

AGENDA

Special General Meeting • November 29, 2005 • Richmond Campus Conference Centre, Room 2550
Kwantlen University College Student Association • Local 26 Canadian Federation of Students

12:00 pm – call to order

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ADOPTION OF A CHAIRPERSON

The petitioners recommend that Titus Gregory be selected as Chairperson of this Special General Meeting. Titus Gregory is a student at Simon Fraser University and is a former executive with the Simon Fraser Student Society, and is currently the Chairperson of their Board of Directors.

MOTION

Be it resolved that the rules be suspended and that Titus Gregory be appointed Chairperson of this meeting

This motion requires a two-thirds vote to pass.

3. ASCERTAINMENT OF QUORUM

Quorum is the minimum number of members of the Society who are required to be present at a General Meeting in order for the meeting to continue.

4. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION

Be it resolved that the agenda be adopted as presented

This motion requires a majority to pass.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. PROPOSAL TO CHANGE BYLAWS

The Bylaws that were allegedly adopted on September 29, 2005:

- Centralized power within the Student Association by removing Campus Representatives from the Council
- Made the term length for elected officials *two years long*
- Gave the Board the power to arbitrarily expel members of the Association for any or no reason
- Gave the Board the power to add new voting members to the Association rolls, even if they aren't Kwantlen students
- Gave the Board the power to alter the fiscal year of the Association for any reason
- Gave the Board the power to appoint and fire the Association's auditors for any reason
- Dramatically reduced the notice requirements for General Meetings and elections
- Gave the Board to fire any members of the Board by a two-thirds vote, for any or no reason
- Removed references to the Ombudsperson in the Bylaws, enabling Council to hire and fire the Ombudsperson when desired

The proposed bylaws reverse these undemocratic changes, and introduce new provisions guaranteeing a system of checks and balances within the KSA, including:

- Providing that KSA elections and referenda shall be conducted by an external, independent firm specialising in conducting elections
- Requiring that certain KSA documents be posted on the KSA website
- Creating new time-frames for ensuring that KSA meetings occur on a regular basis
- Including extensive provisions relating to Conflicts of Interest
- Abolishing slates and the distribution of food and drink in elections
- Creating program representative and officer positions on Campus Councils to make the KSA more responsive to the needs of all Kwantlen students
- Strengthening the role of the Speaker of Council and the Ombudsperson
- Increasing the budgetary oversight role of Council
- Creating whistle-blower protection for employees of the KSA

MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Be it resolved that the Bylaws of the Kwantlen University College Student Association be amended by replacing them in their entirety with the Bylaws listed in the document attached to this agenda entitled “New Democratic Bylaws”, with the proviso that all Campus Directors, Representatives and Officers as well as Executive Directors under the former Bylaws shall remain Campus Directors, Representatives and Officers as well as Executive Directors

This motion requires a three-quarters (3/4) vote to pass, in accordance with the *Society Act* of British Columbia.

b. PROPOSAL TO RESTORE MEMBERSHIP RIGHTS

At the September 29, 2005 meeting, the membership rights of Laura Anderson, Steve H. Lee, Kristina Kearley, and Rigel Vincent were arbitrarily rescinded. The petitioners recommend that they be re-instated.

MOTION

Be it resolved that the membership rights of everyone who has been expelled from the Kwantlen University College Student Association since January 1, 2004 be restored

This motion requires a simple majority vote to pass

c. PROPOSAL TO REMOVE DIRECTORS FROM OFFICE

The petitioners recommend that Jaivin Khatri, Aaron Takhar, Joey Atwal, and Kulvir Gill be removed, without prejudice, from their positions as Directors of the Kwantlen University College Student Association, effective immediately, for the following reasons:

- For openly admitting to lying to the students at Council about the purpose for the September 29, 2005 General Meeting
- For possibly giving prizes to friends at that meeting
- For creating a toxic work environment that makes staff members and elected officials feel uncomfortable and forcing them to even quit
- For wrongfully dismissing, withholding pay, and otherwise harassing many staff and elected officials that spoke out against what they have been doing wrong

- For failing to provide regular written reports to meetings of Council documenting the work they are supposed to be doing
- For giving themselves pay increases and spending KSA money outside of the rules and procedures established to govern the KSA budget
- For hiring friends and family to positions within the KSA
- For withholding the money passed to create bursaries for young student parents
- For engaging in possible conflicts of interest regarding the purchase of pool tables and poker tables
- For exposing the KSA to liability by having it be investigated for fraud by the RCMP

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d. PROPOSAL TO ELECT NEW DIRECTORS

In accordance with the *Society Act* of British Columbia, a General Meeting can appoint new Directors to a Society.

MOTIONS TO ELECT DIRECTORS

Be it resolved that _____ be appointed as Director of Finance

Be it resolved that _____ be appointed as Director of External Affairs

Be it resolved that _____ be appointed as Director of Events and Student Life

Be it resolved that _____ be appointed as Director of Academic Affairs

Be it resolved that _____ be appointed as Richmond Campus Director

Be it resolved that _____ be appointed as Langley Campus Representative

Each of these motions require a simple majority to pass.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7. ADJOURNMENT