

March 30, 2018

1:00 PM

SFU SOCA

Meeting Minutes

Opening

The regular meeting of the SFU SOCA was called to order at 5:24pm on March 30, 2018 in SFU SOCA room in the Rotunda TC317 in SOCA Club Room.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

Attendees

The attendees are: Linda Msibi, Eji Mikimo, Krank Pabnel, Giovanni Hosang, Kevonnie Whyte

Issues

1. Update on the SFU SOCA April 6 Pub Night [Security Deposit Paid etc]
 - Attendees of this meeting tasked with inviting 500 to the facebook event, tag 100 in a post and share
2. Sale of Tickets and Club table booking(AQ) to continue
 - Frank - Tuesday 12:20 - 2:30; Thursday 11:30 onwards AQ/Convo Mall
 - Gio - Wednesday 2:30 AQ and Convo
 - Eji - Between 3 and 6 Thursday
3. Review of Cultural Night Performance
 - [15 ppl attended from SFU and 5 performed]
4. Flash Mob & Video Promo
 - To be Done in the week, to approach Afia Poku to organize
5. April 6 Pub Night
 - 3:00pm decorations and dj equipment

6. Meeting with CEO SFSS Martin Wyant and Action plan re: meeting on space and beyond

- Main ideas in the Meeting and the action plan for the upcoming period of engagement re space were discussed.
 - o The previous space in 1997 was allocated alongside similarly equity -seeking and marginalised groups such as Out on Campus and FNSA.

Space was allocated by the SFSS to ASAD(SOCA), alongside similarly equity-seeking and marginalised groups such as FNSA and Out on Campus in 1997 to give voices to these collectives that had unique issues that they address ranging from anti-racism, lgbtq and anti-sexism fights. Surely these equity seeking groups will be maintaining their spaces in the new sub. With all of us being granted space in the past as equity seeking groups, we would love to move into the new sub as a collective with our brother and sister groups in the rotunda.

- o As the only predominantly black group on campus we should not be displaced. This displacement would be an unfortunate microcosm of what is happening all around North America where urban renewal and redevelopment hurt certain communities e.g Hogan's Alley(1972), Africville. Conversation and negotiation can solve these situations. This displacement would not look good on SFU whose motto is to "Engage the world". Do not disengage us.

- Justin Trudeau announced that the Government of Canada will officially recognize the International Decade for People of African Descent. This Decade, from 2015 to 2024, is an opportunity to highlight and celebrate the important contributions people of African descent have made to Canadian society. It also provides a framework for recognition, justice, and development to fight racism, discrimination, and the ongoing inequalities that Canadians of African Descent face. With that being said, SFSS and SFU granting us a space to allow conversations, team-building and help in advocacy for people of African Descent here on campus is in line with the vision of providing a voice for a marginalized group alongside groups such as well like the First Nations Students Association and Out On Campus and other rotunda groups.

Open issues or concerns

7. Meeting with bank for transfer of accounts to be scheduled

Motions taken

1. Giovanni Moved to Adjourn Meeting at 7:50. Eji Mimiko Seconded, Kevonnie Whyte Opposed for additional question.
2. Giovanni HoSang moved to adjourn meeting at 7:54. Frank Pabnel Seconded. All in favor of adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:54.