

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 x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), S^kwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Selíłwítulh (Tseil-Waututh), k^wík^wəłəm (Kwikwetlem) 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

Applied Science.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Archeology	Damon Tarrant
Art, Performance, and Cinema Studies	<i>Vacant</i>
Asia Canada Studies.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Bachelor of Environment	Tiana Andjelic
Behavioral Neuroscience.....	Aarthi Srinivasan
Biology	Nicolas Bonilla
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology.....	Kashish Mehta
Business.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Chemistry	<i>Vacant</i>
Cognitive Science.....	Nicole Kirigin
Communications.....	Ashran Bharosha
Computing Science.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Criminology.....	Charlotte Taylor-Baer
Dance.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Data Science Student Union.....	Warren Ho Kin
Earth Science	<i>Vacant</i>
Economics	Mahindhar Kumar
Education.....	Jihye (Jin) Choi
Engineering Science	Sarah Raisuddin
English Councillor.....	Liz Giardin
Environmental Science.....	Chloe Homenuke
Faculty of Applied Science	<i>Vacant</i>
Faculty of Communications, Arts and Technology (FCAC)	<i>Vacant</i>
Faculty of Environment Event	<i>Vacant</i>
Film Student Union	<i>Vacant</i>
Fine and Performing Arts.....	<i>Vacant</i>
French Councillor.....	Kylee Pocrnich
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies (<i>Vice Chair</i>).....	<i>Vacant</i>

Geography	Natasha Kearns
Gerontology Student Union.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Global Asia Studies Student Union.....	Eunice Kwok
Health Science.....	Jocelle Refol
History.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Humanities.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Indigenous Studies Student Union (ISSU).....	<i>Vacant</i>
Interactive Arts and Technology (IAT).....	Jeremy Felix
International Studies Student Association (ISSA)	Deanna Short
Labour Studies.....	Justin Chen
Latin American Studies	<i>Vacant</i>
Linguistics	Alev Maleki
Mathematics	Ben Tischler
Mechatronics System Engineering.....	Ryley McWilliams
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry (MBB)	Avneet Kaur
Music Student Union.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Operations Research	Ashutosh Dubal
Performing Arts.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Philosophy	Tony Yu
Physics.....	Graham Rich
Political Science	Abhishek Parmar
Psychology	Tiffany Liu
Public Policy	<i>Vacant</i>
Science Undergraduate Society (SUS).....	Zaid Lari
Semester in Dialogue.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS)	Akum Sidhu
Sociology and Anthropology.....	Kayla Chow
Software Systems	Shashank Thanalapati
Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA)	Jia So
Sustainable Community Development.....	<i>Vacant</i>
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society	Mohammad Al-Sheboul
Theatre Student Union.....	Samantha Walters
Visual Arts.....	<i>Vacant</i>
World Literature	Sara Aristizabal Castaneda

Constituency Group Representatives

Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance (DNA)	<i>Vacant</i>
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association (FNMISA)	Keianna James
International Student Advocates	<i>Vacant</i>
Out on Campus Collective (OOC)	<i>Vacant</i>
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry (SOCA)	Linda Kanyamuna
Women Centre Collective (WCC).....	Nim Basra

Affiliated Student Groups

Residence Hall's Association (RHA)	<i>Vacant</i>
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC).....	Paul Ursu

SFSS Executive Committee

President (<i>Chair</i>)	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
Campaign, Research, and Policy Coordinator	Beaty Omboga
Administrative Assistant	Simar Thukral
Building Manager	John Walsh

3.3 Leave of Absence

VP Equity and Sustainability	Marie Haddad
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3.4 Regrets

English Councillor	Liz Giardin
International Studies Student Association (ISSA)	Deanna Short

3.5 Council Alternates

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. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS FROM ENGLISH COUNCILLOR- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:01

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Liz Giardin for the January 19th Council Committee meeting due to travel plans.

4.1.2. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS FROM ISSA COUNCILOR - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:02

SUBMITTED BY: President (Chair) “Gabe Liosis”

Be it resolved that Council ratify regrets for Deanna Short for the Spring 2022 Council meetings due to an academic conflict.

4.1.3. STEPS FORWARD POLICY AMENDMENT

NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN AT LAST MEETING BY VP INTERNAL & ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT - CORBETT GILDERSLEVE-MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:00-MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:03

SUBMITTED BY: President (Chair) “Gabe Liosis”

Whereas STEPS Forward has approached the SFSS requesting that their members be charged the

student activity fee and become full members of the SFSS;
Whereas the STEPS Forward program supports SFU students with developmental disabilities to complete university courses;
Whereas these students are registered in SFU courses making them a member of the SFSS;
Whereas these courses are listed as being audited in SFU's system;
Whereas in the early 1980s Forum (Board of Directors) passed a motion to exempt students solely taking audit courses from paying student society fees;
Whereas this is not fully reflected in FP-1 Student Society Fees;

Be it resolved that Council approve adding the following sentence to FP-1 Student Society Fees - Exemptions and renumber the policy accordingly: "Students only enrolled in auditing courses. a) notwithstanding the above, students through SFU's Inclusive Post-Secondary Education partnership with STEPS Forward students will be charged Student Society Fees"

**4.1.4. CONCURRENT STUDIES POLICY AMENDMENT
NOTICE OF MOTION GIVEN AT LAST MEETING BY VP INTERNAL &
ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORBETT GILDERSLEVE-MOTION
COUNCIL 2022-01-19:04**

SUBMITTED BY: President (Chair) "Gabe Liosis"

Whereas the SFSS has the ability to set policy around the collection of SFSS student activity fee including exemptions;
Whereas SFU has approached the SFSS asking for students in the Concurrent Studies program to be exempted from being charged the student activity fee;
Whereas the students in the Concurrent Studies program are BC high school students with high academic standing and who can take one or two SFU lower division courses while in high school;
Whereas the number of students in this program are 44 per year and as such would not have significant impact on SFSS fee revenue if their fees were not collected;
Whereas by being exempt from the student activity fee, they would no longer be members of the SFSS and would not receive services and benefits;

Be it resolved that Council approve adding the following sentence to FP-1 Student Society Fees -Exemptions and renumber the policy accordingly "Concurrent Studies students are exempt from all Student Society Fees"

Be it further resolved that Council approve amending FP-1.14 with the following:

"d) students enrolled in the Concurrent Studies program,"

Be it further resolved that Council approve amending FP-1.15 with the following:

"e) students enrolled in the Concurrent Studies program."

**4.1.5. SFSS Credit Card Limit Increase-MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:05
SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal & Organizational Development "Corbett Gildersleve"**

Whereas the SFSS has a credit card used to make online purchases and payments;
Whereas the limit to that credit card was lowered to \$10,000 in previous years;
Whereas with the change to more remote work and virtual events over the pandemic has required the SFSS to make more online purchases and payments;

Whereas some large-cost projects like space furnishing purchases have been well above the current limit causing delays in purchases;

Whereas the Financial Coordinators have recommended an increase from \$10,000 to \$25,000;

Be it resolved that Council approve increasing the SFSS credit card limit from \$10,000 to \$25,000

4.1.6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES- Council Minutes-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-12-01:06

Be it resolved to receive and file the following minutes:

- Council 2021-12-01

4.1.7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES-Committee Minutes-MOTION COUNCIL 2021-12-01:07

Be it resolved to receive and file the following minutes:

- EXEC 2021-11-29

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2021-12-01:08

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Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

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6. PRESENTATION

6.1 SFSS Response to COVID-19 Omicron Case Surge

7. IN-CAMERA

7.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:09

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Be it resolved to go in-camera for the remainder of the meeting.

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- Staff Safety During Omicron Surge and the SUB
SUBMITTED BY: President “Gabe Liosis”

8. EX-CAMERA

8.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:10

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Be it resolved to go ex-camera.

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9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO COUNCIL ON CLOSURE OF STUDENT UNION BUILDING AS A RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 CASE SURGE AND SAFETY OF STAFF AND MEMBERS -MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:11

SUBMITTED BY: President (Chair) “Gabe Liosis”

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Whereas, the Executive Committee has implemented measures to reduce capacity in the Student Union Building, encourage staff and Executive Officers to work remotely, and move all in-person services to be offered virtually;

Whereas, COVID-19 cases, driven by Omicron, continue to rise, and present a significant safety risk to staff and members.

Whereas, there already exist a risk that the Student Union Building would need to close intermittently for short periods of time where there are COVID positive cases amongst the staff team or as a result of exposures from Members;

Whereas, the Executive Committee believes that the measures implemented up until now do not do enough to protect the health and safety of our Staff and Membership;

Whereas, the Executive Committee does not want to make such a big decision on it own, despite it being an operational decision within its jurisdiction, without involving the larger body of Council;

Be it further resolved that Council approve a closure of the Student Union Building until at least February 15th, 2022;

Be it further resolved that, as its February 16TH, 2022 meeting, Council decide whether to extend the building closure for an additional period of time, or revert back to opening the Student Union Building, with reduced capacity, as passed by the Executive Committee as its January 18th, 2022 meeting.

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9.2 APPOINTING AN ACTING VICE-PRESIDENT INTERNAL & ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT-MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:12

SUBMITTED BY: President (Chair) “Gabe Liosis”

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Whereas Gabe Liosis, SFSS President, has announced his resignation for January 24th, 2022 at 5:00pm;

Whereas Bylaw 11.7.j has the VP Internal and Organizational Development “assume the duties and obligations of the President if the President is unwilling or unable to act, or in the event that the President position becomes vacant”;

Whereas By-Law 14.2.b.i. states that “Council may then appoint a temporary replacement to the [Office of the Vice President Internal & Organizational Development] from amongst the members of Council, other than members of the Executive Committee, to the Office of the Vice-President Internal and Organizational Development for such a period of time that the Vice-President Internal and Organizational Development is occupying the Office of the President.”

Be it resolved that Council appoints X as Acting Vice-President Internal & Organizational Development, starting January 24th, 2022 at 5:01pm, until April 30th, 2022.

Be it further resolved that X be appointed as a signing officer, starting January 24th, 2022 at 5:01pm, until April 30th, 2022.

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9.3 VACANCY: COUNCIL VICE CHAIRSHIP -MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:13

SUBMITTED BY: President (Chair) “Gabe Liosis”

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Whereas, there is a vacancy in the Council Vice Chairship.

Whereas, the By-Laws state that "Council shall appoint a member of Council, other than a member of the Executive Committee to serve as Vice Chair of Council."

Be it resolved that Council appoint X as the Vice Chair of Council until April 30th, 2022.

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9.4 Referendum 2022 Questions - Council Endorsement -MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:14

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal & Organizational Development “Corbett Gildersleve”

ATTACHMENT: Briefing Note_ Spring 2022 Referendum - Dedicated Fees for Equity Support

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Whereas, on December 13th, 2021, the Executive Committee approved multiple motions to support and add multiple referendum questions to the list of Spring 2022 SFSS

Referenda Questions;

Be it resolved that Council endorse and approve these referendum questions passed by the Executive Committee on December 13th, 2021:

- *SOCA Black Student Support Fund and DNA Disabled and Neuro divergent Student Support Fund*
- *Question FNMISA Student Fund Increase*
- *Question Non-Binding Plebiscite on Society Projects*

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9.5 Flood Support Donation Drive Reallocation of Funds-MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:15

SUBMITTED BY: VP External and Community Affairs “Matthew Provost”

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Whereas, the Flood Donation drive was extremely successful in the month of December 2021 in response to the Floods that affected many in the province of BC and lower mainland,

Whereas the Simon Fraser Student Society in collaboration with a broad range of departments within

SFU received and collected of just over 2000 physical items to support those affected by the BC Floods,

Whereas, a donation truck was filled with the physical items and delivered to Langley airport; and in collaboration with West Coast Pilots, the items were successfully delivered to remote communities,

Whereas, the amount of \$4000.00 was spent from the \$6000.00 donation from Council allocated to the purchase of physical items, leaving there to be \$2000.00 amount of money leftover,

Whereas, SFU partners has reallocated their leftover funds of \$1000.00 to be handled at the discretion of the SFSS, leaving a total of \$3000.00 remaining between the SFSS and SFU to be

allocated through a monetary donation, Be it resolved, the remaining funds of \$1000.00 will be donated to West Coast Pilots Club for the payment of their gas and travel expenses, and \$2000.00 will be donated to the First Nations Emergency Services Society.

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10. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

10.1 Report from Executive Committee

10.2 Report from Executive Officers

11. DISCUSSION ITEM

11.1 Committee Meeting Update and Review

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development “Corbett Gildersleve”

BLURB: Discuss if Council members want to change committees and what is needed to get all of them meeting.

11.2 Exit Reports of Council Members

SUBMITTED BY: VP Finance and Services “Almas Phangura”

BLURB: The report must have a list of major projects done throughout the year and a short blurb about them to ensure accountability and better transparency.

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

12.1 AMENDMENTS TO SFSS PERSONNEL POLICIES REGARDING OFFICE CLOSURES AND BUILDING CLOSURES -MOTION COUNCIL 2022-01-19:16

SUBMITTED BY: President (Chair) “Gabe Liosis”

Whereas, recent inclement weather events have demonstrated that SFSS Personnel Policy 1 (Office Closure) is inadequate and outdated.

Whereas, the Society needs robust and clear policies and processes regarding closure of spaces due to inclement weather or other reasons.

Whereas, the President, alongside Management, have drafted policy language for the consideration of Council regarding Office Closures and Building Closures.

Whereas, the Executive Committee, at its January 4th, 2022 meeting, recommended that Council pass the draft policy. Be it resolved that Council approve the amendments to SFSS Personnel Policy 1 (Office Closure) Be it further resolved that Council approve establishing the new SFSS Personnel Policy (Building Closure), designating it as SFSS Personnel Policy 2, and renumbering subsequent Personnel Policies as required.

13. 30 MINUTES Q&A

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 14.1 **President Gabe Liosis Resignation Takes Effect January 24th, 2022, at 5pm.**
- 14.2 **[Event] Simon Fraser Student Society (SFSS) COVID-19 Press Conference; January 21st, 2022, via Zoom.**
- 14.3 **[Leave of Absence Notification] VP Equity & Sustainability, January 1st-13th, COVID-19 with intense symptoms, Paid**
- 14.4 **[Leave of Absence Notification] VP Internal & Organizational Development, December 27-31, Personal Mental Health, Paid**
- 14.5 **Vacancy, HR & Personnel Sub-Committee, Council Seat. Reach out to the President if you are interested in filling this seat.**

15. ATTACHMENT

- 15.1 **Official Resignation Letter**
- 15.2 **Proposal - Personnel Policies_ Closures**
- 15.3 **Briefing Note_ Spring 2022 Referendum - Dedicated Fees for Equity Support**

16. ADJOURNMENT

- 16.1 **MOTION COUNCIL 2022-19-01:17**

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Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at

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