

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

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Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

ORDER PAPER (SC 2010-26)

2010-26/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2010-26/2 PRESENTATIONS

2010-26/2a The SU and You (yes, you): A Modest Proposal on How to Re-achieve Relevance Presented by Kim Ferguson, Science Councillor and Ngina wa Kaai, Education Councillor. Sponsored by Kim Ferguson, Science Councillor and Ngina wa Kaai, Education Councillor.

Abstract:

On the U of A campus, one organization has withstood the test of time and come out stronger than ever, never fading on its century-long goal to serve students and provide Steven Dollansky with a job.

That organization is the Students' Union.

But recently it has fallen upon much criticism from the outside world as to whether an institution such as itself can remain relevant to the modern student as they attend our lovely campus, learn from the gloriousness of our profs, and still find time to play Angry Birds instead of writing that paper that's due tomorrow. This, friends, this is the issue that we intend to address in this presentation.

2010-26/2b Craig A. Turner Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Field of Hackery Presented by Simon Yackulic and Aaron Yeo. Sponsored by Craig Turner.

Abstract:

Craig Turner. You all know him, you all want to make love to him, but how many of you deserve to be him? This presentation will introduce the first annual Craig A. Turner Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Field of Hackery, a prestigious decoration bestowed upon the councillors who demonstrate exceptional hacktivity in the line of duty. Other council awards will also be bestowed, however they will be kept secret until the presentation is given, as will the highly-coveted prizes which will be awarded.

2010-26/2c Executive 2010/2011 Review Presentation - Presented by the 2010/2011 Executive Sponsored by President Nick Dehod

The 2010/2011 Executive will present on the work done by the Students' Union this year. Each Executive will have an opportunity to highlight the portfolio specific work they have done as well as give an update on what they will be focusing on for the remaining weeks of their term. This is Council's last

opportunity to give feedback, comments, and suggestions at Students' Council as we close out the year. The presentation will be primarily oral as written final reports will not be submitted until the end of April.

- 2010-26/2d** Undergraduate Survey Results Presentation - Presented by Marc Dumouchel & Nick Dehod Sponsored by President Nick Dehod
- In November 2010, the Students' Union conducted an undergraduate student survey to garner feedback and demographics on a wide array of items. This presentation will highlight some of the findings and trends from the survey as well as provide more context for how undergraduate student surveys will be used to inform the work of the SU in subsequent years. There will also be some discussion specifically on how students responded to the question on Fall Reading Week and how those results compare with the plebiscite question done this spring.
- 2010-26/2e** SU Sustainability Update - Presented by President Nick Dehod Sponsored by Nick Dehod
- This presentation will provide an update on the outcomes of the sustainability assessment conducted by the Students' Union last summer. The presentation will also cover some of the work that has already been done this year when it comes to sustainability as well as highlight some of the next steps that will be taken to progress on this issue in subsequent years. The assessment itself will not be completed prior to Tuesday's Council meeting however a document should be done for the end of April.
- 2010-26/3** **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**
- 2010-26/3a** Executive Committee Report
- Please see document SC 10-26.01
- 2010-26/4** **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- 2010-26/5** **QUESTION PERIOD**
- 2010-26/6** **BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
- 2010-26/6a** **COX/ISKANDAR MOVE THAT**, upon the recommendation of the Elections Review Committee, Students' Council adopt Bill # 23 in second reading, that Students' Council adopt a Single Transferable Vote Electoral Method based on the following principles:
- 1) Balloting shall be conducted by preferential balloting, in which each voter shall rank his/her choices for each position using natural numbers with one (1) representing the first choice, and increasing numbers representing less desirable choices.
 - 2) Voters shall be entitled to mark as few as zero candidates for any given position or as many as all of them.
 - 3) Once the total number of valid ballots is established for each race, the minimum number of votes required for a candidate to be elected is calculated. This minimum number of votes shall be determined by the sum of one plus the quotient of the total number valid ballots cast divided

by the sum of the number of seats being contested plus one, with remainders being ignored.

$$n = 1 + \frac{\text{Votes}}{\text{Seats} + 1}$$

- 4) All ballots shall be counted and each ballot is allocated as a vote to the candidate who is indicated to be the voter's first preference.
- 5) If a candidate on the first count has a number of first preference votes exactly equal to the minimum number of votes needed to be elected, that candidate is declared elected.
- 6) If a candidate on the first count gains more than the minimum number of votes needed to be elected, the candidate is declared elected, and the number of votes in excess of the number needed to be elected is recorded as a surplus. All of the elected candidate's ballots are then re-examined and assigned to candidates not yet elected according to the second preferences marked on the ballot at a fractional transfer value. The transfer value shall be determined by the quotient of the surplus votes cast for the elected candidate divided by the total number of votes received by the elected candidate.
- 7) If two or more candidates on the first count gain more than the minimum number of votes needed to be elected, all of those candidates shall be declared elected. The ballots of the candidate with the largest number of first preference votes will be re-examined first and assigned at a transfer value to candidates not yet elected according to the second preferences marked on the ballots, or the next available preference if the second preference candidate has already been elected. The ballots of the other candidate(s) will then be re-examined and their surpluses distributed in order according to the number of first preference votes each candidate received.
- 8) If a candidate reaches more than the minimum number of votes needed to be elected as the consequence of a transfer of votes from an elected candidate, the number of votes in excess of the number of votes needed to be elected will be transferred to other candidates. This transfer will be to the next available preference shown on all of this candidate's ballots. The transfer value for the candidate's first preference ballots is the quotient of the surplus votes cast for the elected candidate divided by the total number of votes received by the elected candidate, and the transfer value for each ballot previously received from one or more elected candidates is the quotient of the product of the surplus votes cast for the elected candidate multiplied by the transfer value of the ballots received by the previously elected candidate, all divided by the total number of votes received by the candidate.
- 9) In the event that no candidate has more than the minimum number of votes required to be elected, the candidate with the smallest number of votes is eliminated. All ballots cast for that candidate are transferred to candidates who have not been elected or eliminated according to the next available preference shown on the eliminated candidate's ballots. The eliminated candidate's first preference ballots are transferred to the next available preference at full value, while ballots received from previously-elected or eliminated candidates are transferred at the transfer value at which the ballots were received.
- 10) The ballot-counting process as set out in principles 6-9 shall continue until such a point as all but one of the candidates to be elected have been elected, and only two candidate remain in the count. At this point, the candidate with the most votes is declared elected.
- 11) If, during the transfer of preferences, a ballot paper does not indicate an available preference, the ballot is put aside as exhausted. This can occur

because:

- a. the voter only indicated one, or a small number of preferences, or
 - b. all the preferred candidates have already been elected or eliminated.
- 12) Where two or more candidates have the same number of first preference votes at the end of the first count, and this number is more than the minimum number of votes necessary to be elected, the candidate whose surplus votes are re-distributed first will be decided in the following manner:
- a. If the Chief Returning Officer is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and has ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference on the C.R.O's ballot, then that candidate's surplus votes shall be redistributed first.
 - b. If the C.R.O is ineligible to vote in the race, or has not ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference, then the candidate whose surplus votes are re-distributed first shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
- 13) Where no candidate has a number of first preference votes equal to or greater than the number of votes necessary for election at the end of the first count, and two or more candidates have the same number of first preference votes, this number being the smallest number of first preference votes gained by any candidate, then the candidate who is eliminated first shall be decided in the following manner:
- a. If the Chief Returning Officer is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and has ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference on the C.R.O's ballot, then the candidate who was not indicated as the first preference of the C.R.O shall be eliminated.
 - b. If the C.R.O is ineligible to vote in the race, has not ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference, or in the event that more than one candidate remains tied following the provision of principle 14) a, then the candidate who is eliminated first shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
- 14) If, at any stage of the count other than the first count, two candidates have the same number of votes, the candidate who is declared elected first, or who is not excluded will be:
- a. the candidate with the larger number of votes in the first count in which a differential existed between the number of votes received by each candidate,
 - b. the candidate whose name is ranked highest on a ballot cast by the C.R.O, if the C.R.O is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race, and no differential in the number of votes has existed between the candidates at any preceding count, or
 - c. the candidate whose name is selected by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O, if the C.R.O is ineligible to vote in the race and no differential in the number of votes has existed between the candidates at any preceding count.

Please see document SC 10-26.02

2010-26/6b

EASTHAM/TIGHE MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #28, that Students' Council adopt the political policy, Tuition, in second reading.

Principles:

1. that the University of Alberta Students Union advocate for a tuition policy that:
 - a) provides long-term, sustained base operating funding for our universities that will be protected from negative changes in our government's financial situation;
 - b) protects tuition from increasing due to fluctuations in funding grants to the university from the government;
 - c) ensures tuition levels are predictable;
 - d) has as its primary indicator of affordability the ability of students to pay without having to accrue the burden of debt;
 - e) provides for the fact that tuition is only one of the costs of pursuing a postsecondary education;
 - f) ensures that no student will ever be denied the opportunity to pursue postsecondary education because of their inability to pay

2. that the University of Alberta Students' Union advocate that the Government of Alberta legislate a policy on tuition fees that:
 - a) provides strict guidance to an institution's ability to set tuition, including annual and ultimate limits on the maximum amount of tuition fees that can be levied on students;
 - b) requires post-secondary institutions to provide to the Board of Governors of the institution, the Auditor General of Alberta and the Minister of Advanced Education & Technology a detailed and verifiably transparent public plan on how additional tuition revenues will be spent

3. that the Students' Union shall not support the Board of Governors increasing tuition; and

4. this policy will expire April 20, 2014

Please see document SC 10-26.03

2010-26/6c

MURPHY/HUYNH MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #27, that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy, Mandatory Non-Instructional Fees, in second reading based on the following principles:

1. that the Students' Union advocates that students maintain representation on any body directing the general affairs and mandate of a service which is funded by a student fee;
2. that the Students' Union advocate that any service funded by a fee exhibit full budgetary disclosure to undergraduate students; and
3. that the Students' Union lobby for a provincial regulation on Mandatory NonInstructional Fees such that:
 - a. there is clear identification of which fees are non-instructional and thus outside the framework established in the Public Post-Secondary Institutions' Tuition Fees Regulation;
 - b. new fees are required to explicitly articulate the reason for the fee, the duration of the fee, and the year-to-year price inflator (e.g. Consumer Price Index) or increase schedule; and
 - c. proposed new fees and increases for existing fees beyond their established price inflator be approved by a referendum of the students to whom the proposed fee would apply.
4. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014

Please see document SC 10-26.04

2010-26/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2010-26/7a

EASTHAM/ROBERTS MOVED TO approve an omnibus motion of Bills #39, 40, 41 and 42 in second reading based on the following principle:

Bill #39 - After three months and before one calendar year of an Association being recognized as having probationary status, the Students' Union shall:

a) recognize the Association as no longer having probationary status and no longer being subject to their conditions of probation, if the Association has met their conditions of probation;

b) extend the probationary period of an Association for up to six months, if all signatories to the conditions of probation consent to the extension or if the Students' Union has reason to believe that the conditions of probation will be met during the period of extension; or

c) derecognize the Association, if the conditions of probation are not met and the Students' Union has no reason to believe that the conditions of probation will be met during the probationary period.

Bill #40 - Schedules of Departmental Associations, Program Associations, and Affiliated Associations shall be provided to the association's membership and the Students' Union annually, or upon request

Bill #41 - Minutes of Association Executive or Board of Directors, Council and General meetings shall actively be made available publicly

Bill #42 - Each year an Association shall provide the Students' Union with an outline of organizational and financial goals. An update on the progress of these goals will be submitted at the September COFA meeting, or circulated to the Council of Faculty associations six months after the Association's General Election, whichever occurs first.

Please see document SC 10-26.05

2010-26/7b

COX/KAAI MOVED TO approve Bill #44 in second reading based on the following principles

1. Candidate slates shall cease to exist for all Students' Union elections.

2. Candidates shall be allowed to endorse other candidates, including those within his or her own race.

Please see document SC 10-26.06

2010-26/7c

ISKANDAR/KAAI MOVED TO approve Bill #45 in second reading based on the following principles –

1. No voting shall be conducted prior to the DIE Board ruling on all appeals covered by Bylaw 2000, Section 73.

Please see document SC 10-26.07

2010-26/7d

ISKANDAR/ROBERTS MOVED TO approve Bill #48 in second reading based on the following principles -

1. The Students' Union shall develop, maintain, and use a Strategic Plan.

2. The Strategic Plan shall comprise the following:

- a. Mission
- b. Vision
- C. Values
- d. Critical Success Factors
- e. Strategic Goals

3. The Strategic Plan shall have a life no less than four years.

4. The Strategic Plan shall be reviewed and/or renewed every four years

5. The Students' Union shall develop, maintain, and use Executive plans and Operating Plan which support, as appropriate to functional area, the Strategic Plan and its components.

6. The Executive shall provide Students' Council with reports and presentations regarding the progress of goals and strategic objectives once per a trimester.

7. A two-thirds majority vote of Students' Council shall be required in order to ratify or amend a Strategic Plan.

8. Every four (4) years, unless commissioned by Students' Council earlier, the Strategic Plan shall be reviewed and/or renewed by the Strategic Plan Steering Committee.

9. The Strategic Plan Steering Committee shall be composed of three (3) members of the Executive Committee including the President, three (3) senior management employees including the General Manager, three (3) members of Students' Council, and three (3) members-at-large selected through a nomination process.

10. The President shall Chair the Strategic Plan Steering Committee.

11. The Executive Committee shall act as the steward of the Strategic Plan on behalf of Students' Council and the membership.

Please see document SC 10-26.08

2010-26/7e

KAAI/ISKANDAR MOVED TO approve Bill #49 in second reading based on the following principles -

- 1. Recommendations of the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board shall be reported to the Council Administration Committee as information items.
- 2. The Council Administration Committee shall review rulings of the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board within two CAC meetings of the release of the ruling.

Please see document SC 10-26.09

2010-26/7f

KUSMU/KAAI MOVED TO approve Bill #50 in second reading based on the

following principles - Budgeted reserves not spent in entirety, shall have its budgeted monies available in subsequent future year(s) for related purchases as originally deemed. Reserve funds carried over shall be accurately and openly presented on the audited financial statements.

Please see document SC 10-26.10

2010-26/7g **DEHOD/TIGHE MOVE THAT** Students' Council ratify the University of Alberta Students' Union Strategic Plan 2011-2015.

Please see document SC 10-26.11

2010-26/8 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

2010-26/8a Bylaw Committee- Report

Please see document SC 10-26.12

2010-26/8b Audit Committee- Summary report to Council

Please see document SC 10-26.13

2010-26/8c CAC- Summary report to Council

Please see document SC 10-26.14

2010-26/8d Votes and Proceedings

Please see document SC 10-26.15

Executive Committee Report to Students' Council April 5th, 2011

March 10

FENTIMAN/EASTHAM MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a budgeted expense not to exceed \$4000.00 for the purpose of Students' Union Awards.

5/0/0 CARRIED

DEHOD/TIGHE MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a budgeted expense not to exceed \$1500.00 from the projects allocation for the purpose of the SRTF Student Survey.

5/0/0 CARRIED

Mar 28

DEHOD/TIGHE MOVED THAT the executive committee approve amendments in to operating policies as presented.

4/0/0 CARRIED

- (1) Where a product or service has been provided to a candidate, side or slate for no consideration or for consideration that is less than the official list price of the service provider, that candidate, side or slate shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense at the fair market value of that product or service, as determined by the C.R.O.
- (2) Where a candidate, side or slate receives a product or service for consideration that is greater than the fair market value, then that candidate, side or slate shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense equal to the actual consideration.
- (3) The fair market value shall be determined by the C.R.O. using the price that any other candidate, side or slate would have to pay for a comparable product or service as a guideline.
- (4) Candidates, sides and slates shall have the right, but not the obligation, to receive an assessment of a product or service's fair market value in advance.
- (5) A candidate, side or slate wishing to receive a fair market value assessment in advance shall make a written request to the C.R.O, which shall include
 - a. a full and accurate description of the product or service;
 - b. the supplier of the service, along with contact information for the same; and
 - c. the candidate, side or slate's estimation of the product or service's fair market value, and a rationale for same.
- (6) Where a complete request under Section 56(5), has been submitted to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall respond with a decision within eight (8) working hours.

57. General Labour

For purposes of Section 55, general labour and any expertise had by a significant portion of the population, including, but not limited to, poster design, web page design, and web page programming, shall be considered to have a fair market value of zero.

58. Right to Vote

- (1) Each member shall be entitled to cast one (1) ballot, except the C.R.O. who shall be entitled to cast a ballot ~~only under the circumstances set out in Sections 63(9) and 65(2).~~ as outlined in Section 68(2).
- (2) Where a member is found to have a cast more than one (1) ballot, only one ballot shall be counted.
- (3) All votes cast shall be by secret ballot.

59. Voting Days

- (1) Voting shall be conducted at times determined and advertised by the C.R.O.
- (2) No voting, other than a maximum of one (1) advance poll, shall be conducted prior to the D.I.E. Board ruling on all appeals covered by Section 73.

60. Voting

- (1) The C.R.O. shall conduct balloting by any means that provide precise, accurate results, and may use multiple methods in any combination.
- (2) At each polling station, there shall be a notice to voters that candidates are elected individually to each position, which shall also explain the balloting procedures.
- (3) On each ballot, there shall be an explanation of the balloting procedures, which shall include, at minimum, the following
 - a. that “None of the Above” shall be considered a candidate;
 - b. that voters shall rank each candidate according to their preferences;
 - c. that a portion of the ballot shall be considered spoiled where any of the conditions set out in Section ~~361~~(43) are met; and
 - d. that voters shall be permitted to rank as many as all or as few as zero of the candidates for each position.

61. Limitations During Voting

- (1) During voting, candidates, ~~campaign managers~~side managers, members of sides and volunteers shall not encourage members to vote or engage in any campaign activities.
- (2) During voting, candidates, ~~campaign managers~~side managers, and registered members of sides shall not be within twenty (20) feet of any polling station except to vote themselves.

62. Ballots

- (1) For each ballot the rank order of candidates shall be rotated randomly.
- (2) For each position ballots shall list all candidates, followed by “~~none~~None of the ~~above~~Above”
- (3) For the purposes of Section 60(3) (b) “None of the Above” ~~s~~shall be considered a candidate.
- (4) Where a referenda or plebiscite question(s) is/are on the ballot, the ballot shall list “yes” followed by “no” for each referendum or plebiscite question.
- (5) Where a voter’s intention is clear, that voter’s ballot shall be counted.

63. Balloting and Counting– Executive, Board of Governors and Councillor Elections

- (1) Balloting shall be conducted by preferential balloting, in which each voter shall rank his/her ~~choices~~preference for each position using natural numbers with one (1) representing the first ~~preference~~choice, and increasing numbers representing less desirable choices.

- ~~(1) A candidate shall require a majority of voters to indicate him/her as their first choice in order to be elected.~~
- (2) Voters shall be entitled to mark as few as zero candidates for any given position or as many as all of them.
- (3) A section of a voter's ballot shall be considered spoiled where
 - a. that voter has indicated the same number for more than one (1) candidate;
 - b. that voter has not included the number one (1) next to any candidate;
 - c. that voter has indicated more than one (1) number next to the same candidate;
 - d. that voter has used non-consecutive numbers; or
 - e. that voter has left all candidates in a race unranked.
- ~~(4) Once the total number of valid ballots is established for each race, the minimum quota of votes required for a candidate to be elected is calculated. This quota shall be determined by the sum of one plus the quotient of the total number of valid ballots cast for the race divided by the sum of the number of seats being contested plus one, with any remainders being ignored.~~
- ~~(1) In the event that no candidate receives a majority of first place votes in a given race, the candidate with the fewest first place votes shall be eliminated.~~
- (5) All ballots shall be examined and, on the first count, each ballot shall be assigned as a vote to the candidate who is indicated to be the voter's first preference.
- (6) If a candidate on the first count has a number of votesballots exactly equal to the quota established in Section 63(4), that candidate is declared elected.
- (7) If one candidate on the first count has a number of votesballots greater than the quota established in Section 63(4), the candidate is declared elected and the number of votesballots in excess of the quota is recorded as a surplus. All of the elected candidate's ballots are re-examined and assigned to candidates not yet elected according to the next available preference marked on the ballot at a fractional transfer value, as determined by the quotient of the surplus votesballots cast for the elected candidate divided by the total number of votesballots received by the elected candidate.
- (8) If two or more candidates on the first count have a number of votesballots greater than the quota established in Section 63(4), all of these candidates shall be declared elected. The ballots of the candidate with the largest number of votesballots will be re-examined first and assigned at a transfer value to candidates not yet elected according to the next available preference on the ballots. The ballots of the other elected candidates will then be re-examined, and the corresponding surplus votesballots will be distributed to candidates not yet elected at a fractional transfer value as outlined in Section 63 (8), according to the next available preference on the ballots in a descending

order corresponding to the number of ~~votes~~ballots received by the elected candidate.

- (9) If at any point a candidate receives a number of ~~votes~~ballots greater than the quota established in Section 63(4) as a result of a transfer of ~~votes~~ballots from an elected candidate, the candidate is declared elected, and the number of ~~votes~~ballots in excess of the quota is recorded as a surplus. All of the elected candidate's ballots are re-examined and assigned to candidates not yet elected or eliminated according to the next available preference marked on the ballot at a fractional transfer value depending on the nature of the ballot. ~~t.~~
- a. For ballots received by the elected candidate on the first count, the fractional transfer value is as set out in Section 63(8), and;
 - b. for ballots received as the result of a transfer of ~~votes~~ballots from previously-elected candidates, the transfer value shall be the product of the surplus ~~votes~~ballots cast for the elected candidate multiplied by the transfer value of the ballots as received by the previously-elected candidate, all divided by the total number of ~~votes~~ballots received by the elected candidate.
- (10) In the event that no remaining candidates have received a number of ~~votes~~ballots greater than the quota established in Section 63(4), the candidate with the fewest number of votes is eliminated. All ballots cast for the eliminated candidate are re-examined and assigned to candidates not yet elected or eliminated according to the next available preference marked on the ballot at the full value as received by the eliminated candidate.
- (11) The ballot-counting process as outlined in Section 63(4)-(10) shall continue until all but one of the candidates to be elected have been elected, and only two candidates remain in the count. At this point the candidate with the highest number of ~~votes~~ballots shall be declared elected.
- (12) If, during the transfer of ballots, a ballot indicates remaining preferences that only include candidates who have been already elected or eliminated, the ballot is put aside as exhausted.
- (13) In the event that two or more candidates have the same number of ~~votes~~ballots on the first count, and this number is greater than the quota established in Section 63 (4), the candidate whose surplus ~~votes~~ballots are re-distributed first shall be decided by:
- a. If the C.R.O. is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and has ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference on a ballot prepared in advance by the C.R.O., then that candidate's surplus ~~votes~~ballots shall be re-distributed first, or
 - b. If the C.R.O. is ineligible to vote in that race or has not ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference, or in the event that more than one candidate remains tied following the casting of a vote as prescribed in Section 63(13)(a), then the candidate whose surplus ~~votes~~ballots are re-distributed first shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.

- (14) In the event that no candidate has a number of ~~votes~~ballots on the first count greater than the quota established in Section 63(4) and two or more candidates have the same number of ~~votes~~ballots, this number being the smallest number of ~~votes~~ballots received by any candidate, then the candidate who is eliminated shall be decided by:
- a. If there are only two candidates who are tied and the C.R.O. is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and has ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference on a ballot prepared in advance by the C.R.O., than the tied candidate who was not indicated as such shall be eliminated, or
 - b. If the C.R.O. is ineligible to vote in that race or has not ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference, or in the event that more than one candidate remains tied following the casting of a vote as prescribed in Section 63(14)(a), then the candidate who is eliminated shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
- (15) If, at any stage of the count other than the first count, two or more candidates have the same number of ~~votes~~ballots, that number being either greater than the quota established in Section 63(4) or the lowest number of ~~votes~~ballots provided that no other candidates have a number greater than the quota, the candidate who is declared elected first, or who is not excluded, shall be:
- a. The candidate with the larger number of ~~votes~~ballots on the first count in which a differential existed between the number of ~~votes~~ballots received by each candidate, or
 - b. The candidate whose name is ranked highest on a ballot prepared in advance by the C.R.O, if the C.R.O. is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and no differential in the number of ~~votes~~ballots has existed between the candidates at any preceding count, or
The candidate whose name is selected by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O., if the C.R.O is ineligible to vote in the in the race and no differential in the number of ~~votes~~ballots has existed between the candidates at any preceding count.
- ~~(1) Any voter who has indicated an eliminated candidate with a number shall have the candidate marked with the next highest number following the number by which the eliminated candidate has been indicated take the place of the eliminated candidate, and so on, in such a way that all candidates indicated by that voter as less desirable than the eliminated candidate are registered as being one (1) step more desirable than originally indicated.~~
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- ~~(1) Where a ballot is left with no first place vote for a given race, the section of that ballot in question shall be considered spoiled.~~
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- ~~(1) Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, the candidate that had the fewest first place votes on the first count in which a differential existed shall be eliminated.~~
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~~(1) Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, and where this tie has existed on every count, and the C.R.O. is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race, then the C.R.O. shall cast a ballot.~~

~~(1) Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, and where this tie has existed on every count, and the C.R.O. is a not a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race, then the candidate to be eliminated shall be selected from those candidates with the fewest first place votes by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.~~

~~(1) The process set out in Section 63 shall continue for each position until such a time as a candidate receives a majority of first place votes for that position at which point that candidate shall be declared the victorious and removed from the ballot, and the process repeated with the remaining candidates not yet declared victorious.~~

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~~(1) The process set out in Section 63 shall continue for each position until such time as all the candidates are preferentially declared victorious.~~

(16) Candidates shall be allocated seats as specified in Bylaw 100.

(17) Where "None of the Above" is declared victorious, no further candidates shall be declared victorious.

(18) Where a joke candidate is declared victorious, the seat to which that joke candidate has been elected shall be considered vacant.

64. Requirements to Receive a Deposit

(1) Where a candidate receives, on the first count, a number of first place votes totaling at least five percent (5%) of the total votes cast for his/her position, that candidate's deposit shall be refunded.

(2) Where a candidate withdraws from contention more than forty-eight (48) hours after the nomination deadline, that candidate's deposit shall not be refunded.

(3) Where a candidate has been disqualified from running for office, that candidate's deposit shall not be refunded.

65. Balloting and Counting— Plebiscites and Referenda

(1) The side that receives the greater number of votes shall be declared victorious.

(2) Where both sides receive an equal number of votes, and only if both sides receive an equal number of votes ~~shall the C.R.O. shall cast a ballot.~~ and the C.R.O. is a member, then the C.R.O. shall cast a ballot.

- (3) Where both sides receive an equal number of votes, and only if both sides receive an equal number of votes and the C.R.O. is not a member then the result of the election shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method of selected by the C.R.O.

66. Secure Handling of Ballots

The C.R.O. shall provide for the secure handling of ballots, and shall ensure that at all times ballots are either under the direct supervision of the C.R.O. or in a secure location.

67. Right to a Scrutineer

- (1) Each candidate and side shall be permitted to have one (1) person, designated in writing by the candidate or ~~campaign manager~~side manager, acting as scrutineer and being present at the counting of ballots.
- (2) Notwithstanding Section 67(1), the scrutineer may not be a candidate or ~~campaign manager~~side manager

68. Requirements of the C.R.O

- (1) The C.R.O. or at least one (1) D.R.O. shall
- a. supervise the counting of ballots;
 - b. post final results within twenty four (24) working hours of all complaints and appeals being resolved;
 - c. notify the Speaker of Students' Council and the President of the Students' Union of the final results in writing
 - i. Additionally for General Faculties Council Elections, notify the Vice President (Academic) of the Students' Union and the Secretary of the General Faculties Council of the final results in writing;
 - d. post unofficial results at any time, including during counting;
 - e. advertise final results in the first available edition of the student newspaper after the posting of final results as set out in Section 6468(1) (b); and
 - f. store the ballots in a secure location for at least two (2) weeks after the last recount has been completed.

(2) The C.R.O. shall prepare a paper ballot at the before the close of voting, as if their capacity as C.R.O. did not restrict their voting privileges. The C.R.O. shall place this ballot in a sealed and signed envelop and give it to the Deputy Returning Officers D.R.O. before any results from the election are available to the C.R.O.. The envelope shall be opened only if the C.R.O.'s vote is required to break a tie as outlined in Section 63(13-15) and Section 65(2). At this point, a D.R.O. shall open the envelope and oversee the C.R.O. implement the tie-breaking mechanism as outlined in Section 63(13-15). If this procedure is not followed, the C.R.O.'s ballot will be considered spoiled.

69. Recounts

- (1) A request for a recount shall be granted by the C.R.O. where
- a. the request is in writing and signed by a member;

- b. the request is submitted to the C.R.O. within forty-eight (48) hours of the posting of Election results as set out in Section 68(1) (b); and
- c. the difference between the votes of the victor and those of the second place candidate or side on the final count is less than two percent (2%) of the total votes cast.

(2) The C.R.O. may initiate a recount independently for any reason.

(3) The C.R.O. shall post the results of any recount within twenty-four (24) working hours of the recount being completed.

70. Complaints

- (1) The C.R.O. shall prepare and provide a complaint form which shall require complaints to indicate
 - a. their names and student identification numbers;
 - b. the specific bylaw and section, rule, or regulation that has allegedly been contravened;
 - c. the specific individual or group that is alleged to be in contravention;
 - d. the specific facts which constitute the alleged contravention; and
 - e. the evidence for these facts.
- (2) Where a complaint is received within twelve (12) working hours of the alleged contravention, and where the original complaint form is provided to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall rule on that complaint.
- (3) The C.R.O. shall provide a copy of the complaint form, with the complainant's student identification number blacked out, to each respondent.
- (4) Where a complaint is received and is found to be complete as set out in Section 70(1), the C.R.O. shall rule on the complaint within twelve (12) working hours of receiving the complaint.
- (5) The C.R.O. shall post all of his/her rulings, including
 - a. a summary of the complaint;
 - b. a list of parties to the complaint;
 - c. where the C.R.O. fails to possess jurisdiction as set out in Section ~~7270(65)~~ (c), a summary of the reasons for this finding;
 - d. a listing of all bylaws, rules, and regulations that apply;
 - e. a finding regarding the facts;
 - f. a ruling regarding the alleged contravention;
 - g. the penalty assigned, if any;
 - h. the time the ruling was posted; and
 - i. the time limit for appeal.

71. Penalties Available

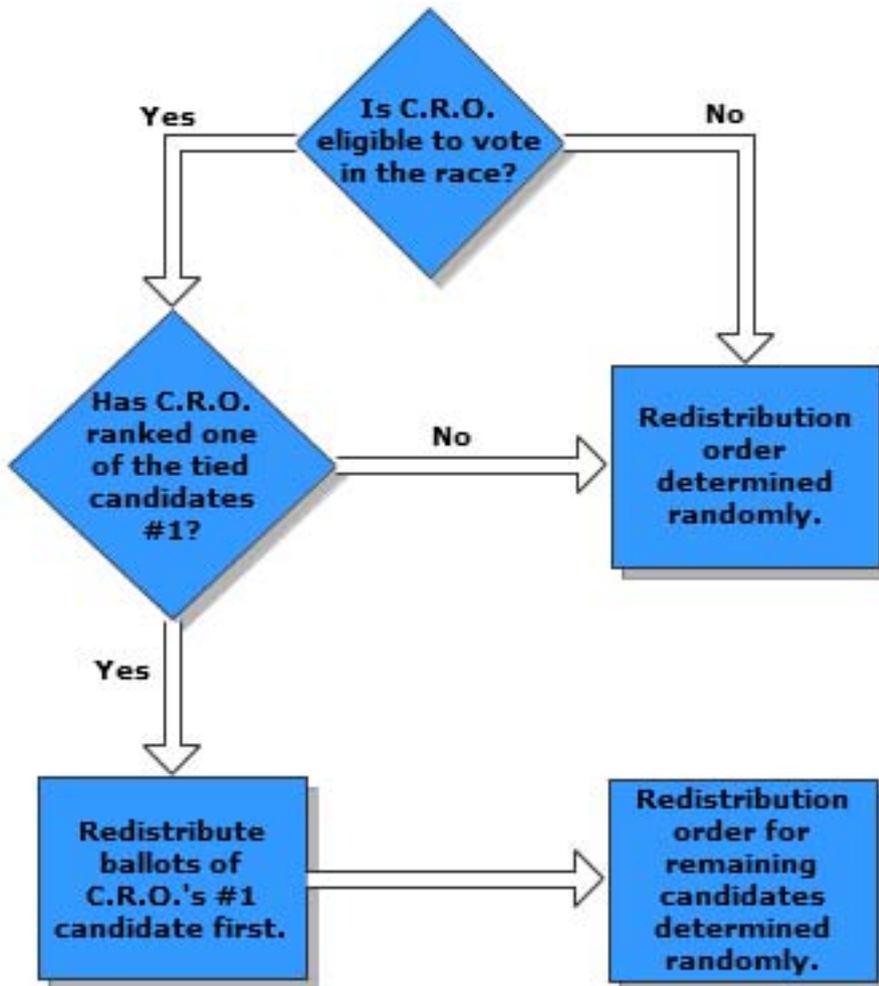
- (1) Where a candidate, ~~campaign manager~~ side manager or volunteer has contravened a bylaw, rule, or regulation, regardless of the cause or the intent of the parties involved, and that contravention has provided an unfair advantage to a candidate, the C.R.O. shall assign a penalty that
 - a. fully counter-balances any advantage gained; and
 - b. where the contravention was intentional, penalizes the candidate or campaign manager who was or whose volunteer was guilty of the contravention.
- (2) Penalties available to the C.R.O. shall include
 - a. a fine, to be counted against the candidate's campaign expenses;
 - b. the confiscation or destruction of campaign materials;
 - c. limits, restrictions, and prohibitions on any type of campaign activities for any period of time up to the commencement of voting; and
 - d. disqualification of the candidate or ~~campaign manager~~ side manager.
- (3) The C.R.O. shall draft a schedule of fines and penalties as an appendix to the rules and regulations concerning this bylaw.

72. Disqualification

- (1) A candidate or slate shall be disqualified where he/she/it is guilty of a contravention that
 - a. cannot be counter-balanced by a lesser penalty;
 - b. is malicious or substantially prejudicial to another candidate or slate; or
 - c. involves tampering with ballots, voting procedures, or counting procedures.
- ~~(2)~~ (2) Where a slate is disqualified, all candidates running as a part of that slate shall also be disqualified.
- (3) Where the advantage gained by the "yes" side of a referendum or plebiscite due to a contravention cannot be fully counterbalanced by the penalties available to the C.R.O. as set out in Section 71, the C.R.O. shall cancel the referendum or plebiscite.
- (4) Where the advantage gained by the "no" side of a referendum or plebiscite due to a contravention cannot be fully counterbalanced by the penalties available to the C.R.O. as set out in Section 71, the C.R.O. shall counterbalance the advantage to the maximum extent possible, and may recommend to the D.I.E. Board that further disciplinary action be taken against the members guilty of the contravention under the Judiciary of the Students' Union Bylaw.
- (5) Where a side's side manager is disqualified, that side shall select a new side manager.
- (6) The C.R.O. shall be empowered to investigate and rule upon every contravention of this bylaw or any other bylaw, rule, or regulation related to the election, plebiscite or referenda.

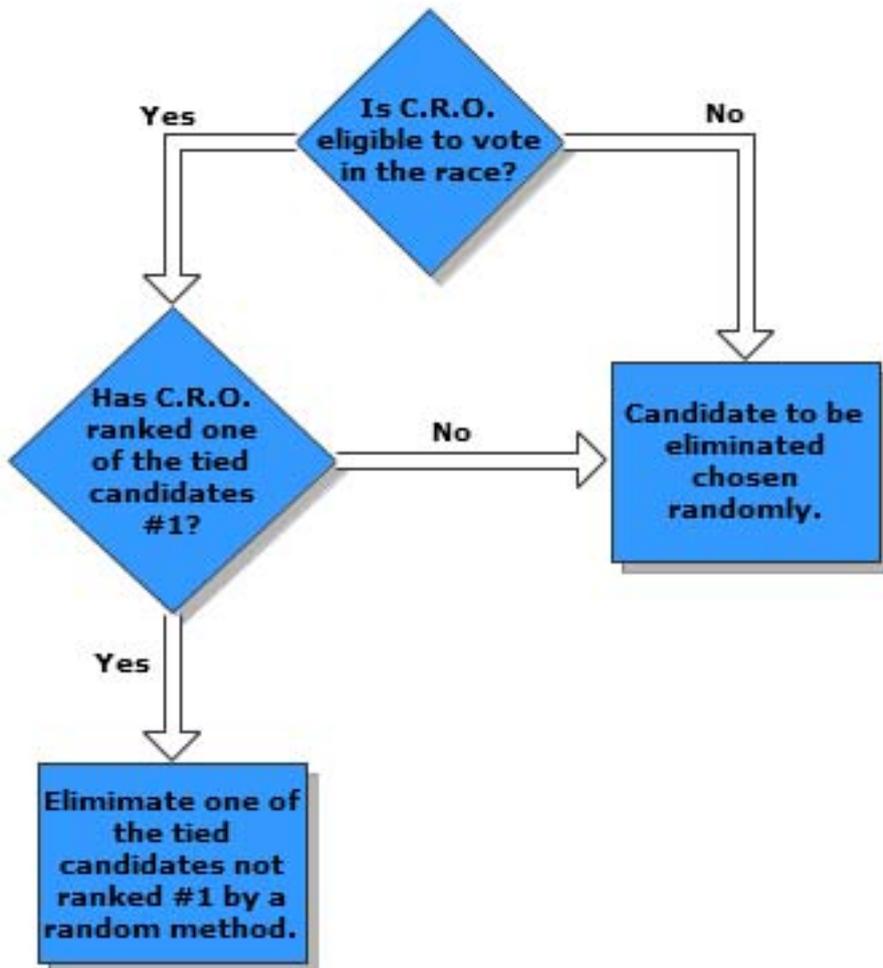
Section 63(13) Explained

Condition: Two or more candidates are tied on first count, both are above quota



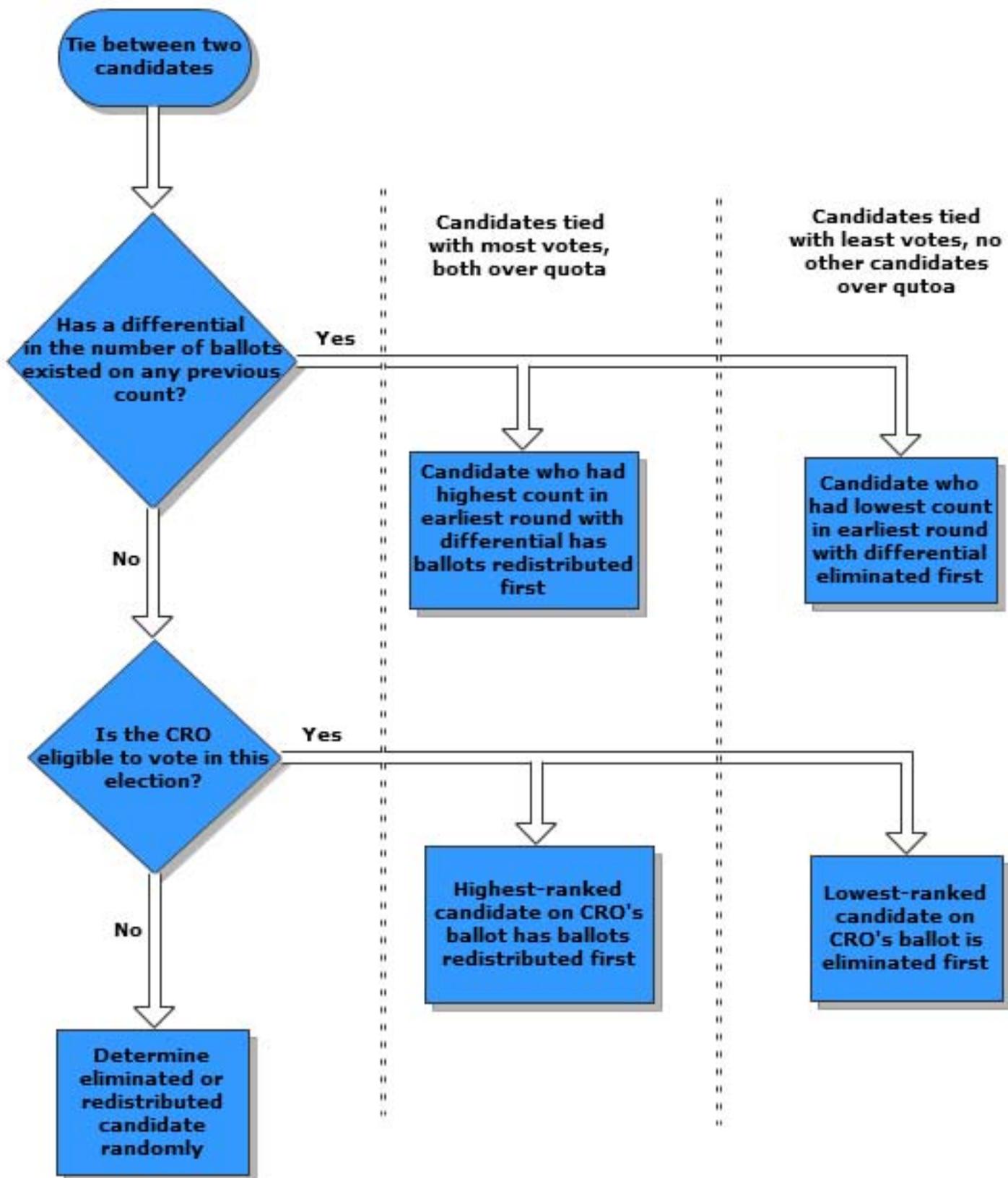
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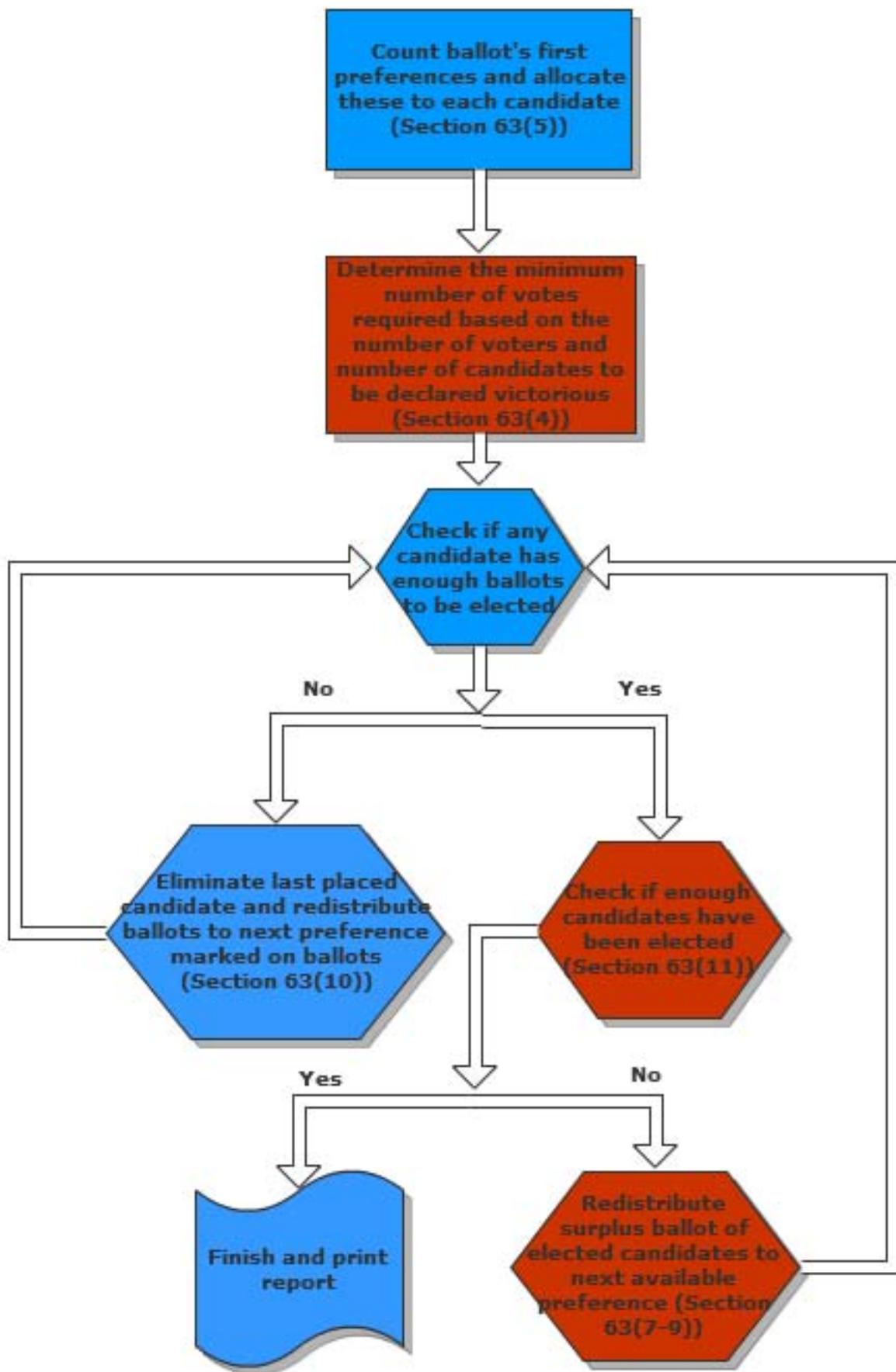
Condition: Two or more candidates are tied for last on first count, no candidates are above quota.



Section 63(15) Explained

Condition: Two or more candidates are tied on any round other than the first.





Legend

- BLUE = Code similar to existing system
- RED = New processes

Students' Union Political Policies

Introduction

Political policy is a directive from Students' Council to the Executive Committee that sets the direction of the Students' Union's advocacy efforts.

Members of the Executive Committee are responsible for creating and following implementation plans for political policies and must report their progress to the Policy Committee.

Alterations

Political policies may be created, amended, suspended, or retired by Students' Council. Generally, alterations to political policy are drafted by the Policy Committee and approved by Students' Council. Editorial changes to political policy are made by the Policy Committee. Political policies expire after a period of years at which point, Students' Council has the option to renew the political policy.

Responsibility for the effective administration of the political policy document, and all associated processes, shall rest with the Chair of the Policy Committee. The Administrative Assistant to Students' Council, under the guidance and direction of the Chair of the Policy Committee, shall be responsible for ensuring that:

- a) an up-to-date policy document is made publicly available and easily accessible by both members and employees of the Students' Union;
- b) outdated versions of the political policy document are appropriately archived; and
- c) the political policy document is formatted in a consistent and presentable manner.

XV. TUITION

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta has shown an increased awareness of the importance of post-secondary education in our province;

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta has the duty to fund the cost of a postsecondary education system that has the capacity for all eligible individuals to participate given the increased importance of an educated populace and the growing demands of an emerging knowledge economy;

WHEREAS the current tuition levels and costs of obtaining a post-secondary education are contrary to the values of a public post-secondary education system;

WHEREAS it is essential that the Government of Alberta craft a policy recognizing the need to alleviate the financial burdens borne by Alberta's students in accessing the post-secondary education system;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union advocate for a tuition policy that:

- a. Provides long-term, sustained base operating funding for our universities that will be protected from negative changes in our government's financial situation;
- b. Protects tuition from increasing due to fluctuations in funding grants to the university from the government;
- c. Ensures tuition levels are predictable;
- d. Has as its primary indicator of affordability the ability of students to pay without having to accrue the burden of debt;
- e. Provides for the fact that tuition is only one of the costs of pursuing a post- secondary education; and
- f. Ensures that no student will ever be denied the opportunity to pursue post- secondary education because of their inability to pay;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union advocate that the Government of Alberta legislate a policy on tuition fees that:

- a. Provides strict guidance to an institution's ability to set tuition, including annual and ultimate limits on the maximum amount of tuition fees that can be levied on students;
- b. Requires post-secondary institutions to provide to the Board of Governors of the institution, the Auditor General of Alberta and the Minister of Advanced; and
- c. Education & Technology a detailed and verifiably transparent public plan on how additional tuition revenues will be spent; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union will not support the Board of Governors of the University of Alberta increasing tuition.

IX. MANDATORY NON-INSTRUCTIONAL FEES

WHEREAS services for students are a major resource to create positive undergraduate experiences;

WHEREAS students bear a substantial portion of the costs of these services through mandatory non-instructional fees;

WHEREAS mandatory non-instructional fees present significant costs additional to the essential costs of education;

WHEREAS it is in the best interest of students to have ongoing input regarding services designed to benefit them;

WHEREAS a referendum of a body of students is the best method of determining the value to students of a non-instructional service and thus the only acceptable means of gaining consent for the levying of mandatory non-instructional fees;

WHEREAS mandatory non-instructional fee increases are not regulated by any provincial statutes;

WHEREAS the University is a public institution and is therefore committed to high standards of service, administrative effectiveness, and good governance in the responsible management of its financial resources;

WHEREAS a rise in fees in concert with the Consumer Price Index is necessary to sustain services on a year-to-year basis;

WHEREAS the continued affordability of public post-secondary education in Alberta is jeopardised by the exploitation of unregulated mandatory non-instructional fees.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT hat the Students' Union advocates that students maintain representation on any body directing the general affairs and mandate of a service which is funded by a student fee;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union advocate that any service funded by a fee exhibit full budgetary disclosure to undergraduate students;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union lobby for a provincial regulation on mandatory non-instructional fees such that:

- a. there is clear identification of which fees are non-instructional and

thus outside the framework established in the Public Post-Secondary Institutions' Tuition Fees Regulation;

- b. new fees are required to explicitly articulate the reason for the fee, the duration of the fee, and the year-to-year price inflator (e.g. Consumer Price Index) or increase schedule; and
- c. proposed new fees and increases for existing fees beyond their established price inflator be approved by a referendum of the students to whom the proposed fee would apply.

before two calendar months of the existence of an unrepresented constituency the Students' Union shall recognize a new Association.

~~17.19.~~ The Students' Union may derecognize an Association if another student group applies for recognition as the Association representing the constituency, if and only if that student group is then recognized as the Association, having probationary status, representing the constituency.

Probation

~~18.20.~~ The Students' Union may recognize an Association as having probationary status if:

- a. Multiple significant issues, including but not limiting the generality of the foregoing: financial misrepresentation, constitutional violations, alleged violations of the Code of Student Behaviour, or failure to adhere to basic standards of democratic accountability or administrative and financial transparency, arise out of the annual recognition process, notwithstanding Section ~~143~~.d of this bylaw;
- b. The Association applies for probation; or
- c. In a constituency of at least one thousand (1000) ~~base~~-members, fifteen percent or more of the members which the Association represents petition for probation.
- d. In a constituency of less than one thousand (1000) members, fifteen percent or more of the members petition for probation, subject to ratification by Students Council on the following conditions:
 - I. That the petition is deemed representative of the membership, and not a niche interest.

~~19.21.~~ The Students' Union and the Association, having probationary status, shall agree to and sign Conditions of Probation, which shall govern the Association while it retains its probationary status.

~~20.22.~~ After three calendar months and before one calendar year of an Association being recognized as having probationary status, the Students' Union shall ~~either~~;

- a. ~~Recognize~~ recognize the Association as no longer having probationary status as no longer having probationary status and no longer being subject to their conditions of probation, if the Association has met their conditions of probation; ~~or~~
- b. extend the probationary period of an Association for up to six months, if all parties to the conditions of probation consent to the extension or if the Students' Union has reason to believe that the conditions of probation will be met during the period of extension; or
- a. ~~Derecognize~~ derecognize the Association, thus leaving an unrepresented constituency ~~the Association, if the conditions of probation are not met and the Students' Union has no reason to believe that the conditions of probation will be met during the period of extension.-~~
- c. ~~Extend the probationary period for up to six months~~

Legislation

~~21.23.~~ An Association shall have legislation, consistent with the requirements of Students' Union bylaws, specifying, at minimum:

- a. The official name of the Association;
- b. The mandate of the Association;
- c. The membership, membership categories, and rights of members of the Association;
- d. The procedure for adoption, amendment, and rescission of its legislation;

- e. The procedure for adoption, amendment, and rescission of its policies and/or procedures;
- f. The mechanism for calling a General Meeting;
- g. The powers and responsibilities of each of its officers;
- h. The powers and responsibilities of each of its boards, committees and/or councils;
- i. The rights, privileges and responsibilities, individually and collectively, of its Departmental Associations, Program Associations, and Affiliated Associations;
- j. The manner of selection of its officers and the manner of removal of its officers;
- k. The manner in which elections, if applicable, are to be conducted; and
- ~~a.~~ The manner in which finances and property are managed including the budgeting and auditing processes.

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Procedure Manual

- 24. An Association shall have procedures, consistent with the requirements of Students' Union bylaws and the Associations' legislation, which shall serve to operationalize the their legislation. The Association shall have procedures outlining the annual transition of its executive and board officers.

Reporting

~~Annually, or upon request, an Association shall provide the Students' Union with a schedule of Departmental Associations, Program Associations and any affiliated Associations~~

- 25. ~~Annually, or upon request, an Association shall provide the Students' Union with a schedule of Departmental Associations, Program Associations and any affiliated Associations~~
 - 26. ~~Associations shall provide p~~Publicly available minutes from Council, Executive or Board of Directors, ~~-and General meetings shall be actively provided by the Association.~~
 - 27. ~~Each academic year, an Association shall provide an outline of organizational and financial goals. An update of these goals shall be provided to the Council of Faculty Associations at the September meeting or six months after the association's General Election, which ever occurs first.~~
- ~~—submitted to the Students' Council before the start of the winter semester~~

Governance Structure

- ~~23-28.~~ An Association shall adopt a governance structure which satisfies the following:
 - a. Legislation is adopted, amended, or rescinded by:
 - I. A General Meeting which meets at least once per Fall Term and Winter Term; or
 - II. A Council which meets at least twice per Fall Term and Winter Term where a General Meeting may overturn the adoption, amendment, or rescission.
 - b. Policy and Procedure is adopted, amended, or rescinded by:
 - I. A Council which meets at least twice per Fall Term and Winter Term; or
 - II. 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.
 - c. The executive and board officers, as applicable, of the Association are held accountable to and removable by:

- l. “side manager” shall be a person registered as part of a plebiscite or referendum side who has been selected by those members of that side to serve as side manager for the purposes of this bylaw;
- m. “candidate” shall be any member whose nomination is accepted under this bylaw;
- a.—“joke candidate” shall be any candidate ~~running either individually or as a member of a slate~~, who chooses not to use his/her given name or a reasonable derivative of his/her given name when appearing on the ballot;
- n.
- a.—~~“slate” shall be any two (2) or more candidates each running for a different position who choose to run under the guidelines for slates as opposed to the guidelines for individual candidates;~~
- o. “campaign” shall be the period of time during which campaign activities are permitted;
- p. “campaign activity” shall be any act, planned or organized by or on behalf of any candidate, ~~slate_ or side_~~, that is calculated to convince members to vote in a given way;
- q. “volunteer” shall be any individual who assists in campaign activities;
- r. “campaign expense” shall be any and all expenditures incurred in engaging in campaign activities;
- s. “campaign materials” shall be any physical or electronic media produced or distributed as part of campaign activities;
- t. “banner” shall be any campaign material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material of a total area greater than four (4) square feet;
- u. “poster” shall be any campaign material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material, of a total area of under four (4) square feet that is designed to be posted on a wall or similar place;
- v. “voter” shall be any member who exercises his/her entitlement to vote;
- w. “forum” shall be any event organized by an entity other than the Students’ Union, a candidate, side, or a volunteer acting on behalf of a candidate or side at which campaign activities are facilitated;
- x. “University” shall be the University of Alberta;
- y. “academic year” shall be from May 1st to the following April 31st;

- (1) All candidates and side managers shall, within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline, report to the C.R.O. any keys, cards, and other means of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus.
- (2) The C.R.O. shall confiscate, until the commencement of voting, any keys, cards, and other means of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus where
 - a. the key, card, or other means of access in question would provide an unfair advantage to the candidate or side manager; and
 - b. the candidate or side manager is not academically, occupationally, or otherwise required to retain the key, card, or other means of access in question for the duration of the campaign.

28. Storage Space

The C.R.O. shall make arrangements for space to be available on the University campus to all candidates and side managers for the purpose of the storage of campaign materials.

29. Prohibition on Pre-campaigning

- (1) No side manager, volunteer, or candidate shall engage in campaign activities between the nomination deadline or Students' Council initiation of a plebiscite/referenda and the commencement of the campaign.
- (2) Any campaign activity involving social media or internet activity shall not commence or exist between the nomination deadline or Students Council initiation of a plebiscite/referendum and the commencement of the campaign. Social media and internet activity with the sole purpose to prepare campaign activities, campaign material, or to solicit volunteers may be undertaken during the pre-campaign period, so long as it is kept private.

~~30. Candidate Slates~~

- ~~(1) Candidates wishing to run as a slate shall notify the C.R.O. in writing of their desire within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline.~~
- ~~(2) Candidates providing written notification to the C.R.O. under Section 30(1) shall include a slate name, which shall not be the same as or a reasonable derivation of the name of any registered federal or provincial political party or referenda/plebiscite side.~~
- ~~(1) Where candidates requesting to run as a slate are in compliance with Sections 30(1) and 30(2), the C.R.O. shall grant their request.~~
- ~~(1) Candidates running as a slate shall be voted for individually with the slate affiliation being clearly identified on the ballot.~~

~~30~~1. Joke Candidates

- (1) Where a candidate has been designated as a joke candidate, as set out in Section 2(n), and that candidate does not wish to be a joke candidate, that candidate may provide to

the C.R.O. a new signed statement indicating the name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot, within 36 hours of being designated as a joke candidate.

- (2) Where a candidate who has been designated a joke candidate exercises his/her right, as set out in Section 304(1), to submit a new name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot, and where the new name is, at the discretion of the C.R.O., a reasonable derivative of that candidate's legal name, that candidate's designation as a joke candidate shall be reversed.

312. Candidates with Same or Similar Names

Where two (2) or more candidates ~~or slates~~ submit names that are either identical or so similar as to be effectively indistinguishable, the C.R.O. shall determine and announce within forty-eight (48) hours of the nomination deadline what name each of the two (2) or more candidates ~~or slates~~ shall use.

323. C.R.O. Shall List Candidates

Within thirty-six (36) hours of nomination deadline, the C.R.O. shall post

- a. the legal name of each of the candidates;
- b. the name under which each shall appear on the ballot ; and
- ~~a. the name of each slate, and the abbreviation of each slate as it will appear on the ballot; and~~
- c. shall publish the same in the next available issue of the student newspaper.

334. Daily Meetings

- (1) On every weekday during the Executive Committee and Board of Governor campaign and Plebiscite/Referendum campaign, the C.R.O. shall hold a daily meeting, at which he/she shall review complaints, rulings, regulations, procedures, and announcements.
- (2) Each candidate and side manager shall either attend each daily meeting himself/herself or designate, in writing, a representative who will attend.
- (3) Where a candidate or side manager contravenes Section 334(2), he/she shall be fined ten dollars (\$10.00) for each meeting at which he/she is in contravention, and he/she shall not be assessed any further penalty.

345. Requirements of All Candidates and Plebiscite/Referendum Sides

Each candidate, and side manager ~~and slate~~ shall act reasonably and in good faith, and specifically shall

- a. ensure that each volunteer engaging in campaign activities on his/her/its behalf is aware of all bylaws, rules, regulations, and orders;
- b. ensure that each volunteer is in compliance with all bylaws, rules, regulations, and orders while engaging in campaign activities on his/her/its behalf; and
- c. report any contravention of a bylaw, rule, regulation, or order to the C.R.O. immediately.

356. Third Party Activities

- (1) A candidate, ~~slate~~, or side in a Students' Union election may distance themselves from a third party in the event the third party effectively conducts campaign activities under the following conditions:
 - a. the candidate, ~~slate~~, or side must demonstrate to the C.R.O. that the third party acted without consent of the candidate, ~~slate~~, or side; and
 - b. the candidate, ~~slate~~, or side must demonstrate to the C.R.O. that steps have been taken to distance themselves from the third party and to attempt to halt unauthorized campaign activity by that third party.
- (2) Should a candidate, ~~slate~~, or side demonstrate the conditions specified under Section 356(1) to the C.R.O.'s satisfaction, the candidate, ~~slate~~, or side would not be subject to punitive fines as a result of the third party's actions, but could still be subject to counterbalancing fines.

367. No-Use of Non-Universal Resources

No individual candidate, ~~or~~ side ~~or slate~~ shall make use of any resource that is not

- a. available to all candidates ~~and~~, sides ~~and slates~~;
- b. general volunteer labour or expertise; or
- c. accounted for as part of that candidate's ~~or~~, side's ~~or slate's~~ campaign expenses.

378. No Joint Use of Resources

No two (2) or more candidates ~~or~~, sides ~~or slates~~ shall jointly use any resources, including tables, posters, banners, and budgets but excluding volunteers, ~~except that a candidate may jointly use tables with a slate of which he/she is a member.~~

389. Endorsements

~~(1) No candidate shall~~

- ~~a. act as a volunteer for another candidate; or~~
- ~~a. endorse another candidate within his or her own race.~~

- (1) Any member with the exception of the C.R.O, the D.R.O.s, ~~candidates~~, and incumbent members of the Executive Committee shall be ~~free to endorse any candidate. free to act as volunteers for or endorse any candidate, or slate.~~
- (2) Any member with the exception of the C.R.O, the D.R.O.s, candidates, and incumbent members of the Executive Committee shall be free to act as a volunteer for any candidate.
- (3) Notwithstanding Section 38(1), Regulations regarding the endorsement of ~~electoral~~ candidates by Students' Union employees not referenced in Section 389(12) ~~shall be subject to the Students' Union operating policy.~~
- (4) Notwithstanding Section 38(2), regulations regarding the capacity of Students' Union employees not referenced in Section 38(2) to act as a volunteer shall be subject to the Students' Union operating policy.

- (5) Incumbent members of the Executive Committee and the incumbent Board of Governors Representative are allowed to endorse sides in a Students' Union election.

3940. Restrictions on Campaign Activities

No candidate or side shall, without the permission of the C.R.O. engage in any campaign activity

- a. in any business or service operated by the Students' Union;
- b. in a University library;
- c. in a classroom during a class unless he/she first obtains the permission of the professor responsible for that class;
- d. in any residence; or
- e. in any building or on any land not owned or operated by the University or the Students' Union.

401. Campaign Materials

- (1) All campaign materials shall be approved in form, content, and cost by the C.R.O. before they may be used in campaign activities.
- (2) Candidates, ~~and~~ sides ~~and slates~~ wishing to have campaign materials approved shall provide the C.R.O. with
 - a. a written estimate of the cost of the proposed campaign material, including the source of that cost; and
 - b. the complete contents of the proposed campaign material, including text, images and layout.
- (3) The C.R.O. shall provide in confidence a written approval or refusal of campaign materials within eight (8) working hours of receiving a request as set out in Section ~~401~~ (2).

421. Forbidden Campaign Materials

- (1) The C.R.O. shall not approve campaign materials that
 - a. have more than a nominal value when distributed;
 - b. cannot be removed at the end of the Campaign; or
 - c. are likely to permanently damage or alter property.
- (2) Where a candidate, ~~or~~ side ~~or slate~~ contravenes Section ~~401~~(1), the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate ~~or~~, side ~~or slate~~, as set out in Section ~~6971~~.

423. Media

All candidates and sides are free to pursue campus-based media as determined by the C.R.O; however, are restricted from contacting external media sources. All external media must be directed through the C.R.O office.

434. Use of Social Media and Public Internet Ventures

The C.R.O. shall be kept privy to elections-related social media and public internet ventures undertaken by candidates, and reserves the right to penalize candidates for any violation of this bylaw or related regulations.

445. Banners

- (1) No candidate, ~~or side~~ ~~or slate~~ shall have more than one (1) banner on display in any given building at any given time.
- (2) Where a candidate ~~or side~~ ~~or slate~~ contravenes Section 445(1), the offending banners shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate ~~or~~ ~~side~~ ~~or slate~~ as set out in Section 6974.

456. Posters

- (1) No poster shall be displayed in such a way as to obscure another candidate's, ~~or side~~ ~~or slate~~'s campaign materials.
- (2) In any given building, at any given time
 - a. no Executive or Board of Governors Candidate shall have more than ten (10) posters;
 - b. no Plebiscite or Referendum side shall have more than ten (10) posters;
 - c. no General Faculties Council or Students' Council candidate shall have more than sixteen (16) posters.
- (3) The C.R.O. shall set a minimum distance between posters or signs that are placed outside belonging to the same candidate or side.
- (4) Where a candidate, ~~or side~~ ~~or slate~~ contravenes Sections 456(1) through (3), the offending posters shall be destroyed, and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate ~~or~~ ~~side~~ ~~or slate~~ as set out in Section 6974.

467. Designated Printer

- (1) All printed campaign materials shall be purchased at official list price costs from one (1) or more of the printing companies designated by the C.R.O.
- (2) The C.R.O. shall designate at least five (5) printers from which candidates and sides may purchase materials to be in compliance with Section 467(1).
- (3) Where a candidate or side demonstrates that a desired campaign material could not be produced by any of the five (5) or more printers designated by the C.R.O. as set out in Section 467(2), the C.R.O. shall grant a limited exemption from Section 467(2) to that candidate or side.
- (4) Where campaign materials can be produced by a Students' Union operated business, candidates and sides shall purchase those campaign materials from that business.

- (5) Where a candidate or side contravenes Section ~~467~~(1) or Section ~~467~~(4), the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed, and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or side, as set out in Section ~~697~~1.

478. Recycled Materials

Where a candidate, ~~or~~ side, ~~or slate~~ chooses to print campaign materials on recycled paper containing one hundred per cent (100%) post consumer content, and where that candidate ~~or~~ side ~~or slate~~ demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the C.R.O., that this choice resulted in an increased cost being incurred to it, then the amount of this increased cost shall not count against the limits set out in Sections ~~504~~ through ~~524~~.

489. Destruction of Campaign Materials

No candidate, side manager, or volunteer shall damage or destroy any other candidate's or side's campaign materials unless specifically authorized to do so by the C.R.O.

4950. Campaign Material Removal

All campaign materials shall be removed by 21h00 the day before the commencement of voting.

504. Campaign Expense Limits – Executive Committee and Board of Governor Candidates

- (1) No candidate for the Executive Committee or Board of Governors shall accrue more than five hundred and fifty dollars (\$550.00) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.
- (2) No joke candidate shall accrue more than two thirds (2/3) of the expenses set out in Sections ~~504~~(1).

512. Campaign Expense Limits – GFC and Students' Council Candidates

- (1) No candidate for General Faculties Council or Students' Council shall accrue more than thirty dollars (\$30.00), plus six dollars (\$6.00) for every one thousand (1,000) students' in his or her faculty beyond three thousand (3,000) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.
- (2) Where the number of students in a faculty beyond three thousand (3,000) is not a multiple of one thousand (1,000), the amount of money in excess of the base amount as set out in Section ~~512~~(1), shall be prorated and rounded to the nearest cent.
- (3) No joke candidate shall accrue more than two thirds (2/3) of the expenses set out in Sections ~~512~~(1) and ~~512~~(2).

~~53. Campaign Expense Limits – Slates~~

- ~~(1) Each candidate running with a slate shall have an expense limit equal to that of a candidate running individually.~~

~~(2) Each slate shall determine the distribution of campaign funds between the slate and slate candidates and must report the distribution to the C.R.O. prior to the start of campaigning.~~

~~(3) Each member of a slate shall provide a minimum of ten percent (10%) to a maximum of twenty-five percent (25%) of each candidate's budget towards the slate as a whole, with the remainder reserved for the individual candidate's campaign activities.~~

524. Campaign Expense Limits – Referenda and Plebiscite Sides

(1) No Referenda or Plebiscite Side shall accrue more than one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.

(2) No joke candidates will be allowed as specified under Section 15(2) (c).

535. Expense Reporting

(1) Each candidate ~~and~~, side ~~and slate~~ shall keep an up to date and accurate record of all campaign expenses he/she/it incurs, and shall be responsible to the C.R.O. for all such campaign expenses.

~~(2) Each candidate running as part of a slate shall keep separate records for individual expenses and expenses for the slate as a whole.~~

~~(3) Each candidate running as part of the slate is accountable for expenses for the slate as a whole.~~

(24) Each candidate ~~and~~, side ~~and slate~~ shall submit to the C.R.O. the record, as set out in Section 535(1), no less than twelve (12) working hours prior to the commencement of voting.

(3) No candidate ~~or~~, side ~~or slate~~ shall incur any campaign expenses within twelve (12) working hours of the commencement of voting, except where those campaign expenses have been reported in the record submitted to the C.R.O. as set out in Section 535(24).

(4) Where the C.R.O. determines that a candidate ~~or~~, side ~~or slate~~ has exceeded or falsified its campaign expense limit

- a. the candidate ~~or~~, side manager for the side, ~~or the slate~~ shall be disqualified;
- b. that candidate ~~or~~, side, ~~or slate~~ shall be prohibited from engaging in further campaign activities;
- c. notice of this shall be posted with the campaign expense records;
- d. the violation will be communicated directly to the candidate ~~or~~, the side's side manager ~~or the slate~~ in question;
- e. the C.R.O. may recommend to the D.I.E. Board that further action be taken against that the candidate, the side's side manager, ~~the side's members~~, and/or any volunteers.

- (5) The C.R.O. shall review all campaign expense records, and shall post summaries of same more than eight (8) working hours prior to the commencement of voting.

546. Fair Market Value

- (1) Where a product or service has been provided to a candidate, or side ~~or slate~~ for no consideration or for consideration that is less than the official list price of the service provider, that candidate or, side ~~or slate~~ shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense at the fair market value of that product or service, as determined by the C.R.O.
- (2) Where a candidate or, side ~~or slate~~ receives a product or service for consideration that is greater than the fair market value, then that candidate or, side ~~or slate~~ shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense equal to the actual consideration.
- (3) The fair market value shall be determined by the C.R.O. using the price that any other candidate or, side ~~or slate~~ would have to pay for a comparable product or service as a guideline.
- (4) Candidates or, sides ~~and slates~~ shall have the right, but not the obligation, to receive an assessment of a product or service's fair market value in advance.
- (5) A candidate or, side ~~or slate~~ wishing to receive a fair market value assessment in advance shall make a written request to the C.R.O, which shall include
- a. a full and accurate description of the product or service;
 - b. the supplier of the service, along with contact information for the same; and
 - c. the candidate or, side ~~or slate~~'s estimation of the product or service's fair market value, and a rationale for same.
- (6) Where a complete request under Section 546(5), has been submitted to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall respond with a decision within eight (8) working hours.

557. General Labour

For purposes of Section 535, general labour and any expertise had by a significant portion of the population, including, but not limited to, poster design, web page design, and web page programming, shall be considered to have a fair market value of zero.

568. Right to Vote

- (1) Each member shall be entitled to cast one (1) ballot, except the C.R.O. who shall be entitled to cast a ballot as outlined in Section 668(2).
- (2) Where a member is found to have a cast more than one (1) ballot, only one ballot shall be counted.
- (3) All votes cast shall be by secret ballot.

579. Voting Days

- (1) Voting shall be conducted at times determined and advertised by the C.R.O.
- (2) No voting, ~~other than a maximum of one (1) advance poll,~~ shall be conducted prior to the D.I.E. Board ruling on all appeals covered by Section ~~713~~.

5860. Voting

- (1) The C.R.O. shall conduct balloting by any means that provide precise, accurate results, and may use multiple methods in any combination.
- (2) At each polling station, there shall be a notice to voters that candidates are elected individually to each position, which shall also explain the balloting procedures.
- (3) On each ballot, there shall be an explanation of the balloting procedures, which shall include, at minimum, the following
 - a. that “None of the Above” shall be considered a candidate;
 - b. that voters shall rank each candidate according to their preferences;
 - c. that a portion of the ballot shall be considered spoiled where any of the conditions set out in Section ~~613~~(3) are met; and
 - d. that voters shall be permitted to rank as many as all or as few as zero of the candidates for each position.

5961. Limitations During Voting

- (1) During voting, candidates, side managers, members of sides and volunteers shall not encourage members to vote or engage in any campaign activities.
- (2) During voting, candidates, side managers, and registered members of sides shall not be within twenty (20) feet of any polling station except to vote themselves.

602. Ballots

- (1) For each ballot the rank order of candidates shall be rotated randomly.
- ~~(1) For each position ballots shall list all candidates, followed by “None of the Above”~~
- ~~(2)~~

~~(1) For the purposes of Section 5860(3) (b) “None of the Above” shall be considered a candidate. ?????????????????????????????????????? Reference to what?~~

- (3) Where a referenda or plebiscite question(s) is/are on the ballot, the ballot shall list “yes” followed by “no” for each referendum or plebiscite question.
- (4) Where a voter’s intention is clear, that voter’s ballot shall be counted.

613. Balloting and Counting– Executive, Board of Governors and Councillor Elections

- (1) Balloting shall be conducted by preferential balloting, in which each voter shall rank his/her preference for each position using natural numbers with one (1) representing the first preference, and increasing numbers representing less desirable choices.

- (2) Voters shall be entitled to mark as few as zero candidates for any given position or as many as all of them.
- (3) A section of a voter's ballot shall be considered spoiled where
 - a. that voter has indicated the same number for more than one (1) candidate;
 - b. that voter has not included the number one (1) next to any candidate;
 - c. that voter has indicated more than one (1) number next to the same candidate;
 - d. that voter has used non-consecutive numbers; or
 - e. that voter has left all candidates in a race unranked.
- (4) Once the total number of ballots is established for each race, the minimum quota of votes required for a candidate to be elected is calculated. This quota shall be determined by the sum of one plus the quotient of the total number of valid ballots cast for the race divided by the sum of the number of seats being contested plus one, with any remainders being ignored.
- (5) All ballots shall be examined and, on the first count, each ballot shall be assigned to the candidate who is indicated to be the voter's first preference.
- (6) If a candidate on the first count has a number of ballots exactly equal to the quota established in Section ~~631~~(4), that candidate is declared elected.
- (7) If one candidate on the first count has a number of ballots greater than the quota established in Section ~~613~~(4), the candidate is declared elected and the number of ballots in excess of the quota is recorded as a surplus. All of the elected candidate's ballots are re-examined and assigned to candidates not yet elected according to the next available preference marked on the ballot at a fractional transfer value, as determined by the quotient of the surplus ballots cast for the elected candidate divided by the total number of ballots received by the elected candidate.
- (8) If two or more candidates on the first count have a number of ballots greater than the quota established in Section ~~613~~(4), all of these candidates shall be declared elected. The ballots of the candidate with the largest number of ballots will be re-examined first and assigned at a transfer value to candidates not yet elected according to the next available preference on the ballots. The ballots of the other elected candidates will then be re-examined, and the corresponding surplus ballots will be distributed to candidates not yet elected at a fractional transfer value as outlined in Section ~~613~~(8), according to the next available preference on the ballots in a descending order corresponding to the number of ballots received by the elected candidate.
- (9) If at any point a candidate receives a number of ballots greater than the quota established in Section ~~613~~(4) as a result of a transfer of ballots from an elected candidate, the candidate is declared elected, and the number of ballots in excess of the

quota is recorded as a surplus. All of the elected candidate's ballots are re-examined and assigned to candidates not yet elected or eliminated according to the next available preference marked on the ballot at a fractional transfer value depending on the nature of the ballot.

- a. For ballots received by the elected candidate on the first count, the fractional transfer value is as set out in Section 613(8), and;
 - b. for ballots received as a the result of a transfer of ballots from previously-elected candidates, the transfer value shall be the product of the surplus ballots cast for the elected candidate multiplied by the transfer value of the ballots as received by the previously-elected candidate, all divided by the total number of ballots received by the elected candidate.
- (10) In the event that no remaining candidates have received a number of ballots greater than the quota established in Section 613(4), the candidate with the fewest number of votes is eliminated. All ballots cast for the eliminated candidate are re-examined and assigned to candidates not yet elected or eliminated according to the next available preference marked on the ballot at the full value as received by the eliminated candidate.
- (11) The ballot-counting process as outlined in Section 613(4)-(10) shall continue until all but one of the candidates to be elected have been elected, and only two candidates remain in the count. At this point the candidate with the highest number of ballots shall be declared elected.
- (12) If, during the transfer of ballots, a ballot indicates remaining preferences that only include candidates who have been already elected or eliminated, the ballot is put aside as exhausted.
- (13) In the event that two or more candidates have the same number of ballots on the first count, and this number is greater than the quota established in Section 613(4), the candidate whose surplus ballots are re-distributed first shall be decided by:
- a. If the C.R.O. is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and has ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference on a ballot prepared in advance by the C.R.O., then that candidate's surplus ballots shall be re-distributed first, or
 - b. If the C.R.O. is ineligible to vote in that race or has not ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference, or in the event that more than one candidate remains tied following the casting of a vote as prescribed in Section 613(13)(a), then the candidate whose surplus ballots are re-distributed first shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
- (14) In the event that no candidate has a number of ballots on the first count greater than the quota established in Section 613(4) and two or more candidates have the same number of ballots, this number being the smallest number of ballots received by any candidate, then the candidate who is eliminated shall be decided by:

- a. If there are only two candidates who are tied and the C.R.O. is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and has ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference on a ballot prepared in advance by the C.R.O., than the tied candidate who was not indicated as such shall be eliminated, or
 - b. If the C.R.O. is ineligible to vote in that race or has not ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference, or in the event that more than one candidate remains tied following the casting of a vote as prescribed in Section 613(14)(a), then the candidate who is eliminated shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
- (15) If, at any stage of the count other than the first count, two or more candidates have the same number of ballots, that number being either greater than the quota established in Section 613(4) or the lowest number of ballots provided that no other candidates have a number greater than the quota, the candidate who is declared elected first, or who is not excluded, shall be:
- a. The candidate with the larger number of ballots on the first count in which a differential existed between the number of ballots received by each candidate, or
 - b. The candidate whose name is ranked highest on a ballot prepared in advance by the C.R.O, if the C.R.O. is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and no differential in the number of ballots has existed between the candidates at any preceding count, or
 - c. The candidate whose name is selected by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O., if the C.R.O is ineligible to vote in the in the race and no differential in the number of ballots has existed between the candidates at any preceding count.
- (16) Candidates shall be allocated seats as specified in Bylaw 100.
- (17) Where "None of the Above" is declared victorious, no further candidates shall be declared victorious.
- (18) Where a joke candidate is declared victorious, the seat to which that joke candidate has been elected shall be considered vacant.

624. Requirements to Receive a Deposit

- (1) Where a candidate receives, on the first count, a number of first place votes totaling at least five percent (5%) of the total votes cast for his/her position, that candidate's deposit shall be refunded.
- (2) Where a candidate withdraws from contention more than forty-eight (48) hours after the nomination deadline, that candidate's deposit shall not be refunded.
- (3) Where a candidate has been disqualified from running for office, that candidate's deposit shall not be refunded.

635. Balloting and Counting– Plebiscites and Referenda

- (1) The side that receives the greater number of votes shall be declared victorious.
- (2) Where both sides receive an equal number of votes, and only if both sides receive an equal number of votes and the C.R.O. is a member, then the C.R.O. shall cast a ballot.
- (3) Where both sides receive an equal number of votes, and only if both sides receive an equal number of votes and the C.R.O. is not a member then the result of the election shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method of selected by the C.R.O.

646. Secure Handling of Ballots

The C.R.O. shall provide for the secure handling of ballots, and shall ensure that at all times ballots are either under the direct supervision of the C.R.O. or in a secure location.

657. Right to a Scrutineer

- (1) Each candidate and side shall be permitted to have one (1) person, designated in writing by the candidate or side manager, acting as scrutineer and being present at the counting of ballots.

- (2) Notwithstanding Section 667(1), the scrutineer may not be a candidate or side manager

668. Requirements of the C.R.O

- (1) The C.R.O. or at least one (1) D.R.O. shall
 - a. supervise the counting of ballots;
 - b. post final results within twenty four (24) working hours of all complaints and appeals being resolved;
 - c. notify the Speaker of Students' Council and the President of the Students' Union of the final results in writing
 - i. Additionally for General Faculties Council Elections, notify the Vice President (Academic) of the Students' Union and the Secretary of the General Faculties Council of the final results in writing;
 - d. post unofficial results at any time, including during counting;
 - e. advertise final results in the first available edition of the student newspaper after the posting of final results as set out in Section 668(1) (b); and
 - f. store the ballots in a secure location for at least two (2) weeks after the last recount has been completed.

- (2) The C.R.O. shall prepare a paper ballot before the close of voting, as if their capacity as C.R.O. did not restrict their voting privileges. The C.R.O. shall place this ballot in a sealed and signed envelop and give it to the D.R.O. before any results from the election are available to the C.R.O.. The envelope shall be opened only if the C.R.O.'s vote is required to break a tie as outlined in Section 613(13-15) and Section 635(2). At this point, a D.R.O. shall open the envelope and oversee the C.R.O. implement the tie-breaking mechanism as outlined in Section 613(13-15). If this procedure is not followed, the C.R.O.'s ballot will be considered spoiled.

679. Recounts

- (1) A request for a recount shall be granted by the C.R.O. where
 - a. the request is in writing and signed by a member;
 - b. the request is submitted to the C.R.O. within forty-eight (48) hours of the posting of [Election](#) results as set out in Section [668](#)(1) (b); and
 - c. the difference between the votes of the victor and those of the second place candidate or side on the final count is less than two percent (2%) of the total votes cast.
- (2) The C.R.O. may initiate a recount independently for any reason.
- (3) The C.R.O. shall post the results of any recount within twenty-four (24) working hours of the recount being completed.

6870. Complaints

- (1) The C.R.O. shall prepare and provide a complaint form which shall require complaints to indicate
 - a. their names and student identification numbers;
 - b. the specific bylaw and section, rule, or regulation that has allegedly been contravened;
 - c. the specific individual or group that is alleged to be in contravention;
 - d. the specific facts which constitute the alleged contravention; and
 - e. the evidence for these facts.
- (2) Where a complaint is received within twelve (12) working hours of the alleged contravention, and where the original complaint form is provided to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall rule on that complaint.
- (3) The C.R.O. shall provide a copy of the complaint form, with the complainant's student identification number blacked out, to each respondent.
- (4) Where a complaint is received and is found to be complete as set out in Section [6870](#)(1), the C.R.O. shall rule on the complaint within twelve (12) working hours of receiving the complaint.
- (5) The C.R.O. shall post all of his/her rulings, including
 - a. a summary of the complaint;
 - b. a list of parties to the complaint;
 - c. where the C.R.O. fails to possess jurisdiction as set out in Section [70](#)(5) (c), a summary of the reasons for this finding;
 - d. a listing of all bylaws, rules, and regulations that apply;
 - e. a finding regarding the facts;
 - f. a ruling regarding the alleged contravention;
 - g. the penalty assigned, if any;
 - h. the time the ruling was posted; and
 - i. the time limit for appeal.

6974. Penalties Available

- (1) Where a candidate, side manager or volunteer has contravened a bylaw, rule, or regulation, regardless of the cause or the intent of the parties involved, and that contravention has provided an unfair advantage to a candidate, the C.R.O. shall assign a penalty that
 - a. fully counter-balances any advantage gained; and
 - b. where the contravention was intentional, penalizes the candidate or campaign manager who was or whose volunteer was guilty of the contravention.
- (2) Penalties available to the C.R.O. shall include
 - a. a fine, to be counted against the candidate's campaign expenses;
 - b. the confiscation or destruction of campaign materials;
 - c. limits, restrictions, and prohibitions on any type of campaign activities for any period of time up to the commencement of voting; and
 - d. disqualification of the candidate or side manager.
- (3) The C.R.O. shall draft a schedule of fines and penalties as an appendix to the rules and regulations concerning this bylaw.

702. Disqualification

- (1) A candidate ~~or slate~~ shall be disqualified where he/she/it is guilty of a contravention that
 - a. cannot be counter-balanced by a lesser penalty;
 - b. is malicious or substantially prejudicial to another candidate ~~or slate~~; or
 - c. involves tampering with ballots, voting procedures, or counting procedures.
- ~~(2) Where a slate is disqualified, all candidates running as a part of that slate shall also be disqualified.~~
- (2) Where the advantage gained by the "yes" side of a referendum or plebiscite due to a contravention cannot be fully counterbalanced by the penalties available to the C.R.O. as set out in Section [6974](#), the C.R.O. shall cancel the referendum or plebiscite.
- (3) Where the advantage gained by the "no" side of a referendum or plebiscite due to a contravention cannot be fully counterbalanced by the penalties available to the C.R.O. as set out in Section [6974](#), the C.R.O. shall counterbalance the advantage to the maximum extent possible, and may recommend to the D.I.E. Board that further disciplinary action be taken against the members guilty of the contravention under the Judiciary of the Students' Union Bylaw.
- (4) Where a side's side manager is disqualified, that side shall select a new side manager.
- (5) The C.R.O. shall be empowered to investigate and rule upon every contravention of this bylaw or any other bylaw, rule, or regulation related to the election, plebiscite or referenda.

713. D.I.E. Board

- (1) Where a member is guilty of a serious contravention, the C.R.O. may recommend to the D.I.E. Board that further penalties be brought under the Students' Union Judiciary Bylaw.
- (2) Any member shall be entitled to appeal a ruling of the C.R.O. to the D.I.E. Board.
- (3) All appeals of the C.R.O.'s rulings, with the exception of those arising out of voting and Election results, shall be heard and ruled upon by the D.I.E. Board prior to the commencement of voting.
- (4) No appeal shall be considered by the D.I.E. Board unless it is received within twelve (12) working hours of the C.R.O.'s ruling being posted.
- (5) Where a complete appeal is received, the D.I.E. Board shall convene a hearing within twelve (12) working hours of the appeal being submitted.
- (6) The D.I.E. Board shall, at the meetings set out in Section 713, either
 - a. rule on all appeals; or
 - b. order a delay to the Election, Referenda or Plebiscite.
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- (1) Where another Election is required by virtue of Section 631(17) or Section 631(18), the new Election shall be governed by this bylaw with the exception of Sections 10 through 12, 17, and Sections 24 through 26.
- (2) The Campaign for the new Election shall begin a minimum of seven (7) days prior to the commencement of voting as set out in Section 735(4).
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- (4) The voting for the new Election shall occur on two (2) consecutive weekdays to be determined and announced by the C.R.O. at least twenty-one (21) days in advance.

746. By-Election – General Faculties Council and Students’ Council

- (1) Where vacancies exist in positions filled under this bylaw on August 15 of any year, the C.R.O. shall call a by-election to take place in September or October of that year for all those positions vacant on August 15.
- (2) Where the total voting membership of Students’ Council falls below twenty-three, the C.R.O. shall call a by-election to occur
- a. not more than one month past the date that the voting membership of Students’ Council fell below twenty-three; or
 - b. where Students’ Council’s voting membership falls below twenty-three during the months of May, June, July, or August, in September.
- (3) Except as otherwise stipulated in this bylaw, there shall be no by-elections to fill positions filled under this bylaw.
- (4) The deadline for the nomination of candidates in any by-election shall be determined and announced by the C.R.O. at the same time as the date of the by-election is announced, such deadline occurring not less than nine (9) days prior to the Election.
- (5) The commencement of the Campaign for any by-election shall be determined and announced by the C.R.O. at the same time as the date of the by-election is announced, such commencement occurring not less than seven (7) days prior to the Election.
- (6) Except as otherwise stipulated in this bylaw, any by-election shall be conducted in accordance with the rules governing the Election.

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Bylaw 4000

A Bylaw Respecting the Students' Union Strategic Plan

Purpose

- 1) The purpose of this Bylaw is to:
 - a) Provide a framework under which the Students Union may pursue its long and short-term objectives in a practical and efficacious manner,
 - b) Establish the Students' Union as a professional ~~and credible~~ organization through sound business and management planning practices,
 - c) Provide the pre-requisite framework for a good governance as steward of student resources, and
 - d) Provide a framework for objective evaluation of and for its membership, its political officers, services and service providers, and business operation.

Definitions

- 2) For the purpose of this Bylaw
 - a) "Strategic Plan" shall mean the master plan for the Students' Union addressing the overall organizational objectives of the Students' Union as a whole during the life of the plan.
 - b) "Executive Plans" shall mean the plans outlining the specific objectives and supporting action plans to be achieved by each voting member of the Executive Committee over the ~~life-term~~ of the current Executive Committee.
 - c) "Operating Plans" shall mean the plans outlining the specific objectives and supporting action plans to be achieved by each Students' Union department.

Obligations

- 3) Through this Bylaw the Students Union is obligated to:
 - a) Develop, maintain, and use a Strategic Plan.
 - i) The Executive Committee shall act as the steward of the Strategic Plan on behalf of Students' Council and the membership.
 - b) Develop, maintain, and use Executive Plans and Operating Plans which support, as appropriate to functional area, the Strategic Plan and its components.

Components of the Strategic Plan

- 4) The Strategic Plan shall comprise of:
 - a) A Mission Statement of the Students' Union as a whole,
 - b) A Vision for the Students' Union as a whole,
 - c) A statement of Values under which the Students' Union conducts its operations and relationships,
 - d) Critical Success Factors which support the achievement of the Vision, and
 - e) Strategic Goals that are to be realized in order to achieve the Vision.

Life of the Strategic Plan

- 5) The Strategic Plan shall have a life no less than four years.

Components of the Executive Plans

- 6) Each Executive Plan shall comprise of:
 - a) A mission statement addressing the role under the Strategic Plan,
 - b) Executive objectives which account for the achievement of the Mission with respect to the Critical Success Factors and Strategic Goals of the Strategic Plan,
 - c) Action plans to achieve the executive objectives that respect the statement of Values,
 - d) A projection of the required resources to achieve the action plans, and
 - e) Measurement criteria to evaluate the success of the plan.

Components of the Operating Plans

- 7) Each Operating Plan shall comprise of:
 - a) A mission statement addressing the department's role under the Strategic Plan,
 - b) Operating objectives which account for the achievement of the Mission with respect to the Critical Success Factors and Strategic Goals of the Strategic Plan,
 - c) Supporting Action Plans to achieve the Strategic Objectives that respect the statement of Values,

- d) A projection of the required resources to achieve the action plans, and
- e) Measurement criteria to evaluate the success of the plan.

Review of Executive and Operating Plans

- 8) The Executive Committee shall provide Executive Plans to ~~to~~ Students' Council Executive Plans, accompanied by a presentation, prior to July 31st of the given year.
- 9) The Executive Committee shall provide to Students' Council a review of the Executive Plans, accompanied by a presentation, prior to January 15th of the given year.
- 10) The Executive Committee shall present a review of the year to Students' Council, prior to the conclusion of that Students' Council's elected term.
- 11) Operating Plans shall be reviewed annually by the Executive Committee and Budget and Finance Committee.

Ratification and Alterations

- 12) A two-thirds majority vote of Students' Council shall be required in order to:
 - a) Ratify a Strategic Plan, and
 - b) Amend the Strategic Plan in effect.

Strategic Plan Steering Committee

- 13) The Strategic Plan Steering Committee shall comprise of:
 - a) The President and (2) other voting members of the Executive Committee, selected by the Executive Committee;
 - b) Three (3) voting members of Students' Council, excluding the members of the Executive Committee, selected by Students' Council;
 - c) Three (3) members-at-large selected through a nomination process; and
 - d) The General Manager of the Students' Union and two other (2) senior managers selected by the General Manager.
- 14) The President shall chair the Strategic Plan Steering Committee.

Renewal of the Strategic Plan

15) The Strategic Plan Steering Committee shall be struck to ~~initiate a~~ review the Strategic Plan:

- a) After four (4) years have elapsed from the previous review, or
- b) Upon a two-thirds majority vote of Students' Council to do so.

16) A review of the Strategic Plan shall:

- a) Examine the relevancy and appropriateness of the Mission, Vision, statement of Values, Critical Success Factors and Strategic Goals; and
- b) Induce a process to redevelop and renew the Strategic Plan as appropriate.

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STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday April 5, 2011
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

ORDER PAPER (SC 2010-26)

2010-26/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2010-26/2 PRESENTATIONS

2010-26/2a The SU and You (yes, you): A Modest Proposal on How to Re-achieve Relevance Presented by Kim Ferguson, Science Councillor and Ngina wa Kaai, Education Councillor. Sponsored by Kim Ferguson, Science Councillor and Ngina wa Kaai, Education Councillor.

Abstract:

On the U of A campus, one organization has withstood the test of time and come out stronger than ever, never fading on its century-long goal to serve students and provide Steven Dollansky with a job.

That organization is the Students' Union.

But recently it has fallen upon much criticism from the outside world as to whether an institution such as itself can remain relevant to the modern student as they attend our lovely campus, learn from the gloriousness of our profs, and still find time to play Angry Birds instead of writing that paper that's due tomorrow. This, friends, this is the issue that we intend to address in this presentation.

2010-26/2b Craig A. Turner Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Field of Hackery Presented by Simon Yackulic and Aaron Yeo. Sponsored by Craig Turner.

Abstract:

Craig Turner. You all know him, you all want to make love to him, but how many of you deserve to be him? This presentation will introduce the first annual Craig A. Turner Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Field of Hackery, a prestigious decoration bestowed upon the councillors who demonstrate exceptional hacktivity in the line of duty. Other council awards will also be bestowed, however they will be kept secret until the presentation is given, as will the highly-coveted prizes which will be awarded.

2010-26/2c Executive 2010/2011 Review Presentation - Presented by the 2010/2011 Executive Sponsored by President Nick Dehod

The 2010/2011 Executive will present on the work done by the Students' Union this year. Each Executive will have an opportunity to highlight the portfolio specific work they have done as well as give an update on what they will be focusing on for the remaining weeks of their term. This is Council's last

opportunity to give feedback, comments, and suggestions at Students' Council as we close out the year. The presentation will be primarily oral as written final reports will not be submitted until the end of April.

2010-26/2d

Undergraduate Survey Results Presentation - Presented by Marc Dumouchel & Nick Dehod Sponsored by President Nick Dehod

In November 2010, the Students' Union conducted an undergraduate student survey to garner feedback and demographics on a wide array of items. This presentation will highlight some of the findings and trends from the survey as well as provide more context for how undergraduate student surveys will be used to inform the work of the SU in subsequent years. There will also be some discussion specifically on how students responded to the question on Fall Reading Week and how those results compare with the plebiscite question done this spring.

2010-26/2e

SU Sustainability Update - Presented by President Nick Dehod Sponsored by Nick Dehod

This presentation will provide an update on the outcomes of the sustainability assessment conducted by the Students' Union last summer. The presentation will also cover some of the work that has already been done this year when it comes to sustainability as well as highlight some of the next steps that will be taken to progress on this issue in subsequent years. The assessment itself will not be completed prior to Tuesday's Council meeting however a document should be done for the end of April.

2010-26/3

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2010-26/3a

Executive Committee Report

Please see document SC 10-26.01

2010-26/4

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2010-26/5

QUESTION PERIOD

2010-26/6

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2010-26/6a

COX/ISKANDAR MOVE THAT, upon the recommendation of the Elections Review Committee, Students' Council adopt Bill # 23 in second reading, that Students' Council adopt a Single Transferable Vote Electoral Method based on the following principles:

- 1) Balloting shall be conducted by preferential balloting, in which each voter shall rank his/her choices for each position using natural numbers with one (1) representing the first choice, and increasing numbers representing less desirable choices.
- 2) Voters shall be entitled to mark as few as zero candidates for any given position or as many as all of them.
- 3) Once the total number of valid ballots is established for each race, the minimum number of votes required for a candidate to be elected is calculated. This minimum number of votes shall be determined by the sum of one plus the quotient of the total number valid ballots cast divided

by the sum of the number of seats being contested plus one, with remainders being ignored.

$$n = 1 + \frac{\text{Votes}}{\text{Seats} + 1}$$

- 4) All ballots shall be counted and each ballot is allocated as a vote to the candidate who is indicated to be the voter's first preference.
- 5) If a candidate on the first count has a number of first preference votes exactly equal to the minimum number of votes needed to be elected, that candidate is declared elected.
- 6) If a candidate on the first count gains more than the minimum number of votes needed to be elected, the candidate is declared elected, and the number of votes in excess of the number needed to be elected is recorded as a surplus. All of the elected candidate's ballots are then re-examined and assigned to candidates not yet elected according to the second preferences marked on the ballot at a fractional transfer value. The transfer value shall be determined by the quotient of the surplus votes cast for the elected candidate divided by the total number of votes received by the elected candidate.
- 7) If two or more candidates on the first count gain more than the minimum number of votes needed to be elected, all of those candidates shall be declared elected. The ballots of the candidate with the largest number of first preference votes will be re-examined first and assigned at a transfer value to candidates not yet elected according to the second preferences marked on the ballots, or the next available preference if the second preference candidate has already been elected. The ballots of the other candidate(s) will then be re-examined and their surpluses distributed in order according to the number of first preference votes each candidate received.
- 8) If a candidate reaches more than the minimum number of votes needed to be elected as the consequence of a transfer of votes from an elected candidate, the number of votes in excess of the number of votes needed to be elected will be transferred to other candidates. This transfer will be to the next available preference shown on all of this candidate's ballots. The transfer value for the candidate's first preference ballots is the quotient of the surplus votes cast for the elected candidate divided by the total number of votes received by the elected candidate, and the transfer value for each ballot previously received from one or more elected candidates is the quotient of the product of the surplus votes cast for the elected candidate multiplied by the transfer value of the ballots received by the previously elected candidate, all divided by the total number of votes received by the candidate.
- 9) In the event that no candidate has more than the minimum number of votes required to be elected, the candidate with the smallest number of votes is eliminated. All ballots cast for that candidate are transferred to candidates who have not been elected or eliminated according to the next available preference shown on the eliminated candidate's ballots. The eliminated candidate's first preference ballots are transferred to the next available preference at full value, while ballots received from previously-elected or eliminated candidates are transferred at the transfer value at which the ballots were received.
- 10) The ballot-counting process as set out in principles 6-9 shall continue until such a point as all but one of the candidates to be elected have been elected, and only two candidate remain in the count. At this point, the candidate with the most votes is declared elected.
- 11) If, during the transfer of preferences, a ballot paper does not indicate an available preference, the ballot is put aside as exhausted. This can occur

because:

- a. the voter only indicated one, or a small number of preferences, or
 - b. all the preferred candidates have already been elected or eliminated.
- 12) Where two or more candidates have the same number of first preference votes at the end of the first count, and this number is more than the minimum number of votes necessary to be elected, the candidate whose surplus votes are re-distributed first will be decided in the following manner:
- a. If the Chief Returning Officer is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and has ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference on the C.R.O's ballot, then that candidate's surplus votes shall be redistributed first.
 - b. If the C.R.O is ineligible to vote in the race, or has not ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference, then the candidate whose surplus votes are re-distributed first shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
- 13) Where no candidate has a number of first preference votes equal to or greater than the number of votes necessary for election at the end of the first count, and two or more candidates have the same number of first preference votes, this number being the smallest number of first preference votes gained by any candidate, then the candidate who is eliminated first shall be decided in the following manner:
- a. If the Chief Returning Officer is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race and has ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference on the C.R.O's ballot, then the candidate who was not indicated as the first preference of the C.R.O shall be eliminated.
 - b. If the C.R.O is ineligible to vote in the race, has not ranked one of the tied candidates as the first preference, or in the event that more than one candidate remains tied following the provision of principle 14) a, then the candidate who is eliminated first shall be determined by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
- 14) If, at any stage of the count other than the first count, two candidates have the same number of votes, the candidate who is declared elected first, or who is not excluded will be:
- a. the candidate with the larger number of votes in the first count in which a differential existed between the number of votes received by each candidate,
 - b. the candidate whose name is ranked highest on a ballot cast by the C.R.O, if the C.R.O is a Students' Union member eligible to vote in that race, and no differential in the number of votes has existed between the candidates at any preceding count, or
 - c. the candidate whose name is selected by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O, if the C.R.O is ineligible to vote in the race and no differential in the number of votes has existed between the candidates at any preceding count.

Please see document SC 10-26.02

2010-26/6b

EASTHAM/TIGHE MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #28, that Students' Council adopt the political policy, Tuition, in second reading.

Principles:

1. that the University of Alberta Students Union advocate for a tuition policy that:
 - a) provides long-term, sustained base operating funding for our universities that will be protected from negative changes in our government's financial situation;
 - b) protects tuition from increasing due to fluctuations in funding grants to the university from the government;
 - c) ensures tuition levels are predictable;
 - d) has as its primary indicator of affordability the ability of students to pay without having to accrue the burden of debt;
 - e) provides for the fact that tuition is only one of the costs of pursuing a postsecondary education;
 - f) ensures that no student will ever be denied the opportunity to pursue postsecondary education because of their inability to pay

2. that the University of Alberta Students' Union advocate that the Government of Alberta legislate a policy on tuition fees that:
 - a) provides strict guidance to an institution's ability to set tuition, including annual and ultimate limits on the maximum amount of tuition fees that can be levied on students;
 - b) requires post-secondary institutions to provide to the Board of Governors of the institution, the Auditor General of Alberta and the Minister of Advanced Education & Technology a detailed and verifiably transparent public plan on how additional tuition revenues will be spent

3. that the Students' Union shall not support the Board of Governors increasing tuition; and

4. this policy will expire April 20, 2014

Please see document SC 10-26.03

2010-26/6c

MURPHY/HUYNH MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #27, that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy, Mandatory Non-Instructional Fees, in second reading based on the following principles:

1. that the Students' Union advocates that students maintain representation on any body directing the general affairs and mandate of a service which is funded by a student fee;
2. that the Students' Union advocate that any service funded by a fee exhibit full budgetary disclosure to undergraduate students; and
3. that the Students' Union lobby for a provincial regulation on Mandatory NonInstructional Fees such that:
 - a. there is clear identification of which fees are non-instructional and thus outside the framework established in the Public Post-Secondary Institutions' Tuition Fees Regulation;
 - b. new fees are required to explicitly articulate the reason for the fee, the duration of the fee, and the year-to-year price inflator (e.g. Consumer Price Index) or increase schedule; and
 - c. proposed new fees and increases for existing fees beyond their established price inflator be approved by a referendum of the students to whom the proposed fee would apply.
4. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014

Please see document SC 10-26.04

2010-26/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2010-26/7a

EASTHAM/ROBERTS MOVED TO approve an omnibus motion of Bills #39, 40, 41 and 42 in second reading based on the following principle:

Bill #39 - After three months and before one calendar year of an Association being recognized as having probationary status, the Students' Union shall:

a) recognize the Association as no longer having probationary status and no longer being subject to their conditions of probation, if the Association has met their conditions of probation;

b) extend the probationary period of an Association for up to six months, if all signatories to the conditions of probation consent to the extension or if the Students' Union has reason to believe that the conditions of probation will be met during the period of extension; or

c) derecognize the Association, if the conditions of probation are not met and the Students' Union has no reason to believe that the conditions of probation will be met during the probationary period.

Bill #40 - Schedules of Departmental Associations, Program Associations, and Affiliated Associations shall be provided to the association's membership and the Students' Union annually, or upon request

Bill #41 - Minutes of Association Executive or Board of Directors, Council and General meetings shall actively be made available publicly

Bill #42 - Each year an Association shall provide the Students' Union with an outline of organizational and financial goals. An update on the progress of these goals will be submitted at the September COFA meeting, or circulated to the Council of Faculty associations six months after the Association's General Election, whichever occurs first.

Please see document SC 10-26.05

2010-26/7b

COX/KAAI MOVED TO approve Bill #44 in second reading based on the following principles

1. Candidate slates shall cease to exist for all Students' Union elections.

2. Candidates shall be allowed to endorse other candidates, including those within his or her own race.

Please see document SC 10-26.06

2010-26/7c

ISKANDAR/KAAI MOVED TO approve Bill #45 in second reading based on the following principles –

1. No voting shall be conducted prior to the DIE Board ruling on all appeals covered by Bylaw 2000, Section 73.

Please see document SC 10-26.07

2010-26/7d

ISKANDAR/ROBERTS MOVED TO approve Bill #48 in second reading based on the following principles -

1. The Students' Union shall develop, maintain, and use a Strategic Plan.

2. The Strategic Plan shall comprise the following:

- a. Mission
- b. Vision
- C. Values
- d. Critical Success Factors
- e. Strategic Goals

3. The Strategic Plan shall have a life no less than four years.

4. The Strategic Plan shall be reviewed and/or renewed every four years

5. The Students' Union shall develop, maintain, and use Executive plans and Operating Plan which support, as appropriate to functional area, the Strategic Plan and its components.

6. The Executive shall provide Students' Council with reports and presentations regarding the progress of goals and strategic objectives once per a trimester.

7. A two-thirds majority vote of Students' Council shall be required in order to ratify or amend a Strategic Plan.

8. Every four (4) years, unless commissioned by Students' Council earlier, the Strategic Plan shall be reviewed and/or renewed by the Strategic Plan Steering Committee.

9. The Strategic Plan Steering Committee shall be composed of three (3) members of the Executive Committee including the President, three (3) senior management employees including the General Manager, three (3) members of Students' Council, and three (3) members-at-large selected through a nomination process.

10. The President shall Chair the Strategic Plan Steering Committee.

11. The Executive Committee shall act as the steward of the Strategic Plan on behalf of Students' Council and the membership.

Please see document SC 10-26.08

2010-26/7e

KAAI/ISKANDAR MOVED TO approve Bill #49 in second reading based on the following principles -

- 1. Recommendations of the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board shall be reported to the Council Administration Committee as information items.
- 2. The Council Administration Committee shall review rulings of the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board within two CAC meetings of the release of the ruling.

Please see document SC 10-26.09

2010-26/7f

KUSMU/KAAI MOVED TO approve Bill #50 in second reading based on the

following principles - Budgeted reserves not spent in entirety, shall have its budgeted monies available in subsequent future year(s) for related purchases as originally deemed. Reserve funds carried over shall be accurately and openly presented on the audited financial statements.

Please see document SC 10-26.10

2010-26/7g **DEHOD/TIGHE MOVE THAT** Students' Council ratify the University of Alberta Students' Union Strategic Plan 2011-2015.

Please see document SC 10-26.11

2010-26/8 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

2010-26/8a Bylaw Committee- Report

Please see document SC 10-26.12

2010-26/8b Audit Committee- Summary report to Council

Please see document SC 10-26.13

2010-26/8c CAC- Summary report to Council

Please see document SC 10-26.14

2010-26/8d Votes and Proceedings

Please see document SC 10-26.15

- (3) The Budget and Finance Committee
- (a) shall recommend budgets to Students' Council as may be required by Students' Union legislation;
 - (b) shall make recommendations to Students' Council on alterations to the Students' Union operating budget;
 - (c) shall make recommendations to Students' Council on expenditures of funds from the Projects Allocation; and
 - (d) shall make recommendations to Students' Council on legislation dealing with Students' Union finances as it considers appropriate or as required by Students' Council.
- (4) The Bylaw Committee
- (a) shall draft bylaws as required by Students' Council;
 - (b) shall draft referendum and plebiscite questions as required by Students' Council;
 - (c) shall make recommendations to Students' Council on Students' Union bylaws where such recommendations are not the purview of any other standing committee; and
 - (d) has the power to make, to Students' Union bylaws, alterations that do not alter the meaning of the bylaws in question.
- (5) The Council Administration Committee
- (a) has authority to amend, adopt, or rescind standing orders of Students' Council after an initial set of standing orders has been adopted by Students' Council;
 - (b) shall make recommendations to Students' Council on the structure of Students' Council and standing committees;
 - (c) shall oversee the Speaker and the Chief Returning Officer of the Students' Union;
 - (d) shall oversee the progress of Students' Council's legislative agenda;
 - (e) shall recommend to Students' Council a candidate for the position of Chief Returning Officer on or before April 15 of each year; shall, in conjunction with the Vice President (External), recommend to Students' Council on such nominations to the University of Alberta Senate as may be required of the Students' Union.
 - (f) shall review [rulings and recommendations of the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board](#) within two meetings of release of the ruling.
- (6) The Elections Review Committee
- (a) shall review the *Bylaw Respecting the Elections, Plebiscites and Referenda of the Students' Union*;
 - (b) shall solicit feedback from key stakeholders on the Bylaw referenced in (a) and the elections process it prescribes;
 - (c) shall submit a report to Students' Council detailing their findings and recommendations by the last meeting in November.
- (7) The Grant Allocation Committee
- (a) has authority to set and implement policy regarding the disbursement of the Access Fund;
 - (b) shall provide for the existence of an appeals mechanism for the Access Fund;
 - (c) shall recommend a budget for the Access Fund to Students' Council on or before April 30 of each year;

26. Administrative Support to be Provided

The Chief Tribune will have access to sufficient administrative support to carry out the logistical requirements of the Board.

27. Duties of Chief Tribune

The Chief Tribune is responsible for appointing tribunes to panels and scheduling hearings.

28. Duties of Associate Chief Tribune

The Associate Chief Tribunes are responsible for fulfilling the duties of the Chief Tribune in his or her absence.

29. General Powers of Enforcement

If the Board finds an application for action or application for appeal requires action by the Board may make any order proscribing any remedy the Board considers appropriate and just in the circumstances.

30. Effective date of rulings

Rulings of the Board shall be effective once registered with the Registrar.

31. Tribunes may make rules and orders

The Board may make general rules and orders:

- (a) for regulating the procedure of and in the board and the bringing of cases before it, and for the effectual execution and working of this bylaw;
- (b) for empowering the Registrar to do any thing and transact any business as is necessary to fulfill the mandate of the Board.

32. Extent of rules and orders

The rules and orders may extend to any matter of procedure or otherwise not provided for by this bylaw, but for which it is found necessary to provide, in order to ensure the proper working of this bylaw and the better attainment of the mandate of the Board.

33. Copies to be reported ~~to Council~~

Copies of all rules and orders made under this bylaw shall be provided to the Registrar who shall report the same to Council and the Council Administration Committee.

~~Copies to be reported to the Council Administration Committee~~

Copies of all rulings and recommendations will be provided to the Council Administration Committee as information items.

March 30/11

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- (7) The Student Refugee Fund shall be used for the support of those students selected as participants in the World University Service of Canada Student Refugee Sponsorship Program.
- (8) The CJSR-FM88 Fund shall be used for the support of the First Alberta Campus Radio Association.
- (9) The Student Involvement Endowment Fund shall be used for the support of the awards provided by the Awards Committee.
- (10) The Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund shall be used for the support of University of Alberta varsity athletics.
- (11) The Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund shall be used for the support of University of Alberta Campus Recreation programs.
- (12) The Access Fund shall be used for the support of undergraduate University of Alberta students requiring financial assistance.
- (13) The Student Legal Services of Edmonton Fund shall be used for the support of Student Legal Services of Edmonton.
- (14) The Alberta Public Interest Research Group Fund shall be used for the support of the Alberta Public Interest Research Group.
- (15) The Gateway Student Journalism Fund shall be used for the support of the Gateway Student Journalism Society.
- (16) Except as otherwise provided in Students' Union bylaw, Students' Council retains the sole authority to transfer or spend money in a Students' Union reserve.
- (17) 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.

Form of Operating Budget

4. (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

University of Alberta Students' Union
Strategic Plan 2011 - 2015

Mission

The Students' Union exists to serve and represent University of Alberta undergraduate students in order to support their pursuit of knowledge and enhance their university experience.

Values

Who we are is expressed, in large part, by the values we live by. As an organization, our shared values guide our actions and shape our culture.

Stewardship

We value practicing responsible governance by following accountable, transparent, and stable democratic processes within a collaborative culture of honesty and integrity.

Innovation

We value approaching challenges with openness, ingenuity, and initiative, while embracing change and encouraging creativity.

Compassion

We value respecting and supporting the rights, dignity, needs, and talents of all within an inclusive, diverse, and safe community.

Sustainability

We value ensuring the ability to serve current and future generations by being socially, environmentally, and economically responsible.

Citizenship

We value fostering an environment that encourages critical thinking, leadership, personal growth, professional development, and active participation in the community.

Vision

Our Students' Union will reflect the passion, ambition, and unbounded potential of our members. We will strive to exceed student expectations by championing their interests and needs, playing a central role in how they engage and connect with their university.

CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS

These Critical Success Factors are strategic themes that the Students' Union must pay attention to in order to fulfill its Mission and Vision.

1) Good Governance

As a democratic, representative organization, good governance processes are the foundation of our legitimacy and effectiveness. Our governance processes should be characterized as:

- a) **Student-directed**, with the ultimate authority in the Students' Union resting with elected students;
- b) **Responsive to students**, accurately reflecting the needs and wishes of members;
- c) **Transparent and open**, ensuring accountability and enabling an ongoing dialog with students and stakeholders;
- d) **Well-understood**, with clear lines of responsibility and a shared understanding of our mandate;
- e) **Responsible and ethical conduct** in our daily operational and advocacy efforts; and,
- f) **Vibrant**, with competitive, fair, well-contested elections and an engaged student leadership.

2) Engagement

Our mandate to enhance the experience of students requires that we encourage and foster the involvement and engagement of students. We encourage engagement by:

- a) **Developing student leaders** and fostering an environment of empowerment;
- b) **Maintaining a strong image and clear identity**, distinguishing the SU within the larger University community;
- c) **Actively promoting strong campus spirit**, encouraging identification with the University community;
- d) **Providing opportunities for students** to make a real, direct, and positive impact on their immediate community; and,
- e) **Increasing the involvement opportunities** available and communicating them and the benefits of involvement to students.

3) Planning and Assessment (Continuous Review)

Improving how well we meet our mission and adapting as our environment changes requires that the Students' Union have strong planning and effective assessment practices in place. Key elements of those practices include:

- a) **Understanding the needs of our members**, and our other stakeholders, to ensure that our programs and activities are meeting their needs;

- b) **Effective planning and evaluation mechanisms**, to define what we want to do and how we will measure our progress;
- c) **Encouraging ongoing innovation and improvement**, by providing the resources, systems, and an organizational culture that empowers staff and volunteers to develop effective long-term solutions; and,
- d) **Transparency of success or shortfall**, being honest about what works and what doesn't, and using our experiences to learn and do better the next time.

4) Resources

To be successful, the Students' Union must have access to the appropriate human, financial, and technical resources, coupled with the required physical and space assets. This situation will be characterized by:

- a) **Sufficient financial resources** to support short-term flexibility and long term viability;
- b) **Motivated, qualified, and well-supported personnel**, both employees and volunteers, coupled with effective recruitment, retention, and staff development programs;
- c) **High-quality physical and space assets** sufficient to allow the organization to both deliver its existing program and to pursue new opportunities;
- d) **Efficient information systems and operating processes** that match program needs and allow for growth; and,
- e) **A sustainable approach** to resource use, keeping in mind the social, environmental, and economic impacts of our actions.

5) Continuity and Transition

With change being a defining characteristic of the Students' Union's organizational design, effectively managing for continuity and transition are essential. In our context, this requires:

- a) **Strong records management**, to ensure the accessibility and usability of current and past records;
- b) **Developing student staff effectively**, to allow elected and term staff to quickly learn their roles and how they fit in, and contribute, to the overall operations of the organization; and,
- c) **Strong internal communications**, to allow ideas and information to move easily throughout the organization.
- d) **Fostering a common identity and unifying organizational culture** within the Students' Union.

6) Credibility

As a representative organization, the Students' Union's credibility with stakeholders is essential to success. Our credibility is demonstrated by:

- a) **Establishing a relationship of trust with our stakeholders**, based on our open and honest communications with them;
- b) **Being consistent and fair** in our relationships with individuals and communities; and
- c) **Demonstrating competence and consistency** in both the actions we take and way we communicate.

STRATEGIC GOALS

The strategic goals outline the key priorities of the Students' Union, stated broadly. They drive the development of specific programs and objectives within individual departments of the Students' Union, as outlined in Executive goal statements, Operating Plans and budgets.

1. Effective representation and advocacy of student needs, and ensuring clear accountability of student representatives.
2. Establish an environment that promotes student spirit and involvement, and maximizes students' sense of ownership of the Students' Union and their university experience.
3. Develop an expansive communication infrastructure to support effective communication both internally and externally.
4. Ensure the seamless continuity and transition of elected representatives, staff, and volunteers on an ongoing basis.
5. Support the educational and university experience of students by providing relevant programs and services.
6. Provide sufficient and sustainable financial, human, capital, and technical resources to achieve the mission of the Student' Union.
7. Create and maintain systems and a culture that support continuous review, evaluation and ongoing improvement.

(BY)LAW & ORDER

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March 30th Bylaw Meeting:

Starring: ISKANDAR, ROBERTS, EASTHAM,, COX, KAAI and KUSMU as Chair.

MIA: HANSRA

Bylaw's Annual Overview:

- This year has been quite eventful for Bylaw. It started off pretty quiet and slow, but Council has started piling a lot of work on our table increasingly throughout the year.
- My main personal objective as Bylaw Chair was to work on the Impeachment Process of Executives and Councillors.
 - Unfortunately, our current draft of the process is still waiting to be seen by the Students' Unions' lawyers.
 - However, we have made substantial strides in this heated issue. For years, the issue of Impeachment has been brought up one way or another-be it explicitly wanting to impeach people off of Council or drafting Councillor job descriptions and using it against those who fail to live up to it. We have spent countless hours debating this issue, inside-out.
 - In my opinion, it is extremely obvious that Council would like to have a process-but one that is fair and does not create an environment of “fear” and “paranoia”. With what we currently have, I am confident that it circumvents these worries.
- Further more, just because the Impeachment Process has been drafted, it does not mean that this the end of the line for this debate.
 - There still needs to be mechanisms to provide support, checks and balances and clearly known standards for Councillors and Executives to live up to to ensure that this process does not have to be used.
 - With that being said, it is still extremely important to be able to fall on to this Impeachment Process in the worst comes to worst scenario.
- Despite the Impeachment Process not in place, I'm proud to say that Bylaw has been successful in tackling this important and heated issue. Since I will be on Council next year, one of my first goals is to ensure that this gets passed.
- Additionally, I would like to express my great thanks to Councillor FERGUSON taking the initiative of researching on how other Students' Unions deal with impeachment and giving her excellent feedback. Furthermore, I would like to give major thanks to Vice President (Academic) EASTHAM for drafting the Impeachment Process that I will most likely adopt verbatim next year when proposing the Impeachment Bill.

- And of course, I must give thanks to all those who were a part of Bylaw throughout the year—especially those who shared a similar interest in pushing this legislation through.
- And a special thanks to Councillor ROBERTS for baking all sorts of fantastic goodies for our lengthy (and sometimes, mundane) meetings. Further evidence that Bylaw is the quite possibly the best committee on Council.

Next Bylaw Meeting:

- Even though Council will be done on the 12th of April, Bylaw will be meeting once more to “reformat” ALL of the Bylaws in accordance with the Appendices in Bylaw’s Standing Orders. This could be considered another success of this committee and also make next year’s Chair’s job a lot easier.
- Our next meeting is on April 13 (Wed) @ 6PM in SUB Lower-Level Meeting Room.

Goals for Next Year’s Bylaw:

- Since I will be on Council next year, I will promise to make sure that transition is as smooth as possible for next year’s Bylaw Chair. A personal challenge to me as Chair was just getting used to this position and all the other tasks that no one really sees (i.e. putting together the agenda, emailing Nicole back and fourth, finding relevant sections of Bylaw, etc). Additionally, I will be sure to provide loads of face-time and assistance to next year’s Bylaw Chair. Furthermore, I will attempt to assemble a Transition Package of sorts for next year’s Bylaw Chair.
- Additionally, I will suggest that next year’s Bylaw begin to attack all the other peripheral issues surrounding the Impeachment Process (i.e. replenishment, support, Councillor Job Descriptions, etc). This will take a great amount of time and hours of debate, but will surely leave this Students’ Union better off.

"In the Students' Union, the students are represented by two separate yet equally important groups: the Executives, who get remittances and free food, and the Students' Councillors, who only get the free food (and some scholarship money), too—but that's barely anything. C'mon.). These are their bylaws."



BYLAW SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: **March. 30, 2011**

Time: **6:11 pm**

2010 – 2011 **MEETING #17**

Motions

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| 1. | <i>KAAI moved that the insert March.23, 2011 minutes be approved as amended.</i> | <i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i> |
| 2. | <i>EASTHAM moved that EASTHAM's amendments to Bylaw 8100 be approved.</i> | <i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i> |
| 3. | <i>COX moved that COX's amendments to Bylaw 2000 be approved.</i> | <i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i> |
| 4. | <i>ISKANDAR moved that ISKANDAR's amendments to Bylaw 2000 be approved.</i> | <i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i> |
| 5. | <i>KAAI moved that all amendments made to Bylaw 1500 and 100 made by KAAI be approved.</i> | <i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i> |
| 6. | <i>KUSMU moved that all amendments to Bylaw 2000 made by KUSMU be approved.</i> | <i>CARRIED 4/0/1</i> |
| 7. | <i>ISKANDAR moved that all amendments to Bylaw 4000 be approved.</i> | <i>CARRIED 5/0/0</i> |



AUDIT COMMITTEE SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: **March 24, 2011**

Time: **5.03pm**

2010 – 2011 #15

Motions

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| 1. | CHEEMA moved that the AUFSJ be granted a one week extension on the conditions set by the Audit Committee. The new deadline was set to March 31, 2011 at 5pm. | <i>CARRIED</i> 5/0/0 |
| 2. | CHEEMA moved to rescind the approval of the forwarding of funds to the BSA. | <i>CARRIED</i> 5/0/0 |
| 3. | CHEEMA moved that the audit committee approves dispersal of funding subject to the receipt of; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professionally audited financial statements for 2009/2010. 2. Bylaws governing the distribution of their funding. If these are not received the audit committee may recommend that the BSA be given probationary status. | <i>CARRIED</i> 5/0/0 |
| 4. | FERGUSON moved to approve the reports submitted for the engineering equipment fund | <i>CARRIED</i> 5/0/0 |
| 5. | Councilor KAAI moved to approve the dispersal of the FACRA DFU funds. | <i>CARRIED</i> 4/0/1 |



CAC SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: *March. 29, 2011*

Time: *4:32 pm*

2010 – 2011 *MEETING*

Motions

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| 1. | <i>ROSS</i> moved that the <i>March. 22, 2011</i> minutes be approved as <i>amended</i> . | <i>CARRIED</i> <i>6/0/0</i> |
| 2. | <i>L'ABBE</i> moved to <i>move in camera</i> . | <i>CARRIED</i> <i>8/0/0</i> |
| 3. | <i>KAAI</i> moved to <i>move ex camera</i> . | <i>CARRIED</i> <i>7/0/0</i> |

STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday March 29, 2011
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2010-25)

2010-25/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2010-25/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, April 5th, 2011

COX MOVED TO make item 2010-25/6e and 2010-25/6g a special order to be moved onto the main agenda.

Motion: CARRIED

EASTHAM/KAAI MOVED TO make item 2010-25/70 a special order to be moved onto the main agenda

Motion: CARRIED

TURNER/GORDON MOVED TO make item 200-25/7g a special order to be dealt with as a nomination

Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/2 PRESENTATIONS

2010-25/2a ECOS Structural Changes- Presented by Ian Moore, ECOS director. Sponsored by Rory Tighe, VP Student Life/ Nick Dehod, President.

FENTIMAN/TURNER MOVED TO suspend the relevant standing orders to allow for a presentation and a motion on the Budget in the same Council meeting

Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/2b The SU's budget – Presented by Zach Fentiman, VP Operations and Finance. Sponsored by Zach Fentiman, VP Operations and Finance/Nick Dehod, President.

2010-25/7 GENERAL ORDERS

2010-25/7p **TURNER/GORDON MOVES THAT** Students' Council appoint one member of Students' Council to the Recording Secretary Interview Panel.

Nominations: None

Nominations Closed

Appointed: None

2010-25/3 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Rory Tighe, VP Student Life- Oral Report

James Eastham, VP Academic- Oral Report

Aden Murphy, VP External- Oral Report

Nick Dehod, President- Oral Report

2010-25/4 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Natalie Cox, Policy Committee Chair- Oral Report

Craig Turner, CAC Chair- Oral Report

2010-25/5 **QUESTION PERIOD**

2010-25/6 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

2010-25/6a **FENTIMAN/CHEEMA MOVE THAT** Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee, approve the 2011-2012 Operating and Capital budget.

Speakers List: Fentiman, Dehod, Ross, Cheema

Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/6b **FENTIMAN/CHEEMA MOVE THAT** Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Grant Allocation Committee, approve the 2011-2012 Access Fund budget.

Speakers List: Fentiman, Tighe, Dehod

Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/6e **EASTHAM/TIGHE MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #51, that Students' Council adopt the political policy, Scholarships and Bursaries, in first reading based on the following principles:

1. that the Students' Union shall lobby the University of Alberta to increase the number and value of awards granted to continuing undergraduate students in order to be consistent with the number and value of entrance awards;

2. that the Students' Union shall lobby the University of Alberta and the Government of Alberta to increase the proportion of scholarships and bursaries that are awarded based on the students' financial need and/or involvement;
3. that the Students' Union lobby the University of Alberta to pursue a single point entry to the scholarship and bursaries application process; and
4. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014.

Speakers List: Eastham

Motion: CARRIED

Automatic Recess at 7:35pm

Meeting called back to order at 7:50pm

2010-25/6c

MURPHY/HUYNH MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #52, that Students' Council adopt the political policy, Student Loans, in first reading based on the following principles:

1. that the University of Alberta Students' Union advocate for a financial aid system that:
 - a.) includes a greater proportion of non-repayable assistance, including but not limited to grants and bursaries;
 - b.) is accessible to all Albertan students attending not-for-profit post-secondary institutions;
 - c.) recognizes the complete overhead costs of education to the learner including, but not limited to: rent and utility costs, textbook costs, transportation costs, food, personal care, internet and computer costs;
 - d.) includes adjustments to all forms of financial assistance to reflect changes in market realities as they affect students;
 - e.) eases the growing burden of student debt to post-secondary graduates.
2. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014

Speakers list: Murphy, Cox, Turner, Tighe, Huynh, L'Abbe', Ferguson, Eastham, Cheema

COX/TURNER MOVED TO amend the motion to read:

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d.) includes adjustments to all forms of financial assistance to reflect changes in market realities as they affect students;

e.) eases the growing burden of student debt to post-secondary graduates.

f.) Does not consider parental income as a factor

2. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014

TURNER/KUSMU MOVED TO amend the amendment to read
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e.) eases the growing burden of student debt to post-secondary graduates.

f.) Does not consider parental contribution as a factor

2. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014

Motion: WITHDRAWN

YAMIGISHI CALLED TO QUESTION

Motion: FAILED

MURPHY/KUSMU MOVED TO amend the amendment to read:
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e.) eases the growing burden of student debt to post-secondary graduates.

f.) Does not consider parental income as a factor for loans

2. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014

Motion: CARRIED

TURNER/LPAGE FORTIN MOVED TO call to question

Motion: CARRIED

Main Amendment: CARRIED

CHEEMA/QIANG MOVED TO amend the motion to read **MURPHY/HUYNH MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #52, that Students' Council adopt the political policy, Student Loans, in first reading based on the following principles:

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b.) is accessible to all Albertan students attending not-for-profit post-secondary institutions;

c.) recognizes the complete overhead costs of education to the learner including, but not limited to: rent and utility costs, textbook costs, transportation costs, food, personal care, internet and computer costs;

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e.) eases the growing burden of student debt to post-secondary graduates.

f.) Does not consider parental income as a factor for loans

2. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014

Motion: CARRIED

COX/CHEEMA MOVED TO amend the motion to read
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 - e.) eases the growing burden of student debt to post-secondary graduates.
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2. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014

ROSS CALLS TO QUESTION**Motion: CARRIED****Amendment: CARRIED**

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 - c.) recognizes the complete overhead costs of education to the learner including, but not limited to: rent and utility costs, textbook costs, transportation costs, food, personal care, internet and computer costs;
 - d.) includes adjustments to all forms of financial assistance to reflect changes in market realities as they affect students;
 - e.) eases the growing burden of student debt to post-secondary

graduates.

f.) Does not consider parental income as a factor for loans

2. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014

Motion(friendly): CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2010-25/7a

EASTHAM/TIGHE MOVED TO approve Bill #39 in first reading based on the following principles:

After 12 months from signing Conditions of Probation, the Vice President (Academic) may extend the Probationary Period of an association for up to six months. **Section 20 c**

Speakers List: Fentiman, Eastham, Cox

COX/BROUGHTON MOVED TO amend the motion to read:
EASTHAM/TIGHE MOVED TO approve Bill #39 in first reading based on the following principles:

After three months and before one calendar year of an Association being recognized as having probationary status, the Students' Union shall:

- a) recognize the Association as no longer having probationary status and no longer being subject to their conditions of probation, if the Association has met their conditions of probation;
- b) extend the probationary period of an Association for up to six months, if all signatories to the conditions of probation consent to the extension or if the Students' Union has reason to believe that the conditions of probation will be met during the period of extension; or
- c) derecognize the Association, if the conditions of probation are not met and the Students' Union has no reason to believe that the conditions of probation will be met during the probationary period.

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7b

EASTHAM/TIGHE MOVED TO approve Bill #40 in first reading based on the following principles:

Schedules of Departmental Associations, Program Associations, and Affiliated Associations shall be provided to the association's membership and the Students' Union annually, or upon request

Speakers List: Eastham, Ross, Cox

Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7c

EASTHAM/TIGHE MOVED TO approve Bill #41 in first reading based on the following principles:

Minutes of Association Executive or Board of Directors, Council and General meetings shall be made available publicly

Speakers List: Eastham, Turner, Yamigishi

TURNER/ISKANDAR MOVED TO amend the motion to read:
EASTHAM/TIGHE MOVED TO approve Bill #41 in first reading based on the following principles:

Minutes of Association Executive or Board of Directors, Council and General meetings shall actively be made available publicly

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7d

EASTHAM/TIGHE MOVED TO approve Bill #42 in first reading based on the following principles:

Each year an Association shall provide the Students' Union with an outline of organizational and financial goals. An update on the progress of these goals will be submitted at the September COFA meeting, or circulated to the Council of Faculty associations six months after the Association's General Election, whichever occurs first.

Speakers List: Eastham, Cox

Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7e

TIGHE/FENTIMAN MOVE THAT Students' Council approve the 2011/2012 Health & Dental Plan fee based on the following principles:

- 1) The Health Plan portion will not exceed \$105.99
- 2) The Dental Plan portion will not to exceed \$107.34
- 3) The total Health & Dental Plan cost will not exceed \$213.33.

Speakers List: Tighe

Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7f

STITT/BROUGHTON MOVE THAT Students' Council amend The Standing Orders in such a way to reflect the following principles:

- a) Should a Councillor be absent for 3 meetings in a semester Students' Council will notify that Councillor's faculty association.

- b) If a Proxy is appointed and attends a particular meeting, that will not be an absence for the purposes of this section.
- c) Should a Councillor attend by alternate means approved by the speaker, that will not be an absence for the purposes of this section.

Speakers List: Stitt, Tighe, Eastham, Turner, Luimes, Johnson, Broughton, Ferguson, Kusmu, Ross, Lepage Fortin, Qiang

ISKANDAR/EASTHAM MOVED to amend the motion to read:
STITT/BROUGHTON MOVE THAT Students' Council amend The Standing Orders in such a way to reflect the following principles:

- a) Should a Councillor be absent for 3 meetings in a semester Students' Council will notify that Councillor's association.
- b) If a Proxy is appointed and attends a particular meeting, that will not be an absence for the purposes of this section.
- c) Should a Councillor attend by alternate means approved by the speaker, that will not be an absence for the purposes of this section.

TURNER/LUIMES MOVED TO amend the amendment to read:
STITT/BROUGHTON MOVE THAT Students' Council amend The Standing Orders in such a way to reflect the following principles:

- a) Should a Councillor be absent for 3 meetings in a semester Students' Council will notify that Councillor's respective faculty or campus association.
- b) If a Proxy is appointed and attends a particular meeting, that will not be an absence for the purposes of this section.
- c) Should a Councillor attend by alternate means approved by the speaker, that will not be an absence for the purposes of this section.

Motion: CARRIED

Main Amendment: CARRIED

QIANG/KUSMU CALLED TO QUESTION

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7g

TURNER/FERGUSON MOVES THAT Students' Council approve Bill #43 in first reading based on the following principles:

1. If a candidate, side or slate fails to submit to the CRO their complete and accurate record of all campaign expenses no less than twelve working hours prior to the commencement of voting:
 - a. the candidate, campaign manager for the side, or the slate shall be

disqualified;

b. that candidate, side, or slate shall be prohibited from engaging in further campaign activities;

c. notice of this shall be posted with the campaign expense records;

d. the violation will be communicated directly to the candidate, the side's campaign manager or the slate in question; and

e. the C.R.O. may recommend to the D.I.E. Board that further action be taken against that the candidate, the side's campaign manager, the side's members, and/or any volunteers.

Speakers List: Turner, CRO, Cox, Murphy, L'Abbe, Qiang, Fentiman, Eastham

Motion: FAILED

2010-25/7h

TURNER/KAAI MOVES THAT Students' Council approve Bill 44 in first reading based on the following principles:

1. Candidate slates shall cease to exist for all Students' Union elections.
2. Candidates shall be allowed to endorse other candidates, including those within his or her own race.

Speakers List: Turner, Stitt, Qiang, Murphy, Kelly, Dehod, Fentiman, CRO, Kusmu, Iskandar, Ross, Ferguson, Hayder, Roberts

HAYDER MOVED TO amend the motion to read:

TURNER/KAAI MOVES THAT Students' Council approve Bill 44 in first reading based on the following principles:

1. Candidates shall be allowed to endorse other candidates, including those within his or her own race.

Motion: RULED OUT OF ORDER

HAYDER/GORDON MOVED TO divide the motion

Motion: FAILED

Main Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7i

TURNER/COX MOVES THAT Students' Council approve Bill 45 in first reading based on the following principle:

1. No voting shall be conducted prior to the DIE Board ruling on all appeals covered by Bylaw 2000, Section 73.

Speakers List: Turner

Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7j

TURNER/GORDON MOVES THAT Students' Council approve Bill 46 in first reading based on the following principle:

1. A Deputy Returning Officer shall be dismissed only by a 2/3 majority vote of Students' Council on two consecutive meetings, to be held not less than one week apart.

Speaker List: Turner, Fentiman, Cox, Tighe, Iskandar

Motion: FAILED

2010-25/7k

TURNER MOVES THAT Students' Council approve Bill 47 in first reading based on the following principles:

1. The regulations that apply to the Myer Horowitz Forum will also apply to all other forums administered by the Students' Union.
2. The CRO (or designate) shall chair each forum administered by the Students' Union.

Speakers List: Turner

Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7l

DEHOD/FENTIMAN MOVED THAT Students' Council adopt Bill #48 in first reading based on the following principles:

1. The Students' Union shall develop, maintain, and use a Strategic Plan.
2. The Strategic Plan shall comprise the following:
 - a. Mission
 - b. Vision
 - c. Values
 - d. Critical Success Factors
 - e. Strategic Goals
3. The Strategic Plan shall have a life no less than four years.
4. The Strategic Plan shall be reviewed and/or renewed every four years
5. The Students' Union shall develop, maintain, and use Executive plans and Operating Plan which support, as appropriate to functional area, the Strategic Plan and its components.
6. The Executive shall provide Students' Council with reports and presentations regarding the progress of goals and strategic objectives once per a trimester.
7. A two-thirds majority vote of Students' Council shall be required in order to ratify or amend a Strategic Plan.
8. Every four (4) years, unless commissioned by Students' Council earlier, the Strategic Plan shall be reviewed and/or renewed by the Strategic Plan Steering

Committee.

9.The Strategic Plan Steering Committee shall be composed of three (3) members of the Executive Committee including the President, three (3) senior management employees including the General Manager, three (3) members of Students' Council, and three (3) members-at-large selected through a nomination process.

10.The President shall Chair the Strategic Plan Steering Committee.

Speakers List: Dehod, Turner, Ross, Qiang, Fentiman

QIANG CALLED TO QUESTION

Motion: WITHDRAWN

DEHOD MOVED TO amend the motion to read:

DEHOD/FENTIMAN MOVED THAT Students' Council adopt Bill #48 in first reading based on the following principles:

1. The Students' Union shall develop, maintain, and use a Strategic Plan.

5. The Strategic Plan shall comprise the following:

- a. Mission
- b. Vision
- c. Values
- d. Critical Success Factors
- e. Strategic Goals

6. The Strategic Plan shall have a life no less than four years.

7. The Strategic Plan shall be reviewed and/or renewed every four years

6.The Students' Union shall develop, maintain, and use Executive plans and Operating Plan which support, as appropriate to functional area, the Strategic Plan and its components.

6.The Executive shall provide Students' Council with reports and presentations regarding the progress of goals and strategic objectives once per a trimester.

8.A two-thirds majority vote of Students' Council shall be required in order to ratify or amend a Strategic Plan.

8.Every four (4) years, unless commissioned by Students' Council earlier, the Strategic Plan shall be reviewed and/or renewed by the Strategic Plan Steering Committee.

9.The Strategic Plan Steering Committee shall be composed of three (3) members of the Executive Committee including the President, three (3) senior

management employees including the General Manager, three (3) members of Students' Council, and three (3) members-at-large selected through a nomination process.

10. The President shall Chair the Strategic Plan Steering Committee.

11. The Executive Committee shall act as a steward of the Strategic Plan on behalf of the Students' Council membership.

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7m

TURNER/KAAI MOVES THAT Students' Council approve Bill 49 in first reading, based on the following principles:

1. Rulings of the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board shall be reported to the Council Administration Committee as information items.
2. The Council Administration Committee shall review rulings of the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board within two CAC meetings of the release of the ruling.

Speakers List: Turner, Eastham

TURNER/ROSS MOVED TO amend the motion to read:

TURNER/KAAI MOVES THAT Students' Council approve Bill 49 in first reading, based on the following principles:

1. Rulings of the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board shall be reported to the Council Administration Committee as information items.
2. The Council Administration Committee shall review recommendation of the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board within two CAC meetings of the release of the ruling.

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7n

FENTIMAN/HUYNH MOVES THAT Students' Council approve Bill #50 in first reading based on the following principles:

Budgeted reserves not spent in entirety, shall have its budgeted monies available in subsequent future year(s) for related purchases as originally deemed. Reserve funds carried over shall be accurately and openly presented on the audited financial statements.

Speakers List: Fentiman, Gordon

Motion: CARRIED

2010-25/7o

EASTHAM/ISKANDAR MOVED TO approve an omnibus motion of Bills #34, 35, 36, 37 and 38 in second reading based on the following principles:

Bill #34 - Associations represent and act on behalf of their constituents on faculty issues. A faculty issue shall be defined as any issue that specifically affects the constituents of that association. If an association intends on advocating to central university administration or any level of government, the Association shall notify the Vice President (Academic) prior to doing so. Reference: Section 3 &4

Bill #35 - The Council of Faculty Associations shall be an advisory body to the Vice President (Academic) and will foster collaboration and communication within and between the Students' Union and Associations (No reference)

Bill #36 - The Vice President (Academic) may derecognize a Faculty Association for gross violations of its Conditions of Probation Reference: Section 15 c

Bill #37 - An Association shall be recognized as having probationary status for violations that include; financial misrepresentation, constitutional violations, or failure to adhere to basic standards of democratic accountability or administrative and financial transparency. Section 18 a

Bill #38 - An association with a membership of less than 1000 members may also be recognized as having probationary status if a representative petition of no less than fifteen percent of its members is ratified by Students' Council. Section 18 d

Speakers List: Eastham, Fentiman, Turner, Cox

Motion: CARRIED

GORDON/GORDON MOVED TO adjourn

Motion: CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 10:42pm