

## **Special Members Meeting**

**Thursday, September 26, 2024**

**5:00 p.m.**

**SC 2013 and Zoom**

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The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m. with Kara D’Arcangelo as chairperson and Chelsea Paulk as secretary.

12 Members in attendance were noted. Quorum was confirmed.

### **Welcome and Introductions**

Siddharth began the meeting by welcoming everyone who attended and provided a land acknowledgement.

Kara D’Arcangelo called to order this Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Fanshawe College Student Union, at 5:06 p.m. on Thursday, September 26, 2024, and confirmed quorum as outlined in the FSU Bylaw. Kara welcomed all participants and encouraged those attending online to participate by recording their opposition to a motion by using the online Chat.

### **Approval of Agenda**

1.1 It was:

MOVED by Drashti Patel, SECONDED by Ananya Soni and CARRIED to approve the agenda.

### **President’s Report – Siddharth Singh**

Siddharth provided a report to the Members regarding the work the FSU has been doing this summer and reported on aspects of his manifesto that are being worked on and/or completed.

### **New Business**

- a. **Presentation of the 2023-2024 Audited Financial Statements:** Scott McLachlan, FSU Controller, presented the [2023-2024 Audited Financial Statements](#) to the members including the independent auditors report, audited statements, notes, income statement, etc. It was noted that the financial statements are available on the Fanshawe Student Union website for any Member that wishes to learn more about the financials of the FSU.

Scott reported that the auditors have stated that the FSU's financial Statements are presented fairly in all material aspects, respects, and financial position of the FSU. This means that in the Auditor's opinion, independent of the FSU, all the numbers being presented are good and fair, and have been conducted in accordance with accepted accounting standards.

1.2 It was:

MOVED by Sanket Mehta, SECONDED by Ananya Soni and CARRIED to accept the 2023-2024 audited financial statements, as presented.

**b. Presentation of the proposed [FSU Bylaw Amendments](#):**

John Riddell, FSU Executive Director, reviewed the amendments to the FSU Bylaw and highlighted some of the changes that were approved:

- Addition of definitions; to provide clarity and context to terms used throughout the document.
- The threshold for referendums to be valid was reduced from 20% to 10%.
- The Board must be composed of a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of eight (8) Directors; if we have fewer than three (3) Directors, the FSU must immediately call for an election.
- Additional clarification of eligibility to serve on the Board as well as election and length of term
- Additional clarity and detail regarding remuneration and expenses
- Meeting of Members amended to reduce the number of fall and winter meetings.

John R. noted that the Bylaw is available on the Fanshawe Student Union Website.

1.3 It was:

MOVED by Saraswathy Sakthivel, SECONDED by Farhan Malek and CARRIED to approve the proposed amendments to the FSU Bylaws.

**Other Business from Members**

There was no business brought forward by the Members.

**Adjournment**

1.4 It was:

MOVED by Drashti Patel, SECONDED by Ananya Soni and CARRIED to adjourn the meeting at 5:44pm.