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**Tuesday, September 19, 2017  
Council Chambers, University Hall**

We would like to respectfully acknowledge that our University and our Students' Union are located on Treaty 6 Territory. We are grateful to be on Cree, Dene, Saulteaux, Métis, Blackfoot, and Nakota Sioux territory; specifically the ancestral space of the Papaschase Cree. These Nations are our family, friends, faculty, staff, students, and peers. As members of the University of Alberta Students' Union we honour the nation-to-nation treaty relationship. We aspire for our learning, research, teaching, and governance to acknowledge and work towards the decolonization of Indigenous knowledges and traditions.

**ORDER PAPER (SC 2017-09)**

**2017-09/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS**

**2017-09/1a** Announcements - The next meeting of the Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers.

**2017-09/2 PRESENTATIONS**

**2017-09/2a *Presentation Title:*** Student Groups Policy, Student Groups Recognition Procedure, and Student Groups Events and Activities Procedure

***Abstract:*** In 2014, the University adopted the Student Groups Procedure to establish clear expectations of the responsibilities and benefits of both the University and student groups. Since the adoption of the 2014 procedure, feedback from student groups has indicated a need for greater clarity in the University's processes regarding student group decisions (e.g. decisions to grant, suspend, or revoke recognition and to approve, deny or revoke approval for an event). The proposed Student Groups Policy, Student Groups Recognition Procedure, and Student Groups Events and Activities Procedure aim to provide greater clarity in process, as well as articulate the key principles that inform student group decisions.

***Presenter(s):***

- Sarah Wolgemuth, Assistant Dean (Student Life) - Dean of Students
- Katherine Zwicker, Manager (Student Affairs) - Dean of Students

**USHAKOV/BANISTER SPONSOR** a presentation from the Dean of Students Office regarding changes in the Student Group Policy.

See SC 2017-09.01.

**2017-09/2b *Presentation Title:*** An Overview of the Council of Alberta University Students

**Abstract:** The Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS) represents the interests of over 100,000 Alberta university students across Alberta, including those from the University of Alberta. We are here to present our mission, value, successes, and this year's advocacy priorities, as well as answer questions from council.

**Presenter(s):**

- Reed Larsen, Chair - Council of Alberta University Students
- Josh McKeown, Executive Director (Interim) - Council of Alberta University Students

**LARSEN SPONSORS** an overview presentation from the Council of Alberta University Students.

**2017-09/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

**2017-09/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT**

**2017-09/5 OPEN FORUM**

**2017-09/6 QUESTION PERIOD**

**2017-09/6a *Vice President PACHES to Councillor SUNDAY:***

In the 2017/18 Budget Principles, approved by Finance Committee & Students' Council, principle 15 states:

*Recurring, annual expenses of Students' Council shall be budgeted for outside of resources made available to promote and enhance visibility and constituency engagement for members of Students' Council.*

1. The intention of this principle was to ensure that annual expenses of Students Council had funds allocated to support them, while ensuring that engagement was not compromised. The main driver of this was the fact that council jackets used the majority of CAC's budget each year, and Councillors were having to pay out of pocket for their jackets. After this principal was passed, additional funds were added to the Discover Governance budget to pay for council jackets to avoid the need for Councillors to incur personal expenditures, as financial barriers should never be a deterrent to participation in student governance. I would like to ask Councillor Sunday, in his role as CAC Chair, why Councillors are still paying out of pocket for their jackets when additional funds we set aside last year to pay for jackets?
  - a. Thank you for your question. In regards to \$20 fee charged to Councillors for their jacket, this was done because the additional money allotted was not enough to supplement the full cost of jackets.

Moreover, the charging of \$20 was not a unilateral decision made by myself; rather, it was a decision of the members present at the Council Administration Committee meeting where pricing options were discussed. Although I cannot recall the exact date of the meeting, I can inform you once meeting minutes become available. The jackets which were chosen cost approximately \$73.75 each, With 26 Councillors placing orders for jackets, the final price was approximately \$1343.75 plus shipping. As well, two jackets unfortunately went missing and cost the Council Administration Committee an additional \$116.50. The money which was left over will be used during the Council Administration Committee's second round of ordering, set to take place after the by-election. This was done so that any new Councillors would not be faced to bear the brunt of the full \$73.75 for their jacket.

2. At the Students' Council table at this year's TAWOW event, Councillors were handing out information brochures on Students' Council. Who created these brochures, and what approval path was taken with these materials?
  - a. Thank you for your question. The brochures which were given out at TAWOW, and will be given out at other events spearheaded by the Council Administration Committee, were created by Discover Governance with the assistance of Marketing in the 2014/2015 year. Prior to being printed, the brochures were updated to include new information, such as Councillors names and the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Ad Hoc Committee. Money for the printing of these brochures came from both the Council Administration Committee budget and the Discover Governance budget. Although promotional materials were discussed at the August 15, 2017 meeting of the Council Administration Committee, the brochures themselves were not discussed. Concordantly, the money allotted for TAWOW was approved at this meeting as well. Due to the short time frame between approving this motion and TAWOW itself, as well as my own mistake in regards to the writing of cheques, the promotional material which was used at TAWOW was not first brought to a Committee meeting. However, members of the Council Administration Committee were given the opportunity to see these brochures at the August 29, 2017 meeting. During this meeting, members of the Council Administration Committee had the opportunity to comment on the brochures and helped fold them. As I, and I am sure other Councillors as well, did not want Council to table at events with no promotional items, the brochures were printed to fix this. Although Council did have a banner last year, it disappeared during Clubs Fair.
3. I would like to ask Councillor Sunday to please provide council with an update on CAC's budget. I am curious how much has been spent, where, and how much is remaining.
  - a. Thank you for your question. In regards to the budget, I would direct you to read my Chair's Report found on the July 25, 2017 Late

Additions. As for how much has been spent, I cannot give you specific numbers until Discover Governance is given its statements in September or October. The only specific number I can give you is that \$300.00 was allotted for the TAWOW Welcoming Event. This \$300.00 was the cost of registrations for organizations to attend and table at TAWOW. Due to unforeseen costs, such as those incurred as a result of the missing two jackets, the Council Administration Committee will be going over its budget again at its next meeting of September 5, 2017. I thank you for your concern over the Council Administration Committee budget, and hope that your queries are brought and resolved at the September 5, 2017 meeting when we go over the budget once more.

***(Follow-Up) Vice President PACHES to Councillor SUNDAY:***

1. In the 2017/18 Students' Union Budget that was approved by Students' Council, \$2000 was allotted for council jackets. Was the Council Administration Committee aware of this? If not, why was there no request, that I was aware of, to obtain what this allotment was?
  - a. Thank you for your question Vice-President Patches. Yes, the Council Administration Committee was made aware of this on several occasions.
2. I have no follow up question, thank you for your response.
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**Councillor CHRISTENSEN to Councillor SUNDAY:**

1. Despite informing CAC on May 4, 2017 of the importance of ordering councillor jackets early as to allow them to be available for week of welcome (WOW), the jackets have not yet arrived and were only recently ordered. Could councillor Sunday please provide a detailed explanation for how the jackets have once again failed to be provided on time?
  - a. Thank you for your question Councillor Christensen. Unfortunately, there were multiple problems during the ordering process, including Councillors not imputing all of their information into their order, addition jacket orders being placed after the deadline, individuals paying after the deadline, and the two missing jackets. In order for the jackets to arrive prior to Week of Welcome, I believe the next Chair of the Council Administration Committee will either have to start the process of jacket ordering as soon as they are elected chair, or adhere more strictly to the deadline in which they set.
2. It has been preliminarily reported that jacket delays were due, in part, to two jackets being lost. Can Councillor Sunday please explain the chain of custody

of these jackets and how the samples managed to be lost, as this problem has never occurred in the past.

- a. Thank you for your question Councillor Christensen. I initially received the sample jackets on June 19, 2017 from SUBmart. From there, they were brought to my office in Pembina Hall and left there until June 20, 2017. Initially, the jackets were to going to be placed in SUB 2-900, as they have been in the past. However, they were not able to accommodate space for the sample sizes, so the jackets were placed in Discover Governance on June 20, 2017.

After informing Council that they could try on the sample sizes at Discover Governance, I was asked my multiple Councillors to bring the jacket samples with me to the next Council meeting. Unfortunately, I cannot recall the exact meeting when this occurred, but I brought the sample jackets to the next Students' Council meeting. After the Students' Council meeting, I then brought the sample jackets back to my office in Pembina Hall for safekeeping and returned them to Discover Governance the next day. The sample jackets were left in Discover Governance until August 18, 2017, at which time I brought the sample jackets back to SUBmart. Elizabeth was not there to receive the jacket samples personally, but an employee was nice enough to put them behind the counter until Elizabeth returned.

I received e-mail confirmation that Elizabeth had received the sample sizes and was returning them to Stormtech on August 21, 2017. It is in this e-mail that I was also informed that two jackets were missing.

***(Follow-up) Councillor CHRISTENSEN to COUNCILLOR SUNDAY:***

1. It was indicated in the response to my first question that the process of ordering jackets should start early. I made the CAC chair and CAC aware that this should happen on May 4, 2017. Why was this advice not heeded?
  - a. Thank you for your question Councillor Christensen. The process for ordering jackets occurred as fast as possible, considering the Council Administration Committee meets every two weeks. There is a lot of background work that is not seen on agendas and minutes, as is the case with the ordering of jackets. Taking into account such background work, such as meetings with the jacket supplier, choosing jacket options, etc., I believe that the initial ordering process was fairly speedy. You had informed the Council Administration Committee on May 4, 2017 and discussion around jacket ordering, specifically the choosing of the style of jackets, was placed on the May 30, 2017 agenda. I would like to reaffirm my point before about the background work which went into the ordering of jackets and that I expedited the process as fast as I could.
2. Why was a firm deadline for ordering the jackets not adhered to?

- a. Thank you for the question Councillor Christensen. I cannot speak to Councillors who did not adhere to the deadline, as I am sure they all had their own unique circumstances for being unable to do so. There were multiple individuals who either did not request a jacket by the deadline, did not pay their \$20.00 fee by the deadline, or both. I did not want members of Council to miss out on the opportunity to have their own jacket because they did not adhere to the deadline. So, I waited until I had all the orders in to be processed.
3. What, if any, financial repercussions will Students Council face in light of CAC losing these two jackets?
    - a. Thank you for your question Councillor Christensen. The Council Administration Committee was charged \$116.50 for the two missing jackets. As an aside, I do not believe, nor do I blame, the Council Administration Committee for the disappearance of the two jackets. As we are unsure as to whether the jackets were misplaced or stolen, I don't believe it is appropriate to the Council Administration Committee as a whole. However, if blame for the disappearance of the jackets is to be had, I blame myself rather than members of the Committee, as I was in charge of the safekeeping of the jackets.

**2017-09/7 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**2017-09/7a SUNDAY MOVES** to appoint two members of Students' Council to the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Tribune Selection Committee.

**2017-09/7b CHRISTENSEN MOVES** to appoint one (1) member of Students' Council to Bylaw Committee.

**Current members:** Delane Howie, Robyn Paches, Nicole Jones, Alannah Piasecki, Sandy Brophy

**Fall Meeting Schedule:**

- September 12, 2017 @ 6:00PM
- October 10, 2017 @ 6:00PM
- October 24, 2017 @ 6:00PM
- November 28, 2017 @ 6:00PM

**2017-09/7c LARSEN/USHAKOV MOVE**, upon the recommendation of Policy Committee, to approve the renewal of the Student Financial Assistance Policy in its second reading.

See SC 2017-09.05.

**2017-09/7d SCOTT/PIASECKI MOVE**, upon the recommendation of Policy Committee, to approve the renewal of the Deferred Maintenance Policy in its second reading.

See SC 2017-09.06.

**2017-09/7e Bill #4 - Removing Student Group Operating Policy Requirements - *First reading***

**PACHES/CHRISTENSEN MOVE** to approve the first reading of Bill #4 - Removing Student Group Operating Policy Requirements, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles.

1. Bylaw 5600 currently requires that SU operating policy have “the following categories for student groups: registration requirements, privileges and services, administrative framework, constitutional reviews of student groups, grounds for suspension and termination, and granting.”
2. There is no current rationale for why this requirement exists under Bylaw 5600.
3. Operating policy is generally considered an internal Students’ Union document for the organization itself, specifically employee training, rather than to be applied to external student groups.
4. Bylaw 5600 shall be amended to remove operating policy requirements.

**2017-09/8 GENERAL ORDERS**

**2017-09/9 INFORMATION ITEMS**

2017-09/9a *Student Groups Policy - August 29, 2017*

See SC 2017-09.01.

2017-09/9b *Student Groups Recognition Procedure - August 29, 2017*

See SC 2017-09.02.

2017-09/9c *Student Groups Events and Activities Procedure - September 8, 2017*

See SC 2017-09.03.

2017-09/9d *Student Financial Assistance Policy, Second Reading.*

See SC 2017-09.04.

2017-09/9e *Deferred Maintenance Policy, Second Reading.*

See SC 2017-09.05.

2017-09/9f Report from the President.

See SC 2017-09.06.

2017-09/9g Report from Vice President (External).

See SC 2017-09.07.

2017-09/9h Report from Vice President (Student Life).

See SC 2017-09.08.

2017-09/9i Report from Vice President (Academic).

See SC 2017-09.09.

2017-09/9j Report from Vice President (Operations and Finance).

See SC 2017-09.10.

2017-09/9k Student Council Motion Tracking Sheet.

See SC 2017-09.11.

2017-09/9l Student Council Attendance.

See SC 2017-09.12.





## U of A Policies and Procedures On-Line (UAPPOL)

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## Student Groups Policy

<b>Office of Accountability:</b>	Office of the Dean of Students
<b>Office of Administrative Responsibility:</b>	Office of the Dean of Students
<b>Approver:</b>	Board of Governors
<b>Scope:</b>	Compliance with this University policy extends to all members of the University community.

### Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to

- state the University's support for **Recognized Student Groups** and the context of that support
- introduce the procedures related to **Recognition and Student Group Events and Activities**
- outline the values and principles that guide the application of this policy and its related procedures.

### POLICY

The University acknowledges that participation in student groups can enhance students' academic engagement, leadership skills, sense of belonging within the University community, and health and wellbeing. At the same time, the University is responsible for protecting and managing its property and reputation, and for taking reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of all members of the University community, its visitors, and the proper functioning of the University. In the context of these responsibilities, the University of Alberta supports and encourages participation in Recognized Student Groups and in their events and activities as a valuable part of students' University experience.

This policy and its related procedures do not limit the freedom of students and others to associate. Students who associate as part of an unrecognized group, however, do not have access to the privileges that are available to Recognized Student Groups.

### PROCEDURES THAT APPLY TO RECOGNIZED STUDENT GROUPS

The *Student Groups Recognition Procedure* sets out the process to form a Recognized Student Group, the privileges and responsibilities of recognition, when recognition may be denied, suspended, or revoked, and a process of reconsideration where Recognition has been denied, suspended, or revoked.

The *Student Groups Activities and Events Procedure* sets out the obligation of Recognized Student Groups to submit their proposed events and activities for review and approval, some of the conditions that approvals may be subject to, and a process of reconsideration where approval for an event or activity has been denied or revoked.

### VALUES AND PRINCIPLES

The following values and principles guide the application of this policy and its related procedures.

1. Opportunities for students to engage in diverse co-curricular and extracurricular activities, including those offered through Recognized Student Groups, is a valuable part of students' University experience and should be supported.
2. Transparency, open communication, and a collaborative approach should characterize the relationship between Recognized Student Groups and the University.
3. The University is responsible for protecting and managing its property and for taking reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of all members of the University community, its visitors, and for the proper functioning of the University.
4. Recognized Student Groups acknowledge the University's responsibilities, and that both students and the University have obligations to maintain a safe and inclusive living, learning, and working environment.
5. Recognized Student Groups are responsible for funding and bearing the costs occasioned by their events and activities, noting that the University contributes many other resources to support Recognized Student Groups and their events and activities.

## **DEFINITIONS**

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[Posting Announcements, Notices and Banners Procedure Appendix A: Posters, Notices and Banner Guidelines](#)  
(UAPPOL)

[Registered Student Group Alcohol Event Procedure](#) (UAPPOL)

[Short-Term Casual Event Booking Procedure](#) (UAPPOL)

[Student Group Services](#) (University of Alberta Students' Union)

## **PUBLISHED PROCEDURES OF THIS POLICY**

*Student Groups Recognition Procedure*

*Student Groups Events and Activities Procedure*

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Parent Policy: Student Groups Policy

## Student Groups Recognition Procedure

<b>Office of Administrative Responsibility:</b>	Office of the Dean of Students
<b>Approver:</b>	Board of Governors
<b>Scope:</b>	Compliance with this University procedure extends to all members of the University community.

### Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to

- set out the process to form a University of Alberta **Recognized Student Group**, the circumstances for granting or denying **Recognition**, and the process by which decisions to deny Recognition may be appealed
- outline the privileges granted to, and the responsibilities of, Recognized Student Groups
- state the circumstances under which the University may suspend or revoke a student group's Recognition and the process by which those decisions may be appealed.

### PROCEDURE

#### 1. PROCESS TO FORM A RECOGNIZED STUDENT GROUP

- a. To form a Recognized Student Group, student(s) must submit an application for Recognition to **Student Group Services**. Application requirements are outlined on the Office of the Dean of Students and Student Group Services websites and are subject to change without notice. Applications for Recognition of a proposed student group will be assessed and determined by reference to the requirements in force at the time the application is submitted and on the basis of any other relevant information.
- b. The decision to recognize a proposed student group rests with the Vice-Provost and Dean of Students (Dean of Students) or a delegate. The Dean of Students or delegate may seek additional information from the applicant(s) or any other source in order to decide the application for Recognition of a proposed student group.
- c. In deciding the application for Recognition of a proposed student group, the Dean of Students or delegate may
  - grant the application for Recognition
  - deny the application for Recognition.
- d. Where Recognition is granted, it is subject to and conditional on two members of the proposed student group's executive signing and agreeing to the University's *Acknowledgement, Liability and Indemnification Agreement*.

- e. Recognition has a term of one year and, therefore, Recognized Student Groups must reapply each year for Recognition.
- f. The Dean of Students or delegate has broad discretion to deny an application for Recognition in furtherance of the University's responsibility to take reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of all members of the University community, its visitors and the proper functioning of the University, and to protect and manage its property and reputation.
- g. Where the Dean of Students or delegate is considering denying an application for Recognition, the Dean of Students or delegate will discuss the issue(s) of concern with the applicant(s) of the proposed student group and consider their input prior to making a decision. The Dean of Students or delegate will assist the applicant(s) of the proposed student group to address, where possible, the issues of concern and re-submit their application for Recognition.
- h. The Dean of Students or delegate will provide written reasons where the application for Recognition is denied. Reasons for denying Recognition include, but are not limited to, where the proposed student group
  - or the application submitted on its behalf, fails to meet the requirements for Recognition as outlined on the Office of the Dean of Students and Student Group Services websites
  - based on its stated objectives and intended **Student Group Events and Activities**, would likely fail to uphold the responsibilities set out below in section 3
  - based on its stated objectives and proposed Student Group Events and Activities, would likely expose the University to unacceptable risk
  - would duplicate some or all of the events, activities, or services of another Recognized Student Group or University unit.
- i. Applicants may request a review of any decision to deny an application for Recognition on the ground that the Dean of Students' or delegate's decision was unreasonable having regard to the *Student Group Policy* and its related procedures, and the information before the Dean of Students or delegate.
- j. Requests for a review must be made in writing to the Provost and Vice-President Academic (Provost) or delegate within 30 business days of the date the applicants received notice of the written decision denying Recognition. Requests for review will be limited to the information that was before the Dean of Students or delegate on the proposed student group's application for Recognition.
- k. In deciding the request for review, the Provost or delegate may
  - reverse the decision to deny Recognition and grant Recognition
  - reverse the decision to deny Recognition and remit back to the Dean of Students for reconsideration in accordance with directions or additional information provided by the Provost
  - uphold the decision to deny Recognition.
- l. The decision of the Provost or delegate is final.

## 2. PRIVILEGES OF RECOGNITION

A number of special privileges are available to Recognized Student Groups and for their Events and Activities which are not available to other student groups who have not applied for or received University Recognition. These special privileges include:

- the ability to book indoor and outdoor University space
- use of the University's institutional liquor licenses

- ability to receive permission for gaming events
- eligibility for financial support from the University
- ability to receive permission to use the University's name and insignia
- exclusive use of the Recognized Student Group's name on campus
- access to, and ability to rent, University property and equipment
- use of the University's physical facilities to recruit members
- assistance planning events
- guidance on various fund-raising activities.

The above privileges are subject to all University of Alberta policies, procedures, and regulations and applicable laws.

### 3. RECOGNIZED STUDENT GROUP RESPONSIBILITIES

By accepting University Recognition and the special privileges that come with Recognition, Recognized Student Groups acknowledge and agree to accept the following responsibilities, to:

- abide by all University policies, procedures, and regulations, and all applicable laws
- uphold the good name and reputation of the University by behaving in accordance with the values and principles listed in the *Student Groups Policy*
- respect the safety, security, and inherent dignity of each member of the University community
- ensure that the Recognized Student Group does not engage in or encourage any activity involving **Hazing**, unacceptable **Risk to Persons**, or **Risk to Property**, or **Risk to Reputation**
- respect the group's stated purpose, constitution, bylaws and policies, all of which informed the University's decision to Recognize the group
- be responsible for, or to take reasonable measures to encourage, responsible conduct when group members are representing the group and, therefore, the University, on and off-campus
- submit all Student Group Events and Activities for review and approval by the Office of the Dean of Students. Information on the event submission and management process is available in the *Student Group Events and Activities Procedure* and on the Office of the Dean of Students and Student Group Services websites
- when hosting a Student Group Event or Activity, to be responsible for, or to take reasonable measures to encourage both members and invited guests to behave responsibly
- complete required Executive Training and Event Organizer Training. Training information is available on the Office of the Dean of Students and Student Group Services websites
- manage the group's assets (financial or otherwise) in a responsible and ethical manner, and
- ensure that members of the Recognized Student Group do not enter into legally binding agreements in the name of or on behalf of the University. Recognized Student Groups and their members have no authority to enter into any agreement in the name of or on behalf of the University. Noting the University's *Acknowledgement, Liability and Indemnification Agreement* signed by Recognized Student

Groups, should members of a group wish to enter into a legally binding agreement on their own, they shall ensure that the agreement does not impose any obligations on the University which could cause the University to be in breach of the terms of any agreement to which the University is a party.

#### 4. SUSPENDING OR REVOKING RECOGNITION

- a. If a Recognized Student Group does not comply with, or there is reasonable belief that the group does not comply with the above terms, the Dean of Students or delegate may suspend or revoke Recognition at any time.
  - i. If the Dean of Students or delegate has grounds to believe that a Recognized Student Group has not complied with the above terms, the Dean of Students or delegate may suspend Recognition, pending an investigation. A suspension is non-disciplinary and the investigation will be completed as quickly as the circumstances allow.
  - ii. The Dean of Students or delegate will provide reasons in writing for the revocation.
  - iii. The Dean of Students or delegate may assist the Recognized Student Group to address, where possible, the issues of concern so that University Recognition may be maintained.
  
- b. A Student Group whose Recognition has been revoked may submit a written request for review to the Provost within 30 business days of the written decision being sent to the group. The request for review must outline the reasons why the group is seeking reconsideration and the steps the group proposes to take to correct any actions referenced in the decision. In addition to considering the applicant(s)' written request for review, the Provost or delegate may consult with the applicants to review the decision.
  
- c. In deciding the request for review, the Provost or delegate may
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	involving the issuance of a gaming license from the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission (raffle, 50-50 draw).
<b>Student Group Services</b>	Student Group Services (SGS), which is a service operated by the Students' Union, provides support to students applying to become a Recognized Student Group and those who have already become a Recognized Student Group. SGS manages a single application process for proposed student groups to apply for Recognition from the University of Alberta and from either the Students' Union or Graduate Students' Association.
<b>Hazing</b>	<p>No student shall organize, participate or engage in the hazing of another person, regardless of whether the individual who is the subject of the hazing has consented to participate in or be subjected to the activities in question, or whether the activities in question constitute a ritual or tradition of an organization.</p> <p>Hazing is defined in section 30.3.4(7) in the <i>Code of Student Behaviour</i> (EXEC 02 APR 2012)  <a href="http://www.governance.ualberta.ca/CodesofConductandResidenceCommunityStandards/CodeofStudentBehaviour/303OffencesUndertheCode/3034InappropriateBehaviourtow.aspx">http://www.governance.ualberta.ca/CodesofConductandResidenceCommunityStandards/CodeofStudentBehaviour/303OffencesUndertheCode/3034InappropriateBehaviourtow.aspx</a></p>
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## Student Groups Events and Activities Procedure

<b>Office of Administrative Responsibility:</b>	Office of the Dean of Students
<b>Approver:</b>	Board of Governors
<b>Scope:</b>	Compliance with this University procedure extends to all members of the University community.

### Overview

**Student Group Events and Activities** are integral to the operation of **Recognized Student Groups** and can be organized both on- or off-campus. All Student Group Events and Activities must be approved by the Office of the Dean of Students during the planning stage of the event, prior to the announcement or advertising of the event. The responsibility for running Student Group Events and Activities in a safe manner and with adherence to all University policies and procedures belongs to the Recognized Student Group organizing it. The Recognized Student Group is also responsible for all costs associated with Student Group Events and Activities.

### Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to outline

- the responsibility of Recognized Student Groups to submit Student Group Events and Activities for review by the Office of the Dean of Students and the event submission process
- the authority of the Office of the Dean of Students in reviewing and either approving or denying Student Group Events and Activities
- the process through which Recognized Student Groups can request reconsideration of decisions to deny approval for Student Group Events and Activities.

## **PROCEDURE**

### 1. EVENT SUBMISSION PROCESS

All Student Group Events and Activities must be submitted through the **Online Event Submission Portal**. It is the responsibility of Recognized Student Groups to submit events and activities according to the timeline articulated on the Office of the Dean of Students and **Student Group Services** websites.

### 2. EVENT REVIEW PROCESS

- a. All event submissions are reviewed within the Office of the Dean of Students. A delegate of the Vice-Provost and Dean of Students (Dean of Students) reviews details of the event or activity and the Recognized Student Group's proposed risk management strategies to ensure that event- or activity-related risks have been identified, that the group has taken appropriate measures to mitigate risk, that the group has complied with all University policies and procedures, and that the event or activity upholds the principles that inform this procedure.
- b. The Dean of Students or delegate may consult with the Recognized Student Group, Risk Management Services, and other University units during the review process.

- c. Where it appears a Recognized Student Group's proposed event or activity may cause **Risk to Persons** or **Risk to Property**, the Dean of Students or delegate may require the Recognized Student Group to obtain additional insurance or require the presence of University of Alberta Protective Services, the Edmonton Police Service, or private services deemed necessary to ensure that the values and principles articulated in the *Student Groups Policy* and the responsibilities outlined in this procedure and the *Student Groups Recognition Procedure* are upheld.
  - i. The cost of these services is the responsibility of the Recognized Student Group, noting that the University contributes many other resources to support Recognized Student Groups and their events and activities.
  - ii. The Dean of Students or delegate will communicate additional requirements to the Recognized Student Group in as timely a manner as possible, noting that events and activities involving risks may require a lengthy review process.
- d. The Dean of Students or delegate has the authority to approve or deny approval for a Student Group Event or Activity and has the authority to revoke approval for an event or activity (whether it is in progress or is scheduled to occur) if the Dean of Students or delegate reasonably believes that the event or activity will include **Hazing** or that it has caused or will cause Risk to Persons or Risk to Property, or **Risk to Reputation**.
- e. For Student Group Events and Activities involving alcohol or those that require a gaming license such as raffles and 50-50 draws, Recognized Student Groups must comply with Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission (AGLC) policies.
  - i. Permission to use the University of Alberta's liquor license for on-campus events and activities or to apply for a special event liquor license for off-campus events and activities is issued through the Office of the Dean of Students or delegate as part of the event approval process, after the Recognized Student Group has received approval of their event or activity. University permission to apply for a special event liquor license does not guarantee that the Recognized Student Group meets the requirements to obtain a special event liquor license from the AGLC.
  - ii. Permission to apply for a gaming license is also issued through the Office of the Dean of Students or delegate as part of the event approval process, after the Recognized Student Group has received approval of their event or activity. University permission to apply for a gaming license does not guarantee that the Student Group meets the requirements to obtain a gaming license from the AGLC.

### 3. REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

- a. If the applying Recognized Student Group is dissatisfied with a decision to deny or revoke approval for an event, they may submit a request for reconsideration to the Dean of Students, outlining the reasons why the group is seeking reconsideration and, if applicable, measures the group proposes to address the issues referenced in the decision. A request for reconsideration must be received no more than 30 Business Days after the group is notified of the decision.
- b. The Dean of Students or delegate not involved in the prior decision will consider the request and discuss with the Recognized Student Group the measures the group proposes to address the issues outlined in the original decision. During the reconsideration process, the Dean of Students or delegate may also consult with Risk Management Services, and other University units, as appropriate, before issuing a decision in writing.
- c. If the applying Recognized Student Group is dissatisfied with the decision resulting from the Dean of Students' or delegate's reconsideration, they may submit a written request for review to the Provost and Vice-President Academic (Provost) within 30 business days of being notified of the Dean of Students' or delegate's decision. The written request must identify the grounds upon which the Recognized Student Group believes the Dean of Students' or delegate's decision is unreasonable having regard to the *Student Group Policy* and its related procedures, and the information before the Dean of Students or delegate.
- d. In deciding the request for review, the Provost or delegate may

- reverse the decision to deny or revoke approval for the event and grant approval for the event
- reverse the decision to deny or revoke approval for the event and remit back to the Dean of Students for reconsideration in accordance with directions or additional information provided by the Provost
- uphold the decision to deny or revoke approval for the event.

e. The decision of the Provost or delegate is final

## **DEFINITIONS**

Definitions should be listed in the sequence they occur in the document (i.e. not alphabetical).

Any definitions listed in the following table apply to this document only with no implied or intended institution-wide use. <a href="#">[▲Top]</a>	
<b>Recognized Student Group(s)</b>	A group of students who have applied for, and have been granted Recognition by the Office of the Dean of Students. Examples include, but are not limited to, a club, association, organization, society, fraternity, sorority, or fellowship.
<b>Student Group Events and Activities</b>	A student function proposed by a Recognized Student Group for its members and their guests, whether pending approval by the University or approved. These functions, which may be on- or off-campus, include but are not limited to, social events, demonstrations, events involving alcohol, travel, fundraising, guest speakers, physical activity, or events involving the issuance of a gaming license from the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission (raffle, 50-50 draw).
<b>Online Event Submission Portal</b>	The software application through which Recognized Student Groups submit events for review and approval. Applications for University recognition are also submitted through the software application. The Office of the Dean of Students and Student Group Services websites link to the software application which, at present time, is BearsDen.
<b>Student Group Services</b>	Student Group Services (SGS), which is a service operated by the Students' Union, provides support to students applying to become a Recognized Student Group and those who have already become a Recognized Student Group. SGS manages a single application process for proposed student groups to apply for Recognition from the University of Alberta and from either the Students' Union or Graduate Students' Association.
<b>Hazing</b>	<p>No student shall organize, participate or engage in the hazing of another person, regardless of whether the individual who is the subject of the hazing has consented to participate in or be subjected to the activities in question, or whether the activities in question constitute a ritual or tradition of an organization.</p> <p>Hazing is defined in section 30.3.4(7) in the <i>Code of Student Behaviour</i> (EXEC 02 APR 2012)  <a href="http://www.governance.ualberta.ca/CodesofConductandResidenceCommunityStandards/CodeofStudentBehaviour/303OffencesUndertheCode/3034InappropriateBehaviourtow.aspx">http://www.governance.ualberta.ca/CodesofConductandResidenceCommunityStandards/CodeofStudentBehaviour/303OffencesUndertheCode/3034InappropriateBehaviourtow.aspx</a></p>
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## 1 Facts

1. Post-secondary education is a public good due to the benefits it brings to the social structure and tax system.
2. The cost of attaining a post-secondary education includes tuition, fees, the cost of educational materials, and living expenses.
3. The cost of a university education as well as student debt continues to increase .
4. The high costs associated with university education pose a barrier to accessing, and a disincentive to completing a university education.
5. Students who do not receive financial assistance for their education may be required to take on large amounts of debt.
6. Some students require part or full time employment in order to finance their education.
7. There is an opportunity cost for individuals who choose to pursue an education rather than earnings from working.
8. Students partaking in part or full time employment do not have the same opportunity for academic achievements as those who do not require employment to finance their education.
9. The high cost associated with university education can be detrimental to academic and extracurricular student achievement.
10. Need-based aid, up-front grants, merit-based awards, and student loans are all integral parts of the student finance system.
11. The current need-based aid, tax credit system, and merit-based awards application process is inefficient and time consuming.
12. Need-based aid is an integral part of the student finance system, without which students in financial need could not afford a university education.
13. Merit-based awards target students who are less likely to have dire need of financial aid.
14. The University of Alberta should not only aim to attract talented students, but demonstrate a commitment to supporting undergraduate students with financial needs and assist them in realizing their full potential.

## 2 Resolutions

1. The Students' Union advocates for a provincial financial aid system that:
  - a. Includes increased relative and absolute amounts of non-repayable assistance, including but not limited to grants and bursaries;

- b. Recognizes the importance of need-based student financial aid that increases the relative and absolute amounts and number of need-based aid awards;
  - c. Is accessible to all Alberta students attending not-for-profit post-secondary institutions;
  - d. Recognizes the complete overhead costs of education to the learner including, but not limited to, rent and utility costs, textbook costs, transportation costs, food, personal care, internet, and computer costs;
  - e. Includes adjustments to all forms of financial assistance to reflect changes in market realities as they affect students;
  - f. Eases the growing burden of student debt to post-secondary graduates;
  - g. Increases the number of awards targeted to traditionally barriered populations, including but not limited to, Aboriginal students, rural students, students with disabilities, and low-income students.
2. The Students' Union advocates for Student Financial Assistance provided by the University of Alberta that:
- a. Increases the number and value of need-based awards to continuing undergraduate students such that they are consistent with the number and value of entrance awards;
  - b. Increase the monetary value of awards in conjunction with any increase to the cost of higher education;**
  - c. Increase the number of available awards as enrollment of students increases;**
  - d. Annually discloses the ratio of need to merit-based aid, and the distribution of awards between years of study;
  - e. Has an efficient application process that connects more students to funding.
3. The Students' Union advocates that donors support students from diverse backgrounds and with diverse skills via scholarships and bursaries.

Expires: April 30, 2018

## 1 Facts

1. Deferred maintenance is defined as an amount needed but not yet expended for repairs, restoration, or rehabilitation of an asset.
2. Funding for routine building and systems preventive maintenance has been significantly cut back, resulting in a substantial backlog of deferred maintenance.
3. The accumulation of significant deferred maintenance liability represents a failure of the government to adequately fund the operations of the University.
4. Deferred maintenance reduces the quality of the undergraduate learning experience, the University's public image, and presents a potential health and safety hazard.
5. It is inappropriate for the University and the government to expect current and future undergraduates to fund the correction of historically deficient resource allocation.

## 2 Resolutions

1. The University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the provincial government for a one-time, **project specific**, capital funding packages to the University to be delivered over a period of years to remedy the historically accumulated deferred maintenance liability.
2. **The University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the provincial government for the institution of an ongoing, predictable, deferred maintenance funding model to remedy the accumulated deferred maintenance liability.**
3. 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.
4. The University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the University to adequately prioritize preventative maintenance in future budgets.
5. The University of Alberta Students' Union advocates to the University to follow construction practices that minimize future maintenance costs.



September 19, 2017

**To:** Students' Council

**Re:** Report to Students' Council

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Hello Council,

I hope everyone had a great time celebrating the first week back in classes with Week of Welcome! The executive and I have had a busy first week weeks of September. Below will outline the work I have been up to since my last report.

### **University Business**

#### Alumni Council Orientation

As a new member of the Alumni Council I had the pleasure of attending their orientation meeting. At the meeting we discussed how members can make the most of their time on council as well as do good work for the UAlberta community.

#### GFC Exec Presentation

I attended the General Faculties Council Executive Committee to present on the SU executives goals for the coming year. The presentation was very well received and I answer some questions about the Myer Horowitz Theatre renovations as well as our advocacy on deferred maintenance.

#### Meeting with President Turpin

Unfortunately, President Turpin was not able to make it to Presidents' Address at Orientation. The following week he invited me to meet with him to apologize for his absence as well as discuss the coming year. At the U of A we are very lucky to have a relatively collegial relationship with University administration and I was happy to talk about big issues coming up next year. Those include the reorganization of some university committees as well as discussion on how to maintain University operations in our fiscal climate.

#### Dean of Students' Meeting

VP Ushakov and I had our monthly meeting with the Dean of Students. At the meeting we discussed the future of many services the Office of the Dean of Students oversees as well as the on-going situation regarding the incident at DKE (a fraternity).

### Academic Planning Committee (APC)

I attended the first APC meeting of the fall semester last week. In the meeting we had an orientation to APC as well as discussed important items such as changes to the admission of aboriginal students to U of A and a faculty name change.

The Registrars Office is proposing changes to the way aboriginal students are admitted to University in regards to spots that are specifically held for aboriginal students. The primary change is they are moving away from ancestry being the determining factor of “proving” indigeneity and moving towards identity and connection to community.

The Faculty of Physical Recreation and Education is also proposing changing their name to the “Faculty of Kinesiology, Sport, and Recreation”. The administrative cost of the change will be about \$250,000 but the opportunity cost of not changing it, due to the outdated nature of the name, would be far more, according to the Dean.

VP Scott also presented on the white-paper (analysis) done by former President Rahman’s regarding teaching tenure streams for professors. VP Scott did a great job presenting the paper and there was a robust discussion at the committee in response.

### **External Business**

#### Meeting with Federal Ministers

VP Scott, VP Larsen, and I attended a meeting with University stakeholders, students, and government officials. Most notably, MP Randy Boissonnault, MP Andy Filmore, and Minister Amarjeet Sohi were present. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss democratic participation among students and provide suggestions on how to better engage students in citizenship, including voting.

#### Mental Health Announcement

VP Larsen, VP Ushakov, VP Paches, and I attended the mental health funding announcement from the Government of Alberta. The Minister of Advanced Education announced an investment of \$3 million over 3 years for mental health services at the University of Alberta. Although the University of Alberta is the largest post-secondary institution in the province, the investment received is equivalent to only \$27.50 per student, one of the lowest per-student distributions in the province. You can read more about this announcement in VP Larsen’s report.

#### #IBelieveYou Campaign

VP Larsen, VP Ushakov, VP Paches, and I also attended the #IBelieveYou campaign launch. This campaign supports survivors of sexual violence and helps educate people on

how to respond to disclosures. This is a particularly important message to support on campus. Learn more about the campaign here <http://ibelieveyou.info>.

#### CAUS Teleconference

VP Larsen and I had a Council of Alberta University Students' teleconference meeting. In the meeting we discussed the mental health funding announcements, integrating a treaty land recognition in our meetings, as well as the CAUS 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. Exciting news! The CAUS 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary will be hosted in our beautiful SUB atrium. This is a great event to celebrate the work CAUS has done over the last three decades.

#### **Other Exciting Endeavors**

##### CSJ BBQ

As per tradition, the UASU executive was pleased to go to Campus Saint Jean to help prepare and serve a BBQ for their students! It was a great opportunity to chat with CSJ students and their Faculty Association, AUFSJ.

##### SUB Block Party and SU Alumni Mixer

To conclude Week of Welcome, the Students' Union hosted the SUB Block Party as well as an SU Executive Alumni mixer. Both events were great successes! I particularly enjoyed the alumni event as I had a great time talking with executive members who previously held our positions.

##### Dinner Meetings

The UASU executive and I have had many work dinners in the past week. We had dinner with the science faculty association (ISSS) at Deweys, the CSJ faculty association (AUFSJ) at Dixie Lees, and with the Chancellor of the Senate at his residence. All dinners were pleasant and productive opportunities to build personal connections and discuss our goals for the coming year.

##### GovWeek

Next week is GovWeek! I hope to see many councilors serve as ambassadors to student governance in celebration of the fantastic week VP Scott has worked to put on. I will be hosting a keynote session on Monday September 18<sup>th</sup> at Noon in the Alumni Room that I hope many of you will attend! In my session I will be giving key tips for effective

campaigning and student advocacy, as well as a breakdown of how the Students' Union works. More information about GovWeek can be found at [www.govweek.ca](http://www.govweek.ca).

### **Closing Remarks**

My Fall semester office hours will be Thursdays from 12:00PM-1:00PM in SUB 2-900! Feel free to drop by if you have any questions or would like to discuss anything.

Thank you for reading my report and happy to answer any questions you may have.

Marina Banister  
UASU President

Hi Council,

It has again been nearly a month since we saw each other! It has been the busiest month so far for myself as well, so buckle up for this report.

Before we jump into it though, just want to shout out any of the volunteers or staff who were involved in putting together such an amazing Orientation and Week of Welcome! It was a unbelievably busy week, a wonderful celebration, and it certainly set the pace for the rest of the year! Congrats on surviving!

## Advocacy Meetings



Round Table Discussion

This month we were able to have one-on-one meetings with MLA Nielsen and Minister Anderson. Both were very interested in our advocacy direction, especially the fact that students don't have tenants rights in shared residence. President Banister, VP Scott, and I also partook in a round table discussion with federal Ministers Sohi, Boissonnault, and Fillmore on democratic reform and engagement. It went exceptionally well and VP Scott and I also spoke with Boissonnault for an extended time at a charity event over the weekend. We largely hope to push post secondary education, especially federal transfers, as an election issue with these members. Finally, Jon (DPRA) and I met with Alberta Together, a political engagement group, to discuss engagement in youth across the province.

## Mental Health Announcement



On Monday the 11th the Government of Alberta announced the levels of funding for

post-secondary mental health services in the Edmonton region. The UofA received 1 million dollars a year for the next 3 years. The commitment to long term funding, as well as some new information on transition services, were good news, however, I believe that President Banister encapsulated our feelings here at the UASU very well:

“While students are excited for this funding, some are concerned about what that means for the future of services on our campuses. That is because the U of A did not receive an increase in funding from previous years that would reflect a rising demand for mental health services. Although the University of Alberta is the largest post-secondary institution in the province, the investment received is equivalent to only \$27.50 per student, one of the lowest per-student distributions in the province.”

This particular piece of advocacy is really far from over. We will continue to push for a higher per-student amount and continuously push for on campus services. CAUS (me) and the UASU were quoted multiple times across a number of papers on this topic. As well, more information regarding transition periods, funding, and frameworks comes out daily. I recommend that anyone interested in this topic read through the government's announcements [here](#) or check out CAUS stances [here](#). Please ask questions during council for more details, as we likely will have new updates by then as well.

## Provincial (CAUS)

CAUS, which means Josh and I, are going to be presenting at this council meeting! We have also had a number of developments provincially as well. I will be touring the province on behalf of CAUS periodically all of fall semester, where I will be giving the same presentation you see today to all of membership. Today I participated in a Student Leaders meeting with the ministry to give updates on provincial advocacy and give input on a number of provincial wide issues. We were thrilled to hear that the expected release dates for a number of provincial reviews, including tuition, ABC, and funding frameworks, should all happen this year, if not in the early fall. We have also had 2 teleconferences that went fairly smoothly and I would say that our provincial group, although stressed, is still optimistic. Finally, the UASU put in a successful bid to host CAUS 30th anniversary celebration, so stay tuned for more information on that!

That's largely all folks! Make sure to ask any questions you may have!

Cheers,



Reed Larsen

Hello Council,

It's been a wild month since I've last reported. Prepping for Orientation Day and Week of Welcome and participating in the vibrant week welcoming all the excited faces was truly a privilege. All of our staff and volunteers have been hard at work and I couldn't be more thankful to work alongside such dedicated individuals.

Here are some of the things I want to update you on:

### **UASU Cares**

I'm excited to announce that UASU Cares is finally live, I have not had the opportunity to do the preliminary feedback prior to the launch, but this year will be a test and work in progress for this resource. I'd love for you all to check it out and if you want to chat about certain aspects or any ideas you have for improvement feel free to email me. Keep an eye out for the official release, which will come sometime in the month with some fun marketing.

Check it out! <http://www.uasucares.ca>

### **Residence Association Fee Collection**

Have finalized the memorandum of understanding for the residence association fee collection for the 2017/2018 year. Residence Associations do lots of great work for residences and I'm happy to see the fee collection process work smoothly this year. The residence association fees will be collected with rent this year as it has in years previous to the last.

### **Events Calendar**

The events calendar is in the works in partnership with InfoLink. There will be a shift on our website on the location of the calendar as well as an event submission framework, which will be completed and launched by the end of October (hopefully earlier). I'm eager to see the usage data on this resource; I believe there is a strong niche for this and I look forward to further developing it in the duration of this year, I have been in many conversations and a lot of ideas have been circulated regarding this resource.

### **Residence Move-In**

I alongside the Executive volunteered for the Residence Move-In. The vibrancy of everyone moving in really energized me; it was truly rewarding to see all the eager faces of the many students arriving at the University of Alberta. Our Team Facilitators and Events Crew did an amazing job promoting our Orientation and Week of Welcome and it was an honor being alongside them building hype around the week to come.

**Orientation Day**

All the people that have spent months working on Orientation and the volunteers putting in the long hours are absolutely incredible, the work really showed during the day with how smooth everything ran and the excitement from all the first years. It's such a massive operation and I cannot be more honored to have been a part of such an energizing day. We broke the record for sign ups this year, and the first years were truly excited to be there. The energy from the day was truly contagious. I had the honor of meeting many fresh faces throughout the day and representing our great organization. Huge shout out to the UASU Events Team and all the dedicated volunteers that made this day so great!

**Week of Welcome**

This is by far my favorite week of the year; everyone is so motivated, excited and vibrant. Student groups are heavily recruiting and you could feel the passion in the air. Everyone wants to get involved and throughout the week many strong connections are built, as opportunities are all over the place. This has been the best Week of Welcome in my five years, everything ran smoothly and I could not be happier with the results (and the weather.)

**CSJ BBQ**

The executive and I had the opportunity to host a BBQ over at Campus St Jean, although we had some BBQ malfunctions, the whole event was a success and it was exciting to be a part of the energy of all the students getting back into the swing of the school year.

**Campus Food Bank Board**

We have recruited five new board members and have had our first full board meeting of the year, everyone is energized and excited to be there, which makes me quite thrilled for the year to come. I know we will accomplish many tasks with such an eager and dedicated group. The 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the CFB will be held this year as well so keep an eye out for an activity packed week in November.

**SUB 50<sup>th</sup> Block Party**

It is our building's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year and we are celebrating in many ways. I'm sure you have seen the SUB 50 marketing all over our media and website, it's truly a big year. The block party was an amazing way to kick off the celebration, but watch out for more events to come throughout the year and take some time to take in all of our building's great history.



### **Mental Health Announcement**

Our executive attended the Mental Health Funding Announcement. Here is the link below with news coverage from the Gateway for more information. We have received low FLE numbers, but will be working closely with the Dean of Students office to ensure that we maintain our services and provide students the best resources we can throughout the year.

<https://www.thegatewayonline.ca/2017/09/u-of-as-mental-health-funding/>

### **I Believe You Campaign**

I Believe You launch happened on September 11<sup>th</sup> across the whole province! I highly encourage you guys to check out this important campaign, as the message is quite powerful and should be widely spread. There is also a pretty neat mosaic the campaign has made online, feel free to check it out and spread the message!

<http://ibelieveyou.info/>

### **CORA**

We had our first meeting of Council of Residence Associations, seeing all the residence associations come together was refreshing, everyone has great goals and I am excited to support everyone's initiatives. We will be working on creating residence specific reports with long terms goals for each building, which can also be used as transitional materials for the associations.

### **Fall Office Hours:**

My fall office hours will Thursday be 4-5PM in RATT, so feel free to drop by and chat with me, I love hearing ideas, opinions or if you just want to talk about anything (especially The Office) come on by!

Get ready for an exciting year, I am eager to work harder each week to ensure that we continue to be the best representatives for all students.

Have a fantastic week,



Ilya Ushakov

September, 14, 2017

**To:** Students' Council

**Re:** Report to Students' Council

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Hello Council,

I hope the first few weeks of classes have treated you all well! Since our last Council meeting was cancelled, I will do my best to recap the last 4 weeks of activity which have proven very busy.

### GovWeek

As you are reading this it will be GovWeek! Council is also an advertised event for the week and I encourage you all to join us at RATT after the council meeting to mingle with other students interested in Students' Council. We had our applications up for nearly 4 weeks and in that time we received applications for events and sessions from faculty associations, department associations, labor groups and university representatives alike, among many more. There will be a few large events to note, including the opening and closing keynotes on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> respectively, as well as a municipal election candidate mixer in the Myer Horowitz theatre lobby on Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup>. Our closing keynote will be the honorable Minister McLean, minister of status of women and minister of service alberta.

The GovWeek Advisory Group (GWAG) has also been very active in the planning process throughout the summer. GWAG has been instrumental in creating the vision for GovWeek 2017, promoting applications, selecting sessions and adjudicating grants for groups which requested financial assistance. GWAG will also act as ambassadors of the Students' Union during GovWeek, attending sessions and promoting the scheduled activities.

### Academic Relations Group

I have received several applications for the Academic Relations Group and will be doing selections going into the fall. Of those I have received I will be notifying the applicants of their application status over the next few weeks and we will hold a meeting to officially kick off the group for the 2017/18 academic year.

As you will remember from prior reports, the Academic Relations Group (ARG) is a group selected by the VP Academic that acts as both an advisory group and as delegates who represent the VPA on a variety of committees and boards as requested. ARG differentiates from the function of nominating committee as ARG members represent the VP Academic, whereas designates selected through nominating committee act as representatives of the Students' Union. Likewise, when there is a call for Student Council representatives, Council does the selection from council members.

### Student Representative Groups

The Council of Faculty Associations (COFA) boards will begin meeting over the end of the month and into September. Most of the COFA boards requested a more professional development centered meeting model, something which will look different at each board. COFA Senior Board – which is comprised of primarily FA presidents – held a strategic planning meeting and will be receiving leadership training at their *second* meeting at the beginning of October. COFA Advocacy Board took part in a session on advocacy strategies and governance training at their meeting. COFA Finance and Admin Board will have a session centered on accounting strategies and things to keep in mind for the new academic year.

Student members of General Faculties Council will once again be invited to attend the GFC Student Caucus. This is a meeting of student representatives on GFC to contextualize and better understand GFC issues and agenda items as they pertain to students. Of course, this meeting is optional but I strongly encourage as many members of GFC to come as possible. As it stands these meetings will take place Thursdays before each GFC meeting.

I have had the pleasure to meeting with representatives from both the Drama Student Association, the Alberta Anthropology Undergraduates Association and the VP Departmental Relations of OASIS. There are many great plans to strengthen, revitalize and support department associations in the Faculty of Arts this year that truly sound exciting and are a great step in student advocacy on campus. I also had a meeting with a member of the AUFSJ executive discussing some major priorities affecting Faculty St.Jean for the year including renovations to classroom space, Student Union involvement at Fac, and how we can jointly celebrate francophonie culture on campus. I look forward to working with representatives at the department, faculty and university levels throughout the year.

### CTL New Instructor Orientation

Vice President Ushakov and myself had the pleasure of attending the Centre for Teaching and Learning's New Professor orientation. This was a full day workshop bringing together a number of new professors from across campus to situate them in the university community. I was honored to partake in a panel of students, sharing our thought on what instructors are able to do in their classrooms to improve students learning experiences. It was nice to see so many new professors open to what students had to say and who were genuinely interested in bettering the experience that students will be having in their classrooms.

### Research Projects

The research project that I have been referring to as the "diversity in student governance report" is now called "Identity Matters". This will be finalized and released on the Friday of GovWeek 2017, so stay tuned for the full report. Further, we are making good process in gaining important insights from the past Student Experience Survey, which will go on to influence our businesses and shape some of advocacy to the univeversity.



STRIDE

Since our last council meeting, the summer cohort has wrapped up. After each session we have collected feedback from participants which has been used to continuously improve the program and will be used to inform the structure and content of the fall cohort as well. Applications are now up for the fall cohort and we will be having our first cohort meeting in September.

I am happy to say I have enjoyed and utilized my first trimester of my term to the best of my ability. Keep an eye out for an indepth trimesterly report from all of our exec team in the next few works.

HAPPY GOVWEEK!!!!

Cheers,

Shane Scott

September 14th 2017

**To:** Students' Council

**Re:** Report to Students' Council

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Hello Council,

We haven't met for a good long awhile again! Due to the last council meeting being cancelled after the order paper deadline, I have two reports to give. This report will contain both, and will be labeled accordingly.

### September 5<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting Report

Well we made it. Summer is over, and its time to get into the swing of school again! Since we last spoke, I was actually out of town on a working holiday. I had the chance to visit my grandparents in Ontario for the first time in three years, but I couldn't afford two weeks out of the office. Therefore, I worked remotely for the last week, but was not able to attend many meetings. Also, over the past few days I have taken some time to myself to move apartments. So it's been fairly hectic! This report will be slightly shorter than usual due to this. Lets get to it!

#### *MHT Market Analysis Progress*

Last year's Student Council indicated that they would like to see some work done on analyzing where the Myer Horowitz Theatre fits into the Edmonton Theatre Market. After that direction was given, we commissioned a market analysis. This analysis will answer where the theatre fits in the Edmonton performing arts industry, what the needs of performing arts groups in Edmonton are, and how they are projected to grow. Currently, we are sitting at around 70% completion. I will keep council up to date on the progress!

#### *Room at the Top Facelift*

If you haven't had a chance to check out Room at the Top in the last few weeks, I encourage you to do so! The room has received a facelift and looks amazing. We are plugging away to completion and should be 100% done in the middle of September.

#### *Lister Move-In*

On Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, was move-in day for students in residence! The exec volunteered at Lister Centre and East Campus Village, helping student move into their new home



effortlessly. Personally, I was at Lister for most of the day. Move-in day is one of my favorite days of the year. Everyone is so excited, and its energizing!

#### *Myer Horowitz Renovation Project Update*

Not to sound like a broken record, but as with the last report we have hit pause on the MHT project in favor of working on our student engagement strategy. Keep an eye out for this over the fall!

See you at Week of Welcome!

### September 19<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting Report

Hello council! It's been a wild week and a half back. Week of Welcome & Orientation was a smash success, with record numbers across the board. My last week was entirely taken up by Week of Welcome; I was only able to find time for a few meetings in between running across campus assisting our talented staff run a successful week. This week, September 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, has been a lot of catch-up from last week. See below for some highlights!

#### *Week of Welcome Highlights*

As I mentioned, Week of Welcome and Orientation were huge successes. Orientation went off without a hitch, and saw record numbers of students attending. The exec and I worked the entire day from serving volunteers and new students pancakes, to leading 5000 new students through the light ceremony at President's Address. The rest of the week was just as great, with activities in quad attracting a ton of people. The weather certainly helped, as it was a beautiful week. We saw record sales in Beer Gardens. We are still finalizing numbers but they may set a new record! Great news as this means all the more money to invest in our services and programs for students. The week was finished off at the SUB 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party, which I'll dive into below!

#### *SUB 50*

This is an extremely exciting year! The Students' Union Building is turning 50. Built in 1967, SUB has served as an epicenter of student life on campus for decades. It has undergone multiple major renovations, including the construction of the food court, the new atrium, removal of the previous curling rink and bowling lanes and the filling in of a courtyard. This year, in celebration, we are planning an extensive line-up of programming. This will be a mixture of performances, parties, information sessions, and consultation on what the direction the building should go in the future. The 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary was kicked off at the end of Week of Welcome with the SUB 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party in the SUB Atrium. After the close of Beer Gardens on Friday, we kept the party going in the atrium with more beer



gardens and live music. The event was capped off with fireworks. Keep your eye out this year for our soon to be released line-up of programming for SUB50.

#### Alberta Not-for-Profit Association (ANPA) Partnership

For two years now, the SU has partnered with a student group called the Alberta Not-for-Profit Association to creatively consult students on various elements of the SU's operations. ANPA organizes a case competition, in which the SU is the partner for their first round. A case competition is an experiential learning tool in which students form teams, are given a problem an organization is facing, and given a limited amount of time to think of a solution and present it to a panel of judges. Two years ago the SU focused on the Peer Support Centre, last year we focused on Room at the Top, and this year, well, you'll have to check out the competition to find out!

#### UAlberta United Way Campaign Kick-Off

As I have mentioned before, I am a member of the UAlberta's United Way Campaign planning committee. This year, the SU is assisting the campaign's kick-off. On October 11<sup>th</sup> at 12PM, swing by SUBstage to hear from the President, the Chancellor and the Board Chair on why supporting the United Way is important. The event will feature performers, as well as opportunities to win prizes!

#### *Myer Horowitz Theatre Renovation Update*

As before, we are currently paused to plan and conduct student engagement/consultation.

Cheers,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robyn Paches', written over a light grey grid background.

Robyn Paches

Item		Result	Meeting	Date
2017-01/1d	BANISTER/HASSAN move to approve Students' Council Standing Orders.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
2017-01/8a	BANISTER/SANDARE moves to appoint Mark Oldershaw, Victoria DeJong and John Evjen to the University of Alberta Senate upon recommendation from the 2016/17 Nominating Committee.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
2017-01/8b	PACHES/LARSEN moves to appoint one member of Students' Council to The Landing Board of Directors.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
2017-01/8c	PACHES/FLAMAN moves to appoint one member of Students' Council to Student Legal Services Board of Directors.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
2017-01/8d	PACHES/THIBAUDEAU moves to appoint one member of Students' Council to the Gateway Student Journalism Society Board of Directors.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
2017-01/8e	PACHES/SUNDAY moves to appoint one member of Students' Council to Alberta Public Interest Research Group Board of Directors.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
2017-01/8f	PACHES/FLAMAN moves to appoint two member of Students' Council to the First Alberta Campus Radio Association Board of Directors.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
2017-01/8g	PACHES/FARRIS moves to appoint two members of Students' Council to the Students' Union Building (SUB) Advisory Group.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
2017-01/8h	PACHES/THIBAUDEAU moves to appoint four members of Students' Council to the PAW Strategic Operating Committee.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
2017-01/8i	PACHES/BROPHY moves to grant Councillor Flaman an exception to SU Operating Policy 3.3d to allow for simultaneous employment as a term employee while sitting on UASU Students' Council.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
2017-01/8j	PACHES moves to grant Councillor Howie an exception to SU Operating Policy 3.3d to allow for simultaneous employment as a term employee while sitting on UASU Students' Council.	CARRIED	SC 2017-01	05/09/2017
Minutes from meeting SC-2017-02 are currently missing.				
2017-03/7b	CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE MOVE to approve the first reading of Bill #1 - Elections Forums, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the (following) first principles.	CARRIED	SC 2017-03	05/30/2017
2017-03/8a	SUNDAY/SCOTT MOVE to appoint SUNDAY to the Council on Aboriginal Initiatives.	CARRIED	SC 2017-03	05/30/2017
2017-03/7b	PACHES/THIBAUDEAU MOVE to appoint MAHAL to the WUSC Student Refugee Administration Board.	CARRIED	SC 2017-03	05/30/2017



<b>2017-04/2a</b>	BANISTER SPONSORS a presentation from the Students' Union executive team to go over their goals.	CARRIED	SC 2017-04	06/13/2017
<b>2017-04/7a</b>	CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE MOVE to approve the second reading of Bill #1 - Elections Forums, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the (attached) first principles	CARRIED	SC 2017-04	06/13/2017
<b>2017/05-2a</b>	PACHES/FLAMAN SPONSOR the presentation: Students' Union Building & Myer Horowitz Theatre Renovation Update Presentation, as presented by Marc Dumouchel.	CARRIED	SC 2017-05	06/27/2017
<b>2017/05-7a</b>	CHRISTENSEN/FARRIS MOVE to approve the first reading of Bill #2 - Joke Candidates, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee.	CARRIED	SC 2017-05	06/27/2017
<b>2017/05-7a</b>	BANISTER/FLAMAN MOVE to AMEND Point 1 as follows:  A joke candidate is defined as any candidate(s) who self-identifies as a joke candidate in a written capacity on their nomination form.	N/A	SC 2017-05	06/27/2017
<b>2017/05/7b</b>	FLAMAN/HOWIE MOVE to refer the item back to the Bylaw Committee.	CARRIED	SC 2017-05	06/27/2017
<b>2017-06/7a</b>	CHRISTENSEN/BROPHY MOVE to approve the first reading of Bill #2 - Joke Candidates, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the (following) first principles.	CARRIED	SC-2017-06	07/25/2017
<b>2017-06/7b</b>	CHRISTENSEN/JONES MOVE to approve the first reading of Bill #3, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles.	CARRIED	SC-2017-06	07/25/2017
<b>2017-06/7c</b>	CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE MOVE to change Students' Council practice, precedent and custom by allowing students-at-larges and other non-Students' Councillors/Executives/Proxies/Designates to serve as voting members of Students' Council's standing committees.	CARRIED	SC-2017-06	07/25/2017
<b>2017-06/8a</b>	PIASECKI/GIDDA MOVE to postpone this motion to the next meeting of Students' Council on August 22, 2017.	CARRIED	SC-2017-06	07/25/2017
<b>2017-07/2a</b>	SUNDAY/SCOTT SPONSOR a presentation from the members of the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Ad Hoc Committee	N/A	SC-2017-07	08/22/2017
<b>2017-07/7a</b>	CHRISTENSEN/BROPHY MOVE to approve the second reading of Bill #2 - Joke Candidates, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the (following) first principles.	CARRIED	SC-2017-07	08/22/2017
<b>2017-07/7b</b>	CHRISTENSEN/JONES MOVE to approve the second	CARRIED	SC-2017-07	08/22/2017

	reading of Bill #3, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the (following) first principles.			
<b>2017-07/7c</b>	SCOTT/BROPHY MOVE upon the recommendation of Policy Committee, to approve the renewal of the Student Financial Assistance Policy based on the (following) first principles.	CARRIED	SC-2017-07	08/22/2017
<b>2017-07/7d</b>	SCOTT/BROPHY MOVE, upon the recommendation of Policy Committee, to approve the renewal of the Deferred Maintenance Policy based on the following first principles	CARRIED	SC-2017-07	08/22/2017
<b>2017-07/8a</b>	USHAKOV/PACHES MOVE to appoint two members of Students' Council to the Campus Activities Board.	N/A	SC-2017-07	08/22/2017
<b>2017-07/8b</b>	CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE MOVE to change Students' Council practice, precedent and custom by allowing students-at-larges and other non-Students' Councillors/Executives/Proxies/Designates to serve as voting members of Students' Council's standing committees.		SC-2017-07	08/22/2017
<b>N/A</b>	SUNDAY/HOWELL MOVE to suspend standing orders to suspend two speaking turns limit to 10 speaking terms.	FAILED	SC-2017-07	08/22/2017
<b>N/A</b>	SANDARE/WILSON MOVE to suspend standing orders to allow for four speaking turns	CARRIED	SC-2017-07	08/22/2017
<b>N/A</b>	FLAMAN/BROPHY CALL TO QUESTION.	CARRIED	SC-2017-07	08/22/2017
<b>N/A</b>	SCOTT/SUNDAY MOVE to postpone indefinitely.	CARRIED	SC-2017-07	08/22/2017
<b>SC-2017-08 was cancelled.</b>				

<b>Councillor Attendance Records 2017-2018</b>								
<b>Council Seats (40 total)</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>17-07 August 22</b>	<b>17-06 July 25</b>	<b>17-05 June 27</b>	<b>17-04 June 13</b>	<b>17-03 May 30</b>	<b>17-02 May 9</b>	<b>17-01 April 25</b>
<b>Ex-officio Members (6 voting seats)</b>								
President	Marina Banister	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP Academic	Shane Scott	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP External	Reed Larsen	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP Operations & Finance	Robyn Paches	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP Student Life	Ilya Ushakov	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Undergraduate Board of Governors Rep	Mike Sandare	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
<b>Faculty Representation (32 voting seats)</b>								
ALES	Haley Lefferson	Y	Y	0.5	N	Y (0.5)	Y	Y
ALES	Jo Ann Chew	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Navneet Gidda	Y	Y	N	Y (P)	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Srosh Hassan	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Alannah Piasecki	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Mitch Wilson	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y (0.5)
Arts	Meijun Chen					N	N	Y
Arts	Monica Lillo	Y (P)	Y	Y	Y (P)	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Tina Liu	Y	N	Y	Y	Y (0.5)		
Augustana (Faculty)	<b>VACANT</b>							
Business	Will Swain	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Business	Connor Palindat	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y (0.5)
Education	Emily Howell	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Education	Kara Farris	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Education	James Thibaudeau	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Engineering	Katelynn Nguyen						Y	Y (0.5)
Engineering	Eddie Wang	N	N	N	N	N		
Engineering	Mahmoud Kenawi	N	Y	0.5	N	Y	Y	N
Engineering	Nick Sorensen	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y (0.5)	Y	Y
Engineering	Daanish Hamid	0.5	N	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y
Law	Alexander (Sandy) Brophy	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Medicine & Dentistry	Brandon Christensen	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Native Studies	Nathan Sunday	Y	Y	Y	Y (P)	Y	Y	Y
Nursing	Abigail Bridarolli	N	N	Y	Y (P)	Y (0.5)	Y	Y (0.5)
Open Studies	Levi Flaman	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Pharmacy	Alex Kwan	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y
Phys Ed & Rec	<b>VACANT</b>							
Saint-Jean (Faculty)	Delane Howie	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Science	Genna DiPinto	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y
Science	Habba Mahal	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
Science	Hyejun Kim	N	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y	N
Science	Nicole Jones	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Science	Rachel Wang	0.5	N	0.5	0.5	Y	0.5	N
Science	Darren Choi	Y	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y	Y
<b>Ex-Officio Members (2 non-voting seats)</b>								
Speaker	Saadiq Sumar	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
General Manager	Marc Dumouchel	N	N	0.5	N	N	N	N

Guests		<b>Nathan Fung - Arts</b>			<b>Jessie Benoit - CSJ</b>			
		<b>Heather Lindsay - Native Studies</b>			<b>Nathan Fung - Arts</b>			
		<b>Megan Arcand - Native Studies</b>						
		<b>Katherine Belcourt - Science</b>						
		<b>Deirdra Cutarm - Native Studies</b>						
		<b>Bo Zhang</b>						
		<b>Justis Allard-Hagen</b>						