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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**SOCIETY OF COAST MOUNTAIN  
STUDENTS' UNION**

**July 31, 2024**



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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To the Members of  
**Society of Coast Mountain Students' Union**

## *Opinion*

We have audited the financial statements of Society of Coast Mountain Students' Union (the Society), which comprise the statement of financial position as at July 31, 2024, and the statements of operations, changes in fund balances and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Society as at July 31, 2024, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

## *Basis for Opinion*

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Society in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

## *Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Society's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Society or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Society's financial reporting process.

## *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Society's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

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- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Society's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Society to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

### **Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

As required by the British Columbia Societies Act, we report that the accounting principles used in these financial statements have been applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

*Tompkins Wozny LLP*

Vancouver, Canada  
October 10, 2024

Chartered Professional Accountants



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at July 31

	2024			2023
	General Fund \$	Health & Dental Fund \$	Total \$	Total \$
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Current</b>				
Cash	180,534	64,444	244,978	262,315
Accounts receivable [note 4]	8,524	—	8,524	7,307
	189,058	64,444	253,502	269,622
Capital assets [note 5]	635	—	635	1,270
Investments [note 2]	118,711	—	118,711	117,423
	308,404	64,444	372,848	388,315
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
<b>Current</b>				
Accounts payable and accruals [note 6]	9,303	—	9,303	11,312
	299,101	64,444	363,545	377,003
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>308,404</b>	<b>64,444</b>	<b>372,848</b>	<b>388,315</b>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

Approved by the Executives:

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Director

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Director

**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**

Year ended July 31

	2024			2023
	General	Health & Dental	Total	Total
	Fund	Fund	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>REVENUE</b>				
Membership fees	110,295	224,675	334,970	284,059
Event, interest and other	2,298	1,548	3,846	1,204
	<b>112,593</b>	<b>226,223</b>	<b>338,816</b>	<b>285,263</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Health and dental premiums	—	200,252	200,252	141,970
Wages and contractors	82,057	27,352	109,409	77,768
Executive honoraria, meetings & travel <i>[note 8]</i>	12,731	—	12,731	4,476
Campus events	7,074	—	7,074	1,730
Office, computer and other	6,463	—	6,463	3,356
Professional fees	6,338	—	6,338	7,338
Membership development	4,787	—	4,787	8,412
Handbook	3,500	—	3,500	2,777
Donations	1,000	—	1,000	—
Amortization	635	—	635	635
Interest and bank charges	85	—	85	24
Emergency Aid	—	—	—	1,000
	<b>124,670</b>	<b>227,604</b>	<b>352,274</b>	<b>249,486</b>
<b>Excess of revenue (expense) for the year</b>	<b>(12,077)</b>	<b>(1,381)</b>	<b>(13,458)</b>	<b>35,777</b>
Fund balances, beginning of year	311,178	65,825	377,003	341,226
<b>Fund balances, end of year</b>	<b>299,101</b>	<b>64,444</b>	<b>363,545</b>	<b>377,003</b>

*See accompanying notes to the financial statements*

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

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Year ended July 31

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Excess of revenue (expense) for the year	<b>(13,458)</b>	35,777
Item not affecting cash		
Amortization	<b>635</b>	635
Changes in non-cash working capital items		
Accounts receivable	<b>(1,217)</b>	528
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<b>(2,009)</b>	4,899
<b>Cash provided by (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>(16,049)</b>	41,839
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchase of capital assets	—	(1,905)
Investment in term deposits	<b>(1,288)</b>	(528)
<b>Cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(1,288)</b>	(2,433)
<b>Increase (decrease) in cash during the year</b>	<b>(17,337)</b>	39,406
Cash, beginning of year	<b>262,315</b>	222,909
<b>Cash, end of year</b>	<b>244,978</b>	262,315

*See accompanying notes to the financial statements*

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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July 31, 2024

**1. NATURE OF THE ORGANIZATION**

Society of Coast Mountain Students' Union (the "Society") was incorporated under the British Columbia Society Act and is exempt from income taxes.

The purposes of the Society are to organize students on a democratic, co-operative basis for advancing students' interest, and advancing the interests of the students' community, and to provide a common framework within which the students can communicate, exchange information, and share experience, skills and ideas.

**2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations ("ASNPO") and include the following significant accounting policies:

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian ASNPO requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the amounts of revenue and expenses reported during the year. Significant areas requiring the use of management estimates relate to useful lives of capital assets and accrued liabilities. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

**Fund Accounting and Revenue Recognition**

The Society follows fund accounting using the deferral method of accounting for revenues and has the following funds:

General Fund

*The General Fund consists of those revenue and expenses in the general operations of the Society.*

Health & Dental Fund

*The Society collects fees from students registered in the health and dental plan. This fund is restricted for expenditures relating to the management, promotion and maintenance of the health and dental plan.*

Membership fees are recognized as revenue in the period in which the fees relate to.

Interest and other items are recognized as revenue when earned and when the amounts can be reasonably estimated or when collection is reasonably assured.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

Measurement of Financial Instruments

The Society initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. The Society subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash, term deposit and accounts receivable. Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

Cash

Cash is defined as cash on hand and cash on deposit, net of cheques issued and outstanding at the year-end.

The statement of cash flows is prepared on a net cash basis and cash flows from operating and investing activities are presented using the indirect method.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost less accumulated amortization. Capital assets contributed to the Society are recorded at the estimated fair value at the date the contribution was made. Furniture and equipment are amortized on a straight-line basis over 5 years and computer equipment over 3 years.

Investments

The investments are represented by one term deposit invested on December 1, 2023 in a 3-year 3.000% annual interest rate and maturing on December 1, 2026.

3. THE BRITISH COLUMBIA FEDERATION OF STUDENTS

The members of the Society are also members of the British Columbia Federation of Students, a provincial organization representing students on local and national matters. Membership fees collected on behalf of the British Columbia Federation of Students, are not included in these financial statements.

4. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Membership fees	7,850	6,633
Interest	674	674
	<b>8,524</b>	<b>7,307</b>
Allowance for doubtful accounts	—	—
	<b>8,524</b>	<b>7,307</b>

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**5. CAPITAL ASSETS**

	Cost \$	Accumulated Amortization \$	Net Book Value \$
<b>2024</b>			
Computer equipment and software	1,905	1,270	635
	<b>1,905</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>635</b>
<b>2023</b>			
Computer equipment and software	1,905	635	1,270
	<b>1,905</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>1,270</b>

**6. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES**

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Operations	9,303	11,312
Government remittance - payroll taxes	—	—
	<b>9,303</b>	<b>11,312</b>

**7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The Society is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments. The following analysis presents the Society's exposures to significant risk as at July 31, 2024.

**Credit Risk**

Credit risk is the risk that the Society will incur a loss due to the failure by its debtors to meet their contractual obligations. The Society is exposed to credit risk with respect to its cash, term deposit and accounts receivable. The Society limits its exposure to credit risk by placing its cash and term deposit in accounts with a credit union.

Given the nature of the Society's revenue, there is no concentration of accounts receivables. There has been no bad debt recognized in the year. The maximum amount of credit risk exposure is limited to the carrying amount of the balance in the financial statements.

**Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Society is exposed to interest rate risk on its cash and term deposit.

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7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONT'D)

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Society will not be able to meet its cash requirements or fund obligations as they become due. The Society maintains adequate levels of working capital by preparing budgets to ensure all its obligations can be met when they fall due.

8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

For the year ended July 31, 2024 honoraria in the amount of \$10,175 [2023 - \$1,235] was paid to directors.

The amount above includes payments made to the following elected directors during the year:

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Board member	2,848	—
Board member	2,562	—
Board member	1,390	—
Board member	967	—
Board member	775	—
Board member	833	—
Board member	800	—
Board member	—	375
Board member	—	860
	<b>10,175</b>	<b>1,235</b>

9. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE

The Society's primary source of revenue is membership fees collected from students pursuant to the provisions of the College and Institute Act (British Columbia). This collection activity can be terminated if the Society fails to fulfill its requirements under the Act. The Society's ability to continue viable operations is dependent upon maintaining its right to have these fees collected. As at the date of these financial statements the Society believes that it is in compliance with the Act.