

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order by the VP of Student Life, Curtis Pooghkay – 5:56 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 COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

Student Union Representatives

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

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| Archeology | Madeleine Lamer |
| Biology | Wade Vanderwaal |
| Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology..... | Alam Khehra |
| Business..... | |
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| Chemistry | |
| Cognitive Science | |
| Communications | Arjan Mundy |
| Computing Science..... | Corbett Gildersleve |
| Criminology | Erwin Kwok |
| Dance..... | Kaylee Louie |
| Economics | Jasmine LeBlanc |
| Education..... | |
| Education..... | |
| English | |
| Environmental Resource..... | Ayush Joshi |
| French..... | |
| Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies..... | |
| Health Science..... | |
| Humanities | |
| Interactive Arts and Technology | Zachary Chan |
| Labour Studies..... | |
| Linguistics | |
| Management System Science | Catherine Chang |
| Molecular Biology & Biochemistry | Julia Bodnar |
| Operations Research | |
| Philosophy..... | Karen Abramson |
| Physics | |
| Psychology..... | |
| Science Undergraduate Society (SUS) | Tomas Rapaport |
| Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS)..... | Christian Avendano |

Sociology and AnthropologyJohn Stuart
 Statistics and Actuarial Science..... Christopher Kevin
 Sustainable Community Development
 Theaters.....
 Visual Arts.....
 World Literature..... Alex Harasymiw

Constituency Group Representatives

First Nations Student Association (FNFA)
 International Student Group (ISG).....
 Residence Hall’s Association (RHA)
 Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC).....
 Students United for Disability Support (SUDS).....Tony Janolino

Society Staff

VP Student LifeCurtis Pooghkay
 Campaigns, Research, and Policy Coordinator Pierre Cassidy
 Student Union OrganiserAntonio Daling
 Administrative Assistant Carmela Frouws

3.2 REGRETS

Behavioral Neuroscience Alysha Damji
 Engineering ScienceShayne Kelly II
 Environmental Science..... Grayson Barke
 Geography Sarah Heim
 Political Science..... David Lu
 Software Systems..... Jeffrey Leung

3.3 ABSENT

Earth Science Elise Harrington
 History Zachary Boyd
 International Studies..... Genver Quirino
 Mathematics Sukh Sehdev
 Mechatronics System Engineering Sterling Wiseman
 Out on Campus Collective (OOC)..... Irene Sneddon
 Women Centre Collective (WCC)..... Anjali Biju

3.4 GUESTS

Environmental Science.....Charly Caproff
 PhilosophyShea Monson

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION COUNCIL 2016-05-25:01

MADELEINE/ TOMAS as amended by TOMAS/JASMINE

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as amended

CARRIED AS AMENDED

DISCUSSION

- Discussion: add Council Budget and Alcohol Restriction Policy

5. APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR

Another chair may be appointed by motion of Council. The Council may choose to set a limit (ex. for the current meeting only, for the semester etc.).

MOTION COUNCIL 2016-05-25:02

CORBETT/CHRISTIAN as amended by JASMINE/MADELEINE

Be it resolved to appoint Christian Avendano as the chair of Council for the summer term

CARRIED AS AMENDED

DISCUSSION

- Christian Avendano has shown interest in chairing

6. 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 2016-05-25:03

JASMINE/TONY

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from: Shayne Kelly, Sarah Heim, David Lu, Jeffrey Leung, Alysha Damji and Grayson Barke

CARRIED

7. DISCUSSION

2016-2017 BUDGET COMMITTEE

- A motion was passed last semester during the January 27 meeting where a committee was tasked for the purpose of budget planning and expenditures.
- During that meeting Council tasked staff to come up with potential training modules available to Council.
- Research has been conducted and it was suggested that Council strike up an Engagement Committee to table during Clubs Days at all three campuses and to allocate money towards the committee and for tabling.
- It was noted that the work to organize this is quite intensive and would need Council approval before going forward with next steps.

7.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2016-05-25:04

TOMAS/WADE

Whereas Fall and Spring Club days draw the biggest crowds of student

Whereas organizing a table for Club Days would likely take the least amount of effort on the part of Councilors while offering the largest yield in response,

Be it resolved that Council allocate its budget of \$1500 towards tabling at Club Days at all three campuses.

Be it further resolved that Council will appoint an outreach team mandated to organize such tabling.

Be it further resolved that Board task Staff with providing Council the support and merchandise required as determined by the above mentioned outreach team

TABLED TO THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

DISCUSSION

- It was suggested to see what type of training could be provided to Council.
 - Training could be free depending on the type of training that is requested.
- Desire was expressed to see how much tabling would cost before moving the motion
- Councilors have requested that they would like to see what other options are available and how much it will be.
- Council was encouraged to keep this in mind, as it would require Councilors to put in effort and work to ensure it gets done well.
 - Council was instructed to take this time to come up with ideas for outreach at Clubs days.
- Council was reminded that a small group was formed last year and it was recommended that the names be forwarded to the Council Chair after the meeting.
- It was suggested to postpone the motion until the next meeting on June 29.

7.2 MOTION COUNCIL 2016-05-25:05

KAREN/ARJAN

Be it resolved to postpone the budget motion to the next Council meeting.

CARRIED

ALCOHOL RESTRICTION POLICY

- An email was send by the President in May to Council and Board members, which included a briefing note regarding the new proposed Alcohol Restriction Policy.
- The policy recommends to prohibit students from using student money to purchase alcohol
- It was suggested at the Board meeting to have a cap on alcohol purchases rather than not allowing it entirely.
- It was also suggested at the Board meeting to get rid of the 15% mandatory gratuity when using the pub.
- Council was strongly encouraged to inform their DSUs and bring back some feedback to Board before a decision is made.
- Council was assured that Board will not be making a final decision at their next meeting on June 2.

7.3 MOTION COUNCIL 2016-05-25:06

TOMAS/STUART

Be it resolved to recommend that Board wait to receive council recommendation before Board's final decision on the alcohol restriction policy.

CARRIED

8. ATTACHMENTS

- Brief - Student Union Alcohol Policy

9. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment – 6:23 PM

Briefing Note

Re: Student Union Policy - Funding restriction on alcohol

Recommendation:

- Standardize SFSS student union alcohol policy restricting the purchase from student union core funding in line with the student union grant and club grant usage.
- Removing mandatory 15% gratuity currently covered by the student union and offsetting the cost to the organizers and participants.

Background:

- Currently the student union policy on funding only restricts the purchase of alcohol through grant fund and core funding does not have the same restriction.
- Student unions have been allowed to use their core fund to purchase alcohol since the mid 90s early 2000 when the policy was loosened.
- Before core funding could be used, the alcohol expenditure would be voted at a quorate general meeting of the student union and must be accompanied with the approved minutes.
- The purchase of alcohol through core fund is only allowed at the following events:
 - SFSS Highland pub for membership social,
 - Faculty and undergraduate meet and greet,
 - Large-scale events such as banquet or formal and
 - Beer garden on the premise that the events are organized on SFU campuses.
- For the fiscal year **2013-2014**, approximately **\$1,521.60** was spent on alcohol purchases through Highland pub from the core fund, **\$6,202.96** spent during the **2014-2015** fiscal year and **\$3,174.88** for the current fiscal year **2015-2016**.

Rationale:

- In line with other SFSS policy i.e. club funding and student union grant funding where the use of SFSS fund on alcohol expense is strictly prohibited, it would be best practice to standardize and streamline the process/policy for the organization to restrict altogether the purchase of alcohol through core fund.
- The use of core fund on alcohol is only exclusive to certain age group whereas paying members of the SFSS are of all ages.
- Reduce risks and any liabilities for events involve serving alcohol funded through SFSS.

Communications:

- Changing policy should be communicated to the members through the SFSS website and the student union executives and councilors mailing list
- The Board may also wish to communicate its' position to the Society members through direct engagement by the faculty representatives (meetings or townhall).

Recommendation Implications

A change in policy content will imply the Society is opening up debate about its operations, mandate and also removing the ability of its' constituent to be self-governing on its' funding decision.

Financial

- The efficacy of this change would redirect much of the fund for other activities in line with the strategic vision of the SFSS
- In the absence of tangible data and merely a speculation, pub revenue and possibly activity level might be impacted

Strategic

- Adopting the new policy/process would send a message that the Board is open and transparent but must be done with the cooperation of the faculty representative that would be engaging their constituents.