

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday September 21, 2010
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

ORDER PAPER (SC 2010-11)

2010-11/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2010-11/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, September 28, 2010

2010-11/2 PRESENTATIONS

2010-11/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2010-11/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2010-11/5 QUESTION PERIOD

2010-11/6 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2010-11/6a **TURNER/ROSS MOVES THAT**, upon the recommendation of the Grant Allocation Committee, Students' Council authorize a transfer of the total of the Access Fund endowment and the total of the Access Fund accruals and reserves less five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) to the Student Involvement Endowment Fund.

2010-11/6b **COX/FENTIMAN MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #18 that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy Quality of Instruction in first reading based on the following principles:

- that the University of Alberta Students' Union actively supports and facilitates programs that seek to improve pedagogical technique for instructors and instructional quality for undergraduates.
- that the University of Alberta Students' Union fosters conditions that promote the importance of teaching at an institutional level.
- that the University of Alberta Students' Union encourages the development of an effective student teaching evaluation mechanism.

that this policy expire on April 30th, 2012.

Please see document SC 10-11.01

2010-11/6c **MURPHY/COX MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #13 that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy Deferred Maintenance in second reading.
Principles:

- 2010-11/6c** **MURPHY/COX MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #13 that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy Deferred Maintenance in second reading.
- Principles:
1. that the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the provincial government for a one-time capital funding package to be delivered over a period of years to remedy historically accumulated deferred maintenance liability.
 2. that the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the provincial government for the institution of an ongoing operational funding envelope to the University, designed to provide for adequate ongoing preventative maintenance.
 3. that the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the University to adequately prioritize preventative maintenance in future budgets.
 4. that the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the University to follow construction practices that minimize future maintenance costs.
 5. that this policy expire on April 30, 2013.
- Please see document SC 10-11.02
- 2010-11/6d** **TIGHE/LEPAGE FORTIN MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #17 that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy Student Space in second reading.
- Principles:
- that the Students' Union will push to ensure that student space provided by the University of Alberta takes into consideration the needs of students for the purposes of gathering, studying, and learning from one another.
 - that the Students' Union will endeavor to influence space allocation and building development policies to ensure that demands of current and future demographics of students using the space are taken into account.
 - that the Students' Union support the construction and renovation of classroom spaces to reflect advances in pedagogy.
- that this policy expire on April 30th, 2013.
- Please see document SC 10-11.03
- 2010-11/6e** **TIGHE/COX MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #16, that Students' Council amend the Political Policy Public Transit in second reading.
- Principle: that the Students' Union does not advocate that the regional municipalities and transit services prioritize BRT services.
- Please see document SC 10-11.04
- 2010-11/7** **GENERAL ORDERS**
- 2010-11/8** **INFORMATION ITEMS**
- 2010-11/8a** Policy Committee- Report
- Please see document SC 10-11.05

THE STUDENTS' UNION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT

Policy Number: **11**

Effective Date: **November 7, 2006**

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Expiration Date: **April 30, 2010**

Responsibility for Policy:

University Policy Committee

Subject Matter - *Category:*

POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)

- *Specific:*

- *Topic:*

Quality Instruction

WHEREAS instructional quality is the single most decisive factor in the quality of undergraduate education;

WHEREAS outstanding undergraduate instruction reflects positively on every aspect of the University;

WHEREAS excellence in research requires a foundation of excellent undergraduate education;

WHEREAS excellence in undergraduate instruction promotes continuing educational endeavors by undergraduate students into higher levels of study;

WHEREAS initiatives designed to improve teaching make positive contributions to common pedagogical practice as well as legislation relating to the governance of teaching and learning;

WHEREAS interdisciplinary exploration and advances in technology influence the quality of education;

WHEREAS development of a culture that promotes excellence in teaching requires funding, attention and innovation on the part of the University;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union actively support and facilitate programs that seek to improve pedagogical technique for professors and instructional quality for undergraduates;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union foster conditions that promote the importance of teaching at an institutional level;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union celebrate, support and facilitate any program aimed at rewarding excellence in the practice of teaching at an undergraduate level.

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POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT

<i>Policy Number:</i> 1	<i>Effective Date:</i> September 21, 2010	<i>Page 1 of 1</i>
	<i>Expiration Date:</i> April 30, 2013	
<i>Responsibility for Policy:</i>	External Policy Committee	
<i>Subject Matter</i> - <i>Category:</i>	POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)	
	- <i>Specific:</i>	Deferred Maintenance
	- <i>Topic:</i>	

WHEREAS funding for routine building and systems preventive maintenance had been significantly cut back, resulting in a massive backlog of deferred maintenance;

WHEREAS the accumulation of significant deferred maintenance liability represents a failure of the government to adequately fund the operations of the University;

WHEREAS deferred maintenance reduces the quality of the undergraduate learning experience, the University's public image, and presents a potential health and safety hazard;

WHEREAS it is inappropriate for the University and the government to expect current and future undergraduates to fund the correction of historically deficient resource allocations;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the provincial government for a one-time capital funding package to be delivered over a period of years to remedy the historically accumulated deferred maintenance liability;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the provincial government for the institution of an ongoing operational funding envelope to the University, designed to provide for adequate ongoing preventive maintenance;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the University to adequately prioritize preventative maintenance in future budgets;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the University to follow construction practices that minimize future maintenance costs.

Policy History:
Reference/Vote
6/0/0
Created 2007-02

Board/Committee
EPC

Date of Council Approval
May 22, 2007
May 29, 2007/ SC 2007-03/5b(i)

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POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT

*Policy Number:***9**

Effective Date: **September 21, 2010** Page **1** of **1**

Expiration Date: **April 30, 2013**

Responsibility for Policy:

University Policy Committee

Subject Matter - *Category:*

POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)

- *Specific:*

- *Topic:*

Student Space

WHEREAS the University of Alberta lacks sufficient study space to accommodate the current student population;

WHEREAS current space planning has not sufficiently anticipated the needs of current or future students;

WHEREAS the size and importance of current and upcoming building projects requires that student space be actively considered in space planning;

WHEREAS student groups require the availability of space that appropriately meets their needs in order to flourish and successfully contribute to the undergraduate experience;

WHEREAS space planning in new and refurbished buildings will have cultural and experiential impacts on those who make use of the buildings;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union will push to ensure that student space provided by the University of Alberta takes into consideration the needs of students for the purposes of gathering, studying and learning from one another;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union will endeavor to influence space allocation and building development policies to ensure that demands of current and future demographics of students using the space are taken into account;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union supports the construction and renovation of classroom spaces to reflect advances in pedagogy.

Policy History:
Reference/Vote
Create 2006-12

Board/Committee
UPC

Date of Council Approval
November 7,2006/SC 06-14/5a(iii)

THE STUDENTS' UNION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT

Policy Number:

Effective Date: August 3, 2010

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Expiration Date: April 30, 2013

Subject Matter - *Category:* **POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)**

- *Topic:* ***Public Transit***

Whereas public transit is a common mode of transportation used by University of Alberta students that benefits the quality of life of all members in the community;

Whereas the U-Pass is to be implemented in the academic years consistent with the referendum conditions;

Whereas the post-secondary bus pass provides a more affordable public transit option for students than a regular adult pass;

Whereas public transit expansion would allow improved access for University of Alberta students to commute within the service area;

Whereas light rail transit (LRT) is an efficient and reliable form of public transit;

Whereas Smartcard technology would reduce the possibility for U-pass fraud and reduce the need for a U-Pass replacement fee;

Be it resolved that the Students' Union advocate that the regional municipalities and transit services carefully monitor service demand arising from U-pass implementation, consider input from stakeholders and commit all resources necessary to maintain reliable, safe and timely service;

Be it further resolved that the Students' Union advocate for a more affordable option than a regular adult pass for spring and summer students;

Be it further resolved that the Students' Union negotiate a new, long-term U-Pass contract to be implemented upon the expiry of the current contract;

Be it further resolved that the Students' Union advocate that the regional municipalities and transit services expand their current service systems, prioritizing LRT, ~~BRT~~ and implementation of Smartcard technology, to better meet the needs of the University of Alberta students.

Policy History:

Reference/Vote
Created 2007-11/5b(i)
2007-20/5b(i)

Board/Committee
UPC

Date of Council Approval
September 18 '07 1st reading
February 5 '08 2nd reading



Season 102 - Episode 10

Starring: Rapahel LEPAGE FORTIN, Zach FENTIMAN as Steven HUYNH, Aden MURPHY, James EASTHAM, and Rory TIGHE with Natalie COX as Chair

Also Starring (just not this episode): Aditya RAO, Antonia JOHNSON, and Petros KUSMU (for the last time)

Previously on the P.C.:

1. The VPX report continues to exceed the VPSL report in length. Quality of reports is equally fantastic.
2. The P.C. prepared second readings of three policies: Public Transit (say goodbye to BRT, folks!), Student Space, and Deferred Maintenance.
3. The P.C. anticipates combining the two Quality of Instruction Policies into one.
4. As such, the P.C. is actively retiring the Quality of Instruction – Student Evaluation of Teaching Policy.
5. The P.C. has decided on a meeting schedule. The P.C. has officially called dibs on off-council Tuesdays at 6:00pm. Please, join the P.C. in the LLMR.
6. Councillor Kusmu has resigned from the P.C.

Next time on the P.C.:

1. The P.C. will look at International Student Differential (Second Reading), Affordable Housing (Second Reading), Environmental Planning (First Reading), and Research (First Reading) policies.
2. Who will join the cast of the P.C.? Could it be you? Stay tuned!

STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday September 14, 2010
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2010-10)

2010-10/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2010-10/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, September 21, 2010

2010-10/2 PRESENTATIONS

2010-10/2c Tuition Fee Proposal Presentation by Vice President (Academic) Carl Amrhein and Vice President (Finance and Administration) Phyllis Clark sponsored by President Dehod

TURNER/DEHOD MOVED to suspend the relevant standing orders to increase the presentation time.

Motion: CARRIED

2010-10/2b Academic Plan Presentation by Vice President (Academic) Carl Amrhein and Vice President (Research) Lorne Babiuk sponsored by Vice President Academic James Eastham

TIGHE/DEHOD MOVED to suspend the relevant standing orders to increase the presentation time.

Motion: CARRIED

2010-10/2a Access Fund Endowment Recommendation- Presented by Zach Fentiman VP Operations and Finance. Sponsored by Zach Fentiman VP Operations and Finance.

The presentation will give clarity around how the Access Fund endowment and reserves are currently utilized and how both could be better utilized under GAC's proposal to transfer funds to the Student Involvement Endowment Fund.

TURNER/GORDON MOVED TO suspend the relevant standing orders to allow for 2010-10/2a and 2010-10/6b to be dealt with in the same meeting.

Motion: CARRIED

2010-10/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

Councillor scholarship awarded to Natalie Cox

TIGHT/TURNER MOVED TO suspend the relevant standing orders to not take a recess

Motion: CARRIED

DEHOD/KAAI MOVED TO take a 5 minute recess

Motion: CARRIED

Recess at 9:00pm

Meeting called back to order at 9:05pm

Turner withdraws item 2010-10/6b

2010-10/3

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Rory Tighe, VP Student Life- Oral Report

Nick Dehod, President- Oral Report

2010-10/4

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Craig Turner, CAC Chair- Oral Report

2010-10/5

QUESTION PERIOD

Question Period extended 15 minutes

RAO/HUYNH MOVED TO extend question period another 15 minutes

Motion: CARRIED

2010-10/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2010-10/7a

SAIDANE/FENTIMAN MOVES TO appoint (1) one member of Students' Council to the Budget and Finance Committee

Nominations: Lepage Fortin

Nominations closed

Appointed: Lepage Fortin

2010-10/7b

TURNER/KAAI MOVES TO appoint (1) one member of Students' Council to the Council Administration Committee

Nominations: Gordon, Ross, Iskandar

Nominations closed

Appointed: Ross

2010-10/6

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2010-10/6a

PARSONAGE/COX MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee, Students' Council approve Bill # 2 in second reading.

Principles:

- Chairs of standing committees shall be elected using the balloting procedures currently outlined in Bylaw 2000.

Speakers List: Parsonage, Dehod, Kusmu

Motion: CARRIED

COX/HUYNH MOVED TO adjourn

Motion: CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 9:55pm

Councillor Attendance Records

2010-2011

Attendance

9/14/2010 SC 10-10

Council Seats (40 total) Name

Ex-officio Members (6 voting seats)

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President	Nick Dehod	Y				
VP Academic	James Eastham	N				
VP External	Aden Murphy	Y				
VP Operations & Finance	Zach Fentiman	Y				
VP Student Life	Rory Tighe	Y				
Undergraduate Board of Governors Rep	Craig Turner	Y				

Faculty Representation (32 voting seats)

ALES	Natalie Cox	Y				
Arts	Petros Kusmu	Y				
Arts	Aditya Rao	Y				
Arts	Nariman Saidane	Y				
Arts	Joel French	Y				
Arts	Kenzie Gordon	0.5				
Arts	Malori Stan	0.5				
Augustana (Faculty)	vacant					
Business	Colten Yamigishi	Y				
Business	Harry Chandler	Y(p)				
Education	Nagina wa Kaai	Y				
Education	vacant					
Education	vacant					
Engineering	Michael Ross	Y				
Engineering	Ben Lambert	N				
Engineering	Noel Broughton	Y				
Engineering	Farid Iskandar	Y				
Law	Leslie Stitt	Y				
Medicine & Dentistry	Antonia Johnson	0.5				
Native Studies	Jake Archie	Y				
Nursing	Jenna Parsonage	Y				
Nursing	vacant					
Open Studies	vacant					
Pharmacy	Sarah Zhao	Y				
Phys Ed & Rec	vacant					
Saint-Jean (Faculty)	Raphael Lepage Fortin	Y				
Science	vacant	Y				
Science	Kim Ferguson	Y				
Science	Andy Cheema	Y				
Science	Steven Huynh	Y				
Science	Thomas L'Abbe'	Y				
Science	Wei Qiang	Y				
Science	Natalie Cox	Y				

Ex-Officio Members (2 non-voting seats)

Speaker	Steven Dollansky	Y				
General Manager	Marc Dumouchel	N				

Resigned:

Deep Bara- May 4, 2010

Dough Cheung- Sept 14, 2010