



# MINUTES

CCSS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, April 15, 2021 2:00 pm

Via: Zoom

Local 17 British Columbia Federation of Students

## I CALL TO ORDER

- 1) Call to order by Speaker of Council

**Fillette Umulisa** called the meeting to order at 2:06 pm

- 2) Approval of the Chair

**MOTION                  MOVED/SECONDED**

*BIRT Fillette Umulisa be approved as the AGM Chair*

**CARRIED**

Meeting participants introduced themselves

## II INTRODUCTION TO CCSS MEETING RULES OF ORDER

- 1) Introduction to rules of order, the chair shall provide a brief introduction of the rules of order.

**Fillette** gave a short description of Robert's Rules of Order and how the AGM will be conducted

## III APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 1) Approve the agenda as presented

**MOTION                  MOVED/SECONDED**

*BIRT the membership accept the agenda as presented*

**CARRIED**

## IV MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- 1) Approval of minutes from the 2020 AGM

**MOTION                  MOVED/SECONDED**

*BIRT the membership approve the minutes from the 2020 CCSS AGM*

**CARRIED**

## V ADOPTION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- 1) Acceptance of the 2019-2020 Audit

**Michel** and **Matthew** presented and explained the 2019-2020 audit to the membership

**MOTION                  MOVED/SECONDED**

*BIRT the membership accept the 2019-2020 audit as presented*

**CARRIED**

- 2) Reporting on current financial statements

**Michel** and **Matthew** gave an in-depth report on the CCSS' current financial statements

**MOTION                      MOVED/SECONDED**

*BIRT the membership accept the report on the CCSS current financial statements as presented*

**CARRIED**

- 3) Appointment of Tompkins Wozny, as Auditors for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year

**Michel** explained that Tompkins Wozny have been auditors for the CCSS for quite some time and they specialize in the non-profit sector

**MOTION**

*BIRT the membership accept Tompkins Wozny as the CCSS auditors for the 2021-2022 fiscal year*

**CARRIED**

## **VI SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS TO AMEND THE EXISTING BYLAWS**

### **1) Changing the Term First Nations**

Whereas the Camosun College Student Society used the term "First Nations" in its bylaws to describe the First Nations Director and the First Nations Student Association; and

Whereas the term "First Nations" is now not considered to be the most inclusive and appropriate term to use; and

Whereas it would be more appropriate for the CCSS to use more inclusive language; therefore

Be It Resolved that all uses of the phrase "First Nations" in the Bylaws and Policies of the CCSS be replaced with the word "Indigenous"

### **2) Disbursements over \$500.00 dollars**

Whereas the amount of money that signing officers can spend without going to a board of directors meeting has not changed in nearly 30 years; Therefore

Be it Resolved that the Bylaws of the CCSS be amended as follows to update the amount of money that signing officers can authorise without a vote of the Board of Directors:

16.4 Authorization of the board and the signatures of at least three (3) signing officers, one (1) of whom shall be that of a staff member, shall be required for the disbursement of Society funds in excess of ~~five hundred (500)~~ **One Thousand (\$1000) dollars on any single occasion.**

### **3) Allowing for Electronic Meetings**

Whereas Covid-19 has shown the usefulness of video/audio meetings and electronic voting; therefore

Be It Resolved that the Members of the Camosun College Student Society Authorise the use of video/audio meetings and electronic voting where required; and

Be it Further Resolved that the Members direct that the bylaws and policy be amended as necessary to authorise the continued use of video and audio platforms for meetings as well as electronic voting for elections and other decision making.

## **VII REPORTS**

- 1) PRIDE Report-**Angela** reported that this was a strange year and with no in person events but the collective has hosted some virtual events and there has been an increased social media presence
- 2) Election Report- **Quinn** explained that 652 students voted in the CCSS Spring 2021 election he also congratulated the successful candidates and explained the election format was not first passed the post but single transferable ballot some of the positions were contested
- 3) Reports from members of the Executive- The Finance Executive gave thanks to the office staff for helping with the financial issues in this difficult year The External Executive gave an outline of what he has been doing over the past year some highlights include being a member of the make transit work committee, he and others have been pushing to get a student seat on the Victoria Regional Transit Commission although their efforts were unsuccessful his other work included working closely with various departments within Camosun to improve student life he also stated that it was a difficult year for campaigns due to COVID-19 The Interurban Executive echoed the difficulties that have come to light due to COVID but explained we did have some success giving hampers to students in need and we were able to hold an outdoor movie night she also continues her efforts to advocate for international students
- 4) Women's Centre Report the Women's Director reported that the year was difficult but there was some successes one being 100 care packages were created and handed out to women in need and in January there were plans to put a used goods and clothing drive but that never came to fruition because of COVID-19
- 5) S.W.A Report
- 6) FNSA Report- The Executive Director reported that the FNSA Director did some fantastic work this year with the First Nations Education department as well as representing and being a voice for Camosun's indigenous students
- 7) International Constituency Report- The Executive Director reported that the International Director has done some good work and has been in contact with Camosun International in his efforts to advocate for international students
- 8) Sustainability Report- The Women's Director reported that the Sustainability Director has done an amazing job engaging her constituents as well as the CCSS Board she has brought forward issues on Climate Change and holding video and info nights on Old Growth Logging mostly on social media due to COVID-19
- 9) Reports from other members of the Board of Directors
- 10) BCFS Report The External Executive reported that due to COVID-19 the BCFS has shifted to completely online model which has made it difficult to run campaigns but even though it was tough some campaigns went ahead with success
- 11) CASA Report The External Executive reported that this is the national affiliate we are connected to CASA also adopted an online format and he has done some work on access grants and some online advocacy as well as getting trades students some upfront funding he held several portfolio positions within CASA
- 12) Walksafer Report

**VIII QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

**IX ADJOURNMENT**

3:20