

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday, June 29, 2021 6:00PM Zoom

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ORDER PAPER (SC-2021-05)

2021-05/1	SPEAKERS BUSINESS
2021-05/1a	Announcements - The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, July 13 2021 at 6:00PM via Zoom.
	Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85666007012
	Meeting ID: 856 6600 7012
2021-05/2	CONSENT AGENDA
2021-05/2a	Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-04) Tuesday, June 15, 2021
	See SC-2021-05.01
2021-05/3	PRESENTATIONS
2021-05/3a	LEY MOVES TO approve a presentation from Provost Dr. Steven Dew
	See SC-2021-05.12
2021-05/4	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
2021-05/5	BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

2021-05/6	OPEN FORUM
2021-05/7	QUESTION PERIOD
2021-05/8	BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS
2021-05/8a	LEY MOVES TO appoint one member of Students' Council to the International Students' Association's Undergraduate Council.
	See SC-2021-05.13
2021-05/8b	VILLOSO MOVES TO appoint two (2) members of Students' Council to the DIE Board Tribune Selection Committee.
	See SC-2021-05.14
2021-05/8c	VILLOSO MOVESTO discuss the return to in-person Council meetings for the Fall Semester.
	See SC-2021-05.15
2021-05/8d	BEASLEY/DE GRANO MOVES TO approve the first reading of Bill #1: the First Principles of the Bylaws pertaining to Student Representative Associations, on the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee.
	See SC-2021-05.16 - 17
2021-05/8e	KIMANI MOVES TO approve the Terms of Reference for the Fee Governance Review Committee.
	See SC-2021-05.18 - 19
2021-05/8f	KIMANI MOVES TO appoint (I) member of Students' Council to the Fee Governance Review Committee.
	See SC-2021-05.20
2021-05/9	GENERAL ORDERS
2021-05/10	INFORMATION ITEMS
2021-05/10a	Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-04) Tuesday, June 15, 2021

See SC-2021-05.01

2021-05/10b Executive Committee Reports

See SC-2021-05.02 - 11

2021-05/10c Council Submissions

See SC-2021-05.12 - 20

2021-05/10d Students' Council - Attendance

See SC-2021-05.21



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VOTES & PROCEEDINGS (SC-2021-04)

2021-04/1	SPEAKERS BUSINESS
2021-04/1a	Announcements - The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, June 29 2021 at 6:00PM via Zoom.
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2021-04/2	CONSENT AGENDA
	TEO/FILIPOVIC MOVED to approve the consent agenda. CARRIED
2021-04/2a	Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-03) Tuesday, June 01, 2021 See SC-2021-04.01
2021-04/2b	MONTEIRO MOVED to ratify the appointment of Danielle Lapatack to the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee (ARRC). See SC-2021-04.02
2021-04/2c	MONTEIRO MOVED to ratify the appointment of Megan Uglem, Mustafa Jaswal, Rucha Patel, and Yousuf Iqbal to the Sustainability Ad Hoc Committee. See SC-2021-04.03
2021-04/2d	MONTEIRO MOVED to ratify the appointment of Justin Morlock, Madeleine Tupper,

Mehrin Hoque, and Yousuf Iqbal to the Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee. See SC-2021-04.04

2021-04/2e MONTEIRO MOVED to ratify the appointment of Sophia Estrada and Veronica

Ortiz-Zelada to the Translation Committee.

See SC-2021-04.05

2021-04/3 PRESENTATIONS

2021-04/3a VISWESWARAN/TAHA MOVED to allow a presentation from Association des

universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean (AUFSJ) on the state of Campus Saint-Jean.

See SC-2021-04.14 & 19

CARRIED

2021-04/3b **LEY/DEGRANO MOVED** to allow a presentation on the proposed exceptional tuition

increases.

See SC-2021-04.15 & 20

CARRIED

2021-04/4 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Talia DIXON, Vice President (Student Life) - Report.

Emily KIMANI, Vice President (Operations and Finance) - Report.

Abner MONTEIRO, Vice President (Academic) - Report. Christian FOTANG, Vice President (External) - Report.

Rowan LEY, President - Report.

2021-04/5 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

KONRAD, Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative - Report

DHILLON, Audit Committee - Report DEGRANO, Bylaw Committee - Report

VILLOSO, Council Administration Committee - Report

LEY, Executive Committee - Report KIMANI, Finance Committee - Report

MONTEIRO, Nominating Committee - Report

MOTOSKA, Policy Committee - Report

2021-04/6 <u>OPEN FORUM</u>

2021-04/7 QUESTION PERIOD

VILLOSO: Inquired as to how the Executive will ensure that the candidates they appoint to the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity Task Force are diverse, and in specific, are students that are not otherwise involved.

DIXON: Responded that most of the candidates do not have backgrounds in student

governance and that the Executive will interview candidates to ensure that there is fair representation.

BATYCKI: Inquired as to whether there are plans to approve a Climate Action Policy.

DIXON: Responded that the Climate Action Policy is a priority and will be addressed after the Mental Health and Policing Policies are completed and approved.

DEGRANO: Inquired as to why the University is painting Pride sidewalks in August when Pride Month is in June.

DIXON: Responded that the University is painting them in August to ensure they look fresh and new for when students return to Campus.

VILLOSO: Inquired as to whether there is an intended date for the launch of the new SU website.

KIMANI: Responded that the new website will be launched sometime in Fall.

MORRIS: Inquired as to what accessibility and mental health supports the University intends to offer to students in effort to ease the transition back into in-person learning.

MONTEIRO: Responded that the University is discussing participation grades, online proctoring, and online lecture recording as support options.

DIXON: Clarified that the University's approach is to bring back in-person services and moreover expand by keeping online services open, as for example in Counselling and Clinical Services.

TEO: Inquired as to when the event for Indigenous Awareness Week will occur.

KIMANI: Responded that it will occur in the Winter Semester, likely January.

KONRAD: Inquired as to whether University Administration is taking seriously the issue of a return back to Campus.

DIXON: Responded in the affirmative.

MONTEIRO: Clarified that there are always new issues coming up and being addressed when planning the return to in-person learning.

2021-04/8 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2021-04/9	GENERAL ORDERS
2021-04/9a	LEY/VILLOSO MOVED to enter in-camera CARRIED See SC-2021-04.16
	KONRAD/FOTANG MOVED to exit in camera. CARRIED
2021-04/9b	MONTEIRO/DEGRANO MOVED to discuss a proposal for a Student Governance Code of Conduct See SC-2021-04.17 - 18 CARRIED
	MONTEIRO: Clarified that he is consulting Council on the First Principles for a proposed Student Governance Code of Conduct which will take force as a bylaw. Invited Council to provide feedback.
	VILLOSO: Supported creating the Code.
	MOTOSKA: Agreed.
	DEGRANO: Inquired as to where repercussions for violating the Code will be housed.
	MONTEIRO: Responded that these will be made clear in Second Principles.
2021-04/10	INFORMATION ITEMS
2021-04/10a	Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-03) Tuesday, June 1, 2021 See SC-2021-04.01
2021-04/10b	Council Submissions See SC-2021-04.02 - 05
2021-04/10c	Executive Committee Reports See SC-2021-04.06 - 11
2021-04/10d	BoG Rep Report See SC-2021-04.12
2021-04/10e	Students' Council - Attendance See SC-2021-04.13
2021-04/10f	Council Submissions

See SC-2021-04.14 - 18

2021-04/10g	Campus Saint-Jean Presentation Slides See SC-2021-04.19
2021-04/10h	Proposed Exceptional Tuition Increases Presentation Slides See SC-2021-04.20

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:00PM.

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

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Council Meeting Date Tuesday, June 29, 2021

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President's Report

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Council Report 06_29_21.pdf



Date: 06/24/21

To: Students' Union Council **Re**: President's Report 06/29/21

Dear Council,

It has been a month of reflection and anger for our executive team as unmarked graves have continued to be identified at former residential school sites across Canada. While the number of murders at those institutions should not surprise anyone, it should galvanize us all to act in our own way to address the horrific legacy of the residential school system. For us at the UASU, we are encouraged to increase our efforts to implement the ARRC recommendations, and to ensure the University implements the TRC Calls to Action, specifically #24 and #28, which address the role of post-secondary institutions in reconciliation. We will shortly have a statement out on the Flame discussing the UASU's role in sharing the national responsibility to make amends for the crimes committed against Indigenous peoples on the land our University sits on today.

Board of Governors

The Board of Governors met for its' final meeting of the 2020-21 academic year last Friday, and approved a variety of items including tuition rates for new programs in the Faculty of Kinesiology, Sport, and Recreation, a reduction in a small Masters' program's international tuition, and a variety of minor rural property sales. We received the report of the Board Investment Committee, which was interesting—the University's endowment considerably outperformed expectations this year as part of the rapid global bounceback of stock and bond markets following their drop last spring. This overperformance was a major contributor to the University's \$35 million budget surplus this year. The Board also approved three metrics to judge the success of academic restructuring, the Service Excellence Transformation (SET) and the College model:

- A \$29M reduction in administrative expense next year
- A series of surveys of students and staff to monitor satisfaction with service quality as the SET process unfolds, without a specific target but allowing the tracking of trends
- A "narrative-based" retrospective analysis in 18 months of how interdisciplinarity has increased, without quantifiable measures. This one is slightly concerning, and we will need to ensure that the narrative of interdisciplinarity sufficiently measures interdisciplinary opportunities for undergraduates, not just research by graduate students and faculty.



Executive Goals

Every year, the executive team works together to develop a comprehensive goals document outlining what we plan to accomplish in our terms. The first draft of the 2021-22 Executive Goals is finished, and we will be refining it with the help of staff in the next week. I am happy to let you know that we will be able to bring a draft to Students' Council at our first meeting in July, complying with bylaw which requires a draft of the goals to be presented to Council before August.

Students Who Parent Strategy Startup

VP Kimani, VP Dixon, and I have been working to put together a task force to develop our long-term strategy for students who parent, including plans to address the daycare shortage on campus. We're optimistic that we will be able to have the group deliver a report this fall, and we can work on implementation plans between then and the end of our terms in May.

Chancellor Garritty Meeting

The Exec team met with the University Chancellor, Peggy Garritty, on Tuesday. The Chancellor is the head of the Senate, the body responsible for the U of A's community relationships. This creates a lot of interesting opportunities for the Students' Union-- our work in the community and the Senate's create a lot of interesting opportunities for collaboration.

Translation Granting

In collaboration with AUFSJ and the Translation Committee, I have been looking into federal grants that could allow us to hire a professional translator to translate our bylaws, policies, and a few other major governance documents. The Department of Canadian Heritage provides a grant that is designed for organizations in almost exactly our situation, with a public interest mandate and a need to translate or interpret content for bilingual communities. I am working with our external engagement manager to submit an application for the grant, and we hope to receive the funds in mid-summer.

As always, get in touch if you have any questions or want to chat!

University of Alberta Students' Union President

Rowan Ley

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

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VPA Students' Council Report #5

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OFFICE OF THE Vice President Academic

Date: 29/06/2021

To: Students' Union Council

Re: Vice President Academic 2021/22 Report #5

Dear Council,

I hope all of you are enjoying the beginning of Summer! Here are two weeks of my life at a glance:

Nominating Committee Update

The committee will be meeting on Monday, June 28th, to approve the recommendation of three undergrad students to sit on the UofA Senate. Following this, NomCom will also be meeting to finish the adjudication process for student-at-large (SAL) seats on Translation Committee, Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee (ARRC), and Student Group Committee (SGC)! If you are reading this before June 28th, please encourage any student group executives you know to apply with a resume and cover letter to be on SGC!! Applications close by the end of the day on the 28th.

Policy Committee Update

Councillors Beasley, Aamer, Dhillon, and I have been working hard to complete the First Principles of the Experiential Learning Policy! I'm very proud of this group and their work to expand this policy and incorporate the needs of students uniquely affected on our campus when participating in WIL. Keep an eye out for the first principles of this policy for our next council meeting!

Counterpart Meeting with the University of Calgary Students' Union

I met with the VPA of the UCSU, Renzo Pereyra, and one of the UCSU SLC Reps, Chaten Jessel, to discuss Zero Textbook Cost (ZTC) Indicators and Open Education. We had a great discussion about the implementation of ZTC at our respective institutions and the potential that this program has to save millions of dollars in textbook costs for post-secondary students across Alberta. We also discussed future collaborations on OER awareness preliminarily.

SRA Summit Planning

As many of you may know, one of the recommendations within the GRTF recommendations was to hold an SRA Summit to increase issues-based collaboration and create a more inclusive, inviting and accessible space for individuals to participate in UASU Governance. Similarly, my election platform included creating an SRA Summit, as I saw it to be a way to bring student leaders together to solve many issues that students face. I'm excited to say that I have started planning the creation of an SRA Summit! This summit will be a collaboration between the

Students' Union and Student Representative Associations across campus to create a more inclusive and intimate space in governance for students to share their knowledge and experience. Student leaders will see firsthand how the Students' Union and its staff operate and plan advocacy. The Summit will aim to identify the issues students on our campus face, come to a consensus on a particular issue to tackle and work together towards fixing it. It also compliments the GovCamp and ASLS beautifully as it allows students to apply the knowledge they learn and put it on the court. I am very excited to work on this project alongside other student leaders and can't wait to see what comes of this event!

Happy Canada Day Weekend!

If I've learned anything over the last two months, it's that your life will be consumed by work if you allow it to. I encourage all of you to take the time this weekend to relax and do something you enjoy! As an incentive, this is a picture of where I will be spending Canada Day! My cousin is getting married in Fernie next weekend, and I'm looking forward to seeing family I haven't seen in almost two years! Please take the time this weekend to relax and take a step back from work!



Cheers,

Abner Monteiro

Vice President Academic

University of Alberta Students' Union

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council report #5

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Council Report 21_06_29.pdf







Date: 2021/06/29

To: Students' Union Council

Re: Vice President External 2021/22 Report #5

Hiya Council!

I would first like to begin with a personal announcement. I am pleased to announce that I have returned back to Edmonton!!! (Woot! Woot!) While the process was long, tough and at times tiring, I am over the moon to be finally united with the rest of the Exec team, staff and the campus I so love and missed dearly. As for professional announcements, I had a couple important advocacy meetings which I shall summarize below; I did planning for the Get-Out-The-Vote Campaign for this fall municipal election; And I attended the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations board retreat.

Advocacy Updates

Municipal Advocacy

Last Thursday, mayoral candidate Cheryll Watson and I had a fulsome discussion about our perspective on the issues that matter most to UAlberta students and what a path forward looks like. I informed candidate Watson of the rising threat of brain drain and food insecurity amongst students, especially amongst low-income, gender minority and international students. I stressed that if the City of Edmonton is to retain recent graduates, city hall must be a leader in providing students with the opportunity and incentives to remain in Edmonton via more employment opportunities, relevant work integrated learning opportunities such as internships and tackle food insecurity in our city at large. Watson shared similar concerns and cited her experience and time as the founder of Innovate Edmonton as a history of her commitment to improving Edmonton's economic outlook for all. She also highlighted her "Basic Needs" platform point which aims to also tackle issues of food insecurity, housing and access to water. In our conversations surrounding transit, Watson recognized and supported the development of an intermunicipal transit network. When it came to transit safety, she also shared concerns over the lack of cell reception in some transit stations and was receptive to other solutions such as increasing transit safety through environmental design.

Federal Advocacy

This past monday, I met with Member of Parliament Heather McPherson, MP for Edmonton-Strathcona (the constituency on which the University is situated). In this meeting, I had the chance to ask MP McPherson questions surrounding her recently tabled Private Members' Bill C-312, the Canada Post-Secondary Education Act. This Bill would seek to:



Vice President External

- Separate funding for post secondary education to provinces from other social transfer payments and
- Create a framework for how the federal government funds post secondary education

The criteria that provinces will have to meet to receive funds include:

- Public Administration
- Academic Independence
- Limiting short-term, casual, and contract academic labour; and
- Ensuring reasonable access to academically capable applicants regardless of ability to pay;

We also discussed childcare and the government's universal child care plan announced in the recent budget. I urged MP McPherson to be vocal to her colleagues in parliament and in government about the importance of keeping such a program universal to post-secondary education students who parent, not just the 9-5 working parent. MP McPherson and I concluded our discussion with an update on the work she has currently done on the Campus Saint-Jean file. She mentioned that she has continued to bring up the issue in QP and has reached out to Minister Joly several times to ask about the progress of the \$121.3M funding. MP McPherson expressed that she had low faith in our current provincial government to match any funds and believed that continued pressure on the Federal government to provide these funds without matching is what is necessary at this moment in time for CSJ students to complete their programs in French. She told me to be on the lookout for an announcement from Minister Joly in the coming months.

Get-Out-The-Vote (GOTV) Planning updates

Planning for the municipal election Get-Out-The-Vote campaign has been going well! I have touched base with multiple core managers to get perspective on the feasibility of possible GOTV events. Currently we are planning on hosting a Ward Papastew candidates forum as well as a watch party. We are also contacting Edmonton Elections to get more details on requirements needed to set up voting booths in SUB. If you have any suggestions or creative ideas on how to engage students in this upcoming fall election, please do not hesitate to reach out to me!





Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA)

Last Friday and this past Tuesday, I attended the CASA Board of Directors retreat. I was able to bond with board members and get an in-depth presentation on everyone's role. During this retreat, we covered topics such as the history of CASA, how to improve membership experience, and the importance of creating SMART goals. We also began the process of creating a board action plan and discussed our strategy for developing this year's themes and priorities. We will be meeting next Friday to continue and finalize some of these discussions. I look forward to consulting with Council on the possible CASA priorities and themes for this advocacy year.

Upcoming Meetings

This coming Tuesday July 29th, I will be meeting mayoral candidate Kim Krushell. Similar to my meetings with other mayoral candidates, I will continue to push for sound municipal policies that improve students' lives and University experience.

The Edmonton Student Alliance (ESA) will be having its change over meeting that same Tuesday. We will be electing a Chair and Vice-Chair and beginning preliminary discussion for priorities and goals for the year. I look forward to updating you on the outcomes of that meeting.

As always, thank you for taking the time to read through my report, I look forward to your questions and I am always virtually there to address any concerns you may have. Furthermore, the first five folks to email me with a picture of their favourite rock (e.g. Igneous, Metamorphic, Dwayne "the Rock" Johnson, Sedimentary Rock) shall receive a prize.

Have a Blessed day!

Yours Externally, Christian Potang

University of Alberta Students' Union Vice President External

Christian Fotang





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N/A

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Council Report 5 June 29, 2021-4.pdf





Vice President Operations & Finance

Date: 06/29/2021

To: Students' Union Council

Re: Vice President Operations & Finance 2021/22 Report #5

Dear Council,

Hello Hello! Can you believe that we are in the last week of June?? Summer is flying by quickly – maybe a bit too quickly. I hope you are all thriving and spending as much time outside as possible. In my last report, I mentioned that I have made it my mission to get twenty-five plants by the end of the summer. It is my summer project. I am happy to report that I have gotten one, only twenty-four more to go. It is a Kalanchoe, and from what I have read, it is a pretty low-maintenance plant. Here it is! I love it.





As you might know already, the UASU has partnered with Elev! Elev is an app created by U of A students that will help find student-friendly housing options, which is a problem that many students have faced. The app launched Friday last week.

Fee Governance Review Committee

For the past few weeks, I have been working on the creation of the Fee Governance Review Committee. We have a responsibility, as an organization, to be transparent and responsible with student fees. Unfortunately, our current fee structure in Bylaw is inconsistent and

difficult to understand. Lack of clarity and common understanding can lead to miscommunication between affected parties. The creation of the Fee Governance Review Committee will help us address the complexities and inconsistencies in our bylaws to ensure effective, efficient, and transparent oversight for student fees. The Terms of Reference have been brought to Finance committee, and you will see them today. I highly encourage you to think about if you want to sit on this committee. I believe that it will be engaging and rewarding! Please reach out if you have any questions.

Period Equity

Ruth Menstrual Products

As VP Dixon and I mentioned at the last council meeting, we have been in discussion with Ruth about a potential partnership. Ruth is a company founded by University of Alberta students that creates biodegradable, eco-friendly pads. After a few weeks of negotiations, I am very excited to report that we will be working alongside Ruth. We hope to have the eco-friendly menstrual products ready and available by August, just in time as students return to campus.

Equity, Diversity, Inclusivity, and Indegentiy

Aboriginal Awareness Week

VP Dixon and I have continued to work on the implementation of Aboriginal Awareness Week. We plan on holding the event in January. We will have an Advisory Committee, which will work to plan out the events that will take place during the week. Along with VP Dixon and I, a member from the Aboriginal Students' Council, First Peoples House, the FNMI specialist, and an FNMI student at large will sit on this committee. Applications for the Aboriginal Awareness Week Advisory Group will be posted within the week. The Advisory Committee will also direct the work of the Staff Coordination Committee, which will oversee the logistical side of things. Both committees will be meeting regularly from now until January to ensure that this week is a success.

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity Task Force (EDIT)

Applications to the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity Task Force closed last week. We had over thirty applications from a diverse group of students.

Art Committee

VP Dixon and I have been working on putting together an Art Committee. This committee is responsible for creating an artwork collection for display throughout the Students' Union Building and overseeing the display of the artwork. In addition, this committee may also

oversee and manage a SUB Art show. We are looking for two students at large to sit on this committee. Applications will be posted within the week. If you are interested, I highly encourage you to apply and spread the word.

Noteworthy Meetings

International Students' Association (ISA)

VP Monteiro and I met with the VP Finance and VP Internals of the ISA last week. We discussed our respective projects and goals.

Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean (AUFSJ)

I had my monthly meeting with the AUFSJ VP Operations and Finance. We discussed our various projects and their advocacy.

Materials Engineering Students' Society

VP Dixon and I met with the co-presidents of the Materials Engineering Students' Society this week. We discussed a few projects they are working on to expand EDI within their faculty- they are doing some great work.

Chancellor Peggy Garritty

The entire executive met with Chancellor Peggy Garritty this week.

The chancellor chairs the University of Alberta Senate and services as a member of the Board of Governors.

If you have any questions about this report or want to chat, please feel free to reach out! I am always up to grab a coffee.

All the best,

Emily

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

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Report of the Vice President Student Life

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Council Report 5 June 24, 2021 (1).docx





Vice President Student Life

Date: 29/06/2021

To: Students' Union Council

Re: Vice President Student Life 2021/22 Report #5

Hi Council,

I hope you are enjoying the warm weather. I 100% am not, lol! Here are just some of the things that I have been working on over the last two weeks:

Period Poverty

In a VERY exciting update, VP Kimani and I have been negotiating with the sustainable period product company Ruth over the last few weeks. After many conversations, it looks like we will be signing a contract with them by the end of June. Like I said last week, VP Kimani and I have also finished our business proposal document for the period equity initiative. Now we are 'switching gear' to work on fundraising for the project.

The Ring Houses Coalition

The Coalition continues to develop creative solutions to protect the ring houses and raise awareness about the importance of these historic buildings. You should like their <u>FB page</u> and sign their petition.

Child care on campus

Myself, VP Kimani, and President Ley had a meeting and started our plan for child care and supporting students with dependants in the years to come. Rowan and I also met with Kids and Co. **Kids and Co** is a company that we have partnered with to provide relativity inexpensive child care to UofA students across Edmonton. With our agreement, students do not need to pay the 200 dollar registration fee, have a reserved spot within their daycares, and pay decreased drop-in daycare rates. Now we just need to advertise it in time for fall!

Policing policy

The policing policy group has been meeting every week. So far, we have a rough draft of the first principles, have created a plan for consultation, and will be hosting a focus group and a town hall meeting over the summer about the policy.

EDIT

We had over 30 applications for EDIT, and every applicant was super qualified. We are currently interviewing our shortlist, and we will start meeting in early July.

The Art Committee

By the time you read this report, the applications should be live for the **student at large member of the Art Committee.** The art committees mandate is to: create a collection of artwork for display throughout the Students' Union Building; Identify and evaluate potential sources for new artwork to add to the Collection; Elect artworks to be added to the Collection and recommend their acquisition to the Executive Committee. Our main goals with this committee this year is to get the Indigenous art mural painted in HUB and showcase Indigenous art as part of Aboriginal Awareness Week.

Aboriginal Awareness Week (AAW)

Over the past two weeks, we have made a lot of progress with the planning of AAW. We have broken the planning committee into two parts. The planning of this event will be directed by a committee composed primarily of Indigenous students called the Aboriginal Awareness Week Advisory Group. This group (lead by VP Kimani and I) will pick the speakers, events etc., for the week. The second group will be composed of our staff, and they will handle the logistics (like room booking) under the direction of the Advisory group. By the time you read this report, the application for the **student at large position** on this committee should be open.

Misc meetings with representatives

I continue to have recurring meetings with my counterparts from the ISA, AUFSJ and the ASA. These meetings have been very productive so far. If you have any questions about these meetings, please let me know.

The return to campus

As I have mentioned in my previous reports, I sit on a few committees planning for the return to campus. These committees are working to create a plan for fall, but many things are still uncertain. I hope I can give you a more extensive update in the future. If you have any questions, please let me know so I can give you more details. I am also sitting on a new working group for the "Touch Down Spaces". These spaces will provide students with the quiet spaces they need to attend online classes or meetings.

World Mental Health Day

The World Mental Health Day working group had its first meeting. It looks like we will be focusing a lot of our programming on healing from the impact of COVID and creating inclusive programming for Indigenous folks and international students!

Self Care Tip

Bake! I don't have much to say about this other than baking is relaxing, and you get to eat some tasty treats. Here are some cupcakes I made :)



Best,

Talia Dixon

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University of Alberta Students' Union Vice President Student Life

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UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

This form is intended to be used by members of Students' Council to submit items for Council meetings.

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, June 29, 2021

Mover LEY

Email president@su.ualberta.ca

Action Requested Presentation

Presentation

Motion LEY moves to approve a presentation from Provost Dr.

Steven Dew

Abstract

Dr. Dew, the University Provost and senior academic official at the University, has agreed at the request of the UASU Executive to come to Council to present on the proposed exceptional tuition increases which would take effect in September 2022.

There will be a brief presentation followed by a question and answer period.

Alignment with the Strategic Plan

Strengthening our Organization: Develop and adhere to an improved student consultation framework. Student feedback and participation are key when developing student-centric bylaws, policies, and operations. A stronger consultation framework will help us to make decisions that align with student priorities.

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, June 22, 2021

Mover LEY

Email president@su.ualberta.ca

Action Requested Approval

Approval

Motion LEY Moves to appoint one member of Students' Council to

the International Students' Association Council

Abstract

The UASU Council is entitled to one seat on the International Students' Association's Undergraduate Council as per ISA bylaws. The Undergraduate Council and the Graduate Council are the governing bodies of the ISA that oversee the actions of the Board and set the direction for the organization. The time commitment is a monthly two-hour meeting consisting of a meeting of the Undergraduate Council followed by a joint meeting with the Graduate Council.

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, June 29, 2021

Mover Villoso

Email villoso@ualberta.ca

Action Requested Approval

Approval

Motion VILLOSO MOVES TO appoint two (2) members of Students'

Council to the DIE Board Tribune Selection Committee.

Abstract

The Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board (DIE Board) is the 'court' of the Students' Union, responsible for interpreting and enforcing the Bylaws of the Students' Union. This Tribune Selection Committee will be responsible for the hiring process of at least three (3) new tribunes.

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, June 29, 2021

Mover Villoso

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Action Requested Discussion

Discussion

Motion VILLOSO MOVES TO discuss the return to in-person Council

meetings for the Fall Semester.

Abstract

With the provincial government's plan to open for the summer and Fall classes being 80% in-person, we, as Council, need to discuss how meetings will look like come September.

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, June 29, 2021

Mover De Grano

Email mariajul@ualberta.ca

Action Requested Approval

Approval

Motion BEASLEY/DE GRANO moves to approve the first reading of

Bill #1: the First Principles of the Bylaws pertaining to

Student Representative Associations, on the

recommendation of Bylaw Committee, according to these

first principles:

Abstract

After a review of the bylaws pertaining to Student Representative Associations (SRAs), we have found that the following changes should be made in order to provide more clarity on definitions and procedures that may affect the operations of SRAs.

Attachments



Bill #1 - Student Representative Associations...

Abstract: After a review of the bylaws pertaining to Student Representative Associations (SRAs), we have found that the following changes should be made in order to provide more clarity on definitions and procedures that may affect the operations of SRAs.

Bill #1 - Student Representative Association Bylaws (8000 Series) - First Principles

BEASLEY/DE GRANO moves to approve the first reading of Bill #1: the First Principles of the Bylaws pertaining to Student Representative Associations, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, according to these first principles:

First Principles:

- 1. Bylaws shall be updated to note the change of Discover Governance into the Students' Union Governance Staff team.
- 2. The 8000 Series shall be amended to use clearer language
- 3. The definition of a base member under this series shall be more concise and clear, particularly when base members may not hold voting rights for questions for undergraduate students.
- 4. Bylaw 8100 Schedule shall be updated to reflect the current roster of existing associations.
- Bylaw 8200 Schedule shall be updated to reflect all of the FAMFs currently being collected.
- 6. Bylaw 8100 shall be amended to use clearer language, and accurately describe who assumes the responsibility of unrepresented constituencies.
- 7. Bylaw 8200 shall be amended to clarify the financial reporting of SRAs to
 - a. The Audit Committee to be biannual rather than trimesterly, upon the request of the Committee Chair.
 - b. Discover Governance at the end of every year
- 8. Bylaw 8200 shall be amended to clarify who the oversight body is for fee allocation, and ensure that fees are used properly.
- 9. Bylaw 8200's COVID clause shall be renewed in regards to SRA fee creation or renewal, in preparation for the upcoming school year.
- 10. The Bylaws shall be amended to provide greater clarity for SRAs in terms of probationary status and its effects.
- 11. Bylaw 8200 shall be amended to provide a clearer structure for amending SRA fees, DFU, and FAMF proposals.

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, June 29, 2021

Mover KIMANI

Email emily.kimani@su.ualberta.ca

Action Requested Approval

Approval

Motion KIMANI MOVES TO approve the Terms of Reference of the

Fee Governance Committee

Abstract

We have a responsibility, as an organization, to be transparent and responsible with student fees. Our current fee structure in Bylaw is inconsistent and difficult to understand. Lack of clarity and common understanding can lead to miscommunication between affected parties. The creation of the Fee Governance Review Committee will help us address the complexities and inconsistencies in our bylaws to ensure effective, efficient, and transparent oversight for student fees.

Attachments



Fee Governance Review Committee TOR-3.pdf

Fee Governance Review Ad Hoc Committee

Terms of Reference

1. Mandate

- a. A committee known as the Fee Governance Review Committee shall exist in order to review and make recommendations to Students' Council regarding policies and bylaws regarding the creation, review, amendment, management, and elimination of fees levied by the Students' Union. This review shall include:
 - Determining the types and categories of fees;
 - ii. Criteria and methods for the creation of fees;
 - iii. Processes and timelines for the disbursing of fees;
 - iv. Processes for managing fees in extraordinary circumstances;
 - v. Determining appropriate periodic review processes for fees;
 - vi. Processes governing changes to or elimination of fees;
 - vii. Recommending appropriate oversight for delegated fees, including appropriate financial controls and ensuring compliance with referendum and/or plebiscite commitments;
 - viii. Processes and expectations for relationships between the Students' Council and delegated fee organisations;
 - ix. Overall fee levels and targets;
 - x. Recommending appropriate bylaw and policy changes to fee management; and,
 - xi. Any other matters relevant to fee governance identified by the Committee.

2. Standing Orders

- a. The Standing Orders of the Fee Governance Review Committee may be amended by a simple majority vote of the Committee, with such changes being reported to Students' Council.
- b. The Standing Orders of the Fee Governance Review Committee do not expire, but shall be reintroduced at the Committee's first meeting.

3. Membership

- a. Membership of the Fee Governance Review Committee shall be composed of:
 - i. The Vice-President (Operations and Finance), as Chair;
 - ii. One to two members of Finance Committee, as selected by Finance Committee:
 - iii. One to two members of Audit Committee, as selected by Audit Committee;
 - iv. One to two members of Bylaw Committee, as selected by Bylaw Committee;

- v. One member of Students' Council, as selected by Students' Council; and,
- vi. The General Manager of the Students' Union (non-voting).
- b. The Committee may call upon staff support from the Director of Finance and the Manager of Administrative Services, as required.
- c. The Fee Governance Review Committee shall, at its discretion, recommend to Students' Council the removal of a voting member who has been absent without appointing a proxy for three consecutive meetings.
- d. The Fee Governance Review Committee may also recommend a member be dismissed from the committee if a voting member is failing to perform their duties as stipulated in these Standing Orders.

4. Chair

- a. In the event that the Chair is absent at a meeting of the Fee Governance Review Committee, the Chair shall appoint at their discretion another member of the committee to serve as interim Chair for the duration of the meeting.
- b. The Chair's responsibilities shall include, but are not limited to:
 - i. Facilitating each meeting according to the approved agenda;
 - ii. Moderating debate and conversation at each meeting of the Fee Governance Review Committee:
 - iii. Responding to questions from members of the Fee Governance Review Committee in a timely fashion and providing the appropriate information;
 - iv. Assigning duties to members of the Fee Governance Review Committee in order for the committee to fulfill its mandate; and
 - v. In conjunction with the Speaker and Council Administrative Assistant:
 - vi. Providing a location for each meeting;
 - vii. Preparing and distributing agenda packages at least one day prior to the meeting; and
 - viii. Ensuring other logistical needs of the Fee Governance Review Committee are met.
 - ix. The Chair of the Fee Governance Review Committee shall use their discretion in administering an informal style of Robert's Rules of Order to conduct the business of the committee.

5. Meetings

- a. Quorum for a meeting of the Fee Governance Review Committee shall be five voting members.
- b. All meetings of the Fee Governance Review Committee shall be coordinated by the Chair on an as-needed basis, provided that members are given 72 hours' notice of a meeting.

- c. Five voting members of the Fee Governance Review Committee may call a meeting, provided that members are given at least 72 hours' notice.
- d. The Fee Governance Review Committee may call a meeting without notice, provided that there is unanimous consent from all voting members of the Fee Governance Review Committee.

6. Member Responsibilities

- a. Members should make all efforts to attend meetings of the Fee Governance Review Committee.
- All members shall ensure the security and confidentiality of sensitive information that comes into their possession by virtue of their membership on the Fee Governance Review Committee.

7. Proxies

- a. Proxies are not permitted except by permission of the Chair and, when allowed, must be a member of Students' Council.
- Voting members of the Fee Governance Review Committee cannot proxy for other members.
- c. All members of Students' Council that are not members of Fee Governance Review Committee are permitted to attend Fee Governance Review Committee meetings as non-voting members, and shall be granted all speaking turns a member of the Fee Governance Review Committee would have. These members are permitted to be present for in-camera sessions.

8. Guests

- a. From time to time, the Committee or representatives of the Committee may meet groups with a vested interest in the work of the Committee.
- b. Members of the Students' Union are permitted to attend the Fee Governance Review Committee meetings as non-voting members, and shall be granted speaking turns at the discretion of the Fee Governance Review Committee Chair.
- c. Guests are not permitted to be present for in-camera sessions, unless allowed by a two thirds majority vote of the Fee Governance Review Committee.

9. Committee Administration & Record

- a. The Council Administrative Assistant shall:
 - Book meeting rooms for each meeting of the Fee Governance Review Committee:

- ii. Schedule Minute Takers for each meeting of the Fee Governance Review Committee;
- iii. Create agendas for each meeting of the Fee Governance Review Committee:
- iv. Any member of the Fee Governance Review Committee may send items for the agenda to the Council Administrative Assistant.
- v. Notify the committee of each meeting through a schedule sent out each term:
- vi. Distribute the agenda and minutes to members of Fee Governance Review Committee; and
- vii. Ensure paper copies of the agenda are printed for the Chair to bring to each meeting, if the committee requests paper copies.
- b. The Fee Governance Review Committee shall have a written record of its votes and proceedings from each meeting available publicly.
- c. All motions must be made ex-camera.
- d. Members of the committee may amend their comments in the minutes when the minutes are being approved by the committee.
- e. If a Minute Taker is not present at a meeting of the Fee Governance Review Committee, the Chair shall assign the task of recording minutes to a member of the committee.
- f. The Chair shall periodically report to Students' Council on the following:
 - i. Attendance of members and guests;
 - ii. Any decisions made by Fee Governance Review Committee;
 - iii. Any recommendations made by Fee Governance Review Committee to Students' Council; and
 - iv. Any changes to Standing Orders adopted by the Fee Governance Review Committee.

10. Orders of the Day

- a. Order of Agenda Business
 - i. Introduction
 - ii. Call to Order
 - iii. Approval of Agenda
 - iv. Approval of Minutes
 - v. Chair's Business
 - vi. Question & Discussion Period
 - vii. Committee Business
 - viii. Information Items
 - ix. Adjournment
- b. Order of Orders of the Day

- Orders of the Day shall appear on the agenda in the order submitted or as otherwise designated by the Chair of Fee Governance Review Committee.
- ii. Addition or removal of items on or from the agenda can only be done with the consent of the majority of the Fee Governance Review Committee.
- iii. The Chair reserves the option to reorder items on the agenda without approval from the committee.

c. Submission of Items

- i. Members shall send items for each agenda to the Council Administrative Assistant by 8am the business day preceding the meeting.
- ii. Late additions to the agenda may be added to the agenda at the discretion of the Fee Governance Review Committee during Approval of Agenda on the Orders of the Day.

d. Deadline for Publishing

- i. The agenda package shall be published in the following manner:
 - ii. Paper copies shall be created upon the request of Fee Governance Review Committee and made available in a location accessible to the Chair;
 - iii. An electronic version shall be placed on the Students' Union website; and
 - iv. The agenda package shall be published no later than 4:30pm the business day preceding the meeting.
 - v. If necessary, the Chair and/or Council Administrative Assistant will create two versions of the agenda, one for public distribution and one with confidential information only for members of the Fee Governance Review Committee.

11. Consultation and Timeline

a. Consultation will occur throughout the process but primarily at two distinct times as indicated below:

Internal issues identification	Summer 2021
Meeting with groups and initial consultation	August/September
Draft proposal and recommendations	Ongoing
Meeting with groups for review and consultation on draft	October/November
Final recommendations to Council	January 2022

b. The Fee Governance Review Committee will identify fee collecting groups to consult with and create a more refined work plan and timeline

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, June 29, 2021

Mover KIMANI

Email emily.kimani@ualberta.ca

Action Requested Approval

Approval

Motion KIMANI MOVES TO appoint (1) member of Students' Council

to the Fee Governance Review Committee

Abstract

The Fee Governance Review Committee will help us address the complexities and inconsistencies in our bylaws to ensure effective, efficient, and transparent oversight for student fees.

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