

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 4:33 PM

## 2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We acknowledge that this meeting is being conducted on the unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples; which, to the current knowledge of the Society include the Squamish, Musqueam, Stó:lo, and Tsleil-Waututh people.

## 3. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

### 3.1 Council Composition

#### Student Union Representatives

Archeology .....	Andrew Latimer
Behavioral Neuroscience .....	Alysha Damji
Biology .....	Nikki Dumrique
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology .....	Alam Khera
Business .....	
Chemistry .....	Myles Scollon
Cognitive Science .....	
Communications .....	Arjan Mundy
Computing Science .....	Steven Yang
Criminology .....	Erwin Kwok
Earth Science .....	Megan Simao
Economics .....	Chris Rose
Education .....	
Education .....	
Engineering Science .....	Shayne Kelly II
English .....	
Environmental Resource .....	Grayson Barke
Environmental Science .....	Ayush Joshi
French .....	Matin Salsabil
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies .....	
Health Science .....	Aarushi Sharma
History .....	Paul Choptuik
Humanities .....	
Interactive Arts and Technology .....	Zachary Chan
International Studies .....	Sasha Soden
Labour Studies .....	Dylan Webb
Linguistics .....	
Management System Science .....	Linda Lu
Mathematics .....	Daniel Bathei
Mechatronics System Engineering .....	
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry .....	Anika Westlund
Operations Research .....	
Philosophy .....	Karen Abramson

Physics (Chair) .....	Jesse Velay Vitow
Political Science .....	Jackson Freedman
Psychology .....	
Science Undergraduate Society (SUS) .....	Anson Zhu
Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS) .....	
Sociology and Anthropology .....	Nicole Magas
Software Systems .....	
Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA) .....	Jerry He
Sustainable Community Development .....	
Theaters .....	
Visual Arts .....	
World Literature .....	Alex Harasymiw
<b>Constituency Group Representatives</b>	
First Nations Student Association (FNSEA) .....	Jennifer MacDonal
International Student Group (ISG) .....	
Residence Hall's Association (RHA) .....	Mohammed Ali
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) .....	
Students United for Disability Support (SUDS) .....	
Women Centre Collective (WCC) .....	
Out on Campus Collective (OOC) .....	Irene Sneddon
<b>Society Staff</b>	
<b>SFSS Directors (non-voting)</b>	
President .....	Larissa Chen
VP Student Services .....	Vacant
VP External Relations .....	Christine Dyson
VP Finance .....	Hangue Kim
VP Student Life .....	Curtis Pooghkay
VP University Relations .....	Arr Farah
At-Large Representative .....	Paul Hans
At-Large Representative .....	Mudi Bwakura
Faculty Representative (Arts & Social Sciences) .....	Blossom Malhan
Faculty Representative (Applied Sciences) .....	Alan Lee
Faculty Representative (Business) .....	Pritesh Pachchigar
Faculty Representative (Communication, Art & Technology) .....	Prab Bassi
Faculty Representative (Education) .....	John Ragone
Faculty Representative (Environment) .....	Thadoe Wai
Faculty Representative (Health Sciences) .....	Raajan Garcha
Faculty Representative (Sciences) .....	Jimmy Dhesa
<b>3.2 Society Staff</b>	
Campaign, Research, and Policy Coordinator .....	Pierre Cassidy
SFSS Student Union Organizer .....	Anna Reva
SFSS Administrative Assistant .....	Zoya Nari

**3.3 Absent**

Communications.....	Arjan Mundy
Economics .....	Chris Rose
Engineering Science .....	Shayne Kelly II
Environmental Resource.....	Grayson Barke
Labour Studies.....	Dylan Webb
Management System Science .....	Linda Lu
Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA).....	Jerry He
First Nations Student Association (FNSEA) .....	Jennifer MacDonald
Out on Campus Collective (OOC).....	Irene Sneddon

**3.4 Regrets**

Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology .....	Alam Khera
Health Science .....	Aarushi Sharma
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry .....	Anika Westlund
Residence Hall’s Association (RHA).....	Mohammed Ali
Philosophy .....	Karen Abramson

**4. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS**

*Excuses or regrets will be kept track of by the chair of council. Missing two meetings in a row without sending excuses (that are approved) will result in the removal from Council.*

**4.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2017-02-22:01**

**Daniel/Myles**

*Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Aarushi Sharma (exam), Karen Abramson (academic), and Mohammed Ali (exam), Anika Westlund, and Alam Khera.*

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2017-02-22:02**

**Sasha/Jackson**

*Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as amended.*

Discussion: To add Cancellation of the Spanish Certificate Program and Cafeteria Workers under Discussion Items, and Student Health Advisory Committee event under Announcements

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**6.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2017-02-22:03**

**Daniel/Zach**

*Be it resolved to receive and file the following minutes:*

- Council\_2017-01-25.docx

**CARRIED**

**7. COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- January 2017 SFSS Committee Updates:

- Advocacy: discussed the sexual violence and misconduct policy, logistics for the tank farm awareness campaign, and developing a campaign for the SFSS elections.
- Accessibility Fund: did not meet during this time.
- Events: discussed 3 new events: art expo, appreciation week and a volunteer gala.
- Finance & Audit: met and approved the hiring of a new part time Financial Assistant, finalized new policies surrounding Board Stipend Deductions, scheduled departmental budget presentations, and completed Society Fee video.
- Governance: went over revised draft by-laws and reviewed and recommended briefing notes regarding referenda questions to the Board.
- Strategic Engagement: brought forward a Coffee Drop Stop Proposal, discussed various speaking points based on the respective Society topics, activities, and services. Also brainstormed ideas regarding the effective response tactics for the membership survey plan.
- Strategic Plan: met and discussed the General Membership Survey timeline and assigned roles and set out meeting schedule for the rest of this semester.
- Surrey Campus:
- Refer to the SFSS Board Committee Update document (BOD67 - January 2017 Committee Update.pdf) for full updates.

## 8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

### 8.1 Council Transition Committee

- To develop a working group for terms to help facilitators ease in more easily
- Identify needs for the roles and how to meet those needs
- Consensus of the majority of votes to help meet quorum
- Chair suggested to have 3 members to be part of the council committee and also recommended to have a long term member and a new member

### **MOTION COUNCIL 2017-02-22:04**

#### **Daniel/Myles**

*Be it resolved to adopt the terms for the council committee for the proposal of improve councilor transition as presented: Sasha, Erwin, and Paul*

#### **CARRIED**

### 8.2 Tank Farm Expansion Update

- Tabling was done in the AQ for the proposal
- To raise awareness about where the tank farms are located
- Goal: to get 500 signatures from students and committee members
- Advocacy chair to coordinate all the cards

### 8.3 Future Chair

- To be updated at a later time

### 8.4 Spanish Certificate Program – Cancellation

- Enrollment has been decreasing over time (course availability)

- Lead instructor going through a retirement process, hence available seats have decreased
- An advocacy group has not been created to deal with this matter
- There has been outreach to SFU and Peak
- Field work may be limited in the future in Spanish speaking regions
- Concerns for International Studies students
- Summer semester is when the cancellation will occur
- Some Council members recommended that the Board of Directors write a letter in response to this decision to cancel the certificate program
- Some members also suggested the possibility of contacting individual senate members to assist in the process of possibly getting this decision to be reconsidered
  - Discussion with senate candidates is already in effect

### **8.5 Cafeteria Workers**

- There was a change in contract, and as a result workers are going to be laid off
- There is hope that Compass could possibly renew the contract
- Negotiation confirms that there will be a change in contract, and workers are not to be terminated (the goal is to retain all workers as part of the proposal)
  - Those laid off may be rehired to bypass training fees
- An event will be held on Friday () at Convocation Mall in representation of the contract termination

## **9. ATTACHMENTS**

- Council Committee Terms of Reference.docx
- Advocacy Tank Farm Awareness Proposal.pdf
- BOD67 - January 2017 Committee Update.pdf

## **10. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **9.1 Changemakers: Student Leaders Towards a Healthy Campus Community**

- Event held by SFU Health and Counseling Services' Student Health Advisory Committee student group to encourage student leaders, groups, clubs, etc. to encourage some changes, such as gender neutral changes to the constitutions
  - Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-7:30 PM in Bennett Library, Room 2020 (Burnaby)
- For attendees to discover what student groups on campus are doing to promote well-being among the students they target, learn how the incredible work of student leaders is contributing to a healthier campus for us all, and gain new ideas to try out in your student group's setting

### **9.2 International Studies Student Association (ISSA): film screening**

- Screening of Burkas 2 Bullets film
  - Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00-9:00 PM at Djavad Mowafaghian Cinema, Goldcorp Centre for the Arts
- Film features Afghan Police and Military women on the Front Lines in Afghanistan, as well as their allies in the Coalition

- Provides a unique view of the rise of Afghan women in service, and the inspirational and at times difficult, stories of Coalition heroes
- Factual, current overview of the ongoing battle against the Taliban and ISIS in Afghanistan
- 250 free tickets available in honour of International Women's Day

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION BOD 2017-02-22:05**

**Daniel/Myles**

*Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 5:16 PM.*

**CARRIED**

## COUNCIL COMMITTEE FOR THE PROPOSAL OF IMPROVED COUNCILLOR TRANSITION

### Name and Type

**Name:** Council Committee for the Proposal of Improved Councillor Transition

**Duration:** This committee will form as of the adoption of these terms of reference, and dissolve at the leisure of Council or the end of the semester, whichever comes first.

### Purpose

Identifying the needs of new councillors in taking up their roles and opportunities to meet those needs.

### Membership

- One Committee Chair
- 2 additional councillors

Council shall appoint the committee members by majority vote.

### Deliverables

Short, written report, including:

- Needs for a successful transition to Council
- Suggestions on how those needs may be met

### Governance

The committee will strive for consensus. Where no consensus is reached, the committee will make decisions by simple majority vote.

A majority of voting members constitutes quorum.

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the conduct committee meetings.

### Communications

The committee shall meet in person on Fridays, at 3pm, or at the call of the Chair.

The committee shall report on its progress at Council meetings.

The Chair may call a meeting where a notice of three working days has been provided.

## Relevant Policies

Council Policies



**Tank Farm Awareness Proposal**

January 2017



**Simon Fraser Student Society**

## **Overview of campaign**

**Objective:** To spread awareness about the lack of a safety plan for SFU and the increased risk of the Tank Farm Expansion

**Desired outcome:** For 500 students to sign postcard letters

**Dates:** February 6th to 10th (active tabling)

## **Campaign goals**

- 1) Get students to sign postcard letters to the Prime Minister addressing the lack of a safety plan for SFU**

*Implementation:*

Sharing of letter via social media, as well as in person opportunities for students to sign hard copies.

- 2) Gain additional support from community members**

*Implementation:*

Share digital version of letter online for community members to fill out. Encourage them to send letter to the PM's office as well.

## **Outreach Plan**

**In person outreach:**

- Tabling in AQ, for students to sign hard copies
- Drop box in the SFSS Board office and General office, for students to leave hard copies they have printed

**Social Media:**

- Sharing of letter
- Email to council
- Email community letter to other groups concerned about the approval

## **Budget**

Item	Cost	Quantity	Cost per Student	Total Cost
Printed	\$0.30 per	500	\$0.30	\$150

Postcards	postcard			
Miscellaneous				\$200
<b><i>Entire Campaign</i></b>				<b><i>\$350</i></b>

**Resource requirements**

- Table bookings
- Table Cloths - SFSS
- SFSS advocacy t-shirts (for those tabling)
- Postcards
- Boxes for letters to be dropped in

**Staff Requirements**

- Communications department - Sharing letter on social media
- Copy Centre - Printing postcards
- General Office - Directing students to drop boxes

# SFSS BOARD COMMITTEE UPDATE

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This report summarizes SFSS committee activities that took place from  
**January 1 to 31, 2016**

## **ADVOCACY**

The advocacy committee met twice during this time period. At the first meeting, we discussed the sexual violence and misconduct policy. The committee collected outstanding questions which were submitted to the working group, and members were encouraged to attend the upcoming town hall. The committee also discussed logistics for the tank farm awareness campaign (tabling dates, letter, online promotions). Lastly, the committee talked about developing a campaign for the SFSS elections. The campaign is to focus on sharing videos about the society, board of directors and how to vote. At the subsequent meeting, the committee approved the tank farm awareness proposal and the Ballistic Arts video proposal.

## **ACCESSIBILITY FUND**

This committee meets on an as-needed basis, as called by the Chair. The committee did not meet during this time.

## **EVENTS**

The committee discussed three new events. The events were art expo, appreciation week and a volunteer gala. Work has begun on Appreciation week and a proposal will be delivered next week. This will entail 4 days of appreciating our membership. A volunteer gala committee has been struck and we will begin to work next week.

## **FINANCE & AUDIT**

The Finance and Audit Committee met and approved the hiring of a new part time Financial Assistant to support our Financial Coordinators with secretarial and administrative tasks. We finalized new policies surrounding Board Stipend Deductions. We also scheduled our departmental budget presentations for February 6 where each department will present their budget requests for the following year. The Society Fee video was also completed.

## **GOVERNANCE**

The Governance committee met for the first time this semester January 30th and went over our revised draft by-laws. The committee also reviewed and recommended two briefing notes regarding referenda questions to the Board of Directors.

## **NOMINATION**

The committee did not meet during this period.

## **STRATEGIC ENGAGEMENT**

The committee met twice during this period and brought forward a Coffee Drop Stop Proposal that aims to engage and directly interact with students periodically throughout this semester. Our group also discussed various speaking points based on the respective Society topics, activities

and services. The events will take place every 2nd and 4th week of each month. Our committee also brainstormed ideas regarding the effective response tactics for the membership survey plan, based on the previous success in developing and acquiring high student response rates for the website development survey.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN**

The Strategic Planning Committee met and discussed the General Membership Survey timeline and assigned roles to respective committee and board members. We also set out the meeting schedule for the rest of this semester.

### **SURREY CAMPUS**

The Surrey Campus Committee met and discussed future events on the Surrey Campus including a de-stressing event in the Mezz, an event at a nearby park and a parking lot BBQ. We heard a presentation from the TechExpo organizing team. We also continued discussions on the Student Entrepreneur of the Year event.