

Students of Caribbean & African Ancestry
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SFU Students of Caribbean and African Ancestry (SOCA)
[September 26th] at [5.55pm]

ATTENDEES: Adanna Nduagu, Stacy Kimani, Nobuhle Tavonesa , Anne Marie, Emmanuel, Mekeil, Trixie, Emiliya

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.

ROUNDS.

Name, Pronouns, Access needs, What is your favorite color)

Adanna she her, met red
Mekeil, she her, met, green, pink
Liya, she her, met, green
Emmanuel, he him can't talk right now, red
Stacy, she her, met, pink
Ruki, he him, met, any
Wai, she her, met, green
Jo-lee, she her, met purple
Aderinsola, she her, met, purple
Ramona she/her access needs met
Nobu, she her, met, purple
Anne marie she her, met, purple
Trixie, she her, met, purple

APPROVE MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

- **Approved**

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☰ Sept 13th Meeting Minutes-Agenda SFU SOCA

Minutes were changed outside of the meeting, but the issue was resolved and it shouldn't happen again

REPORT OF OFFICERS

- **President**

- Meeting with UBC SOCA
- Meeting with Douglas BSU rep to collaborate for halloween
- Placing food orders for catch ah Vybez/ preparing for Catch Ah Vybez
- Arranging the office
- Delegating tasks to execs
- Forwarded opportunity sent in to soca fro general members
- Email correspondance
- Reached out to embark to potentially use their space
- Planning for afroween/ reaching out to other BSU's to collaborate
- Secured venue @goodcobars
- Booked the Ballroom for cultural night and community kitchen for caribbean cuisine workshop
- Also attended the hiring committee meeting

- **Vice President**

- Attending hiring committee meeting
- Met with UBC SOCA for future collaboration
- Submitted core funding request
- Meeting with Julia for SLC collaboration during first year social
- Made posters for mental health workshops promotion.
- Went Drinks shopping for catch ah vybz
- Following up with members request for SOCA's support
- Planning catch ah vybz

- **External Relations officer**

- Attended ubc soca meeting
- Went drinks shopping
- Planning catch ah vbyz

- **Internal Relations Officer**

- Attended council meeting
- Worked on speech for catch a vybz

- **Secretary**

- met with ubc soca
- Did some space cleaning with kerlinda
- Kept the space open
- Starred in an advertisement for catch ah vybz
- Tabled at fic

- **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: \$ 53,816.12 (Not accounting for CAV expenses)
 - ■ Soca CG core fund: \$675.00

- ■ Staff Dept Levy: N/A
- ■ Scotiabank (external):
- ■ Grant funding:
 - Cheques to be signed (include Motions Date and Number approved and person to reimburse): Cheque signed by food by feji, we need a motion for that
 - Cheque requisitions to be done: Any CAV cheques
 - Other: Updated the finance tracking sheet
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- **Events Coordinator:**
 - collab with different orgs for afroween
 - Planning for catch ah vybz
 - Planning couch jams themed event
 - Following up with Tricia-Kay for the workshops
- **First Year Rep:**
 - **First and second year social planning**
 - **Making posters and planning**
- **Grad Rep -**
- **FIC Rep**
 - tabled at fic
 - Planned catch ah vybz after party
- **ITO:**
 - Updated meeting minutes
 - Posted fall calendar
 - Made catch ah vybz promotion reel
 - Made by election and afroween posters
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- **Execs at large Mekeil:**
 - **Irked on exec google sheet**
 - **Catch ah vybz music**
- **Execs at large Naomi:**
 - Regrets!
- **Execs at large Joanne**

Regrets!

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REPORT ON SPECIFIC MATTERS [Action items of execs].

- **Emmanuel to follow up with finalizing the transfer of signatories**
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DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. **Catch ah vybz**
 - It's Friday from 6-10pm. There'll be lots of food.
 - Execs / volunteers will do all the serving
 - Embark is opening their space for us for extra sitting.
 - Need exec/volunteer to be responsible for the Embark space

- (Ruki (taking photos, capturing the moment) volunteers will be in there for the most part)

2. First year Social

- SLC is confirmed to be joining. (add to the program timeline), to speak about what they do and the peer education they offer. They requested to be at the beginning
- Short soca presentation should be at the very start.
- Mingle games
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3. By-elections in October for 1st year rep.

- We need people on the nominating committees (open to execs and membership)
- (Adanna, Ruki?, Stacy)
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4. Getting a scotia bank credit card

- Needed for subscriptions that require monthly/ yearly fees such as (Canva, website etc)
- Also for emergency purchases
- Max \$500 limit
- Having a card makes it easy to misuse, so it might be a bit of a tricky situation. We'd also need to check if policy allows us to do this, because you typically need two signing authorities to withdraw money from the soca account.
- Ask other groups how they get subscriptions (FNMISA, CJSF, etc)

5. Creating committee for cultural night in November

- Nov 30th in the ballroom
- Let Adanna know
- (Adanna, Waithera, Nobuhle, Mekeil, Stacy)

6. Global social connect - Pie social (Kahoot questions needed)

- Happening on October 15th.
- Event for international students to mingle and bond over food
- We need to come up with kahoot questions that will be used at the event.
- Naomi. Annemarie, Adanna will be in attendance

7. Standing Together in Solidarity and Action for Vanessa Renteria: A Call for Justice and Transparency

- We wish to stand in solidarity and demand transparency from the police regarding the crime they've committed

8. Men's Mental Health workshop

- First session set to begin on October 18TH
- SOCA is required to make posters and promote.
- Will be biweekly, on weeks where we don't have a general meeting

Motions

1. Reimbursement to Adanna for EVO Rental used for Space Shopping

Whereas SOCA conducted space shopping on september 12th, and Evo was needed to facilitate this process

Whereas Adanna rented an EVO car to complete the space shopping,

Be it resolved to reimburse Adanna the amount of \$55.80 from Acct:[815/45]SOCA Operational and Administrative Account, line item #75

**Moved by (Marie) / Seconded by (Trixie)
Carried Unanimously**

2. Motion for upcoming 1st/2nd year social expenses

Whereas SOCA is hosting a welcome event for 1st and 2nd year student and snacks and refreshments are needed for the event

Whereas the SOCA line item #25 Student Year Group (FIC, First Year, Grad) Welcome Events in Account #795/45 is designated for this event

Be it resolved that SOCA uses up to \$1,000 from the SOCA line item #25 in Account #795/45 to purchase food and drinks for the event.

**Moved by (Nobuhle) / Seconded by (Anne Marie)
Carried Unanimously**

3. Afroween event expenses

Whereas SOCA is hosting an Afroween event scheduled to take place on NOV 1st

Whereas the SOCA line item #26 "Campus Caribbean/African Themed Community Party" in Account #795/45 is designated for this event

Be it resolved that SOCA uses up to \$3,000 from the SOCA line item #24 in Account #795/45 to pay for venue, liquor license, dj, promoters, promotions and ads, dancers, artists etc

Moved by (Naomi) / Seconded by (Emmanuel)

Carried Unanimously

4. Motion to reimburse Stacy Kimani for meeting refreshments

Whereas Soca conducted a General meeting on September 26th and refreshments were needed to be bought for general members and executives.

Whereas Stacy Kimani purchased pizza for members.

Be it resolved to reimburse Stacy Kimani the amount of \$56.58 from Acct:[886/45]Line item: #81 - Meetings Vouchers and Snacks.

Moved by (nobu) / Seconded by (Anne Marie)

Carried Unanimously

COMMITTEE AND SUB-ASSOCIATIONS UPDATE

- Social Justice and Advocacy Committee
- Congo awareness week (October 13 to Saturday, October 24,). Reached out to friends of- Congo to come to sfu, but we weren't able to make it happen this year. For now we're planning to screen a film to recognize this, but are open to suggestions. We could also hold an informative discussion about the situation in Congo. This could be in collaboration with cjsf to put the discussion on the radio
- Oct 19th - movie night
- Oct 22nd- discussion panel
Adanna, Mekeil

- Cultural Events Committee.

- BSSC and Space Committee.

- Food Justice.

- NSA

- SSA

OPEN ISSUES OR CONCERNS.

Meeting Adjourned at [6:53pm]