1. CALL TO ORDER
Call to Order – 1:11 PM

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 Úxwумíxw (Squamish), Sel̓íl̓witulh (Tsleil-Waututh), kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem) and q̓ic̓əy (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 External and Community Affairs Committee Composition
VP External and Community Affairs .................................................. Matthew Provost
Associate VP External and Community Affairs .............................. Nimrit Basra
Ex-Officio ......................................................................................... Gabe Liosis
Indigenous Studies Councillor ......................................................... Estéphanie Henriquez
Environment Councillor (Chair) ...................................................... Chloe Homenukes
International Studies Councillor ...................................................... Deanna Short
Political Science Councillor ............................................................. Helen Sofia Pahou
Communications Councillor ............................................................. Ashran Bharosha
Student At-Large .............................................................................. Quynh Chi Bui
Student At-Large .............................................................................. Fizza Parsayan
Student At-Large .............................................................................. Vacant
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3.2 Constituency Group Representatives on Council (Non-Voting)
Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance (DNA) .................................... Vacant
First Nations Students Association (FNSA) ....................................... Keianna James
International Student Advocates .................................................... Quynh Chi Bui
Out on Campus Collective (OOC) ..................................................... Vacant
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry (SOCA) ....................... Linda Kanyamuna
Women Centre Collective (WCC) .................................................... Vacant

3.3 Society Staff
Policy, Research, Community Affairs (PRCA) Coordinator ........ Beatrice Omboga
Administrative Assistant .................................................................. Joseph An
3.4 Regrets
VP External and Community Affairs (Chair)..........................Matthew Provost

3.5 Absents
Indigenous Studies Councillor........................................Estefhanie Henriquez
International Studies Councillor.....................................Deanna Short
Political Science Councillor............................................Helen Sofia Pahou
Student At-Large.........................................................Fizza Parsayan
First Nations Students Association (FNSA).......................Keianna James
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry (SOCA)............Linda Kanyamuna

4. CONSENT AGENDA
4.1 CONSENT AGENDA
Be it resolved to adopt the consent agenda by unanimous consent.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.1.1.RATIFICATION OF REGRETS-MOTION ECA 2021-09-14:01
SUBMITTED BY: VP External and Community Affairs (Chair) “Matthew Provost”
Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Matthew Provost for September 14, 2021 ECA meeting due to Food Web Collaboration Project.

4.1.2.MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES-ECAC Minutes-MOTION ECA 2021-07-14:02
Be it resolved to receive and file the following minutes:
• ECA 2021-09-07

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
5.1 MOTION ECA 2021-09-14:03
Ashran/Chi
Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.
CARRIED UNANIOMOUSLY

6. NEWBUSINESS
6.1 Anti-TMX Day of Action-MOTION ECA 2021-09-14:04
SUBMITTED BY: Environment Councillor “Chloe Homenukes”
ATTACHMENTS: Protesting Safely Guide
Chloe/Ashran
Whereas the Trans Mountain Expansion (TMX) project is currently increasing their tanks twofold, adding thirteen new tanks to their already-existing thirteen tanks within the Burnaby Terminal, located next to the Simon Fraser University (SFU) Burnaby campus,
Whereas the probability of an oil spill of any magnitude in the Burrard Inlet as a result of the TMX lies between 79-87% over the course of half a century, creating devastating environmental impacts for BC’s wildlife, and would increase the risk of a tank farm-caused fire from a 1 in a million likelihood per year to just a 1 in 2000 possibility, as assessed by the City of Burnaby, which is not including the hazard of potential forest fires causing a tank explosion,

Whereas the only intersection that leads to campus, being students’ main escape route, is located right next to the tank farm, essentially leaving students trapped on the mountain in the event of a tank farm fire,

Whereas, despite the threat the expansion poses to its students and the environment, SFU has yet to take a stance on the Trans Mountain Expansion project,

Whereas the Anti-TMX Day of Action on the afternoon of Friday, September 24th, would provide the opportunity for students to listen to guests speak on the pipeline in regards to current safety and community concerns, and will allow students to march from SFU to the Gaglardi intersection with the purpose of growing student and community awareness of the tank farms, increase pressure for SFU to oppose the TMX project, and promote future student engagement with Anti-TMX demonstrations,

Whereas the 2020-2021 SFSS Board Directors passed Issue Policy IP-6 Climate Justice and Sustainability which outlines on pg. 24 “The SFSS Opposes under 2(a) “Funding and construction of new and existing fossil fuels infrastructures such as the Trans Mountain Expansion (TMX) and Coast GasLink (CGL) Pipeline”,

Whereas the current SFSS stance is in full opposition to the TMX Pipelines and continue to advocate and support climate justice initiatives and calls to action,

Whereas the SFSS Council passed a motion on June 16th, 2021 committing to providing resources to support SFU350, with whom this demonstration is in collaboration, including “funding and organizing resources” and promised to “stand in solidarity with communities standing against pipelines”,

Whereas $1100 is anticipated to be needed to provide adequate honorariums for four guest speakers ($250 for each speaker, plus an additional $100 for the opening speaker to do a land acknowledgement), of which the Teaching Support Staff Union (TSSU) will be providing up to $300,

Whereas this demonstration would require volunteers to help facilitate it, including aiding with tasks such as ensuring participants are compliant with COVID-19 safety protesting guides (see attachment), helping set up technology (sanitize microphones, speakers, etc), talking to security (liaison person), guiding protestors along the march route, and accompanying Indigenous guests, to name a few,

Be it resolved that the 2021-2022 SFSS External and Community Affairs Committee approves the spending up to $800 to provide funding for honorariums for up to four guests to speak at the Anti-TMX Day of Action on Friday, September 24th, from appropriate line item 820 / 20 External and Community Affairs budget,

Be it further resolved that the 2021-2022 SFSS External and Community Affairs Committee supports the Anti-TMX Day of Action and recommends the SFSS Council to endorse this day of action,
Be it further resolved to recommend that the External and Community Affairs committee as well as Council support through various means which can include but not limited to: social media advertising, volunteers, financial support through ECA budget and appropriate line items.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED

- Chloe moved to make amendments to the motion to change terms “event” to “demonstration” in clauses eight and eleven.
- Purpose is for putting pressure on SFU to take action on TMX project and getting funds for speakers on this event.
- ECA committee will put $800 to this event and recommend that SFSS Councillors to help support this event and cause through volunteering and social media advertising.

7. ATTACHMENTS

7.1 Protesting Safely Guide

8. ADJOURNMENT

8.1 MOTION ECA 2021-09-14:05
Ashran/Chi

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 1:22 PM
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
PROTESTING SAFELY

Follow these recommendations to keep yourself and those around you safe while protesting:

1. If you have been diagnosed with COVID-19 or have symptoms of COVID-19, you should not participate in in-person assemblies, rallies, or protests.

2. If you are more likely to experience severe illness from COVID-19, support our action remotely by informing those around you about the risks of the tank farm on Burnaby Mountain.

3. Maintain at least 2 meters of physical distance between yourself and others at all times, including when gathering at the beginning and end of the protest.

4. Avoid prolonged exposure to anyone outside your household.

5. Please wear a mask throughout the protest.

6. Do not share items or pass them back and forth, including signs, phones, water bottles, food, masks, or other personal items.

7. Wash or sanitize your hands following the gathering.

8. If you will be speaking with a shared microphone at the event, please ensure that it has been sanitized between uses. The organizers will be prepared with sanitization equipment.

Source: BC Centre for Disease Control | Guidance for Outdoor Assemblies, Rallies, and Protests During the COVID-19 Pandemic