

STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

Tuesday, September 16, 2008
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

LATE ADDITIONS (SC 2008-11)

2008-11/1 **SPEAKER'S BUSINESS**

2008-11/1b Happy Birthday Councillor Quevillon!

2008-11/6 **GENERAL ORDERS**

2008-11/6d **JANZ MOVED THAT** Students' Council approve Bill #4 in first reading

Principles:

- Students' Council shall implement attendance requirements effective May 1st 2009.

- If a Councillor misses a meeting without appointing a proxy or notifying the speaker within 24 hours either before or after the meeting with a suitable excuse (such as incapacitated because of illness, suffering from severe domestic affliction, writing a midterm or final examination, or has other compelling reasons (including religious conviction)) the absence shall be declared unexcused.

- If the councillor accumulates two unexcused absences in a trimester, the councillor will be removed from council immediately following the second unexcused absence.

- If the total voting membership of Students' Council drops below twenty, then a by-election will be called in September, October or January of that year.

2008-11/6e **FENTIMAN MOVES THAT** Students' Council appoint (1) member to the Audit Committee

2008-11/7 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

2008-11/7d Green and Gold Day! September 23, 2008

Please see document LA 08-11.01

2008-11/7e Camp Out in Quad-
Please sign up on the printed sheets (see John Braga)

Please see document LA 08-11.02

- 2008-11/7f** Open House Sign-up form-
Please sign up on the printed sheets (see John Braga)
Please see document LA 08-11.03
- 2008-11/7g** Michael Janz, BoG Rep.- Report
Please see document LA 08-11.04
- 2008-11/7h** Kristen Flath, VP Student Life-Report
Please see document LA 08-11.05
- 2008-11/7i** John Braga, VP Academic-Report
Please see document LA 08-11.06
- 2008-11/7j** Informational Update for Students' Council – September 2008
Karen Lawrence, Associate Vice President External
Please see document LA 08-11.07



GREEN AND GOLD DAY SEPT. 23, 2008

September 23 marks the 100th anniversary of the first day of classes at the University of Alberta. To celebrate this milestone, the U of A and the City of Edmonton have come together to observe Sept. 23 as “Green and Gold Day.”

Edmontonians are encouraged to show their school pride by wearing green and gold.

**Be seen in green
and gold as the
U of A celebrates
100 years of classes.**



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CELEBRATING 100 YEARS THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

GREEN AND GOLD PRIDE!

The University of Alberta and City of Edmonton have come together to observe September 23, 2008, as "Green and Gold Day." U of A staff, students, alumni and friends are encouraged to show their school pride by wearing green and gold.

**Be seen in green and gold September 23
as the U of A celebrates 100 years of classes!**



100! U of A 2008
YEARS



OPEN HOUSE 2008

Come out and Represent

The Students' Union on Saturday September 20th!

*For more information, please email Karen at avpex@su.ualberta.ca

Time	Name	E-mail
8:30-10:00 am		
10:00-11:30am		
11:30-1:00pm		
1:00-2:30pm		
2:30-4:00		

University of Alberta Students' Union

BoG Report to Students' Council

(08-09-16)

Hello Council:

Just to let you know this years Board of Governors retreat was Friday September 12th. Janelle and I both attended. No decisions were made and the event was more of a brainstorming and feedback collection session. We discussed what the characteristics are of a great university and dedicated a considerable portion of the meeting to reputation management.

The most important part for me was the chance to see the new "Dare to Discover" Report Card. It has been a long time coming and I am pleased to see that reporting is being done. Though I may dispute some of the facts here or there, I am glad to see that the Administration is reporting on this plan. If you would like to see it, Janelle and I both have a copy and there should be more available for distribution soon. It's a pretty big document so I could try to get it in .PDF if councillors would like to read it.

Governor Janz

Council Report 07 – September 16, 2008
Kristen Flath, Vice President (Student Life)

Hello Council,

Here is an update on what has been happening the past couple of weeks. Most of the past week has been catching up on work after WoW.

Student Groups – Yesterday we sent our proposal for student engagement off to the Provost. This proposal is a request for funding for several staff positions, resources for student groups, and funding to enhance the services we provide. We have been working on the proposal with the Office of the Dean of Students over the past three months, and have received a positive reaction from University administration. I will keep you updated on any feedback we receive from admin.

Sustainability – We will be getting composting in SUB! It will start likely the first week in October and will coincide with Eco-week. A more extensive recycling program will also accompany the composting. Now I will be turning my attention to the Styrofoam issue and looking for biodegradable alternatives. The university has also named a Director for the Office of Sustainability, and I am looking forward to sitting down with him and discussing his ideas and projects.

Student Life Committees – The committee volunteers have worked very hard over the past month to bring everything together for WoW, and they did an incredible job. The programming committee and sustainability committee will be meeting next week to resume work on our projects, which include Eco-week and various programming initiatives.

Health Plan – The committee has almost completed the process of gathering information and asking questions, and is nearing the point of making a decision. Once the committee has reached a decision, I will give an in camera presentation to Council regarding our decision and the next steps we will take in this process.

Over the next couple of weeks I will be focusing on the health plan and coming to a decision regarding a provider. We will also be away on Monday and Tuesday with our new General Manager and updating him on everything he needs to know. Please let me know if you have any questions. Ask during council, stop by the office, or send me an email at vp.studentlife@su.ualberta.ca.

8000 Series (Faculty Associations) Bylaw Review

Yeah for having Bylaw and Reality match each other! Or at least heading in that general direction. I am currently drafting up a table, which will be divided by Bill (AKA Topic) and include all current references in Bylaw, Principles the new Bylaws will be based on and a list of Faculty Associations most impacted by the proposed changes. I will submit this to Council prior to bringing the actual Bills so that there is the opportunity to make changes before the Bills hit the floor of Council.

Multifaceted Evaluation of Teaching

As mentioned earlier this year, and in my campaign, it is an extremely high priority to address this issue this year. However, my original plan has reached a dead end and I am currently looking for a new avenue to pursue. Frustrating. Expect more news next month.

The Teaching Gnome

Still unnamed. Well, we are totally excited for the launch of the Teaching Gnome at the start of October. While he has not been officially launched yet we have received nothing but positive reviews from across the administration. I can hardly wait until he begins to blog regularly!

Exam Registry

A survey was sent out in August to determine the impact that changes to Calendar Section 23.4.2.a.10 “At the beginning of each course, instructors are required by GFC to provide a course outline which must include the following: ... an indication of how students will be given access to past or representative evaluative course material.” will be expected to have on submissions to the exam registry. From the responses we have received it is likely we will see no great impact in the short term. However, the long term trend has been a reduction in submissions to the Exam Registry.

Academic Advisors

This is a presidential project – I am Janelle’s wingman on this initiative. Look forward to more info in late October.

Scholarships and Bursaries

It is important that I address this topic this year – as sporadically mentioned previously. However, it always seems to be on the back burner, never the front burner.

Bear Scat and Bear Tracks

Janelle and I are booked to test the upgrade on October 3rd. Later that day the Executive will make a decision as to the fate of Bear Scat. Council will be notified of anything important happening before that point in time.



Informational Report for Students' Council
September 16th, 2008

Karen Lawrence
Associate Vice President External

Hello Council,
I hope that all of you are getting settled into yet another event-packed year! Here is a brief overview of projects that I have been working on over the summer, and will continue to work on throughout the fall semester.

Transitions / Open House:

On August 29th, the SU was one of the many groups to set up a booth in Business Quad for the 100's of international students to visit. On Saturday, September 20th, the SU will be a part of a similar event – Open House. You are all probably familiar with this event. I am still looking for councilors and executive members to volunteer at our booth and represent the Students' Union for a 1.5-hour time block.

Camp Out in QUAD:

This year COIQ will be held on Thursday, October 2nd. As in previous years, it will include a BBQ, pancake breakfast, volleyball tournament, and movies at SUBstage. Over the next few weeks I will be finalizing the last minute details and working with a few groups to further illustrate affordable housing at the event.

High School Leadership Conference:

The HSLC will be held on November 7th and 8th this year. At this point, the majority of the planning and organization for the event has been fulfilled, and the invitations have been sent out. We will be bringing in Scott Hammel, Bill Gordon and Don Iveson to be our speakers! The next step will be getting group leaders, workshop leaders and volunteers to participate and help out.

Alzheimer's Coffee Break:

On Wednesday September 17th, the Alzheimer's Society and the SU will team up to put on the Alzheimer's Coffee Break. We will be handing out coffee, for a donation, to relate the effects of coffee on the brain to the effects of Alzheimer's. We will have tables set up just east of St. Joseph's (north of the Education building).

Campaign Planning and Action Committee (CPAC):

CPAC is still in its intermediate phase. I am currently looking for five students at large and two councilors to sit on the committee. Meetings will be held bimonthly and in the early evenings.

If you would like further information on any of these events or wish to get involved, please stop by 2-935 SUB or email me at avpex@su.ualberta.ca.

~Karen