

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order - 2:36 PM

## 2. TERRITORIALACKNOWLEDGMENT

We acknowledge that this meeting takes place on the traditional, unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples, including the x<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), Selílwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k<sup>w</sup>ik<sup>w</sup>əλəm (Kwikwetlem) and Katzie Nations, on which we are privileged to live, work and play. Unceded means that these territories have never been handed over, sold, or given up by these nations, and we are currently situated on occupied territories.

## 3. ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

3.1 Board Composition	
President	. Giovanni HoSang
(via phone)	
VP External Relations	Jasdeep Gill
VP Finance	Tawanda Chitapi
VP Student Services	Christina Loutsik
VP Student Life	. Jessica Nguyen
VP University Relations	. Shina Kaur
At-Large Representative	. Maneet Aujla
At-Large Representative (Chair)	. Rayhaan Khan
Faculty Representative (Applied Sciences)	. Nick Chubb
Faculty Representative (Arts & Social Sciences)	. Jennifer Chou
Faculty Representative (Business)	. Andrew Wong
Faculty Representative (Communications, Art, & Technology)	. Fiona Li
Faculty Representative (Education)	. Emerly Liu
Faculty Representative (Environment)	. Julian Loutsik
Faculty Representative (Health Sciences)	. Osob Mohamed
Faculty Representative (Science)	. Simran Uppal
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3.2 Society Staff SUB Project Assistant	Zovo Noni
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Campaign, Research, and Policy Coordinator	
Executive Director	Sylvia Ceacero
3.3 Guests	
The Peak Coordinating News Editor	Paul Choptuik
3.4 Regrets	F 1 T'
Faculty Representative (Education)	•
Faculty Representative (Arts & Social Sciences)	
VP Student Services	. Christina Loutsik



## 4. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS

### 4.1 MOTION BOD 2019-06-13:01

#### Jasdeep/Shina

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Emerly Liu (academic), Jennifer Chou (academic), Christina Loutsik (conference), and Tawanda Chitapi (conference).

#### **CARRIED**

## 5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

#### 5.1 MOTION BOD 2019-06-13:02

#### Fiona/Julian

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as amended.

- Discussion items: 9.4 Welcome Day, 9.5 Student Engagement, and 9.6 8<sup>th</sup> Annual BBQ at SFU Woodword's
- In-Camera: 11.1 Working Conditions

#### CARRIED AS AMENDED

## 6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

#### 6.1 MOTION BOD 2019-06-13:03

#### Julian/Nick

Be it resolved to receive and file the following minutes:

- Board of Directors 2019 05 30.pdf
- UAL Committee 2019 05 29.pdf
- Events\_Committee\_2019\_06\_03.pdf

#### **CARRIED**

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

#### 7.1 Vancouver Campus Committee (BOD 2019-05-16 Motion 7.12) – MOTION BOD 2019-06-13:04

#### Jasdeep/Andrew

Be it resolved to appoint Fiona Li, Shina Kaur, and Nick Chubb to the Vancouver Campus Committee.

Be it further resolved to appoint Fiona Li as chair of the Vancouver Campus Committee.

#### **CARRIED**

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

#### **8.1 Signing Officers – MOTION 2019-06-13:05**

#### Jasdeep/Andrew

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#### **CARRIED**

# 8.2 Change to Scotiabank Signing Authorities – MOTION 2019-06-13:06 Jasdeep/Shina

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Be it further resolved that this authority include the ability to sign and deliver the Scotiabank Financial Services Agreement, any service requests, and any other banking agreements, and to give instructions, verifications, and approvals.

#### **CARRIED**

# 8.3 BCFS Annual General Meeting – MOTION BOD 2019-06-13:07 Jasdeep/Maneet

Be it resolved to spend up to \$1,724.25 from line item 740/20 to send two Board Member to the 2019 BCFS Annual General Meeting.

#### **CARRIED**

- BCFS stands for British Columbia Federation of Students
- Refer to attachment
- 2 FPMALC members will be attending the BCFS Annual General Meeting

## 9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### 9.1 University and Academic Affairs Committee Update

- The committee met 2 weeks ago and will be meeting again this Wednesday
- The committee met the Board of Governors representatives, may create a working group for the Gondola, and may create a working group related to the tuition increase
- The chair is currently recruiting for 2 more at-large representatives

#### 9.2 Potential Vaccination Program

- The Executive Director is the chair of a stakeholder group that recruits BC Pharmacists and is working towards a high-dose vaccine for seniors over 65 years old to better protect them and lower the cost in the healthcare system
- A contact (Ajit) is interested in speaking to the Board about vaccines regarding a potential program for students related to their health and well-being



#### 9.3 Board Members and Other SFSS Commitments

- Board members are known to be part of students groups (Clubs and Student Unions) prior to their appointment and resigns from their positions at the time of their appointment to avoid any conflict of interest
- Board members are in agreement to continue this practice of not being an Executive in other student groups, even though it is not a policy
  - o Being a member for a student group is not the same as being an Executive
- Suggestion:
  - To forward this topic to the Governance committee to create a guideline and to bring report back to the Board
- It is noted that there is a Board member who is an Executive for a few student groups, however, since it is not a policy and the Board members where not notified of this practice prior to their appointment, the Board agreed that this Board member may continue being an Executive in their respective student groups

#### 9.4 Welcome Day

- VP University Relations, Shina Kaur, and FCAT Representative, Fiona Li, have been in discussion with Student Services regarding Welcome Day for Fall 2019
- The event will be from 12pm to 8pm where pre-registration will be required (event is free)
  - o The first half of the event will be dedicated for lunch, speech from the SFU President, Faculty announcements, etc.
  - o The second half consist of carnival style activities, a pub night event at The Study, and a movie night
- SFU will be taking care of the logistical side of the event but have requested SFSS to support the event by covering some of the costs (their proposal asks for the full cost at \$30,000)
  - SFSS will be allowed to promote their events; such as Kick-Off, provide SWAG, and other resources
  - o It is noted that Kick-Off costs half the amount of the BBQ and is suggested by a Board member that funds be used for SFSS-related events instead
- Mini calendars will be handed out to students, which gives the SFSS a change to promote any SFSS-related events
  - o Board members are to notify VP University Relations of any events that will occur in the Fall so that it may be included in the mini calendars
- It is noted that this may be a great way to strengthen the relationship between SFU and SFSS
- VP University Relations will be following-up with Board members regarding their attendance at the event after their calendars have been finalized for the Fall semester

#### 9.5 Student Engagement

- It is suggested that Board members take photos for SFSS events they attend to increase content and a have a record of it
- The Board calendar is an effective method to notify everyone, prepare for events in advance, and allow SFSS Staff or other Board members to provide support when needed
  - o Board members are suggested to start using this calendar on a regular basis
- The month-in review can be found on the website http://sfss.ca/month-in-review-may/



#### 9.6 8th Annual BBQ at SFU Woodward's

- The event will be at the Woodward's atrium, the school for dance and contemporary arts at SFU, on September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- SFSS can be involved by tabling at the event, or taking part of the logistics

## 10. GUESTS Q&A

 It is suggested that Board members who speak on a topic to briefly introduce themselves before speaking

## 11. IN-CAMERA

11.1 MOTION BOD 2019-06-13:08

Nick/Maneet

Be it resolved to go in-camera for the remainder of the meeting.

**CARRIED** 

11.2 Working Conditions

## 12. EX-CAMERA

12.1 MOTION BOD 2019-06-13:09

Jasdeep/Maneet

Be it resolved to go ex-camera.

**CARRIED** 

## 13. Announcements and Notices

13.1 Development Session – June 20

13.2 Strategic Planning Session – June 25 and July 4

## 14. ATTACHMENTS

- 2019-2020 Signing Authorities Motions.pdf
- BCFS Semi-Annual Meeting.pdf
- GM-2019 07 Notice NonMember.pdf

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BOD 2019-06-13:10

Julian/Jessica

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 4:08 PM.

**CARRIED** 

**Briefing note:** Signing authorities - delegation

Presented by: Tawanda Nigel Chitapi, VP Finance

**Support**: Sylvia Ceacero, E.D.

To: SFSS Board of Directors

Meeting date: June 13 2019

#### **MOTIONS**

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#### **Board of Directors**

Maggie Benston Centre 2220 8888 University Drive Burnaby, BC V5A 1S6 Unceded Coast Salish Territories

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## **BCFS Semi-Annual General Meeting**

#### Brief

The BCFS Semi-Annual General Meeting is place for student leads across BC to discuss our 2019-20 campaign plans and to work together leading up to the Federal Election. This includes some workshops on campaign databases, federal political landscape, campaigns, etc. See attached notice for more information.

#### Motion

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#### **Budget**

Conference Fees (\$600 per person): \$1,200.00

BC Ferries Roundtrip: \$207.50

Gas: \$100.00 Food: \$60.00

Contingency (10% of total): \$156.75

TOTAL: \$1,724.25

Cost per person: \$862.12



# 76th Semi-Annual General Meeting

BRITISH COLUMBIA FEDERATION OF STUDENTS



Coast Bastion Hotel, Nanaimo Wednesday, July 24 to Saturday, July 27, 2019

# BC FEDERATION OF STUDENTS

## 76TH SEMI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Federation holds general membership meetings twice annually: once in the summer and once in the winter. These meetings are an opportunity for representatives of member local students' unions to get together to debate motions on a range of topics from issues to internal structures, discuss campaigns and services, and to set the direction of the student movement for the coming six to twelve months.

While much of these meetings are debate and decision-making, there are also opportunities for networking, information-sharing, coalition building, and more. There are several sessions with guest speakers designed to educate delegates and to provide additional information on topics related to the ongoing work of the Federation through campaigns and other development work.

Recent general meetings have included speakers like Seth Klein from the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives; Deborah Jeffrey from the First Nations Education Steering Committee; Minister Melanie Mark; Opposition Critic Simon Gibson; and Trish Garner from the BC Poverty Reduction Coalition. While workshops and speakers for this meeting are still being finalised, we plan to hold sessions on such topics as precarious employment; building online communities; women in the trades; and campaign organising.

#### ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

#### Location

The general meeting will be held at the Coast Bastion Hotel at 11 Bastion Street in Nanaimo. Your students' union will be responsible for the coordination and expense for travel; however, a parking pass will be provided upon arrival at the hotel. Please advise us in advance the number of vehicles for which you will need parking passes.

#### **Dates and Time**

Registration is scheduled from 3:30pm to 4:30pm on Wednesday, July 24, and the meeting is scheduled to adjourn at 12:30pm on Saturday, July 27. An agenda for the meeting will be circulated to registrered participants in early July.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

You are welcome to send as many participants as you are able, to a maximum of four. Participants will be welcome in all plenary sessions, committee and caucus meetings, workshops, and sessions; however, as some of these spaces are decision-making bodies, speaking rights will be permitted in caucus meetings, workshops, and sessions. Please note that individual students' unions will be responsible for direct costs incurred for participant cancellations (e.g. accommodation, food) unless two weeks written notice is provide to the Federation's office.

#### **LOGISTICS**

#### Accommodation

Delegates will stay in double occupancy rooms, which will be available starting the afternoon of Wednesday, July 24. Please specify on each delegate's registration form the nights that each delegate will require accommodation, and up to two preferred roommates.

The hotel is equipped with a fitness centre that will be open to participants.

#### Food

All meals will be provided at the meeting, beginning with dinner on Wednesday, July 24 through to breakfast on Saturday, July 27. Please indicate special meal requirements on the registration form; information provided after the registration deadline risk not being accommodated.

#### Accessibility Requirements

If any participants have specific needs for accommodation or services, please note them on the registration form. Requests made later than the registration deadline risk not being accommodated.

#### REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Completed registration forms should be scanned and emailed to **agm@thebcfs.ca**, or faxed to the Federation's office at (778) 379-3105, by 5:00pm on Wednesday, June 26. All special requirements must be listed on the registration form.

#### **DELEGATE FEES**

The registration fee for non-Federation member students' unions is \$600 per participant. This fee will cover meeting registration and documents, accommodation, and meals. The registration fee must be paid in advance of the meeting, and should be submitted to the Federation's office:

207-245 East Columbia Street New Westminster, BC V3L 3W4



In 1975, students across British Columbia saw the need to work together with a single, united movement in order to be an effective force for provincial and national change. Today, the British Columbia Federation of Students (BCFS) is a provincial students' union that brings together over 170,000 students from thirteen university and college students' unions across BC. Together, we aim to work towards providing students with an effective and unified voice to influence government policies that affect access to post-secondary education.

The BCFS is managed by a board of directors that is made up of elected student representatives from across the province—we are run by students, for students. Together we work to develop campaigns based on strong research, which leads to provincial lobbying and mobilization. Recently, these tactics have led to victories with the elimination of interest on BC student loans and tuition fee elimination on adult basic education. Our current campaigns include Open Textbooks Now!, Fairness for International Students, Knock Out Interest, and Grants Not Loans. Through a strong precedence of being the experts on students issues in BC, major coalition partners, government, and media often use the BCFS as the source for the student voice. Our aim is to make that voice unified and inclusive of all students across BC.

The BCFS also runs services to help students' unions save money and to ensure individual members benefit from working collectively. The BCFS coordinates the bulk purchasing of handbook/dayplanners, membership development materials, health and dental plans, and a campus mobile app; we also coordinate a provincial discount program to help individual students save money in their day-to-day lives. All these services can be utilized as required by member (and in some cases non-member) students' unions.

The BCFS holds three large-scale events annually: two general membership meetings and a Skills Development Symposium. The general meetings are four-day conventions that create space for students to come together to discuss, debate, and ultimately decide on the BCFS' direction and work. Each member students' union has an equal say in setting the policies, directions, and priorities of the BCFS, including the direction of campaigns, services, and the budget of the organization. All meetings are also opportunities to network with other student representatives and staff from across BC, and incorporate workshops and speakers to enable participants to bring new perspectives, knowledge, and skills back to their students' unions.









