

Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry
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SFU Students of Caribbean and African Ancestry (SOCA)
[OCT 25th] at [5:26]

ATTENDEES: MEETING AGENDA: Adanna, Anne-Marie, Ruki, Naomi, Nobuhle, Dunstan, Alison,

TERRITORY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

SOCA recognizes we are situated on the unceded territories of the Coast Salish, the Musqueam, Kwikwetlem, Squamish, 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, What are your plans for Halloween (Afroween)?)

Adanna, she her, access needs met

Anne Marie, she her, access needs met, afroween

Ruki, he him access need met, praying against my village people

Naomi, she her, access needs met, outside

Nobu, she her, access needs met, in and out(afroween)

Daniel, he him, access needs met, inside

Dun, he him, access needs met, afroween

Alson, he him, access needs met, afroween

Trixie, she her, access needs met, afroween

Amina, she her, access needs met, no plan

Emmanuel, he him, access needs met, afroween

Yinka, he him, access needs met, afroween

APPROVE MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

- **Approved**

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-  **OCT 11th 2024 Meeting Minutes Agenda SFU SOCA**

REPORT OF OFFICERS

- **President**

- Promotion of Afroween and Coordinating with other groups
 - Attended BSCC hiring interviews
 - Drafting and submitting cheque recs
 - Email Correspondance
 - attended/ helped out with Candle making session
 - Did space shopping
 - Creating exec action items
 - Forwarded opportunity sent in to soca for general members
 - Prepared meeting minutes
- **Vice President**
 - Sends her regrets
 - Planned and chaired discussions for Congo movie screening
 - Set up orientation for Caribbean cuisine workshop
 - Attended hiring interviews
 - Attended, planned and executed Pie social
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 - **External Relations officer**
 - Attended kitchen orientation
 - Attended Congo week Screening
 - Attended, planned, executed the pie social
 - Purchased refreshments for men's talk
 - **Internal Relations Officer**
 - In contact for the date we'll pick for the medical school information sessions
 - Attended council
 - Attended the pie social
 - Attended the men's talk
 - **Secretary**
 - Planning listening party with Naomi
 - Helped out at the lumumba screening
 - Attended pie social
 - Signed some documents for soca
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 - **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: \$3,667.02
 - ■ Levy: \$50,894.71
 - ■ Soca CG core fund: \$1,350.00
 - ■ Staff Dept Levy: N/A
 - ■ Scotiabank (external): \$3,359.97
 - ■ Grant funding: N/A
 - ○ Cheques to be signed (include Motions Date and Number approved and person to reimburse):
 - ○ Cheque requisitions to be done:
 - ○ Other: Men's talk
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- **ITO:**
 - Posted on our Instagram
 - Started making the Caribbean cuisine workshop poster
 - Made an afroween video
 - Updated website meeting minutes
 - Attended the pie social as a volunteer
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- **Events Coordinator:**
 - Sends regret
- **First Year Rep:**
 - Sends regret
 - Attended the screening for congo week
- **Grad Rep -**
 - **Sends regrets**
- **FIC Rep**
 - nothing to report
- **Execs at large Mekeil:**
 - Finished exec bios
 - Plan for cooking workshop
 - Joined BHM committee
 - Also a part of Cultural Night committee
- **Execs at large Naomi:**
 - Attended pie social
 - Helped at the Congo screening
 - planning the listening party
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- **Execs at large Joanne**
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- **Grad Rep**
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REPORT ON SPECIFIC MATTERS [Action items of execs].

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. **Afroween**
2. **BCCA Gala night - Nov 16th**
 - We get 5 free tickets, in return we promote, and state we got some funding from them
 - An opportunity to network and meet other organizations
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3. **Leadership workshop by peernet for execs**
 - Reached out to Balqees from peernet on the workshop sessions
 - We were asked to choose a date

4. Yale Model African Union 2025 - Kenya 2025
 - a. We responded were interested in going
5. Go fund me for financial aid
 - a. We want to support a community member who needs financial support to graduate, well also be giving a donation of \$1000, once we've finalized discussions with the sfss
6. Caribbean Cuisine Workshop
 - We'll have the workshop on Thursday Nov 7th, making Bahamian and Jamaican dishes. (rice and peas, chicken stew) The menu is...Sign up when a link is posted, only twenty available spots. Who is helping out? We should get enough food for thirty people, just to be safe, and ask in the exec group chat, just to be sure of who'll be coming
7. Culture Night
 - Nov 30th, limited capacity (120 people) so sign up quickly. We'll have mostly African and Caribbean food. It will be an alcohol free event! As mecs will not be helping out
8. Black Medical School Information Session For Black people who are interested in medical school . Date: Late November

Motions

1. Motion to Allocate Funds for SOCA Cultural Night on November 30th

Whereas SOCA is organizing a Cultural Night to celebrate the end of the semester;
Whereas this event will showcase cultural performances, and provide an opportunity for networking with community members;

Be it resolved that SOCA approves the amount of up to \$7,303 to cover the expenses of this event.
Be it further resolved that \$6000 be allocated from line item #37, "Cultural Night" and \$1303 from Line item 26 "Campus Caribbean/African Themed Community Party,"

Moved by (Alson)/ Seconded by (Nobu)
Carried Unanimously

2. Album listening party

Whereas SOCA is organizing a listening party for Tyler the creator's new album

Whereas this event will provide an opportunity for networking with community members.
Whereas, there's an account created for the movie night from funds leftover from catch ah vybz.

Be it resolved that SOCA approves the amount of up to \$150 for the expenses of this event from this account.

Moved by (Naomi)/ Seconded by (ruki)
Carried Unanimously

3. Reimbursement to Emmanuel Adegboyega for food purchased for Men's talk
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 and Emmanuel spent \$35.64

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

Moved by (Anne Marie) / Seconded by (Alison)
Carried Unanimously

4. Motion to reimburse for Alison Lema meeting refreshments

Whereas Soca conducted a General meeting on October 25th and refreshments were needed to be bought for general members and executives.

Whereas Alison Lema purchased pizza for members.

Be it resolved to reimburse Alison Lema the amount of \$59.68 from Acct:[886/45]Line item: #81 - Meetings Vouchers and Snacks.

Moved by (Naomi) / Seconded by (emmanuel)
Carried Unanimously

COMMITTEE AND SUB-ASSOCIATIONS UPDATE

- **Social Justice and Advocacy Committee**
- **Cultural Events Committee.**
 - Planning cultural night, reached out to lord nation and Izo dream chaser for on IG
 - Some performers already confirmed
 - Looking to get students and other interested members to perform at the event
- **BSSC and Space Committee.**
 - Not much to report, interviews are ongoing
 - End of next month is the hiring goal
- **Food Justice.**
- **NSA**
- **SSA**

ACTION ITEMS FOR EXEC

- Promoting afroween (everyone)

- Who's helping out for the community kitchen event? Naomi, Nobu, Ruki, Adanna, Trixie,
- Sending out invites for our cultural night.

OPEN ISSUES OR CONCERNS.

- Afroween; we need to make 30k on drinks or we
pay the difference

Meeting Adjourned at [6:16pm]