

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Call to Order – 4:38 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), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Sel̓ílwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k<sup>w</sup>ik<sup>w</sup>əł̓əm (Kwkwetlem) and ḡicəy̓ (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 .....	Jovan Gnjatovic
Business Administration Student Society .....	Vacant
Chemistry Student Society .....	Vacant
Cognitive Science Student Association.....	Bhuban Karim
Collective of Arts and Cultures Studies Students.....	Vacant
Computing Science Student Society .....	Mabel Ling
Criminology Student Association .....	Henry Do
Dance Student Union .....	Vacant
Data Science Student Society .....	Jennifer Hung
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
Gender, Sexuality, & Women’s Studies .....	Ashley Flett
Geography Student Union.....	Erik Makinen
Global Asia Studies.....	Vacant
Health Science Undergraduate Student Union.....	Ishika (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) .....	Sebastian Mujica
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(Vice-Chair)	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) .....	Andres Sosa
Software Systems Student Society (SSSS).....	Ngan Ngoc (Lynn) Nguyen
Statistics and Actuarial Science Student Association.....	Van Nguyen
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society.....	Andrew Nathan
Visual Arts Student Union .....	Vacant
World Languages and Literature Student Union .....	Vacant

**Constituency Group Representatives**

Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance (DNA) .....	Denise Arias Guillen
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association (FNMISA) .....	Vacant

International Student Advocates .....	Vacant
Out on Campus Collective (OOC) .....	Adriana Cumming-Teicher
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry (SOCA) .....	Yaye Balde
Women Centre Collective .....	Vacant

**Affiliated Student Groups**

Residence Hall’s Association (RHA) .....	Emmanuel Adegboyege
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) .....	Vacant
Teach Support Staff Union (TSSU) .....	Pranjali J Mann
Embark Sustainability.....	Vacant
SFPIRG .....	Tuleen Awad

**SFSS Executive Committee**

President (Chair) .....	Liam Feng
Acting VP Internal and Organizational Development .....	Ashley Flett
VP Finance and Services.....	Jadvinder Bolina
VP University and Academic Affairs .....	Thomas Lueth
VP External and Community Affairs .....	Navleen Brar
VP Equity and Sustainability.....	Priyanka Kaur Dhesea
VP Events and Student Affairs.....	Ayooluwa Adigun

**3.2 Society Staff**

Facilities Manager .....	John Walsh
Temporary Operations Organizer.....	Sindhu Dharmarajah
Policy, Research, Community Affairs Coordinator .....	Beaty Omboga
Administrative Assistant .....	Hope Alica

**3.3 Guests**

SFSS Member .....	Abhishek Parmar
SFSS Member .....	Ava Wood
Reusables.com .....	Anastasia Kiku

**3.4 Regrets**

VP Finance and Services.....	Jadvinder Bolina
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Political Science Student Union.....	Aliyah Apolonio
Behavioral Neuroscience Student Society (BNSS) .....	Aarthi Srinivasan
Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS).....	Rajdave Gill
Philosophy Student Union.....	Nava Karimi
SFPIRG .....	Tuleen Awad
History Student Union.....	Emilio Da Silva

### **3.5 Absents**

Archeology Student Society (ASS) .....	Seniha Inceoz
Biology Student Union (BSU) .....	Nicolas Bonilla
Cognitive Science Student Association.....	Bhuban Karim
Film Student Union .....	Sofi Badzio
Interactive Arts and Technology Student Union (IATSU) .....	Karishma Sen
Mechatronics System Engineering Student Society.....	Aiden Maymandy
Psychology Student Union .....	Hilary Tsui
Software Systems Student Society (SSSS).....	Ngan Ngoc (Lynn) Nguyen
Out on Campus Collective (OOC) .....	Adriana Cumming-Teicher

## **4. CONSENT AGENDA**

### **4.1 CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

#### **4.1.1. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – Council and Committee Minutes - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:01**

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

- Council 2023-08-30
- ECA 2023-08-14
- ESAC 2023-06-27
- ESAC 2023-07-27
- UAA 2023-07-24
- UAA 2023-08-14

**4.1.2. Ratification of Regrets- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:02**

Be it resolved to ratify regrets of the VP Finance and Services “Jadvinder Bolina”, Political Science Student Union Councillor “Aliyah Apolonio”, Behavioral Neuroscience Student Society Councillor “Aarthi Srinivasan”, Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS) “Rajdave Gill”, Philosophy Student Union Councillor “Nava Karimi” SFPIRG Councillor “Tuleen Awad”, History Student Union “Emilio Da Silva” for the Council September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**4.1.3. Ratification of Resignation- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:03**

Be it resolved to accept the resignation of Criminology Councillor “Ava Wood” from Council.

**5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:04**

**President / Gender, Sexuality, & Women’s Studies Councillor**

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

- President moved to move Old Business item 6.1 SFSS Community Guidelines to the top.
- President moved to add New Business Items 7.1 “Appointment of VP Internal and Organizational Development,” and 7.3, “Formal Appointment of the SFSS IEC”.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

**6.1 SFSS Community Guidelines- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:05**

**SUBMITTED BY:** President

**ATTACHMENT:** SFSS Space Guidelines

**President/Health Science Undergraduate Student Union**

Whereas the Executive Committee approved the "SFSS Community Guidelines" as attached for a probationary, interim, period of three months in March 2023.

Whereas the interim period expired and guidelines or policies for respectful and safe use of the SUB currently do not exist;

Whereas these guidelines were to be referred to Council for an operational and

organizational evaluation, and a potential extension, at the end of the interim period.

Whereas the guidelines were reviewed and updated by staff recently to keep the SUB safe and welcoming for all;

Be it resolved that the Council approve and implement the "SFSS Community Guidelines" as attached.

Be it further resolved that these guidelines be posted on the SFSS website.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **6.2 Diwali Event - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:06**

**SUBMITTED BY:** VP Events and Student Affairs

**VP University and Academic Affairs/International Studies Student Association Councillor**

Whereas the Diwali event is on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, and members of the student body are involved in the logistics and organization of it to happen;

Be it resolved to allocate \$20,500 from the large events budget as \$2500 was previously approved in an Exec meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **6.3 Vancouver Campus Committee Election – MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:07**

**SUBMITTED BY:** VP University and Academic Affairs

**President/ International Studies Student Association Councillor**

Whereas there are two vacant seats available in the Vancouver Campus Committee;

Be it resolved to elect VP University and Academic Affairs "Thomas Lueth" to serve on VCC for the Council term of 2023-2024.

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

- VP UAA was nominated.
- President made three calls for nominations.
- VP UAA accepted the nomination

**6.4 Space Oversight Committee Election – MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:08**

**SUBMITTED BY:** VP University and Academic Affairs

**President/ VP UAA**

Whereas there is one Councillor seat available in the Space Oversight Committee;

Be it resolved to elect Councillor VP External and Community Affairs “Navleen Brar” to serve on SPOC for the Council term of 2023-2024.

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

- President made three calls for nominations.
- VP External and Community Affairs nominated themselves for SPOC

**6.5 Finance and Administrative Services Committee Election-MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:09**

**SUBMITTED BY:** VP Finance and Services

**President / Gender, Sexuality, & Women’s Studies**

Whereas there are two vacant seats available in the Finance and Administrative Services Committee Composition to have a new councillor in this committee;

Be it resolved to elect VP University and Academic Affairs “Thomas Leuth” and Criminology Student Association Councillor “Henry Do” to serve on FASC for the council terms of 2023-2024.

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

- VP UAA nominated themselves for the FASC Committee
- The President made a second and third call for nomination and there were no further nominations.
- SFSS Member nominated Criminology Student Union Councillor
- President explained that FASC is in charge of logistics for the student body.
- Criminology Student Association Councillor accepted the nomination.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**7.1 Appointment of VP Internal and Organizational Development- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:10**

**SUBMITTED BY:** President

**President/ International Studies Student Association Councillor**

Whereas the current Vice President Internal position within our organization has become vacant due to exceptional circumstances;

Whereas the Society's Act states that any vacant officer position must be filled to maintain the effective functioning of our organization;

Whereas given the specific circumstances, the executive committee has advised that an internal appointment to fill the vacant position is the most suitable course of action;

Whereas SFSS By-Law 14(2) states that, in the event of a vacancy on the Executive Committee, "Council may appoint a temporary replacement to the vacant office from amongst the members of Council, other than members of the Executive Committee, to undertake the duties befalling the vacant office, until the office is filled by way of a by-election";

Be it resolved to appoint The Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies Councillor "Ashley Flett" receiving the majority of votes cast, a Vice President Internal and Organizational Development starting immediately until such a time a by-election is concluded or until the end of the term on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Be it further resolved that this motion is enacted to ensure the prompt and proper election of our new Vice President Internal, in strict accordance with our organization's by-laws.

**CARRIED AS AMENDED BY MAJORITY**

**Dissent (1) -VP University and Academic Affairs.**

- VP UAA asked about the By-Election and whether the new VP Internal will stay on until April 30<sup>th</sup> or there will be a by-election.
- The Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies Councillor reminded everyone of the In-Camera responsibilities and that what happens In-Camera stays In-Camera.
- Temporary Operations Organizer replied that a Councillor needs to be elected in the interim, whether or not there will be a by-election. If there is no By-Election, the Councillor would stay in the position until April 2024.
- President made the first call for nominations.
- Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies Councillor nominated themselves.
- The president made the second and third calls for nominations.



- No further nominations were received.

**7.1.1. GSWS Councillor moved to suspend the rules and add a motion titled Vice Chair Appointment - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:11**  
**Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies Councillor/ President**  
**CARRIED**

**7.2 Vice-Chair Appointment- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:12**

**SUBMITTED BY:** Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies

**Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies / President**

Whereas the Council Vice-Chair position is now vacant;

Be it resolved to elect MBBSU Councillor "Sam Killawee" as Council Vice-Chair for the remainder of the 2023-2024 Council year.

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

- Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies Councillor nominated MBBSU Councillor
- President nominated MBBSU Councillor
- The president made the second and third calls for nomination and no further nominations were made.
- MBSSU accepted the nomination.

**7.3 Formal Appointment of the SFSS IEC- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:13**

**SUBMITTED BY: President**

**President / Molecular Biology & Biochemistry Student Union Councillor**

Whereas an IEC must be appointed to ensure that there is a proper transition for;

Whereas By-Law 13(7)(c) states that "All members of the Independent Electoral Commission shall be elected by two thirds (2/3) majority vote of Council";

Whereas the IEC consists of 1 chief Commissioner and 4 Electoral Commissioners;

Whereas the relevant hiring committee has already hired these commissioners, but they were never formally appointed by Council;

Be it resolved to appoint Nadia Ahmed as the Chief Commissioner of the IEC effective immediately, with a term ending on April 30, 2024;

Be it further resolved to appoint Noor Eeman, Maia Lomelino, and Vaibhav Babbar as IEC Commissioners effective immediately, with a term ending on April 30, 2024.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**7.3.1. Motion to Amend the rules to start with Q&A and then Presentation next-  
MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:14**

**SUBMITTED BY:** Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies

**Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies / President**

**CARRIED**

**8. 30 MINUTES Q&A**

- The SASU Councillor would like to know how to participate in the committees to which he was nominated.
- The president replied that he sent out an email to nominees asking when to meet. President asked which Committees SASU is part of.
- MBBSU Councillor suggested Councillors check their Spam.
- The BPKSA Councillor asked if this was a mass email.
- President replied that it was an email with various committee meeting links.
- President wrapped up Q& A

**9. PRESENTATION**

**9.1 REUSABLES.COM**

**SUBMITTED BY: President**

**Presented:** Anastasia Kiku & Jason Hawkins - Co-founders of Reusables.com

- Reusables was born two years ago to eliminate single package use bags and containers.
- While reusables make life easier, most of them end up in the ocean, Scientists estimate that by 2050, there will be more plastics than fish in the ocean.
- Only 5-9% of recycling gets recycled, and the good news is governments are banning single-use containers, and the government of BC plans to ban such items by the end of the year.
- Reusables.com has settled on universities and corporate campuses as target clients.

- A platform is provided for different food service clients to provide them with reusable containers instead of single use ones.
- Reusables.com plans to launch at Mackenzie café on Burnaby Campus in October. There will be keypads assigned to the container to ensure safe usage and accountability in returning them.
- There is an app that students can download to access reusable containers across Vancouver.
- There is a 98% return rate for the containers. Every time a container is reused, it is tracked, and they can track this use.
- With every reuse, these containers reduce carbon emissions.
- A pilot project was completed over three months, and 99% containers were returned. More than 2519 containers were reused, and this pilot reduced 125kg of waste and 500 kg of CO<sup>2</sup> avoided.
- Reusables primarily use stainless steel, keeping food warmer for longer and no issues of plastic toxins leaking into food. The Vision is to expand across campus.
- The co-founders
- The DNA Councillor asked if students would be expected to wash the containers.
- Chartwells groups will do the cleaning and collection of the containers from the smart return bins; the containers are also scanned to open the bin, and this will prevent the trash from being placed into the bins.
- BPKSA asked how the container gets linked to the student and when it is collected. Will the organization know it is from a specific student to avoid being charged.
- Anastasia Kiku stated a card will be tapped at purchase, creating a link to both items; therefore, the user will not be charged if scanned and returned.
- ISSU asked if there are student subscriptions for this or will be free unless students fail to return the containers.
- Anastasia replied it is free and anyone from the public can use it as long as a card is linked.
- ISSU asked how much the fee is for failing to return and what about students not having credit cards.
- Anastasia Kiku replied Debit and Credit both work; for now, however, a token system is being developed to allow for cash payments. She asked if it is a fair assumption that most first-year students use the dining commons; having cards to use Mackenzie Café should not be an issue for now.

- President replied that it is a fair assumption.

## **10. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **10.1 Council Development Sessions will resume on September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023.**

- President encouraged Councillors to attend in person.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

### **11.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-09-13:15**

**President / VP University and Academic Affairs**

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 pm

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**