

Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry  
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**SFU Students of Caribbean and African Ancestry (SOCA)**  
**August 04, 2023**

**ATTENDEES: Adanna, Nobuhle, Anne-Marie, Naomi, Stacy, Ruki, Samuel, Akin**

**Alison, Bam, Akuol, Emmanuel O, Mekeil, Emilyya, Wai,**

## **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 we recognize the importance of this acknowledging that this land has never been granted, surrendered nor sold to any government but taken by force.

### **ROUNDS**

(Name, Pronouns, Access needs, what is your plan for the long weekend BC Day)

Adanna, she/her access needs met, spend time with family

Nobuhle, she/her, not feeling too well, studying

Anne Marie, she/her, abed needs met, studying

Naomi, she/her access needs met, no plans

Stacy, she/her access needs met , finish up assignments, have a good time with friends, plans hope to spend the break

Alson, he/him access needs met, study

Bam, he/him access needs met, study

Akuol, she/her access needs met, study

Samuel, he/him, access need met, sleep

Akin, he/him, access needs met , none of your business

Mekeil, she/her, access needs met, hang out with friends

Wai, she/her, access needs met, writing a paper

Liya, she/her, access needs met, going to friend 19th birthday

Ruki, he/him access needs met

Laury, she/her, has a cold, cleaning

### **APPROVE FROM LAST MEETING**

- **July 19th - General Meeting Minutes:**

Approved!

## REPORT OF OFFICERS AND ACTION ITEMS FOLLOW UP

- President:
  - BBQ planning
    - Planning for the fall semester
    - Meeting with Sindhu regarding BSSC Support role
    - Checking in with the team and email correspondence
- Vice President
  - had a meeting with sindhu about our coordinator
  - Planned the bbq
  - Helped out with organizing for reimbursements
  - Peppered motions for the meeting
  - Spoke to the new black professor, who wanted us to help promote her class
- External Relations Officer
  - Hello with bbq set up
  - Trying to facilitate financial literacy workshop
  - Working on the McGill scholarship program
- Internal Relations Officer
  - Had council development session and council meeting
  - Prepared food for bbq and grilled
  - Committee meeting
- Secretary -
  - Helped with bbq set up
  - Took pictures at the bbq
  - Made posts on our Instagram
- Treasurer (and Finances report)
  - Accounts balances and in and out flows (trust, levy fund, soca core, staff department line item, scotiabank, outstanding/upcoming grants):
    - Trust: \$3755.98
    - Levy: \$56,795.57
    - Soca CG core fund: \$675.00
    - Staff Dept Levy: N/A
    - Scotiabank (external): \$4,789.58
    - Grant funding: -
  - Cheques to be signed (include Motions Date and Number approved and person to reimburse):
  - Cheque requisitions to be done:
  - Other:
    - Helped marinate the food for the bbq

- Events Coordinator
  - helped serve food at the barbecue
  - Prepared drinks for the barbecue
  - Also helped with set up
- First Year Rep
  - Helped with set up at the bbq, helped with clean up
  - Working on the movie night with Naomi
- Grad Rep )
- Regrets
- FIC Rep
- Regret
- ITO
  - Posted on Instagram
  - Made a tiktok
  - Bbq set up and clean up
- Execs at large Naomi
  - helped at the bbq
  - Made the bbq poster
  - Planning the movie night with Liya
- Execs at large Mekeil
  - working with Ayo for the back2school party
  - Made the emancipation day post for our Instagram
- Execs at large Joanne

## REPORT ON SPECIFIC MATTERS

- N/A

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Accountability for keeping the space clean as secretary is consistently cleaning up when all execs in the space should be holding member accountable as well
  - We all need to keep the space clean. Cleaning the bbq utensils, coolers and aprons is a top priority too
- Cleaning utensils used for BBQ
- Potentially using Embark sustain's space for catch ah vybez
  - Marie offered email as extra seating for catch a vybz. Particularly because the fall iteration is filled with people. We also will get to avoid conflict with the building team about overcrowding at the 1st floor.
- Fall Semester Events -
  - please have a date, promo and flier set so that ITO and Events coordinator can work to promote
- Preparing for fall by-elections for 1st year rep position
  - Liya will need to run again and be officially elected to her position!

- We need a posting schedule for our events in the fall, as well as a calendar to keep track of all the black events around vancouver as well as important dates in the black community.
- Back2school event update
  - Soca is making a 1500\$ investment to help with planning for the event. In return, we get 10% of tickets sales from our discount code, as well as guaranteed money back.
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#### **COMMITTEE AND SUB-ASSOCIATIONS UPDATE**

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

#### **MOTIONS.**

##### **1. Motion to reimburse Adanna Nduagu for covering transportations costs, BBQ Supplies and Food for 2024 Summer BBQ Events**

Whereas Soca planned a summer bbq event,

Whereas Adanna Nduagu purchased food items, supplies needed for the bbq and covered transportation costs

Be it resolved to reimburse Adanna Nduagu \$813.95 from ACCT [ 795/45] Events line item #18 - SUMMER BBQ and \$ 102.22 from Acct: [886/45]Governance and Miscellaneous , Line item: #85 - CONTINGENCY/ SPILL OVER

**Moved by [alson ] Second by [akuol]  
Carried Unanimously**

##### **2. Motion to Reimburse Stacy Kimani for covering Food item costs for Summer BBQ Event**

Whereas Soca planned a summer bbq event,

Whereas Stacy Kimani purchased food items that included Peppers, strawberries and onions relevant for the bbq

Be it resolved to reimburse Stacy Kimani \$91.71 from Acct: [886/45]Governance and

Miscellaneous , Line item: #85 - CONTINGENCY/ SPILL OVER

**Moved by [nobuhle ] Second by [Anne marie]  
Carried unanimously**

**3. Motion to Reimburse Emmanuel for covering summer bbq transportations costs.**

Whereas Soca planned a summer bbq event,

Whereas Emmanuel Anthony-Onuigbo covered transport for food and items from Rocky Point Park to the SFU Campus

Be it resolved to reimburse Emmanuel Anthony-Onuigbo \$90.52 from Acct: [886/45]Governance and Miscellaneous , Line item: #85 - CONTINGENCY/ SPILL OVER

**Moved by [anne Marie ] Second by [adanna]  
Carried unanimously**

**4. Motion to Reimburse Naomi for covering the summer bbq transportations costs.**

Whereas Soca planned a summer bbq event,

Whereas Naomi covered transport for food and items from Rocky Point Park to the SFU Campus

Be it resolved to reimburse Naomi \$10.93 from Acct: [886/45]Governance and Miscellaneous , Line item: #85 - CONTINGENCY/ SPILL OVER

**Moved by [anne Marie] / seconded by [ruki]**

**CARRIED unanimously**

**6. Reimbursement for August 2nd meeting refreshments.**

Whereas Soca conducted a General meeting on August 2nd and refreshments were needed to be bought for general members and executives.

Whereas Nobuhle Tavonesa purchased pizza for members.

Be it resolved to reimburse Nobuhle Tavonesa \$38.09 from Acct:[886/45]Line item: #81 - Meetings Vouchers and Snacks.

**Moved by [Stacy ] Second by [adanna]  
Carried unanimously**

## **7. Catch Ah Vybz Fall 2024 & Clubs day**

Whereas Students of Caribbean and African Ancestry is having a Fall Catch Ah Vybz and tabling for clubs day in the fall semester

Whereas the SOCA line item #25 "Catch Ah Vybz Fall Icebreaker, Week of Welcome, Clubs Days " in Account #795/45 is designated for the Catch Ah Vybz event.

Be it resolved that SOCA uses up to \$3,500 from the SOCA line item #24 in Account #795/45 to purchase food and drinks for the event and snack, merchandise, flags etc for clubs day

**Moved by [nobuhle] / seconded by [cyprian]**

**CARRIED unanimously**

## **8. Executive Social Summer Semester**

Whereas the executive team has a social every semester for the purpose of Team-bonding and development.

Whereas a location has been chosen by the executive team and it will be taking on the 25th of August, 7pm

Whereas the SOCA line item #80 "Execs Transition Retreats, Training and Leadership Development" in Account #886/45 is designated for the Exec Social

Be it resolved that SOCA approves the amount of \$666 from line item #80, Account #886/45 to spend on the social.

**Moved by [anne Marie] seconded by [emmanuel]**

**CARRIED Unanimously**

## **9. Purchasing Polaroid Film**

Whereas the executive team would like to purchase polaroid film for the polaroid camera to capture and document Fall events.

Whereas the amount of \$114.38 was left over unused from ACCT [ 795/45] Events LINE ITEM#20 - Black Grad

Be it resolved to release up to \$114.38 from account ACCT [ 795/45] Events LINE ITEM#20 - Black Grad for this purchase.

**Moved by [stacy] seconded by [anne marie]**



## **CARRIED Unanimously**

### **10. Back2School event with Mi Casa Entertainment and Justin UG**

Whereas SOCA is hosting a back to school event happening in september in collaboration with Mi Casa Entertainment

Whereas soca has agreed to provide funds to support the facilitation of this event

Be it resolved to release an amount of \$1500 to Mi Casa Entertainment from the Trust account

**Moved by [ Anne Marie] / Seconded by [Emmanuel]**

**Carried Unanimously**

### **ACTION ITEMS FOR EXECS**

- Adanna - pictures and videos from camping
- Ruki - newsletter
- Anne marie - fall events calendar and dates marking, posting meeting minutes to our website
- Stacy - BSSC Coordinator hiring facilitation and follow up
- Nobuhle - Mcgill scholarship follow up
- Alson- finish up on all reimbursements for the semester
- Liya and Naomi- follow up on movie night/
- Liya - first year social facilitation

### **OPEN ISSUES OR CONCERNS.**

Meeting Adjourned at [ 6:34pm]