1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 9:06AM

2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We respectfully acknowledge that the SFSS is located on the traditional, unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples, including the xʷməθkwəy̓əm (Musqueam), Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Sel̓íl̓witulh (Tsleil-Waututh), kʷikwəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem) and q̓ic̓əy̓ (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 FARM Committee Composition

At-Large Representative (Chair) ................................................................. Phum Luckkid
EX-Officio ................................................................................................. Osob Mohamed
VP University Relations ........................................................................ Gabe Liosis
Faculty Representative (Health Sciences)........................................... Nafoni Modi
Faculty Representative (Science).......................................................... WeiChun Kua
Faculty Representative (Environment) ................................................. Anuki Karunajeewa
Faculty Representative (Education) ...................................................... Emerly Liu
Faculty Representative (Communications, Art, & Technology)........ Haider Masood
Faculty Representative (Business) ......................................................... Mehtaab Gill
Faculty Representative (Arts & Social Sciences) ............................... Sude Guvendik
Faculty Representative (Applied Sciences) .......................................... Harry Preet Singh
At-Large Representative .......................................................................... Balqees Jama

3.2 Regrets

VP University Relations ........................................................................ Gabe Liosis
Faculty Representative (Communications, Art, & Technology)........ Haider Masood
Faculty Representative (Applied Sciences) .......................................... Harry Preet Singh

3.1 Absent

At-Large Representative .......................................................................... Balqees Jama

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

4.1 MOTION FARM- 2020-11-09:01

Phum/Anuki

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

- Add Discussion Item 6.3 Racial Justice Dialogue Events for Faculties.
- Add Discussion Item 6.4 FASS Dean Search/Renewal Committee Meeting Update.
- Add Section 8 Ratification of Regrets to include regrets from Gabe Liosis, Harry Preet Singh, and Haider Masood.
5. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS

5.1 MOTION BOD 2020-11-09:02
Phum/Sude

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Gabe Liosis, Harry Preet Singh, and Haider Masood.

CARRIED AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

- Faculty Representative (Applied Science) had a Co-op Meeting.
- Faculty Representative (Communication, Arts and Technology) isn’t feeling well.
- VP University Relations is out of office.
- Amended to remove At-Large Representative (BJ) from the motion.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 MOTION FARM 2020-11-09:03
Sude/Nafoni

Be it resolved to receive and file the following FARM Committee minutes:

- FARM 2020-10-13
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.1 OER Faculty Survey Updates

- Faculty Representative (Education) shared it with her Dean, Undergraduate Director and Associate Deans who distributed it to their email list, but no one completed it.
- Faculty Representative (Health Sciences) shared it with her Dean, and Associate Dean who never responded to her.
- Faculty Representative (Arts and Social Sciences) shared it and they never responded.
- Faculty Representative (Science) shared it and they also didn’t reply but believes that they read his emails.
- Faculty Representative (Environment) shared it as well and didn’t reply.
- Faculty Representative (Business) also hasn’t heard a response, but the Dean passed away recently, so this is not a priority right now.
- Education faculty suggested that people might not be responding to it because it appears to have no correlation with COVID and people are very focused on COVID right now.
  - Faculty Representative (Education) argues that OER would help alleviate some student stress with the move online which makes it COVID related.
  - Faculty suggested the Board resend the survey in the new year, and remove the context provided in the email even though most people don’t have that information about OER because it’s lengthy.
- FASS had five people fill out the survey.
- Will also start the student campaign for Open Education week in new semester.
  - How to help students become aware of OER, understand how it benefits them, and how to advocate for it.
  - Started it in the Spring 2020, but COVID hit so it was put on pause.
  - UAA Committee has an OER Working Group.
- The OER Working Group from the Library and Centre for Educational Excellence
has been tracking OER usage through the Grants Committee.
  - Professors get up to $5000 to adopt/adapt OER and work on their projects.
  - Need to know who’s doing it in general, because no one explicitly reports or records who uses OER.
- Issue with asking students if their professors are using it because not everyone knows what OER exactly is.
  - Anything that requires a log in or a code is not OER.
    - This is due to copyright licenses.
  - Goal of OER is to remove access barriers and the biggest barrier is generally financial.

7.2 Student Union Rooms
- At-Large Representative (PL) has been talking to people who were around SFU during the 2018 room evictions. Found out that Political Science, Linguistics and Psychology were the ones who lost their space.
  - The SFSS Board at the time didn’t do anything about it and said they couldn’t because it is under SFU Facilities.
- BESU will be evicted by January 1st.
- EVSCSU executives have talked to the faculty who gave some responses.
- BESU rep will be talking at the next Council meeting.
  - Hope there will be a letter of support shared from Council and SFSS.
- Need to do this quick because it’s a very short amount of time, and it will likely happen to other faculties.
- Larger space campaign needs to be coordinated with Council, DSUs and faculty representatives.
- Need to document these campaigns well for future reference as well because this is an issue that will continue to come up.
- Student space is so important because the campus presence really helps DSUs.
- Craft a letter of support for BESU as FARM and submit a motion to approve it at next Board meeting.
  - Will also need to ask BESU if they want to send it on their own or if they want SFSS to send it somewhere.
- Faculty Representatives should bring this to their DSUs as well to discuss it in terms of their own needs and take their concerns to the faculties to see if they have a response.
  - Let them know about the next Council meetings as well.
- Suggestion for BESU to write their own letter as well and have other DSUs sign on in support.

7.3 Racial Justice Dialogue Events for Faculties
- Idea to have a workshop/event/panel that each Faculty Representative can host or co-host to educate staff and students in their faculties on racial justice and anti-racism efforts. Also share how they can be actively anti-racist, and inclusive.
- Will need a clear structure, and train ourselves before we do the presentation.
  - Need at least a couple of weeks to train, and plan.
- Can ask DSUs to volunteer for it as well.
- Previous FASS panels that were similar were powerful and students learned a lot.
  - These were more of a dialogue style.
- Targeted for DSU executives, and staff as well.
- Will also discuss this further at next meeting when the rest of the committee is present.
7.4 FASS Dean Search/Renewal Committee Meeting Update

- FASS Deans, Associate Deans and other faculty members are leaving, so had a committee meeting to talk about how the interviews will be conducted.
  - The committee only has two students on it, so the power dynamics are quite skewed.
  - Hard to decide when to ask what question, but still stay professional.
- FASS Dean wants to continue.
- Faculty Representative (Arts and Social Sciences) has two months to come up with questions.
  - Wants to include OER, and consistent student communication in the interview questions.
  - Will be asking DSUs what they are looking for in a Dean, and if they have any questions they want to ask.
  - Great opportunity to have this one-on-one.

8. UPDATES

8.1 Roundtable: Ongoing Projects
- Tabled for next meeting

9. ADJOURNMENT

9.1 MOTION FARM- 2020-11-09:04
Sude/Emerly
Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 10:06AM.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY