

Minutes

CCSS Board of Directors April 11, 2022 3:30pm
Virtual meeting

KAUR, Puneet.....External Executive	VACANT..... Interurban Director
CHACKO, Sneha.....Interurban Executive	VACANT..... Interurban Director
BASSI, Gavinjit.....Lansdowne Executive	VACANT..... Interurban Director
DOUCET, RichardFinance Executive	CHOU, Angela Lansdowne Director
KAUR, ArshnoorW&A Director	ALARCON, Matias Lansdowne Director
BHARDWAJ, MonicaInternational Director	OU, Shin Lansdowne Director
D'AMOURS, CameronPride Director	VACANT..... Lansdowne Director
MANOMIE, Katie.....Indigenous Director	VACANT..... Off Campus Director
GARNER, AmandaSustainability Director	JONES, Kyle EDCO
BURROW, AfafWomen's Director	YOUNG, Karen..... EDCO
.....Interurban Director	

Attending: Katie Manomie, Puneet Kaur, Sneha Chacko, Richard Doucet, Arshnoor Kaur, Monika Bhardwaj, Amanda Garner, Angela Chou,

Absent: Gavinjit Bassi

Guests & Staff: Michel Turcotte, Gord Rant, Matthew Martin, Rashed Al-Haque, Jennifer Stone, Alisha Parks, Madilyn Baldwin

Regrets: Matias Alarcon, Cameron D'Amours, Shin Ou

I Call to Order

- a) **Meeting called to order by Speaker of Council**
Angela called the meeting to order at 3:37

- b) **Recognition of Coast Salish Territory**
Angela acknowledged the Coast Salish Territory on which the meeting is being held. Camosun College Student Society serves students on the traditional territories of Lekwungen and W̱SÁNEĆ speaking peoples, T'souke, Scia'new and Pacheedaht First Nations

II Ratification of Agenda/Approval of Previous Minutes

- a) Attendance

Late regrets:

MOTION **Manomie/Bhardwaj**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors accept late regrets from Gavinjit Bassi

DEFEATED

Approval of the Agenda as amended

New Business

BCFS Skills Development

College electoral committee apointee

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MOTION **Manomie/Young**
CARRIED

- b) Approval of Previous Minutes- March 28, 2022,

MOTION **Chacko/Doucet**
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors accept the minutes from the March 28, 2022, Board meeting as presented
CARRIED

III Presentations/Resignations/Guest Business/Announcements/etc.

- a) Camosun strategic plan presentation-**Jennifer Stone & Rashed Al-Haque** thanked council for inviting them to the meeting. **Jennifer** is the Director of Strategic Initiatives at Camosun. She presented a PowerPoint to council outlining the steps involved in creating the College's new strategic plan. One of those steps is gathering input from stakeholders at the college of which the CCSS is one. She went on to explain the desired outcomes of the plan and their approach to achieve those outcomes i.e. continued commitment to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission as well as meaningful engagement with stakeholders and community members with a focus on trust, transparency, and communication throughout the process. The strategic plan process was launched in March 2022 a draft should be ready in June or July 2022 a finalized draft should be ready in fall 2022 and rollout will be in January 2023. **Rashed** explained some of the student engagement activities (focus groups, in person engagement, broad community online engagement through thought exchange) that will take place to gather information for the strategic plan. **Katie** asked if the deadline for some of the engagement activities could be extended and it has been. **Rashed** and **Jennifer** shared some menti meter questions with council to get some feedback.

Michel suggested a roundtable so members could introduce themselves

- b) Support for solar array installation grant-**Amanda** explained that she has been working closely with **Sybil** and **Shannon Craig** to put together an application for a \$100,000 EBSCO grant to help offset energy costs for the library and the solar array should power half of everything that goes on in the library. She is looking to add the CCSS' voice of support to her application.

MOTION **Manomie/Doucet**
Whereas Camosun College Students are unduly burdened by the physical and emotional impacts of human-induced climate change with widespread disruptions frequently occurring across British Columbia and around the world; and
Whereas students are calling for Camosun College to demonstrate strong leadership through reduced energy consumption and emissions paired with an increase in resiliency through alternative energy strategies; therefore
BIRT the Camosun College Student Society Board of Directors adds their voice in support of the EBSCO solar program application, as this project would positively impact students by helping to reduce climate anxiety and providing an invaluable opportunity for all students to learn firsthand about solar energy.
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IV Financial Motions/Issues

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- a) \$23,588.82- British Columbia Federation of Students (fee levy payable 2021-2022)-**Matthew** explained that **Jaya** has completed the year-end reconciliation based on the information received from the College once these monies are received from the College they will be paid to the BCFS. **Michel** explained that the CCSS has a legal responsibility to collect these monies and remit them to this BCFS.

MOTION **Manomie/Young**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a payment of \$23,588.82 to the British Columbia Federation of Students for the fee levy payable 2021-2022

CARRIED

- b) \$3,600.00-Indigenous Student Association Wellness Group-**Richard** explained that the wellness group does great things for indigenous students and members of the indigenous community. The group does wonders for the healing of its people. **Michel** noted that some of this money will be coming from the CCSS indigenous budget

MOTION **Manomie/Jones**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve an expense of \$3,600.00 for the Indigenous Student Association Wellness Group

CARRIED

- c) \$1,000.00-Retirement gifts for two senior college employees who had meaningful impact on students-**Michel** explained that to very student friendly college employees are retiring soon and we should show our appreciation for them

MOTION **Garner/Kaur A.**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve an expense of \$1,000.00 for retirement gifts for two college employees who had meaningful impact on students

CARRIED

- d) \$850.00-Nexus Publishing Society (Spring 2022 election ad-accounts payable 2021-2022)-**Matthew** explained that the CCSS put an advertisement in the Nexus newspaper for the Spring election and the CCSS needs to pay for it.

MOTION **Manomie/Bhardwaj**

BIRT the CCSS approve a payment of \$850.00 for the Spring 2022 elections ad accounts payable 2021-2022

CARRIED

V Committee Reports

- a) Organizational Design-**Cameron** – No report
b) Special Events – **Gavinjit/Sneha** – No report
c) Campaigns & Advocacy-**Puneet** – No report
d) Executive Committee- **Puneet** –No report

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- e) Finance Committee - **Richard** -No report
- f) Electoral Committee-**Michael**- reported that the chief electoral officer could not be here today but suggested that council ratify the Spring 2022 election results at the next CCSS board meeting on April 25 because the electoral committee will have met by then.
- g) Personnel Committee –**Amanda** No report

VI Member Reports

VII Other Reports

- a) Executive Director's report – **Michel** reported that as usual there are lots of things going on at the college. He wanted to remind members to reply to the email that **Christine** sent out regarding the CCSS retreat/orientation taking place at Camp Shawnigan from Friday, April 29 until Sunday, May 1. This is great opportunity to get to know each other and learn how the CCSS works and learn about groups the organization is affiliated with. Tonight at the Board of Governors meeting the budget will be passed and in that budget there is a 2% tuition increase for domestic students and at least a 2% increase for international students. The college is still forecasting a deficit for next year, one thing that may alleviate this stress for the college is if the Canadian government started processing student visas as fast as it was prior to Covid. The college is hoping to have 1800 international students in the fall of 2022 and up to 2500 in the winter of 2023 which would solve the problem. The college president is headed to India to try and convince the Indian high Council to process student visas faster.

b)

VIII Unfinished Business

a)

IX Question Period

X New Business

- a) BCFS Skills Development-**Michel** explained that the BCFS Skills Symposium Will Take place, May 26 until May 28 in Victoria at the Delta Ocean point Hotel this is a conference put on by the BCFS it's a great opportunity to interact with students from across the province

MOTION **Manomie/Bhardwaj** /

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors authorize sending up to 12 delegates at \$100.00 per delegate to the BCFS Skills Symposium taking place at the Delta Ocean point Hotel May 26-28, 2022

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- b) College electoral committee appointee-**Michel** explained that there has been an appeal filed in the Board of Governors election if a party disagrees with the decision handed down by the chief electoral officer than a committee needs to be struck and this is the 1st time it actually had to be struck **Monika** is the committee member for the CCSS (5 member committee)

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MOTION **Manomie/Bhardwaj**
Adjourn 5:23pm
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