

**BYLAW
COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, August 1, 2018

5:00 PM

SUB 6-06

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.

AGENDA (BC-2018-05)

2018-05/1 INTRODUCTION

2018-05/1a Call to Order

2018-05/1b Approval of Agenda

2018-05/1c Approval of Minutes

2018-05/1d Chair's Business

2018-05/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2018-05/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2018-05/3a **KIM MOVES to approve amended First principles of Bill #2: Bylaw 100 Attendance Regulations.**

See BC-2018-05.02.

2018-05/3b **SUNDAY MOVES to approve First principles of Bill #4: Bylaw 100 Students' Council Committee Chairs' Training.**

See BC-2018-05.03.

2018-05/4 INFORMATION ITEMS

2018-05/4a BC-2018-04-M, July 18, 2018

Minutes have not yet been complete. Will be attached and the agenda re-sent once they have been received.

2018-05/4b Bill #2: Bylaw 100 Attendance Regulations.

See BC-2018-05.02.

2018-05/4c Bill #4: Bylaw 100 Students' Council Committee Chairs' Training.

See BC-2018-05.03.

2018-05/5 **ADJOURNMENT**

2018-05/5a **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, August 15, 2018 @ 5:00PM in SUB 6-06.

First principles: Bylaw 100 attendance regulations.

- 1. In August of 2017, then-speaker of Students' council Saadiq Sumar called for a DIE board interpretation of bylaw 100 concerning the start-up meeting of council.**
- 2. The speaker Sumar seeking clarification as to if the start-up meeting should be considered for councillor attendance regulations.**
- 3. DIE board found the following:**

“This meeting is unique to this term. The introductory meeting does not count towards councillor attendance for any trimester, as interpreted from the Bylaws. In the event that the first meeting (and indeed, any meeting) occurs before May 1, then that meeting will also not count towards councillor attendance for any trimester.”
- 4. The only item that is included in the introductory meeting is the installation ceremonies**
- 5. In accordance with the recommendations from DIE board, Bylaw 100, section 21 shall be updated to, the following:**
 - a. The introductory meeting of council, occurring prior to a council's official term begins, shall no longer be included in attendance regulations and be removed;**
 - b. The installation ceremonies and nominations to the committees to occur on the first meeting of council after the beginning of council's official terms.**

**First Principles of Bill # 4:
Bylaw 100 Students' Council Committee Chairs' Training**

1. Bylaw 100 is the premiere piece of legislation of Students' Council, housing much of the administrative and operational regulation of the body.
2. Bylaw 100, Section 13 and Bylaw 100 Schedule B, Section 6 discuss the appointment of committee chairs.
3. Each committee of Students' Council has a chair, appointed from within its membership, to oversee the everyday functioning of the committee.
4. For those who have never acted as chair of a Students' Council committee, there is a steep learning curve.
5. The learning curve is highly dependent on the previous chair's transition report, in which quality standards are not in place.
 - a. As a result, those new chairs who receive inadequate transition reports are at a disadvantage; resulting in committee startup delays.
6. Bylaw 100 shall be amended to create a structured approach to chair training, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - a. Transition Report Standards;
 - b. Group Chair Training;
 - c. Modifying Robert's Rules of Order at the Committee Level; and
 - d. Chair shadowing.