

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday September 23rd, 2012
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ORDER PAPER (SC 2012-13)

2012-13/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2012-13/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, November 6, 2012

2012-13/2 PRESENTATIONS

2012-13/2a The Council of Alberta University Student (CAUS): What is CAUS? Why does the U of A SU Care? Presented by the CAUS Chair and University of Calgary Students' Union Vice President External, Raphael Jacob. Sponsored by Vice President External (VPX), Petros Kusmu.

Abstract:

The VPX spends majority of their time on provincial lobbying through CAUS. What is CAUS and why should the UASU care, exactly? This presentation will provide an overview of CAUS, a brief history, some of our major achievements, and things that we're currently working on.

2012-13/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2012-13/3a Executive Committee Report

Please see document SC 12-03.01

2012-13/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2012-13/4a Ruling 2012-03 of the DIE Board Council v. Bui

Please see document SC 12-13.02

2012-13/5 QUESTION PERIOD

2012-13/5a To VP Operations and Finance from Councillor McGinn

Given the stipulations in Bylaw 6000, when would it be appropriate for audit committee to ask for a DFU organization's collective agreement? Where is the line drawn between micro-management and proper auditing? Lastly, what kind of justification should the audit committee have to provide to the DFU organization before asking to divulge private

or confidential information?

2012-13/5b

To President Yamagishi from Councillor McGinn

How many student-at-large applications did SERC receive? Did the first meeting for SERC occur? If so how did it go?

President Response:

Thank you for the question Councillor McGinn and thank you for including it in the main agenda package.
You are a good role-model for the rest of Council!

Here is a brief update on the progress we have made with SERC in the past week and how we plan to move forward with it in the near future.

Since SERC was reconsidered and passed at our last Council meeting we have achieved the following:

- Appointed our Executive Committee representative to SERC (me).
- We have not yet selected the SU staff members for the committee since the General Manager and the VP OpsFi have been away on a conference - we will sort this out as soon as possible.
- We have opened up the online application for the four SERC Student-at-Large members on the SU website <http://www.su.ualberta.ca/governance/committees/serc/> Nominations will be closing Friday, Oct. 18 at 5:00pm.
- So far we have received 4 SAL applications and we will hopefully receive more tomorrow before the deadline closes.
- The APIRG and SUSJ members have been selected.

To answer your second question, the first meeting of SERC has not yet taken place as we are still recruiting for the committee, but here is our plan for the future.

- Monday (Oct. 22) the standing members of the committee will be meeting to select our four student reps from the pool of applications.
- We will inform the successful candidates shortly after the decision is made and upon acceptance of their positions we will work towards scheduling the first meeting of the committee.
- Once this is complete we will have our first meeting, elect a chair, and carry out the business mandated by the committee.

I hope that this update has provided a satisfactory answer to your questions but I will be sure to follow up if you have any other questions or concerns.

Cheers!

2012-13/5c

To Vice-President Chelen from Councillor McGinn

What is the current status of the International Students' Association? Has a strategy been developed to find international students to sit on the advisory committee to build the ISA's constitution?

2012-13/5d

To President Yamagishi from Councillor McGinn

The University of Alberta Students' Union has a proud history of serving Fairtrade Certified coffee in all of the SU owned businesses. In addition, just last year the Students' Union adopted a food policy that called for advocacy on local, organic, and Fair Trade Certified food items.

What is the Students' Union position in regards to becoming a Fairtrade Certified campus? Both the University of British Columbia and Simon Fraser University have in recent years become Fairtrade campus's and a group of individuals is hoping to do the same at the University of Alberta. What would be the appropriate means for the SU to adopt a position on Fairtrade Campus?

2012-13/6

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2012-13/6a

KHINDA MOVES THAT, upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council ammend the Political Policy "Sustainability" in first reading based on the following principle:

1. The notion of sustainability encompasses the three pillars of economic, environmental, and social sustainability
2. The Policy will expire in April 2015

Please see document SC 12-13.03

2012-13/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2012-13/5a

SMITH MOVES THAT Students' Council approve Bill # 3 that Students' Council adapt Bylaw 100 Section 19 (Conflict-of-Interest) in first reading based on the following principles

1. For the purpose of this Bylaw, membership in a group shall be defined as a member who is closely and directly involved with that organization.
2. There should be a time limit to challenge a motion to DIE Board.
3. In extraordinary circumstances a member of council should be allowed to retroactively change their vote to an abstention in the case of conflict of interest.

2012-13/8

INFORMATION ITEMS

2012-13/8a

Brent Kelly- Resignation from FACRA board, ERC and Audit Committee.

Please see document SC 12-13.04

2012-13/8b

Audit Committee Summary Report

Please see document SC 12-13.05

2012-13/8c

Sarjenka Kuryliw- Resignation from Council

Please see document SC 12-13.06

2012-13/8d

Councillor Appointment

Please see document SC 12-13.07

2012-13/8e

Petros Kusmu, VP External- Report

Please see document SC 12-13.08

October 19, 2012

CHEEMA/SUMAR MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a Casino Capital Allocation not to exceed \$600.00 for the purpose of purchasing a new trade show booth.

5/0/0 CARRIED

October 3

KUSMU/YAMAGISHI MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the 'GBVP Logo Final Draft' as the official logo for the GBVP.

5/0/0 CARRIED

DIE BOARD RULING 2012-03

HEARING DETAILS:

Style of Cause: Council v. Bui

Hearing Date: October 15th, 2012

Hearing Number: Ruling #03 2012/2013

DIE Board Panel Members: Cian Hackett, Associate Chief Tribune, Chair
Eve Coppinger, Tribune
Drew Maharaj, Tribune

Appearing for the Applicant: Rory Tighe, Speaker of Students' Council

BACKGROUND:

Speaker Tighe is tasked with checking the eligibility of Councilors on Students' Council. In September, Mr. Tighe found that Vi Bui, a Science Councilor, was registered in the Faculty of Education. Mr. Tighe emailed Ms. Bui to confirm this fact on September 28, 2012. Ms. Bui responded on September 28, 2012, confirming that she was registered in the Faculty of Education. The same day, Mr. Tighe emailed Ms. Bui informing her that to remove her, he would have to either receive a written resignation or ask that the DIE Board enforce the relevant bylaw. After a follow-up email on October 4, 2012, no response was received.

The proposed respondent, Ms. Bui, did not submit the form to become a Respondent, and was not present at the hearing.

ISSUES:

- [1] Is Vi Bui, Science Councilor, eligible to hold her position on Students' Council?
- [2] If Ms. Bui is found to be ineligible for her position, what action will the DIE Board take?

RELEVANT BYLAWS:

- [3] **From Bylaw 0100(4), A Bylaw Respecting Students' Council (Eligibility):**

(2) Every Councillor is required to be enrolled in the faculty he/she represents

[4] **From Bylaw 0100(5), A Bylaw Respecting Students' Council (Resignation):**

(1) Students' Council does not have the authority to remove any Councillor.

(2) Any member of Students' Council wishing to resign must do so in writing to the Speaker.

[5] **From Bylaw 1500, Judiciary of the Students' Union Bylaw**

29. General Powers of Enforcement

If the Board finds an application for action or application for appeal requires action by the Board may make any order proscribing any remedy the Board considers appropriate and just in the circumstances

DECISION:

[6] The Panel finds that Vi Bui is not eligible for the position of Science Councilor on Students' Council, pursuant to Bylaw 0100(4)(2).

Ms. Bui confirmed in the emails provided by the Applicant that she was no longer registered in the Faculty of Science. She does not fulfill the requirements of Bylaw 0100(4)(2).

[7] The application is granted, and accordingly, Vi Bui shall be removed from her position.

A Councilor may not be removed by Students' Council, according to Bylaw 0100(5)(1). In Students' Union Bylaw, the power to remove a Councilor is not explicitly granted. Given that the Applicant is asking for an enforcement of Bylaw 0100, the Panel finds the above action appropriate and within the powers of enforcement bestowed upon the DIE Board by Bylaw 1500(29).

SUSTAINABILITY

WHEREAS the University has long recognized the influential position of the institution in addressing issues of sustainability and environmental management;

WHEREAS energy efficiencies resulting from investment in viable alternatives yield long term benefits to the University;

WHEREAS the University is expanding its capacity to create its own solutions with the School for Energy and the Environment;

WHEREAS integrating sustainability topics into course curriculum is a very practical way for the University to participate in global sustainability practices;

WHEREAS students who are actively engaged in sustainability initiatives and education are more likely to live, and encourage others to live, a sustainable lifestyle in the future;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union shall encourage the University to develop innovative solutions to environmental issues through the School for Energy and the Environment;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union shall advocate to the University for the continued adherence to the highest environmental standards in its operations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union advocates for the inclusion of topics in sustainability in course curriculum where appropriate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union seek to actively engage the student population in sustainability initiatives and education.

Dear Mr. Speaker,

I regret to inform you that I must resign from the FACRA board, the Elections Review Committee, and Audit Committee. I have very much enjoyed my time in these appointments, but unfortunately new and unavoidable time commitments have rendered me unable to fulfill my duties on these committees to the extent which is necessary.

I have emailed the respective chairs of these committees to inform them of my resignation.

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In Solidarity,

Brent Kelly

Governor | University of Alberta | Students' Union Nominee
BA candidate in Political Science and International Studies

Audit Committee **MEETING** **SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL**

Date: October 16

Time: 5:00 PM

2011 – 2012 *MEETING #*

Motions

1.	<i>HODGSON</i> moved that <i>credit card statements be tabled until next meeting.</i>	<i>CARRIED</i> <i>4/0/0</i>
2.		<i>CARRIED</i> <i>0/0/0</i>
3.		<i>CARRIED</i> <i>0/0/0</i>
4.		<i>CARRIED</i> <i>0/0/0</i>

Hi Rory and Farid,

I would like to send in my formal resignation from council so as to allow the councilor in waiting to fill my empty place.

If you need any other information please let me know.

Thanks,
Sarjenka



Students' Union Elections Office

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To:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Mr. Rory Tighe Speaker of Students' Council➤ Mr. Colten Yamagishi President, Students' Union➤ Ms. Amanda Henry Student Governance Advisor, Students' Union
From:	➤ Farid Iskandar Chief Returning Officer
Subject:	Councillor Appointment - Science
Date:	October 18, 2012

In accordance with Students' Union Bylaw 100, Section 7(6), empty seats on Students' Council shall be filled by *"the candidate who would have been elected had another Councillor been allocated to the resigning Councillor's faculty during the last election before which nominations were open for that faculty."* The last election where nominations were open for the Faculty of Science in Students' Council was Students' Council and GFC Election – March 2012.

In response to the recent vacancy of a Science position, I am pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Glenn Gensler to Students' Council as Science Councillor for the 2012-2013 year.

If you require any other information regarding this appointment, or regarding the Councillor replenishment process, please contact me at cro@su.ualberta.ca.

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council (for October 9th, 2012 Meeting)

1. Lobby Meetings + Elections Act

I had the excellent chance of meeting with Associate Minister of International and Intergovernmental Affairs, Teresa Woo-Paw, last week. Besides the Associate Minister Woo-Paw being receptive to our lobby priorities, she gave me a hint that the Minister of Justice, Jonathan Dennis, may be making a change to the Elections Act in regards to the student residency. The only question now is how big of a change will be made to the Act? We'll just have to wait and see until the Legislature's fall sitting.

2. External Advocacy and Team Lobby Training Program

The External Advocacy Team and Lobby Training Program have been going great! We've had a total of 8 people attend our lobby training sessions, thus far. (Not including today's session at 4PM). Considering that these sessions have only been advertised to members on my email list and to members of Council, I'm quite satisfied with this turnout. The VP Academic and I plan on cohosting a lobby training session sometime in November. In the meantime, I have a couple of outings for members interested in the external team to accompany me.

3. Future of PSE Conference + CAUS Meeting

A lot of ground has been made in regards to this conference. I've spent a lot of my time working on a visioning document for this conference. Here are some details that the steering committee approved:

- Conference Objectives: 1. Create an inclusive vision for Alberta's PSE system; 2. Foster alliances between all PSE stakeholders in Alberta; and 3. Increase the awareness of PSE issues
- Dates: 1. Reception and Keynote Speaker - February 21st, 2013; 2. PSE Stakeholder Summit – February 22nd, 2013

Furthermore, at CAUS' meeting in Lethbridge last week, we had the opportunity to chat with the Council of Alberta Faculty Association's (CAFA) Executive Director and Chair. Not only did we have the opportunity to share our priorities with one another, but CAFA also committed to the idea of collaborating on such a conference. They really believe that a conference of this caliber is extremely important, especially with a new government and ministry in place.

Signing off,



Petros Kusmu

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STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday October 9th, 2012
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2012-12)

2012-12/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2012-12/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, October 23rd, 2012

2012-12/2 PRESENTATIONS

2012-12/2c The University Budget, presented by Martin Ferguson-Pell (Provost and Vice President Academic) and Phyllis Clark (Vice President Finance and Administration). Sponsored by Dustin Chelen, Vice President Academic.

This presentation will summarize the University's budgeting processes, along with an update on the 2013-2014 budget. It will highlight any expected increases to tuition or fees for the coming academic year.

SUMAR/HOLT MOVE TO suspend standing orders to extend the presentation time by 15 minutes

Motion: CARRIED

YAMAGISHI/KUSMU MOVE TO suspend standing orders to extend the presentation time by 15 minutes

Motion: CARRIED

2012-12/2a SU Financial Statements 2011-2012 Presented by Councillor Holt, Audit Committee Member. Sponsored by Councillor Holt.

Abstract:

The Students' Union financial statements are prepared by management and audited by an external auditor (KPMG LLP). The Audit Committee liaises with management and the external auditor to determine whether it will recommend approval of the financial statements to Students' Council. This presentation will principally discuss the feedback provided by the external auditor and management on which basis Audit Committee recommends that the financial statements be approved.

2012-12/2b Universal Transit Pass Presentation
Presented by Saadiq Sumar, Vice President Student Life. Sponsored by Saadiq

Sumar.

This presentation is meant to provide Students' Council with information regarding the U-Pass negotiations and the different proposal made by the student associations in response to the initial proposal from the transit providers.

2012-12/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2012-12/7a

YAMAGISHI/SUMAR MOVE TO elect one member of Students' Council to the Vice Provost and Chief Librarian Search Committee.

Nominations: Carson, Chelen

Nominations Closed

Appointed: Chelen

Automatic Recess at 8:00

Meeting called back to order at 8:15

2012-12/3

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Dustin Chelen, VP Academic- Report

Saadq Sumar, VP Students Life- Report

Colten Yamagishi, President- Report

2012-12/4

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Kelsey Mills, CAC Chair- Report

2012-12/5

QUESTION PERIOD

2012-12/6

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2012-12/6a

HOLT/KELLY MOVES THAT upon recommendation of the Audit Committee, Students' Council approve the Students' Union April 30 2012 year end draft financial statements.

Speakers List: Holt, Le, Sumar

SUMAR/MCGINN MOVED TO suspend the relevant standing orders to deal with a motion that pertains to a presentation that was made in the same Council meeting.

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

2012-12/7b

SMITH/KIM MOVES THAT, upon the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee, Students' Council approve Bill # 2 that Students' Council adopt the Bylaw, Mandatory Councilor Attendance, in first reading based on the following

principles:

1. Attendance at council meetings is crucial for Councillors to fulfill their obligations. Therefore, measures should be in place to encourage an appropriate level of attendance for all Councillors.
2. These measures will be made up of several actions to deter absenteeism, which, if unsuccessful, may ultimately culminate in a removal.
3. Councillors should have the opportunity to appeal any repercussions related to poor attendance in order to account for extraordinary circumstances.

Speakers List: Smith, Milner, Sumar, Holt, Le, Mills, Carson

Motion: CARRIED
Executives abstain

2012-12/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2012-12/7C

YAMAGISHI/CRONE MOVE TO RECONSIDER MOTION 2012-09/7C
McGINN/KIM MOVE THAT Students' Council convenes the Social and Environmental Responsibility Committee (SERC) with terms of reference as attached.

Speakers List: Yamagishi, McGinn, Carson, Mills, Sumar, Smith

SMITH CALLED TO QUESTION

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion CARRIED

McGINN/KIM MOVE THAT Students' Council convenes the Social and Environmental Responsibility Committee (SERC) with terms of reference as attached.

Speakers List: McGinn, Sumar, Yamagishi, Mills

MCGINN/SUMAR MOVED to recess for 5 minutes

Motion: CARRIED

Meeting called back to order

SUMAR MOVED TO amend the document to read:
The SAL applications will be due the last day of March.

Meetings:

Quorum will be five (5) members.

Motion (friendly): CARRIED

KELLY Called for division:

Yamagishi- Y
Chelen- N
Cheema- A

Sumar- A
Kelly- Y
Milner- Y
Kim- Y
McGinn- A
Khinda- N
Borden- N
Vy- A
Le- A
Holt- N
Smith- Y
Morin- A
Liang- A
Crone- Y
Rydz- Y
Carson- Y
Reynolds- A
McCormack- A
Champagne- A
Jackson- Y
Kochikuzhyil- A
Nguyne- Y
Phan- Y

Motion: CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 9:34pm

Councillor Attendance Records						
2010-2011		Attendance				
Council Seats (40 total)	Name					
		9/11/2012 SC 12-10	9/25/2012 SC 12-11	10/9/2012 SC 12-12		
Ex-officio Members (6 voting seats)						
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President	Colten Yamagishi	Y	Y	Y		
VP Academic	Dustin Chelen	Y	Y	Y		
VP External	Petros Kusmu	Y	Y	0.5		
VP Operations & Finance	Andy Cheema	Y	Y	Y		
VP Student Life	Sadiq Sumar	Y	Y	Y		
Undergraduate Board of Governors Rep	Brent Kelly	Y	Y	Y		
Faculty Representation (32 voting seats)						
ALES	Leon Milner	Y	Y	Y		
Arts	Dongwoo Kim	Y	N	Y		
Arts	Mike McGinn	Y	Y	Y		
Arts	Navneet Khinda	Y	0.5	Y		
Arts	Kelsey Mills	Y(p)	Y	0.5		
Arts	Dylan Hanwell		Y	N(p)		
Arts	Erin Borden	Y(p)	Y(p)	Y		
Augustana (Faculty)	Jame Vy			Y		
Business	Josh Le	Y	Y	Y		
Business	Tim Holt	Y	Y	Y		
Education	Kevin Smith	Y	Y	Y		
Education	Tanya Morin			Y		
Education	Sarjenka Kuryliw	N	N	N		
Engineering	Wen Yu Liang	Y	Y	Y		
Engineering	Lyndon Crone	Y	Y	Y		
Engineering	Vacant					
Engineering	Vacant					
Law	Mario Babic	Y	Y	0.5		
Medicine & Dentistry	Ola Rydz	Y	Y	Y		
Native Studies	Quetzala Carson	Y	Y	Y		
Nursing	Joanne Reynolds			Y		
Open Studies	Mark McCormack			Y		
Pharmacy	Sarah Choudhry	Y	Y	0.5		
Phys Ed & Rec	Vacant					
Saint-Jean (Faculty)	Colin Champagne	Y	Y	Y		
Science	Julia Jackson	N	Y	Y		
Science	Jeffry Kochikuzhyil	Y	Y	Y		
Science	Louis Nguyen	Y	Y	Y		
Science	Victoria Pham	Y	0.5	Y		
Science	Vi Bui	N	Y	N		
Science	Nicholas Monfries	0.5	Y	N		
Science	Cory Hodgson	Y	Y	0.5		
Ex-Officio Members (2 non-voting seats)						
Speaker	Rory Tighe	Y	Y	Y		
General Manager	Marc Dumouchel	N	0.5	N		