

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Call to Order – 4:41 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), Sḵw̓xwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Selíłwítulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k<sup>w</sup>ík<sup>w</sup>əł̓əm (Kwkwetlem) and ǵícəy̓ (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
BPK Councillor.....	Jovan Gnjatovic
Business Administration Student Society .....	Vacant
Chemistry Student Society .....	Xiaohan (Hana) Li
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.....	Vacant
Film Student Union .....	Sofi Badzio
Fine and Performing Arts Student Union .....	Vacant
Gender, Sexuality, & Women’s Studies .....	Vacant
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.....	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
MBB 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 .....	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) .....	Den Arias Guillen
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association .....	Chris Sanderson
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 Adegboyega
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 Dhesa
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**

Psychology Student Union President .....	Marwan Saleh
SFSS Member .....	Abhishek Parmar
SFSS Member .....	Alex

SFSS Member ..... Kanksha

**3.4 Regrets**

Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society..... Andrew Nathan  
 Acting VP Internal and Organizational Development ..... Ashley Flett  
 Chemistry Student Society ..... Xiaohan (Hana) Li  
 VP Finance and Services..... Jadvinder Bolina  
 Film Student Union ..... Sofi Badzio

**3.5 Absents**

Psychology Student Union ..... Hilary Tsui  
 SFPIRG ..... Tuleen Awad  
 Residence Hall’s Association (RHA) ..... Emmanuel Adegboyega  
 Philosophy Student Union..... Nava Karimi  
 Archeology Student Society (ASS) ..... Seniha Inceoz  
 Biology Student Union (BSU) ..... Nicolas Bonilla  
 Interactive Arts and Technology Student Union..... Karishma Sen  
 International Studies Student Association (ISSA) ..... Sebastian Mujica  
 Health Science Undergraduate Student Union..... Ishika (Ishika) Rathore

**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 – Council and Committee Minutes - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:01**

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

- COUNCIL 2023-09-27
- ECA 2023-09-11
- ESAC 2023-08-29
- EXEC 2023-08-11
- EXEC 2023-09-08

- HRP 2022-11-14
- HRP 2023-01-23
- UAA 2023-09-11

#### **4.1.2. Ratification of Regrets- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:02**

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from the Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society Councillor, VP Finance and Services, Acting VP Internal and Organizational Development, Chemistry Student Society Councillor, and Film Student Union Councillor for the Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Council meeting.

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

### **5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:03**

#### **President / History Student Union Councillor**

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

#### **CARRIED AS AMENDED**

- The Psychology Student Union President stated Psychology Student Union would like to make an amendment to add the TSSU support letter to the agenda. They stated a drafted letter was available, and it was sent to the Council Vice-Chair. Psychology Students Union is looking to bring this to SFSS. Considering the trouble TSSU is facing with SFU, the Psychology Students Union would like to know how to support it.
- President replied that, at the moment, the PSU president could place the title of the motion in the discussion.
- MBBSU Councilor suggested that the title be “A Letter in Support for Tuition Refund”.
- VP Equity and Sustainability asked if she could provide an Amendment to the agenda.
- PSU President shared that it is a letter supporting TSSU, and there is a portion for tuition refund.
- ISSU Councilor moved the Motion for SFSS to release letters supporting TSSU and regarding Tuition refund; TSSU seconded this motion.
- MBBSU Counsellor asked if he could add a motion to add an In-Camera question because of the legal issues that may have to be brought up regarding

this discussion item due to the legal issues it might carry.

- MBBSU Moved to include an In-camera discussion to discuss the TSSU support letter, the President seconded this.
- VP Equity and Sustainability moved to strike Presentation 6.1 Jewish Student Safety Working Group and New Business motion 12.1 Jewish Student Safety Working Group Motion. The reason for striking these off the agenda is because the GSA team cannot be here today, the 11<sup>th</sup> 2023, so this will likely come up at a later Council meeting.
- VP University and Academic Affairs moved to add motion New Business 10.1 regarding overturning Poster Boards to SFU, and the President seconded the adoption of this amendment.

## 6. PRESENTATION

### 6.1 Jewish Student Safety Working Group

#### 6.1.1. Strike Presentation 6.1 - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:04

VP Equity and Sustainability/President

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- VP Equity and Sustainability shared that this is because GSA team cannot be here today, 11<sup>th</sup> 2023 so this will likely come up at a later Council meeting.

## 7. IN-CAMERA

### 7.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:05

**SUBMITTED BY:** MBBSU Councillor

**President / History Student Union**

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- Discuss TSSU Support Letter

## 8. EX-CAMERA

### 8.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:06

**President / MBBSU Councillor**

Be it resolved to go ex-camera.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9. OLD BUSINESS**

**9.1 Governance Committee Election - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:07**

**SUBMITTED BY:** MBBSU Councilor

**President / History Student Union Councillor**

Whereas there are one vacant seat available in the Governance Committee;

Be it resolved to elect Criminology Student Association Councillor to serve on the Governance Committee for the Council term of 2023-2024.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- President called for the first nomination, and the Criminology Student Association nominated themselves.
- President called for a second and third call for nomination and there were no further nominations.
- President moved to strike councillor E and replace it with CSA councillor.

**9.2 First Year Engagement Committee Election- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:08**

**SUBMITTED BY:** MBBSU Councillor

**President / VP Equity and Sustainability**

Whereas there are two vacant seats available in the First Year Engagement Committee;

Be it resolved to elect Councillors Criminology Student Association and Economics Student Society to serve on FYEC for the Council term of 2023-2024.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- The Criminology Student Association nominated themselves.
- Economics Student Society nominated themselves.
- VP Events and Student Affairs
- President called for elections.
- CSA Councillor retracted his nomination.
- VP Events and Student Affairs retracted his nomination and

renominated CSA, and CSA accepted the nomination.

- President moved to strike F and G and replace it with ESS and CSA Councillor.

### **9.3 Vancouver Campus Committee Election - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:09**

**SUBMITTED BY:** MBBSU Councillor

**President / MBBSU**

Whereas there is one vacant seat available in the Vancouver Campus Committee;

Be it resolved to elect TSSU Councillor to serve on VCC for the Council term of 2023-2024.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- President made the first call for nominations, TSSU councillor nominated themselves.
- SASSA Councillor asked for the meeting time for the committee; she would like to join a new committee and nominate herself.
- President replied it is once bi-weekly however, it is not solidified and depends on availability.
- MBBSU Councillor nominated Geography Student Union Councillor; however, the Geography Student Union Councillor declined the nomination and stated that they have a commitment to a GSU and a full-time Co-op and other part-time jobs therefore, this nomination is not feasible for him at this time however, he would be interested in nominating himself in the future.
- VP Events and Student Affairs suggested Councilors on the Vancouver Campus nominate themselves.
- VP UAA shared that meeting time is 1230 pm on Mondays at this time; SASSA councilor replied she has to work full time, and any meeting time during work hours, she cannot attend.
- President moved to strike Councillor A and replace with TSSU Councillor.

## **10. NEW BUSINESS**

### **10.1 Jewish Student Safety Working Group Motion - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-**



**11:10****SUBMITTED BY:** VP Equity and Sustainability**Mover / Seconder**

WHEREAS, the Jewish Student Association at the Simon Fraser Student Society (SFSS) has brought to our attention the prevalence of antisemitic incidents on campus, which negatively impact the well-being and safety of Jewish students;

WHEREAS, SFSS is committed to fostering an inclusive and supportive environment for all students on campus, regardless of their religious and/or ethnic backgrounds;

WHEREAS, the Jewish Student Association has requested the establishment of a working group to specifically address antisemitism including racial, religious and political antisemitism, and its effects on Jewish student well-being and safety;

WHEREAS, the Jewish Student Association has emphasised the importance of grounding the working group's efforts in Issues Policy-8, which addresses the SFSS's commitment to countering racism, discrimination, and harassment on campus;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council establish a working group to counter and address antisemitism on campus, with a specific focus on student well-being and safety, and that the working group be grounded in Issues Policy-8, and utilise its guidelines and principles to guide its efforts in combating antisemitism;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group be composed of representatives from the Jewish Student Association, Council, relevant university administrators, external experts and organisations, and other stakeholders as deemed necessary, and that the working group report back to Council with its findings and recommendations.

**CARRIED/NOT CARRIED/CARRIED AS AMENDED****10.1.1. Strike New Business 12.1 - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:11****VP Equity and Sustainability/President****CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- VP Equity and Sustainability shared that this is because GSA team cannot be here today, 11<sup>th</sup> 2023 so this will likely come up at a later Council meeting.

## **10.2 Overturning Poster Boards to SFU - MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:12**

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

**President/History Student Union Councillor**

Whereas currently, the following poster boards are under SFSS control;

1x Convocation Mall East (next to the library entrance)

1x East AQ North of Mackenzie Café

1X East AQ South of Mackenzie Café

2x South AQ behind club tables (next to B2901)

2x South bus loop (with lock)

1x MBC (with lock)

Whereas currently they are not monitored or maintained by the SFSS;

Be it resolved to overturn management of these boards to SFU.

### **POSTPONED**

- VP University and Academic Affairs shared that the issue with the posters is that they have not been monitored by SFSS and most of them are filled with private tutoring companies, and different groups targeting students, which can be misleading, especially because they pose issues of Academic integrity such as trading of old exams etc. Since most people use online platforms, and the boards are not officially under SFU control, he felt it would be best to make that decision at Council.
- MBBSU Councillor asked if there has been any cost to SFSS maintaining these boards or storing them.
- VP Equity and Sustainability asked if there is a way SFSS can maintain access but give SFU access to remove questionable posters, perhaps a clause in which ownership of the boards is still maintained by SFSS.
- ISSU councillor asked if the boards could be taken down, but the space on the wall is still owned by SFSS, and SFSS can place posters back up in the future.
- Temporary Operations Organizer replied that this request was given a few years ago, and SFSS somewhat relinquished ownership of them. SFU has a policy about advertising around campus. If the

advertising has the SFSS logo, SFU will leave them up; however, SFU is not intensively regulating the poster boards. The Clubs Team and facilities have a handle on that for now.

- VP UAA stated that the issue is constantly maintaining and monitoring posters that should not be there. Considering people do not regularly use these poster boards for information, it would be best to take them down. The consensus would be to try to replace them with something else.
- VP Equity and Sustainability asked if SFU has informal control due to some request years ago and if there is any need to turn them over officially. Does this make much of a difference?
- MBBSU Councillor asked if there is any need to take them down; if there is a need to take them down and the presence of the poster boards is detrimental to students, then he would support taking them down as long as SFSS holds onto the wall space.
- VP UAA replied that it would be easier to have SFU deal with this however, if the SFSS keeps the posters in their possession, then it would be best to maintain them, and the best way to keep them would be to monitor them so that only content endorsed by the SFSS is put on the board.
- MBBSU shared it would be great to have a relationship with SFU in which we can keep the resource, and SFU can regulate them within an agreed-upon system.
- The temporary Operations Organizer suggested postponing this motion to confirm the information that was agreed upon in the first place since this conversation has happened before; that way, no information contradicts what is decided upon.
- ISSU Councillor shared they were in favour of postponing and alternatively having SFU keep monitoring them because if they are given to SFU, the SFSS will not get it back.
- VP Equity and Sustainability moved to postpone, and it was seconded by MBBSU Councillor

### **10.3 SFSS to release letter supporting TSSU and regarding Tuition refund-**

**MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:13**

**SUBMITTED BY:** Psychology Student Union President  
**President/ VP Equity and Sustainability**

Whereas currently TSSU is on strike;

Whereas SFSS would like to investigate supporting them;

Be it resolved SFSS draft a letter supporting TSSU to be modified, approved, or denied by the council at the next meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

- SFSS Member Kanksha shared with councillors that the letter for which they are seeking support was written by students and not the SFSS. Students wonder why SFSS has not said anything about the TSSU strike for so long. As an undergraduate, they are concerned about what SFSS has done to take a stance and provide any guidance to students. The member would also like to know why everything is In-Camera, especially when no requests to close the Sub have not been made. As representatives of the student body, the SFSS members would like to know what SFSS has done to support students since the TSSU strike started.
- President replied that the In-Camera session at the start was to address legal topics regarding TSSU, and this cannot be done ex-camera.
- VP Events and Student Affairs would like to know if this is a motion or if this is a Q & A period.
- President replied it was a motion.
- VP Events and Students Affairs replied that TSSU is an external organization, and some would argue shouldn't have a seat on the SFSS at all; that is not to discredit their participation however, most of their actions have taken place with SFU, and SFSS has not been filled in at all or in time to interfere. For example, the information on current pickets was shared in an informal manner, and there was no formal notice of the extended pickets. There has been a disconnect between SFSS and the current issue. The ability to react depends on how fast information is shared. The SFSS would like to

limit any legal liabilities or issues with involvement therefore, it is important to take action under the consultation of council as a whole. The more things happen, the slower the Council works to process what actions to take. While it is important that workers have their say regarding fair pay. VP Events and Student Affairs argued that SFSS and SFU have their own relationship, and they would like to avoid straining it.

- History Student Union Councilor thanked students for coming and replied that this is a difficult situation affecting Undergraduate members and that it is important that the SFSS councilors exercise due diligence to make sure there are no legal implications to whatever actions they choose to take. SFSS recognizes how this is affecting students who are fee-paying members; councilors need to take their time and carry out their fiduciary duty in representing the student population and the organization. There are also underlying issues in communication and the issues pertaining to making sure the SUB can remain functioning, whether it means to picket or close. Undergraduate students are free to write to show their support; however, SFSS will need to do all the checks it has to do.
- Members of the SFSS agreed that this is an important issue, and since the letter has been written, this motion will get us closer to the decision regarding the letter.
- TSSU Councilor thanked Council and shared the narrative of having a concern for the students, especially since it is not a handful of students but all students who are affected by this strike, it is important to gather support. If a letter is sent out, it is important to get it started. She added that discussions of the strike have been on for a while, so it is not new. In the past, SFSS has shown support for TSSU strikes. She is aware that legal and bureaucratic processes and procedures have to be done; however, it would be great to come together to show support to the undergraduate students that we stand for, represent and support them.
- VP Events and Student Affairs shared he understands the need for speed and argued that TSSU's stake in this is different from that of

the SFSS. Regardless of the past, circumstances have changed, and it would be kind to remember that SFSS is not impervious to any backlash or attacks. Their decision to act cannot come back to impact the SFSS legally or morally so the SFSS cannot rush this process. Especially with the disconnects in communication, and TSSU can still act on its own without SFSS approval.

- History Student Union Councilor added that he understands that this letter would be meaningful to TSSU however, right now the SFSS and TSSU have different interests to represent. A lot of undergraduate students are feeling a lot of different pulls in different directions, and not only does SFSS represent undergraduates in TSSU but the entire undergraduate body. He has filled out a few strike incident forms for some of his students, which has been difficult. He further stated he will not allow the SFSS Council to be bullied in order to push this; he would like this to be done in a way that protects everyone from any legal implications, and all due diligence should be done. He added that he would like the Council VP External and Community Affairs to have all the support she needs to receive firm lines of communication with TSSU. He insisted that he does not appreciate SFSS being rushed.
- VP External and Community Affairs thanked students for writing this letter and shared that the SFSS will write a letter of support, and the letter written by the students can be relied on. Based on In Camera discussions, it is agreed this is a sensitive topic and that Council needs to ensure that students are covered. Two letters regarding support for TSSU and tuition can also be done separately to get this going faster.
- President shared that it has come to his attention that the Indigenous Studies Student Union Councillor called to question.

**10.3.1. Call the Question- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:14**  
**ISSU Councillor/History Student Union Councilor**  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 11. 30 MINUTES Q&A

- PSU President shared that he respects SFSS has legal procedures to follow. However, given the TSSU has been on strike for months now and SFSS has not released a statement in any shape or form considering the fact that marginalized students such as International undergraduate students are affected. The inaction from SFSS as a student body will leave a bad image, especially if the strike goes on for two more weeks. This is not to call out any executives; however, it will be a bad image for the Society. He added that he understands that due diligence needs to be met; however, it is important to consider the image after this and overall. hopefully, this ends, and a letter of support is sent in some way, shape or form.
- VP External and Community Affairs thanked the PSU president and agreed the TSSU has been on strike for a while, and she has been in touch with the TSSU. She tried to get a draft letter going; however, the TSSU has only recently reached out, and she is in the process of working on it. There are certain things that they are talking about, especially with regards to how this is impacting students. The communication has been about what needs TSSU has and what needs students have in order to reach a common ground that meets both needs and does not undermine the strike or impact students.
- VP Events and Student Affairs shared that the TSSU issue has been on the Council agenda and has been on since the first executive meeting this Council year. SFSS would like to make sure everyone has a fair outcome for both students and TSSU. He shared there has not been direct communication so far. The main issue is that the SFSS involvement is as a newscaster and just a sidebar and not considered a major player. He does not believe that SFU believes SFSS is on their side; however, there is very little that SFSS can do to speed up the matter in any way, and the choice they take should not affect the work TSSU has done so far. SFSS would like to know how to get involved. Regarding the strikes, SFSS is not responsible for them. TSSU not disseminating information regarding the strike to students when they have the resources is not an SFSS issue.
- Indigenous Studies Student Union Councillor shared that SFSS support for TSSU is to put pressure on SFU to meet their needs. Although it is obvious SFSS supports TSSU, public opinion is important, and two weeks working on this support letter is SFSS rushing it, and it is a healthy timeline. The point in such

public statements is to attract attention of news, media and larger institutions, which is why it is important for SFSS to consult with legal and PR. ISSU Councillor shared that if this is ongoing in two weeks, having the motion on the floor will help SFSS show support and address this issue faster.

- SOCA Councillor shared that this discussion can be had without deflecting and placing blame on the TSSU.
- SFSS Member Alex shared that he understands SFSS's stance on protecting itself legally. However, a group of undergraduate students drafted the letter that the Councillors saw within two days, and the letter is persuasive and strong enough to put pressure on the university to resolve this issue and the strike. This is coming from undergraduate students, and they would like to attend class without crossing picket lines. This letter is not coming from the TSSU; it is coming from students because they would like to attend their classes, and for Council to say that it will take two weeks for the SFSS to write up a letter and it is unrealistic. Additionally, if the Councillors are in these positions and they have been elected to the Council and have further aspirations, taking two weeks to draft a letter that will put pressure on the University should not be the standard. He added that he appreciates Councillors working on it; however, they, too, need to feel the pressure coming from Undergraduate students that they represent. Alex added that some councillors had mentioned that SFSS was being bullied or attacked however, this is not at all the language that has been used in the letter.
- VP Events and Student Affairs clarified that the responsibility of disseminating information is done by TSSU, and SFSS received the information second-hand. Additionally, the idea of simply rushing a letter is willfully undercooked because if a letter of such significance could be drafted that quickly, SFU would not push these negotiations as long as they can. The idea that asking SFU to get this done quickly is not simply how this will work. This is because SFU perceives itself to have the upper hand, which is why the strikes have gone on this long. VP Events and Student Affairs added that SFU has the numbers they work with. SFU has numerous projects it is working on, such as the Medical school. VP Events and Student Affairs stated that SFSS member Kansha be civil in the chat. And proceeded to state that the issue is that SFU is undergoing multiple infrastructure development such as the medical school and because of that they



are not responding to TSSU. In terms of sending a letter, this will not be that unique, and if SFSS is going to put out something, it has to have an impact, and as an Undergraduate student Society, it should have an actual effect on how it is going to be perceived. Two weeks is required to receive Council approval, and an emergency meeting will be held.

- TSSU had a direct response and thanked the VP Events and Student Affairs for his response. TSSU Councillor added that she is happy to know that construction of the medical school is the reason TSSU members are not getting paid enough. TSSU Councillor replied that the TSSU is not against SFSS Council taking time, and the concern is that it has been shifted as a priority for months from July, and it is October now. Students such as herself who have midterms next week are in so much confusion about what to do. Although TSSU is responsible, SFSS as an undergraduate society has a role to play in this. TSSU Councillor thanked Councillors for all the great discussions had so far, and it was great to hear.
- SFSS Member Alex responded it would be about putting pressure on the university to show that Undergraduate students want this to be resolved. While the SFSS would not want to say anything, the University uses against it, saying they support the TSSU would not get the TSSU in trouble. Additionally, the letter shows support for the TSSU but goes in-depth about how it is affecting students.
- ISSU councillor thanked students who came up to address this issue. Although this issue has taken a long, it is procedure for Council to seek consent from all members, and this is as fast as this can go. He responded he would like students to return to the next meeting to continue to advocate for this and ensure their voices are heard.

## **12. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**12.1 Next Council Meeting will be an Annual General Meeting on Wednesday October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023.**

## **13. ADJOURNMENT**

**13.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-11:15**

**President / Criminology Student Association Councillor**

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**