University of Alberta Students' Union

STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

Tuesday August 19, 2003 – 6:00 PM Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

2003-10/12 APPROVAL OF STUDENTS' UNION BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

REPORTS

2003-10/12b Financial Affairs Board.

Please see document LA 03-10/01

2003-10/14 NEW BUSINESS

2003-10/14c BRECHTEL MOVED THAT Students' Council strike an ad-hoc

working group/task force/committee/collective [yet to be named] to examine and provide recommendations on tuition based issues,

to be composed of seven councilors, to be chaired by the President, and to be open to all councilors interested.

2003-10/14d BOTTEN/COOK MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the

recommendation of the Financial Affairs Board, release the CJSR-FM88 Fund to the First Alberta Campus Radio Association for the

2003/2004 year.

2003-10/14e BOTTEN/COOK MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the

recommendation of the Financial Affairs Board, release the GSJS

Fund to the Gateway Student Journalism Society for the

2003/2004 year.

2003-10/15 REPORTS

2003-10/15b Vice President External

Please see document LA 03-10/02

2003-10/15c Vice President Operations and Finance

Please see document LA 03-10/03

2003-10/15d Vice President Student Life

Please see document LA 03-10/04

2003-10/15e Academic Affairs Office

Please see document LA 03-10/05

2003-10/15f Academic Affairs Coordinator (June Report)

Please see document LA 03-10/06

2003-10/15g Academic Affairs Coordinator (July Report)

Please see document LA 03-10/07

2003-10/15h Student Activities Coordinator

Please see document LA 03-10/08

2003-10/16 INFORMATION ITEMS

Financial Affairs Board Report to Students' Council for August 19th, 2003

The following motions were carried at the August 14th, 2003 meeting of the Financial Affairs Board:

WEPPLER/COOK MOVED THAT the Financial Affairs Board recommend to Students' Council that it release the CJSR-FM88 Fund to First Alberta Campus Radio Association for the coming year.

Carried: 4/0/0

WEPPLER/COOK MOVED THAT the Financial Affairs Board recommend to Students' Council that it release the GSJS Fund to the Gateway Student Journalism Society for the coming year.

Carried: 3/0/1 (DIXON)

DIXON/COOK MOVED THAT the Financial Affairs Board approve a transfer of \$2,400 from the Capital Reserve to Department 655 (Dinwoodie) for the purpose of painting the Dinwoodie Lounge.

Carried: 4/0/0

WEPPLER/COOK MOVED THAT the Financial Affairs Board approve a transfer of \$2,500 from Account 611-8173-300 (Centre for Student Development) to Account 600-8173-400 (Mgr. Student Services) to cover funds used for Service Director attendance at CACUSS 2003

Carried: 4/0/0

Report to Students' Council Chris "Krusha" Samuel 08-19-03

Salutations and greetings, Council! Here is the report of the office of the Vice-President (External), for the days spanning August 6th – August 19th.

On the 7th, I attended a budget orientation session (in order to learn about the University finance system). I learned that the budget of the University a.) is large and b.) contains a lot of numbers. Normally, you'd be correct in saying that a mathematician would be able to deal w/ large amounts of numbers, but you'd also be correct in saying that VPs (External) despise "numbers". Hence, a binding paradox that put me in a catatonic state for the rest of the week.

Seriously, though...we also had a meeting of student senators to discuss the direction of the senate for the year, which proved to be quite productive. There will be an attempt on the behalf of the Students' Union to get the senate to launch inquiries on the vision of the University as well as on the tuition consultation process between students and administration. Those items will be discussed at the next Senate Executive meeting. Also of note was the hiring of a research analyst to crunch numbers, like CAUBO data. Tony Clark was hired, and I look forward to working with him.

Also completed was an update of my website (www.su.ualberta.ca/external), with a subpage on the U-Pass that will be undergoing constant revision as the year goes by. I had a meeting the Director of Resource Planning on the University side, to determine what the Universities' thoughts on the (proposed in Bill 43) Campus Alberta Board of Accreditation and Coordination. There will be a meeting on the 28th to discuss the scope and mandate of the board, as well as the composition. This meeting will be on the heels of a CAUS meeting that will be on the 27th, where (included among other things in the agenda) we will be ratifying our bylaws, and signing society registration forms. Woo! CAUS has opened a bank account, although we will be unable to collect fees from member schools until September.

Eventful this week was the StatsCan release on tuition. It reported that the average Alberta tuition rose by 7.7%, compared with the national average of 7.4%. There was a good deal of media coverage on the release, although tornadoes took up a lot of what would have been our TV time...(why does mother nature hate education?) Upcoming events include a meeting with City Council and the Executive, as well as a

We've also developed an ad plan for the Bill 43 campaign. We will be using posters and banners, as well as LRT ads in Calgary and Edmonton. Currently, we are going through an event-planning phase. There is still plenty of opportunity to get involved, so e-mail me or let me know verbally, and you'll be right in the action!

Until next time, Council!

Senate Plenary meeting.

Externally yours, Krusha

Report to Students' Council August 19, 2003 Tyler Botten, Vice President (Operations & Finance)

Members of Council,

As we close the books on August, and with it, the first 1/3 of my term, I am reminded of Dickens writing about the French Revolution: "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times." In a sense, this summer has been like the French Revolution...not because we former leaders were beheaded, or because the organization is now in the hands of French radicals, or because I foresee the emergence of Napoleon (despite what the Vice President (Academic) may say about her Napoleonic tendencies), but because it took place in the summer.

By this time in 1789, the Bastille had already fallen and the Declaration of the Rights of Man and Citizen was about to be signed in France. Thankfully it will be another 4 years before Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette are executed. To say that the summer of 2003 has been anything shy of "the greatest one hundred and eleven consecutive days of my life" would be a lie. Seriously. If you ever thought Operations & Finance could be dull, boy, were you ever wrong. My thanks to Council for making the first leg of this ride an interesting one. Now...on to the good you've all been waiting for – how I earned my paycheque over the past two weeks.

The Past

- 1. Year of the Bars New menus and prices and specials will be ready to roll out the door with the beginning of September. Keep your eyes peeled for some consistency in what's happening at your bar on any given night – everything from the fun to the cheap food of the day. The Powerplant is still going strong, and RATT will be open August 25th.
- 2. New Info Desk Sadly no results yet all requirements are laid out, I simply need to work with the Engineering Students' Society to develop the official proposal for the Faculty of Engineering as we try to cut down some costs in this 'everyone wins' venture.
- 3. My Website Well, it is certainly more up todate now. Full information on where your fees are going, along with the groups who spend them is all there for the masses. This is the first step in the 'Bang For Your Buck' information campaign that I will be launching to remind students that they pay fees and should care about where they go.
- 4. Operating Policies The general outline is complete, and with many thanks to my predecessor, my work has been made much easier as many policies have already been completed. The complete

- package should be ready by Hallowe'en...or my birthday, whichever comes later. Also, the existing policies will be available online for browsing fun very soon.
- 5. Meetings Bloody Meetings I attended another pile of meetings in the last while. Brief highlights: FAB recommended a couple of DFU budgets; Access Fund Board got quorum (and approved some policy changes); IRB fought over power separation; CCRAP finished its Standing Orders review; learned about the messed-up budgeting system of the University; discussed Political Policy in SLB; set up OUTreach with some promo table space for the AIDS walk for life campaign; I will actually have at least 2 SU Pages in the Gateway this year.
- 6. BBQ Canada You may recall a motion from an Exec Committee Report on the 'National BBQ' being held this Labour Day. Along with Orientation Manager Norma Rodenburg, I have received the "honour" of coordinating the barbeque. We have also challenged the UofC Students' Union to reach our level of Barbeque mastery as the first in several "Battle of Alberta" ventures. In short, drop by Quad Monday September 1st for free beef on a bun. Or veggie alternative on a bun if you don't eat things with legs.
- 7. The Wall of Goals or 40 things to do in the Office when you're Bored. In short, everything I'm working on is up in my office. I may create an online version of my "personal organization" soon, but that sounds like it would take too much time and create a total of 41 things to do...

The Future

- 1. Website Review following Executive approval of my Website Review Committee, I have decided to create two such committees one composed of 'average' students and one composed of members of Students' Council & its Standing Committees. I need 7 of each. If you're interested in the latter or know people who might be interested in the former, please do the "getting in touch" thing with me. Please. Seriously. Right away.
- 2. Council Reform & Progress as I was lucky enough to be elected Chair of the CCRAP subcommittee dealing with Outreach & Councillor Concerns, I will be kickstarting work on that agenda next week.

 Guaranteed to be more exciting than Mr. Speaker's subcommittee.
- 3. Advertising Plans in an attempt to be as frugal as possible, I will be developing my Advertising Plan for certain things like how fees are

- used, the webboard (yup, you heard that correctly) and a few other upcoming ventures...all on the tightest budget I can possibly imagine nothing. Or close to nothing. It should be a good ride.
- 4. Week of Welcome to ensure that everything goes well during WOW and that everyone is enjoying the events, I will be vacationing in Quad (literally) all week, taking part in every event imaginable and in some role, be it volunteer or participant. If it smells like WOW and sounds like WOW, your VPOF will be in the thick of it. If you have made alternate plans that week, cancel them. I have it on good authority that a certain Speaker may be inebriated for the 2nd time since Leslie Church was President of the SU.

Upcoming Meetings

Committee for Council Reform & Progress – Tuesday, 19 August @ Council Adjournment

Audit Committee – Wednesday, 20 August @ 7pm
AP!RG Board of Directors – Sunday, 24 August @ 6pm
Internal Review Board – Monday, 25 August @ 4:30pm
CJSR Interview (eek!) – Tuesday, 26 August @ 1pm
Chancellor Ferguson & City Councillors – Wednesday, 27 August
Labour Day BBQ – Monday, 1 September @ 12pm
WOW/Orientation Events Galore – Monday, 1 September through
Sunday, 7 September @ Various Times (get your schedule today!)

Interesting Website of the Week

http://www.su.ualberta.ca/vpops

^{*}if you have actually read this report, be the first person to give me the names of 3 former SU Vice Presidents mentioned herein and receive a free ticket (on me!) to the Rapid Fire Theatre Improv during WOW. running contests to see if anyone reads these things...sheesh..

From the Academic Affairs Office

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Report to Students' Council 19 August 2003

1) Academic Affairs Board

a. 31 July 2003

i. Formal Motions Considered

KATZ/JONES moved that the AAB direct the Chair to draft a question concerning the PeopleSoft contract and the Board of Governors approval of said contract to be ratified by the AAB prior to September.

VOTE: 6/0/0 CARRIED

ii. Relevant Topics of Discussion:

- 1. Report on Recent Bear Tracks Problems
- 2. KSI Development

iii. In Attendance: 6

- S. Katz, J. Meeker, M. Hirji, S. Kirkham, D. Bullerwell,
- C. Jones

iv. Regrets: 3

Z. Dube, L. McLaughlin, A. Abboud

b. 8 August 2003

i. Formal Motions Considered

None.

ii. Relevant Topics of Discussion

- 1. FA Mandates and Roles
- 2. Mandate of AAB

iii. In Attendance: 9

A. Abboud, C. Jones, L. McLaughlin, Z. Dube, J. Meeker, M. Hirji, S. Katz, D. Bullerwell, S. Kirkham

iv. Regrets: 0

2) Awards Selection Committee

a. 12 August 2003

i. Formal Motions Considered

WALLACE/TONG move to nominate L. Vaage to the Gold Key Selection Committee. Nomination accepted, proceeds to a vote by the committee.

VOTE: 4/0/0 CARRIED

ii. Relevant Topics of Discussion

- 1. Theme Ideas
- 2. Speaker Ideas
- 3. Gold Key Committee Nomination

iii. In Attendance: 4

L. Graham, H. Wallace, L. Vaage, A. Tong

iv. Regrets: 1

D. Bradley

3) Council of Faculty Associations

a. 13 August 2003

i. Formal Motions Considered

None.

ii. Relevant Topics of Discussion

- 1. Elections Discussion
- 2. Truth in Education Program
- 3. Faculty Association Advocacy

iii. In Attendance: 7

LSA, APSA, ESS, AUFSJ, PERCS, UASUS, BSA

iv. Regrets: 0

Because the registration of the remaining faculty associations is over 110 days late, the no longer exist

as FA's, and therefore, were not permitted to attend the meeting.

June 2003 Report to Students' Council Chris Henderson, Academic Affairs Coordinator

Academic Affairs Board

- -Continued with Rec Sec duties on the board
 - -Finally established a definitive style for doing minutes (by copying Kelly's)
- -Other administrative duties, such as compiling AAB outreach, basic research, and worksheets

Council of Faculty Associations

- -Had our initial real meeting, hosted by the brilliant Law Students Association, they served pizza, and everyone was happy. Except James Knull, who doesn't like pizza. Or Kittens. Or Puppy dog kisses. I'm just kidding, James loves pizza. But he still hates kittens. Thanks again to the LSA for providing a good example for the other FA hosts. -Slaved over the listserve, which was a MAY-JUNE project, for pretty much all of the
- -Slaved over the listserve, which was a MAY-JUNE project, for pretty much all of the listserves.
- -Wrote worksheets for COFA, handed out more COFA handbooks to people who didn't come to the retreat.

General Faculties Council

- -Slowest....month.....ever. There was no GFC meeting in this month, and there was no GFCSC, as the meeting was so far away. So, because the agenda's won't start showing up in mailboxes until the middle of September, we had nothing to discuss.
- -Even though no meetings were held, I still had to try and find the remaining GFC councilors for the vacant spots through the faculty associations, which takes a great deal of time in terms of correspondence with FA's, the office of the Secretariat, and our offices. Kelly did a good job of keeping them up, but there is only so much that she could do.

Coordinators

- -Had the initial Charity Ball meetings with various people around the organization.
- -Began regular meetings to discuss the plight of being a coordinator

Academic Integrity Task Force

- -Appointed to the AITF in mid-june. The goal was to make recommendations on how to foster an attitude of academic integrity around campus, not only with students, but with profs and TA's as well.
- -Was disappointed that I was not given the automatic weapon and bullet proof vest that one expects when they are appointed to a task force.

I would love to entertain any questions regarding these activities and go more in depth if you wish. Come and talk to me or email me at chris.henderson@su.ualberta.ca

July 2003 Report to Students' Council Chris Henderson, Academic Affairs Coordinator

Academic Affairs Board

- -Continued with my regular position on the AAB as rec sec.
- -Interesting month on AAB, with very interesting topics discussed. See: Academic Affairs Report.
- -I really have to give it up for Janet for working so hard on AAB, and her portfolio in general. She really does 2X the work that everyone thinks she does, and I have it on good authority that everyone thinks that she is doing a lot of work.

Council of Faculty Associations

- -Sat as rec sec.
- -Minuted the infamous meeting regarding GFC centralization.
- -Worked on the final ten yards of the faculty specific handbook initiative.
- -Tried to get the FA's to register as Student Groups, but to no avail. If a large (and **bold**) font email won't make someone do something, nothing will.

General Faculties Council

- -Kept updating and re-updating the listserve.
- -We had a meeting! Look at last Councils Report from the Office of the VP Academic, which from now on will be called "Reports from Academic Affairs" to avoid confusion.
- -Started the one-on-one GFC meetings. If you are a GFC councilor, and you haven't booked yours yet, email me, baby!

AAC/VPA

- -Proofreading, Proofreading, proofreading. This was the month that Janet discovered proposals and writing letters, so I spent sums of my time proofreading them.
- -Continued to work on a GFC Undergraduate Councilor strategy to make GFC better, look for the results of this in the GFCSC minutes in upcoming months.
- -Continued with some research on various topics (FEC's, teaching services across other campuses)
- -Begging Janet to sleep

Coordinators

- -Assisted Anna in editing and compiling (to a very minimal extent) the proposal for the Charity Ball.
- -Held meetings for legal review, and to work on the initial stages of estimating a budget (and stretching it over 5 years) for the Charity Ball. "Mad Props" as the kids say, to Anna Grimsrud for putting so much time and heart into this. Also, for being cool. Like me. Props to Kimmy too, and her X-Box t-shirt.

-Were invited to University hosted wine and cheese, but we missed it by a day \otimes .

Again, I am always available to discuss this more in depth with any of my wonderful bosses on council. Call me at the office or email me (chris.henderson@su.ualberta.ca).

COUNCIL REPORT

August 19th 2003

Anna Grimsrud

ACTIVITIES FROM THE MONTH OF JULY:

Meetings

WOW Coordinator Meetings (Quad, Night Activities)

Athletics - Tailgate BBQ and Football Game

Programming, WOW Planning and Student Life Board

WOW Perspective meetings with past super volunteers

Revolutionary Speaker Series

Bear Pit Cleaning and Organization

Cell phone, new apartment, give blood

Current Projects

WOW 2003

- EXTENSIVE VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT
 - First mass volunteer email sent out yesterday, if you did not receive and were supposed to, please email sac@su.ualberta.ca to ensure your correct email address was used/ will be used in the future
- Posters and t-shirts to print
- Please visit www.su.ualberta.ca/wow
- Movies for Sleeping Bag Drive In
 - Desperado
 - The Matrix: Reloaded
- WOW Dance renamed WOW Carnaval
- Pancake Breakfasts prove their popularity
 - Most volunteers
 - Student athletes to volunteer
 - A-Channel Big Breakfast to attend
- Night activities at the Powerplant being finalized in terms of activities
- Arts and crafts dates and times TBA

Student Life Board

- Looking into bring forth the committee inaugural policy at the next council meeting
 Programming Committee
 - o Dates (temporarily) set for the first semester:
 - Student of the Week every week, likely Fridays
 - International Day of Peace Sept 18th or 21st
 - Pie for Poems Sept 29th
 - United Nations Day Oct 24th
 - Drag Show @ Poweplant Oct 9th
 - Dating Game @ Powerplant Oct 17th
 - National Chocolate Day Oct 28th
 - Wine 101 and Art Show at Dinwoodie Nov 18th
 - AIDS Awareness Day Dec 1st
 - Students Union Christmas for Kids (formerly known as the Inner City Kids Christmas Party) – Dec 5th

WOW Volunteer Opportunities for Councilors

Taste of the U Group Leader – Guide new students around to local restaurants Infobooth – Be a campus "know it all" and hand out 13,000 handbooks