

**BYLAW
COMMITTEE**

Thursday, March 31, 2016

4.00pm

SUB 6-06

AGENDA (BC 2015-15)

2015-15/1 INTRODUCTION

2015-15/1a Call to Order

2015-15/1b Approval of Agenda

2015-15/1c Approval of Minutes

2015-15/1d Chair's Business

2015-15/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2015-15/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2015-15/3a Second Principles for the Language Accessibility Bylaw

2015-15/3b BONDARCHUK MOVES TO bring Bill 18: Amendments to the (Bylaw 3000) Elections Reserve before Students' Council in second reading with the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles:

1) The Students' Union holds a number of financial reserves for the purpose of large-expense projects not outlined in an annual budget.

2) The Elections Reserve is distinct from the other reserves in that it may be used more frequently and unexpectedly than other reserves.

3) The Elections Reserve shall be renamed to the Campaign and Advocacy Reserve, and the definition shall be changed to include advocacy campaigns towards the University, for clarity.

4) Guidelines shall be set for use of the reserve, where the Executive Committee has authority to approve up to \$5,000 in spending for a single campaign before requiring Finance Committee to release additional funds.

5) An upper limit shall be set on the accrual of the reserve, where additional funds outside the limit will be reallocated to the operating budget on an

annual basis.

Please see BC 15-15.01

2015-15/3c BONDARCHUK MOVES TO bring Bill 19: Amendments to (Bylaw 6100) DFU Timelines before Students' Council in second reading with the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles:

1) Dedicated Fee Units get the first opportunity to draft the plebiscite question on their renewal year.

2) The current deadline of January 15 is too close to the nomination deadline to allow a thorough vetting of the submitted plebiscite question.

3) Bylaw shall be amended to include an earlier submission deadline of the proposed plebiscite question to Bylaw Committee, and shall include a deadline for when Bylaw Committee shall submit the approved question to Students' Council for ratification.

4) Bylaw shall include a requirement for the DFU board to run the "yes" side of the plebiscite question, and outline a process for the Chief Returning Officer to put out a call for the "no" side in accordance with Bylaw 2200.

Please see BC 15-15.02

2015-15/4 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

2015-15/5 **ADJOURNMENT**

2015-15/5a **Next Meeting:** To be decided.

Bylaw 3000

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Line 14:

the Building Reserve,

the Sponsorship Reserve,

- ## the **Elections** Reserve,

the Student Involvement Endowment Fund, and

the Access Fund.

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+ # The **Campaign and Advocacy** Reserve shall be used to support Students' Union endorsed political campaigns related to municipal, provincial, and federal elections. **as well as advocacv campaigns directed towards the University of Alberta administration or a department of the University.**

+ ## **The Campaign and Advocacy Reserve shall not exceed \$60,000 at any time.**

+ ## **The Executive Committee may approve up to \$5,000 in spending from the Campaign and Advocacy Reserve on a single campaign. Any spending above \$5,000 for a single campaign shall be approved by Finance Committee.**

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~~A Bylaw Respecting Students' Union Finances~~

~~1 Fiscal Year~~

~~1. The fiscal year of the Students' Union lasts from May 1 until the following April 30.~~

~~2 Audit~~

~~1. The Students' Union's financial statements shall be audited annually by a qualified accountant.~~

~~2. Students' Council shall approve each fiscal year's audited financial statements before the conclusion of the ensuing fiscal year.~~

3 Reserves

1. Students' Union reserves are
 - a. the General Operations Reserve,
 - b. the Capital Equipment Reserve,
 - c. the Building Reserve,
 - d. the Sponsorship Reserve,
 - e. the Campaign and Advocacy Reserve,
 - f. the Student Involvement Endowment Fund, and
 - g. the Access Fund.
 - h. each individual Dedicated Fee Unit listed in the Bylaw 6100 schedule
2. The General Operations Reserve shall be used for the operations of the Students' Union as provided for in the operating budget.
3. The Capital Equipment Reserve shall be used for the purchase and replacement of Students' Union capital equipment.
4. The Building Reserve shall be used for the enhancement of facilities controlled by the Students' Union.
5. The Sponsorship Reserve shall be used for the support of such Students' Union activities as may be identified in the operating budget as requiring sponsorship support.
6. The Campaign and Advocacy Reserve shall be used to support Students' Union endorsed political campaigns related to municipal, provincial, and federal elections, as well as advocacy campaigns directed towards the University of Alberta administration or a department of the University.
 - a. The Campaign and Advocacy Reserve shall not exceed \$60,000 at any time.
 - b. The Executive Committee may approve up to \$5,000 in spending from the Campaign and Advocacy Reserve on a single campaign. Any spending above \$5,000 for a single campaign shall be approved by Finance Committee.
7. The Student Involvement Endowment Fund shall be used for the support of the awards provided by the Awards Committee.
8. The Access Fund shall be used for the support of undergraduate University of Alberta students requiring financial assistance.
9. Except as otherwise provided in Students' Union bylaw, Students' Council retains the sole authority to transfer or spend money in a Students' Union reserve.
10. A budgeted reserve not spent in its entirety, shall have its budgeted monies available in future year(s) for related purchases as originally deemed. Reserve funds carried over shall be accurately and openly presented on the audited financial statements.

~~4 Form of Operating Budget~~

- ~~1. The Students' Union's operating budget shall take the form of the level of revenue and expenditure for each Students' Union operational unit.~~
- ~~2. The Students' Union operating budget shall include an allocation of not more than fifty thousand dollars per year, designated the Projects Allocation, to be used for projects that may arise over the course of the fiscal year.~~
- ~~3. The Students' Union's operating budget shall include an allocation of thirty thousand dollars per year, designated the Contingency Allocation, to be used for vital and unforeseen expenditures that may arise over the course of the fiscal year.~~

- ~~4. Except as otherwise provided for by Students' Union legislation, no person has the authority to make any expenditure of Students' Union funds or to seek actively to raise any revenue not contemplated in the operating budget.~~

~~5 Allocation Spending Authority~~

- ~~1. Students' Council has the authority to approve expenditures from the Projects Allocation.~~
- ~~2. The Executive Committee has the authority to approve expenditures from the Projects Allocation of not more than five thousand dollars for any single purpose.~~
- ~~3. The Executive Committee has the exclusive authority to approve expenditures from the Contingency Allocation.~~

~~6 Budget Process~~

- ~~1. Students' Council shall approve an operating budget before the beginning of each fiscal year.~~
- ~~2. In the event that Students' Council does not approve an operating budget before the beginning of a fiscal year, that fiscal year's operating budget shall be identical to the previous year's operating budget until Students' Council does approve an operating budget.~~
- ~~3. Students' Council shall approve a set of budget principles dictating the priorities to be enshrined in the operating budget prior to the approval of each operating budget.~~
- ~~4. A budget process shall be set out in standing orders of Students' Council.~~

~~7 Fees~~

- ~~1. The Students' Union's operating budget shall include the level of the base Students' Union membership fee.~~
- ~~2. The base Students' Union membership fee shall not fluctuate by more than fifteen percent from year to year.~~
- ~~3. In addition to the base Students' Union membership fee, Chair of Finance Committee shall maintain a schedule of dedicated fees to be collected.~~
- ~~4. The fees on the schedule shall be divided into Class A Fees, and Class B Fees.~~
- ~~5. Class A Fees may be amended or abolished only by
 - ~~a. Students' Council, or~~
 - ~~b. referendum.~~~~
- ~~6. Class B fees may be amended or abolished as outlined in Bylaw G100.~~
- ~~7. Unless otherwise specified in the schedule, all fees in the schedule increase annually at a rate equal to the Consumer Price Index for the province of Alberta.~~
- ~~8. Each Class A Fee, and Class B Fee listed on the schedule shall be allocated to a reserve specified in the schedule.~~
- ~~9. the schedule shall stipulate whether each fee is payable by students enrolled at Augustana Faculty~~
- ~~10. The Students' Union will not allow for the implementation of a dedicated fee unit that, or
 - ~~a. would cause the Students' Union to breach its fiduciary responsibility to the Students' Union; or~~
 - ~~b. supports activities that are beyond the scope and mandate of the Students' Union as outlined in the Post-Secondary Learning act §93(3)~~~~
- ~~11. For the purpose of determining the scope and mandate of the Students' Union, Students' Council will consider whether the activities that are in question would:
 - ~~a. provide services that are of a direct benefit to the University of Alberta campus community, including students in their pursuit of a post secondary education; or~~
 - ~~b. eliminate obstacles for students in their pursuit of a post secondary education at the University of Alberta~~~~

~~8 Loans~~

- ~~1. Except as otherwise noted in Student Union bylaw, the Executive Committee has the exclusive authority to~~

~~approve loans of Students' Union funds.~~

~~9 Contracts~~

- ~~1. A contract shall require the approval of Students' Council where~~
 - ~~a. the term of the contract exceeds one year;~~
 - ~~b. there are no means by which the Students' Union may cancel the contract on six months notice or less;~~
~~and~~
 - ~~c. the contract requires of the Students' Union a financial commitment exceeding five thousand dollars in any one year or twenty-five thousand dollars in aggregate.~~

~~10 Signing Authority~~

- ~~1. All cheques and contracts must be signed by at least one of the Vice President (Operations & Finance) or the President.~~
 - ~~a. The Vice President (Operations & Finance) or President may delegate this authority to a member of the Executive Committee or Senior Management of the Students' Union if:~~
 - ~~i. Both the Vice President (Operations & Finance) and the President are simultaneously unavailable and time is of the essence; or~~
 - ~~ii. It is practical to do so.~~

Bylaw 6100

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Line 50:

#Dedicated Fee Units shall be re-evaluated by plebiscite at least every five (5) years.

#The plebiscite question shall be drafted in the same manner as the original petition question, as outlined in Section 3.5 of this bylaw

- #If a Dedicated Fee Unit fails to submit the proposed question by **January 15**, Bylaw committee will assume responsibility for drafting the plebiscite question

#Dedicated Fee Units may be amended or abolished only by:

##a joint resolution of Students' Council and one other body, specified in the schedule; or

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+ #If a Dedicated Fee Unit fails to submit the proposed question by **November 1**, Bylaw committee will assume responsibility for drafting the plebiscite question.

+ #Bvlaw Committee shall submit an approved plebiscite question to Students' Council for ratification by December 1.

+ #Upon ratification by Students' Council. the chair of Bvlaw Committee shall notifv the Chief Returning Officer of the approved plebiscite question.

+ ## A representative from the board of the Dedicated Fee Unit as outlined in the Bvlaw 6000 Schedule shall be required to fulfill the role of side manager for the yes side of the plebiscite.

+ ## The Chief Returning Officer shall put out a call for the side manager of the no side of the plebiscite in accordance with Bylaw 2200.

#Dedicated Fee Units may be amended or abolished only by:

##a joint resolution of Students' Council and one other body, specified in the schedule; or

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~~A Bylaw Respecting Dedicated Fee Units~~

~~1 Amendments~~

~~1. Any amendments to this Bylaw must be reported to each Dedicated Fee Unit.~~

~~2 Definitions~~

- ~~1. "Dedicated Fee Unit" shall refer to any entity that collects fees from students through the Students' Union for the purposes of covering operating costs or providing grants under this bylaw.~~
- ~~2. "Registered Student Group" shall refer to a student group at the University of Alberta that has successfully registered with Student Group Services.~~

- ~~3. "Finance Committee" shall refer to the University of Alberta Students' Council Finance Committee.~~
- ~~4. "Referendum" shall refer to the definition in Bylaw 2200~~
- ~~5. "CPI" shall refer to the Consumer Price Index for the Province of Alberta~~

3- Creation

- ~~1. Dedicated Fee Units shall only be created after a successful Referendum.~~
- ~~2. Entities that wish to establish a Dedicated Fee Unit shall submit a proposal to the main office of the Students' Union by November 15th, of the year before the fee is to be implemented.~~
- ~~3. The proposal must outline at minimum:~~
 - ~~a. The purpose of the fee;~~
 - ~~b. The amount, per student per term, of the fee;~~
 - ~~c. Whether students are able to opt out of the fee;~~
 - ~~d. How the fee is administered to part time students and Augustana;~~
 - ~~e. Whether or not the fee applies to the Spring and Summer terms;~~
 - ~~f. Any other requirements specific to the type of fee being proposed.~~
- ~~4. Upon receipt, the proposal shall be immediately forwarded to the Bylaw Committee.~~
- ~~5. The Bylaw Committee shall approve within fourteen (14) days from receiving the proposal, a petition question that reflects the original intent of the proposal and outlines the following:~~
 - ~~a. The purpose of the fee;~~
 - ~~b. The amount, per student per term, of the fee;~~
 - ~~c. The composition of the committee or board overseeing administration of the fee;~~
 - ~~d. A provision for the appointment of minimum one Students' Council member by Students' Council to the board or committee overseeing administration of the fee, as a voting member;~~
 - ~~e. How the fee is administered to part time, Augustana, and off campus students;~~
 - ~~f. Whether or not the fee applies to the Spring and Summer terms;~~
 - ~~g. If any portion of the fee is for a University facility or service, a provision to guarantee access by any Students' Union member to that facility or service; and~~
 - ~~h. If students may opt out of paying the fee, a provision for them to do so online, provided by the Students' Union~~
- ~~6. If the Bylaw Committee is perceived to have failed in this matter, the issue may be brought to the Disciplinary Interpretation and Enforcement Board by the entity proposing the question.~~
- ~~7. Students' Council will not allow for the implementation of a Dedicated Fee Unit that:~~
 - ~~a. would cause the Students' Council to breach its fiduciary responsibility to the Students' Union; or~~
 - ~~b. supports activities that are beyond the scope and mandate of the Students' Union as outlined in the Post-Secondary Learning Act.~~
- ~~8. For the purposes of determining the scope and mandate of the Students' Union, Students' Council will consider whether the activities that are in questions would~~
 - ~~a. provide services that directly benefit the University of Alberta campus community, including students in their pursuit of a post secondary education; or~~
 - ~~b. eliminate obstacles for students in their pursuit of a post secondary education at the University of Alberta.~~
- ~~9. The entity wishing to establish a fee must return a signed, valid petition to the Chief Returning Officer of the SU as per Bylaw 2200 in order to initiate a Referendum.~~
- ~~10. Students' Union services or operations may request that Council consider their proposed question for a Referendum on a Dedicated Fee Unit without conducting the petition subject to the following conditions:~~
 - ~~a. the question has been drafted by Bylaw Committee;~~
 - ~~b. the question satisfies all conditions outlined under section 3.5 of this bylaw; and~~
 - ~~c. if the referendum is successful, the service or operation ceases to be provided by the Students' Union~~
- ~~11. Except as otherwise stipulated in this bylaw, any Referendum shall be conducted in accordance with Bylaw 2200.~~

4 Review

1. Dedicated Fee Units shall be re-evaluated by plebiscite at least every five (5) years.
2. The plebiscite question shall be drafted in the same manner as the original petition question, as outlined in Section 3.5 of this bylaw
3. If a Dedicated Fee Unit fails to submit the proposed question by November 1, Bylaw committee will assume responsibility for drafting the plebiscite question.
4. Bylaw Committee shall submit an approved plebiscite question to Students' Council for ratification by December 1.
5. Upon ratification by Students' Council, the chair of Bylaw Committee shall notify the Chief Returning Officer of the approved plebiscite question.
 - a. A representative from the board of the Dedicated Fee Unit as outlined in the Bylaw 6000 Schedule shall be required to fulfill the role of side manager for the yes side of the plebiscite.
 - b. The Chief Returning Officer shall put out a call for the side manager of the no side of the plebiscite in accordance with Bylaw 2200.
6. Dedicated Fee Units may be amended or abolished only by:
 - a. a joint resolution of Students' Council and one other body, specified in the schedule; or
 - b. Referendum.
7. Dedicated Fee Units that wish to raise their fee beyond CPI must first hold a Referendum as per Section 3 of this bylaw.

~~5 Oversight~~

- ~~1. Finance Committee shall be responsible for the oversight of all Dedicated Fee Units.~~
- ~~2. Finance Committee may make requests for financial documentation from Dedicated Fee Units as deemed necessary.~~
- ~~3. A Schedule detailing the following information for each Dedicated Fee Unit shall be maintained by the Vice President Operations and Finance:
 - a. a description of the fee;
 - b. the amount of the fee;
 - c. whether the fee increases and by how much;
 - d. whether the fee is opt out;
 - e. the next scheduled plebiscite date; and
 - f. whether part time, off campus, and Augustana students are required to pay the fee~~
- ~~4. Unless otherwise specified in the appropriate Schedule, all fees in the Schedules increase annually at a rate equal to CPI.~~
- ~~5. For all fees with an opt-out mechanism, the Students' Union shall exclusively provide for online opt-outs.~~

~~6 Conditions of Receipt~~

- ~~1. In order for a Dedicated Fee Unit to receive funds from the Students' Union, it must:
 - a. fulfill all reporting requirements; and
 - b. be fulfilling all relevant mandates, bylaws, and standing orders.~~
- ~~2. No funds shall be disbursed to a Dedicated Fee Unit until such time as the Finance Committee has approved this disbursement.~~
- ~~3. Where a Dedicated Fee Unit is in compliance with the conditions set out in 6.1, the Finance Committee shall approve the disbursement of funds by August 31 of that fiscal year or within four weeks, whichever is later.~~
- ~~4. Finance Committee may postpone its disbursement decision if:
 - a. there are any new inconsistencies or breaches from past years with the documents required during the relevant time period; and
 - b. those new inconsistencies or breaches have not been rectified.~~

**BYLAW
COMMITTEE**

Tuesday March 15, 2016

6.00 pm

SUB 0-48

ATTENDANCE

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT
Justis Allard (Chair)		Y
Cody Bondarchuk		y
Annie Duan	Levi Flaman	y
Ben Thronson		Y
Brandon Christensen	Donald Ademaj	Y
Thomas Patrick		N
Bo Zhang		N
Navneet Khinda		N
Fahim Rahman		Y

MINUTES (BC 2015-14)

2016-14/1 INTRODUCTION

2015-14/1a Call to Order

Meeting called to order by ALLARD at 6.10 p.m.

2015-14/1b Approval of Agenda

RAHMAN / FLAMAN moved to approve the agenda

6/0/0 CARRIED

2015-14/1c Approval of Minutes

BONDARCHUK / FLAMAN moved to approved the minutes

4/0/2 CARRIED (two abstentions)

2015-14/1d Chair's Business

None

2015-14/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2015-14/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2015-14/3a **First Principles and Draft Changes (Second Reading)**

RAHMAN

Talked about representation and SU bylaws
Mentioned that SU council not making appointments, and that in case of
vacancy in October the council can still vote

BONDARCHUK

Asked if FAs are allowed to replenish council

THORNDSON

Said that council can't modify Bylaw 100, and councillors can only ratify and
not select

BONDACHUK

Said that Bylaw 100 mentions that students should decide who is the
councillor, and asked if Rahman's draft of second reading is an excerpt from
Bylaw 100?

RAHMAN

Said that it is Bylaw 100-6

THORNDSON

Asked about draft changes

RAHMAN

Said that changes can be found in google docs and agreed to share the relevant
google docs

ALLARD

Expressed concern about process for FAs to do this, and they are they are
democratically elected
Said that anyone democratically elected represents students and not faculties,
and that he agrees that any representation is better than no representation
Said that anybody wanting to be a councillor should run for election

RAHMAN

Clarified that he doesn't want to prescribe a process, as they have an easier
time finding who to pick from, and also because it tough to find someone
because one size doesn't fit all
Agreed that they can interview candidates before making decisions

ALLARD

Said that some FA don't have the disparity to choose
Expressed concern over the process to fill the positions, and mentioned that the right fit may not be found because FAs may not understand the what it is

ADEMAJ

Questioned if they should leave those FAs so as to make sure that there is understanding between FAs and council
Said that it almost like a moderator role as it can bring experience as to what a council is

ALLARD

Said that VP is only involved in the selection process

RAHMAN

Mentioned that as soon as there is a vacancy he can make sure that it can happen

ALLARD

Mentioned that it is not a smooth process but representation is better than no representation

RAHMAN

Appointment over summer
Fall by-selection

BONDARCHUK

Asked, what are the changes and questioned if it is like a little warning
Said that if they have to put stipulation around, it has to be broad assumption, and the person chosen has to become elected
Mentioned that it can also get awful, like nepotism, otherwise.
Stated that therefore everyone on council had to go through election

ALLARD

Said that in FAs they do similar things and that it adds to extra work

BONDARCHUK

Said that a VPA or VP has to be in the seat or it has to fall vacant, as department associations don't always line up FAs

ALLARD

Asked if they want to make restrictions to be included in first principles

RAHMAN

Replied that there are 3 and 4 cover restrictions

BONDARCHUK

Said that FAs and DFUs still have to report to higher structures, as it gives a different feel

RAHMAN

Said that he heard that argument but mentioned that it doesn't exist

BONDARCHUK

Said that it is a first step and it changes the nature and power structure, bargaining enhances the confidence of students, and SU makes effort to ensure that everybody who wants to run is able to

Added that it gets watered down, and therefore it changes relationship with and the perception about FAs

ALLARD

Said that they delegate certain authority

BONDARCHUK

Said that FAs are democratically elected but they are specific within their own faculties and advocates therein, and therefore, even if there is a by-election, it may not be democratic

Mentioned that he agrees that they need to fill vacancies after by-elections but he doesn't agree on who gets that seat

Asked about the purpose of crossing out 3c

RAHMAN

Replied that if won't have a representing but have vacancy

BONDARCHUK

Suggested to keep the part c but also to add part d

ALLARD

Said that you could then run a campaign and then appoint someone

BONDARCHUK

Said that in faculty of law, last year, students said that they are comfortable with vacancies but only when it is small

ADEMAJ

Asked if for smaller faculties it is the same argument?

BONDARCHUK

Said that if one person is running it is the same argument

RAHMAN

Said that they are drafting a policy that will impact students on campus

BONDARCHUK

Replied that If a smaller faculty has a right to representation but say no, then it is different

ALLARD

Said that his concern is that if you have students saying that they don't want candidate x, then the FA gets the authority to appoint whoever they want

BONDARCHUK

Said that if it is democracy then governments do nothing

Said that they need to have a very clear parameter to sell FAs as representative bodies

FLAMAN

Questioned, if students council don't have right representatives, then what do we do ?

ALLARD

Decision can be made by president but there is no mechanism

RAHMAN

Said that if they make a mistake council is not liable, and if it is a minority voice then they still don't have the power

ALLARD

Said that it can't get bad but can have negative potential, and questioned about extent to which is negative, e.g. like nepotism and cronyism

RAHMAN

Said that it is because of the uncaring attitude of FAs towards student councils, and therefore they should make it a priority to care for council, and that way they can have a direct connection to the person they appointed

ALLARD

Mentioned that appointed members should not have same authority as elected members

BONDARSHUK

Said that it is not something that has no consequence

FLAMAN

Questioned about hierarchy?

BONDARCHUK

Said that it is probably about the perception and that no single administrator will do that

ALLARD

Commented that realistically most councillors don't interact with their

constituents

BONDARCHUK

Said that a big chunk of interaction is the election, and that even in council elections a lot of people are talking to their people

ADEMAJ

Stated that VP academic was open and questioned whether council will give the power to choose ?

RAHMAN

Said yes but mentioned that they bear probation

ADEMAJ

Questioned if it is two out five, would it still be eligible for probation?

RAHMAN

Responded by saying yes

ALLARD

Said that FAs can choose literally anyone unless restrictions are outlined. Added that there are some concerns, and that it is important to have a good debate, and therefore council should also debate this

BONDARCHUK

Said that First Principles is for bylaws, and that he would not do the First Principles unless they write what they want to do, as that it is for Bylaw principles
Mentioned that policy is all value statements

ALLARD

Said that Bylaw, the way it is structured, it is not this.
Asked if Rahman wants Bylaw to pass this, or if more feedback is needed from Bylaw.

RAHMAN

Responded by stating that he want Bylaw to pass it

BONDARCHUK

Said that he is currently undecided on it the but will agree to pass it

ALLARD

Said that there is more ion that if it coming to Bylaw then it had been discussed, and that things come to Bylaw for debate

ADEMAJ

Stated that there was mention about how councillors were supporting this and that if someone disagrees then he / she can be part of the consensus

RAHMAN

Said that he would add item 7 as Bondarchuk suggested
(Makes changes to point 7, first principles of Bylaw 100)

Motion:

RAHMAN / FLAMAN motioned to motion for amendment of Bill #20: Changes to Bylaw 100

BONDARCHUK and THORNDSON abstained

4/0/2 CARRIED

ALLARD

Said that it is worth debating in council but the tricky thing is there are two things, the content and the wording; that Bylaw believes in wording and not in content, and so council can disagree on content; and that it is tricky and open to interpretation

Motion:

THORNDSON / RAHMAN motioned to amend Bill #20: Changes to Bylaw 100, as follows:

First Principles

1. Representation on Students' Council is better than no representation on Students' Council.
2. NOTA is a form of representation at Students' Council for a Faculty.
3. Faculty Association executives are democratically elected and are already called upon to recruit undergraduates to fill vacancies in representative roles.
4. Not all undergraduate Faculty Associations have the resources to hold elections at any time of the year.
5. Students' Council currently does not have the ability to remove or add undergraduate representatives on Students' Council.
6. Anyone who is appointed to fill a vacancy before a Fall by-election will hold an advantage on other candidates with their incumbency.
7. Bylaw 100 shall be amended to give Faculty Associations the ability to fill vacancies on Students' Council after the Fall by-elections.

DRAFT CHANGES (Second Reading)

1. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Councillor, the Chief Returning Officer of the Students' Union shall offer the position to the candidate who would have been elected had another Councillor been allocated to the resigning Councillor's faculty during the last election before which nominations were open for that faculty.
2. Notwithstanding (2), no person shall be offered a Councillor position who
 - a. has already vacated a Councillor position since the last election before which nominations were open for the faculty in question,
 - b. has already declined appointment to a Councillor position since the last election before which nominations were open for the faculty in question,or

- c. is a member of Students' Council.
- 3. The process for replenishment of Councillor positions shall continue until
 - . no vacancies remain for the faculty in question,
 - a. the list of candidates from the last election before which nominations were open for the faculty in question is exhausted.
 - b. ~~the position would be offered to None of the Above.~~
 - c. If the position is offered to NOTA, then see 4.
- 4. After the list of candidates from the last election have been exhausted and a Fall by-election has passed, a Faculty Association whose Faculty holds a vacancy on Students' Council will be able to appoint a representative to Council, under the following conditions:
 - . The process to apply for appointment shall be open to all undergraduates in the Faculty;
 - a. Discover Governance will notify the FA of what is expected of an SU Councillor;
 - b.
- 5. Students' Council does not have the authority to appoint any Councillor.

6/0/0 CARRIED

2015-14/4

INFORMATION ITEMS

Agreement was reached that the committee will meet every second week on off-Council Tuesdays

2015-14/5

ADJOURNMENT

2015-14/5a

Next Meeting: not clear

THORNDSON / BONDARCHUK motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7.06 pm

6/0/0 CARRIED

2015-14/5b

Meeting was adjourned at 7.06 p.m.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

MOTION	VOTES
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RAHMAN / FLAMAN moved to approve the agenda	6/0/0 – CARRIED
BONDARCHUK / FLAMAN moved to approved the minutes	4/0/2 CARRIED (two abstentions)
RAHMAN / FLAMAN motioned to motion for amendment of Bill #20: Changes to Bylaw 100	4/0/2 CARRIED (two abstentions)
<p>THORNDSON / RAHMAN motioned to amend Bill #20: Changes to Bylaw 100, as follows:</p> <p>First Principles</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Representation on Students’ Council is better than no representation on Students’ Council. 9. NOTA is a form of representation at Students’ Council for a Faculty. 10. Faculty Association executives are democratically elected and are already called upon to recruit undergraduates to fill vacancies in representative roles. 11. Not all undergraduate Faculty Associations have the resources to hold elections at any time of the year. 12. Students’ Council currently does not have the ability to remove or add undergraduate representatives on Students’ Council. 13. Anyone who is appointed to fill a vacancy before a Fall by-election will hold an advantage on other candidates with their incumbency. 14. Bylaw 100 shall be amended to give Faculty Associations the ability to fill vacancies on Students’ Council after the Fall by-elections. <p><u>DRAFT CHANGES</u> (Second Reading)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Councillor, the Chief Returning Officer of the Students’ Union shall offer the position to the candidate who would have been elected had another Councillor been allocated to the resigning Councillor’s faculty during the last election before which nominations were open for that faculty. 7. Notwithstanding (2), no person shall be offered a Councillor position who <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. has already vacated a Councillor position since the last election before which nominations were open for the faculty in question, b. has already declined appointment to a Councillor position since the last election before which nominations were open for the faculty in question, or c. is a member of Students’ Council. 8. The process for replenishment of Councillor positions shall continue until <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. no vacancies remain for the faculty in question, b. the list of candidates from the last election before which nominations were open for the faculty in question is exhausted. b. the position would be offered to None of the Above. c. <u>If the position is offered to NOTA, then see 4.</u> 9. <u>After the list of candidates from the last election have been exhausted and a Fall by-election has passed, a Faculty Association whose Faculty holds a vacancy on Students’ Council will be able to appoint a representative to Council, under the following conditions:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>The process to apply for appointment shall be open to all undergraduates in the Faculty;</u> 	6/0/0 – CARRIED

<p>a. Discover Governance will notify the FA of what is expected of an SU Councilor;</p> <p>b. 10. Students' Council does not have the authority to appoint any Councillor.</p>	
<p>THORNDSON / BONDARCHUK motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7.06 pm</p>	<p>6/0/0 – CARRIED</p>