

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Call to Order – 4:35 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), Sḵw̓x̓wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Selííwítulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k<sup>w</sup>ik<sup>w</sup>əł̓əm (Kwkwetlem) and ǰícəy̓ (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.....	Seniha Inceoz
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 .....	Grayson Barke



Faculty of Applied Science .....	Vacant
Faculty of Communications, Arts and Technology .....	Rastko Koprivica
Faculty of Environment Event .....	Vacant
Film Student Union.....	Vacant
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 .....	Vacant
Software Systems .....	Gurmehar Singh



Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA) .....	David Taeil Ahn
Sustainable Community Development .....	Vacant
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society .....	Andrew Nathan
Theatre Student Union .....	Claire Brown
Visual Arts.....	Vacant
World Languages and Literature .....	Raghava Payment

### Constituency Group Representatives

Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance.....	Aiden Cumming-Teicher
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association.....	Peter Hance
International Student Advocates.....	Vacant
Out on Campus Collective .....	Vacant
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry .....	Vacant
Women Centre Collective.....	Vacant

### 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
Acting VP Equity and Sustainability .....	Arthur Lee
VP Events and Student Affairs .....	Vaibhav Arora

### 3.2 Society Staff

Board Organizer .....	Emmanuela Droko
Building Manager .....	John Walsh
Operations Organizer .....	Ayesha Khan
Temporary Operations Organizer.....	Sindhu Dharmarajah
Policy, Research, Community Affairs Coordinator .....	Beaty Omboga
Administrative Assistant.....	Simar Thukral

**3.3 Regrets**

Communications.....	Alan Ropke
Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA).....	David Taeil Ahn
Residence Hall’s Association (RHA) .....	Emmanuel Adegboyega
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology .....	Gurleen Grewal
Archeology.....	Seniha Inceoz
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies.....	Simran Basra

**3.4 Guests**

Member.....	Yasamin
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**3.5 Absents**

Economics .....	Rafid Rahman
Engineering Science.....	Liam Feng
Geography.....	Natasha Kearns
History .....	Matthew Reed
International Studies Student Association .....	Sude Guvendik
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry .....	Houman Mirhossein
Psychology.....	Mark Giles
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society .....	Mohammad Al-Sheboul
Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance.....	Aiden Cumming-Teicher

**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 – Committee Minutes - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:01**

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

- Council 2022-07-27
- Council 2022-08-17
- GOV 2022-08-22
- HRP 2022-08-15

**4.1.2. RATIFICATION OF RESIGNATION -MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:02 SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development “Judith Nagy”**

Be it resolved to ratify “Matthew Reed” History Councillor’s resignation effective immediately.

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

### **5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:03**

**Helen / Rastko**

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

#### **CARRIED AS AMENDED**

- The Acting VP Equity moved to include Presentation titled “Solidarity for Iranian Community” and a new business item titled “SFSS Statement in Solidarity with Iranian Community”.
- The VP Internal moved to include in-camera and ex-camera section with discussion item titled “Sponsorship contract update”.
- The President moved to include a new section titled “Ratification of Regrets”, which contains one motion.
- The FNMISA councillor moved to include a new business item titled “SFSS apology for Harmful Statements and Commitment for More Education”.

## **6. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS**

### **6.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-09-14:04**

**Helen / Rastko**

Be it resolved to ratify the regrets of Natasha Kearns “Geography Councillor”, Mark Giles “Psychology Councillor”, Alan Röpke “Communications Councillor”, David Ahn “Statistics Councillor”, Emmanuel Adegboyega “RHA Councillor”, Gurleen Grewal “BPK Councillor”, Rafid Rahman Chowdhury “Economics Councillor”, Seniha Inceoz “Archeology Councillor”, and Simran Basra “GSWS Councillor” for the October 12, 2022 Council meeting.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **7. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES**

### **7.1 Executive Committee Report**

- **President**

VP Finance, External, Events and Equity check-in’s.

Temporary Operations Organizer, Board Organizer and Facilities Manager check-in’s.

Executive Committee Working Session conducted.

Management meetings & working session conducted.

SLO work & collaboration w/ Temporary Operations Organizer.

Space Oversight Committee, Outreach Committee, Surrey Campus Committee, First

Year Engagement Committee meetings ran and had Chairs and Vice-Chairs appointed.  
AGM Planning Meetings w/ VP Internal and relevant staff.  
Surrey Debate Planning + Tabling w/ VP External and relevant staff.  
Student Affordability Working Group meetings w/ SFU.  
Staff Check-In & Support discussions the entire week.  
Councillor Check-In's.  
Joint Health & Safety Committee + October Building Inspection

- **VP Internal and Organizational Development**

Councillor onboarding's.  
Governance Committee.  
Personnel policy review.  
Wrapping up outstanding notices to be sent to council.  
Annual report complete.  
SAWG meeting.  
Calls with the auditors.  
AGM planning meetings.  
Meeting with CJ from SVSPO.  
Management Meeting.  
AGM prize purchase hunt (back to school is something else this year).  
Meeting with Student Care about referendum question.  
Staff check-ins.  
Meeting with e-sports over gamer's lounge.  
Admin: auditor emails, MECS matters, core activation, HRP agenda approval, GOV agenda approval, referenda planning, council minutes feedback, SFSS mailings list issue, AGM agenda approval, AGM communications material approval, SOPs, EXEC and GOV minutes approval, looking for WUSC invoice, cheque requisition.

- **VP Finance and Services**

Working on finance report for AGM.  
Review of audited financial statements at Finance and Administrative Services Committee. (FASC)  
Space Oversight Committee. (SPOC)  
Approval of expenses for curtains, wayfinding signs and equipment to support SFSS events.  
Appointed as chair.  
First Outreach Committee meeting.  
Governance Committee meeting.  
Meeting with investment manager.  
Planning dev session for January.

Student Affordability Working Group.(SAWG)  
AVP Check-ins.  
Went over the basics of the general fund budget.  
Student Appreciation Pizza giveaway.  
Lots of admin. (emails, signing cheques requisition, etc.)

- **VP University and Academic Affairs**

Weekly UAAC meetings & member check-ins.  
Multiple UAAC Projects.  
Anti Exploitative Labor Practices & Anti-MLM Project.  
Accessible Course Practices.  
Student Mental Health and Wellbeing & Council Mental Health & Wellbeing Working Group.  
Student Outreach Reform Project.  
UAA Strategic Planning Project.  
Interview and Appointment of UAA Members-At-Large.  
Meetings with University Administration & Beedie School of Business.  
Lobbying the University Administration on exploitative labor practices.  
Student consultation, meetings, and surveys to democratically establish positionality.  
Multiple meetings with staff & check-ins with community groups.  
Meetings with Executives, Councillors, and students.  
Check-ins and housekeeping meetings with AVPs.  
UAAC / ECA Update Meetings with Staff  
University and Academic Affairs Committee (UAAC) strategy and planning meetings with members and staff.  
Drafting of agendas and consultation with members for the above.  
Lots of admin work.

- **VP External and Community Affairs**

Attended SUB Meet and Greet.  
Acting VP Equity Onboarding.  
Attended the Rally to Eliminate the International Student Health Fee.  
Finished Summer Semester Report.  
External and Community Affairs Committee meeting.  
Tabling for the Debate in Surrey.  
Executive Committee Working Session.  
President +VP External Check-in.  
Planning for Trans Link Roundtable (November 3rd).  
Prep for Lobby Days.  
Get Out to Vote Campaign.

Surrey Mayoral Candidates Debate- DONE  
Burnaby City Council Candidates Debates- TOMORROW.  
Tabling by the GO DESK.

- **Acting VP Equity and Sustainability**

FNMISA check-in & attended Volleyball game during Truth and Reconciliation Day .  
Pizza Appreciation Party.  
Iranian Panel event.  
ESC Meeting.  
At-Large application will go out soon.  
SUB Meet-and-Greet.  
Helped out at the Surrey Mayoral Debates.  
Executive Working Session.  
President + Equity Check-ins.  
Lots, and lots of admin.

- **VP Events and Student Affairs**

STUDENT APPRECIATION PIZZA PARTY (hosted today).  
Diwali Night Party coming up on 21st at Aria Banquet Hall (Buy your tickets asap, it won't last very long).  
Diwali events on 20th at Surrey, 21st at Burnaby (Morning events).  
Halloween Carnival booked for 31st in SUB Ballroom.  
Halloween Movie night at Surrey on 21<sup>st</sup>.  
Pet therapy on 17th in Forum Chambers.  
Wellness workshop booked for November.  
Street Fest thanksgiving lunch organized for the committee.  
Meeting with NNECT for sponsorship.  
Meeting with ISS for collaboration for an event in February (details will be out soon).  
Meeting with MECS for an event in March.  
Meeting with Jessica Jutras from MECS for games rentals for Halloween.  
Meeting with Uni life for a better system for clubs.  
Hosted an ESAC meeting.  
Hosting a MSAC meeting.  
Distributing flyers with VP External for Debate.

## 7.2 CCBC Report

- The President mentioned that the CCBC convened and briefed them about few things as they were on their LOA. And, the CCBC will soon convene again in the future.





## 8. IN-CAMERA

### 8.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:05

Rastko / Arthur

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- Sponsorship contract update

## 9. EX-CAMERA

### 9.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:06

Rastko / Grayson

Be it resolved to go ex-camera.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 10. PRESENTATION

### 10.1 Solidarity for Iranian Community

**SUBMITTED BY:** Acting VP Equity and Sustainability "Arthur Lee"

**PRESENTED BY:** Yasamin

- The Islamic Regime lowered the age of marriage for women from 18 to 13 (in 1979)
- and then to nine (in 1982).
- A married woman cannot leave the country without her husband's permission.
- Women are not allowed to watch men play sports at stadiums.
- Single women can't check into a hotel.
- A man can marry up to four women at once; women can only marry one
- husband. A woman needs a male guardian's consent from her father or paternal
- grandfather to marry.
- Muslim women cannot marry non-Muslim men, while Muslim men can marry Jews, Christians or Zoroastrians.
- Women can only get a divorce in court, while a man can get a divorce simply by verbally declaring it and not even in her presence.
- A divorced woman can not get her child's custody.
- When a parent dies, the daughters' inheritance is half of the sons.
- A widow woman gets only one-eighth of her husband's inheritance, even with no child, the brother or the father of the man will get the rest.
- The Islamic Republic mandated wearing a head covering, or hijab, in public.
- Violators face punishments. A few days ago, a 22-year-old girl got arrested by "the mortality police" for not wearing her hijab tight enough while she was visiting the capital of Iran, Tehran; soon after, her family was informed that she was in a coma in a hospital due to "previous health problems."

- Her family denied any previous health issues. She DIED in the hospital. Her skull scan showed a skull fracture and massive hemorrhage after getting beaten. Her name was MAHSA AMINI.
- This triggered a huge protest in different cities in Iran. The protesters wanted justice for Mahsa Amini and hundreds of other Iranians who got murdered and arrested by the IRGC for no good reason.
- The mortality police never confessed to their crime, and in reaction to the protests, they shut down the internet massively. In the streets, they killed several protesters just to prove that they did not kill Mahsa Amini.
- In reaction to protesters, a governmental professor stated, " Prostitutes mourn a prostitute." The protests continued in the streets; this time, the protesters wanted death for the dictator and the terrorist government of the Islamic Republic of Iran.
- The IRGC continued to kill more and more protesters, including Hadis Najafi, a 20- year-old girl who got murdered by six bullets, and Nika Shahkaram, a 17-year-old girl who got kidnapped, then raped and tortured several times before getting murdered by the IRGC.
- So far, the murder of 154 civilians has been confirmed by the human right organization.
- The protests are still in progress in Iran, and the IRGC uses children to kill protesters.
- Last Friday, on September 30, 2022, the people of Dezap gathered to protest the rape of a 15 years old Balochi child by an Iranian commander in Chabahr, south Balochistan.
- As people were demonstrating during Friday's prayers in Dezap, the Iranian military forces struck the civilians and showered them with real war bullets and shut down the internet completely.
- So far according to the Campaign of Baloch Activists, 88 civilians including four children (12 to 16 years old) are reported dead and more than 300 injured, some of them are in crucial condition. the numbers are likely to increase.
- Locals reported that the Iranian military forces were shooting at protesters in Dezap with helicopters.
- The protests in Balochistan continue and have spread to other areas. Many areas of Dezap are under people's control after three days of protests. An informed source told the Campaign of Baloch Activists that There is an urgent need for blood in Dezap hospitals, and many wounded have died due to severe bleeding.
- After the protests of Iranians in more than 150 cities in the world on October first, in response, the IRGC surrounded the Sharif University of technology, the most prestigious university in Iran, and prevented the students from getting out. The military force beat them, abused them, harassed them, shot them and slaughtered them. Many civilians tried to enter the university to help the students, but there was no trespass.
- The IRGC shoot into students' dormitories and shut down the internet there.
- After that night, everybody in the university either got wounded or arrested. There is no further information about the most intelligent students of Iran.
- The murder of Jina 'Mahsa' Amini on 16 September, 2022 by the repressive Iranian

government force known as the “morality police,” has sparked demonstrations in every corner of the world. “Zan, Zendegi, Azadi” — Woman, Life, Freedom — inspired by the revolutionary Kurdish “Jin, Jiyan, Azadi,” can be heard in every city with an Iranian community.

- From Kurdistan to Sistan-Baluchestan, from Mazandaran to Fars, and despite violent crackdowns on protestors by the government forces, Iranians are determined to end the oppression of women, workers, ethnic minorities, and queer communities. “Zan, Zendegi, Azadi,” embraced by Iranians of all stripes, represents a movement that is anything but a single-issue struggle.
- Led by Iranian women, the streets and schools of many cities in Iran, whether in Tehran, Sanandaj, or Zahedan (where more than 80 unarmed civilians were massacred on Friday, 30 September), are battlegrounds for the war against femicide and the patriarchal power that enables it. The strength of the movement is in the clarity of its message: there is no life or liberation for anyone without women’s liberation. The right to choose whether to wear a headscarf is central, but not all encompassing; the movement demands more. Iranian students, teachers, and faculty responded to the call from the streets, and extended the people’s struggle to the campuses and schools.
- A state of siege has encapsulated the student movement, in a very literal sense. Iranian students and faculty in some universities, Sharif University of Technology for example, have been cut off from the outside world; facing the wrath of the government, they are targeted, cornered, beaten, arrested, and shot at. The murder of their peers, coupled with the threat of detention, has imposed a specter of dread throughout Iranian university campuses. With every escalation, the regime betrays its true character: murderous, exploitative, and full of fear. The unwavering courage of Iranian students, teachers, and scholars in resisting state repression, as the cost for such acts of protest continue to rise, need to be met with international support and solidarity.
- We hope to sustain the pursuit of the Iranian people for self determination and emancipation from patriarchal domination by supporting, to the best of our ability, Iranians at home and in the struggle. It is in light of these circumstances that we urge Simon Fraser University (SFU) and the University of British Columbia (UBC) to act accordingly and continue to support Iranian students, staff, and faculty by committing to the following requests:
  - Official Academic Recourse: An official statement by the university leadership of SFU, in consultation with the Iranian student body, on behalf of the university, condemning the mass arrests and killings in Iran, especially on university campuses;
  - Advocacy by the university leadership of SFU and UBC for the immediate release of Iranian student prisoners;
  - Statements by the Deans, Department Chairs, and School Directors issued internally to their units in solidarity with their Iranian students, staff, and faculty; and
  - Consider declaring state-affiliated university officials involved in the violent repression

- of university students in Iran ‘persona non grata,’ excluding them from university-run academic activities, conferences, and fora.
- Admissions and Iranian Applicants: Increase flexibility in admission requirements, especially those concerned with TOEFL/IELTS examinations; Remedial measures for starred\* student applicants; Waive admission application fees for Iranian students at risk; and Extend the deadline for admission applications for Iranian student applicants.
  - Academic Community Support: Support and accommodate Iranian students, RAs, TAs, and TMs, and faculty during these challenging times; Increase access to adequate and robust mental health resources for Iranian students at SFU and UBC; Provide funding and spaces for public gatherings, conversations, and dialogues on the current women’s liberation movement; Provide funding for research by and for marginalized Iranian communities; and Provide funding for Iranian cultural and community programs, events, and classes.
  - In solidarity with the Iranian people, In solidarity with the women of Iran, In solidarity with the Indigenous peoples of Turtle Island, In solidarity with the all the struggling women of the world, Until liberation.

## 11. NEW BUSINESS

### 11.1 AGM ITEM: FINANCIAL STATEMENT APPROVAL - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:07

**SUBMITTED BY:** VP Internal and Organizational Development “Judit Nagy”

**Abhishek / Rastko**

Whereas the Financial Statements have been presented to the Finance and Administrative Services Committee on September 23;

Whereas the Financial Statements have been presented to Council on September 28, 2022;

Be it resolved that Council approves the Financial Statements for presentation, and filing for, the SFSS Membership at the Annual General Meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- The VP Internal mentioned that this was due from last week and this needs to be pre-approved before we go to the AGM.

### 11.2 SFSS Statement in Solidarity with Iranian Community- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:08

**SUBMITTED BY:** Acting VP Equity and Sustainability “Arthur Lee”

**Helen / Eshana**

Whereas protests have erupted across Iran to protest against the death of 22-year old Mahsa (Zhin) Amini;

Whereas reports have shown that the authority in Iran are directly involved in silencing, misdirecting the public, and shutting down communication systems across the country;

Whereas, as a organization, the Simon Fraser Student Society (SFSS) is committed to stand in solidarity against any violent actions against women and any other minority groups;

Whereas the Iranian community within SFU has issued a statement asking the SFSS to condemn the assault on students, faculty, in Iranian universities, as well as other protesters across Iran;

Be it resolved to task the Acting VP Equity & Sustainability to draft a statement condemning the actions of the Iranian government.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- The VP External spoke in favour of this motion and expressed that we should stand in favour of things when something like this happens in the community.

**11.3 SFSS apology for Harmful Statements and Commitment for More Education- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:09**

**SUBMITTED BY:** FNMISA Coordinator " Peter Hance"

**Helen / Eshana**

Whereas Council was not provided with adequate information to take an informed decision on a proposed monetary donation of \$10,000 to the Indian Residential School Survivors Society (IRSSS); thereby limiting its ability to act in accordance IP-7 of SFSS policies and Indigenous students on campus and in the community;

Whereas Council acknowledges its misstep and commits itself to improvement through education and greater conscientiousness in proceedings in future;

Be it resolved that SFSS directs the Executive to work with the VP Equity and Sustainability to organize workshops on Indigenous Reconciliation for the Membership and Councillors to bring Council in alignment with IP-7 and Council's commitments to Truth and Reconciliation

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

- FNMISA, VP External, Theatre Student Union voted against.
- Philosophy abstained.
- One of the Member mentioned that members of society used false came to ruin the reputation of our VP External and FNMISA, and RSSA. The members showed last of empathy and understanding towards truth and reconciliation and recommend to have more information been done in regards to indigenous history. They expect the chair to hold values in regards to restricting the comments from certain member. They mentioned that Mark Giles from PSU called it either fraudulent or incompetent and Emilio Da Silva from GSSU were discrediting things that were not related.
- They mentioned that the annual report from the website it up and they can provide

the link to council as it is up since April. The organization are easy to contact.

- Comments made by the Acting GSSU Councillor regarding the money going externally and not to people, it is politically damaging. It is okay to be against but some of these comments were not positive and helpful to the conversation and they feel that the chair of the meeting should have stopped it.
- The SUS Councillor mentioned that when we engage in conversations, not everything is positive and there are always opposing sides to the organization. Secondly, there were no claims made against the indigenous people of being predisposed to fraud or any negative comments to the indigenous community.
- The only questions that were asked were that we were not aware of this organization before hand. This proposal for the donation came 16 hours before the meeting took place. People did not know where the money will go. If we still say yes to the annual donation of such big amount, the person who got this motion ahead should have provided more clear information and it is not on us.
- Also, if we were skeptical to donate to an organization that does not mean that we are against any community or indigenous people. They are standing against donations to an organization they are not aware of so in the end it does not lead to no effort made to the community. We are a diverse group of people in the Council and they have little background on indigenous community and organization. We just knew that we are making a donation, we did not know where they money is going.
- The President reminded the Council to be mindful of what they say as this is a sensitive conversation and they ask everyone the space to feel safe in these conversations no matter if anyone agrees or disagrees.
- MBB Councillor mentioned that they are an indigenous student and they have personally felt the trauma of residential school system and they get where one of our members and FNMISA is coming from. However, they do not think that the comments that were made last meeting were racist at any form.
- There were legitimate questions such as asking for an annual report that meeting before making decision to donate and approve. And, nothing was given up before we were making the decision. It is on our VP External who got this motion and they did not come with that prepared. We just cannot give our students money to anyone. We want to ensure that the charity does what it says and actually help indigenous students. Looking now and with the information provided today they are comfortable with the donation. But, at that time they were not.
- In response to one of the members our VP Internal mentioned that logistically, we can do more moderation with the council meeting specially as we did the past few months. But, they are concerned with the idea that how the chair would know what to shut down and what to not shut down. There needs to be a clear guidelines and policies on what is being allowed to be said and what not as there is nothing in place for now. If we go forward with this avenue, we need to have the mechanism in place

in order to work on establishing these practices.

- Our FCAT Councillor mentioned that working on these guidelines would infringe the charter of rights and freedom specifically section 2B which is freedom of expression. So, do we have the authority to control the speech in council meetings.
- The VP Internal responded that they are not a human right lawyer or expert. But, this come backs to our bylaw 6-20 where we see if we have to restrict freedom of speech and when that gets cleared out we can see how to moderate this. In essence they feel they are not the only person to make guidelines on these and this should be passed on to the legal team. They will not be comfortable in writing something that restrict freedom of speech.
- The SASS Councillor mentioned that they agree with our SUS Councillor and at that time they did try to go on the website to find the report but the link was not working so they felt uncomfortable themselves and to blame our PSU Councillor that they are applying that indigenous community is fraudulent is not fair. They do not mean that and if it would have been the same with nay other organization where we donate the money. They should have the information on where the money goes.
- They mentioned that making one question about report or the organization makes someone racist or anti-indigenous. To blame solely on him is not fair considering they are not from this country and they are not so knowledgeable about the indigenous community. So, asking questions about this area is not allowed, is there any censorship in place, we should be able to ask question and not get trouble for it.
- It was a fair question and they asked it out of concern about where our money is going. \$10,000 is a lot of amount.
- The President reminded council to be mindful of the language they use while communicating.
- The SUS Councillor mentioned that they understand where everyone is coming from. On our end there was funding going out and information given to us was not enough to determine if the funding should go ahead to this organization. The sentiment was not that we did not want to donate but to have more information to make sure that the money is being used rightfully to make sure where the organization sits within the community. As long as we had reputable information about the organization that meeting they do not think any councillor would have had a problem to go ahead with the approval of this motion. They are not sure if any FNMISA councillor were sitting at that community.
- There was a severe lack of information for that motion. They mentioned that If any motion is coming forward for donations we need as much information as possible.
- The Acting GSSU Councillor mentioned that they came last meeting to ask the question to use restful use of council timing. They asked serious questions as to make sure process is being followed before donating a large amount of money. They wanted to know if there are any paperwork's / due diligence done for any not just

indigenous organizations.

- There question on why the money is increasing from \$6000 to \$10,000 was not answered.
- Also, they asked if we can also go into the SFU Community to directly benefit the indigenous community within SFU to help indigenous students align with our policy.
- So, nowhere in here anything racist was being said and our VP External were not able to answer these questions.

**11.3.1 Move to amend the motion to read:**

**Be it resolved that SFSS directs the Executive to work with the Equity and Sustainability to organize workshops on Indigenous Reconciliation for Membership and that Councillors attend - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:10**

**SUBMITTED BY:** Mechatronics System Engineering “Ryley McWilliams”

Ryley / Ethan

**NOT CARRIED**

**In Favour (2):** Mechatronics System Engineering, VPUAA.

**Against (9):** Bachelor of Environment, Philosophy, Physics, Theatre Student Union, World Languages and Literature, FNMISA, President, VP External, Acting VP Equity and Sustainability.

**Abstention (20):** Biology, Cognitive Science, Criminology, Data Science, Earth Science, Education, Environmental Science, FCAT, French, Linguistics, Mathematics, Political Science, Science Undergraduate Society, Acting Global Asia Studies Student Union Councillor, Society of Arts and Social Sciences, Software Systems, Sustainable Energy and Engineering, Health Science, VP Internal, VP Finance, VP Events.

*\*5 minutes' break taken at 7:10 pm*

**11.3.2 Move to amend the motion to read:**

**Whereas Council was not provided with adequate information to take an informed decision on a proposed monetary donation of \$10,000 to the Indian Residential School Survivors Society (IRSS); thereby limiting its ability to act in accordance IP-7 of SFSS policies and Indigenous students on campus and in the community;**

**Whereas Council acknowledges its misstep and commits itself to improvement through education and greater conscientiousness in proceedings in future;**

**Be it resolved that SFSS directs the Executive to work with the VP Equity and Sustainability to organize workshops on Indigenous Reconciliation for the Membership and Councillors to bring Council in alignment with IP-7 and Council's commitments to**



**Truth and Reconciliation - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:11**

**Raghava / Nicole**

**CARRIED**

**In Favour (17):** Biology, Environmental Science, FCAT, French, Acting Global Asia Studies Student Union Councillor, Health Science, Mathematics, Mechatronics System Engineering, Political Science, Science Undergraduate Society, Society of Arts and Social Sciences, World Languages and Literature, President, VP Internal, VPUAA, Acting VP Equity and Sustainability, VP Events.

**Against (4):** Philosophy, Physics, FNMISA, VP External,

**Abstention (11):** Bachelor of Environment, Cognitive Science, Criminology, Data Science, Earth Science, Education, Linguistics, Software Systems, Sustainable Energy and Engineering, Theatre Student Union, VP Finance.

**11.3.2.1 Move to amend the last clause of the amendment to read:**

**Be it resolved that SFSS directs the Executive to work with the VP Equity and Sustainability to organize workshops on Indigenous Reconciliation for the Membership and Councillors to bring Council in alignment with IP-7 and Council's commitments to Truth and Reconciliation - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:12**

**Ben / Abhishek**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**11.3.2.2 Move to call the question- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:13**

**Ayoolouwa / Emilio**

- FNMISA, French, VP External voted against.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**11.4 Move to Suspend the Rules to consider Motion 11.5- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:14**

**SUBMITTED BY:** VP External and Community Affairs "Eshana Baran"

**Eshana / Peter**

**CARRIED**

**In Favour (17):** Biology, Cognitive Science, Criminology, Education, Environmental Science, French, Health Science, Linguistics, Physics, Software Systems, Sustainable Energy and Engineering, Theatre Student Union, World Languages and Literature, FNMISA, President, Acting VP Equity and Sustainability, VP External.

**Against (8):** FCAT, Acting Global Asia Studies Student Union Councillor, Mathematics, Mechatronics, Philosophy, Political Science, VP Finance, VPUAA.

**Abstention (5):** Data Science, Earth Science, Society of Arts and Social Sciences, VP Finance, VP Events.

**11.5 Annual Donation to Indian Residential School Survivors- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:15**

**SUBMITTED BY:** VP External and Community Affairs “Eshana Baran”  
Peter / Eshana

Whereas, the ongoing discovery of unmarked graves of Indigenous children who attended Indian Residential Schools continue to impact Indigenous communities across Turtle Island mentally, physically, emotionally, and spiritually;

Whereas, all Indigenous People(s) are affected by residential schools, whether graves are found or not and there should be support for folks who are and have been affected by residential schools;

Whereas the Simon Fraser Student Society (SFSS) is committed to pushing back against colonial practices that still impact Indigenous students in post-secondary institutions and has committed to supporting Indigenous students to learn in a safer and supportive environment within SFU;

Whereas, Council has had decolonization workshops in the beginning of the 2022-2023 term in order to learn how to actively work towards supporting Indigenous communities, Indigenous rights and sovereignty, and how to support Indigenous students specifically within the SFU within their role as Councillors; moreover, action items were included for the President, Vice-Presidents, and Council so they can be held accountable in supporting the societies commitment in reconciliation;

Whereas, the so-called canadian government declared September 30th as National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in 2021, also known as Orange Shirt Day, to encourage observance and reconciliation-which the SFSS observes and participates in;

Be it resolved that Council continue to support and amplify Calls to Action from Indigenous communities in all capacities, including letters of supports, sharing resources, donations, and taking individual action to educate ourselves on ongoing colonial violence.

Be it further resolved that the SFSS Council donates \$10,000.00 as an annual donation in the month of September, and prior to National Day of Truth & Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day) to the Indian Residential School Survivors Society (IRSS) from the appropriate line item to be determined from VP Finance and Services to reflect the SFSS’s commits to reconciliation efforts

**POSTPONED**

**11.5.1 Move to Postpone motion 11.5 to the next Council meeting - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:16**

**SUBMITTED BY:** Faculty of Communication, Art, and Technology “Rastko Koprivica”  
Rastko / Nicole

**CARRIED**

**In Favour (20):** Biology, Data Science, Environmental Science, FCAT, French, Acting Global Asia Studies Student Union Councillor, Health Science, Linguistics, Philosophy, Mechatronics, Physics, Society of Arts and Social Sciences, Software Systems, Sustainable Energy and Engineering, World Languages and Literature, President, VP Finance, VPUAA, Acting VP Equity and Sustainability, VP Events.

**Against (4):** FNMISA, Criminology, Earth Science, VP External.

**Abstention (4):** Bachelor of Environment, Cognitive Science, Education, Theatre Student Union.

- The VP Finance spoke in favor of postponing this motion given the financial aspect and the research to be done behind it and also considering the fact that many people have left the meeting.
- If it comes to next meeting they might be in favor of voting for this but given the fact that many people left, we should postpone it to next meeting.
- The SASS Councillor expressed their concern to vote for this motion as if anyone is against the motion but not the community there are repercussions to voting.
- The VP External expressed their concern regarding postponement and requested to have the voting done today.
- VPUAA mentioned that with a personal experience with disability, more time should be granted and SFSS has issues policy to be accessible.
- The Acting GASSU councillor mentioned that they are in support of our VP Finance and they themselves did not had the adequate time to talk to their membership about this.

**12. NOTICE OF MOTION**

**12.1 ELECTION AND REFERENDA POLICY AMENDMENT: CAMPAIGNS AND MOBILIZATIONS  
COORDINATOR - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:17**

**SUBMITTED BY:** VP Internal and Organizational Development “Judith Nagy”

Whereas the SFSS has a hired staff member to aid the campaigns of the SFSS takes on;

Whereas referendum questions should be communicated to the membership to vote on, but not how the membership should vote;

Whereas it is crucial to get clear and factual communication out from the SFSS, especially for referendums;

Whereas the current Elections and Referenda Policy, CP-3(4) current prohibits staff involvement in elections and referenda campaigning;

Whereas staff standard of operations, job descriptions, and SFSS policy are inconsistent regarding the extent of campaigning allowed for referendum questions;

Whereas staff should not be subjected to progressive discipline, as described in CP-3 and Personnel Policies over doing the job they were hired for;

Be it resolved to amend CP-3(4) by adding in a subsection (a) to read as follows:

- a. Notwithstanding, the Campaigning and Mobilizations Coordinator will communicate and share resources related to the referendum, or referenda, proposed, to encourage the membership to vote. The Campaigning and Mobilizations Coordinator is, however, limited to encouraging voter turnout, and may not campaign for a specific outcome.

## **12.2 VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION POLICY UPDATES - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:18**

**SUBMITTED BY:** VP Internal and Organizational Development “Judith Nagy”

Whereas the current Volunteer Orientation Policies are filled with numbering and grammar mistakes;

Whereas the policy is out of date with current practice;

Be it resolved to strike OTP-4.2(d) and replace with “Review job descriptions with volunteers,”

Be it further resolved to add a new section OTP-4.3(c) review SUB emergency procedures, when applicable.

## **12.3 ROLE CORRECTIONS FOR CORPORATE RECORDS AND INFORMATION MANAGEMENT POLICIES - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:19**

**SUBMITTED BY:** VP Internal and Organizational Development “Judith Nagy”

Whereas the Corporate Records and Information Management Policies refer to roles that since changed;

Be it resolved to strike every occurrence of “Research and Policy Coordinator and “RPC” and replace them with “Policy, Research, and Community Affairs Coordinator” and “PRCA”;

Be it further resolved to renumber “CIP-10: RECORDS OF DECISIONS” in accordance with its section number;

Be it further resolved to strike “Operations Organizer” from CIP-10.5 and replace with “President”;

Be it further resolved to strike “Operations Organizer” from CIP-10.8 and replace with “Board Organizer”;

Be it last resolved to renumber CIP-11 in accordance with its section number.

**13. NEW BUSINESS**

**13.1 Motion to extend the meeting until 8:42 PM - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:20**

**Helen / Rastko**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**14. 30 MINUTES Q&A**

**15. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**15.1 WUSC Deed Signed on September 23, 2022**

**15.2 VP Internal and Organizational Development Semester Report (May – August, 2022)  
Completed**

**16. ATTACHMENTS**

**16.1 VP Internal and Organizational Development Semester Report (May – August, 2022)**

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

**17.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-10-12:21**

**Rastko / Abhishek**

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 pm

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**