

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday November 2, 2010
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

ORDER PAPER (SC 2010-15)

2010-15/1 **SPEAKER'S BUSINESS**

2010-15/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, November 16, 2010

2010-15/2 **PRESENTATIONS**

2010-15/3 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

2010-15/4 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

2010-15/5 **QUESTION PERIOD**

2010-15/6 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

2010-15/6a **MURPHY/COX MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #14 that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy Affordable Housing in second reading.

Principles:

1. that the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates that the Government of Alberta and the City of Edmonton remove the burden of municipal property taxes from residences.
2. that the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates that the Government of Alberta provide a large-scale, one-time infusion of capital funds to address deferred maintenance in existing residential facilities.
3. that the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates that the Government of Alberta provide capital funds towards the development of additional student housing.
5. that this policy expire on April 30, 2012.

Please see document SC 10-15.01

2010-15/6b **EASTHAM/FENTIMAN MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill # 19 that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy Research in second reading.

Principles:

1. that the Students' Union shall endeavor to ensure that the University views research and teaching as equally important constituent parts of the University;
2. that the Students' Union shall endeavor, through all possible avenues, to ensure that research at the University of Alberta is appropriately contextualized within the larger framework of the institution's structure;
3. that the Students' Union advocate for more opportunities that allow undergraduate students to partake in research.
4. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014

Please see document SC 10-15.02

2010-15/6c

TIGHE/EASTHAM MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #21 that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy Sustainability in first reading based on the following principles:

1. that the Students' Union shall encourage the University to develop innovative solutions to environmental issues through the School for Energy and the Environment;
2. that the Students' Union shall advocate to the University for the continued adherence to the highest environmental standards in its operations;
3. that the Students' Union advocate for the inclusion of topics in sustainability in course curriculum where appropriate;
4. that the Students' Union seek to actively engage the student population in sustainability initiatives and education.
5. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2014.

2010-15/6d

EASTHAM/FENTIMAN MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #15, that Students' Council adopt the Political Policy International Students in second reading. Principles:

1. that the Students' Union shall support accessible post-secondary education at the University of Alberta for international students.
2. 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.
3. that this policy expire on April 30th, 2012

Please see document SC 10-15.03

2010-15/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2010-15/7a

DEHOD MOVES THAT two (2) students' councilors be appointed to the University of Alberta's Advisory Review Committee for Vice President (Research).

2010-15/7b

COX/TURNER MOVE THAT Students' Council adopt Bill #22 in first reading. Principle:

1. That the Elections Review Committee consist of five (5) members of

Students' Council, including up to a maximum of one (1) member from the Executive Committee, and the Chief Returning Officer as a non-voting member.

2010-15/8

INFORMATION ITEMS

2010-15/8a

Votes and Proceedings

Please see document SC 10-15.04

THE STUDENTS' UNION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT

<i>Policy Number:18</i>	<i>Effective Date: October 26, 2010</i>	<i>Page 1 of 2</i>
	<i>Expiration Date: April 30, 2012</i>	
<i>Affordable Housing:</i>	Policy Committee	
<i>Subject Matter</i>	- <i>Category:</i>	POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)
	- <i>Specific:</i>	<i>Affordable Housing Policy</i>
	- <i>Topic:</i>	

WHEREAS the cost of housing is a significant financial burden for students often comparable to tuition;

WHEREAS the University of Alberta has accumulated large deferred maintenance liabilities on many of its residences;

WHEREAS deferred maintenance negatively affects the quality, affordability and safety of residences;

WHEREAS municipal property taxes on residences, passed on through increases to rent, represent an increased strain on affordability for students;

WHEREAS vacancy rates in the Edmonton area are traditionally low and rental costs relatively high;

WHEREAS a lack of affordable housing discourages both prospective and current students from pursuing post-secondary education;

WHEREAS a lack of affordable housing represents an even greater barrier to traditionally underrepresented groups;

WHEREAS Alberta is the only jurisdiction in Canada to assess property taxes on university residences;

WHEREAS the Government of Alberta has identified increasing access to Post Secondary Education for traditionally underrepresented groups as a priority;

Policy History:

Reference/Vote

9/0/0

5/0/0

Board/Committee

Policy Committee

EPC

Date of Council Approval

October 26, 2010

April 3, 2007

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates that the Government of Alberta and the City of Edmonton remove the burden of municipal property taxes from residences;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates that the Government of Alberta provide a large-scale, one-time infusion of capital funds to address deferred maintenance in existing residential facilities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students' Union advocates that the Government of Alberta provide capital funds toward the development of additional student housing.

Policy History:

Reference/Vote

9/0/0

5/0/0

Board/Committee

Policy Committee

EPC

Date of Council Approval

October 26, 2010

April 3,2007

THE STUDENTS' UNION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT

Policy Number:10

Effective Date: October 26, 2010

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Expiration Date: April 30, 2014

Responsibility for Policy:

University Policy Committee

Subject Matter

- *Category:*

POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)

- *Specific:*

Research

- *Topic:*

Research

WHEREAS research and teaching represent the foundation of any comprehensive higher education institution;

WHEREAS research is a valuable aspect of the University;

WHEREAS conducting research is a necessary activity that improves the reputation of the University;

WHEREAS teaching and research have a symbiotic connection within the framework of any comprehensive higher education institution;

WHEREAS university culture lends itself to celebrate the successes of research while overlooking successes in teaching;

WHEREAS indirect costs of research are necessary expenses not covered by research funding and are therefore covered by the University operating budget;

WHEREAS when the indirect cost of research competes with undergraduate education for funding, it encroaches on the quality of education delivered to undergraduates;

WHEREAS undergraduate students should be able to take advantage of the research infrastructure of the University;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union shall endeavor to ensure that the University views research and teaching as equally important constituent parts of the University;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union shall endeavor, through all possible avenues, to ensure that research at the University of Alberta is appropriately contextualized within the larger framework of the institution's structure;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union advocates for more opportunities that allow undergraduate students to partake in research.

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

<i>Policy Number:</i> 20	<i>Effective Date:</i> October 26, 2010	<i>Page</i> 1 <i>of</i> 2
	<i>Expiration Date:</i> April 30, 2012	
<i>Responsibility for Policy:</i>	External Policy Committee	
<i>Subject Matter</i>	- Category: POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)	
	- Specific: International Students	
	- Topic:	

WHEREAS international student differential represents a serious threat to affordability and accessibility;

WHEREAS international students should not bear the burden of institutions' financial deficits;

WHEREAS the University of Alberta clearly recognizes the importance of international students;

WHEREAS the government of Alberta no longer requires educational institutions to charge international student differential fees;

WHEREAS the *A Learning Alberta* review of Alberta's post-secondary education system recommends Alberta "develop and implement an international education strategy";

WHEREAS international student differential decreases the geographic diversity of our international students;

WHEREAS a diverse student body and institutional internationalization is a fundamental feature of a high-quality university education;

WHEREAS international students act as ambassadors while in Alberta;

WHEREAS international students may work in Canada for up to three years after completion of their program and may also apply for landed immigrant status;

Policy History:

Reference/Vote
Created 2006-24
4/0/0

Board/Committee
EPC

Date of Council Approval
April 10,2007/ SC 06-25/5e(ii)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the that the Students' Union shall support accessible post-secondary education for international students at the University of Alberta; and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union shall advocate to the University to provide international students with the support and services needed to help them achieve success in the pursuit of a quality undergraduate experience.

Policy History:

Reference/Vote

Created 2006-24
4/0/0

Board/Committee

EPC

Date of Council Approval

April 10,2007/ SC 06-25/5e(ii)

STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday October 26, 2010
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2010-14)

- 2010-14/1 **SPEAKER'S BUSINESS**
- 2010-14/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, November 2, 2010
- 2010-14/2 **PRESENTATIONS**
- TURNER/COX MOVED TO** make item 2010-14/7b special order to be dealt with right after presentations
- Motion: CARRIED**
- 2010-14/2a Student Governance Advisor Presentation- presented by Amanda Henry & Chris Henderson, sponsored by President Dehod.
- 2010-14/2b Bee Clean Presentation- Presented by Tarik Accord & Merryn Edwards, Justice for Janitors. Sponsored by Councillor Rao.
- TURNER/KAAI MOVED TO** postpone item 2010-14/2b until a legal opinion can be obtained
- KUSMU MOVED TO** call to question
- Motion: CARRIED**
- Main Motion: CARRIED**
- 2010-14-2c Residence Community Standards- Presented by Rory Tighe, VP student Life. Sponsored by Rory Tighe, VP Student Life.
- KUSMU/FENTIMAN MOVED TO** suspend the relevant standing orders to allow for a recess
- Motion: CARRIED**
- KUSMU/GORDON MOVED** to recess for 10 minutes
- RAO/KUSMU MOVED TO** call to question

Motion: FAILED

TURNER/ISKANDAR MOVED TO call to question

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

Recess at 7:30pm

Meeting called back to order at 7:40pm

2010-14/7

GENERAL ORDERS

RAO MOVED TO reject the consideration of item 2010-14/7b

Motion: FAILED

2010-14/7b

COX/L'ABBÉ MOVE THAT Students' Council censure the Chief Returning Officer for demonstrating a lack of impartiality.

Speakers List: Cox, Fentiman, CRO, French, Turner, L'Abbe', Hansra, Huynh, Rao, Iskandar, Kusmu, Ferguson, Parsonage, Murphy, Zinyemba, Tighe

COX/FENTIMAN MOVED TO move into informal consideration

Motion: CARRIED

Turner point of order: I believe it is inappropriate to question someone's motives

Speaker: Point well taken

COX/L'ABBÉ' MOVED TO amend the motion to read:

COX/L'ABBÉ MOVE THAT Students' Council distance the Students' Union from the Chief Returning Officers response letter to Mr. Jeffery's Gateway article and direct the CRO to not indorse none of the above in future elections.

TURNER/HUYNH MOVED TO amend the amendment to read:

COX/L'ABBÉ MOVE THAT Students' Council direct the CRO to not indorse none of the above in future elections.

MURPHY/HUYNH MOVED TO call to question

Motion: CARRIED

Amendment to the Amendment: FAILED

Main Amendment: CARRIED

ISKANDER/TIGHE MOVED TO call to question

Motion: FAILED

COX/ROSS MOVED TO call to question

Motion: CARRIED

Cox called for division

Dehod-A
Eastham-Y
Aden-A
Fentiman-Y
Tight-Y
Turner-N
Cox-Y
Kusmu-N
Rao-N
Roberts-Y
French-N
Gordon-N
Zinyemba-N
Yamigishi-N
Haider-N
Kaai-Y
Luimes-Y
Ross-Y
Iskandar-Y
Johnson-Y
Parsonage-Y
Zhao-Y
Tenove-N
Lepage Fortin-Y
Ferguson-Y
Cheema-N
Huynh-A
L'Abbe'-Y
Qiang-N
Hansra-N

2010-14/3

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

James Eastham, VP Academic- Report

Rory Tight, VP Student Life- Report

Nick Dehod, President- Report

FENTIMAN/TURNER MOVED TO make item 2010-14/6a a special order to be dealt with immediately

Motion: CARRIED

2010-14/6**BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS****2010-14/6a**

GORDON/ROSS MOVES THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Grant Allocation Committee, approve Bill #20 in first reading based on the following principles:

- 1) That the current Awards Committee be dissolved.
- 2) That all mandates and responsibilities of the current Awards Committee be transferred to the Grant Allocation Committee.
- 3) That the Grant Allocation Committee may delegate this authority as it deems necessary.

Speakers List: Gordon, Fentiman

Motion: CARRIED

2010-14/4**BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Craig Turner, BoG- Oral Report

Craig Turner CAC Chair- Oral Report

Petros Kusmu, Bylaw Committee Chair- Oral Report

Thomas L'Abbe', ERC Chair- Oral Report

Natalie Cox, Policy Committee Chair- Oral Report

2010-14/5**QUESTION PERIOD**

TURNER/HANSRA MOVED TO adjourn

Motion: CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 10:00pm

Councillor Attendance Records

2010-2011

Attendance

9/14/2010 SC 10-10

9/21/2010 SC 10-11

9/28/2010 SC 10-12

10/12/2010 SC 10-13

10/26/2010 SC 10-14

Council Seats (40 total Name

Ex-officio Members (6 voting seats)

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President	Nick Dehod	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP Academic	James Eastham	N	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP External	Aden Murphy	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP Operations & Finance	Zach Fentiman	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
VP Student Life	Rory Tighe	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
Undergraduate Board of Governors Rep	Craig Turner	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Faculty Representation (32 voting seats)

ALES	Natalie Cox	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Petros Kusmu	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Dorothy Roberts			N	Y	Y
Arts	Aditya Rao	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Nariman Saidane	Y	N			
Arts	Joel French	Y	Y	0.5	Y	Y
Arts	Kenzie Gordon	0.5	Y	Y	Y	Y
Arts	Malori Stan	0.5	N	Y	N	Y(p)
Augustana (Faculty)	Carlo Martin			Y	N	0.5
Business	Colten Yamigishi	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Business	Harry Chandler	Y(p)	N	Y(p)	N	Y
Education	Nagina wa Kaai	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Education	Vanessa Johnson			Y	0.5	N
Education	Britney Luimes			Y	Y	Y
Engineering	Michael Ross	Y	Y	Y	0.5	Y
Engineering	Ben Lambert	N	Y	Y	N	N
Engineering	Noel Broughton	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Engineering	Farid Iskandar	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
Law	Leslie Stitt	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
Medicine & Dentistry	Antonia Johnson	0.5	Y	0.5(p)	0.5	N
Native Studies	Jake Archie	Y	Y(p)	N	0.5	0.5
Nursing	Jenna Parsonage	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Nursing	vacant					
Open Studies	vacant					
Pharmacy	Sarah Zhao	Y	Y	Y	Y	0.5
Phys Ed & Rec	Peter Tenove			Y	N	Y
Saint-Jean (Faculty)	Raphael Lepage Fortin	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Science	vacant					
Science	Kim Ferguson	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Science	Andy Cheema	Y	N	N	Y	Y
Science	Steven Huynh	Y	Y	Y	N	Y
Science	Thomas L'Abbe'	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Science	Wei Qiang	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Science	vacant					
Science	Sangram Hansra			N	Y	0.5

Ex-Officio Members (2 non-voting seats)

Speaker	Steven Dollansky	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
General Manager	Marc Dumouchel	N	N	N	N	N

Resigned:

Deep Bara- May 4, 2010

Dough Cheung- Sept 14, 2010

Nariman Saidane- Sept 28, 2010