# Tuesday January 7, 2003 - 6:00 PM 

Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

| $2002-18 / 9$ | REPORTS |
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| 2002-18/9b | Engineering Students' Society Report to Council. |
| 2002-18/9c | ACEC Report to Council. |
| $2002-18 / 12$ | Please see document LA 02-18.02. |
| $2002-18 / 12 \mathrm{n}$ | LEGISLATION <br> SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council approve the |
|  | proposed political policy regarding Faculty Weeks. |

Please see document LA 02-18.03.
2002-18/15 INFORMATION ITEMS
2002-18/15c Nominating Committee Sign Up sheet.
Please see document LA 02-18.04.
(Note: Please sign up on sheet that Recording Secretary has and return to Recording Secretary).

2002-18/15d
D.I.E. Board Ruling \#3.

Please see document LA 02-18.05.

For the months of September and October I kept track of my daily hours. In November I was asked to create a bimonthly report to be submitted to Kail Ross, Darryl Szafranski, and Francois Parent. Both the daily work log and the bimonthly reports are included below.

DAILY WORK LOG

| DATE | Daily <br> Hours | Total Hours | WORK DONE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aug 31, 2002 | 3 | 3 | Bears Football Home Opener vs. Calgary |
| Sep 2, 2002 | 8 | 11 | Orientation presentations for Bear Essentials and Athletics |
| Sep 3, 2002 | 8 | 19 | Orientation presentations for Bear Essentials and Athletics |
| Sep 4, 2002 | 6 | 25 | WOW |
| Sep 5, 2002 | 8 | 33 | WOW |
| Sep 6, 2002 | 8 | 41 | WOW |
| Sep 7, 2002 | 8 | 49 | WOW, Sign Inventory |
| Sep 9, 2002 | 3 | 52 | Office-sign inventory |
| Sep 10, 2002 | 3 | 55 | Office |
| Sep 11, 2002 | 4 | 59 | HUB Promotion |
| Sep 12, 2002 | 5 | 64 | HUB Promotion-good volunteer turn-out, set up "A," made more ballots Emails out to answer general inquiries |
| Sep 13, 2002 | 5 | 69 | HUB Promotion-hand out schedules, free tickets, ballots, tear down " A " <br> Email HUB contest winners and get prize packages |
| Sep 14, 2002 | 3 | 72 | Bears Football vs. Regina |
| Sep 16, 2002 | 3 | 75 | Create ticket sales tracking for Bear Essentials |
| Sep 17, 2002 | 2 | 77 | Office |
| Sep 18, 2002 | 2 | 79 | Office |
| Sep 19, 2002 | 3 | 82 | Began changing A Frames with Francois |
| Sep 20,2002 | 5 | 87 | Meet with Dan and Christy from Marketing, developed initial plans on marketing needs. Set up survey research group. Change signs |
| Sep 22, 2002 | 1 | 88 | Field Hockey Game |


| Sep 23, 2002 | 3 | 91 | Change A Frames, office |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sep 24, 2002 | 4 | 95 | Meeting with Francois, Darryl, and Kail. Organized A frame letters in athletics |
| Sep 25, 2002 | 4 | 99 | Career Day with Miranda as Patches-hand out sched cards. <br> Email Keltie about Student Panel |
| Sep 27, 2002 | 4 | 103 | Office-try to learn how to use majordomo. |
| Sep 30, 2002 | 1 | 104 | Put up signs at Van Vliet and |
| Oct 1, 2002 | 3 | 3 | Office-emails. Began creating info package for Bear Essentials sellers and modifying tracking. |
| Oct 2, 2002 | 4 | 7 | Meeting with Darryl, Juliana, Dan, and Christy regarding advertising for the year. Emails to Keltie about Student Panel for Friday. Sent out volunteer email to get team for year. |
| Oct 4, 2002 | 4 | 11 |  |
| Oct 7, 2002 | 5 | 16 | CAN AM Postering, Make sure Banner was changed and arranged to be put up, Gateway ad finalized. |
| Oct 8, 2002 | 4 | 20 | CAN AM Postering |
| Oct 9, 2002 | 4 | 24 | Office |
| Oct 10, 2002 | 5 | 29 | CAN AM |
| Oct 11, 2002 | 9 | 38 | CAN AM and meeting with Darryl, and marketing people. Get Gateway ad information and Rugby banner started. |
| Oct 12, 2002 | 5 | 43 | CAN AM |
| Oct 15, 2002 | 3 | 46 | Office and CW Rugby/Hoopfest postering |
| Oct 16, 2002 | 4 | 51 |  |
| Oct 17, 2002 | 4 | 55 | Created Game Vouchers for advanced purchases for GBI and Halloween Concert. |
| Oct 18, 2002 | 4 | 59 | Office |
| Oct 21, 2002 | 2 | 61 | Office (midterms until $25^{\text {th }}$ ) |
| Oct 22, 2002 | 4 | 65 | Office |
| Oct 23, 2002 | 4 | 69 | Office |
| Oct 24, 2002 | 2 | 71 | Office |
| Oct 25, 2002 | 2 | 73 | Pick up Bear Essentials Ticket and put in order, Begin postering for GBI |


| Oct 26,2002 | 2 | 75 | Bears and Pandas Volleyball Game |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Oct 28,2002 | 4 | 79 | Meeting with Survey/Marketing Group, <br> Send out Bear Essentials Tickets to Info Serv, <br> Keep looking for hosts for CIS Soccer, get <br> banners and gateway ads started. |
| Oct 29,2002 |  |  | Send out BE Tickets to Kayt at RATT. |

## BIMONTHLY REPORTS

## ACEC BIMONTHLY REPORT-for the period of October 16 to November 1

## ACCOMPLISHED ACTIVITIES

- Postering-Posters were put up in the majority of campus for CW Rugby Championships, Hoopfest, GBI, and CIS Women's Soccer. The main buildings targeted were Chemistry, V-Wing, Physics, Biological Sciences, CAB, Tory, Business, and Humanities. I also hit Civil/Electrical Engineering, Cameron Library, and EAS, however, with fewer posters. The postering has been very good from my perspective. The only minor set backs are the lack of volunteers to help reach more of the campus. It is more difficult for me to poster the entire campus than it is if I have help doing so. I have attempted to reach a majority of the main buildings but know that the there are still some that are not being hit.
- Volunteer Hunting-I have diligently searching for anyone willing to volunteer for numerous events. The events that I looked for volunteers included Tattoo Crew, CIS Soccer Championship (both Hosts and Ball Marshals), and volunteers who could help with postering. I contacted Carissa at Student Groups and she sent out emails to the Student Group majordomo. I sent out emails to Safewalk, the SU All Users list, and the few Athletics volunteers I already have. After very little response from any of these I tried contacting external sources such as friends on my triathlon team and friends of my brother (I thought that maybe students in high school may have more time to volunteer as ball marshals than those in University). The effectiveness of many of the programs of the ACEC requires volunteer turnout and I have therefore tried to re-examine the search for volunteers. The first program that needs to be changed is the Tattoo Crew. Rather than attempting to run this program with few volunteers every week I am creating a Tattoo Crew schedule for specific games for the rest of the season. This way the volunteers will not feel stretched to
volunteer all the time and turnout may hopefully increase. I need to find some extra incentives, such as movie passes and other free give aways, to offer volunteers.
- Student Group Tickets-Noticed that after the initial information send out there was no reply except for one group, which has yet to purchase tickets. I am now devoting more time to the sales of these tickets by approaching more of the groups personally and handing out information flyers to each group. The low turnout so far may simply be due to the fact that these tickets must be purchased for conference games and regular season has just begun.
- Bear Essentials-Finally received the tickets for Bear Essentials on Friday, October $25^{\text {th }}$. I have now sent out 100 tickets to Information Services and to Kayt at RATT. I also met with Cheryl to learn the method she uses to track ticket sales and have created my own system for RATT based on the system used at Info Services. The goal of this is to track the ticket sales from RATT better than was done last year.
- GBI Tickets-Created comp tickets for GBI tournament to be given out for people who purchase advanced tickets for the Halloween Party at the Power Plant.
- Survey Project-Met with the marketing students to set up information they need to create the questions for the Athletics survey project. Will be meeting with them again next week to finalize survey and questions.
- UAB-I went to my first UAB meeting October $30^{\text {th }}$. The meeting generally discussed the Panda-Bear Fests for the upcoming year as well as the results of the one that just occurred. They also discussed the ordering of $t$-shirts.


## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Bear Essentials-Create and implement an ad plan to heavily advertise Bear Essentials. Will be asking Programming Committee for ideas on ad themes for Bear Essentials. I will be trying to strongly launch Bear Essentials.
- Tattoo Crew-Develop a schedule for the specific games I will be running Tattoo Crew then find the volunteer for these times.
- Volunteers-l will be continuing the search for volunteers for many other events for the rest of the year. My hopes are to create a large volunteer pool so I do not need to ask the same volunteers all the time. This will hopefully lessen the burden on these volunteers and make it so they are more willing to volunteer.
- Student Groups-I will continue to directly meet leaders of Student Groups in order to sell Student Group tickets and create Student Group nights at the games.
- Athletics Ads-I will be finalizing the ad plans for the Athletics awareness ads. The Marketing department has created a very strong ad idea that we must now implement. For this I need to talk to Darryl to get approval and funding for a photo shoot for the ads as well as finding athletes to be in the photos for the ads.
- Postering-I do not know of what specific postering needs to be done in the next 2 weeks but know that there will be some.
- Banners-We are creating 18 banners to be set up in SUB, CAB, HUB, and Tory throughout the year. These are team specific banners that do not have dates on them. This will allow me to put up the appropriate banner when needed. The banners should be ready next week and I will be placing them in their respective places.
- Survey Group-I will be meeting with the student marketing group most likely next week and the week after to finalize the surveys.
- CIS Soccer Nationals-I will be working at the Soccer Nationals next week most likely as a host but if needed I will work as a ball marshal as well.
- Comp Tickets-l am hoping to be getting comp tickets for the games to give them out to people over campus.
- $\underline{U A B}-I$ have not been told when the next UAB meeting is but am expecting to be meeting within the next 2 weeks.


## UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 31-Nov. 2: Golden Bears Invitational Basketball Tournament
Nov. 1\&2: Bears Hockey vs. Manitoba
Nov. 2\&3: Men's Canada West Soccer Finals
Nov. 7-10: Women's CIS Soccer Championship
Nov. 8\&9: Bears and Pandas Volleyball
Nov 9: Bears Hockey

## ACEC BIMONTHLY REPORT-for the period of November 1 to November 15

## ACCOMPLISHED ACTIVITIES

- Bear Essentials-I went to the last Programming Meeting and asked for their input on ways to advertise Bear Essentials. They gave me some very good ideas on how to promote this package. The main ad idea they came up with was the idea to have the "student essentials list" which would list off the necessities of all students. (entertainment, food, and beer). They also
suggested that we introduce some kind of loyalty section or club where strong supporters of Bear Essentials or the Bears and Pandas in general would get a free Bear Essentials package for ever 6 or so bought as well as a recognizable area at RATT. I will be talking to Juliana to create the ad plan for these ads in the next couple weeks. We have sold approximately 10 tickets.
- Tattoo Crew-I am recruiting fans who would like to volunteer this weekend and the next.
- CIS Soccer Championships-I was the host for the Western Ontario team. I attended the host meeting, then met the team at the airport on Tuesday evening (Nov $5^{\text {th }}$ ). I gave the coach the information he needed to get around the city for the week and attended the banquet. On Friday I arranged to have the Patches mascot at the Pandas game. The response to be mascots was a lot better than normal volunteer support. In the end there were enough hosts for each team, which worked out well. These host roles are very simple and I found the teams highly appreciated the effort.
- Student Groups Night Out-I have started coordinating nights out for different groups (Faculty associations, student groups, fraternities, residences etc). I attended the COFA meeting on November $14^{\text {th }}$ to propose this evening for the upcoming Bears Hockey game against UBC. The members on COFA seemed to be very receptive of going to an upcoming hockey game (most likely to be on Nov 30 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ ). Most of them feel that 2 weeks will be enough time to get people interested and they are interested in continuing this next semester when they have more time to plan. They are also interested in doing this type of event for playoffs.
- Banners/Ads-I have coordinating the Gateway ads with Juliana by sending her the required information for each ad. Juliana also created the banner for the CIS soccer championships and I arranged to put that up in SUB. After some time changes I created new times for the banners and put them on myself.
- GBI Tickets-Received all tickets that I made back from Cheryl at Info Services; no tickets given out for Halloween night.
- Survey Project-Have not heard anything new from this group but they will need to contact me to finalize the survey next week.


## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Student Groups Night Out-I will be completing my plans to get these groups out for specific nights at the games. I will also be looking into getting some prizing for these nights so there is incentive to come out in a larger group and make an effort to out do one another. I am trying to
generate a lot of groups out for the last few weeks of competition before Christmas. I have arranged from Carissa to get a copy of contact information for all campus student groups and will be contacting those on that list.
- Mascot-I am planning on heading out around campus (with a volunteer or by myself if needed) as a mascot and the signs to raise awareness for the upcoming weekend's games. Wednesday and Friday will probably be the best time for this.
- Awareness Ads-Early next week we are hoping to get the awareness ad photo shoot finalized and set up to create the ads for the rest of the year. I have talked to Jimmie to set this up.
- Bear Essentials_l will stopping in on classes to advertise Bear Essentials. Also I would like to look into generating knowledge by giving away a couple tickets to the Gateway to be given out in their "Free Stuff" section.


## UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 15\&16: Bears \& Pandas Basketball vs. Calgary
Nov. 22\&23: Bears and Pandas Volleyball vs. Saskatchewan
Bears Hockey vs. UBC
Nov. 23\&24: Pandas Hockey vs. UBC

ACEC BIMONTHLY REPORT-for the period of November 16 to November 30

## ACCOMPLISHED ACTIVITIES

- Bear Essentials-RATT has sold their first 50 tickets (in less than one month) and I have given them a second stack of 50 tickets. These tickets are selling very well at RATT and I look forward in seeing the response once we have a stronger ad campaign in progress. As far as ads goes, I met with Juliana and Christy and we are in the middle of planning out an efficient ad campaign with the budget we have. One option we now have is the use of plastic covers similar to the menu covers to place ads on the tables at RATT. I have talked to Kayt and she is giving us the covers and will keep the ads permanently on the tables. We will be making a limited number of full color posters to be placed permanently in key places where they will remain for the rest of the year. The locations we are planning on placing
these posters include the Info Desks, RATT, possibly Power Plant, and other protected poster boards across campus.
- Student Marketing Project-I received the questionnaire that the marketing class used to survey students on campus. The group has finished surveying over 400 people and they will present to me the results by the end of next week.
- Tattoo Crew-In the past two weeks we had two tattoo crews. The first was for the November $16^{\text {th }}$ basketball game against Calgary. Although the volunteers were eager to be selling tattoos the crowd was unresponsive and the managed to sell only 2 tattoos. The second was for the November $22^{\text {nd }}$ volleyball and hockey games and was a lot more successful than the first time.
- Promotions Group-Thanks to Darryl, we have put together a small group of devoted students who are willing to help promote the Bears and Pandas next semester. This group will make it easier to promote the teams to the students by allowing us to organize several events where the students will see what is going on. Essentially we will be able to get in the faces of more students than we are presently able to do. I am have already initiated a meeting with everyone for next week to begin planning these events for next semester.
- Student Group Nights-Student group nights will take place this Friday, November 29, and Saturday, November 30. Friday will involve the fraternities on campus and Saturday will involve the student faculty associations. I have not had as much response as I hoped for this event. I have sold 80 tickets for the Saturday game but no tickets have been sold for the Friday game. I am anticipating that the groups will be purchasing their tickets last minute. I personally called the contacts of each fraternity to let them know about this event. I also have had the help of Ross McAdam from the IFC. I managed to get together some really good prizing which includes 20 Oilers tickets from Darryl for the Friday game and some Cds and T-shirts from Steve Derpack for the Saturday game. I will be organizing more of these events next semester and will allow more notice to the groups. We will also be able offer the Skysuite in the main gym and the Bear's Den as prizes.


## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- This is my last report until next semester as I do not work for the month of December. However, I in order to have a more successful upcoming semester I am going to be working on a few projects so that we will have them ready to go by the time January comes around. These include:
- Promotions Group-l will be meeting with this group so we can set up our promotions for next semester and have one as soon as possible for beginning of January.
- Bear Esssentials Ad-The Bear Essentials ads need to be out and on campus for the first weekend of January in order to have strong sales for the second semester.
- Awareness Ads-The photos for the general athletics ads need to be taken and associated ads need to be made as well so we can run them for the next semester.
- Student Group Nights-I will also begin organizing the group nights for next semester.


# THE STUDENTS' UNION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA <br> POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT 

| Policy Number: |  |  | Effective Date: | Page | 1 of |  | 1 |
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|  |  |  | Expiration Date: |  |  |  |  |
| Responsibility for Policy: |  |  | Student Life B |  |  |  |  |
| Subject Matter | - | Category: | POLITICAL |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Specific: | Faculty Week |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Topic: |  |  |  |  |  |

MOVED THAT Students' Council adopt the following as political policy:
As Faculty Weeks promote a sense of pride and camaraderie amongst students and form one thread of a continuing relationship between students and the University community; and
given that Faculty Weeks weave a closer connection between past and current students; and
given that Faculty Weeks constitute a valuable, venerable, and rare tradition at the University of Alberta:
Students' Council states its continued support for Faculty Weeks as a safe and inclusive means of promoting faculties, within the faculty, within the campus community, and throughout the broader community;

Students' Council states its desire for positive involvement by staff and alumni in assisting Faculty Associations and other relevant groups when organizing Faculty Weeks; and

Students' Council affirms its continued support for Faculty Weeks and aids these faculties with these endeavors by providing the necessary resources where practical and with the caveat that these faculties follow all relevant guidelines and legal protocols.

## Policy History:

Reference/Vote Board/Committee

## Date of Council Approval

Created
Student Life Board

An interview workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, March 18/03 from 4:30-5:30 on the third floor of SUB. All councilors involved in Nom Com are asked to attend.

| NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHART (2003) <br> Student Councilor Information |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Position. | Date | Time | Room | Name and Email | Phone |
| Info (s/l) | Wednesday Mar. 19 | 9:00 am | Pres. off |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \begin{array}{l} \text { Info } \\ \text { (int) } \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Monday Mar. 24 | 5:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| Student Dist. $(\mathrm{s} / \mathbf{l})$ | Wednesday Mar. 19 | 10:00 am | Pres. off |  |  |
| Student Dist. (int) | Monday Mar. 24 | 7:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| Ombuds (s/l) | Wednesday Mar. 26 | 5:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| Ombuds (int) | Wednesday April 3 | 5:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| Safewalk (s/l) | Wednesday Mar. 19 | 1:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| Safewalk (int) | Thursday Mar. 27 | 8:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| Student Grps $(\mathrm{s} / \mathbf{l})$ | Wednesday Mar. 19 | 2:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| Student Grps(int) | Thursday Mar. 27 | 5:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| CRO (s/l) | Wednesday <br> Mar. 19 | 3:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| CRO (int) | Tuesday Apr. 1 | 5:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| AAC (s/l) | Thursday Mar. $20$ | 5:00 pm | 2911 |  |  |
| AAC (int) | Wednesday Mar. 26 | 8:00 pm | 2911 |  |  |
| CRC (s/l) | Thursday Mar. $20$ | 5:00 pm | 426 |  |  |
| CRC (int) | Thursday Mar. 27 | 5:00 pm | 426 |  |  |
| SAC (s/l) | Thursday Mar. $20$ | 5:00 pm | 424 |  |  |
| SAC (int) | Thursday Mar. 27 | 5:00 pm | 424 |  |  |
| ACEC (s/l) | Thursday Mar. $20$ | 7:00 pm | 424 |  |  |
| ACEC (int) | Thursday Mar. 27 | 7:00 pm | 424 |  |  |
| ECOS (s/l) | Wednesday <br> Mar. 19 | 4:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |

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| ECOS (int) | Friday Mar. 28 | $5: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Pres. Off |  |  |
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| Speaker (s/l) | Wednesday <br> Mar. 19 | $5: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Pres. off |  |  |
| Speaker (int) | Friday Mar. 28 | $7: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Pres. off |  |  |
| Rec Sec(int <br> only) | Thursday Mar. <br> 20 | $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ | Pres. off |  |  |


| Boards and Committees Student Councilor Information |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Board | Date | Time | Place | Name and Email | Phone |
| Pres. Boards $(\mathrm{s} / \mathrm{l})$ | Wednesday April 9 | 5:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| Pres. Boards (Int) | Tuesday April 15 | 5:00 pm | Pres. off |  |  |
| VP Acad. Boards(s/l) | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \text { Monday April } \\ 7 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 5:00 pm | 2911 |  |  |
| VPAcad Boards (int) | Friday April 11 | 5:00 pm | 2911 |  |  |
| VPAcad Boards (int) | Monday April 14 | 5:00 pm | 2911 |  |  |
| VP Ext <br> Boards(s/l) | Monday April $7$ | 5:00 pm | 426 |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { VP Ext Boards } \\ & \text { (int) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Friday April 11 | 5:00 pm | 426 |  |  |
| VP Ext Boards (int) | Monday April 14 | 5:00 pm | 426 |  |  |
| VP Fin Boards(s/l) | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { Monday April } \\ 7 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 5:00 pm | 430 |  |  |
| VP Fin Boards (int) | Friday April 11 | 5:00 pm | 430 |  |  |
| VP Fin Board (int) | Monday April $14$ | 5:00 pm | 430 |  |  |
| VP SL <br> Boards(s/l) | Monday April $7$ | 5:00 pm | 424 |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { VP SL Boards } \\ & \text { (int) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Friday April 11 | 5:00 pm | 424 |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { VP SL Boards } \\ & \text { (int) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Monday April 14 | 5:00 pm | 424 |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { VP SL Boards } \\ & \text { (int) } \end{aligned}$ | Monday April $14$ | 5:00 pm | 424 |  |  |

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# DECISION OF THE DISCIPLINE, INTERPRETATION, AND ENFORCEMENT BOARD 

## REQUEST FOR INTERPRETATION

## DATE:

Monday January 6, 2003

## D.I.E. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chris Samuel, Chair
Lucas Lau
William McBeath
Jason Tobias
Vincent Tong

## INTERPRETATION SOUGHT BY:

Steve Smith, VP Operations and Finance, acting on behalf of the Students' Council

## ISSUE:

1. What is the impact of the word "primarily" in the resolution itself? Does this have some sort of cut and dried meaning (e.g. that the annual expenditures on provincial lobbying must exceed those on federal lobbying) or is it a non-binding guideline?
2. If the latter, does this policy have any power to bind anybody to do anything, or is it merely advice?
3. Could this policy, directly or indirectly, require or preclude the Students' Union's membership in any organization?
4. If yes, would a rider attached to the policy to read "Nothing in this policy shall be interpreted to either require or preclude the Students' Union's membership in any organization" be effective in eliminating this requirement?
5. Does this policy meet the requirement under the Legislation Bylaw that political policies be "non operational"?

## DECISION:

1. It must be noted that all provisions of all policies are binding, and, as a result, no policy can contain a non-binding guideline. The last phrase of the political policy in question ("Be it resolved that the University of Alberta Students' Union focus its political efforts primarily in the provincial domain so as to better achieve its goals") is what, essentially, commits the Students' Union to a particular action. To provide clarity to this action, the D.I.E. Board felt it necessary to first define "political efforts" since this term is quite ambiguous. As such, political efforts is hereby defined as both the money and the time spent lobbying a specific level of government (either municipal, provincial, or federal). The impact, then, of the word "primarily" is to
create a hierarchy- using only the money and the time spent lobbying that specific level of government- between lobbying these different levels of government. Consequently, the total money and time spent lobbying the provincial government must exceed the total money and time spent lobbying the municipal government, and the total money and time spent lobbying the federal government.
2. This political policy, just like all other political policies, is binding the Students' Union to a particular action- in this case, to spend more money and time lobbying the provincial government than lobbying the municipal and federal governments.
3. This policy will indirectly affect the Students' Union's membership in certain government lobbying organizations. The Students' Union is free to be a member of whatever government lobbying organization it wishes, however, when the total money and time spent lobbying each level of government is calculated- which must now include, for that level of government, the money and time spent being a member of this government lobbying organization- more money and time must still be spent lobbying the provincial government than lobbying the municipal and federal governments. If the money and time spent being a member of this government lobbying organization results in the total money and time spent lobbying the provincial government no longer being the most when compared to the total money and time spent lobbying the municipal and federal governments, the Students' Union is obligated to either cease membership in this government lobbying organization or increase the money or time spent lobbying the provincial government.
4. The rider "Nothing in this policy shall be interpreted to either require or preclude the Students' Union's membership in any organization", if included in this political policy, will eliminate the indirect membership restriction in government lobbying organizations. It will also, however, make the entire political policy moot by creating a "notwithstanding clause" to the only binding action of this policy.
5. This political policy meets the requirement under Bylaw 400- $A$ Bylaw Respecting the Legislation of the Students' Union that political policies be "non operational". For a further rationale, please refer to D.I.E. Board Ruling \#2.
