

Minutes

CCSS Board of Directors meeting, September 25, 2023 6:00pm

In Person Meeting

Fisher 210 on the Lansdowne Campus

SINGH, Jagjeet (BoG)	External Executive	VACANT.....	Interurban Director
.....	Interurban Executive	CHAUHAN, Ayush.....	Interurban Director
GIRI, Arshita	Lansdowne Executive	DUBEY, Purvi	Interurban Director
DUONG, Tho Man (Annie)	Finance Executive	CHOU, Angela	Lansdowne Director
SOLANKI, Prince.....	W&A Director	GUTIERREZ, Elva.....	Lansdowne Director
CORDEIRO, Maria Clara	International Director	Lansdowne Director
LAM, Emily.....	Pride Director	BHARDWAJ, Divyam.....	Lansdowne Director
DAWSON, James.....	Indigenous Director	CHADA, Aksh.....	Off Campus Director
TRAN, Thanh Phuong (Polly).	Sustainability Director	HUDSON, Logan	Board of Governors
FRASER, Sarah.....	Women's Director	Ritika	Education Council
.....	Interurban Director		

Attending: Jagjeet Singh, Arshita Giri, Annie Duong, Prince Solanki, Emily Lam, Purvi Dubey, Angela Chou, Elva Gutierrez, Aksh Chada, Logan Hudson,

Guests & Staff

Michel Turcotte
Matthew Martin
Christine Desrochers
Heather Cummings – VP Student Experience

Regrets

TRAN, Thanh Phuong (Polly)
BHARDWAJ, Divyam
Ritka

I Call to Order

- a) Meeting called to order
Angela Chou, Speaker of Council called the meeting to order at 6:15pm
- b) Territory acknowledgement
Angela provided the Territory Acknowledgement to recognize the traditional territories on which the meeting is being held.

II Ratification of Agenda/Approval of Previous Minutes

- a) Attendance
By unanimous consent, the board accepted the late regrets form Divyam and Ritika
- b) Approval of the Agenda

MOTION Singh/Giri

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the agenda as amended

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- c) Approval of Previous Minutes

MOTION **Solanki/Singh**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the September 11th board minutes as distributed electronically

CARRIED

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

- a) Introduction of Camosun VP Student Experience and Student Advising Presentation/Discussion
Heather Cummings the VP of Student Experience was introduced and given the floor. Heather had prepared a PowerPoint to explain the current and Academic Advising model and that there is currently a review going on to make improvements. She explained that there is currently no training system in place to be an advisor and that in addition to the numerically limited domestic academic advisors, there are a variety of individuals such as Chairs, CI staff, IECC staff, and others providing students with academic advice. Domestic students in particular have trouble getting appointments with advisors currently and improving the service to students in this area though both online tools and increased human advisors is a priority for the college. Heather also mentioned that they are going to be bringing all the people doing advising together for the first time to make sure all adviser type staff are working together and providing the consistent information.
- b) Resignation of Interurban Executive
Michel Reported that the Interurban Executive had resigned, and the board thanked her for her service.
- c) Sarah Fraser in person meeting LOA
Michel reported that the need for a LOA due to a class conflict was no longer necessary as Sarah had put in resignation effective just before the next meeting.

IV Financial Motions/Issues

- a) \$19,000.00 - British Columbia Federation of Students (BCFS fee levy payable - September 2023)

Matthew Martin explained that the dues were collected and received but needed to be remitted to the BCFS for September 2023.

MOTION **Solanka/Singh**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the payment of \$19,000 in dues to the BCFS for September 2023

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- b) \$20,081.56 - CASA 2022-23 Membership dues (second instalment 70% of \$28,687.94 for the year)

Matthew Martin explained that the CCSS pays its dues to the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations in two payments and that \$20, 081.56 represents the second and final payment for the school year.

MOTION **Singh/Giri**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the payment of \$20, 081.56 in 2023-24 school year dues to the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations.

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- c) \$1500 Donation to the Canadian Red Cross

Michel explained that the CCSS had contributed \$2000 to the various international and domestic appeals over the last few years and as he had received a reminder from them, wondered if the board wanted to continue with supporting the national or international. There was some discussion of the various needs and the CCSS fiscal capacity.

MOTION **Duong/Giri**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the agenda as amended

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- d) \$6168.30 – Notebooks printed at the print shop

MOTION **Lam/Dubey**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve paying the \$6168.30 bill for the CCSS branded notebooks printed by the printshop and were distributed at Camfest.

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V Committee Reports

- a) Organizational Design
Nothing to report

- b) Special Events

- i. Diwali Discussion and possible decision

A report back was made from the recent Special Events Committee meeting held to discuss a potential Diwali party. It was reported that at the SE Committee meeting the

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committee recommended having a ticketed 19+ event at the Sticky Wicket (club area) on November 13th due to issues and security concerns related to having the event on campus. The committee meeting benefited from a good expression of opinions and views related to the options, issues, concerns, holiday scheduling, and the more adult nature of the event. The board had a further discussion of the issues for the benefit of those members not at the committee meeting.

MOTION **Solanki/Giri**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a Diwali event at the Sticky Wicket on November 13th with the allocation of \$2500 in event funds and the ability to make use of ticket revenue if needed.

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- c) Campaigns & Advocacy
 - i. Rise Up Report
Jagjeet reported on the BCFS Rise Up Campaign competition and that the CCSS needs to get more members to sign up or will be overshadowed by other Locals.
 - ii. CASA E Plenary
Jagjeet reported on the recent virtual meeting of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations where there were discussions and reports both the internal issues facing the organization as well as on external al polling and the strategy for the upcoming lobby week in November.
- d) Executive Committee
Nothing to report.
- e) Finance Committee
No report
- f) Electoral Committee
Michel reported on the progress of the upcoming elections, that Gord Rant is the Chief Electoral Officer, and that all students should have now received an email about the elections and positions available.
There are also two referendum questions
- g) Personnel Committee
Nothing to report

VI Member Reports

- a)

VII Other Reports

- a) Executive Director's Report
Michel reported that James and himself are on the college hiring committee for the next Director of Student Affairs and the Evan Hilchey, is now acting as an Associate Dean of Arts and Science.

VIII Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business

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IX Question Period

An opportunity exists to ask members/staff questions

There were no questions

X New Business

- a) Proposal to amend the bylaws at the next AGM/GM to make the Executive Director a Ex-Officio (non voting) member of the CCSS Board of Directors- Jagjeet

Jagjeet withdrew the agenda item

- b) Oct 10-12 Recycling Game

Ani was speaking on behalf of the Sustainability Director who could not be in attendance, regarding a Recycling Game that could take place at Activity Days. Anyone who was interested in helping could reach out to Ani

M/S/C to Adjourn at 8:26pm