

MINUTES

CCSS Board of Directors meeting, May 26th, 2025
Online, various locations

BALUYUT, Terence	External Executive	CHONA, Manvi	Interurban Director
QUESADA, Daniella	Interurban Executive	NAGRA, Gurleen	Interurban Director
CERVANTES, Regina	Lansdowne Executive	VACANT.....	Interurban Director
MADARIAGA, Benjamin	Finance Executive	SINGH, Arshdeep	Lansdowne Director
PIMENTEL, Athena.....	SWA Director	CHOU, Angela	Lansdowne Director
PERALTA, Hector.....	International Director	VACANT.....	Lansdowne Director
TOOTH, Acacia	Pride Director	VACANT.....	Lansdowne Director
PATTERSON, Rose.....	Indigenous Director	COVARRUBIAS, David.....	Off Campus Director
DE GUZMAN, Hannah	Sustainability Director	PLOURDE, Tahlia	Education Council
HUYNH, Madison	Women's Director	SOLANKI, Prince	Board of Governors
KWONG, Nancy.....	Interurban Director	LEYLAND, Sean	Board of Governors

Attending: Rose Patterson, Nancy Kwong, Athena Pimentel, Terence Baluyut, Angela Chou, Hannah De Guzman, Regina Cervantes, Sean Leyland, Madison Huynh, Manvi Chona, Hector Peralta, Benjamin Madariaga, Danielle Quesada, Acacia Tooth, Prince Solanki, Arshdeep Singh, Gurleen Nagra

Absent: David Covarrubias, Tahlia Plourde

Guests & Staff

Michel Turcotte
Michael Glover
Matthew Martin
Hannah Carr
Christine Desrochers
Olivia Patterson

Regrets

I Call to Order

- a) **Meeting called to order by Speaker of Council**
Angela called the meeting to order at 4:32 Monday, May 26th, 2025
- 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 W̱SÁNEĆ speaking peoples, T'souke, Scia'new and Pacheedaht First Nations

II Ratification of Agenda/Approval of Previous Minutes

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION: First / Seconded

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the agenda as presented

Amended: "Other Reports" by Terence and Rose are added to the agenda

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CARRIED AS AMENDED

Approval of Previous Minutes

MOTION: Patterson / Cervantes

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the minutes from April 28th, 2025.

CARRIED

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

- a) Summer LOA request for Daniella Quesada - **Danielle**

Danielle will look into some more information before making a choice regarding pursuing an LOA.

- b) Academic LOA request for Gurleen Nagra – **Michel**

MOTION: Huynh / Pimentel

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the academic LOA for Gurleen Nagra

CARRIED

- c) College guests at the June 16th meeting – **Michel**

Lane Trotter and Evan Hilchey will both attend the next board meeting to discuss the College and the Housing Project, respectively.

IV Financial Motions/Issues

- a) Up to \$21000 for swag purchase for 2025/26 - **Glover**

MOTION: De Guzman / Patterson

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve up to \$21000 for swag purchases

CARRIED

- b) \$6,000.00 – Camosun College Foundation (Emergency Student Aid 2025-26)–**Matthew**

MOTION: Chona / Baluyut

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve \$6000 for the Camosun College Foundation (Emergency Student Aid)

CARRIED

- c) \$5,800.00– Camosun College Foundation (Daycare donation 2025-26)–**Matthew**

MOTION: Patterson / Solanki

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve \$58000 for the Camosun College Foundation (Daycare donation)

CARRIED

- d) \$2,000.00 – Camosun College Foundation (Daycare Equipment donation 2025-26)–**Matthew**

MOTION: Solanki / Huynh

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve \$2000 for the Camosun College Foundation (Daycare equipment donation)

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- e) \$3500 contribution towards refreshments for graduation ceremonies – **Michel**

MOTION: Kwong / Patterson

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve \$3500 to go towards refreshments for the graduation ceremonies.

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V Committee Reports

No committees currently stand

VI Member Reports

- a) World Bird Migratory Day event – **Hannah De Guzman** reported on the World Bird Migratory Day and the 423 confirmed bird species, meaning the CRD is the Birding Capital of Canada!

VI Other Reports

- a) **Terence** told the board about the CASA conference. He met with other members from across the country and discussed key issues facing post-secondary students. Terence also spoke to the CASA election, which is now more balanced in terms of East and West Coast representation.

BCFS update: Skill symposium! There is now digital training which is accessible to board members. Terence will send out an email

Terence is writing a column in Nexus and would like board input on what should be included in the column. It will also be posted on our socials shortly.

Social media strategy: Terence is looking to build the social media strategy and is looking for some board members to collaborate with. Please email him.

A new VP is being hired for the college and Terence is looking for a board member to work in his stead in terms of consultation. He will share the dates and asks members to put their name forward if interested.

Terence sent out an email a few weeks ago regarding the EDI staffing reduction. He is concerned about the trajectory of the center with the decrease in international student numbers. Terence is setting up a meeting with Sybil to learn more.

- b) **Rose** received a late emergency email from Eyē? Sqâ'lewen asking for help financing their graduation ceremony. She has provided support (\$550) and is going to ask for more input from the board moving forward.

VII Question Period

X New Business

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- a) Participation for Canadian National Community Organizing Training in Calgary with GVAT – **Hannah DG** is being considered for a spot on the GVAT board of directors. She has been working with Michel regarding the upcoming training and is excited for this opportunity.
- b) Selection of representatives to meet with the Nexus regarding financial issues – **Glover**. The CCSS is looking for two board reps to negotiate the nexus separation agreement.

MOTION: Baluyut / Nagra
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors open nominations
CARRIED

Terence nominates **Acacia**
Prince nominates **Manvi**
Madison nominates **Daniella**

Acacia and **Daniella** are elected

MOTION: Baluyut / Kwong
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors ratify the election results for the Nexus representatives
CARRIED

- c) Introduction and appointment of Portfolio Positions - **Glover**

MOTION: Baluyut / Cervantes
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors opens nominations for portfolio and committee selections
CARRIED

Portfolio Positions:

Speakers of Council: Angela Chou, Nancy Kwong

Staff Liaison: Terence Baluyut

Board of Governors Liaison: Rose Patterson

Nexus Liaison: Acacia Tooth

Committees:

Special Events Committee:

- Chairs: Regina Cervantes, Daniella Quesada
- Members: Acacia Tooth, Gurleen Nagra, Terence Baluyut, Hannah De Guzman, Athena Pimentel, Manvi Chona, Madison Huynh, Arshdeep Singh, Benjamin Madariaga

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Organizational Design Committee:

- Chair: Hannah De Guzman
- Members: Nancy Kwong, Daniella Quesada, Terence Baluyut, Manvi Chona, Gurleen Nagra, Angela Chou

Finance Committee:

- Chair: Benjamin Madariaga
- Members: Rose Patterson, Angela Chou, Terence Baluyut, Nancy Kwong, Hector Peralta, Athena Pimentel, Regina Cervantes, Hannah De Guzman, Madison Huynh

Personnel:

- Chair: Terence Baluyut
- Members: Madison Huynh, Hannah De Guzman

Campaigns:

- Chair: Terence Baluyut
- Members: Hannah De Guzman, Manvi Chona, Gurleen Nagra, Regina Cervantes

WUSC:

- Member: Regina Cervantes

Greater Victoria Acting Together (GVAT)

Strategy Hub:

- Members: Gurleen Nagra, Terence Baluyut

Climate Action Research Team:

- Members: Hannah De Guzman, Rose Patterson

Housing Committee:

- Members: Gurleen Nagra, Rose Patterson

MOTION: Kwong / Peralta
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors ratifies the portfolio and committee selections
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d) Determination of vacant positions motion – **Christine**

The vacant board positions will be opened to interested applicants. Appointments will take place at the next meeting.

e) Lansdowne Campus Communication Box – **Regina**

Regina gave a presentation on her suggestion-box idea, which will be outside the Lansdowne office.

Terence recommended a box at Interurban as well and **Regina** agrees, stating that her and **Daniella** have already discussed this option and would like to move forward with it.

IX Adjournment

MOTION: Patterson / De Guzman

Adjourned at 6:58

CARRIED