

University of Alberta Students' Union

# Bylaw COMMITTEE

# June 8th, 2021 6:00 pm Google Meet

# **ATTENDANCE**

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT
Emily Kimani		Y
Abner Monteiro		Y
Samar Barazesh		Y
Chris Beasley		Y
Nicole De Grano		Y
Avery Teo		Y
Nathan Brandwein		Y
Simran Dhillon		Y
Gurbani Baweja, ISA		N/A
Courtney Graham		N/A

## **MINUTES (BC 2021-02)**

2021-02/1	INTRODUCTION
2021-02/1a	<b>Call to Order</b> Meeting called to order at 6:02 P.M.
2021-02/1b	<b>Approval of Agenda</b> <b>DEGRANO/BARAZESH MOVED</b> to approve the agenda. CARRIED

2021-02/1c	Approval of Minutes
	<b>DEGRANO/MONTEIRO MOVED</b> to approve the minutes of BC-2021-01.
	CARRIED.

- 2021-02/1d Chair's Business
- 2021-02/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD
- 2021-02/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

### 2021-02/3a Presentation from International Student Association

BAWEJA: Proposed, in order that the ISA can move forward in offering students the chance to vote on the implementation of an ISA fee, that the Committee amend Bylaw 8200 Section 7.5 to prevent Augustana students from not paying the fee and voting on it, Section 9.1 to allow for differential fees, Section 9.2b, and Section 10.1a to clarify why student groups on probation should get revenue.

KIMANI: Inquired as to the size of the proposed differential fees.

BAWEJA: Responded that the ISA is proposing that main campus students pay \$6 per year and students elsewhere pay \$3.

BEASLEY: Proposed that the cost differential could be addressed in a single question or there could be separate questions for different campuses.

DEGRANO: Clarified that there is no intent to deprive student groups on probation of their revenue as probation status is designed to give struggling SRA greater support.

MONTEIRO: Proposed amending Bylaw to make clear that the classification of SRA includes faculty associations.

DEGRANO: Determined that First Principles will follow at the next Committee meeting.

#### 2021-02/3b Bylaw Reviews

BEASLEY: Updated that they reviewed the 8000 Series bylaws partially

but requires assistance.

DEGRANO: Updated that they reviewed the 8000 Series and will review the 3000 and 4000 Series. Identified that definitions and the bylaws concerning process of General Faculty Council appointments are exceptionally important as they need to be completed before October by-elections.

### 2021-02/3c Presentation from Audit Chair

DHILLON: Proposed amending Bylaw to change the auditing schedule of student representative associations to bi-annual from tri-annual. Identified that the rationale for this change is that the workload for the Committee would be reduced so it can fulfil its oversight functions more effectively.

BEASLEY: Expressed concern that Audit Committee could not use the Spring-Summer Audits as an SRA training opportunity if it rolls them into Fall.

DHILLON: Responded that Audit Committee will offer audit preparation workshops for SRA in Spring-Summer. Clarified that Audit Committee is seeking these bylaw changes to ensure it can maintain deadlines and create respect with SRA.

KIMANI: Inquired as to whether there is any cost associated with the workshops.

DHILLON: Responded in the negative.

BEASLEY: Inquired as to whether these proposed bylaw changes will change when funds are being disbursed to SRA.

DHILLON: Responded in the negative.

KIMANI: Clarified that the SU distribution of funds occurs in October, February, and April.

MONTERIO: Inquired as to the deadline for Spring-Summer audit materials if they are being reviewed in Fall.

DHILLON: Clarified that the deadlines will not change but the review will occur later.

MONTERIO: Expressed concern that SRA may forget to submit their materials.

DHILLON: Responded that Audit will maintain contact with SRA to ensure effective oversight.

DEGRANO: Inquired as to why the workshops for SRA will occur in Spring-Summer when money will be released in October.

DHILLON: Responded that workshops occur with new members and disbursals will occur later.

- 2021-02/4 INFORMATION ITEMS
- **2021-02/4a** Bylaw 8100
- **2021-02/4b** Bylaw 8200
- 2021-02/4c Bylaw 8000 Series Potential Revisions
- 2021-02/4d Bylaw Overview
- 2021-02/4e Bylaw 2000 Series
- 2021-02/4 ADJOURNMENT
- **2021-02/4a** DEGRANO: Adjourned meeting.