

Minutes

CCSS Board of Directors September 12, 2022 4:00pm
Virtual meeting

NIIKOI, Jessie.....External Executive	VACANT..... Interurban Director
LAM, Emily.....Interurban Executive	VACANT..... Interurban Director
VACANTLansdowne Executive	CHOU, Angela Lansdowne Director
LOVE, KateFinance Executive	VACANT..... Lansdowne Director
VACANTW&A Director	DOUCET, Richard Lansdowne Director
VACANTInternational Director	VACANT..... Lansdowne Director
ZEER, JadePride Director	VACANT..... Off Campus Director
MANOMIE, Katie.....Indigenous Director	VACANT..... EDCO
SINGH, JagjeetSustainability Director	VACANT..... EDCO
Bhardwaj, Monika.....Women’s Director EDCO
DOS, AliInterurban Director	YOUNG, Karen..... BoG
CHANG, JosephInterurban Director	JONES, Kyle BoG

Attending: Angela Chou, Monika Bhardwaj, Katie Manomie, Jade Zeer, Emily Lam, Kate Love, Jessie Niikoi, Richard Doucet, Kyle Jones, Joseph Chang

Absent:

Guests & Staff: Michel Turcotte, Michael Glover, Matthew Martin, Gord Rant, Christine Desrochers, Amy Lee Radigan, Rashed Al-Haque

Regrets:

I Call to Order

- a) **Meeting called to order by Speaker of Council**
Angela called the meeting to order at 4:06pm

- 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 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
CARRIED

Approval of agenda

MOTION **Manomie/Love**
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the agenda as presented

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- b) Approval of Previous Minutes- August 22, 2022

MOTION **Bhardwaj/Zeer**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors accept the minutes from the August 22, 2022, Board meeting as presented

CARRIED

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

- a) Academic Concessions Policy preliminary consultation-**Rashed** introduced the new Academic Concessions policy he has been working on. There was an extensive discussion that took place where Board members and staff alike raised concerns about how this policy would benefit members and what kind of concessions would be allowed and who decides what is allowed whether it be cultural, illness, or other. This was a particularly concerning for members because it seems the instructors would have all the power to grant or deny concessions which is no different than the current "policy"

IV Financial Motions/Issues

- a) \$20,817.91-CASA 2022-23 membership dues (second instalment 70% of \$29,739.87)-**Matthew** explained that this is the second installment 70% = \$20,817.91 of membership dues

MOTION **Manomie/Love**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a payment \$20,817.91 To the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations for the first instalment (70%) of 2022-23 membership dues

CARRIED

- b) \$11,500 - British Columbia Federation of Students (BCFS levy - Aug 2022)-**Matthew** explained the CCSS must remit the levy fees for August 2022 to the BCFS

MOTION **Zeer/Niikoi**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a payment of \$11,500.00 to the British Columbia Federation of Students for the BCFS levy August 2022

CARRIED

- c) \$7,352.28 - British Columbia Federation of Students (BCFS levy - 1st qtr reconciled)-**Matthew** explained that the college determined the final enrollment numbers for the summer and **Jaya** has calculated that the CCSS must remit \$7,352.28 to the BCFS for the 1st quarter reconciled funds

MOTION **Zeer/Lam**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a payment of \$7,352.28 to the British Columbia Federation of Students for the BCFS levy first quarter reconciled funds

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- d) \$10,000.00-Deposit on legal assistance plan to Prosum Health Benefits Inc for 2022/23 Legal Assistance benefit-**Michel** explained that this is a legal assistance benefit offered to students on the CCSS benefit plan through the BCFS and Prosum Health Benefits inc.

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MOTION **Love/Niikoi**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a payment of \$10,000.00 to Prosum Health Benefits Inc. for a deposit on a legal assistance plan for students for 2022/23

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- e) \$5,400.00-CCSS Festive hampers-**Christine** explained that last year she received \$4400.00 to make up 96 festive hampers for students that included a \$10 gift certificate for each hamper. Due to the skyrocketing costs of food this year she needs a little bit more money.

MOTION **Lam/Manomie**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve approximately \$5,400.00 for CCSS festive hampers

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- f) \$1,180.00-Best Laid Plans band (CamFest performance)-**Michael** explained that this band performed at Lansdowne for CamFest and that usually this would have been passed already but many things related to CamFest were delayed this year

MOTION **Niikoi/Bhardwaj**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a payment of \$1,180.00 to the Best Laid Plans band for their CamFest performance

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- g) \$2000.00-Canadian Ukraine Crisis Appeal-**Michel** explained that sometimes the CCSS makes donations to outside organizations. Earlier this year the CCSS donated to the Ukraine crisis appeal, and after **Michel** met some students last week that are here on the special visa from the Ukraine he suggested the CCSS donate some more funds.

MOTION **Lam/Niikoi**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a donation of \$2,000.00 to the Canadian Ukraine Crisis Appeal

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- h) \$2,500.00-United Way of Greater Victoria-**Michel** explained that the CCSS donates to the United Way every year apart from last year. The United Way is an umbrella organization that raises money for numerous different charities like the Mustard Seed for example.

MOTION **Doucet/Manomie**

BIRT the CCSS approve a donation of \$2,500.00 to the United Way of Victoria

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- i) CamFest & September student engagement activity expenses-**Matthew** explained that he needs authorization to pay any outstanding bills from CamFest

MOTION **Lam/Niikoi**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors authorize signing authorities to make expenditures for CamFest & September student engagement activities from the CamFest, events, and clubs budgets

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- j) \$1,932.63-Spinnakers Brewpub (soda for CamFest-**Matthew**

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BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a payment of \$1,932.63 to Spinnakers Brewpub for soda for CamFest

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- k) \$16,254.64-Nexus Publishing Society (Nexus operations grant-third instalment for 2022-23)-**Matthew** explained this is a quarterly payment that is partly paid from a grant from the CCSS and partly from a dedicated student levy

MOTION

Love/Doucet

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a payment of \$16,254.64 to the Nexus Publishing Society for the third instalment of the Nexus Operations Grant for 2022-23

CARRIED

- l) \$12,094.91-Nexus Publishing Society (Nexus levy Spring and Summer 2022)-**Matthew** explained that these funds will be remitted to the Nexus

MOTION

Love/Lam

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a payment of \$12,094.91 to the Nexus Publishing Society for the Nexus levy for Spring and Summer 2022

CARRIED

- m) \$15,000.00-Giving Tuesday donation-**Michel** explained that the CCSS has contributed the last few years to the Camosun College foundation for the Giving Tuesday which is a fundraising campaign which matches funds raised. The college uses to raise funds for initiatives like Erasing Barriers Fund for Camosun students

MOTION

Lam/Niikoi

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a donation of up to \$15,000.00 to the Giving Tuesday campaign

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V Committee Reports

- a) Organizational Design— reported
- b) Special Events – **Emily** reported that CamFest went great and a big shout out to **Glover** and **Taggy** and the rest of the staff for all their hard work. An SE meeting will be held sometime soon!
- c) Campaigns & Advocacy-**Jessie** thanked everyone who helped her table at CamFest. The C&A committee met last week before CamFest and decided which campaigns the CCSS is going to do this year. She will post them in the Student Life Guide. The next C&A meeting will be sometime in October.
- d) Executive Committee- **Jessie** –No report
- e) Finance Committee - **Kate** – No report
- f) Electoral Committee-**Michel** reported that the nomination period for the CCSS fall elections will start September 21 until October 4th There are several vacancies on the CCSS Board of Directors
- g) Personnel Committee-No report

VI Member Reports

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VII Other Reports

- a) Executive Director's report – **Michel** reported that he enjoyed spending sometime outside while helping with CamFest. It's a great opportunity for the CCSS to interact with the student population. The gift bags were a big hit. The United Way campaign is back in full swing this year which he is excited about. Enrollment numbers are down slightly compared to before COVID

VIII Unfinished Business

- a)

IX Question Period

X New Business

- a) Referendum questions for CCSS fall elections-**Michel** asked if we could defer referendum question number 1 to the next Board meeting. There are some unexpected pricing negotiations going on. **Michel** explained that student societies across Canada are likely to run into a problem with pricing due to the high inflation rate and he suggested that the CCSS approve a referendum question that would allow the CCSS Health & Dental rates to increase above 3% or CPI +1% while the high inflation situation exists.

MOTION **Niikoi/Singh J.**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors defer referendum question number 1 (levy for telus virtual doctor) until the next CCSS Board meeting.

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1. For a \$31 levy for Telus virtual Doctor
2. A referendum to allow the health and dental insurance rates to increase above 3% while a high inflation situation exists

MOTION **Manomie/Singh J.**

BIRT the CCSS board of Directors approve a referendum question that would allow the CCSS health and dental rates to increase above 3% or CPI +1% while a high inflation situation exists

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- b) Selection of interim Staff Liaison Officer-**Michel** explained that the CCSS is without an SLO now and the Staff Liaison Officer is an important position and needs to be filled.

MOTION **Niikoi/Singh J.**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors open nominations for an interim Staff Liaison Officer

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Nominees: **Emily** nominated **Kate**, herself, and **Jessie**. **Emily** then withdrew her nomination and **Jessie** declined her nomination. **Kate** is the interim SLO

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Niikoi/Singh J.

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors ratify Kate Love as the Interim Staff Liaison Officer

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Manomie/Niikoi

Adjourn 6:08pm

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