

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Call to Order – 4:36 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), Sḵw̓xwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Sel̓ílwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k<sup>w</sup>ik<sup>w</sup>əł̓əm (Kwkwetlem) and q̓icəy̓ (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.....	Gurleen Grewal
Business.....	Vacant
Chemistry .....	Vacant
Cognitive Science .....	Aaron Fung
Communications .....	Alan Ropke
Computing Science.....	Shariq Ahsan
Criminology .....	Ava Wood
Dance .....	Vacant

Data Science Student Union.....	Vadym Shakhraichuk
Earth Science.....	Eden Lien
Economics .....	Rafid Rahman
Education .....	Christine Yoo
Engineering Science .....	Liam Feng
English Councillor.....	Vacant
Environmental Science.....	Vacant
Faculty of Applied Science .....	Vacant
Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology .....	Rastko Koprivica
Faculty of Environment Event.....	Vacant
Film Student Union .....	Riordan Huenemann
Fine and Performing Arts .....	Vacant
French .....	Ethan Dungey
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies .....	Simran Basra
Geography.....	Natasha Kearns
Gerontology Student Union .....	Vacant
Global Asia Studies Student Union.....	Vacant
Health Science.....	Priyanka Dhesa
History.....	Matthew Reed
Humanities .....	Vacant
Indigenous Studies Student Union.....	Vacant
Interactive Arts and Technology .....	Jung-yeon Lee
International Studies Student Association .....	Sude Guvendik
Labour Studies.....	Vacant
Latin American Studies.....	Vacant
Linguistics.....	Alev Maleki
Mathematics .....	Ben Tischler
Mechatronics System Engineering.....	Ryley McWilliams
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry.....	Houman Mirhossein
Music Student Union.....	Vacant

Operations Research.....	Vacant
Performing Arts.....	Vacant
Philosophy.....	Ashley Flett
Physics.....	Daniel Alder
Political Science.....	Brydan Denis
Psychology .....	Mark Giles
Public Policy .....	Vacant
Science Undergraduate Society .....	Ayooluwa Adigun
Semester in Dialogue .....	Vacant
Society of Arts and Social Sciences .....	Hilary Tsui
Sociology and Anthropology .....	Arthur Lee
Software Systems.....	Gurmehar Singh
Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA).....	David Taeil Ahn
Sustainable Community Development.....	Vacant
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society.....	Mohammad Al-Sheboul
Theatre Student Union.....	Vacant
Visual Arts .....	Vacant
World Languages and Literature.....	Raghava Payment

**Constituency Group Representatives**

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

**Affiliated Student Groups**

Residence Hall’s Association (RHA).....	Emmanuel Adegboyega
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) .....	Vacant

**SFSS Executive Committee**

President (Chair) .....	Helen Sofia Pahou
VP Internal and Organizational Development.....	Judit Nagy
VP Finance and Services.....	Abhishek Parmar
VP University and Academic Affairs .....	Nicole Kirigin
VP External and Community Affairs .....	Eshana Baran
VP Equity and Sustainability.....	Rea Chatterjee
VP Events and Student Affairs.....	Vaibhav Arora

**3.2 Society Staff**

Board Organizer .....	Emmanuela Droko
Policy, Research, Community Affairs Coordinator .....	Beaty Omboga
Administrative Assistant .....	Simar Thukral
Administrative Assistant .....	Christina Kachkarova
Out on Campus Assistant .....	Constantin Lozitsky

**3.3 Alternates**

First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association .....	Audrey Heath
Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance .....	Aiden Cumming-Teicher
Indigenous Studies Student Union.....	Kali Stierle

**3.4 Regrets**

Bachelor of Environment .....	Tiana Andjelic
Behavioral Neuroscience .....	Aarthi Srinivasan
History.....	Matthew Reed
Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA).....	David Tael Ahn

**3.5 Guests**

SFU 350 Organizer.....	Allyson Soriano
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Member .....	Meredith
Member .....	Jaden Dyer
Member .....	Abigail Herd
Member .....	Balkees Jama
Member .....	Janaye Majer
Member .....	Farah Messan
The Peak News Writer .....	Chloe Arneron
Member .....	Vivian Ly
Member .....	Tuleen Awad
Student.....	Colin Ai-Jeffrey
Member .....	Hazem El Megharbel
Member .....	Lauren Brown
Member .....	Madison
Member .....	Megan MacGregor
Member .....	Mitchell Gale
Member .....	Naisha Khan
Member .....	Phum Luckkid
Member .....	Jimmy Nishimwe
Member .....	Sara
Member .....	Simran Prashar
Member .....	Sonal Atwal
Member .....	Soon Young
Member .....	Sophia Castillo
Member .....	Stacey Corringan
Member .....	Zaina Khan
Member .....	Graham Rich
Member .....	Kirtana Menon

**3.6 Absents**

Archeology .....	Damon Tarrant
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Data Science Student Union.....	Vadym Shakhraichuk
Earth Science.....	Eden Lien
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies .....	Simran Basra
Interactive Arts and Technology .....	Jung-yeon Lee
International Studies Student Association .....	Sude Guvendik
Linguistics.....	Alev Maleki
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry.....	Houman Mirhossein
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association .....	Keianna James
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry.....	Linda Chobang
Women Centre Collective .....	Nim Basra
Residence Hall’s Association (RHA).....	Emmanuel Adegboyega

#### **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 2022-057-27:01**

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

- Council 2022-07-06

##### **4.1.2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES-Committee Minutes-MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:02**

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

- GOV 2022-07-11
- MMPC 2022-06-30
- ESA 2022-07-04
- OCEO 2022-07-07

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

##### **5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:03**

**Rea / Aiden**

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**5.1.1 Amendment to add Section 6, Motion 6.1, Motion 9.1, Motion 9.2, and Motion 9.3 - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:04**

**Helen / Ayooluwa**

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**In Favor (31):** Communications, Criminology, Economics, Education, FCAT, Film, French, Geography, Health Science, Indigenous Studies Student Union, Mathematics, Mechatronics, Philosophy, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, Science Undergraduate Society, Society of Arts and Social Sciences, Sociology and Anthropology, Software Systems, Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society, World Literature and Languages, FNMISA, RHA, President, VP Internal, VP Finance, VP Undergraduate, VP External, VP Equity, VP Events,

**Against (1):** DNA Alternate.

**Abstain (3):** Biology, BPK, and Engineering Science.

- The FCAT Councilor expressed their concern regarding postponement of the Censure and inquired about the review of evidence.
- The DNA alternate asked our President to explain why evidence would be presented in-camera to which the President responded that it was intended to respect the integrity of the society.

**5.1.1.1 Call The Question - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:04**

**Rastko / NO SECONDED**

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**In Favor (20):** Communications, Economics, Engineering Science, FCAT, Film, Geography, Health Sciences, Mechatronics, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, SUS, SASS, Sociology and Anthropology, Software Systems, World Languages and Literature,

President, VP Internal, VP Finance, VPUAA, and VP Events.

**Abstain (8)** : Biology, Criminology, Education, French, Mathematics, Philosophy, Sustainable Energy Engineering, and RHA.

**Against (6)**: BPK, DNA Alternate, FNMISA, VP External, VP Equity, and ISSU.

- The VP Equity objected to the consideration of motion 8.1 to go in-camera.

**OBJECTION NOT SUSTAINED**

**In Favor (26)**: Communications, Computing Science, Criminology, Economics, Education, Engineering Science, FCAT, Film Student Union, French, Health Science, Mathematics, Mechatronics, Philosophy, Psychology, SUS, SASS, Software Systems, SEES, WLL, RHA, President, VP Internal, VP Finance, VP Events.

**Against (8)**: Biology, BPK, Geography, ISSU, Physics, FNMISA, VP External and VP Equity.

**Abstention (1)**: VPUAA

- The Chair clarified that in-favor was a vote to go in-camera.

## 6. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS

### 6.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:05

**Ben / Ethan**

Be it resolved to ratify the regrets of Aarthi Srinivasan (BNSS), Matthew Reed (History), David Taeil Ahn (SASSA) and Tiana Andjelic (BESU).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 7. IN-CAMERA

### 7.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:06

**Rastko / Riordan**

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



- Review of Evidence
- During in-camera session, the Board Organizer discussed the purpose of in-camera sessions and how councillors are elected.

*\* 10 Minutes break taken at 6:41 PM*

## **8. EX-CAMERA**

### **8.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:07**

**Ben / Abhishek**

Be it resolved to go ex-camera.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

### **9.1 Condemnation of Statement Drafted by VP Equity and Sustainability and VP External and Community Affairs - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:08**

**SUBMITTED BY:** President “Helen Sofia Pahou”

**Rastko / Vaibhav**

Whereas the VP Equity and Sustainability (VPES) and the VP External and Community Affairs (VPX) have drafted a statement that was titled “Concerns about Secrecy, Transparency and Overuse of Investigative Committees, General Toxicity”;

Whereas the statement drafted by those two Executives has been posted publicly on numerous social media platforms, such as Twitter and Instagram, and has been reshared several times;

Whereas the public campaign surrounding the letter is calling for an email campaign to Council over the matter;

Whereas Councillors have raised, both privately and publicly, concerns about their mental health, wellbeing, and safety as a result of this statement being disclosed at a Council Meeting without Council’s approval, then to the public at large;

Be it resolved to formally condemn the public dissemination of the statement titled “Concerns about Secrecy, Transparency and Overuse of Investigative Committees, General Toxicity” that has been drafted by the VP Equity and Sustainability and the VP External and Community Affairs.

**CARRIED**

**In Favour (22):** Communications, Computing Science, Economics, Film, French, HSCI, Mathematics, Mechatronics, Philosophy, Physics, Political Science, SUS, SASS, SASU, Software Systems, Sustainable Energy Engineering, World Languages, President, VP Internal, VP Finance, VP University, VP Events.

**Against (6):** BPK, GSWS, DNA, FNMISA, VP External, VP Equity,

**Abstain (3):** Biology, Criminology, Geography.

**9.1.1. Call The Question - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:09**

**Rastko / Abhishek**

**NOT CARRIED**

**In Favour (6):** Communications, Computing, FCAT, Film, French, Mechatronics, Political Science

**Against (18):** Biology, BPK, Criminology, Geography, Health Sciences, ISSU, GSWS, Physics, World Literature, DNA, FNMISA, President, VP Internal, VP Finance, VP University, VP External, VP Equity, VP Events.

**Abstain (8):** Mathematics, Philosophy, Psych, SUS, SASS, Sociology and Anthropology, Software Systems, and SESS.

- The VP External clarified with a point of order that this motion to call the question can be ruled out of order by the chair on the basis that it is a contentious motion. The Mathematics Councilor agreed with the VP External but disagreed that it was contentious. The VP External referred to discussion in the Zoom chat which indicated that the motion was contentious and urged transparency and due diligence to membership.
- The CSSS Councilor agreed with our Mathematics Councilor that

since the motion had been moved and seconded, the vote should proceed.

- A member spoke up, pointing out that the Councillors and other members that attended the meeting were not being allowed to speak on the motion. The VP Finance clarified that this was out of order.
- The Geography Councillor asked President to explain the term 'condemnation' regarding the statement. The President explained that this motion intends to seek direction from Council on whether to not choose to share the same options as shared by the VP External and the VP Equity as shared in the statement.
- The VP External explained that she felt there was a lack of understanding among the Executives. An example raised by the VP External was the Presidents repeated use of the word 'legality' as an explanation for going in-camera without providing a definition. VP External suggested this could make the Councillors hesitant about speaking with their constituents. The VP External clarified that as the VP External and the VP Equity, they had the right to speak and advocate on their own behalf's as the individual Directors.
- The DNA Alternate explained her understanding of the discussion and related concerns which pertained to questions regarding the content and whether it should have been Ex-Camera, the treatment of Councillors, and the content of the letter. The DNA Alternate asked whether, regardless of the ex-camera implications, do the Executives and Councillors agree with the contents of the letter, and can they prove if what the letter is stated to have happened, did not occur.
- The VP Equity clarified that the approval of Council is not needed for concerns to be raised, in regard to concerns about the VP Equity and the VP External statement being released without council approval.

The VP Equity explained that there was no confidential information in the statement and stated that the in-camera concerns have been corrupt and untransparent. Based on advice received by BC Ombudsperson and Privacy Commissioner Office, in camera confidential as outlined in policy which refers to the Council Policy “Council and its committees may, by simple majority vote, move items for discussion in-camera, only where deliberations involve: (a) SFSS HR matters, (b) open contract negotiations or competitive processes, (c) a litigation process in which the Society is involved, (d) discussions involving advice subject to solicitor-client privilege, such as legal counsel, where the Society wishes to maintain that privilege, and (e) subject matter that relates to or is subject to the Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA).”

- The Mathematics Councillor made a point of order clarified that all Councillors and Executives were bound by Council Policy R9 and asked the Councillors and the Executives to respect that. The President asked the Mathematics Councillor to clarify R9. Mathematics Councillor explained that the topic mentioned by the VP Equity could not be discussed in an open setting based on the policies mentioned.
- In response to a request for clarification by the VP Equity, the Mathematics Councillor explained that he was concerned that the VP Equity had blatantly described the contents of the meetings in-camera session. The VP Equity replied to this concerns reiterating that many concerns discussed in-camera were not under the policy of what is considered to be in-camera.
- The VP Equity stated awareness that their email had been accessed by the VP Internal who was able to see who had been emailed by the VP Equity, who the VP Equity received emails from, and whether attachments were involved. The VP Equity stated that this was highly

inappropriate and against expectation of privacy and personal information that might be generated on a workplace computer, considering that those corresponding with the VP Equity through email are not aware of their emails being monitored. The VP Equity clarified that, due to the nature of the VP Equity role, the VP Equity email receives sensitive emails from members who may not want to have others knowing that information. The VP Equity added that no evidence to the VP Equity and the VP External nor to the Council was provided that the statement released breached in-camera information.

- The President clarified that once speakers list is exhausted, a vote will be taken on the matter.
- The VP Internal explained that this letter was not disclosed to the Council for their consent prior to going to the public at large and that this was the main concern, and not about in-camera. The VP Internal stated that the VP Equity and VP External could speak in their own personal capacity but reiterated that the SFSS as a whole should not appear to be saying that they condemn this letter. The VP Internal highlighted that this has been an issue and members have come to her as well as other Councillors stating concerns for their own mental health, well-being, and their safety. The VP Internal explained that this was a motion to protect Council to ensure that the Councillors could do their jobs as well as distancing themselves from the statement.
- The VP Finance concurred with VP Internal.
- The SUS Councillor stated that the point of the debate was to decide whether the Council was standing by and agreeing with the letter and expressed that there were other motions on the agenda. The SUS Councillor added that this motion was not consequential to the main agenda and therefore Called the question.

### 9.1.2 Call The Question - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:10

Ayooluwa / Brydan

**CARRIED**

**In Favour (25):** Biology, Computing Science, Criminology, FCAT, Film, French, GSWS, Economics, HSCI, Mathematics, Mechatronics, Philosophy, Physics, Psychology, SUS, SASS, SASU, Software Systems, SESS, World Language, President, VP Internal, VP Finance, VP University, VP Events.

**Against (5):** ISSU, DNA, FNMISA, VP External, VP Equity.

**Abstain (1):** Geography.

- The VP External reminded the President that she had the power to rule this out of order. The President allowed for the Call the Question to Proceed.
- Prior to the vote, the President asked the VP Equity and VP External to recuse themselves from the vote and informed them that she would not be calling on them during the roll call vote.
- The VP External made a point of information and stated intent to vote, as a right held as a Director of the Society. The VP External requested that a review for language regarding conflict-of-interest section be done in the Society's Act.
- The President replied to the VP External stating that this was being done on the advice of legal counsel and that the VP External and the VP Equity must recuse themselves of voting. The VP External stated that the Society's Act only referred to material things, Section 56.1. "(a) a contract or transaction, or a proposed contract or transaction, of the society, or (b) a matter that is or is to be the subject of consideration by the directors, if that interest could result in the creation of a duty or interest that materially conflicts with that director's duty or interest as a director of the society."

### **9.1.3 IN-CAMERA**

#### **9.1.3.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:11**

**Ben / Judit**

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Against (3):** DNA Alternate, VP External, VP Equity

### **9.1.4 EX-CAMERA**

#### **9.1.4.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:12**

**Helen / Abhishek**

Be it resolved to go ex-camera.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **9.2 Postponement of Censure and Request for Resignation - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:13**

**SUBMITTED BY:** President "Helen Sofia Pahou"

**Ayooluwa / Shariq**

Whereas, in the interest of procedural fairness and due process, these motions should be given more time to be considered by all parties at Council;

Whereas considering the motions on August 3rd would allow for 1 week notice, and further time to consider the motion and to allow for named parties to respond to the allegations;

Be it resolved to postpone the motions titled "Censure of the VP Equity and Sustainability" and "Request for Resignation of the VP Equity and Sustainability" to the Council meeting on August 3rd.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **9.2.1. Moved to Extend Meeting to 9:30 PM – MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:14**

**Abhishek / Shariq**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- The SUS Councillor explained that there was not much discussion needed that was not heard already and that this motion would allow all parties involved to get their affairs in order.
- The Mathematics Councillor spoke in support of the motion.
- The DNA Councillor spoke in support of the motion.

**9.2.2. Call The Question – MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:15**

**Ryley / Riordan**

**CARRIED**

**Against (2):** VP Equity, VP External.

**Abstain (2):** DNA, FNMISA.

**9.3 Tasking President with Sending Notice of Censure and Request for Resignation– MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:16**

**SUBMITTED BY:** President “Helen Sofia Pahou”

**Abhishek / Ayooluwa**

Whereas Council has postponed a motion to Censure the VP Equity and Sustainability (VPES) and a motion to Request the Resignation of the VPES to the August 3rd Council Meeting;

Whereas formal notice of the allegations against them should be delivered to VPES to ensure that due process is followed;

Whereas formal notice is to ensure that the named party has time to respond to the allegations that are before them;

Be it resolved to task the President with sending formal notice of the motion and allegations to the VP Equity and Sustainability within 24 Hours starting as of 8:30PM on July 27, 2022.



**CARRIED**

**In Favour (25):** BPK, Biology, Communications, Comp Sci, Criminology, Film, French, GSWS, Geography, Health Sciences, Mathematics, Mechatronics, Philosophy, Physics, SUS, SASS, SASU, Software Systems , SEESS, World Languages and Literature, President, VPIOD, VPFS, VPUAA, and VP Events.

**Against (3):** FNMISA, VP External, VP Equity.

**Abstain (1):** DNA Alternate.

- During the vote the VP Equity reiterated an earlier motion to amend the motion.
- The VP Internal explained the President will prepare notice which will be sent to the VP Equity who will then have time to prepare.
- The Vice-Chair spoke in support.
- The VP Finance spoke in support.
- The VP Equity stated that BC Ombud office stated that a fair procedure will have 2 essential elements, one impartial unbiased decision maker and the right to participate in decisions that affect a person's rights and privileges, including specifically providing adequate notice that a decision is being made, information about the decision-making criteria, an opportunity for the person to be heard and present their case. The VP Equity requested evidence of alleged breaking of in-camera in a timely manner to prepare it towards their own legal counsel to follow proper due procedure.
- The VP External mentioned that they are glad to hear that the Council is taking this seriously. The VP External apologized to members who have faced insults by Councillors.
- One of the Members asked about what the legal process is being used in this situation, whether it was provincial laws or SFSS by-laws. They stated that students should be able to speak on this matter and where

legal advice is coming from and how the law is being applied including definitions of terms such as 'material gain'. The VP Internal responded explaining that the SFSS was operating within its bylaws and policies and consulting with the SFSS lawyer but was unable to say more about the matter in order not to break privilege. VP Internal clarified that there was no precedent for how the Society should act on this matter which is why consultation was important. The VP Internal stated that a public report should be released to membership after the conclusion of this matter which will have information for members.

- One of the members stated that as a law student, it was confusing to have out of order called on them but not on the VP Internal after the VP Finance called the Member's speaking out of order when the member was seeking clarification on the VP Internals' answers to their question. The Member clarified that their answer had not been answered by the VP Internal and recognized that the VP Internal was in a difficult position. The Member clarified that BC law stated that the burden of proof was not on the defense but on the person who was bringing the accusation.
- The Mechatronics Councillor called a point of order stating that by allowing Member to continue talking, Robert's Rules were not being followed.
- The SUS Councillor spoke directly to our SOCA Executive member stating that their opinions were respected, and claims understood but that this was an internal matter. The SUS Councillor stated that nothing unlawful was being done and that the only issue was that the VP Equity did not know what she was being accused of. The SUS Councillor stated that evidence was presented in-camera. The SUS Councillor apologized to them if they felt left out of the situation as a member but iterated that the situation was fragile as confidentiality

was involved so that the Council could not be expected to make the right turn at every point. The SUS Councillor stated that the efforts that the SOCA Executive and their friends were leading against the rest of Council were annoying and making it difficult to respect their opinion as a SFSS member hard to respect.

- One of the Members responded to SUS Councillor saying that nothing stated was legal or legally binding. They stated that their understanding of the SUS Councillor's reply was that the Council should be allowed to make mistakes. They reiterated their previous point stating that the burden of proof in Canada was on the person bringing accusations, which they suggested would be President in this case. The member asked SFSS Council to follow the law and reminded Council that they were elected representatives who answer to SFSS members. They stated that they voted for the current President and current Internal and that they were here to see what they voted for but were shocked to see that no law was being followed.
- The SUS Councillor stated that the report that will be provided by President to VP Equity will have the proof being requested by the Member which the VP Equity would defend herself against. The SUS Councillor added that he was not a fan of the slate system within parties and has been vocal against slates. The SUS Councillor reiterated that the information will be given to the VP Equity to mount her defense and can meet with any form of counsel after which there will be a vote.
- The SASU Councillor expressed that this was not political and there was no debate and was tired of the debate. The SASU Councillor explained that Council was following procedure, and this was not a personal or political attack.
- The DNA Alternate stated that the VP Equity obviously needed

evidence to defend themselves. Why are the Councillors not being given evidence ahead of time, confidentially so that councillors can have a cohesive coherent response in a way that allowed the Councillors to best advocate for their constituents.

- The VP Internal explained that it would taint the Council before the motions to give the VP Equity due process would pass. If all goes as it should, the Council will see evidence from both sides next meeting.
- The DNA stated that if the belief that the reason with not providing the report ahead of time ahead of time would influence the vote of the Council then why did the VP Internal believe that unbiased documentation of evidence would taint the vote, understands not releasing to public, but why would viewing evidence taint the ability of the Council to objectively vote.
- The VP Internal clarified that this was not her call, but this is what she was told to do.
- The DNA Councillor reiterated that she did not mean to ascribe personal blame to the VP Internal but asked who had made the call and why otherwise it was obfuscating reasoning.
- The CSSS Councillor Called the Order of the day.

### **9.3.1. Call The Question - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:17**

**Ryley / Ashley**

**CARRIED**

- **In Favor (21):** Biology, Communications, Computing Science, Criminology, Economics, Film, French, HSCI, Mechatronics, Philosophy, Physics, SUS, SASS, SASU, Software Systems, SEES, President, VP Internal, VP Finance, VP University, VP Events.
- **Against (9):** BPK, GSWS, Geography, Mathematics, World Lit, DNA, FNMISA, VP External, VP Equity.

- **Abstain (0)**
- The VP Equity stated that questions asked had not been answered and nothing in the motion said that she would receive report, only that she would receive notice. The VP Equity stated that they had the right to participate in these discussion as per the BC Ombudsoffice, the right to adequate notice regarding a decision, and also information about the criteria used in decision making and an opportunity to be heard and present her case. The VP Equity moved to amend to add “with evidence of all the infractions evidence being sent over in a timely manner with a clear timeline to allow adequate time to seek legal advice and mount a defense and the alleged policy breaches issues with the public release that has been made” after allegations last be it resolved clause. The VP Equity asked the Council to take this seriously as it was not following procedure laid out by the BC ombuds office and could open up the SFSS to a legal case.
- The French Councillor made a point of order about amendments during a call to question. The Mathematics Councillor agreed that it was not allowed.
- The VP External made a point of order and asked if the Council would rule this out of order. The Mathematics Councillor explained that he would leave it up to the Council and that if the Council believed that the motion was out of order, they could vote the motion down.
- The DNA Councillor Alternate made a point of information mentioning that a lot of discussion hinged on a report, but the worded motion did not have mention of a report.
- The Mathematics Councillor stated that the motion to call the

question was not debatable and that the Council would be proceeding to a vote.

#### **9.4 Motion to Suspend the Rules – MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:18**

**Eshana / Aiden**

**In favor (12):** Biology, BPK, Criminology, Film, DNA, FNMISA, VPX, VP Equity, Geography, Health Science, Philosophy, Physics, SUS, Society of Arts and Social Sciences, SEES,

**Against (8):** Communications, Computing Science, Mechatronics , Sociology and Anthropology, Software Systems, President, VP Finance,

**Abstentions (8):** Mathematics, French, Philosophy, and Physics, WLL, VP Internal, VPUAA, VP Events and Students Affairs.

**NOT CARRIED – 2/3rds Majority Required to Pass.**

- The VP External moved to include the following New Business Item:  
“Whereas motion 2022-07-27:9.2 has passed to ask the President with sending formal notice of the allegations to the VP Equity and Sustainability within 24 hours starting as of 8:30 pm on July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022;  
Be it resolved that the evidence be sent over within 6 hours of the adjournment of this meeting;  
Be it further resolved that the specific allegations and what are the criteria the investigative committee used to come to that conclusion be laid out clearly as part of the evidence  
Be it further resolved that allowed adequate time to seek legal advice and mount a defense”
- The Vice-chair clarified that this would need to be a motion to suspend the rules, after which the VP External moved to suspend the rules to amend this motion to the agenda.

#### **9.5 Move to extend the meeting until 10:00 PM - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-**

**27:19**

**Mohammad / Abhishek**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **9.6 Challenge Chair Appeal – MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:20**

**Blurb:** After a point of order was raised by the VP External stating that the 30-Minute Q&A was on the Council Agenda and did not need to be added to the agenda, the Vice-Chair ruled that the 30-Minute Q&A was not on the Council agenda as it had been grayed out. The VP External appealed the ruling of the Vice-Chair of Council, believing that the proper interpretation of the point of order was that the section did not need to be amended onto the agenda it was already on the agenda based on Council Policies.

**Sustain the Chairs Ruling (16):** BPK, Communications, Computer Science, Criminology, Health Science, Mathematics, Mechatronics, World Languages and Literature, President, VP Internal, VP Finance, VP Events.

**Overturn the Chairs Ruling (4):** DNA, FNMISA, VP External, VP Equity.

**Abstain (4):** French, Geography, SUS, VP University.

- The Vice Chair clarified that a vote in Favor was a vote to amend the 30-minute Q & A onto the agenda and a vote Against would prevent the 30-minute section from being added to the agenda.
- In response to a point of information from the DNA Councillor Alternate, the Vice-chair clarified that a vote in favour would mean agreeing that the 30-minute Q & A did need to be amended onto the agenda while a vote against would mean that the 30-minute Q & A was on the agenda.
- The VP External made a point of information reminding Councillors that the 30-minute Q & A needed to be on the agenda as per SFSS Policies.

### **9.7 Move to extend the meeting until 10:30 PM – MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-**

**27:21**

**Mohammad / Aiden**  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.8 Motion to Suspend the Rules to Add Motion 9.9- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:22**

**Mohammad / Ethan**  
**CARRIED**

**In Favor (24):** Biology, Criminology, Film, Geography, BPK, HSCI, Philosophy, Mechatronics, Physics, SUS, SASS, SASU, Software Systems, Sustainable Energy Engineering, World Languages and Literature, DNA, FNMISA, President, VP Internal, VP Finance, VP UAA, VP External, VP Equity, VP Events and Student Affairs.

**Against (1):** Computing Science

**Abstain (3):** Communications, French, Mathematics.

**9.9 Evidence and Allegations - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:23**

**Submitted by:** Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society Councillor  
"Mohammad Al-Sheboul"

**Ben / Rea**

Whereas motion 2022-07-27 10:2 has passed to ask the President with sending formal notice of the motion and allegations to the VP Equity and Sustainability within 24 Hours starting as of 8:30PM on July 27, 2022.

Be it resolved that evidence be sent over to the VP Equity and Sustainability within 24 hours of the adjournment of this meeting

Be it further resolved that the specific allegations and what are the criteria the investigative committee used to come to that conclusion be laid out clearly as part of "evidence"



Be it further resolved that VP Equity and Sustainability be allowed adequate time to seek legal advice and mount a defence

Be it further resolved that VP Equity be given at least 7 business days to seek legal advice and respond starting from the time of receiving the evidence

**CARRIED**

**In favour (11):** Film, Geography, Philosophy, Society of Arts and Social Sciences, Sociology and Anthropology, Software Systems, SEES, DNA, FNMISA, VP Finance, and VP Events and Students Affairs.

**Against (2):** VP External, and VP Equity.

**Abstentions (14):** BPK, Computing Science, Criminology, Communications, French, Health Science, Mathematics, Mechatronics, Physics, Science Undergraduate Society, World Languages and Literature, President, VP Internal, VPUAA.

**9.9.1. Move to Call the Question – MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:24**  
**Ayoolouwa / NO SECONDER**

- Before the motion was seconded, the VP External made a point of order reminding the Vice Chair that the author of the motion received speaking privileges on motions.
- The SEESS Councillor stated that he thought this was a reasonable motion to ensure that Council understand both sides. He added that this would assure that neither side would be able to state that they were poorly represented. He reiterated that this was reasonable.
- The VP Internal called a Quorum Check. The Vice-chair confirmed that quorum was present.

**9.9.2. Move to Call the Question – MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:25**

**Ayoolouwa / Abhishek**

**CARRIED**

**Against (4):** VPX, VP Equity, DNA, FNMISA

- During the vote, the VP Equity stated that this would be unfair as it would only allow for 3 business days to reach out to any lawyer to obtain legal counsel between when they would obtain the evidence and the next Council meeting. The VP Equity suggested an amendment which would allow for 7 business days to obtain legal counsel.
- During the vote, the SUS Councillor spoke directly to the VP Equity stating that the motion had been voted on a long while ago and described raising any amendment to the motion now as negligence.
- During the vote, the VP Finance made a point of order reminding the Councillors that there was no debate during voting.
- During the vote, the VP Equity made a point of order stating that the SUS Councillor had called the question to vote immediately despite the fact that she had pasted in the chat that she wanted to amend the motion.
- During the vote, the Vice-chair ruled the VP Equity's amendment out of order.
- The DNA Alternate stated that if this was to be a fair trial of the allegations being made, legal counsel was required and that one could not be reasonably expected to access legal counsel in 3 business days. The DNA Alternate clarified that the VP Equity and the VP External have repeatedly said that they do not have legal counsel.
- The VP Equity clarified that they do not have access to a lawyer.

**9.10 Move to extend the meeting until 11:00 PM- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-**

**27:26**

**Rea / Ethan**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.11 Motion to Suspend the Rules to add Student Q & A- MOTION COUNCIL**

**2022-07-27:27**

**Rea / Eshana**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9.12 Amend Previously Adopted Motion 9.9 to add Fourth Be it Resolved Clause**

**– MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:28**

**Rea / Ethan**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- The Mathematics Councillor amended the motion to read “that the VP Equity be given at least 7 business days” instead of “that VP Equity be given 7 business days”.

**9.13 Censure of the VP Equity and Sustainability – MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-**

**27:29**

**SUBMITTED BY:** President “Helen Sofia Pahou”

**Mover / Seconder**

Whereas Council has been shown evidence in-camera that pertains to a violation of R-5.2(m) by the VP Equity and Sustainability;

Whereas these breaches harm and endanger the sanctity of the in-camera sessions of Council;

Be it resolved to censure the VP Equity and Sustainability “Rea Chatterjee” in relation to violations of R-5.2(m).

**CARRIED /NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED**

- Postponed

**9.14 Request for Resignation of the VP Equity and Sustainability – MOTION**

**COUNCIL 2022-07-27:30**

**SUBMITTED BY:** President “Helen Sofia Pahou”

**Mover / Seconder**

Whereas Council has been shown evidence in-camera that pertains to a violation of R-5.2(m) by the VP Equity and Sustainability;

Whereas these breaches cause direct harm to the Society and its operations;

Be it resolved that Council request the resignation of the VP Equity and Sustainability “Rea Chatterjee” in relation to violations of R-5.2(m).

**CARRIED /NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED**

- Postponed

## **10. 30 MINUTES Q&A**

- One of the Member’s inquired if there would be a maximum number of business days for the motion that had been proposed during the meeting so that the issue could be dealt with promptly. The Vice-chair responded that it could be moved if the Councillors wished.
- One of the Member’s explained that she had read the VP Equity and VP External statement and letter and stated that it had legitimise concerns that Council was trying to avoid. They stated that it seemed the VP Equity and the VP External were simply trying to speak out in the best interest of students. She asked why this letter was being condoned if the information shared was public and was shared during a Council meeting therefore already making it public.
- The SUS Councillor in response explained that dissent within the SFSS was not a problem, the only issue is a breach of confidentiality and that aspects of an in-camera portion of the meeting were discussed in the letter. The SUS Councillor discussed his distaste for the slate system. The SUS Councillor explained that if there were complete transparency then there would be constant disagreement with SFSS proceedings which would slow down the process. He added that there was no transparency

issue but to ensure that information was not used in the wrong way. He added that confidentiality should be respected.

- The Member thanked SUS Councillor for his response and asked him to clarify the confidential information that had been released in the letter as well as how the Council would address the concerns raised in the letter. The SUS Councillor explained that a public report would be released afterwards. The President added that at this moment there was no date for the public report to be released.
- SFU350 Organizer explained that the passing of these motions destroyed the trust that had been built between the SFSS and SFU350 over the past years. She added that she had specific concerns as an SFSS member that her fees were going towards the overuse of investigative committees and violations of privacy of SFSS Executives. SFU 350 Organizer asked the VP Equity and the VP External to speak and share their thoughts on the matter.
- The VP Equity explained that the statement did not share any in-camera or confidential information. She added that it was unfortunate that the statement was condemned as it devalued good faith concerns raised by herself and the VP External.
- The VP External reiterated that the goal of the statement was transparency which she felt the membership had a right to know. The VP External stated that the focuses of the society should be helping the membership including working to decrease tuition and other things included in the SFSS Issues Policies.
- The SUS Councillor pointed out that in the previous 2021-2022 Council, Councillors had been censured due to breaches in confidentiality and claims about this being used as a political tool were defamatory. He added that the Chair of a committee has stopped him from discussing the contents of the meeting as the Chair stated they were in-camera items.

The SUS Councillor stated that allegations that this was being done without evidence was untrained on the part of those making the accusations. The SUS Councillor reiterated that Council security must be maintained at all costs and anything that threatens Council security must be eliminated. The SUS Councillor clarified that he did not deny that the VP Equity and the VP External raised good points in their statement, but that it was irrelevant to the investigation. SUS Councillor added that several SFSS members had called the Council “fascists” in emails and stated that the way that Council was being treated as a sort of hate group was unfair.

- One of the member responded directly to the SUS Councillor saying that it was justified to protect Council security but the request for evidence raised by members was not unreasonable. They referred to the previous 2021-2022 investigation of breaches of security in Council and stated that this investigative process felt out of rule as evidence was not given.
- The SUS Councillor responded to member and added that the Council was attempting to be transparent, but that certain information could not be released until issues were resolved.
- The SOCA Executive inquired as to how there were allegations made among a public statement and what was an in-camera item and whether it was HR, litigation, contract or PIPA-related. They also asked why there was a shut down of the discussion period of motions where members were not allowed to speak and why a Councillor singled out, raised the name of the member, and referred to the member as “annoying” for raising these specific concerns. They asked the VP Equity and the VP External if they had received support from other organizations regarding calls for transparency and concerns raised.
- The VP External thanked the SOCA Executive for their question and added that they had received support from the TSSU and the GSS as well

as a former Board member. The VP External stated that a clear breach was needed for in-camera items designated as confidential and that there had been no justification of the in-camera policy that was breached which were as followed, PIPA, HR, litigation, and contract negotiations. She added that in-camera could not be used as a protection for abusive behaviour to occur and stated that SUS Councillor had yelled at her in-camera and called her “a child”.

- The SASU Councillor reiterated that the matter pertained to things shared during an in-camera session.
- The SUS Councillor clarified that he did not call the VP External “a child” as she stated but told her that she was “acting like a child”. He stated that not everything in-camera should be kept confidential but that information that is shared within in-camera should be kept confidential. In response to the SOCA Executive questions about why he had raised their name and called the member “annoying” was due to the tactics that had been employed on their Instagram page and Instagram stories and calling the SFSS different names and “bullies” and “racists”. The SUS Councillor stated that it should not come as a surprise to the SOCA Executive that they were referred to as “annoying” within the Council.
- One of the members asked the President how motions of resignation could be discussed when no evidence was revealed to Council. The VP Finance explained that this was a baseless assumption. The VP Finance added that while he understood that member did not have the means to find the answers to their question, that was just how it was.
- The SOCA Executive added that the SUS Councillor had referred to them as being “annoying” when they were simply raising transparency concerns.
- The SUS Councillor stated that he did not call them as “annoying” but stated why other students might find Balqees as “annoying”.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

### **11.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-07-27:31**

**Shariq / Abhishek**

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 PM.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**