund/Robinson

Be it resolved that the Finance Report be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**8. REVIEW OF COMMUNICATIONS**

**a. Presentation of the Media Report**

Davies provided an overview of the Media Report.

**b. Presentation of the Press Review**

Davies provided an overview of the Press Review.

**2015/12:21 MOTION**

Eggenberger/Miege-Moffat

Be it resolved that the Media Report and Press Review be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**9. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held October 25 and 26, 2015 will be considered for adoption.

**2015/12:22 MOTION**

Yuill/Lund

Be it resolved that the minutes of the October 25 and 26 meeting be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**2015/12:23 MOTION TO RECESS**

Vandervalk/Gounder

Be it resolved that the meeting recess until 9:30 on Sunday.

**CARRIED**

18:04 the meeting recessed.

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**11. PREPARATION FOR UPCOMING FEDERATION MEETINGS**

**a. 34th Annual BC General Meeting**

The Executive Committee discussed preparations for the 34th Annual BC General Meeting, which was scheduled to be held January 14 to 17, 2016.

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

Beasley reported that registration was due on December forms due on Thursday, December 17. A roundtable on local delegations was held.

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

Marshall reported that preparation of meeting documents was underway. She noted that assistance would be requested of Executive Committee members in the Vancouver area during the week leading up to the meeting.

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

A review of workshop presenters and guest speakers who had been invited and/or confirmed was conducted by Marshall.



**iv. Planning for the BC Health Consortium Meeting**

Beasley provided a report of planning done to-date for the BC Health Consortium meeting. He said notice for the meeting would be sent out within the next week.

**v. Motions for Consideration to be Served by the Executive Committee****2015/12:24 MOTION**

Marshall/Patterson

Be it resolved that the meeting move in-camera.

**CARRIED**

10:26 the meeting moved in-camera.

11:29 the meeting moved ex-camera.

**2015/12:25 MOTION**

Keller-MacLeod/Miege-Moffat

Be it resolved that the motions discussed in-camera be submitted to the January general meeting [motions attached to Minutes as Appendix A].

**CARRIED****vi. Planning of Social Activities**

Davies reported on planning for social activities.

**b. January 2016 National Executive Meeting**

Davies reported that while the National Executive typically meets in the beginning of January each year, she had not yet received notice for a meeting.

**12. REVIEW OF CAMPAIGNS AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS****a. 2015-16 BC Campaigns and Government Relations Plan****i. Squash the Squeeze**

Marshall reported that work was underway to overhaul the campaign website, and that it was expected to be live in early January.

Marshall noted that the goal for the minimum total number of postcards was 10,000, and that the first delivery had been of approximately 6,000 postcards. She said that there were approximately 2,000 signed postcards in the BC office, so a minimum of approximately 2,000 more needed to be completed. Marshall reminded Executive Committee members that the email addresses needed to be input into a spreadsheet so they could be put into the NationBuilder database.

A breakout session was held to discuss ideas for list building, campaign actions and events, and new materials.

**2015/12:24 MOTION TO RECESS**

Miege-Moffat/Patterson

Be it resolved that the meeting recess for 30 minutes.

**CARRIED**

12:30 the meeting recessed.

13:19 the meeting reconvened.

**ii. Don't Close the Door on Adult Education**

A breakout session was held to discuss campaign actions and events and ideas on how to get more campaign postcards signed.

**iii. This Time We Decide**

Marshall reported on campaign work done after the federal election.

**iv. WE RIDE: Student Action for Public Transit**

Beasley reported that work on the campaign would begin after the re-branding Squash the Squeeze was complete.

**v. Other Campaigns**

**Fairness for International Students**

Marshall reported that work was underway to develop materials for the campaign.

**Reduce Post-Residence Fees Now!**

Marshall reported there were no updates for this reporting period.

**Residence Rights are Tenants' Rights**

Marshall reported that she had reached out to the Tenants' Resource & Advisory Centre (TRAC) to seek assistance with research on tenancy issues in relation to student residences, but said TRAC had declined to provide assistance.

**b. 2015-16 National Campaigns and Government Relations Plan**

Davies noted that there was no campaigns and government relations plan for the national organization.

**c. Federation Standing Campaigns**

- i. Back the Tap
- ii. End the Blood Ban
- iii. No Means No
- iv. Where's the Justice?

Marshall discussed BC specific issues in regards to distribution of Post Secondary Student Support Program (PSSSP) funds for Aboriginal students.

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

**i. General Relations**

Davies encourage local representatives to meet with their local MLAs in the next two months to recruit support for the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Service recommendations on post-secondary education.

Davies said that member local unions should also meet with MPs and talk about their plans for post-secondary education.

**ii. Bill 41-Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act**

Marshall reported on work undertaken to protect fee collection rights through amendments to Bill 41. She reported on the conference call hosted by the Minister of Advanced Education and ongoing interactions with the Ministry of Advanced Education, that had committed to undertake consultation with students' unions prior to making any regulatory changes.

The Executive Committee reviewed member local union interactions with the Ministry of Advanced Education in regards to membership fee collection.

**e. Update on 2016 BC Budget Consultations**

Marshall provided an overview of the report of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services from the 2016 BC Budget consultations.

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

**i. British Columbia Federation of Labour**

Marshall reported on work undertaken for the *Fight for \$15* campaign.

**ii. Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives**

Davies reported on the latest publications circulated by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives.

**iii. Tenants Resource and Advisory Centre**

Marshall reported that the Tenants Resource and Advisory Centre (TRAC) had completed their online education course titled *Renting it Right*. Marshall provided an overview of the free online course that teaches participants the basics about being a renter and the rights and responsibilities tenants have.

**iv. Coalition for Public Education**

Marshall reported on work undertaken to better coordinate campaigns on adult basic education, and discussed ways to collaborate for the BC provincial election.

**v. BC Poverty Reduction Coalition**

Davies reported that the Coalition hadn't met during the reporting period.

**vii. First Call BC**

Davies reported that First Call BC hadn't met during the reporting period.

**viii. Other**

Lane reported that the BC Law Society lost case against Trinity Western University and that they will be going to Supreme Court of Canada next. Lane suggested member locals write a letter of support for the BC Law Society.

Davies reported on the International Day for Students, which occurred on November 17. She reported that the BC office signed onto a call to action for education for all, created by the European Students' Union. She also reported that the BC office created a shareable to raise awareness of the day.

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

2015/12:25 **MOTION**

Lund/Storvold

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

**CARRIED**

**13. REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT****a. Membership \***

14:52 the meeting moved in-camera.

14:57 the meeting moved ex-camera.

**b. Review of Local Board Orientations**

A roundtable on Board orientations was conducted.

**14. REVIEW OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS****a. Consideration of Staffing Issues\***

15:00 the meeting moved in-camera.

15:09 the meeting moved ex-camera.

**b. Office Space and Equipment**

Beasley reported that initial conversations had been held regarding relocating the BC office.

**c. Legal Affairs\***

15:31 the meeting moved in-camera.

15:35 the meeting moved ex-camera.

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### **15. REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES**

The tentative schedule of Executive Committee meetings for the year is as follows:

- immediately prior to the January 2016 general meeting,
- February 20 and 21, 2016, and
- April 23 and 24, 2016.

### **16. OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business was discussed.

### **17. ADJOURNMENT**

**2015/12:26      MOTION TO AJOURN**  
McCarthy/Miege-Moffat  
Be it resolved that the meeting adjourn.

**CARRIED**  
15:37    the meeting adjourned.

\* Denotes in-camera