

Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry
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SFU Students of Caribbean and African Ancestry (SOCA)
[27th October, 2023] at [Time]

ATTENDEES: Laury, Chikeziri, Yaye, Amina, Janna, Kwame, Ruki, Mary, Oromiya, Akoul, Remi, Trixie,

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 your on using an app called <https://native-land.ca/> which is a map of Indigenous lands.

ROUNDS

(Name, Pronouns, Access needs, Favorite city in the world)

Lauretta Umukoro, She/Her, Access need is met, saint trope
Emmanual Adegboyega, Him/His, Access need is met, Regret
Alison Lema, Him/His, Access need is met, Arusha
Ruki Ukewade, Him/His, Access need is met, Cannes
Akuol Chan, She/Her, Access need is met, still have to travel to know
Chikeziri Ogbonna-Onugha, Him/His, Access need is met, Abuja
Oromiya Ali, She/Her, Access need is met, i dont have one
Yaye Balde, She/Her, Access need is met, Dubai
Daisy Bigirwa, She/Her, Access need is met, Regret
Gloria Bigirwa, She/Her, Access need is met, Regret
Mary Phan, She/Her, Access need is met, Rome
Amina Hassan, She/Her, Access need is met, Mogadishu/surrey
Jenna she/her, access needs are met, jerusalem
Judy she/her access needs are met, toronto
Trixie she/her, access needs met, como

APPROVE MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

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- **Approved**
 - **14. [DRAFT] Meeting Minutes - September 29th**

REPORT OF OFFICERS

- **President**
 - Promotion of Afroween and Coordinating with other groups
 - Planning for the African Cuisine workshop and Cultural Night
 - Email Correspondence
 - Coordinating General meetings and Exec meetings
 - Working with staff to get SOCA's programs up and running
- **Vice President**
 - Hosted Men's mental health group
 - Email Correspondence
 - Exec meeting
 - Helping out some members
 - Meeting with staff
- **External Relations Officer**
 - Nothing, assisting mary with food purchase
- **Internal Relations Officer**

Attended council meeting, attended agm meeting, attended equity meeting, supported Mary, core competency fund, created voting link for by-election and nominating committee and created a nomination form
- **Secretary**

Clean the space, kept the space open during strike, assisted mary, took meeting minutes
- **Treasurer**

Financial review with Mary, Emmanuel and Laurretta
Football Tournament with Langara
- **Events Coordinator**
- **First Year Rep**
 - Postering, decorating the space, being in the space
- **Grad Rep**
 - Vacant)
- **Fraser International College (FIC) Rep**

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- **Information Technology Officer (ITO)**
 - Not here
- **Execs at large**

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- 1. Akuol Chan, supported Mary, crocheting discussion with Mary and clean the space with Mary
 - 2. Amina Hassan: support nominate meeting, making post, contact post, assist with editing the agenda, motion and minutes
 - Black Student Support Centre Staff (BSSC) Staff
 - Support strike, vacation, supporting execs with projects

REPORT ON SPECIFIC MATTERS

- BSSC Staff Vacancy
 - Mary, unfortunately, will part ways with us on November 7th, she still works at sfu but is no longer with soca directly. Feel free to reach out to her on a personal basis though as she is a friend. Mary leaves a very big hole in the heart of soca and will miss her dearly. Soca is now left without a BSSC

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- African Cuisine Workshop
 - We'll have the workshop next Friday, making East and west African dishes. The west is egusi and pounded yam, East is chapati. Sign up when a link is posted, only 20 available spots. Yaye will be supporting! Trixie is down to support as well, and will come by the space next week to meet with Mary
- Culture Night Cocktail Night
 - Dec 2 we shall have a cocktail event, limited capacity (70 people) so sign up quickly. We'll have mostly African fingers food, main dishes are being saved for black history month

COMMITTEE AND SUB-ASSOCIATIONS UPDATE

- Social Justice and Advocacy Committee
- Cultural Events Committee
- Parties and Pub Night Committee
- BSSC and Space Committee
- Dance Team
- NSA
- SSA

MOTIONS

1. Halloween Scavenger Hunt

Whereas Temp. BSSC Mary Phan collaborated with other constituency groups on a halloween scavenger hunt

Whereas the scavenger hunt will require the purchasing of Candy and prizes, which will help in the promotion and marketing of SOCA BSSC.

Be it resolved that SOCA approves the amount of \$300 for purchase of candies and prizes for the scavenger hunt.

Be it further resolved that this amount comes out of line item 53, SOCA BSSC Coordinator-Led Special Programming and Services, Account 741/54

Moved by [Ruki] / seconded by [Amina]
CARRIED unanimously

2. Halloween Decoration

Whereas Temp BSSC. Mary Phan purchased some items for Halloween decorations for the SOCA space.

Be it resolved that SOCA approves the amount of \$34.33 for the purchase of Halloween decorations

Be it further resolved that this amount comes out of line item 53, SOCA BSSC Coordinator-Led Special Programming and Services, Account 741/54

Moved by [Yaye] / seconded by [Amina]
CARRIED unanimously

3. Men's Talk Workshop

Whereas the Men's Talk workshop is a healing space for black men within SOCA's services

Whereas this workshop will require the provision of snacks and refreshments

Be it resolved that SOCA approves the amount of \$1000 for the purchase of snacks and refreshments.

Be it further resolved that this amount comes out of line item 85, Contingency/Spillover fund, Account 886/45

Moved by [Yaye] / seconded by [Amina]
CARRIED unanimously

4. African Cuisine Workshop

Whereas SOCA is hosting an african cooking workshop.

Whereas this workshop will require the purchase of ingredients for the preparation of these meals.

Be it resolved that SOCA approves the amount of \$2500 for expenses related to this workshop.

Be it further resolved that this amount is taken out of the trust account, Account 5091/Z

Moved by [Amina] / seconded by [Yaye]
CARRIED unanimously

5. Cultural Night Cocktail Night

Whereas SOCA is organizing a cultural night for the end of the semester

Whereas this event is a display of culture and an avenue to socialize and network with community members

Be it resolved that SOCA approves the amount of up to \$5000 for the expenses of this event.

Be it further resolved that the amount of \$3000 be taken out of line item 27, Campus Caribbean/African Themed Community Party and \$2000 be taken out of the trust

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Moved by [Amina] / seconded by [Chike]
CARRIED unanimously

ACTION ITEMS FOR EXEC

- Check the SOCA email inbox!!
- Yaye - EDI
- Amina - Black school

OPEN ISSUES OR CONCERNS

1.

Meeting Adjournment moved by [Amina] , Seconded by [Yaye]

Meeting Adjourned at 5:49