

STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

Tuesday September 23, 2003 – 6:00 PM
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

2003-12/3

SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2003-12/3b

SMITH/DUBE MOVED THAT Students' Council overturn the decision of CRO in REIKI v.s. CRO.

Please see document 03-12.01

2003-12/10

LEGISLATION

2003-12/10d

LAVER/TAYLOR MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Student Life Board, adopt the Campus-wide Smoking and/or Tobacco Ban Policy.

Please see document LA 03-12.02

2003-12/10e

CONGLY/EKDAHL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Student Life Board, adopt the Policy on Discriminatory Business Practices.

Please see document LA 03-12.03

2003-12/11

NEW BUSINESS

2003-12/11b

BOTTEN/COOK MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Financial Affairs Board, approve the disbursement of the APIRG fund to the Alberta Public Interest Research Group for the 2003/2004 year.

Please see document LA 03-12.04

2003-12/11c

BOTTEN/WEPLER MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Financial Affairs Board, approve the disbursement of \$73,096 from the APIRG fund collected in 2001/2002 to the Alberta Public Interest Research Group.

Please see document LA 03-12.05

- 2003-12/11d BOTTEN/COOK MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Financial Affairs Board, approve the revised final Operating, Capital & Non-Dedicated Reserves Budget for the 2003/2004 year.
- Please see document LA 03-12.06
- 2003-12/11e BOTTEN MOVED THAT Students' Council approve a \$25,000 loan to the University of Alberta Forest Society for their annual Christmas Tree sale, pursuant to the standing agreement between the Students' Union and the Forest Society.
- 2003-12/12 **REPORTS**
- 2003-12/12a Janet Lo, Vice President Academic
- Please see document LA 03-12.07
- 2003-12/12b Tyler Botton, Vice President Operations and Finance
- Please see document LA 03-12.08
- 2003-12/12c Jadene Mah, Vice President Student Life
- Please see document LA 03-12.09
- 2003-12/12d Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative's Report
- Please see document LA 03-12.10

PROPOSED

THE STUDENTS' UNION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT

<i>Policy Number:</i>	<i>Effective Date:</i> <u>September 23, 2003</u>	<i>Page</i> 1 <i>of</i> 1
	<i>Expiration Date:</i> April 30, 2006	
<i>Responsibility for Policy:</i>	<u>Student Life Board</u>	
<i>Subject Matter</i>	- <i>Category:</i> POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)	
	- <i>Specific:</i>	
	- <i>Topic:</i> <u>Tobacco Ban</u>	

WHEREAS smoking is currently prohibited in all campus buildings except in licensed establishments;

WHEREAS tobacco products are extremely physically addictive;

WHEREAS tobacco users are therefore likely to smoke on areas near campus placing strain on the University's relationship with it's neighbours;

WHEREAS tobacco users who do go entire days without smoking just because it is banned on campus may experience severely depressed morale;

WHEREAS students who live in campus residences will be required to compromise their safety by leaving their residence home to engage in tobacco product use;

WHEREAS tobacco users are unlikely to cease buying tobacco products because it is banned on campus therefore driving profits off-campus;

WHEREAS a full ban of smoking on campus would be enforceable only at considerable expense to the University, which is largely funded by direct student fees;

WHEREAS there is little or no proven health benefit to be derived from a campus wide tobacco ban;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union oppose a campus-wide ban of smoking and/or tobacco products.

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	- <i>Topic:</i> <u>Policy on Discriminatory Business Practices</u>	

WHEREAS diversity is an integral part of society today;

AND WHEREAS the Students' Union believes in promoting the acceptance of diversity in both the university and surrounding community;

AND WHEREAS discrimination, as defined in the University of Alberta's Code of Student Behaviour, is still found in the university and surrounding community;

AND WHEREAS there are local businesses that actively discriminate against members of the university and surrounding community;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union actively communicate to the university community the local businesses where students experienced discrimination;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union consequently support businesses that do not engage in discriminatory practices.

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APIRG ANNUAL BUDGET - May to April fiscal year

Account

Operations			
1	Conference Fund	\$ 10,000.00	as requests submitted
2	Speaker Fund	\$ 8,400.00	as requests submitted
3	Workshops / Events	\$ 1,500.00	3 per year
4	Working groups	\$ 35,000.00	3 funding rounds per fiscal year
5	Library	\$ 2,000.00	ongoing updating and subscriptions
6	AGM	\$ 400.00	annually
Total Operations		\$ 61,800.00	
Office			
10	Rent & Utilities	\$ 12,000.00	1000 per month includes property taxes
11	Insurance	\$ 450.00	annual fee
12	Phone & Fax	\$ 1,500.00	125 per month
13	Internet	\$ 500.00	42 per month
14	Photocopier	\$ 1,800.00	150 per month
15	Office supplies & Admin. Overhead	\$ 2,000.00	250 per month Overhead includes mileage, bank charges, parking fees, society filing fees, etc.
Total Office		\$ 18,250.00	
Administration			
16	Communication, outreach	\$ 2,000.00	1000 for fall & winter semesters - advertising, Gateway, etc.
17	Opt-out administration	\$ 1,000.00	500 for fall & winter semesters - advertising, Gateway, etc.
18	Student opt-out	\$ 2,500.00	1000 for fall & winter semesters
19	Contract work	\$ 450.00	special project once annually
20	Audit	\$ 2,000.00	annual fee
Total Administration		\$ 7,950.00	
Staff			
21	Coordinator	\$ 30,000.00	
22	Administrator	\$ 20,000.00	
Total Staff		\$ 50,000.00	
23	Contingency & Miscellaneous	\$ 5,000.00	unforeseen expenses, emergency & build up members' equity reserve fund
Budget Total		\$ 143,000.00	
Estimated Income (designated fees)		\$ 143,000.00	
Estimated Expenses 2003/2004		\$ 143,000.00	
Projected Surplus (Deficit)		\$ -	

* Submitted April 2003 for approval by the U of A SU. APIRG's fiscal year runs May 2003 - April 2004



The Alberta Public Interest Research Group

July 9, 2003

Attn: Tyler Botten, VP Finance
University of Alberta Students' Union
Suite 2900 Student's Union Building
University of Alberta T6G 2J7

Dear Financial Affairs Board Members:

This letter is written as a statement of intent regarding the remaining \$73,096 that the Students' Union is holding in trust from APIRG's 2001/2002 dedicated fees.

The APIRG Board of Directors has requested that this amount be released to APIRG for the following purposes:

- The full amount of \$73,096 will be invested in GICs offered by our financial institution, TD Canada Trust.
- Approximately \$53,096 will be placed in short-term or medium-term GICs. This money will be used to provide cash flow reserves in the event of a delay in the disbursement of APIRG's dedicated fees. It will be returned to GICs once the funds are disbursed.
- Annual interest revenue from these funds will be used for special projects, to be determined on an annual basis by the APIRG Board. Although the current Board has no intention of spending the principal of \$53,096 at this time, it may be accessed by future APIRG Boards for projects of exceptional benefit to the community. Any such plans will be included in APIRG's annual budget projections and any expenditures will be verified in our annual audited statements.
- The remaining \$20,000 will be placed in a long-term GIC as a Members' Equity or reserve fund. This fund will be used to cover outstanding debts and closing expenses in the event that APIRG ceases to operate. It will not be accessible to the organization for operational expenses.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions about this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Rose Yewchuk
APIRG Coordinator

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Report to Students' Council
From: Janet Lo, Vice-President Academic
Submitted: Tuesday 23 September 2003
<http://www.su.ualberta.ca/vpacademic>

Academic Affairs Board

- Met on Sep 10 for joint EAB/AAB.
- Met on Sep 11 for a meeting.
- Met on Sep 18 for guest speaker Don Carmichael, who is an Arts Professor and the Past-Past President of the Association of Academic Staff: University of Alberta (AAS:UA) and Chair of the AAS:UA Teaching Committee.

Meetings With People!

- Met with the new Dean of Extension, Cheryl McSwatters.
- Met with Registrar, Carole Bryne about fees and Bear Tracks.
- Met with the AAS:UA Teaching Committee and President Rod Fraser to discuss a first year initiative to help first year students.
- Attended a session on Teaching & Research hosted by the AAS:UA featuring a guest speaker from Oxford University, Dr. Alan Jenkins.

General Faculties' Council

- GFC Nomination Committee Meeting. Discussed the nature and democratic process whereby the Nomination Committee handles nominations for GFC and standing committees.
- GFC CAAST: the usual course approvals and receipt of documents for information. An interesting report back from the Ad-Hoc Committee of the Funding Solutions Task Force regarding printing the calendar. This will come to GFC on the 29th. Ask me for details if you're interested.
- Special thanks to Chris Henderson, who organized a phenomenally successful First General Faculties' Council Student Caucus Retreat. Also thanks to our very revered guest Ellen Schoeck, Director of the University Secretariat, who gave a stunning rendition of U of A history. For those of you who haven't taken it, take Governance 101 with Ellen Schoeck. Ask me for details.
- Sent 7 written questions to General Faculties' Council.
- Preparing for GFC.

Projects

- Where does the week go? I tried to figure out where my last two weeks went when I realized that it was spent devoted to one main issue:
- **GFC Vacancies.**
 - The Debate: To fill or not to fill? That is the question.
 - The Dilemma: How to fill? By-election? Appointment? First-come, first serve? Nomination Process?
 - The Decision: Application Process.
 - The Deluge: of nobody applying. <me crying>
 - The Determined: search and pleading for applications.

- The Deadline: September 29th, 2003.
 - The Delicious: available seats! (You want them, you really want them!)
 - Arts: 1 GFC Seat
 - Education: 4 GFC Seats
 - Pharmacy: 1 GFC Seat
 - Rehab Med: 1 GFC Seat
 - Science: 1 GFC Seat
 - The Application: <http://www.su.ualberta.ca/gfc> ... form downloadable off the site! How convenient!
 - The Concerns: just ask me or Henderson!
 - Your Job: Please get your friends in the above mentioned faculties to apply or talk to us!
- **Bear Tracks User Acceptance Testing.**
- Need volunteers to test Bear Tracks upgrade.
 - Dates: October 16, 20, 21. Shifts: 13-15, 15-1630.
 - Sign up with me: I need your CNS ID and ID #.
 - Please sign up ASAP. Send e-mail.
- **Canadian Academic Round Table II**
- Booked flights and registered for conference.
 - Thinking about issues I can present at the table.

UPCOMING!

Wednesday, September 24

CaPS Career Fair, 10-4, Butterdome

Academic Planning Committee (GFC), 2-4 pm

GFC Student Caucus (prep for GFC), 515-6 pm, Student Groups Lounge

Thursday, September 25

U of A AGM, 730 am, Sheraton Grande Hotel

Campus Law Review Committee (GFC), 11 am

Mucho Classroom Speaking about GFC!, various times

Academic Affairs Board, 5-7 pm, Lower Level Meeting Room

Friday, September 26

Visiting Grant MacEwan College SA VPA, Matt Glass (FUN!)

Monday, September 29

General Faculties' Council (!!!), 2-5 pm, Council Chambers

Tuesday, September 30

Pay your tuition! Yeah, you! Registrar closes at 4 pm, people. Pay or get lost.

Awards Committee, 6 pm, 606 SUB

Tyler Botten's Birthday, all day, I daren't tell you how old! Ask him yourself!

Wednesday, October 1

Committee on Learning Environment (GFC), 2-4 pm

Council of Faculty Associations, 530-8 pm, AUFSJ

Thursday, October 2

CAAST (GFC) Reception, 4 pm

Alumni Pride Awards

Monday, October 6

GFC Exec, 2-4 pm

Report to Students' Council
September 23, 2003
Tyler Botten, Vice President (Operations & Finance)

Members of Council,

With a turn of the page, we have a new Survivor series and a new Council meeting. Reality TV and Students' Council...ahh the similarities.

As the Day on which Botswana celebrates its Independence draws near, we gather 'round the table to discuss matters of dependence in our own realm of understanding. Seems like it has been a slow couple of weeks, though I have done my best to make this report more interesting than both the *separation of powers* discussion and the movie *Independence Day*. You may not enjoy it, but it's still better than poring over the rest of the agenda...

The Past

1. **women's centre update** – things appear to be going well for the WCC; they will be having a grand opening on the 3rd of October. I have been handling several logistical matters with them regarding their space and phone lines, ethernet lines, etc. (in case you were wondering what's up with them) I was also interviewed by the former President about the center – it should air sometime on CJSR
2. **website review** –both committees have been formed! Thanks to Councilors Wallace & Wildcat (along with former Councilor Clyburn) for helping me find some people not associated with the SU! Timeline is still solid to have something concrete in hand by the end of October. More news at 11.
3. **council outreach & concerns** – meeting tomorrow! Everything is ready to go for the committee, and you are all painfully welcome to attend
4. **useful FAB?** – the illustrious Financial Affairs Board has elected to undertake a research project of businesses operated by Student Associations across the country, with the goal of improving the business portfolio here at the UofA (more likely through quality, but potentially through quantity as well). If you ever thought *your* Board was tired of being a rubber stamp, take heed – there are other options

5. **meetings bloody meetings** – every meeting you learn something new, except the ones where you re-learn something you already knew; here's my recap of what I have learned: vegan granola bars are good; bakesales in the rain are poorly attended; a Society can submit bylaws but still have them rejected, leading to painful Special General Meetings; getting media sponsors for big event coverage is at times fun and profitable; the GSA is still unhappy over Dewey's; this year's Student Groups Granting Committee is reminiscent of Scrooge; people are *much* more excited about website review than I thought possible; AP!RG is full of surprises and very thorough with bylaws; the GSJS Board is filled with hilarity, free pizza and more Botten/Boutet motions than you might care to hear about.

The Future

1. **fees explained** – as I continue my efforts at making fee information more available to students, I will be meeting with the Registrar and someone from the Fees Office to examine ways of increasing SU fee transparency to the average student. I hope to have something positive to report on this soon
2. **the evil bill 43** – yup, the bill's still coming. I tried killing it the other day, but apparently eating a copy of a bill doesn't *actually* make it go away
3. **more on the bars** – silent shopper is prepping to roll out (don't tell anyone) and I have a growing concern about the safety of those crazy rez kids who appear to love ship night like fat kids love smarties. firm plans to keep risk management off of our backs still forthcoming. (also, if you're bored thursday night and miss the "ol' days", drop by the powerplant for the return of packed drunken house)
4. **engineers and money** – more on fees, I'm working with the ESS to finalize our plans over this Faculty Association Membership Fee thing they passed a couple of years back. not much excitement, unless you like memoranda of understanding
5. **ah policies** – remember how I talked big about the operating policy review? well, shortly after our last meeting I gave up on it until this battle over the separation of powers is put to rest so I know the full scope of what will need to be included in policy. I guess that means no news for another month or so...them's the breaks I guess

Upcoming Meetings

councilor activities & concerns planning – wednesday, 24 september @ 2pm

UofA annual general meeting – thursday, 25 september @ 7 am

bill 43 dinwoodie forum – thursday, 25 september @ 1pm

GSJS annual general meeting – friday, 26 september @ 3pm

AP!RG board meeting – tuesday, 30 september @ 5pm

internal review board – tuesday, 30 september @ 5pm

alumni pride awards ceremony – thursday, 2 october @ 5pm

AP!RG board meeting – monday, 6 october @ 4:30pm

Interesting Website of the Week

<http://www.googlism.com>

*if you have actually read this report, be the first person to find the Public Enemy song title in my report, and I'll hit you with my spare ticket to the Molson Rocks House Party this Friday at the Agricom, w/ Swollen Members, Treble Charge & Sum 41!

Ever wondered what it *really* feels like to win? Talk to Councilors Smith & Wallace to find out!

Heart-Shaped Bogg

BOG Rep Report to Council – September 23, 2003

What's Coming to the Board on Friday

- 1) Senate Task Force Final Report on Wellness (2003)
Gurston Dacks and I amended the motion to have the official response from the VP (Finance and Administration), as well as subsequent progress reports to the Board, go through BSHEC in addition to the Human Resources and Compensation Committee. This will give students a vote on the progress of the task force recommendations.
- 2) Approval of funding for Phase I of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Science
- 3) Differential tuition guiding principles
- 4) Final funding approval for the Health Research and Innovation Facility (HRIF)

Information Items for all you wonderful councilors

- 1) Design development will be going ahead for the Agri-Food Discovery Place on South Campus.
- 2) Construction on East Campus Village is scheduled to start in September 2003. There is a consultation forum scheduled for October 7 or 8, with an open house at the end of October.
- 3) I met J.D. Hole, the newly-appointed public Board member, at the BOG Orientation on September 22 (yesterday). Wendy Kinsella is the new Board member from the Senate.
- 4) I will be dancing in Law Show in January. That's right: dancing. More details to come. ☺

Coming Up

September 24: GFCSC

September 25: BOG Dinner

September 26: BOG Meeting

: Lunch with our wonderful VPA

: TUPAC

September 29: GFC Meeting

October 2: Alumni Pride Awards Ceremony and Dinner

October 3: TUPAC

: Senate Pizza Night

October 4: NINT Ground-breaking Ceremony

Straight outta Lendrum,

Roman Kotovych

Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative