

# STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Tuesday March 10, 2009  
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2008-23)

- 2008-23/1      **SPEAKER'S BUSINESS**
- 2008-23/1a      Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, March 17, 2009
- 2008-23/3      **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**
- 2008-23/3a      John Braga, VP Academic- Oral Report
- 2008-23/3b      Steven Dollansky, VP Operations and Finance- Oral Report
- 2008-23/3c      Beverly Eastham, VP External- Oral Report
- 2008-23/3d      Janelle Morin, President- Oral Report
- 2008-23/4      **QUESTION PERIOD**
- 2008-23/5      **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- 2008-23/6      **GENERAL ORDERS**
- 2008-23/6t      **GELLER/DEHOD MOVED THAT** Students' Council appoint (1) member to the External Policy Committee
- Nominations: Shannon
- Appointed: Shannon
- 2008-23/6a      **BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council omnibus the first readings of Bills #53 through #41, Item #2008-23/6b, and Item #2008-23/6h.
- Speakers List: Braga
- Motion: CARRIED**
- Point of order: Braga " is a seconder required before reading the motion?"
- Speaker: " Point not well taken"

2008-23/6b

**MORIN/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council direct that by the March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 meeting of Students' Council the Students' Union Vice President (Academic) shall provide to Students' Council, as an information item, the adopted Terms of Reference of the Council of Faculty Associations.

**Motion: CARRIED**

Point of order: Braga " Isn't this part of the omnibus motion, shouldn't it be voted on after all of the debate on the omnibus"

Speaker: "Point well taken"

2008-23/6c

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #53 in first reading:

Principles

The Students' Union shall derecognize a Faculty Association or Campus Association, thus leaving an unrepresented constituency, upon the Faculty Association or Campus Association no longer being a student group.

The Students' Union may derecognize a Faculty Association or Campus Association, thus leaving an unrepresented constituency, if:

- the Faculty Association or Campus Association applies for derecognition; or
- a majority of the students which the Faculty Association or Campus Association represents petition for derecognition.

During the period of an unrepresented constituency the Students' Union shall assume responsibility of the affairs of the constituency. After two calendar weeks and before two calendar months of the existence of an unrepresented constituency the Students' Union shall recognize a new Faculty Association or Campus Association.

The Students' Union may derecognize a Faculty Association or Campus Association if another student group applies for recognition as the Faculty Association representing the constituency, if and only if that student group is then recognized as the Association, having probationary status, representing that constituency.

**Motion: CARRIED**

2008-23/6d

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #38 in first reading:

Principles

The Students' Union may recognize a Faculty Association or Campus Association as having probationary status if:

- multiple significant issues arise out of the annual recognition process, notwithstanding that a previously recognized Faculty Association or Campus Association shall be presumed to retain its previous recognition;
- the Faculty Association or Campus Association applies for probation; or
- in a constituency of at least 1000 base members, fifteen percent or more of the students which the Faculty Association or Campus Association represents petition for probation.

The Students' Union and the Faculty Association or Campus Association, having probationary status, shall agree to and sign Conditions of Probation, which shall govern the Faculty Association or Campus Association while it retains its probationary status.

After three calendar months and before one calendar year of an Association being recognized as having probationary status, the Students' Union shall either; recognize the Association as no longer having probationary status; or derecognize the Association, thus leaving an unrepresented constituency.

**Motion: CARRIED**

2008-23/6e

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #39 in first reading:

Principles

A Faculty Association or Campus Association shall adopt a governance structure which satisfies the following:

Legislation is adopted, amended, or rescinded by:

a General Meeting which meets at least once per Fall Term and Winter Term; or

a Council which meets at least twice per Fall Term and Winter Term where a General Meeting may overturn the adoption, amendment, or rescission.

Policy and Procedure is adopted, amended, or rescinded by:

a Council which meets at least twice per Fall Term and Winter Term; or an Executive Committee or Board which meets at least once per month during each Fall Term and Winter Term where a Council may overturn the adoption, amendment, or rescission.

the executive and board officers, as applicable, of the Faculty Association or Campus Association are held accountable to and removable by:

a General Meeting which meets at least once per Fall Term and Winter Term; a Council which meets at least twice per Fall Term and Winter Term; or another mechanism agreed to by the Students' Union.

elections, plebiscites and referenda if applicable, are conducted by a Campus Association Deputy Returning Officer or Faculty Association Deputy Returning Officer who acts at arms length from the other bodies of the Campus Association or Faculty Association.

**Motion: CARRIED**

2008-23/6f

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #40 in first reading:

Principles

The Chair of Audit Committee shall maintain the Schedule to Bylaw 3000, A Bylaw Respecting Students' Union Finances.

2008-23/6g

**BRAGA MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #41 in first reading:

### Principles

All Faculty Associations and Campus Associations shall provide an annual report of its finances to its membership and to the Students' Union. This report shall include the Faculty Association or Campus Association's current fiscal year's budget and the previous fiscal year's audited financial statements.

All Faculty Associations or Campus Associations with a Campus Association Transfer Payment, Faculty Association Membership Fee and/or Faculty Association Special Fee shall append additional information to their annual report. This appendix shall include evidence of compliance with Students' Union Bylaw, evidence of compliance with all contracts with the Students' Union and additional information as requested by the Students' Union Audit Committee.

No funds raised by a Campus Association Transfer Payment, Faculty Association Membership Fee and/or Faculty Association Special Fee shall be dispersed to a Faculty Association or Campus Association until such time as the funds have been received from the Office of the Registrar and the Students' Union Audit Committee has approved this dispersal.

Upon the Faculty Association or Campus Association being demonstrated to be in compliance with Students' Union Bylaws the Audit Committee shall approve the dispersal of funds to the Faculty Association or Campus Association by June 30<sup>th</sup> of that fiscal year or within four calendar weeks, whichever is later.

Where the funds have been received by the Students' Union from the Office of the Registrar and where the Students' Union Audit Committee has approved the dispersal of the funds, the funds shall be dispersed to the Faculty Association or Campus Association within two calendar weeks.

All Faculty Associations or Campus Associations with a Faculty Membership Fee shall append additional information to their annual report. This appendix shall include evidence of compliance with Students' Union Bylaw, evidence of seeking alternatives to the fee and a recommendation regarding the continuation or termination of the Faculty Membership Fee.

### Motion: CARRIED

Point of order: Braga " Isn't item 2008-23/6h part of the omnibus motions?"

Speaker: "point well taken"

2008-23/6h

**MORIN/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council directs that:

the Students' Union Vice President (Academic) shall secure written agreement between the Students' Union and the relevant Faculty Association or Campus Association to the amendment of their Faculty Association Membership Fee Proposal such that the fund dispersal mechanism outlined in Bill #41 shall take affect May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009; and

the Students' Union Vice President (Academic) shall secure written agreement between the Students' Union and the relevant Faculty Association or Campus Association to the amendment of their Faculty Association Special Fee Proposal such that the fund dispersal outlined mechanism in Bill #41 shall take affect May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.

**Motion: CARRIED**

Speakers List: Braga, Melenchuk, Morin

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED TO** amend motion 2008-23/6c to read:

Principles

The Students' Union shall derecognize a Faculty Association or Campus Association, thus leaving an unrepresented constituency, upon the Faculty Association or Campus Association no longer being a student group.

The Students' Union may derecognize a Faculty Association or Campus Association, thus leaving an unrepresented constituency, if:

the Faculty Association or Campus Association applies for derecognition; or  
a majority of the students which the Faculty Association or Campus Association represents petition for derecognition.

During the period of an unrepresented constituency the Students' Union shall assume responsibility of the affairs of the constituency. After two calendar weeks and before two calendar months of the existence of an unrepresented constituency the Students' Union shall recognize a new Faculty Association or Campus Association.

The Students' Union may derecognize a Faculty Association or Campus Association if another student group applies for recognition as the Faculty Association or Campus Association representing the constituency, if and only if that student group is then recognized as the Association, having probationary status, representing that constituency

**Motion (Friendly): CARRIED**

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED TO** amend motion 2008-23/6d to read:

Principles

The Students' Union may recognize a Faculty Association or Campus Association as having probationary status if:

multiple significant issues arise out of the annual recognition process, notwithstanding that a previously recognized Faculty Association or Campus Association shall be presumed to retain its previous recognition;  
the Faculty Association or Campus Association applies for probation; or  
in a constituency of at least 1000 base members, fifteen percent or more of the base students which the Faculty Association or Campus Association represents petition for probation.

The Students' Union and the Faculty Association or Campus Association, having probationary status, shall agree to and sign Conditions of Probation, which shall govern the Faculty Association or Campus Association while it retains its probationary status.

After three calendar months and before one calendar year of an Association being recognized as having probationary status, the Students' Union shall either;  
recognize the Association as no longer having probationary status; or  
derecognize the Association, thus leaving an unrepresented constituency.

**Motion (Friendly): CARRIED**

**2008-23/6i**

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council omnibus the first readings of Bills #42 and #43.

Speakers List: Braga

**Motion: CARRIED**

**MORIN/MELENCHUK MOVED TO** move into informal consideration

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2008-23/6j**

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #42 in first reading:

Principles

A Faculty Association or Campus Association shall have the right to use the Students' Union Councillor Election polling stations and the Students' Union Councillor Election electronic ballot for the base members to vote for the purpose of the:

- election of such positions as may be required by that Faculty Association or Campus Association; and

- voting on such plebiscites and referenda as may be required by that Faculty Association or Campus Association.

All sections of Students' Union Bylaws pertaining to the elections, plebiscites and referenda of a Faculty Association or Campus Association shall be consolidated into Bylaw 8100, A Bylaw Respecting Faculty Associations and Campus Associations.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2008-23/6k**

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #43 in first reading:

Principles

The General Election of Faculty Councillors for Augustana Faculty to Students' Council and General Faculties Council shall be conducted concurrently with the General Election of the Students' Union Executive Committee and the Undergraduate Board of Governors.

The Faculty Association for Augustana Faculty shall have the right to use the Student's Union Executive Committee and the Undergraduate Board of Governors polling stations and the Students' Union Executive Committee and the Undergraduate Board of Governors electronic ballot for the base members to vote for the purpose of the:

- election of such positions as may be required by the Faculty Association for Augustana Faculty; and

- voting on such plebiscites and referenda as may be required by the Faculty Association for Augustana Faculty.

**Motion: CARRIED**

Speakers List: Braga, Shannon, Murphy, Cloutier

**2008-23/6m**

**BRAGA/LYND MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #44 in first reading:

Principles

The base membership of a Faculty Association shall be defined as all undergraduate students enrolled in the faculty represented by the Faculty Association.

The base membership of a Campus Association shall be defined as all undergraduate students enrolled in a faculty located on the satellite campus represented by the Campus Association.

Notwithstanding this for matters that do not pertain to the collection of Campus Association Transfer Payments, Faculty Association Membership Fees, Faculty Association Special Fees , Faculty Membership Fees and Students' Union electronic ballots, the membership of a Faculty Association or Campus Association may be defined by criteria agreed upon with Students' Council.

Speakers List: Braga, Murphy, Bachmann

**MURPHY/DOLLANSKY MOVED TO** Table Bill #44 until Bill #47 is delt with

**Motion: CARRIED**

**EASTHAM/MELENCHUK MOVED TO** Suspend standing orders 28(1)d)

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2008-23/6n**

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #45 in first reading:

Principles

That Students' Council agrees to the current membership definition of l'Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean which is:

Tout étudiant inscrit à au moins un cours de la Faculté Saint-Jean est considéré member de l'A.U.F.S.J.

(All students enrolled in at least one course at the Faculté Saint-Jean are considered members of the AUFSJ.)

Speakers List: Braga, Melenchuk

**MELENCHUK/FENTIMAN MOVED TO** Table Bill #45 until Bill #44 is delt with.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2008-23/6o**

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #46 in first reading:

Principles

The members of a Faculty Association or Campus Association shall have the following rights:

to resign one's membership by notifying the Association;

to reinstate one's membership by notifying the Association;

- for one to be afforded the same voting power as any other member of the Association at a General Meeting, in a referendum or plebiscite, and in an election for its officers;
- for one to be afforded the same voting power as any other member of a constituency of the Association in an election for a representative of that constituency; and
- for one to be afforded the same access to services and events as any other member in the same membership category of the Association.

Speakers List: Braga, Murphy

**Motion: CARRIED**

2008-23/6p

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #47 in first reading:

Principles

The purpose of a Campus Association Transfer Payment is to provide financial support for the operation of a Campus Association. Only a Campus Association is eligible for a Campus Association Transfer Payment.

All base members of the Campus Association shall have a percentage of their Students' Union membership fee transferred to the Campus Association with the remainder retained by the Students' Union.

The percentage of the Students' Union membership fee transferred to the Campus Association shall be determined by dividing the net Political/Governance spending of the Students' Union by the net Students' Union membership fees collected; then multiplying this number by one hundred; then subtracting this number from one hundred.

The percentage of the Students' Union membership fee transferred to the Campus Association may be recalculated upon the mutual agreement of the Campus Association and the Students' Union.

Notwithstanding this, the term between calculations of the percentage of the Students' Union membership fee transferred to the Campus Association shall not exceed four years.

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED TO** amend motion to read:

Principles

The purpose of a Campus Association Transfer Payment is to provide financial support for the operation of a Campus Association. Only a Campus Association is eligible for a Campus Association Transfer Payment.

All base members of the Campus Association shall have a percentage of their Students' Union membership fee transferred to the Campus Association with the remainder retained by the Students' Union.

The percentage of the Students' Union membership fee transferred to the Campus Association shall be determined by dividing the net Political/Governance spending of the Students' Union by the net Students' Union membership fees collected; then multiplying this number by one hundred; then subtracting this number from one hundred.

The Campus Association transfer payment may be recalculated upon the joint



agreement of the Campus Association and Students' Council.

The percentage of the Students' Union membership fee transferred to the Campus Association may be recalculated upon the mutual agreement of the Campus Association and the Students' Union.

Notwithstanding this, the term between calculations of the percentage of the Students' Union membership fee transferred to the Campus Association shall not exceed four years.

**Motion: CARRIED**  
1 abstain

**Main Motion: CARRIED**

**Automatic Recess at 8:29pm**

**Meeting Called back to order at 8:44pm**

2008-23/6m

**BRAGA/LYND MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #44 in first reading:

Principles

The base membership of a Faculty Association shall be defined as all undergraduate students enrolled in the faculty represented by the Faculty Association.

The base membership of a Campus Association shall be defined as all undergraduate students enrolled in a faculty located on the satellite campus represented by the Campus Association.

Notwithstanding this for matters that do not pertain to the collection of Campus Association Transfer Payments, Faculty Association Membership Fees, Faculty Association Special Fees, Faculty Membership Fees and Students' Union electronic ballots, the membership of a Faculty Association or Campus Association may be defined by criteria agreed upon with Students' Council.

**Motion: CARRIED**

2008-23/6n

**BRAGA/MELENCHUK MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #45 in first reading:

Principles

That Students' Council agrees to the current membership definition of l'Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean which is:

Tout étudiant inscrit à au moins un cours de la Faculté Saint-Jean est considéré member de l'A.U.F.S.J.

(All students enrolled in at least one course at the Faculté Saint-Jean are considered members of the AUFSJ.)

**Motion: CARRIED**

2008-23/6q

**BRAGA/DOLLANSKY MOVED THAT** Students' Council approves Bill #48 in first reading:

Principles

On September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 the Augustana Students' Association shall begin

receiving a Campus Association Transfer Payment as outlined in Bill #47 where the percentage of the Students' Union membership fee transferred shall be 56.85% as per Bill #47.

On September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 l'Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean shall begin receiving a Campus Association Transfer Payment as outlined in Bill #47 where the percentage of the Students' Union membership fee transferred shall be 74.00% as per current practice.

On September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 the percentage of the Students' Union membership fee transferred to l'Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean shall be recalculated as per Bill #47.

For both the Augustana Students' Association and l'Association des Universitaires de la Faculté Saint-Jean the fund dispersal outlined in Bill #47 shall take affect May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.

Speakers List: Braga, Dollansky, Saik

**Motion: CARRIED**  
**1 abstain**

2008-23/6v

**BRAGA/MARPHY MOVED THAT** Students' Council approve Bill #52 in first reading:  
Principles

That all instances of "Satellite Campus" appearing in Students Union Bylaws shall be replaced by "Campus"

**Motion: CARRIED**

**JANZ/MELENCHUK MOVED TO** Make 2008-23/5d special orders

**Motion: CARRIED**

2008-23/5d

**DEHOD/DUNN MOVED THAT** Students' Council approve Bill #51, based on the recommendation of the Council Administration Committee, in first reading:

Principles

The Speaker of Students' Council does not have to be a member of the Students' Union.

Speakers List: Dehod, Dollansky, Morin, Janz, Flath

**Motion: CARRIED**  
**3 abstain**  
**Braga and Melenchuck abstain**

2008-23/6r

**SHULTZ/GELLER MOVED THAT** Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the External Policy Committee, adopt the following principles on P3s as a Political Policy:

- 1) The University of Alberta is a public institution and should not have to have to enter partnerships with private companies for capital projects.
- 2) The University of Alberta should be funding infrastructure and the building of residences with money from the government.

- 3) The planning, operation, and administration of student residences should be directed primarily by the concerns and interests of students.
- 4) The University of Alberta should not take on the risks of entering a P3 because the costs would be transferred to students to pay for.
- 5) The administration of the new student residences should be modeled after and tied into the existing administration of other University of Alberta residences.

Speakers List: Geller, Morin, Dollansky, Janz, Dehod

**DOLLANSKY/FENTIMAN MOVED TO** refer item 2008-23/6r back to the External Policy Committee.

**Motion: CARRIED**

**2008-23/6w BRAGA/FENTIMAN MOVED TO** appoint (1) member to the Bylaw Committee.

Nominations: Melenchuk

Appointed: Melenchuk

**DOLLANSKY MOVED TO** adjourn

**Motion: CARRIED**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:49pm**