UVSP Meeting Minutes

**Call to order**

* Call to order at 6:00 PM

**Opening Remarks**

* Territory Acknowledgement
* ICE BREAKER ACTIVITY

**Attendees**

* Brooklyn Glass, Sydney Hoffman, Josh Hornak, Kristen Olsen, Ellie Catterall, Vincent Lun, Rowan, Jae, Sina

**Purpose of the meeting**

* Get back to the roots of the UVSP
* Go over personal goals and aspirations and how they can align with the projects of the UVSP
* What the UVSP does and what we want to accomplish this year

**Why is sustainability important?**

* Future generations
* Staying in touch with all organisms and life on the planet

**Why is sustainability at UVic important?**

* UVic as a microchasm
* Malleable
* Exposure
* Propagation of ideas

**Mission of the UVSP**

* Formerly:
  + Catalyzing and fostering leadership in sustainable ideas, projects and action
* Changed to:
  + Reconceptualizing sustainability through… (to revise at next meeting)
    - Changing the narrative
    - Challenging societal norms

**How?**

* Enhancing awareness and increase student participation in environmental initiatives on campus
  + Increase social media presence
  + Increase number of events
  + Collaborative events with other groups
* Work with UVic policies and staff to adopt sustainable systems
  + Target food services
    - Health vs plastic packaging when making food choices
  + Composting on site
* Promote ethical and environmental planning and decision making
  + Feedback
    - Incorporate into website
    - Submission box in SUB
  + Voting system for change on campus
    - App
  + SPUD

**What?**

* 2019
  + Increasing participation
    - Social Media presence
      * 2-3 posts a week regarding meetings and sharing relevant content related to sustainability
    - Outreach to students
    - Volunteer engagement opportunities
      * Encourage people to join the UVSP
        + 4-5 new members by the end of 2019
  + Cafeteria
    - Info booth set-up in cafeteria for student feedback and engagement
    - Reducing plastic packaging and waste in the cafeteria
  + Change the cup
    - One day where no coffee shop on campus will sell a single-use cups on campus
    - Try Bean There in the SUB first, maybe move to biblio after
      * Mug for $2
    - Free beverages for people with reusable mugs

**Tabled:**

* **Next semester initiatives**
* **Follow up action items**
* Hiring process
  + Update from Catie on hiring process
* Spud box
* Brooklyn + Kristen update on website payment option
* Orders this week
* Mailchimp campaign done

**Gratitude!**

**Adjournment**

* Meeting adjourned at 7:24 PM