

**Tuesday, November 16th, 2021**

**6:00PM**

**Zoom**

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## ORDER PAPER (SC-2021-16)

2021-16/1      SPEAKERS BUSINESS

2021-16/1a      Announcements - The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on **Tuesday, November 30th 2021 at 6:00PM** via Zoom/Council Chambers.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/856666007012>

Meeting ID: 856 6600 7012

2021-16/2      CONSENT AGENDA

2021-16/2a      Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-15) Tuesday, November 2nd, 2021

See SC-2021-16.01

PRESENTATION

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

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BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

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2021-16/6      OPEN FORUM

2021-16/7      QUESTION PERIOD

2021-16/8      BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2021-16/9      GENERAL ORDERS

2021-16/10 INFORMATION ITEMS

2021-16/10a Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-15) Tuesday, November 2nd, 2021

See SC-2021-16.01

Council Submissions

2021-16/10b

See SC-2021-16.02-07

Students' Council - Attendance

2021-16/10c

See SC-2021-16.08

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CALLED TO ORDER 6:30PM.

VOTES & PROCEEDINGS (SC-2021-15)

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- 2021-15/2      CONSENT AGENDA
- 2021-15/2a      Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-14) Tuesday, October 19th, 2021  
See SC-2021-15.01
- 2021-15/3      PRESENTATIONS
- 2021-15/3a      **FOTANG/LEY MOVED** to approve a presentation by AUFSJ on CSJ & AUFSJ updates.  
See SC-2021-15.06 & 08  
CARRIED
- 2021-15/3b      **LEY/MONTEIRO MOVED** to allow a presentation on the Athletics and Recreation Fee.  
See SC-2021-15.07 & 09  
CARRIED
- 2021-15/3c      **KAUR MOVED** to approve a presentation regarding Government Sanctioned  
Genocide of Sikhs in India.  
See SC-2021-15.14

2021-15/4

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Talia DIXON, Vice President (Student Life) - Report.

Emily KIMANI, Vice President (Operations and Finance) - Report.

Abner MONTEIRO, Vice President (Academic) - Report.

Rowan LEY, President - Report.

Christian FOTANG, Vice President (External) - Report.

2021-15/5

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2021-15/6

QUESTION PERIOD

2021-15/7

OPEN FORUM

VILLOSO: Inquired as to the status of the International Students Hub in SUB.

KIMANI: Responded that the ISA has received space but more time is needed to address this issue as challenges were encountered as a result of miscommunication.

BATYCKI: Inquired as to what action has been taken to advance the calls to action in Morris' presentation.

LEY: Responded that progress has been slow due to the Executive's being out of office.

MOTOKSA: Commended Villosa on her work organising the Council Mentorship Program.

MORRIS: Expressed concern about the lack of available bathrooms next to Council Chambers.

BATYCKI: Inquired as to the timeline for non-SU businesses phasing out the use of single-use plastics.

KIMANI: Responded that the SU is undergoing a waste management audit that will determine how it addresses its sustainability plans.

YEOLA: Inquired as to the reasons for there being increases to campus rent.

DIXON: Responded that Residence Services increases the cost of rent and meal plans to account for inflation.

BRANDWEIN: Inquired as to how the SU can direct its advocacy at the City of Edmonton.

FOTANG: Responded that changes in City policy are best informed via the City Plan which is created annually.

2021-15/8 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2021-15/8a **DIXON AND MONTEIRO MOVED** to approve the Second Principles of the Climate Action Policy  
See SC-2021-15.13

DIXON: Clarified that she made a few friendly amendments to correct for minor errors in the document.

CARRIED

2021-15/10 INFORMATION ITEMS

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See SC-2021-15.01

2021-15/10b Council Submissions  
See SC-2021-15.02-07

2021-15/10c Campus Saint-JEAN & AUFSJ Update Presentation Slides  
See SC-2021-15.08

2021-15/10d Athletics & Recreation Fee Presentation Slides  
See SC-2021-15.09

2021-15/10e Students' Council - Attendance  
See SC-2021-15.10

2021-15/10f Council submissions  
See SC-2021-15.11 &15.13

2021-15/10g Board of Governors Report  
See SC-2021-15.12

2021-15/10h Government-sanctioned Genocide of Sikhs in India  
See SC-2021-15.14

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:31PM.

## 2021-22 - Council Submissions

### UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

This form is intended to be used by members of Students' Council to submit items for Council meetings.

**Council Meeting Date** Tuesday, November 16, 2021

**Mover** LEY

**Email** rowan.ley@su.ualberta.ca

**Action Requested** Information Items

### Information Items

**Abstract**

President's Report

**Attachments**



**Date:** 16/11/21

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** President's Report 16/11/21

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Hi Council,

I hope you have had excellent Reading Weeks and are feeling rested and ready to face the rest of the semester and finals. I have been away for the last week to deal with a family issue in BC, and so haven't seen you all around campus, but I know how tough this time of year can be. Student mental health challenges often peak in the late Fall semester, so if you are struggling right now you are not alone. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Counselling and Clinical Services, the Peer Support Centre, or any member of the Exec team or the Speaker if we can support you in governance spaces.

### **Remembrance Day**

On November 11th, the Students' Union would usually participate in laying a wreath at the City of Edmonton's annual Remembrance Day ceremony in the Butterdome. For the second year in a row we did not have that opportunity as Remembrance Day events were cancelled or downsized due to COVID, but I still took some time to reflect on the meaning of the day. Hundreds of students just like us from the U of A participated in the First and Second World Wars, Korean War, and others. I am always conscious of the responsibility to remember their sacrifices, and reminded that democracy is about responsibility and sacrifice just as much as it is about rights and freedoms.

### **Student Aid Reports**

The Registrar's Office has completed their [annual student financial aid report](#) (item 3), which we discussed at GFC Council on Student Affairs and Academic Planning Committee. While there are some promising trends in the report, we continue to have concerns about how it is allocated. Particularly in 2020-21, when many students were suffering extreme financial and academic stress, the University chose to offer nearly a million dollars in entrance incentives to new international students using reserves. While the ability to access reserves was a temporary COVID measure, it is distressing that this money was used as an incentive for new students to accept U of A offers rather than as a lifeline for current students who desperately needed help. We are also concerned by the very high proportion of operationally funded student aid that is primarily merit-based, and believe the needs-based and hybrid portions should be much higher. This is a shift that is gradually happening, but we are committed to ensuring it continues.

### **SRA Summit**

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**Rowan Ley, President**

2-900 SUB | 780 492 4241 | [president@su.ualberta.ca](mailto:president@su.ualberta.ca)

The Exec team was very pleased to participate in the UASU's first SRA Summit. Each faculty association, the ISA, and ASC each sent a delegate, and we had a productive day of community-building activities, training, and discussions about how to address loneliness and mental health issues on campus at the source. VP Monteiro did an excellent job organizing the event, and I can say that aside from getting good work done, we had a really good time. The last year of online events has sometimes made me forget how important in-person conversations and socializing are to the relationships and community that make our work here effective. I also enjoyed facilitating the section on advocacy meeting strategies. We want to make sure that SRAs have the practical skills to be as effective as possible, and making sure they have access to practical training and skill-building is an important project for the Students' Union— not just this year, but in a more enduring and sustainable way.

### **Sexual Violence Advocacy**

I am continuing to work to address the disturbing allegations of sexual violence against AASUA President Ricardo Acuña, and the allegations against former Drama instructor Patrick Howarth which recently became public. The Students' Union remains firm in our position that Mr. Acuña needs to resign as President of AASUA. I am also working closely with VPs Monteiro and Dixon to advance policy changes that will protect students from predatory behaviour by those in positions of power in the University community.

### **Name Changes in University Systems**

We have discussed the need for trans students to have their name accurately reflected on their transcript and degree parchment with the Registrar's office. Like most changes to Bear Tracks there is a technical aspect to this discussion, and so I can't give too many details right now, but we will update Council as soon as those details become available. We are also looking at best practices at other universities to help make the case to the University that this change is overdue-- for example, California Governor Gavin Newsom recently signed legislation requiring post-secondary institutions to use trans students' current names in documentation.

Sincerely,



University of Alberta Students' Union President  
**Rowan Ley**



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**Mover** Monteiro

**Email** abner.monteiro@uasu.ca

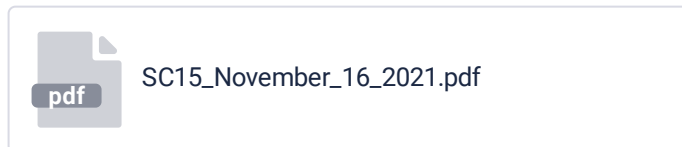
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**Abstract**

VPA Report #15

**Attachments**



**Date:** 16/11/2021

**To:** Students' Union Council

**Re:** Vice President Academic 2021/22 Report #15

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Dear Council,

I hope all of you are having a relaxing reading week! Here is an overview of what I have been up to over the past two weeks.

### **SRA Summit**

Last weekend, we successfully hosted the first-ever Student Representative Association (SRA) Summit. It was an incredible opportunity to bring student leaders from all of our SRAs together to practice some practical advocacy skills that will help them in their work, and collaborate on addressing isolation and mental health challenges on campus. By the end of the summit, I think that vision came to life. As a group, we came up with some exciting ideas for improving our community on campus. I hope that everyone who attended can now return to their SRAs and have new strategies and solutions to address their students' challenges.



### **Center For Teaching and Learning Webinette**

On Wednesday, I had the opportunity to speak at a webinette that CTL runs weekly for instructors! This one was focused on the ZTC Indicator Pilot Program, how it works, and how instructors can get involved and find the support they need to teach in an open format. It was a lot of fun, and there were some great discussions around affordability for students and how instructors can overcome some of the challenges with teaching ZTC.

### **Accommodations for Final Exams**

This week, the Dean of Students updated that accommodations for final exams will be much smoother than earlier in the semester. The University was able to find space and staff to administer many of the exam accommodations in person. The Dean of Students Office also just put in place a new Universal Design and Accessibility team, which will be taking on the responsibility of addressing many of the accessibility and accommodation issues on campus.

## **Cyber Summit 2021**

On Wednesday, I was part of a student panel alongside Nicole Schmidt (UCSU President) to talk to a group of Chief Information Officers about students' experiences with online learning and some of the serious flaws we encountered. Many people in attendance work for companies that develop the technology that enables online proctoring or lecture capture/streaming. It was an excellent opportunity to highlight the end user's experiences to inform their work better.



## **Student Rights Campaign**

Between now and December, I am working on a short social media campaign to inform students about their rights when attending the U of A. The content will primarily focus on information around assessment and grading, procedural fairness, much of the information outlined in the [Charter of Student Rights and Responsibilities](#). I encourage all of you to add this document to your council social media pages if you have one or share the content on Instagram when it is up on the UASU pages!

Cheers,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Abner Monteiro".

**Abner Monteiro**  
Vice President Academic  
University of Alberta Students' Union

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**Email** abner.monteiro@uasu.ca

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#### Abstract

SRA Fee - Letter of Intent  
Augustana Students' Association (ASA)  
Received: October 29th, 2021

#### Attachments



ASA Letter of Intent 2021.pdf



ASA Letter of Intent - Fee Referendum  
October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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To whom it may concern,

This letter is to serve as notice that the Augustana Students' Association (ASA) intends to renew a Faculty Association Membership Fee (FAMF) for the Augustana Faculty beginning in the fall 2022 semester. The fee will be applied with the regular student fees, similar to our previous Faculty Association Membership Fee.

In accordance to the Student Union Bylaw #8200 we shall conduct a fee referendum during our spring general elections of 2022. The referendum will adhere to Students' Union bylaws. Notwithstanding the outcome of the referendum, this letter is to serve notice that the SU and the Office of the Registrar may need to prepare for the possibility of applying a fee for all Undergraduate Augustana students in the fall 2022 semester. The implementation of the fee is subject to the outcome of the referendum question. We will inform the Students' Union and the Office of the Registrar on the results of the referendum as soon as they are made available to our organization.

If you have any questions, please contact Robel Ng'ong'a at 780-226-6153 or at [asapres@ualberta.ca](mailto:asapres@ualberta.ca).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Robel'.

Robel Ng'ong'a  
President  
Augustana Students' Association

Cc. Philip Miheso  
Speaker, UASU Students' Council

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#### Abstract

SRA Fee - Letter of Intent  
Education Students' Association (ESA)  
Received: November 10th, 2021

#### Attachments



ESA Letter of Intent 2021.pdf

November 10, 2021

To whom it may concern,

This letter is to serve as notice that the Education Students' Association (ESA) intends to renew a Faculty Association Membership Fee (FAMF) beginning in Fall 2022. This fee will be included along with students' tuition that will be taken out for our previous Faculty Association Membership Fee. We are proposing a membership fee beginning in Fall 2022 for \$8.00 per student that will be taken until 2025.

The fee will be overseen as per the ESA Finances Policy Document and ESA Constitution as they are currently written, in accordance with SU Bylaw 8200. This includes ongoing financial reporting by the ESA VP Finance and a yearly independent audit; the Finance Policy also requires a statement of the audit to be submitted to ESA Council, the Alberta Teachers' Association, and the Student Governance Advisor for full oversight and transparency. The mandate of the ESA is to create a community for all students within the Faculty of Education, provide leadership, student involvement, and a voice for all Education students, and perform valued services including opportunities for student involvement, having an office space with snacks for our students, as well as using the fee for bursaries and awards for our students under the ESA. With the continuation of FAMF, we will continue to be well-equipped to perform the services and events that help us create a community in the Faculty. We would also be able to continue to devote our time to organizing activities that directly serve students, like event planning and advocacy work, as opposed to selling and distributing memberships.

The ESA hopes you will approve our proposal for FAMF as it would allow us to better serve our mandate of helping Education students.

Best regards,

**Edward Tiet, He/Him**

Undergraduate, 3rd Year

Faculty of Education, Secondary Education

**Vice President-Finance**

Education Students' Association, University of Alberta

Education Centre North 4-110A

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**Mover** Monteiro

**Email** abner.monteiro@uasu.ca

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SRA Fee - Letter of Intent  
International Students' Association (ISA)  
Received: November 11th, 2021

#### Attachments



ISA Letter of Intent 2021.pdf



Re: Notification of Intent to initiate an SRA Fee  Inbox x



1:24 PM (31 minutes ago) ☆ ↶ ⋮

 **Chanpreet Singh (ISA President)**

to me,

Hi Abner,

I hope you are doing well. Please consider this email as a formal intent in accordance with Bylaw 8200.7.2. The International Students' Association would like to create a Student Representative Association Fee.

The ISA would like to present its final proposal on Nov 30, to UASU Students' Council meeting. This shall give us the opportunity to make changes and present again if needed on Dec 14.

If there is anything else needed from the ISA end, please feel free to let me know. I will be meeting with UASU President Rowan, later this month to discuss the motion mover and seconder. Please acknowledge receipt of the SRA Fee intent.

Have a good day and stay safe,

**Best Regards,**

**Chanpreet Singh [He/Him]**

**President**

**International Students' Association (ISA)**

The University of Alberta, Canada.

For Meeting Scheduling, reach out to [ISA Manager](#)

Students can also use [Calendly](#).

[Website: isa.ualberta.ca](http://isa.ualberta.ca)

[Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [Twitter](#)

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University of Alberta  
**INTERNATIONAL  
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION**



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SRA Fee - Letter of Intent  
Interdepartmental Science Students' Society (ISSS)  
Received: October 20th, 2021

#### Attachments



ISSS Letter of Intent 2021.pdf

## ISSS FAMF Renewal - Proposal Feedback SRA/ISSS x



Wed, Oct 20, 11:31 AM   

 **Aakankshya Kharel**

to me 

Hi Abner,

I hope you're doing well! I apologize if this is redundant but just making sure because I was just told about a bylaw regarding the need for a formal statement:

ISSS would like to formally inform you that we intend on renewing an SRA fee (FAMF), also known as Sci5 within the ISSS. Amount levied (\$5/semester) will remain the same.

Also, I am wondering if you'd be able to connect me with the SU councillors. I would like to get some feedback on our proposal before I bring it to the council meeting for a vote.

Thanks,  
Aakankshya

