

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – *Add timestamp*

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 COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

Student Union Representatives

*New Councilors that need ratification will be denoted ****

Archeology	Madeleine Lamer
Biology	Wade Vanderwaal
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology.....	Jake Kemp
Business.....	
Cognitive Science	
Communications	Shane Sharma
Computing Science.....	Paul Allan
Earth Science	Elise Harrington
Education.....	David Lee
Education.....	
English	
Environmental Resource.....	Grayson Barke
Environmental Science.....	Thadoe Wai
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies.....	Paula Choudhury
Geography	Sarah Heim
Health Science.....	Elena Jiang Su
History	Zach Boyd
Humanities	
Management System Science	Catherine Chang
Mechatronics System Engineering	
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry	Julia Bodnari***
Operations Research	
Philosophy (chair).....	Karen Abramson
Physics	Christopher McCahon
Political Science.....	David Lu
Psychology.....	Stephanie Ly
Science Undergraduate Society (SUS)	Tomas Rapaport
Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS).....	Arjan Mundy
Statistics and Actuarial Science.....	Christopher Kevin
Sustainable Community Development	
Theaters.....	
Visual Arts.....	

World Literature..... Pardeep Barn

Constituency Group Representatives

First Nations Student Association (FNSEA).....
International Student Group (ISG).....
Out on Campus Collective (OOC)..... Irene Sneddon
Residence Hall’s Association (RHA) Mohammed Ali
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC).....
Students United for Disability Support (SUDS)..... Tony Janolino
Women Centre Collective (WCC)..... Anjali Biju

Society Staff

SFSS Directors (non-voting)

VP Student Life Deepak Sharma
VP Student Services Darwin Binesh
At-Large Representative Curtis Pooghkay
Faculty Representative (Arts & Social Sciences)..... Arr Farah

Society Staff

Campaigns, Research, and Policy Coordinator Pierre Cassidy
Minute Taker Carmela Frouws

3.2 REGRETS

Behavioral Neuroscience Alysha Damji
Criminology Erwin Kwok
Chemistry Jordan Chia
Interactive Arts and Technology Matthew Fong
French..... Corrinne Henderson
Business..... Ashley Chan
International Studies..... Brigitte Malana
Engineering Science Melissa Mosavi
Economics Jasmine LeBlanc
Mathematics Sukh Sehdev
Business..... Chancey Wu

3.3 ABSENT

Sociology and Anthropology Andreas Hovland
Dance..... Elise Kronquist
Labour Studies..... Dylan Webb
Linguistics Eric Hedekar

3.4 GUESTS

..... Kaayla Ashlie
..... Shea Monson

Gender sensitivity – Council addressed their accessibility needs and preferred pronouns.
Please write your preferred pronouns on your tent card.

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.

MOTION COUNCIL 2016-02-24:01

Tomas/Wade

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from:

Alysha Damji, Academic
Erwin Kwok, Academic
Jordan Chia, Academic
Matthew Fong, Academic
Corrinne Henderson, Sick
Jasmine LeBlanc, Academic
Sukh Sehdev, Academic
Chancey Wu, academic
Ashley Chan, sick
Brigitte Malana

CARRIED AS AMENDED

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION COUNCIL 2016-02-24:02

Madeline/Mohammed

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION

- Add an announcement at the end - Elena

6. GUEST SPEAKERS AND PRESENTATIONS

GOVERNANCE - Pierre Cassidy

- The SFSS is a society incorporated under the BC Societies Act, which consists of a group of individuals coming together for a purpose.
 - The main purpose is to improve the undergraduate experience.
- The SFSS focuses on 4 key pillars of the undergraduate experience.
 1. Academic
 2. Financial
 3. Social
 4. Health and Well-Being
- The role of the SFSS is to figure out what the members need and how to make the hard choices of prioritizing them.

- The role of the Councilors is to discuss with the constituents and come back to council to address issues that come up.
- The more the Councilors engage with the membership, the more the society can work together to get things done.
- Governance is split into three areas – member engagement, strategic planning and performance review and audit.
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- It was recommended that when conducting business during meetings, Councilors should speak to the motion, not the person.
 - It is understood that it is easy to get off topic and disagree on motions however conversations should be on the motion, not between people.
- Council was informed that more presentations or orientations are open for the Council, and can be presented by the Campaigns, Research and Policy Coordinator if that is what fits Council's needs.
- Concern was expressed regarding the accountability that staff had in the past towards the students. A question was raised asking if individual students can be in charge of the staff.
 - It was explained that Staff cannot cater to so many students individually.
 - Council was informed any issues or concerns regarding staff needs can be brought to the Board, who will then pass it on to the CEO.
 - The actual decision making authority rests with the Board of Directors.

SEXUAL ASSAULT CLINIC CAMPAIGN – Kaayla Ashlie and Paula Choudhury

- The proposal was sent out today for Councilors to review for the meeting.
- Last August, a small group came together to discuss the need for more sexual assault support on Campus.
 - There are various avenues for support on campus however none are actually mandated to support sexual assaults.
 - Women's Centre: Not in their mandate, funding is not available however they support still provide support.
 - Health and Counselling: there is an extremely long wait list and members are bumped if there are others who are in crisis.
 - Security: Has accessibility issues and is sometimes intimidating for members.
 - The biggest drawback is the lack of cohesion and there is no central location. Students are expected to pick and choose where to go to.
- The group working closely with the campaign is seeking approval from the Council to place a question on the next referendum for the need of an all inclusive Sexual Assault Centre.

- A question was asked if they need the money and the approval for the centre at the same time.
 - It was suggested to separate the two questions so that there is the option to not be in favour of the extra money
- Council was informed that the group is not incorporated yet and the funding would be stand-alone funding.
 - The budget has been provided on the last page of the proposal.
- A question was asked where the centre is expected to go, as space is limited as it is.
 - SFU has been approached with a request to provide space for the potential centre.
 - The hope is that space will be provided in the Maggie Benston Centre
 - The Women's Centre has offered some space as well.
 - Space in the new Student Union Building would be the last option.
- Concern was expressed regarding the coordinator role and responsibilities.
 - We cannot hire someone if there is no space for them.
 - Extra funding would be needed to hire a coordinator.
 - A question was asked why the proposal states 56 weeks, rather than 52 weeks.
 - Paula was tasked to clarify this and will address Council at a later meeting.
- A question was asked why this proposal is not going through the SFSS?
 - The route taken was through the Women's Centre, the lack of services was addressed.
 - It was brought to the Advocacy Committee last year however it not thought to be a major need by the SFSS.
 - Council was informed that the Women's Centre is part of the SFSS.
- The new potential centre would be predominately volunteer based, a comprehensive volunteer training program would need to be in place.
- Council was reminded that the group is just starting out however there is enough momentum right now for it to continue even after students move on and graduate.

7. APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

MOTION COUNCIL 2016-02-24:04

Wade/Madeline

Be it resolved to ratify the appointment of the following Councillors:

Iulia Bodnariuc – Molecular Biology & Biochemistry

CARRIED AS AMENDED

8. COMMITTEE UPDATES FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

BOARD UPDATE - Board has focused on four key areas: Advocacy, Governance, Events and Satellite Campuses

ADVOCACY

- The Men's Programming Initiative took place on February 16.
 - 35 members participated and over all had a positive outcome.
- Food Education Days will be taking place next week to educate members on the emergency food budget program, which provides \$25 food vouchers to students.
- Fraser Library Hours – Surrey is the only SFU campus that is not open on Sundays.
 - The committee received word back saying the administrative office will not be able to address this issue until late March.
- Contact: Kathleen Yang

GOVERNANCE

- Phase two of the Policies has been approved by the Board however it will not be implemented until April.
- The Committee is currently reviewing future funding changes and how the process can be more efficient.
- Contact: Arr Farah

EVENTS

- Appreciation week will be taking place next week in Convocation Mall offering free events throughout February 29 to March 3.
- The Committee will be hosting a Music Showcase on March 31 in the SFU Music Theatre featuring five main music groups.
 - The event will be free to the membership
- Power of Positivity day took place today.
- Open Mic Night event will take place on March 23, 2016.
- Contact: Deepak Sharma

SATELITE CAMPUSES

- Vancouver Campus Office is open on Mondays in room 3201
 - Contact: Salathiel Wells
- Surrey Campus meetings are at 5:30pm in room 3260.

BOARD LIAISON REPORT

- Schools Building Schools was discussed at the last Board meeting – the referendum question was postponed for the next meeting
- Board approved the Indigenous course requirement support.
- IEC appointments were made and approved.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE – COUNCIL BUDGET

- Feedback was received and taken into account
- A Committee was formed to spend the money, contacted staff for their input as well as Board
- Council was in agreement with having refreshments at meetings
- Council would like to have a solid training program in place for Council
- The Committee will be recommending two motions to deal with the short term and long term goals
 - Short term: coffee and cookies for the remaining meetings.
 - Long term: it took a long time to get a committee together to figure out how to spend the money. Would like to set a budget for the next Council to provide a framework to approve the budget.
- Fiscal year ends April 30

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9.1 BUDGET

MOTION COUNCIL 2016-02-24:05

Tomas/Melissa

Whereas it took the current Council 10 months to act on its allocated budget,

Whereas the fiscal year will end in two months' time,

Whereas any training that Council could receive in this time would be provided by staff and thus free of charge,

Whereas Council's productivity and enjoyment would greatly increase by providing refreshments during meetings,

Be it resolved to provide Council with refreshments totaling no more than \$150 per meeting for the remainder of the current fiscal year.

CARRIED

Abstention: Sarah Heim, Paul Allan, Mohammed Ali, David Lee and David Lu

DISCUSSION

- Council was informed that the money would need to be spent or it will be sent back to the SFSS general ledger to be reallocated.
- Council was reminded that there are two months left in the term.
- Concern was raised regarding the limited time left to rework the budget, as the previous budget was scrapped.

9.2 BUDGET

MOTION COUNCIL 2016-02-24:06

Tomas/Jake

Whereas it took the current Council 10 months to act on its allocated budget,

Whereas the fiscal year will end in two months' time,

Whereas next year's Council would be well served from receiving an outlined budget which they could pass early in the fiscal year,

Be it resolved that Council develop a potential budget for next year's Council to adopt within the first month of the fiscal year.

Be it further resolved that Council task the current expenditures committee with drafting this budget before the end of the current fiscal year (April 30, 2016).

CARRIED

DISCUSSION

- It was recommended that Council form a Committee early next year.
- After discussions with Staff, it was concluded that Council would be better served if there was a default budget at the beginning of the semester, which could include a budget breakdown.
 - The new Council could then approve the default budget in May or could choose to amend the budget.
- A question was raised regarding using the money now to create a curriculum to carry for the next Council.
- Council was advised that it would be a draft budget and would not be binding.

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 MEETING EXTENTION

MOTION COUNCIL 2016-02-24:

Be it resolved to extend the meeting until 6:45pm

CARRIED

10.2 SEXUAL ASSAULT REFERENDUM QUESTION

MOTION COUNCIL 2016-02-24:07

Madeline/Mohammed

Whereas there is no Sexual Assault Prevention and Support Centre on Burnaby Campus;
Whereas sexual assault happens on and off campus and the current services are not able to provide comprehensive support to the SFU community;
Whereas most major Canadian universities have some variation of a Sexual Assault Prevention and Support Centre;

Be it resolved to approve the following question for the March 2016 referendum:

“Are you in favour of an all genders Sexual Assault Prevention and Support Centre (SAPSC) on Burnaby campus, and Are you in favour of providing funding to said centre with a \$0.50 increase in student fees per student per semester starting in the Summer of 2016, followed by a \$1.50 increase (equalling a total of \$2.00) upon space allocation? The fee would supplement construction, maintenance, programming, and operating costs of the centre.” *provide link to the proposed budget

CARRIED AS AMENDED/CARRIED

ABSTENTION: Wade Vanderwaal, Tomas Rapaport, Pardeep Barn

DISCUSSION

- It was requested to have more time to review the motion and discuss with the constituents.
 - Council was urged to make a decision today, as the deadline to submit referendum questions is March 7, 2016.
 - It was suggested that Council could have the opportunity to address this with their constituents and Council could meet on March 2nd to vote.
- Concern was expressed regarding the wording of the question.
 - It was suggested to replace the question marks with commas.
 - It was also suggested to split the questions, as it would cause confusion.
 - Council was informed that it is not their role to change the wording of a referendum question.
- Council was informed that the Board is not legally bound to take on the levy if it passes.

****Anjali left at 635pm**

- Concern was expressed regarding the late submission to Council for consideration.
 - The motion was submitted to Council today, concern was that the motion is unclear and did not provide Councilors with enough time to review.
- After the motion was passed, Council was cautioned regarding the ramifications associated with approving funding for a motion that was submitted on 5 hours notice, for a group that does not exist.
- Council was reminded that they are the body that advises the rest of the membership.

10.3 COUNCIL LIAISON/ALTERNATE LIAISON UPDATE

MOTION COUNCIL 2016-02-24:08

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Whereas Council has elected a Board Liaison as well as an Alternate Liaison;
Whereas the elected Liaison is tasked with attending board meetings and providing updates for other Council members;

Be it resolved that a standing item be added to future agendas under section 8, "COMMITTEE UPDATES FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES", titled "Liaison Update from Board"

Be it further resolved that the Council Liaison or Alternate Council Liaison provide a brief update from Board meetings during the aforementioned agenda item.

TABLED FOR THE NEXT MEETING

11. DISCUSSION ITEMS

KINDER MORGAN PIPELINE – Varying student interest in relation to the official SFSS stance.

12. ATTACHMENTS

Findings of Council's Expenditures Committee

By Tomas Rapaport & Jasmine LeBlanc

During the Council Meeting of January 27, 2016 a motion was carried to form an organizing committee for the purpose of budget planning and expenditures.

For two weeks following the formation of this committee, emails were exchanged among committee members and various suggestions were made regarding how to best spend Council's Budget of \$1500, particularly in light of the decision taken by a previous committee to divide the budget in the following manner: \$500 training, \$500 Outreach, \$300 Reserve, \$200 Social. However, no further information besides the allocated amounts was provided to the Expenditures Committee.

The committee also approached Pierre Cassidy (Campaigns, Research, and Policy Coordinator) for input and guidance as well as utilized resources provided by Kathleen Yang (VP External) – last year's Council Chair. The committee then approached Council on February 17 to provide an update and receive input from councillors. The contents of this discussion can be found in the Minutes of February 17, 2016. From this discussion, the committee took away two main points: 1 Councillors feel that Council would benefit from having refreshments at meetings; and 2. Council would greatly benefit from establishing a solid training plan moving forward. During this meeting, a motion was carried to task staff with the development of a training plan for Council and contact has been established with the SFSS President as well as Board's Liaison to Council in order to move this motion forward.

Based on the research and information mentioned above, this committee proposes the recommendations listed under section 9 of this agenda to Council.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment – 6:45pm

SFSS Board update

— Date: February 24th 2016 —
Presented By: Deepak Sharma

Agenda (10 minutes)

- Area's of Focus
 - Advocacy
 - Governance
 - Events
 - Satellite Campuses
- Opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback

Advocacy

- Mens Circle
- Food Education Days
- Fraser Library Hours
- Contact- Kathleen Yang- vpexternal@sfss.ca

Governance

- Phase two of Governance document
 - Approved by Board
 - Implementation
- Interested in Presentation next meeting?
- Contact: Arr Farah- artsrep@sfss.ca

- Future funding changes (*Non-Governance committee*)

Events & Promotions

- Appreciation Week
 - Appreciating the entire membership
- Music Showcase March 31st
- Power of Positivity day
- Open Mic Night
- Pub Nights
- Contact: Deepak Sharma- vpstudentlife@sfss.ca

Satellite Campuses

- Vancouver campuses
 - Harbour Centre office hours- Every Monday room 3201
 - Contact: Salathiel Wells- fcatrepsf@sfss.ca
- Surrey Campus
 - Games Night
 - Pub Night
 - Surrey Campus Committee meetings- Every Tuesday 5:30 PM room 3260
 - Contact: Jas Hans- sciencerepsf@sfss.ca

Questions

- Any questions about today's presentation?
- What would you like to see next time?
- Contact: Deepak Sharma- vpstudentlife@sfss.ca

Thank you

simon fraser
student society

The Proposal for a Sexual Assault Prevention and Support Centre at SFU Burnaby

The S.A.P.S.C. Committee

February 2016

To whom it may concern,

We are the Sexual Assault Prevention and Support Centre (SAPSC) Committee. This proposal comes to you after months of hard work and dedication by students who believe there is a need for change on campus and that now is the time. Over the last three decades there has been a call to provide centralized sexual assault support services for SFU community members. We are passionate in our belief that all members of the SFU community deserve a campus culture that actively promotes inclusivity and safety. Now in 2016, we hope that Council will assist us in finally making a Sexual Assault Prevention and Support Centre on SFU's Burnaby campus a reality.

The following proposal will outline whom we are as a committee, the work we have done so far, an analysis of current services on campus attending to sexual assault support, and our vision for a successful SAPSC on campus including a comprehensive budget and funding model.

It is our belief that by taking the time to read this proposal it will become clear to you that a SAPSC is not just an ideal addition to our campus, but also an essential component to a healthy and safe campus for all members of the SFU community.

Sincerely,

The SAPSC Committee

Who Are We?

In the summer of 2015 we decided to address the ongoing issue that is the lack of a centralized sexual assault support services on campus. We have noticed during our time at SFU that despite the multitude of groups on campus that provide sexual assault support services when necessary, there is a lack of accessibility to many of these services and also a lack of communication between different service providers. Moreover, sexual assault support is not officially in the mandate of many current service providers. In order to address these concerns, we have formed a committee that is working in collaboration with the SFU Women's Centre, SFPIRG, and Out on Campus and various students at large to continue advocating for a safer campus and improved student services concerning sexual assault.

After countless hours of consultation, research, and outreach we have come to the realization that there is no gender inclusive space that has the resources, staff or time to exclusively address sexual assault prevention and support on any of the SFU campuses, despite the fact that sexual assault on campus is a reality that students of all genders face. Furthermore, there is a multitude of Canadian campuses that do provide such spaces, including but not limited to the University of Victoria, the University of British Columbia, Ryerson University, the University of Alberta, McGill University, Concordia University and Queens University. We, the Sexual Assault Prevention and Support Centre (SAPSC) Committee, believe to adequately serve the needs of up to 30, 000 students and thousands more staff, faculty, and community members, a centralized space devoted to sexual assault prevention and support is necessary on Burnaby campus.

What are the Current Services?ⁱ

Health and Counseling

- Provides counseling services including priority sessions for students in crisis.
- Provides basic medical care, such as STI testing and treatment, pregnancy testing and sexual health education
- Ongoing Healthy Campus Community Initiative.
- Varsity athletes and students living in residence are provided with a presentation approximately 10 minutes in length on consent, bystander tips and a list of service providers on campus.
- Community Advisors for residence are provided with training on sexualized violence.
- Optional orientation training for students in residence is provided.

Women's Centre

- Provides consent toolboxes and self-defense classes.
- Conducts student outreach during Clubs Days, Orientation and in residence.
- Provides bystander intervention training to Frosh groups and FSUs.
- Offers Peer Crisis Support.
- Refers students to appropriate resources on and off campus.

Out on Campus

- Provides Consent Toolboxes for students.
- Able to respond to student disclosure of sexual assault and refer students out to external resource providers.

Security

- Receives and has the ability to respond to complaints of sexual assault on campus from students, staff, faculty, and visitors.
- Investigates reports of sexual assault on behalf of the University or in collaboration with the police.
- Refers to external services.
- Contacts police if requested.
- Provides one-on-one consultation.
- Assists with legal procedures.
- Acts as a liaison for external and internal service providers.
- Assists in transportation to health care providers.

Human Rights and Equity Office

- Provides referral to Health and Counseling.

Academic Integrity and Good Conduct Officer

- Provides assistance to students in order to help them navigate the current services provided by the University.

Ombudspersonⁱⁱ

- Provides assistance in dispute resolution for all members of the SFU community.

What Are We Missing?

The current services on campus addressing sexual assault are doing a phenomenal job at providing the best care to community members within the constraints of their resources and necessary boundaries of their mandates. However, there is a lack of cohesion between the various service-providers and therefore essential services are missing. For example, both the Women's Centreⁱⁱⁱ and Out on Campus provide peer support to survivors of sexual assault despite this service not being included in their mandate, therefore funding is not provided to support this work. Due to the incapacity of official support-service providers to adequately serve the needs of students, these unofficial support-service providers began doing this work out of an obligation to student demand. As a result, these and other SFU based services have partially supplemented the role that a SAPSC would serve, resulting in a splintering of energy, resources, procedure, and access to services.

The current formal services that have sexual assault support-provision in their mandate, such as Health and Counseling and Security, also experience similar problems. For example, there are lengthy waitlists to access counseling services; although counseling will prioritize students in crisis, this would require students to identify as being in crisis which is often not the case for sexual assault survivors, since reporting is often historical^{iv} or the incident is not perceived as urgent or deserving of crisis support^v. Furthermore, while security provides excellent services, there remains inherent issues of accessibility, which are reflected in the lack of sexual assault reported in SFU's security incident statistics^{vi}. It is fair to infer these low numbers are similar and reflective of other universities due to other general trends found in under-reporting of sexual assault to enforcement and security^{vii}. For example, the University of Ottawa had only ten reports of sexual assault in five years despite 16% of women and 8% of men surveyed reported at least one event of sexual assault^{viii}. Lastly, the services provided by security on campus are short term in nature as they primarily refer students to other services such as the hospital or a counselor.

Due to the multiplicity of issues both Health and Counseling and Security must address, they also do not have the ability to enact ongoing, effective outreach campaigns necessarily required to break down social barriers students experience. SFU is in need of outreach campaigns to break down stigma, advertising availability of support services, and developing further education initiatives in order to impact the campus culture. Many educational campaigns provided by formal campus services are not carried out on an ongoing basis and are only targeted to key student groups such as varsity athletes and residence students despite the fact that SFU Burnaby is a commuter campus. Furthermore, many of the services provided by the University that provide assistance to students in need of guidance and referrals, such as the Student Conduct Officer, the Human Rights and Equity Office, and the

Ombudsperson, are not visible on campus and there are limited campaigns or advertisements to increase student-awareness.

Lastly, there is an overall lack of communication among separate service providers, which has created a complex system that is difficult for students to navigate. Throughout our consultation process we discovered that because of this disconnect, the ability to accurately track reports of sexual assault on campus is greatly inhibited.

What Do We Want?

Based on the numerous reasons listed above we believe that the SFU community is in dire need of a service that solely provides sexual assault support and works towards the prevention of such events on campus. The key components of our proposed centre are centralization and localization.

Centralization

As we have already explained, a key flaw in the current services offered on campus is a lack of communication between services and the resulting disconnect between reporting numbers and cohesive practices. Our centre would provide a centralized space that would act as a liaison between all current services in order to ensure accurate reporting habits as well as consistency among all services. We feel that centralization is important in order to enhance the current services on campus without increasing their individual funding or resources. Furthermore, the SAPSC would be an obvious space for students in need to seek help, in which they can be connected to the various services already offered on campus as well as the services offered by the SAPSC. In other words, we will be able to help students navigate the confusing and sometimes overwhelming system of campus-provided services.

Localization

We believe that a SAPSC has to be on Burnaby Mountain specifically because of the isolation many students who live on campus face. Although many of the surrounding cities offer sexual assault support similar to that which we are proposing, we feel the likelihood of students seeking help off campus is not good; especially considering many students (International students, out-of-province students) are not familiar with the surrounding area beyond the mountain. Having a SAPSC in an already familiar and comfortable environment such as SFU Burnaby would encourage and enable students to seek the help they need.

Our Funding Model

The following model is not final, but is based off of information received from numerous consultations with other Support Centers at various major Canadian universities. These models have shown to be successful and therefore we are aiming to model our space and funding structure around them with a hope of obtaining similar results. We are proposing to be included in the March 2016 referendum asking students to fund the SAPSC. We have designed the following referendum question:

Whereas there is no Sexual Assault Prevention and Support Centre on Burnaby Campus;

Whereas sexual assault happens on and off campus and the current services are not able to provide comprehensive support to the SFU community;

Whereas most major Canadian universities have some variation of a Sexual Assault Prevention and Support Centre;

Are you in favour of an all genders Sexual Assault Prevention and Support Centre (SAPSC) on Burnaby campus?

Are you in favour of providing funding to said centre with a \$0.50 increase in student fees per student per semester starting in the Summer of 2016, followed by a \$1.50 increase (equaling a total of \$2.00) upon space allocation?

The fee would supplement maintenance, programming, and operating costs of the centre.

Are you in favour?

The students provide our primary funding model; there are many benefits to this model, such as students having full control of this space and the freedom to provide a support model that reflects the needs of the student body. Ideal university involvement would be in the form of space allocation free of charge. In order to be conscious of the numerous financial burdens placed on students, we are asking for a minimal contribution from individual students. The increase of fees per semester is less than any coffee available to purchase on campus.

Our Budget Proposal

	\$0.50	\$2.00
Salaries & Wages (Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator)	Coordinator: \$25,625 @ 20hrs/wk (includes 4% vacation pay) Assistant: N.A.	Coordinator: \$50,000 @ 35 hrs/wk (includes 4% vacation pay) Assistant: \$40,000
*calculated at \$22/hour, 20 hours/week, 56 weeks		
Benefits ()	\$2,500	Coordinator: \$2,500 Assistant: \$2,500
Telephone/Fax		\$1,500
Office Supplies		\$300
Postage/Courier		\$60
Miscellaneous Expense		\$300
Photocopying & Administrative		\$500
Professional Development	\$1,000	\$3,500
Advertising & Promotion		\$3,500
Furniture & Equipment		\$500
Educational and Campaign Materials	\$3,000	\$8,000
Volunteer Training		\$4,500
Volunteer Appreciation		\$1000
Totals:	\$32,125	\$118,660
Approximate* Total Funding:	\$32,742	\$130,966

*Totals have been based on 2015 Enrollment Numbers
*This budget may also be supplemented by grants, donations, etc.

Appendix

**SFU Women's Centre**

14 September 2015

Please accept this letter as a strong recommendation in support of the development of a Sexual Assault Support Centre on SFU Burnaby campus. As the Coordinator of the SFU Women's Centre, I am one of the first points of contact for survivors of sexual assault on campus. I am frequently asked by campus and community representatives to speak to the frequency of sexual assault on campus, and to provide quantitative data to justify a potential new service. Currently, there exists no mechanism on campus to collect anonymous information on sexual assault. Additionally, the consequences of sexual violence (including shame, post-traumatic stress disorder, and the threat of increased violence) often prevent survivors from reporting. In particular, our own campus community is made up of many students, faculty, and staff who face barriers in reporting – whether they are newcomers to Canada, LGBTQ students, English language learners, or those working and studying in close proximity to perpetrators.

Since my hire in February, I have worked extensively with three survivors of *recent* sexual assault, as well as their parents, partners, friends, and Campus Security and police. In a six-month period, and as new member of the SFU community, this is an alarming number. It is important to note that all three reports came to my office between April and July, which is typically a quieter time on campus. It is safe to say that in a 35-hour week I have spent 10 hours per week on sexual assault support – that is, the direct provision of services to survivors. This does not include time spent on consent education and prevention initiatives, nor does it include time spent supporting survivors who have not reported; survivors of childhood sexual violence and incest; and those who have experienced *historical* sexual assault. With the return of the majority of students to campus in the fall, I can anticipate an increase in sexual assault support that will soon exceed my capacity as Coordinator. Until we have a dedicated space with employed staff who are equipped to provide even basic services to survivors and their loved ones, our institution will lag behind other universities who are actively taking steps to protect their campus community. And without a permanent, funded staff team, we will continue to lack the kind of quantitative data that is continually requested to legitimize such a service – leaving us to rely solely on the reports that reach my office, while knowing that sexual assault will continue to affect our campus community now and in future.

Respectfully,

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- ii “Ombudsperson”, retrieved from sfu.ca
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- iv Ending Violence Association of BC. “Fact Sheet: Adult Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse.” 2012.
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- vii See Statistics Canada (2013)
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<https://www.uottawa.ca/president/sites/www.uottawa.ca.president/files/report-of-the-task-force-on-respect-and-equality.pdf>