

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday July 27, 2004 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

A G E N D A (SC 2004-08)

- 2004-08/1 CALL TO ORDER
- 2004-08/2 University of Alberta CHEER SONG "*Ring Out a Cheer*"
- 2004-08/3 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS
- 2004-08/4 APPROVAL OF THE ORDERS OF THE DAY
- 2004-08/5 PRESENTATIONS
- 2004-08/6 REPORTS
- 2004-08/7 QUESTION PERIOD
- 2004-08/7a **KNISELY** - To the Chief Returning Officer: There was a discussion in IRB concerning who is and isn't a member of the Students' Union, largely for the purpose of determining who should be allowed vote in elections. One issue that came up was when ID numbers are electronically authenticated before a person is given a ballot, was what criteria (i.e. courses taken, admission status, etc.) is taken into account when the response comes back from the university's computers. According to the University of Alberta, who is a member of the Students' Union for the purposes of an election?
- 2004-08/8 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
- Please see document SC 04-08.01
- 2004-08/9 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
- 2004-08/10 OLD BUSINESS
- 2004-08/10a **MOTION BY KNISELY/DEBENHAM, RESOLVED THE** addition of a new standing order:
A member of Council may speak to a point of order that places a motion or the enforceability of a motion in jeopardy where the member is the mover or the second of a motion to which the point applies.
- 2004-08/10b **MOTION BY KNISELY, RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Executive Committee terminate all material, organizational, and financial obligations with respect to the Environmental Coordination Office of Students by April 30, 2005;
2. Council adopts the position that the Environmental Coordination Office of Students, by whatever name it is known, will not continue to be a function of the Students' Union as of April 30, 2005;
3. For greater certainty, and without limitation of the foregoing, Council directs the Budget Committee to not recommend to Council a budget that conflicts with section 2; and
4. There be a referendum on or about March 1, 2005, that the Students' Union charge its members, as a dedicated fee, not more than fifty-five cents (\$.55) per fall or winter term for the purposes of facilitating the Environmental Coordination Office of Students, beginning May 1, 2005.

2004-08/11

LEGISLATION

2004-08/11a

Bill #6 - Student Groups and Student Groups Committee Update Motion (Sponsor; TAYLOR(VPSL))

Principles (first reading)

1. Existing Legislation Regarding Student Groups and the Student Groups Committee is repealed.
2. The Student Groups Committee will no longer play an administrative role and will be limited to granting.
3. The Composition of the Committee will be:
 - a. Students' Union employee responsible for dealing with Student Groups and designated by the Executive Committee for that purpose, such employee to be an undergraduate student, as Chair; the Chair will not vote except in the case of a tie
 - b. The Vice-President Operations & Finance
 - c. Three Councilors from Students' Council
 - d. Four students-at-large as selected by Students' Council
4. The Committee shall set out all regulations regarding the granting of Student Groups Grants.
5. No Student Group shall receive more than \$1,500.00 in grants in any one year.
6. Membership requirements for a student group will:
 - a. Must meet all requirements of U of A Student Groups; and
 - b. A minimum of 1/2 of the members must be SU members; and
 - c. A minimum of 2/3 of the members must be SU members and/or alumni
 - d. 2/3 of the Executive Committee must be SU members
7. The application process shall be the same as that required by the University
8. Student Group status expires April 30th of each year.
9. The Director of Student Groups may suspend Student Group privileges for cause.
10. Decisions of the Director of Student Groups may be appealed to the Vice-President Student Life.

2004-08/11b

Bill #7 – House Committee Motion (sponsor; PANDYA/KEHOE)

Principles (first reading)

1. Relieve Council from having to consider routine, day to day housekeeping motions.
2. Work with the Speaker to develop and manage Council's budget.
3. Provide oversight of SU employees who report directly to Council.
4. Reduce the number of vacant seats on Council.
5. Review the structure and operations of Council and its committees (not the organization as a whole) and make recommendations as to how they can be improved.

B. Duties

1. Approve the agenda for each meeting (Mandate #1)
2. Approval of any record of council happenings (including in camera minutes) (Mandate #1)
3. Approval of money motions between \$1000 - \$5000. (Mandate #1)
4. Overview of staff: (Mandate #3)
 - a. Speaker
 - i. Including budgeting (outreach) (Mandate #2)
 - b. Chief Returning Officer
 - c. Ombudspersons (excluding administration)
5. Recruitment of students' to fill seats through the election process. (Mandate #4)
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7. Review of Standing Orders and recommendation of changes to Council. (Mandate #5)
8. Review and recommend changes to legislation regarding Students' Council. (Mandate #5)
9. Gather goals from Councilors and aid in the development of an implementation strategy. (Mandate #6)

C. Composition

1. Six Councilors, elected by council
2. One Executive Officer, elected by council
3. Speaker, Chair, non-voting
4. All members of Students' Council as ex-officio voting members

D. Quorum

One half of the voting, permanent members.

2004-08/11c

Bill #9 - ECOS Requirement (sponsor; KNISELY)

Part One (notice of motion/first reading)

1. The requirement of the existence of the Environmental Coordination Office of Students is rescinded as of April 30, 2005.

2004-08/12

NEW BUSINESS

2004-08/13

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2004-08/13a
UPCOMING
COUNCIL
MEETINGS

Next Council Meeting

August 10, 2004

August 24, 2004

2004-08/14

INFORMATION ITEMS

2004-08/14a

Operating Policy 67.01 (Student Involvement Awards Selection Committee Procedure)

Please see document SC 04-08.02

2004-08/14b

Operating Policy 9.11 (Establishment of New Positions)

Please see document SC 04-08.03

2004-08/14c

Votes and Proceedings from the July 20, 2004 meeting of Students' Council.

Please see document SC 04-08.04

Executive Committee Report to Students' Council July 27, 2004

1. The Following motions were passed at the July 16, 2004 Executive Committee Meeting:

- a. McLAUGHLIN/TAYLOR MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the rescission of Operating Policy 67.01 (Student Involvement Awards Selection Procedure).

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

- b. McLAUGHLIN/BLATZ MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the proposed changes to Operating Policy 9.11 (Establishment of New Positions).

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0 CARRIED

2. The Following motions were passed at the July 19, 2004 Executive Committee Meeting:

- a. BLATZ/MCLAUGHLIN MOVE THAT the Executive Committee approve a budgeted expense not to exceed \$500.00 from budget 500 External PR, to the Transitions Orientation Program for International Students.

VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/0/ CARRIED

3. The Following motions were passed at the July 22, 2004 Executive Committee Meeting:

- a. LAW/ABBOUD MOVED TO increase the Information Services Consultant wage from \$7.13 to \$8.50 per hour and the Student Financial Aid Information Centre's Financial Aid Advisor wage from \$9.10 to \$10.50 per hour.

VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

PROPOSED

THE STUDENTS' UNION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA OPERATING POLICY STATEMENT

<i>Policy Number:</i>	67.01	<i>Effective Date:</i>	March 16, 1999	<i>Page</i>	1	<i>of</i>	1
<i>Responsibility for Policy:</i>	Students' Council						
<i>Subject Matter</i>	- <i>Category:</i>	OPERATING POLICY (SPECIFIC)					
	- <i>Specific:</i>	AWARDS					
	- <i>Topic:</i>	Student Involvement Awards Selection Procedure					

Introduction:

Awards selection criteria and format are described in the Bylaws. This policy describes the process of evaluating the applicants and selecting the recipients. The policy does not encompass the Students' Union Award for Excellence or the Gold Key Recognition Awards.

Policy:

- 67.01.1 — The Selection Committee members shall receive, alongside the applications, forms on which to rate the applicants on a scale from 1(Average) to 5 (Excellent);
- 67.01.2 — The Selection Committee shall identify the applicants who had been ranked highest by the members of the committee;
- 67.01.3 — In accordance with the specific award criteria, the selection committee shall match the applicants who had been identified as being the best qualified with the most appropriate award;
- 67.01.4 — In the situation where the highest ranked applicants do not adequately match the specific award criteria, the selection committee shall select the next most qualified applicant who does match the criteria.

Policy History:

	Date	Board/Committee	Date of Council Approval
Created	March 15, 1999	Executive Committee	March 23, 1998

THE STUDENTS' UNION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

OPERATING POLICY STATEMENT

<i>Policy Number:</i>	9.11	<i>Effective Date:</i>		<i>Page</i>	1	<i>of</i>	2
<i>Responsibility for Policy:</i>		Students' Council					
<i>Subject Matter</i>	- <i>Category:</i>	OPERATING POLICY (GENERAL)					
	- <i>Specific:</i>	PERSONNEL					
	- <i>Topic:</i>	Establishment of New Positions					

Introduction:

When a new position is created, it has an inevitable and potentially long-term effect on the distribution of Students' Union resources. It is therefore important that a process exists which ensures due consideration is given to the potential impacts of these positions, and that their creation be approved by the appropriate bodies.

Policy:

9.11.1 Prior to establishing any new position, a proposed job specification must be developed, as outlined in Policy 9.15 (Job Specifications), and must be approved by the appropriate bodies, as outlined below.

9.11.2 In approving the establishment of a new position, the individual(s) or bodies granting approval shall consider the following:

- a) the impact the position will have on current resources (including financial, human, equipment, and space resources);
- b) how any additional resources required will be provided;
- c) the impact the new position will have in the long-term;
- d) whether the benefits of adding the position outweigh the costs, and whether establishing the position will help the Students' Union to better serve the needs of students.

9.11.3 All new positions shall be hired in accordance with the same principles set out in this manual for established positions.

9.11.4 Term Positions

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~~b) New Term positions shall be subject to a ten-month trial period, after which time Students' Council will examine the extent to which the creation of the position has benefited the Students' Union, and will determine whether to retain the position or to abolish it~~

~~e) Should Students' Council opt to retain the position, a bylaw will be drafted and approved by Council within one (1) month of this decision, to govern the position.~~

9.11.5 Union Positions

PROPOSED

9.11

Establishment of New Positions

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- a) New Union positions must be approved by the General Manager, and may require approval by the Executive Committee
- b) New Union positions (i.e. those not covered in the current Collective Agreement) are subject to the approval of the Union, as outlined in Article 26 of the Agreement.

9.11.6

Management Positions

- a) New Management positions must be approved by the Executive Committee.

9.11.7

Non-Union Hourly Positions

- a) New Non-Union Hourly positions must be approved by the Executive Committee.

Policy History:

	Date	Board/Committee	Date of Council Approval
Created			
Updated			

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Votes and Proceedings

Tuesday July 20, 2004 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2004-07)

2004-07/1

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Alex Abboud, Vice President External.

2004-07/3

SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

Election of a Speaker for the duration of the meeting.

Nominations for an interim Speaker:

TAYLOR (VPSL) nominates SAMUEL: SAMUEL accepts.

WICENTOWICH nominates BAZIN: BAZIN accepts.

SMITH nominates PANDYA: PANDYA declines.

ABBOUD nominates SHARMA: SHARMA declines.

PANDYA nominates KNISELY: KNISELY accepts.

Councilor Elected:

Councilor Samuel

Speaker orders that the Travel Cuts Lawsuit Presentation be added to the main agenda package.

SMITH/PANDYA MOVED THAT the Travel Cuts Lawsuit Presentation be made a Special Order.

CARRIED

2004-07/5

PRESENTATIONS

Travel Cuts Lawsuit, presented by Bill Smith, General Manager

BAZIN/KIRKHAM MOVED THAT Students' Council move in camera.

DEFEATED

KIRKHAM/BAZIN MOVED THAT Students' Council move in camera.

CARRIED

SMITH/BAZIN MOVED THAT Students' Council move ex camera.

CARRIED

2004-07/4

APPROVAL OF THE ORDERS OF THE DAY

TAYLOR (VPSL)/KIRKHAM MOVED TO approve the orders of the day.

TAYLOR (VPSL)/BAZIN MOVED TO strike item 12a from the agenda package.

CARRIED

LAW MOVED THAT item 8a be place n the agenda after old business (as item 9a).

FRIENDLY

Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous

2004-07/7

QUESTION PERIOD

KNISELY/BAZIN MOVED THAT Students' Council move in camera.

CARRIED

SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council move ex camera.

FRIENDLY

2004-07/8

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Speaker declares the Executive Committee report approved.

2004-07/9

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2004-07/9a

MOTION BY LAW/ABBOUD, RESOLVED THAT upon the recommendation of the Budget Committee, Students' Council approve the following amendments to the 2004/05 Operating, Capital & Non Dedicated Reserves Budget.

Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous

2004-07/10

OLD BUSINESS

2004-07/10a

MOTION BY LAW/BLATZ, RESOLVED THAT upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, Students' Council approve the memorandum of agreement between the U of A Students' Union and The Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 1368 effective April 1st 2004 to April 30th 2007.

SMITH/BAZIN MOVED THAT Students' Council move in camera.

CARRIED

WICENTOWICH/KOTOVYCH MOVED THAT Students' Council move ex camera.

CARRIED

KNISELY/BLATZ MOVED TO strike the word “approve” from the motion and replace it with the word “ratify”.

FRIENDLY

DEBENHAM/WILDCAT MOVED THE previous question.

CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

NICOL/KIRKHAM MOVED TO adjourn.

DEFEATED

TAYLOR/KIRKHAM MOVED TO adjourn.

CARRIED

ATTENDANCE (SC 2004-07)

Faculty/Position	Name	1 st Roll Call	2 nd Roll Call
President	Jordan Blatz	X	√
VP Academic	Lisa McLaughlin	√	√
VP External	Alex Abboud	√	√
VP Finance	Alvin Law	√	√
VP Student Life	Duncan Taylor	√	√
BoG Undergrad Rep.	Roman Kotovych	√	√
Agriculture, Forestry and Home Economics	Leah Bennett	X	X
Arts	Catrin Bergoff	X	X
Arts	Gabrielle Donnelly	X	X
Arts	Aaron Johnson	X	X
Arts	Adam Knisely	√	√
Arts	Tamara Larter	X	X
Arts	Chris Laver	X	X
Arts	Cameron Lewis	X	X
Arts	Anand Sharma	√	√

Business	Chelsea Baron	√	√
Business	Steve Smith	√	√
Business	Nandini Somayaji	√	√
Education	Sean Clovechok	X	X
Education	Trevor Panas	X	X
Engineering	Josh Bazin	√	√
Engineering	Graham Lettner	X	X
Engineering	Jamaal Montasser	√	√
Engineering	Gary Wicentowich	√	√
Law	Tara Thompson	√	√
Medicine and Oral Health Sciences	Brock Debenham	√	√
Native Studies (School of)	Matthew Wildcat	√	√
Pharmacy	Erica Skopac	√	√
Science	Justin Kehoe	√	√
Science	Stephen Kirkham	√	√
Science	Darren Lau	√	√
Science	Scott Nicol	√	√
Science	Shawna Pandya	√	√
Science	Chris Samuel	√	√
Science	Kelli Taylor	X	X
Science	Omer Yusuf	√	√
General Manager	Bill Smith	√	√
Speaker	Gregory Harlow	X	X