# 1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 9:33 AM

# 2. TERRITORIALACKNOWLEDGMENT

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 Board Composition	
President (Chair)	Larissa Chen
VP External Relations	Christine Dyson
VP Finance	Hangue Kim
VP Student Services	Vacant
VP Student Life	Curtis Pooghkay
VP University Relations	Arr Farah
At-Large Representative	Paul Hans
At-Large Representative	Mudi Bwakura
Faculty Representative (Applied Sciences)	Alan Lee
Faculty Representative (Arts & Social Sciences)	Blossom Malhan
Faculty Representative (Business)	Pritesh Pachchigar
Faculty Representative (Communications, Art, & Technology)	Prab Bassi
Faculty Representative (Education)	John Ragone
Faculty Representative (Environment)	Thadoe Wai
Faculty Representative (Health Sciences)	Raajan Garcha
Faculty Representative (Science)	Jimmy Dhesa

#### 3.2 Society Staff

Chief Executive Officer	Martin Wyant
Campaign, Research, and Policy Coordinator	Pierre Cassidy
Communications Coordinator	Sindhu
Dharmarajah	
Administrative Assistant	Zova Nari
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#### 3.3 Regrets

VP Student Life	
Faculty Representative (Applied Sciences).	Alan Lee
Faculty Representative (Environment)	Thadoe Wai

## 4. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS 4.1 MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:01

#### Mudi/Jimmy

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Curtis Pooghkay (work), Alan Lee (Work), and Thadoe Wai (Field School).



#### NOT CARRIED

MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:02

John/Jimmy Be it resolved to ratify regrets of the individuals above separately. CARRIED

MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:03

Hangue/Arr Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Curtis Pooghkay (work). CARRIED

MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:04 Arr/Mudi Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Alan Lee (work). NOT CARRIED

#### MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:05

Arr/Christine Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Thadoe Wai (Field School). CARRIED

\*Prab Bassi arrived at 9:37 AM\*

### 5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA 5.1 MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:06

Hangue/Arr Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented. CARRIED

## 6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES 6.1 MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:07

#### Hangue/Raajan

Be it resolved to receive and file the following minutes:

- Board Of Directors 2017-04-03.docx
- Council 2017-03-15.docx
- Council 2017-03-22.docx
- Council 2017-04-05.docx
- Advocacy Committee 2017-03-08.docx
- Advocacy Committee 2017-03-29.docx
- Advocacy Committee 2017-04-05.docx
- Finance Committee 2017-03-27.docx



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- Finance Committee 2017-04-03.docx
- AFAC 2016-10-14.docx
- AFAC 2017-02-10.docx
- AFAC 2017-03-03.docx
- AFAC 2017-03-17.docx
- AFAC 2017-04-07.docx
- Events Committee 2016-10-26.docx
- Events Committee 2016-11-30.docx
- Events Committee 2017-03-03.docx
- Executive Committee 2017-04-04.docx
- Executive Committee 2017-04-12.docx

#### CARRIED

Abstention: Christine Dyson

## 7. PRESENTATION

#### 7.1 General Membership Survey 2017 Results

- Survey is meant to fulfill the strategic objective 1.3
- Questions were based on the SFSS pillars as well as a comments section
  - 4 questions for each pillar
- The goal of the survey was to receive 2000-2500 responses
  - o Received 2647 responses
- Incentives of monetary value were given as prizes
- Survey Comment Responses:
  - For improvement: more study spaces (outlets, quiet areas, etc.), increase course availability in the summer semester, library (longer hours, more workshops, resources etc.), and computer labs
  - Social events: Events (free activities), Organizations (funding, support, etc.), Advertising (market events more), more events at other campuses
  - Financials: Job opportunities on campus (advertise student specific positions), monetary support (bursaries options for GPAs below 2.00), reduced fees, affordable food (more affordable food options on campus)
  - Health and Wellbeing: Mental Health (more and immediate support), Safety (night walks), Fitness (better equipment, free fitness classes), Walk-in Support (increase availability for counselors, support group)
- Recommendations: more tabling, to possibly remove "what interests you," change "somewhat" and other possible word suggestions to increase accuracy of responses

\*Blossom Mahan arrived at 9:41 AM\* \*Pritesh Pachchigar arrived at 9:41 AM\*

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 March 16-31, 2017 Board Work Report & Committee Updates - MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:08



#### Arr/Prab

Be it resolved to receive and file the Board Work Reports and Committee Updates from March 16th to 31st.

#### CARRIED

## 8.2 SFSS Spring Elections 2017 - MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:09

#### John/Raajan

Be it resolved to receive and ratify the SFSS Spring Elections 2017 results.

#### CARRIED

• In case there may be any concerns with the document

#### 8.3 Closed Captioning Services - MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:10 Hangue/Prab

Whereas the Accessibility Fund Committee has reviewed the relevant documents and provide the following recommendation to Board.

*Be it resolved to approve up to \$120 for the purchase of the Dragon Naturally Speaking 13 Home English program.* 

#### CARRIED

Abstention: Mudi and Arr Farah

- Cost effective method compared to the options that were previously used
- IEC is referenced in the documents due to its past recommendation

# 8.4 Office Chair Replacement & Refurbishment - MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:11 John/Raajan

Whereas the General Office is in need of new office chairs as the existing chairs are in poor condition;

Whereas other office chairs in various SFSS offices are in need of new armrest pads as the existing pads have worn out;

Be it resolved that the Board of Directors authorizes the expenditure of up to \$2,240 from 896/31 (Capital Purchases) for the purchase of new office chairs and replacement armrest pads.

#### CARRIED

• SFSS offices - Finance, Women's Centre, Resource

#### 8.5 SFSS Health & Dental Plan - MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:12 Blossom/Pritesh

# Whereas the membership has granted the SFSS Board of Directors the authority to raise or reduce the SFSS Health and Dental Student Society Service Fee to a maximum of up to 5%; Whereas the SFSS has been subsidizing the Health and Dental Plan, from the Health Reserve Fund, by \$16.67 per student for the 2016/17 claims year;

Whereas the Health Reserve Fund can no longer sustain the claims received for the upcoming 2017/18 year at the current rate;

*Be it resolved to raise the SFSS Health and Dental Student Society Service Fee by 5%, effective April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017.* 

*Be it further resolved to announce this fee change to the membership.* **CARRIED** 

#### 8.6 Adoption of the new SFSS Elections Policies - MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:13



#### Arr/Prab

Whereas the Governance Committee has reviewed the relevant documents and provide the following recommendation to Board.

Whereas the existing SFSS Elections Policies provide little clear process for successfully meeting the obligations contained in the SFSS Bylaws for hosting Society elections and referenda; Whereas this lack of clear process results in inconsistent elections and referenda;

Whereas these inconsistencies pose significant challenges for the administration of the elections and referenda by the IEC, and participation in the elections and referenda by the SFSS members; Be it resolved to rescind the existing SFSS Elections Policies.

*Be it further resolved to approve the new SFSS Elections Policies as attached.* **CARRIED** 

- To assist the IEC according to the new referendum
- To provide the IEC flexibility for debates to occur on at least one campus
- To have semester turnovers in the event of low performing individuals
- To give staff authority to make decisions instead of Board for efficiency
- Friendly amendment to include "at least one" for clarification

#### 8.7 Approval of the new Student Society Fee structure - MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:14 Arr/Hangue

Whereas the Governance Committee has reviewed the relevant documents and provide the following recommendation to Board.

Whereas recent amendments to the University Act have established a classification system for Student Society Fees;

Whereas the SFSS wishes to ensure that the collection and remittance of those fees by Simon Fraser University is consistent with the referendum questions that established those fees; Whereas the SFSS wishes to clearly communicate this classification to the external organisations who receive funding from the Society on the basis of existing Student Society Fees;

Whereas they SFSS wishes to ensure that those external organisation are provided with the opportunity to align their activities to these these classifications;

Be it resolved to approve and communicate the Student Society Fee structure as provided for in the two attached letters:

- Letter regarding Society fee structure and member resignation
- Letter regarding Society fee structure for stakeholders

#### CARRIED

• To separate capital fees and programming services fees

#### 8.8 Annual Budget - MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:15

#### Hangue/John

Whereas the Finance and Audit Committee has reviewed the relevant documents and provide the following recommendation to Board.

Be it resolved to approve the SFSS 2017/2018 budget.

#### CARRIED

- Department 20 changes, increase in specific line items; refer to document
- FBS operating expenses and severances budget to be reviewed quarterly

# 9. REPORTS FROM SOCIETY

#### 9.1 Report from Council Liaison

- No council meeting occurred
- 9.2 Copy Centre Service Review (for information)
- 9.3 Monthly SFSS Operations Report March 2017 (for information)
- 9.4 Food Bank Review (for information)
- 9.5 Strategic Plan Steering Committee Progress Report 2016-17 (for information)

## 10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 10.1 The incoming Board of Directors 2017-18 commences their term May 1, 2017.
- 10.2 Board Spring semester reports are due April 30, 2017.
- 10.3 Board keys are to be returned to the General Office by Friday, April 28, 2017 3:00pm.

# 11. ATTACHMENTS

- 2017-03-28 Letter regarding ss fee structure and member resignation.pdf
- 2017-03-28 Letter regarding ss fee structure for stakeholders.pdf
- 2017-04-03 Capital Budget Request.pdf
- BOD67March16th-31WorkReportCommitteeUpdate.pdf
- Closed Captioning Services.pptx
- Copy Centre Review & Attachments.pdf
- Food Bank Review.docx
- Monthly Operations Report March 2017.pdf
- Presentation General Membership Survey Results.pdf
- SFSS 2017%2F18 Budget (04-05-2017 Final Draft).xls
- SFSS Elections and Referenda Policies v.4.pdf
- Spring 2017 Election Results.pdf
- Strategic Plan Steering Committee Report 2016-2017.pdf

# 12. ADJOURNMENT

#### MOTION BOD 2017-04-24:16

#### Hangue/Raajan Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 10:23 AM. CARRIED