



1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 5:41 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^wməθk^wəḡəm (Musqueam), Sḵwəwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Selílwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k^wik^wəłəm (Kwkwetlem) and ḡicəḡ (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

Member.....	Jules Swalwell
Member.....	Noor
Member.....	Jana Abusharar
Member.....	Tiffany Deng
Member.....	Marwan Saleh
Member.....	Abhishek Parmar
Member.....	Bryan Dang
Member.....	Ahilan Kumaresan

3.4 Regrets

President	Liam Feng
Archeology Student Society (ASS)	Seniha Inceoz
SFPIRG	Tuleen Awad
Bachelor of Environment Student Union	Tiana Andjelic
Philosophy Student Union.....	Nava Karimi
Psychology Student Union	Hilary Tsui

3.5 Alternate

Archeology Student Society (ASS)	Marwan Saleh
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3.6 Absents

Earth Science Student Union.....	Eden Lien
Economics Student Society	Rafid Rahman Chowdhury

Film Student Union	Sofi Badzio
Geography Student Union.....	Erik Makinen
History Student Union.....	Emilio Da Silva
Interactive Arts and Technology Student Union	Karishma Sen
International Studies Student Association (ISSA).....	Sebastian Mujica
Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS)	Rajdave Gill
VP Finance and Services.....	Jadvinder Bolina

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 2023-10-18:01

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

- FASC 2023-09-08
- FASC 2023-02-28
- OCEO 2023-03-02
- OCEO 2023-03-30

4.1.2. Ratification of Regrets- MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-18:02

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from the President “Liam Feng”, Archeology Councillor “Seniha Inceoz”, SFPIRG Councillor “Tuleen Awad”, Bachelor of Environment “Tiana Andjelic”, Psychology Councillor “Hilary Tsui”, and Philosophy Student Union “Nava Karimi” for the 18th of October Council meeting.

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-18:03

Acting VP Internal / MBB

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

- The Acting VP Internal moved include a new discussion item titled as” AGM Discussion”.

6. IN-CAMERA

6.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-18:04

MBB / Acting VP Internal

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Legal Liability

7. EX-CAMERA

7.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-18:05

MBA / CSA

Be it resolved to go ex-camera.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.1 SFSS Releasing Draft Letter Supporting TSSU and Student Tuition Refunds.

SUBMITTED BY: MBB Councillor

- The MBB Councillor on behalf of the President mentioned that he does not support the TSSU at all and suggest that the letter shall only support the Student Tuition Refunds.
- The MBB Councillor moved to amend two statements on to the letter.
- OOC mentioned that they support the amendment as suggested entirely. This amendment is careful and is speaking for the student. The fact that it is under our Issues Policy, it is written in fabric of the SFSS.
- The Chemistry Councillor mentioned that they have kept a neutral stance for the TSSU strike. During the timeline of the TSSU strike, there have been events which pertains to harmful actions against chemistry students who have paid to receive an education. These events include verbal abuse towards chemistry students, physical blocking of chemistry students enroute to class, physical disruption during class time, and abuse towards working chemistry faculty in the presence of chemistry students. Such actions have make chemistry students uncomfortable with the way they receive education. While CSS understand support the cause behind the TSSU strike, in light of these events, TSSU has made it difficult for the CSS to stand with them. As a result, the CSS condemns these harmful acts towards the chemistry students and does not support the TSSU job action.
- The ISSU Councillor spoke in support of this. They mentioned as a union we have to stand for other unions. Strike actions are disrupted but it is unfortunate. They do not promote harassing someone. They mentioned that even if they do not support the TSSU they support SFSS to end the strike so they can return back to work and school.
- The VP Events mentioned that they are aware of the fact that they have to support strikes as per the issues policy. However, they do not support the harassment specially within the Chemistry student society. While they do support the movement, they do not support such behavior and actions as the video is also circulating on the social media. They do sympathize with the Chemistry Student Union.
- The MBB Councillor mentioned that most of the MBB students were present in the professor Leznoff class where the disruption happened and they are glad that these tactics

would not be repeated.

- The OOC mentioned that this would not occur again. They mentioned that there will be no apology that will be offered. There will different tactics being used as also discussed with the SFU security. But, no apology would be issued.
- One of the member mentioned that to support the student is to support the strike. They did a disruption in their own class and the reason it was not shared publically was because it was successful. They are in favor of disruptions and are in favor of doing it respectfully.
- In response to one of the members regarding if any actions were taken against the member who acted in a unprofessional way as shown in the video, the OOC councilor mentioned that at the present time, after the circulation of video of the social media and taking the mental health concern of the member no action has been taken. However, once they are back from their mental health leave this will potentially be discussed.
- The Archeology Councillor alternate support in favor of passing this motion.
- The VP External mentioned that they are in support of this letter being released today and the amendment as suggested by the MBB Councillor. They are here to represent the students and are in support of this letter.
- The SASU Councillor mentioned that they are in support of this letter being released. By having the classes suspended it does affect the international student who pay such high fees.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Move to Suspend the Rules to Add the Motion Titled “Approval of the Press Statement – Tuition Refund - COUNCIL 2023-10-18:06

SUBMITTED BY: Acting VP Internal

Acting VP Internal / CSA

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.2 Approval of the Press Statement – Tuition Refund - COUNCIL 2023-10-18:07

SUBMITTED BY: Acting VP Internal

MBB / ISSU

Whereas, the Executive Committee have drafted a statement titled “Press Statement – Tuition Refund”;

Whereas, the SFSS supports and advocated for our membership – the undergraduate students of SFU, and our policies;

Be it resolved to approve and release the statement “Press Statement – Tuition Refund.”

CARRIED AS AMENDED

Against (1) : Chemistry

- The MBB Councillor move to amend the letter to add the line “in line with the SFSS living wage and union rights policy, we support TSSU’S right to strike.”
- The MBB Councillor moved to amend to the letter to add a call to action “We call on SFU to end the strike as soon as possible.
- The OOC Councillor moved to call the question.

9.3 Call the Question - COUNCIL 2023-10-18:08

OOC / ISSU

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.4 Amendment to the Press Statement – Tuition Refund Letter- COUNCIL 2023-10-18:09

SUBMITTED BY: VP Events and Student Affairs

VP Events / CSA

CARRIED AS AMENDED

Abstained (2) : TSSU and OOC

- The VP Events on behalf of Geography Student Union Councillor mentioned that this statement shall be amended on to the letter “The SFSS equally demands that TSSU respects students and professors right to cross pickets or attend classes without harassment or unnecessary disruption”.
 - The OOC in response to the VP events mentioned that this is listed as a policy and shared as it is. They are more than welcome to add this to the letter. However, they are not in favor of this amendment.
 - The VP Events clarified that this amendment has been requested by the Geography Student Union and is not something that they got it. It is up to the Council to approve and have this in the letter
 - The TSSU Councillor mentioned that they do not understand why unnecessary disruption and harassments are being used in the letter.
 - The OOC Councillor mentioned that the right to strike acknowledges potential of disruption.
 - The Acting VP Internal mentioned that they are not in support of harassment of students or the harassment of the professors.
 - The VPUAA does not understand why people are refusing this for redundancy. The exact words can be changed to add more clarity for instance putting not making noise and disrupting people who are trying to studies. They represent the undergraduate students and international students come here spending so much and it is not fair for them to pay so much and not go to their class. It is even worse when you pay thousands of dollars and they you have folks disrupt the class.
 - The OOC Councillor mentioned that they acknowledge that certain actions may be

beyond approved strike tactics, and acknowledge that reality without condemning right to strike.

- One of the member mentioned that it would be fine if in the letter the word “without harassment” or unnecessary disruption” could be removed.
- The OOC moved to amend the motion to include “we also stand against any member of the SFU community harassing or intimidating members of the TSSU on the picket line.”
- The OOC mentioned that they will be adding their amendment after our VP Events amended on theirs on to the agenda.
- The OOC retracts their amendment.

9.5 Call the Question- MOTION - COUNCIL 2023-10-18:10

SUBMITTED BY: Out on Campus Collective

OOC / CSA

In Favor (19): Behavioral Neuroscience, Biology, BPK, Chemistry, Computing Science, Criminology, Engineering Science, Environmental Science, Health Science, Mechatronic, MBB, Political Science, SUS, SASSA, Sociology and Anthropology, CSS, Acting VP Internal, VP Events and VPUAA.

Against (0)

Abstentions (9): Indigenous Studies, DNA, TSSU, FNMISA, OOC, SOCA, VP External, VP Equity and RHA.

CARRIED

**The Behavioral Neuroscience Councillor left the meeting at 8:11 PM*

9.6 Amendment to the Press Statement – Tuition Refund Letter- COUNCIL 2023-10-18:11

SUBMITTED BY: Out on Campus Collective

OOC / ISSU

Blurb: We also stand against any member of the SFU community harassing or intimidating members of the TSSU on the picket line

CARRIED

- The TSSU councillor mentioned that it is not harassment and this amendment will add another side.

9.7 Call the Question- MOTION - COUNCIL 2023-10-18:12

SUBMITTED BY: Out on Campus Collective

OOC / CSA

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.8 Move to Extend the Meeting until 9:30 PM- MOTION - COUNCIL 2023-10-18:13

SUBMITTED BY: Acting VP Internal

Acting VP Internal / MBB

CARRIED

Abstention (1) : Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society

9.9 Call the Question- MOTION - COUNCIL 2023-10-18:14

SUBMITTED BY: Indigenous Studies Student Union

Indigenous Studies Student Union / MBB

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. DISCUSSION Item

10.1 AGM Discussion

SUBMITTED BY: Acting VP Internal

- The Acting VP Internal encouraged councillors to urge students and their classmates and other SFU Students to attend the AGM next week on Wednesday, at 4:30 pm.
- The Acting VP Internal mentioned that it will be over zoom and we would need people in seats for the quorum.
- The CSA Councillor mentioned that students can come and run the meeting at the background. Their will be prizes and giveaway at the end of the meeting and students can run the meeting at the background if they are too busy. But, are encourage to attend the meeting.
- The OOC mentioned that we will not be able to pay for Student Health Care if people do not come. There are also very important things to discuss such as amending the by-laws.

11. 30 MINUTES Q&A

- The OOC mentioned that they and the TSSU Councillor are here if anyone have any questions regarding the picket lines and strikes.
- The TSSU Councillor mentioned that anyone can reach out to them or meet them in the picket's line if anyone have any questions.

12. ATTACHMENTS

12.1 Press Statement – Tuition Refund.pdf

13. ADJOURNMENT

13.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2023-10-18:15

MBB / RHA

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 PM



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