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CCSS Board of Directors meeting, April 27th, 2026
Wilna Thomas, 101, Lansdowne Campus

BALUYUT, Terence.....External Executive	VACANT..... Interurban Director
QUESADA, Daniella.....Interurban Executive	VACANT..... Interurban Director
PETERSON, AleahLansdowne Executive	VACANT..... Lansdowne Director
MADARIAGA, BenjaminFinance Executive	CHOU, Angela Lansdowne Director
PIMENTEL, Athena.....SWA Director	LAM, Riley Lansdowne Director
PERALTA, Hector.....International Director	FREDERICKSON, Jeremy Lansdowne Director
TOOTH, Acacia.....Pride Director	VACANT..... Off Campus Director
VACANTIndigenous Director	HODSON, Liam Education Council
DE GUZMAN, HannahSustainability Director Education Council
HUYNH, MadisonWomen’s Director	TOOTH, Acacia Education Council
PURNELL, MiaInterurban Director Board of Governors
VACANTInterurban Director	LEYLAND, Sean Board of Governors

Attending: Sean Leyland, Madison Huynh, Terence Baluyut, Riley Lam, Benjamin Madariaga, Hector Peralta, Mia Purnell, Angela Chou, Acacia Tooth

Absent: Hannah De Guzman, Athena Pimentel

Regrets: Aleah Peterson

Guests & Staff: Michael Glover, Matthew Martin, Mathieu Poirier, Gord Rant, Christopher Gillespie

I Call to Order

- a) **Meeting called to order by Speaker of Council**
Meeting called to order at 5:35pm on April 27th, 2026
- 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 Late Regrets

MOTION: Peralta/Madariaga
To approve the late regrets of Liam Hodson, Daniella Quesada, and Jeremy Frederickson
CARRIED

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Lam/Purnell
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the agenda as presented
CARRIED

Approval of Previous Minutes

MOTION: Baluyut/Huynh
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the minutes to include Angela’s regrets from April 13th, 2026
CARRIED

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

- a) Presentation of Electoral Report from Dataseed Consulting – *In Camera*

Sean vocalized his concern regarding moving into camera for this discussion, stating that he would like to maintain transparency and the ability to adjust electoral policy in the future.

Chris Gillespie stated that the motion being in camera was his idea, as it does contain personal information. It would be a privacy breach to discuss this outside of camera. **Gillespie** continued, stating that this was purely his recommendation as a privacy professional of 15 years, and that the idea that it was released to the public is problematic. He stated that this is just a recommendation and that it is up to the board.

Sean replied, stating that the document was sent to **Daniella** and **Emma**, and therefore has been released to the public. He is also worried about the constant need for camera sessions reducing the transparency of our members. **Acacia** seconded these sentiments.

Riley stated that there might be legal concerns regarding the lack of in-camera discussion.

Madison reminded the board that **Daniella** is still a member of the board, and that **Emma** was part of the investigation, therefore not a fully public document.

MOTION: Peralta/Huynh
BIRT that the board move into Camera
DEFEATED

Madison requested her vote be documented as YES for this motion.
Riley requested his vote be documented as YES for this motion.

Chris Gillespie stated that there are some significant gaps in the responsibility of the board in terms of an understaffed electoral committee and suggested an external party may be a solution moving forward. He stated the other changes needed are bylaw and policy issues, and that stronger definitions are needed. He opened the floor to questions.

Madison asked, since partial ratification is not allowed, how the ratification can be completed. Would the results be ratified as: before the candidate stepped down, after a candidate stepped down, or with a vacant position? **Gillespie** replied that it would be the third option, and the ratification would be for a vacant position.

Sean asked if they could not ratify partial results, and **Gillespie** said that, according to Robert's rules, that cannot happen. **Sean** followed up by asking how this can therefore be ratified. **Gillespie** stated that the motion can be amended, and a temporary external executive can be appointed.

Sean asked what improvements could be made to fill the electoral committee. He stated that filling the committee very late in the year can be very difficult. **Gillespie** said there is nothing in the bylaws that would prevent calling the electoral committee earlier. **Gillespie** suggested that the electoral committee dies after the completion of this term, since the new board has the right to call their own committees. He also said that an election committee would be the correct place to make these decisions, working in conjunction with the OD committee.

Sean asked if there is a policy set up, and **Matthew Martin** and **Gillespie** confirmed that there is a policy, but that would be for future consideration.

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IV Financial Motions/Issues

- a) \$3500 contribution for refreshments for June Grad – **Glover**

MOTION: Peralta/Tooth

To approve a \$3500 contribution for refreshments for June Grad

CARRIED

Acacia and Sean recused themselves from the discussion as graduating students.

- b) \$1,150 Data Seed Consulting Group – Election report – **Matthew**

MOTION: Huynh/Baluyut

To approve \$1,150 for Dataseed Consulting Group

CARRIED

Sean asked who had approved the expenditure of over \$1000 since this expenditure is over the threshold and no board member has approved this. **Gord** stated that the electoral committee directed **Michel** to hire a third party. **Terence** said that the contract has already been entered into and therefore this will need to be paid, though he reminded the board that expenditures of any committee still need to come to the board. **Michael** said that the electoral committee met and decided that a third-party investigation was necessary. At this point, the CEO directed **Michel Turcotte** to find a third party. He does not know what happened regarding how much it would cost since **Michel** was absent.

- c) \$2,945.16 Camosun College – 2025-26 Ombuds year-end contribution – **Matthew**

MOTION: Peralta/Madariaga

To approve \$2945.16 for the 2025-26 Ombuds year-end contribution.

CARRIED

- d) Payment of \$550 to Acacia Tooth for Pink Pony Club (Budget Remainder) – **Acacia**

MOTION: Baluyut/Peralta

BIRT that the board approves a \$550 payment to Acacia Tooth

AMENDED: Baluyut / Peralta

BIRT that the board approved the payment of \$550 to Wander Lost

CARRIED AS AMENDED

Acacia recused themselves for this discussion.

V Committee Reports

- a) Organizational Design—**Daniella**- No report.
b) Special Events— **Daniella**- No report.

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- c) Campaigns & Advocacy—**Terence**- No report.
- d) Executive Committee— **Terence**- No report.
- e) Finance Committee— **Benjamin** - No report.
- f) Electoral Committee—**Gord / Michel** –

MOTION TO AMEND SOMETHING PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED Baluyut / Huynh

To amend the April 13th, 2026 ratification motion, BIRT that all the positions from the 2026 spring election, including that of Emma Jones, be ratified; be it further resolved that, with Emma Jones' resignation, the position of External Executive is now deemed vacant.

CARRIED

- a. Interim Appointment — Board of Directors Vacancies – **Sean** (Please see the linked document) https://docs.google.com/document/d/1IVpxecf0jSsNWV34XspLwgrot_PPFpjBxqrn1ix_iG4/edit?usp=sharing

Sean presented a document that he had put together to address some of the issues that were presented in the elections. He noted that there are other positions that are currently vacant aside from the external executive, and that his rationale for suggesting that directors step down to run for another position was an effort to reduce the overall turnover.

He suggested that we open the vacancies this week and close on the 6th with appointments happening on the 11th.

Mathieu provided some context for the email that was sent out after the document was provided to the board, and stated that the current document would open our elections to challenges and put the board in a position where everything the board had done from that point forward would be rendered invalid. Without this one statement that stipulates board members resigning to be nominated, **Mathieu** stated that this document does hold water.

Sean said that since none of the board are educated in this topic, it would be useful to be able to learn about these kinds of things so that these conversations can continue, rather than fear freeze the process.

Mathieu stated that coming from a position of “if it’s not in our bylaws, we can do it” is very dangerous and his email was in a direct response to a previous email.

MOTION: Baluyut/Lam

Be it resolved that the Board adopts the Interim Appointment Procedures as presented by the Electoral Committee;

Be it further resolved that Section 4.5 of the report is omitted upon adoption.

CARRIED

- g) Personnel Committee—**Hannah** - No report.

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VI Member Reports

VIII Unfinished Business

VII Question Period

Acacia addressed the board, stating that over the last couple of months, they have seen the board being torn apart and they hope this does not continue. They asked the board to remember to be kind to one another as they move forward as a group.

X New Business

IX Adjournment

MOTION: Lam/Huynh

Adjourned 6:54pm

CARRIED