

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order –

2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We respectfully acknowledge that the SFSS is located on the traditional, unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples, including the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), S^kwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Selííwítulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k^wik^wəłəm (Kwíkwetlem) and ǰícəy (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)	Vacant
Biology Student Union (BSU)	Vacant
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology Student Association	Jovan Gnjatovic
Business Administration Student Society	Vacant
Chemistry Student Society	Vacant
Cognitive Science Student Association	Vacant
Collective of Arts and Cultures Studies Students	Vacant
Communications Student Union	Vacant
Computing Science Student Society	Mabel Ling
Criminology Student Association.....	Vacant
Dance Student Union	Vacant
Data Science Student Society	Jennifer Huang
Earth Science Student Union	Eden Lien
Economics Student Society	Rafid Rahman Chowdhury
Education Student Association.....	Vacant
Engineering Science Student Society.....	Tony Kooliyath
English Student Union	Vacant
Environmental Science Student Union	Grayson Barke
Faculty of Applied Science	Vacant
Faculty of Communications, Arts and Technology (FCAT).....	Vacant
Film Student Union.....	Sofi Badzio
Fine and Performing Arts Student Union	Vacant
French Student Union	Vacant
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies Student Union	Vacant
Geography Student Union.....	Erik Makinen
Global Asia Studies	Vacant

Health Science Undergraduate Student Union	Ishika Rathore
History Student Union	Emilio Da Silva
Humanities Student Union	Vacant
Indigenous Studies Student Union	Evan Accettola
Interactive Arts and Technology Student Union (IATSU)	Karishma Sen
International Studies Student Association (ISSA)	Vacant
Labour Studies Student Union.....	Vacant
Linguistics Student Union	Vacant
Mathematics Student Union	Vacant
Mechatronics System Engineering Student Society	Aiden Maymandy
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry Student Union	Sam Killawee
Music Student Union	Vacant
Operations Research Student Union	Vacant
Philosophy Student Union	Nava Karimi
Physics Student Association	Vacant
Political Science Student Union.....	Aliyah Apolonio
Psychology Student Union.....	Hilary Tsui
Science Undergraduate Society (SUS)	Catherine Ho
Semester in Dialogue Student Union	Vacant
Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS).....	Rajdave Gill
Sociology and Anthropology Student Union (SASU).....	Vacant
Software Systems Student Society (SSSS)	Ngan Ngoc (Lynn) Nguyen
Statistics and Actuarial Science Student Association	Van Nguyen
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society	Andrew Nathan
Theatre Student Union	Vacant
Visual Arts Student Union	Vacant
World Languages and Literature Student Union	Vacant

Constituency Group Representatives

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

Affiliated Student Groups

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

SFPIRG Tuleen Awad

SFSS Executive Committee

President Liam Feng
 VP Internal and Organizational Development Leonarda Ognjenovic
 VP Finance and Services Jadvinder Bolina
 Acting VP University and Academic Affairs Thomas Lueth
 VP External and Community Affairs Navleen Brar
 VP Equity and Sustainability Priyanka Kaur Dhesa
 VP Events and Student Affairs Ayooluwa Adigun

3.2 Society Staff

Board Organizer Vacant
 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

Role..... Full Name

3.4 Alternates

Role..... Full Name

3.5 Regrets

Role..... Full Name

3.6 Guests

Role..... Full Name

3.7 Absents

Role..... Full Name

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 CONSENT AGENDA

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

CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

**4.1.1. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – Council and Committee Minutes -
MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:01**

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

- Council 2023-03-22
- Council 2023-04-19
- Council 2023-04-26
- Council 2023-04-28
- EXEC 2023-02-10
- EXEC 2023-02-24
- GOV 2023-03-06
- OCEO 2023-03-16
- OCEO 2023-03-23
- SPOC 2022-11-10

4.1.2.- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24: #

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:02

Mover / Seconder

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED

6. PRESENTATION

6.1 SOCA's Wellness Retreat

SUBMITTED BY: Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry (SOCA)

PRESENTED BY:

7. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

7.1 Executive Committee Report

8. IN-CAMERA

8.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24: #

SUBMITTED BY:

Mover / Seconder

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

CARRIED / NOT CARRIED / CARRIED AS AMENDED

9. EX-CAMERA

9.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24: #

Mover / Seconder

Be it resolved to go ex-camera.

CARRIED / NOT CARRIED / CARRIED AS AMENDED

10. OLD BUSINESS

10.1 SFU Surge's StormHacks Grant - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:03

SUBMITTED BY: VP Events and Student Affairs

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Secunder

Whereas StormHacks is one of SFU's largest hackathons organized by SFU Surge and held their event on May 20 & 21st in the Student Union Building to connect 150 SFU participants across disciplines.

Whereas SFU Surge submitted a grant request last month over the allocated amount that could be approved by VP Finance.

Be it resolved to approve \$16,288.00 to reimburse SFU Surge's StormHacks event from line item 4000G.

CARRIED / NOT CARRIED / CARRIED AS AMENDED

10.2 Censure of History Councillor - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:04

SUBMITTED BY: Former VP External and Community Affairs

Mover/Secunder

Be it resolved to Censure and impeach and remove from Council, Emilio Da Silva, which requires a 4/5th majority vote in line with the SFSS Bylaws. "Note that as per Bylaw 6(19-2): "The requirement for a majority of Executive Officers does not apply to a special meeting of Council, if the need arises, for the purposes of initiating impeachment proceedings, in this case against a Councillor".

CARRIED / NOT CARRIED / CARRIED AS AMENDED

10.3 SFU Got Talent Budget Approval – MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:05

SUBMITTED BY: Psychology Councillor

Mover / Secunder

Whereas Peak Frequency is the largest music-related club in the SFSS;

Whereas their SFU Got Talent event has not been run for an number of years due to the pandemic;

Whereas they are requesting \$7,500 to support their event;

Whereas they require financial support that goes beyond what staff and admin can approve;

Whereas they have presented to Council and provided a proposal on the April 26, 2023 Council meeting;

Be it resolved that Council approves \$7,500 to go towards support their event.

CARRIED / NOT CARRIED / CARRIED AS AMENDED

10.4 Migrants Students United @SFU Support and Amplification- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:06

SUBMITTED BY: Former VP External and Community Affairs

ATTACHMENT: Apr-2023-Motion-Briefing-Note-1.pdf

Mover / Seconder

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

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

Whereas MSU at SFU members have worked over 750 hours this year and the group has initiated or actively participated in many campaigns, lobbying, rallies and activities, including International Students Health Fee campaign, Fix PGWP, Status for ALL, PR Campaign, BC Tuition Freeze Now, and continue to fight endlessly for International Students Rights;

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

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

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

Whereas financial pre-clarity creates difficulty for students to participate within coalitions, groups, clubs, unions and such to fight for their rights because they must work in their free time to keep up with the ever-increasing cost of living;

Be it resolved that Council state its unequivocal support for MSU at SFU and International students,

Be it further resolved that council support MSU at SFU and direct Council to create a Migrant and International Students Rights Issues Policies,

Be it further resolved to follow up on motion 8.1 from the April 27, 2022 SFSS Council meeting which was carried unanimously and stated that a working group be created of the Councillors and Members, ensuring strong representation of international students, supported by the VP

Equity and Sustainability, to draft and recommend to Council this Migrant and International Students Rights Issues Policy, in consultation with MSU at SFU,

Be it further resolved that SFSS Council provide MSU at SFU with direct access to SFSS room and space booking abilities, a locker at the Students Union Building starting in the Summer 2023 semester.

Be it further resolved that SFSS Council supports and approves the funding of \$20,000 of MSU at SFU as an investment in the well-being and daily-life of the thousands of SFSS international student members and to disburse for campaigns expenses and volunteer stipends for students fighting and advocating on the front lines through Summer 2023, Fall 2023 and spring 2024 (via a disbursement model where the funding is dispersed via TSSU), from a line item determined by the SFSS VP Finance and Services.

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10.5 Adding VP Finance to HRP Composition - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:07

SUBMITTED BY: Former VP Finance and Services

Mover/Seconder

Whereas the VP Finance and Services has to adjust the budget based on the employment status of staff;

Whereas the previous VP Finance and Services, current VP Finance and Services and future VP Finance and Services all think there is value to having the VP Finance and Services on HRP;

Be it resolved to amend the following to HR & Personnel Sub-Committee terms of reference under Council Policies SO-3-1 under composition (below 3.1.1):

Composition

1. [Chairperson] President
2. [Vice Chairperson] VP Internal & Organizational Development
3. VP Equity and Sustainability
- 4 VP Finance and Services
5. 1 Councillor (preferably a non-Executive Councillor)
6. [Non-Voting] Operations Organizer
7. [Non-Voting] Board Organizer

CARRIED / NOT CARRIED / CARRIED AS AMENDED

10.6 Financial Support for Precarious Student - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:08

SUBMITTED BY: Former VP Equity and Sustainability

Mover / Seconder

Whereas a member of the SFSS is in significant and urgent need of financial assistance to cover

fees owed to SFU;

Whereas restoring their student status will enable this student to legally work in Canada and support themselves;

Whereas the SFSS is committed to supporting students;

Whereas this situation has shed light on the need for a more formal mechanism for an emergency bursary program, but no such program exists as yet.

Be it resolved that the SFSS Council endorse the decisions of the Women's Centre and Out on Campus Collectives to provide \$7,000.00 in financial support from line items 886 / 24 and 795 / 27 for this student in this case.

CARRIED / NOT CARRIED / CARRIED AS AMENDED

10.7 Increasing Voter Turnout During SFSS Elections through Clarifying Campaigning online and in person during Voting Period rules- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:09

SUBMITTED BY: Former VP External and Community Affairs

Mover / Seconder

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".

CARRIED / NOT CARRIED / CARRIED AS AMENDED

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Events and Student Affairs Committee Election - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:10

SUBMITTED BY: VP Events and Student Affairs

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Be it resolved to elect Councilor(s) U, V, W, X and Y to serve on the Events and Student Affairs Committee for the council terms of 2022-2023.

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11.2 University and Academic Affairs Committee Election - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:11

SUBMITTED BY: VP Events and Student Affairs

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Be it resolved to elect Councillor(s) A, B, C, D, and E to serve on the University and Academic Affairs Committee for the council terms of 2023-2024.

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11.3 External and Community Affairs Committee Election- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:12

SUBMITTED BY: VP Events and Student Affairs

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Be it resolved to elect F, G, H, I, and J to serve on the External and Community Affairs committee for the council terms of 2023-2024.

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11.4 Equity and Sustainability Committee Election- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:13

SUBMITTED BY: VP Equity and Sustainability

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Whereas the Equity and Sustainability Committee (ESC) has a designated seat for an additional Executive Officer;

Whereas there are 4 additional seats available for members of Council;

Be it resolved to elect Executive Z to serve on ESC for the 2023-2024 Council year.

Be it further resolved to elect councillor(s) E, F, G, and H to serve on the ESC for the 2023-2024 Council term.

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11.5 Black Indigenous People of Colour Committee Election- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:14

SUBMITTED BY: VP Equity and Sustainability

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Whereas per SO-10.13 “for appointment of Councillors to this Committee;

Council shall take into consideration Councillors with lived experiences/those who identify as BIPOC when appointing members to the Committee;

Whereas there are 4 seats free members of Council;

Be it resolved to elect councillor(s) O,P,Q, and R to serve on the BIPOC committee for the 2023-2024 Council term.

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11.6 Finance and Administrative Services Committee Election- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:15

SUBMITTED BY: VP Events and Student Affairs

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Be it resolved to elect Councillor(s) Z, A, B, and C to serve on FASC for the council terms of 2023-2024.

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11.7 Space and Oversight Committee Election- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:16

SUBMITTED BY: VP Events and Student Affairs

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Be it resolved to elect Councillor(s) D, E, and F to serve on SPOC for the council terms of 2023-2024.

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11.8 Governance Committee Election- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:17

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Be it resolved to elect Councillor(s) A, B, C, D, and E to serve on the Governance Committee for the council terms of 2023-2024.

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11.9 Accessibility Committee Election - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:18

SUBMITTED BY: VP Equity and Sustainability

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Whereas per SO-11.5 "The selection of students At-Large members and Councillors for this committee shall be prioritized to students with lived experiences";

Whereas there are 4 seats available for members of Council;

Be it resolved to elect councillor(s) I, J, K, and L to serve on the Accessibility Committee for the 2023-2024 Council term.

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11.10 Oversight Committee on Executive Officers Election - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:19

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Be it resolved to elect councillor(s) A,B,C, and D to serve on the Oversight Committee on Executive Officers committee for the 2023-2024 Council term.

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11.11 Change Council Meeting Time - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:20

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Whereas Council wants to hold meetings that work for most of the Council member's schedules;

Be it resolved to use a when2meet to find the time that works best for everyone;

Be it further resolved to change the meeting time according to the majority of councillor's availability.

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11.12 Modifying Council Meeting Time Mentioned in Council Policies - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:21

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Whereas Council meetings should be flexible to Council members' schedules;

Be it resolved to strike R-7.6 and replace it with: It is suggested Council meetings shall occur Wednesdays starting at 4:30 pm and ending at 8:30 pm, but will be up to the discretion of Council at the beginning of the Council term. Meetings shall occur on a biweekly basis.

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11.13 Funding for SOCA Wellness Retreat - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:22

SUBMITTED BY: Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry (SOCA)

ATTACHMENT:

Mover / Seconder

Whereas the Students of Caribbean and African Ancestry (SOCA) is a constituency group who advocates for African, Caribbean and the greater Black student population at SFU with a mandate to voice concerns, plan events and programs to encourage community building and act as role models within the community;

Whereas in a survey several of SOCA's members have expressed interest in attending a mental wellness retreat;

Whereas in response to this, SOCA began to look into the logistics of hosting such a retreat for it's membership;

Whereas SOCA is now planning a wellness retreat for Black students at SFU to enhance and support mental health awareness for Black students at SFU;

Whereas the retreat will be taking place in Chilliwack B.C., in a nature-oriented and quiet environment with provision of accommodation;

Whereas the retreat itself will cost a significant amount of money for SOCA to host it's members at no cost;

Whereas the cost for the retreat is beyond what SOCA can financially support alone in their summer budget;

Whereas SOCA would like for the SFSS to support this retreat that encourages Black students flourishing, connection, and community building by making the retreat financially affordable and accessible for those that intent to partake in the retreat;

Whereas SOCA is asking for \$10,000 from the SFSS Council to fund portions of the retreat including food, accommodation, speakers, and transportation fees;

Whereas SOCA has presented to Council and provided approval;

Be it resolved that SFSS Council approves \$10,000 in supporting SOCA's wellness retreat.

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11.14 - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24: #

SUBMITTED BY:

Mover / Seconder

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12. NOTICE OF MOTION

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13. DISCUSSION ITEMS

13.1

14. 30 MINUTES Q&A

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS

15.1

16. ATTACHMENTS

16.1 Apr-2023-Motion-Briefing-Note-1.pdf

17. ADJOURNMENT

17.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-05-24:23

Mover / Seconder

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at

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