
SUBJECT: POST SECONDARY STUDENT TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

PURPOSE

This report provides details of an approved Student Transit Advisory Committee through a motion arising from the June 8, 2021 Victoria Regional Transit Commission Meeting. The motion directed staff to bring forward membership for the student advisory committee to a future meeting. The proposed membership for a new committee is provided to the Victoria Regional Transit Commission (the “Commission”) for **APPROVAL**.

BACKGROUND

At the June 8, 2021 VRTC meeting the Commission approved the Student Advisory Committee with the following provisions:

- i) the terms of reference be sent to the student body for review
- ii) the student representation be brought forward at a later date
- iii) the minutes from the committee be submitted to the Commission for review and approval, and that;
- iv) BC Transit reach out to School Districts about their possible participation in the future.

The terms of reference has been distributed to the student body for review and will be finalized and adopted at initial committee meeting (s). The student representation has been discussed with the students and been amended to reflect their proposed membership.

NEXT STEPS

The key benefits of a student led advisory committee are to ensure post-secondary students that represent a large portion of ridership and revenue can advise on ways to improve transit for students and therefore improve the customer experience and increase ridership. Staff will continue to work with student representatives to further develop a terms of reference for the Student Transit Advisory Committee and schedule meetings to align with the Victoria Regional Transit Commission meetings to receive minutes.

Agency/Group	Title	Representative	Role
UVSS	Director Campaigns and Community Relations		Member
CCSS	External Executive Camosun College Student Society		Member
RRUSA	Coordinator Student Engagement		Member
GSS	Member appointed by GSS Board		Member
Stakeholder Groups	TBD		As needed

BC Transit	Senior Manager Government Relations	Non-Voting Member
BC Transit	Senior Transportation Planner	As needed
BC Transit	Executive Assistant	Administrative Support

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Commission **APPROVE** the Student Transit Advisory Committee comprised of post secondary representation to advise the Commission.

Respectfully,

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Attachment: June 8, 2021 Staff Report