

STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

Tuesday October 11, 2011

Room 304, Pavillon Lacerte, Campus Saint-Jean

LATE ADDITIONS (SC 2011-12)

2011-12/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2011-12/2 PRESENTATIONS

2011-12/2c Dear Students' Council Members,

Part of the Student Union Dedicated Fees goes to Alberta Public Interest Research Group (APIRG). One of APIRG's funded groups is the Palestine Solidarity Network (PSN), which annually hosts Israeli Apartheid Week and seeks to "advance the Palestinian Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement." APIRG's decision to fund this controversial hate-fest reflects a very poor decision.

Falsely accusing Israel of apartheid is done to delegitimize Israel by comparing it to apartheid South Africa. Singling out the Middle East's only free democracy is unfair and immoral, especially when their accusations are all based on a lie. PSN also invites controversial speakers who spew lies, even comparing the Jewish State of Israel to Nazi Germany.

There is something fundamentally and morally wrong in an organization that actively promotes this mentality with false analogies. It is a shame that APIRG has no qualms in sponsoring such a group. While recognizing the right of free speech on campus, I do not wish to shut down these events. The issue is whether APIRG's funding is consistent with values of decency and morality. Those who fund hateful events become complicit in propagating that message of hate

I suggest that there should be an easier APIRG opt-out system available for students such as a simple and quick online form similar to the one for opting out of the health and dental plans. When student money that is optional and is being used for activities of such ideologies, then there also needs to be much better communication to all the students. Perhaps an email sent out describing the option of opting out, a link to the opt out website, and an explanation of what the money is being used for detailing every funded group and its activities. Students have a right to know, and to have the information more easily accessible. Please ensure that the students' money does not go towards such inappropriate activities, call for more responsible use of student money, and correct this injustice in the fight against bigotry and hate.

Thank you very much for your consideration,

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2011-12/3

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2011-12/4

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2011-12/5

QUESTION PERIOD

2011-12/5a

Councillor Khinda to Emerson Csorba, VP Academic- I've become aware of the fact that someone in the Faculty of Arts is thinking about creating an "Honors College". I've heard it through the grape-vine that such a program could possibly be detrimental to some of the currently existing successful Arts honors programs. Can you elaborate/provide any more details?

2011-12/5b

Councillor Sumar to Rory Tighe, President- Opportunities are sought and taken where feasible to implement energy management initiatives in conjunction with maintenance, infrastructure renewal, or facility alteration projects." Despite this statement, there seem to be no initiatives to be undertaken in any of the UofA Residences. Is this an oversight on the University Administration's part? Are there projects to be undertaken in residences that have not been listed in the Energy Management Plan?

2011-12/6

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2011-12/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2011-12/8

INFORMATION ITEMS

2011-12/8l

Policy Committee- Summary report to Council

Please see document LA 11-12.01

2011-12/8m

Bylaw Committee- Summary report to Council

Please see document LA 11-12.02

2011-12/8n

GAC- Summary report to Council

Please see document LA 11-12.03



COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: **October 04, 2011**

Time: **6:34 pm.**

2011 – 2012 # **10**

Motions

1.	FEHR moved that the October 4, 2011 agenda be approved as amended . Seconded by KARUVELIL .	CARRIED 7/0/2
2.	WOODS moved that the September 20, 2011 minutes be approved as amended . The motion was seconded by KHINDA .	CARRIED 7/0/2
3.	ISKANDAR moved that the Academic Materials Policy be passed. Seconded by LEPAGE FORTIN .	CARRIED 8/0/1
4.	FEHR moved that the meeting be adjourned . The motion was seconded by WOODS .	CARRIED 8/0/1



BYLAW SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: **October 4, 2011**

Time: **5:05pm**

2010 – 2011 **MEETING 10**

Motions

1.	<i>SUMAR</i> moved that the <i>October 4, 2011</i> agenda be approved as <i>amended</i> .	<i>CARRIED</i> 4/0/0
2.	<i>KARUVELIL</i> moved to approve the <i>September 7, 2011</i> minutes as <i>tabled</i> .	<i>CARRIED</i> 3/0/2
3.	<i>KARUVELIL</i> moved that the meeting be adjourned.	<i>CARRIED</i> 4/0/1



GRANT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: Sept 21, 2011

Time: 4.10 PM

2011 – 2012 #11

Motions

1.	<i>CHEEMA moved to increase the value of the Students' Union Award for Excellence to \$2500.</i>	<i>CARRIED 6/0/0</i>
2.	CHEEMA moved to increase the number of recipients for each Student's Union involvement Award awarded in 2011 from two to four, excluding the Students' Union Award for Excellence.	<i>CARRIED 6/0/0</i>
3.	CHEEMA moved to announce that the committee will be meeting on off council Wednesdays from 4pm - 5pm.	<i>CARRIED 6/0/0</i>