

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^wəy̓əm (Musqueam), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Sel̓íl̓wítulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k^wik^wəł̓əm (Kwkwetlem) and q̓ícəy̓ (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****Faculty of Applied Sciences**

Faculty of Applied Science (FAS).....	INACTIVE
Computing Science Student Society	Micah Baker
Engineering Science Student Society	Adam Ma
Mechatronics System Engineering	Aiden Maymandy
Software Systems Student Society.....	Fabian Siswanto
Sustainable Energy Engineering	Sebastian Olano

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

Society of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS)	Ayooluwa Adigun
Cognitive Science Student Association	Vacant
Criminology Student Association (Vice-Chair)	Henry Do
Economics Student Society.....	Hamza Issa
English Student Union	Fatima Tu Zahara
French Student Union	Adria Diallo-Leconte
Gender, Sexuality, & Women's Studies	Jasleen Dhami
Gerontology Student Union	INACTIVE
Global Asia Studies Student Union	Vacant
History Student Union	Vacant
Humanities Student Union.....	Vacant
Indigenous Studies Student Union.....	Kil Daagwiiya
International Studies Student Association	Hyago Santana Moreira
Labour Studies Student Union	Mamduh Almughrabi
Latin American Studies Student Union	INACTIVE
Linguistics Student Union.....	Vacant

Philosophy Student Union	Ashley Flett
Political Science Student Union.....	Malk Hayder Ouj
Psychology Student Union.....	Andrea (Ely) Diaz Pena
Public Policy Student Union.....	Johnny Gates
Sociology and Anthropology Student Union.....	Vacant
World Languages and Literature	Amrit Kullar

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Business Administration Student Society	Meha Sidhu
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Faculty of Communications, Arts and Technology

Faculty of Communications, Arts & Technology.....	Vacant
Communications Student Union (CMNSU)	Vacant
Interactive Arts and Technology.....	Caleb Wu
Semester in Dialogue Student Union.....	INACTIVE

Faculty of Education

Education Student Association (ESA)	Shivali Sisodraker
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Faculty of Environment

Environmental Science Student Union (ESSU).....	Grayson Barke
Archeology Student Society (ASS)	Vacant
Geography Student Union.....	Jeffery Collinson
Resource & Environmental Management.....	Ethan Fukuhara

Faculty of Health Sciences

Health Science Undergraduate Student Union	Shoron Alam
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Faculty of Science

Science Undergraduate Society (SUS)	Catherine Ho
Behavioral Neuroscience Student Society	Aarthi Srinivasan
Biology Student Union (BSU)	Nicolas Bonilla
Biomedical Physiology Kinesiology	Maryam Niaz
Chemistry Student Society.....	Landy Liu
Data Science Student Society	Pranay Ratan
Earth Science Student Union	Eden Lien
Mathematics Student Union.....	Ananga Bajgai
Molecular Biology and Biochemistry	Ariana Shamsuddin
Operations Research Student Union	Vacant

Physics Student Association	Vacant
Statistics and Actuarial Science	Sharneet Kaur

School for the Contemporary Arts

Art, Performance, and Cinema Studies	Vacant
Dance Student Union	Vacant
Film Student Union	Vacant
Fine and Performing Arts Student Union	INACTIVE
Music Student Union	Vacant
Theatre Student Union	Vacant
Visual Arts Student Union	Vacant

Constituency Group Representatives

Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance (DNA)	Anthea MwanaW'Bantu
First Nations, Métis & Inuit	Chris Sanderson
International Student Advocates	INACTIVE
Out on Campus Collective (OOC)	INACTIVE
Student Athletic Advisory Committee	INACTIVE
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry	Emmanuel Anthony-Onuigbo
Women Centre Collective	Gurnoor Nijjar

Affiliated Student Groups

Embark Sustainability	Anne Tran
Residence Hall's Association (RHA)	Tulika Varma
Simon Fraser Public Interest Research Group	Rebecca Ballard
Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)	Vacant
Teaching Support Staff Union (TSSU)	Kanksha Chawla

SFSS Executive Committee

President (Chair)	Emmanuel Adegboyega
VP Equity and Sustainability	Chloe Arneson
VP Events & Student Affairs	Chitransh Motwani
VP External and Community Affairs	Joel Gilani
VP Finance and Services	Simar Sahota
VP Internal and Organizational Development	Sam Killawee
VP University and Academic Affairs	Rishu Bagga

3.2 Society Staff

HR Lead	Chandra Trinh
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Services Lead	Cat Affleck
Operations Lead	Patience Okuku
Policy, Research, Community Affairs Coordinator.....	Matthew Cornfoot
Administrative Assistant.....	Simar Thukral
Administrative Assistant.....	Mary Toma

3.3 Regrets

Interactive Arts and Technology.....	Caleb Wu
Psychology Student Union.....	Andrea (Ely) Diaz Pena
Behavioral Neuroscience Student Society.....	Aarthi Srinivasan
Political Science Student Union.....	Malk Hayder Ouj

3.4 Guests

Member	Joseph
Member	Eva
Member	Farhan

3.5 Absents

Business Administration Student Society.....	Meha Sidhu
Chemistry Student Society.....	Landy Liu
Criminology Student Association (Vice-Chair)	Henry Do
Economics Student Society.....	Hamza Issa
Education Student Association (ESA).....	Shivali Sisodraker
Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry	Emmanuel Anthony-Onuigbo

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 CONSENT AGENDA

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.1.1. RATIFICATION OF REGRETS - MOTION COUNCIL 2025-01-08:01

Be it resolved to receive and ratify regrets from the “Interactive Arts and Technology Councillor”, “Behavioral Neuroscience Student Society”, “Political Science Student Union”, and “Psychology Student Union Councillor” for the January 8th, 2025 meeting.

4.1.2 RATIFICATION OF RESIGNATION – MOTION COUNCIL 2025-01-08:02

Be it resolved to receive and ratify the resignation from the “Biology Councillor” for the January 8th Council meeting.

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2025-01-08:03

President / VP Equity and Sustainability

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

- The VP Equity moved to include a new business item titled “Accessibility Committee Election”.
- The VP Equity moved to include a new business item titled “BIPOC Committee Election”.
- The President moved to include a new business item titled as “New SFSS Awards”.
- The President moved to include a new business item titled as “Society Signing Authorities”.
- The VP Internal moved to include a new discussion item titled “Spring Referendum”.
- The VP University moved to include a new discussion item titled “Budget Approval”.

6. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

6.1 VP Equity and Sustainability – Worked on few Documents in December.

Assisted Hiring Committee.

Collective Bargaining coming up in March.

VP Events and Student Affairs -

VP External and Community Affairs– Worked on policy decisions December.

Working on getting SFU treasury board to come at one of the Council meetings.

Collaborated with student union and other student unions.

Had check-in with security services.

Worked on Student Housing Initiative for which a survey might come up.

Met with International Student Services to check what services are being offered and how many students use those services.

VP Finance and Services – Worked with couple of hiring committee.

Worked on referendum documents and council appeal documents to streamline the process.

Discussing the budget with staff.
Finalising financial policies.

VP Internal and Organizational Development – Worked on referendum, following up with concerns regarding existing policies, and looking to participate in events coming up.

Worked with VP Equity and the President on few other projects.

VP University and Academic Affairs – Upcoming Campaign for My SSP.

Launching a new awareness campaign by the end of January.

Met with Ombudsperson.

Survey results are finally out.

Would be inviting Peter Hall from SFU for the next Council Meeting.

President -

Hiring committee assistance.

Attended an event of Bank of Canada – Governor address with VP External.

Attended committee and staff meetings.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Working Group Councillor Appointment – MOTION COUNCIL 2025-01-08:04

SUBMITTED BY: President

President / VP Equity and Sustainability

Whereas on August 28, 2024, council agreed to develop a working group to look at options to move forward with a different bank;

Be it resolved Council appoints Public Policy Councillor, SFPIRG Councillor, and ISSA Councillor to be on the working group.

CARRIED AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

- Three calls for nominations were made by the Chair
- The ISSA Councillor nominated themselves.
- The Public Policy Councillor nominated themselves.
- The SFPIRG Councillor nominated themselves.

8. DISCUSSION ITEM

8.1 Spring Referendum

SUBMITTED BY – VP Internal and Organizational Development

- The VP Internal mentioned that this will be alongside executive committee

elections.

- This is vital for the organizations.
- The VP Equity mentioned that any support or volunteer time devoted should be for this campaign. This is not only essential for wellbeing of the society but for students who rely on their health and dental plan.
- This is a very big campaign.
- The VP Equity requested members to take time out for this campaign.
- The VP Internal mentioned that the referendum questions will come to council and executive in the next couple of weeks.
- The President requested council to take out time and support this campaign.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 MY SSP PROGRAM - MOTION COUNCIL 2025-01-08:05

SUBMITTED BY: President

President / VP Equity and Sustainability

Whereas the My SSP program is a vital mental health initiative supporting students;

Whereas the UAA committee has not been formally established or scheduled, creating a delay in decision-making;

Let it be resolved that \$500 from the UAA committee budget be allocated immediately to purchase snacks for the My SSP tabling event.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- The Campaign will start this coming Monday.
- They will give out free snacks if people come out.
- In response to the President regarding what MY SSP is, the VP University mentioned that My SSP is a resource designed to support the overall mental health and well-being of students by providing real-time 24/7 access to professional counsellors as well as scheduled short-term counselling support.
- My SSP is also a great service to use after hours when Health & Counselling is closed, or if you are living abroad or require urgent, crisis support.
- The Philosophy Councillor mentioned that this collaboration is great.
- The Philosophy Councillor raised their concern regarding the 500\$ amount for snacks. The VP University mentioned that they want to ensure the snacks are of high quality and is nutritional. They would be getting it from Costco.
- If there are leftovers, it will be used for Club days, and it can be kept in the storage and used for future events.

9.2 Accessibility Committee Election - MOTION COUNCIL 2025-01-08:06

SUBMITTED BY: VP Equity and Sustainability

President/ VP Equity and Sustainability

Whereas there is one vacant seat for the Accessibility Committee;

Be it resolved to elect Indigenous Studies Councillor for the Accessibility Committee for the remainder of the year.

CARRIED AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

- Three Calls for nomination were made by the Chair.
- The Indigenous Studies Councillor nominated themselves.

9.3 BIPOC Committee Election - MOTION COUNCIL 2025-01-08:07

SUBMITTED BY: VP Equity and Sustainability

VP Equity and Sustainability / President

Whereas there are three vacant seats for the BIPOC Committee;

Be it resolved to elect the French Councillor, World Languages and Literature Councillor, and English Councillor to serve on the BIPOC Committee for the remainder of the year.

CARRIED AS AMENDED UNANIMOUSLY

- Three calls for nominations were made by the Chair
- The French Councillor nominated themselves.
- The World Languages and Literature Councillor nominated themselves.
- The English Councillor nominated themselves.

9.4 Munchies Monday - MOTION COUNCIL 2025-01-08:08

SUBMITTED BY: VP University and Academic Affairs

President / VP Equity and Sustainability

Whereas Munchie Monday is an initiative designed to foster student engagement, build community, and provide stress relief through accessible and inclusive food and beverage offerings;

Whereas Munchie Monday has consistently demonstrated positive outcomes, including increased participation in campus activities and improved student morale;

Whereas the estimated budget of \$2000 is required to adequately fund the food, beverages, and necessary supplies for the event;

Be it resolved that the UAAC approves an allocation of \$2000 for the Munchies

Monday initiative from line item 823/20 to support its continued success and positive impact on the student body.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- The President mentioned that this is a continuing project from before.
- The 2000\$ amount requested is for the rest of the semester.
- The VP Finance mentioned that this would come out from UAA Committee Budget line item 823/20.

9.5 Society Signing Authorities – MOTION COUNCIL 2025-01-08:09

SUBMITTED BY: President

President / VP Internal and Organizational Development

Whereas it is necessary to designate authorized signatories to facilitate the efficient management of accounts, financial transactions, contracts, and other managerial decisions. Authorizing signing authority aligns with the organization's operational requirements and governance practices;

Be it resolved that Operations Lead, Services Lead, and the HR Lead are hereby granted signing authority on behalf of the Simon Fraser Student Society.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9.6 New SFSS Awards – MOTION COUNCIL 2025-01-08:10

SUBMITTED BY: President

President / First Nations, Métis & Inuit

Whereas the SFSS has committed in the past to support the establishment of the Simon Fraser Student Society Undergraduate Award for the Indigenous Students and the Simon Fraser Student Society Undergraduate Award for the International Students over the next 5 years;

Whereas the SFSS finally signed the outstanding documents;

Whereas the Gift will be received in installments of 20,000\$ annually totaling \$!00,000 for both awards over the period of 2025 to 2029.

Be it resolved that the SFSS approve the allocation of \$20,000 from line item 898/31 each year between 2025 to 2029 to fulfil its commitment in accordance with the agreed-upon schedule of disbursement.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- In response to if the funds can be divided so multiple students can get it instead of one student, the President mentioned that there is a minimum amount of

scholarship needed, and it would not be administered.

- The idea is also to cover the entirety for the student to cover for the full year.
- The President mentioned that the student does not get the full amount, and it goes to their SFU student account.
- In response to the Philosophy Councillor regarding how much SFU is contributing and how much SFSS will be, the President mentioned that this award is only awarded by SFSS. SFU would not be contributing towards this.

10. **30 MINUTES Q&A**

- The President mentioned that before council meeting minutes are sent out to council after the meeting, they need to be approved by the Chair and the Vice-Chair. These can be sent only after approval.
- The President mentioned that for the AGM minutes, most of the parts are clear and they are working on a few parts before everything is fully cleared.
- The VP Internal and Organizational Development appreciated councillors for coming to the AGM and for their efforts to bring members to join the meeting. In the past meetings never proceeded due to lack of quorum and many things have been pending.

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

15.1 Sign up for Spring 2025 Club Days.

15.2 When2meet fill out for upcoming term.

15.3 Vancouver Campus – Council Meeting in the future.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

12.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2025-01-08:11

President / Philosophy

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 PM

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY