University of Alberta Students' Union

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday March 11, 2003 – 6:00 PM Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

AGENDA (SC 2002-21)

2002-21/1	CALL TO ORDER
2002-21/2	NATIONAL ANTHEM "O Canada:"
2002-21/3	University of Alberta CHEER SONG "Ring Out a Cheer"
2002-21/4	SPEAKER'S BUSINESS
2002-21/5	ROLL CALL
2002-21/6	APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
2002-21/7	PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION
2002-21/8	APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
2002-21/9	QUESTION PERIOD
2002-21/10	APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (MINUTES)
	Please see document SC 02-21.01.
2002-21/11	OLD BUSINESS
2002-21/12	LEGISLATION

Agenda SC 2002-21 2002-21/12a Bylaw 2100	March 11, 2003 – 6:00 PM Page 2 SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the proposed amendments to Bylaw 2100 (SECOND Reading).
	Please see document SC 02-21.02.
2002-21/12b Bylaw 2200	SMITH/SAMUEL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the proposed changes to Bylaw 2200 (SECOND Reading).
	Please bring documentation from the February 4, 2003 meeting.
2002-21/12c Bylaw 7550	ROSS/SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Student Life Board, adopt the proposed Bylaw 7550 relating to the Student Development Centre (SECOND Reading).
	Please bring documentation from the February 4, 2003 meeting.
2002-21/12d Bylaw 5200	SMITH/SAMUEL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, repeal Bylaw 5200 (FIRST Reading).
	Please bring documentation from the February 4, 2003 meeting.
2002-21/12e Bylaw 7200	ROSS/BRECHTEL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, approve the proposed changes to Bylaw 7200 (FIRST Reading).
	Please see document LA 02-21.03.
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2002-21/13a

HUDEMA/BRECHTEL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Awards Selection Committee, ratify the selection of the winners for the following awards:

- Royal Bank Student Faculty Association Involvement Award
- Hilda Wilson Memorial Volunteer Recognition Award
- Royal Bank Financial Group Involvement Award
- Cristal Mar Memorial Award
- Walter A. Dinwoodie Award
- Alberta Treasury Branches Involvement Award
- Java Jive Merchants Ltd. Award
- Eugene L. Brody Award
- Anne Louise Mundell Humanitarian Award
- Subway Sandwiches Award
- Tevie Miller Involvement Award
- Tom Lancaster Award
- Lorne Calhoun Award
- Students' Union Award for Excellence
- Hooper-Munroe Academic Award
- Mamie Shaw Simpson Book Prize
- Dr. Randy Gregg Athletics Award
- Dean Mortensen Award

For confidentiality purposes, the names of the selected recipients will be distributed at Students' Council.

2002-21/13b

HUDEMA/BRECHTEL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Gold Key Awards Selection Committee, ratify the selection of the winners of the Gold Key Awards.

For confidentiality purposes, the names of the selected recipients will be distributed at Students' Council.

2002-21/13c

HUDEMA/BRECHTEL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Awards Selection Committee, ratify the selection of the winners of the S.A.L.U.T.E. Awards.

For confidentiality purposes, the names of the selected recipients will be distributed at Students' Council.

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INFORMATION ITEMS

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ADJOURNMENT

2002-21/17

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday February 4, 2003 – 6:00 PM Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

MINUTES (SC 2002-20)

Faculty/Position	Name	6:00	9:00	Roll Call Vote #1 (Off- campus)	Roll Call Vote #2 (APIRG)	Roll Call Vote #3 (Bylaw 2100)
President	Mike Hudema	✓	✓	Against	For	For
VP Academic	Mat Brechtel	✓	✓	For	For	For
VP External	Anand Sharma	✓	✓	Against	For	Against
VP Finance	Steve Smith	✓	✓	For	For	Against
VP Student Life	Kail Ross	✓	✓	Against	For	For
BoG Rep.	Mike Reid	✓	✓	For	Against	
RHA	George Slomp	✓	✓	Against	For	Against
Athletics Board						
Ag/For	Teodora Alampi	✓	✓	Against	For	Abstain
Ag/For	Paul Reikie	✓	✓	Against	For	Against
Arts	Chris Bolivar	✓	✓	For	Against	Against
Arts	Kyle Kawanami	✓	✓	For	Abstain	Against
Arts	James Knull	✓	✓	For	Against	For
Arts	Matt Oberhoffner	✓	✓	For	Against	Abstain
Arts	Alexis Pepin	✓	✓	For	Against	
Arts	Laura Roberts	✓	✓	Against	For	Against
Arts	Vivek Sharma	✓	✓	Against	For	For

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Arts	Paul Welke	✓	✓	For	Against	Against
Business	Jamie Kidston	*	*			
Business	Meena Rajulu	✓	>	Against	For	For
Business	Holly Tomte	✓	✓	For	For	For
Education	Charles Beamish	✓	✓	Against	For	For
Education	Daljeet Chhina	✓	✓	Against	For	
Education	Allison Ekdahl	✓	✓	Against	For	
Education	Mandeep Gill	✓	✓	Against	For	
Education	Janet Lo	✓	✓	For	For	For
Engineering	Chris Jones	✓	✓	For	Abstain	Against
Engineering	Margaret Laffin	✓	√	For	Abstain	
Engineering	Paige Smith	✓	✓	For	Abstain	
Engineering	Michelle Vigeant	✓	✓	For	For	
Engineering	David Weppler	✓ (6:40)	>	Abstain	For	For
Law	Paul Varga	✓	✓	Against	Abstain	Against
Med/Dent	Miranda Richardson	✓	✓	For	Abstain	
Med/Dent	Jeffrey Cao	✓	✓	Against	Abstain	
Native Studies	Valerie Knaga	✓	√	Against	For	Against
Nursing						
Open Studies						
Open Studies						
Pharmacy	Kurt Greene	×	×			
Phys. Ed.	Holly Higgins	✓	✓	Abstain	For	
Rehab. Med	Sarah Booth	✓	✓	Against	For	For
Faculté St-Jean	Lisa Clyburn	✓	✓	Against	For	Against
Science	Chamila Adhihetty (Donal Finegan)	✓	✓	For	Abstain	

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Science	Kimberly Dary	✓	✓	Against		For
Science	Katie Grant	×	×	Against		
Science	Aisha Khatib	✓	✓	Against	Abstain	For
Science	Tereza Elyas	✓	✓	Against	Abstain	
Science	Chris Samuel	✓	✓	For	For	Against
Science	Steven Schendel (Duncan Taylor)	×	*	Against	For	
Science	Kimmy Williams	✓	✓	Against	For	For
Gen Mngr	Bill Smith	×	×			
Speaker	Gregory Harlow	✓	✓			
Rec Sec	Helen McGraw	✓	✓			

Observers: Roman Kotovych, Glen Kakoske, Matt Robertson, Kris Fowler, Tatiana LoVerso, M. Mustafa Hirji, Chad Blackburn, Alex Taylor, Bequie Lake, Marika Schandt, Tracey Smith, James Crossman, Geneva Rae, Colin Bell.

A G E N D A (SC 2002-20)

2002-20/1 CALL TO ORDER 6:05

2002-20/4 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

Sarah Booth was appointed as the councilor from Rehabilitation Medicine.

Holly Higgins was appointed as the councilor from Physical Education and Recreation.

Steve Smith's birthday is on Friday and there will be a little to-do at the Plant

The following people were appointed guests of council: Roman Kotovych, Glen Kakoske, Matt Robertson, Kris Fowler, Tatiana LoVerso, M. Mustafa Hirji, Chad Blackburn, Alex Taylor, Bequie Lake, Marika Schandt, Tracey Smith, James Crossman, Geneva Rae, Colin Bell.

2002-20/6 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

HUDEMA/SAMUEL MOVED TO approve the agenda

SMITH MOVED TO add all items on the late additions

Carried

SMITH/HUDEMA MOVED TO make New Business a special order **Carried**

OBERHOFFNER/BOLIVAR MOVED TO strike 12f (Political Policy: International Relations) from the agenda

Defeated

Carried

2002-20/8 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

SMITH/SLOMP MOVED TO approve the minutes of the 21Jan meeting.

Brechtel: (p. 18) committee is CAAST, not CASS

Carried

2002-20/9 QUESTION PERIOD

Samuel: Did we contribute to the study on the benefits of government spending on post-secondary education that was recently commissioned by the Alberta Association of Colleges and Technical Institutes?

Sharma: We're working with that board but we weren't directly involved with the study.

Gill: Will we be sending support to the U of C tuition rally in March since they supported us at the U of A decision? **Hudema:** We will encourage and facilitate support as much as

possible. RDC students came up for our tuition decision and we will be going down for theirs tomorrow. The RDC tuition decision is quite controversial: they worked with their school all year for a 4% increase and were locked out of the BoG meeting where 8% passed.

Beamish: Recently an education student came to me, homeless, hungry, and naked. I took her in, fed her, clothed her, and she had a question for me: is it true that all of the one- and two-bedroom apartments in the new International House will be reserved for international students?

Ross: That is the plan. 60% of the residents will be international students, 40% local. All the one- and two-bedrooms are reserved for international students.

Lo: What is the current status of VIDS?

Smith: The equipment is dormant, neither costing nor making us money. We have yet to find any real, effective use for it. **Ross:** We will be ripping them down post-haste.

Kawanami: I enjoy the new computer lab in SUB but whenever I go down there it's just a collection of hacks checking the webboard. What steps will be taken to alert other students to its presence?

Smith: I'm not convinced that the status quo is a bad thing and I recall opposing the existence of this lab from the start. Nonetheless, I do agree that its existence should probably be promoted.

2002-20/10

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (MINUTES) Please see document SC 02-20.01.

Kawanami: For my personal erudition, what was the Gateway deal?

Smith: It is a run-of-the-mill sponsorship deal: The Gateway will be a sponsor of SU events, allowing us to do inserts as we always have.

2002-20/13

NEW BUSINESS

2002-20/13a Referendum

Special Order #1

SMITH/REID MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the following referendum question to appear on the ballot of the Students' Union general election, March 5 and 6 2003:

"Do you support:

- a) the elimination of Article VIII, Section 3e of the Students' Union constitution, which reads: "Pursuant to a referendum passed on 6 and 7 March 1991, the sum of One Dollar and Fifty-Eight Cents (\$1.58) per Fall, Winter, Spring or Summer Term, from each full-time and part-time student's Students' Union fees will be allocated to the Student Financial Aid and Information Centre Fund." And the cessation by the Students' Union of the collection of this fee, which totals approximately \$110 000 per year;
- b) an amendment to Article VIII, Section 2 to increase the Students' Union fees of each full-time and part-time student's Students' Union fees of \$1.58 per Fall, Winter, Spring or Summer Term, which would offset the loss of the \$110 000 in (a); and
- c) a transfer of those funds currently in the Student Financial Aid and Information Centre reserve to the Students' Union's general reserves?"\

Smith: Funding for SFAIC currently comes from a dedicated fee, which is a really silly way to bankroll an SU service. It is unfortunate that the only way to rectify this error is through a

referendum.

Hudema: I agree that this should be sent to referendum but not with this wording because people will not be able to understand what they are voting on.

Smith: IRB did consider the wording of this question and concluded that there is no good way to make this clear to anyone who does not understand the SU elections system. The actual amendment to the constitution is required to be included. The number of people who are interested in Article VIII of the constitution can probably be counted on two fingers. Carried (30/6/1)

2002-20/13b Referendum Special Order #2

SMITH/WEPPLER MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the following referendum question to run during the Students' Union General election, March 5 and 6 2003:

"Do you support an increase in funding to the Sexual Assualt Centre, funded through an increase in the University Students' Services Fee of \$1.00 per full-time student per Fall and Winter Term, \$0.50 per part-time student per Fall and Winter Term, and \$0.50 per student per Spring and Summer Term (approximately \$60,000 per year)? The University Student Services Fee cannot be reduced by referendum, only by the University Board of Governors.

At present, \$1.00 per full-time student per Fall and Winter Term, \$0.50 per part-time student per Fall and Winter Term, and \$0.50 per student per Spring and Summer Term is dedicated to the Sexual Assault Centre, pursuant to a 1993 referendum."

Smith: The Sexual Assault Center submitted a valid petition and this wording was agreed upon unanimously by IRB and the petitioners.

Carried (34/2/2)

2002-20/13c Referendum Special Order #3

JONES/VIGEANT MOVED THAT Students' Council approve a referendum question dealing with the zero-rating of off campus fees during the Spring and Summer Terms to appear on the ballot of the Students' Union general election of March 5 and 6 2003, and that, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, the wording of such question be:

"This question will determine if off campus students will pay Students' Union fees during the Spring and Summer Terms. Vote YES for them not to pay. Vote NO for them to pay

Do you support the insertion into Article VIII, Section 2, a point

(e) to read "Pursuant to a referendum passed on 5 and 6 March 2003, notwithstanding Section 2 (c) and Section 2 (d), no student not attending courses on the University of Alberta Campus shall pay a membership fee during the Spring or Summer Term."

Jones: As many will recall, there is a problem with the way fees are collected from off-campus students during the summer term; this referendum question will allow students to decide whether to rectify that inequity.

Vigeant: Off-campus students will still continue to pay fees for the fall and winter terms; this just addresses the inequity of the summer months.

Hudema: A person on co-op during the summer is a student then, just like anyone else taking classes in the summer months; off-campus students should be paying fees because many SU services can be accessed away from campus.

Jones (POI): Is it not true that most of the fees collected from UofA students at RDC is turned over to that school to help our students access services at Red Deer College?

Hudema: I would disagree; we worked out an agreement that was equally unfair to both sides, proportionate to the services from each institution that can be accessed from RDC. If you want this referendum, the question should be on whether off-campus students should pay fees at all.

Ekdahl: How much money do you make on a co-op term? How much support do you get from the UofA during that time? **Smith:** [lots of numbers about how much money on- and off-campus pay in various fees] The total cost to the SU would be about \$40,000. Next year is a bad year to be taking big hit, but I believe the benefit to the fee structure justifies this budget cut. **Brechtel (POI):** The last time off-campus student fees were changed, the amount paid by all other students was increased proportionally to make the policy revenue-neutral.

Smith: From a financial standpoint, that would be a good idea. However, passing this is akin to admitting that we shouldn't have been collecting this fee in the first place, so making it revenue-neutral would be unjust.

Reid: Council is deciding whether this should be on the ballot or not; this is not the place to be debating the merit of the question itself.

Beamish: What co-op students pay currently?

Smith: If I had the floor, I'd say \$27, including dedicated fees. **Sharma**: Council needs to have a long discussion about off-campus fees. It is unfair to burden next year's executive with this **Oberhoffner**: This motion will even things out: I don't pay fees when I'm on a summer job; why should other students have to

pay fees when they're working? **Beamish:** What does someone who pays fees have access to that

someone who doesn't pay fees does not?

Williams: What about students on exchange? They pay SU fees as well.

Slomp: The SU offers more than just services: advocacy, negotiations with the university, etc. benefit off-campus students too.

Weppler: The last time there was a referendum on off-campus fees, the change was revenue-neutral and the question was clearer; I'm hesitant to go through this again only two years later. Smith: There is effectively no difference in the services available to on- or off-campus students. Any student has theoretical access (practical access is limited by geography). The idea that this is revenue-negative is appealing: the SU, like any organization, wastes a lot of money. This would provide an impetus for us to spend our money more wisely, which doesn't arise often when our fee levels are entrenched in the constitution (as ours, through some fallacy, are). Our businesses are currently underperforming but I'm confident that this will be rectified by the end of the year.

Jones: Co-op students don't receive support from the UofA or SU/ Many co-op students are unable to find jobs; they make no money. Other students make different amounts; there is no minimum students must be paid. Last summer the co-op office was giving students jobs that paid \$1000 for 4 months (<\$1/hr). We are debating whether students should have a right to chose on this. If you are in favor of democracy, you will also be in favor of this motion. The question is not the dollar amount; what is the price of fairness? What is the price of equity? The anti-democratic Sharma says we need discussion on the issue, but I believe that elections are the time when we discuss issues. Students haven't had the opportunity to discuss because we have not yet had a campaign. Exchange students are classified as offcampus students and thus pay approximately half the SU fees as other students. All students who are not registered in courses during the summer benefit from advocacy without paying fees. Williams (POI): Will you run both sides of the campaign since you believe in democracy so much?

Jones: Unfortunately, elections rules prevent one person from running both sides of a referendum campaign.

KAWANAMI/WELKE MOVED TO amend the question to read "This question will determine if off-campus students will pay Students' Union fees during the Spring and Summer Terms. Currently these students pay these fees. Vote YES for them not to pay. Vote NO for them to continue to pay."

Carried (18/11/3)

Hudema: The referendum process and procedures are

undemocratic; it is not possible to give voters an adequate amount of information during a one-week referendum campaign. Off-campus student are still able to access SU services; this possible inequity is not worth the hit to the SU budget. We need to deal with this when we have a better referendum question and are in a more sound financial position.

Jones (POI): Was your election then undemocratic? Hudema: The campaign isn't long enough for people to make an informed decision. But it's a different ball of wax when you're dealing with a candidate, rather than a referendum question. Vigeant: There is a clear distinction between co-op/internship programs and one such as education where students do a practicum: the former programs are longer and more time is spent off campus.

WELKE/KNULL MOVED the previous question. Carried

Roll Call (Jones, Samuel, Oberhoffner, Lo, Reid) Defeated (18/23/2)

2002-20/13d APIRG

Special Order #4

SMITH/REIKIE MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Financial Affairs Board, approve the disbursement of \$56 272 from the APIRG Fund to the Alberta Public Interest Research Group.

Please see document SC 02-20.05.

Smith: Is APIRG meeting its mandate under the referendum question with the budget it has proposed to FAB? Whether this is the most effective use of funds is not strictly relevant. The referendum question was so vague as to make it difficult not to meet their mandate. APIRG is certainly acting how they promised to act during the referendum campaign.

Samuel (POI): What mechanisms are available to evaluate whether this money is being spent effectively?

Smith: There is a difference between misappropriating and spending unwisely. APIRG representatives are elected and their board meetings are open, if anyone is concerned about how the group chooses to spend their funds. This money must be dispersed.

Ross: Students didn't know that the vast majority of the funds would go to day-to-day operating expenses, rather than supporting student initiatives as promised.

Reikie: Nearly all of the money goes to the operation and effectiveness of working groups.

Sharma (Councilor): How much of this money was spent on set-up costs? Holding educational events was part of the mandate; International Week was money well-spent.

Hudema: It is not up to this council to evaluate how well these funds are being spent, only whether the funds are being spent in fulfillment of the mandate. If councilors are concerned about how the funds are being allocated, they need to go to an APIRG board meeting to make these concerns known.

Lake: We will probably not spend the full amount budgeted for staff and office costs. Administration (not staff) costs can hopefully be reduced next year. If you have ideas for other places we can live, please come talk to us.

Ross (POI): Did the SU not offer APIRG space in SUB?

Lake: There were various discussions over the year and a half of standoff. When we planned to open our office, it sounded like there would be no space available in SUB.

Bolivar: Students were under the impression that most of the money would go to working groups. Some costs put up red flags. e.g. \$4,000 for phones? Misc. costs add up to over \$12,000 or over half the money collected. I abstained on this question on FAB because I think that this budget is not informative enough. **Tracey Smith:** We have 1 phone and 1 fax line. We're budgeting conservatively right now and will certainly funnel money into other areas if this is too much. All working groups have access to the phone, copier, and fax machine, so these are all services for working groups.

Carried (26/6/10)

2002-20/13e Nom Com Special Order #5 SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council select:

 One councilor to serve on the Director of Information Services nominating committee;

Congratulations to Weppler

 One councilor to serve on the Student Distress Centre Director nominating committee;

Congratulations to Chhina

- One councilor to serve on the Ombuds nominating committee; Congratulations to **Rajulu**
- One councilor to serve on the Safewalk Director nominating committee;

Congratulations to Lo

 One councilor to serve on the Student Groups Director nominating committee;

Congratulations to Jones

• One councilor to serve on the CRO nominating committee; Congratulations to **Roberts**

 One councilor to serve on the Academic Affairs Coordinator nominating committee;

Congratulations to Kawanami

 One councilor to serve on the Community Relations Coordinator nominating committee;

Congratulations to Williams

 One councilor to serve on the Student Activities Coordinator nominating committee;

Congratulations to Vigeant

 One councilor to serve on the Athletic Campus Events Coordinator nominating committee;

Congratulations to Ekdahl

 One councilor to serve on the Environmental Conservation Office of Students Director nominating committee;

Congratulations to Alampi

 One councilor to serve on the Speaker of Students' Council nominating committee;

Congratulations to Welke

 One councilor to serve on the Recording Secretary nominating committee;

Congratulations to Rajulu

 One councilor to serve on the President's Boards nominating committee;

Congratulations to Laffin

• One councilor to serve on the Vice President Academic Boards nominating committee;

Congratulations to Gill

• One councilor to serve on the Vice President External Boards nominating committee;

Congratulations to Beamish

 One councilor to serve on the Vice President Operations & Finance boards nominating committee; and

Congratulations to Knull

• One councilor to serve on the Vice President Student Life Boards nominating committee.

Congratulations to Ekdahl

Please see document SC 02-20.06. for meeting times and locations.

2002-20/13f High School Travel Tour

Special Order #6

BRECHTEL/ROSS MOVED THAT Students' Council upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, approve the proposed travel budget for the High School Tuition Tour. *Please see document LA 02-20.03*

Hudema: We will be doing a whirlwind tour across central and southern Alberta high schools talking about issues facing post-secondary education. We'll be sending out press releases for every city so hopefully we'll get local media attention. Forums are planned in Medicine Hat and Red Deer.

Welke: Who all will be going on the trip?

Hudema: Everyone who isn't running in the election.

Smith: Hudema, **Sharma**, and **Ross** (a majority of the exec) will be going. The information officer is also going but her expenses aren't included here as they just need to be approved by the exec.

Samuel: Why are we sending **Ross**, except for the fact that he'd be all alone in the exec offices with sole power...oh, wait, I understand...

Kawanami: Will EAB have a say in the positions espoused?

Sharma: This is in conjunction with CAUS (which has only 13 policies, if you want to find out what will be espoused) and EAB will be meeting to discuss this. **Samuel (POI):** What is the rationale behind sending **Ross**?

Ross: In addition to keeping these two in line, prospective students often have questions about residence life that I can perhaps be of help answering.

Hudema: The format of our presentation is a Jeopardy game; Kail and Mariel were instrumental in putting the presentation together. Most days we will hit 3 or 4 schools and do a general town hall in the evening.

Laffin: How much time will you be spending at each school and is it worth it?

Alampi: High schools won't allocate more time to you anyway. As a recruiter for both the university and my faculty, I can say that this budget is very reasonable.

BOLIVAR/SLOMP MOVED the previous question

Carried

Carried (36/0/2) (Abstaining: Hudema, Sharma)

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2002-20/12

LEGISLATION

2002-20/12a Article XII SMITH/SAMUEL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the proposed changes to Article XII of the Constitution (THIRD Reading).

Please bring supporting documentation from the January 21, 2003 meeting.

Carried (32/2/2)

2002-20/12b Bylaw 2100 SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the proposed amendments to Bylaw 2100 (SECOND Reading). *Please see document SC 02-20.02.*

Smith: The review process for this bylaw was fantastic; we've produced much better legislation. This represents the recommendations of FARCE, albeit not in all cases. IRB moved election dates to where they are now, not in January or March. No good time in January (exec shouldn't be on leaves of absence during the tuition campaign). Other deviations from FARCE recommendations: Joke candidates would receive 50% funding and campaign expenses would not increase.

Kawanami: I was under the impression that IRB was fine-tuning the wording; this is clearly not reflective of some of FARCE's recommendations which council accepted, particularly the January election date.

Samuel: IRB didn't grossly violate the intended principles that FARCE put forth. Rather they looked at the logistics of the proposed changes while keeping in mind the principles behind the recommendations.

Weppler: IRB was a sober second thought (and I was actually sober at this meeting). IRB has a big picture view, fitting these policies into the greater context of other SU policies.

Hudema: This represents a big shift in the way that we do voting and deserves discussion unless people are completely in favor of preferential balloting.

Sharma: Preferential balloting is indeed an experiment and we will certainly go back and evaluate it once it is in place. The \$600 amount has always been a struggle; \$700 is a reasonable amount.

Lo: Why was the prohibition against contacting external media lifted?

BRECHTEL/LO MOVED TO add old article 50 (media) as new 61 and re-number accordingly: "All candidates are free to pursue campus-based media as determined by the CRO, however, are

restricted from contacting external media sources. All external media must be directed through the CRO office."

Brechtel: The goal is to keep the playing field as level as possible, to focus on issues, not on people and their connections (in printing companies, media, etc.) Removing prohibition on external media would be just as bad as removing prohibitions on spending. External media are not interested student issues; they are interested only in covering stunts, scandals. This provides a highly disproportionate advantage to candidates who engage in stunts or have media contacts.

Weppler (POI): Do you think voter turnout would increase if more scandalous women ran?

Brechtel: I'd like to think not.

Welke: Skills necessary to run a campaign are vital to representing students. Clyburn: The media is our strongest source of support. Since the provincial government doesn't listen to student issues, any media attention is beneficial. Give candidates some credit and let them do what they're supposed to do: garner support.

Reid: Removing the media rule will have a negative impact on fairness. We do have a microcosm here: in the real world, media attention and the best soundbites may be important. Here, with our elections, we've tried to create a framework that promotes fairness and encourages the election of people based on their ideas, not who can drop a truck off the high level bridge (for example). It isn't just the ability to get coverage that is important; what you do with that coverage is what counts. This might encourage turnouut but for the wrong reasons. We don't want an election driven by uninformed voters who aren't interested in issues. How will we affix value to external media coverage.

Clyburn (POI): If electorate chooses a scandalous candidate, isn't it still their right to do so?

Reid: Yes. At the same time, as council we have an obligation to create an election framework that is fair and reasonable.

Kawananami: Our view over this is clouded by last year's election. Keep in mind that we can't tell the Gateway what to do anymore, so this is a red herring. These restrictions reflect badly upon us in the external media. It isn't good for us to have our electoral processes called into question.

Smith: A wise old man (**Reid**) once said that it's not just getting the coverage it's what you do with it. The sizable proportion of students who believe the SU to be a joke are disproportionately disenfranchised. The CRO, under this policy, does have final say in who appears in the external media. This amendment gives the CRO unilateral power to decide who can appear in the external media and for what reason. Defeat this!

Hudema: Very much out of character, I will take the middle ground on this. Coming up with a media event is a craft and there is something to be said for doing it well. The electorate can discern whether a stunt is relevant to the election or not. Right now the CRO has unilateral discretion and I'm concerned with this.

HUDEMA/REIKIE MOVED TO AMEND the amendment to include "The CRO cannot disallow the external media but will attempt to provide an equal opportunity for all candidates in that race for that external media."

Hudema: If you're putting an event together, you deserve recognition for that. But it's unfair if you just know someone who works for a newspaper and get them to do an interview; that doesn't represent any ingenuity on the part of the candidate. This still allows people to demonstrate creativity in campaigning but avoids any real unfairness.

WELKE MOVE D TO AMEND the main amendment to read "All candidates are free to pursue campus-based media as determined by the CRO; All external media must be directed through the CRO office. The CRO can not disallow external media but will attempt to provide an equal opportunity for all candidates in that race for that external media."

Friendly

Weppler: Recall the backlash two years ago when an article about university students going to Sexico conflicted with the image we to project about post-secondary students. All morals are lost during elections and people will go to any lengths to win a position. Defeat this amendment to the amendment. Smith: I support this because it takes away all of the teeth of the amendment, which I believe is a good thing.

Matt Robertson: Going to external media won't help name recognition on campus; there is no point to external media at all. Jones: Most of you will know me as a hardline libertarian. But no one should be permitted to talk to any media, unless we're willing to accept that all media are equal. We can no longer control the Gateway. If you know someone on the Gateway editorial board, or a staff member at CJSR you are in an excellent position to have an unfair advantage. None of these media are required to be fair. There is no difference between internal and external media.

Williams: I'm against any involvement in the external media. We should vote this down because it opens up evil.

BOLIVAR/BEAMISH MOVED the previous question **Carried**

Defeated

[Debate: adding old section 50 in its entirety]

Sharma: This is way too draconian for this organization. When it comes to the media, it's fair game. You're telling people they can't go to the media and have their words heard. Elections Canada doesn't exercise such control; you don't have to be a libertarian to see the logic in allowing students to go to external media. The Gateway and CJSR are effectively external media and should be treated the same. If people can get these connections, that's life. This is different than spending money.

Weppler (POI): isn't publicity just a way to get free advertising, i.e. something that other candidates would have to pay for? **Sharma:** A candidate has the right to appear in the external media in the way in which they want to be depicted.

BOLIVAR/KHATIB MOVED the previous question **Defeated**

Jones: This amendment draws a false distinction between "campus based" and "off-campus" media. This is based on some notion that campus media will somehow provide more balanced and legitimate coverage. The Edmonton Journal and Sun belong to journalism boards that require them to provide fair and balanced coverage; the Gateway is bound by no such requirement. Indeed, candidates are even more likely to know a member of the Gateway editorial board.

JONES MOVED TO AMEND the amendment to read "Candidates are restricted from contacting media sources; all media must be directed through the CRO office."

Brechtel: When you're running for election you choose to not exercise all of your rights and freedoms because you're running for a position. What benefit will it provide to campus for external media to cover the election? External media are not interested in the issues that are of importance to students. The media coverage that would be garnered would not be on the issues of the campaign but rather on stunts that gather attention. Getting the media to support you on an issue is a very different skill than merely getting them to cover a stunt. Sharma (POI): Would you not consider tuition, Upass, housing, and student life issues to be ones that would be covered? Brechtel: You get covered on different things during a campaign and once in office.

Sharma (Councilor): What is best for students? The purpose of the election is to allow students to choose the candidate that

best represents them; this amendment is a disservice to students. Some offices, particularly VPOF, are best suited to people who are introverted and would thus not garner much media attention. Due to voter apathy, voters are not always able to discern whether a candidate's coverage is legitimate.

Hirji: If you have a good poster or web designer or a good volunteer coordinator you have an advantage. Anyone coming into an election has certain skills that they can leverage; why should media contacts be treated separately? Council is deciding what is best from students and robbing students of their democratic rights. To quote some guy named Greg who made a presentation to FARCE, "Freedom of speech and Freedom of the press are rather old battles to be waging; I would ditch the rules." Beamish: Candidates are ambassadors of this organization; what about the rights of councilors, etc. to maintain the integrity of everything that we have worked to establish? If you have a legitimate campaign, the CRO will probably let you talk to the media. All of the money we spend on external media campaigns is wasted if we allow candidates to project any image they like. Rajulu: This just places one more step between candidates and the media; it is not a big deal.

SLOMP/BOLIVAR MOVED the previous question Carried

[no media contact at all] **Defeated** (14/15/0)

[including section 50] Carried (14/13/2)

OBERHOFFNER/KHATIB MOVED TO adjourn **Defeated**

JONES MOVED TO AMEND section 38 to read "Any member with the exception of the CRO, the DROs, and candidates be free to act as a volunteer for or endorse multiple candidates." SHARMA/WEPPLER MOVED TO postpone to the next meeting. Carried

SMITH/SLOMP MOVED TO adjourn

2002-20/17 ADJOURNMENT (10:00)

Executive Committee Report to Students' Council March 11, 2003

1. The following motions were passed at the February 3, 2003 Executive Committee Meeting

a) ROSS/BRECHTEL MOVED THAT the Executive Committee recommend to Students' Council that it approve the proposed changes to Bylaw 7200.

VOTE ON MOTION

4/0/0 CARRIED

b) BRECHTEL/ROSS MOVED THAT the Executive Committee cancel the March 25 meeting of Students' Council and schedule a meeting on March 18.

VOTE ON MOTION

4/0/0 CARRIED

c) HUDEMA/BRECHTEL MOVED TO split budget to read:

Accommodations (Executive)

2 nights/1 room, \$75/night (total) \$150.00

Van Rental-6 days (Monday pick-up, Saturday return) \$30/day -\$ 180.00

Per Diem-3 people for 5 days\$30/person/day \$450.00

TOTAL \$780.00

VOTE ON MOTION

3/0/1 CARRIED

Accommodations (Non-Executive) 2 Nights/1 room \$ 150.00

Per Diem1 person for 5 days\$30/day \$ 150.00

TOTAL \$ 300.00

VOTE ON MOTION

4/0/0 CARRIED

d) SHARMA/HUDEMA MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve \$300.00 out of the Special Projects Reserve for guest speaker Julie Query to come speak at the University on March 22/03 contingent to there being funding in the special projects reserve and contingent to the speaker being brought in.

VOTE ON MOTION AS AMENDED

4/0/0 CARRIED

2. The following motions were passed at the February 5, 2003 Executive Committee Meeting

- a) SMITH/ROSS MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the proposed agreement between the Students' Union and Jason Moore VOTE ON MOTION 3/2 ROSS, BRECHTEL/0 CARRIED
- b) SMITH/ROSS MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a transfer of \$2 490 from the contingency reserve to the capital equipment reserve for the purchase of a safe for SUB Titles VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

c) ROSS/SHARMA MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the use of SUB stage and tables in front of the Wall of Debt on 12/13/14th of March between 12:00-1:00 pm for the Sikh Students' Society

VOTE ON MOTION

5/0/0 CARRIED

d) ROSS/BRECHTEL MOVED that the Executive Committee allow the Spirit Bear Youth Coalition access to the Alumni Room on February 19th, 2003 at no cost

VOTE ON MOTION

5/0/0 CARRIED

e) HUDEMA/SMITH moved that the Executive Committee approve an amount not to exceed 500.00 from the Casino revenue to create a car pool registry.

VOTE ON MOTION

5/0/0 CARRIED

f) SMITH/BRECHTEL MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a budgeted conference request not to exceed \$667.00 for Miep Raedschelders to attend the planning session AMS Speakeasy Crisis centre of UBC March 1-3, 2003

VOTE ON MOTION

5/0/0/CARRIED

g) SMITH/SHARMA MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a budgeted request from Geneva Rae to meet with members of the UBC Sustainability Office March 1-3, 2003.

VOTE ON MOTION

5/0/0 CARRIED

- 3. The following motions were passed at the February 7, 2003 Executive Committee Meeting
 - a) ROSS/SHARMA MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the use of the area in front SUB stage on March 13 and 14 from 12-1 for a dance demonstration and the setup of tables along the food court wall between 11-2 both days.

VOTE ON MOTION

4/0/0 CARRIED

4. The following motions were passed at the February 10, 2003 Executive Committee Meeting

No motions were passed at the February 10 meeting

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Bylaw 2100

A Bylaw Respecting the Nominations and Elections of the Students' Union

Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the "Nominations and Elections Bylaw".

Definitions

2. For the purpose of this Bylaw:

"candidate" means any individual whose nomination is accepted under this bylaw;

"campaign" means any planned or organized act by or on behalf of any individual candidate or slate which is calculated to gain support for their election;

"campaign expense" means any and all expenditures by or on a candidate's behalf for election advertising, equipment, or other expenditures associated with the campaign;

"campaign manager" means any individual identified by a campaign as their campaign manager for the purposes of this bylaw;

"C.R.O." means the Chief Returning Officer of the Students' Union as set out in Bylaw 2500;

"D.I.E. Board" or "Board" means the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board of the Students' Union;

"D.R.O." means a Deputy Returning Officer of the Students' Union as set out in Bylaw 2500;

"member" means member of the Students' Union as set out in Article VIII of the Constitution;

"slate" means two or more candidates who are members of a single campaign;

"joke slate" refers to a candidate or a slate who choose not to use their given name, or a reasonable derivative of their given name.

"volunteer" means any individual who engages in campaigning;

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"banner" is any sheet of paper or other material, of a total area between four (4) square feet and two hundred (200) square feet, which is displayed as part of a campaign;

General Election

General Election

3.

- a. There shall be an annual general election for the Students' Union on the succeeding Wednesday and Thursday during the second week following the second term Reading Week, notwithstanding Section 3.b. of this Bylaw.
- b. The CRO of the Students' Union shall have the discretion to change the dates and time guidelines of the Students' Union general election and general meeting. These dates must fall between the second Wednesday of February and the third Thursday of March.
- c. There shall be a General Meeting of the Students' Union. This date and time will normally be at 12:00 Noon on the second Monday after the second term Reading Week.
- d. At these meeting(s) the Chief Returning Officer shall establish and enforce the following criteria;
 - i. each candidate shall have the opportunity to speak;
 - ii. no water will be allowed in the facility where the forum will be held;
 - iii. no object(s) may be thrown;
 - iv. no heckling will be permitted;
 - v. any person(s) in violation shall be removed from the facility, and/or the offending objects be confiscated.
- e. Security must be provided by the Chief Returning Officer to ensure a safe and fair election.

Offices Contested 4.

- 4. Offices contested in the General Election are:
 - a. those which constitute the Executive Committee;
 - b. the Undergraduate Student Member of the Board of Governors.

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Eligible Voters

5. Every Member of the Students' Union shall be eligible to vote for each of these positions except the Chief Returning Officer, who shall vote to break a tie in the event that two (2) or more candidates receive an equality of votes.

Opening of Nominations and Qualifications

Nomination Day

6. Subject to Section 3, the deadline for nominations shall be at 1700 hours on the Friday before Reading Week, or thirteen (13) days before the campaign begins.

Requirement to Advertise

7. The Chief Returning Officer shall advertise the opening of nominations for those positions to be contested in the General Election.

Method and Period of Advertisement

8. Advertising shall begin thirty-two (32) days prior to the first day of voting, and shall include during that period advertising in each and every issue of the Official Student Newspaper.

Breach of Section 9. Eight

9. Where the requirements of Section 8 have not or can not be met, the C.R.O. shall first determine if other forms of advertising can reasonably inform Members of the opening of nominations, and where the answer is affirmative shall use those other forms of advertising.

Rescheduling of Nominations

10. Where Section 8 has been breached and no reasonable remedy is available under Section 9, the C.R.O. may change the dates of the Students' Union general election. These dates must fall between the second Wednesday of February and the third Thursday of March.

Qualifications

- 11. a. A person who is nominated for a position must be a Students' Union member and comply with the General Faculties Council policies relating to Students' Union elections to run for that position.
 - b. Any person who has an outstanding debt owing to the Students' Union at the time nominations close and does not have a repayment plan approved by the C.R.O. shall not be eligible to be nominated for any position.

Nomination Procedures

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Nomination Information

- 12. The C.R.O. shall prepare a package of written information which shall be available to any Member of the Students' Union no later than February 1, and shall include in the package:
 - a. current copies of Bylaws 2500, 2100, 2400;
 - b. nomination forms which include information regarding the proposed nominee, the position they intend to contest, and the names, faculties, years, signatures and student identification numbers of at least fifty (50) Students' Union members as nominators;
 - c. a list of all nomination requirements and deadlines, including instructions on obtaining a letter confirming the nominee's academic standing;
 - d. any other forms required of nominees, including forms used to verify a candidate's qualification under Section 11 (b), and a signed acknowledgment and acceptance of nomination by the nominee:
 - e. contact information for CRO and DRO's
 - f. copies of any regulations which currently exist regarding elections and referenda.
 - g. a restatement of the rules regarding keys and leaves of absence.

Nomination Papers

- 13. Nomination of candidates shall be in writing, and shall contain:
 - a. the signature, faculty, year and student identification number of at least fifty (50) nominators who shall each be members of the Students' Union;
 - b. a signed acknowledgment of acceptance of the nomination by the nominee:
 - c a letter from the nominee's faculty verifying that the nominee is eligible for nomination under GFC policy, Section 108.9.
 - d. a fifty (\$50.00) dollar deposit in the form of a certified cheque or money order only payable to "Students' Union, University of Alberta";

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- e. a signed statement from the Students' Union verifying their eligibility under Section 11 (b);
- f. a signed document indicating the name which they wish to appear on the ballot.

Restriction on Nominators

14. No individual may nominate more than one (1) candidate for a single position, and where a nominator has done so all of their nominations for that position shall be declared void.

Restriction on Nominees

15. No individual may simultaneously contest more than one (1) of the positions listed in Section 4.

Deadline for Nomination

16. Complete nominations, containing all material described in Section 13, must be received no later than 1700 hours on Nomination Day at the Office of the Chief Returning Officer. It is the sole responsibility of nominees to ensure the completeness and accuracy of their nominations.

Incomplete Nominations

17. Where, at the deadline for nominations, a nomination fails to fully comply with any part of Section 13, the nomination shall be summarily rejected.

Deficiency of Eligible Nominators

18. Where, within seventy-two (72) hours of the deadline for nominations, a nomination is found by the C.R.O. to fail to comply with Section 13 (a), the nomination of that individual shall be summarily rejected.

Re-opening Nominations

19. Where no nominations for a position have been received by the deadline for nominations, nominations shall be re-opened until 1700 Hours on the third weekday following the Nomination Day, and the C.R.O. shall advertise and post this information.

No nominations

20. If no nomination is received by the second deadline for nominations, the vacant office shall be filled by Students' Council.

Nomination Day

C.R.O. to convene 21. candidate's meeting

21. Following the closing of nominations, the C.R.O. shall convene a meeting for candidates and campaign managers.

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Mandatory Attendance

22. All candidates and campaign managers are required to attend the candidate's meeting in its entirety. The C.R.O. may exempt individuals from attendance under extenuating circumstances, but only if:

- (a) the individual requesting an exemption does so in writing at least forty-eight hours prior to the meeting, or
- (b) informs the C.R.O. of an emergency for which no notice could be given.

Penalty for Absence

23. Where a campaign fails to comply with Section 22, that campaign shall be disqualified by the C.R.O.

Keys Must Be Turned In

24. At the candidates meeting, all candidates and campaign managers shall be required to deposit with the C.R.O. any and all keys, cards, or other methods of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus, excepting only their residence.

Leave of Absence Required

- 25. All candidates and campaign managers shall be required to submit a leave of absence beginning at 1700 Hours on Nomination Day and ending at the close of balloting where they hold a position as
 - (a) a member of the Executive Committee;
 - (b) the Undergraduate Board of Governors representative;
 - (c) an employee of the Students' Union;
 - (d) a volunteer or employee of a Campus Media source;
 - (e) an executive member of a student group, club, student association, faculty association, residence association or any other similar campus-based organization.

Board of Governors Representative Exempted for Meeting

26. Where a meeting of the Board of Governors is held during the leave of absence period, and no proxy is permitted, the Undergraduate Board of Governors representative shall be exempted from Section 25 when preparing for or attending the meeting. The representative shall make no public comment, including to media, and shall not discuss the meeting while campaigning.

Candidate in Breach of Key Rule

27. Where a candidate is in breach of Section 24 they shall be disqualified.

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Manager in Breach of Key Rule

28. Where a campaign manager is in breach of Section 24 they shall be disqualified from serving as a campaign manager or volunteer for that campaign, and their campaign shall not be permitted to engage in any campaign activity for 24 hours.

Required content of meeting

29. At the candidates meeting the C.R.O. shall:

- (a) review elections bylaws, rules and regulations, and respond to questions about the same;
- (b) announce the time and date of the General Meeting and forum;
- (c) announce the time and date of any other election forums which have been scheduled;
- (d) conduct a random draw to determine the order of names on the ballot for each position;
- (e) review specific bylaws and procedures relating to leaves of absence, keys, campaign material, purchase orders, the allocation of limited resources including table bookings, pre-campaigning, and complaints and appeals;
- (f) announce the times and dates of daily meetings during the campaign, and announce any other methods that will be regularly used to communicate with campaigns.
- (g) take attendance for the purposes of verifying compliance with Section 22

Immediately Following Nomination Day

Formation of Slates

30. Candidates may run together as a slate by informing the C.R.O. of their intention to do so no later than noon of the day following the close of nominations.

Slate Name

31. Slates shall be permitted to identify themselves using a Slate Name, which may appear on campaign materials.

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Slate Name Appears on Ballot

32. An abbreviation of the Slate Name shall appear on the ballot following the candidate's name. Slates may request a particular abbreviation, but the C.R.O. shall choose what name appears on the ballot.

Restriction on Name Content

33. No slate shall choose a name which is the same as that of a registered federal or provincial political party. Where two (2) or more similar names are submitted to appear on the ballot for a candidate or slate, the C.R.O. shall choose which names appear on the ballot.

Posting of Nominations

34. Within 36 hours of the closing of nominations, the C.R.O. shall post both the legal names of all candidates and the names which will appear on the ballot, and shall publish the same in the next issue of the Official Student Newspaper.

Pre-Campaigning

Prohibition

35. No Member shall campaign prior to the opening of campaigning. Precampaigning rules shall come into effect the day nomination packages are released

Exemption

- 36. Notwithstanding Section 35, an individual seeking nomination, or a candidate, may:
 - (a) solicit nominations from no more than 100 students;
 - (b) consult privately with other Members regarding their campaign;
 - (c) consult with the C.R.O. or D.R.O.s;
 - (d) consult with any official, employee or executive member of the Students' Union or the University;
 - (e) privately prepare draft campaign materials.

Exemption following Nomination Day

- 37. Notwithstanding Section 35, following Nomination Day a candidate or campaign manager may:
 - (a) prepare campaign materials and review them with volunteers;
 - (b) make any booking or arrangement approved by the C.R.O.

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Duration of Campaign

38. Campaigning shall last for eight (8) consecutive days, starting at 1800 Hours on the first Monday, continuing through the next weekend, and ending at 1800 hours on the Tuesday before voting begins. All campaign materials must be removed, in a manner to be determined by the Chief Returning Officer, by 2100 hours on the day before voting begins.

Daily Mandatory Meeting with C.R.O.

39. On every week-day during the campaign period, the C.R.O. shall chair a meeting of campaign representatives to review complaints, rulings, regulations, procedures and announcements. All campaigns are required to send at least one (1) representative from their campaign, or an official proxy appointed, in writing, by the campaign manager or a candidate.

Penalty for Absence

40. Where a campaign fails to send a representative to the daily meeting, they shall be fined ten (\$10.00) dollars per candidate for each incident.

General Rules of Campaigning

- 41. Each campaign is required to act reasonably, responsibly and in good faith, and specifically is required to:
 - (a) ensure that all candidates, managers and volunteers are aware of all bylaws, rules, regulations and orders;
 - (b) ensure that all candidates, managers and volunteers comply with all bylaws, rules, regulations and orders;
 - (c) be responsible to the C.R.O. for the conduct of its volunteers;
 - (d) report any breach of a bylaw, rule, regulation or order immediately;
 - (e) comply with all University regulations, including those of Physical Plant and University residences or residence associations.
 - (f) communicate with University officials only through, or with the approval of, the C.R.O.

Student Groups May Not

42. No student group shall provide any campaign with the resources of their association. Where a student group violates this Section, the campaign which benefits from their violation shall be penalized.

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Executive and Board of

43. No member of the Executive Committee or the Board of Governors, shall

Governors May Not Campaign

- (a) campaign for or endorse a campaign without taking a leave of absence for the duration of the campaign period;
- (b) provide any campaign with the resources of the Students' Union.

Allowance for Referendum and Plebiscite

44. In the event of a plebiscite or referendum during the election, members of the Executive Committee or the Board of Governors Representative may speak to and/or endorse a side.

Rule Against Collusion

- 45. No campaign shall collude with another campaign, either prior to, during or following the campaign period. Specifically, no campaign, campaign manager, or candidate shall
 - (a) appear jointly in any campaign material;
 - (b) publicly endorse another candidate or campaign;
 - (c) jointly use resources, including campaign tables;
 - (d) produce campaign materials whose appearance could cause a reasonable person to associate that campaign with another.

Exemption to Rule

46. In the event of a plebiscite or referendum during the election, a candidate and/or a campaign may speak to and/or endorse a side.

Freedom of Members

47. Any member with the exception of the Executive Committee, the Board of Governors Representative, a candidate or campaign manager, shall be permitted to volunteer for or endorse multiple campaigns.

Liability for Property Damage

48. Where property belonging to the University of Alberta, the Students' Union or any third party is damaged by any candidate, manager or volunteer, the candidate(s) from that campaign shall be personally liable for that damage.

Restrictions on Campaigning

- 49. No individual may campaign:
 - (a) in a business or service owned or operated by the Students' Union;
 - (b) off-campus;

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- (c) in a University library;
- (d) in a classroom during a class period without first obtaining permission.

Media

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

General Meeting

51. There shall be a General Meeting of the Students' Union.-This date and time will normally be at 12:00 Noon on the second Monday after the second term Reading Week. The C.R.O. shall Chair the meeting, and shall provide each candidate with an opportunity to speak.

Restriction on Conduct

- 52. All individuals, including candidates, managers and volunteers, attending the General Meeting are required to act in a reasonable and responsible manner, and specifically no one shall:
 - (a) prevent a candidate from speaking during their allotted time;
 - (b) threaten the safety of another individual, including a candidate, at the forum;
 - (c) make any public statement which deliberately misrepresents facts, or is libelous, slanderous, obscene, or patently unfair to a campaign;
 - (d) distribute any campaign material during the meeting or within the room where the meeting occurs.

C.R.O. to enforce 53. conduct

- 53. While serving as Chair, the C.R.O. shall enforce Section 52. If an individual or candidate breaches Section 52, the C.R.O. may:
 - (a) prevent the individual or candidate from continuing to make their statement or action;
 - (b) require a candidate to apologize for a statement or action;
 - (c) order the individual or candidate removed from the General Meeting.

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No further recourse

54. Notwithstanding the appeal procedures later provided for, no further appeal or penalty is available for a breach of Section 52 other than that provided by Section 53.

Other Forums

55. Campaigns may participate in forums organized by other campus organizations, but no candidate shall participate in a forum unless all candidate's for a given position have received an invitation to attend and participate.

Section 50 Does Not Apply

56. All other forums are encouraged to follow the rules and principles set out in Section 52, but the C.R.O. shall not apply the rules of Section 52 to those forums unless serving as Chair or present at the forum, in which case the C.R.O. may intervene.

Campaign Materials (General)

Requirement for C.R.O. Approval

57. All campaign materials must be approved in form, content and cost by the C.R.O. before they may be used in a campaign.

Standard Materials

58. The C.R.O. shall normally approve campaign material in the form of posters, pamphlets, newspapers, ribbons, buttons and banners.

Request for Non-Standard Materials

59. The C.R.O. shall consider written requests from campaigns to use campaign material not outlined in Section 58, and shall respond in confidence to the campaign within 24 hours of the request.

Restriction on Form of Materials

60. The C.R.O. shall not approve campaign materials which:

- (a) have more than a nominal value when distributed;
- (b) primarily benefit individual members of a slate;
- (c) are displayed but not distributed, and can not be removed at the end of the campaign period;
- (d) are likely to damage property, including stickers and paint applied to building surfaces;
- (e) can not be monitored for compliance with all election bylaws, rules and regulations, including all electronic campaigning excepting only any World Wide Web space maintained and monitored by the Students' Union.

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Restriction on Content of Materials

61. The C.R.O. shall not approve campaign materials which:

- (a) contain libel or slander;
- (b) are factually incorrect;
- (c) violate any federal or provincial statute or regulation;

Request for Approval

62. Campaigns shall provide the C.R.O. with:

- a) a written description of the proposed campaign material;
- b) an written estimate of the cost of the proposed campaign material, and the source of that cost;
- c) the complete contents of the proposed campaign material, including text, images and its appearance on final presentation.
- d) It is the sole responsibility of each campaign to ensure that the C.R.O. receives all requests for approval of materials and that these requests fully comply with Section 62.

C.R.O. Required to Reply

63. The C.R.O. shall provide in confidence a written approval or refusal of campaign materials, and shall respond within four (4) working hours of receiving a complete request.

Purchase Procedure

64. Any purchase of campaign materials that exceeds one hundred (\$100.00) dollars must be paid for using a Purchase Order obtained from the C.R.O. and the Students' Union. No invoice for materials exceeding one hundred (\$100.00) dollars shall be paid by the Students' Union without a Purchase Order.

Early Approval of Purchase Orders

65. Where a nominee has submitted complete nomination papers prior to the deadline, and those papers have been reviewed and approved in their entirety, the candidate may apply for a Purchase Order in advance of Nomination Day, providing that the work approved by the Purchase Order does not begin prior to 1700 Hours on Nomination Day.

Unauthorized Materials

66. Where the C.R.O. determines that campaign material which has not been approved under Section 62 is being distributed, displayed or used by a campaign, then:

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(a) the C.R.O. shall order the material immediately withdrawn or removed and shall confiscate the material from the campaign for a period of not less than 24 hours;

(b) the C.R.O. shall assign an additional penalty, which may include destruction of the material, a fine or a restriction on campaigning, providing that the penalty is balanced against the volume of material distributed or its effect, and that no destruction take place until the appeal period expires.

Campaign Materials (Posters, Banners and Photocopies)

Number of Banners Permitted

- 67. a) Each campaign shall be limited to a maximum of one (1) banner per building, and five (5) banners in total.
 - b) Banners shall be constructed and placed according to University building regulations.
 - c) Where a banner is in violation of Section 67 (b), it may be removed by the C.R.O. or D.R.O.'s, or they may order another individual or campaign to make the removal.

Size of Banners Permitted

68. Banners, whether made from paper or any other material, shall be restricted to a minimum total area of four (4) square feet and a maximum total area of two hundred (200) square feet.

Number of Posters Permitted, Distribution and Identification

69. Each campaign shall have an unlimited amount of posters on display at any one time, and distribution shall occur through the C.R.O. who shall communicate in advance the rules, regulations or procedures to be followed. The C.R.O. shall use a unique mark, punch or means of identification to verify that only posters distributed by the C.R.O. have been used. All posters must be printed on recyclable paper.

Placement of Posters

- 70. Each campaign must comply with building regulations set out by the University of Alberta, and the additional limitations that:
 - (a) no more than one (1) poster per campaign may be affixed to any one (1) bulletin board;
 - (b) no more than one (1) poster per campaign may be affixed on the same plane within ten (10) feet of another;

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- (c) no more than two (2) posters per campaign may be affixed to the same pillar, and these posters must face in opposite directions;
- (d) no poster may be affixed so as to obscure or cover campaign materials.

Posters in Violation

71 Where a poster is in violation of Section 70, it may be removed by the C.R.O. or the D.R.O.'s, or they may order another individual or campaign to make the removal.

Damage to Materials

72. No individual may remove, deface, damage or destroy campaign material without the authorization of the C.R.O. or the D.R.O.'s.

Removal of Materials

73. All campaign materials must be removed, in a manner to be determined by the Chief Returning Officer, by 2100 Hours on the day before voting begins. The C.R.O. may require a reasonable number of representatives from each campaign to participate in the removal.

Purchase of Printed Materials

74. All printed campaign materials must be purchased at official list price costs from one (1) or more of at least five (5) printing companies to be stipulated by the C.R.O.

Exemption Limited

75. No exemption shall be provided for Section 74, unless it can be demonstrated in writing by the campaign that none of the five (5) printing companies stipulated have the facilities or equipment required to produce the materials.

Purchase of Photocopied Materials

All photocopied campaign materials must be purchased from the Students' Union Print Centre at official list prices. No exemption shall be provided to any campaign while the Print Centre or another similar Students' Union business remains operating and providing these services.

C.R.O. Must Mark All Photocopies and Record Quantities

77. The C.R.O. shall receive all campaign materials in advance of their distribution, and shall create a unique mark, punch or means of identification on every individual piece of authorized material that verifies it as having been approved. The C.R.O. shall tabulate the volume of material received, approved and returned for distribution, and compare those volumes with receipts included in the campaign expense accounts.

Time Limit on Material Return

78. The C.R.O. shall return materials to campaigns within a reasonable time period of twelve (12) posted work hours.

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Campaign Expense Limits and Expense Review

Individual Expense Limit

No campaign may spend more than the following amount:

(a) one (1) candidate

\$ 600.00 (b) two (2) candidates \$ 750.00

(c) three (3) candidates \$ 900.00

(d) four (4) candidates \$1050.00

(e) five (5) candidates \$1200.00

(f) six (6) candidates \$1350.00

"Joke Slate" **Expense Limits**

A candidate choosing not to use their given name, or a reasonable 80. derivative of their given name, shall not spend more than fifty (50%) per cent of the limit provided under Section 79.

Responsibility for **Record Keeping**

Each campaign shall keep an up-to-date and accurate account of all campaign expenses, and the candidate(s) shall be responsible for answering any inquiry from the C.R.O. regarding expenses.

Deadline for **Expense Account Submission**

82. Each campaign must submit to the C.R.O. by 1800 Hours on the Monday before voting begins their campaign expense account, listing and totaling all expenses, and including all original receipts and bills.

No Expenses on **Monday before** Voting

No campaign expenses may be made after 1800 Hours on the Monday before voting, save those already included in the campaign expense account.

Fair Market Value Requirement

84. Where a product or service is provided to a campaign without invoice, or at an invoiced rate less than official list prices, the expense account shall record the fair market value of the product or service as the expense amount.

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Specific Value for Donated Creative Services

- 85. Where any of the following services are provided including but not limited to:
 - (a) writing or graphic design;
 - (b) photography; or
 - (c) web-page writing, design or programming,

and no amount or a nominal amount is paid for the creative service, the amount charged will be established by the CRO prior to Nomination Day. All services should be brought to the CRO so that a nominal fee will be established and then declared on the campaign expense account.

All Materials Costs to be Declared

86. Where a service has been provided under Section 85, any materials or costs other than labor shall be recorded on the campaign expense account, including film, developing, printing, scanning, pmt generation, and computer discs.

Fair Market Value Assessment

- 87. Fair market value shall be determined by the C.R.O. using the following factors:
 - (a) the price another campaign would have to pay for the same product or service provided by that supplier, or another similar supplier, in which case that amount shall be assessed; or,
 - (b) whether the product or service is available to campaigns at no charge, in which case no charge shall be assessed.

Procedure to Request a Fair Market Value Assessment

- 88. For certainty in budgeting purposes, a campaign may request in writing a declaration from the C.R.O. of a product or service's fair market value, but must include in that request:
 - (a) a full and accurate description of the product or service;
 - (b) the supplier of the product or service, and their address, phone, fax and e-mail where possible;
 - (c) the campaign's estimate of fair market value, and their method of deriving that value;
 - (d) at least three (3) other suppliers of the same product or service;

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(e) where a product or service is to be claimed as free, reasonable evidence of that fact and reasonable evidence that the information is available to other campaigns;

(f) a signed declaration indicating the presence or absence of any relationships, whether by blood, marriage or acquaintance, between the supplier and any member of the campaign.

C.R.O. Required to Respond

89. The C.R.O. shall provide a written response to any complete request made under Section 87 within 36 hours of the request being received.

Only C.R.O. may challenge

90. Only the C.R.O. may review or challenge the contents of the campaign expense accounts.

C.R.O. to review and post

91. The C.R.O. shall review all expense accounts, and shall post summaries of all campaign's expenses by 1600 Hours on the Tuesday before voting begins.

Mandatory Disqualification

92. Where the C.R.O. determines that a campaign has exceeded their expense limit or has falsified documents, the campaign shall be disqualified, and notice to this effect shall be posted with the budgets, and communicated directly to the campaign in question.

D.I.E. Board Meeting

93. The C.R.O. shall request the D.I.E. Board to convene a meeting at 1900 Hours on the Tuesday before voting in the event that there is an appeal of a ruling made under Section 92.

Limit to Appeal Period

94. Where a campaign has been disqualified under Section 91, they may only appeal by presenting notice and appearing before a D.I.E. Board meeting that same day.

D.I.E. Board Must Rule

95. Notwithstanding normal procedures, where the D.I.E. Board hears an appeal under Section 94, they shall make a verbal or written ruling prior to the commencement of voting at 0800 Hours the following day, or make an order to postpone the commencement of voting.

Voting

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Balloting

96. Each member of the Students' Union shall be allowed to cast one (1) secret, non-transferable ballot, and the ballot will entitle each voter to make one (1) choice for each position.

Multiple votes in one category

97. Every member of the Students' Union shall be eligible to vote for only one candidate in the positions outlined in Section 4. In the event that a member votes for more than one candidate in any category that ballot will be declared void.

Multiple ballots cast

98. Every member of the Students' Union shall be eligible to vote only once. In the event that the C.R.O. determines that a member has voted more than once, all that members' ballots will be declared void.

C.R.O. Determines Location

99. Voting shall be conducted at locations and times determined by the C.R.O., and the C.R.O. shall advertise the same, however no voting, other than one advance poll, shall be conducted until all campaign expenses have been approved, or until all appeals of disqualification's have been ruled on by D.I.E. Board.

C.R.O. Determines how ballots are cast

100. The C.R.O. may conduct balloting by any means that provides precise, accurate, and confidential results. These means may include but not be limited to; mail-in ballots, on-campus balloting, electronic balloting or telephone balloting. The C.R.O. may use any of the aforementioned means of balloting in any combination.

Poll Clerks

101. At each poll there shall be two (2) Poll Clerks in attendance at all times. When, for any reason, only one (1) Poll Clerk is in attendance, balloting shall cease.

Notice to Voters

102. At each poll there shall be a notice to voters that candidates are elected individually to positions, and that they are not required to vote for every position.

Ballot Handling

103. The C.R.O. shall provide for the secure handling and transportation of ballots.

Restriction on Candidates

104. During voting candidates may encourage voting, but may not campaign. Candidates are not permitted within twenty (20) feet of a polling station or booth except for the purposes of voting.

Ballot Counting and Recounts

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105. Each campaign is permitted to have one (1) agent present at the counting of ballots, provided that once they have entered the count room, they may not leave the facility until the completion of counting.

C.R.O. Obligations

- 106. The C.R.O. or at least one designated (1) Deputy Returning Officer shall supervise the ballot counting process, and shall:
 - a) post final election results at both offices of the C.R.O. and Students' Union Executive within forty-eight (48) hours of all complaints and appeals having been resolved;
 - b) notify Speaker of Students' Council and Outgoing President of the Students' Union in writing of the final results:
 - c) advertise final election results in the first edition of the Official Student Newspaper after the posting of final election results as outlined in Section 104(a);
 - d) unofficial results may be posted at any time at the discretion of the C R O
 - e) seal ballot boxes until all complaints and appeals have been resolved;
 - f) store the ballots in a locked container or room for a period of at least two (2) weeks after the last recount has been completed.

- **Request for Recount** 107. A request for a recount shall be granted where:
 - a. the request is in writing and signed by a candidate who is contesting the particular position; and,
 - b. the request is submitted to the C.R.O. within forty-eight (48) hours of the posting of the election results; and,
 - c. the difference between the candidates for any one position is less than one half (1/2) of one percent (1%) of the total votes cast for the position.

C.R.O. may Initiate

108. The C.R.O. may initiate a recount independently.

Post Recount Results

109. The C.R.O. shall post the results of a recount within forty-eight (48) hours of the recount being completed.

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Expense and Deposit Reimbursement

Refund of Deposit

110. The Students' Union shall refund a candidate their deposit only if they receive ten (10%) per cent or more of the total votes cast for the position they seek.

Restriction on Refund

111. The Students' Union shall not refund a candidate their deposit if they withdraw from the election after 1700 Hours on the third day immediately after the Nomination Day, unless, in the opinion of the Chief Returning Officer, extenuating personal reasons have forced the candidate to withdraw.

Purchase Order Expenses

112. The Students' Union shall directly pay any invoice over a one hundred (\$100.00) dollar value, as evidenced by their campaign expense account, provided that the candidate has complied with all provisions of this Bylaw.

Reimbursement of Expenses

113. The Students' Union shall reimburse a candidate the remaining full value of their campaign expenses as evidenced by their campaign expense account, provided that the candidate has complied with all provisions of this Bylaw.

Restriction on Reimbursement and Disqualification

114. The Students' Union shall not reimburse a candidate the value of their campaign expenses nor refund their deposit if a candidate has been disqualified from running for office.

Violations and Complaints

C.R.O. Jurisdiction Affirmed

115. The C.R.O. is empowered to investigate and rule upon any breach of this bylaw, or any other bylaw, rule, regulation or order related to elections.

Any Member May Allege Breach

116. Any Member may allege a breach of this bylaw, or any other bylaw, rule, regulation or order related to elections except where otherwise stated.

C.R.O. to Prepare All Forms

117. The C.R.O. shall be responsible for preparing and making available any forms or information required in this part of the bylaw.

Contents of Complaint Form

118. The C.R.O. shall prepare and provide a complaint form which requires complainants to indicate:

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- (a) the name and student identification number of the complainant;
- (b) the specific bylaw number and Section, rule, regulation or order that has been breached:
- (c) the specific campaign or individual, including the C.R.O., that is alleged to be in breach;
- (d) the specific facts which constitute the alleged breach;
- (e) the evidence for these facts.

Limiting Clause

119. No complaint shall be considered by the C.R.O. unless it is in writing and is received within twenty-four (24) hours of the alleged breach.

Limitation

120. If a complaint involving pre-campaigning is brought to the attention of the C.R.O. within 24 hours of the discovery of an alleged breach then it will be considered.

Notice of **Complaint**

121. The original complaint form shall be provided to the C.R.O.. The complainant must also provide a copy of the form to any individual named in the complaint.

Rule in 24 Hours

C.R.O. Required to 122. Where a complaint is received and found to be complete, the C.R.O. shall investigate the facts, and shall rule on the complaint in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving the complaint.

- Contents of Ruling 123. Any ruling of the C.R.O. shall be posted at both the offices of the C.R.O. and the Students' Union Executive, and shall contain:
 - (a) a summary of the allegation;
 - (b) a summary of the parties to the complaint;
 - (c) where the C.R.O. fails to possess jurisdiction, a summary of the reasons for this finding;
 - (d) a listing of all applicable bylaws, rules, regulations or orders that apply;
 - (e) a finding regarding the facts;
 - (f) a ruling regarding the alleged breach;

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- (g) the penalty assigned;
- (h) the time the ruling was posted;
- (i) the time limit on any appeal.

Result, Not Intent, Relates to Penalty

- 124. Where a breach has occurred, regardless of cause or the intent of the parties involved, and that breach has provided an unfair advantage to a campaign, the C.R.O. shall assign a penalty that
 - (a) fully counter-balances any unfair advantage gained;
 - (b) penalizes the campaign for committing a violation.
 - (c) is of the same type or character as the advantage which was gained.

Penalties Available

- 125. Penalties available to the C.R.O. include, but are not limited to:
 - (a) a fine, to be included in campaign expenses;
 - (b) the confiscation or destruction of campaign materials;
 - (c) limits, restrictions and prohibitions on any type of campaigning, for any period of time;
 - (d) disqualification.

Series of Breaches

126. A penalty may be assessed for an individual breach, or for a series of repeated violations that in aggregate constitute a greater breach.

Causes for Disqualification

- 127. A campaign or candidate shall be disqualified where they commit a serious breach that
 - (a) cannot be counter-balanced by a lesser penalty;
 - (b) is malicious or substantially prejudicial to another campaign;
 - (c) involves tampering with ballots, balloting, voting or counting procedures; or,
 - (d) involves repeated violations.

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Further Discipline 128. Where a Member commits a serious breach, the C.R.O. may recommend to D.I.E. Board that further penalties be brought under Bylaw 1200 (The Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board Bylaw).

130.

Voiding of Election 129. Where a serious contravention of this Bylaw occurs, such that the results of the election could not reasonably be deemed to indicate the actual preference of the electors, that election or that part related to the contravention, may be declared void by the C.R.O. or D.I.E. Board upon appeal of the C.R.O.'s actions.

"Joke Slate" cannot win

- If a candidate, contesting on election as a joke slate, is a) elected, another election will be held to elect a candidate for that position.
 - b) In the event of (a), only the position(s) that is (are) won by a joke slate, will be contested.

Second Election

- 131. If another election is required by virtue of the operation of Section 129 and 130 the C.R.O. shall establish new nomination and election dates except that:
 - (a) neither date shall fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or statutory holiday; and
 - (b) the Nomination Day shall precede the Election Day by not less than nine (9) days and not more than seventeen (17) days, and
 - (c) the Chief Returning Officer shall post not less than five (5) days prior to the Nomination Day notice of the election and of the Nomination Day and shall advertise them in the Official Student Newspaper to the maximum extent practicable.

Initiating an Appeal

Parties Entitled to Appeal

132. Any party to a complaint is entitled to appeal the ruling of the C.R.O. to the D.I.E. Board.

Contents of **Complaint Form**

- 133. The C.R.O. shall prepare and provide an appeal form which requires appellants to indicate:
 - (a) the name and student identification number of the appellant;

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- (b) the ruling being appealed;
- (c) the reason for the appeal, including specifically any errors in interpretation or application found in the ruling;
- (d) the ruling sought from D.I.E. Board.

Limiting Clause

134. No appeal shall be considered by the D.I.E. Board unless it is in writing and is received within twenty-four (24) hours of the C.R.O.'s ruling being posted.

Notice of Complaint

135. The original appeal form shall be provided to the Chair of D.I.E. Board. The appellant must also provide a copy of the form to the C.R.O. and any individual named in the complaint.

D.I.E. Board Required to Hear in 24 Hours

136. Where an appeal is received and found to be complete, the D.I.E. Board shall convene a hearing within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving the appeal.

Appeal Hearing Procedures

First Ruling

- 137. The Board shall first convene privately and determine:
 - (a) if it has jurisdiction over the appeal;
 - (b) if a prima facie case has been made in the appeal.

Hearing

Dismissal Without 138. If either condition in Section 131 has not been met, the Board shall dismiss the appeal or the affected parts of the appeal.

Conflicts of **Interest**

- 139. At the opening of the appeal hearing, the Chair shall
 - (a) ask Board members if a conflict of interest exists between them and any party to the appeal;
 - (b) ask the parties to the appeal if they challenge any Board member based on a conflict of interest.

Board Determines Membership

140. Having heard the statements made under Section 136, the Board alone shall determine who shall sit on the appeal.

Procedures to be **Explained**

141. The Chair shall then explain any procedures to be followed to the parties involved, including any time limits to presentations or examinations.

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142. Any party to an appeal may choose to be represented for all or part **Parties Entitled to** of the hearing. Representation 143. The appellant shall be presented with the opportunity to Appellant's Presentation (a) make any oral or written presentations; (b) call and examine witnesses: (c) present any evidence. 144. During the appellant presentations and examinations, the Board may **Board May** intervene with questions. **Ouestion** 145. Following the examination of a witness, the respondent shall have Respondent's the opportunity to cross-examine. Cross-Examination 146. The respondent shall follow the same procedure at the completion Respondent's of the appellants presentations. Presentation 147. The Board shall offer first the appellant, then the respondent, the Closing opportunity to make a closing statement. **Statements** 148. The Board shall retire for deliberations in camera, and shall rule in **Board Decides In** writing within twenty-four (24) hours of the hearing. Camera 149. All rulings shall be posted outside the offices of the C.R.O. and the **Ruling Posted and** Students' Union Executive, and published in the Official Student **Published** Newspaper. 150. The Board may uphold, modify or overturn any ruling made or **Board's Powers to** penalty assigned by the C.R.O., and additionally may overturn all or Rule part of the election results and apply penalties under Bylaw 1200.

151. No appeal exists from a ruling of the Board on an election matter.

No Appeal Exists

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Bylaw 2100

A Bylaw Respecting the Campus Wide Election of the Students' Union

Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the "Campus Wide Election Bylaw."

Definitions

- 2. For the purpose of this bylaw:
 - (a) <u>a "member" shall be a member of the Students' Union, as</u> set out in Article I of the Students' Union Constitution;
 - (b) a "slate" shall be two (2) or more candidates who choose to run as members of a single slate for the purposes of this bylaw;
 - (c) the "Election" shall be the election of the Students' Union
 Executive Committee and of the Undergraduate Board of
 Governors Representative;
 - (d) the "General Meeting" shall be the annual General Meeting of the Students' Union, as set out in Article X of the Students' Union Constitution;
 - (e) a "campaign activity" shall be any act, planned or organized by or on behalf of any candidate or slate, that is calculated to draw attention to that candidate or slate's canidacy;

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(f) the "Campaign" shall be the period of time during which campaign activities are permitted;

- (g) a "campaign expense" shall be any expenditures incurred in engaging in campaign activities;
- (h) the "C.R.O." shall be the Chief Returning Officer of the Students' Union, as set out in the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw;
- (i) the "D.I.E. Board" shall be the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board of the Students' Union, as set out in Article XV of the Students' Union Constitution and in the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw;
- (j) a "D.R.O." shall be a Deputy Returning Officer of the Students' Union, as set out in the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw;
- (k) a "candidate" shall be any member whose nomination is accepted under this bylaw;
- (l) the "Official Student Newspaper" shall be the Official Student Newspaper designated by Students' Council as set out in the Official Student Newspaper Bylaw;
- (m) 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;

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(n) <u>a "volunteer" shall be any individual who is not a candidate but assists in campaign activities;</u>

- (o) "campaign materials" shall be any physical or electronic media produced or distributed as part of campaign activities;
- (p) a "banner" shall be any campaign material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material of a total area greater than four (4) square feet;
- (q) a "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;
- (r) <u>a "voter" shall be any member who exercises his/her</u> entitlement to vote under Section 86;
- (s) a "forum" shall be any event organized by an entity other that the Students' Union, a candidate, or a volunteer acting on behalf of a candidate at which campaign activities are facilitated;
- (t) the "University" shall be the University of Alberta; and
- (u) "working hours" shall be any and all hours occurring between 0900 and 1700.

Mandate

3. This bylaw shall govern the conduct of the Election.

Dates of Election

4. The Election shall be held annually on the Wednesday and Thursday during the second week following the Winter Term Reading Week.

PROPOSED 2100 (4)

C.R.O. Shall Determine the Commencement of Campaing Activities

5.

The C.R.O. shall determine and announce the time and date of the commencement of campaign activities, to occur no fewer than seven (7) days before the date of the Election as set out in Section 4, prior to the end of November each year.

C.R.O. Shall Set Nomination Deadline

6. The C.R.O. shall determine and announce the deadline for the nomination of candidates, to occur not fewer than thirteen (13) days before the date of the Election as set out in Section 4, prior to the end of November each year.

C.R.O. Shall Call

General Meeting 7.

7. The C.R.O. shall determine and announce the date and location of the General Meeting, to occur after the commencement of campaign activities as set out in Section 4, prior to the end of November of each year.

C.R.O. Shall Make Nomination Packages Available

8. The C.R.O. shall make available to every member nomination packages not fewer than twenty (20) days before the nomination deadline as set out in Section 6, and shall advertise the availability of these in not fewer than three (3) edition of the Official Student Newspaper before the nomination deadline.

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Content of Nomination Packages

- 9. The nomination packages shall contain, at minimum:
 - (a) complete and current copies of this bylaw, the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw, and the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw;
 - (b) nomination papers soliciting the name, contact information, and student identification number of the proposed nominee, the position the nominee whishes to contest, and the names, faculties, years, signatures, and student identification numbers of at least fifty (50) and at most one hundred (100) members as nominators;
 - (c) contact information for the C.R.O. and D.R.O.s;
 - (d) the time, date, and location for the candidates meeting, as set out in Section 15.

Valid Nomination

Papers

- 10. Valid nomination papers shall include:
 - (a) the names, faculties, years, signatures, and student identification numbers of at least fifty (50) members identifying themselves as nominators;
 - (b) a signed acceptance of the nomination by the proposed nominee;
 - (c) a signed letter from the proposed nominee's faculty confirming that he/she is in good academic standing under University regulations;
 - (d) a fifty dollar (\$50.00) deposit in the form of cash or a certified cheque or money order payable to the Students' Union;
 - (e) a statement, signed by the proposed nominee, identifying the name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot.

Restriction on Nominees

11. No member shall be nominated for more than one (1) of the positions contested in the Election.

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Consequence of Contravention

12.

Where a member contravenes Section 13, all of the member's nominations shall be declared null and void.

Acceptance of Nominations

13. Where a member submits valid nomination papers, as set out in Section 10 through 12, prior to the nomination deadline, as set out in Section 6, that member's nomination shall be accepted by the C.R.O. within seventy-two (72) hours of the nomination deadline.

No Nominations Received

14. Where no nominations for a given position have been received by the nomination deadline, the C.R.O. shall extend nominations for that position by up to three (3) working days.

Candidates Meeting

15. The C.R.O. shall hold a candidates meeting following the nomination deadline but prior to the commencement of the Campaign.

Mandatory Attendance

16. <u>All candidates shall either attend the candidates meeting in its</u> entirety or designate, in writing, an agent who will do so.

Consequence of Contravention

17. Where a candidate contravenes Section 16, that candidate shall be disqualified.

Exemptions to Mandatory Attendance

18. The C.R.O. may, at his/her discretion, grant exemptions to Section 16, but shall do so only where:

- (a) the candidate requesting the exemption does so in writing at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of the candidates meeting; or
- (b) the candidate informs and provides satisfactory evidence to the C.R.O. of an emergency for which no notice could be given.

PROPOSED 2100 (7)

Content of Candidates Meeting

- 19. At the candidates meeting, the C.R.O. shall, at minimum:
 - (a) review all relevant bylaws, rules, and regulations, including this bylaw, and respond to questions about same;
 - (b) announce the time, date, and location of the General Meeting;
 - (c) announce the time and date of any forums scheduled;
 - (d) conduct a random draw to determine the order of appearance of candidates' names on the ballot;
 - (e) determine and announce which candidates are joke candidates as set out in Section 2 (m);
 - (f) where two (2) or more candidates have asked to appear on the ballot under names that are either identical or so similar as to be effectively indistinguishable, determine and announce under what names each of the two (2) or more candidates shall appear on the ballot.
 - (g) announce the times, dates, and locations of daily meetings during the Campaign, as set out in Section 32, and announce any other methods that will be regularly used to communicate with candidates; and
 - (h) Take attendance for the purpose of verifying compliance with Section 16.

Requirement to Report Keys

20. All candidates 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.

PROPOSED 2100 (8)

C.R.O. Shall Confiscate Relevant Keys

21. 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; and
- (b) the candidate 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.

C.R.O. Shall Make Arrangements

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

Consequence of Contravention

23. Where a candidate contravenes Section 22, he/she shall be disqualified.

Prohibition on Pre-Campaigning 24.

24. <u>No Candidate shall, between the nomination deadline and the commencement of the Campaign, engage in any campaign activity.</u>

Formation of Slates

25. 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.

Restrictions on Slate Name

26. Candidates providing written notification to the C.R.O under Section 25 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.

C.R.O. Shall Authorize the Slate Formation

27. Where candidates requesting to run as a slate are in compliance with Sections 25 and 26, the C.R.O. shall grant their request.

PROPOSED 2100 (9)

Joke Candidates May Submit New 28.

Name

Where a candidate has been designated as a joke candidate, as set out in Section 19 (e), 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, provided that this is done prior to the commencement of the Campaign.

Designation 29. Shall be Reversed

Where a candidate who has been designated a joke candidate exercises his/her right, as set out in Section 28, 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.

Candidates with Same or Similar Names

30.

Where two (2) or more 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 slates shall use.

C.R.O. Shall List

Candidates

31. Within thirty-six (36) hours of nomination deadline, the C.R.O. shall post both the legal name of each of the candidates, the name under which each shall appear on the ballot, the name of each slate, and the abbreviation of each slate as it will appear on the ballot, and shall publish the same in the next available issue of the Official Student Newsaper.

C.R.O. Shall Hold Daily Meetings

32. On every weekday during the Campaign, the C.R.O. shall hold a daily meeting, at which he/she shall review complaints, rulings, regulations, procedures, and announcements.

Mandatory Attendance

33. Each candidate shall either attend each daily meeting himself/herself or designate, in writing, a representative who will attend.

PROPOSED 2100 (10)

Consequence of Contravention

34. Where a candidate contravenes Section 33, 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.

Requirements of Candidates

- 35. Each candidate 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.

No Use of Non-Universal Resources

- 36. No candidate or slate shall make use of any resource that is not:
 - (a) available to all candidates and slates:
 - (b) general volunteer labour or expertise; or
 - (c) accounted for as part of that candidate's or slate's campaign expenses.

No Joint Use of Resources

37. No two (2) or more candidates 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.

Freedom of Members

38. Any member with the exceptions of the C.R.O. and the D.R.O.s shall be free to act as a volunteer for or endorse multiple candidates.

PROPOSED 2100 (11)

Restrictions on Campaign Activities

39. No candidate shall, without the permission of the C.R.O. during a daily candidates meeting, 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 or 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.

Requirement for Forums

40. No candidate shall participate in any forum unless each candidate in his/her race has received at least forty-eight (48) hours notification of the forum and will be afforded an equal chance to speak at it.

Rules at the General Meeting 41.

- 41. The C.R.O. shall chair the General Meeting and shall enforce the following rules:
 - (a) each candidate shall be afforded an opportunity to speak that is equal to the opportunity afforded to each candidate in his/her race;
 - (b) no objects shall be thrown;
 - (c) no heckling shall occur;
 - (d) no campaign materials shall be distributed during the General Meeting in the room in which the General Meeting is held.

C.R.O. Shall Remove Offenders

42. Where an individual contravenes Section 41, the C.R.O. shall remove that individual from the General Meeting.

PROPOSED 2100 (12)

C.R.O. Shall

Punish Offending 43. **Candidates**

Where a candidate contravenes Section 41, the C.R.O., in addition to the remedies prescribed under Section 42, shall have the authority to enforce further disciplinary action, as prescribed under Section 127.

C.R.O. Must

Approve **Materials**

44. All campaign materials shall be approved in form, content, and cost by the C.R.O. before they may be used in campaign activities.

Requirements to **Request Approval** 45. of Materials

Candidates and slates wishing to have campaign materials approved shall provided 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.

C.R.O. Must Respond

46. The C.R.O. shall provide in confidence a written approval or refusal of campaign materials within twelve (12) working hours of receiving a request as set out in Section 45.

Forbidden Materials

- 47. 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.

Consequence of Contravention

48. Where a candidate or slate contravenes Section 44, the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or slate, as set out in Section 127.

PROPOSED 2100 (13)

Restrictions on Banners

49. No candidate or slate shall have more than one (1) banner on display in any given building at any given time.

Media

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

Consequences of Contravention

51. Where a candidate contravenes Section 49, the offending banners shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate, as set out in Section 127.

Restriction on Posters

52. No candidate shall have more than sixteen (16) posters on display in any given building at any given time.

Restriction on Placement

53. No poster shall be displayed in such a way as to obscure another candidate's or slate's campaign materials.

Consequence of Contravention

54. Where a candidate contravenes Section 51 or Section 52, the offending posters shall be destroyed, and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate, as set out in Section 127.

Only C.R.O May Authorize Destruction

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

Materials Must Be Removed

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

PROPOSED 2100 (14)

Designated Printers

57. 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.

Minimum Designated Printers

58. The C.R.O. shall designate at least five (5) printers from which candidates may purchase materials to be in compliance with Section 56.

Exemption

59. Where a candidate 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 57, the C.R.O. shall grant a limited exemption from Section 56 to that candidate.

Must Use S.U. Business Where Possible

59. Where campaign materials can be produced by a Students' Union operated business, candidates shall purchase those campaign materials from that business.

Consequence of Contravention

60. Where a candidate contravenes Section 56 or Section 59, the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed, and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate, as set out in Section 127.

<u>Campaign</u> <u>Expense Limits</u> (<u>Individuals</u>)

61. No candidate shall accrue more than seven hundred dollars (\$700.00) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.

Campaign Expense Limits (Slates)

62. No slate shall accrue more than five hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$525.00) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.

Campaign Expense Limits (Members of Slates)

63. No candidate who is running as part of a slate shall accrue more than one hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$175.00) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.

PROPOSED 2100 (15)

Joke Candidate

Expense Limits

64. No joke candidate shall accrue more than one half (1/2) of the expenses set out in Sections 61 and 63.

Allowance for Recycled Materials

65. Where a candidate or slate chooses to print campaign materials on recycled paper containing one hundred per cent (100%) post consumer content, and where that candidate 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 61 through 64.

Responsibility for

Record Keeping

66. Each candidate 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.

Requirements to Submit Records

67. Each candidate and slate shall submit to the C.R.O. the record, as set out in Section 66, no less than sixteen (16) working hours prior to the commencement of voting.

Deadline for Incurring Expenses

68. No candidate or slate shall incur and campaign expenses within sixteen (16) 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 67.

Candidates Shall Be Assessed Fair Market Value

69. Where a product or service has been provided to a candidate or slate for no consideration or for consideration that is less than the official list price of the service provider, that candidate 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.

PROPOSED 2100 (16)

Reverse Does Not Apply

70. Where a candidate or slate receives a product or service for consideration that is greater than the fair market value, then that candidate or slate shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense equal to the actual consideration.

Valueless Items

71. For purposes of Section 69, 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.

C.R.O. Shall Determine Market Value

72. The fair market value shall be determined by the C.R.O. using the price that any other candidate or slate would have to pay for a comparable product or service as a guideline.

Advance Assessment of Market Value

73. Candidates 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.

Procedure for Advance Assessment

- 74. A candidate 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 slate's estimation of the product or service's fair market value, and a rationale for same.

C.R.O. Must Respond

75. Where a complete request under Section 74 has been submitted to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall respond with a decision within twelve (12) working hours.

PROPOSED 2100 (17)

C.R.O. Must Post

Record

76. The C.R.O. shall review all campaign expense records, and shall post summaries of same more than twelve (12) working hours prior to the commencement of voting.

C.R.O. Shall Disqualify Violators

77. Where the C.R.O. determines that a candidate or slate has exceeded or falsified its campaign expense limit, that candidate or slate shall be disqualified, and notice of this shall be posted with the campaign expense records, and communicated directly to the candidate or slate in question.

D.I.E. Board Must

Meet

78. The D.I.E. Board shall convene a meeting less than twelve (12) working hours prior to the commencement of voting for the purpose of hearing and ruling on all appeals of the C.R.O.'s rulings.

Limitation on Appeal Times

79. 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.

D.I.E. Board Must Rule

80. The D.I.E. Board shall, at the meeting set out in Section 78, either:

- (a) rule on all appeals; or
- (b) order a delay to the Election.

All Members Save C.R.O. Have 81.

the Right to vote

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 Section 94.

Multiple Ballots

82. Where a member is found to have a cast more than one (1) ballot, all of that member's ballots shall be considered spoiled.

PROPOSED 2100 (18)

Ballots Will List

Candidates

83. <u>Ballots shall list each candidate running for each position, followed by, in each position, the voting selection "None of the Above."</u>

"None of the Above" Counts

84. For the purposes of Sections 85 through 95, "None of the Above" shall be considered a candidate.

Preferential Balloting

85. 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.

Victors Require a Majority

86. A candidate shall require a majority of voters to indicate him/her as their first choice in order to be elected.

Freedom of Voters

87. Voters shall be entitled to mark as few as zero candidates for any given position or as many as all of them.

Spoiled Ballots

- 88. 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; or
 - (d) <u>that voter has used non-consecutive numbers.</u>

PROPOSED 2100 (19)

89. Notwithstanding Section 88, where a voter's intention is clear, that voter's ballot shall be counted.

Second and Subsequent Counts

90. 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.

Adjustment for Eliminated Candidates

91. 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 that than originally indicated.

Ballots with No First Place Selection

92. 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.

Primary Provision

for a Tie

93. 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.

Secondary Provision for a Tie

94. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first places 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, then the C.R.O. shall cast a ballot.

PROPOSED 2100 (20)

Requirement to

95. The process set out in Sections 90 through 94 shall continue for each Win 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 victor for the position.

When "None of the Above" Wins

96. Where "None of the Above" is declared the victor, the C.R.O. shall call a new Election for that position.

C.R.O. Shall

Determine Times 97. Voting shall be conducted at times determined and advertised by the C.R.O.

D.I.E. Board Must

98. **Be Done Ruling**

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 79.

C.R.O. Shall **Determine**

Method(s)

99. The C.R.O. shall conduct balloting by any means that provide precise, accurate results, and may use multiple methods in any combination.

Minimum of 2

Poll Clerks

100. At each physical polling station, there shall be at least two (2) poll clerks, hired by the Students' Union for that purpose, at all times.

Balloting Shall

Cease

101. Where there are fewer than two (2) poll clerks at any given polling station at any given time, polling at that polling station shall cease until such time as there are at least two (2) poll clerks at that polling station.

PROPOSED 2100 (21)

Notice to Voters

102. At each physical polling station, there shall be a notice to voters that candidates are elected individually to each position, which shall also explain the balloting procedures.

Explanation on Ballot

- 103. 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 88 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.

C.R.O. Shall Provide for Secure Handling

104. 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.

Limitations to Candidates

105. <u>During voting, candidates shall not encourage members to vote or engage in any campaign activities.</u>

Candidates Must Stay Away

106. During voting, candidates shall not be within twenty (20) feet of any polling station except to vote themselves.

Right to a Scrutineer

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

PROPOSED 2100 (22)

Requirements of the C.R.O.

108. The C.R.O. or at least one (1) D.R.O. shall:

- a. supervise the counting of ballots;
- b. post final Election 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;
- d. post unofficial Election results at any time, including during counting;
- e. advertise final Election results in the first available edition of the Official Student Newspaper after the posting of final results as set out in Section 108 (b); and
- f. store the ballots in a secure location for at least two (2) weeks after the last recount has been completed.

C.R.O. Shall Authorize Recounts

- 109. 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 108 (b); and
 - c. the difference between the first place votes of the victor and those of the second place candidate on the final count is less than two percent (2%) of the total votes cast for that position.

C.R.O. May Initiate Recount

110. The C.R.O. may initiate a recount independently for any reason.

C.R.O. Shall Post

Results of Recount

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

PROPOSED 2100 (23)

Requirements to

Receive Deposit

112. 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.

Forfeiture of **Deposit**

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

No Deposit to **Disqualified Candidates**

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

Joke Candidate **Cannot Win**

115. Where a joke candidate is elected to any position, the C.R.O. shall call a new Election for that position.

New Election Bylaw

Shall Follow this 116. Where another Election is required by virtue of Section 96 or Section 115, the new Election shall be governed by this bylaw with the exception of Sections 4 through 7 and Sections 41 through 43, which shall not apply.

Minimum Length of Campaign

The Campaign for the new Election shall begin a minimum of seven 117. (7) days prior to the commencement of voting as set out in Section 119.

Minimum

Preparation Time 118.

The nomination deadline for the new Election shall occur a minimum of thirteen (13) days prior to the commencement of voting as set out in Section 119.

PROPOSED 2100 (24)

Election Date

119. 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.

Powers of the C.R.O.

120. 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.

C.R.O. Shall Prepare Form

- 121. 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.

C.R.O. Required to Rule

122. 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.

Copies to Respondents

123. The C.R.O. shall provide a copy of the complaint form, with the complainant's student identification number blacked out, to each respondent.

PROPOSED 2100 (25)

C.R.O. Must Rule Within 12

Within 12 Working Hours 124. Where a complaint is received and is found to be complete as set out in Section 121, the C.R.O. shall rule on the complaint within twelve (12) working hours of receiving the complaint.

C.R.O. Shall Post

Rulings

- 125. 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 120, a summary of the reasons for this finding;
 - d. a listing of all bylaws, rules, and regulations that apply;
 - e. <u>a finding regarding the facts</u>;
 - 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.

Criteria for Determining Penalty

- 126. Where a candidate 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. <u>fully counter-balances any advantage gained; and</u>
 - b. where the contravention was intentional, penalizes the candidate who was or whose volunteer was guilty of the contravention.

PROPOSED 2100 (26)

<u>Available</u> Penalties

- 127. 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. <u>limits, restrictions, and prohibitions on any type of campaign activities for any period of time up to the commencement of voting; and</u>
 - d. disqualification.

Disqualification

- 128. 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. <u>is malicious or substantially prejudicial to another candidate or slate; or</u>
 - c. <u>involves tampering with ballots, voting procedures, or counting procedures.</u>
- 129. Where a slate is disqualified, all candidates running as a part of that slate shall also be disqualified.

C.R.O. May Refer

to D.I.E. Board

130. 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 Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board bylaw.

Right of Members

131. Any member shall be entitled to appeal a ruling of the C.R.O. to the D.I.E. Board.

PROPOSED 2100 (27)

Limiting Clause

132. 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.

D.I.E. Board Must

Rule

133. 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.

No Appeal Exists

134. No appeal shall exist from a ruling of the D.I.E. Board on an appeal of a ruling by the C.R.O.

Bylaw 7200

A Bylaw Respecting the Students' Union Orientation

Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the "Orientation Bylaw."

Mandate

- 2. The Orientation Coordinator will:
 - a. Design and implement an orientation program for new students to the University of Alberta; and,
 - b. Ensure that new students are receiving a thorough and extensive welcome to the University of Alberta, through universal orientation.

Term of Office

- 3. a. The term of office for the Orientation Coordinator will be for a period of thirteen (13) months commencing September 1 and concluding September 30 of the following year
 - b. The incoming Coordinator will be given a thorough orientation to the position and the Students' Union, and where possible will transition with the outgoing Coordinator. This transition will occur in the month of September.

Conduct of Business

- 4. a. Throughout their term of office, the Coordinator will hold a minimum of forty (40) hours per week in office time.
 - b. The Orientation Coordinator will report to the Vice President Student Life.

CURRENT 7200 (2)

Selection of Coordinator

- 5. a. The selection committee for the Orientation Coordinator will consist of the following:
 - i. The President of the Students' Union, as Chair;
 - ii. The Vice President Student Life;
 - iii. One (1) member of Students' Council;
 - iv. One (1) student at large member; and,
 - v. One (1) Orientation Leader
 - b. Quorum for this committee will be three (3) voting members.

Duties of the Cooridinator

- 6. a. Working with other Students' Union departments and the relevant departments of the University in designing and implementing an Orientation Program to commence in September;
 - b. Working closely with the Students' Union Entertainment and Programming Department and the Vice-President Student Life to coordinate the activities of the Orientation Program and Week of Welcome;
 - c. Working with the Manager of Marketing and Information to solicit sponsorship for the Orientation Program;
 - d. Working with the Office of the Registrar and Faculty Offices to inform incoming students about the Orientation Program;
 - e. The overall administration of the Orientation Program;
 - f. Management of all orientation staff and volunteers, including recruiting, training, supervising, and where necessary, conflict management and dismissal;
 - g. The preparation and administration of preliminary, final, and project budgets, in accordance with Bylaw 3100 (Conduct of Business). This includes abiding by the approved budget guidelines and explaining variance reports;

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- h. Long range planning for the Program;
- i. The ongoing assessment, analysis, and development of the Orientation Program activities, structures, and objectives;
- j. Maintaining the Transition Manual and orienting the incoming Coordinator;
- k. Cooperation with other Students' Union and University offices;
- 1. The preparation of reports to Students' Council, in accordance with Bylaw 7000 (Students Serivces);
- m. Preparing a final report and recommendations regarding the improvement of the Orientation Program;
- Other duties as outlined in the employment contract, and as may be specified from time to time by the Executive Committee and Students' Council.

PROPOSED

Bylaw 7200

A Bylaw Respecting the Students' Union Orientation

Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the "Orientation Bylaw."

Mandate

- 2. Orientation will provide new students with all the tools they will require to integrate successfully into the University of Alberta Community.
- 2. The Orientation Coordinator will:
 - a. Design and implement an orientation program for new students to the University of Alberta; and,
 - b. Ensure that new students are receiving a thorough and extensive welcome to the University of Alberta, through universal orientation

Selection of the 3. Orientation Manager

- 3. The selection Committee for the Orientation Manager will consist of the following:
 - a. the Director of New Student Programs;
 - b. the Manager of Student Services from the Students' Union;
 - c. The Vice President (Student Life) from the Students' Union;
 - d. The Personnel Manager from the Students' Union.

PROPOSED 7200 (2)

Term of Office

- 4. The Orientation Manager position shall be subject to the following conditions:
 - a. The Orientation Manager will hold office for a period of one year with the possibility of renewing the contract annually for a maximum of three years;
 - b. If the Orientation Manager has not held the position for three years they must declare their intent to either renew their contract or provide notice by 1st August.
- 3. a. The term of office for the Orientation Coordinator will be for a period of thirteen (13) months commencing September 1 and concluding September 30 of the following year
 - b. The incoming Coordinator will be given a thorough orientation to the position and the Students' Union, and where possible will transition with the outgoing Coordinator. This transition will occur in the month of September.

Conduct of Business

- 4. a. Throughout their term of office, the Coordinator will hold a minimum of forty (40) hours per week in office time.
 - b. The Orientation Coordinator will report to the Vice President Student Life.

Selection of Coordinator

5. a. The selection committee for the Orientation Coordinator will consist of the following:

The President of the Students' Union, as Chair;

ii. The Vice President Student Life;

iii. One (1) member of Students' Council;

iv. One (1) student at large member; and,

v. One (1) Orientation Leader

b. Quorum for this committee will be three (3) voting members.

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Duties of the Cooridinator

- 5. The Orientation Manager shall be responsible for:
 - a. The operations of Students' Union transition programs that fall under the banner of the Student Development Centre;
 - a. The development and implementation of departmental budgets;
 - b. The promotion of programs and other initiatives under the banner of the Student Development Centre;
 - d. Other job-related duties as outlined by the Director of New Student Programs.
- 6. a. Working with other Students' Union departments and the relevant departments of the University in designing and implementing an Orientation Program to commence in September;
 - b. Working closely with the Students' Union Entertainment and Programming Department and the Vice-President Student Life to coordinate the activities of the Orientation Program and Week of Welcome;
 - c. Working with the Manager of Marketing and Information to solicit sponsorship for the Orientation Program;
 - d. Working with the Office of the Registrar and Faculty Offices to inform incoming students about the Orientation Program;
 - e. The overall administration of the Orientation Program;
 - f. Management of all orientation staff and volunteers, including recruiting, training, supervising, and where necessary, conflict management and dismissal;
 - g. The preparation and administration of preliminary, final, and project budgets, in accordance with Bylaw 3100 (Conduct of Business). This includes abiding by the approved budget guidelines and explaining variance reports;

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- h. Long range planning for the Program;
- i. The ongoing assessment, analysis, and development of the Orientation Program activities, structures, and objectives;
- j. Maintaining the Transition Manual and orienting the incoming Coordinator;
- k. Cooperation with other Students' Union and University offices;
- l. The preparation of reports to Students' Council, in accordance with Bylaw 7000 (Students Serivces);
- m. Preparing a final report and recommendations regarding the improvement of the Orientation Program;
- n. Other duties as outlined in the employment contract, and as may be specified from time to time by the Executive Committee and Students' Council.