

1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 4:40 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^wəy̓əm (Musqueam), Sḵw̓xwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Selíłwítulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k^wik^wəł̓əm (Kwíkwetlem) 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

Applied Science.....	Vacant
Archeology.....	Damon Tarrant
Art, Performance, and Cinema Studies	Vacant
Asia Canada Studies	Vacant
Bachelor of Environment	Tiana Andjelic
Behavioral Neuroscience	Aarthi Srinivasan
Biology.....	Nicolas Bonilla
Biomedical Physiology & Kinesiology	Gurleen Grewal
Business	Vacant
Chemistry.....	Vacant
Cognitive Science	Aaron Fung
Communications.....	Alan Ropke
Computing Science	Shariq Ahsan
Criminology.....	Ava Wood

Dance.....	Vacant
Data Science Student Union.....	Vadym Shakhraichuk
Earth Science	Eden Lien
Economics.....	Rafid Rahman
Education.....	Christine Yoo
Engineering Science	Liam Feng
English Councillor.....	Vacant
Environmental Science.....	Vacant
Faculty of Applied Science	Vacant
Faculty of Communications, Arts and Technology	
Faculty of Environment Event	Vacant
Film Student Union	Vacant
Fine and Performing Arts	Vacant
French.....	Ethan Dungey
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies.....	Simran Basra
Geography	Natasha Kearns
Gerontology Student Union	Vacant
Global Asia Studies Student Union.....	Vacant
Health Science	Priyanka Dhesa
History	Matthew Reed
Humanities.....	Vacant
Indigenous Studies Student Union	Vacant
Interactive Arts and Technology	Jung-yeon Lee
International Studies Student Association	Sude Guvendik
Labour Studies	Vacant
Latin American Studies	Vacant
Linguistics	Alev Maleki
Mathematics.....	Ben Tischler
Mechatronics System Engineering	Ryley McWilliams

Molecular Biology & Biochemistry	Houman Mirhossein
Music Student Union	Vacant
Operations Research.....	Vacant
Performing Arts	Vacant
Philosophy	Ashley Flett
Physics	Daniel Alder
Political Science	Brydan Denis
Psychology	Mark Giles
Public Policy.....	Vacant
Science Undergraduate Society	Ayooluwa Adigun
Semester in Dialogue	Vacant
Society of Arts and Social Sciences.....	Hilary Tsui
Sociology and Anthropology	Arthur Lee
Software Systems	Gurmehar Singh
Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA).....	David Taeil Ahn
Sustainable Community Development.....	Vacant
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society	Mohammad Al-Sheboul
Theatre Student Union	Vacant
Visual Arts.....	Vacant
World Languages and Literature	Raghava Payment

Constituency Group Representatives

Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance.....	Aiden Cumming-Teicher
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association.....	Keianna James
International Student Advocates	Vacant
Out on Campus Collective.....	Vacant
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry	Linda Chobang
Women Centre Collective	Vacant

Affiliated Student Groups

Residence Hall’s Association (RHA) Emmanuel Adegboyege
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)..... Vacant

SFSS Executive Committee

President (Chair) Helen Sofia Pahou
VP Internal and Organizational Development
VP Finance and Services..... Abhishek Parmar
VP University and Academic Affairs Nicole Kirigin
VP External and Community Affairs Eshana Baran
VP Equity and Sustainability..... Rea Chatterjee
VP Events and Student Affairs..... Vaibhav Arora

3.2 Society Staff

Board Organizer Emmanuela Droko
Building Manager John Walsh
Operations Organizer Ayesha Khan
Temporary Operations Organizer Sindhu Dharmarajah
Policy, Research, Community Affairs Coordinator..... Beaty Omboga
Administrative Assistant Simar Thukral
Out on Campus Assistant Cicely Ashley

3.3 Alternates

Society of Arts and Social Sciences..... Shammias

3.4 Regrets

Linguistics Alev Maleki
History Matthew Reed
Mechatronics System Engineering Ryley McWilliams

Archeology	Damon Tarrant
Cognitive Science	Aaron Fung
Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies.....	Simran Basra
Physics	Daniel Alder
Society of Arts and Social Sciences.....	Hilary Tsui
Statistics and Actuarial Science (SASSA).....	David Taeil Ahn

3.5 Guests

Member	Chloe Arneson
Member	Patrick Peake
Member	Truman Bui

3.6 Absents

Bachelor of Environment	Tiana Andjelic
Earth Science	Eden Lien
Education.....	Christine Yoo
Geography	Natasha Kearns
Interactive Arts and Technology	Jung-yeon Lee
International Studies Student Association	Sude Guvendik
Molecular Biology & Biochemistry	Houman Mirhossein
Psychology	Mark Giles
Sustainable Energy Engineering Student Society	Mohammad Al-Sheboul
World Languages and Literature	Raghava Payment
Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance.....	Aiden Cumming-Teicher
First Nations, Métis & Inuit Student Association.....	Keianna James
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry	Linda Chobang
VP Equity and Sustainability.....	Rea Chatterjee

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 – Committee Minutes - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:01

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

- NOM 2022-07-15
- HRP 2022-07-25

4.1.2. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS -MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:02

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from Linguistics Councillor “Alev Maleki”, History Councillor “Matthew Reed”, and Mechatronics Systems Engineering Councillor “Ryley McWilliams”.

4.1.3. Housekeeping and Procedural Changes to R-10 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:03

SUBMITTED BY: Mathematics Councillor “Ben Tischler”

Whereas there are several minor errors in R-10 that require correction as they result in the policy being unclear and potentially incorrectly applied by future councils;

Whereas there are several procedural errors in R-10 that are relatively minor in nature which should be corrected to ensure that our procedures are consistent with policy;

Be it resolved to amend R-10.2 by striking the word “Committee” in R-10.2(a).

Be it further resolved to amend R-10.3 by adding a section (c) that reads: (c) list a record of who voted in favour, and against or abstained on a motion, or if a motion passes unanimously.

Be it further resolved to amend R-10.5 by striking “Council designate” and replacing it with “designate”.

Be it further resolved to amend R-10.5(a) by adding the word “The” to the front of the policy.

Be it further resolved to amend R-10.5(b) by striking “byCouncil” and replacing it with “by Council”.

**4.1.4. Housekeeping Changes to R-12 - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:04
SUBMITTED BY: Mathematics Councillor “Ben Tischler”**

Whereas R-12 of Council Policies requires a minor fix to remove a typo;

Be it resolved to amend R-12.2 by striking “or Council”.

4.1.5. ERPP-1 Bylaw Reference Update - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:05

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

Be it resolved to strike reference to “Bylaws 15(11), 15(13), and 15(22)” in ERPP-1 “Policy” and replace it with “Bylaw 13: 13(11), 13(13), and 13(23).”

Be it further resolved to strike reference to “Bylaw 16” in ERPP-1 Policy: “Executive Committee By-Elections and Referenda must be completed by the end of the tenth (10th) week of the Summer and/or Fall semesters, including three periods (nomination period, campaigning period, and voting period) in accordance with By-Law 16(3). Executive Committee By-Elections and Referenda also require at least two (2) weeks of pre-Election or pre-Referendum planning, and two (2) weeks of Post-Election or Post-Referendum reporting.”

Be it further resolved to replace it with: “Executive Committee By-Elections and Referenda must be completed by the end of the tenth (10th) week of the Summer and/or Fall semesters, including three periods (nomination

period, campaigning period, and voting period) in accordance with Bylaw 14 subsection 3 through 8. Executive Committee By-Elections and Referenda also require at least two (2) weeks of pre-Election or pre-Referendum planning, and two (2) weeks of Post- Election or Post- Referendum reporting.”

Be it further resolved to strike references to Bylaw 17 in ERPP-1 Policy: “This section does not limit the time by which a referendum can be conducted if it is a special resolution to impeach a Councillor or Executive Officer, whereby impeachment may be called at any time in any semester with thirty (30) days notice following a Member petition or a vote of Council in accordance with By-Law 17.”

Be it further resolved to replace it with: “This section does not limit the time by which a referendum can be conducted if it is a special resolution to impeach a Councillor or Executive Officer, whereby impeachment may be called at any time in any semester with thirty (30) days notice following a Member petition or a vote of Council in accordance with By-Law 15.”

Be it lastly resolved to strike references to “Bylaw 16(3)” in ERPP-1.8 and replace it with “Bylaw 14(3).”

4.1.6. Housekeeping Changes to SO-2 -MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:06

SUBMITTED BY: Mathematics Councillor “Ben Tischler”

Whereas there are several minor typos that should be corrected in SO-2 for clarity;

Whereas these typos should be corrected as they are still referencing the old governance model, rather than the new governance model;

Be it resolved to amend SO-2.3 by striking “Councilcommittee” and replacing it with “Council committee.”

Be it further resolved to amend SO-2.13 by striking “in camera” and replacing it with “in-camera.”

Be it further resolved to amend SO-2.14(a) by striking “Each director” and replacing it with “Each member of council.”

Be it further resolved to amend SO-2.14(b) by striking “director” and replacing it with “member of council.”

4.1.7. Procedural and Housekeeping Changes to MGP-4-MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:07

SUBMITTED BY: Mathematics Councillor “Ben Tischler”

Whereas there are several minor spelling errors in MGP-4;

Whereas there is also a procedural ambiguity that exists in MGP-4.25 regarding the procedure for the suspension of student unions;

Be it resolved to amend MGP-4.21 by striking “The Council” and replacing it with “Council.”

Be it resolved to amend MGP-4.23 by striking “The Council” and replacing it with “Council.”

Be it resolved to amend MGP-4.25 by striking “The Council” and replacing it with “Council.”

Be it resolved to amend MGP-4.25 by adding a new section (a) that reads:
(a) Council may do so by a motion requiring a 2/3rds majority vote of members in attendance at the Council Meeting. Such a motion shall require three (3) weeks notice to Council.

Be it resolved to amend MGP-4.26(d) by striking “VP Finance” and replacing it with “VP Finance and Services.”

4.1.8. IEC-1: Housekeeping Change -MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:08

SUBMITTED BY: Mathematics Councillor “Ben Tischler”

Whereas IEC-1(13) currently makes reference to “Executive Board” members;

Whereas the SFSS now refers to those members as “Executive Officers”;

Be it resolved to amend IEC-1(13) by striking IEC-1(13)(a) and replacing it with: a. The Chief Commissioner shall receive a stipend equivalent to that of an Executive Officer.

Be it further resolved to amend IEC-1(13) by striking IEC(1)(13)(b) and replacing it with: a. Electoral Commissioners shall receive a stipend equivalent to that of half an Executive Officer.

4.1.9. FASC Student at Large Appointment-MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:09

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

Whereas the Finance and Administrative Services Committee has two available seats for member at larges;

Whereas Nominating and Finance Services Committee has approved one of the member at larges;

Be it resolved to appoint Ameila Hunt as a student at large for the Finance and Administrative Services Committee.

4.1.10. Housekeeping and Procedural Changes to R-5 -MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:10

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

Whereas R-5 has several minor errors and typos/spelling mistakes that need to be corrected to ensure the consistency of the policy with

established practice;

Be it resolved to amend R-5.1 by striking it and replacing it with:
5.1. Proper operation of a democratic student organization requires that students elected or appointed to Council or a Society Committee be duly responsible to the membership. To this end, it is imperative that:

Be it further resolved to amend R-5.3 by striking R-5.3 and replace it with "Members of Council and Society Committees shall not:"

Be it further resolved to amend R-5.3 by adding the word "the" in between the words "at" and "Council" in R-5.3(iii)(c)(v)

Be it further resolved to amend R-5.4 by striking the phrase "- with Council or Council initiating the proceedings for removal." from R-5.4(c)

Be it resolved to renumber the policy accordingly.

**4.1.11. Accepting the resignation of the VP Equity and Sustainability -
MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:11**

SUBMITTED BY: President "Helen Sofia Pahou"

Be it resolved to accept the resignation of the VP Equity and Sustainability "Rea Chatterjee", effective immediately.

**4.1.12. Accepting the resignation of the Archeology Councillor -MOTION
COUNCIL 2022-08-31:12**

SUBMITTED BY: President "Helen Sofia Pahou"

Be it resolved to accept the resignation of the Archeology Councillor "Damon Tarrant", effective September 13, 2022.

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:13

Vaibhav / Ashley

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

- The President moved to include a new section titled Ratification of Regrets, which contains one motion.
- The VP External moved to include a new business item titled SFSS X Steps Forward.
- The VP Events moved to include a new business item titled Pakistan Flood Cause.

6. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS

6.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:14

Helen / Shariq

SUBMITTED BY: President “Helen Sofia Pahou”

Be it resolved to ratify regrets from the Archeology Councillor “Damon Tarrant”, the Cognitive Science Councillor “Aaron Fung”, the Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies Councillor “Simran Basra”, the Geography Councillor “Natasha Kearns”, the Physics Councillor “Daniel Alder”, the Society of Arts and Social Sciences Councillor “Hilary Tsui”, the Statistics and Actuarial Science Councillor “David Taeil Ahn”, and the World Languages and Literature Councillor “Raghava Payment.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. PRESENTATION

7.1 External Office – Water Drive

SUBMITTED BY: VP External and Community Affairs “Eshana Baran”

ATTACHMENT:

- The VP External presented about the Water Drive and mentioned that it was a project from the external office.
- They expressed that this idea was brought up when they were communicating with the previous VP External about the projects they would like to take on, and talking about the heat wave.
- This was brought to the External and Community Affairs Committee to assure that we give back to community and are there for them when any natural

disaster or heat wave occurs. This was discussed in the committee meetings and with organizations who has done similar work in regards to the Water Drive to make sure work is not being repeated and they are actually supporting and making a difference.

- They reached out to different stores for water bottle donations. A lot of people did not answer us back. But, a few of them actually donated and helped us for the water drive.
- Membership and Councillors came on the day of action near the Surrey SFU to talk to the community and to hand out water.

7.2 SFSS X Steps – Forward Collaboration

SUBMITTED BY: VP External and Community Affairs “Eshana Baran”

PRESENTED BY: Campaigns and Mobilization Coordinator “Muriel Adarkwa”

ATTACHMENT:

- The Campaigns and Mobilization Coordinator presented on how nurturing inclusion can change perspective on disability.
- Steps Forward is a BC Initiative for inclusive post-secondary education. It provides support to students with developmental and intellectual disability to attend post-secondary, engage with the community, and also a pathway to adults where when you finish high school the society expect from you to go to a post-secondary institution.
- People with the development disability in the past, their education has been characterized by situation and institutionalization. It was mainly influenced by the Eugenics Institution and when it came to that particular notion of safeguarding society whereby people who have undesirable genetic traits are isolated from society and most of them were done through restricted corporation sterilization. Families who had children with disability were forced to send their sons and daughters institutions.
- A more recent history, In the past fifty years there's been a lot that has been done to kind of not isolate people with learning and development or disabilities. Canada has come a long way. The Federal Government provides funding for families with disability. We also have them signed in on to the UN Declaration for the rights of persons with intellectual disabilities.

- The reality is that students with disability want to attend university for the same reasons as the appears. They want to get a good job they want to network. It's a right of passage. However, research has shown that some data spaces often lead to isolation, and for long-term live choices and never any employment outcomes. Teaching and working with students with developmental disabilities require specialized teaching and working skills and exceptional time and effort. This is not true. Most specialized still in training is required to include the students with disabilities in the post secondary institution. We have found out that when it comes to teaching the same skills that is used for the average students also works with students with learning and development or disability
- So they go to the SFSS X Steps forward collaboration currently through the work done by predecessors. They have been able to get the University to give certain benefits that students full time, part time get. They would like students from steps forward to have access to like recreational activities and transit paths. Those things that students take for granted. Not all students have access to it, because the University term them as audited students. So they finally had that. However, there's still more to be that the University doesn't allow them to. Currently, when it comes to go up in intention, volunteer work, they don't allow such students to access that. When they go into the employment environment they still face the challenge of seeing the environment as foreign because they not actually have entered into the working environment before. By us, putting in place certain structures to help them experience what it is like to be in a in a work environment, what it is like to carry out administrative tasks because it is like to be part of a team, we can give them the foot into what this feels like to be in the work environment.
- There are common misconceptions that individuals with developmental disabilities cannot learn, or cannot learn at a post-secondary level. Segregated spaces lead to positive outcome, and teaching and working with students with developmental disabilities requires specialized training and working skills, and exceptional time and effort.
- Individuals irrespective of their circumstances and ability should be given the option to decide what their futures look like by creating an accessible

environment to allow or inclusion in all parts of the society.

- The benefits of potential SFSS and Steps forward collaboration would be access to learning about academic areas of interest, Social relevancy, Real world opportunities for skill building / understanding social expectations, increase in perceived social value, access to all of the opportunities that university offers, community and friendship, significant increase in employment opportunity (30% national average to 80%), and changing perspective about disability.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Move to Suspend the Rule and consider motion 8.2 - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:15

SUBMITTED BY: VP External and Community Affairs “Eshana Baran”

Eshana / Ethan

NOT CARRIED

In favor (3): Computing Science, RHA, and VP External

Against (11): Communications, Criminology, Economics, Biology, Mathematics, Philosophy, Society of Arts and Social Sciences, Sociology and Anthropology, President, VP Internal, and VP Finance.

Abstention (10): Behavioural Neuroscience, BPK, Data Science, Earth Science, Engineering Science, FCAT, French, Political Science, Science Undergraduate Society, and VP Events.

9. PRESENTATION

9.1 Report on the 2023 BC Budget Consultation Report

SUBMITTED BY: VP External and Community Affairs “Eshana Baran”

ATTACHMENT: Budget-2023-Consultation-Report.pdf

- The VP External mentioned that this was put forward to update Council on the 2023 BC Budget Consultation Report. Two of their recommendations made it into the recommendations by the legislative assembly. The first thing was, increase mental health support for students at post-secondary institution across the province including funding to hire BIPOC counselors and hiring mental health counselors. The second one was to review financial barriers to

post-secondary educations by providing bursaries, grants, and award to students.

9.2 2022 Engineering Competition

SUBMITTED BY: Engineering Science “Liam Feng”

ATTACHMENT:

- Annual competition held by ESSS and MESS.
- Applied Science faculties welcome bright and ambitious students to join and compete in various subjects of engineering.
- SFU Engineering Competition is a platform for students to prove themselves and qualify for the Western Engineering Competition.
- Is a lovingly beautiful opportunity to connect with friends and gain experience about engineer-things.
- The competition has 8 different engineering categories with complexity ranging from freshman year to senior level.
- ESSS loves inclusivity. EC will be open to anybody from any year in any major.
- Completely Free, which is a good price.
- General costs will include Room booking and staffing, along with Catering costs and Junior Senior design materials.
- This year the event is taking place in the SFU Burnaby Campus on an undecided date around mid November.
- EC is an integral component of the Engineering faculty that helps make SFU Engineers who they are. it's a gorgeous, golden opportunity that rears its head once a year to alert infant engineers about the wonderful possibilities that await them. (and if you're reading this, EC could await you too)
- The completion will be held on Saturday, November 2nd, 2022 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm at SFU Burnaby Campus.
- In response to the President regarding what extra help our Engineering Science Councillor would require for this event, they mentioned that extra hands on board would be as much valuable as providing money. Having someone from SFSS helping them for the event would be very beneficial. They are in initial phrase for this event and as they progress they would appreciate any support from the executives or the councillors.

9.3 Financial Statements

SUBMITTED BY: VP Finance and Services “Abhishek Parmar”

ATTACHMENT:

- The VP Finance presented about the financial statements from the first semester. They mentioned that the main revenue comes from SFSS activity fees and comparing the actual amount they got with the amount budgeted for the semester, it seems that they are short and this not only is for SFSS, it is also hitting SFU due to pandemic and enrollments has been lower at international level.
- In terms of costs, there has been some savings as councillors have resigned so the stipends had been reduced.
- They expressed that the COVID Response line item is a restricted fund meaning that we can only spend it on COVID related objects, and would likely need to be moved into the general fund at a later date.
- Looking at committees, they mentioned that not everything is allocated 100%, but that committees are looking pretty good on spending.
- They mentioned that clubs haven't been using their core and grants. But, they expect the numbers to go up in the fall semester.
- Currently they are to run for about \$242,359 deficit. In terms of finance, currently they are able to serve the deficit but in long term this is of concern and they urged council to consider the expenses they are taking on in the long term.
- In response to the FCAT Councillor regarding what is the budget for donations specifically the ones that council passes, our VP Finance mentioned that it depends as certain donations come through varying line items. They also mentioned that the donations line item itself was forced to be created to allocate for the fifteen thousand dollars that was provided to MSU (Migrant Students United) last year.

**10 Minutes break taken at 6:00 pm*

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Move to suspend the rules to consider the Call for AGM- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:16
Ben / VP Internal
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.2 Call for Annual General Meeting – MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:17
SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development
ATTACHMENT:
VP Internal/ Ben

Whereas the Members' Meeting Planning Committee has met throughout the Summer 2022 semester;

Whereas the Members' Meeting Planning Committee is in charge of planning the Annual General Meeting;

Whereas the committee has received information from SFU regarding class scheduling for Fall 2022;

Whereas reaching quorum and AV set-up has been an issue for a potential hybrid Annual General Meeting;

Whereas holding a virtual Annual General Meeting provides more flexibility for students to attend;

Be it resolved that Council calls the Annual General Meeting for October 27, 2022 at 5:30 PM.

Be it further resolved that the Annual General Meeting will be held virtually.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.3 Move to suspend the rules to have report from committee section after the new business section – MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:18
SUBMITTED BY: Mathematics Councillor "Ben Tischler"

Mover / Secunder

Not Considered - Lost Quorum

- Quorum has not been met.
- The president expressed that they understand it is summer time. However, the council meeting invite has been in everyone's calendar. They reiterated that it is imperative that councillors show up. It is imperative that if councilors know that they need to be away from these meetings, they have to use the jot form to submit their regrets, and not last minute. While they understand that life gets in the way, and councillors will send in their regrets before the meeting like hours before the meeting, not even days, hours before the meeting into my inbox. They can only feel disheartened, knowing that the chances of moving business forward decreases because no one is showing up.
- The president mentioned that It is important for councillors to be here, and moving forward into the fall semester they expect coucillors to attend, and if they cannot attend the meeting, then they expect that they submit the regrets to them, or via the jot form way in advance.
- Quorum was met after a short 5-minute break.

10.4 Move to Suspend the Rules to have Reports from Committee come after New Business – MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:19

SUBMITTED BY: Mathematics Councillor "Ben Tischler"

Ben / Abhishek

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. IN-CAMERA

11.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:20

Helen / Ben

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Hours of Work Survey

12. EX-CAMERA

12.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:21

Helen / Arthur

Be it resolved to go ex-camera.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.1 Hours of Work Survey Question Bank Approval - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:22

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

Helen / Abhishek

Whereas the SFSS expanded operational hours for the Student Union Building (SUB) on a trial basis;

Whereas the SUB's operational hours' impact both Staff and students;

Whereas questions have been curated to inquire about the working hours relating to SFSS staff;

Whereas questions have been curated to inquire about how often, and regularly, students use the SUB;

Whereas the Executives have already preliminarily approved the question banks;

Be it further resolved that Council approves the question banks as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13.2 AVP Hour Requirements and R-17 Updates - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:23

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

VP Internal/ Abhishek

Whereas Associate Vice Presidents (AVP) for Executive Committee members do not exist in bylaw, only in policy;

Whereas AVPs are unpaid and are required to work at least fifteen (15) hours weekly for their Executive Officers;

Whereas there is not enough funding to pay AVPs for their work;

Whereas AVPs may be non-executive Council members, but can also be non-Council members students;

Be it resolved to strike the “relevant bylaws” section of R-17.

Be it further resolved to fix the missing space in R-17.1 and 17.1(a).

Be it lastly resolved to strike R-17.5 and replace it with:

"Associate Vice-Presidents shall work no more than 10 hours per week."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**13.3 Funds for Burnaby Mountain Gondola Celebration- MOTION COUNCIL
2022-08-31:24**

SUBMITTED BY: VP External and Community Affairs “Eshana Baran”

Abhishek / Arthur

Whereas, students have advocated for the Burnaby Mountain Gondola for the past 10 years, and then alongside Simon Fraser University in the last 3 years;

Whereas, the Burnaby Mountain Gondola was endorsed by Burnaby City Council and put on TransLink’s 10 year plan;

Whereas, the years of advocacy and the win of the Gondola coming to SFU should be celebrated;

Whereas, the External Office is planning to host a Celebration for the Gondola in the Student Union Building;

Whereas, there will be guests in attendance from SFU, Burnaby City Council,

Representatives from Translink, Alumni, and membership for this celebration;

Whereas, there will be food and drink purchased for this event;

Whereas, the event will be livestreamed to accommodate for community who are unable to attend in-person;

Whereas, there will need to be decorative materials purchased for the event;

Whereas, food and drink will cost around \$400 CAD;

Whereas, live streaming will cost around \$300 CAD;

Whereas, the purchase of decorative materials will cost around \$100 CAD;

Be it resolved to pass up to \$800 CAD for food, drink, live streaming and decorative materials from a line item determined by the VP Finance for the Burnaby Mountain Gondola Celebration

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- In response to the French Councillor regarding if \$300 for live stream is standard, the VP External expressed that as per their research this came to be the best.
- VP Finance urged council to vote in favor of this motion and appreciated the VP External for reaching out to them way in advance for the financial matter.
- The President expressed that if anything is concerning finance, it is always great to reach out to our VP Finance way in advance.
- VP External mentioned that there will be members from community out for this event and our membership as well. This will be an event to celebrate the things together and they will soon be sending out a call for volunteers. They are willing to answer any questions that comes up.

13.4 SFSS X Steps Forward- MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:25

SUBMITTED BY: VP External and Community Affairs “Eshana Baran”

Eshana / Ben

Whereas, the SFSS has successfully collaborated with Steps-Forward to better the teaching and learning experience of students with intellectual and developmental disabilities at SFU;

Whereas, this collaboration has led to the successful incorporation of auditing students receiving some benefits that accrued to only full and part-time students such as U-Pass and recreational activities;

Whereas, research has shown that people with developmental disabilities are often put into artificially constructed situations because of the lack of opportunity to experience real-life scenarios such as what to expect at the workplace, currently, the co-operative education office at SFU does not extend its resources to students with the initiative leading to them often experiencing a disconnection from what is usual or typical;

Whereas more can be done to ensure that these students experience the full breadth of university life including having access to co-op opportunities and scholarships to ease the financial burden on themselves and families;

Be it resolved, that the amount of \$5000 CAD is allocated per semester towards this initiative with \$2000 CAD going towards financial scholarships and \$3000 CAD towards co-op and per diem purposes.

Be it further resolved, that a semesterly report be presented to council on how the money is spent and its breakdown.

Be it further resolved, that the VP Finance be tasked to find a line-item for this initiative and in going forward makes provision for this in the yearly budget.

REFERRED TO FINANCE AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

- In response to the Mathematics Councillor regarding if the financial element of this motion has been consulted with our VP Finance, they

mentioned that they were not consulted on the numbers for this motion.

- The VP External mentioned that they just got looped into this project.
- The VP External on behalf of Campaign and Mobilization Coordinator mentioned that following from the work done by previous executives, following the recommendations from VPUAA, and University and Academic Affairs Committee, they ask council to make a semesterly contribution of \$5000 towards this initiative. A semesterly report will be provided to council on how much money is spent, how much is left over and carried forward to next semester.
- The VP Internal requested for clarity on who will be compiling the report, if this is the VP Finance, Steps forwards, or VP External.
Also, they mentioned that they are not okay with funding going out on a semesterly basis as they do not see any budget or briefing note on this matter given this is a long term commitment. Considering this motion was sent to the Council in a short notice of time. So, they feel uncomfortable to commit to this for long term.
- The Mathematics Councillor mentioned that they are not comfortable to vote on this motion today. And, they suggested to postpone this motion indefinitely.
- The FCAT Councillor mentioned that it is a good initiative. However, if we are giving the money to an external organization, they are wondering how this money is spent and if their budget can be seen. An external organization may have a cut in cost such as administrative costs, so it can be better if we work towards this direct.
- In response to Computing Science Councillor regarding before coming to Council with this motion these things should come to Finance and Services Committee to do the due diligence, the VP Finance mention that they can make sure to work on this.

13.4.1 Move to refer 13.4 to FASC Committee - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:26

Ben / VP Internal

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13.5 Pakistan Flood Cause - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:27

SUBMITTED BY: VP Events and Students Affairs “Vaibhav Arora”

Ashley / Shariq

Whereas Pakistan has been hit with one of the worst floods in the history;

Whereas 1/3rd of the country is submerged and more than 10 million people have been affected;

Whereas more than 1 thousand people are reported to be dead;

Be it resolved to form a working group for the cause with 4 councillors position and 1 chair.

Be it further resolved to approve \$2000 for the cause from a line item by the VP Finance.

POSTPONED

- The VP Events mentioned that this is an urgent situation and something to be taken care of immediately.
- The FCAT Councillor mentioned why \$2000 is chosen, the VP Events mentioned that things such as health kit costs 20\$ and if we see that, we can help 50 families. The number \$2000 is a cap number. But, once the committee is formed, research can be done about the money needed and how to spend the amount.
- The VP Events mentioned that there are certain ways we can help for this cause, the working group can support in terms on buying and donating things or going on ground to support. The selected team can decide on the sources to donate the money to.
- Certain organizations are doing a good job for this such as – Canadian Red Cross, Islamic Relief Canada, Edhi Foundation, The UN Refugee Agency, Penny Appeal Canada. They have donations for \$65 for 1 food pack, \$80 for

- a hygiene kit, and the shelter that can be provided to one full family for \$100.
- The VP Finance mentioned that they were given no information about this motion and they would like to move to postpone this.

13.5.1 Move to postpone 13.5 - MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:28

Abhishek / VP Internal

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- The VP Events mentioned that this situation came up day before yesterday. They are okay with money not being approved for now but at least the working group being formed at this moment.
- The VP Internal expressed several concerns regarding this and feel we should not set precedence regarding financial motions like this.
- The President mentioned that consultation needs to be done with VP Finance to make sure this is feasible and to make sure that the amount being given is useful. Also, we can have the opportunity to reach out to Pakistan Student Association at SFU and they are going to be the ones whose families are going to be directly affected by this. There is a need for more time for consultation within the community. So, we can have a two-week time for research and consultation before we bring a more meaningful motion to the council.

14. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

14.1 Executive Committee Report

- **President:**
 - Media releases: Interview with Vancouver Sun, CBC, and the Burnaby Now.
 - Well being check-in's with staff.
 - Expansion of DNA Services and deliverables to graduate students with disability.
 - Issue-based campaigning for municipal elections with VP External.
 - JHSC Planning.

- Debriefing and planning with VP External on BC Post-Secondary funding review.
- SFU Dining Hall Grand Opening.
- Review of Financial Statements with VP Finance, temporary operations organizer, and society auditors.
- Management Meetings.

- **VP Internal:**
 - Red bull sponsorship meeting – meeting with the local and Toronto team.
 - BA Hiring committee.
 - HR Meetings with operations organizer.
 - Referenda meeting with Student Care.
 - Updating development sessions schedule up until January.
 - By-election planning and logistics being prepared for join staff IEC-VPIOD meeting.
 - Staff check-in's.
 - AGM Agenda survey release.
 - New staff meeting SOP, new MSGP-7, new complaint policy.
 - Presentation schedule for September 14th Council meeting.

- **VP Finance**
 - Review of draft financial statements.
 - Debrief of Red bull with VP Internal.
 - Meeting with Finance coordinator – Accounting software went down.
 - Review of potential contracts for clubs.
 - Review of financial statements for council.
 - Emails, signing cheques, payroll, etc.

- **VP External**
 - Gondola celebration preparation.
 - Municipal Elections – Get out to vote campaign promotion.
 - Attended SFU Dining Hall Grand Opening.
 - Attended a work session with MSU.

- MSAA Hiring Committee work.
 - Attended the Student Society SV Policy review consultation session.
 - Tuition freeze now organizers meeting.
 - Working on post-secondary funding formula review.
 - Picked up election items from Burnaby and Surrey election offices.
 - Work order for projects.
 - TransLink roundtable preparation.
- **VP Events**
 - Pancake breakfast on September 7th.
 - Services Fair on September 7th.
 - Outside Movie night on September 9th.
 - Club days from 13th to 15th September.
 - SFU dining grand opening celebration.
 - Pub night finalized on 23rd of September.
 - Hosted India vs Pakistan live streaming.
 - Hosted Parasite movie screening.
 - Street Fest on September 16th.
 - Paint Night booked for October first week.
 - Self Defense workshop booked for October last week.
 - Diwali gala celebration being planned out.
 - Halloween pub night/dance night being planned.
 - Meeting with Red Bull for e-sports.

14.2 CCBC Report

- The President mentioned that there is nothing to report at this moment.

15. NOTICE OF MOTION

15.1 Policy Manual Repealing Process Clarification -MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:29

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

Whereas section 1.3 outlines the process and voter threshold required to

adopt different types of policies;

Whereas the repeal process and voter threshold is implicit, but not clear in the policy;

Be it resolved to amend section 1.3(a) of the Policy Manual to add a subsection that reads: "1.3(e)(i).

To re-appeal a policy which is a rule, a two-thirds (2/3) threshold is required."

Be it further resolved to amend section 1.3(b) of the Policy Manual to add a subsection that reads:

"1.3(f)(i). To re-appeal the above outlined policies, a simple majority threshold is required."

15.2 Policy Manual: Process for Spelling and Formatting Adjustments-MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:30

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

Whereas the Policy Manual outlines the process whereby Society policies can be amended;

Whereas all amendments to policies are required to undergo the process outlined in sections 1.2 and 1.3;

Whereas the policy amendments can range from housekeeping changes, such as spelling fixes and formatting, and higher order concerns;

Whereas simple housekeeping changes do not alter the interpretation of policies;

Whereas enacting housekeeping amendments under the process of section 1.2 and 1.3 takes up unnecessary amount of time of Council, and relevant committees;

Be it resolved that Council approves the addition of section 1.8 to the Policy Manual to read as follows:

“1.8 Minor fixes that do not impact the intent or meaning of the policy may be updated by the Policy, Research, and Community Affairs Coordinator (PRCA) without process outlined in sections 1.2 and 1.3.

These fixes are limited to:

(a) Spelling mistakes

(b) Formatting fixes

(c) Updating adoption dates, when incorrect

(d) Renumbering, when necessary

(i)The PRCA is required to submit a brief written report to Council at the next available Council Meeting when changes are made by them under 1.8(c) or 1.8(d).

15.3 Digital Campaigning during Voting Period -MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:31

SUBMITTED BY: VP Internal and Organizational Development

Whereas past practice for online campaigning during Executive Committee elections had been unclear;

Whereas online campaigning is a key asset for electoral success;

Whereas there are clear policies about physical campaigning literature, but less so for online campaigning material;

Whereas the policy gaps pertaining to digital campaigning materials allow room for unfair campaigning

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 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.

16. DISCUSSION ITEMS

16.1 SFSS Referendum

SUBMITTED BY: Computing Science “Shariq Ahsan”

- The Computing Science Councillor mentioned that referendum question goes with election. This one is particularly related to fees that students need to pay. Bunch of fees allow students to opt-out and they wanted to bring this to see an appetite of making an opt-out for students from certain fees as the current process is very complex and hard to go through.
- The FCAT Councillor mentioned that it is good this is being brought up before the semester. For certain fees, groups are on campus and they have to come to campus to do it. Certain students are not able to make it to the campus and things are inaccessible. They are aware of certain universities doing online form and having some kind of online system to opt-out from certain fees.
- The VP Internal mentioned they agree and would be happy to work on this to assist students to decide what fees they would be actually wanting to pay and what they can opt-out from.
- The Mathematics Councillor mentioned that the UBC AMS have digital opt-out and we can do something similar to make the process accessible to the students.
- The VP External mentioned that they can help set up a meeting with AMS to see how they facilitated this. They can put this on their action item for next steps.
- The President mentioned that since this item is concerning finance, consultation with our VP Finance needs to be done to see how to move forward with the AMS.

17. 30 MINUTES Q&A

18. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 18.1** Vice-President Equity and Sustainability Resignation – Effective Immediately.
- 18.2** Archeology Councillor Resignation – Effective September 13th.

19. ATTACHMENTS

- 19.1** Budget-2023-Consultation-Report.pdf

20. ADJOURNMENT

20.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2022-08-31:32

/ Arthur

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 PM

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Computing Science Councillor voted against.