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**Tuesday, August 21, 2018  
6:00PM  
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.

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:05PM**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC-2018-07)**

**2018-07/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS**

SPEAKER: Special ordered items *2018-07/9o* to *2018-07/9s* from the Late Additions.

**2018-07/1a** Announcements - The next meeting of the Students' Council will take place on **Tuesday, September 4, 2018** at 6:00PM in the Council Chambers.

**2018-07/2 PRESENTATIONS**

**2018-07/2a** *Presentation Title:* Be Book Smart Fair

**Abstract:** "The Be Book Smart Fair is a one-day event hosted on September 13th 2018, from 10AM-2PM in SUB Atrium. Textbooks are one of the largest expenses for students after tuition, rent, and food. 88% of students at the University of Alberta think they're paying too much for textbooks, shelling out an estimated \$1750 per year. The Be Book Smart Fair will act as a physical manifestation of the Be Book Smart campaign where students will be able to interact with affordability in the classroom through various booths."

***Presenter(s):***

- Akanksha Bhatnagar, Vice President Academic, Students' Union

**BHATNAGAR/RAITZ MOVED** to allow the "Be Book Smart Fair" Presentation.

BHATNAGAR: Established that the Fair is an event intended to educate and empower students in relation to open educational resources. Noted that the event is to occur in SUB Atrium on September 13, 2018. Noted that prizes are to be awarded at the event. Determined to release a call-out for volunteers.

Highlighted the event as an opportunity for student-councillor connection.  
PALINDAT: Inquired into the budget for the event.

BHATNAGAR: Responded that \$3500 is allocated for both Fair and GovWeek.

MOGALE: Inquired into what additional means of engagement are to be utilised.

BHATNAGAR: Responded that she will email faculty associations, residence associations, departmental associations, launch a social media campaign, and deliver class talks.

MOGALE: Inquired into the long-term vision for accessible academic materials.

BHATNAGAR: Responded that the event intends to encourage both students and professors to utilise open educational materials.

SUNDAY: Invited Bhatnagar to attend TAWOW in order to promote the Fair.  
Inquired into the character of open educational materials.

BHATNAGAR: Noted that open materials are best utilised when consolidated into course packages.

See SC-2018-07.10.

**2018-07/2b** ***Presentation Title:*** Council Involvement at WOW / NSO

***Abstract:*** Students' Council Involvement Opportunities.

***Presenter(s):***

- Connor Palindat - Chair of CAC
- Andre Bourgeois - Vice-President (Student Life), Students' Union

**BOURGEOIS/SUNDAY MOVED** to allow the "Council Involvement at WOW / NSO" Presentation.

BOURGEOIS: Encouraged Council to engage in TAWOW, residence events such as Lister Move-in and Eastern Ascent, faculty association events, the President's Address, and WOW village.

PALINDAT: Emphasised the expectation, as per Standing Orders, that each councillor commits one hour to volunteer at new student orientation. Urged councillors to contact their faculty associations to connect with students. Noted that members can get involved with the Gateway who is videographing councillors in pre-set activities to be complete by the end of August

**2018-07/3** **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Akanksha BHATNAGAR, Vice President (Academic) - Report.

Reed LARSEN, President - Report.  
Andre BOURGEOIS, Vice President (Student Life) - Report.

BHATNAGAR: Added to her written comments. Invited Council to the September 27th Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee Town Hall. Noted that Stride programme applications are now open.

**2018-07/4**

**BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT**

Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee - Report  
Audit Committee - Report.  
Bylaw Committee - Report.  
Council Administration Committee - Report.  
Policy Committee - Report.  
Executive Committee - Report.  
Board of Governors - Report.

**2018-07/5**

**OPEN FORUM**

**2018-07/6**

**QUESTION PERIOD**

**2018-07/7**

**BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**2018-07/7a**

**PALINDAT/THIBAUDEAU MOVES** to appoint one (1) member of Students' Council to the Audit Committee.

THIBAUDEAU: Established that Committee meetings occur monthly. Noted the Fall schedule is yet to be set.

BHATNAGAR nominated AGARWAL: declined.  
SUNDAY nominated BELCOURT: declined.  
BHATNAGAR nominated BOSE: accepted.  
BELCOURT nominated SUNDAY: declined.

**BOSE** is declared appointed to the Audit Committee via acclamation.

**2018-07/7b**

**KIM MOVES** to nominate one (1) member of Students' Council to the Bylaw Committee.

KIM: Established that the Committee reviews, recommends, and drafts bylaws and plebiscite questions. Noted that meetings occur twice a month. Identified the next meeting as August 29th at 5:00pm.

MOGALE nominated BILAK: accepted.  
KIM nominated AGARWAL: declined.  
SUNDAY nominated MOGALE: declined.  
BOURGEOIS nominated LIN: declined.  
BOURGEOIS nominated RAITZ: declined.  
THIBAUDEAU nominated BOURGEOIS: declined.

KIM nominated STATT: accepted.  
FLAMAN nominated KOBES: accepted.

**BILAK** is declared appointed to the Bylaw Committee via secret ballot.

**2018-07/7c** **SUNDAY/LEY MOVE** to approve First Principles of Bill #4: Students' Council Committee Chairs' Training.

See SC-2018-07.12.

SUNDAY: Established that the Bill is designed to address the steep learning curve of chairing a committee, such as improving the ease and effectivity of chair's transition.

THIBAUDEAU: Inquired into the manner in which the Bill relates to the work of Discover Governance.

FLAMAN: Expressed concern over the tendency of bylaw, designed to be high-level, to micromanage operations of Council. Suggested collaborating with Discover Governance without bylaw.

KIM: Noted that she had insufficient resources with which to chair meetings upon her election and appointment. Considered that standard guidelines would work to correct this lack of material.

LARSEN: Suggested that the Bill's objective is more appropriately achieved through Council Standing Orders, in a section entitled chair's mandate. Noted that Standing Orders are comparatively flexible.

SUNDAY: Identified the purpose of the Bill is to address the quality of transitional reports and ease of the process.

THIBAUDEAU: Inquired into whom, if not Discover Governance, would facilitate the transition process, such as the chair's training.

KIM: Responded that the outgoing chairs would likely support the incoming chairs.

BHATNAGAR: Reaffirmed that bylaw is an inappropriate place to achieve the aim of this Bill.

PALMER: Inquired into what sanctions exist for a violation of bylaw.

KIM: Responded that there is not a codified list of remedies, rather the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board provides remedies through its individual rulings.

RAITZ: Inquired into what precisely differentiates bylaws from standing orders.  
LARSEN: Responded that bylaw includes broad obligations and delegated authority as per the *Post Secondary Learning Act* whereas Standing Orders are internal instruments of organisation for staff and councillors. Emphasised that it is, for this reason, that the Standing Orders are to be utilised to achieve the aim of this Bill.

**MAIN MOTION: FAILED**

**2018-07/7d** **SUNDAY/KIM MOVE**, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, to approve the Second Principles of Bill #3.

See SC-2018-07.14.

SUNDAY: Established that Bill aims to amend the committee classification structure by collapsing the classifications of oversight and legislative into one category of standing committee.

BELCOURT: Suggested that there is a power imbalance in the manner in which oversight and legislative classified committees are created and dissolved.

LARSEN: Inquired into why §12(1) limits the power to amend standing committee membership to the committee in question or Council Administration Committee. Expressed hesitancy over disallowing first-principles to be submitted directly to Council or recommended at Bylaw Committee.

SUNDAY: Responded that Bylaw Committee developed the present committee classification structure against the will of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee. Noted that Bill safeguards against structural committee changes.

FLAMAN: Inquired into how the quorum of ARRC is six persons when there are 88 available seats on the Committee as per §12 and 14(1)(2)(3). Reaffirmed concern at the §12(1) insofar as it constrains the sovereignty of individual councillors.

SUNDAY: Responded that only permanent members of ARRC constitute its quorum, similar to CAC. Suggested §12(1) still allows Bylaw Committee control over all of Bylaw 100 and protects its responsibility for drafting second principles.

**THIBAudeau MOVED** to amend §12(8) to reflect that the ARRC membership is composed of three members of Council, Executive members, with remaining members as the Permanent membership, including all members of Council, and Aboriginal students.

**CARRIED** (Friendly).

**LARSEN MOVED** to amend §12(1) to read “first principles regarding changes to

this bylaw, in regards to standing committee membership, require a recommendation from the standing committee in question.

**CARRIED** (Friendly).

FLAMAN: Inquired into the manner in which this amendment affects the ability of individual members to amend the bylaw.

SUNDAY: Called for a division.

**MAIN MOTION: CARRIED**

**2018-07/7e** **RAITZ MOVES**, on behalf of the Policy Committee, to approve the First Principles of the Capital Projects Policy.

See SC-2018-07.15.

RAITZ: Established that the Policy is a first-of-its-kind in Canada. Noted that there is flexibility in how the Policy defines capital projects.

LARSEN: Noted that a capital project is defined as the purchasing and developing of property and assets.

PALMER: Suggested that “mental health time-out zone” may be a more appropriate term as opposed to academic resource space.

LEY: Responded that the Policy lists space for student resources, which includes space for mental health and wellbeing, in (H). Noted that these are guidelines and other types of space can be read-in.

BROWN: Anticipated that the Policy may allow for increased transparency in connection with University expenditure.

**MOTION: CARRIED**

**2018-07/7f** **RAITZ MOVES**, on behalf of the Policy Committee, to approve the Second Principles of the Non-Partisan Political Policy.

See SC-2018-07.16.

RAITZ: Established that the Policy includes no amendments undertaken no amendments after first-principles.

BROWN: Noted that the Policy stabilises the relationship between the Council and government.

BHATNAGAR: Expressed that the University Administration regularly reads the Gateway, minutes, and votes and proceedings in connection with Council.

FLAMAN: Supported the Policy as it formalises an existing convention of non-partisanship.

**MOTION: CARRIED**

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:11PM.**

**2018-07/8**     **GENERAL ORDERS**

**2018-07/9**     **INFORMATION ITEMS**

**2018-07/9a**    President - Report.

See SC-2018.07.01.

**2018-07/9b**    Vice-President, Academic - Report.

See SC-2018.07.02.

**2018-07/9c**    Vice-President, External - Report.

See SC-2018.07.03.

**2018-07/9d**    Vice-President, Operations and Finance - Report.

See SC-2018.07.04.

**2018-07/9e**    Vice-President, Student-Life - Report.

See SC-2018.07.05.

**2018-07/9f**    Students' Council - Attendance.

See SC-2018.07.06

**2018-07/9e**    Students' Council Motion Tracker.

See SC-2018.07.07.

**2018-07/9f**    Executive Committee Motion Tracker

See SC-2018.07.08.

**2018-07/9g**    Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2018-06).

See SC-2018.07.09.

**2018-07/9h**    Be Book Smart Fair - Presentation

- See SC-2018-07.10.
- 2018-07/9i** ARRC - Chair Report  
See SC-2018-07.11.
- 2018-07/9j** First Principles - Bill #4 Students' Council Committee Chairs' Training  
See SC-2018-07.12.
- 2018-07/9k** Bylaw Committee - Chair Report  
See SC-2018-07.13.
- 2018-07/9l** Second Principles - Bill #3  
See SC-2018-07.14.
- 2018-07/9m** Capital Projects Policy - First Principles  
See SC-2018-07.15.
- 2018-07/9n** Non-Partisan Political Policy - Second Principles  
See SC-2018-07.16.
- 2018-07/9o** 2018-07/9o CAC Chair Report  
See SC-2018-07.017.
- 2018-07/9p** Audit Committee Chair Report  
See SC-2018-07.18.
- 2018-07/9q** Policy Committee Chair Report  
See SC-2018-07.19
- 2018-07/9r** Finance Committee Chair Report  
See SC-2018-07.20
- 2018-07/9s** Executive Committee Report  
See SC-2018-07.21