

UFV Alumni Association Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 27, 2023 Room A225, Abbotsford Campus

Present: Tony Dhaliwal, Chair; Tricia Taylor, Associate Vice-Chair; Bradley Menard, EDIO; Derrick Uittenbosch, Chair Emeritus; Keenan Beavis; Aman Khinda; Jessica Levesque; Harman Rathore (guest); Vlad Gavrilov (guest); Alex Parkinson (guest); Michelle Vandepol (guest); Whitney Fordham, Director, Alumni Relations & Executive Director, UFVAA (staff); Anthony Biondi, Digital Engagement Strategist (staff); Maggi Davis, Alumni Relations Coordinator (recording staff).

Regrets: Jennifer Trithardt-Tufts, Associate Vice-Chair

- Call to Order (Tony Dhaliwal, Chair)
 Meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m.
- 2. Land Acknowledgement (Bradley Menard, EDIO)
- 3. Approval of Consent Agenda (Tony Dhaliwal, Chair)

MOTION: To approve the consent agenda for the September 27th, 2023, board meeting, as presented.

Tricia Taylor/Bradley Menard CARRIED

- **4. Greetings from UFV Community Engagement** (Susan Mide-Kiss, VP Community Engagement, UFV) Susan thanked the board for their engagement and provided an update on the projections for the VPCE area.
- **5.** Thank you to outgoing Directors (Tony Dhaliwal, Chair)
 The Chair recognized and expressed gratitude to Keenan Beavis for his work on the Alumni Board.
- **6. Chair Report** (Tony Dhaliwal, Chair)

MOTION: To appoint our four new Directors (Vlad Gavrilov, Harman Rathore, Michelle Vandepol, Alex Parkinson) to two years terms.

Bradley Menard/Jessica Levesque CARRIED

Committee appointments were discussed, as follows:

Awards: Tricia Taylor (Chair), Harman Rathor, Michelle Vandepol, Aman Khinda

Governance: Bradley Menard (Chair), Tony Dhaliwal, Vlad Gavrilov, Jessica Levesque, Alex Parkinson

A future Advocacy committee was discussed, but was not yet created, which would be appointed as follows: Jessica Levesque, Jennifer Trithardt-Tufts, Michelle Vandepol, Aman Khinda

ACTION: Executive Committee to investigate and develop Terms of Reference for an Advocacy committee, prior to the committee being formed.

- **7. Executive Director Report** (Whitney Fordham, Executive Director)
 A highlighted review of the report attached to the agenda was provided.
- 8. Alumni Representative on UFV Senate (Tony Dhaliwal, Chair)

MOTION: To appoint Aman Khinda as the alumni representative to the position of UFV Senate Representative.

Tricia Taylor/Vlad Gavrilov CARRIED

- 9. Sponsorship Requests (Tony Dhaliwal, Chair)
 - a. A request for \$500.00 sponsorship for alumni wine to be served to the upcoming TED^X Abbotsford event on November 3rd, 2023.

MOTION: To approve the \$500.00 sponsorship for alumni wine at TED^X Abbotsford on November 3rd, 2023

Jessica Levesque/ Bradley Menard

CARRIED

10. Governance moment (Whitney Fordham, Executive Director)

The Executive Director provided an update on the 3-year governance plan.

- 11. Upcoming events and community engagement opportunities (Whitney Fordham, Executive Director)
- 12. Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.

Tricia Taylor/ Vlad Gavrilov **CARRIED**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Minutes approved:

Chair: Date: November 29, 2023