



**Students' Council Meeting
MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, July 23rd, 2025

4:30 pm – 6:00 pm

SCFL 1-096 Multi-Purpose Space

Present Council Members: Chair Art Rejano [4:29]; Rep. Deniz Chakyl [4:29]; Rep. Hebah Abukhadra [4:30]; Rep. Jissell Diaz []; Rep. Sukhmanpreet Kaur [4:30]; Rep. Lilliana (Lilli) Villalta [4:28].

Administration: Executive Director Cherie Sawaryn - Daniela Cardona – Board Coordinator

Regrets:				
Absent: Jissell Diaz				
Guest: Senior Administrative Specialist, Amy Cole				
Meeting called to order at: 4:39 p.m.				
Quorum established at: 4:30 p.m.				
Agenda & Minutes	Motion by:	Presenter	Time	Notes
Motion: To approve the Students' Council agenda for July 23 rd , 2025, as amended.	Motion by: Representative Chakyl Seconded by: Representative Kaur	Art Rejano, Chair Rep.	2 mins.	Items Added: Under items for information, - Minister's Meeting Motion Carried all in favor
Motion: To approve the Students' Council meeting minutes for July 9 th , 2025, as presented.	Motion by: Representative Villalta Seconded by: Representative Abukhadra	Art Rejano, Chair Rep.	2 mins.	Motion Carried all in favor
Old Business:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 				
New Business:				

Items for Information:

- **Students' Council member's absence**
 - Representative Diaz will be out of the country from July 20th to August 15th
- **Minister's Meeting**
 - September 5th, 2025, at the NorQuest College

Items for Discussion/ Approval	Motion by:	Presenter	Time	Notes
A. GV-03 Students' Council Disciplinary Policy				
<p>Discussion and Approval</p>	<p>Motion: To Approve the GV-03 Students' Council Disciplinary Policy with all the adjustments and additions as presented.</p> <p>Motion by: Representative Chakyl Seconded by: Representative Abukhadra</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion Carried all in favor</p> <p>Motion: To approve the amendments of the HR-07 Respect in the Workplace Policy as presented.</p> <p>Motion by: Representative Chakyl Seconded by: Representative Villalta</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion Carried all in favor</p>	<p>Senior Administrative Specialist Amy Cole</p>	<p>10 mins.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wording to clarify certain concepts was part of the adjustments. • Other changes were the adding of more details under the Investigation Process section. • A second motion was presented to the council, as linked to the GV-03 policy. • The second motion is to approve the amendments of the HR-07 policy.

B. Academic Council Summer Committee Appointment				
Discussion and Approval	<p>Motion: To appoint representatives Rejano and Abukhadra to the 2025 Academic Council Summer committee.</p> <p>Motion by: Representative Kaur Seconded by: Representative Chakyl</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion Carried all in favor</p>	Executive Director, Cherie Sawaryn	8 mins.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Academic Council requested the attendance of 2 student members for the August 5th meeting. Representatives Rejano and Abukhadra put their names forward. All Council members agreed and appointed Representatives Rejano and Abukhadra.
C. Additions to the Chair Role				
Discussion and Approval	<p>Motion: To appoint the Chair as an alternate representative in case current members of internal and external roles (ASEC, ESA) unable to attend events and/or conferences.</p> <p>Motion by: Representative Seconded by: Representative</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion Carried all in favor</p>	Executive Director, Cherie Sawaryn	10 mins.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the future events or conferences related to ASEC and ESA representatives might not be available to attend; the Chair can attend in their place without calling the Council to approve the Chair's attendance. If the council approves this item, this would be added to the Chair's job description.
D. Bylaws Review				
Discussion		Executive Director, Cherie Sawaryn	10 mins.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some of the adjustments proposed are under section 3 – Membership, adding a third category, associates. Under section 7.1.1.12 clarification needs to be added, specifically related to Elections. Changes in section 7.6 would be the composition of Council, reducing the number of seats per faculty to 2, making a total of 11 Councilors.

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A couple of Councilor members suggested making it a total of 12 however they were not sure to determined what students that seat would be representing. • Next section under Qualifications for Councilors 7.10, perhaps the GPA should be raised from 2.0 to 2.5. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ While discussing this point, one of the Councilors asked if instead of having the minimum age of 18 required for a candidate to run for elections if it could be change to 17 as the minimum age, the Executive Director was not sure if we could make that change but that she would look into that and come back to them. • Under the section 7.10.5., more clarity should be added in the eligibility to join council. if a member has been removed from the council or has left on bad terms, the member should not at any point be allowed to join the council again. • Adding a subsection under section 11.3., a more detailed plan on the hiring process for a new Executive Director. • All the changes in the bylaws must be approved in October 2025.
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E. Students' Council Week of Welcome Fest

Discussion		Executive Director, Cherie Sawaryn	8 mins.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board Coordinator explained what the event was about and how Students' Council members at the planning and execution of the event. • As Students' Council members had voiced the desire to get more engagement with students through the SANQC social media, the Board Coordinator ought to get more clarity in the how this element can be added to the event. • After a short discussion, it was decided the Board Coordinator will set up a planning meeting to look into the different ideas the Council has on the outcome of the event.
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Upcoming Opportunities

- No at this moment

In-Camera Session

- No in-camera session

Meeting Adjourns

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 6:19 p.m.
Motion by rep. Chakyl

Next Meeting: In-person, Wednesday, August 13th, 2025, from 4:30 to 6:00pm

These minutes were approved by the Board.

Daniela Cardona Angel – Board Administrator