

# STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

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Tuesday February 15, 2011  
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

## LATE ADDITIONS (SC 2010-22)

- 2010-22/1      SPEAKER'S BUSINESS
- 2010-22/1b      Reminder: nomination packages for the Executive and Board of Governors Election are due this Friday, February 18th, at 5:00pm in SUB 302K. The mandatory candidates meeting will be held this Friday, February 18th, at 6:00pm, in SUB's third floor conference room.
- 2010-22/2      PRESENTATIONS
- 2010-22/3      EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
- 2010-22/4      BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
- 2010-22/5      QUESTION PERIOD
- 2010-22/6      BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS
- 2010-22/7      GENERAL ORDERS
- 2010-22/8      INFORMATION ITEMS
- 2010-22/8c      Rory Tighe, VP Student Life- Report  
Please see document LA 10-22.01
- 2010-22/8d      Nick Dehod, President- Report  
Please see document LA 10-22.02
- 2010-22/8e      Zach Fentiman, VP Operations and Finance- Report  
Please see document LA 10-22.03
- 2010-22/8f      James Eastham, VP Academic- Report  
Please see document LA 10-22.04

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**To:** Students' Council 2010/2011

### **Residences**

At the last Residence Halls' Association meeting we discussed some structural changes that would allow more Students' Union support of the organization. We also discussed some constitutional changes that the President has been working with our advocacy department on. The meeting generally went really well and I think that we will see some major strides for the organization over the next couple of months.

I have been attending committee meetings for the implementation of the new Residence Community Standards. The meetings are generally going well and I think that the new system will be implemented as smoothly as we could have hoped. For the Lister Hall meal plan, we have come to an arrangement for next year. The lowest level meal plan will allow for the last \$180 to be refundable if it does not get spent. We will work this year to try and figure out what the next years will look like as far as meal plan levels.

### **Health & Dental Plan**

We will be meeting with Studentcare this week to discuss the premiums for the Health & Dental Plan over the next two years. We will also be having a Health & Dental Plan Committee meeting to discuss any possible benefit changes at the conclusion of the survey that is happening now.

### **Student Services**

The Student Services Review is going well. We expect for it to be completed in March. We are also planning for the ECOS and Infolink projects to be wrapped up soon.

### **Programming**

We are working on collaborating with the UHC and some student groups on a health week near the end of this semester. It could be really exciting and act as a great stress relief for individuals close to exam time. More to come at the next report

As always, please let me know if you have any questions. Ask during council, stop by the office, or send me an email at [vp.studentlife@su.ualberta.ca](mailto:vp.studentlife@su.ualberta.ca)

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To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

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Greetings Council,

Because it has only been a week since the last Council meeting there are not a large number of updates. Please be sure to refer to last weeks report or ask questions if you would like an update on anything not mentioned here.

If you still would like to meet I will make time to have a conversation or at least point you in the direction of reading material. Best of luck to all of the candidates in the coming weeks.

### **Board of Governors (February 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting)**

Last Friday I had a Board of Governors meeting where I abstained on a vote on the new Residence Community Standards. Through consultation with Residence Services and the Dean of Students we have seen many positive improvement to the document. However, we are still reserving final judgment until the residence specific community standards have been developed.

A special Board Finance & Property Committee meeting was also held on Friday afternoon to discuss the Comprehensive Institutional Plan (CIP). This document replaces and aggregates several planning document that the University in previous years provided separately to Government such as the Institutional Access Plan (IAP), Institutional Research Plan (IRP), University Plan, Capital Plan, and Budget.

The document and the accompanying presentation provide a expansive overview of what the University of Alberta is currently doing and communicates to the Ministry of Advanced Education and Technology what the ongoing goals and priorities of the institution are. The document is very large and currently another version is being drafted for the Boards review in the coming weeks. More information should be available at the next Council meeting.

### **Infolink Proposal**

A proposal for changes to Infolink is currently near completion thanks to the collective and hard work of our Senior Student Services and Infolink managers (under the direction of Vice President Tighe). Once we have a final document I will be taking the proposal to the University in hopes of getting a commitment for support in establishing new locations and refurbishing our current booths. We hope to have SUTV also integrated into these booths to further the stretch of this service across campus. While the website and SUTV have been great for further building our communication and visibility infrastructure, I believe that successful implementation and reorganization of Infolink will be one of the most effective ways to improve our presence across campus.

### **Student Resource Task Force**

Last Thursday I had my first meeting as Chair of the Student Resource Task Force. The project is gaining a momentum with a survey on student finances tentatively being distributed to student in late March. The data will be accompanied by information on average students' costs of living and current availability of student awards and scholarships in a final report to the Provost's Office. Expect more information to come in late March.

### **Fall Reading Week**

I am continuing to attend university committee meetings to inform the larger community of the Fall Reading Week plebiscite and answer any questions about the initiative. I want to draw this to Council's attention just to make the point that these meetings are taking up a fair portion of my time.

### **Physical Activity and Wellness (PAW) Centre**

We are still ironing out the final details of the contract between the University and the two student associations. When this is complete, the PAW Centre will come to Students' Council as a presentation with a motion coming the subsequent week to direct the Executive to sign the agreement. Please follow-up with Vice President Fentiman or myself if you have any questions or concerns.

**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).

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**CUPE Local 1368 Collective Agreement**

We have formally initiated via letter the collective agreement negotiations with our staff union recently. This process will continue over the next couple of months.

**Dedicated Fee Unit Task Force**

The Dedicated Fee Unit Task Force will meet this Wednesday at 3:00pm.

**The Gateway Student Journalism Society**

The GSJS Board of Directors will meet this Thursday at 4:30pm.

**Budget**

We have begun preliminary budget tinkering (as much as is possible to do without official approval from council). More to come as we move through the budget process.

Please refer to last week's report for more information. As always if you have any questions about what I've been up to, feel free to ask at any time.

Yours,  
Zach

Good evening Council,

There's not a whole lot to report as we had Council last week, as such I've tried to be brief. If you want more information ask me questions!

**Coca Cola Awards:** I spent Wednesday last week adjudicating the Coca Cola Awards.

**Student Resources Task Force:** Is closer to releasing its survey.

**VP Research Reappointment Review Committee:** Occurred Monday

**The Academic Plan:** Continues through governance

**Festival of Teaching:** I met with Dr Skidmore and Dr Naeth about FoT.