

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 4:47 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<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əy̓əm (Musqueam), S<sup>k</sup>w̓xwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Selílwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k<sup>w</sup>ik<sup>w</sup>əłəm (Kwíkwetlem) 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 .....	Vacant
Archeology .....	Damon Tarrant
Art, Performance, and Cinema Studies .....	Vacant
Asia Canada Studies .....	Vacant
Bachelor of Environment .....	Tiana Andjelic
Behavioral Neuroscience .....	Aarthi Srinivasan
Biology.....	Nicolas Bonilla
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology.....	Kashish Mehta
Business.....	Vacant
Chemistry .....	Vacant
Cognitive Science .....	Gurmehar Singh
Communications .....	Vacant
Computing Science.....	Vacant
Criminology .....	Charlotte Taylor-Baer

Dance .....	Vacant
Data Science Student Union.....	Vadym Shakhraichuk
Earth Science .....	Vacant
Economics .....	Rafid Rahman
Education .....	Jihye (Jin) Choi
Engineering Science .....	Sarah Raisuddin
English Councillor .....	Liz Giardin
Environmental Science .....	Paige Ripley
Faculty of Applied Science .....	Vacant
Faculty of Communications, Arts and Technology .....	Vacant
Faculty of Environment Event .....	Vacant
Film Student Union .....	Vacant
Fine and Performing Arts .....	Vacant
French .....	Kylee Pocrnich
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies .....	Vacant
Geography.....	Natasha Kearns
Gerontology Student Union .....	Vacant
Global Asia Studies Student Union.....	Eunice Kwok
Health Science.....	Jocelle Refol
History.....	Vacant
Humanities .....	Vacant
Indigenous Studies Student Union .....	Anita Shen
Interactive Arts and Technology .....	Jeremy Felix
International Studies Student Association .....	Deanna Short
Labour Studies.....	Justin Chen
Latin American Studies.....	Vacant
Linguistics.....	Alev Maleki
Mathematics .....	Ben Tischler
Mechatronics System Engineering.....	Ryley McWilliams
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry.....	Avneet Kaur

Music Student Union.....	Vacant
Operations Research.....	Ashutosh Dubal
Performing Arts.....	Vacant
Philosophy.....	Nicole Kirigin
Physics.....	Vacant
Political Science.....	Abhishek Parmar
Psychology.....	Tiffany Liu
Public Policy.....	Vacant
Science Undergraduate Society.....	Vacant
Semester in Dialogue.....	Vacant
Society of Arts and Social Sciences.....	Akum Sidhu
Sociology and Anthropology.....	Kayla Chow
Software Systems.....	Shashank Thanalapati
Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA).....	Jia So
Sustainable Community Development.....	Vacant
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society.....	Mohammad Al-Sheboul
Theatre Student Union.....	Vacant
Visual Arts.....	Vacant
World Literature.....	Vacant

**Constituency Group Representatives**

Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance.....	Vacant
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association.....	Keianna James
International Student Advocates.....	Quynh Chi Bui
Out on Campus Collective.....	Vacant
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry.....	Linda Kanyamuna
Women Centre Collective.....	Nim Basra

**Affiliated Student Groups**

Residence Hall’s Association (RHA).....	Vacant
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Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) ..... Paul Ursu

**SFSS Executive Committee**

Acting President (Chair) ..... Corbett Gildersleve  
Acting VP Internal and Organizational Development..... Chloe Homenuke  
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  
Policy, Research, Community Affairs Coordinator ..... Beaty Omboga  
Administrative Assistant ..... Simar Thukral  
Building Manager ..... John Walsh

**3.3 Alternates**

French ..... Ethan Dungey

**3.4 Regrets**

Archeology ..... Damon Tarrant  
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology ..... Kashish Mehta  
Criminology Student Association ..... Charlotte Taylor-Baer  
Philosophy..... Nicole Kirigin  
Bachelor of Environment ..... Tiana Andjelic  
Health Science ..... Jocelle Refol  
Software Systems ..... Shashank Thanalapati  
VP Equity and Sustainability ..... Marie Haddad

### 3.5 Absents

Biology Student Union .....	Nicolas Bonilla
Cognitive Science Student Association .....	Gurmehar Singh
Dance Student Union .....	Vadym Shakhraichuk
English Student Union.....	Liz Giardin
Global Asia Studies Councillor.....	Eunice Wing-Lam Kwok
Indigenous Studies Student Union .....	Anita Shen
International Studies Student Association .....	Deanna Short
Labour Studies Student Union .....	Justin Chen
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry Student Union.....	Avneet Kaur
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society .....	Mohammad Al-Sheboul
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association .....	Keianna James
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry .....	Linda Kanyamuna
Student Athlete Advisory Committee .....	Paul Usru

## 4. CONSENT AGENDA

### 4.1 CONSENT AGENDA

Be it resolved to adopt the consent agenda by unanimous consent.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **4.1.1. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES-Council Minutes- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-04-26:01**

Be it resolved to receive and file the following Council minutes:

- Council 2022-04-13

#### **4.1.2. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS-MOTION COUNCIL 2022-04-26:02 SUBMITTED BY: Acting President “Corbett Gildersleve”**

Be it resolved to ratify the regrets from Archeology Councillor “Damon Tarrant”, Bachelor of Environment Councillor “Tiana Andjelic”, Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology Councillor “Kashish Mehta”, Criminology

Councillor “Charlotte Taylor-Baer”, and Philosophy Councillor “Nicole Kirigin” for the April 26<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

## **5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

### **5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-04-26:03**

**Corbett / Ethan**

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

- Acting President moved to strike Presentation item 6.1.
- Acting President moved to strike In-Camera discussion item - Joint letter to SFU.
- Acting President moved In-Camera item before new business items.
- Acting President moved to include item 8.

## **6. IN-CAMERA**

### **6.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-04-26:04**

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- Health and Dental Plan RFP results.

## **7. EX-CAMERA**

### **7.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-04-26:05**

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **8. Reports**

### **8.1 Report from Committee on Councillor Breaches of Confidentiality**

- The Acting President mentioned that the committee met on April 21<sup>st</sup> to discuss additional business and have come to a conclusion that further

investigation needs to occur relating to the initial breach back in February.

- Mathematic Councilor included a motion in regards to this discussion.
- Whereas during the investigation in February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 council meeting the committee he has found that other matters requires further investigation;

Whereas committee wishes to further investigate these matters accordance with this terms of reference as at least one member of the council's involved in those matters.

Be it resolved that committee launches investigation into these matters.

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

### **9.1 Health and Dental Plan 5% Fee Increase - Motion COUNCIL 2022-04-26:06**

**SUBMITTED BY:** Acting President "Corbett Gildersleve"

**Corbett / Abhishek**

Whereas the SFSS currently has an Undergraduate Health and Dental Plan;

Whereas this plan currently costs \$254.36 per student per year for the Enhanced Plan and \$197.52 per student per year for the Basic Plan;

Whereas the SFSS uses Studentcare as its Health and Dental Plan broker and administrator;

Whereas the SFSS requested Studentcare conduct a Request for Proposals (RFP) process for the Health and Dental Plan insurance providers;

Whereas SFSS members gave the Board of Directors (now Council) the power to raise or lower the Health and Dental Plan fee by up to 5% a year in the spring 2017 referendum;

Whereas this power expires by the end of the spring 2022 term;

Whereas one of the recommendations from Studentcare in the RFP Report is to use Council's power to increase the current Health and Dental Plan fee by 5% from \$254.36 to \$267.08 for the Enhanced Plan and from \$197.52 to \$207.40 for the Basic Plan;

Whereas this increase would be able to cover the cost of the 24-month Pacific Blue Cross agreement fees for the Enhanced Plan;

Whereas this increase would not fully cover the cost of the 24-month Pacific Blue Cross agreement fees for the Basic Plan;

Whereas the Basic Plan is only used by a small portion of the SFSS's members and the difference for the Enhanced Plan would cover the difference for the Basic Plan;

Whereas the Executive Committee met on April 19, 2022 to review the RFP report and recommendations;

Whereas the Executive Committee recommends to Council to increase the current health and dental plan fee by 5%;

Be it resolved that Council approve increasing the Health and Dental Plan by 5% for the 2022-2023 Policy Year;

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- Acting President mentioned that the discussion in regards to this motion took place In-Camera around the whole process with different results and recommendations.

**9.2 Pacific Blue Cross 24-month Agreement for the SFSS Health and Dental Plan 2022-2024 Policy Year – Motion COUNCIL 2022-04-26:07**

**SUBMITTED BY:** Acting President “Corbett Gildersleve”

**Corbett / Abhishek**

Whereas the SFSS currently has an Undergraduate Health and Dental Plan;



Whereas this plan currently costs \$254.36 per student per year for the Enhanced Plan and \$197.52 per student per year for the Basic Plan;

Whereas the SFSS uses Studentcare as its Health and Dental Plan broker and administrator;

Whereas the SFSS requested Studentcare conduct a Request for Proposals (RFP) process for the Health and Dental Plan insurance providers;

Whereas Studentcare has completed the process and provided Council and the Executive Committee a RFP Report with recommendations;

Whereas the Executive Committee met on April 19th, 2022 to review the report and recommendations;

Whereas Studentcare has recommended remaining with Pacific Blue Cross and signing a 24 month agreement;

Whereas this agreement would increase the price of the plan from \$254.36 to \$264.98 per student per year for the Enhanced Plan;

Whereas this agreement would increase the price of the plan from \$197.52 to \$213.99 per student per year for the Basic Plan;

Whereas only Council can approve agreements lasting more than a year in length;

Whereas the Executive Committee has reviewed the RFP Report from Studentcare and recommends to Council to approve the 24 month agreement with Pacific Blue Cross;

Be it resolved that the Council approve the 24 month agreement with Pacific Blue Cross for a plan cost of \$264.98 per student per year for the enhanced plan and \$213.99 per student per year for the basic plan.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.3 Censure Policy Update– MOTION COUNCIL 2022-04-26:08**

**SUBMITTED BY:** Mathematics Councilor “Ben Tischler”

**ATTACHMENT:**

**Ben / Abhishek**

Be it resolved to amend SO-1 of Council Policy by striking SO-1.7 and replacing it with 1.7 Composition of committee membership as specified by the committee’s Standing Order. Unless otherwise specified by the standing order establishing the committee, only members in good standing may be appointed to a voting seat on a committee. (a) Notwithstanding SO-1.7, if a member of the Society has been censured by Council for a violation of R-5.3(c) (iii) or in relation to a violation of R-5.3(c) (iii), the censured member of the Society shall not be eligible to sit on any committee of council except for the faculty caucus (es) that are outlined within SO21.

Be it further resolved to amend R-7 of Council Policy by striking R-7.15 and replacing it with 7.15 As per By-Law 6(18), Council shall, by a simple majority vote, appoint a Non-Executive Councilor as Vice Chair of Council for the duration of a Council term. (a) Notwithstanding R-7.15, if a member of the Society has been censured by Council for a violation of R-5.3(c) (iii) or in relation to a violation of R-5.3(c) (iii), the censured member of the Society shall be ineligible to serve as the Vice-Chair of Council.

Be it further resolved to amend R-17 of Council Policy by striking R-17.2 and replacing it with 17.2 An Associate Vice-Presidents must be a Member in good standing of the Society that has not been censured by Council for a violation of R-5.3(c) (iii) or in relation to a violation of R-5.3(c) (iii). (a) An Associate Vice-President may be a Non-Executive Councilor.

Be it further resolved to amend R-17 of Council Policy by striking R-17.7 and

replacing it with 17.7 Members of the Executive Committee who wish to appoint an Associate Vice-President shall nominate a Member in good standing of the Society that has not been censured by Council for a violation of R-5.3(c) (iii) or in relation to a violation of R-5.3(c) (iii) for the position.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- Mathematics Councillor expressed that this motion was brought up after the recommendation from CCBC as a policy to amend by Council.
- The effect of this policy for the first be it resolved clause is to, make it so any member that has been censured by the Council for violation of policy is in eligible to serve on any committee of council except their faculty caucus every councillor serves on. This will also meet councillor bylaws to be able to serve on one committee.
- The second be it further resolved clause, this will make it so that the members of the council censured in relation to our violations of our policy will also be ineligible to serve as a vice-chair of Council.
- The third and fourth clause of the motion is amending our Policy 17, making any member of the society censured for violations of our policy cannot be appointed as associate vice-president.
- Acting President expressed that the idea behind it is to have some safeguards for councillors from other members who broke confidentiality in the past.
- Political Science Councillor spoke in favour of this motion and mentioned that if someone has been censured in the past, that is breach of confidence that means they have done something serious and cannot be trusted to handle, chair committees, and with confidential information.

**9.4 MSU Working Group and Funding- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-04-26:09**

**SUBMITTED BY:** International Student Advocates “Quynh Chi Bui”

**ATTACHMENT:**

**Quynh / Seconder**

Whereas MSU chapter at SFU is a joint coalition of TSSU, GSS, and SFSS members who are current and former international students and their allies, under the support of Migrant Students United of Migrant Workers Alliance for Change;

Whereas Migrant Students United (MSU) has long sought equitable and just policies for migrant students by speaking up about and fighting against the systemic barriers at university, provincial or national level in order to access their rights and gain support;

Whereas MSU has initiated or actively participated in many activities, campaigns and rallies, like International Students Health Fee campaign, Fix PGWP, Status for ALL, PR Campaign, BC Tuition Freeze Now, and more;

Whereas IP-3 titled “Tuition Affordability” notes that Tuition has become increasingly unaffordable over the past several decades and remains one of the largest barriers for students in receiving a post secondary education;

Whereas several Migrant and International students must pay a drastically higher tuition in comparison to domestic students while also adhering to two consecutive semesters of a full course load yearly;

Whereas due to this higher tuition in nature and with the rise of tuition (twice) with a total of a 8% increase in tuition for migrant and international students within the last 2 years, and another rise of 4% of tuition coming soon, many Migrant Students and International students are experiencing financial instability;

Whereas financial instability provides difficulty to participate adequately as many students take on paid opportunities in their free time to cover higher costs and are unable to participate adequately within coalitions, groups, clubs, unions and such to fight for their rights;

Whereas TSSU and GSS have contributed funds required for the background work of creating the MSU Chapter and its campaigns so far, and SFSS has not supported MSU yet in providing funding to ensure that Migrant students have the space to advocate for themselves without it taking a toll on their living circumstance;

Be it further resolved that council support Migrant Students United and direct Council to create a Migrant and International Students Rights Issues Policies;

Be it further resolved to create a working group of the Councillors and Members, ensuring strong representation of international students, co-chaired by International Student Advocate representative and supported by the VP Equity and Sustainability, to draft and recommend to Council this Migrant and International Students Rights Issues Policy, in consultation with the International Student Advocate Constituency group, and Migrant Student United at SFU;

Be it further resolved that SFSS Council supports and approves the funding of \$15,000 of the joint coalition working with GSS and TSSU to disburse for the campaigns expenses and volunteers' stipend in 2022 (through a disbursement model where the funding is dispersed via TSSU, or otherwise if mutually determined by all three coalition partners), for the Summer and Fall semesters, from a line item determined by the VP Finance and Services.

#### **POSTPONED**

- International Student Advocates expressed that the International Students face many challenges during and after their studies such as high tuition fees, International Students health fee, 20 hour per week work limit, unfair and exclusive PR rules, time-restricted and non-renewable nature of the PGWP, etc.
- ISA mentioned that there is no group, society, or coalition at SFU whose focus is on organizing around and fighting against barriers faced by the international students.
- ISA expressed that at SFSS, the International Students Advocates, which is an SFSS constituency group, been facing lack of resources and capacity to mobilize students and perform effectively.
- MSU Chapter at SFU is a group of former and current international and

domestic students, members of TSSU, GSS, SFSS, and their allies who have come together to advocate for migrant student rights under the support of Migrant Student United.

- They are planning to provide stipends for 6 volunteers with the requirement of working 5 hours per week with providing them with \$20 per hour which comes up to the total of \$20,856 for the semester. Along with this, they would require \$2000 for campaigns and events.
- They are requesting Council to approve the spending of \$15,000 to support their initiative to advocate for the international students.

#### **9.5 Move to Postpone motion 9.4- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-04-26:10**

**Ben / Abhishek**

**CARRIED (11 in favour, 9 Against, 2 Abstentions)**

**In Favor (11):** Behavioral Neuroscience Councillor, Economics Councillor, Education Councillor, Environmental Science Councillor, French Councillor Alternate, Linguistics Councillor, Mathematics Councillor, Operations Research Councillor, Political Science Councillor, Psychology Councillor, Society of Arts and Social Sciences Councillor.

**Against (9):** Interactive Arts and Technology Councillor, International Student Advocates, Women Centre Collective, Acting President, VP Internal and Organizational Development, VP Finance and Services, VP University and Academic Affairs, VP External and Community Affairs, VP Events and Students Affairs.

**Abstentions (2):** Geography Councillor, Mechatronics System Engineering.

- Mathematics Councillor mentioned that the briefing notes for this motion were received 30 minutes before the meeting and they are not comfortable to approve the motion with such high expenditure
- Women Centre Collective expressed that this motion should not be postponed as the very thorough presentation was done for this last Council meeting and this has been discussed multiple times. And, based on the fact that we have supported others by providing them with the funding as they presented and had done similar work behind them they are concerned why this is an issue.
- Political Science Councillor mentioned that they are not against the motion but the lack of timing to review the briefing notes. Had the financial amount not

being changed from the presentation last week to today they would have approved it. They are voting to postpone the motion.

- VP External and Community affairs mentioned that they have supported similar motions in the past. When we look at the amount from \$10,000 to \$15,000 at the end, it is for the international students and for their benefit. There have been unused budget at SFSS and they urge Council to support in favour of this motion.

#### **9.6 Move to Wei Chun to speak- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-04-26:11**

**Corbett / Ben**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- Wei Chun expressed that they did the presentation last week during the Council meeting and explained why we need the money, what the money will be used for, what kind of budget we need from SFSS, GSS.
- They expressed that the \$15,000 amount that they are requesting in comparison to what the SFSS currently have as an unused budget of over \$700,000 is reasonable considering the work MSU has done in the past.
- Since SFSS has more International Student members than the GSS and TSSU they think they can contribute the amount towards the benefit of the students.

#### **9.7 Call the Question- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-04-26:12**

**Ben / Corbett**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **10. ADJOURNMENT**

#### **10.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-04-26:13**

**Ben / Ethan**

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 PM

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**