

Minutes

CCSS Board of Directors April 25, 2022 3:00pm
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, Gavinjit Bassi Karen Young, Kyle Jones

Absent:

Guests & Staff: Michel Turcotte, Gord Rant, Matthew Martin, Alisha Parks, Madilyn Baldwin, Christine Desrochers, Michael Glover, Emily Lam, Ali Dos, Mansi Makkar

Regrets: Cameron D'Amours, Shin Ou

I Call to Order

- a) **Meeting called to order by Speaker of Council**
Puneet called the meeting to order at 3:03

- b) **Recognition of Coast Salish Territory**
Puneet 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 WSÁNEĆ speaking peoples, T'souke, Scia'new and Pacheedaht First Nations

II Ratification of Agenda/Approval of Previous Minutes

- a) Attendance

Late regrets:

MOTION /
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors accept late regrets from
DEFEATED

Approval of agenda

MOTION **Garner/Doucet**
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the agenda as presented
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- b) Approval of Previous Minutes- April 11, 2022,

MOTION **Bhardwaj/Garner**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors accept the minutes from the April 11, 2022, Board meeting as presented

CARRIED

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

- a) CCSS Orientation-**Christine/Michel** explained that there are about 24 people including staff going to the retreat at Camp Shawnigan she reminded attending members to bring toiletries and sleeping bags and pillows. Attendees will be meeting at the Lansdowne campus at 10am Friday April 29th and leaving from there. Please do not enter the dorms before **Christine's** arrival because some folks have special sleeping arrangements. This should be a great time.
- b) Student Affairs Summer Welcome Event Plans-**Ellen** explained that the Student Affairs department is hosting some upcoming welcome events for students and has worked together with the CCSS in the past to make successful events. **Ellen** is here to ask for some participation from the CCSS for her upcoming events Monday May 2nd at the Lansdowne campus starting at 8am and Tuesday May 3rd starting at 8am

IV Financial Motions/Issues

- a) \$16,254.54-Nexus Publishing Society (Nexus operational funds 2022-23 1st instalment)-**Matthew** explained that this is a quarterly payment the CCSS is contractually obligated to make to the Nexus Publishing Society.

MOTION **Manomie/Doucet**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approved the payment of \$16,254.54 to the Nexus Publishing Society for Nexus operational funds 2022-23 first instalment

CARRIED

- b) \$12,268.44-Nexus Publishing Society (Nexus levy payable 2021-22)-**Matthew** explained this portion of funds comes from the Nexus levy and is collected by the CCSS and remitted to the Nexus Publishing Society.

MOTION **Manomie/Garner**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approved the payment of \$12,268.44 to the Nexus Publishing Society for the Nexus levy payable 2021-22

CARRIED

- c) Up to \$6000.00 for health and dental exception to assist in international student's wife that has dental issues-**Christine** noted that she received an email from **Kilah** stating that an international student that is new to Canada and has added his wife and she has maxed out her dental benefits but still needs more work done. **Christine** has been in touch with one of the CCSS select care partners about the treatment plan. **Michel** added that although this is not a common occurrence it does happen every now and again.

MOTION **Manomie/Chou**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve up to \$6000.00 for a health and dental plan exception to assist

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- d) CASA meetings-**Michel** explained that CASA is a national advocacy group that the CCSS is a member of and now that the world is getting back to normal there is a need to make travel and accommodation arrangements for conferences and this motion would make that possible.

Whereas meetings of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations generally occur on a set schedule and normally involve a set number of participants; and whereas there is some variability in the pricing of transportation and accommodation and it is often more than \$1000.00; therefore

MOTION **Garner/Manomie**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors authorize the Executive Director or a designate to make necessary travel, accommodation, and per diem arrangements to ensure the CCSS's ability to participate in CASA conferences and meetings

CARRIED

- e) Investment of CCSS funds-**Michel** explained that he brought up investing some of the CCSS' retained earnings as well as some of the Health & Dental plan reserves at an earlier meeting and this is the motion needed to make the investing happen.

Whereas the CCSS currently invests, its building fund with the Camosun College Foundation and has confidence in both the investment strategy and the return on investment; and
Whereas the CCSS has financial reserves in both restricted and unrestricted funds that is currently held in bank accounts and term deposits and the CCSS would benefit from a more diversified financial strategy; therefore

MOTION **Garner/Manomie**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors appoint the Camosun College Foundation to manage a portion of the CCSS retained earnings and the health & dental premium surplus funds as outlined below, using the same investment guidelines as the CCSS building funds.

- Up to \$500,000 from CCSS retained earnings
- Up to \$1.5 million from the health & dental plan reserve

BIFR that authorization be granted to transfer these funds, up to the limits specified, to the Camosun College Foundation for investment and management purposes and that the funds be identified separately in the investment records.

CARRIED

- f) Unusual student refugee situation-**Michel** explained that the CCSS is part of the WUSC program which helps bring student refugees to Canada, and support the students in their educational endeavors (housing, books, computers etc) there is a former WUSC student that the CCSS has had a long term relationship with and that student has experienced some undue hardships recently and this motion will allow for the CCSS to provide some much needed support to this student.

Whereas a former WUSC student refugee who studied at Camosun has experienced an unexpected crisis; therefore

MOTION **Manomie/Doucet**

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BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors authorize the Executive Director to provide some temporary financial supports to a former WUSC student refugee who is no longer registered at Camosun but is registered at a local postsecondary institution

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- g) Lansdowne Island Sexual Health Clinic-**Michel** explained that the CCSS has been supporting the ISHC's presence on the Lansdowne campus for 10 years or more and due to COVID the clinic was shut down and there is a need for it to re-open.

Whereas the CCSS has physically and financially supported the existence of a sexual health clinic on the top floor of the Richmond house through the health plan reserve, and
whereas the clinic was busy and well utilized by members before March 2020; and
whereas there is a desire to reopen the clinic; therefore

MOTION Bhardwaj/Garner

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors authorize the signing officers to make any necessary payments to Island Sexual Health Clinic to facilitate the operation of the clinic;

and

BIFRT the signing officers be authorized to approve any technological or renovation expenses necessary to improve the functioning, cleanliness, and safety of the clinic.

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
- e) Finance Committee - **Richard** -No report
- f) Electoral Committee-**Quinn** reported that the electoral committee met and had a thorough discussion on the complaints that were received. The committee also recommended that the election results be ratified
- g) Personnel Committee –**Amanda** No report

VI Member Reports

VII Other Reports

- a) Executive Director's report – **Michel** reported that there is a lot going on at the college but he will be skipping his report today. Side note: the CCSS will be sending 10 delegates to the BCFS Skills Symposium to be held in town here. It's a great opportunity. If you are interested in attending get ahold of **Michel**
- b)

VIII Unfinished Business

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a)

IX Question Period

X New Business

- a) Ratification of Spring 2022 election results-**Quinn** noted that this election received more complaints than usual and that may lead to looking at how the CCSS can better run and communicated elections.

MOTION **Doucet/Manomie**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors ratify the Spring 2022 election results as presented

CARRIED

- b) Handbook cover selection-**Glover** presented several options for the handbook cover a discussion ensued and a poll was taken which resulted in a tie and then another poll was taken. The sunset option was chosen.

- c) Report from the Executive Director transition committee (in camera)-**Amanda**

Manomie/Garner

Adjourn 5:23pm

CARRIED