

# STUDENTS' COUNCIL

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Tuesday January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013  
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## ORDER PAPER (SC 2012-19)

### 2012-19/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2012-19/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013

### 2012-19/2 PRESENTATIONS

2012-19/2a Students' Union Advancement Presentation- Presented by O'Neil Outar and Sean Price. Sponsored by Colten Yamagishi, President.

Please see document SC 12-19.01

2012-19/2b SU Health and Dental Plan Overview. Presented by Kristin Foster, Pacific and Western Director for [studentcare.net/works](http://studentcare.net/works). Sponsored by Saadiq Sumar, Vice President Student Life.

Abstract: The purpose of the presentation is to provide Council with an overview of the key features of the SU Health & Dental Plan, the roles and responsibilities of studentcare (as well as the Committee and Council), and to review the important plan statistics: enrollment and opt outs, communications, and annual claims.

2012-19/2c Nursing Undergraduate Association Faculty Association Membership Fee Proposal, Presented by Katharina Wardberg, NUA VP Finance. Sponsored by Dustin Chelen, SU VPA.

The Nursing Undergraduate Association is the probationary Faculty Association representing the 1300 undergraduate nursing students at the University of Alberta. They have previously collected a FAMF in order to support NUA membership in a professional organization, the Canadian Nursing Students' Association. As required under SU Bylaw, the NUA is presenting on the allocation, management, and consultative process for the proposed fee.

Please see document SC 12-19.02

### 2012-19/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

### 2012-19/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

**2012-19/5****QUESTION PERIOD****2012-19/6****BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS****2012-19/7****GENERAL ORDERS****2012-19/7a**

**YAMAGISHI/CHELEN MOVES THAT** the Students' Council approve an increase of \$10 000 to the 501 Legal Fees Budget.

**2012-19/7b**

**YAMAGISHI/CHELEN MOVES THAT** Students' Council amend the Fall Reading Policy in second reading based upon the following principles.

- The policy will be streamlined and reworded to increase the accuracy of its statements (Irrelevant clauses will be removed)

- Any reference to instructional days and/or instructional days being removed will be eliminated

- The Fall Term "Classes End" date will be extended by two working days

Please see document SC 12-19.03

**2012-19/8****INFORMATION ITEMS****2012-19/8a**

Saadiq Sumar, VP Student Life- Report

Please see document SC 12-19.04

**2012-19/8b**

Colten Yamagishi, President- Report

Please see document SC 12-19.05

**2012-19/8c**

Dustin Chelen, VP Academic- Report

Please see document SC 12-19.06

**2012-19/8d**

Petros Kusmu, VP External- Report

Please see document SC 12-19.07

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## **STUDENTS' UNION ADVANCEMENT PRESENTATION**

**Tuesday January 22, 2013**

### **Abstract**

Founded in 2011, The University of Alberta's Office of Advancement is the strategic integration of four previously separate but related offices – Development, Advancement Services, Alumni Relations, and faculty-based fund-raising organizations. This amalgamation was designed to institutionalize advancement efforts and to widen the visibility of philanthropy and alumni engagement within and beyond the University. Over time, this will prepare the institution to take advantage of the good will of more than 250,000 alumni worldwide and access significant private philanthropic resources to support the University's ambitious objectives.

Students and the student experience play an important role in Advancement efforts through alumni engagement, fund-raising, stewardship and advocacy. O'Neil Outar, Vice-President (Advancement) and Sean Price (Associate Vice-President) and Executive Director of the Alumni Association, will provide an overview of the Advancement strategy and lead a discussion on opportunities for students to become more involved and aligned with these efforts.

**Katharina Wardberg**

VP Finance- Nursing Undergraduate Association  
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Dear Student's C:

As indicated previously, it is the desire of the General Council of the Nursing Undergraduate Association (NUA) is to endeavor to collect a Faculty Association Membership Fee. Throughout this proposal the objectives, procedures, scope, oversight and intended distribution of this fee will be discussed. I thank you ahead of time for reviewing our proposal and considering it approval.

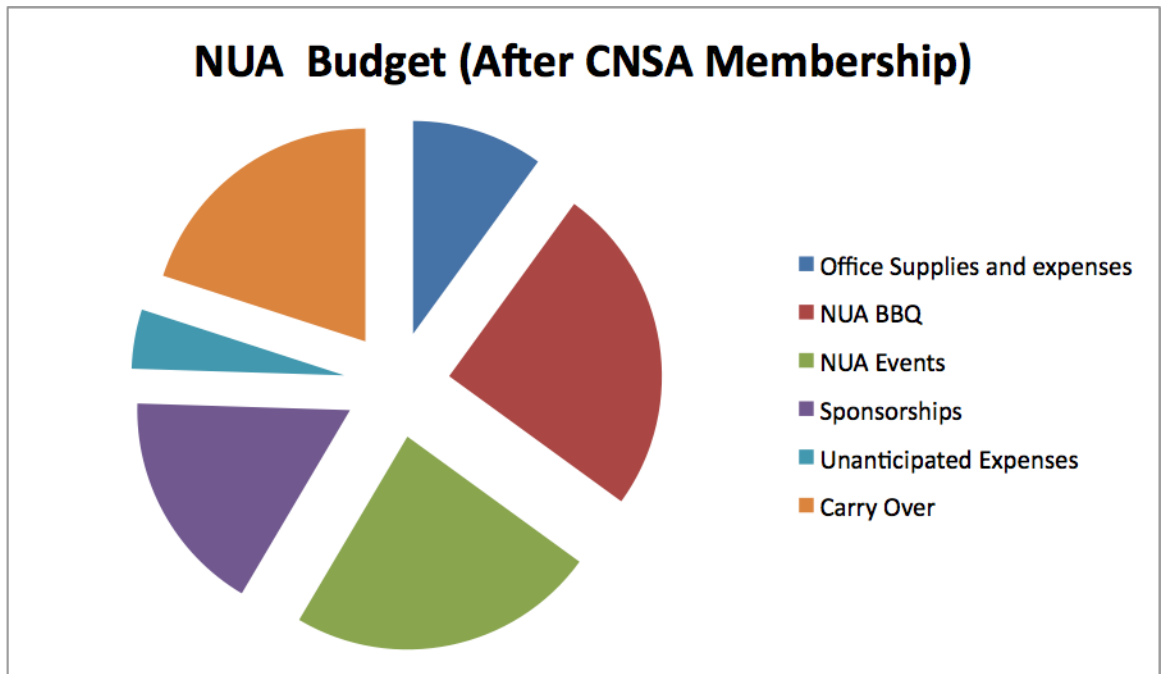
**OBJECTIVE**

The NUA intends to collect a fee from each member student of \$12.50CAN for full time and \$8.50CAN for part time studies. This fee is intended to cover fees incurred for membership as a charter within the Canadian Nurses Association (CNSA) as well as host events for nursing and interdisciplinary students. The NUA has been a charter member of the CNSA for several years now, allowing students to benefit from membership at a lowered cost. This has been achieved by the NUA's previous collections of a membership fees. Events hosted by the NUA include a welcome back barbeque, deposits for ski trips and sponsorships to professional development conferences, it is important to note that professional development is incorporated into our course expectations, degree achievement and once in the work place a requirement of registration as a nurse with the College and Association of Registered Nurses. Remaining funds have previously been used to support the NUA office. The NUA wishes to continue this practice, at least in part should at least 15% of our student body support this objective.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES**

1. CNSA Membership
  - a. As of the 2013-2014 academic year the CNSA will charge \$10.00CAN per full time student and \$6.00CAN per part time student, for charter membership.
  - b. As charter members all students will be registered and receive membership within the CNSA once membership fees are paid by the NUA. Registration must be completed in full yearly by December 1, years that registration is not completed will be years in which the student body will lapse in membership and students wishing must register separately at an elevated cost. In order to receive membership discount as a charter member the student member must register as one organization and make one full payment, therefore students cannot pay individually directly to the CNSA while still benefiting from the lowered fees. Due to this it is important for the NUA to collect fees prior to the registration date yearly, including the years the NUA will be on probation.
  - c. Benefits of CNSA membership include; providing an opportunity for participating members to acquire and demonstrate leadership and organizational skills, increase students' awareness of relevant political and ethical issues which will affect their future as health care professionals, prepare students for active membership within professional nursing associations, provide insight into the business procedures and policies of professional organizations, provide opportunities for involvement in health care issues and health promotion and offer exposure to changing nursing philosophies and specialty areas of nursing.
  - d. This is one of the priority goals of the NUA, not only does it provide ample opportunity for students, support an organization that advocates for student nurse but it also supports the several U of A undergraduate nursing students who are council members of the CNSA, including the CNSA's president.
2. NUA Hosted Events and Office Expenses
  - a. The remaining \$2.50CAN of the membership will be intended for financial management of the NUA office as well as hosting events for the nursing student body.

- b. In example, during the 2012-2013 academic year the NUA hosted a welcome back barbeque for all nursing students at which they could come enjoy burgers and drinks while conversing with other new and returning students. This event budgeted \$905.84CAN.
- c. Other costs incurred by the NUA for student events and services include deposits for events such as the annual nursing ski trip and sponsorships covering the cost of registration in professional conferences such as the Olive Yonge Research Day as well as basic office expenses such as printing and filing costs.
- d. In previous years the NUA has also provided snacks for events to encourage participation at certain program meets. Ie. The NUA hosts a mentorship program where first and second years students and can come meet third and fourth year students and find a mentor to aid them as they enter and learn the program. Food and drink is provided to encourage participation and is welcome as these groups are often held after class hours and require students to stay on campus late.
- e. Included is a estimated Future NUA budget after CNSA membership, this shall be the proposed utilization of the remaining \$2.50Can each member student will pay.



Cost	Percentage of Budget (Remaining \$2.50 of fee)
Office Supplies and expenses	10%
NUA hosted BBQ's for student body	25%
NUA hosted meetings and events (ie. Mentorship program meet, council meetings, ski trip)	23.5%
Sponsorships	17%
Unanticipated expenses (up to \$500)	4.5%
Carry Over (funds to remain in NUA account to support	20%

3.	Fee	incurred costs between April 30 and Sept. 1 during transition between academic year)	Collection a. As
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registration and membership fees are due in December in full to CNSA the NUA believes it would be best for the fee to be collected at the beginning of the academic year alongside standard registration fees as a one-time fee. The fee would start September 1, 2013 and cease August 31, 2017.

- b. By doing so the NUA will be able to pay the CNSA membership fees in full by the designated due date as well as budget and allocate funds for events and expenses at the beginning of the year.
- c. For students who are philosophically opposed or unable to pay the fee the NUA wishes to provide the option for students to apply for reimbursement. This will include completing a reimbursement request form requesting refund from the NUA. These forms are produced and available from the NUA office and are the same documents utilized for all other reimbursements. Students would be required to fill out the form noting their name, date the form is completed, reason for reimbursement and provide proof of payment of membership fee.

**FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT**

This objective demands significant involvement by our accounting personnel. Ultimate success is highly dependent on their effort. To help achieve a smooth and successful implementation, it will be our responsibility to:

- A. Propose and approve a budget through general counsel for the expenditures of the NUA
- B. Provide and maintain financial information as per Bylaw 8100 and 8200 and when required report this information the students union. The NUA also currently maintains additional conditions, such as monthly reporting to an advisor, as per probation agreement.
- C. Maintain up to date, accurate financial records that will include supporting documentation for approvals, expenses, receipts, reimbursements etc.
- D. Maintain and provide documentation of consultation with the student body and general council on all matters financial, especially those matters requiring majority voting by council.
- E. Ensure accessibility to information for members with questions on the allocation of fee and make available a way for students to provide feedback and suggestions for future fee allocation either through consultation with an association representative or attendance at general meeting.
- F. Members of the NUA responsible for these matters are primarily the VP-Finance. Also included in financial management is another member executive member of the NUA whom has signing authority and provides a dual signature for all cheques and formal documents requiring so. Monthly the VP Finance will update the council at a general meeting on the financial situation and present any new matters to be voted on.

**IN CLOSING**

The NUA wishes to thank you for your time and your consideration in determining the re-establishment of a membership fee. Sincerely,

**Katharina Wardberg**  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Yr Collaborative Undergraduate Nursing Student, Faculty of Nursing*  
*Vice President Finance, Nursing Undergraduate Association*

November 29<sup>th</sup> notes – NUA meeting

Shawn moves to approve the agenda for November 29<sup>th</sup>, Emily seconds the motion

Sarah –got 12/12 votes on budget, SU famf: the 9745.25 some dollars are going to be put straight to CNSA or we don't get the money (our CNSA fees don't get paid), Sarah read out the statement made by the NUA regarding this money proposal. The NUA can afford to pay the remaining 4000\$ balance as it was already put and approved in the budget.

Shawn moves that the NUA accept the SU's proposal to pay 9745.25 of the 2013 CNSA membership dues with the NUA paying the balance. Ambereen seconds this motion

All in favor 9! None opposed

Shawn – there was an exec student who applied for reimbursement for an expense last year (103.99\$), but the request was made this year. We must decide if we'd like to reimburse this individual or not

Shawn- i move that the nua reimburse last years Vp academic in the amount of 103.99\$, Brianne seconds this motion. All in favor 2, opposed 5 abstained- 2

Dustin – FA – faculty association – SU takes FA's very seriously, SU delegated to the NUA how to make the program better, financial management, do something for nursing student.

Probation – extra attention from the SU. We are on probation because NUA moved to be on probation, and this process will help the NUA with management and governance. We have a set of requirements that we must follow which will help us grow. After 12 months SU decides if we still get to be the faculty association or not. Amanda Henry is helping the NUA out quite closely with governance and financial management.

SU's involvement with the NUA – mostly financial issues due to last year, we send monthly reports to Amanda (whats good, minutes, what can be improved) 90% financial and 10% general . We are working on the financial issues to fix the hiccup that happened last year

Sarah – VP finance last year resigned in Feb ☹ then people were jsut writing cheques and not looking at the bank account. There was no record keeping in anyway. We want to rebuild and restructurize the constitution

Dustin – the NUA has no money – due to resignation of last years VP finance and some questional procdures last year. The nua doesn't have the info on why some particular expenses were made ie. Receipts missing, over draws, unapproved expenditures. SU can't release FAMF unless NUA's financial procedures are beautiful, and they're not, so we get nothing. However the SU will put that money (9045.25) right into the CNSA and the NUA doesn't get to touch it, and the NUA will pay the remaining balance of CNSA fee

Brianne – bake sale, bar night

Eric m – waterpark even on feb 1 inter D event tickets are 10\$ photo relay, scavenger hunt, after party at. Loc kand key party - concerns with LGBTQ for vday, don't forget to clean the microwaves every office hours w

Sarah as kat wardberg move to adjourn the meeting, Emily phang seconded this



## VII.FALL READING WEEK

WHEREAS student mental health is a growing concern in the post-secondary education system;

~~WHEREAS the Students' Union is committed to improving the success and wellbeing of its members;~~

~~WHEREAS an accumulation of stress increases one's vulnerability to mental illness;~~

WHEREAS a Fall Reading Week will create an opportunity to provide academic wellness, ~~academic wellness~~ and social programming;

~~WHEREAS many major Canadian research intensive universities have 61 or fewer instructional days;~~

WHEREAS the benefits of a fall break will be optimized by providing students with a full week off from classes; and

WHEREAS a Fall Reading Week that coincides with the Remembrance Day ~~holiday~~ holiday is preferable given the constraints on the academic schedule.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union will advocate through University Governance for the creation of a Fall Reading Week such that:

a. A full week without instruction will take place concurrent with the Remembrance Day holiday;

b. The Fall Term "Classes Begin" date will be set one working day earlier;

~~c. The Fall Term "Classes End" date will be extended by two working days; Two instructional days will be removed from the Fall Term; and~~

d. Instruction in the Fall Term will commence, when possible, on the Tuesday following Labour Day.

**Prepared by:** Saadiq Sumar, Vice President (Student Life)

**To:** Students' Council 2012/13

Hey Everyone!

The last few days have been extremely busy and stressful since we have announced that we are going to Judicial Review. Antifreeze was also quite busy in the first week back and I'm still trying to recover from the lack of sleep and time. Finally, the UofC, UofL, and UofA Executive Teams all met in Calgary for a roundtable. I found this meeting to be especially beneficial, as the VPSLs from the three schools and a couple of others were discussing important issues from Mental Health to International Students to First Nations, Metis, and Inuit student issues.

### ***Programming***

#### **Campus Musical**

The musical is now steadily moving forward. Rehearsals have been going well and everything is coming together quite quickly. We are hoping to get the license quite soon, as we have submitted the paperwork.

The Director has been meeting with the SU Technicians quite regularly and the technical side of the show is moving ahead slowly. The Production Team also met yesterday to talk about costumes, props, and other important issues relating to the musical.

I'm hoping that we can start to advertise the show soon and start looking into sponsorship. I'm getting extremely excited about the show!

#### **Antifreeze**

Antifreeze wrapped up a week ago, with Team Keiver Independent Feat. Regan Wing and Guests coming in 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Reindicks coming in 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the Narwhals coming in 1<sup>st</sup>. Although these three teams ended up at the top of the scoreboard, it is my belief that every student who participated won, as people came together as a team and there was some great camaraderie between the various teams. Thank you to everyone who participated and to the Programming and Venues Staff and volunteers who made the event possible.

Also, I think I'm the first VPSL in recent memory to successfully Nartoss on my first try...or be dressed as the Yeti.

## **Services**

### **U-Pass**

The motion for the referendum question has passed through council and will be put on the ballot. We have also received what we hope to be is the final draft of the Spring/Summer contract. This should be finalized in the last week of January. At our last meeting, we discussed potentially reducing the replacement cost. As I stated at the last meeting of Students' Council, please give me any feedback you may have on my proposal. I will hopefully be sending something to the other student associations so that we can discuss a proposal and bring it to the advisory committee. Remember to tell your constituents that the Winter U-Pass Sticker is now available and that they can pick it up. Also, for those students who are thinking about taking Spring or Summer courses, they can pick up their U-Pass as soon as they register for classes, meaning that students registered in Summer courses can pick up their U-Pass before exams are over in April.

### **Gender Based Violence Prevention Project**

The GBVPP has had a number of events this past week. If you'd like to learn more about their events, visit [www.su.ualberta.ca/gbvpp](http://www.su.ualberta.ca/gbvpp).

### **Pet Therapy**

The SU and the Dean of Students Office hosted the first of many Pet Therapy Sessions in the last few days. I thoroughly enjoyed it and I believe the VPA also stopped by and had a good time. I am looking forward to working with the new Associate Dean of Students, Dr. Robin Everall, on this project throughout the semester and bringing this program to areas all over campus! I'll keep council posted on the dates and times.

### **Health and Dental Plan**

The PotSU and I met with representatives from the University Health Center and Kristin from studentcare to discuss what has changed in terms of prescription drugs, the supply that is given to students as well as the drugs that are no longer available to students. Kristin has assured us that she will get more information on the formulary changes.

### **PAW Centre Teaching Kitchen**

The PotSU, the GM, and I with representatives from the GSA toured a few of the NAIT Teaching Kitchen Labs to get a better idea of what the PAW Centre Teaching/Community Kitchen would look like. We have a lot of work left to do, but I was quite excited to see what possibilities there are.

### **Safewalk**

The Director of Safewalk, Evan Worman, and I had a short discussion about the future of Safewalk and some long-term planning for the service. It was great to get an update from Evan and to talk about what Safewalk could become in the next few years.

### **Transportation Demand Management**

A group of University administrators and student representatives met to discuss a survey that would be coming out soon to determine more ways to continue to reduce

congestion around campus. It was out of this survey in 2007 that the idea of the U-Pass came about.

## ***Advocacy***

### **Municipal Property Taxes**

The VPX and I have been working quite steadily on this front. We met with the Residence Halls Association Executives yesterday and will be meeting with the RHA Council in the upcoming weeks. We will be hopefully finalizing the memorandum with the university within the next month or so and hopefully it'll be signed and ready to submit to government officials by the end of our terms.

### **Athletics**

The PotSU and I attended the last game of the Pandas New Years Classic, where the Pandas played against the team from Japan, Konoya. Both teams were undefeated upto the last game and the games between the two teams were quite exciting, with one girl from the Japanese team serving with what can only be described as a tomahawk serve.

Be sure to check out what the upcoming schedule is at [www.bears.ualberta.ca](http://www.bears.ualberta.ca).

If you have any other questions, please ask during council, stop by the office in SUB, or send me an email at [vp.studentlife@su.ualberta.ca](mailto:vp.studentlife@su.ualberta.ca).

Saadiq Sumar  
780-690-4765

January 17, 2013

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Council

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Hello Council,

I hope you enjoy my shortest Council report of all time as I only have two days worth of work to write about!

## **SERC**

At our last meeting of SERC we discussed the possibility of creating a zero-waste policy. We also had a discussion on education, colonization and decolonization at the University. Lastly, we discussed gender issues within the SU Exec and Council and expanded the discussion to include gender issues within Students' Union operations.

## **Mental Health Resources Press Release**

I was extremely happy to attend the Government of Alberta's press release regarding their recent financial contribution to mental health resources on Alberta campuses. The full informational release can be found here: <http://alberta.ca/NewsFrame.cfm?ReleaseID=/acn/201301/3352944E370AE-F03F-0F4A-22170BF973A0B317.html> In summary, the government will be providing 3 million dollars to the UofA, UofC and UofL to help hire additional mental health resource staff and to help facilitate mental health programming on campus. The ASEC schools will be receiving a pool of 1.5 million dollars. In my opinion, this funding is not balanced well as the CARI institutions are receiving (on average) a lot more funding per FTE. Congratulations to Dr. Donna Cave (Director of University Wellness Services) for advocating so strongly for this funding.

## **PC Caucus Meeting and Presentation**

The Vice-President External and I presented to the Edmonton PC Caucus (about 15 MLA's were present) on a number of our UAlberta specific CAUS asks. This included regulating MNIFS, supporting the elimination of municipal property taxes on student residences, and improving student assistance (loans etc.) programs in Alberta. We also touched on a number of our smaller external asks including student work programs and support for the IGNITE conference. The Vice-President Operations and Finance and the General Manager also provided a presentation on the SUB Renovation. I think that the meeting went over extremely well and we received a lot of positive feedback on our work.

## **Faculty of Medicine 100-Year Anniversary**

Yesterday I attended the Faculty of Medicine's 100-Year celebration. I did play a substantive role but it was interesting to see a number of public officials (Mayor Mendel, Minister Khan, the Acting Provost, Dean Miller, etc.) speak about the amazing accomplishments of our medical school in the past century.

## **Fall Reading Week: Association of Academic Staff University of Alberta (AASUA) Presentation**

After some serious meeting room mixups I was able to provide a presentation on the Fall Reading Week to the AASUA Teaching and Learning Committee. The committee had a variety of questions but I believe that they were quite satisfied with our work. I think that this meeting was great for building support on the initiative from the academic staff.

### **Summary**

The rest of the week should be a bit slower for me so it will give me a chance to catch up on e-mails. I am looking forward to the weekend! Hopefully I will see some of you at Greek Formal on Saturday!

### **Ways to get involved:**

- Prepare for your executive elections if you are running! Also, please help us recruit last minute candidates. Sometimes the best people for the job need a bit of encouragement to get them going. If you want to get involved but don't want to run think about volunteering as a campaign manager for one of the candidates
- I was thinking about hosting a job-shadow day for people interested in running for executive portfolios so let me know what you think of this idea.
- Attend Golden Bears and Pandas games (the VPSL usually has a list of upcoming games in his report)

Cheers,

**If you have any further questions, suggestions, or concerns**, please do not hesitate to follow-up with me, either in person at SUB 2-900, by phone at 780-492-4236, or by email at [president@su.ualberta.ca](mailto:president@su.ualberta.ca).



January 18, 2013

To: Students' Council 2012-2013

Re: Report of the Vice President Academic

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Hello Council,

Please see below for a report of my activities over the past two weeks. Much of my time is being taken up by the Registrar Search Advisory Committee.

### **I. Academic Relations Group**

I'm impressed with the progress that ARG has made over the past month. They discussed teaching professional development with the Director of the CTL for nearly an hour, and also provided me with advice on how to best inform students and instructors about alternatives to high-priced textbooks.

### **II. COFA Advocacy Working Group**

The Advocacy Working Group met for a second time this year. Major items for discussion included Fall Reading Week, faculty budget, seeking student feedback, and balancing the SU's representative authority with their autonomy.

### **III. Job Shadow Day**

With elections coming up, I want to give students interested in what I do an opportunity to gain first-hand experience. If you're interested in shadowing the VPA, and are willing to free your schedule from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM on February 4, please RSVP to me by January 28.

Sincerely,



Dustin Chelen

January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013

**To:** Policy Committee

**From:** Petros Kusmu, Vice President External 2012-2013

**Re:** Report to Council Committee (for January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 Meeting)

Hello Council! Here's a brief summary of what I've been up to.

### **I. Progressive Conservative Capital Region Caucus**

On January 16<sup>th</sup>, I hosted the Progressive Conservative Capital Region Caucus meeting on campus. There I had the opportunity to present on the University of Alberta Students' Union priorities for the year. Furthermore, the Vice President Operations and Finance and the SU General Manager had the opportunity to present on the upcoming SUB renovations. Our presentation was extremely well received from the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta. The most interesting moment was to hear the Minister of Enterprise and Advanced Education thoughts on mandatory non-instructional fees. The Minister stated that he was very supportive of students when it comes to these fees and wanted to resolve the issue as soon as possible. I am still in contact with other political parties so I can have the opportunity present to their respective caucuses. In conclusion, this was an extremely big success for the Students' Union and for the Council of Alberta University Students.

### **II. Residence Property Taxes**

The Vice President Student Life and I met with the Residence Hall Association executives this week. We discussed about the draft Memorandum of Understanding agreement between the Students' Union and the University's Facilities and Operations on eliminating dormitory property taxes. We wanted to make sure that we got their input and feedback on the agreement that we had on the table F&O. Overall, feedback was very well received and they were very interested in helping us draft some of the language for our agreement, which is hopefully going to be signed in late January or early February. Things are progressing very well on this front.

### **III. SPARK: A Symposium on Post-Secondary Education in Alberta**

I'm still working very heavily on the Ignite Conference. At this point we are doing very well for fundraising. However, we still need to finalize some essential details, such as, the keynote speaker and confirmation from the University on the reception's venue. By finalizing these details, we can send out mass invitations immediately. Furthermore, we have to wrap up on what we want our postsecondary education science and arts fair to look like. A lot of things need to be done but I'm very much looking forward to the conference itself. If you're interested in volunteering for the conference please contact me immediately. We'd love to get your assistance! For more information, check out: [www.IgniteAlberta.ca](http://www.IgniteAlberta.ca)

If you have any relevant questions, ideas, or interesting thoughts, don't hesitate to give me a shout.

Signing off,



**Petros Kusmu**





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# STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Tuesday January 15th, 2013  
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2012-18)

2012-18/1

### SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

Meeting Called to order at 6:10pm

2012-18/1a

Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, January 22nd, 2013

**SUMAR/SMITH MOVED TO** Special Order item 2012-18/7e onto the main agenda

**Motion: CARRIED**

**MCGINN/MLYNARSKI MOVED TO** suspend the relevant standing orders to allow for a motion pertaining to a presentation in the same Council meeting.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**MCGINN/MONFRIES MOVED TO** Special Order item 2012-18/2b onto the main agenda.

**Motion: FAILED**

2012-18/2

### PRESENTATIONS

2012-18/2a

Lister Situation Update, Presented by Colten Yamagishi, President and William (Bill) W. Shores, Q.C..  
Sponsored by Colten Yamagishi, President.

Abstract:

The President and the Students' Union's lawyer will be providing Students' Council with a detailed update regarding the current ongoings regarding the Lister situation. They will be reviewing all of the recent actions being taken by the Students' Union and the University Administration and will describe their strategy thus far. Please feel free to ask all and any questions as it is important for Council to be as informed as possible with this issue.

**YAMAGISHI/SUMAR MOVED TO** Move In Camera allowing all the presenters of item 2012-18/2a to stay including Eric Martin.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**SUMAR/NGUYEN MOVED TO** extend the presentation time for an additional 30 minutes with a possible extension on 15 minutes

**Motion: CARRIED**

**SUMAR/SMITH MOVED TO** Move Ex- Camera

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2012-18/3**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Dustin Chelen, VP Academic- Report

Saadq Sumar, VP Student Life- Report

Colten Yamagish, President- Report

Petros Kusmu, VP External- Report

Andy Cheema, VP Operations and Finance- Report

**2012-18/7**

**GENERAL ORDERS**

**2012-18/7a**

**CHELEN/SUMAR MOVES that** Students' Council nominate Samuel Gagnon, Jason Davidson, Mary Zhou, and Sabin Bozso to General Faculties Council for a term ending April 30, 2013.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2012-18/5**

**QUESTION PERIOD**

**2012-18/7**

**GENERAL ORDERS**

**YAMAGISHI/SUMAR MOVED** to special order 2012-18/6c to be dealt with immediately

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2012-18/7c**

**CHELEN/HANSRA MOVES TO** approve the Interdepartmental Science Students' Society proposal to create a Faculty Association Membership Fee.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**Automatic Recess at 8:06pm**

**Meeting called back to order at 8:27pm**

**KELLY/MCGINN MOVED TO** reconsider the motion to special order item 2012-18/2b.

**KUSMU/HONG called to question**  
**Sumar, Chelen abstain**

**Motion: CARRIED**

**Motion to Reconsider: CARRIED**

**KUSMU/MCGINN called to question**

**SUMAR Challenged the chair on allowing to debate the motion before calling to question**

**Speakers ruling holds**

**Motion: CARRIED**

**Motion to special order item 2012-18/2b: CARRIED**  
**Sumar, Chelen abstain**

**MCGINN/KUSMU MOVED TO** suspend the relevant standing orders to allow the Vice President Operations and Finance to present a presentation without a 100 word abstract.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**MCGINN/KUSMU MOVED TO** move a motion from the floor to special order a presentation to be given by Andy Cheema, Vice President Operations and Finance.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2012-18/2**

**PRESENTATIONS**

**2012-18/2b**

The Gateway Dedicated Fee Unit- Presented by Ryan Bromsgrove. Sponsored by Councillor McGinn.

Description:

An explanation of The Gateway Student Journalism Society's vision for the products of a potential fee increase, or second fee, possible organizational structure if a second fee is enacted and requires it, and a recommendation to Students' Council of how an acceptable compromise could be reached with regard to the fee expiration bylaws.

**YAMAGISHI/SUMAR MOVED TO** suspend the relevant standing orders to increase the presentation time by 15 minutes.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2012-18/2c**

Miscellaneous points regarding DFUs and referendum questions- Presented by Andy Cheema, VP Operations and Finance/Sumar.

**HODGSON/MLYNARSKI MOVED TO** suspend the relevant standing orders

to extend the presentation time by 10 minutes.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**SUMAR/SMITH MOVED TO** special order item 2012-18/6c to be dealt with immediately.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2012-18/6c**

**SMITH/SUMAR MOVES that** upon the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee that Council approve the Bill #15 in first reading based on the following principle:

1. Class C/D DFUs should be required to reaffirm by campus-wide referendum at least once every eight (8) years.

Speakers List: Sumar, Cheema, Bromsgrove, Yamagishi, Hodgson, Le, Chelen, Smith, Monfries, Kusmu, Kelly

**KUSMU/KOCHIKUZHYIL called to question**

**Motion: CARRIED**

**Main Motion: FAILED**

**McGinn, McCormack, Hong Abstain**

**2012-18/6a**

**SMITH/BABIC MOVES that** upon the recommendation of the Bylaw committee Students' Council approve the referendum question based on the following principles.

Do you support the establishment of The Gateway Online and Multimedia Fund, subject to the following conditions:

- a) The fee shall be assessed to both full and part time students at a rate of \$2.83 per term\*;
- b) The fee shall be initiated in the Fall 2013 term\*;
- c) The fee shall only apply to full and part time students in the Fall and Winter terms\*;
- d) The fee shall increase annually at a rate equal to the Alberta Consumer Price Index;
- e) The fee shall expire on April 30, 2018, or at such a time that a successful referendum is conducted to rescind the fee;
- f) The fee will be used to assist The Gateway with its online, multimedia and otherwise digital content, strategies and staff; and
- g) Students may opt out of this fee online and unconditionally. The opt out deadline will be advertised.

\*As defined by the 2012/2013 University of Alberta academic calendar.

Speakers List: Smith, Hong, Hanwell, Bromsgrove, Nguyen, McCormack, Hodgson, Sumar, Kusmu, Hansra, Mlynarski, Monfries, McGinn, Kochikuzhyil, Hong

**NGUYEN/KOCHIKUZHYIL called to question**

**Motion: FAILED**  
**Mlynarski abstain**

**MLYNARSKI/MCGINN MOVED TO** amend the motion to read:  
**SMITH/BABIC MOVES that** upon the recommendation of the Bylaw committee Students' Council approve the referendum question based on the following principles.

Do you support the establishment of The Gateway Online and Multimedia Fund, subject to the following conditions:

- a) The fee shall be assessed to both full and part time students at a rate of \$2.83 per term\*;
- b) The fee shall be initiated in the Fall 2013 term\*;
- c) The fee shall only apply to full and part time students in the Fall and Winter terms\*;
- d) The fee shall increase annually at a rate equal to the Alberta Consumer Price Index;
- e) The fee shall expire on April 30, 2018, or at such a time that a successful referendum is conducted to rescind the fee;
- f) A fee will be used by the Gateway to provide online, multimedia and otherwise digital content, strategies and staff to support the creation of a second fund; and
- g) Students may opt out of this fee online and unconditionally. The opt out deadline will be advertised.

\*As defined by the 2012/2013 University of Alberta academic calendar.

**SUMAR/MCGINN Called to question**

**Motion: CARRIED**

**Amendment: FAILED**  
**Cheema, Chelen, Sumar, Hong abstain**

**SUMAR challenged the chair on whether abstain votes count**

**Chairs ruling holds**

**MLYNARSKI/ORYDSUK called to question**

**Motion: CARRIED**

**Main Motion: FAILED**  
**Chelen, Cheema, Sumar, Mlynarski, Le, Hansra abstain**

**2012-18/6b**

**SMITH/HONG MOVES that** upon the recommendation of the Bylaw committee Students' Council approve the referendum question based on the following principles.

Do you support a single increase of \$2.83 to the existing fee\* for The Gateway

Student Journalism Fund, subject to the following conditions:

- a) The fee shall be increased for both full and part time students in the Fall and Winter terms\*\*;
- b) The increased fee shall:
  - i. be initiated in the Fall 2013 term;
  - ii. increase annually at a rate equal to the Alberta Consumer Price Index;
  - iii. expire on April 30, 2018, or at such a time that a successful referendum is conducted to rescind the fee;
- c) Students may opt out of this fee online and unconditionally. The opt out deadline will be advertised.

\*The existing fee is \$3.22 for the Fall and Winter terms and \$0.41 for the Spring and Summer terms.

\*\*As defined by the 2012/2013 University of Alberta academic calendar.

Speakers List: Sumar, Bromsgrove, Hong, Nguynh, Hodgson, Cheema, Mylnarski, Kusrm

**MLYNARSKI/SUMAR called to question**

**Motion: CARRIED**  
**Cheema abstain**

**Main Motion: CARRIED**  
**McGinn, Cheema, Yamagishi, Hansra, Le, Kelly abstain**

**2012-18/6d**

**SMITH/SUMAR MOVES** that upon the recommendation of the Bylaw committee Students' Council approve the referendum question based on the following principles.

Do you support the continuation of a Universal Bus Pass (U-Pass) subject to the following conditions?:

1. The U-Pass would provide unlimited usage of regular transit service through Edmonton Transit System, St. Albert Transit, and Strathcona County Transit during the Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer Terms to undergraduate students enrolled in at least one course for credit within the participating municipalities service area.

2. The cost of the U-Pass to each student would be mandatory to any student enrolled in at least one course and would follow the price structure below

- a) \$122.97 per term for the 2013/2014 academic year,
- b) \$129.17 per term for the 2014/2015 academic year,
- c) \$135.42 per term for the 2015/2016 academic year, and
- d) \$141.67 per term for the 2016/2017 academic year,

3. The following students may opt-out of the U-Pass:

- a) Students enrolled in work-experience, co-op, or a practicum outside of the participating municipalities service area for a majority of a term;
- b) Students unable to make use of ordinary transit services by reason of disability; and

c) Students employed by Edmonton Transit System, St. Albert Transit, or Strathcona County Transit.

4. Students enrolled at Augustana are exempt from the U-Pass.

5. The Students' Union shall be authorized to enter into the necessary contractual agreements with participating municipalities and the University of Alberta, contingent upon the inclusion of acceptable transparency and accountability provisions.

6. The U-Pass would expire upon the passing of a referendum to that effect, or the Students' Union deciding that it can no longer adhere to any of (1) through (5).

Speakers List: Sumar, Yamagishi

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2012-18/7b**

**CHELEN/VY MOVES TO** approve the Augustana Students' Association's proposal to create a Faculty Association Membership Fee.

Speakers List: Chelen, Mills

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2012-18/7e**

**SUMAR/HONG MOVES THAT** Students' Council approve Bill #8 in second reading based on the following principles:

The CRO shall develop a communications plan to advertise the nomination deadline and the elections. This communications plan shall include advertisement of the nomination deadline in the campus newspaper and will be presented to the Council Administration Committee thirty (30) days prior to the commencement of campaigning.

Speakers List: Sumar, Hodgson

**Motion: CARRIED**

**Kelly, Cheema abstain**

**Meeting adjourned at 12:20pm**



<b>Councillor Attendance Records</b>					
<b>2012-2013</b>		<b>Attendance</b>			
<b>Council Seats (40 total) Name</b>		<b>1/8/2013 SC 12-17</b>	<b>1/15/2013 SC 12-18</b>		
<b>Ex-officio Members (6 voting seats)</b>					
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President	Colten Yamagishi	Y	Y		
VP Academic	Dustin Chelen	Y	Y		
VP External	Petros Kusmu	Y	Y		
VP Operations & Finance	Andy Cheema	Y	Y		
VP Student Life	Saadq Sumar	Y	Y		
Undergraduate Board of Governors Rep	Brent Kelly	Y	Y		
<b>Faculty Representation (32 voting seats)</b>					
ALES	Leon Milner	N	0.5		
Arts	Kathryn Orydzuk	0.5	Y		
Arts	Mike McGinn	Y	Y		
Arts	Navneet Khinda	Y	0.5		
Arts	Kelsey Mills	Y	Y		
Arts	Dylan Hanwell	Y	Y		
Arts	Erin Borden	Y	Y		
Augustana (Faculty)	Jame Vy	Y	Y		
Business	Josh Le	Y	0.5		
<i>Business</i>	Tim Holt	N(p)	Y(p)		
Education	Kevin Smith	0.5	Y		
<i>Education</i>	Tanya Morin	0.5	0.5(p)		
<i>Education</i>	Jason Hong	Y	Y		
Engineering	Wen Yu Liang	N	N		
Engineering	Lyndon Crone	N	0.5(p)		
Engineering	Vacant				
Engineering	Vacant				
Law	Mario Babic	Y	Y(p)		
Medicine & Dentistry	Ola Rydz	Y(p)	0.5		
Native Studies	Quetzala Carson	0.5	N		
Nursing	Joanne Reynolds	Y	0.5(p)		
Open Studies	Mark McCormack	N	0.5		
Pharmacy	Sarah Choudhry	N	0.5		
Phys Ed & Rec	Vacant				
Saint-Jean (Faculty)	Colin Champagne	Y(p)	0.5		
Science	Julia Jackson	Y	0.5		
Science	Jeffry Kochikuzhyil	0.5(p)	Y		
Science	Louis Nguyen	Y	Y		
<i>Science</i>	Victoria Pham	0.5	0.5		
Science	Glenn Gensler	Y	0.5		
Science	Nicholas Monfries	Y	Y		
Science	Cory Hodgson	Y	Y		
<b>Ex-Officio Members (2 non-voting seats)</b>					
Speaker	Rory Tighe	Y	Y		
General Manager	Marc Dumouchel	N	0.5		