

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting will be called to order by

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^wəy əm (Musqueam), Sk̓wxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Sel̓íl witulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k^wik^wə́ λə m (Kwikwetlem) and 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. APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR

The Members will nominate and appoint a Chairperson for the Annual General Meeting.

3.1 MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:01

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Be it resolved to appoint X as the Chairperson of the 2023 Simon Fraser Student Society Annual General Meeting.

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4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND REVIEW OF MEETING RULES

The assembly will consider the agenda as prepared by the Council and Executive Committee. Changes or additions to the agenda may be proposed at this time.

The Chairperson will provide a brief overview of Robert's Rules of Order, a system of meeting rules and procedures that the Society uses for the AGM.

4.1 MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:02

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Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

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5. RECEIPT OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the 2021 *and* 2022 Annual General Meetings will be available for receipt and filing by Members.

5.1 MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:03

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Be it resolved that the minutes of the October 27th, 2021 *and* October 27th, 2022 Annual General Meeting of the Simon Fraser Student Society be received and filed.

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6. SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

6.1 Grammar Error, Typographical Error, and Reference Corrections in By-Laws – MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:04

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Whereas there have been numerous changes to By-Law passed at the October 26th, 2020 and October 27th, 2021 AGMs;

Whereas minor typographical errors, grammar errors, and errors in by-law referencing have been found after a thorough review of the By-Laws;

Be it resolved that the Society approve the following changes to the SFSS By-Laws:
Amend By-Law 2(8) to read “An Associate Member is in good standing if they have paid the Society fees and any Society fines and penalties.”

Amend By-Law 4(3)(d) by replacing “Vice-President Finance’s” with “Vice-President Finance and Services’.”

Amend By-Law 4(4) by replacing “By-Law 4(1) [a]-[f]” with “By-Law 4(3) [a]-[f].”

Amend By-Law 4(9) to read “Each Member in good standing of the Society shall be entitled to vote at the Members’ Meeting. In order to exercise their vote the Member shall be present at the meeting at the time the vote is put, and no votes by proxy shall be allowed.”

Amend By-Law 6(11)(a) by replacing “the Council” with “Council”.

Amend By-Law 7(2) by replacing “the Council” with “Council”.

Amend By-Law 7(4) by replacing “the Council” with “Council”.

Amend By-Law 7(10)(h) and 7(10)(o) by striking all occurrences of the phrase “the Council” and replacing them with “Council”.

Amend By-Law 7(10)(o) by replacing “Executive Committee” with “the Executive Committee” and capitalize the first letter of both By-Law 7(10)(c) and 7(10)(d).

Amend By-Law 7(11)(d) by replacing “General Meetings” with “Members’ Meetings.”

Amend By-Law 7(11)(f) by replacing “the Council” with “Council”.

Amend By-Law 7(11)(g) by replacing “Constituency groups” with “Constituency Groups”.

Amend By-Law 7(11)(l) to read as follows: “Perform any other duties as outlined in the Bylaws, regulations, or as assigned by Council or the Executive Committee.”

Amend By-Law 7(12)(d), 7(12)(e), 7(12)(g), 7(12)(i), 7(12)(l), and 7(12)(r) by replacing all occurrences of the words “the Council” with “Council”.

Amend By-Law 7(12)(r) by replacing “Executive Committee” with “the Executive Committee”.

Amend By-Law 7(13)(a) by replacing “the Council” with “Council”.

Amend By-Law 7(13)(j) by replacing “Vice President Academic and University Affairs” with “Vice President University and Academic Affairs.”

Amend By-Law 7(13)(k) by replacing “the Council or Executive Committee.” with “Council or the Executive Committee.”

Amend By-Law 7(14)(i) to read as follows: “Perform any other duties as outlined in the Bylaws, regulations or assigned by Council or the Executive Committee”.

Amend By-Law 7(15)(e) by replacing “elected term” with “fiscal year.”

Amend By-Law 7(15)(i) by replacing “the Council” with “Council”.

Amend By-Law 7(15)(m) by replacing “the Council or Executive Committee” with “Council or the Executive Committee”.

Amend By-Law 7(16)(g) by replacing “the Council or Executive Committee.” with “Council or the Executive Committee.”

Amend By-Law 8(3)(a)(ii) by replacing “the Council” with “Council”.

Amend By-Law 9(1) and 9(2) by replacing “the Council” with “Council”.

Amend By-Law 13(8)(c) by replacing “elections” with “Executive Committee elections”.

Amend By-Law 15(1) to read “If any member of Council or the Executive Committee ceases to be a Member in good standing of the Society, their resignation shall be deemed to have been delivered to and accepted by the Society, and the Council or Executive Committee Chair shall declare the position vacant forthwith.”

Amend By-Law 15(4) to read “Notice of impeachment proceedings for an executive officer shall be the same as is required for a special resolution.”

Amend By-Law 15(5)(a) by replacing “the Council” with “Council”.

Amend By-Law 17(1)(d) by replacing “by-laws” with “By-Laws”.

Amend By-Law 17(1)(d)(ii) by replacing all occurrences of “General Meeting” with “Members’ Meeting”.

Amend By-Law 18(1) by replacing “the Council” with “Council”.

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6.2 SFSS By-Law Clarifications - MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:05

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Whereas there have been numerous changes to By-Law passed at the October 26th, 2020 and October 27th, 2021 AGMs;

Whereas there have been several areas found in the By-Laws where more clarity is required to ensure that SFSS By-Laws are able to be clearly understood;

Be it resolved that the Society approve the following changes to the SFSS By-Laws:

Amend By-Law 2(6) by replacing the words “majority vote of Council” with “four-fifth (4/5) majority vote of Council”

Amend By-Law 6(20) by striking it and replacing it with “Council Meetings shall be open to all members of the Society, subject to limitations via regulation.”

Add a subsection By-Law 6(20)(a) that reads “Members shall have full speaking rights in meetings, subject to limitations via regulation.”

Amend By-Law 6(24) by adding in a new subsection 6(24)(h) that reads “Alternates must be members in good standing of the Society.”

Strike By-Law 7(3).

Amend By-Law 7(10)(a) to read “Have the power to convene a meeting of the Executive Committee, or a Council meeting at any time as long as the president is the Chair of Council.”

Amend By-Law 7(10)(l) by adding in a new sub-subsection 7(10)(l)(i) that reads “The president may delegate this authority to member(s) of the Board of Directors as needed.”

Amend By-Law 7(10) by adding in a new subsection 7(10)(n) (and renumbering accordingly) that reads “Consult with the membership on the development of Strategic Plans, as required.”

Amend By-Law 7(11)(e) to read “Ensure the occurrence of ongoing training and development for members of the Executive Committee and Council, including but not limited to, regularly scheduled Development Sessions and Council Orientation.”

Amend By-Law 7(11)(i) to read “Support and assist the duties of the President’s office, as required.”

“Create and oversee the dissemination of the Annual Undergraduate Survey, or an equivalent.”

Amend By-Law 7(14)(a) to read “Alongside the President, act as a liaison with external groups and community organisations, including with other student societies, on behalf of the Society.”

Amend By-Law 7(14)(b) to read “Act as a liaison with other relevant bodies and lobby the government on issues that affect the undergraduate student population, alongside the President, on behalf of the Society.”

Amend By-Law 9 to add a new section 9(6) that reads “Notwithstanding By-Law 16(8), no referendum concerning a Student Union levy shall be deemed valid or binding on the Society unless a minimum of five (5) percent of the members in good standing of the society who are part of the student union have cast ballots.”

Amend By-Law 13(3) to read “Members may not concurrently hold office as a voting member on the Executive Committee and as a member of a Student Union’s or Constituency Group’s executive.”

Amend By-Law 13(3) by adding a new subsection 13(3)(a) that reads “Notwithstanding By-Law

13(3), voting members of the Executive Committee who were appointed by Council shall not be subject to this requirement.”

Amend By-Law 13(7) to read “The Independent Electoral Commission shall consist of at least one Chief Commissioner, who shall act as Chair, and no less than four, and up to six, other Commissioners.”

Amend By-Law 13(7)(a) to read “No current member of, or candidate for, Council, a Student Union Executive, or a Constituency Group Executive may serve as a member of the independent electoral commission”

Amend By-Law 13(7)(c) to read “All members of the Independent Electoral Commission shall be elected by two thirds (2/3) majority vote of Council by the end of the summer semester.”

Amend By-Law 13(7) by adding a new subsection 13(7)(e) that reads “The membership and composition of the IEC shall be subject to limitations via regulation.”

Amend By-Law 13(7) by adding a new subsection 13(7)(f) that reads “No member of the IEC may campaign for or on the behalf of candidates or, if slates are permitted by regulation, slates.”

Amend By-Law 15(1) to read “If any member of Council or the Executive Committee ceases to be a Member in good standing of the Society, their resignation shall be deemed to have been delivered to and accepted by Council and Council shall declare the position vacant forthwith.”

Amend By-Law 22(1) to read “In the event of a conflict between these By-Laws and any Regulation, resolution of Council or the Executive Committee, or the provisions of any Student Union or Constituency Group Constitution or By-Laws, the terms of these By-Laws shall prevail.”

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6.3 Council E-Voting - MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:06

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Whereas the process of voting, especially if votes are needed to be conducted via roll-call vote due to the motion’s contention, is inefficient compared to electronic voting;

Be it resolved that the Society approve the following changes to the SFSS By-Laws:

Amend By-Law 6(23) by adding a new subsection 6(23)(a) that reads:

“Notwithstanding, Council and its committees may select to use electronic voting means as long as:”

Amend By-Law 6(23)(a) by adding a new sub-subsection 6(23)(i) that reads “The platform used is approved by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of Council”.

Amend By-Law 6(23)(a) by adding a new sub-subsection 6(23)(ii) that reads “Council may revoke its approval of an electronic voting method by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of Council”

Amend By-Law 6(23) by adding a new subsection 6(23)(b) that reads “In the event that a result of a vote taken by electronic means is inconclusive, the presiding Chair shall order a re-vote by either roll call vote, or unanimous consent.”

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6.4 Membership Expulsion - MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:07

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Whereas the SFSS does not allow for Members of the Society to be expelled, as in, removed, from the Society;

Whereas allowing for member expulsion protects the integrity and well-being of the Society and its membership;

Be it resolved that the Society approve the following change to the SFSS By-Laws:

Amend By-Law 2(4) to read “Members may be expelled from the Society by a special resolution at a Members’ Meeting”.

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7. RECEIPT OF COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

7.1 MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:08

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Be it resolved that the 2022-2023 report from Council be received.

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8. RECEIPT OF REPORT FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE AND SERVICES

The Simon Fraser Student Society Vice President Finance and Services will provide an overview of the Student Society's finances from May 1st, 2022 through April 30th, 2023.

8.1 MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:09

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Be it resolved that the 2022-2023 report from the Vice President Finance and Services be received.

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9. RECEIPT OF REPORT FROM THE AUDITOR

The Simon Fraser Student Society's auditor, Tompkins Wozny LLP, will provide an overview of the Student Society's audited financial statements.

9.1 MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:10

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Whereas the independent auditor's report is included in the financial statements package. Be it resolved to receive the report from the auditor.

Be it further resolved to receive the financial statements for the year ended April 30th, 2023.

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10. APPOINTMENT OF THE AUDITOR

10.1 MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:11

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Be it resolved that X, Chartered Professional Accountants, be appointed as the Simon Fraser Student Society Auditor for the 2023-24 fiscal year.

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11. OPEN SPACE

12. ADJOURNMENT

12.1 MOTION AGM 2023-10-25:12

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at

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