1. CALL TO ORDER

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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), Selílwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), kʷik̓əƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem) and q̓íc̓o̓y (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 ................................................................. Clara Wilmot
Art, Performance, and Cinema Studies ..................................
Bachelor of Environment .................................................. Evan McFee
Behavioral Neuroscience ................................................. Aarthi Srinivasan
Biology ............................................................................ Nicolas Bonilla
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology ................................... Kashish Mehta
Business.............................................................................
Chemistry ........................................................................... Gwen Bui
Cognitive Science ............................................................
Communications ............................................................. Ashran Bharosha
Computing Science .......................................................... Ryan Vansickle
Criminology ..................................................................... Charlotte Taylor-Baer
Dance ................................................................................
Data Science Student Union ............................................... Warren Ho Kin
Earth Science .....................................................................
Economics ......................................................................... Sandra Pal
Education ......................................................................... Jihye (Jin) Choi
Engineering Science ..........................................................
English .............................................................................. Liz Giardin ®
Environmental Resource .....................................................
Environmental Science ...................................................... Chloe Homenuke
Film Student Union .......................................................... Amélie Simard
French .............................................................................
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies .............................. Devynn Butterworth
Geography ........................................................................ Monikka Tayag
Gerontology Student Union ................................................
Global Asia Studies Student Union .....................................
Health Science .................................................................... Jocelle Refol
History ............................................................................. Alan Sanderson
Humanities ........................................................................
Indigenous Studies Student Union (ISSU) ............................ Estephane Henriquez
Interactive Arts and Technology .......................................... Jeremy Felix
International Student Advocates ............................................... Fizza Parsayan ®
International Studies Student Association (ISSA) ...................... Deanna Short
Labour Studies ........................................................................ Justin Chen
Linguistics ................................................................................
Mathematics ............................................................................ Nosa Efemwonkieke
Mechatronics System Engineering ............................................ Ryley McWilliams
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry ............................................
Music Student Union ...............................................................
Operations Research ............................................................... Ashutosh Dubal
Philosophy ................................................................................ Tony Yu
Physics ..................................................................................... Graham Rich
Political Science ....................................................................... Helen Pahou
Psychology ................................................................................ Tiffany Liu
Science Undergraduate Society (SUS) ......................................... Zaid Lari
Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS) ............................... Akum Sidhu
Sociology and Anthropology ....................................................... Kayla Chow
Software Systems ......................................................................
Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA) .................................. Stephanie Chung
Sustainable Community Development .....................................
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society .................... Mohammad Al-Sheboul
Theatre Student Union .............................................................. Samantha Walters
Visual Arts ................................................................................
World Literature ...................................................................... Sara Aristizabal Castaneda

Constituency Group Representatives
Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance (DNA) ........................... Constantin Lozitsky
First Nations Students Association (FNSA) ............................... Lauren Robson ®
Out on Campus Collective (OOC) .............................................
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry (SOCA) .................. Linda Kanyamuna
Women Centre Collective (WCC) ...............................................

Affiliated Student Groups
Residence Hall’s Association (RHA) .......................................... Ryan Stolys
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) ..........................

SFSS Executive Committee
President (Chair) ....................................................................... Gabe Liosis
VP Internal and Organizational Development ......................... Corbett Gildersleve
VP Finance and Services .......................................................... Almas Phangura
VP University and Academic Affairs ........................................ Serena Bains
VP External and Community Affairs ........................................ Matthew Provost
VP Equity and Sustainability ..................................................... Marie Haddad
VP Events and Student Affairs ................................................ Jess Dela Cruz

3.2 Society Staff
Operations Organizer ............................................................... Ayesha Khan
Board Organizer ....................................................................... Emmanuela Droko
Administrative Assistant .......................................................... Christina Kachkarova
3.3 Council Alternates
English ..............................................................................................................
First Nations Students Association (FNSA) ...................................................... Keianna James
International Student Advocates ........................................................................ Quynh Chi Bui

3.4 Regrets
English .............................................................................................................. Liz Giardin
First Nations Students Association (FNSA) ...................................................... Lauren Robson
International Student Advocates ........................................................................ Fizza Parsayan

4. CONSENT AGENDA
4.1 CONSENT AGENDA
Be it resolved to adopt the consent agenda by unanimous consent.
CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

4.1.1.ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-07:01
Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

4.1.2.MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES-Council Minutes-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-07:02
Be it resolved to receive and file the following minutes:
• Council 2021-03-28

4.1.3.MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES-Board Minutes-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-07:03
Be it resolved to receive and file the following minutes:
• BOD 2021-04-30
• EXEC 2021-03-22

4.1.4.RATIFICATION OF REGRETS-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:04
SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Liz Giardin for Summer 2021 Semester
Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Liz Giardin for the Summer 2021 semester due to an academic conflict (intends to send an alternate to Council meetings).

SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Lauren Robson for May 19th Council Meeting
Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Councillor Lauren Robson due to a work conflict (Alternate Councillor Keianna James shall be attending the May 19th, 2021 Council meeting on their behalf).

SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Fizza Parsayan for Summer 2021 Semester
Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Councillor Fizza Parsayan for the Summer 2021 semester due to an academic conflict (Alternate Councillor Quynh Chi Bui shall be attending Council meetings on their behalf).

4.1.5.Clubs Terms Of Reference Amendment-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:05
SUBMITTED BY: Vice President Jess Dela Cruz
ATTACHMENT: Amendment-Clubs Terms of Reference
Whereas, Member Services Advisory Committee has made edits to Clubs Terms of Reference.

Be it resolved to amend the SFSS Clubs Terms of Reference with the edits listed in Clubs TOR additions Alcohol Controlled Substances and Executive Maximums

Clubs TOR additions Alcohol Controlled Substances and Executive Maximums file is attached.

4.1.6. Accessibility Committee Chair Appointment—MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:06

SUBMITTED BY: Vice President Serena Bains

Whereas, the Accessibility Committee is responsible for all issues related to accessibility and is responsible for the management of the Accessibility Fund,

Whereas the SFSS’s Issues Policy on Disability Justice states that the SFSS supports the “representation of disabled students on decision-making bodies that directly impact the student community,”

Whereas, Serena Bains (VP University and Academic Affairs) has been a member of the Accessibility Committee since November of 2019 and thus has a thorough understanding of existing projects and what next steps are required to ensure they are successful.

Be it resolved to appoint Serena Bains as the Chair of the Accessibility Committee for the 2021/2022 Council year.

4.1.7. BIPOC Committee Chair Appointment—MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:07

SUBMITTED BY: Vice-President Matthew Provost

Whereas the Black Indigenous, and People Of Colour (BIPOC) Committee was created by Black and Indigenous members of the SFSS to ensure that lived experience of racialized people is always considered, recognized, and prioritized within the Society and the University,

Whereas the BIPOC committee provided meaningful consultation and drove successful advocacy initiatives such as the Our Decision Campaign, Anti-Racism Issues Policy, Supporting FNSA Let Us Speak Campaign,

Whereas Matthew Provost (VP External and Community Affairs) was the co-chair of the BIPOC Committee in the 2020-21 year and has a deep understanding of the successful initiatives driven by the committee and steps required to continue pushing them forward,

Be it resolved to appoint Mathew Provost (VP External and Community Affairs), alongside the default co-chair Marie Haddad the current VP Equity and Sustainability, as co-chair of the SFSS Black, Indigenous, and People of Colour committee for the 2021-2022 Council year.


SUBMITTED BY: Vice President Matthew Provost

ATTACHMENT: BIPOC Committee Exit Report 2020-2021

Whereas the Black Indigenous, and People Of Colour (BIPOC) Committee has presented the Exit Report for the 2020-2021 year which has relevant and key information,

Be it resolved that the BIPOC Committee Exit Report for 2020-2021 year is received, filed and uploaded on the SFSS Website.
5. PRESENTATION
5.1 Year End Presentation from 2020/21 Board of Directors (President Gabe Liosis)
5.2 Black, Indigenous and People of Colour (BIPOC) Committee Exit Report 2021/2021 (Vice President Matthew Provost)
5.3 Israeli Colonisation of Palestine (Councillor Zaid Lari)
5.4 The Genocide of the Uyghur Peoples (Councillor Zaid Lari)

6. REPORT FROM COMMITTEES
6.1 Executive Committee (Chair: President Gabe Liosis)
ATTACHMENT: Executive Committee 2021/2022 Annual Plan

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Electing a Vice Chair of Council-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:09

Whereas, By-Law 6(18) states that “[c]ouncil shall appoint a member of Council, other than a member of the Executive Committee to serve as Vice Chair of Council” and that “[t]he Vice Chair of Council shall have the power to convene a meeting of Council in the absence of, or at the discretion of, the Chair of Council”;

Be it resolved that Council elects X as the Vice Chair of Council for the 2021/22 Council term.
CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

7.2 Committee Appointments-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:10

SUBMITTED BY: Vice-President Corbett Gildersleve
ATTACHMENT: Council Committee Elections
Whereas, Council members have had the opportunity to motivate, via an online JotForm, for which Council Committees they would like to be a voting member on for the 2021/2022 Council year,

Whereas, Council members have democratically voted via a WebSurvey for which Councillors they would like to elect to each Council Committee.

Be it resolved that Council appoint Councillors to the various committees as per the results of this vote attached.
CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

7.3 Additional Council Committee Appointments to Fill Vacancies-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:11

SUBMITTED BY: President Gabe Liosis
Whereas after the ratification of the results of the online vote of Councillors, some Councillors have not been appointed to a committee but have entered additional preferences as back-up that currently has vacant seats. Be it resolved to appoint A to the Governance Committee (1 vacancy),
Be it further resolved to appoint B to the Members' Meeting Planning Committee (2 vacancies).
Be it resolved to appoint A to the Governance Committee (1 vacancy).

Be it further resolved to appoint B to the Members' Meeting Planning Committee (2 vacancies).

Be it further resolved to appoint C to the BIPOC Committee (1 vacancy).

Be it further resolved to appoint D to the External & Community Affairs Committee (2 vacancies).

Be it further resolved to appoint E to the Member Services Advisory Committee (1 seat could be filled).

Be it further resolved to appoint F to the Oversight Committee on Executive Officers (2 seats could be filled).

Be it further resolved to appoint G to the University & Academic Affairs Committee (2 vacancies).

Be it further resolved to appoint H to the Human Resources and Personnel Sub-Committee (1 vacancy, Non-Executive Councillor).

CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

7.4 Time-Sensitive Fund Loan - MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:12

/ SUBMITTED BY: Corbett Gildersleve
ATTACHMENT: BN-Time-Sensitive Fund Loan

Whereas the SFSS Operating account does not have enough cash flow currently to pay for upcoming Accounts Payables including payroll and some general operating expenses;

Whereas our Finance Office has recommended an interfund loan of $200,000 from the Student Expansion Fund to the SFSS Operating account;

Whereas the SFSS will be receiving revenue from SFU of around $700,000 by mid-June and will pay back the loan at that time;

Whereas the Council must approve through a motion an interfund loan;

Be it resolved that Council approve an interfund loan of $200,000 from the Student Expansion Fund to the Operating account to be repaid when the SFSS receives its summer student fee revenue from SFU

CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

7.5 Access for All Campaign - MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:13

/ SUBMITTED BY: Vice President Serena Bains
ATTACHMENT: BN-Access for All Campaign

Whereas on April 30th 2021 the COVID-19 Return-to-Campus Primer (produced by B.C. Post Secondary Institutions with the support of the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training) was published;
Whereas the COVID-19 Return-to-Campus Primer outlines a full or close-to-full return to solely in-person activities on campus, whereas the COVID-19 Return-to-Campus Primer states that Fall classes can be scheduled without physical distancing requirements,

Whereas the COVID-19 Return-to-Campus Primer outlines a plan that will have disproportionate negative impacts on disabled, neurodivergent, international, mature, and Black, Indigenous, and people of colour (BIPOC) students,

Be it resolved that Council supports in principle the Access for All Campaign and delegates the Executive Committee and any other interested parties to execute on the recommendations outlined in the Access for All briefing note.

CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

7.6 SFSS Response to the Israeli Colonisation of Palestine -MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:14

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SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Zaid Lari

ATTACHMENT: SFSS Response to the Israeli Colonisation of Palestine

Whereas the government of Israel continues to fund the colonisation and expansion of illegal settlements on the historical lands of Palestine and its people,

Whereas the United States government is complicit in the persecution of the Palestinian people through it’s provision of over 3.8 billion dollars in foreign military aid to Israel,

Whereas East Jerusalem remains part of occupied Palestinian territory, in which International Humanitarian Laws are applicable,

Whereas protests have erupted in East Jerusalem surrounding the expulsion of Palestinian families from their homes in the Sheikh Jarrah neighbourhood by Israeli settlers,

Whereas these protests have been met with disproportionate violence from the Israeli police force,

Whereas on May 10th 2021, worshippers at the Al-Aqsa mosque were indiscriminately targeted by Israeli police forces which resulted in hundreds of wounded worshippers,

Whereas the SFSS has adopted an issues policy declaring its opposition to all forms of racism, colonialism, imperialism and oppression,

Be it resolved that the SFSS condemn the ongoing persecution of the Palestinian people by the government of Israel,

Be it further resolved that the SFSS, in solidarity with Palestinian students at SFU, release a statement condemning the ongoing occupation and colonisation of Palestine,

Be it further resolved that the SFSS develop and adopt an issues policy on the Palestine-Israel conflict,

Be it further resolved that the aforementioned policy outline the SFSS’s support for the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement that aims to end the occupation of Palestine,
Be it further resolved to strike a working group to research and draft the previously mentioned statement and issues policy,

Be it further resolved to appoint X to the Free Palestine working group,
CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

7.7 SFSS Response to the Genocide of the Uyghur Peoples-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:15
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SUBMITTED BY: Councillor Zaid Lari
ATTACHMENT: SFSS Response to the Genocide of the Uyghur Peoples
Whereas the Simon Fraser Student Society stands as an organisation that defends minority populations in the face of oppression,

Whereas the Chinese Communist Party continues to carry out policies of cultural and religious suppression, the forced sterilization of Uyghur women, and the internment of the Uyghur ethnic group native to the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region (East Turkestan),
Whereas Article II of the United Nations Genocide Convention defines Genocide as “acts committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnic, racial or religious group”.

Whereas in September of 2020, a Call to Action on Human Rights, addressed to the United Nations Secretary-General and the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, was signed by over 282 international non-governmental organizations that pressured the United Nations and its Member States to act swiftly in monitoring human rights abuses perpetrated by the Chinese Communist Party,

Be it resolved that the SFSS release a statement that publicly condemns the Chinese Communist Party for it’s ongoing genocide of the Uyghur peoples,

Be it further resolved that the SFSS draft and adopt an issues policy regarding the Uyghur Genocide outlining its stance in solidarity with Uyghur students at SFU,

Be it further resolved that the SFSS draft and adopt a financial policy of divesting and boycotting companies that benefit from Xinjiang’s Uyghur internment camps,

Be it further resolved that Council strike a working group of, at minimum, six Councilors to research and draft the aforementioned statement and policies,

Be it further resolved that Council appoint X to the Uyghur Solidarity working group,

Be it further resolved that the SFSS provide a platform for, and collaborate with, Uyghur activists to host events raising awareness of the human rights abuses being committed against the Uyghur peoples.
CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS
8.1 Fall Return to Campus (Councillor Ashran Bharosha)
8.2 Protests in Colombia (Vice President Serena Bains)
8.3 Council Sweaters (Vice President Matthew Provost)
9. NOTICE OF MOTION
9.1 Amendment to FP-12-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:16

SUBMITTED BY: Vice-President Corbett Gildersleve
ATTACHMENT: FP 12.1 Space Expansion Fund – Corrections

Whereas the 2020 Referendum History Report shows a different wording for the Space Expansion Fund compared to what is listed in our Financial Policies 12,

Whereas there were changes to the Space Expansion Fund’s purpose in 2001 and 2010,

Whereas we have sought legal advice on the wording of the referendums to develop updated policy

Be it resolved that Council amend FP-12 Space Expansion Fund as presented
CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

10. 30 MINUTES Q&A

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS
11.1 [For SFSS Members] Next Council Meeting: Wednesday, June 2nd, 2021, 4:30pm - 8:30pm (PST) via Zoom [Bi-weekly]

11.2 [For Members of Council] Council Development Session: Wednesday, May 26th, 4:30pm - 7:30pm (PST) via Zoom [Biweekly]

12. ATTACHMENTS
12.1 Amendment - Clubs Terms of Reference
12.2 BIPOC Committee Exit Report 2020-2021
12.3 Council Committee Elections
12.4 BN-Time-Sensitive Fund Loan
12.5 SFSS Response to the Genocide of the Uyghur Peoples
12.6 SFSS Response to the Israeli Colonisation of Palestine
12.7 BN - Access for All Campaign
12.8 Return to Campus Primer
12.9 Returning to Campus This Fall
12.10 FP 12.1 Space Expansion Fund – Corrections
12.11 Executive Committee 2021/2022 Annual Plan
13. ADJOURNMENT

13.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2021-05-19:17

/ Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at
CARRIED / NOT CARRIED / CARRIED AS AMENDED