1. CALL TO ORDER
Call to Order – 4:35pm

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:lō, and Tsleil-Waututh people.

3. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

3.1 Council Composition

Student Union Representatives

Archeology .................................................. Alessandria Testani
Behavioral Neuroscience .................................. Victor Lau
Biology ......................................................... John Bulger
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology .................. Ningning Cheung
Business .................................................... Tina Borcanin
Chemistry .................................................... Myles Scollon
Cognitive Science .......................................... Romanos Byliris
Communications .......................................... Taylor Wagner
Computing Science (Chair) ................................ Kia Miresalehi
Criminology ................................................ Lisa Baek
Dance .......................................................... Tae Kim
Data Science ............................................... Megan Simao
Earth Science ............................................. Sukhdip Gill
Economics .................................................. Cameron Nakatsu
Education ................................................... Maria Beskromnno
Engineering Science .................................... Blaise Crisologo
English ....................................................... Paul Choptuik
Environmental Resource ................................ Aysh Joshi
Environmental Science ................................... Aphrodite Koseos
French ........................................................ Matin Salsabil
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies .............. Hannah Norlin
Geography .................................................. Maria Beskromnno
Health Science .............................................
History ....................................................... Paul Choptuik
Humanities ...................................................
Interactive Arts and Technology ......................... Rebecca Lu
International Studies ...................................... Juan Odorico
Labour Studies ........................................... Erik Blake
Linguistics .................................................. Tova Dang
Mathematics ................................................
Mechatronics System Engineering ..................... Steven Richter
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry ..................... Ulrich Anglas
Operations Research ....................................
Philosophy .................................................. Karen Abramson
Physics ..................................................... David Evans
Political Science .......................................... Keith Au
Psychology ................................................................. Kyle Chupik
Science Undergraduate Society (SUS) ................................ Natasha Birdi
Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS) .......................... Doris Yuen
Sociology and Anthropology ........................................... Elizabeth Yuen
Software Systems ....................................................... Nancy Yang
Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA) ............................. Forrest Zhu
Sustainable Community Development ................................
Theaters ......................................................................
Visual Arts .....................................................................
World Literature .............................................................

Constituency Group Representatives
First Nations Student Association (FNSA) ..............................
International Student Group (ISG) .....................................
Out on Campus Collective (OOC) ......................................
Residence Hall’s Association (RHA) ................................. Mohammed Ali
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) ......................
Students United for Disability Support (SUDS) ...............
Women Centre Collective (WCC) ......................................

Society Staff
SFSS Directors (non-voting)
President ........................................................................ Hangue Kim
VP External Relations .................................................... Prab Bassi
VP Finance ...................................................................... Baljinder Bains
VP Student Services ..................................................... Jimmy Dhesa
VP Student Life ............................................................. Alam Khehra
VP University Relations ................................................ Erwin Kwok
At-Large Representative ................................................ Raajan Garcha
At-Large Representative ................................................ Jaskarn Randhawa
Faculty Representative (Applied Sciences) ....................... Jeffrey Leung
Faculty Representative (Arts & Social Sciences) ................ Jackson Freedman
Faculty Representative (Business) .................................... Gini Kuo
Faculty Representative (Communications, Art, & Technology) Juvina Silvestre
Faculty Representative (Education) .................................... Jamie Zhu
Faculty Representative (Environment) .............................. Yun Oh
Faculty Representative (Health Sciences) ........................ Aarushi Sharma
Faculty Representative (Science) ...................................... Parham Elmi

3.2 Society Staff
Campaign, Research, and Policy Coordinator ..................... Pierre Cassidy

3.3 Guests
Engineering Science ...................................................... Melissa Mosavi

3.4 Regrets
Engineering Science ...................................................... Blaise Crisologo
Philosophy ................................................................. Karen Abramson
Residence Hall’s Association (RHA) ............................... Mohammed Ali

3.5 Absents
Archeology .................................................................. Alessandria Testani
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 2017-10-25:01

Steven/Ningning

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Blaise Crisologo (academic).

CARRIED

4.2 Motion Council 2017-10-25:02

Natasha/Keith

Be it resolved to ratify the regrets of Karen Abramson and Mohammed Ali (no reason provided)

CARRIED

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2017-10-25:03

Steven/Ningning

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2017-10-25:04

Ningning/Rebecca

Be it resolved to file and receive the following minutes:

- Council 2017-09-20.pdf

CARRIED

7. PRESENTATION

7.1 Budget Consultations

- SFSS budget consultation is a request for student input into the budget allocation for next fiscal year
• SFU budget consultation is also being held, with a presentation on Friday at Halpem Centre.
  o The SFSS is holding a demonstration in Freedom Square, and we invite you all to come to discuss what you want from SFU, including information necessary to meaningful participation

7.2 Board Update
• Arts and Social Sciences Rep
  o The FAST flash will start again to consolidate events being held in a Faculty
  o A classroom campaign will be started to present SUs and Clubs to new students. Contact Jackson to have you SU featured.
    ▪ This can also be made available to all SUs
• Advocacy
  o Stretch and Connect
• Events
  o Fall semester events and Spring planning
  o Halloween pub night tomorrow
• Governance Committee
  o Develop and engagement campaign
• Engagement
  o Developing bi-weekly engagement hours
• Surrey Campus Committee
  o Halloween movie night
  o Pub night being organised
  o In negotiation with SFU for student space in the new facilities in Surrey. We are looking for student input

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS
8.1 What do you want to see in Council?
• Round table to talk about expectations and hopes for participation in Council
  o Increase awareness of SUs regarding availability of services
  o Increased information shared with Board from SUs
  o Examples of Council accomplishments
    ▪ Taking position against Board who took position against the pipeline, and had Board change its position on the basis of concerns from Engineering students who explained a different perspective
    ▪ Councillor got Board to recognize the Tank Farm safety issue and develop a campaign against the expansion of the Tank Farm
    ▪ Inter-SU events that start at the Council
    ▪ Council contributed to the establishment of faculty student unions
    ▪ Better integration of Fraser International College students into the services and cost of SFSS services
  o Generally, Council is an information and advisory body to Board from SUs, and to SUs from Board

8.2 The TransLink Referendum and Survey
• Student societies across BC make available the U-Pass for a transit pass at a discounted price. The contract has been extended for a year and a half at the same rate. Board wants everyone to vote yes.
• Advocacy committee will be hosting a survey asking for more detailed information about Translink services to SFSS members. Please help Board make informed decision about its Advocacy priorities
• There is a problem with communications from SFU to its students in the case of extreme weather
• Sometimes they cancel classes 10 minutes before it starts
• Rescheduling of exams to downtown is problematic for students in residence
• The issues being raised is SFU’s policy for extreme weather
• The survey will inform any discussion with any stakeholders around this issue
• Interest in gondola as addition to transit options for Burnaby mountain

8.3 Surrey/Burnaby Event
• We are looking for ideas on what kind of event can be hosted to cater to both campuses
• How is that going to be done?
• How many people are you planning for?
  • Hopefully this will be a major event, but it will be a pilot project
• Event’s purpose is to get students from both campuses to interact
• Multi-campus event is not so far fetched

8.4 Advocacy Lobbying
• Advocacy is going to Victoria for lobbying purposes. Does Council want to contribute ideas for advocacy?
  • Looking for space where different students from different disciplines to come together – a kind of common room
  • Geography is focused on reaching out to its members and members from other departments, with a focus on events
  • IATSU looking to recruit first year and upper year to bond together
  • BBK notices that its members are focused on grad school, so we want to help contribute to the social aspect
  • Business – We want to engage with transfer students and hard to reach students, and active members become usual suspects
  • Engineering Science – Looking to organise events after frosh. We have issues that are department related, but we deal with those directly with the School of Engineering
  • INT’L Studies – problem with location of classes across campuses
  • Education – Create social opportunities given the small size of faculty
  • Linguistics – Problem with lack of sections of required classes. Our events have low turnout, we are trying to engage other departments to come out.
  • Biology – We aren’t having large turnouts at our events. We are focused on recruiting new students
  • Behavioural Neuroscience – We are small. We are trying to connect faculty to students. We want a more user-friendly approach to learning classes
  • SASS – It’s hard to get people involved in the Faculty SU, as people drift to the departments. We are trying to generate more interest. Want to better coordinate
department SUs in the faculty SU.

- Political Science – UBER can help the problems with transportation in the GVA. I’ve been stuck downtown on many occasions. SFU alcohol policy is not realistic. Having put the drinks on the poster on our event promotion was taken down because we were told we were promoting drinking. SFU is stigmatizing drinking.
  - This could be a cultural phenomenon around the west coast, and an issue around legal liability
  - Could we advocate some middle ground?
  - The SFU policy on alcohol is ambiguous
  - UBC has separate events for 19+ and all ages

- Physics – We are a small faculty and a small core group of members in the SU. We have been focusing on getting engagement earlier in their studies to replenish the ranks

- SUS – Working to get everyone together in a more relaxed atmosphere

- Data Science – We are very small and trying to use web-based tools to gain more exposure

- Mechatronic – We are working on a pub crawl. We are concerned about mental health availability. The services in Surrey are not that great, and not very available.
  - Board would need more information to prioritize issues around availability of common rooms
  - We should advertise the opportunities coming in light of the SUB
  - Space and AV is a problem and often forces events off campus

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS
   9.1 Stipend Forms

10. ADJOURNMENT
    10.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2017-10-25:05
    Maria/David
    Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 5:39pm
    CARRIED