

Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry
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SFU Students of Caribbean and African Ancestry (SOCA)
[June 8th, 2024] at [5:07pm]

ATTENDEES:

MEETING AGENDA

TERRITORY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

SOCA recognizes we are situated on the unceded territories Coast Salish Territories of the Musqueam, Kwikwetlem, Squamish and Tsleil-waututh, and Katzie and we recognize the importance of this acknowledging that this land has never been granted, surrendered nor sold to any government but taken by force. You can see who's land you're on using an app called <https://native-land.ca/> which is a map of Indigenous lands.

ROUNDS

(Name, Something about yourself that's not known to everyone, Access needs, One thing you had good this week and one you're looking forward to or alternative)

CHECK IN

Stacy - access needs met, classes canceled

Emmanuel- access needs met, Sunny weather was great

Nobuhle- access needs met, weather was great

Anne Marie- she/her access needs met passed her quiz

Bam- he/him access needs met, has 15 uncles on his mom's side

Akuol - she/her access needs met, did her midterms

Adom-He him, access needs met , grandpa had 18 kids

Ruki- access needs met, He is not from Nigeria but actually british

Mekeil- she/her access needs met , likes to read

Liya- she/her aces needs meet, can crochet

Chris- he/him access needs met, like the smell of clean laundry

Joanne- she/her access needs met, loves the summer

APPROVE MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

- **Approved (Any issues?):**

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- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1WEIwiusAJyx5CjEc9bqNaAKVhmihp0YhdEtVIDiEs/edit>

REPORT OF OFFICERS

- President
 - Email correspondences
 - Following up with with Colour the trail
- Vice President
 - Attended SFSS and ASA meeting on behalf of SOCA
 - Attended black grad meeting
 - Help coordinate decor for black grad
- External Relations Officer
 - Finalized financial literacy workshop
 - Helped out with Africa day in the dining hall
- Internal Relations Officer
 - Had a meeting trying to form the committees at council, so far the equity committee has been formed, with the BIPOC soon to follow. Everything is still in the steering stages at council
- Secretary
 - Nothing to report!
- Treasurer

Accounts balances and in and out flows (trust, levy fund, SOCA core, staff department line item, scotiabank, outstanding/upcoming grants):

 - Trust:\$4,073.07
 - Levy: \$62,506.54
 - Soca CG core fund: \$2,000
 - Staff Dept Levy: N/A
 - Scotiabank (external): \$2,773
 - Grant funding: N/A
- Cheques to be signed (include Motions Date and Number approved and person to reimburse): No cheques to be signed.

Other: Waiting for CAV Gift card receipts from Stacy, Cheque Req for Gas, Miscellaneous expenses and Gift cards for CAV to be submitted, Went shopping for the space.
- Events Coordinator
 - Following up with color the trails on the events we have planned
- First Year Rep

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- Nothing to report
 - Grad Rep
 - Nothing to report
 - Fraser International College (FIC) Rep
 - Nothing to report
 - Information Technology Officer (ITO)
 - Attended the dining halls Africa Day
 - Made and posted the catch ah vyz reels
 - Made posters for events
 - Made the events calendar
 - Execs at large
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - Black Student Support Centre Staff (BSSC) Staff
 - Other Assigned Members

REPORT ON SPECIFIC MATTERS

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DISCUSSION ITEMS.

- **Staff support update** - followed up with Laury and Sindhu. Araba is set to return June 15th. More updates will be given when she returns.
- **Summer events-**
 - Mental health workshops - Tricia k suggested a couple days for the mental health sessions for this semester, roughly once every month, and they seem to be good for us
 - The kayaking event will be a dusk event, we're still working on finalizing it. iCloud the trailer is taking care of the registration for the kayaking event. We have 20 spots. We could also charge people as a way of providing incentive for people to show up. The deadline for signing up and payment should be roughly the end of next week
 - The camping event has 18 attendees so far, we're thinking of asking people to pay a down payment to ensure they show up as well as to help with prices. Exact costs will be revealed down the line. The payments can be e-transferred to soca's account. Our budget is about \$1000. We could possibly extend the number of attendees to 25. If we're asking for payment, we might have to re-open the sign up link so people are aware of what they're signing up for. It could be a good idea to mention this is a collaboration with an external organization so they know what to expect. n nn

Execs coming for the kayaking event

- Adanna
- Ruki
- Nobuhle
- Emmanuel
- Stacy
- **Bi-Poc committee**- the committee hasn't been formed at council yet, so we're unable to request funds
- **ASA update**- has a meeting with the SFSS, ASA and some other club executives to understand what the ASA is aiming for as well as the difference between SOCA and the ASA. There'll be a follow up meeting to make final decisions, but the current undertaking is that the ASA will be allowed to continue. There was a meeting where ASA was given the options of restarting as a club or becoming a sub group of SOCA. If they choose not to become a sub group, a new understanding has to be reached with ASA regarding our relations with them, specifically pertaining to funding as is outlined by SFSS policies. SOCA needs to reach out to the ASA to have this conversation.
- **Collaboration with SFU HIP HOP**- Janine is interested in teaching a hip hop dance class for SOCA members as a way of outreach. We might be at capacity this semester, but we are definitely interested

COMMITTEE AND SUB-ASSOCIATIONS UPDATE

- Social Justice and Advocacy Committee
 - Mekeil
 - Liya (Emiliya)
- Cultural Events Committee
 - Anne-Marie
 - Chris
- Parties and Pub Night Committee
 - Ruki
 - Nobuhle
 - Chris
- BSSC and Space Committee
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- Dance Team
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- NSA
- SSA

MOTIONS

1. **Reimbursement to Adanna for Gas and Miscellaneous Expenses for Catch Ah Vybz**

Whereas some of the Catch Ah Vybz expenses incurred such as gas and the purchase of serving utensils

Whereas these expenses came to a total amount of \$120.47 and Adanna needs to be reimbursed for this purchase

Be it resolved that SOCA approves the amount of \$120.47 to be reimbursed to Adanna,

Be it further resolved that this amount be taken out of line item#85 "Contingency/ Spillover Fund" Act 886/45

Moved by [Anne Marie] / seconded by [emmanuel]

CARRIED unanimously

2. **Reallocation of funds to the expenses of Kayaking event**

Whereas SOCA is hosting a kayaking event this summer and funds from other event will be reallocated to this expenses

Whereas funds from the Acct 795/45, line items; #15, #16, #17 will be reallocated to the kayaking event as these events will not be taking place this summer,

Be it resolved that from Acct 795/45, the amount of \$500 from line item #15, \$400 from line item #16 and \$850 from line item #17, to a total of \$1850 be approved for this event.

Moved by [Anne Marie] / seconded by [Nobuhle]

CARRIED unanimously

3. Summer Camping Event

Whereas SOCA is hosting a camping event this summer and has an allocated budget for this event

Whereas this event will be facilitated with Colour the Trails and payment will be made to them to cover their planning cost,

Be it resolved that SOCA approves the amount of \$1000 for the expenses of this event,

Be it further resolved that this amount be taken out of the trust account 5091/z

Moved by [Stacy] / seconded by [Anne Marie]
CARRIED unanimously

4.Reimbursement to Alison Lema for Snacks and drinks purchased for the space.

Whereas, the SOCA space needs to restock snacks and beverages.

Whereas, SOCA is designating \$250 for shopping for snacks and beverages for the space

Whereas, Alison Lema purchased the foods and beverages for the space and needs to be reimbursed.

Be it resolved the amount \$250 will be taken from account 815/45, line #75, Food and Beverage for SOCA space.

Moved by [Liya] / seconded by [Emmanuel]
CARRIED unanimously

5.Reimbursement to Stacy Kimani Catch ah vybz gift cards.

Whereas SOCA planned a catch ah vybz event and gift cards were needed to reward the winners of each games

Whereas Stacy Kimani purchased 6 giftcards worth \$25 each

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Be it resolved to reimburse Stacy \$150 from account 886/45, line item #84,
Contingency/spillover fund

**Moved by [Nobuhle] / seconded by [Marie]
CARRIED unanimously**

5.Reimbursement for Meeting refreshments.

Whereas SOCA had a membership meeting on June 7th 2024

Whereas Stacy Kimani purchased pizza as refreshments for the event.

Be it resolved to reimburse Stacy \$56.58 from account 886/45, line item #81, Meeting
Vouchers and Snacks.

**Moved by [Mekeil] / seconded by [Emmanuel]
CARRIED unanimously**

ACTION ITEMS FOR EXECS

- Action Items
 - Confirmation from Jericho beach
 - Follow up with ASA -Stacy
 - Follow up with Jericho beach- Adanna
 - Promotions for Kayaking once finalized -At large execs, Anne-marie
 - Drafting a letter of request for funds from BIPOC - Emmanuel

OPEN ISSUES OR CONCERNS

Meeting Adjournment moved by [Anne-Marie] , Seconded by [Adanna]

Meeting Adjourned at [6:45]