

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 4:34 PM

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), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh 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 Council Composition

Student Union Representatives

Archeology	
Art, Performance, and Cinema Studies	
Society of Arts and Social Sciences	Simran Jir
Bachelor of Environment	
Behavioral Neuroscience.....	Manroop Gill
Biology	Nicolas Bonilla
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology.....	
Business.....	
Chemistry	Michelle Tong
Cognitive Science.....	Rollin Poe
Communications.....	
Computing Science.....	Ryan Vansickle
Criminology	Charlotte Taylor-
Baer	
Dance.....	
Data Science Student Union.....	
Earth Science	
Economics	
Education.....	Adrienne Blas
Engineering Science.....	Alvin David
English.....	Liz Giardin
Environmental Resource	
Environmental Science.....	Caitlin Heide
Film Student Union	
First Nations Studies Student Union	
French Student Union.....	Sharon Kim
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies.....	Alicia Fahrner
Geography	Evangeline Lapalme
Gerontology Student Union.....	
Global Asia Studies Student Union.....	
Health Science	
History	Emma Ghislaine

Henderson	
Humanities.....	Sara Wong
Interactive Arts and Technology	Bryan To
International Studies.....	Alea Mohamed
Labour Studies.....	Justin Chen
Mathematics	
Mechatronics System Engineering.....	Kimia Rezaeian
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry	Kyle Newcomb
Music Student Union.....	
Operations Research.....	Ashutosh Dubal
Philosophy	Tony Yu
Physics	Manuel Rojas
Political Science (<i>Vice-Chair</i>).....	Helen Pahou
Psychology	Tiffany Liu
Science Undergraduate Society (SUS) (<i>Chair</i>).....	Zaid Lari
Sociology and Anthropology.....	Kayla Chow
Software Systems	Quince Bielka
Statistics and Actuarial Science Student Association (SASSA)	Anthony Kim
Sustainable Community Development.....	
Theatre Student Union.....	
Visual Arts.....	
World Literature	Ksydalg Henry
Constituency Group Representatives	
Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance (DNA)	Serena Bains
First Nations Student Association (FNSA)	Kali Stierle
International Student Group (ISG).....	
Out on Campus Collective (OOC)	Victor Yin
Residence Hall's Association (RHA).....	
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC).....	Ryan Stolys
Women Centre Collective (WCC)	
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry (SOCA)	Juanita Julius
Board of Directors	
SFSS Directors (<i>non-voting</i>)	
President	Osob Mohamed
VP External Relations	Samad Raza
VP Finance	Corbett Gildersleve
VP Student Services.....	Matthew Provost
VP Student Life	Jennifer Chou
VP University Relations.....	Gabe Liosis
At-Large Representative	Balqees Jama
At-Large Representative	Phum Luckkid
Faculty Representative (Applied Sciences).....	Harry Preet Singh
Faculty Representative (Arts & Social Sciences)	Sude Guvendik
Faculty Representative (Business)	Mehtaab Gill
Faculty Representative (Communications, Art, & Technology)	Haider Masood
Faculty Representative (Education).....	Emerly Liu
Faculty Representative (Environment).....	Anuki Karunajeewa
Faculty Representative (Health Sciences).....	Nafoni Modi

Faculty Representative (Science) WeiChun Kua

3.2 Regrets

Biology Nicolas Bonilla
Chemistry Michelle Tong
Humanities Sara Wong
French Student Union Sharon Kim
Statistics and Actuarial Science Student Association (SASSA) Anthony Kim

3.3 Absent

Behavioral Neuroscience Manroop Gill
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies Alicia Fahrner

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

4.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2020-09-16:01

Quince/Rollin

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

- Add Discussion 9.2 SFU Air Quality
- Add Discussion 9.3 Defunding the Police Resource Document
- Swap Discussion Section 10 to happen before Presentation Section 9
- Create Section 11 New Business to add Motion for Special Council Meeting

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5.1 Council Minutes - MOTION COUNCIL 2020-09-16:02

Quince/Rollin

Be it resolved to receive and file the following minute(s):

- 2020-07-08 Council
- 2020-07-22 Council

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS

6.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2020-09-16:03

Quince/Rollin

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Sara Wong, Michelle Tong, Sharon Kim, Nicolas Bonilla, and Anthony Kim.

CARRIED AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

- Add regrets from Michelle Tong, Sharon Kim, Nicolas Bonilla, and Anthony Kim.

7. REPORTS FROM LIAISONS

7.1 Council Liaison

- August 21 Meeting Recap
 - General housekeeping
 - Internal Policy Review
 - Approving report of audit previously motion
 - Preliminary work for By-Law review

- Hiring assistance for various committees
- General approvals
- September 4 Meeting Recap
 - Various expenditures – face masks for SFSS, professional development
 - Discussion about By-Law Review
 - AGM planning

7.2 Board Liaison

- August 21 Meeting Recap
 - By-Law review – gives Council more power to hold Board (re-named Executive) more accountable and the Board will do the day-to-day tasks in between Council meetings.
 - Called the AGM on Monday, Oct. 26 at 3:30PM.
- September 4 Meeting Recap
 - Purchased new/mode for email campaigns, live tweeting and petitions.
 - Passed motion to shame SFU for increasing tuition during a pandemic
 - Vote on this at the AGM.
 - Passed motion to keep Student Union Building to public until November 1.

8. REPORTS FROM BOARD EXEC DIRECTORS

8.1 President

- Board Semester Reports are coming out at end of the month which will describe what was done in the Summer semester.
- Joint Operations Group meeting – President and VP University Relations attend them
 - Place to work with university, like Welcome Day and address student issues like tuition, deadlines.
- Student Affordability Working Group – find ways to make financial information more accessible and look for ways to help students cut cost during their time at SFU.
- First meeting with new SFU President, Joy Johnson, happens monthly and is where they will bring the big-ticket items.
- Finalizing our investment portfolios – President and VP Finance
 - Making the most out of student money.
- Meeting with number of groups like Satellite Design Team to help support them the best SFSS can.
- SFU Faculty Association – President and VP University Relations.
 - Discuss mutual pain points and create solidarity between student unions and groups to work together to push the university to have better outcomes for whole community.
- Re-ratifying the agreement with the First Nations Student Association.
- Prep for Welcome Day and participating in Services Fair and Clubs Day.
- In contact with SFU for Student Tech Support – President and VP Student Services.
 - Links will be shared to help students get hardware at discounted price.
 - Hoping to give suggestions for software.
 - If any Councillors have suggestions, President is happy to work with them.
- Gondola Campaign – President and VP University Relations
 - Attending stakeholder meetings.
- Student Union Building
 - Have been meeting with student groups to discuss leases and moving arrangements.
- AGM Committee and By-Law working group
 - Condemnation to have a strong unified voice.

- BC Federation of Students Campaign around Provincial election.
 - Prioritize student voices.
- Staff Liaison Officers – HR matters ex. Job descriptions and CUPE 3338.

8.2 VP External

- SFSS Letter to Trudeau regarding TMX Pipeline – two Faculty Representatives, SFU Dogwood and Justice No Pipeline.
- Food Help Program – trying to make it permanent but it ends in October – VP Student Services on this.
- SFSS re-branding and logo change – looking into it with other Board members.
- External and Government Affairs Committee hasn't decided on a meeting time this semester yet.
- Advocacy Work with VP University Relations – looking into affordable housing.

8.3 VP Finance

- Focused on being the liaison with the Board office move into the SUB.
 - Can't take occupancy of the building until a follow-up inspection at the end of September is complete and passed.
- Finance and Administrative Service Committee has approved an annual plan
 - VP Student Life – large scale event and project fund.
 - VP Finance – investment policy implementation & participatory budgeting.
 - Committee is also looking for a Councillor.
- Getting SUB leases in place which is taking longer than needed.

8.4 VP Student Life

- Events coming up: Hip Hop Dance Workshop (Sept. 18), Figma workshop on re-designing the Spotify app interface (Sept. 18), Afro Dance Workshop by SOCA (Sept. 19), Bullet Journaling (Sept. 22), Pet's Social (Sept. 23), Rave Streaming Party (Sept 27), Cultural Week (Sept. 28-Oct 4), Samosa Workshop (Oct. 4).
- SFSS Podcast with At-Large Representative (BJ) & Health Sciences Representative called WTF SFSS?
- SFSS Spotify account – playlist of songs that represent each Board member.
- Thinking of creating a SFSS TikTok to post about day in the life of Board member, event updates, SFSS Committee updates.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

9.1 AGM Outreach

- Hoping that all the councillors will be at the meeting and will bring as many as their friends and student union teams as possible to help meet quorum.
- Action item: Recruit at least 10 of your general members.
- If we don't meet quorum, we won't be able to pass the resolutions everyone has been working on.
- Board will be doing an extensive campaign as well with different incentives that will help get students involve.
- There is an AGM Working Group and one of the goals is to create video promos
 - Hoping to create one with faces of Council, so if you would like to be part of it, message Political Science Rep, VP University Relations and or SUS Rep.
- Is it likely that the condemnation will have any effect on SFU or will they just ignore it?
 - As students are the biggest stakeholders and most populous group at SFU, it's quite an undeniable message that the university should address.
 - Will be a key player in any other tuition campaigns SFSS runs.
- Will SFSS be working with Tuition Freeze Now re: the condemnation vote?
 - Yes, as well as Graduate Student Society and teaching support staff union –

COVID 19 coalition.

- There will be a fall campaign from this group that will address tuition and equity at SFU as well.
- AGM will be on Zoom
- When is the latest someone can attend the AGM?
 - You can show up and cast your vote at any time as long as quorum is met.

9.2 SFU Air Quality

- SFU has had a lack of communication regarding the severity of the wildfire smoke, and has not released any information about the unhealthy range of particles that everyone is being exposed to.
- SFU has forgotten that it still has students in its range due to online classes, and has failed to communicate efficiently to the student body on the issues that directly affect them.
- Students are still on campus doing labs etc., but there still hasn't been communication to those students either.
- What new information would SFU give to students?
- SFU also didn't communicate about the smell of gasoline on campus around the time of the New West fire. Residents still don't know what caused the intense smell.
- The wildfire smoke got so bad that a fire alarm went off in a building at Cornerstone because someone had left their window open and their room filled with smoke.
- Interactive, Art & Technology Rep left at 5:30PM for class.
- Council is meant to speak on behalf of the student body and an inquiry to SFU about why they have not addressed this issue might be needed.
 - Preference of redundant information over lack of communication
- Action item: The Board should speak on this and communicate to SFU the need for better communication from the university.
- Action item: Council members should send links and inform their respective groups
- VP University Relations will follow up with Councillors regarding advocacy for SFU to prioritize improving safety communications.

9.3 Defunding the Police Resource Document

- Board's decision to pursue blocking police recruiters from campus in support of the Defund the Police movement and to minimize police presence on campus.
- There is a resource list that has been sent out to Council that includes information about the movement, alternatives to policing and different intersections that inform police interactions.
- Strong reactions due to normalization of police which is why resource list was created.
- Responsibility of all people to make sure communities are safe for each other.
- Hope that Council will support the Board and their statement.
- President Johnson has released a statement as well that condemns institutional brutality of all forms which includes police brutality. Student body noise helps ensure that SFU will minimize relationship with police.
- Come back to this topic in another meeting, and potentially do a motion for expressing Council's support.

10. PRESENTATION

10.1 SFSS By-Law Review

- Discussion about having a separate meeting solely on By-Law review.
- Political Science Rep will share presentation resources today regardless of decision.

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Special Council Meeting - MOTION COUNCIL 2020-09-16:04

Quince/Helen

Be it resolved to convene a special council meeting on Wednesday, September 23rd at 5pm.

MOTION PASSED

- Feel free to write all concerns down after reviewing updates from presentation slides to be sent by Political Science Rep and bring them to this meeting.
- By-Laws outline Council taking on a bigger role, so please bring your concerns and opinions, as a decision will need to be made.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

12.1 Next meeting is September 30th, 2020.

13. ADJOURNMENT

13.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2020-09-16:05

Zaid/Helen

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 6:08PM.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY