

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday September 14, 2010
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

ORDER PAPER (SC 2010-10)

2010-10/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2010-10/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, September 21, 2010

2010-10/2 PRESENTATIONS

2010-10/2a Access Fund Endowment Recommendation- Presented by Zach Fentiman VP Operations and Finance. Sponsored by Zach Fentiman VP Operations and Finance.
The presentation will give clarity around how the Access Fund endowment and reserves are currently utilized and how both could be better utilized under GAC's proposal to transfer funds to the Student Involvement Endowment Fund.

2010-10/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2010-10/3a Executive Committee Report

Please see document SC 10-10.01

2010-10/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2010-10/5 QUESTION PERIOD

2010-10/6 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2010-10/6a **PARSONAGE/COX MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee, Students' Council approve Bill # 2 in second reading.

Principles:

- Chairs of standing committees shall be elected using the balloting procedures currently outlined in Bylaw 2000.

Please see document SC 10-10.02

2010-10/6b **TURNER/ROSS MOVES THAT**, upon the recommendation of the Grant Allocation Committee, Students' Council authorize a transfer of the total of the Access Fund endowment and the total of the Access Fund accruals and reserves less five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) to the Student Involvement

Endowment Fund.

2010-10/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2010-10/7a

SAIDANE MOVES TO appoint (1) one member of Students' Council to the Budget and Finance Committee

2010-10/8

INFORMATION ITEMS

2010-10/8a

Rory Tighe, VP Student Life- Report

Please see document SC 10-10.03

2010-10/8b

Nick Dehod, President- Report

Please see document SC 10-10.04

2010-10/8c

James Eastham, VP Academic- Report

Please see document SC 10-10.05

2010-10/8d

Zach Fentiman, VP Operations and Finance- Report

Please see document SC 10-10.06

2010-10/8e

Aden Murphy, VP External- Report

Please see document SC 10-10.07

2010-10/8f

Bylaw Committee- Report

Please see document SC 10-10.08

2010-10/8g

Douglas Cheung- Resignation

Please see document 10-10.09

2010-10/8h

Votes and Proceedings

Please see document 10-10.10

Executive Committee Report to Students' Council September 14, 2010

1. The following motions were passed on August 30th.

TIGHE/FENTIMAN MOVED THAT the Executive Committee motion to approve an expenditure not to exceed \$450.00 for Infolink board signage.

5/0/0 CARRIED

EASTHAM/FENTIMAN MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve a budgeted expense not to exceed \$540.00 for the purpose of printing 10 Things You Should Know About Being An Undergraduate Student document.

5/0/0 CARRIED

- (9) Non-voting members of standing committees
- (a) are not entitled to move, second, or vote on motions of standing committees,
 - (b) are not entitled to chair standing committees, and
 - (c) do not count towards quorum of standing committees.

12. Chairs of Standing Committees

- (1) Each standing committee shall be chaired by a member of that standing committee elected by ~~that~~ the voting members of that standing committee using the following procedure:-
- (a) Balloting shall be conducted by preferential balloting, in which each voter shall rank his/her choices for each position using natural numbers with one (1) representing the first choice, and increasing numbers representing less desirable choices.
 - (b) A candidate shall require a majority of voters to indicate him/her as their first choice in order to be elected.
 - (c) Voters shall be entitled to mark as few as zero candidates for any given position or as many as all of them.
 - (d) A section of a voter's ballot shall be considered spoiled where
 - (i) that voter has indicated the same number for more than one (1) candidate;
 - (ii) that voter has not included the number one (1) next to any candidate;
 - (iii) that voter has indicated more than one (1) number next to the same candidate;

or

 - (iv) that voter has used non-consecutive numbers.
 - (e) In the event that no candidate receives a majority of first place votes in a given race, the candidate with the fewest first place votes shall be eliminated.
 - (f) Any voter who has indicated an eliminated candidate with a number shall have the candidate marked with the next highest number following the number by which the eliminated candidate has been indicated take the place of the eliminated candidate, and so on, in such a way that all candidates indicated by that voter as less desirable than the eliminated candidate are registered as being one (1) step more desirable than originally indicated.
 - (g) Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, the candidate that had the fewest first place votes on the first count in which a differential existed shall be eliminated.
 - (h) Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first places votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, and where this tie has existed on every count, the candidate to be eliminated shall be selected from those candidates with the fewest first place votes by a random or quasi-random method selected by the Speaker of Students' Council.
 - (i) The process set out in this section shall continue for each position until such a time as a candidate receives a majority of first place votes for that position at which point that candidate shall be declared the victorious.

(j) Where “None of the Above” is declared victorious, no candidates shall be declared victorious.

- (2) The chair of the Council Administration Committee shall be a permanent member of the Council Administration Committee.
- (3) Notwithstanding (1), the Awards Committee shall be chaired by the Vice President (Academic) or designate.

13. Quorum of Standing Committees

- (1) The Audit Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, the Bylaw Committee, and the Grant Allocation Committee each have a quorum of four (4) members.
- (2) The Policy Committee has a quorum of five (5) members.
- (3) The Council Administration Committee has a quorum of three (3) permanent members.
- (4) The Elections Review Committee has a quorum of three (3) members.
- (5) The Awards Committee has a quorum of the chair and four (4) additional members.

14. Functioning of Standing Committees

- (1) Standing committees shall establish meeting schedules on a trimesterly basis, in advance, with the trimesters being
 - (a) May to August,
 - (b) September to December, and
 - (c) January to April.
- (2) No meeting of a standing committee shall occur unless
 - (a) every quorum-counting member of the standing committee has received at least seventy-two hours notice of the meeting, or
 - (b) every quorum-counting member of the standing committee consents to the meeting taking place.
- (3) Standing committees may adopt such standing orders as do not conflict with legislation.
- (4) The Speaker, and through him/her chairs of standing committees, shall have access to sufficient administrative support to ensure the proper functioning of standing committees, including but not limited to
 - (a) the creation and publication of agendas for committee meetings,
 - (b) the creation and publication of minutes for committee meetings,
 - (c) the booking of meeting rooms,
 - (d) the duplication of required documents, and
 - (e) access to Students' Union archives.

Prepared by: Rory Tighe, Vice President (Student Life)
To: Students' Council 2010/2011

Programming

Week of Welcome is just around the corner and the entire organization is in "fast-mode" in order to make it happen. We are still in great need for volunteers for the week so please pass on the word. If you are interested in volunteering you can sign up by emailing wow@su.ualberta.ca with your name, email, and hours of availability from September 6 – 10. All of the scheduling, information and ticket purchasing can be found at www.su.ualberta.ca/wow. I am certain that this will be a great welcome and start to the year and again want to thank Jen Wanke and Brennan Murphy for all of their hard work.

Student Services

We have recently initiated a services review for all of the Students' Union Services. We have a timeline, goals, and process that I will present to you in September at a council meeting. Many of our services are and were already going through individual reviews and structural changes and I think that this will be a great way to paint a picture for the future of Service delivery on campus. The review will also interact with the Strategic Plan and the Student Engagement Plan, which I will also be presenting to council in September.

Student Engagement Plan

I have begin a survey for the Student Engagement Plan for pre-orientation students. We will be gathering a post-orientation survey from the same participants which will be very interesting information to gather. I have also been continuing research into pre-existing student engagement documents and have found a lot of really great ideas. I hope to have a good idea of what the document will look like by the end of first semester.

Residences

The new Residence Community Standards are beginning their rounds through the University governance process. We have made some substantial progress in improving the new document but there is still some progress to be made.

I have also been in discussions with the Residence Halls' Association (RHA) President about what his year will look like. We are going to be focusing strongly on increasing the RHA profile this year both with University governance and Residence students.

Athletics Fees

Zach and I will be working to improve the transparency and administrative structure of the athletics fees over the year. I have met with the Dean of Physical Education and Recreation and have started a long process to do this. We will be using the Athletics and Recreation Fee Advisory Committee (ARFAC) to accomplish this goal.

Alcohol Policy

As some of you may have heard the University is currently re-evaluating its' stance on pubcrawls. I have been working with the Alcohol Policy Review Committee to address the issue and make sure that an adequate consultation process is enacted before any policy change is put forward. We will be meeting later this week to figure out the immediate communication plan for student groups planning to hold pubcrawls this year.

U-Pass

We have been having conversations about the spring/summer u-pass possibilities. We will likely wait until after municipal elections and then pursue City Council to help us make the pass a possibility.

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

September 2nd, 2010

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Students' Council

Greetings Council,

This report is to give you an update on what I have been working on through the last weeks of August. It does have some repetition from the email I sent out to Council on Tuesday, and it will be attached to the next Council agenda.

Academic Plan/Budget Consultation

At our next Students' Council meeting on September 14th, 2010, Dr. Carl Amrhein, the Provost, and Vice President (Academic) will be presenting the University's tuition proposal for the 2010/2011 Budget. A presentation will also be made on the University's new Academic Plan.

From what I am hearing so far, the tuition CPI increase will likely be below 2%, maybe even below 1%. From our conversations with the Administration, there will be no exploration of the creation of new non-instructional fees or adjustments to any old fees. There also will be no new market modifier proposal although we will have several consultations with the University about the manner in which market modifiers are implemented for next year. Doug Horner, the Minister of Advanced Education and Technology, has told us that he will be honoring his promise last year that the market modifier proposals would only be entertained last year. To summarize, at this point we are anticipating only a CPI increase to tuition this year of less than 2%.

The Academic Plan is beginning its consultation route on September 14th as well. The new Academic Plan will be a huge area of focus for us in the fall semester as it is one of the most important opportunities we have to shape what the priorities of the University of Alberta for the next four years.

In preparation for the September 14th Tuition and Academic Plan Presentation, we will be having a Budget/Academic Plan Orientation for councillors and interested students-at-large on Monday, September 13th, from 7pm to 8pm, with the location TBD. If you would like to get more information or background in advance on how the University's budget works or what an Academic Plan is, please do not hesitate to follow-up with me via email at president@su.ualberta.ca. I will be sending out more information close to the actual presentation date.

Board Chair Meetings

Over the last month I have met with the Chair of the Board of Governors, Brian Heidecker, as well as Sol Rolinger, the Chair of the Board Safety, Health, & the Environment Committee, and Gordon Clanachan, the Chair of the Board Finance & Property Committee. In these meetings I shared some of the SU's goals for the year and discussed some of the upcoming business these committees will see in the coming year.

Communication Projects

The televisions have been hooked-up for SUBTV and they should be ready to go for early September. The project has come in under budget and much praise must be given to our Web Content Editor (and BOG Rep), Craig Turner, for the hard work he has put in on this project over the summer. I'm really looking forward to seeing how the final product comes together.

The website is running slightly behind schedule because our design department has been swamped the last month with various projects including Week of Welcome, however we still believe we are on target to start having initial testing of the new site early in the fall semester. Stay tuned!

Vice President Tighe has been working with the staff in Infolink to develop a vision and plan for the service. A preliminary proposal document was shared at our last Executive meeting and I'm really excited about where they are going with the service. When it comes to increasing our presence on campus, I believe these Infolink booths provide some of the best potential to improve our visibility and accessibility to students.

Mental Health

Discussions are underway to move the Peer Support Centre to the second floor of SUB, locating it with the other mental health support services the University provides. We believe the move will help students from a user perspective, ensuring that if you need support you are going to one part of the building rather than being directed back and forth between several. Some interesting preliminary discussions are also happening with regards to what the opening up of the PSC, Bike Library, and possibly Campus Food Bank space, could mean for the Lower Level in the short and long term. More information will come to Council at a later date.

I have had several meetings over the last month to discuss opportunities to work together on mental health initiatives with different units, including Wade King from the Office of Human Rights & Safe Disclosure, and a presentation to Peer Health Educators. I will also be sitting down with Kris Foster to discuss her vision and plans for the Connecting the Dots: Helping Individuals at Risk initiative.

Fall Reading Week progress has been on hold with some key people being away on holidays over the last few weeks. In the coming month, discussion on the initiative should begin in earnest and you can expect a presentation to Council hopefully before the end of September.

Partners Conference in Ottawa (August 15th-17th)

This was probably one of the most important lobby group meetings we will attend all year. The usual function of Partners is to have Provincial Lobby Groups from across the country come together for information sharing and to trade best practices. This conference however focused on new federalism or what has been described as "switching the A's", the idea of a federal lobby group based on a partnership of provincial lobby groups rather than a partnership of single student associations (i.e. the Canadian Association of Student Alliances vs. the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations). Although Vice

President Murphy and I both attended, during our participation in the conference, VP Murphy spoke and acted as the Chair of CASA and I spoke and acted as a member of CAUS.

The details of the conference are too lengthy to outline here but to summarize, there was positive discussion and movement forward on the idea of new federalism however there still remain logistical problems and concerns that need to be resolved before any long term commitments to a new model of federal advocacy are made. Ultimately what needs to be determined is how great the actual benefits would be of changing CASA's current model of federal advocacy.

PAW Centre

In the last month, much of my time has been devoted towards the PAW Centre project. We are currently working on our final agreement between the University and the student associations. When this documents is completed, it will be brought to Council for final approval, much like how Vice President Tighe brought the U-Pass agreement to Council earlier this summer. We are also having several meetings about the Functional Operating Plan that essentially outlines the final space allocation and layout of the project. We should have multiple meetings about both before the next Council meeting and you can expect updates then.

Sustainability Audit

I am getting increasingly excited about the outcomes of this project. The collection data phase is now complete however there is a lot of data to sort through. We have extended Louise's contract into the fall semester so that she can transition members of our Executive and staff on her findings and so that we can come-up with a meaningful (dare I say sustainable) framework for moving forward. This does mean that Council will not see an end product until later in the fall however I think in the end we will have a stronger final product.

Staff BBQ

As was mentioned in a presentation earlier this summer, we are making an effort as an organization to appreciate the work of our staff. For the first time in many years we held a summer staff bbq on August 29th that was well received by the staff that could make it. For the record, I beat Vice President Fentiman in croquet and although I didn't come first in the potato sack relay, despite their best efforts I still came ahead of, again, Vice President Fentiman, and Vice President Eastham. Better luck next year gentlemen. Better luck next year.

U-Pass Agreement

Last week, as directed by Students' Council and by the result of the referendum last March, I signed the new three-year U-Pass Agreement. I have also picked up my U-Pass for the coming semester and hope you're able to beat the lines too before the madness begins next week.

Strategic Planning Committee

Our first Strategic Planning Meeting happened today. The meeting served as an introduction to the overall process and outlined some of the individual and groups expectations for the initiative. The Students' Union Strategic Planning Committee is:

Tom L'Abbe (Student Councilor)
Natalie Cox (Student Councilor)
Kenzie Gordon (Student Councilor)
Emerson Csorba (Student-At-Large)
Charles Dobranowski (Student-At-Large)
Tim Ira (Student-at-Large)
Nick Dehod (President)
Zach Fentiman (Vice President Operations & Finance)
Rory Tighe (Vice President Student Life)
Marc Dumouchel (General Manager)
Jane Lee (Senior Manager of Student Services)
Peter Ta (Senior Manager of Finance & Administration)

The first phase will happen over the next month, as we reassess our organizations mission, vision, and values.

If you have any further questions, suggestions, or concerns, please do not hesitate to follow-up with me, either in person at SUB 2-900, by phone at 780-492-4236, or by email at president@su.ualberta.ca.

"To hell with circumstances, I create opportunities" – Bruce Lee

Hello council,

Since it has been some time since our last meeting, and since I will be unable to attend the next meeting of Students' Council here is an update of the goings on in the academic portfolio:

Supporting Students in Governance:

Amanda Henry, Chris Henderson and myself met with Deb Holloway and Marion Haggerty-France from University Governance, as well as Stanley Varnhagen from the Faculty of Extension to discuss a draft of the Governance curriculum that Amanda has been working on. Her work was well received, and she will continue to develop the material.

Amanda and I have continued our meetings with Faculty Associations. We have met with the ISSS, BSA, ESS, and MSA to discuss goals for the year, COFA and to introduce the SGA position.

Student Awards

The Office of the Registrar wrapped up its awards process review, a list of recommendations outlining the direction the awards program should take in the future will be forthcoming.

I also met with Angela Martinevic from the Office of Development to discuss the possibility of the SU receiving a donation towards an award. Nothing is set in stone yet, and I shall update council as these talks progress.

Undergraduate Research

Connie and I met to discuss plans for undergraduate research. I hope to have draft document outlining our plans for this year and for the future within the week so that we can ultimately present it to the university. When it is finished I shall have it attached to the Council agenda.

I will be raising the concept of undergrad research in my meeting with the GSA later today. I hope to get buy in from their organization in order to help facilitate graduate student – undergraduate student mentorship opportunities.

Assessment and Grading

I talked with Dr Luth regarding his report on assessment and grading. The next steps will be to outline a strategy on how to move forward with the recommendations in his report. We will both be giving this thought and will meet again on the 28th to outline a more formal position.

VPIT meeting

I met with Johnathan Schaffer, the Vice Provost IT on Monday. There has been no progress on Gmail, and this month marks one year of negotiations. He said that Microsoft will be visiting campus on the 15th, and that he may raise the issue of e-mail with them in the event that nothing comes out of the Gmail talks. The problems with Microsoft will be the same as with Google, in that neither have had a contract with a PSE institution in Canada before, and both host their servers in the US under the jurisdiction of the PATRIOT act.

GFC

I attended the GFC executive committee on Monday, we discussed the new residence community standards, to which both Rory and myself expressed our dissatisfaction. The committee also received an update on the Academic Plan. A draft will begin circulation at the September 8th APC meeting.

ASC SOS was this Thursday, we discussed a new graduate program in the department of Drama, a certificate program in Native Studies and received an update from the Registrar's office on their early final admission pilot program.

Graduate Attributes

I met with Dr Heather Kanuka from the Centre for Teaching and Learning to discuss graduate attributes and their potential for application at the U of A. The CTL has started a project outlining a process for the adoption of graduate attributes and will keep council informed of any progress we make.

BAC

Nick and I attended BAC, where the Provost and the Vice President Finance and Administration talked about the budget for the upcoming year. It looks like the tuition increase this year will be minimal. They will be attending the September 14 council meeting to present on the budget and the Academic Plan.

IMHE 2010

Peter Ochs and I will be attending the OECD's Institutional Management in Higher Education conference in Paris, France with the CTL from the 13th to the 15th of September. We will be attending sessions on outlining strategies for increased access, the Bologna Process, Assessment of Higher Education Learning Outcomes and financial aid.

If you have any questions, please e-mail me and I will do my best to get you an answer.

Regards,

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September 2, 2010

To: Students' Council

Re: Report to Council

PAW Meetings

There have been a series of PAW-related meetings over the past couple of weeks. Primarily we are looking at moving ahead with functional master planning and setting preliminary timelines. We're also continuing discussions regarding the strategic/operating agreement as well. As a side note, we had a good "meet & greet style" lunch with the new Dean of Physical Education and Recreation (the Dean of Students was also present) and it went very well!

Operations and Finance Advisory Board

The operations and finance advisory board met on Tuesday, August 31, 2010 and took a walkthrough of SUBtitles to give impressions on things that we should look into in order to keep improving the used bookstore. I am very grateful for their thoughtful feedback.

Sustainability Implementation

We're doing a comprehensive review of the draft sustainability audit in order to ensure we're including as much context as possible for the reader. We've hired Louise part-time for the Fall semester to manage this process as well as other related projects.

Strategic Planning

The strategic planning cycle has started and the first meeting was Thursday, September, 3, 2010. I'll leave it to Nick to report on this—but as I am working with the planning committee, I figured I would report on my involvement.

GFC Facilities Development Committee

I am sitting on General Faculties Council Facilities Development Committee as James' delegate, and the committee met August 26, 2010. The committee approved the General Space Programme for the Students' Union Building. There were also updates provided for the GO Centre on South Campus (everything's going fine) and pedways.

Personal Academic Stuff

I am enrolled in three courses for the Fall term: ECON 385 (Intermediate Macro II), FIN 414 (Operation of Financial Institutions) and FIN 413 (Risk Management). These all occur around the noon hour each day.

Yours,
Zach

Report to Council

10-08-03

Prepared by: Aden Murphy, VPX – September 2, 2010



To: Students' Council of the University of Alberta

Good evening Council,

It has been too long since I have seen your smiling faces. So long, indeed, that I have contrived to write you a brief report on the external affairs of the Students' Union. I will start with a summary of the past month, and then briefly describe what will be on the plate for the next few weeks.

CASA Board of Directors Retreat

August was more or less my month out of the office. I flew out to Ottawa on August 11 for the CASA Board of Directors Retreat, which lasted three long days. There was little discussed during the retreat that pertained to advocacy priorities or government policy, and a huge amount about how to run a \$600 000 non-profit organization. We talked about restructured fee models, communications with members, and a whole lot of human resources. My predecessor warned me that my job would involve a lot more organizational management and HR than I expected, and I believe that she was correct. That said, the work on our retreat was extremely important for CASA and its members, and I believe we were very successful in our decisions.

The result of the retreat is a bit of musical chairs to replace our Government Relations Officer. That position will be filled by Spencer Keys, until recently our Policy and Research Officer, while Spencer's vacated position will be filled by Alex Lougheed, our bright summer intern. If any councilor is interested, I would greatly recommend reading some of Alex's work as a former editor of the independent student investigative blog, *UBC Insiders*.

Partners Conference and New Federalism

The night after the end of the CASA BoD Retreat, the Partners 2010 Conference started. Hosted by CASA, the provincial alliances and schools attending the conference were:

- Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS)
- Alberta Student Executive Council (ASEC)
- Ontario Undergraduate Student Alliance (OUSA)
- New Brunswick Student Alliance (NBSA)
- Alliance of Nova Scotia Student Associations (ANSSA)
- College Student Alliance (CSA)
- UBC Alma Mater Society (AMS)
- UPEI SU

Every attendee except one was a member of CASA or represented members of CASA in their alliance. The exception is the College Student Alliance, which represents 25 member student associations and over 135 000 full-time equivalent students in Ontario. They currently are engaged in no federal lobbying, and one of the major hopes in the future is to work with them on representing the whole spectrum of post-secondary students to the federal government: college & technical institute students, undergraduate students, and graduate students.

To kick off the conference, the provincial associations first discussed the issues and priorities that they would be working on this year, and areas where they could work with CASA for joint-lobbying. This list of issues was remarkably similar across the provincial alliances, with interest being raised to share research and work together on internationalization, credit transferability (between institutions and provinces), student financial assistance and First Nations, Métis and Inuit policy.

The rest of the conference was spent discussing a more structured partnership, or “new federalism” as it is also called. This was a long, difficult and frustrating discussion. Everyone around the table acknowledged the mutual benefits of more members, more coordinated research and increased capacity for federal advocacy, but the difficulty is in how to get to that point. Every provincial alliance in a unique position, and there is no simple way to overcome the issues raised. We came to some agreement about the rough skeleton of an organization, and decided to take it back to the members of each alliance. The discussion is slow, but ongoing. Time and interest from Council permitting, I’ll make a brief presentation on Partners and New Federalism later in September.

CASA and CAUS

Things are a little quiet at CAUS and CASA, as most members are busy with their start of school celebrations. On the provincial front, Hardave Birk, our fearless CAUS Chair, is putting together a package of information and arguments to send the members of the Alberta Student Executive Council regarding referendums and the mandatory non-instructional fee regulation. ASEC, which represents MacEwan, Mount Royal, NAIT, SAIT and the colleges of the province, has expressed concern that having all new fees go to referendum may be overly restrictive and labour-intensive, especially for small increases. Having witnessed the unilateral implementation of the \$290 CoSSS fee (originally set for \$550), my and CAUS are pushing to have any new fees or new increases go to a referendum of the students who would be paying those fees. In our meeting with the minister, he stated that he would examine any position on fees that was agreed to by CAUS, ASEC and the Alberta Graduate Council. More reports will follow as this issue progresses.

Both CAUS and CASA are working on pre-budget submissions. CASA’s is still being written, and CAUS has completed theirs. It is available for the public at <http://caus.net/>. Read it.

September and the start of school

The 2010-11 academic year will start next week and campus will once again be flooded with new students. In addition to having to wait for the elevator and in line at L’Express, this is also time for the Students’ Union to connect with more of the student body. Week of Welcome alone will require a huge amount of time, more than the exec will be able to handle. For the SU, and for Council particularly, I believe that outreach to students is essential to maintaining and increasing our relevancy to the students we are elected to represent. I can’t wait to see everyone next week.

Lastly, as we have a while until we have a normal Council meeting, please don’t hesitate to give me an email or a call (780-217-4774) if you have a question or concern. Enjoy your weekends!

Good Evening Council!

I have had the pleasure of chairing bylaw for two months while Councillor Kusmu was on vacation. I am happy to have had the opportunity to lead a fantastic group! Now that he has returned, he will be resuming the chair duties; so if you have any burning bylaw questions, he's your man!

In addition, the process of reformatting the Bylaws has begun, and I anticipate the completion to be within the next week or two. Again, if you'd like to check out the formatting template, I have it available!

Cheers!

Jenna Parsonage

With the new school year starting, I was accepted into and will be transferring from the Faculty of Science into the Faculty of Medicine this fall. As such, I regret to inform you that I will have to resign from my position as SU Councillor (as well as on the BFC, CAC, and Audit Committees). It was a blast getting to know everyone and I had a lot of fun serving with you guys! All the best!

Regards,

Douglas Cheung

STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday August 17, 2010
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2010-09)

- 2010-09/1 **SPEAKER'S BUSINESS**
- 2010-09/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, September 14, 2010
- 2010-09/1b Pursuant to the Speaker's authority granted by Standing Order 3(1) and 3(2), the September 7th, 2010 meeting of Students' Council has been cancelled and a meeting has been called for September 21, 2010 at 6:00pm
- 2010-09/7 **GENERAL ORDERS**
- 2010-09/7a **TURNER/KAAI MOVED THAT** Students Council appoint (3) members to the SU Strategic Planning Committee Selection Panel.
- Nominations: Turner, Ross, Kaai
- Nominations Closed
- Appointed: Turner, Ross, Kaai
- 2010-09/3 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**
- James Eastham, VP Academic- Oral Report
- 2010-09/4 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- Craig Turner, CAC Chair- Oral Report
- 2010-09/5 **QUESTION PERIOD**
- 2010-09/6 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
- 2010-09/6a **EASTHAM/HUYNH MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #15, that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy International Students in first reading, based on the following principles:
- that the Students' Union shall support accessible post-secondary education at the University of Alberta for international students.
 - that the Students' Union shall advocate to the University to provide support and services to international students in order to provide them with the

tools to achieve success in pursuit of a quality undergraduate experience.
that this policy expire on April 30th, 2012

Speakers List: Eastham, Huynh

Motion: CARRIED

2010-09/6b EASTHAM/LEPAGE FORTIN MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #12, that Students' Council amend the Political Policy Academic Materials in second reading.

Principle:

that the Students' Union will educate instructors about the costs of textbooks and about alternatives available to them.

Speakers List: Eastham

Motion: CARRIED

2010-09/6c TIGHE/COX MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #16, that Students' Council amend the Political Policy Public Transit in first reading based on the following principle:

that the Students' Union does not advocate that the regional municipalities and transit services prioritize BRT services.

Speakers List: Tighe, Turner, Huynh

Motion: CARRIED

2010-09/6d ROSS/RAO MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #17, that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy Student Space in first reading based on the following principles:

- that the Students' Union will push to ensure that student space provided by the University of Alberta takes into consideration the needs of students for the purposes of gathering, studying, and learning from one another.
- that the Students' Union will endeavor to influence space allocation and building development policies to ensure that demands of current and future demographics of students using the space are taken into account.
- that the Students' Union support the construction and renovation of classroom spaces to reflect advances in pedagogy.

that this policy expire on April 30th, 2013.

Speakers List: Ross

Motion: CARRIED

2010-09/6e FENTIMAN/COX MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee, Students' Council approve Bill # 2, that Students' Council amend Bylaw 2000 in second reading.

Principles:

- Chairs of standing committees shall be elected using the balloting procedures currently outlined in Bylaw 2000.

Ruled out of Order

KAAI/TURNER MOVED TO adjourn

Motion: CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm