1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 2:39 PM

2. TERRITORIALACKNOWLEDGMENT

We acknowledge that this meeting takes place on the traditional, unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples, including the x^wməθk^wəýəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), Selílwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k^wik^wəλəm (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

. Giovanni HoSang
. Jasdeep Gill
.Tawanda Chitapi
. Christina Loutsik (via phone)
. Jessica Nguyen
. Shina Kaur
. Maneet Aujla
. Rayhaan Khan
. Nick Chubb
. Jennifer Chou
. Andrew Wong
. Fiona Li
. Emerly Liu
. Julian Loutsik (via phone)
. Osob Mohamed
. Simran Uppal

3.2 Society Staff

Build SFU General Manager	Marc Fontaine
Campaign, Research, and Policy Coordinator	Sarah Edmunds
Executive Director	Sylvia Ceacero
SUB Project Assistant	Zoya Nari

3.3 Guests

CJSF Volunteer Coordinator	Caitlin Van der Have
Computer Science Student Society President	Kia Mirsalehi
GSS Director of External Relations	Matthew McDonald
Nigerian Students Association Secretary	Ummi Ibrahim
SOCA Events Coordinator	Juanita Ndyamukama
SOCA External Relations Officer	Flourish Adeogun



SOCA EIC Depresentative	Shown Ang'owo
SOCA FIC Representative	0
SOCA Internal Relations Officer	
SOCA Secretary	
SOCA Vice-President	
Student	Abdulkadir Yusuf
Student	Abhishek Parmar
Student	Ali Versi
Student	Amrita Mohar
Student	Balqees Jama
Student	Cody DeLeijer
Student	Fegor Obuwoma
Student	Gurveer Khakh
Student	Jeffrey Leung
Student	Jessica Dickson
Student	Joaquin Mercado
Student	Lex Grandan
Student	Martha Dzhenganin
Student	Mohnish Farswani
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3.4 Regrets

Faculty Representative (Applied Sciences)	Nick Chubb
Faculty Representative (Arts & Social Sciences)	Jennifer Chou
Faculty Representative (Education)	Emerly Liu

4. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS

4.1 MOTION BOD 2019-05-16:01
Rayhaan/Jessica
Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Emerly Liu, Nick Chubb, and Jennifer Chou.
CARRIED

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5.1 MOTION BOD 2019-05-16:02 Jasdeep/Andrew Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as amended.



CARRIED AS AMENDED

- Remove New Business: 7.2 Board Jackets, 7.5 Board Meeting Minute Voting Records, and 7.7 Reimbursement for Student for Accessibility Workshop
- Add New Business: 7.18 Stakeholders Meeting

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 MOTION BOD 2019-05-16:03

Jessica/Jasdeep

Be it resolved to receive and file the following minutes:

• Board of Directors 2019-04-18.pdf

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Society Photos for Website – MOTION 2019-05-16:04 Jasdeep/Jessica

Be it resolved to approve up to \$690 from line item 886/17 for professional photographs to be taken for the Board of Directors to place on the Society's website and social media.

CARRIED

- Photographs have been historically taken by SFSS staff at no additional cost
- There is a preference to outsource a professional photographer
- Question was called
- 1 opposition and 1 abstention

7.2 ABCS 2019 Skills and Training Conference – MOTION BOD 2019-05-16:05 Jasdeep/Jessica

Be it resolved to spend \$798.38 from line item 820/20 to send Faculty Representative (Science) Simran Uppal and X to the ABCS 2019 Skills and Training Conference.

CARRIED

- Amendment: change Faculty Representative (Environment) Julian Loutsik to x
 - This Board member is no longer available for the conference, hence, it is now open to another interested Board member
- Purpose: to build relationships in the future lobbying opportunities with the new Board members

7.3 SOCA as Tier 2 Constituency Group – MOTION BOD 2019-05-16:06 Osob/Shina

Whereas SFU Students of Caribbean and African Ancestry (SOCA) has been instrumental in advocating and raising issues relevant to the black community and allies on campus since 1994; Whereas, the definition of a constituency group aligns with SOCA's structure of being a "student-run body that represents undergraduate students that share an experience of oppression, systemic discrimination and/or barriers";

Whereas SOCA has been recognized as a representative Constituency group with the intention of becoming a full Tier 2 constituency group to fully reflect the work of representing issues within the framework of marginalized communities similar to Students United for Disability Support (SUDS) and International Student Group (ISG), with the further intention of becoming Levi funded group with support from the student body similar to the First Nations Student Fund;



Be it resolved that SOCA be designated as a constituency group under the Resource office as a Tier 2 Constituency Group.

POSTPONED

- SOCA provided a presentation on the general background of individuals of African descent, the achieved milestones, and personal experiences
- SOCA is described as being a safe space to create and increase a sense of community with individuals of African descent
- A few Board members require some time to review the different types of tiers before making an informed decision for the aforementioned motion
 - It is noted that the attached document provides sufficient information of how each tier functions as well as which groups are already part of the tiers
- This item has been postponed to the next meeting
- 1 opposition

7.4 Posting Elections Report on Website – MOTION 2019-05-16:07 Giovanni/Shina

Whereas there is no policy to put the Elections and Referendum Report prepared by the Independent Electoral Commission on the Society website;

Whereas there has been the precedent for the SFSS to have the Elections and Referenda report listed on the Society website (for example, the Elections and Referenda Report for 2017),

Be it resolved to list the 2019 Elections and Referenda Report on the Society Website.

Be it further resolved to amend SFSS Elections and Referenda Policies, Section PEP-1 (9) to read as follows:

"After duly receiving and approving the Elections and Referenda Report, the Society shall ensure that the two latest received Elections and Referenda reports are appropriately shared with members of the SFSS [including but not limited to being placed on society website]. If personal information is included in the report, it shall be redacted in accordance with relevant privacy legislation."

CARRIED AS AMENDED

• Amendment: remove "stepwise" and "placed on Society website"

7.5 Signing Authorities – MOTION BOD 2019 2019-05-16:08 Jasdeep/Shina

Be it resolved that as per By-Law 4: Powers, Duties and Obligations of Executive Officers, Giovanni HoSang, President; Christina Loutsik, VP Student Services; Tawanda Nigel Chitapi, VP Finance; and Shina Kaur, VP University Relations be appointed as Signing Officers for the period May 1st, 2019 until April 30th, 2020.

Be it further resolved that as per By Law 6.11: Powers, Duties and Obligations of the Board of Directors, Sylvia Ceacero, Executive Director; Marc Fontaine, Build SFU General Manager; and Alejandro Reyes, General Manager, be appointed as Signing Officers for the period May 1st, 2019 until May 31st, 2020.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

• Amendment: "May 1st, 2018 until May 31st, 2019" to "May 1st, 2019 until May 31st, 2020"

7.6 Nominating Committee – MOTION BOD 2019-05-16:09 Jessica/Maneet

Be it resolved to appoint Andrew Wong (chair), Jessica Nguyen, and Maneet Aujla, to the SFSS Nominating Committee.

CARRIED



- Board had previously decided on committee compositions based on a vote of interest
- Opposition: Julian Loutsik

7.7 Events Committee – MOTION BOD 2019-05-16:10

Jasdeep/Jessica

Be it resolved to appoint Jessica Nguyen (chair), Maneet Aujla, Emerly Liu, Nick Chubb and Jennifer Chou to the SFSS Events Committee.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

- Amendment: remove "Julian Loutsik"
- Board voted to remove one member from the committee as per policy regulations
- Opposition: Julian Loutsik

7.8 Governance Committee – MOTION BOD 2019-05-16:11 Jasdeep/Tawanda

Be it resolved to appoint Christina Loutsik (chair), Osob Mohamed, Fiona Li, Tawanda Chitapi, and Jasdeep Gill to the SFSS Governance Committee.

CARRIED

7.9 Finance and Audit Committee – MOTION 2019-05-16:12 Jasdeep/Shina

Be it resolved to appoint Tawanda Chitapi (chair), Jasdeep Gill, Andrew Wong, Fiona Li, and Shina Kaur to the SFSS Finance and Audit Committee.

CARRIED

7.10 University Advocacy and Lobbying Committee – MOTION 2019-05-16:13 Jasdeep/Shina

Be it resolved to appoint Shina Kaur (chair), Osob Mohamed, Emerly Li, Jennifer Chou, and Rayhaan Khan to the SFSS University Advocacy and Lobbying Committee.

CARRIED

7.11 Surrey Campus Committee – MOTION 2019-05-16:14 Jasdeep/Maneet

Be it resolved to appoint Nick Chubb (chair), Osob Mohamed, Simran Uppal, Jennifer Chou, and Fiona Li to the SFSS Surrey Campus Committee.

CARRIED

7.12 Vancouver Campus Committee – MOTION 2019-05-16:15 Jasdeep/Fiona

Be it resolved to appoint Fiona Li (chair), x, x, x, and x to the SFSS Vancouver Campus Committee.

POSTPONED

- Interested Board member: VP University Relations, Shina Kaur
- This item has been postponed to the next meeting

7.13 Accessibility Fund Committee – MOTION BOD 2019-05-16:16 Jasdeep/Shina

Be it resolved to appoint Christina Loutsik (chair), Jennifer Chou, Emerly Li, Rayhaan Khan, and Maneet Aujla to the SFSS Accessibility Fund Committee.



CARRIED

Maneet Aujla left at 4:00 pm

7.14 Federal, Provincial, and Municipal Advocacy and Lobbying Committee – MOTION 2019-05-16:17

Jasdeep/Fiona

Be it resolved to appoint Jasdeep Gill (chair), Christina Loutsik, Julian Loutsik, Mannet Aujla and Simran Uppal to the SFSS Federal, Provincial, and Municipal Advocacy and Lobbying Committee.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

- Amendment: remove "Jessica Nguyen"
- Board voted to remove one member from the committee as per policy regulations

7.15 StudentCare Stakeholders Meeting - MOTION 2019-05-16:18

Jasdeep/Jessica

Be it resolved to spend \$250.00 from line item 740/20 to cover additional costs of the Student Care Stakeholders Meeting.

CARRIED

- Refer to attachment
- To cover the cost of accommodation from May 22nd to May 23rd for the meeting in Montreal
- VP External Relations, Jasdeep Gill and VP Student Life, Jessica Nguyen will be unavailable during the time that they will be away for the Stakeholder's meeting

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.1 Burnaby Mountain Gondola Update

- 7 letters were sent out to specific individuals for the Gondola transit project
- A working group is suggested to help campaign for the project

8.2 Rotunda Groups/Independent Student Society Relationship

- To allow for an open discussion for the aforementioned topic
- GSS and SFSS are the only groups that are recognized as student societies under the University Act, whereas the other groups are attached both or one of the societies

8.3 Development of a Campaigns Committee

• A Board member suggested this new committee be developed

4:08pm Jessica Nguyen stepped out

4:13pm Jessica Nguyen returned

- Suggestions:
 - To further discuss campaigns at the University Advocacy and Lobbying Committee and to bring it back to the Board to brainstorm if a new committee should be struck
 - To create an 'issues' policies to allow students to understand where the society stands



8.4 SFSS President Updates and Summer Plan

- Refer to attachment
- The President provided a presentation at the Board meeting outlining his summer goals
- Notes:
 - The Board plan for the year has not been completed yet, hence, the mandate that was presented may not align, however, it was based on Board planning sessions from previous Board terms
- Some Board members are concerned about the President's absence for the 3-month internship because the executives will have to carry-on the majority of the President's responsibilities as part of their portfolio requirements
- Suggestion to waive or split up the President's stipend to the Board members
 - This will have to be reviewed by a lawyer and the Executive Director in lieu of the Societies act
- Notes:
 - A guest stated that during the last Board term, there were 3 vacant Board positions but the Board succeeded well. However, returning Board members highlighted that they did not share the same sentiment.
 - A guest stated that the majority of Board members are new and will be taking on new responsibilities regardless
 - The President had notified students about his internship on all his social media platforms prior to his election
- VP University Relations is on a semester in dialogue and continuously communicates with other Board members to stay informed during later office hours. Her Semester in Dialogue ends in a few weeks and she will be available for the upcoming and following meetings with President Petter
- Guests expressed confidence in the VP University Relations to attend meetings without the President and that the President has been historically responsive to concerns/issues
- It is suggested by a Board member that a sense of cohesiveness on Board is currently missing and should be worked on prior to the President's temporary departure
- Board agreed to discuss the summer plans and allocation of responsibilities in their upcoming Board development

8.5 Collaborating with the GSS in efforts to get SFU to provide free menstrual products

- As of June 23^{rd,} all BC public schools are obligated to provide free menstrual products to students
- Discussion has been conducted with the University, however, it is suggested that the SFSS provide some Federal, Provincial, and Municipal Advocacy and Lobbying initiatives
- Goal is to create a collaborative partnership with the other societies, the Women Centre, OOC, etc.

8.6 Improvements of Meeting Minutes

- There has been some concern with students not understanding the minutes due to a lack of context
 - To gather information from students as to what is preventing them from understanding the minutes



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- Suggestions:
 - To gather information from students as to what is preventing them from understanding the minutes
 - o Briefing notes to be attached to every item that is put on the agenda for context
- Notes:
 - Board members opposition and abstention votes; such as conflict of interest, lack of information, etc. is not stated in meetings and may be misinterpreted

8.7 Skills Development for Livestream of Board Meeting and Professionalism Training

- Purpose: to allow students to understand how Board practices are conducted, however some Board members do not feel comfortable livestreaming yet
- Board will be conducting a pilot project in the fall to determine its benefits and feasibility
- Concern:
 - Everyone has a voice, but not everyone can/wish to speak up as a new Board member until they feel comfortable in their role
- Suggestion:
 - Livestreaming would make meetings more accessible for students who are unable to attend the meeting
- To bring this topic back up in the Board Development session

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 9.1 Summer Board Meetings to be held in MBC 2294-96
- 9.2 Next Board Meeting to be on May 30
- 9.3 Clubs Day Surrey May 22
- 9.4 Development Session May 23
- 9.5 Student Senate Elections

10. ATTACHMENTS

- ABCS conference. Pdf
- SFSS Campaigns Committee.docx
- President Updates and Summer Plans Giovanni HoSang. Pdf
- Constituency Group SURO.pdf
- SOCA as Tier 2 Constituency Group SFSS BoD May 16, 2019.pdf
- Gondola Update.pdf

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BOD 2019-05-16:19

Jasdeep/Shina

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 PM. **CARRIED**



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ABCS Skills and Training Conference

Brief:

The SFSS Federal, Provincial and Municipal Advocacy and Lobbying Committee will be sending two delegates from the SFSS to the Alliance of BC Students (ABCS) Skills and Training Conference. The purpose of this conference is to build relationships with other student unions across the province, and to collaborate on advocacy initiatives during upcoming trips to the BC Legislative Assembly.

Date: June 14, 2019 to June 16, 2019 Location: University of the Fraser Valley, Abbotsford BC Attendees: Simran Uppal and Julian Loutsik Cost: see table below

Item	Cost Per Person	Total
Attendance fee (including meal plan)	\$213.19	\$426.38
Accommodations	\$186.00	\$372.00
		Total = \$798.38

Motion:

Be it resolved to spend \$798.38 from line item 820-20 to send Simran Uppal and Julian Loutsik to the ABCS 2019 Skills and Training Conference.

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Constituency Groups

Constituency Groups are student-run bodies that represent undergraduate students that share an experience of oppression, systemic discrimination and/or barriers. Constituency groups with a Council seat elect a member to serve as their representative on Council for that semester. Constituency groups have a defined membership that represents specific groups within the student body.

Precedents:

- Constituency groups are historically any group that is not an FSU or DSU (SGM, April 2013). Seats are tied to population. The four as of April 2013 were Women's Centre, Out on Campus, Students United for Disabilities Support and Residence Hall.
- 2. SFSS Policy AP-15: Constituency Groups; repealed in 2017
 - a. Repealed policy regarding constituency groups; did not apply to Women's Centre, OOC, or FNSA as the SFSS collected funding from SFSS student fees on their behalf
 - b. Constituency groups "receive funding from Student Union Resource Office"
 - c. Requirements under the this repealed policy (which are now captured by SURO SOPs):
 - i. Constituency groups must be active (meaning they must have a Constitution filed with SURO)
 - ii. Submit minutes of at least one properly constituted meeting per semester
 - iii. List of current Exec Committee members or other contact persons, signing officers and Council reps
 - iv. Receive core budget from SURO and spending/reimbursement must be approved by membership

Councils Decision:

If the motion to make Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry (SOCA) a constituency group passes with a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority vote at council, the group would be categorized as a tier 1 constituency group (see Figure 1) and have the following status:

- 1. Receive a seat and vote on the SFSS student council
- 2. Retain their current club status with the SFSS

There are currently 52 seats on council (Figure 2). Not all eligible groups have an active council representative. The addition of SOCA would make 53 approved seats on council.

simon fraser student society Maggie Benston Centre 2250 Simon Fraser University 8888 University Drive Burnaby, BC V5A 1S6 Unceded Coast Salish Territories sfss.ca Tier 1 -Has a seat & is a voting member on SFSS Student Council Ex. RHA, SAAC Tier 2 Has a seat & vote on SFSS Student Council -Receives funding from the Student Union Resource Office (ex. core funds) -Governance & administration matches departmental and faculty student unions Ex. International Students Federation, Students United for Disability Support Tier 3 Has a seat & vote on SFSS Student -Has a seat & vote on SFSS Student Council Council -Supported by a department of the SFSS -Pre-approved fee levy's through Ex. Women's Centre Collective, Out on referendum **Campus Collective** Ex. First Nations Student Association

Figure 1 - Constituency Group Levels

Tier 1 - Constituency Groups with ONLY a seat on Council:

- 1. Resident Hall Association (RHA)
- 2. Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SAAC)

Tier 2 - Currently recognized Constituency Groups within Student Union Resource Office:

- 3. Students United for Disability Support (SUDS)
- 4. International Student Group (ISG)

Tier 3 - Constituency Groups that are a "Collective":

- 5. First Nations Student Association (FNSA)
- 6. Women's Centre Collective (WCC)
- 7. Out on Campus Collective (OOC)

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Archaeology Student Society (ASS)
Bachelor of Environment Student Union (BESU)
Behavioural Neuroscience Student Society (BNSS)
Biology Student Union (BSU)
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology Student Association
Business Administration Student Society (BASS)
Chemistry Student Society (CSS)
Cognitive Science Student Association (CSSA)
Communications Student Union (CMNSU)
Computing Science Student Society (CSSS)
Criminology Student Association (CSA)
Dance Student Union (DSU)
Data Science Student Society (DSSS)
Earth Science Student Union (ESSU)
Economics Student Society (ESS)
Education Student Association (ESA)
Engineering Science Student Society (ESSS)
English Student Union (ESU)
Environmental Science Student Union (EVSCSU)
Film Student Union (FSU)
First Nations Studies Student Union (FNSA)
French Student Union (FSU)
Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies Student Union
Geography Student Union (GSU)
Gerontology Student Union (GSU)
Health Science Student Union (HSSU)
History Student Union (HSU)
Interactive Arts & Technology Student Union (IATSU)
International Students Federation (ISF)
International Studies Student Association (ISSA)
Labour Studies Student Union (LSSU)
Linguistics Student Union (LSU)
Mathematics Student Union (MSU)
Mechatronic Systems Engineering Student Society
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry (MBB)
Operations Research Student Union (ORSU)
Out on Campus Collective (OOC)
Philosophy Student Association (PSA)
Physics Student Association (PSA)
Political Science Student Union (PSSU)
Psychology Student Union (PSU)
Residence Hall Association (RHA)
Science Undergraduate Society (SUS)
Society of Arts and Social Science (SASS)
Sociology and Anthropology Student Union (SASU)
Software Systems Student Society (SSSS)

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Statistics & Actuarial Science Student Association (SASSA)
Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SAAC)
Students United for Disabilities Support (SUDS)
Theatre Student Union (TSU)
Women's Centre Collective (WCC)
World Literature Student Union (WLSU)

Figure 2 – Eligible council seats as of January 2019



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Board Meeting Presentation May 19, 2019









President

Summer Plan



Main Goals over the Summer

- Affordability (Education, Housing, Transit)
- Safety and Student Well-being
- ACT Accountability, Communication, Transparency
- Events and Social Community



- Affordability
 - Monthly Petter Meetings
 - Meetings with Politicians and Organizers
 - Meetings with SFU VPs (Academic, Finance etc)
 - Continuous outreach with the Students Online



- Accountability, Communication, Transparency
 - Get more students involvement
 - Promoting SFSS events and initiatives online
 - More inclusive decision making
 - More thorough minutes



- Safety and Student Well-being
 - SFU Meetings for better communications on construction
 - Pushing More inclusive decision making in meetings
 with SFU Admin
 - Providing safe spaces through dialogue and engagement hours



- Events and Social Community
 - Work with the Events Committee team to plan
 And promote various SFSS Events
 - Boost other communities doing great work
 - Attend events that will boost the social community
 - on campus
 - Improving relationships with Clubs, DSUs,
 Independent Student Societies and the Rotunda Community



Executing My Mandate while away

- Meetings with Petter and SFU Admin
 VP University will sit in for Petter meetings

 Already organized, late June and July
 I will be back for the one in August

 Work with GSS and two SFSS VPs (University and
 - Finance) regarding the SFU Budget process and Consultation processes for lower tuition and increased student input
 - Will continue the online push for affordability



Executing My Mandate while away

Safety and Student Wellbeing Organize meetings based on portfolios VP Student Services handle MySSP VP University to hand Construction Disruption and mitigation with the University Be in the loop for all these conversations via email and phone



Executing My Mandate while away

- Accountability, Communication and Transparency
 - Facebook posts through the work orders
 - Promoting SFSS board meetings
 - Putting forward agenda items towards a
 Communicating our decisions more effectively



Executing My Mandate while away

- Events and Social Community
 - Work with the Events Committee team to plan
 And promote various SFSS Events
 - Boost other communities doing great work
 - Promote events online that will boost the social community on campus
 - Continue connecting with various groups and interacting with them online



President Portfolio in Bylaws

President

- A. Have the power to convene the Board or Council at any time.
- b. Be an ex-officio voting member of all Board and Council committees.
- c. Be a signing officer.
- d. Represent the Society on formal occasions

Staff Liaison

- e. Ensure compliance with and enforcementof all relevant Collective Agreements,employment contracts and staff relationspolicies.
- f. Act as a liaison between the Board and its employees



Committees

- Ex-officio member on all committees
- Therefore, doesn't count to quorum
- Expectation: looped in on all committee activities etc

President

- Main contact with Executive Director
 - Meetings over phone set up during period (June 3 - Aug 23)
 - For Day to Day issues at the University, VP University
 - For Day to Day issues regarding our services, VP Student Services take on
 - For Email communication I will still be very responsive

- Represents SFSS during formal events
 - Change: VP External will represent at formal events externally
 - Change: VP University will represent
 formally at University based events
- No restriction of time of work
 - Change: I will work weekends and evenings
- Schedule regular check-in meetings via hangouts/phone
- Board Meetings agenda item



How will I work remotely?

- Be communicative via email on weekends and in the evenings during the week
- Be very responsive via email and text, especially on weekend
- 4 hours per evening, 20 hours on the weekend
- Engagement hours via Facebook and Hangouts/Skype calls



How will I supervise the ED or respond to issues?

 Will check in with the Executive Director on a weekly basis via scheduled phone calls. President was the one who supervised the ED. It has now shifted to an Executive Committee mandate since August 2018 (den)

- Will ensure that for emergencies, points of contacts are established
 - University Related shall be Shina Kaur
 - External Related shall be Jasdeep Gill
 - Services related shall be Christina Loutsik



Benefits to the Society while away?

- Learning the industry best practices in implementing technological change in the society and system design
 - Especially to make us more accessible
- Use of Agile Planning for Team Development
- Use of Project Management and Enterprise Resource
 Planning Software will be useful experience to be
 brought back to Society
- Connections from industry for cost savings deals for non-profits



Staff Relations

- Staff relations matters online will continue to be me
- Grievances and Other Matters, I will still be looped into these matters as well as the rest of the Executive Committee via email
 - Will be ensuring the compliance of staff relations policies etc



<u>Summary</u>

- Presents an opportunity for the Society to modernize
- Most roles stay the same, slight changes based on portfolios
 - It's Not a vacancy, is remote work
- Weekends and Evenings, will be more responsive
- Will provide leadership and insight as best as I can to the board
- Will continue to keep in contact and do my advocacy
- Will be waiving the full stipend for the whole semester!







Thank You!





"Only the Best is Good Enough"

"Let's do just that, Working together"







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Discussion Item: Burnaby Mountain Gondola Update

BOD Meeting: May 16, 2019

Letters of support for the Burnaby Mountain Gondola have been sent to the following representative at the Federal, Provincial and Municipal levels of government:

- Mayor Mike Hurley and Members of Council
- Hon. Katrina Chen, MLA
- Raj Chouhan, MLA
- Anne Kang, MLA
- Janet Routledge, MLA
- Terry Beech, MP
- Jagmeet Singh, MP

The contents of the letter were as follows:

I write to you on behalf of the Simon Fraser Student Society (SFSS) at Simon Fraser University (SFU). The SFSS serves over 25,000 undergraduate students on three campuses, the largest of which sits on top of Burnaby Mountain in North Burnaby.

The SFSS is in support of the Burnaby Mountain Gondola Transit (BMGT) project proposal, a project of the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority (TransLink) with the support of SFU. The advocacy and lobbying efforts of the SFSS, with regards to student safety and public transit accessibility, are in line with the BGMT project proposal.

The BGMT project proposal offers two alternative routes, with the preferred being a 2.7 kilometre route that would extend from the Production Way-University SkyTrain Station to the SFU Town Square and transit loop. Two reports commissioned by TransLink identify the proposed gondola route as a valid transportation alternative for Burnaby Mountain.

The BGMT project proposal offers an efficient, reliable, and safe transportation alternative for students in the event of heavy snowfall, earthquake, fire, or hazardous event from the Burnaby Mountain tank farm, located adjacent to SFU. In the event of a road closure, it is impossible for traffic, including emergency personnel, to enter or exit Burnaby Mountain due to limited egress routes. Future student safety and well-being are a significant concern as the pressure on the existing transportation system over the next decade will increase with the growing SFU student population as well as the expected growth of the UniverCity residential community on Burnaby Mountain. Approximately 73% of students at SFU depend on public transit, and the proposed gondola route would serve over half of these students who use the 145 bus route to travel to Burnaby Mountain. According to the 2019 SFSS Advocacy Survey results, 94.4% of SFSS students identified reliable TransLink services as very important or important, and 62.1% identified Trans Mountain tank farm safety issues as very important or important.

We are asking for your formal endorsement of the Burnaby Mountain Gondola Transit project proposal to ensure the safety and well-being of SFU students.

Next Steps:

We have been alerted by SFU that they are expecting Burnaby City Council to make a recommendation very soon about whether this project will be moving forward, and which route might be endorsed in the coming weeks.

The Federal, Provincial, Municipal Advocacy and Lobbying Committee intends to collaborate with the University Advocacy Committee to develop a working group that will focus on an awareness campaign SFU Burnaby campus to generate more student pressure.

Name: Campaigns Committee

Duration: This committee will be established upon adoption of these terms of reference and dissolved at the discretion of the board.

Purpose

This purpose of this committee is to make and report on the development of recommendations to the Board of Directors aimed at ensuring the social and mental wellbeing of students by coordinating anti-oppression efforts to reflect the SFSS's commitment to equity, inclusion, and advocacy on behalf of the Membership on and off campus.

This committee shall work closely with the lobbying efforts of the Board of Directors and other advocacy-based committees to focus on bringing these efforts to membership, and coordinate collective action and campaigns around these efforts.

Membership

- Voting members
 - President (ex-officio)
 - 1 executive board member
 - 4 board members
 - 6 at-large members including:
 - Up to 1 Women's Centre Collective Representative
 - Up to 1 Out on Campus Representative
 - Up to 2 Council Constituency Group Representatives
 - 2 at-large members
- Non-voting ex-officio members
 - Campaigns, Research, and Policy Coordinator

Deliverables

As a board committee, the purpose of this committee is to provide the Board with formal recommendations and reports relating to

- Identifying and prioritizing issues of concern to students
- Ensuring that Society members are informed of these issues and the steps taken to address them
- Establishing working groups to implement campaigns and take actions to address
- those concerns
- The development, review and recommendation of 'Issues Policies' for the Society

Campaign Examples

- **Consent campaigns** in collaboration with the SVSPO to fight the occurrence of sexual assault on campus, similar to the ones being developed by the University of Toronto Students' Union:

"The U4Consent campaign was originally launched in 2015-16, but it was (rightly) criticized for focusing too heavily on the experiences of straight cis women. We've been working on fixing that. As we were told by several partners, representation is crucial, especially because of the disproportionate ways that communities of colour (particularly trans folks) are subject to sexual assault and violence.

Using the OurTurn as a framework, we're addressing sexual violence in two ways by asking how consent can be requested and what is mistaken as consent.

In addition to the already-developed posters and social media kits, we intend to develop coasters to be distributed to bars around campus as well as a tool kit for student groups to help with their own lobby efforts and to plan events promoting consent culture in a respectful way, particularly around Orientation. We're also lobbying the administration to introduce mandatory sexual violence prevention training for all students."

UTSU End-of-Term Update 2017-2018:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hFdpsfFKOwISc9FzuP75oZ3fg8F2jjl3Tv2f9_8O5OM/ edit#

- **Students rights' campaigns** to help address the lack of an advocating body for undergraduate students at SFU by making sure students are aware of their rights, and creating resources that make it possible for students to exert their rights (eg. "know your rights" workshops and academic appeals support manuals).
- **Reconciliation campaigns** in collaboration with First Nations students to determine their needs on campus through active listening and then implementing measures to meet these needs and rebuild the relationship between the SFSS and Indigenous student groups.
- **Equity campaigns** to address and work on dismantling the axes of oppression here on campus (racism, homophobia, sexism etc.), and how to make SFU safer for members of marginalized groups

This document outlines the Society's stance on various social, political, and economic issues brought forward by students. This document will guide and provide a mandate for the development of campaigns, government relations, and media strategies of the Student Society. Issues policies are established and revised democratically by the membership. The following policies are excerpts of the SFSS Policy Manual, dated Spring 2015.

IP-1: Deregulation of Tuition Fees

1. The Simon Fraser Student Society opposes the deregulation of tuition fees for students pursuing post-secondary education

First Adopted: BOD 2003-03-19. Readopted:

IP-2: Anti-Racism

1. The Society recognizes racism as a form of discrimination that deprives the community of full participation by its members.

2. The Society supports an environment that protects and promotes the dignity, worth, and human rights of every person, and it encourages mutual respect and cooperation among individuals.

3. The Society is opposed to the marginalisation and oppression of people based on racialised characteristics

4. The Society is committed to:

a. promoting an inclusive environment where racial equality is fundamental to its goals and philosophy,

b. creating an understanding that race relations issues must not be trivialized or marginalized,

c. cultivating a mutual acceptance of cultural diversity among its members and employees,

d. taking into account the anticipated impact on the diverse membership when creating new or taking away old programs, policies, and services,

e. working with its employees to ensure that collective agreements and employment practices reflect the Society's commitment to effectively dealing with issues of racism,

f. organizing campaigns for the purpose of increasing awareness about racism with the goal of creating a learning environment in which all members of the community can fully participate,

g. lobbying the University to develop policies and procedures to effectively deal with issues of racism, including:

i. an on-going review and evaluation of University curricula, programs, policies, hiring practices, services, and methods of service delivery with the goal of removing inequities and biases,

ii. a recognition that curricula must present a global view of the

community, which includes the experiences and achievements of diverse cultural groups, iii. recognition of the value and importance of first language(s) and educational experiences of First Nations students, iv. continued support of English as a Second Language programs, v. training, guidance and support for members, faculty, administration, and staff, to enhance cross-cultural understanding, mutual respect, unlearning racism, and acceptance of cultural diversity, and vi. support for an VP Equity and appropriate counselling services for racialized students and First Nations people.

IP-3: Students with Disabilities

1. The Simon Fraser Student Society believes that students with disabilities have the right to full participation in the university environment. Further, the Simon Fraser Student Society supports equal access for students with disabilities, including freedom of choice of lifestyle, education, housing and employment as full and equal members of the university community.

First Adopted: BOD 2003-03-19. Readopted

IP-3: Differential Tuition Fees

1. The Simon Fraser Student Society opposes differential tuition fees for students pursuing post-secondary education.

First Adopted: BOD 2003-03-19. Readopted

IP-5: Institutionally-Administered Loans

1. The Simon Fraser Student Society is opposed to the use of institutionally administered private student loans at Simon Fraser University, or elsewhere in Canada.

First Adopted: BOD 2003-03-19. Readopted

IP-6: The British Columbia Grants Program1. The Simon Fraser Student Society supports the reinstatement of the B.C. GrantsProgram or other Needs Based GrantsAdopted: BOD 2008-06-23.Readopted

IP-7: Funding Cuts

1. The Simon Fraser Student Society is opposed to Provincial Government cuts to post-secondary funding, especially when expected funding targets have already been communicated, to the core operating budgets and individual full-time equivalence grants.

Adopted: BOD 2008-06-23 Readopted

IP-10: Promotion of Public Transportation

 Simon Fraser Student Society supports accessible, publicly funded quality transportation, especially improvements to transportation to all SFU campuses.
 Simon Fraser Student Society supports the expansion of the Universal Transit Pass program to include all public post-secondary institutions in British Columbia.
 Simon Fraser Student Society supports a publicly funded proposal to build a gondola system connecting SFU's Burnaby Mountain Campus with the Production Way-University Skytrain Station.

Adopted BOD: 2009-08-12.

Policies Manual Spring 2015:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sFuH_NRYDIq3LhtOE_zJFjIj1jcfK2rr/view?fbclid=IwAR2 gbt9O9UF2gL7UId4ge-tZndnyBih4ltKwo_9zQb91k_g7yJ4qWSzmpdM

SFU Students of Caribbean and African Ancestry

Presentation to SFSS BoD, May 16 2019



History

SOCA started in 1994 as Black Students Association and has had name changes over the years (ASAD, ACSHA), finally landing on SOCA in 2015.

SOCA strongly believes in initiating and maintaining fellowship and advocating for issues relevant to the black community and its allies.

What we do?

- Events (Social, Cultural and Activism)
- Panel Discussions and Seminars
- Programming such as discussion wednesdays and workshops on self love for the black community
- Resources in the Black Community Services Centre such as a Black library, quick napping area, microwave, board/video games
- Academic and Community Awards such as a ACHSA Award

How do we operate?

We operate and execute our mandate by centering our values of:

- Community Building
- Inclusivity
- Representation
- Social Justice

Why a constituency group?

- Constituency Groups are student-run bodies that represent undergraduate students that share an experience of oppression, systemic discrimination and/or barriers. SFSS Resource Office Classification
- As Black students we encounter adverse discrimination and marginalization on campus, being a Tier 2 groups this gives us a better reach to students in the black community, creating a safe space
- Specific Actions have been taken to address anti-black racism through the federal government. It is important that we, in provincially and federally funded institutions also center the voices of black students, pushing for universities to be more inclusive, representative and equitable for Black people
- Bring community issues to student society's attention, e.g Hogan's Alley Redevelopment, etc.

We are already a Council CG passed earlier this year

BY-LAW 8 - POWERS. "Council may recognize a Constituent Group within the University community and establish a new seat on

- **Council for a Constituent Group representative by a**
- motion requiring a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of members in attendance at the Council meeting"

- (SFSS Bylaws 8.5, emphasis added)

Similar SFSS CGs for marginalized groups on campus

1. People of Colour Collective (no longer exists)

2. First Nations Students Association

3. International Student Group

ISG (International Students Group) is constituency group funded by SFSS to protect international students interests (Tier 2)

4. Student Union for Disabilities Support

SUDS (Students United for Disability Support) is constituency group funded by the Simon Fraser Student Society to advocate on behalf of students with disability and its allies (Tier 2)

5. Out on Campus Collective

6. Women's Center Collective

Goals as a Constituency Group

- Be a representative body for self-identifying black students and strengthening and working with region-based cultural groups and other equity-seeking groups on campus
- That students at SFU will become more socially aware and politically engaged on race issues
- Facilitate discussion regarding black issues on campus and ensuring that the black community's voice is included in discussions related to the black community
- Act in alliance with the other black organizations on and off campus

Constituency Group Status Benefits

- As Tier 2 Constituency Group, it...
 - More accurately describes us as a historically marginalized group on campus
 - Will give us access to more resources such as better funding for advocacy, outreach and community events
 - Allows us additional support in being serviced by the SFSS Resource Office
 - Gives us support to effectively operate on SFSS Council
 - Strengthen our voice to advocate on various issues
 - Shows that the SFSS is committed to supporting the work of underserved communities who require equitable support

Our Ask: Consider the Motion

<u>SOCA as Tier 2 Constituency Group as Per SURO Constituency Group</u> <u>Classification</u>

Be it resolved that SOCA be designated as a constituency group under the Resource office as a Tier 2 Constituency Group

Thank you for your time

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