

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 10:33 AM

2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We respectfully acknowledge that the SFSS is located on the traditional, unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples, including the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Sk̓w̓x̓wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Sel̓íl̓wítulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k^wík^wəłəm (Kwkwetlem) and q̓ícəy̓ (Katzie) Nations. 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 Accessibility Fund Committee Composition

VP Student Services (<i>Chair</i>).....	Christina Loutsik
Board of Directors Representative.....	Jennifer Chou (<i>via phone</i>)
Board of Directors Representative.....	Emerly Liu
At-Large Representative.....	Maneet Aujla
At-Large Representative.....	Rayhaan Khan
Student At-Large.....	Serena Bains
Student At-Large.....	Vivian Ly
Student At-Large.....	Anastasiia Lozitskaia
Student At-Large.....	Mikaela Basile (<i>via phone</i>)

3.2 Society Staff

Campaigns, Research, & Policy Coordinator.....	Sarah Edmunds
Administrative Assistant.....	Kristin Kokkov
Executive Assistant.....	Shaneika Blake

3.3 Regrets

At-Large Representative.....	Rayhaan Khan
Student At-Large.....	Vivian Ly

3.4 Absent

Student At-Large.....	Anastasiia Lozitskaia
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4. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS

4.1 MOTION AFAC 2019-11-06:01

Emerly/Maneet

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Rayhaan Khan and Vivian Ly.

CARRIED

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5.1 MOTION AFAC 2020-01-21:01

Emerly/Maneet

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

Amendment: regrets added from Rayhaan Khan and Vivian Ly.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 MOTION AFAC 2020-01-21:02

Emerly/Maneet

Be it resolved to receive and file the following minutes:

- AFAC 2019-11-20

CARRIED

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Student Union Building Second Elevator – MOTION AFAC 2020-01-21:03

Emerly/Maneet

*Whereas in 2014 the Accessibility Fund Advisory Committee approved up to \$200,000 from the Accessibility Fund to be spent on a second passenger elevator for the student union building;
Whereas the actual cost of the student union building's passenger elevators is higher than originally estimated and it is desirable for the Accessibility Fund to fully fund the second passenger elevator at a total cost of \$267,848, including tax;*

Be it resolved that in addition to the \$200,000 previously approved through MOTION AFAC 2014-07-30:03, the Accessibility Fund Committee approve an additional \$67,848 from the Accessibility Fund for the second passenger elevator in the student union building.

CARRIED

7.2 CART services for By-law Town Hall – MOTION AFAC 2020-01-21:04

Emerly/Maneet

Whereas the SFSS is hosting a By-law Town Hall on February 10th, and would like to have CART services,

Be it resolved to approve up to \$650 for CART Services.

CARRIED

8. DISCUSSION

8.1 "Re-use for Good" updates

- Expansion of GoGreen container program, reusable cutlery and waste bins;

8.2 Update on the Accessibility Fund

- The current balance is \$400,680.
- Expenses this year have been \$401 (\$169 for earplugs and \$232 for stim toys).

- Expenses for the past few years are:
 - 2017 – \$6,235
 - 2018 – \$4,646
 - 2019 – \$1,600
- We have a healthy fund right now;
 - There will be spending for making Forum Chambers and Undergrounds more available.

Serena Bains came in at 10:42 AM

8.3 Promotion of the Accessibility Fund

- Poster will be put out to promoting the Accessibility Fund.

8.4 Psychoeducational Assessments

- There are four options for assessing the learning disability:
 - 1) Collaboration with other institutes
 - 2) Reimbursement
 - 3) Hiring an internal psychologists
 - 4) Partnering with Student Care
 - This would add \$1-2 to the tuition for Student Care
 - A referendum would be necessary
- SFU cannot assess their own students because of a conflict of interest.

8.5 Updates on application form

- The work is in progress.

8.6 Establishing a task meeting

- This would be a not-minuted meeting,
 - Takes place at the regular AFAC meetings time when the AFAC meeting is not taking place.

8.7 Progress on new grant processes/vendor lists

- No new updates yet, because the application form needs to be finished first.

8.8 External Grants

- It is possible for someone from outside of SFSS to apply for a grant, but a separate form would have to be worked out.
- The person would still have to be a SFU student.

8.9 Reimbursement process

- The Accessibility Fund is going through staff, reimbursements take a long time, there's nothing that can be done at the moment.

8.10 Accessibility staff worker

- It is proposed that once we have moved in the SUB, SFSS could to hire a project worker on a short-term position who would work on the grant.

9. ATTACHMENTS

- BN - Accessibility Fund Contribution for Second Passenger Elevator in the SUB.pdf

- Learning-Disability-Assessments-Pilot-Project-Outline.pdf
- SFSS-Accessibility-Grant-Application-Form-Bylaw Town Hall.pdf

10. ADJOURNMENT

10.1 MOTION AFAC 2020-01-21:05

Emerly/Maneet

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 10:58 AM.

CARRIED

BRIEFING NOTE

INCREASE TO ACCESSIBILITY FUND CONTRIBUTION FOR SECOND PASSENGER ELEVATOR IN THE STUDENT UNION BUILDING

ISSUE

In 2014 the Accessibility Fund Advisory Committee approved up to \$200,000 from the Accessibility Fund to pay for a second passenger elevator in the student union building (SUB). Subsequently, in 2015 the committee approved up to \$22,000 for emergency call buttons in accessible washrooms and photoluminescent paint for handrails in the SUB.

The actual cost of the passenger elevators has since been determined to be \$263,500 for each elevator which is higher than the original cost estimates. Therefore, this is a request for an increase to the contribution from the Accessibility Fund to fully fund the second passenger elevator in the SUB.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of the 2014 contribution from the Accessibility Fund was to increase the number of passenger elevators in the SUB from one to two, thereby increasing the building's physical accessibility. At the time, a Quantity Surveyor (cost consultant) had estimated the cost of all elements of the SUB construction. Their estimate for the cost of the passenger elevators was approximately \$200,000 each.

CURRENT STATUS

Construction of the SUB is nearing completion. The overall SUB construction is currently within budget. An additional contribution of \$67,848 from the Accessibility Fund would fully fund the second passenger elevator and help keep the SUB construction within budget.

KEY CONSIDERATIONS

1. The Accessibility Fund collects approximately \$47,000 annually and has a current balance of approximately \$400,000.
2. The additional contribution from the Accessibility Fund would be \$67,848.00 including tax.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Accessibility Fund Committee approve \$67,848 from the Accessibility Fund to fully fund the second passenger elevator in the student union building.

Proposed Accessibility Fund Committee motion:

Student Union Building Second Elevator

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Whereas the actual cost of the student union building's passenger elevators is higher than originally estimated and it is desirable for the Accessibility Fund to fully fund the second passenger elevator at a total cost of \$267,848, including tax;

Be it resolved that in addition to the \$200,000 previously approved through MOTION AFAC 2014-07-30:03, the Accessibility Fund Committee approve an additional \$67,848 from the Accessibility Fund for the second passenger elevator in the student union building.

Learning Disability Assessments Pilot Project

General Information:

- In the past, students would use their provincial exam tests for assessments, now that the Provincial exams are no longer in effect, there is no exams for them to use

Put at a cost for people with a disability:

- The cost of a disability assessment varies depending on the condition. There are possible additions depending on the condition that is diagnosed
- There are different forms for the different conditions
 - Nominal costs to have these forms filled out are around \$70. These booklets are more precise, but some cant afford them
- The standard procedure for someone going through this process would be to:
 - Go to the doctor
 - Give existing documentation
 - Filling out specialty forms that cost more money (targets the disability directly)
 - Only targets ongoing impairments
- Most other conditions don't need cost (other than LD)

Option A: Partnership with another institution (UBC)

- At the UBC PRTC
- Can't do this at SFU for SFU students because they're in the same institution
- UBC wasn't interested initially about this collaboration

Price:

- Average price at the lower end: ~\$1,700
 - With a considerable waitlist (~3-6 months)
 - Private Clinic: \$2,300-\$2,700
 - Not likely pro bono work will be available

Option B: Reimbursement

Available funds:

- If student loan eligible (non international). Could have funding
- If they come back with a learning disability, can submit form for reimbursement of 2/3 of the price
- Funding available to top of students who can't afford the rest of reimbursement

Option C: Neuro or Clinical Psychologist (UVIC Model)

- Having a staff psychologist that could do assessments for a cheaper cost structure
- The psychologist will have regular clients

- Possibly someone attached to SFU who can work in partnership (be careful about this financially)
- Up to us where to allocate funds

Option D: Health and Dental Plan Coverage (Mitch is most in favour of this idea)

- Negotiate with Student Care
- Add a little bit of money for the health and dental plan (~\$1-2)
- All students contribute a small amount
- All assessments paid for

Collaboration with the CAL?

- As long there is no Conflict of Interest, More than welcome to work with us
- Completely open to working out solutions
- Help with picking contract worker

Next Steps

- Reach out to UVIC. What worked? What didn't? Ask about contracts. Reach out to Centre for Access. Ask about insurance possibility
- Reach out to UBC Access center. AMS?
- Wait to reach out before reaching out to autism lab.

SFSS ACCESSIBILITY GRANT APPLICATION FORM

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

1.1 First Name	Sarah
1.2 Last Name	Edmunds
1.3 Student Number	
1.4 Telephone	778-782-3840
1.5 Email	policyresearch@sfss.ca
1.6 I am an undergraduate student at SFU	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

2. TYPE OF APPLICATION

2.1 Is this request to increase the accessibility of, or reduce barriers to, a specific event? Yes
 No

IF YOU ANSWERED 'YES' TO QUESTION 2.1, COMPLETE SECTION 2

IF YOU ANSWERED 'NO' TO QUESTION 2.1, SKIP TO SECTION 3

2.2 Have any confirmed attendees expressly communicated their need for special accommodations? Yes
 No

2.3 Have you have already requested an SFSS grant in relation to this event? Yes
 No

IF YOU ANSWERED 'YES' TO QUESTION 2.3, ANSWER 2.4 AND SKIP 2.5

IF YOU ANSWERED 'NO' TO QUESTION 2.3, SKIP 2.4 AND ANSWER 2.5

2.4 If yes, please write the grant reference number _____

2.5 Please provide a brief description of the event or activity for which you are request support (be sure your description answers the ‘who,’ ‘what,’ ‘when,’ ‘where,’ ‘why,’ and ‘how’ of your event. Be sure to note how many attendees you expect to be impacted by the accessibility grant.

This event is a by-law town hall on February 10th from 12 to 2 pm in the MBC Conference Rooms. It will provide an opportunity for students to provide input on what they like, do not like, and wish to see in the SFSS By-Laws. It will feature a presentation by an external consultant and have an interactive component. Light refreshments (water, pizza and fruit) will be provided.

2.6 Please describe how this event will support the 4 pillars of the SFSS mission to improve the experience of undergraduate students at SFU. If applicable, how will the event improve the:

1. Social experience of undergraduate students

n/a

2. Academic experience of undergraduate students

n/a

3. Financial experience of undergraduate students

n/a

4. Health and wellbeing of undergraduate students

n/a (these are no longer relevant)

2.7 Please attach the final report for any previous SFSS grant or SFSS accessibility grant application you have been awarded

2.8 Please list the projected attendance of your event broken down into the following categories:

Group	Projected Attendance
1. SFU Students	90
2. SFU staff/faculty	-
3. Non-SFU students	-

Group	Projected Attendance
4. Guest speakers and presenters	1
5. General public	-

2.9 Please list any groups, student, university, and other with which you will be participating

n/a

2.10 Please provide a projected list of your expenses.

Type	Value
CART Captioning	Estimated \$650 (\$125 per hour plus set-up, takedown and other administrative expenses); compared with SFSS AGM 2019 costs

2.11 Please provide a list of your projected revenues.

Type	Value
n/a	n/a

4. OTHER DETAILS

4.1 Please provide any other details you think may be relevant in considering this request.

This request aligns with the SFSS Strategic Plan 2019-2021.

Please note that the SFSS requires at least 10 calendar days (excluding submission and event day) to process Accessibility Grant requests. Please refer to the SFSS Accessibility Granting Guidelines for more information.

