



Langara Students' Union
Advocating For Students' Rights Since 1969

NOTICE OF UPASS BC REFERENDUM

Polling Dates: January 29, 2018 – February 1, 2018

Polling Hours: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday (Jan. 29, 2018) to Wednesday (Jan. 31, 2018)
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM Thursday (Feb. 1, 2018)

Polling Location Main Foyer of A Building at Langara College – Student ID Required to Vote

Preamble:

WHEREAS: In March 2011, students of Langara College voted in favour of adopting TransLink's Universal Transit Pass (the "U-Pass BC") Program which is available to eligible students in public post-secondary schools within the Metro Vancouver region.

Currently, the Langara Students' Union ("LSU") collects a fee of \$41.00 per month from each eligible student for the purposes of the U-Pass BC Program. As the term of the agreement for the U-Pass BC Program is set to expire on April 30, 2018, the Province of British Columbia and TransLink have agreed to extend the expiry date of the agreement for the U-Pass BC Program to December 31, 2019. During this extension period, the fee for the U-Pass BC Program will remain at \$41.00 per month and LSU will continue to collect the \$41.00 monthly fee from each eligible student. If the U-Pass BC Program is to extend beyond December 31, 2019, LSU anticipates an increase in the amount of the monthly fee. In order to accommodate such potential increase to the monthly fee, LSU would like to also seek approval at this time of an increase to the monthly fee for the period after December 31, 2019.

Similar to current practice, the U-Pass BC program fee will continue to be collected from each eligible student as part of his or her LSU fees during the aforesaid extension period and any period after December 31, 2019. The U-Pass BC Program fee is considered to be a program or service fee pursuant to the *College and Institute Act* (British Columbia).

THEREFORE, LSU hereby gives notice that a referendum to be voted upon by the members of LSU and eligible students will be held on January 29, 2018 – February 1, 2018 to consider the following question:

Do you approve for the period of May 1, 2018 to December 31, 2019, to extend the U-Pass BC Program at the current fee of \$41.00 per month? Such fee shall be collected from each eligible student as part of his or her LSU fees and by LSU as a program or service fee pursuant to the Act.

Do you approve for the period commencing on January 1, 2020, to extend the U-Pass BC program at the current fee of \$41.00 per month plus up to five percent (5%) of such amount per month (as determined by the Council of LSU) to accommodate any increase to the U-Pass BC program fee? Such fee shall be collected from each eligible student as part of his or her LSU fees and by LSU as a program or service fee pursuant to the Act.

To vote, please circle one of the following:

Yes, I Approve

No, I Do Not Approve