

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday February 8, 2005 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

ORDER PAPER (SC 2004-22)

- 2004-22/1 CALL TO ORDER
- 2004-22/2 University of Alberta CHEER SONG "*Ring Out a Cheer*"
- 2004-22/3 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS
- 2004-22/4 APPROVAL OF THE ORDERS OF THE DAY
- 2004-22/5 PRESENTATIONS
- 2004-22/6 REPORTS
- 2004-22/7 QUESTION PERIOD
- 2004-22/8 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
- Please see document SC 04-22.01
- 2004-22/9 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
- 2004-22/9a **MOTION BY LETTNER/THOMPSON, RESOLVED THAT** Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the following referendum question.

Do you support a new fee:

1. Establishing an undergraduate health care plan in accordance with the contract signed with Studentcare.net/works and the Students' Union.
2.
 - a. at an initial cost not to exceed \$114 per student, per Fall and Winter term for 12 months of coverage, or;
 - b. \$76 per student enrolled in only the Winter term for eight months of coverage.
3. With an opt out for students who;
 - a. demonstrate comparable coverage as outlined in the contract with the first four weeks of the Fall term, or Winter term for students enrolled in only the winter term;
 - b. demonstrate they have ceased to be undergraduate students at the University of Alberta in the Winter term.

4. With no opt out available to students who do not have comparable coverage as outlined in the contract.
5. That will expire August 31st, 2008.

2004-22/9b

MOTION BY BLATZ, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the following plebiscite question.

Do you support a new mandatory non-instructional fee subject to the following conditions?

1. The fee would be dedicated to the capital construction and renovation costs related to a new **Physical Activity Complex**;
2. The fee would be assessed at a cost of \$17.50 per student per Fall or Winter term and \$8.75 per student per Spring or Summer term;
3. The fee would be collected for a period not to exceed 30 years;
4. The University would provide to undergraduate students
 - a. unrestricted use of the new fitness and lifestyle centre during regular business hours;
 - b. access to the fitness and lifestyle centre included in the existing athletics and recreation fee;
 - c. twelve month access, at no additional cost, to the fitness and lifestyle centre for any undergraduate student registered in a year's Fall and Winter terms;
5. The Physical Activity Complex would be attached to the existing Van Vliet Centre.
6. Undergraduate students will be guaranteed one year of access, at no additional cost, to the fitness and lifestyle centre for every year they contributed to the fee.

Please see Information Items for related documentation.

2004-22/9c

MOTION BY BLATZ, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the following referendum question?

Do you support the institution of a Faculty Association Membership Fee for the Augustana Students' Association to be assessed a rate of \$62.50 per full-time or part-time student per Fall or Winter term, with this fee expiring April 30, 2009?

2004-22/10

OLD BUSINESS

2004-22/10a

MOTION BY BLATZ/MCLAUGHLIN, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council appoint one member to sit on the VP Research (U of A) review committee. Committee will meet on March 14, 2005, 2:00-3:00 pm; April 6, 2005, 9:00-11:00 am; April 25, 2005, 2:00-4:00 pm; and May 16, 2005, 2:00-3:00 pm.

2004-22/10b

MOTION BY BLATZ/LAW, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council direct the Executive Committee to do a review of the fees levied to off-campus and satellite campus students and report back to Students' Council by April 5, 2005.

2004-22/11

LEGISLATION

2004-22/11a

MOTION BY SMITH, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, repeal Article XVIII of the Students' Union Constitution (second reading).

Please bring backup documentation from the October 12, 2004 meeting of Students' Council.

2004-22/11b

MOTION BY SMITH/KIRKHAM MOVED THAT Students' Council on the recommendation of the Committee for Council Reform and Progress repeal Article XIV – Vacancies (first reading).

Please bring backup documentation from the January 18, 2005 meeting of Students' Council.

2004-22/11c

MOTION BY SMITH, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council repeal Article XIII of the Students' Union Constitution (first reading).

Please see document SC 04-22.02

2004-22/11d

MOTION BY SMITH, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council amend Article VIII of the Students' Union Constitution (first reading).

Please bring backup documentation from the February 1, 2005 meeting of Students' Council.

2004-22/11e

Bill #17 – Student Groups Committee Loan Granting Privileges (sponsor; DEBENHAM)
(second reading)

Please bring backup documentation from the February 1, 2005 meeting of Students' Council.

2004-22/11f

Bill #18 – French Election Material (sponsor; SMITH)
(second reading)

Please bring backup documentation from the February 1, 2005 meeting of Students' Council.

2004-22/11g

Bill #19 – Member Rights to In Camera and Confidential Information (sponsor; SMITH)
(second reading)

Please bring backup documentation from the February 1, 2005 meeting of Students' Council.

2004-22/11h

Bill #23 – Council Vacancies Bill (sponsor; SMITH/KIRKHAM)
Principles (first reading)

1. Vacancies in Councilor Positions

- a. Council will no longer have the power to fill Councilor vacancies by appointment.
- b. Where a Councilor vacancy exists, the CRO will offer the position to the runner up in the most recent election.
- c. One By-election will be held in the Fall to fill any Councilor vacancies not filled by the process in 1(b).
- d. Other than the by-election specified 1(c) no other by-elections will be held to fill Councilor Vacancies

2. Vacancies in the Executive

- a. Council may fill a vacancy in the Executive Committee or the position of Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative either by appointment or by ordering a by-election for that purpose.

2004-22/11i

Bill #24 – Recall (sponsor; SMITH)

Principles (notice of motion/first reading)

1. That any member of Students' Council may be recalled by a petition to that effect bearing the names and student identification numbers of a majority of the students eligible to vote for that member's position.
2. That any member of Students' Council can be compelled to contest his/her seat in a by-election by a motion to this effect carried by a two thirds majority vote of Students' Council at three consecutive meetings of Students' Council.
3. That the Students' Union will recommend that any Undergraduate Board of Governors representative who is removed from Students' Council also be removed from the Board of Governors.
4. That the Students' Union will recommend that any person removed from the position of President also be removed from the Board of Governors.

2004-22/12

NEW BUSINESS

2004-22/12a

MOTION BY SHARMA/KEHOE, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council adopt the following motion:

WHEREAS University of Alberta Undergraduate students voted in favour a referendum to support a \$60 Universal Bus Pass;

WHEREAS the negotiation of a compromised position has progressed slowly to this point;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a Bus Pass Advisory Committee we struck with the following membership:

- a. VP External as chair
- b. President as general manager
- c. 3 members of council, as selected by council

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the advisory board be required at the first meeting of Student Council in April 2005 with a negotiated price with Edmonton Transit, the County of Strathcona, and the St. Albert Transit Authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the advisory board investigate federal, provincial, and municipal grants as a method of bringing forth the best possible negotiated price.

2004-22/12b

MOTION BY LAW/SMITH, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council approve an increase of \$140 000 to line 8610 (Grant Expense) of Department 975 (Access Fund), to be covered by funds currently in the Access Fund Reserve.

2004-22/13

2004-22/13a

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Council Meeting

**UPCOMING
COUNCIL
MEETINGS**

March 8, 2005
March 22, 2005

2004-22/14

INFORMATION ITEMS

2004-22/14a

Email from John Barry, Assistant Dean, Services

Please see document SC 04-22.03

Executive Committee Report to Students' Council February 1, 2005
Motions

- 1. There were no motions passed at the January 17, 2005 Executive Committee Meeting.**
- 2. There were no motions were passed at the January 19, 2005 Executive Committee Meeting.**
- 3. The following motions were passed at the January 24, 2005 Executive Committee Meeting.**
 - a. TAYLOR/LAW MOVED THAT the Executive Committee support Norma Rodenburg's, (Transition Program Manager) bid for a three-year board position on NODA.
VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED
- 4. The following motions were passed at the January 26, 2005 Executive Committee Meeting.**
 - a. BLATZ/TAYLOR MOVED THAT the Executive Committee appoint the VP Academic to sit on the review committee.
VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/1 (MCLAUGHLIN) CARRIED

PROPOSED

Constitution

ARTICLE XIII - RECALL

1. — Any member of the Executive Committee of the Students' Council may be recalled by a valid petition containing the names and identification numbers of fifty-one percent (51%) of the full-time students.
2. — Any Council member may be recalled by a valid petition containing the names and identification numbers of fifty-one percent (51%) of the full-time students in their faculty.
3. — The Undergraduate Student Member of the Board of Governors, and/or any member of the Students' Council, including any member of the Executive Committee, will be called upon to contest their seat in a by-election if a motion of non-confidence in them is passed by a two-thirds (2/3) majority, at three (3) consecutive Council meetings.
4. — It will be recommended by Students' Council to the Minister of Advanced Education that the Undergraduate Student Member of the Board of Governors be recalled upon presentation of a valid petition containing the names and identification numbers of fifty-one percent (51%) of the full-time students.

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Subject: Plebiscite Question

Please allow me the opportunity to apologize for an error that appeared in the Information for Referendum Question document that was sent from our office to Student's Council earlier this week. We take full responsibility for a clerical error that was not caught until thursday afternoon. The section that dealt with the conditions of the plebiscite, number 4, contained an typing error that should have read \$17.50 instead of \$12.50 for the Winter Term. It wasn't until this error was pointed out to us by DustinLoomes, who confirmed to IRB that this was indeed a typing error, that we realized that all of the numbers were innacurate. Our business plan was always based on a student fee of \$37.50/ year or \$18.75/term {\$9.38 spring and summer} We have been using that number consistently in the business case but somehow, the arithmetic skills required to divide \$37.50 by two were obviously incorrect.

I am aware that all of us are under very stringent timelines in order to proceed with this plebiscite. Quite frankly, we assumed that we were supplying IRB with some suggested conditions that would be negotiated or discussed prior to acceptance. Apparently there simply wasn't sufficient time for dialogue between Students' Union and the Faculty to discuss the information package.

We would ask that you would consider changing the question to read \$37.50/year or \$18.75/semester. This will certainly allow the project to go forward as planned. If however, you feel that making such a change at this late date would put the process in jeopardy or hamper it in any way, we fully understand and will work with the number approved by Council.

Once again, please accept our sincere apologies for rushing the preparation of such an important document. Kindest Regards,

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