

# STUDENTS' COUNCIL

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Tuesday August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

## ORDER PAPER (SC 2012-08)

### 2012-08/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2012-08/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, August 28th, 2012

### 2012-08/2 PRESENTATIONS

2012-08/2a Lister Situation Update - Presented by Colten Yamagishi, Andy Cheema, Saadiq Sumar - Sponsored by Colten Yamagishi, President.

The Executive will provide Council with an update on the situation between the Students' Union / Lister Hall Students' Association and the University Administration regarding the changes being implemented to the Lister Residence.

### 2012-08/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2012-08/3a Executive Committee Report

Please see document sc 12-08.01

### 2012-08/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 2012-08/5 QUESTION PERIOD

### 2012-08/6 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2012-08/6a YAMAGISHI/CHEEMA move that Students' Council, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, approve an unbudgeted expense not to exceed \$50,000 from the unrestricted reserves for professional fees.

### 2012-08/7 GENERAL ORDERS

### 2012-08/8 INFORMATION ITEMS

2012-08/8a CAC Summary Report to Council

Please see document sc 12-08.02

- 2012-08/8b** ERC Summary Report to Council  
Please see document sc 12-08.03
- 2012-08/8c** Policy Committee Summary Report to Council  
Please see document sc 12-08.04
- 2012-08/8d** GAC Summary Report to Council  
Please see document sc 12-08.05
- 2012-08/8e** Brent Kelly BOG Rep Council Report  
Please see document sc 12-08.06
- 2012-08/8f** Saadiq Sumar, VP Student Life Council Report  
Please see document sc 12-08.07
- 2012-08/8g** Colten Yamagishi, President Council Report  
Please see document sc 12-08.08
- 2012-08/8h** Dustin Chelen VP Academic Council Report  
Please see document sc 12-08.09

**July 16**

CHEEMA/SUMAR MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the sponsorship of a refreshment break at Transitions 2012

**4/0/0 CARRIED**

**July 30**

SUMAR/YAMAGISHI MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a Casino Capital Allocation not to exceed \$1500.00 for the purpose of purchasing a laptop for the Infolink SUB booth.

**4/0/0 CARRIED**



# COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

*Date: July 24, 2012*

*Time: 5:00 pm*

2011 – 2012 *MEETING #5*

## **Motions**

1.	<i>Chelen</i> moved that <i>Students' Council convenes the Faculty Association Task Force with terms of reference as attached.</i>	<i>CARRIED 6/0/3</i>
2.		<i>CARRIED 0/0/0</i>
3.		<i>CARRIED 0/0/0</i>
4.		<i>CARRIED 0/0/0</i>



## ERC MEETING SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: July 24, 2012

Time: 4:12 pm

2011 – 2012 MEETING #6

### Motions

1.	<b>KIM</b> moved that <i>the July 24 agenda be approved as tabled.</i>	<i>CARRIED</i> 4/0/0
2.	<b>SUMAR</b> moved that <i>the July 10 minutes be approved as tabled.</i>	<i>CARRIED</i> 4/0/0
3.	<b>CARSON</b> moved that <i>the meeting be adjourned.</i>	<i>CARRIED</i> 4/0/0
4.		<i>CARRIED</i> 0/0/0



## POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: July 31, 2012

Time: 5:00 pm

2011 – 2012 MEETING #6

### Motions

1.	<i>Khinda</i> moved that there be an addition of the <b>WHEREAS</b> clause, “ <b>WHEREAS teaching and research are both important parts of a quality education</b> ” and the <b>BE IT RESOLVED</b> clause, “ <b>BE IT RESOLVED that the Students’ Union encourages a balanced focus on both teaching and research.</b> ”	<b>CARRIED</b> 7/0/0
2.	<i>Khinda</i> moved that there be an addition of a <b>BE IT RESOLVED</b> clause, “ <b>BE IT RESOLVED that the Students’ Union develops an online program, using the teaching evaluations to inform students about professors’ performances and to enable interaction between Students and Professors.</b> ”	<b>CARRIED</b> 7/0/0

## GAC MEETING SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: August 2, 2012

Time: 5:12 pm

2011 – 2012 MEETING #3

### Motions

1.	<b>KOCHIKUZHYIL</b> moved that <i>August 2 agenda be approved as tabled.</i>	<i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i>
2.	<b>CHEEMA</b> moved that <i>June 20 minutes be approved as tabled.</i>	<i>CARRIED 3/0/3</i>
3.	<p><b>CHEEMA</b> moved that <i>the Grant Allocation Committee to amend Standing Orders as follows:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>51 g): replace \$1350 with \$1500;</i></li> <li>2. <i>52: replace Student Loan Guidelines with Canada Student Loan Guidelines and add at the end a sentence: “Where Student Loan Guidelines conflict with GAC Standing Orders, the Standing Orders will take precedence.”;</i></li> <li>3. <i>54 g): add “Students who applied for Access Fund would no longer be eligible to opt out.”;</i></li> <li>4. <i>Add 54 k): “Dependent students: single students who have been out of high school for less than 4 years and have not been available to the workforce fulltime for 2 years. Dependent students are required to apply for Canada Student Loan prior to applying the Access Fund and are required to live with their parents if their parents live within transit community distance of University of Alberta.”</i></li> </ol>	<i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i>
4.	<b>CHEEMA</b> moved that <i>the Grant Allocation Committee to approve the dispersal of 2011-2012 Golden Bears and Pandas Legacy Fund.</i>	<i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i>
5.	<b>CHELEN</b> moved that <i>the meeting be adjourned.</i>	<i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i>

August 9th, 2012

**To:** Students' Council

**Re:** Report to Council

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Hey Council,

Before I proceed with my report, I would like to acknowledge that our university and our Students' Union are on Indigenous land. Specifically: Cree, Saulteaux, Metis, Blackfoot, and Nakota Siou.

They are faculty, staff, students, family, and friends, and they are still here. I acknowledge that we meet on treaty 6 territory. That treaty governs the relationship between first-nations and non-first nations citizens. I am thankful for this opportunity for us to meet on this land today. This statement will be included at the front of my report to council until either the time that my term ends, or Council moves to makes a similar statement available for public viewing.

It's good to be back in Edmonton!

My time in Quebec was excellent, but I'm happy to be back. Not an awful lot to report at the moment. I've attended a few meetings over the last few days. Of note was the joint Bylaw-ERC committee meeting held last Tuesday. We discussed the idea of working together more closely when formulating legislation, and also discussed some of the reasoning behind there being two separate committees. No final decisions were made, but the discussion was quite thought-provoking, and it is likely that we will have another similar meeting in the future to continue the talks.

Now that I'm back, I'm going to continue my exploration of the University's investments, and also set up some sort of meeting with stakeholders/councilors regarding a statement by the SU





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acknowledging its operations take place on indigenous land. As I've stated before, I feel it's important that the SU chose to not remain silent in acknowledging the people who lived here and still live here, and upon whose land we base our operations. If you are interested in meeting to discuss the SU taking such a stand, do not hesitate to be in touch.

That's about it for now. I'm eager to hit the books again and get into another year of school. The new school year means Council meetings will tend to be more active, and BoG meetings will recommence. I'm feeling refreshed from Quebec, and very much looking forward to diving in head first!

In Solidarity,

**Brent Kelly**

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

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

Hey Everyone!

The last few weeks have been very hectic, talking to different media outlets and continuing the on-going struggle to get a formal consultation on the Residence Changes with the University.

### ***Programming***

#### **Week of Welcome**

Week of Welcome preparation has been going quite well. The different events have almost been finalized and the arts and crafts portion is well underway. If you have some time, I would suggest talking to the Student Programming Coordinators to help them out with finishing their arts and crafts, as they are regularly in Dinwoodie Lounge until late hours of the evening to get these done.

### ***Services***

#### **U-Pass**

The VPOpsFi and I attended a U-Pass Lunch earlier this week with representatives from Grant MacEwan, NAIT, and the GSA. We talked about a counter proposal to what ETS suggested in the last meeting, as well as moving forward with lobbying councilors. The meeting went quite well and it looks like we will have a document prepared for the next U-Pass Advisory Meeting to present to the different transit providers.

#### **Services Staff**

The General Manager and I had a chance to sit in on an All Services Staff Meeting. We got the opportunity to meet all the new staff as well as hear about various items including SUB Renovations Updates and the creation of a Services Strategic Plan.

### ***Advocacy***

#### **Residence**

The Community Standards Review Committee had one of their final meetings to review the first year of Restorative Justice. The final report should be out soon and will be presented at the Campus Law Review Committee in September.

Additionally, as stated earlier, I have been working quite hard on the recent proposal by the University with several members of the SU Staff as well as the PotSU and the VPOpsFi. We have had several interviews with the media and University administrators and held a press conference last week in the Jubilee Parking Lot.

The PotSU, the Director of Research and Political Affairs and I attended a Residence Budget Advisory Committee Meeting to discuss several items including changes to rent contracts and the East Campus Village Renewal Project.

### ***Upcoming Items***

- Infolink/SFAIC Training Lunch – August 11<sup>th</sup>
- East Campus Village Housing Project Submissions Evaluation – August 13<sup>th</sup>
- Services Goals Meetings – August 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>
- Alcohol Policy Review Committee Meeting – August 14<sup>th</sup>
- Tour of HUB Mall – August 15<sup>th</sup>
- SU Executive Dinner with the Chancellor – August 15<sup>th</sup>
- Co-Curricular Record Meeting – August 17<sup>th</sup>
- Edmonton Student Association Get-Together – August 21<sup>st</sup>
- New Student Experience Working Group – August 21<sup>st</sup>
- Tour of Newton Place and Graduate Residence – August 22<sup>nd</sup>
- U-Pass Advisory Meeting – August 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Health Promotion Advisory Committee Meeting – August 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Meeting with APIRG – August 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Residence St. Jean Tour – August 24<sup>th</sup>
- Residence Budget Advisory Committee Meeting – August 28<sup>th</sup>
- Meeting with Athletics Board Members – August 28<sup>th</sup>

### ***Takeaways:***

- Talk to the Programming Department about helping with Week of Welcome
- Meet with me if you are interested in the portfolio or just to chat!

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  
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August 10th, 2012

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Council

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Dear Council,

I hope that you have enjoyed the past three weeks of rain, sunshine, and festivals. It seems to me that August really is an exciting month for the city of Edmonton, as there seems to be a new festival or community event every second day.

The past three weeks have most certainly been the most stressful of my time in office dealing with the Lister situation. Through these tough times I have become hugely impressed with the work of my colleagues as they continue to step up and rise to the occasion to protect the student voice. We truly have a great team here at the SU and for that I am forever thankful.

Here is an update of the last three weeks.

### **Lister Changes**

We have decided that the best way to communicate the recent set of events is through a presentation that you will be receiving at Council on Tuesday. To quickly summarize the events: we have employed a heavy public media strategy to receive feedback from the community on the issue and to keep the public informed of the SU/LHSA's side of the story. We have also had a number of meetings with the university administration in which we have hoped to resolve the issue but have thus far been unsuccessful. I am very worried about the future of Lister; it's rich culture and history, it's one-of-a-kind community environment, and the health and safety of our incoming and returning residents who may be moving in to a very dangerous environment (I will explain why in the presentation) come September.

### **Government Orientation**

The VPA, VPX, DRPA, IO Adam Woods, and I attended government orientation hosted by the Ministry of Enterprise and Advanced Education at the Government House. We spent some time with the Ministry and our colleagues from ASEC and AGC and shared our PSE related goals for the year. We also had a few question and answer periods and a number of PSE themed brainstorming sessions. I had a great time at the orientation and learned a lot about the Ministry and their goals. It was also a great opportunity to meet many of our counterparts from around the province.

### **CAUS Meeting and Teleconference**

CAUS has been very busy and we have been cranking out a number of documents including a Board Job Description, an Ordinary Residence Lobby Document – Elections Act, our submission to the Social Policy Framework, and our Government Budget Proposal. We have also been busy lobbying for change on municipal property taxes on residences and have been laying the groundwork for our Alberta Student

Conference in the winter semester. Also it has been discovered that the VPX is quite frightened by bees.

### **Residence Budget Advisory Committee - RBAC**

At the last RBAC meeting, the VPSL, DRPA, and me debated on a large docket of issues with F&O including their new residence agreement terms for breaking a residence contract (which was also implemented without consultation), the new East Campus Housing Project, and HUB security. I also grilled the admin on the financial optics of the recent Lister changes.

### **Fall Reading Week - Update**

I have begun contacting all of the Deans to discuss their thoughts on the Fall Reading Week proposal. So far we have received mixed reviews but most Deans have been generally supportive with few major concerns. I am a bit behind on this effort, as the Lister work has taken up literally all of my time in the past few weeks. I will also be contacting a few key Faculty Associations that may have the most feedback on the proposal because of their unique schedules.

### **City of Edmonton Waste Management Tour**

I went on an Office of Sustainability sponsored tour of the Edmonton Waste Management Facility as part of the ecoREPs program. The facility is one of the top in the world and they have a significant amount of cutting edge technology to help reduce the impact of our waste on the environment. It was mentioned that the facility currently diverts nearly 60% of all incoming waste with the majority of it being turned into compost. In the near future they plan to increase the diversion rate to 90% as they are building a new facility that will be able to break down complex carbon materials into natural gas. The tour was very informative.

### **Meeting with the BSA**

I went for dinner with the BSA President Jessa Aco last night to discuss our organizational goals for the year and to brainstorm ways that we can work together. It was mentioned by Jessa that the SU and BSA traditionally have not had the best relationship but that she is very committed to working with me to improve our relations. I was very impressed with the BSA's plans and they seem to have a very strong executive team! I look forward to working with them closely this year.

### **Goals Document**

I realize that I have still yet to send out my finalized goals document to Council and that I am in violation of Bylaw 4000 because of this. I will have the document out to Council as soon as possible (hopefully tonight). I hope that you can accept my apology for my tardiness, as I literally have not had a second to work on it in the past three weeks as literally all of my time has been committed to working on the Lister issue. We are doing our best to resolve what has become a momentous issue for an enormous amount of our students and the Students' Union as a whole. I will always prioritize the community and health and safety of our students above all else.

## Summary

Thank you all for your time and please be ready for a very important council meeting on Tuesday.  
Have a great weekend!

**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).

Best,

-Colten Yamagishi



August 10, 2012

To: Students' Council 2012-2013

Re: Report of the Vice President Academic

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Hello Council,

My report this week is somewhat shorter than usual. As we ramp up to the Fall semester, much of my work has been focused on building relationships with university administrators and Faculty Association executives. I've also completed a comprehensive review of the SU's advocacy strategies from the past five years on teaching evaluation, teaching professional development, and academic materials.

## **I. Faculty Association Task Force**

Membership for the Faculty Association Task Force has been finalized:

- *Dustin Chelen* – Students' Union Vice President Academic, who will serve as the Chair
- *Kristen Flath* – Dean of Students' delegate, who will serve as the Vice Chair
- *Cory Hodgson* – Representative of the Students' Union Audit Committee
- *Iys Bhaskar* – Representative from student faculty associations and/or campus associations
- *Jennifer Bertrand* – Representative from student faculty associations and/or campus associations
- *Robin Cowan* – Faculty liaison for student faculty associations and/or campus associations
- *Elaine Geddes* – Faculty liaison for student faculty associations and/or campus associations

Myself and the Student Governance Advisor have been preparing meeting materials for the inaugural meeting next week.

## **II. Evaluation of Teaching**

I'm working with the Vice Provost (Academic Programs and Instruction), the Association of Academic Staff University of Alberta Teaching and Learning Committee Chair, and the Graduate Students' Association Vice President Academic to restart discussions on student evaluation of teaching. A 2009 report suggested a number of steps forward for reforming both the USRI instrument and University policy, and we're hoping to work from those results.

## **III. Registrar's Office**

I had my first monthly meeting with Gerry Kendal, Registrar. We discussed a potential change to the withdrawal deadline, changes to course and program quotas and enrolment management, and the SU's involvement in the Welcome Centre project.



#### **IV. Extension of Education Students' Association Probation**

The Students' Union and the Education Students' Association collectively agreed to extend the probationary period to November 30, 2012. This is to accommodate the need for the ESA to present to both Students' Council and the Council of Faculty Associations, the latter of which will not meet until October. The ESA also needs to make progress on improving and institutionalizing financial practices.

If you have any questions about other things I'm working on, please don't hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,



Dustin Chelen



# STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Tuesday July 24th, 2012  
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2012-07)

2012-07/1

### SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

Meeting called to order at 6:06pm

2012-07/1a

Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, August 14th, 2012

2012-07/2

### PRESENTATIONS

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

**Motion: CARRIED**

**KUSMY/SUMAR MOVED TO** suspend the relevant standing orders to increase the presentation time by an additional 15 minutes

**Motion: CARRIED**

2012-07/2a

Executive Goals - Presented by the Executive - Sponsored by Colten Yamagishi, President.

The executive will present Council with their goals for the 2012/2013 year. This presentation is meant to provide Council with a first look at the executive goals and facilitate the opportunity for Council to provide feedback for the final goals document that will be published at the end of the month. Make sure to ask lots of questions!

2012-07/3

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Saadq Sumar, VP Student Life- Report

Petros Kusmu, VP External- Report

Colten Yamagishi, President- Report

2012-07/4

### BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Quetzala Carson, CAC Chair Proxy- Report

**2012-07/7****GENERAL ORDERS****2012-07/7c****KHINDA/SMITH MOVED THAT** Students' Council nominate one (1) member of Students' Council to the Policy Committee

Nominations: McGinn

Nominations Closed

Appointed: McGinn

**2012-07/5****QUESTION PERIOD**

Question Period extended 15 minutes

Question Period extended another 15 minutes

Question Period extended another 15 minutes

**2012-07/7****GENERAL ORDERS****2012-07/7a****CHELEN/SUMAR MOVES THAT** Students' Council convenes the Faculty Association Task Force with terms of reference as attached.

Speakers List: Chelen, Khinda

**Motion: CARRIED****SUMAR/MCGINN MOVED TO** suspend the relevant standing orders to suspend the automatic recess**Motion: CARRIED****2012-07/7b****CHELEN/SUMAR MOVES TO** nominate the Chair of Audit Committee to the Faculty Association Task Force**Motion: CARRIED****Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm**

