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CCSS Board of Directors meeting, May 25th, 2026

Online, Various Locations

JONES, Emma	External Executive	VACANT	Interurban Director
PIMENTEL, Athena	Interurban Executive	VACANT	Interurban Director
LAM, Riley	Lansdowne Executive	PETERSON, Aleah	Lansdowne Director
BALUYUT, Terence	Finance Executive	ROUSSEAU-HANSON, Jessie	Lansdowne Director
PURNELL, Mia	SWA Director	VACANT	Lansdowne Director
PERALTA, Hector	International Director	CHOU, Angela	Lansdowne Director
SAMANIEGO, Juan	Pride Director	VACANT	Off Campus Director
FREDERICKSON, Jeremy	Indigenous Director	HODSON, Liam	Education Council
SHARMA, Aarisca	Sustainability Director	STONE, Jay	Education Council
HUYNH, Madison	Women's Director	TOOTH, Acacia	Education Council
SIGOUIN, Nyleah	Interurban Director		Board of Governors
VACANT	Interurban Director	LEYLAND, Sean	Board of Governor

<u>Attending:</u> Jay Stone, Juan Samaniego, Sean Leyland, Terence Baluyut, Mia Purnell, Nyleah Sigouin, Madison Huynh, Aarisca Sharma, Hector Peralta, Riley Lam, Aleah Peterson, Mia Purnell, Angela Chou, Athena Pimentel, Acacia Tooth

<u>Absent</u>:

<u>Regrets</u>: Jessie Rousseau-Hansons

<u>Guests & Staff:</u> Christine Desrochers, Matthew Martin, Michael Glover, Mathieu Poirier, Hannah Carr, Sean Gallivan, Bryan Boechler

<u>I Call to Order</u>

a) **<u>Meeting called to order by Speaker of Council</u>**
Angela called to order at 5:05pm on May 25th, 2026

b) **<u>Recognition of Coast Salish Territory</u>**
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.

<u>II Ratification of Agenda/Approval of Previous Minutes</u>

Approval of Late Regrets

MOTION: Baluyut/Peterson
To approve the late regrets of Liam Hodson, Jeremy Frederickson, and Emma Jones
CARRIED

Approval of Agenda

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

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Approval of Previous Minutes

MOTION: Huynh/Baluyut
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the minutes from May 11th, 2026
CARRIED

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

a) Health and Dental Benefits Presentation – **Christine** *(and Gallivan and Associate representative – name pending)*

Sean Gallivan, **Bryan Boechler**, and the front house team met on Friday to address some changes that will be happening within the health and dental program. Gallivan's goal is to create and establish the best experience possible for students and meet the health and benefit goals that suit CCSS members. Gallivan, soon to be Alumo, has been working on a new platform that will let students access their benefits. **Bryan** showed the board their plan to take over the role of claims payer with streamlined claims benefits for health, dental, and mental health, along with the specific benefits of the CCSS. It will let Alumo work with the CCSS to connect members to all their benefits and information, empower the plan members, support the plan, promote the organization, and respond to feedback. The technology itself is Adjudicare, a system developed by Telus, the same system used by CanadaLife. The average claim reimbursement using this system is 2.32 days, with 93% of claims paid within 5 days. It is accessible via both desktop and mobile devices.

Bryan gave a demonstration of the service.

Madison asked about how additional services can be added to the platform. **Bryan** responded that they will reach out to staff and get blurbs that they can add to the website. For informational posts, they ask for 10 days advance notice as well as a posting and take-down date.

Juan complimented the system presented, and asked what filters would be in place for students to ask an actual human questions. Students will be able to call in and provide some ID information, and then there will either be a handoff or a call-back option. Brian said it will be much quicker going directly to the source rather than via CanadaLife. **Juan** followed that up by asking how Alumo will confirm what kind of documentation is needed to pay out claims. **Bryan** replied that their agents won't make you jump through hoops, and help is available in both English and French, and interpreter services are available. They're also specifically student claims agents who specialize in what students need. **Bryan** also highlighted that the platform will be accessible for six months after coverage ends, which will allow students to pull documents and file claims from within their claims window. They will also be pulling over everything from CanadaLife, so documents submitted to them will be coming over.

Jay asked if coverage will change and if there is any additional cost. There will be no changes to coverage unless students deliberately change their coverage, and there is no additional cost.

Terence asked if there was a communication strategy. **Bryan** said yes. Starting on August 18th, students will be able to register, and at the beginning of the month there will be materials rolling out to help spread the word.

Sean G. said that most schools in Alberta, BC IT, and many others are already on this plan. Alumo will need as much time as possible to start that transition and start customizations, and is asking the board if this is the right fit for the organization and students. Gallivan is also on a long-term agreement as a consultant, and there will be an addendum that will be executed once that transition is complete. It just lets us do the work right now.

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IV Financial Motions/Issues

a) $1,053.79 ElectionRunner election software – **Matthew**

MOTION: Peralta/Lam
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve 1,053.79 for ElectionRunner election software.
CARRIED

b) $9,447.35 – Canadian Alliance of Student Associations – 30% of 2026-27 CASA membership dues– **Matthew**

MOTION: Huynh/Baluyut
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approves $9,447.35 for the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations
CARRIED

Terence asked if we could check if there is a difference between the estimated number of students by CASA and actual students. **Sean** asked if the amount of money raised via students offsets the amount the costs went up. **Matthew** said there is going to be a deficit in the CASA program as costs continue to rise. This deficit will likely come from admin. He said that this will need to be addressed eventually as an area of concern. **Terence** said that this issue could be brought up in the finance committee.

c) BCFS membership fees enabling motion – **Matthew**

MOTION: Peralta/Baluyut
BIRT the Board of Directors authorises the signing authorities to remit BC Federation of Students (BCFS) membership fees for the 2026-27 academic year to the BCFS that we receive from Camosun College.
CARRIED

d) 2026-27 Annual Student Refugee Program enabling motion – **Matthew**

MOTION: Baluyut/Huynh
BIRT the Board of Directors authorizes the Member Services Officer or designate to approve the expenses necessary to conduct the Student Refugee Program at Camosun for the 2026-27 year and provide for the health, wellness, and security as well as deal with emergency circumstances related to the student refugees brought to Canada through the WUSC SRP program and attending Camosun College; and

BIRT the Member Services Officer have discretion to deal with occasional emergencies and wellness issues related other former student refugees and recent refugees attending Camosun College.
CARRIED

e) Allow one-time additional carry forward of up to lesser of $5000 or the full 2025-26 fiscal year surplus in addition to the regular $1000 carry forward balance until the funds are used. – **Matthew**

MOTION: Samaniego/Baluyut

BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve a one-time additional carry forward in the indigenous student fund of up to lesser of $5000 or the full 2025-26 fiscal year surplus in addition to the regular $1000 carry forward balance until the funds are used.
CARRIED

Terence asked if this was specifically for the indigenous budget, and **Matthew** confirmed yes.

f) Adjust credit card limits – **Matthew**
With the adjustment of duties:

Old > New CC limits:
$12,000 > $18,000: Christine
$12,000 > $2,000: Michel *Transfer to Matthew's card if Michel's card is cancelled.
$10,000 > $14,000: Tagg
$6,000 > $6,000: Matthew
$40,000 > $40,000: Total

MOTION: Lam/Huynh
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors approve the adjustments of the credit card limits: Christine's card raised to $18,000, Michel's card reduced to $2000, Tagg's card raised to $14,000, Matthew's card remains the same unless Michel's card is cancelled, and then the card will be raised to $8,000.
CARRIED

Christine clarified that all the SRP student phones are connected to Michel's account, and it will take some work to extricate them so that they are left without communication. This is why there is hesitation to cancel the card connected to Michel's name. She requests a bit of time to figure that out. Matthew clarified that there are some other small changes attached to Michel's card as well, but the $2000 will cover that until it can be handled.

Jay Stone abstained from voting

<u>V Committee Reports</u>

a) Organizational Design—**Terence-** no report.
b) Special Events— **Athena / Riley-** There will be a meeting next Thursday.
c) Campaigns & Advocacy—**Emma-** no report.
d) Executive Committee— **Emma-** no report.
e) Finance Committee— **Terence-** no report.
f) Electoral Committee— **Gord** – A chair will be voted in at the next meeting.
g) Personnel Committee—**Sean –** *In Camera*

MOTION: Moved/Seconded
BIRT that the CCSS board of directors move into camera
CARRIED

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MOTION: Moved/Seconded
BIRT that the CCSS board of directors move out of camera.
CARRIED

MOTION: Samaniego/Baluyut
BIRT that the CCSS board of directors requires the personnel committee to report directly to the board.
AMENDED: *Madison / Riley*
BIR that all recommendations and proposed actions of the Personnel Committee be submitted to the Board for review and approval before implementation.
CARRIED AS AMMENDED

MOTION: Baluyut/Leyland

Redacted HR motion regarding Executive Director.

CARRIED

The following has been added to the April 13, 2026 minutes:

Annual Report of the SLO **– Hannah & Terence –** *In Camera*
MOTION: Tooth/Pimentel
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors move into camera at 7:45pm
CARRIED

MOTION: First/Second
BIRT the CCSS Board of Directors move out of camera at 8:52pm
CARRIED

MOTION: Tooth/De Guzman
BIRT the Camosun College Student Society terminates the employment of the current Executive Director, Michel Turcotte, without cause.

AMENDED: Quesada/Lam
Motion to table
AMENDMENT FAILED. Original motion comes back to the floor.

Quesada requested a roll call of votes.

Vote: YES to Table
- Quesada
- Lam
- Purnell

Vote: NO to Table
- Tooth
- De Guzman

- Leyland
- Peterson
- Campoy
- Pimentel

Vote: ABSTAIN to Table

- Huynh

MOTION: Tooth/De Guzman
BIRT the Camosun College Student Society terminates the employment of the current Executive Director, Michel Turcotte, without cause.
CARRIEDs

Huynh requested a roll call of votes.

Vote: YES

- Tooth
- De Guzman
- Leyland
- Peterson
- Campoys
- Pimentel

Vote: NO

- Lam

Vote: ABSTAIN

- Quesada
- Purnell
- Huynh

MOTION: Leyland/Baluyut
BIRT the CCSS board approve an amount of up to $10,000 to obtain legal and HR representation for the purpose of navigating our good faith negotiations with the union and to help with the process of hiring a new Executive Director and to report back to the board with options for consideration.

AMENDED Baluyut/Stone
BIRT the CCSS board approve an amount of up to $10,000 to obtain legal and HR representation for the purpose of navigating our good faith negotiations with the union.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

MOTION: Leyland/Baluyut
BIRT that the CCSS board begin the process of finding and hiring a new Executive Director.

AMENDED: Move to table Madison/Lam

TABLED

<u>VI Member Reports</u>

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VIII Unfinished Business

VII Question Period

X New Business

a) Decision: Health and Dental Benefits Presentation – **Christine**

MOTION: Baluyut/Stone
BIRT that the CCSS board of directors accepts the transition to the updated health and dental Alumo platform
CARRIED

b) Selection of Student Representative for Victoria Regional Transit Commission – **Hannah Carr** on behalf of **Gord Rant**

Motion to table Terence/Juan
CARRIED

c) Open Nominations for board appointment – **Riley Lam**
MOTION: Lam/Stone
BIRT that the CCSS board of directors opens nominations for board appointment from the floor.
Amended: *Huynh/Lam*
BIR that the board open nominations and advertise said open nominations. BIFR that the board uses prior nomination guidelines.
AMENDMENT FAILS
MOTION FAILS

Terence raised some concerns about back-to-back nominations starting a precedent. **Madison** spoke from the opposite perspective, emphasizing that open positions need to be filled. **Jay** expressed interest in taking on a more permanent board role. **Mia** said that the positions of directors at large are relatively easy roles, and even with her limited experience, she was able to fit right in without the orientation. **Sean** said that we should have as much representation on the board as possible, but it should be open to the entire student body, not just through direct communication with the board. **Matt** stated that there have been multiple people asking for board appointments, not just the one member who has been discussed, and those students are being referred to the board.

IX Adjournment

MOTION: Sharma/Pimentel
Adjourned at 9:01pm.
CARRIED