

STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

Tuesday October 27, 2009
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

LATE ADDITIONS (SC 2009-14)

2009-14/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2009-14/2 PRESENTATIONS

2009-14/2a Market Modifiers Presentation- Presented by Kory Mathewson, President and Leah Trueblood, VP Academic. Sponsored by Kory Mathewson, President and Leah Trueblood, VP Academic.

2009-14/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2009-14/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2009-14/5 QUESTION PERIOD

2009-14/6 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2009-14/6a **MASTEL/CLARKE MOVES THAT** Students' Council, on the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee, approve Bill # 7 in the second reading:
Principles
Student groups must have an executive committee comprised of at least $\frac{3}{4}$ undergraduate members and of which the President and Treasurer (or equivalent positions) must be students, a constitution that abides by Students' Union legislation, and a membership of at least $\frac{2}{3}$ undergraduate students. Neither the number of grants that a student group may receive nor the annual grant maximum shall be specified.
Student groups will manage their financials responsibly and maintain financial records for auditing.
Student groups shall act on behalf of and for their members, and according to Students' Union policy pertaining to student groups.
Student groups shall serve their members in a way that is transparent, democratic, accountable, and fiscally prudent.
Student groups shall promote community, benefit their members and the community, and be non-commercial.
The Students' Union may terminate a student group's registration or suspend a student group's activities.
The Vice President (Student Life) shall not be required to table at Students' Council a list of student group privileges and procedures for the suspension thereof.

Please see document LA 09-14.01

- 2009-14/6b** **MASTEL/CLARKE MOVES THAT** Students' Council, on the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee, approve Bill # 8 in the second reading:
Principles
Any new dedicated fee unit, or increase to an existing dedicated fee unit beyond the current rate of change, shall be required to:
- Implement an unconditional online opt-out for the total amount of the fee
- Reaffirm majority support for the total amount of their fee by campus wide referendum at least once every five (5) years.
Exemptions shall be made for the Students' Union Membership Fee and any fee that is implemented for the direct purposes of bond or mortgage which was approved by Students' Council.

Please see document LA 09-14.02
- 2009-14/6c** **MASTEL/CLARKE MOVES THAT** Students' Council, on the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee, approve Bill # 9 in the second reading:
Principles
Any group or organization, excluding the Students' Union, who collects a dedicated fee unit through the Students' Union's ability to collect a levy may be responsible for a maximum of one (1) dedicated fee unit.

Please see document LA 09-14.03
- 2009-14/6d** **MASTEL/DEHOD MOVES THAT** Students' Council, on the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee approve Bill #12 in first reading based on the following principles:
Student Groups will register members in accordance with the Student Group's constitution
Student Group may host activities such as, but not limited to, social events, demonstrations, news releases, publications, and advertisements;
Student Groups will elect or appoint an Executive Committee to act on behalf of, and within the powers granted to them by, the members of the Student Group
The Students' Union may terminate the registration a Student Group if it violates Students' Union Bylaws or applies for termination
An activity of a Student Group may be suspended or banned if it violates Students' Union Bylaws
- 2009-14/6e** **MASTEL MOVES THAT** Students' Council approve Bill #14 in first reading based on the following principle:
Any Class A or B Fees that has their rate of change altered shall be reclassified as a Class C or D Fee, respectively.
- 2009-14/6f** **DEHOD/CLARKE MOVES THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy committee, Students' Council approve the Political Policy, Student fees - Capital Projects, in first reading based on the following principles:
That the structure follows the expired Capital Projects policy with the following changes:
1. That a clause stating that any capital project funded directly by a dedicated student fee shall have a governance structure that includes adequate student representation is added.
2. That a clause stating that any dedicated student fee that funds a capital

project shall be eliminated upon the final payment of the agreed upon student contribution is added.

3. That all other clauses from the expired Capital Projects Policy are kept.

Please see document LA 09-14.04

2009-14/6g

SETH/HANSRA MOVES THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy committee, Students' Council approve the Political Policy, Engagement - Involvement, in first reading based on the following principles:

That the structure follows the expired Involvement policy with the following changes:

1. That the Involvement policy be renamed the Engagement policy;
2. That the reference of 'traditional education and compelling involvement opportunities' be removed and replaced with 'academic and extra-curricular opportunities and experience';
3. That all redundant clauses in the Involvement Policy be removed;
4. That the clause referring to chronometric and financial investment be removed;
5. That the University actively fosters campus community by investing in initiatives and opportunities that promote engagement, rather than fostering better access to volunteer opportunities both on and off campus by increasing funding to Students' Union led initiatives;
6. That Community Service Learning is removed from the policy;
7. That all other relevant clauses from the expired Involvement policy are kept.

Please see document LA 09-14.05

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SETH/DEHOD MOVES THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy committee, Students' Council approve the changes to the Political Policy, Public Transport, in first reading based on the following principles:

1. That the implementation dates will be 2010/2011, 2011/2012 and 2012/2013;
2. That a new, long-term U-Pass contract will be implemented in September 2010;
3. That a new, long-term U-Pass contract will be an affordable rate for students.

Please see document LA 09-14.06

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GENERAL ORDERS

2009-14/7c

FENTIMAN/TRUEBLOOD MOVES THAT Students' Council adopt Bill #13 in first reading based on the following principles:

1. Bylaw 6000 shall no longer reference the Student Involvement Endowment Fund, subject to the following provisions:
 - a. Bylaw 6000 §5.1.c be relocated to Bylaw 100,
 - b. Bylaw 6000 §5.2.a through §5.2.f (inclusive) be relocated to Bylaw 100,
 - c. Bylaw 6000 §5.4 be relocated to Bylaw 100.

Please see document LA 09-14.07

- 2009-14/7d** **TRUEBLOOD MOVES THAT** Students' Council appoint Doug Cheung, Qasim Hirani, Justin Benko and Kelin Flanagan to the Awards Committee.
- 2009-14/8** **INFORMATION ITEMS**
- 2009-14/8d** Lead Trueblood- resignation from Bylaw Committee
Please see document LA 09-14.08
- 2009-14/8e** Zach Fentiman, VP Operations and Finance- Report
Please see document LA 09-14.09
- 2009-14/8f** Budget and Finance Committee- Report
Please see document LA 09-14.10
- 2009-14/8g** Leah Trueblood, VP Academic- Report
Please see document LA 09-14.11
- 2009-14/8h** Kory Mathewson, President- Reports
Please see document LA 09-14.12

Bylaw 5600 A Bylaw Respecting Student Groups

1. Any group is a student group that registers as such with the Students' Union.
2. In order to register as a student group with the Students' Union, a group must
 - (1) be registered as a student group with the University of Alberta; and
 - (2) have an executive committee comprised of at least ~~2/3~~3/4 undergraduate students and of which the President and Treasurer (or equivalent positions) must be students.
 - (3) A constitution that abides by students' union legislation; and
 - (4) Have a membership of at least 2/3 undergraduate students
3. Student groups' registration with the Students' Union shall expire on April 30 of each year.
4.
 - (1) Where there is a portion of the Students' Union operating budget designated for grants to be paid to Student Groups, no group that is not a Student Group shall receive a grant from that portion of the Students' Union operating budget.
 - (2) Neither the number of grants that a student group may receive nor the annual grant maximum be specified. No Student Group shall receive more than three thousand dollars in funding from the portion of the Students' Union operating budget designated for grants to Student Groups in a single fiscal year.
 - ~~(3) There shall be no fixed number of grants that a Student Group may receive~~
5. Student groups will manage their financials responsibly and maintain financial records for auditing.
6. Student groups shall act on behalf of and for their members, and according to students' union policy pertaining to student groups.

April 1, 2008

January 8, 2008

Jan 11/05 – Implemented May 1/05

Sept 14/04

Aug. 07/01

May 7/01

Nov. 14/96

Nov. 28/95

7. Student groups shall serve their members in a way that is transparent, democratic, accountable, and fiscally prudent.
8. Student groups shall promote community, benefit their members and the community, and be non-commercial.
9. The students' union may terminate a student group's registration or suspend a student group's activities.

~~510. The Vice President (Student Life), in conjunction with the University of Alberta, shall develop and table at Students' Council~~

~~a list of student groups' privileges; and~~

~~a procedure through which these privileges can be suspended.~~

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shall be identical to the previous year's operating budget until Students' Council does approve an operating budget.

- (3) Students' Council shall approve a set of budget principles dictating the priorities to be enshrined in the operating budget prior to the approval of each operating budget.
- (4) A budget process shall be set out in standing orders of Students' Council.

Fees

7. (1) The Students' Union's operating budget shall include the level of the base Students' Union membership fee.
- (2) The base Students' Union membership fee shall not fluctuate by more than fifteen percent from year to year
- (3) In addition to the base Students' Union membership fee, Chair of Audit Committee shall maintain a schedule of dedicated fees to be collected.
- (4) The fees on the schedule shall be divided into Class A Fees, ~~and~~ Class B Fees, Class C Fees, and Class D Fees.
- (5) Class A Fees may be amended or abolished only by
 - (a) Students' Council, or
 - (b) referendum.
- (6) Class B Fees may be amended or abolished only by
 - (a) a joint resolution of Students' Council and one other body, specified in the schedule; or
 - (b) referendum.
- (7) Class C Fees
 - (a) shall include fees established after September 2009;
 - (b) shall include Class A fees that are being increased beyond its indexed rate of change as per the schedule;
 - (c) may only be amended or abolished by

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- i. Students' Council; or
 - ii. referendum; and
- (d) shall exclude:
 - i. the Students' Union membership fee; and
 - ii. any fee that is implemented for the direct purpose of paying a bond or mortgage which was approved by Students' Council.
- (8) Class D Fees
 - (a) shall include fees established after September 2009;
 - (b) shall include Class B fees that are being increased beyond its indexed rate of change as per the schedule;
 - (c) may only be amended or abolished by
 - i. a joint resolution of Students' Council and one other body, specified in the schedule; or
 - ii. referendum.
- (9) Class C Fees and Class D Fees shall
 - (a) implement an unconditional online opt-out for the total amount of the fee;
 - (b) be reaffirmed by majority support for the total amount of their fee by campus-wide referendum at least once every five (5) years.
- (107) Unless otherwise specified in the schedule, all fees in the schedule increase annually at a rate equal to the Consumer Price Index for the province of Alberta.
- (118) Each Class A Fee, ~~and~~ Class B Fee, Class C Fee and Class D Fee listed on the schedule shall be allocated to a reserve specified in the schedule.
- (129) the schedule shall stipulate whether each fee is payable by students enrolled at Augustana Faculty

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- (9) the schedule shall stipulate whether each fee is payable by students enrolled at Augustana Faculty

(10) Any group or organization, excluding the Students' Union, who collects a dedicated fee unit through the Students' Union's ability to collect a levy may be responsible for a maximum of one (1) dedicated fee unit.

Loans

8. Except as otherwise noted in Student Union bylaw, the Executive Committee has the exclusive authority to approve loans of Students' Union funds.

Contracts

9. A contract shall require the approval of Students' Council where
- (a) the term of the contract exceeds one year;
 - (b) there are no means by which the Students' Union may cancel the contract on six months notice or less; and
 - (c) the contract requires of the Students' Union a financial commitment exceeding five thousand dollars in any one year or twenty-five thousand dollars in aggregate.

Signing Authority

10. All cheques and contracts, excepting cheques issued to individuals selling items on consignment through the Students' Union, must be signed by at least one of the Vice President (Operations and Finance) or the President.

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THE STUDENTS' UNION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT

Policy Number:13

Effective Date: January 7, 2009

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Expiration Date: January 30, 2011

Responsibility for Policy:

University Policy Committee

Subject Matter

- *Category:*

POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)

- *Specific:*

Student Fees

- *Topic:*

Capital Projects

WHEREAS the University has numerous sources of revenue and should not depend solely on students to finance capital projects;

WHEREAS the University should not be spending tuition revenue on capital projects;

WHEREAS as capital projects benefit the University and serve a wide range of communities beyond undergraduate students;

WHEREAS there should be consultation with students as to the creation, use, and termination of student fees;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT tuition revenues shall not be used to fund capital projects;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a dedicated student fee for a capital project shall not be used to fund the construction of academic or research space;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union shall participate in defining the purpose and scope of any project where a student fee is involved;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all capital projects funded directly by a student fee dedicated to that project must include proportional commitments from other stakeholder groups; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a dedicated student fee for a capital project shall not be implemented until such a time as students have the ability to receive benefits from their contribution.

Policy History:
Reference/Vote
Created 2006-15

Board/Committee
UPC

Date of Council Approval
April 3,2007/ SC 06-24/5a(ii)

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POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT

Policy Number:14

Effective Date: April 3,2007

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Expiration Date: April 30, 2009

Responsibility for Policy:

University Policy Committee

Subject Matter

- *Category:*

POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)

- *Specific:*

Involvement

- *Topic:*

Involvement

WHEREAS a comprehensive and holistic student experience is one that balances exceptional traditional education in tandem with abundant and compelling involvement opportunities, both on campus and in the larger community;

WHEREAS involvement opportunities can be effectively integrated as part of traditional educational programs;

WHEREAS involvement opportunities lead to improvements in the mental, physical and social health on campus and the larger community;

WHEREAS community and campus involvement actively develops the leadership qualities of individuals;

WHEREAS meaningful involvement requires significant chronometric and financial investment on the part of students;¹

WHEREAS the University has declared the importance of student involvement in building a great university;²

WHEREAS the University has recognized the importance of supporting student-led involvement initiatives;³

¹ University of Alberta Senate Task Force on Student Engagement, *Student Engagement: A Shared Responsibility*, (University of Alberta, 2005), p. 25.

² Office of the President, *Dare to Discover: A Vision for a Great University*, (University of Alberta, 2006), p. 2-3, Learning, Discovery and, Citizenship §1-3, 7.

³ University of Alberta Senate Task Force on Student Engagement, *Student Engagement: A Shared Responsibility*, (University of Alberta, 2005), p. 66.

Policy History:

Reference/Vote
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Board/Committee
UPC

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WHEREAS Students' Union led initiatives emphasize student involvement on campus and within the community;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union shall endeavor to encourage the University to actively foster better access to volunteer opportunities both on and off campus by increasing funding to Students' Union led initiatives;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union shall endeavor to encourage the University to promote the importance of Community Service Learning;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union shall endeavor to convince the University to identify and reward the sacrifices of students who donate their time to improve their communities and campus.

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POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT

<i>Policy Number:</i> 4	<i>Effective Date:</i> September 11,2007	<i>Page 1 of 2</i>
	<i>Expiration Date:</i> April 30, 2010	
<i>Responsibility for Policy:</i>	External Policy Committee	
<i>Subject Matter</i> - <i>Category:</i>	POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)	
	- <i>Specific:</i>	Public Transit
	- <i>Topic:</i>	

WHEREAS public transit is a common mode of transportation used by University of Alberta students that benefits the quality of life of all members in the community;

WHEREAS the U-Pass was supported by 84.8% of undergraduates in March 2007 by campus-wide referendum;

WHEREAS the U-Pass is to be implemented in the 2007/2008, 2008/2009 and 2009/2010 academic years;

WHEREAS spring and summer students are not eligible for a U-Pass during those terms;

WHEREAS the post-secondary bus pass provides a more affordable public transit option for students than a regular adult pass;

WHEREAS public transit expansion would allow improved access for University of Alberta students to commute within the service area;

WHEREAS light rail transit (LRT) and bus rapid transit (BRT) are efficient and reliable forms of public transit;

WHEREAS; smartcard technology would reduce the possibility for U-pass fraud and reduce the need for a U-Pass replacement fee.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union advocate that the regional municipalities and transit services carefully monitor service demand arising from U-pass implementation, consider input from stakeholders and commit all resources necessary to maintain reliable, safe and timely service;

Policy History:

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2007-11/5a(ii)

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EPC

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July 24, 2007
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union advocate for the retention of a post-secondary bus pass as a more affordable option than a regular adult pass for spring and summer students;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union negotiate a new, long-term U-Pass contract to be implemented in September 2011 at a rate consistent with the 2007 referendum pricing structure;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union advocate that the regional municipalities and transit services expand their current service systems, prioritizing LRT, BRT and implementation of Smartcard technology, to better meet the needs of the University of Alberta students.

Policy History:
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Bylaw 6000

A Bylaw Respecting the Dedicated Fee Reserves

Definition

1. In this bylaw, “external dedicated fee recipient” means the Alberta Public Interest Research Group, the First Alberta Campus Radio Association, the Gateway Student Journalism Society, or Student Legal Services of Edmonton.

Conditions of Receipt

2. (1) In order for an external dedicated fee recipient to receive funds from the Students’ Union reserve dedicated to its support, it must
 - (a) include in its bylaws provision for the appointment to its Board of Directors of at least one member of Students’ Council elected by Students’ Council for that purpose, as a voting or non-voting member;
 - (b) provide to the Students’ Union Audit Committee
 - i. a budget illustrating how funds received from the Students’ Union reserve will be spent during the coming year,
 - ii. its audited financial statements from the previous fiscal year, and
 - iii. evidence of compliance with all contracts with the Students’ Union;
 - iv. evidence that they are fulfilling their mandate as described under this bylaw;
 - v. such other information as may be required by the Audit Committee to determine whether it is fulfilling its mandate under this bylaw; and
 - (c) be fulfilling its mandate under this bylaw.
- (2) No funds shall be disbursed to an external dedicated fee recipient from the Students’ Union reserve dedicated to its support until such time as the Students’ Union Audit Committee has approved this disbursal.
- (3) Where an external dedicated fee recipient is in compliance with the conditions set out in (1), the Audit Committee shall approve the disbursal of funds to that external dedicated fee recipient by August 31 of that fiscal year or within four (4) weeks, whichever is later.

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- (4) Audit Committee may postpone its disbursement decision if:
 - (a) there are any new inconsistencies or breaches from past years with the documents required during the relevant time period, and
 - (b) those new inconsistencies or breaches have not been rectified.

Mandates

- 3. (1) The mandate of the Alberta Public Interest Research Group is
 - (a) to allow undergraduate students to work on public policy issues *through undergraduate directed research, education, and action initiatives;
 - (b) to develop, advertise, and implement a procedure by which undergraduate students wishing to have their contributions to the Alberta Public Interest Research Group fund refunded to them may do so; and
 - (c) to develop and implement policy on
 - i. granting funds to undergraduate students to allow them to work on public-policy research, education, and action initiatives;
 - ii. an appeals process for undergraduate students pursuant to i.;
 - iii. addressing conflicts-of-interest; and
 - iv. ensuring proper expenditure of funds granted.
- (2) The mandate of the First Alberta Campus Radio Association is to operate an FM radio station that includes a University of Alberta focus.
- (3) The mandate of the Gateway Student Journalism Society is
 - (a) to publish at least fifteen issues of the *Gateway* during each Fall or Winter term;
 - (b) to offer advertising rates discounted by at least ten percent to the Students' Union and registered student groups;
 - (c) to develop, advertise, and implement actions to resolve complaints about the editorial policy of the *Gateway* and its staff; and

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- (d) to devote a portion of any budget surplus to providing scholarships for undergraduate students.
- (4) The mandate of Student Legal Services of Edmonton is to assist undergraduate students not enrolled in Augustana Faculty and members of Edmonton's low-income community with legal issues, free of charge.

The Access Fund

- 4. (1) There shall be an Access Fund endowment, consisting of
 - (a) ten percent of the funds allocated to the Access Fund each year; and
 - (b) all revenues generated from the investment of the Access Fund endowment.
- (2) During the first year in which revenues generated from the investment of the Access Fund endowment exceed those Students' Union fees allocated to the Access Fund, Students' Council shall review the existence of the fee dedicated to the Access Fund.
- (3) Every undergraduate student shall have the opportunity to receive a refund of the portion of his/her Students' Union fee dedicated to the Access Fund.
- (4) The portion of the Access Fund that is neither added to the endowment nor spent on administrative purposes shall be disbursed to undergraduate students in the form of needs-based bursaries.

The Student Involvement Endowment Fund

- 5. (1) The Student Involvement Endowment Fund is managed by an Awards Committee consisting of
 - (a) the Vice President (Academic) or designate, as chair;
 - (b) seven undergraduate students selected annually by Students' Council; and
 - (c) a secretary, appointed by the chair, as a non-voting member.
- (2) The Awards Committee may establish, amend, eliminate, and award awards recognizing student involvement, such awards to be funded by the Student Involvement Endowment Fund and/or external sources, provided that

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- (a) not more than eight and one half percent of the balance of the Student Involvement Endowment Fund is spent in this fashion in any one year;
 - (b) no single award has a value greater than two thousand five hundred dollars;
 - (c) no award is awarded to a member of the Awards Committee;
 - (d) no monetary award is awarded to any person who is not an undergraduate student;
 - (e) no person receives more than one monetary award in a single year;
 - (f) no monetary award is awarded to a salaried employee of the Students' Union; and
 - (g) the Awards Committee awards all externally-funded awards delegated to it by the Executive Committee.
- (3) The Awards Committee may establish, amend, eliminate, and award awards recognizing outstanding undergraduate teaching at the University of Alberta.
 - (4) The Awards Committee may establish such rules and procedures as may be necessary for the fulfillment of its mandate.
 - (5) The Vice President (Academic) shall report all decisions of the Awards Committee to Students' Council.
 - (6) Quorum of the Awards Committee is the chair and four additional voting members.

The Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund

- 6. (1) The Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund shall be distributed to undergraduate students, student groups, and for the purpose of ensuring that programs, equipment, and facilities offered by the University of Alberta's Campus Recreation remain of high quality, diverse, convenient, accessible, and affordable to undergraduate students not enrolled at Augustana Faculty.
- (2) Funds from the Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund shall not be used for
 - (a) funding projects that are receiving other Students' Union funding;

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- (b) transportation;
 - (c) supplementing University of Alberta staff wages;
 - (d) awards; or
 - (e) volunteer appreciation.
- (3) Not more than one quarter of the funds available in the Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund in any one year shall be allocated to any one project or recipient.
- (4) The Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund shall be allocated on an annual basis and shall not be allocated to commitments extending beyond one year from the time of granting.
- (5) Recipients of funding from the Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund shall be required to provide to the Students' Union receipts or other proof that the funds granted were used for the purposes for which they were intended.

The Eugene L. Brody Fund

7. The Eugene L. Brody Fund shall be distributed to federally-registered charitable organizations.

The Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund

8. (1) The Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund shall be distributed to University of Alberta varsity athletic teams and the Athletics Department for the purposes of
- (a) saving and stabilizing varsity athletic teams; and
 - (b) the promotion of varsity athletics.
- (2) Recipients of funding from the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund shall be required to provide to the Students' Union receipts or other proof that the funds granted were used for the purposes for which they were intended.

The Refugee Student Fund

9. (1) The Refugee Student Fund shall be used for the support of four undergraduate refugee students at the University of Alberta selected by the World University Service of Canada Refugee Student Sponsorship Committee and consisting of
- (a) one refugee student in his/her first year of study;

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- (b) one refugee student in his/her second year of study;
 - (c) one refugee student in his/her third year of study; and
 - (d) one refugee student in his/her fourth year of study.
- (2) Not more than three percent of the funds available in the Refugee Student Fund in any one year shall be used for administrative purposes.
 - (2) Sixty-six percent of the Fund's annual revenues shall be disbursed to the refugee student in his/her first year of study.
 - (3) Sixteen percent of the Fund's annual revenues shall be disbursed to the refugee student in his/her second year of study.
 - (5) Seven percent of the Fund's annual revenues shall be disbursed to the refugee student in his/her third year of study.
 - (6) Six percent of the Fund's annual revenues shall be disbursed to the refugee student in his/her fourth year of study.

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To the Member's of Students' Council,

I am writing both to apologize for my negligence as a representative on bylaw committee, and to resign my position from this critical committee. I simply have too many executive commitments to do another one justice, and apologize to the committee and its chair for your trouble.

Yours sincerely,

Leah

Prepared by: Zach Fentiman, Vice President (Operations and Finance)

To: Students' Council 2009/2010

Operating Plans

BFC is busy reviewing operating plans. I've also discussed a revised Operating Plan process with the Manager and Assistant Manager of Student Services.

Athletics & Recreation Fee Advisory Committee

I've been working with Nick Dehod and this committee to explore the purpose and administration of the Athletics & Rec Fee, the Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund, and the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund. This should also assist council's understanding of the various fees and their interaction with The PAW.

The PAW

Also working on this with Nick and the rest of the PAW committee. We're determining the functional diagram of the building, the governance structure, the cost and fees, and much more for a presentation to council. This presentation will likely be delayed to November 17, 2009 as we compile all of this information into a presentation with Dean Mahon and Dean Robinson.

SU Social Responsibility Committee

The SU SRC met on Friday, October 16, 2009 and finalized its terms of reference (standing orders) and the selection process for SALS. I'll be chairing this committee for the 2009-2010 year.

Mid-year Planning Review

Conducted a review of all business units across October 19 – 21. No substantial surprises to be noted (save for Dewey's which is performing very well). This meetings will be conducted every month or two months with the General Manager, the Assistant GM (Mgr. Finance and Administration), and the relevant senior and operations managers.

Report to Council

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

2009-2010 II #06/07/08

October 27, 2009

Prepared by: Zach Fentiman
To: Students' Council 2009/2010

Dear Council,

The August 26, 2009 meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee did not make quorum.

At the September 16, 2009 meeting, the committee set its Fall Meeting Schedule to 5:00PM off-council Wednesday evenings as the committee's regular meeting time. The committee also reviewed the departmental budget for Department 411 (Facilities) to complete the operating plan review for that department. No significant concerns to be noted.

At the October 16, 2009 meeting, the committee reviewed the Departmental Operating Plans and Operating Budgets for SUBmart, SUBtitles, and the Post Office. No significant concerns to be noted; however, refer to the minutes for detailed questions asked. The committee also revised its meeting schedule it set on September 16. **The committee now meets 4:00PM on-council Fridays.**

The committee will continue with its review of departmental operating plans by finishing retail and Entertainment and Programming Units and the next meeting. (the committee has yet to review retail units (SUBprint), Food & Beverage units, Entertainment and Programming units, and Service units).

Sincerely,

Zach Fentiman

October 24th, 2009

Dear Students' Council,

With six months of my year behind me, I thought it was important to take some time and re-evaluate what I promised students I would do in the context of current opportunities and events. If you recall, I have been structuring my reports to council around my eight campaign priorities. While I struggled with creating thermometers like the VP Operations and Finance, I will instead classify my progress, or lack thereof, into four groups:

- The Organization Moved Backwards
- Held the Line
- Slight Improvements
- Substantial Improvements

For each goal I will classify it into one of four categories, and then briefly explain why I think this is the case:

1. Promoting Great Teaching: *Made slight improvements:* because of the success of the academic plan submission.

2. Raising the Profile of Faculty Associations: *Made slight improvements:* because of the attendance at COFA, and the approach we have taken to tuition and the academic plan.

3. Advocate for experiential learning and undergraduate research opportunities: *Substantial improvements:* because of the success of the academic plan.

4. Identify the academic needs of non-traditional student communities: *Held the line:* not as much progress as I would like.

5. Freeze the Costs of Academic Materials where possible: *Substantial improvements:* not in freezing the costs, but the work of the academic materials consultant means the potential for a wide range of lower-cost options are more available than they were last year.

6. Make the Academic Experience an Access Issue: *Substantial improvements:* by working the VP External, and on the way the organization is handling the tuition debate.

7. Changing the Portfolio: *Slight Improvements:* which I think will come to fruition late in the year.

8. Pursuing Great Academic Advising: *Slight improvements:* which I think can develop into dramatic improvements with solid work on the academic plan.

It has been such a privilege to do this job over the past six months, and I am very excited about the next six but, with your permission, I think that my time, and students'

resources are better spent if I understand the work that I said I would do, and think I could complete in the next six months, I'm doing as fitting into these goals instead:

Note: These are goals that I will pursue in addition to all of the traditional work of the VPA, supporting the AVPA with awards night, attending committees etc.

1. Developing the Portfolio:

a) Externally:

- Online Outreach: Maintaining Blog, Twitter weekly, daily respectively
- Physical Weekly Outreach and Winter Academic Plan Campaign
- Re-branding the Portfolio Visual Identity

b) Internally

- Expanding and institutionalizing the VPA Transitional Structure
- Resources/Infrastructure the Students' Union Allocates to the Portfolio
- Expanding the Suite of Issues the VPA works on

2. Increasing the Profile and Power of the Council of Faculty Associations:

- a) Working with each FA individually
- b) Reevaluating, and committing resources, to the COFA subcommittee infrastructure
- c) Branding the COFA

3. Build Sustainable Student Government in the Faculty of Science

- a) Work with the interim governor to ensure that a new faculty association is established and strong by the end of my term on April 30th, 2010.

4. Lobby for the creation of a strong, student centered academic plan

- a) Continue Assiduous Lobbying Throughout the Fall Term
- b) Conduct a student awareness campaign in the winter term
- c) Participate as a writer throughout the winter term

5. Develop Student Government

- a) Work with University Hall, Council, Executive, Advocacy, Faculty Associations, The Secretariat, and Student Group Services to develop support for all students engaged in governance work. Ex) Council Wiki, Advocacy Training, Advocacy podcasts

6. Support and Institutionalize the Role of the Academic Materials Consultant

- a) Develop and Distribute a Department-by-Department Presentation with the Academic Materials Consultant to provide tangible alternatives for instructors that save students money, and improve the learning experience
- b) Work with the Academic Materials Consultant to create a support position in the future for one-on-one instructor counseling.

7. **Create a Strategy for Transfer, International Students and Campus Associations to change SU Organizational Culture**
8. **Work with the Committee on the Learning Environment Subcommittee on Teaching Evaluation to approve through governance a new teaching evaluation tool**

As I blogged about, normally when a student runs for a position they, as I did, only run based on their opinions on a set of issues upon which the Students' Union usually works. I argued that Executives really have two jobs: VP job, and an executive manager job. As a result, I have created a series of management goals for my other role in the organization that I hope you will hold me accountable to.

1. Work with the **Associate Vice President Academic** to develop the position to set management goals, and determine ways we can make the AVPA job even more of a **professional development opportunity**, and make those a reality.
2. Work with the general manager to make sure that a) executive understand the expectation of them to set a positive tone for the organization b) work with the general manager and HR services at the U of A, the admin team to help develop a **healthy work environment** around the academic portfolio
3. Work with the executive to assess **workload issues**, and how they can be addressed, to insure quality work by the Executive Committee, and how this relates to the future of the Vice President Academic.
4. Maintain and expand **VPA Fridays** as a tool for the Acadream team to come together to discuss ideas every week.

These four goals are very new, and may change slightly. But the principle will remain that throughout the year, I will try and update you on two sets of goals. Of course, internally goals can and should not be updated in the same way, but I want to recognize them as being an important part of the way I serve students.

To emphasize, I am directed by Students' Council and if you have concerns about any of the above, I hope you will not hesitate to contact me. I am so eager to work hard for students over the next six months, and I would love to work with you! If any of these projects interest you, I very much hope you will let me know, and a I would be thrilled to involve you in any way that interests you.

Thank you so much for all of your hard work for students,

Yours sincerely,

Leah Trueblood

Report to Students' Council

October 14, 2009

Kory Mathewson, President



Board of Governors/City Council Meeting & Dinner – Sep 30 2009

Student Survey Focus Group #1 – Oct 1 2009

Student Financial Aid Information Meeting – Oct 1 2009

Board Advisory Committee Meeting – Oct 1 2009

Alumni Recognition Awards Night – Oct 1 2009

Board of Governors Strategic Planning Session – Oct 2 2009

Pecha Kucha 5 – Oct 2 2009

“Why? Retreat” – Oct 3 2009

Edmontonstories.ca Information Meeting – Oct 5 2009

Student Survey Focus Group #2 – Oct 6 2009

Lunch with Dr. Myer Horowitz – Oct 6 2009

China Institute Board Meeting – Oct 6 2009

Introduce John Wood, “Leaving Microsoft to Change the World” – Oct 6 2009

Board Advisory Committee Meeting – Oct 8 2009

Board Finance and Property Committee Meeting – Oct 8 2009

Meeting with Dean of Students Frank Robinson – Oct 8 2009

Major topics of discussion around the University of Alberta boards and committees are:

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- 2009/10 Budget Realities and 2010/11 Budget Forecast
 - Branding discussions/focus groups
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Report to Students' Council

October 27, 2009

Kory Mathewson, President



Budget Advisory Committee – Oct 13 2009

Executive discussion on approach to tuition – Oct 13 2009

Consultation and information sharing with Students' Council – Oct 13 2009

“Tuition Talks” presentation at Council – Oct 13 2009

Academic Planning Committee – Oct 14 2009

Sustainability Awareness Week Final Preparations – Oct 15 2009

Campus Cup meeting with Councilor Csorba – Oct 15 2009

Killam Awards Dinner at the Faculty Club – Oct 15 2009

“Energy, at what cost?” marketing meeting – Oct 16 2009

STAND Event (speech online at su.ualberta.ca) – Oct 16 2009

Preparations for Council Retreat with Councilor Dunn – Oct 16 2009

Council Fall Retreat at Dewey's – Oct 17 2009

Four interviews on the Students' Union reaction to budget news – Oct 19 2009

“Energy, at what cost?” event at Myer Horowitz Theatre – Oct 19 2009

Budget Advisory Committee – Oct 22 2009

**Student engagement meeting with Dean of Agriculture, Life and Environmental Sciences
Dr. John Kennelly – Oct 22 2009**

Residence Hall Association meeting – Oct 22 2009

Executive/Services breakfast meeting – Oct 23 2009

Management Training – Oct 23 2009

Breakfast with the Graduate Students' Association – Oct 26 2009

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