

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday June 17th, 2014
TELUS 134

We would like to acknowledge that our University and our Students' Union are located on Treaty 6 Territory. We are grateful to be on Cree, Saulteaux, Métis, Blackfoot, and Nakota Sioux territory; specifically the ancestral space of the Papaschase Cree. These Nations are our family, friends, faculty, staff, students, and peers. As members of the University of Alberta Students' Union we honour the nation-to-nation treaty relationship. We aspire for our learning, research, teaching, and governance to acknowledge continuing colonial violence and respect Indigenous knowledges and traditions.

ORDER PAPER (SC 2014-04)

- 2014-04/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS
- 2014-04/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, July 8th, 2014
- 2014-04/2 PRESENTATIONS
- 2014-04/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
- 2014-04/3a Executive Committee Report
Please see document SC 14-04.01
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- 2014-04/5 QUESTION PERIOD
- 2014-04/5a To VP Orydzuk from Councillor Mohamed

The bottom of the 4th paragraph of your June 3 report states that you were in a meeting where changes to the leadership college were made. Specifically a communal space, games room, and fitness room was added. The report indicates that only those enrolled in aspects of the leadership program could use the facilities. How many students are enrolled in the leadership program?
- 2014-04/5b To VP Orydzuk from Councillor Mohamed

Has there been any specifics given on the talking point that 10,000 students will be able to be apart of the college?

- 2014-04/5c** To President Lau and VP Khinda from Councillor Mohamed
Has their been talk of tuition going up? If so, do we have a plan if it goes up.
- 2014-04/5d** To VP Diaz from Councillor Mohamed
Have microwaves been distributed yet? If not, why?
- 2014-04/5e** To VP Diaz from Councillor Mohamed
Do we have a plan to combat this years IDF increase? What is the plan?
- 2014-04/5f** To VP Orydzuk from Councillor Mohamed
What is the Ombudservice and what is their mandate?
- 2014-04/5g** To the presidential selection committee members from Councillor Mohamed
The job description says that the University is looking for someone who "interact effectively with the highest level of business, government and public bodies."
Does this limit the future presidents ability to challenge the powerful and question the status quo?

2014-04/6

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- 2014-04/6a** **KHINDA/CHAMPAGNE MOVE THAT**, upon the recommendation of policy committee, move that the Mandatory Non-Instructional Fee Policy be approved in first reading based on the following principles:
1. The University is a public institution and therefore should be accountable to the public and committed to high standard;
 2. Services are essential to the student experience and students are willing to pay for services that benefit them;
 3. MNIFs are unregulated by the Government of Alberta;
 4. Existing MNIFs can change at the discretion of the University;
 5. The cost of attaining a post-secondary education includes tuition, fees, the cost of educational materials, and living expenses;
 6. MNIFs are above and beyond tuition, which is the sticker-price for post-secondary education;
 7. A high and unpredictable cost of education is a barrier to some students;
 8. The cost of education should be a predictable expense for students;
 9. The cost of a post-secondary education should be affordable;
 10. Attaining a post-secondary education should be accessible;
 11. Students should have meaningful input on what services the fees pay for; and
 12. It should be clear where, and how, fees levied on students are spent.

2014-04/6b

ZHANG/HUDSON MOVE THAT, upon the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, move to approve Bill #1 to amend CRO and DRO hiring procedures, in first reading based on the following principles:

1. The elections staff hiring process shall be transparent, consistent, and unbiased.
2. The hiring committee for the Chief Returning Officer shall include a non-voting council representative member, a non-voting administrative staff

member, voting judicial members, and the outgoing Chief Returning Officer who shall chair the committee and break ties.

3. The hiring committee for the Deputy Returning Officer(s) shall include a non-voting council representative member, a non-voting administrative staff member, voting judicial members, and the incoming Chief Returning Officer who shall chair the committee and break ties.

4. The hiring committee shall recommend a candidate for the position of Chief Returning Officer to Students' Council for ratification.

5. The hiring committee shall hire Deputy Returning Officer(s).

2014-04/6c

Banister/Gruhlke, upon the recommendation of the Elections Review Committee, move to approve Bill#2 based on the following first principles:

1. Augustana Faculty may be allowed to run their students union councilor and General Faculties Council Representative concurrent with councilor elections should no nominations be received in time for the executive elections.

2014-04/6d

Banister/Kwan, upon the recommendation of the Elections Review Committee, move to approve Bill#3 based on the following first principles:

1. Current councilors running for a council position do not need to take a leave of absence from their position.

2. Current Executives running for a contested council position do need to take a leave of absence from their position.

2014-04/6e

Banister/Gruhlke, upon the recommendation of the Elections Review Committee, move to approve Bill #4 based on the following first principles:

1. To coincide with changes to the Election Review Committee (ERC) standing orders, ERC is now responsible for drafting all plebiscite and referendum questions, instead of Bylaw Committee.

2014-04/6f

Kwan/Gruhlke, upon the recommendation of the Elections Review Committee, move to approve Bill#5 based on the following first principles:

1. Any current council member running for a Board of Governors position must take a leave of absence from their position.

2014-04/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2014-04/7a

LAU/HODGSON MOVE TO appoint one member of Students' Council to the Vice President (University Relations) Review Committee in September 2014.

Please see document SC 14-04.02

2014-04/8

INFORMATION ITEMS

2014-04/8a

Bylaw Committee Summary Report to Council

Please see document SC 14-04.03

2014-04/8b

GAC Summary Report to Council

Please see document SC 14-04.04

- 2014-04/8c** CAC Summary Report to Council
Please see document SC 14-04.05
- 2014-04/8d** Navneet Khinda, VP External- Report
Please see document SC 14-04.06
- 2014-04/8e** Policy Committee Summary Report to Council
Please see document SC 14-04.07
- 2014-04/8f** ERC Summary Report to Council
Please see document SC 14-04.08
- 2014-04/8g** Kathryn Orydzuk, VP Academic- Report
Please see document SC 14-04.09
- 2014-04/8h** Bashir Mohamed- Message to Council
Please see document SC 14-04.10
- 2014-04/8i** Cory Hodgson, VP Operations and Finance- Report
Please see document SC 14-04.11
- 2014-04/8j** Nicholas Diaz, VP Student Life- Report
Please see document SC 14-04.12

May 8th

KHINDA/ORYZDZUK move to approve the CASA National Transition Conference Request for up to \$4700 for the purpose of transitioning President Lau and Vice President Khinda with our federal lobby group in Ottawa from May 9-13, 2014.

May 15

DIAZ/HODGSON moves to approve the job descriptions for the Initiatives Manager and the Human Resources Manager as presented.

May 23rd

LAU/ORYZDZUK move to make an offer to Chopped Leaf for the PAW food venue. 4/0/0

HODGSON/DIAZ move to make an offer to Lasik Medical Group for the Paw retail space. 3/0/1

May 28th

LAU/ORYZDZUK move to make an offer to Chopped Leaf for the PAW food venue. 4/0/0

HODGSON/DIAZ move to make an offer to Lasik Medical Group for the Paw retail space. 3/0/1

May 30th

**Lau/Diaz moves that the Executive Committee approve a project allocation not exceeding \$575.00 towards transportation to and from Camrose, AB for the September 23, 2014 Council meeting at Augustana.
4/0/0**

June 6th

**HODGSON/ORYZDZUK move to make an offer to Bijan Optical for the former-Juicy SUB space.
3/1/0**

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Date: June 4, 2014

To: William Lau, President
Students' Union (SU)

From: Catherine Swindlehurst
Secretary to the Advisory Review Committee
Office of the President

Cc: Indira Samarasekera, President and Vice-Chancellor
Carl Amrhein, Provost and Vice-President (Academic)

Re: **Advisory Review Committee for Vice-President (University Relations)**

Dr. Deborah Pozega Osburns's term as Vice-President (University Relations) ends on June 30, 2015. Vice-President Pozega Osburn has advised President Indira Samarasekera that she would like to stand for a second term of office. In consultation with the Chair of the Board of Governors, Mr. Douglas Goss, President Samarasekera has asked that an Advisory Review Committee for Vice-President (University Relations) be struck.

Would you please arrange for the appointment of one appointed member by the Students' Council by **Tuesday, July 15, 2014**? Dr. Samarasekera will chair the committee.

The committee meeting date is scheduled for Monday, September 15, 2014, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm in Room 3-07 South Academic Building.

The appointed member must be able to attend this meeting and should note there **may** be additional meetings.

The composition of the Advisory Review Committee for Vice-President (University Relations) is attached for your reference.

I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.



Catherine Swindlehurst

EXCERPT FROM UAPPOL:

Vice-Presidential Search and Review Procedures Appendix A: Committees for Vice-Presidents Position Definitions and Eligibility

Office of Administrative Responsibility:	Office of the President
Approver:	Board Human Resources and Compensation Committee

COMPOSITION OF ADVISORY SEARCH AND REVIEW COMMITTEES FOR VICE-PRESIDENTS:

Refer to the Recruitment Policy (Appendix A) Definition and Categories of Academic Staff and Colleagues for definitions of staff categories.

VICE-PRESIDENT (UNIVERSITY RELATIONS)

President as Chair of the Committee

Provost and Vice-President (Academic)

Two members of the Board of Governors appointed by the Board

One member of the Senate appointed by the Senate

President of the Alumni Association

Two faculty members from Categories A1.1, A1.6, or their counterparts in A1.5 and A1.7 (that is, only faculty members employed at the University under the terms and conditions of the Faculty Agreement are eligible), who do not hold administrative positions as defined in Section 7, elected by the faculty and the appointed academic staff representatives on GFC.

Two Deans elected by Deans' Council

One Chair elected by Chairs' Council

One member of the AAS:UA appointed by the AAS:UA

One member of the Students' Union appointed by the Students' Council

One member of the Graduate Students' Association appointed by the GSA

One member of the Non-Academic Staff Association appointed by NASA

Once members have been elected to the above-noted Vice-Presidential Advisory Search/Review Committee, the President may in consultation with the Board Chair or Chair of the Board of Human Resources and Compensation Committee (BHRCC) name up to two additional full-time faculty members (Categories A1.1, A1.6) to the Advisory Search/Review Committee to ensure broad representation from the University.

STAFF WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO SERVE ON ADVISORY AND REVIEW COMMITTEES FOR VICE-PRESIDENTS:

Staff who are on leave are not eligible to search on advisory and review committees for Vice-Presidents. The term leave includes: administrative leave, sabbatical, political, medical, parental, childbirth, disability, assisted, secondment.

Staff who hold the following administrative positions at the time of the initial nomination are not eligible to serve: Vice-President, Associate or Assistant Vice-President, Dean, Associate or Assistant Dean or Department Chair.



BYLAW COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: **Thursday, June 5th**

Time: **7:09 pm**

2014 – 2015 **MEETING 3**

Motions

1.	HUDSON moved that <i>the agenda be approved.</i>	CARRIED 4/0/0
2.	HUDSON moved that <i>the minutes of the last meeting be approved.</i>	CARRIED 3/0/1
3.	COMMITTEE drafted <i>the First Principles of the Elections Staff Hiring Practices Bill.</i>	
4.	HWANG moved that <i>the meeting be adjourned.</i>	CARRIED 4/0/0



GRANT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: Thursday, June 5th

Time: 6:07 pm

2014 – 2015 **MEETING 3**

Motions

1.	WONG moved that <i>meeting agenda be approved.</i>	<i>CARRIED 4/0/0</i>
2.	HODGSON moved that <i>the meeting minutes of the last meeting be approved.</i>	<i>CARRIED 4/0/0</i>
3.	NGUYEN presented <i>GAC Transition.</i>	
4.	HWANG moved that <i>the meeting be adjourned at 6:57 pm.</i>	<i>CARRIED 4/0/0</i>



Council Administration Committee (CAC) MEETING SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: June 3, 2014 Time: 5:10 PM

2014 – 2015 *MEETING #*

Motions

1.	<i>BINCZYK</i> moved that <i>June 3, 2014 agenda be approved as amended.</i>	<i>CARRIED 4/0/0</i>
2.	<i>HWANG</i> moved that <i>May 20, 2014 minutes be approved as tabled.</i>	<i>CARRIED 3/0/1</i>
3.	<i>BINCZYK</i> moved to <i>amend Council Standing Orders section 23 (2) to read "The speaker will recognize guests when he or she has information particularly pertinent to debate or where Councillor having obtained the floor extends his or her speaking privileges to the guest."</i>	<i>CARRIED 4/0/0</i>
4.	<i>HWANG</i> moved that <i>the meeting be adjourned.</i>	<i>CARRIED 6/0/0</i>

June 12, 2014

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Council (for June 17th meeting)

Introduction

Hello Council!

Here's a highlight of what will be in this report:

1. CAUS updates
 - a. Teleconference
 - b. Student employment
 - c. Meeting Minister Horner
2. Council Committees
 - a. Nominating Committee -- Standing Order changes
 - b. Policy Committee – MNIF policy
3. Other
 - a. I graduated!
 - b. Community engagement

1. CAUS

1.1 During our teleconference, some of the items we discussed included finalizing dates for upcoming CAUS meetings. We will be meeting in Lethbridge from June 26-28. The following CAUS meeting is a Roundtable where *all* the executives from each of the five schools come together. This will be in Calgary from July 23-24. It's a great opportunity for other execs, such as the VPSLs, to get to know each other and what they're working on.

We are also currently working on finalizing our priorities for the year. Stay tuned for updates!

Meanwhile, I am thinking of ways to engage students/youth and the public for the upcoming political leadership races in Alberta. As you may be aware, the Progressive Conservative (PC) Party as well as the New Democratic Party (NDP) will be choosing a new leader soon. If you have ideas, let me know!

1.2 One of our major priorities for the year is ensuring the creation of a provincial student work program. I had a meeting with a summer student from the Ministry. There is no concrete news yet.

1.3 CAUS also had a lobby meeting with the President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Finance, Doug Horner, on Monday, June 9th. This meeting was supposed to take place last year, but it never happened, which is why 2014/2015 CAUS met with him. It was a fun session where we discussed our priorities.

2. Council Committees

2.1 During the last nominating committee meeting, we spent time going through the standing orders and changing them significantly. I think they're much more organized now!

2.2 One of our main agenda items at the last Policy Committee meeting was to begin writing first principles for the new policy on mandatory non-instructional fees (MNIFs). The main principles that I think should be reflected in this policy are predictability (for students), transparency, and accountability.

3. Other

3.1 In case you're interested, I graduated last week! Convocation was pretty fun and I enjoyed it for the most part. I now have a "B.A." after my name! ☺

3.2 Though I showed up late to the event, I was extremely happy to see a group of Councillors attend the Pride Parade on Saturday! Thank you to those that came out.

3.3 I also had a short meeting with Derek Roy-Brenneis, the Executive Officer to the Senate and Assistant to the Chancellor. He's a wonderful person who makes sure Senate proceedings run smoothly. We discussed ways to improve the experience of Student Senators for the upcoming year. I'm looking forward to a more regular interaction on this front.

3.4 On Thursday, June 12th, the Executive team will be spending an entire day working on goal planning. I'm really looking forward to having a stronger outline of what I want to achieve this year!

Conclusion

That's all for now! Be sure to ask me any questions, either in Council, or as a written question. And remember to interact with your constituents via social media! (#uasu or #ualberta on Twitter!)



Navneet Khinda

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POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: June 10, 2014

Time: 6:30 pm

2014-2015 MEETING #04

Motions

1.	Zhang moved that the <i>June 10th agenda be approved as tabled.</i>	<i>CARRIED 7/0/0</i>
2.	Zhang moved that the <i>May 27th minutes be approved as tabled.</i>	<i>CARRIED 7/0/0</i>
3.	<p>Khinda moved that <i>policy committee recommend to council for first reading the following principles:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The University is a public institution and therefore should be accountable to the public and committed to high standard; 2. Services are essential to the student experience and students are willing to pay for services that benefit them; 3. MNIFs are unregulated by the Government of Alberta; 4. Existing MNIFs can change at the discretion of the University; 5. The cost of attaining a post-secondary education includes tuition, fees, the cost of educational materials, and living expenses; 6. MNIFs are above and beyond tuition, which is the sticker-price for post-secondary education; 7. A high and unpredictable cost of education is a barrier to some students; 8. The cost of education should be a predictable expense for students; 9. The cost of a post-secondary education should be affordable; 10. Attaining a post-secondary education should be accessible; 11. Students should have meaningful input on what services the fees pay for; and 12. It should be clear where, and how, fees levied on students are spent. 	<i>CARRIED 7/0/0</i>
4.	Gruhlke moved to <i>adjourn</i>	<i>CARRIED 7/0/0</i>

ELECTIONS REVIEW COMMITTEE SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: June 11, 2014

Time: 5:30 pm

2014-2015 MEETING #04

Motions

1.	Gruhlke amended the agenda to table <i>ERC surveys, CRO Report 2013/2014 and Bylaw Review until next meeting.</i>	
2.	Kwan moved that the <i>June 11th agenda be approved as amended.</i>	CARRIED 3/0/0
3.	Banister moved that the <i>May 28th minutes be approved as tabled.</i>	CARRIED 3/0/0
4.	Banister moved that <i>the Elections Review Committee recommend to council changes to Bylaw 2300 Section 4.1.b based on the following first principle:</i> <i>1. Augustana Faculty may be allowed to run their students union councilor and General Faculties Council Representative concurrent with councilor elections should no nominations be received in time for the executive elections.</i>	CARRIED 3/0/0
5.	Banister moved that <i>the Elections Review Committee recommend to council changes to Bylaw 2300 Section 7.3.b based on the following first principles:</i> <i>1. Current councilors running for a council position do not need to take a leave of absence from their position.</i> <i>2. Current Executives running for a contested council position do need to take a leave of absence from their position.</i>	CARRIED 3/0/0
6.	Kwan moved that <i>the Elections Review Committee recommend to council changes to Bylaw 2200 section 6 based on the following first principles:</i> <i>1. To coincide with changes to the Election Review Committee (ERC) standing orders, ERC is now responsible for drafting all plebiscite and referendum questions, instead of Bylaw Committee.</i>	CARRIED 3/0/0
7.	Kwan moved that <i>the Elections Review Committee recommend to council changes to bylaw 2200 section 12.2 based on the following first principle:</i> <i>1. Any current council member running for a Board of Governors position must take a leave of absence from their position.</i>	CARRIED 3/0/0
8.	Gruhlke moved to <i>adjourn.</i>	CARRIED 3/0/0



June 17, 2014

To: Council

Re: Council Report

Hi Council,

I hope all of you are enjoying your summer! Things have been pretty busy up in 2-900.

One of the projects that I inherited from Dustin was the restructuring of the relationship between the Students' Union and Ombuds Services. Ombuds exists in this somewhat odd place somewhere between SU and Dean of Students. There is a reporting relationship between SU and Student Ombudspersons, but it doesn't seem to be super effective because of the confidentiality requires on the students. Student Ombuds positions will now be treated more as an internship, and will collaborate with programs like co-op and Arts Work Experience Program. We are also planning on drafting an MOU with the Dean of Students' Office about our relationship regarding the Ombuds Service.

I had the privilege to sit on three faculty awards adjudication committees this week, one of which was for the University Cup, the highest honour that the University awards to professors. It was my responsibility to read through all applications and evaluate them based on teaching, research, and service, and then discuss my assessments in committee. These committees also turned out to facilitate a discussion on the dropping rates of professors applying for such awards, and the severe lack of female applicants, which I appreciated. It seems to be a systemic/university culture problem. No solutions were agreed upon, but I appreciated the conversation.

At Academic Standards Committee Subcommittee on Standards we talked about the various effects of the extended withdrawal deadline, which has now been in effect for a year. The statistics showed that more students withdrew from classes overall, and a disproportionate number of international students withdrew. As it turned out, none of the things that were initial concerns came to fruition. There was the concern that students would 'game the system' by taking a course to the withdrawal deadline, dropping it, and then taking again in the next term so they would be guaranteed an A+ because they had all the notes already. This doesn't appear to be the case. There was also worry that too many students would drop required sections and then bump out students trying to take it for the first time in the next semester. This also did not happen. I consider this the extended withdrawal deadline to be a great success for undergraduates since students can now get substantive feedback before they decide whether they must stay in a course or not. It's good for GPAs and mental health.

I have to admit I'm frustrated with the progress of the Leadership College. I'm not really sure how much I'm allowed to say here, unified messaging and all that. I just want to let you all know that I have concerns and I plan to advocate for all undergraduates to have access to the programming.

The annual Be Booksmart annual awareness campaign is now underway. Since I am using a design that's very similar to last year, I was able to get 7000 handbills printed to go out in the envelopes to



all first years this week. One new thing that I am doing with this year's campaign in addition to the things that were done last year is targeting professors especially. It is important the professors are aware of the prices of the textbooks they assign, and that they are aware of simple alternative options. I will also revise www.bebooksmart.ca with updated information and more examples, in an easier to read format.

One of the important supplements for the Be Booksmart project is the revamping of our online textbook exchange. I made sure that this was a priority and outlined a plan of what I wanted to see, but, unfortunately, I do not have the skills to design a webpage such as this, so the actual doing of the thing is somewhat out of my hands. I can say it is underway though, it will be finished in August.

Something that the university is planning on doing, and this has been a long time coming, is Responsibility Centred Management (RCM). Essentially, this means that rather than budget being divided and redistributed by central administration, each faculty will manage its own budget. This means each faculty is responsible for revenue generation within the faculty, and the money they have coming in is equal to the amount of money they have to spend. There are a number of concerns with this, the primary being that faculties are going to have to make decisions related to making profit rather than preserving value for students. I raised this concern in committee, and everyone around the table seemed to be in agreement. Faculty and non-academic staff are opposed for reasons that are similar, but pertain to their own sphere of expertise. However, there seems to be no chance of this process being reversible, the project leaders only seem interested in trying to mitigate the issues with the process. To be fair, universities that use this system have been better off for it (ex: Harvard, University of Toronto), but in the long run, for the time being, things could get very difficult. There is a working group being formed for implementation, there are no undergraduates on this committee, however, it was noted in APC that the Students' Union would be consulted with. I am considering writing a response document, rather than just voicing concerns, but I have to coordinate with President Lau first.

All the best,
Kathryn Orydzuk

I would like to apologize to the committees I sit on for being absent for the last 3 weeks.

Regards,

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June 11, 2014

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

Salutations Council,

The last two weeks have been pretty busy, as are all weeks. I took a small vacation back to BC to see my folks, went to Saskatchewan for my partner's convocation, and attended my own convocation this week. I'm looking forward to the next two weeks to make some significant progress on my goals, as it will be the first time I'll be in the office the whole time. I'm also going to try a new method of report as a method of goals tracking.

PROJECTS:

North Power Plant

I have prepared a interview questionnaire to question a few profs and other stakeholders on campus about the possibilities and potential for the North Power Plant. I'll be having a series of these meeting over the next couple weeks.

DFU Task Force

The first meeting of the DFU Task Force will be Monday June 16th. I'm in process of trying to meet with all DFU groups individually to ensure they have no concerns and are on the same page.

Business Advisory Group

I haven't made any more progress on this yet, and am still working on the Terms of Reference

Faculty Association Financial Reviews

I haven't made any more progress on this yet, as our Senior Manager of Finance and Administration has been on vacation, but I'll be meeting with him next week.

OTHER:

Coca-Cola

I attended a meeting of the Single Source Cold Beverage Agreement Committee, and the University will be preparing a Request for Proposal (RFP) to be launched likely in September.

Access Fund

I sat on the selection committee for the Access Fund and help select successful applicants.

Media Prep

We were all given media training by our External Communications and Media Advisor, and did mock interviews to practice.

Exec Retreat

We were out of office all Thursday for our exec retreat, working on goal planning and discussing a few big issues for the year.

Cheers,

Cory Hodgson

(electronically submitted)

June 17th, 2014

To: University of Alberta Students' Council 2014/2015

Re: Vice President Student Life Council Report

"I'm a community person, I think in terms of community before the individual. That's the essence of Albertans and to a large extent that's the essence of Canadians as well."

Peter Lougheed

Tech Update

On June 6th, we received a presentation from a campus mobile app company called Oohlala. These preliminary discussions and presentations will guide us in the future as we pursue potential campus engagement tools.

We are on the brink of transitioning our internal systems to Google Apps!

The common calendar for council and faculty associations will be available in the coming weeks as the staff and I figure out how that will look.

Engagement and Events

Event planning meetings are ongoing. I hope to publish the wealth of events and event ideas lined up to the common calendar, once that is available.

I was very happy to share our **Edmonton Pride** parade float with several councilors over the weekend. I've walked in that parade for the past 3 years, and each year I grow in appreciation for the sense of community it provides to our youth, who are coming out in an entirely different world than I remember only 10 years ago. I remember when it was a big deal that the Premier spoke at Edmonton Pride. Last weekend, we were in good company – the Mayor, the Premier, city councilors, MLAs, our fellow post-secondary institutions, the captain of the Oilers, the first RCMP officer... all said and done over there were 35,000 people in attendance.

This speaks to a larger issue that I hope informs what we as representatives of students, and what we as a Students' Union, hope to provide for our constituents and for our broader community. These social events are the brick and mortar of societal change, wherein we build a safer and more caring campus and city.

Health

The Wellness Summit in Calgary from June 2-3 was about "**Creating a Provincial Post Secondary Mental Health Strategy**." It was an enlightening experience, and the conversations had there fortified the ideas formed at the StudentCare conference that I mentioned in my last council report.

On June 5th, I discussed the conference with Wellness Services' Melissa Visconti, and we are very excited about the potential in these conversations. We will soon debrief with all University of Alberta attendees. I will update again when we have more tangible results.

The NAIT Students' Association is interested in our **Campus Food Bank** model, and will be coming to tour the space in the coming weeks. The impact of our fantastic food bank is spreading beyond our campus to reduce student hunger!

Committees

Policy Committee has recommended first principles for our MNIFs policy, and councilor Zhang and I are working on the Student Space policy. Councilor Gruhlke's ambitious schedule is proving to be a very effective tool!

I had the pleasure of being a proxy at **Bylaw Committee**. Together we drafted first principles for the Elections Staff Hiring Process Bill. I look forward to our discussions on this important initiative of Bylaw committee.

See you on Tuesday!

Best,

Nicholas Diaz

Vice President Student Life 2014-2015

STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday June 3rd 2014
TELUS 134

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2014-03)

- 2014-03/1 **SPEAKER'S BUSINESS**
Meeting called to order at 6:08pm
- 2014-03/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, June 17, 2014
- 2014-03/2 **PRESENTATIONS**
- 2014-03/3 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**
Kathryn Orydzuk, VP Academic- Report
Navneet Khinda, VP External- Report
- 2014-03/4 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**
Natalia Binczyk, CAC Chair- Report
Sangram Hansra, BoG Chair- Report
- 2014-03/5 **QUESTION PERIOD**
- 2014-03/6 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
- 2014-03/6a **BINCZYK/GRUHLKE MOVES THAT** Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the CRO Selection Committee appoint Brandon Christensen as the Chief Returning Officer for the 2014/2015 term.

Speakers List: Binczyk, Gruhlke, Banister, Hansra, Khinda, Orydzuk, Zhang, Farooq, Sleiman

GRUHLKE/BINCZYK MOVED TO move in camera

Motion: CARRIED

HANSRA/ZEINEDDINE MOVED TO amend the motion to read:
BINCZYK/GRUHLKE MOVES THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the CRO Selection Committee appoint Brandon Christensen as the Chief Returning Officer for the 2014/2015, contingent on

there being no conflicting final exam during the SU Executive and Board of Governors Election.

ZHANG/HUDSON MOVED TO amend the amendment
BINCZYK/GRUHLKE MOVES THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the CRO Selection Committee appoint Brandon Christensen as the Chief Returning Officer for the 2014/2015, contingent upon the candidate acknowledging any conflict of their own academic schedule with SU Elections and confirming that he is still willing to take on the CRO position.

BINCZYK/ Called to question

Motion: CARRIED
 Binczyk Abstain

GRUHLKE/CHAMPAGNE Called to question

Motion: CARRIED

Main Amendment: FAILED

HANSRA/GRUHLKE Called to question

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

GRUHLKE/HANSRA MOVED TO Move ex-camera

Motion: CARRIED

2014-03/6b

KHINDA/ZEINEDDINE MOVES on the recommendation of the nominating committee, Students Council appoint Harini Kav, Joshua Le, and Connie Luu, in addition to VPX Navneet Khinda to the University of Alberta Senate.

Speakers List: Khinda, Gruhlke, Hansra, Farooq, Champagne

Motion: CARRIED

FAROOQ/HWANG MOVED TO move in camera

Motion: CARRIED
 Banister abstain

ZHANG/FAROOQ MOVED TO move ex-camera

Motion: CARRIED

2014-03/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2014-03/7a

DAIZ/GRUHLKE, MOVE THAT Students' Council renew the Student Space Policy in first reading based on the following principles

1. Students require a sufficient amount of physical space on campus to efficiently and effectively achieve their curricular, co-curricular, and extra-curricular goals.
2. Student spaces should be tailored to the needs of both current students and

future students.

3. Students must be able to access sufficient space on campus according to their own schedules.

4. Student space should be physically accessible to students regardless of their level of mobility.

Speakers List: Gruhlke, Champagne, Zhang, Hwang, Farooq

GRUHLKE/KHINDA MOVED TO amend the motion to read:

DAIZ/GRUHLKE, MOVE THAT Students' Council approve the Student Space Policy in first reading based on the following principles

1. Students require a sufficient amount of physical space on campus to efficiently and effectively achieve their curricular, co-curricular, and extra-curricular goals.

2. Student spaces should be tailored to the needs of both current students and future students.

3. Students must be able to access sufficient space on campus according to their own schedules.

4. Student space should be physically accessible to students regardless of their level of mobility.

Motion (friendly): CARRIED

Motion: CARRIED

CHAMPAGNE/ZHANG MOVED TO adjourn

Motion: CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:42pm

Councillor Attendance Records							
2014-2015		Attendance					
Council Seats (40 total) Name		14-00-April 2	14-01-May 6	14-02-May 20	14-03-June 3		
Ex-officio Members (6 voting seats)							
President	William Lau	Y	Y	Y	N		
VP Academic	Kathryn Orydzuk	0.5	Y	Y	Y		
VP External	Navneet Khinda	Y	Y	Y	Y		
VP Operations & Finance	Cory Hodgson	Y	Y	N	N		
VP Student Life	Nicholas Diaz	Y	Y	N	N		
Undergraduate Board of Governors Rep	Sangram Hansra	0.5	Y	Y	0.5		
Faculty Representation (32 voting seats)							
ALES	Justis Allard	Y	0.5(p)	Y	Y(p)		
Arts	Zhaoyi Chen	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Arts	Marina Banister	Y	N	Y	Y		
Arts	Bashir Mohamed	Y	Y	Y	N		
Arts	Samer Sleiman	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Arts	Bo Zhang	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Arts	Tymothy Jaddock	Y	Y	Y	N		
Augustana (Faculty)	Stephanie Gruhlke	N	Y	Y	Y		
Business	Brittany Bryce	N	N	N	N		
Business	Sade Babatunde	0.5	Y	Y	N		
Education	Katie Horvat	0.5	Y	Y	N		
Education	Brendan Fedoski	Y	Y	N	Y		
Education	Vacant						
Engineering	Kevin Jacobson	Y	Y(p)	N	N		
Engineering	Andy Wong	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Engineering	Shubham Garg	Y	N	N	Y		
Engineering	Shubham Gaur	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Law	Azhar Khan	Y	N	Y(p)	N		
Medicine & Dentistry	Roger Crutze	Y	N	Y	N		
Native Studies	Harley Morris	Y	Y(p)	Y(p)	Y(p)		
Nursing	Vacant						
Nursing	Vacant						
Open Studies	Humza Makhdoom	Y	N	Y	N		
Pharmacy	Surya Bhatia	Y	N	N	0.5(p)		
Phys Ed & Rec	Bridget Hooper	Y	0.5	N	0.5		
Saint-Jean (Faculty)	Colin Champagne	0.5	0.5	Y	Y		
Science	Natalia Binczyk	0.5	Y	Y	Y		
Science	Aiman Zeineddine	Y	Y	Y	0.5		
Science	Vivian Kwan	Y	Y	Y	Y(p)		
Science	Insung Peak	N	Y	N	N		
Science	James Hwang	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Science	Umer Farooq	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Science	Jamie Hudson	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Ex-Officio Members (2 non-							
Speaker	Saadig Sumar	Y	Y	Y	Y		
General Manager	Marc Dumouchel	N	N	N	N		