



1. CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order – 5:47pm

2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We respectfully acknowledge that the SFSS is located on the traditional, unceded territories of the Coast Salish peoples, including the x^wməθk^wəy^əm (Musqueam), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), Sel̓ílwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), k^wik^wəł̓əm (Kwikwetlem) and q̓icəy̓ (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 Dhani
Gerontology Student Union	Vacant
Global Asia Studies Student Union	INACTIVE
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

Beedie School of Business



Business Administration Student Society Vacant

Faculty of Communications, Arts and Technology

Faculty of Communications, Arts & Technology INACTIVE

Communications Student Union (CMNSU) Vacant

Interactive Arts and Technology Caleb Wu

Semester in Dialogue Student Union INACTIVE

Faculty of Education

Education Student Association (ESA) Tori Minty

Faculty of Environment

Environmental Science Student Union (ESSU) Grayson Barke

Archeology Student Society (ASS) Vacant

Geography Student Union Jeffery Collinson

Resource & Environmental Management Vacant

Faculty of Health Sciences

Health Science Undergraduate Student Union Shoron Alam

Faculty of Science

Science Undergraduate Society (SUS) Catherine Ho

Behavioral Neuroscience Student Society Aarthi Srinivasan

Biology Student Union (BSU) Vacant

Biomedical Physiology Kinesiology Maryam Niaz

Chemistry Student Society Vacant

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 INACTIVE

Dance Student Union INACTIVE

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)	Vacant
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
Services Lead	Cat Affleck
Operations Lead	Patience Spinoza
Policy, Research, Community Affairs Coordinator	Matthew Cornfoot
Administrative Assistant	Riane Ng

3.3 Regrets

Mechatronics System Engineering	Aiden Maymandy
Environmental Science Student Union (ESSU)	Grayson Barke
Engineering Science Student Society	Adam Ma
Behavioral Neuroscience Student Society	Aarthi Srinivasan
Labour Studies Student Union	Mamduh Almughrabi
VP Internal and Organizational Development	Sam Killawee
VP University and Academic Affairs	Rishu Bagga

3.4 Absents

Computing Science Student Society	Micah Baker
Engineering Science Student Society	Adam Ma
Criminology Student Association (Vice-Chair)	Henry Do
Economics Student Society	Hamza Issa
Indigenous Studies Student Union	Kil Daagwiiya
International Studies Student Association	Hyago Santana Moreira
Psychology Student Union	Andrea (Ely) Diaz Pena
Public Policy Student Union	Johnny Gates

Interactive Arts and Technology.....	Caleb Wu
Health Science Undergraduate Student Union	Shoron Alam
Science Undergraduate Society (SUS)	Catherine Ho
Biomedical Physiology Kinesiology.....	Maryam Niaz
Earth Science Student Union	Eden Lien
Statistics and Actuarial Science	Sharneet Kaur
Disability and Neurodiversity Alliance (DNA)	Anthea MwanaW'Bantu
Residence Hall's Association (RHA).....	Tulika Varma
Teaching Support Staff Union (TSSU).....	Kanksha Chawla

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 CONSENT AGENDA

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.1.2 RATIFICATION OF REGRETS - MOTION COUNCIL 2025-04-23:01

Be it resolved to receive and ratify regrets for the April 23rd, 2025, meeting.

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

5.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2025-04-23:02

President / FNMISA

Be it resolved to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

- President moved the In-Camera section before New Business.

6. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

6.1 President

- President has been scheduling onboarding and training with the incoming President. He is also tying up loose ends on projects and looping in the new team on unfinished items.
There are more updates to be shared in-camera.

VP Equity

- N/A

VP Events

- N/A

VP External

- VP External is working on exit reports and training incoming execs.

VP Finance

- VP Finance is working on the budget, onboarding, exit reports, and tying up loose ends.

VP Internal

- N/A

VP University

- N/A

Friendly amendment – added “Ongoing issues” to the in-camera discussion

7. IN-CAMERA

7.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2025-04-23:03

President / PSSU

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

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- Budget 2025/26
- Scholarship Decision
- Ongoing Issues

8. EX-CAMERA

8.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2025-04-23:04

President / FNMISA

Be it resolved to go ex-camera.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Suspended the rules to add:

- Discussion item “Budget 2025/2026”
- New Business items “Approval of 2025/2026 budget” and “Hiring Decisions”

President / FNMISA

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

9.1 Budget 2025-2026

SUBMITTED BY: President

- Main topic of discussion is Student Funds.
 - The debate is on whether to run a further deficit by maintaining the current funding or cut the funding to reflect the deficit.
- VP Finance suggests cutting funding for now. The budget can be changed up until June 30th.
 - More clubs will come to council with appeals. SFSS should encourage clubs to look at grants as a subsidy and prioritize external funding.
 - President noted that staff follow the guidelines strictly so this cut could mean even more restrictions.
- VP Finance mentioned these cuts represent transparent accounting. Some committees don't come close to spending their budget so this “cut” isn't really a cut but more of accurate reflection of spending.
- VP External advised council to be mindful and elect the right people who will spend the money wisely for each committee.
- Council did an informal vote to see how councillors feel about the student grant cut.
 - Majority of attendees want to keep the current funding (no cuts).
- Operations Lead suggested leaving the student funding cut decision to the new VP Events.
 - President agreed. He believes that student funding shouldn't be cut. It's one of the few ways students get a tangible return.

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 APPROVAL OF 2025/2026 BUDGET - MOTION COUNCIL 2025-04-23:06

SUBMITTED BY: VP Finance and Services

VP Finance / President

Whereas Council has reviewed the proposed 2025/26 budget in detail;

Be it resolved that Council approve the 2025/26 budget, acknowledging that contingent changes may be implemented to better address the projected deficit and operational adjustments during the 2025/26 fiscal year.

CARRIED BY MAJORITY

- Dissent from Geography Councillor

10.2 HIRING DECISIONS - MOTION COUNCIL 2025-04-23:07

SUBMITTED BY: President

VP Finance / President

Whereas the SFSS needs to ensure financial and organizational sustainability;

Whereas a more strategic, case-by-case assessment of vacancies and limits on creating new positions would allow the SFSS to better evaluate the necessity and appropriateness of positions;

Be it resolved that Council directs the Executives and HRP Committee to implement a review process for all currently vacant and future vacant positions;

Be it further resolved that before initiating any hiring process, the Executive and HRP Committee must determine on a case-by-case basis whether the position is genuinely vacant and if it is operationally or strategically necessary to fill it at the time;

Be it further resolved that this case-by-case assessment shall consider factors such as organizational needs, financial capacity, strategic priorities, equity needs, and potential for role restructuring;

Be it further resolved that the Executive and HRP Committee shall report to Council on each determination, including the rationale for either proceeding with or deferring the hiring of any vacant position.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- President stated that this is just an assessment of the positions. Committees will look at organizational needs and possible changes first. This does not violate the Collective Agreement.

10.3 APPROVAL OF FUNDING FOR SFSS COMMUNITY APPRECIATION NIGHT - MOTION COUNCIL 2025-04-23:05

SUBMITTED BY: President

President / FNMISA

Whereas, the Simon Fraser Student Society (SFSS) recognizes the significant contributions made by Student Union (SU), Club, and Constituency Group (CG) executives, as well as external community partners, to enriching campus life and supporting students;

Whereas, the SFSS will be hosting a Community Appreciation Night on April 30th, 2025, to celebrate and thank these leaders and partners for their service, dedication, and collaboration over the past year;

Whereas, this event will serve as a meaningful opportunity to build relationships, reflect on shared accomplishments, and strengthen future collaboration across student groups and the broader community;

Be it resolved that Council approves up to \$10,000 from Council Expenditures, line item 815/20 to fund the SFSS Community Appreciation Night; covering catering, decorations, awards/gifts, and other associated costs;

Be it further resolved that, the SFSS Events Department, Councillors, Leads, and Executive Officers will coordinate the planning and execution of the event

CARRIED

Abstain (1): Geography

- President stated there were 124 signups from this morning. Once signups reach the maximum space capacity, they will close the form. There will be a request for volunteers to help set up and run the tables.
- Mathematics councillor expressed their accessibility concerns about the dress code.
 - President responded that the dress code is just a fun suggestion and attendees aren't required to follow it.
- Geography councillor asked why there wasn't a presentation for an event of this size.
 - President stated that there was no presentation due to the quick turnaround needed for this event. A post-event breakdown of the event costs can be presented if councillors are interested.
- President stated that the line item being used is an extra resource fund for Council to approve for all clubs and all DSUs. It has not been used this year.

11. 30 MINUTES Q&A

11.1 Council meeting time for next term.

- It is always held on Wednesday. The time was changed from 4:30pm to 5:30pm this term because it worked better for councillors. It is up to the discretion of the next executive team.
- The first Council meeting of the next term will be held May 14th.
 - There will still be one more Council meeting next week for urgent motions and to say goodbyes.

11.2 The appreciation gala time can be included in work reports.

11.3 Geography asked where will the exec work reports be shared.

- President stated that the reports are done and reviewed by OCEO. He will follow up with communications.
- Operations Lead will look into it as well.

12. ADJOURNMENT

12.1 MOTION COUNCIL 2025-04-23:08

President / FNMISA

Be it resolved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY