

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 4:53 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>əỷəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Selíliwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k<sup>w</sup>ik<sup>w</sup>əλəm (Kwikwetlem) and dicə̈́y (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**

Archeology Student Society (ASS)	. Seniha Inceoz
Bachelor of Environment Student Union	. Tiana Andjelic
Behavioral Neuroscience Student Society (BNSS)	. Aarthi Srinivasan
Biology Student Union (BSU)	. Nicolas Bonilla
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology Student Association (BPKSA)	. Gurleen Grewal
Business Administration Student Society	. Vacant
Chemistry Student Society	. Xiaohan (Hanna) Li
Cognitive Science Student Association	Aaron Fung
Collective of Arts and Cultures Studies Students	Vacant
Communications Student Union	Vacant
Computing Science Student Society	. Shariq Ahsan
Criminology Student Association	. Ava Wood
Dance Student Union	
Data Science Student Society	Vacant
Earth Science Student Union	. Eden Lien
Economics Student Society	,
Education Student Association	. Christine Yoo
Engineering Science Student Society	
English Student Union	
Environmental Science Student Union	-
Faculty of Applied Science	
Faculty of Communications, Arts and Technology (FCAT)	
Film Student Union	
Fine and Performing Arts Student Union	
French Student Union	
Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies Student Union	
Geography Student Union	
Global Asia Studies	Vacant

Health Science Undergraduate Student Union	
History Student Union	
Humanities Student Union	
Indigenous Studies Student Union	
Interactive Arts and Technology Student Union (IATSU)	• ·
International Studies Student Association (ISSA)	
Labour Studies Student Union	
Linguistics Student Union	
Mathematics Student Union	
Mechatronics System Engineering Student Society	Ryley McWilliams
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry Student Union (MBBSU)	Vacant
Music Student Union	Vacant
Operations Research Student Union	Vacant
Philosophy Student Union (Vice-Chair)	Ashley Flett
Physics Student Association	Vacant
Political Science Student Union	Brydan Denis
Psychology Student Union	
Science Undergraduate Society (SUS)	Ayooluwa Adigun
Semester in Dialogue Student Union	Vacant
Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS)	Hilary Tsui
Sociology and Anthropology Student Union (SASU)	Arthur Lee
Software Systems Student Society (SSSS)	Gurmehar Singh
Statistics and Actuarial Science Student Association (SASSA)	
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society	
Theatre Student Union	
Visual Arts Student Union	Vacant
World Languages and Literature Student Union	Vacant

# **Constituency Group Representatives**

Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance (DNA)	. Aleksandra Partyka
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association (FNMISA)	. Sienna Dickson
International Student Advocates	Vacant
Out on Campus Collective (OOC)	Vacant
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry (SOCA)	. Amina Hassan
Women Centre Collective	. Vacant

# Affiliated Student Groups

Residence Hall's Association (RHA)	. Emmanuel Adegboyega
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)	• • •
Teach Support Staff Union (TSSU)	
Embark Sustainability	. Vacant

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## **SFSS Executive Committee**

President	. Liam Feng
VP Internal and Organizational Development	. Leonarda Ognjenovic
VP Finance and Services	. Abhishek Parmar
Acting VP University and Academic Affairs (Chair)	. Chloe Arneson
VP External and Community Affairs	. Eshana Baran
VP Equity and Sustainability	. Sunghyun Choi
VP Events and Student Affairs	. Vaibhav Arora

# 3.2 Society Staff

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

# 3.3 Leave of Absence

Society of Arts and Social Sciences	Hilary Tsui
Education Student Union	Christine Yoo
Psychology Student Union	. Mark Giles
VP Events and Student Affairs	Vaibhav Arora

# 3.4 Regrets

Philosophy Student Union (Vice-Chair)	Ashley Flett
VP Finance and Services (Chair)	Abhishek Parmar
Cognitive Science Student Association	Aaron Fung
Criminology Student Association	Ava Wood
Bachelor of Environment Student Union	Tiana Andjelic
President	Liam Feng
VP Internal and Organizational Development	Leonarda Ognjenovic
Environmental Science Student Union	Grayson Barke
Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies Student Union	Simran Basra

#### 3.5 Absents

Behavioral Neuroscience Student Society (BNSS)	. Aarthi Srinivasan
Biology Student Union (BSU)	. Nicolas Bonilla
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology Student Association (BPKSA)	. Gurleen Grewal
Business Administration Student Society	. Vacant
Chemistry Student Society	. Xiaohan (Hanna) Li

Computing Science Student Society	Shariq Ahsan
Economics Student Society	Rafid Rahman Chowdhury
Film Student Union	Sofia Badzio
Health Science Undergraduate Student Union	Priyanka Dhesa
History Student Union	Emilio Da Silva
Interactive Arts and Technology Student Union (IATSU)	Jung-yeon Lee
Mechatronics System Engineering Student Society	Ryley McWilliams
Political Science Student Union	Brydan Denis
Science Undergraduate Society (SUS)	Ayooluwa Adigun
Software Systems Student Society (SSSS)	Gurmehar Singh
Statistics and Actuarial Science Student Association (SASSA)	David Taeil Ahn
Theatre Student Union	Claire Brown
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association (FNMISA)	Sienna Dickson
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)	Mason Glover

# 4. CONSENT AGENDA

# 4.1 CONSENT AGENDA

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

# 4.1.1.MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – Council and Committee Minutes - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:01

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

- Council 2023-02-22
- EXEC 2023-03-08
- AC 2023-03-09
- BIPOC 2023-03-09
- BIPOC 2023-03-10
- ESC 2023-03-10
- EXEC 2023-03-10
- EXEC 2023-03-17
- UAA 2022-07-26
- UAA 2022-07-28
- UAA 2022-08-02
- UAA 2022-10-13
- UAA 2022-10-27
- UAA 2022-02-02

# 4.1.2. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:02

Be it resolved to ratify the regrets of "Ashley Flett" Philosophy Councillor, "Aaron Fung" Cognitive Science Councillor, "Environmental Science Councillor "Grayson Barke", "Ava Wood" Criminology Councillor, "Tiana Andjelic" Bachelor of Environment Councillor, Liam Feng "President", "Leonarda Ognjenovic" VP Internal and Organizational Development, "Simran Basra" GSWS Councillor and "Abhishek Parmar" VP Finance and Services for the April 5<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

# 5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA 5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:03 Mover / Seconder Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented. POSTPONED

# 6. PRESENTATION

6.1 MSUatSFU Year End Report Presentation SUBMITTED BY: VP External and Community Affairs "Eshana Baran" PRESENTED BY:

POSTPONED

### 7. OLD BUSINESS

# 7.1 Appeals process for inappropriate advertising- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:04 SUBMITTED BY: Former Acting VP Internal and Organizational Development "Peter Hance" Mover / Seconder

Whereas the appeals process for inappropriate advertisement is unclear under CMP-2;

Whereas relevant staff are not defined in the appeal process;

Whereas appeals of determination seem to be escalated immediately to Council according to CMP-2.2(a);

Be it resolved to strike CMP-2.2(a) and replace it with: 2.2 (a) All appeals to any such determination shall be directed to the Member Services Advisory Committee. If the appeal is dismissed by the Member Services Advisory Committee after the review of the case, a final written appeal may be submitted to Council.

Be it further resolved to strike CMP-2.2 and replace it with: 2.2 Relevant staff, as determined by the Communications Coordinator alongside with the President, shall establish a panel of at minimum, three relevant staff members, and make the determination of what constitutes excessive or inappropriate advertising. The decision of the panel must be submitted in writing to the parties involved.

#### POSTPONED

7.2 Role corrections for corporate records and information management policies – MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:05

**SUBMITTED BY:** Former Acting VP Internal and Organizational Development "Peter Hance" **Mover / Seconder** 

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. **POSTPONED** 

# 7.3 Removal of "Portrait of a Woman in a Renaissance Costume with Cadmium Middle-MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:06

SUBMITTED BY: VP Equity and Sustainability "Sunghyun Choi"

# Mover / Seconder

Whereas Simon Fraser University has a history of displaying colonial art pieces without the consultation of the groups affected;

Whereas Simon Fraser University has shown capability of responding to these art pieces to the requests of these groups in a manner they see fit, either by education, alteration, or removal;

Whereas Maori students have come forward with help from the FNMISA about a concerning art piece named "Portrait of a Woman in a Renaissance Costume with Cadmium Middle" in the AQ that is very harmful to their identity;

Whereas the Maori students have asked for council to show a letter of support in this matter;

Be it resolved that the Simon Fraser Student Society Executives and Council sign onto a letter of support regarding the alteration, and education of "Portrait of a Woman in a Renaissance Costume with Cadmium Middle".

Be it further resolved that the Simon Fraser Student Society requests that the Simon Fraser University stops purchasing and displaying artworks depicting marginalized people without the input of the marginalized peoples that are the subject of the artwork. **POSTPONED** 

# 7.4 SPOC Election - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:07



SUBMITTED BY: VP Finance and Services "Abhishek Parmar"

## Mover / Seconder

Whereas SPOC has a vacancy for a council member;

Be it resolved to elect X to serve on SPOC for the remainder of the 2022-2023 Council Year. **POSTPONED** 

# 7.5 SUB Emergency Response Plan Amendment to Protect the Right of Demonstrations and Protests - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:08

SUBMITTED BY: VP Finance and Services "Abhishek Parmar"

# Mover / Seconder

Whereas the SUB Emergency Response Plan appendix 7 outlines interaction matrix for nonemergency situations;

Whereas there is need for clarity to protect from constitutionally protected demonstration activity to take place, and to provide clarity for staff who may encounter these incidents from time to time;

Whereas it is unfair to put staff in the situation to make these decisions without the direct mandate from persons of higher authority i.e. Management and student executive,

Be it resolved to amend the Appendix 7 in the SUB Emergency Response Plan to add a subsection under section 2 stating: "Nothing in this policy shall be interpreted to prohibit peaceful assemblies or demonstrations, canvassing for demonstrations and labour actions, lawful labour action including picketing, or to impinge upon freedom of expression. In those cases, the person(s) of higher authority contacted must convene and decide on the way forward and staff need not intervene and all steps must be taken for efforts or de-escalation and non-escalation, including non-interference in the demonstrative activity whenever feasible."

Be it further resolved to amend SUB Emergency Response Plan Appendix 7(2) current first bullet point subsection as follows taking the following "At any time, if a staff member feels unsafe or threated, they can use their judgement in expediting contact with Campus Public Safety", And replacing With "At any time, if a staff member feels unsafe or threatened, they can use their judgement and remove themselves from the situation, including by leaving their workspace, as long as they notify higher authority or management as soon as reasonably possible."

Be it further resolved to add the SUB Emergency Response plan on the SFSS website for transparent shared understanding for members Be it further resolved that additionally, the SUB Room Bookings guidelines also be put under the SFSS Policies and guidelines section under the policy as a pdf as outlined already in a different format here (https://sfss.ca/sfss-meeting-room-booking-guidelines-for-clubs-sus-and-sfss-affiliated-groups/) that deal with scheduled events and meetings and other booking activities in the SUB.



# POSTPONED

#### 8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Increasing the Diversity and Equitable Makeup of the Governance Committee to Include Additionally Marginalized Equitable and Diverse Perspectives - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:09

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

Whereas it is important for the governance committee to have a makeup and representation that is reflective of the perspectives of diverse equity seeking communities and groups that typically not included on governance and policy making tables;

Whereas the VP Equity and Sustainability role is one role that enables equity perspectives in the SFSS and should be present during policy conversations;

Whereas constituency groups and affiliate student groups have valuable insights on equity and their various groups perspectives may be helpful;

Whereas there can be a mechanism for appointment where if groups are at capacity, all reps can be nominated for the seat and one selected at a vote at council, or none appointed if none of the groups want for the case of CGs or ASGs;

Whereas 1 member at large perspective from the membership would be good to include student voice to ensure the representation of student voices that may not directly be at the council and get to get an outside perspective;

Be it resolved to amend the following to governance committee terms of reference under Council Policies SO-5 under composition (below 5.1):

Composition

- 1. [Ex-officio] President
- 2. [Chairperson] VP Internal & Organizational Development
- 3. VP Equity and Sustainability
- 4. up to 1 Constituency group council representative seat
- 5. up to 1 Affiliate student group council representative seat
- 6. Four Councillors
- 7. Up to 1 member at large
- 8. [Non-Voting] Policy and Research Coordinator.

# POSTPONED

# 8.2 Orientation and Retention Policies 2.4 and OTP3.4 - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:10

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

Be it resolved Amend OTP2.4.c to add another sentence and subsection as outlined: " Other Orientation sessions must include a workshop on 'Past and Continuing SFSS Advocacy and campaigns ', 'Upholding Indigenous Inclusion and Reconciliation ', 'Intersectional climate justice and activism', and 'Racial justice, and centering Black, Indigenous and People of Colour' workshops.

i) Additionally, the Board Organizer is designated to in collaboration with the VP Equity, President and

Executives to ensure a presentation on the historical context and continuity of the SFSS Issues Policies with an summary and context of each is held during orientation.

ii) Follow up development sessions on each of the SFSS issues policies must be held (including bringing in student and community groups and organizations related to them who are aligned with them as written) throughout the year on each of the previously passed SFSS Issues policies as coordinated by the VP Internal and the VP Equity and Sustainability with the support of the Board Organizer."

Be it further resolved to amend OTP3.4 to add subsections:

H) SFSS Issues Policies and past and ongoing campaigns and information related to each I) advocacy and campaigns training

j) Upholding Indigenous Inclusion and Reconciliation

K) racial justice and centering Black, Indigenous and People of Color training

L) Intersectional climate justice and activism

# POSTPONED

 8.3 Increasing Voter Turnout During SFSS Elections through Clarifying Campaigning online and in person during Voting Period rules- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:11
SUBMITTED BY: VP External and Community Affairs "Eshana Baran" Whereas on August 20, 2023 notice was given and an eventual vote for a motion to disallow campaigning online during voting period;

Whereas this motion has caused considerable issues and disallowed campaigns from being able to liaise with their prospective constituents during the most vital time during election period;

Whereas in person campaigning is not suspended during this time but printed campaign paraphernalia is to be taken down before voting period;

Whereas the removal of Printed paraphernalia during voting period was restricted being up for legitimate purposes of past candidates not cleaning up the physical printed mess after they lost on campus;

Whereas those concerns of physical mess would not apply to online platforms;

Whereas these changes to policy of prohibiting online campaigning resulted in a suppression of the vote and lead to massively lower voter turnout than previous year and than turnouts lower than votes prior to COVID years;

Whereas the SFSS needs to encourage high vote elections and turnout especially to get important referenda passed;

Whereas lack of increased engagement via social media has been quoted in the SFSS Elections 2023/24 report by the SFSS Independent Electoral Commission as having been a reason for the low voter turnout;

Be it resolved to amend the policy Elections and Referenda Policies as follows: Replace the additional section that was as added to CP4-15 from being "Approval of Campaigning Materials", to read as the following:

CP-4 (15) Campaigning literature and campaigning material shall be removed by voting period.

Regarding digital campaign materials, removal may entail:

a. a permanent deletion from social media platforms used for campaigning,

b. a temporary archival or deactivation, un-listing, or privatization, of platforms,

c. a temporary unpublishing of websites that are tied to the campaign until the announcement of the elections results.

To being this below instead:

"Be it resolved to add an additional section 15 to C-4, "Approval of Campaigning Materials", to read as the following:

CP-4 (15) Campaigning literature i.e. printed campaign material and paraphernalia shall be removed by the start of the voting period. This only applies to printed campaign material and not to digital campaign material or in person campaigning.

a) Regarding digital campaigning during voting period, there is no obligation to remove digital campaign materials, however candidates may do so if they which. If they do not remove online campaign material, the same rules of campaigning apply during the voting period as that applies during campaigning period".

# POSTPONED

# 8.4 Addition of DNA representative seats to the Accessibility Committee- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:12

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

Whereas it is important to have Constituency representatives at the table for matters that may impact their constituents directly on the various committees;

Whereas the SFSS has an accessibility committee that must be formed that deals with



matters of accessibility and approve grant requests;

Whereas DNA is the recognized constituency group that represents issues relating to accessibility, neurodiversity and disability justice on campus;

Be it resolved to amend the Council Policies SO-11 to add the following under the Composition subsection (below 11.4):

Composition

- 1. [Ex-Officio] President
- 2. [Chairperson] VP Equity and Sustainability Executive Officer as designated by Council;
- or, on recommendation of the Committee, another member of the Committee
- 3. Four Councillors
- 4. up to two representatives of the Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance (DNA)
- 5. Minimum 2, up to 4 at-large members
- 6. Up to 1 DNA Councillor Representative (i.e.: optional on if the councillor representative accepts the nomination and appointment).

# POSTPONED

### 9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

9.1 Staff Concerns

SUBMITTED BY: VP Finance and Services "Abhishek Parmar"

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#### 10. 30 MINUTES Q&A

#### **11. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **11.1** Leave of Absence for VP Events and Student Affairs "Vaibhav Arora" from April 5<sup>th</sup> to April 26th.
- **11.2** Leave of Absence for Philosophy Councillor "Ashley Flett" from April 6<sup>th</sup> to April 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### **12. ADJOURNMENT**

12.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-04-05:13Mover / SeconderBe it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 5:05 PMQuorum was not met