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CCSS Board of Directors meeting, February 24, 2025 5:00pm

In person meeting, Lansdowne campus, Wilna Thomas building, room 102

SOLANKI, Prince (BoG).....External Executive	CHONA, Manvi (LOA) Interurban Director
LEYLAND, Sean (BoG).....Interurban Executive	NAGRA, Gurleen Interurban Director
KAUR, JaspreetLansdowne Executive	DE GUZMAN, Hannah Interurban Director
SINGH, Talwinder.....Finance Executive	SINGH, Arshdeep Lansdowne Director
PLOURDE, TalhiaW&A Director	CHOU, Angela Lansdowne Director
TRAN, Phuong (Polly).....International Director	RANA, Vikas Lansdowne Director
BALUYUT, Terence.....Pride Director	RANA Vishal Lansdowne Director
PATTERSON, Rose.....Indigenous Director	COVARRUBIAS, David..... Off Campus Director
UNARCE, Elaine.....Sustainability Director	VACANT..... Education Council
BULT, Olivia.....Women’s Director Education Council
PERALTA, Hector.....Interurban Director	

Attending: Hannah De Guzman, Olivia Bult, Jaspreet Kaur, Sean Leyland, David Covarrubias, Polly Tran, Prince Solanki, Terence Baluyut, Talhia Plourde, Talwinder Singh, Gurleen Nagra, Arshdeep Singh, Hector Peralta

Absent:

Guests & Staff: Christine Desrochers, Matthew Martin, Hannah Carr, Michel Turcotte, Michael Glover

Regrets: Manvi Chona (LOA), Angela Chou

I Call to Order

- a) **Meeting called to order by Speaker of Council**
Prince called the meeting to order at 5:20 Monday, February 24th, 2025
- b) **Recognition of Coast Salish Territory**
Prince 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

Attendance

Late regrets:

MOTION **Bult / Tran**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve late regrets from Rose Patterson, Vikash Rana, Vishal Rana, and Elaine Unarce.

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Approval of the agenda:

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MOTION **Plourde / Tran**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the agenda as presented

CARRIED

Approval of Previous Minutes – February 10th, 2025:

MOTION **Plourde / De Guzman**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the minutes from February 10th, 2025 as presented

CARRIED

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

- a) Consideration of February 10th Board meeting late regrets from CCSS Women’s Director - **Olivia**

MOTION **Plourde / Baluyut**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the late regrets of Olivia Bult for February 10th, 2025

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- b) Free produce markets - **Christine** is looking for volunteers for the Free Produce Days at Lansdowne. Please contact her.
- c) CCSS Board meetings in March 2025-**Christine** asks the board to be aware of March and April meeting dates. March 10th, 24th, and 31st, and then April 28th.

IV Financial Motions/Issues

- a) \$21,400 printing costs for 4,250 Handbooks-**Glover**
-\$14,150 Estimated net cost (\$3.32 per book) after \$7,250 advertising sales net of commissions. Reduced from 4,750 ordered last year.

MOTION **Tran / Bult**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the purchase of 4,000 handbooks

CARRIED

- b) Up to \$1,700.00 for replacement Digital Signage monitor for Lansdowne Cafeteria (View Sonic CDE5530)-
Matthew

MOTION **Bult / Plourde**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve up to \$1,700 to replace the Digital Signage Monitor in the Lansdowne Cafeteria.

CARRIED

- c) Up to \$1,600.00 for Queer Cheers – **Terence** -Pride budget. Planned for April 25th at Vicious Poodle (event renamed Pink Pony Pub)

MOTION **Bult / Kaur**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve up to \$1600 for Queer Cheers (Pink Pony Pub)

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- d) Approval of an additional \$500.00 for International Women’s Day events (if needed)-**Olivia**

MOTION **Plourde / Covarrubias**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve up to \$1500 for the International Women’s Day events

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- e) \$3,000.00-Latin American festival-**Sean**

MOTION **Plourde / De Guzman**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve up to \$3,000 for the Latin American Festival

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V Committee Reports

- a) Organizational Design—**Gurleen**- a meeting will be hosted soon. Gurleen will be in contact.
- b) Special Events - **Sean & Jaspreet**- [Special Events Report](#) - The Latin American Festival, Holi, and Iftar are all coming up soon. Please see the link for event details.
- c) Campaigns & Advocacy - **Prince**- no report
- d) Executive Committee - **Prince**– no report
- e) Finance Committee – **Talwinder**– no report
- f) Electoral Committee - **Gord/Michel**-

MOTION **Bult / Kaur**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors open nominations to fill the vacancy on the Electoral committee for the Spring 2025 CCSS Elections

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Terence nominates David – nomination declined.

No new members appointed.

- g) Personnel Committee - **Prince** – no report.

VI Member Reports

- a) Sexual Health Clinic Interurban Survey—**Terence** has been working on the Sexual Health Clinic Survey and is now looking for contacts within different departments to facilitate distribution. He asks for board volunteers to speak in classrooms about this survey. Please contact him for more details.

VII Other Reports

- a) Executive Director’s Report – **Michel** states that last Friday the CCSS staff had their annual Professional Development Day. A new payment portal app is being developed by our insurance broker and the staff were

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given a demo. This should make the claims process far smoother. While it may create some turbulence in terms of adjusting account numbers, that will only need to happen once. The changes around the college were also discussed, including the school restructuring which should be finalized by the end of next month. Overall, it was a productive meeting.

There is an upcoming executive meeting and the CASA AGM. **Michel** has also been attending the CASA election training.

VIII Unfinished Business

a)

IX Question Period

a)

X New Business

- a) SWA Discussion-**Christine** explained the role of the Student Wellness and Accessibility Director and asked how we can make the position's role clearer to incoming candidates. How can we make it clear that this role's constituents include students with disabilities?

Olivia suggests a title change to "Accessibility Director". **Terence** highlights that "Wellness" is a very general term and each director is responsible for the wellness of their constituents. The focus should be on accurate representation of accessibility. **Sean** suggests that more information be listed on our website regarding what the role entails.

Michel states that "Wellness" was included as a means to include mental health within the umbrella of accessibility.

Olivia suggests that we have a health and wellness committee and an Access Director, or add a Health and Wellness Director to the board.

MOTION **Baluyut / Leyland**

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors will send the issue of the SWA role to the OD committee.

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- b) Nexus Newspaper Sustainability Proposal - **Michel** explains that the Nexus is struggling following the two failed referendums. They have sent the CCSS a request for a grant increase to cover their recent financial shortcomings. This request triggers a negotiation under the Nexus Separation Agreement. The board's options are to renegotiate the terms of the agreement or offer bridge financing and put off the issue.

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Matthew explained that the administrative budget is already stretched thin and needs to avoid absorbing costs from non self-sustaining programs. Additionally, this is a significant amount of money that has been requested and would have a significant effect on our administrative budget.

There is no hard deadline for a decision, though a direction before the next school year is preferential.

Overall, the board is of the opinion that the agreement should be opened. **Michel** will look into opening further discussions with the *Nexus*.

MOTION **Kaur / T. Singh**

Adjourned 7:56

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