

Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry
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SFU Students of Caribbean and African Ancestry (SOCA)
Nov 2, 2018 at 5:20pm at the Black Community Services Center (TC317)

Attendees: Natasha Kimati, Travis Friday, Giovanni HoSang, Abdul Yusuf, Afia Poku, Frank Pabai, Adnan Abubakar and Jangubuzz Team, Tim Maruti

Meeting Agenda:

- Territory Recognition - SOCA recognizes we are 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 and it is with that in mind that we work toward anti-oppression and decolonization in advancing the work of recognizing indigenous sovereignty in the advocacy that we also partake in.
- 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)
- Approved Minutes from Last Meeting.
- **Voting Opened** at 3:00pm, Officers
 - Student Confirmation and mailing list member check
- Nominating Committee reports on Candidate nominations
 - All candidates nominated as all are eligible
- Report of Officers:
 - Afia
 - Myinvolvement:
Afia will talk to ISS first
Reach out to MyInvolvement: Giovanni to email myinvolve.sfu.ca to find out how to get volunteer hours mapped to student hours
 - Kesseke: To reach out to Kesseke for Performance
 - KetchDiVybz Report: SOCA one good, soca to promote Afrobeats one
 - Giovanni:
 - Unity Centre Association of Black Cultures Letter of Support to be finished

- Pub Night confirmed for Nov 9, 2018
 - Reach out to Eji on wording on website for the History
 - Sociology Group: Blackness Displacement
 - Wants to meet with SOCA regarding space issue
 - Displacing Blackness Event:
 - Ted Rutland:
 - Burnaby MP Terry Beech:
 - Nov 1: Reached to Minister Ahmed Hussein's staffer to remind Terry on meeting
 - Companies reached out to collab, how can we empower them?
 - Jangubuzz Info Session:
 - IOS
 - Lagos Chop next 2 meeting
 - Possible event?
 - Met with Nelson from South Africa for Nov 14 Discussion Wednesday. Expropriation of Land without Compensation in South Africa.
 - Wants to make sure students know of the issue before
 - When we send out we should send a video and have people have some background/context with the issue
 - We find videos ourselves and post in the event page
 - To post Nov 5
- Jangubuzz Info Session
 - Info
 - How to earn more, doing what you love with Jb
 - - Creating a Jb account
 - - Setting up your service listing profile
 - - Deciding on pricing/How to price your craft
 - - Managing your bookings
 - - Executing a booking
 - - Requesting a payout
 - - Getting & maintaining good reviews
 - - How to scale your craft
 - Work done
 - 3 year, IOS only, Launching new app and features, launching Nov, Service Listing Feature, JB Launch Event in November
 - Event Share feature
 - Triangulated Geolocation Buzz Feature
 - Q and A
 - Gio: Service Listing Feature
 - What can we do?
 - Launch event to share on SOCA Community Events

- Create JB Account(Split between them and eventbrite), Use Event listing Feature
 - Call out: Job in the capacity of SIAT, S&T.
- Report on people reaching out to the various DSUs for support
 - No Update
 - International Studies SU
 - MBB
 - World Lit SU
 - Environment SU
 - Geography SU
- Discussion Items
 - Space Update
 - Extension
 - SFU related
 - SFU reports that original agreement had all RC in SUB
 - Fire Pits with Rotunda Community
 - Nov 14 or Nov 15 TBC
 - Popcorn handling for a Smashdown event
 - We get the popcorn machine from SFSS for the 29th Nov for Silly Debates event
 - Mark McLaughlin reached out
 - Will help us get traction
 - Professors in debate
 - We need to borrow a popcorn machine from SFSS
 - Fifa World Cup with Ismaili Students Association in Conference Rooms
 - Will need to take our PS3 and TV down
 - Nov 30
 - Add an element of games: Destress Day
 - ASA Descent Night Dance Performance
 - UBC: Dioko
 - Campaign Planning for SPACE (Discussion)
 - Last meeting was at 858, now at 987 signatures.
 - Get letters of support
 - Am Johal, History Prof, Geography Prof, June Francis, SFUFA
 - Last Events Reports
 - Last Discussion Wednesday: Oct 24, by Travis, Mental Health in the Black Community, People off campus came up. 8 attendees

- Report on new Revenue and Expenses
 - Shirts: Gio has given in \$18.00 from Abdul purchase
- Committees

(Committees may be comprised of any volunteer and may represent SOCA pending approval from the Executive Body. The people who signed up to be a part of each committee is on the volunteer [form](#))

 - Cultural Night Discussion
 - Abdul Reporting
 - Cultural Night Meetings scheduled, Get Update from Committee member.
 - Date change 24th
 - Whatsapp group created
 - 50 people,
 - PUB NIGHT:
 - Tim, 9th Decided,
Booking Done, Equipment booking to do
 - Whatsapp group created
 - <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14DmTxsj3qHtZdGEI7kvy705q8QX99ZCp5ISJPg6vQjY/edit#gid=852274195>
- Voting Closed at 6:34pm
- ELECTION
 - Ballots Counted: Results announced.
 - By-election results are in! Thanks to everyone for submitting and running for a position! **Congratulations** to all the candidates!
 - External Relations Officer:
Abdulikadir Yusuf - 85% approval
 - Internal Relations Officer:
Balqees Jama - 93% approval
 - Events Coordinator:
Natasha Kimathi - 78% approval
 - Treasurer:
Jessica Dickson - 67%
Sandrine Umuhoza - 30%
 - First Year Rep:
Lema Ghailan - 56%
Tim Maruti - 41%

ACTION ITEMS FOR EXEC

- My Involvement contacting?
- Discussion Wednesday on South Africa to be sent out?
- Cheques for Giovanni HoSang and Afia Poku to be written

Motions

- **Whereas**, the results of the election are outlined as stated in Election Report above,
Be it resolved, that membership in attendance accept the results of the election
Giovanni Hosang moved. Afia Poku Seconded
CARRIED
- **Whereas**, Tim Maruti has been doing a lot of work within the SFU,
Whereas, An Exec-at-large may be appointed by the President or Vice President in consultation with the Executive as per constitution VI-7,
Be it resolved, that Tim Maruti be appointed as Exec at large
Giovanni HoSang moved, Afia Poku Seconded. Unanimously approved.
CARRIED

Open issues or concerns

1. **Sandrine** wanted to pitch Black Girl Magic Workshop @ SFU
 - a. Met with Paola of Women's Centre
2. Paola candle-lighting and storytelling: Roots Ancestry
 - a. Bring it up in meeting with Paola
3. Printed and endorsed SOCA Dance Workshops \$15 dollars!!!!!! (original prices)
4. Get cultural night personnel: UBC performers, AAI Dancers
5. Make sure space clean and compost

Meeting Adjournment moved by Natasha Kimathi, Seconded by Tim Maruti. Travis Opposed wanted to spend more time for discussion. Open issue #5 added.

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Meeting Adjourned 7:09